

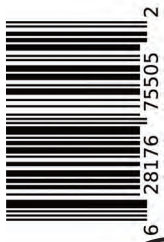
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## Wiikwemkoong shooting leaves two dead, one injured Monday

*Community left reeling following three gun deaths this year*

**by Expositor staff**  
WIKWEMKOONG—Two Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory men have been shot and killed in an incident that took place in the early morning hours of Monday, June 19. A third person was also shot during the incident and was taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

A source not authorized to speak to the investigation told The Expositor on Monday that all three people who were shot in the incident are from Wiikwemkoong. Three people have been arrested in the shooting, one from the Greater Toronto Area and two Island residents.

The Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police, assisted by the UCCM Anishnaabe Police and the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police were still on the scene of the incident as of press deadline Monday.

This is the second fatal shooting incident in Wiikwemkoong  
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## Northern Indigenous police services seek funding injunction

**by Michael Erskine**  
OTTAWA—The recent shooting incident in Wiikwemkoong has added impetus to the urgency being felt by Indigenous police services and the communities they serve. An emergency injunction hearing was held recently seeking interim funding extensions while a human rights challenge seeks to change the agreements being proffered by the agency overseeing a joint funding program.

Following a daylong series of representations seeking an emergency injunction forcing funding to flow to three Indigenous police forces in Northern Ontario, including Manitoulin's UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service (UAPS), Federal Court Justice Denis Gascon reserved his decision on the emergency motion  
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## \$10B proposed for Robinson-Huron annuities payout



The speakers at the proposed settlement announcement included, from left, Ontario Indigenous Affairs Minister Greg Rickford, Batchewana First Nation Chief Dean Sayers, and Robinson-Huron Treaty Litigation Fund trustee Duke Peltier. They are joined by several Manitoulin Island chiefs on hand for the historic announcement.

photo by Warren Schlote

## There's a proposed Robinson-Huron settlement. What happens next?

**by Warren Schlote**  
SUDBURY—A newly proposed settlement in the Robinson-Huron Treaty (RHT) Annuities Case has moved the process into community consultations, before a final vote on the final settlement agreement on past annuities.

The RHT Litigation Fund, alongside federal Crown-Indigenous Relations Minister Marc Miller and Ontario Indigenous Affairs Minister Greg Rickford, announced the proposed \$10 billion settlement this past Saturday, June 17, in Sudbury.

With the proposal in hand, community consultations will quickly begin in each of the 21 RHT First Nations, as the next phase of the process. Litigation is now suspended as this process unfolds, said RHT Litigation Fund legal counsel David Nahwegahbow.

"We know many of you and many in our communities have been waiting a long time for the settlement, and for Canada and Ontario to respect our rights and uphold their treaty obligations. And we will share information as soon as it becomes possible to do so," said RHT Litigation Fund spokesperson Duke Peltier, of Wiikwemkoong.

"We've been asking you to be patient. But don't worry, we'll be there. We're coming to talk," he said.

The community consultations will happen as soon as possible, but will also allow for time to ensure they happen in a good way, Mr. Peltier said. They could begin as early as this week, while the subject is still top-of-mind for Anishinabek.

This proposed settlement only applies to the underpayment of annuities since 1874. It does not address the ongoing and future amount that First Nations are owed under the annuity agree-

ment.

### Sharing information, asking questions

The consultation process will happen under the Office of Mizhinawé, the wing of the RHT Litigation Fund that will ensure communities have accurate information about the case and can make their voices heard.

The leader of that office is Har-

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## Crown reaches 'long overdue' proposed settlement with Robinson-Huron Treaty chiefs

**by Warren Schlote**  
SUDBURY—Chiefs of Robinson-Huron Treaty (RHT) communities have reached a proposed \$10 billion settlement with the governments of Canada and Ontario, regarding a breach of treaty that has continued into the modern era.

The RHT Litigation Fund announced the proposed settlement this past Saturday, June 17, at Laurentian University in Sudbury. The money is meant to correct more than a century of lost compensation, which the Crown owes the 21 RHT First Nations.

It does not address future annuities, which will be handled at a later date.

"The compensation from this settlement will ensure a stronger and brighter future for our people and our nations," said Batchewana First Nation Chief Dean Sayers, one of the leaders of the RHT Litigation Fund.

"We see this settlement as an opportunity to show the commitment of both Canada and Ontario to respect and implement our rights affirmed in the treaty," he said.

Ontario and Canada have each committed \$5 billion toward the proposed settlement. Details of

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## Gore Bay and Jarlette Health Services enter discussion with St. Joseph's Health Centre on future of Manitoulin Lodge

**by Tom Sasvari**  
GORE BAY—The Town of Gore Bay and Jarlette Health Services has entered into preliminary discussions with St. Joseph's Health Centre in Sudbury about the future of the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home.

"As announced in Gore Bay on March 21, Manitoulin Lodge and the Town of Gore Bay are in discussions about the future of the long-term care (LTC) home," reads a joint statement by the Town of Gore Bay and Manitoulin Lodge last Thursday. "At the announcement, it was stated that



St. Joseph's Health Centre in Sudbury has begun preliminary discussions with Gore Bay and Jarlette Health Services on the future of Manitoulin Lodge.

in Ontario, redevelopment of any LTC home is a lengthy process. The redevelopment of Manitoulin Lodge will involve many community partners from throughout Manitoulin Island, the provincial health-care system and government, as we clarify our vision for the future home and identify groups which could help us realize our vision."

"To that end, the Town of Gore Bay and Jarlette Health Services has entered into preliminary discussions with St.

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# The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Lakeview School Grade 2 students present gifts to the Grade 2/3 class students from C.C. McLean.

## Two Island elementary schools take part in special ceremonies held at Heart Garden

by Tom Sasvari

GORDON—If the rest of the world would follow the lead of students, teachers and helpers of Lakeview School in M'Chigeeng and Charles C. McLean Public School in Gore Bay, as well as members of the Western Manitoulin Community Garden (WMCG) there would no longer be any strife or conflicts in the world. To see children and adults listening to and performing actions to beautiful songs, sharing gifts and their cultures was a sight to be seen at the Heart Garden at the WMCG just outside of Gore Bay last week.

"Thank you to the students for those heart-warming presentations. This is truly reconciliation at work," stated Chuck Willson.

"I am Linda Willson from RavensWing in Ice Lake. Today our community garden is remembering the children from residential schools in this Heart Garden. We are grateful for having this land to help build community, to help grow good food for people and to help people grow their own food. We wish to

acknowledge that we are on the ancestral lands of the Three Fires Confederacy of Anishinaabe, the Odawa, the Potawatomi and the Ojibwe people."

"We are all treaty people," stated Ms. Willson. "The government made a treaty with the Anishinaabe people. That treaty is the Robinson Huron Treaty made in 1850. That was over 170 years ago. A treaty is a promise that both sides agree upon. The Anishinaabe are still working in the courts of this land, asking Canada and Ontario to honour those promises. In the spirit of reconciliation, we hope there will be a fair answer for the Anishinaabe people, our neighbours who are with us today."

"We hope that you will come and visit this garden from time to time and remember the children who suffered at Residential Schools, and especially remember those who never returned home," continued Ms. Willson. "Find out and think about the promises that were made in that treaty and find ways to make peace with our troubled past in Cana-

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## Manitoulin youth quilters have works displayed at Quilt Canada national conference in Halifax

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Six Manitoulin Island youngsters had their quilting works chosen and displayed among many other talented quilters across Canada.

"Yes, I love quilting," stated 12-year-old Chloe Moggy who along with five other Island youth quilters had their quilts selected and displayed at the Quilt Canada conference held June 8-10 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. "It was great to have my quilt selected for the national conference.

Ms. Moggy explained, "basically, I entered my name and then we receive a piece of material that we turn into whatever design we want for the quilt. The theme for Quilt Canada was 'From Coast to Coast to Coast,' so my design was a map of Canada with feet on the bottom, so it looks like it is going across Canada." She spent the last three months working on her quilt that was displayed at Quilt Canada and noted she has been in the local sewing program for the past three years.

Ms. Moggy was one of the six local Island youth quilters who had quilts on display at Quilt Canada, along with Allie and Katie Jameson, Violet Bell, Myla Trudeau and Shane Cranston.

Jackie White, who runs a threads club in Manitowaning

and is the media contact for the Canada Quilts Association (CQA) told The Expositor, "Our six kids from Manitoulin Island had quilts in Quilt Canada the biggest in Canada quilt show and conference." The event is hosted by Canadian Quilters Association/association Canadienne de la courtoise (CQA/ACC).

"They worked so hard on their quilts, and because the kids are brilliant, they were to design their own quilts," said Ms. White. "I teach sewing and they are part of the Threads Club through Assinack township.

The kids had to submit a design and had to use a specific piece of fabric that was donated by TrendTex Fabric."

"The TrendTex Youth Challenge is a way to encourage kids to quilt. CQA/ACC is big on promoting quilting to our kids. TrendTex Fabrics feels the same way and sponsor fabrics to the challenge. A piece of fabric that they supply must be visible in the quilt," said Ms. White.

"Janome Canada also believes in kids quilting as they donated first, second and third place win-

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## Manitoulin Transport named No. 1 LTL carrier in Canada for quality by Mastio and Company

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Manitoulin Transport has for the first time been ranked number one in the Mastio and Company's 2023 edition of the Canadian national less-than-truckload (LTL) customer value and loyalty study.

"This is the first time we have achieved the top spot in Canada," stated Jeff King, president of Manitoulin Transport, when contacted by the Expositor. "It is a pretty big deal, and we are pretty proud of the recognition. We have won being first in a category before, but we have never achieved the top spot overall in Canada."



"It is due to the hard work of all our people," said Mr. King.

The Mastio and Company's national LTL customer value and loyalty study is a comprehensive industry-wide study which ranked Manitoulin Transport as the top carrier out of 360 carriers according to key decision makers in the industry.

Industry professionals consistently named Manitoulin Transport as their top carrier when surveyed about qualities pertaining to trustworthiness, ease of doing business, problem resolution, billing accuracy, shipments picked-up when

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## Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly reject Metis Nation self-govt. agreement

by Tom Sasvari

CURVE LAKE—Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe says the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly has rejected the Metis Self-Government Recognition and Implementation Agreement between the Metis Nation of Ontario and Canada in its current form.

"Our chiefs voted to reject their (Metis Nation) claims to their self-government agreement with the federal government," Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe told The Expositor. "There was unanimous support on this motion."

"Basically, we recognize this self-government agreement would lead into land and resource issues," said Grand Council Chief Niganobe. "Absolutely it does, our

First Nations connections have been in place since the start and now this relatively new group could potentially interrupt these rights and jurisdictions."

The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly unanimously passed a resolution on day two of the Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Assembly on June 8. The 39 Anishinabek First Nations continue to assert that they are the only holders of inherent rights and jurisdiction over their traditional and treaty territories and that this history cannot be rewritten to create a narrative of nationhood for the Metis where one does not exist.

"This resolution highlights the

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## Sheshegwaning FN to enter into four-day work week pilot project

by Tom Sasvari

SHESHEGWANING—Sheshegwaning First Nation has taken a proactive step to help create a healthier work-life balance for staff and is piloting a four-day work week.

"The intent of the pilot project is to promote employee mental, emotional, physical and spiritual wellbeing," Sheshegwaning Chief Alana Endanawas told The Expositor. "Studies have shown that a four day-work week increases life and job satisfaction while decreasing stress and burnout."

"We are investing in our employee's holistic health so that they are in a good place to provide services to our community," said Chief Endanawas. "This pilot is modelled after a global pilot with a theme of 100 percent play, scheduled 80 percent of the time, in exchange for 100 percent productivity."

"We are doing this for the well being of our staff employees," said Chief Endanawas. She explained council, "has been talking about this initiative for over a year, and we decided to go ahead with a pilot project."

Chief Endanawas said the pilot four-day work week will begin the week of July 3 and end October 2023 with office hours from 8:30

am to 4:30 pm. The band office will be closed Fridays. Currently the office is open five days a week but closed at 1 pm on Friday.

Chief Endanawas pointed out surveys had been sent out to staff members. "It will be interesting to how this will be evaluated when the pilot project is completed. The success of this pilot will be evaluated and its continuation will be determined by the results of this evaluation. We want to ensure our community that they will see minimal changes to program delivery and services," she said. "We would like to express our gratitude to our community for your understanding and patience during this pilot project as our employee's holistic wellbeing is very important to our organization."

## Person wanted for first degree murder has been arrested

Prince Almando Graham

M'CHIGEENG—Another arrest has been made as part of an ongoing murder investigation involving Brandon Brooks of Toronto who died on April 5, 2022, in a shooting on M'Chigeeng First Nation.

On March 15, 2023, Prince Almando Graham, 38, from North York was arrested and charged with first degree murder contrary to section 235(1) of the criminal code. A warrant had been issued for his arrest.

The accused remains in custody and was scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice on June 14 in Sudbury.

On January 24, Robert Edwards, 31, a band member of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation residing in M'Chigeeng First Nation, was arrested and charged with first degree murder contrary to section 235(1) of the

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opinion

**editorial**

## Tragic news out of Wiikwemkoong highlights funding needs

As details began to emerge Monday regarding the circumstances surrounding a multiple shooting incident in Wiikwemkoong, it is hard not to place those events in the balance favouring increased funding for Indigenous police services seeking access to their own major crimes, canine and domestic assault units.

Three Indigenous police services met in front of a federal court judge this past week seeking to have their funding contracts extended, citing discrimination in several of the provisions of the First Nation Inuit Policing Program contracts they have been handed with what they characterize as a take-it-or-leave-it disdain.

It is no secret that some Island reserves have been drowning under an ever-increasing wave of criminal gang members travelling from large southern Ontario urban areas—bringing with them deadly drugs, gun violence and associated terrorization of their communities.

This cannot be allowed to stand.

While we are cognizant of the trials afflicting Manitoulin's reserve communities, they are not alone. With ever-increasing frequency, rural Northern communities are facing the same onslaught as city-based criminals seek greener pastures in the under-victimized North.

Reserves are particularly juicy targets for these violent criminals due to the historic distrust that has been inculcated by centuries of overt racism and discriminatory practices to which those communities have been subjected by those who were supposed to serve and protect and a court system that has historically weighed race and com-

munity in the balance beams of justice.

The current opioid crisis is claiming victims across the racial spectrum. Whiteness of one's skin may have been somewhat a shield against incarceration, but the needle does not discriminate. There are few families who have not been impacted in some way by this abomination afflicting us all—and believing ourselves immune is nothing but a fool's errand.

The distrust hampering police services in dealing with drugs, weapons and gang violence will not go away anytime soon—especially since a not-insignificant number of citizens believe some of the police are themselves involved.

Indigenous police forces must be given the tools they need in order to make their communities safe from the social parasites afflicting our communities. Not just our friends, not just our neighbours, but each and every one of us are being negatively impacted by this scourge, even if we are not readily aware of the connections.

It might come as something as a surprise that the current provincial government cut OPP funding—ideologically convinced that there was fat to be pared—leaving detachment commanders across the land scrambling to try and shore up those areas most impacted by the cuts.

It is time for our governments at every level stop counting beans when it comes to community safety and hand Indigenous police services the funds they need to keep our communities safe.

End stop.

**letters**

## Little Current resident provides MTO bridge letter

### Questions answered on status of new bridge

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following letter was sent to Little Current resident Zac Nichols by the Ministry of Transportation in response to a number of questions he had about the Manitoulin Swing Bridge in Little Current. Mr. Nichols has kindly agreed to the publication of his letter in order to provide information to other Islanders. Mr. Nichols has submitted follow-up questions and will supply those answers when received.

Dear Zak,

Reference: Little Current Swing Bridge Environmental Concern (MECP Reference: 357-2023-337)

Thank you for your interest in the Planning, Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for the Highway 6 Little Current Swing Bridge, and for taking the time to share your comments and concerns. This letter has been prepared in response to your previous email correspondence with the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) between February 18 and March 22, 2023. Please note that the headings below relate to the comments made in your email.

"Maintaining the current bridge makes the most economic sense."

MTO has undertaken several rehabilitation projects in recent decades to maintain the bridge in good condition and minimize the risk of breakdowns. Since 1985, the Ministry has invested almost \$18 million to maintain the bridge and to provide a safe and reliable link between Manitoulin Island and the mainland. This has included extensive maintenance and replacement of the bridge deck, structural steel and centre bearing replacement, and pier and abutment repairs. This annual average investment of over \$500,000 per year is much higher than other typical bridges in the provincial highway network (typically <\$100,000 per year).

"It would appear to me that the current bridge is sound above the waterline...."

The existing bridge is inspected every two years in accordance with the Ontario Structural Inspection Manual (OSIM) to ensure its safety, quantify the material deteriorations and determine the Bridge Condition Index (BCI). Prior to 2010, the BCI indicated that the bridge was in poor condition. Upon completion of major rehabilitation between 2009 and 2011, the BCI was improved, and the bridge was deemed to be in good condition. The 2020 inspection notes that, while the bridge is still considered to be in good condition, there are numerous elements with severe pitting and perforations due to corrosion. MTO recently engaged a service provider to conduct newly developed testing techniques that use sensors to examine the overall structural health of the bridge. Four of these tests have been carried out to date, the results of which indicate that the fixed spans are showing signs of stiffness degradation. Along with significant maintenance efforts to address recurring issues with outdated bridge components, the potential for further stiffness degradation render maintaining the bridge in service beyond its planned replacement economically and operationally unfeasible.

Underwater inspections were also completed for the bridge in 1984 and 2002. These inspections have not identified any defects or deteriorations that can be attributed to lack of structural integrity of the foundation elements below water. The latest underwater inspection indicated that the pier concrete exhibited adequate strength with some surficial deteriorations. Minor undermining at the bottom of some piers was also observed. The MTO is enhancing its monitoring efforts for the existing bridge until it is replaced, including two additional tests in 2023, and underwater investigations in 2023 and 2024.

"Also, when will the results of the most recent assessment of the bridge be made public?"

The BCI is posted on the MTO's website and can be found at data.ontario.ca/en/dataset/bridge-conditions. Information for the Swing Bridge can be found within the table on Row 4824. The 2020 BCI is 73.56 and refers to the condition of the structure at the time of inspection. More information on the BCI is found on the MTO bridge safety page at mto.gov.on.ca/english/highway-bridges/ontario-bridges.shtml.

"I am unaware of any emergency concerns..."

The existing swing bridge is over 100 years old and nearing the end of its service life. Residents, emergency service providers, and tourists require that the crossing be in service, and any shutdowns due to structural repairs or mechanical breakdown are problematic. Although past inspections have not identified significant defects or deteriorations that can be attributed to lack of structural integrity of the foundation elements below the water, the operation of the swing span relies upon outdated mechanical and electrical systems with many obsolete moving parts. These mechanical and structural components of the bridge will continue to deteriorate, which will require ongoing inspections, maintenance and repairs. This includes custom manufacturing of bridge components that are not readily available, resulting in longer repair times, traffic delays and significant capital costs.

"A new bridge would cause greater traffic back-ups in the town."

The new bridge will include one lane in each direction, which will improve overall traffic operations and access to the Town of Little Current and Manitoulin Island. As indicated in Section 6.2.8 of the Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR), when the new bridge is operating and closed to traffic (in swing motion), it is expected that the maximum queue length will be 500 m for both the northbound and southbound directions. A queue of this length in the northbound direction would extend approximately to Walcot Street. To minimize impacts within the Town, two additional 167 m long auxiliary lanes for northbound traffic will be provided to store vehicles. This will reduce the overall northbound queue length to approximately 165 m. As part of the Recommended Plan, additional lane control measures will be implemented to direct drivers to the queue lanes to reduce the length of queuing. These measures include: lane detectors to identify when a queue has reached a certain length and the lane is full; lane direction signals to identify which lanes are at capacity and to direct drivers to the appropriate lane; traffic signals at the start of the auxiliary lane to control which lanes are to re-enter the roadway based on their arrival sequence; signal timing or sensors to identify when a lane has cleared and that a new lane will be given green time. The operation and implementation of these measures will be investigated further during the design phase; however, the queue in the southbound direction is not expected to require any additional considerations. A Traffic Management Plan will also be developed during the design phase and will include measures that will be applied during construction to maintain access to local businesses. Any long-term nuisance effects are expected to be similar to existing conditions.

"I am concerned about any construction fouling our water intake, and our drinking water quality."

Although the measures to protect surface water and groundwater will be confirmed during detail design, the potential for impacts associated with construction may be mitigated by the following measures: completing a comprehensive Erosion and Sediment Control Plan during detail design; completing a drainage design to provide appropriate drainage capacity; directing runoff and overland flow away from working areas and areas of exposed soils; storing all oils, lubricants and other chemicals in suitable containers and handle them in accordance with applicable regulations; prohibiting any refuelling activities within 30 m of a watercourse.

Identifying best management practices for fuel management including secondary containment of temporary fuel storage. Identifying spill response plan for construction and clean up all spills immediately and dispose of contaminated materials in an approved manner. The MCEP will be informed of reportable spills. Obtaining draft Permit to Take Water (PTTW), if required.

Regards  
Diana Addley  
Senior Environmental Planner



# Tehkumma community bids farewell to 126 year-old church

by Michael Erskine

TEHKUMMAH—It's been nearly three years since regular services have been held in Tehkumma's Fairview United Church and the service held this past Sunday afternoon signals the end for the 126-year-old building's use as a United Church.

The 2 pm Sunday, June 18 decommissioning service began with a traditional communion worship service officiated by Rev. June McDougall, who also officiates at Knox United Church in Manitowaning and St. Andrews by the Sea in South Baymouth and a communion service and decommissioning by Rev. Melody Duncanson-Hales, Canadian Shield Region support minister.

Rev. McDougall began her greeting with the admonition that "memory is very important."

The services began with a land acknowledgement read by Mary Yett referencing the 126 years the congregation has cared for the land and the stewardship of the Anishinaabek under whom the land has been cared "for time beyond knowing."

The gathering hymn was 'Come in, Come in and Sit Down,' followed by the passing of the Peace of Christ (now done with hand on heart instead of handshake due to COVID). Following the offertory the hymn 'It Only Takes a Spark' set the tone for the opening prayer.

Debbie Robinson performed the first of two solos, exhorting the gathering to join her on the chorus. The first of these was 'I, the Lord of Sea and Sky,' which Ms. Robinson's voice delivered with heartfelt effect.

As might be expected, given the circumstances of the closure of the church building, Rev. McDougall's sermon referenced change, utilizing the metaphor of a caterpillar and a butterfly in demonstration that not all change is an ending.

'Make Me a Channel of Your Peace' was sung following the sermon before a Holy Communion service was held.

Following the initial church service, members of the congregation were invited to share their memories of the church, including services that may have impacted their lives, humorous stories or memories of loved ones who have passed. Participants lit candles in memorium, with late



June McDougall, centre left in robes (who also officiates at Knox United Church in Manitowaning and St. Andrews by the Sea in South Baymouth) and Rev. of Melody Duncanson-Hales, Canadian Shield Region support minister are joined by many of the members of the Fairview United Church in Tehkumma in front of the building following its decommissioning as a church. There were considerably more in attendance for the final service, but who declined taking part in the photograph.

photo by Michael Erskine

Expositor columnist Pat Hall and her mother being referenced several times. A few of Ms. Hall's many poems were read by her daughter, and Rev. McDougall shared a story wherein a woman suffering from depression picked up one of Ms. Hall's books from her coffee table and was transfixed by its uplifting content.

Another parishioner shared how she played the church pump organ, being sometimes surprised by an exodus of mice from within once she began playing. A slide deck of photos featuring many well-known parishioners was featured on a screen in the front of the church, eliciting many

laughs and sighs of recognition.

Ms. Robinson then sang the second of her solos, 'Wings of a Dove,' again accompanied by the congregation on the chorus.

Finally, the bittersweet moment came to its fruition, with Rev. Duncanson-Hales taking the gathering through the sacred objects, including the space itself, the cross, the table, the baptismal font, the pulpit which has stood sentinel over services for 126 years and finally, referencing the music that has also "been a blessing for us all." At the end of each invocation, the congregation responded with "Thanks be to God," "May God's name be praised" or "We give

you thanks, O God."

Rev. Duncanson-Hales then intoned the "Declaration by Canadian Shield Council" that the church is no longer the place of meeting of a congregation of the United Church of Canada.

The closing hymn was 'The Old Rugged Cross' before a final choral benediction was read and the congregation gathered for refreshments and a photograph on the porch of the building that was once known as Fairview United Church and will now live on in the memories of those whose many life milestones took place within its walls.

# Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services receives Greater Sudbury Police Award

WIIKWEMKOONG—Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCFCS) has received the Greater Sudbury Police Service (GSPS) Community Partnership Award. The award was presented May 17 as the GSPS hosted its 2023 Community and Police Awards Gala at the Caruso Club in Sudbury. The event provides the GSPS with the opportunity to honour police service members, community partners and community members who have demonstrated leadership during incidents that required immediate intervention. They also recognize those who have supported initiatives dedicated to enhancing community safety and well-being.

"KGCFCS would like to recognize team member Lyle Peltier, who led the KGCFCS participating at the annual 'Mooz Akinonmaaget Maa Aki' moose camp and Denise Morrow, executive director who accepted the award on behalf of the agency. We would also like to recognize other KGCFCS cultural team members Jim Fox and Tammie Assinewai who assisted with the 2021 and 2022 moose hunts," a release explains.

Mr. Peltier told The Expositor, "it's been an honour and privilege to be part of this great experience for our youth, and I am grateful that the agency became an active and contributing partner with the GSPS and other partnering child and family services, the Ministry of Natural Resources and involved school boards since its inception moving forward, with the next launching in the next few weeks."

"One of the goals of Constable Darrell Rivers (GSPS) was to build positive relationships between Indigenous youth and

law enforcement and the Mooz Akinonmaaget Maa Aki program has demonstrated success by the way the youth-officer-mentor interaction develops over the period of learning together at the seven grandfather teachings surrounding a moose harvest," continued Mr. Peltier.

Mr. Peltier is the KGCFCS team lead in the Mooz Akinonmaaget Maa Aki moose hunt initiative alongside Darryl Rivers, GSPS Indigenous liaison officer and KGCFCS's cultural department. "This program is a partnership between GSPS, Shkagamik-Kwe Health Centre, Nijjaansinaanik Child and Family Services, Nogdawindamin Family and Community Services, KGCFCS, Children's Aid Society of Sudbury and Manitoulin District, and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. The goal of this initiative, currently in its third year, is to build stronger relationships between indigenous youth and GSPS through mutual respect, cultural awareness, and inclusivity."

The program is designed to promote the physical, spiritual, emotional, and mental wellbeing of indigenous youth. Each of the 8-10 sessions involved youth learning with their non-indigenous police partner/mentor about cultural teachings and grandfather teachings in relation to a moose harvest. This successful mentorship occurs over a weekend in the fall, designed based on the traditional and Anishinabek values through the Seven Grandfather teachings. The program supports youth with various activities such as hunting education, firearms safety, first aid, tactical demonstrations and cultural teachings.



Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCFCS) received a Community Partnership Award from the Greater Sudbury Police Service (GSPS). In photo, left to right, is Denise Morrow executive director of KGCFCS, Lyle Peltier KGCFCS family team gathering coordinator, Constable Darryl Rivers GSPS indigenous liaison officer.

Moving forward is a legacy component, where previous year's participants are encouraged to re-attend one session

where they've harvested a moose and in return plant a tree and provide guidance and mentorship to new participants, the release

explains. The youth that are eligible and participate in the program also earn two high school credits upon completion.

## another letter

### A thanks to Island health professionals

*Your professionalism, care and kindness is top notch*

To the Expositor:

Many thanks to Dr O'Connor (Mindemoya) for his expertise in diagnosing my illness and for sending me off to Sudbury for a CT scan to confirm.

Thank also to Dr. Quackenbush for continued care in Little Current hospital.

Thanks to the nurses and all those who make up the floor staff day in and day out. Your professionalism, care and kindness is top notch.

Patricia Nelder  
Mindemoya



## OPP fraud awareness campaign ‘Working for Seniors’ launched during Seniors’ Month

OTTAWA—June is Seniors Month in Ontario and the 2023 theme is ‘Working for Seniors.’ The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) would like to raise awareness about frauds that target Ontario seniors who have spent their entire life saving funds for their golden years. The OPP asks that everyone work collectively and to share important fraud prevention tips with seniors in your life.

“Being able to recognize frauds targeting seniors will go a long way in helping to combat cyber enabled frauds. With the public’s help we want to deliver information, tips and strategies for Ontario’s Seniors,” said Detective Constable John Armit, anti-rackets branch (ARB) with the OPP.

In 2022, the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) received fraud reports totalling a staggering \$531 million in victim losses. A devastating \$138 million (26 percent) in losses were reported by senior victims. According to CAFC, seniors lose on average 33 percent more than other demographics. It is estimated that only five to 19 percent of victims report scams and frauds to the CAFC or law enforcement.

According to the CAFC, in 2022 the top frauds affecting seniors included: investment frauds which represented \$79.1 million in reported losses in 2022. Ontario vic-

tims reported losing over \$36.5 million; romance frauds represented \$19.5 million in reported losses in 2022 with Ontario victims reporting losses over \$8.8 million; Service scams represented \$8.5 million in reported losses in 2022 with Ontario victims reporting losing over \$6 million. Extortion frauds represented \$7.7 million in reported losses in 2022 with Ontario vic-

tims reporting over \$542,000 in losses; Emergency-grandparent scams represented \$7.1 million in reported losses in 2022 with Ontario victims reporting losses of over \$4.3 million.

The OPP encourages the public to visit the CAFC website to learn more about the frauds mentioned above [www.antifraud-centre-centreantifraude.ca](http://www.antifraud-centre-centreantifraude.ca).

“Remember, if you fall victim to a fraud or know someone who has, contact your local police service to report the crime and report it to the CAFC at 1-888-495-8501 or online on the Fraud Reporting System (FRS), even if a financial loss did not occur,” the OPP release states.

## Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service welcomes new constable to ranks

WIKWEMKOONG—The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service (WTPS) has welcomed a new constable to its ranks.

A WTPS release explains, “Welcoming Constable Thomas Van Drunen as our newest experienced officer for Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service (WTPS).”

“Constable Van Drunen looks forward to meeting community members and serving Wikwemkoong Unceded Territory,” said acting Chief of Police Jason Spooner. “WTPS offers successful candidates the opportunity for a long and rewarding career in law

enforcement with an opportunity for advancement while receiving police training and performing a variety of func-

tions within the service.”

For additional information on how to apply for a career in

policing, please contact the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service at (705) 859-3141.

## Number of opioid deaths increases in Sudbury District

SUDBURY DISTRICT—The Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario released its update on opioid-related deaths recently and the news is not good for the Sudbury and Algoma districts.

In the last quarter of 2022, both districts have reported some of the worst statistics for opioid-related deaths.

The Chief Coroners office reported that in the Sudbury and Thunder Bay Districts, both recorded the highest death rates in each, with 56 deaths per 100,000.



Drugs have become a scourge in Northern communities.

## Friends and Neighbours

### Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

This is a long one, folks! There is just so much going on in the community, we can barely keep up with it all. No jokes today (well, maybe one), we have to get straight to the good stuff!

Today we celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day! Here in Billings, be sure to check out the Billings Connections Trail. The Anishinaabeg (Odaawaa, Ojibwa and Potawatomi) occupied what is now Billings Township long before European settlers arrived. Archeological and oral evidence has established at least 10,000 years of Indigenous occupation on Mnidoo Mnising (Manitoulin Island). To learn more about the history of Billings’ original and settler inhabitants, visit the full series of historical plaques around the township, link to the QR codes on each plaque and drop in to the Old Mill Heritage Centre in Kagawong, as well as the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in M’Chigeeng First Nation.

A familiar figure strolled through the village earlier this month: Wayne Aelick, along with his many supporters on Team Aelick participated in the Stroll for Liver, raising money for the Liver Foundation. This is just one of many reasons Wayne was crowned Senior of the Year by Billings Township! Congratulations, Wayne and thank you for all the work that you do in the Island community.

In just one week! Come out next Wednesday, June 28, for the first of the Kagawong markets featuring all sorts of crafts, veg, and baked treats. With a reported 70 plus vendors making regular appearances this summer, be sure to check out the colourful cabanas, the roofed arena and the Park Centre parking lot. Markets will continue throughout July and August on Wednesdays.

The annual Anglican Church yard sale and barbecue is just around the corner! Saturday, July 1st (10 am to 4 pm) head to the Kagawong market pavilion to find treasures galore.

The next event in the Kagawong Concerts series has been announced! Don’t miss fiddling and step dancing siblings The Fitzgeralds at the Old Church on the Hill, Wednesday July 5 at 7:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased in advance at <https://www.thefitzgeraldsmusic.com/tour>.

Jabbawong Storytelling Festival is back as part of the ArtInfusion weekend on July 8th and 9th. Take part in a weekend of creativity and inspiration for all. Check out their page on Facebook for more information.

Local artist Willa Wilson is opening a new show! Willa is achieving interprovincial fame with the opening of a show with two friends in Baie St. Paul, Québec, that has been 40 years in the making. Félicitations, Willa!

We shutter to think you might miss out...on the vintage camera and photographic exhibit at the Old Mill Heritage Centre! The museum is now open seven days a week, so be sure to pop on by and check out the latest displays.

And that’s not all the Old Mill Heritage Centre has up its historical sleeve. Be sure to save the date: “Speakers Night in Kagawong” with Arthur Milnes and Steve Paikin will be July 13th at the Park Centre!

Excited about NorthWords Festival coming June 21st and 22nd? Keen to get tickets to the Book & Brew or to The Knitting Pilgrim show? You are in luck! In addition to purchasing at the library, tickets are now available online at <https://northwords.ticketspice.com/northwordsfest> or go to the NorthWords Facebook page to find the link (FB.com/NorthWordsFest).

The annual Elemental Festival is back! Some fantastic plans are in the works to celebrate the beauty, bounty and history of Mnidoo Mnising, September 23 and 24 in Kagawong. Artist Announcements and Festival Schedule will be coming soon. Interested in getting involved? Contact [info@4elementslivingarts.org](mailto:info@4elementslivingarts.org) to learn more.

Whew! That is a lot of goings on. You know, they say that good looking people are always busy. Team Fergmeijer would love to tell you why, but we just don’t have a spare minute right now. Have a great week!

### Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

On June 2nd there were four tables at euchre. Brenda Carter won the high ladies with a score of 68 points; high mens was Bob Benedict with 72 points; ladies’ lone hands was won by Myra Duncanson with six and men’s lone hands went to Harold Rogers with four. The most euchres was won by Guy Bigras with 11 and the juice was taken home by Karen.

On June 9th there were four tables and one three-handed table. The high mens was Tom Rumley with 80 points; high ladies’ was Rose VanEvery with 75 points; ladies lone hands went to Karen Noble with four; men’s lone hands went to Will with five; most euchres went to Diane Jones with 13; the juice was taken home by Lois Wismer.

Don’t forget Joe’s Poker Paddle on Saturday, June 21st. Last year everyone had a great time. It will be at Lily Lake in Meldrum Bay. Come on out and enjoy yourselves.

I had someone asking me about access to the lighthouse. The lighthouse is not open right now, so the public cannot get to it. If you want a nice drive and want to come to the West End; the campground at the Meldrum Bay waterfront is open. Goodies can be bought at the store.

On a nice sunny day a few days ago, we were treated to a nice lunch at Randi’s in Sheshegwaning. Rick had his usual hamburger which he really enjoyed. My friend ordered her usual salad with slices of chicken on top. I ordered the same and it was really good. I think I will try that again next time. We sat at a picnic table on the deck and visited and had a great time.

We were away for the weekend at my niece Jessica Nelder’s wedding in Thunder Bay. It was a bit sad because we were supposed to take my Aunt Lois with us, but she passed away a few months ago. She would have loved to have been there. Thanks to Kay Everett for playing the organ for me in Meldrum Bay on Sunday while I was away. It was a lovely weekend but it’s really nice to get back home.

Even though the last few days were cold and rainy we were thankful for the rain. It was getting very dry. The corn looks happier, and I am sure the cattle are finding the grass tastier.

Have a great week everyone.

### Barrie Island Lillian Greenman

Marcy Montgomery from Banff, Alberta visited her dad Murray and sister Erin a few days last week.

Lance and Lillian Greenman went with Natalie and Roger Hayden to the graduation of their daughter LilyAnn

from the University of Ottawa, on June 9th at Shaw Centre. She graduated with an Honours Bachelor of Social Sciences in Political Science and was on the Dean’s list. She is presently employed by the Federal Department of Public Safety. Sister Krystan Hayden and friend Jesse also attended. On the way home we stopped and visited Rosemarie Eagleson in Mattawa.

### Silver Water Karen Noble

The Duncanson’s Ken, Carolyn (with Paul), Myra and Iris (Clarke) and Irene travelled to Oro-Medonte/Oroville to attend the celebration of life for the very last first cousin William Ewart Lloyd on June 4. On Friday morning, I filled my biggest roast pan with the white beans I had soaked all day Thursday. The beans spent most of the day in the oven and the whole house smelled fantastic. Friday evening, June 9 we went to euchre in Meldrum Bay and had a good time.

Saturday, we had the market in our yard. We had lots of new people stop in on their way to the pow wow in Sheshegwaning and some were heading to the bluegrass festival in Providence Bay.

After we closed the market, we made macaroni and cheese in time to go in the oven before my swim with Gladys Duncanson. We had a short swim. After I got home from the lake, the macaroni and cheese came out of the oven and the baked beans went in to heat up.

The ham dinner was very successful with almost one hundred people attending. Thank you to Kay Everett and Lynn Pickard and all the workers who put on a fantastic meal. Thank you to all the people who came out to eat, it was great to see everyone in the hall again.

Monday, we had a lot of people out to empty their recycling at the bins. We encourage everyone in the township to use this service.

Monday night, I took a car full to euchre at the Burpee Complex. They had six and a half tables. Congratulations to Tom Rumley and Sara-Lyn Arnot who split the money jar.

Thursday evening, I attended the Island wide waste management meeting in Kagawong. It was a very interesting first step and I learned a lot about the landfill issues. Everyone has their issues and ideas for solutions. The end plan is to save all the communities on the Island money and to reduce the amount going into landfill. This affects everyone’s taxes, and hopefully even more people will attend the next meeting in September.

There were lots of vehicles at the Silver Water Community Hall when I drove past on the way home. There were 17 euchre players. Congratulations to Rose Van Every who won the money jar.

Happy belated Father’s Day to everyone.

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# ...Chiefs-in-Assembly reject Metis Nation self-government agreement

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importance of understanding treaties as sacred covenants between Nations and the Crown, recognizing the inherent rights and title First Nations,” said Lake Huron Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief Travis Boissoneau. “The Metis Agreement commits to granting treaty right recognition to numerous Metis community partners across Ontario without transparency in determining what constitutes a ‘Metis community’ as per the Powley decision,” an Anishinabek News release states.

The Powley case emphasized that self-identification as Metis must be genuine and cannot be made belatedly or opportunistically solely for the purpose of benefitting from Section 35 rights, the release continues.

The Metis recognition and agreement lacks consultation with the Anishinabek Nation regarding the granting of treaty rights to numerous individuals across Ontario. The Anishinabek Chiefs-in-Assembly emphasize the need for transparency in determining Metis community, Metis citizenship and Indigenous rights. Once this transparency is established and the nature and scope of any non-constitutionally protected right are justified, there is a duty to consult and accommodate potentially impacted First Nations.

“Canada needs to immediately cease further implementation of the Metis agreement in its current form,” said Grand Council Chief Niganobe. “This agreement is an impediment to our sovereignty and jurisdiction. Meaningful consultations and accommodations with Anishinabek

First Nations must occur before the agreement is considered for adoption. We cannot allow for unilateral decision-making to erode our sovereign, inherent and Treaty rights and traditional territories. It would be in the best interests of both governments to cease this arbitrary process.”

The Anishinabek Nation remains committed to upholding the rights and interests of its member First Nations across Ontario.

“We sent letters to the federal government on Tuesday voicing our opposition to the agreement,” Grand Council Chief Niganobe told The Expositor. He said the government is looking to have the Metis Nation self-government agreement passed within the next two weeks.



Ontario chiefs gather at the regional Assembly of First Nations meeting, standing in solidarity with Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare in opposing land and territory recognition of the Metis Nation of Ontario while addressing federal Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations Marc Miller.

# ...Manitoulin Transport named No. 1 LTL carrier

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# Fire department car wash fundraiser a huge success

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The Gore Bay Fire Department held its most successful car wash fundraiser recently, thanks to support from the local community. Proceeds from the event will go toward helping the fire department purchase much-needed equipment.

“It was busy. We ended up washing four vehicles at once at a time for quite a while during the day,” said Fire Chief Mike Addison. “This was our biggest car wash fundraiser yet, and our best in terms of being a money maker. We had

most of our firefighters out for the event which was good.”

Mr. Addison explained the fire department will use the proceeds from the event, “to purchase personal protection equipment. This includes for example coats, pants, boots and helmets,” he said noting, “it costs \$3,600 to equip one firefighter, and this does not include purchasing things like radios and air packs.”

Firefighter Justin Harris organized the car wash fundraiser on June 10, and a similar event will take place later this summer. Approximately \$2,300 was raised at this recent event.



The Gore Bay Fire Department held a very successful car fundraiser earlier this month. Proceeds from the event will go toward the purchase of much-needed equipment for the fire department. In photo is firefighter John Baker.

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**A HUGE THANK YOU!**

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Whether you worked behind the scenes, on the front lines, or made a purchase, we want you to know that your participation and support are GREATLY appreciated. Special thanks to local businesses for their generous donations to our raffle baskets. The day was a resounding success.

Every penny earned brings us one step closer to achieving our goal of renovating and re-purposing the Old School.

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Students of Lakeview and CC McLean schools and members of the Western Manitoulin Community Garden gather in a group to listen to the song 'O'Siem' at the Heart Garden.

**...schools take part in special ceremonies at Heart Garden**

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da. This Heart Garden and bringing you all together today is our way of trying to do this in a small way.”

Prior to the opening of the ceremony, Nicky Fox, Grade 5 teacher at Lakeview, helped perform a smudge ceremony. “It is so nice to see all your smiling faces all here together,” she said explaining the significance of the smudging ceremony.

“Sarah Earley sends her regrets that due to some health issues she is not able to be with us today. Sarah is the person who came up with the idea of creating this heart garden here at our community garden after reading the Truth and Reconciliation Report. One of the reconciliation ideas in the report was to build a heart garden in

memory of the children who endured hardships at Residential Schools. This heart garden stands as a memory to all of us for the children who suffered there, and for those who never came home,” said Mr. Willson.

After Ms. Willson provided the land acknowledgment Mr. Willson said, “thank you Linda for some important things for us all to think about. Welcome to all of the adults who came to participate today, but this day is for the children, and we are happy to have kids from Lakeview School in M’Chigeeng and C.C. McLean School in Gore

Bay. Thank you to the teachers and helpers for making this possible.”

April Patterson, teacher of the Grade 2/3 class at C.C. McLean told the gathering that the students were presenting a gift of a beautiful hand painted wind chime on behalf of the entire school to the Lakeview students.

The C.C. McLean students sang a beautiful song ‘O’Siem’ written sung by Susan Aglukark.

Kelly Gratton, Grade 2 teacher at Lakeview said the students would be performing a prayer and giving the C.C. McLean students tobacco ties, with

grade five students explaining their significance.

Kerri Lavendar gave a brief presentation on the magic of seeds and after presenting the students with Nasturtium seeds, they planted them in the Heart Garden.

“This has been a really beautiful and heart-warming ceremony,” said Mr. Willson.

Following the ceremony the students took part in painting hearts and snacks provided by the Gore Bay United Church Women, along with kites being made available for the students to fly.

**Michael’s Bay Society to carry clean up of townsite cemeteries**

by Tom Sasvari  
TEHKUMMAH—The Michael’s Bay Historical Society (MBHS) will be focussing on cleaning up the five cemeteries within its Michael’s Bay townsite this summer.

“We held a planning meeting (June 13) to look at what our main summer activities at the site are going to be,” said MBHS president Ben Lentir. “Our goal is to try and get the cemeteries cleaned up to make sure they are listed as being the proper size on the registry.”

As well, “all of the cemeteries and the townsite will in the future be open to the public so we want to clean up the cemetery areas, so if members of the public want to view

a cemetery it will be easier to access,” said Mr. Lentir. He pointed out Moose Sagle was organizing a work bee earlier this week.

“We discovered an open well on the property which has been filled in by rocks, but we have barricaded this area off so that it will be safe,” said Mr. Lentir.

Mr. Lentir said, “In May we constructed a rail fence along the roadside (of the Michael’s Bay townsite

property). What we found last year was some people were driving through the property, camping on, having open fires and leaving their garbage.”

“That is what we have started on so far, and our goals through the summer are to work on activities and cleaning up the cemetery sites,” added Mr. Lentir.

**THANK YOU!!**

Despite the rain and the power outage, Dawson Citizen’s Improvement Association’s annual ATV Ride was one of the best! There were 97 ATVs registered and over 170 people enjoyed a warm lunch afterwards.

This ATV Ride would not be successful if it weren’t for the multitude of volunteers and sponsors. A big thank you to the volunteers for your dedication and hard work! We would like to extend our appreciation and acknowledgement to the following 2023 ATV fundraiser ride sponsors:

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# ...Wiikwemkoong shooting leaves two dead, one injured Monday morning

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this year. A 25-year-old Wiikwemkoong man was killed at a house party incident in February of this year.

A community-wide lockdown took place early Monday morning with all schools and WUT-operated offices closed. The lockdown was lifted at 6:07 am Monday.

There is a community sacred fire burning at the Medicine Lodge located at the Wiikwemkoong Health Centre.

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The Expositor reported Monday morning it had learned of unofficial reports that four people had been shot and

killed in the early morning tragedy with one more injured. This newspaper learned that the numbers first reported were incorrect and made the corrections online. The Expositor regrets any hardship this may have caused to the families involved and to the community.



Police attend the scene of a shooting in Wiikwemkoong Monday morning.



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## ...Northern Indigenous police services seek funding injunction

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brought by the Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario (IPCO). His decision is expected sometime before the end of June.

The crux of the matter under dispute lies within three Section 6 provisions of the First Nations and Inuit Policing Program (FNIPP), the program which administers funding for police services in 425 First Nation and Inuit communities across Canada. In addition to the UAPS, Treaty Three Police Service and the Anishinabek Police Service are party to the dispute. Together, the three services serve communities with a combined population of more than 30,000, spread over territories that cover a vast swath of Northern Ontario.

The federal government covers 52 percent of the FNIPP budget with the provinces and territories covering most of the other 48 percent (First Nations also contribute a portion of policing costs in their communities). Dozens of other Indigenous police services will be renegotiating their own agreements over the next few months and are closely watching the case.

During the injunction hearing, Julian Falconer

of Falconer LLP, one of the lawyers representing the impacted Indigenous police services, outlined how the three Section 6 provisions prevent the services from owning their own property and from operating special police units such as a canine unit, a major crimes unit, a specialized drug unit and a domestic assault unit—or even hiring legal representation to assist them in negotiating the terms of the FNIPP. Mr. Falconer characterized those provisions as insultingly paternalistic and discriminatory, being a marked departure from the terms governing any other Canadian police force.

During the proceedings, Mr. Falconer repeatedly brought forward the comments of Public Safety Minister Marco Mendicino, whose ministry oversees the FNIPP.

“I believe that a number of their concerns in fact have merit, which is why I’ve now become directly engaged with the community and I’ve instructed my department to find solutions quickly so that we can resolve any ongoing issues with regards to the flow of monies to the community.”

Minister Mendicino said that while it’s not strictly

“convention” for ministers to get directly involved with negotiations, he has decided to override convention to ask for the police services to receive funding they need over the next 90 days. “First thing’s first—let’s get funding going back to the community as quickly as possible,” he said. “Then we’ll get parties back to the table negotiating in good faith so that we can take the next steps to reconciliation.”

Mr. Falconer challenged lawyers for the Crown, Michael Roach and Sean Stynes to reconcile their claims that the IPCO case “has no merit” with Minister Mendicino’s statement. Their response was essentially “no comment” and to advise that they had been instructed to move forward with their opposition to the motion.

While a funding increase had been offered during protracted negotiation, an affidavit from Treaty Three Police Chief Kia Liu said the terms and conditions prevent the services from owning their own property and, most critically, from operating special police units, such as a canine unit, a major crimes unit and domestic assault unit.

“If I was to describe

policing as a vehicle, the Ottawa police, which I spent 22 years with, would be a Ford SUV,” Police Chief Liu said in his affidavit. “Gananoque would be a little Honda Civic. Coburg might be a Ford SUV. All of these vehicles would have four wheels, engine, full tank of gas and passed vehicle safety.” Chief Liu contrasted that with the situation in Treaty Three as being like “a vehicle that was missing an engine, run

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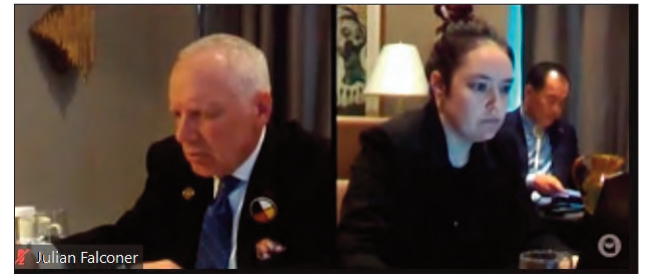
down, missing a wheel and a leaky gas tank. And this is the chronic underfunding in the 20 years that Treaty Three has been operating."

For their part, the lawyers for the Crown disputed that the situation was an "emergency" given that the police services were "causing" the funding issue by refusing to sign the FNIPP agreement. They argue that the Human Rights Commission hearing would resolve the matters under dispute after the fact.

They also argued that, under the terms in which the original FNIPP agreements were negotiated, it was agreed the First Nations would fund their own legal representation.

As to the question of special units, the Crown lawyers pointed out that the OPP supplies most of those services, as they do with their own smaller detachments in communities across the province.

The point of these restrictions being, they assert, to ensure that all dollars spent are aimed at the ground level of policing, boots on the ground in the communities.



Julian Falconer, left, lawyer for the Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario prepares to rebut federal lawyers' reply to the motion for an emergency injunction.

Finally, the federal lawyers insisted that the Quebec Dominic Case upon which the plaintiffs are basing a previous finding of discrimination within the FNIPP agreements, is not yet complete and awaiting trial, further that the findings in that case do not reference the specific Section 6 provisions being cited by the ICPO, but rather were based on discriminatory funding shortfalls.

Mr. Falconer rebutted that, given the problematic relationship between Indigenous communities and the OPP, citing in particular example the shooting of Dudley George during a 1995 confrontation at Ipperwash, having the OPP come into the community during periods of exceptional trauma inherent in serious crimes adds yet another level of victimization of community members.

The plaintiff's lawyer noted that the inclusion of the objectionable Section 6 provisions is anathema to the Indigenous communities and, despite the take it or leave it ultimatum being put forward by the Crown, they feel so strongly about the principle involved that they are willing to go to the wall over the issues and face the closure of their services.

Rather than being new, these issues have long been contentious and repeated assurances that they will be dealt with over the past number of decades have gone unfulfilled. Despite clear instances where the terms of the FNIPP have been adjusted in the past, the Crown has maintained that the FNIPP is inviolate and cannot be changed.

During the Crown's representations, Justice Gascon interjected a number of times to "adjust" the federal lawyers' assertions.

In addition to the law firm of Falconer LLP, Associate Legal Counsel Julie McGregor attended the hearing as an intervenor on behalf of the Assembly of First Nations. Ms. McGregor invoked the "honour of the Crown" during the proceedings, a concept also cited by Mr. Falconer. Ms. McGregor relinquished part of her time before the hearing to facilitate Mr. Falconer's rebuttal to the Crown's defence.

Justice Gascon pointed out that he has a considerable amount of material and submissions to review in the case but added that he was cognizant of the urgency of the matter and that he would render a decision before the end of June.

In the meantime, all three police services vow to continue to serve and protect their communities—although Treaty Three have now exhausted their funds and issues their last paychecks and the other two services have lines of credit that will likely be exhausted by month's end.

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- By-law Review/Amendments
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## ...long overdue' proposed settlement with Robinson-Huron Treaty chiefs

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how that money will reach communities are not yet available, because the RHT Litigation Fund is working with the 21 First Nations to finalize that plan.

Each of the RHT First Nations will get a share of the proposed settlement, if ratified, and will decide what to do with its share. While some of the money will flow directly to individuals, a large portion will be set aside for community development purposes such as infrastructure upgrades and cultural supports.

The First Nations will

vote on the settlement agreement, following consultations, before it faces a review by Ontario and Canada and, finally, endorsed in the Ontario Superior Court. More information about the process to come is available in the Page 1 story 'What happens next?'

### Compensation frozen for 150 years

The RHT legal case has been underway for about 10 years. The First Nations began to formally organize on this effort in 2012, though advocates have been calling on the governments to fix the issue for

generations.

This issue stems from the original treaty, which outlined the relationship between the colonial government and Anishinabek in an area roughly between Sault Ste. Marie and North Bay, and north of Lake Huron.

From the beginning, the treaty has represented a nation-to-nation relationship and offered a framework for resource-sharing and peaceful co-existence of the two peoples.

At the time it was signed, the treaty included a clause that First Nations would receive compensation each year,

and that amount would be tied to the value of resources the colonial government would extract from the region.

The Ontario Superior Court ruled in 2018 that the original RHT from 1850 required the government to increase those annuities as the value of resource-extraction grew.

The annuity was originally set at \$1.70 per per-  
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Robinson-Huron Treaty Litigation Fund representatives Dean Sayers, centre, and Duke Peltier, to right, approach the stage alongside other delegates, including Ontario Indigenous Affairs Minister Greg Rickford, to left.

photo by Warren Schlotte

## ...What happens next?

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ry S. LaForme, a judge with a background in First Nation leadership and law, according to the RHT website.

Consultations will be community-led and will report to Mizhinawe. That office has committed to release a report within the next six to eight months from now, which will help the 21 RHT chiefs decide what should happen with their community's portion of the settlement.

According to historian Alan Odjig Corbiere, of M'Chigeeng, Mizhinawe was a strong warrior and a prominent official within traditional Anishinaabe leadership structures. That person would be involved in official business and negotiations with chiefs and serve as the record-keeper and caretaker of sacred objects.

Mr. Peltier said the community engagement will help develop policies and procedures to make sure the compensation funds are used fairly and uniformly in the various communities.

Dean Sayers, a leader of the RHT Litigation Fund and chief of Batchewana First Nation, said the \$10 billion would be distributed to the 21 RHT First Nations according to the terms of a compensation disbursement agreement that had been adopted at the start of the case.

Individual First Nations will decide what they want to do with the funds.

Chief Sayers said the original spirit of the annuities was to support the collective well-being of Anishinabek communities that had signed the treaty. To this end, a major portion of the fund will be set aside for projects that support the long-term health and well-being of the First Nations.

These could be initiatives such as building or upgrading schools, supporting culture and language revitalization, addressing other infrastructure needs or expanding healing programs.

There will also be an amount from the settlement that will go directly to eligible people.

### Eligibility questions are a concern

Mr. Peltier said there will need to be tough conversations about who's eligible to get paid as a beneficiary of the RHT, and who should be making those decisions. He said eligibility is currently controlled by the Canadian government's Indian Regis-

ter.

He mentioned two people in Wiikwemkoong, born one year apart to the same parents, but only one of them is considered eligible to receive the annuity.

"Those are the types of complex issues that need to get resolved. There's also those that have lost their beneficiary status through marriage. Why would they not be entitled to a share of this benefit?" he said.

Ultimately, said Mr. Peltier, this a time when people should share their perspectives and have conversations in inclusive, respectful and open ways, rather than being divisive.

He said there are often community members who don't share their opinions, who are at a risk of being left behind in this process. There is flexibility in the community consultations for them to happen in settings like a person's home, a family gathering, or another setting that would help them feel comfortable sharing their views.

"Arriving at a common understanding will only happen if people participate, and they're allowed to participate regardless of their views. But everyone needs to provide those [views] because the issues are complex," Mr. Peltier said.

The engagement sessions will also allow people to ask questions of the RHT Litigation Fund representatives, and they will share historical information about the treaty and what a broader treaty relationship with the Crown might mean going forward.

### After the consultations

The leaders of the 21 RHT communities and the Litigation Fund's trustees will take the final report from Mizhinawe and finalize the compensation agreement. Chief Sayers said coming to a consensus may be challenging, since the 21 different communities may have unique priorities and viewpoints.

Then, the agreement will undergo review and signing by the Canadian and Ontarian governments, before it gets a final endorsement in Ontario Superior Court.

Minister Miller, from the federal government, said it was "not up to Canada or Ontario to dictate the terms on which the

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### The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

Would like to remind the public that the NEMI landfill site is restricted to NEMI and Sheguiandah First Nation Residents and taxpayers **ONLY**.

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# Buzwah Powwow at Thunderbird Park

by Michael Erskine  
 WIIKWEMKOONG—The satellite communities of Wiikwemkoong, Buzwah, Rabbit Island, Kaboni and South Bay hold rotating traditional powwow gatherings, with each community taking turns holding their cultural celebrations on alternating years. Often in the past these have been held at powwow grounds cleared in their respective communities, but since the advent of COVID the celebrations have taken place at Nimkii Bineshii Kaning, aka Thunderbird Park in central Wiikwemkoong due to logistical challenges.

Master of ceremonies Adrian Trudeau provided a steady powwow banter while following the close



Guardians of the Pop—Shawn Benjimen Lewis and Adrian Kat were volunteers in charge of the dancer's pop.

photos by Michael Erskine



A family in full regalia were enjoying the fine powwow weather at the Buzwah Powwow.

direction of arena director Paul Takwadjiwan.

Head dancers for the Buzwah Powwow were

Craig Fox and Gmewin Migwans, while Saturday's youth dancers were Aubrey Shawagonobi and Shane

Rivers.

Head veteran Ian Trudeau led the eagle staffs and flags into the arena to be posted to the song provided by host drum White Tail Cree.

Wiikwemkoong Tourism staff could be seen shepherding cruise line passengers from the visiting Pearl Mist through the powwow grounds as the final leg of a tour of a learning tour experience of the community.

"This has been an amazing experience," said one passenger from South Carolina who spoke with The Expositor before boarding his bus back to the ship. He cited learning about the history of the residential schools system and other injustices committed upon Indigenous peoples as an

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# ...Buzwah Traditional Powwow at Thunderbird Park

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 “eye-opener that really touched my heart.”

The grounds were filled with dancers garbed mostly in traditional regalia, not as colourful as competition powwows, perhaps, but bearing deep meaning and cultural traditions. One exception to “traditional” regalia was an Anishinaabe-kwe who was wearing “warriors” regalia consisting of ancient bone breastplate, club and other items often associated with the men’s traditional regalia, matched with an incongruous washboard shield on one arm.

The dancer is a MMI-WG2S+ survivor, once raped, beaten and traf-



Head dancers Gmewin Migwans and Craig Fox share a few words while dancing under the warm early summer sun.

photos by Michael Eskine

ficked, yet having, unlike so many other women suffering those experiences, she has survived and thrived. She explained that women were not only expected to maintain the household, but also to defend it. She dances, therefore, in honour of that warrior tradition.

Vendors plying traditional artisan work and crafts lined one side of the grounds, while plenty of food vendors could be found near the entrance gates—tacos and lemonade anyone?

There were many dance specials held during the powwow and children in regalia were evident everywhere, signalling the vibrant re-emergence of Anishinaabe culture and tradition. On Sunday, a memorial dance was held for Ambrose Recollet.



Vendors Christina Pheasant and Juanita Pheasant display their wares at the Buzwah Powwow. The duo create intricate beadwork while enjoying downtime.



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### Beware the mermen!

Social media pages are being flooded with sightings of Indigenous mermen of late, and the trend has not avoided Manitoulin. Zane Aguonia of Sheguiandah was quite possibly the first merman to be spotted in Island waters. He's looking positively radiant at the Sheguiandah government dock.

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### Munchies for a cause

Team Aelick was out in force this past weekend at Orr's Valumart in Little Current, raising funds and awareness of the battle against liver cancer. The Aelick Stroll for Liver is an annual event in Kagawong, but this intrepid group were slinging dogs, burgers and drinks to supplement the cause. In photo, left, is Gary Laframboise, Anna Aelick, Wayne Aelick, Michael Aelick, Asha Lanktree, Myrna Aelick and Joellen Sloss.

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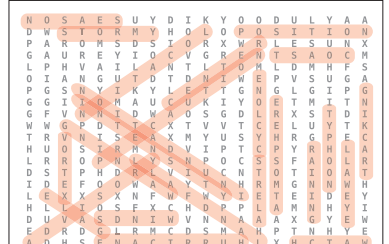
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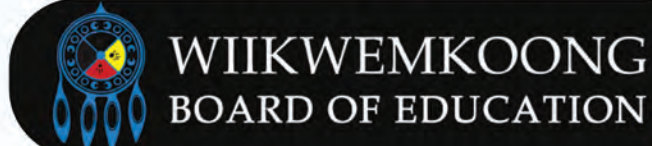
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The Grade 8 class graduates from Central Manitoulin Public School in Mindemoya are, back row, left, teacher Kristin Farquhar, Claire Hildebrand, Thomas Redmond, Jonathan Cooper, Jack Bridgeman, Joshua Daniso, Chase Taylor, Jonah Balfe, Anders Watson, Kaci Lariviere, Gabriella Forsythe, Darcy Thorpe, front row Zack Peltier, George Michael Lentir, Liam McLean, James Panamick, Eric Wahl, Samantha McKenzie, Elizabeth Cooper and Scarlet Mohr. Missing from photo are Kimberlee Williams-Sajnovic and Malcolm Rottier.

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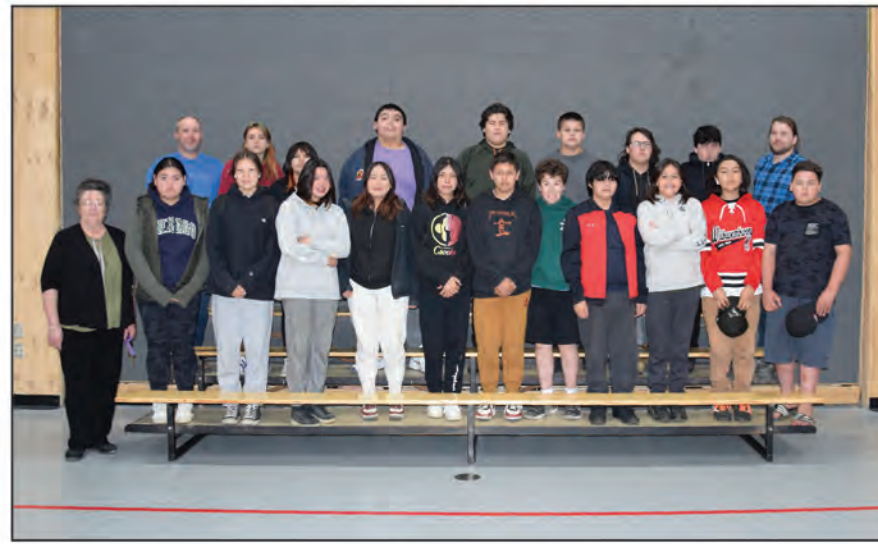
Assiginack Public School Grade 8 grads are, front row, from left, Darius Cacciotti, Daniel Roque, Jack Hagman, Dylan Kuntsi, Lea Fournier, Lena Trudeau and Maddy Mende, back row, Kaden Jamieson, Tanner Leblanc, Kirah Corbett, Ayden Hartley, Jacob Jones and Lily Stewart. Missing from photo are: Sebastian Mara, Meryah Notto, Mya Roy, Kiara Atchitawens and teacher Joanne Roy-Peltier.

Little Current Public School



The Grade 8 graduates of Little Current Public School are, top back row, from left, Dominic Jacklin, Sawyer Adlick, Jade Larabie, Shlok Gandhi and Riley Mishibinjima, top front row, Evalena Mainprize, Charmaine Webkamigad, Niomi Tomaselli, Isaac Quackenbush and Juan Jara, middle row, Rowyn Walters-Murphy, Hudson Smith, Jordan Williamson, Aaven Edralin, Avery Barnes, Kayla Lockeyer, Morgan Dedman, Landon Maloney and Aaron Townsend. Kneeling row: June Corbiere, Harmony Pitawabakwat, Lexy Varey, Jaykob Corbiere, Noah DeForge, Maddoc Ward and Connor Nahwegahbow, seated, Maddie Heise, Chloe Hildebrand, Layla Marleau, Lilly Atkinson, Sharla Neshkiwe, Dylan Marchand, Xander Thompson, Lucius Taylor and Memphis McGraw-Hill. Missing from photo are Isaac McClaskin, Essance Abotossaway, Giizhik Agonie and Xavier Agonie-Fox.

Wasse Abin Pontiac School



The Wiikwemkoong Pontiac School Grade 8 graduates of Mr. Moggy's class are, front row, from left, Illa Proulx (education assistant), Tori Ominika, Carlynn Simon, Taiya Gonawabi, Meesah Ritchie, Taylor Trudeau, Javier Salas-Cooper, Conner Hill, Zephyr Pheasant, Liam Wassengoso, Noodin Peltier, Malikiah Nebenionquit, back row, teacher Andrew Moggy, Pauline Shawanda, Alannah Fox, Leo George, Evan Morrison, Isaiah Gaishk-Dokum, Marquise Roy, Nash Jackson and Carter Stephens (teacher assistant).

St. Joseph's Anishnabek School



The Grade 8 graduates from St. Joseph's Anishnabek School in Shesheganing First Nation are, from left, Dominic Dow-Roy, Preston Riberdy, Tristin Cyr and teacher Laurie Beaudin. Missing from photo is Bella Cooper.

Lakeview School



Grade 8 class graduates from Lakeview School in M'Chigeeng First Nation are, from back row, left, Dawson Armstrong-Shogga, Tryton Ense, Giiwednong Fox, Kaleb Panamick-Taibossigai, Ayden Loucks, Davin Enosse, Kingston Abel-Armstrong, Adrian Young, front row, from left, Lourdes Taukei, Damara Wassegijig, Maria Ense-Cheechoo, Alexis Youn and Nyala O'Connor. Missing from photo are Ethan Ense, Aurora Panamick and Courtney McGown-Abel.

Wasse Abin Pontiac School



The Wiikwemkoong Pontiac School Grade 8 graduates of Ms. Lavallee's class are, back row, from left, teacher Sharon Lavallee, Rylan Manitowabi, Gage Mishibinjima, Ethan Flamand, Sheldon Ominika-Cooper, James Naokwegijig, Tryton Kanaswe and Kaiden Recollet, bottom row, Cassidy Peltier, Ava Wakegijig, Tennille Shawanda, Nimkiis Beaudry, Treyton Manitowabi, Radim Eshkawkogan, Aaron Southwind, Patrick King-Shawana, Annika Abe, Daelene Neganegijig and Jessica Hartley (educational assistant).

Charles C. McLean Public School



Grade 8 class graduates from Charles C. McLean Public School in Gore Bay are, from left, Myah Gravelle, Sydney Pfeifer, Ella Honess, Shae Dickson, Brooke Noonan, Amara Wilson-Zegil, Abriel Leduc, Gabriel Wright, Jeff Harper (behind), Leigh Ward (in front) and teacher John Spanos.

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The Wagg's Woods Trail committee along with other interested parties are shown at the entrance to the trail.

photos by Maggie Leclair

## Ready, set, Wagg's Trail!

by Maggie Leclair

MINDEMOYA—Saturday, June 2 marked the soft opening of the Wagg's Woods Trail. The Wagg's Trail committee was waiting patiently for hikers to show up to the soft re-opening of this wonderful trail.

The trail is located at 1 Thorne Street in Mindemoya. All trails are now open, each well marked and ready to be discovered. When arriving to the trail there is a map to indicate each trail, you will find that there is a trail to suit all levels of one's abilities. The Woodland Accessibility trail is also ready and fully accessible for strollers, walkers and hikers—there truly is a trail for everyone at Wagg's Woods Trail.

The trails are beautiful and peaceful one can truly get lost in their sheer beauty. The birds sing, the air smells fresher and the plants and vegetation are plenty. From the moss covering the rocks to the barred owl who has made its home in one of the not-so-great but still standing trees, this trail is a slice of heaven right here on Manitoulin Island. The barred owl will also be the official mascot for the trail.

The Fossil trail is the old streambed full of all kinds of fossils ready to be discovered; the Escarpment trail is an adventurous trail which follows the top of the escarpment; and Alvar trail is full of glacial erratics.

Ferns, leeks, milkweed, lady slippers are just a small fraction of what you will find on the trail plant. For the tree and shrub lovers you will find, ash black, red as well as ash white to name just a few—the list goes on and there is something to discover at every twist, turn and step. Those needing to take a rest on the trail can have a seat and enjoy the sounds around you on any of the five benches donated by Madeline Wagg-Becks, Island Animal hospital, Jake's Home Centre in memory of Don and Kevin Mackan and Finn's Gas Bar and the Love Family.

The guided tour took a group of hikers through the trails and explained in detail every plant, tree and bird that was heard. When the tour ended, at the very opening of the trail was Madeleine Wagg-Becks awaiting to greet the group of hikers. At the age of 102 Madeline walked to the very bench she had donated. She was more than happy to have her picture taken with her daughter Gail Meehan and her granddaughter Diane Meehan.



Madeleine Wagg-Becks, centre, along with her daughter Gail Meehan and her granddaughter Diane Meehan stand at the soft reopening of Wagg's Woods Trail.



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## ...Gore Bay and Jarlette Health Services enter discussion with St. Joseph's Health Centre

...continued from page 1 Joseph's Health Centre in Sudbury. These discussions are exploratory, at the earliest stages, and no agreement has been struck."

"We are very pleased that this has happened and

we hope it will proceed," Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane told The Expositor. "It was somewhat indirect information channels that we heard St. Joseph's may be interested in the redevelopment of our nursing home." He said the town

has bi-weekly meetings with Jarlette Health Services representatives and has had one meeting with St. Joseph's officials as well as exchanging emails.

"Our three-way discussions have been opened up," said Mayor Lane, who noted these discussions are very preliminary and exploratory and no firm decisions have been made. It is important for us that St. Joseph's has significant presence in long term care. They own two LTC facilities and they used to own and operate the Sudbury General Hospital."

"As we had said at the initial announcement in March this process will take awhile. So, while this is good news the discussions are preliminary and we can't say any agreement has been reached," said Mayor Lane. "And we said previously we would let the community know when any changes have

been made."

St. Joseph's Health Centre is a non-profit agency corporation, "and non-profit is what we have said all along we wanted. At the beginning Jarlette approached us to make sure that the nursing home would stay in Gore Bay. In our discussions with St. Joseph's they want to keep the LTC home in Gore Bay as well."

Mayor Lane said Manitoulin Island and Sudbury have a close relationship in the view of health care services. "It makes sense to have an entity like St. Joseph's Health Centre involved, it is a perfect fit to operating a long-care nursing home. This is good news."

Kari Gervais, president and chief executive officer of St. Joseph's Health Centre told The Expositor, "The mission of St. Joseph's Health Centre has always been focused

on meeting the unmet needs of the community and caring for society's most vulnerable. We already provide long-term care services to 128 residents each at St. Joseph's Villa of Sudbury and Villa St. Gabriel's Villa in Chelmsford (in addition to operating 128 rehabilitation and transitional care hospital beds spread across two sites of St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre in Sudbury) and we are happy to support the efforts of Manitoulin Lodge and the Town of Gore Bay to keep long-term care alive and well in that community."

"St. Joseph's Health Centre was contacted by a mutual colleague who thought there might be a partnership opportunity between St. Joseph's Health Centre, the Town of Gore Bay and Manitoulin Lodge," said Ms. Gervais. "We will keep our com-

munity informed if there is more information to share," the joint release said. "It should be noted that in our journey towards identifying potential partners, community members may hear of other discussions."

"The Town of Gore Bay, Manitoulin Lodge and St. Joseph's Health Centre have been vocally advocating that LTC services should remain within the community of Gore Bay to ensure that residents and families of Manitoulin Island continue to be well served and that the home be elevated to an ever stronger position for redevelopment."

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**Knox United Church Rummage Sale** in Manitowaning is open Wednesdays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Clothing, shoes, household, books, miscellaneous. 4-5p

**Lyons Memorial United Church** in Gore Bay is celebrating Canada Day weekend with a rummage sale on Friday, June 30 from 9 am to 1 pm and Saturday, July 1 from 9 am to 12 noon. Donations will be accepted at the back of the church Monday through Thursday, during sale week, between 9 am and 12 noon. We are working toward funding a firefighter suit for our local fire department. We hope to see you there! 5-6p

**Meet and Greet:** come meet Ontario Liberal Party leadership candidate Nate Erskine-Smith at a meet and greet barbecue being held Monday, June 26 at 42 Campbell Street West in Little Current from 5:30 to 7 pm. Please RSVP to 705-282-7339 (to ensure food amount) by 4 pm June 23. 5p

**Our Lady Of Canada Church Yard/Bake Sale**, Saturday, July 8 from 9 am to 1 pm. If you would like to drop off donations these are the times: Wednesday, July 5, 1 pm to 4 pm; Thursday, July 6, 9 am to 12 noon; Friday, July 7, 9 am to 4 pm. Please no clothing. If you cannot drop off donations at these times, please contact Keith Legree at 705-968-0822 or email keithlegree@gmail.com. 5-7p

**Little Current Legion Branch 177** wing night is back! Thursdays from 5 to 10 pm. To pre-order please call 705-368-2661, if ordering before bar opening leave a message with your name, phone number and your order. Wings and mozza sticks: six for \$9, 12 for \$18. Cheese balls: 12 for \$9 or 24 for \$18. tfn

**SUMMER 2023 CENTRAL MANITOULIN MARKET**

**MINDEMOYA ARENA**

**JUNE 30, 2 - 6 PM AND JULY 1, 10 AM - 4 PM**



**FIREARMS WANTED FOR OUR 2023 AUCTION PROGRAM**

Rifles, Shotguns, Handguns, Antiques, Militaria, Collections, Estates, Single Items.

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**CONTACT: SWITZER'S AUCTION**  
Toll-Free 1-800-694-2609  
Email Us @ [sales@switzersauction.com](mailto:sales@switzersauction.com)  
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**Providence Bay & Spring Bay Lions Club**

**Annual Canada Day Weekend!**

**YARD SALE**



July 1st, 2nd & 3rd  
Providence Bay

Please contact Lion Matt@705 968-1911  
For small drop-offs or arranging large pick-ups!



**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!

**Are you a Manitoulin artisan? Crafter?**

**Or do you just have an interesting product or service to sell or promote?**

Come join the famous Little Current Canada Day Downtown Street Market.  
Saturday, July 1, 10 am - 3 pm

It's absolutely free. Advertising is provided. The front street will be closed to traffic during the market.

Contact Lisa at 1-705-862-2538 for details and to register

**GORE BAY THEATRE**

Presents

**Two Exciting Evenings Of Plays By Norm Foster**

**One Actmanship**

My Narrator  
plus  
The Death of Me

Dates: July 5, 12, 14, 21, 28, 29

AND

**Lunenburg**

Dates: July 6, (7th- Rotary Dinner Theatre)  
13, 20, 22, 26, 27

**CURTAIN TIME: 7:30 p.m.**  
**ADVANCE TICKETS: \$20.00 at the Town Office - (705)282.2420 Ext #5 (Visa and Mastercard accepted)**  
**\$25.00 at door - Cash Only**

All Performances at the Gore Bay Community Hall

One-Actmanship and Lunenburg are staged by arrangement with Pam Winter, GGA, [www.ggagency.ca](http://www.ggagency.ca)

**'TOULIN TIMES**

**PHOTO SUBMISSION CONTEST**

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**wanted**

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

**for sale**

**Camp firewood for sale.** Call Gord, 705-988-7991. 2-5c

**New windows for sale,** 70 3/4" x 47" picture window and 45" x 35 5/16" single slide. Available at 54 Church Street, South Baymouth, call 705-859-2787. 5-8c

**marine**

2015 21' Lowe Tritoon; 25", 115 Merc four-stroke, complete with camper enclosure, pop-up privacy enclosure, vinyl floor, seats 13, live well and many extras. Comes with tandem trailer. Very low hours, mint condition. \$55,000, serious inquiries only. Phone 705-665-0060. 3-7p

**rentals**

Little Current apartments for rent: Studio, one bedroom and two bedroom. Call for details and viewing appointment, 705-368-6240. 5fn

# MP Carol Hughes reintroduces Defence of Canada Medal bill



MP Carol Hughes

OTTAWA—The Cold War may be behind us, but Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasung MP Carol Hughes believes that not enough has been done to recognize those who defended Canada during this period of heightened tensions between world superpowers.

MP Hughes reintroduced her private member's bill in the House of Commons on June 5. "The bill would establish and award a Defence of Canada Medal for those who served in the Canadian Forces, the reserves, police organizations, the Emergency Measures Organization and civilian assistance organizations during this period.

MP Hughes also sees par-

allels to the Cold War in Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine.

"Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine has been difficult to watch from afar," said MP Hughes. "As one of Ukraine's closest allies, Canada has and will continue to support the efforts of those brave individuals defending their homeland." "This conflict, in many

ways, may conjure memories of Canadians working with our allies in other democratic nations to ward off a common foe, the Soviet Union and Eastern Bloc nations during the Cold War, which lasted from 1946 to the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989."

MP Hughes is hopeful that she will receive the support of MPs in the House of Commons to pass her private member's bill, which was inspired by one of her constituents.

"This act represents the vision of an Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasung resident, retired Captain Ulrich Krings, and has widespread support across the country, especially from those who worked so hard to keep us safe and prepared during those unsettling times," added MP Hughes.

**help wanted**

**Summer Employment** - Casual light yardwork, looking for reliable individual, bonus at the end of summer. Call 705-859-3273 and leave a message. 4-5c

**notices**

**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. Tfn

**Trinity United Church's** outreach team is calling out to see who else is concussed and would like to be part of a post concussion support group that would meet once a month at Trinity. Anyone with resource links is also encouraged to call 705-377-7459. 5fn

**services**

**Are you a cancer survivor** and need someone to talk to on Manitoulin? Meetings are held monthly on a rotating basis around the Island. The next meeting is in Manitowaning on June 21, 2023 at 2 pm at the Family Health Team and then July 23, 2023 at the Little Current Legion at 2 pm, but can support over the phone. Please feel free to reach out to anyone listed for support. Cancer Support group contacts Bonnie Young, 705-377-4998; Terry MacKenzie, RN (oncology nurse), 705-507-0433 or tandjmackenzie@hotmail.com or Ann Cranston, 705-272-7531, mailto:bnann@gmail.com. Ask us your questions, tell us your concerns. Tfn

**Christian Counselling:** Alcohol, addiction, anxiety, children, depression, drugs, faith, grief, illness, marriage, PTSD, salvation, sin, etc. Free and confidential. King James Bible Church, 705-885-8951, cc.manitoulin@gmail.com. Tfn

**services**

**Is alcohol a problem?** AA may be able to help. Meetings 7 days a week - visit [www.area84aa.org](http://www.area84aa.org) or call 705-210-2135 for more info. Tfn

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

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**

TENDER # 2023-10

**SIDEWALK SNOWPLOW CONTRACT**

**LOCATION:** See attached maps for the locations around the Municipality.


**SCOPE OF WORK:** as outlined in the attached specifications.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

- Sidewalks will be cleared of snow and ice when accumulations reach 2 inches.
- Sidewalks will be cleared by 8 am and must remain clear, not to exceed more than 2 inches until 6 pm daily, 7 (SEVEN) days per week.
- Sidewalks to be maintained a minimum of 4 (four) feet in width.
- Snow along both sides of sidewalks shall be removed (hailed away) when height of snow reaches 30 inches.
- The sanding of sidewalks shall be done when icy conditions, ice patches, slush, snow packed, black ice, slippery conditions prevail by 8 am and remain in a state of repair until 6 pm daily, 7 days per week.
- Crosswalk and exits off sidewalks shall be plowed and sanded as per plowing and sanding schedule.
- It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to monitor sidewalks throughout the day, 7 days a week, keeping a daily log of weather conditions and temperatures, the log must be in duplicate, and copies turned into the Municipality as requested. Log books will be supplied by the Municipality. Copies must be given to the Municipality every Monday by Noon.
- Salt shall be applied at the Municipality's request. (Please give price for salting).
- Sidewalk plowing and sanding shall be done with the proper sidewalk maintenance machine made for that purpose, i.e., MT trackless machine or equivalent machine with sander, blower and blade, maximum 60 inches, with all safety equipment, guards, etc., in place. **Please state the equipment to be used for this contract.**
- Sanding is to be included in the flat rate price.
- An on-site tour will be scheduled June 26 to June 29, 2023 if required. Please call the Municipal Office at (705) 377-5726
- Any damage done is to be repaired by contractor each Spring i.e., lawns, fire hydrants, trees, fences, signs, etc.

**TENDERING INFORMATION:**

- The bidder will be responsible for all labour and equipment required to carry out the terms of the contract. The bidder will be required to show proof of WSIB Coverage, a minimum two million (\$2,000,000) dollar insurance coverage. The municipality will not be liable for damage occurring in relation to the contract nor for and any other assessments levied and payable by the said contractor under any statute or lawful authority.
- The term of the contract will be for 4 (four) years with an option for a one-year renewal to be negotiated. This option is at the discretion of the municipality. Service is required from the first snowfall in the season to the last (regardless of date).
- The contractor will submit 4 invoices for payment: December, January, February and March.
- Sealed tenders, clearly marked as to contents and submitted on official tender forms (attached) will be received by the undersigned until NOON Friday, July 21, 2023.
- Sidewalks to be plowed are highlighted on the enclosed maps.
- The contract may be cancelled by either party upon 60 days' notice in writing to the other party at its principle place of business.
- Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Suitability of equipment will be a factor in awarding the tender.


 Denise Deforge-CAO/Clerk  
 MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
 PO Box 420,  
 Mindemoya, ON  
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**SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF GORDON-BARRIE ISLAND**

**Take Notice** that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on July 20, 2023, at the Gordon/Barrie Island Municipal Office, 29 Noble Sideroad, Gore Bay, Ontario.

**Description of Lands:**

1. Roll No. 5124 000 001 11100 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47107-0549 (LT); File No. 21-01; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$13,088.09</b>	6. Roll No. 51 24 000 002 01204 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0293 (LT); File No. 21-14; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$11,067.68</b>
2. Roll No. 51 24 000 001 11200 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47107-0550 (LT); File No. 21-04; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$11,378.48</b>	7. Roll No. 5124 000 002 01411 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0278 (LT); File No. 21-15; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$13,525.81</b>
3. Roll No. 51 24 000 001 11401 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47107-0537 (LT); File No. 21-07; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$23,838.45</b>	8. Roll No. 51 24 000 002 01418 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0271 (LT); File No. 21-16; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$12,999.51</b>
4. Roll No. 5124 000 002 00400 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0151 (LT); File No. 21-11; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$11,752.55</b>	9. Roll No. 51 24 000 002 01467 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0224 (LT); File No. 21-19; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$10,577.83</b>
5. Roll No. 51 24 000 002 00416 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0132 (LT); File No. 21-12; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$29,913.92</b>	10. Roll No. 5124 000 002 01487 0000; Gordon/Barrie Island; PIN 47110-0206 (LT); File No. 21-20; <b>Minimum Tender Amount: \$10,111.40</b>

**Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, Crown interests, or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. Any interests of the Federal or Provincial Crown encumbering the land at the time of the tax sale will continue to encumber the land after the registration of the tax deed.** This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. A full copy of the tax sale advertisement and further information about this matter is available on line at [www.OntarioTaxSales.ca](http://www.OntarioTaxSales.ca) or [www.gordonbarrieisland.ca](http://www.gordonbarrieisland.ca) or you may contact Carrie Lewis, Clerk - Treasurer, The Corporation of the Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island, 29 Noble Sideroad, P.O. Box 680, Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0, Phone: 705-282-2702, Email: [clerk@gordonbarrieisland.ca](mailto:clerk@gordonbarrieisland.ca)



## ...long overdue' proposed settlement with Robinson-Huron Treaty chiefs

...continued from page 11 son. It increased to \$4 in 1874, but has not budged since, despite the massive value of resources that Northern Ontario has produced for colonial governments.

For instance, the Ontario Mining Association states that, across the province, mining extracted \$11.1 billion worth of minerals in 2021 alone.

That has had major impacts. RHT Litigation Fund spokesperson Duke Peltier, of Wiikwemkoong, said the breach of treaty has caused First Nations to suffer economically, culturally and socially.

"It's our people that have carried the burden of treaty for far too long. And this compensation from this settlement will ensure a stronger and brighter future for our people and our nations," Mr. Peltier said.

Chief Sayers said although the relationship has been strained for many years, his people have always carried hope that the government would right its wrongs.

"It's not been the best type of experience that we would have hoped for. But the sun has always been shining behind the clouds. The sun has always risen, every day, and will continue to rise," he said.

"Community healthcare and education has suffered and our economies have been crushed through the impact and ongoing legacy of colonialism. The proposed settlement we're announcing today is an opportunity for our communities to grow, prosper, and provide a sustainable future for our children," said Chief Sayers.

### Indigenous Relations minister says it's 'long overdue'

Alongside Chief Sayers and Mr. Peltier at the announcement were litigation lawyer David Nahwegahbow, from Whitefish River First Nation, federal Crown-Indigenous Relations Minister Marc Miller and Ontario Indigenous

Affairs Minister Greg Rickford.

Minister Miller said the proposed settlement was a "game-changer" for the 21 RHT First Nations.

"This is about the partner, Canada, Ontario, paying its bills that are past due," he said. "The Crown did not fulfill its treaty promises."

The minister acknowledged the many people who have advocated for a settlement but have since passed on to the Spirit World. He said that, while the 1850 RHT took five years to create, it has taken more than 170 to fix.

"That treaty went unfulfilled, and the obligation broken. And this isn't about one parcel of land in Canada. It is about the entire relationship upon which this country has essentially been built," he said, adding that there are many non-Indigenous people who don't understand the importance of these treaties, or that they themselves are treaty people.

Minister Rickford said the negotiations on this proposed settlement have been underway for several months, and only happened because both sides worked hard to form relationships between each other.

"We had established trust and confidence. Trust, not just in each other, but in a process. We found ourselves having the kinds of conversations that would lead us to today," he said.

The minister said he wanted the relative speed on the settlement to signify that it wouldn't take 173 years to deal with similar issues in the future.

### Lack of communication difficult but necessary

A key part of forming those relationships was the existence of strict non-disclosure agreements for all members of the negotiations.

Chief Sayers said he struggled with the limited updates he was able to

share during the process, but it was important so everyone in the discussions could feel safe and comfortable speaking openly and honestly.

"Believe me, we were frank in our discussions with each other," he said, adding that the process became more successful after "we really trusted each other in the relationships and incorporated ceremony."

The chief said reconciliation is not possible to achieve within courtrooms, but he said the cooperation on both sides has supported that process.

"As Anishinaabe people, settler court processes are not our preferred venues for resolution. However, we have accepted that it is necessary and we have made tremendous progress," he said. "True and lasting reconciliation is only possible when Canadian governments honour our nation-to-nation relationship."

### 'Renewal of the relationship'

Mr. Peltier said "the primary objective all along has been to renew the relationship" between the Crown and First Nations.

"Unfortunately, it took us launching a court case to compel the Crown to sit at the table, to realize that we can accomplish more together, outside of a court process. And the result of the negotiations clearly established a path forward for us," he said.

Mr. Peltier recalled the original Covenant Chain from the Treaty of Niagara that said settlers and Indigenous people would share the land, offering help to each other when needed, but ultimately continuing their own ways of life.

Minister Miller said there is a "healthy suspicion" among many First Nations toward the Crown, owing to generations of broken promises. He said the Canadian government is committed to rebuilding the relationship.

"To the credit of the leadership here today, they have made sure that they have wrapped this in ceremony and in the spirit and intent of the treaty that was signed in 1850."

Chief Sayers said the past court processes have brought forth many historical perspectives from Elders, and that the courts have affirmed that Indigenous oral tellings of history are of equal force to legal documentation.

"This case has really brought a lot of beautiful perspectives to light and we're in a better place because of it. And our people will be richer because of it," he said.

*The negotiating team for the annuities case who guided the process through its final stages were: Chief Dean Sayers, Chief Patsy Corbiere, former Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier, Peter Recollect, former Ontario regional chief Angus Toulouse, Roger Daybutch of the Missis-sauga First Nation and Anishinaabek Nation director Mike Restoule.*

## notices



**Manitoulin Family Resources**

**Notice of Change in Date / Avis de changement de date Due to unforeseen circumstances, please note the change in the date for our AGM. Please see below for the details.**

**En raison de circonstances imprévues, veuillez noter le changement de date de notre AGA. Veuillez voir ci-dessous pour les détails.**

**2023 Annual General Meeting  
Assemblée générale annuelle 2023**

Members of the public are invited to attend Manitoulin Family Resources Annual General Meeting  
Manitoulin Family Resources invite le public à l'assemblée générale annuelle

**Date:**  
Monday, July 17, 2023 / lundi 17 juillet 2023

**Time/Heure:**  
6:00 pm / 18:00 h

**Location/ Lieu de rencontre:**  
EarlyON Child and Family Centre – 9050 Hwy 6, Unit D  
On y va centre pour l'enfant et la famille - 9050, autoroute 6, unité D


**Inquiries/Demandes:**  
For further details, please call 705-368-3400 ext. 243 or email at [dleblanc@mfresources.net](mailto:dleblanc@mfresources.net)

Pour plus de renseignements, s'il vous plaît, composer 705-368-3400 poste 243 ou courriel à [dleblanc@mfresources.net](mailto:dleblanc@mfresources.net)

MFR welcomes interested individuals to learn more about our programs and consider becoming part of our agency. Please accept this as your personal invitation to join us.

Nous voulons inviter les personnes intéressées à en savoir plus sur nos programmes et aimerais rejoindre notre agence. Veuillez accepter notre invitation personnelle à nous rejoindre.

## notices



**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**  
**TOWNLINERIDGE #10 REPLACEMENT**  
**MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**  
**NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION**

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin has undertaken a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study under the Schedule B process, for the proposed replacement of Townline Bridge #10. The purpose of this Class EA Study was to provide an opportunity to solicit feedback from stakeholders and agencies on this project, and address any potential concerns.

Townline Bridge #10 is a 9.71 m two-span steel stringer bridge that carries two lanes of traffic over the Manitou River, in Snowville, by the intersection of Townline Road West and Side Road 15. The bridge is located on Townline Road West, an east-west local road. The bridge is currently closed to traffic due to its poor condition, and it has been recommended for replacement.

Based on design completed to date and consultation with stakeholders and regulatory agencies, the preferred approach is to replace the existing bridge with a new two-lane 15.24 m single-span steel girder-type modular bridge on concrete foundations at the same location and horizontal alignment, but with an improved waterway opening. Furthermore, during construction, environmental protection measures will be required and monitored for the duration of the bridge replacement project.

If there are any concerns with this approach, written comments from interested persons related to this EA are invited to be submitted within 30 calendar days from the date of this Notice, in order to seek a mutually acceptable resolution:

<p>Mr. Peter Firla, P.Eng. Project Environmental Engineer EXP Services Inc. Suite 3-6A, 885 Regent Street Sudbury, ON P3E 5M4 705-674-9681 ext. 3936 <a href="mailto:peter.firla@exp.com">peter.firla@exp.com</a></p>	<p>Ms. Patricia Mader Deputy Clerk &amp; Municipal Coordinator Municipality of Central Manitoulin P.O. Box 187, 6020 Highway 542 Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0 705-377-5726 <a href="mailto:pmader@centralmanitoulin.ca">pmader@centralmanitoulin.ca</a></p>
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Subject to comments received under this notice, and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Municipality of Central Manitoulin intends to proceed with finalizing the design and then tendering and construction of the project.


In addition, a request to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order imposing additional conditions or requiring an individual environmental assessment may be made on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests should include your full name and contact information. Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (additional conditions or an individual environmental assessment), explaining how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts, and can include any supporting information.

The request should be sent in writing or by email to: Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor, Toronto, ON M7A 2J3, [minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca), and Director, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, 135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor, Toronto, ON M4V 1P5, [EABDirector@ontario.ca](mailto:EABDirector@ontario.ca). Requests should also be sent to the Municipality of Central Manitoulin by mail or email.

Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order>

All personal information included in your request – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, under the authority of section 30 of the Environmental Assessment Act and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact the Ministry's Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1600.

**Notice is issued on: June 12, 2023.**




Townline Bridge No. 10  
(at Townline Road and Side Road 15)

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**Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) Corporation**  
**Notice of Annual General Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 6:00 pm**

Manitoulin Health Centre will be holding their Annual General Meeting (AGM) virtually, via Microsoft Teams, on Thursday, June 29, beginning at 6 pm.

Members of the Corporation and the general public are invited and welcome to attend, but only members will be able to comment or ask questions during the meeting.

To receive the Microsoft Teams link, please send an email inquiry to Lori Mastelko at [lmastelko@mhc.on.ca](mailto:lmastelko@mhc.on.ca)



# ...There's a proposed Robinson-Huron settlement. What happens next?

...continued from page 11 monies are used.”

Finally, the Office of Mizhinawe will return to the communities once the settlement is finalized, to speak with RHT beneficiaries about what the settlement will mean for them and their First Nation. This will also be shared online and in news releases.

## Beyond the past annuities

With the proposed settlement over past annuities now released, the RHT Litigation Fund will continue its work on determining what the annuities should be worth now and into the future.

Mr. Peltier said that question has come up often, and all parties have agreed to return to negotiations over what that amount should be. This is not a legally binding agreement, but rather a political promise that these discussions

will happen as negotiations, rather than in court-based litigation.

Minister Miller said this proposed settlement should be a guide for all future governments' relationships with First Nations, because “there are a lot of unpaid bills in Canada.”

“Canada deprived those communities of the commitments they made and they are a functional driver of the socioeconomic underdevelopment that you see in a number of communities today,” he said. “This is as much about honoring our relationship as it is about leveling the playing field.”

He said it also shows it's important to back words with actions.

“There are a lot of people that care about reconciliation, but a lot of them want it for free, and reconciliation ain't free. And I think that's the realization of that, we're seeing today,” Minister Miller said.

Minister Rickford said the settlement signified that Ontario is ready to take action on other treaties, including the Robinson-Superior Treaty, to make efforts at negotiating a settlement.

Chief Sayers said the RHT process has also revealed “a lot more clauses in that treaty that are going to see the light of day.”

## Ontario cancels passage of housing proposal that would have had catastrophic effects on farming

by Tom Sasvari

ONTARIO—The Ontario government has cancelled its passage of a housing proposal that farmers say would have had a ‘catastrophic’ impact on farmland and livestock operations. Farmers throughout the province are welcoming the government’s decision on farmland severances.

“The fact that the government is pulling back and going to look at this proposal is fantastic, and looking at this whole issue is great. Let’s move forward,” said Mike Johnston, president of the Manitoulin-North Shore Federation of Agriculture (MNSFOA). “The government is rethinking it. I’m not sure they have totally abandoned the proposal, but they have announced they are taking this back to the drawing board.”

“We are not averse to houses being built,” Mr. Johnston said. “The idea behind the proposal was as farm families grow and if children in the family stay, they will want to develop and build a house on the property. But as farm families move away, property can be sold, and what if a purchaser can’t get along with a farm around their property because of things like dust and manure smell?”

“All of this ties down what a farmer can do, and any expansion (they) can look at,” said Mr. Johnston. “And there would be more conflicts with people living around the farm property. I know there are a few other things in the proposed bill that would take away the Greenbelt and lands being protected. Once you take farmland away, you can never get it back. We have already lost lots of farmland in Ontario, it is still happening at an alarming rate, and there is no way of bringing back farmlands on these properties once the topsoil goes somewhere else.”

“In bringing a message, it often isn’t about one voice. It is many voices, one message,” said Peggy Brekveld, president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) in a May 30 message she posted on the OFA viewpoint. “Ontario’s farmers have been vocal and united in recent weeks in asking the provincial government to take a pause on its recent proposed Provincial Planning Statement and proposed Bill 97. We are thankful that government has listened to our most significant concern and is taking steps to address it.”

The OFA was joined by Ontario’s other two general farm organizations, 11 commodity and agricultural groups and 30 of OFA’s local county federations of agriculture in a broad-based coalition to urge the government to reconsider proposed actions that would severely threaten local farmland protection.

“In particular, this coalition has been strong in its opposition to a proposal from the government to allow up to three new severed residential lots on an existing farm property. Creating residential housing lots in agricultural areas has long been controversial, and the negative impacts for farming are well demonstrated,” wrote Ms. Brekveld.

Ontario boasts some of Canada’s richest and most fertile farmland, and the proposed severance plan poses risks to that farmland and taking it permanently out of agricultural production threatens the long-term sustainability of both farming and the food system we all depend on, she pointed out.

“Our coalition is also extremely concerned that increased residential lot creation in prime agricultural areas will create conflict between farmers and their non-farming neighbours for all aspects of regular farm activities,” stated Ms. Brekveld.

“This includes applying crop nutrients to the land, conflict about odours and noise, wildlife control and more. We also don’t want to lose the current minimum distance separation requirement, which requires minimum distances between houses and livestock barns and works well to minimize conflict between livestock farmers and residential areas and protect water resources,” continued Ms. Brekveld.

The single voice of this united coalition of farmers and agricultural leaders against legislation that could make it difficult or impossible for farmers to manage and expand their farm businesses in the future has been heard.

The farming community, including the National Farmers Union – Ontario, the OFA, Beef Farmers of Ontario, Dairy Farmers of Ontario, and others, indicated that those changes would hamper the growth of livestock farming, fragment the agricultural land base and risk inflating farmland prices, shutting out prospective new farms.

Premier Doug Ford met earlier this month with farmers and the government has decided not to proceed with the lot severance proposal, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark wrote in a letter to the OFA.

The minister had proposed a series of regulations along with a bill that would allow for more housing to be built beyond urban boundaries and in rural areas, including allowing up to three new lots on parcels of farmland. The

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**FORM 6  
SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER  
Municipal Act, 2001  
Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules**

**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 3:00 p.m. local time on July 19, 2023, at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands Municipal Office, 14 Water St. E., Little Current, Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands Municipal Office, 14 Water St. E., Little Current.

**Description of Lands:**

1. Roll No. 51 19 010 001 19500 0000; Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands; PIN 47136-0253 (LT); PCL 832 SEC MANITOULIN; SUMMER RESORT LOCATION COMPRISING ISLAND TP1467 IN MCGREGOR BAY OF LAKE HURON; DISTRICT OF MANITOULIN; File No. 22-02

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$ 225 000.00.

**Minimum tender amount: \$ 13 710.88**

2. Roll No. 51 19 040 001 11200 0000; Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands; PIN 47124-0102 (LT); PT LT 17 CON 3 HOWLAND AS IN T21578; S/T & T/W T21578; NE MANITOULIN & ISLANDS; File No. 22-05

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According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$ 8 000.00.

**Minimum tender amount: \$ 5 205.95**

4. Roll No. 51 19 040 002 10700 0000; NOT ASSIGNED; PIN 47120-0167 (LT); PT LT 27 CON 3 HOWLAND AS IN T16754; S/T & T/W T16754; NE MANITOULIN & ISLANDS; File No. 22-08

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$ 8 000.00.

**Minimum tender amount: \$ 6 089.94**

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

**Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, availability of road access, or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.**

Pursuant to the Prohibition on the Purchase of Residential Property by Non-Canadians Act, S.C. 2022, c. 10, s. 235 (the “Act”), effective January 1, 2023, it is prohibited for a non-Canadian to purchase, directly or indirectly, any residential property, as those terms are defined in the legislation. Contraventions of the Act are punishable by a fine, and offending purchasers may be ordered to sell the residential property.

The municipality assumes no responsibility whatsoever for ensuring bidders/tenderers comply with the Act and makes no representations regarding same. Prospective bidders/tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and are advised to seek legal advice before participating in this sale.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province’s Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the website of the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

**For further information regarding this sale contact:**

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# ...youth quilters have works displayed at Quilt Canada national conference

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ner received sewing machines,” continued Ms. White. “The winners, Viewers Choice, were done by online voting and in house voting at the conference.”

The age group categories for youth were 5-9, 10-14 and 15-19. “Our kids were all in the 10-14 age group. They did so well,” stated Ms. White. “They worked very hard on their quilts.”

“This year, for the first time in its 40-year history, CQA/ACC hosted youth sewing and quilting classes. I was the lucky instructor that got to teach this class,” said Ms. White.

“Quilt Canada is an annual quilt conference that moves around the country. In 2022 we were in



Violet Bell with her quilt.



Chloe Moggy with her quilt.



Allie Jameson shows off her quilt.



Mylah Trudeau displays her work.



Shane Cranston with his quilt.

Vancouver and in 2024 we will be in Edmonton, Alberta,” said Ms. White. “It is Canada’s national quilt organization. Quilters from all over the world attend our conference. It is a three- to four-day event that boasts workshops, lectures, demonstrations, many quilt shows and our coveted National Juried Show (NJS).”

“For the NJS you have to be juried in, meaning you send images of your quilts and a jury (trained quilt judges) juries them in,” said Ms. White. “To get into this show as a finalist is a huge win. They are then judged, with cash prizes awarded. The NJS boasts the best of the best in quilting in Canada. These quilts are art. Two of our Island quilters were in the NJS this year. Lauren MacDonald had a juried quilt and Melissa McIntosh (Lakeside Longarmer) quilted it. Lauren and Melissa and two other Island quilters attended the conference as well.”

Ms. White noted that thousands of people and quilters file through the Quilt Canada conference and display. “It is a really neat experience.”

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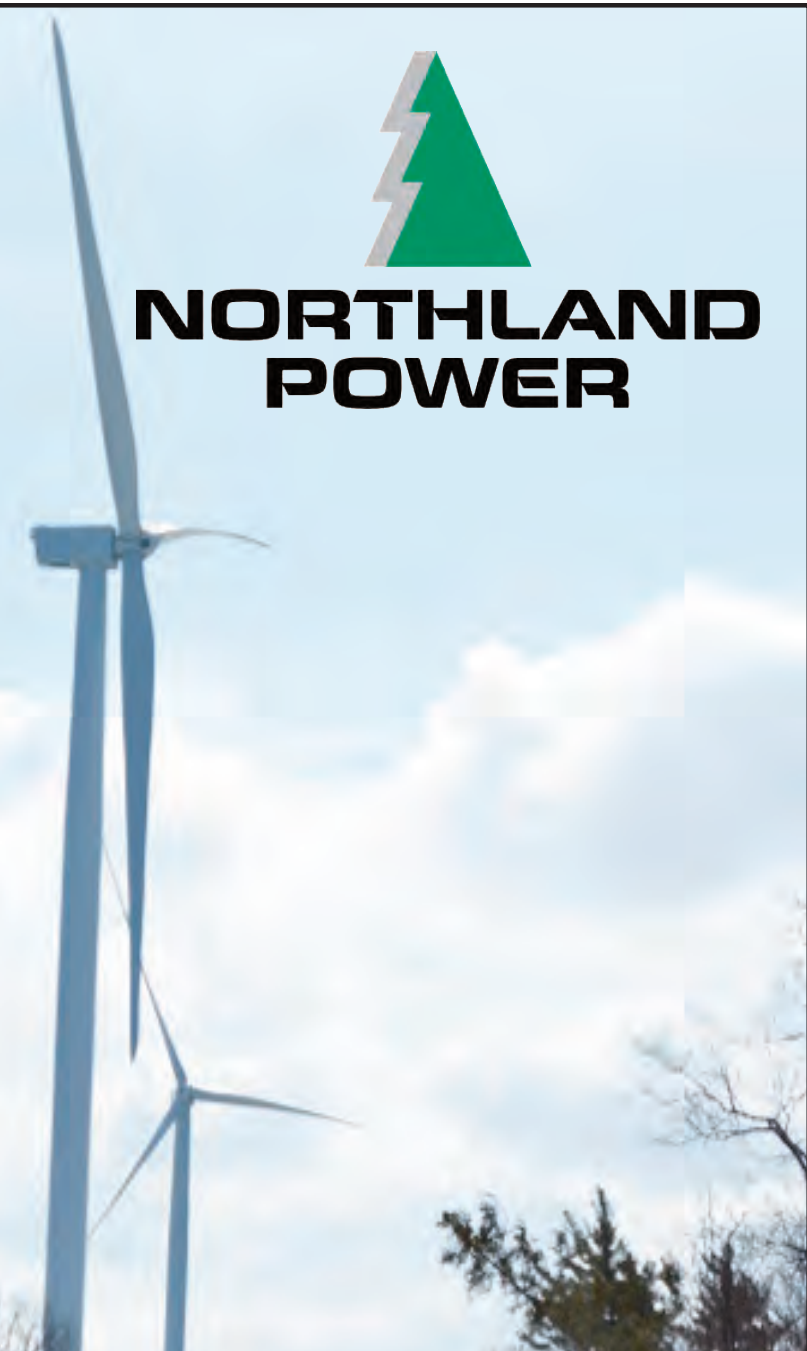
McLean’s Mountain Wind LP, a 50:50 partnership between Northland Power Inc. and United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing (UC-CMM) First Nations, is seeking a Snow Removal Contractor for a 24-turbine operation in Little Current, Ontario. The contract is for a 3-year term, with the possibility to extend 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 license, First AID, and CPR.

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# Death Notices

## ANNE J. ARCHER

Anne J. Archer passed away on May 10, 2023, in her 102nd year, in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Anne was predeceased by her husband Ross and infant son Douglas. She was the sister of her three late brothers, Haddon (Kay), Clifford (Cecile) and David (Joyce). Anne was a longtime resident of Mindemoya, having operated Cedar Grove Cottages on Lake Mindemoya with her husband in the 1960s and '70s and she was an enthusiastic member of the Mindemoya Curling Club. She was loved and will be missed by her nieces and nephews. She is responsible for many fond family memories of time spent with her on the Island. A gravesite service will be on July 8, 2023 at 2 pm at the York Cemetery, 160 Beecroft Road, Toronto. To leave your condolences, please go to Ogden Funeral Home in Scarborough.

## PAULINE ANDREWS MIGWANEBI May 5, 1942 - June 12, 2023



Pauline Andrews Migwanabi passed away on June 12, 2023. She is the dear daughter of the late William and Lucy Ann Megwanabe. Loving mother of Connie Megwanabi and Kim (Shawn) Laundrie. Cherished by grandchildren Courtney (Lee), Nimkiis, Natasha (Curtis) and Kaylee (Duncan), as well as great-grandchildren Nico, Deacon, Caleb and Haisley. Beloved sister of Wesley Corbiere (Mary) (both predeceased), Irene Castonguay (Conrad) (both predeceased), Henry (Jean) (both predeceased), Louise Pine (predeceased), (Fred) Lawrence (Jean), Beatrice Bisailon (Julian, predeceased), Edward, George (predeceased), James (Nora, predeceased). Also will be sadly missed by many friends, nieces, nephews and Godchildren. Pauline was a longtime employee of the Whitefish River First Nation and retired as the Band Administrator after serving her community for 30 plus years. She loved to travel, her destinations were places such as Italy, Israel, USA, Mexico and coast to coast in Canada, including the Northwest Territories. Pauline was a longtime volunteer for St. Gabriel Lalement Parish in Birch Island, organizing fundraisers to offset the operating cost of the Church. She also travelled with the Kateri Ministry in the early 1980s with her family. In her leisure, Pauline enjoyed camping, fishing, going to the sugar camp, playing bingo, playing cards with family and friends, painting and occasionally testing her luck at the casino. She enjoyed hosting family dinners and gatherings, following in the tradition of her mother. Her children and her grandchildren were her pride and joy and she cherished each and every moment with them. Visitation started on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 1 pm in her home in Birch Island. Funeral Mass was on Friday, June 16, 2023 at 11 am in the St. Gabriel Parish, Birch Island. Interment followed in the Birch Island Cemetery. Arrangements by Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd, Espanola.

# Celebration of Life

## CAPTAIN CLIFFORD MORRISON



Julie Morrison, with family and friends, will be Celebrating the Life of their much loved husband, father, grandfather and friend, Captain Clifford Morrison, who passed away in October 2022. Please join us with your memories and stories at the Tehkummah Hall on Sunday, July 2, 2023 between 1 and 3 pm.

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, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Fundraising or Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0.

# Island leaders commit to second meeting on combined waste management solutions

**by Tom Sasvari**  
KAGAWONG—The initial step has been taken by Manitoulin municipalities and First Nations toward coming up with solutions and ideas that the Island communities can work together on to deal with waste. And after a meeting attended by well over 50 people last week, a second meeting will take place this fall.

"We can pretend this meeting did not take place or we can move forward and continue to meet to find solutions to and reducing our waste and the way we handle it on the Island," said Billings township councillor Vince Grogan, at an Island-wide waste management meeting attended by municipal, First Nation and provincial political leaders, waste management entrepreneurs and interested residents last week. "We have to make a solid commitment as municipal and First Nation leaders to improve the current situation and how we deal with and what we do with waste." He suggested an Island-wide subcommittee be formed to gather input and garner ideas. "We have to start somewhere."

Billings Mayor Bryan Barker said at the start of the meeting, "we would like to welcome everyone to Billings tonight to participate in the first Island-wide waste management meeting."

"Whenever we talk about garbage we don't get as many people in the legislature as there is here tonight," said Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha. He said a lot of legislation "has pushed and handcuffed municipalities. The government is making it more difficult and expensive to take care of waste. And this means tough deci-

sions have to be made by municipalities and first nations, and a lot of time is spent on this issue by municipal and First Nation staff."

"I want to be your link to ministers and hear what you have to offer," said MPP Mantha.

Councillor Grogan reminded everyone to keep an open mind. "The purpose of our meeting is to prepare for long-term waste diversion and areas like increasing recycling." Each of the municipal leaders outlined where their municipality stands in terms of waste management in their communities. In Dawson, the township is currently operating a transfer station recently approved by the province.

Jack Bould, a Gordon/Barrie Island councillor said in operating a transfer station (which Gordon/Barrie Island and Gore Bay do), "you always face issues of what can be accepted and what can't be accepted."

Brad Wright, also a Gordon/Barrie Island councillor expressed concerns with what he understands is the Dodge Haulage site going to be closing in approximately 12 years. "We have heard this could take place in eight to 12 years, but this is a moving target depending on recycling and diversion of waste."

However, Ernest Dodge of Dodge Haulage in Espanola said at this time he is working on expanding the site and has a current waste span of a minimum of 20 years and as many as 68.

"I would like to thank Bryan (Barker) and his team for bringing us together and hopefully we can find common ground on waste issues," said Richard Stephens, mayor of Central Manitoulin. He said the municipality has been active in trying to handle solid waste and at one time had five operating landfills but with the closure of the Providence Bay landfill recently, none are operating. "This was an unplanned closure, as the

province did not allow for the expansion of the landfill licence in Providence Bay. "We have moved forward with an agreement with GFL and Dodge Haulage to look after hauling our garbage, but we are in the midst of finding locations and services. Right now, we are hauling waste off-Island, an idea I don't like."

Terence Corbiere reported that Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory doesn't have a landfill, but does have a transfer station. "We are looking for look more efficient operations," he said, noting the community does have recycling and composting programs in place.

In NEMI it took about 10 years for the town to be able to get approval and open a landfill in the community, said Mayor Al MacNevin. There is a recycling component to the site and the projected lifespan of the site is 46 years.

Billings still has a landfill, and an application has been made for an expansion of the site (which currently has an expected lifespan of seven years) would see the expected lifespan to be 13-20 years. "We also face push-back on things we can't process in the landfill. And trucking waste is not a good solution in my mind," he said. "I would like to see several micro-stations set up around the Island for handling different waste materials, like crushing cans and the like. We hope with our discussions we can provide more solutions."

For M'Chigeeng First Nation, Murray McGregor said a fire at the previous community landfill in 2010 caused the landfill to be closed. Since then, a temporary transfer station has been in place with a private owner. "We are hoping to be taking over operations of a new site in the fall and diverting waste away from the transfer station."

In Tehkummah, Reeve John Deforge said the township has a landfill, and has applied for an extension of the licence and expansion of the site, but will have to close in a year if they are rejected.

Burpee and Mills councillor Roger Morrell said his municipality has a transfer station that handles and separate all the waste, steel, plastics, aluminum, and cardboard, which is all baled for recycling. And everything else goes into a bin and goes to Dodge Haulage.

"Those are the types of things and ideas I would like to look at Island-wide," said Mr. Grogan.

Entrepreneurs like Colen McKeever of Kagawong, whose company CDM Agency is the Northern Ontario agent for Eco-Growth Environmental Inc. based in Calgary. Eco-Growth uses a proprietary technology to reduce food and yard waste in to a pathogen free biofuel material that is introduced into a biofuel boiler system, producing hot water that can be used for building heat or in industrial hot water processes, using a commercial dehydrator, reducing organic waste into a stable biomass among several other options.

Mathieu Gagnon of Waste Energy Solutions and Technologies (WEST) said WEST works with community, manufacturing and industrial clients to redirect their waste into centralized waste processing facilities. The facilities can be designed, built, owned and operated by WEST to provide on an Island-wide basis. They turn waste into energy and are generating renewable energy that will reduce the consumption of fossil fuels and reduce the carbon footprint. The clean energy can be used as a source of electricity, heating or cooling. He said the system they use don't need ...continued on page 29

## ...Person wanted for first degree murder

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Criminal Code. Five people from southern Ontario had also been charged with first-degree murder in connection with the shooting death in M'Chigeeng First Nation. Charged with first-degree murder was a 20-year-old from Newmarket, a 20-year-old from Brampton, a 21-year-old from Brampton, a 26-year-old from Markham and a 30-year-old from Scarborough. The suspects also face several other charges, including trafficking, firearms offences and breaching

release orders. The United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Anishnaabe Police Crime Unit, in conjunction with the Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Crime Unit, the Northeast Region OPP Forensic Identification Service, the Northeast Region OPP Emergency Response Team and the North East Region OPP Community Street Crime Unit, are continuing this investigation under the direction of the OPP's Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB).

If anyone has further information regarding this incident, contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or your nearest police service. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you can call Ontario Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TISPS (8477) or submit your tip online at www.ontariocrimestoppers.com where you may be eligible for a reward of up to \$2,000.

## in memoriam



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The special years will not return When we were all together, But the love within our hearts You will walk with us forever. Husband Ed, sons Kevin, Ed, Elvis and Elliott and grandchildren

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## thank you

The family of Reta Parkinson would like to thank all their friends, family and neighbours for all their kindness at the time of Reta's death. A special thanks to Dr. Jeffery and nurse Ruth. Thanks to the Island Funeral Home for their help and kindness, and to Rev. Faye Stevens for a wonderful service. Thank you to the Rockville community for the lunch, care and concern. Thank you, Brad, Bryan and families.

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# ...housing proposal that would have had catastrophic effects on farming

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government had originally suggested the severances as a way to support farm families, Minister Clark noted.

"We understand that farming is often a multi-generational family enterprise, and our government has been asked by many farmers to offer practical support to them and their families by making it easier for the next generation to live and work in the same place where they grew up," he wrote. "At the same time, we have clearly heard the concerns that have been raised about the need to preserve Ontario's farmland and we share that goal. We want to continue working with the agricultural sector to look at alternatives that would assist farm families in succession planning, but do not involve additional severances."

The OFA said it was pleased the government heard farmers' concerns, though they do see issues with other aspects of the bill that could lead to more loss of farmland. Ontario is losing an average of 319 acres a day, according to census data.

"We have some other concerns surrounding the issue of (ministerial zoning orders) and then some other aspects of the changes in Bill 97, but they're things we can work with," said OFA board member Ethan Wallace. "I think the one that could dramatically have a catastrophic impact on especially livestock agriculture was the three-lot proposal and seeing that there is movement on that issue is a very positive step."

NDP agriculture critic John Vanthof, himself a dairy farmer by trade, raised the issue in the legislature and said farmers are

not opposed to building more than one residence on an existing farmstead, but once the land starts being severed into new lots, it creates a host of problems, particularly for the livestock industry.

Livestock farmers are subject to rules that say they must be a certain distance away from their neighbours, and the more residential lots there are around that operation, the less ability they have to expand their operations.

Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha, who recently met with members of the MNSFOA said "They're raising concerns about the severance of land and the effects it would have on food security, livestock and future farming opportunities. It will negatively impact future opportunities for new farmers because of the high costs of start-

ing a farm."

"And if we allow severances on farmland, if a young farmer sets himself up, if the land next door to them is severed he won't be able (to expand). This is negative for farming infrastructure, not being able to build," said MPP Mantha. "Once you take away pristine farming soils and land, they are gone forever."

It's not sustainable to lose 319 acres of farmland per day, MPP Mantha said. "The government really needs to look at the decisions they are making. They have huge impacts on agriculture."

The value of frontline workers was realized during COVID and at the same time, "we found out how important farmers and locally grown food was," MPP Mantha said. "Farmers are heroes."

# ...commit to second meeting on combined waste management solutions

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the high volumes of waste that large cities like Toronto accumulate for their system to work on the Island.

"I agree with the one speaker tonight who said the province and Canada, everyone is scratching their heads on how to deal with waste," said Deborah Moore. "Having this type of meeting is brilliant. But the solutions will not be found in one meeting, there will be a lot of work to do."

"There has already been a lot of good ideas shared here tonight," said John VanEvery. "We are all trying to do the best we can. We probably need a sub-committee set up to get input and look at all potential ideas and solutions."

"When I met with (township) staff prior to this meeting we discussed where we want to go from here, and we agreed there is need for a sub-committee to be formed to bring all the expertise together. The Island has a lot of smart people with good ideas in regards to waste management that we can work toward, together," said Mr. Grogan.

MPP Mantha said that one common theme that has come forward is education. "A lot of people who should be and would help look at options are not here tonight. We need everyone to be educated on waste and for everyone to buy into solutions being looked at. People need to know how they are being affected by all of this. A sub-committee being developed is the next best step to take."

Derek Stephens, a Central Manitoulin councillor said the idea of working together on the Island for a waste solu-

tion problem "was tried about 20 years ago. We all agree that there are a lot of good ideas on how we can reduce waste and recycle. A big problem is the regulations in place on what municipalities can and cannot do. The governments continue to download restrictions."

"In Central Manitoulin we had a landfill site in Providence Bay that had a lifespan of 25 years, then out of the blue the province said it had to close," said Councillor Stephens. "They gave us a year to do this and now we are struggling. And when a landfill was looked at Island wide years ago, we had reports done on possible landfill locations, but those landowners whose property was being looked at said not in my back yard."

"Most of the technology is not improving Canada. There are companies that try to get initiatives in place but then they don't get approvals. There is tons of stuff we can't do," said Councillor Stephens. He pointed out after a while most municipalities dropped out of the discussion to have an island wide landfill site developed.

"We were identifying locations for a new site for the Island, but another problem is that councils change and agendas change," Councillor Stephens continued. "That is one of the biggest problems we face as any municipality or First Nation. As well, governments will provide funding for studies but not for opening and operating landfills or other waste facilities."

Mayor Barker said, "We would like to thank everyone for

taking part this evening. I would encourage everyone to stay engaged. And I would encourage everyone to talk to your neighbours, friends about the idea of looking at ways to keep reducing waste and keeping it out of our landfills."

Mayor Barker indicated, "as I said at the start this is the first meeting, a sub-committee is a great idea and we can look at ideas, get input and look at possible solutions to our waste problems. I don't think any of us can drop out, we all need to work together and continue down the path we have started."

The group agreed to meet again in September.

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## Manitoulin Lodge honours volunteer with its 'Circle of Excellence award'

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—A very deserving volunteer has received the Circle of Excellence Award from the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home and Jarlette Health Services. As well, a volunteer in her own right, Gloria Hall, life enrichment coordinator at the Lodge received a special recognition at the Lodge June Days barbecue and bake sale held last Friday.

At a ceremony held at the Lodge last Thursday morning Ms. Hall explained, "Every year we are asked to choose a volunteer for the Circle of Excellence Award. This is not an easy task as each volunteer is valued and appreciated. This year we have chosen someone who has made a difference in the lives of our residents."

Kathi Haines moved to Manitoulin in 1979. "Our gain and New Liskeard's loss," said Ms. Hall. She has two children, Terri Lynn, who lives in Vancouver and Kevin, who lives in Gore Bay.

Ms. Haines previously worked at Manitoulin Transport and was a councillor for Billings Township.

"Kathi is a great friend and natural caregiver having taken her mother for a number of years, and she loves animals," continued Ms. Hall. "The room lights up when Kathi is around with her great smile, and her unending energy. Kathi spends time with the residents, gardening and visiting. "Our courtyard is looking lovely thanks to her help and caring. She has become a wonderful pen pal. Kathi brings her tag along Pebbles her four-legged companion. The residents look forward to spending time with Pebbles."

"Kathi is a faithful member of our volunteer team," said Ms. Hall. "She makes fresh homemade buns for our supper club that are melt in your mouth delicious. She helps with special events and outings; often baking for whatever event is happening. Kathi also accompanies residents to medical appointments on the Angel Bus."

This past winter Ms. Haines canvassed local



In photo, left, Gloria Hall, life enrichment coordinator at the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home in Gore Bay, presents a Circle of Excellence Award to volunteer Kathi Haines.

photo by Tom Sasvari

businesses for sponsorship of the Lodge monthly Tim Horton's day, Ms. Hall continued.

Heather Weatherbee, behavioural support coordinator/staffing coordinator at the Lodge told the gathering, "I am proud to be part of this celebration and recognition of a very special volunteer. This volunteer is part of the success of my program. She jumped on board with no hesitation and has given back to our residents who needed a pen pal, someone that they could bond with; and not only did she do that with an enthusiasm and passion, but she added her wonderful companion Pebbles as one of our pet therapy dogs. This special individual deserves to be recognized. Kathi thank you for everything you do here at Manitoulin Lodge."

"Congratulations, Kathi and well deserved," said Ms. Weatherbee.

Jaime-Lynn Kalmikov, Lodge administrator welcomed everyone to the Lodge June Days celebrations last Friday, which included the local band 'Family Tradition' providing the music along with the barbecue and bake sale. "Beside me is Brittany Honess, our director of care. We felt it was so important for us to come together to express our gratitude for our volunteer team."

"We wanted to thank all our very valuable and

appreciated volunteers that put in so much time, effort and energy into making this event a success," said Ms. Kalmikov. "This event is a huge supporter for the volunteer program, who then organize activities and events for our residents."

"The work our volunteers do is exceptional, and we truly appreciate you all and thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our home," said Ms. Kalmikov, who encouraged everyone in attendance to, "join us in a round of applause for our amazing volunteers."

Ms. Kalmikov also recognized a very special woman, Lodge employee and community volunteer, Gloria Hall.

"We also wanted to thank one very special lady who has spent the last 37 years here at our home," said Ms. Kalmikov. "This woman has been one of the most dedicated people in our home, spending countless hours, long hours, weekend and evening hours here to ensure all aspects and needs of our residents are met. She comes in on her holidays and her days off to ensure residents have their zoom meetings or take a resident to their appointments."

Ms. Hall, "is the go-to person to fix your glasses, organize a volunteer for appointments and any health and safety question. She organizes all our resi-

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## Manitoulin Sporting Life

### Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc

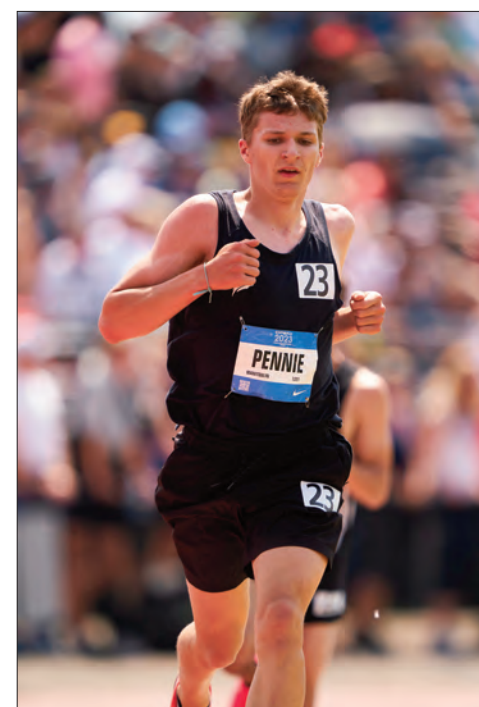


#### Island Track and Field!

The Island elementary meet was held over two days last week and as usual, a great day was had by all participants thanks to the amazing work of volunteers. The following is a list of the top three, age-group, aggregate winners.

In the nine-year-old girls: **Brenna Polard** LCPS (a perfect 12 points), **Rowyn Pfeifer** Charles C. McLean took silver and **Alivia Callaghan** won bronze. The boys' group had a tie for first with **Fin Card** (LCPS) and **Brody King** (CC McLean) each amassing 11 points. **Jack Bentley** and **Oliver Wilding**, both of LCPS, tied for silver and **Bray Wassegijig** of Lakeview took bronze.

In the 10-year-old class **Breeze Osawamick** won a perfect 12 points for Pontiac. **Bria Wassegijig** (Lakeview) and **Ella King** tied for second with nine points each and **Sydney Cunningham** (CCM) third. **Boston Abotossaway** (LCPS) was a perfect 12, **Rowan McCann** (CCM) silver **Rylee Hubbard** and **Cohen Wabano** Bronze of Charles C. McLean and Pontiac respectively.



Brodie Pennie in the 3,000 metre at OFSAA.



Kohyn Eshkawkogan, far right, poses with fellow award winners at The Hill Academy. Kohyn won the Defensive Player of the Year Award.

In the 11-year-old division, **Myla Edralin** (LCPS) Gold, **Nova Debassige** (CMPS) Silver and **Rylee Williamson** (CCM) Bronze. On the boys' side, **Finn Flanagan** (CCM) was first. A three-way tie for second by CC McLean teammates **Chaz Zoutman**, **David Joyce** and **Collin Campbell** while LCPS's **Casey Bowerman** was third.

The 12-year-old division featured **Arabella Otosquaib** of Assiginack a perfect-point Gold, **Chloe Bowerman** from LCPS Silver and tied for Bronze were **Rowyn Kasunich** (Lakeview), **Kirsten Bowerman** (LCPS) and **Amber Brizuela** (CMPS). It was a LCPS sweep in the boys' category with **Roen Deschenes** (10 pts), **Max King** (9 pts.) and **Ryan Carter** (8 pts.).

In their last year of elementary school the elder states-people in the 13-plus division competed. The girls' medal winners were **Charmaine Webkamigad**, Little Current, a perfect 12, **Damara Wassegijig**, Lakeview Silver and **Lourdes Taukei** and **Kaci Lariviere** tied for third. In the boys', **Jack Bridgeman** of Central Manitoulin

scored a 12-point Gold, **Aaron Townsend** of LCPS an 11 for Silver and **Shlok Gandhi**, **Aaven Edralin** of LCPS and **Tristin Cyr** from St. Joseph's tied for third.

#### Mindemoya Classic July 2nd!

Did you know the Mindemoya Classic was established in 2001?! This long-running race took a little "Covid" break but is back running... and paddling and pedaling. There is currently, early bird pricing in effect. You can register today at: [www.breakawaymanitoulinevents.ca](http://www.breakawaymanitoulinevents.ca)

For the uninitiated, the race consists of a 5.5 km run, approximately a 4km paddle and then a 13km bike ride. The ranked race categories are: Solo endurance (with canoe or kayak), team of two relay or endurance (with 1 canoe), team of four relay or endurance (with 2 canoes, coed), a family team of two relay or endurance (child 12 or under), family team of 4 relay or endurance (child 12 or under, one canoe allowable) and finally a masters solo, two or four relay or endurance (all team members 50+)

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# Manitoulin Community Garden Kite Festival enjoys near perfect weather

GORDON—It was certainly a beautiful sunny day for a kite festival!

“The wind came up beautifully just in time for the kites to fly and it was a wonderful joyous time for all,” said Linda Willson, of Western Manitoulin Community Garden (WMCG), which held its third annual kite festival on June 4.

“The number of kites were down a bit from previous years, but at one time there were over 50 kites in

the air,” said Ms. Willson, who pointed out there were over 100 people in attendance including many families. One family had three generations flying kites, from three to 75 years old.

“The Gore Bay-Western Manitoulin Lions Club provided a free barbecue lunch for all,” said Ms. Willson. “This is a totally free family event sponsored by WMCG.”

Gaynor Orford organized a scarecrow-making event



Kids and adults of all ages took part in the third annual kite festival on June 4 at the Western Manitoulin Community Garden.

photos by Isobel Harry

by the Lyon’s Memorial United Church, an emergency vehicle display with the Gore Bay Fire Department, the Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board (MSDSB) paramedic service was on hand, and the community education representative of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was also on hand.”

There were a dozen prizes handed out during the day. The prizes were

kites, Susan Garlock from Buoy’s Eatery donated a sweatshirt, and the grand prize was a gift certificate for Buoy’s. “It was so cute to hear the little girl that won it go up to her grandfather and say, ‘Hey Grampa, I can take you out for pizza,’” said Ms. Willson.

Judges for the prizes included David Edwards of Gore Bay Theatre fame, Bryan Barker the Mayor of Billings and Brad Wright,



Little people sometimes need a bit of a helping hand while flying their kites. Luckily this dad was on hand to assist in keeping the kite airborne.

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Kids and kites were well-tethered during the festival.

that was enjoyed by many, continued Ms. Willson. “There are now a dozen happy scarecrows in the community garden, scaring the crows and other critters out of the garden and making the garden seem alive at all times. A pop-up play area was

organized by Ann Cummings and her assistants from the Early Learning Centre. A dog watering and kite repair table was set up

donated by Almaz Health Food Store (several t-shirts), Lance Baptiste from Huron Island Thyme at Providence Bay donated

councillor for Gordon/Barrie Island. The Town of Gore Bay, Roger Chenier and his crew, provided tables and garbage pails.

“We are grateful to Cole McLaughlin and family who provide the land for the community garden and mow a huge area for kite flying. His kite won the longest flying kite as he had it in the air the entire time of the event,” said Mr. Willson.

Ms. Willson added, “the kite festival is a free, fun-filled family event and it helps to draw attention to our community garden. The scarecrows are an added bonus. We are hoping to attract more young people to work at the garden or help planning special events like this that benefit the whole community Island wide.”

## ...Lodge honours volunteer with ‘Circle of Excellence award’

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dent activities and recruits and supports all our amazing volunteers,” continued Ms. Kalmikov. “We often refer to this woman as the ‘Heart of Manitoulin Lodge.’ Her passion is to ensure all residents, families, staff and the community have the best day and best life possible.”

“This woman not only volunteers way more time than her scheduled 40

hours here at the Lodge every week, she also volunteers her time with the Canadian Cancer Society, Warm Hearts Palliative Caregivers and Victims Services,” continued Ms. Kalmikov. “This is just a quick glimpse of the amazing contributions she is making towards our home and community.”

“So, on behalf of the entire team here at the lodge, thank you, Gloria, you are truly so appreciat-

ed and a valuable asset to our team,” said Ms. Kalmikov. She and Ms. Honess presented Ms. Hall with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. “This is a very small token of our appreciation for everything you do for our home!”

Volunteers and staff of the Lodge put on the barbecue, bake sale and the band Family Tradition provided live music during the afternoon.

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is seeking applicants for two full-time positions: full-time Solid Waste Operations Supervisor as well as a Roads Superintendent.

**Solid Waste Operations Supervisor (Full Time)**

The Solid Waste Operations Supervisor will manage the day-to-day operations of the municipality’s solid waste services and will support the implementation of the long-term Waste Management Plan that was approved by Council in 2022. This position will supervise landfill attendants and will assist residents in their use of the Municipality’s waste transfer facilities, as well as coordinate waste diversion programs, public education initiatives, planning, data tracking and compliance management.

**Roads Superintendent (Full-time)**

The Roads Superintendent will manage the day-to-day operations of the Roads Department, will supervise the roads department operators, will lead asset management activities for the department, and will act as part of the senior management team to plan and implement public works projects.

Further information including a job description is available on our website at [www.centralmanitoulin.ca/employment](http://www.centralmanitoulin.ca/employment)

Resumes will be reviewed as they are received.  
Applications can be addressed to:  
Denise Deforge, CAO/Clerk  
Municipality of Central Manitoulin  
6020 Highway 542 | P.O. Box 420  
Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0  
[ddeforge@centralmanitoulin.ca](mailto:ddeforge@centralmanitoulin.ca) | Phone: (705) 377-5726 Fax: (705) 377-5585

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**JOB POSTINGS**

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**Part-Time Housekeepers**

**Please apply in person Monday to Friday between 9:00am-5:00pm with resume to:**  
Manitoulin Hotel & Conference Centre  
66 Meredith St E  
Little Current, ON  
P0P 1K0  
**or Email to:** [gm@manitoulinhotel.com](mailto:gm@manitoulinhotel.com)

More info can be viewed at <https://manitoulinhotel.com/careers/>



# ...Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

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With that being said, in the spirit of participation, if you want to join and you have a team of three or thirty, or somewhere in-between, you're always welcome to enter as an "unranked" team and join in the fun. This is a non-profit race. All proceeds go to supporting youth sports programming on Manitoulin.

### Local player drafted!

Congratulation to Little Current's **Billy Biederman** who was recently drafted by the Corpus Christi Ice Rays. This young dynamic player was taken 5th overall in the very first round. Have a great season, Billy.

The following was scooped from the NAHL website, with some details on the league. The NAHL will be celebrating its 49th season in 2023-24, the NAHL, the only USA Hock-

ey-sanctioned Tier II Junior league boasting 29 teams in 17 states from across North America. The NAHL is part of the USA Hockey National Junior Development Model, which includes the USHL and the US National Team Development Program. The NAHL works closely with NCAA College Hockey, the NHL, the USHL, and USA Hockey's National Development Program in to order best serve as an imperative piece in the development system for collegiate and professional hockey.

### Manitoulin Cycling Group ride!

The Manitoulin road cycling group has grown over the last couple of years and has established a following on Facebook and now hosts regular rides. Their next 'Group Ride' is tomorrow, Thursday! Those interested are asked to meet at the Sheguiandah Hall for 6PM.

There are even keeners who will ride from Little Current at 5:30 if you want a warm-up! Follow the Manitoulin Cycling Group on the Facebook for exciting, up to the minute updates!

### Player award!

**Kohyn Eshkawkogan** who played this past year for the Hill Academy team, won the Defensive player of the year award. Congrats Kohyn!

### No Island fastball? But, Gerard Baibomcow-

ai knew there were players who wanted to play. His idea, "build it and they will come!" He put out the offer, Island-wide with little response. There was however, enough interest in Wiikwemkoong to make a small league in town.

Gerard has four teams committed yet there are a few players needed to fill out some of the rosters. He has an offer out for new players who are encouraged to come and learn fastball. The pay-to-play deal is just \$50 a player (paid up front

and waivers signed).

Gerry is also in need of umpires who will get \$40 a game. The home teams will supply 1st/2nd base umpers for games of an hour and a half. Games will be Mondays, Wednesdays and maybe some Saturday night baseball also. The teams registered are: Wiky Son's Of Pitches, Kaboni Tigers, Wiky Lumberjacks and **Collin James!**? Contact Gerard through Facebook if interested.

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## FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

### HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER

**Annual Salary:** As per the WRFN Salary Grid (\$62,113 to \$75,748)

The Human Resources Manager will be responsible for providing human resource support to the Whitefish River First Nation (WRFN) as an organization. The position will support the First Nation's strategic goals to help drive the design, planning and implementation of policies and procedures while ensuring compliance with all relevant employment laws and legislations.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Direct and coordinate human resources activities, such as employment, compensation, benefits and training;
- Advise management and staff on all government policies related to human resources, human rights, labour law and/or other relevant legislation;
- Research for current and changing government legislation and develop company policies to ensure compliance accordingly;
- Investigate all complaints of discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment, grievances, acts of violence and workplace disagreements;
- Organize professional development and training opportunities;
- Develop and maintain a human resources system that meets management information needs;
- Assist in the recruitment, screening, hiring, retention, termination, and professional development of staff for WRFN; plan and conduct new employee orientation;
- Provide information on benefits programs such as life, health, dental and pension plans;
- Oversee a time management system for staff;
- Assist supervisors and department managers in the management training in promotions, performance review including appropriate documentation of these activities;
- Assist in developing forms and to support managers with new hires; and
- Work with the IT department on systems supports for new hires/employees.

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- A diploma or degree in a human resources-related field with a minimum of 5 years successful demonstrated human resources experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Extensive knowledge of the Labour Relations Act, Human Rights Legislation, Occupational Health, and Safety Act, the Employment Standards Act, and other related legislation.
- Understanding of issues and requirements related to information privacy and access and confidentiality.
- CHRP designation would be an asset or working toward the designation.
- Sound knowledge of current HR trends, issues, techniques and practices.
- Must have practical experience and knowledge of employment legislation governing First Nations
- Experience and/or training in privacy legislation a definite asset.
- Knowledge and understanding of Anishinabek culture, traditions, teachings, community dynamics an asset.
- Valid Class 'G' driver's licence and access to reliable transportation.
- Must have advanced computer skills.

#### SKILLS:

- Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal skills;
- Demonstrated presentation, research and analytical skills;
- Demonstrated ability to achieve results through a consultative approach; and
- Ability to work effectively with all staff, administration, government and First Nation organizations.

Applications will be accepted via email, fax, and mail or in-person to the attention of the Band Manager:

#### CONFIDENTIAL:

Whitefish River First Nation; 17-A Rainbow Ridge Road; P.O. Box 188; Birch Island; ON P0P 1A0

Email: [applications@whitefishriver.ca](mailto:applications@whitefishriver.ca); Fax: (705)285-4532

#### OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Applications must include the following:

Cover letter, current resume, and three (3) work related reference letters (with contact information).

Successful candidates must submit an original/current copy of their Police Record Check before employment.

We thank all who apply, however only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



### Getting pumped!

The new pump track at Low Island in Little Current promises plenty of fun for cyclists of all ages. An aerial view can be seen above. Below, Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin and Councillor George Williamson cut the ribbon.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Aerial view courtesy of George Williamson



## Third annual Poker paddle in Meldrum Bay open to everyone!

MELDRUM BAY—Everyone is welcome to take part in the third annual Poker Paddle on June 24 in Meldrum Bay.

Organized by Joe Weston, the first two years the event was held was mainly for friends and neighbours to get together for a fun day out. This year everyone is

welcome to come have fun on Lily Lake starting at 11 am to support a good cause. All proceeds will go to the Manitoulin Health Centre in Mindemoya.

"Any type of non-motorized vessel is welcome, such as a kayak, canoe or paddleboard, but personal floating devices are mandatory," a release explains. "The fun requires each player to collect a poker chip from each of seven stations on the lake. Chips are exchanged for playing cards and best poker hand wins. There are also chances to win door prizes and instant wins donated by Seven2OneStudio, Randi's Snack Shack and Stop 540."

For more information call 591-823-8988.



Poker Paddle organizer Joe Weston.



# Local martial arts team takes part in major tournament

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Members of the Empower Martial Arts team took part in the Shamuon Generation of Martial Arts (GMA) tournament earlier this month.

“We had five students travel to Waterloo to take part in the GMA Championships on June 3,” said Anya Wright, sensei of the local martial arts school. “There was quite a large turnout of participants at this competition compared to our earlier events in Sudbury.”

The local martial arts team members who took part in the tournament included Tommy Joyce and Cameron Chaytor, who



Five members of the Empower Martial Arts took part in the Shamuon Generation of Martial Arts competition. They included Tommy Joyce, Cameron Chaytor, Sarah Joyce, Emma Chaytor and David Joyce.

are both eight, Sarah Joyce and Emma Chaytor, who are both 10, and David Joyce, aged 12.

Over 500 competitors and 37 different martial

arts clubs took part in the tournament, said Ms. Wright.

While the local team members did not place among the top three in

their divisions, “they certainly learned a lot,” said Ms. Wright. “This was the students first really big tournament.”

## Two teams tie at mixed open championship

by Tom Sasvari

GORDON—There was a two-way tie for first place in the championship flite of the annual mixed open tournament held at Manitoulin Golf June 10.

The two teams, made up of Stewart Simpson and Sheila Bray and Arron and Amy Assinewai both posted an 18-hole score of four under par 68. Placing third in the championship flight was the team of Andrew Corbiere and Ramona Ense with a score of 74.

Taking top spot in the second flight was the team of Harrison Noble and Lauren Booth with a score of 81, one better than the team of Kevin and Adrienne Kuula, with 82.

There was a total of 14 teams in the tournament.

“It was a very good weekend, course and clubhouse staff did a fantastic job,” Cheryl Deeg, manager of the clubhouse at Manitoulin Golf told The Expositor.

Ms. Deeg pointed out that Manitoulin Golf is holding a silent online auction to win a prize for two to golf with country music

star Jamie Warren on Friday, June 23, followed by a buffet dinner at Watersedge Restaurant in Gore Bay, and to see Mr. Warren’s show that evening at Watersedge.

The auction opened on June 7.

“Our top bid so far is \$100 right now,” Ms. Deeg told

The Expositor early last week. She added that proceeds from the silent auction will go toward a kids/family fun day and barbecue to be held at Manitoulin Golf on July 5.

“We could use golf clubs, golf balls and tees for the kids/family fun day,” said Ms. Deeg.



Two teams tied for first place in the championship flight of the annual mixed open golf tournament held at Manitoulin Golf June 10. The two teams included left in photo Stewart Simpson and Sheila Bray, Aaron and Amy Assinewai.

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### JUSTICE PROGRAM

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#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Position: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Program  
Duration: Full-time, permanent (pending funding and 3-month probation period)  
Location: UCCMM Tribal Council – M’Chigeeng First Nation

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing Justice Program is an Anishinaabe Community Justice Program. The FASD Program Worker will assist, support and advocate for community members who have been diagnosed with or who are suspected of having FASD and are involved in the Canadian justice system. The program worker will increase awareness about FASD and how the Justice System engages with Indigenous people affected by FASD.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Liaise with justice personnel and community resource persons to identify individuals who may have been diagnosed as having FASD or those who are suspected of having it.
- Coordinate diagnostic assessments for community members.
- Identify support services for pre/diagnosed community members.
- Assist individuals in navigating the justice system and act as a liaison between the two and any adjoining services.
- Facilitate positive change in how the justice system responds to individuals affected by FASD.
- Identify alternatives to incarceration through traditional restorative justice approaches.
- Create space, opportunities for healing and self-discovery through the offering of cultural activities and ceremonies.
- Maintain client files, statistical and activity reports as per the Transfer Payment Agreement.
- Attend court as necessary.
- Help facilitate educational outreach on FASD.
- Maintain resources related to FASD and justice, including case law and developments.
- Liaise with other similar service providers regarding best practices.
- Other duties as requested.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must have a post secondary degree/diploma in social services, law or Indigenous studies.
- Willingness to learn about Canadian criminal procedures and the Criminal Code of Canada.
- Must have the ability to produce superior written documents for submission to court.
- Must have a minimum of three years’ experience working directly with Anishinaabe clients providing social or justice related services.
- Must have knowledge of local Anishinaabe culture and issues impacting Anishnaabek.
- Must support Anishinaabe red road teachings, and be a positive role model.
- Must have the ability to maintain work plans, files and correspondence.
- Must have knowledge of services available for Anishnaabek in the Districts of Manitoulin, Algoma and Sudbury.
- Able to speak and/or understand Ojibwe is an asset.
- Must have a valid driver’s licence and access to a vehicle.
- Must provide a clear current Criminal Record Check, and if selected, a clear Vulnerable Sector Screening.

Remuneration: \$50,000.00 annually and benefits

Closing Date: Friday, June 30, 2023 at 12 noon

Mail/drop off (no fax or email submissions): 1) cover letter; 2) resume; 3) copy of valid Ontario driver’s licence; 4) three work-related letters of reference including at least one from a direct supervisor/manager; 5) current (within the past 3 months) criminal record check. Thank you for applying, but only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.

Mark “Confidential-FASD” to:  
Hazel Recollet  
Chief Executive Officer  
United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing  
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M’Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0

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## JOB OPPORTUNITY

AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION  
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Early Childhood Educator, Temporary Cook, Part-Time Cleaner,  
Supply Staff and Educator Assistants

Looking for ECE, Temporary Cook, Part-time Cleaner, Supply Staff and Educator Assistants to work at the Negaan’abik Day Care. Ability to work in a positive and productive manner within a team. The ability to relate well to children, staff and parents is essential.

#### To be considered for a position candidates must:

- Be available to work irregular hours as required.
- Love working with children.
- Be flexible to come in to work on short notice.

#### Must Possess the Following Skills:

1. First Aid / CPR.
2. Excellent communication skills.
3. Ability to work cooperatively with others and manage personal time.
4. Food Handlers Certificate.

*If you don’t possess these, training can be provided if hired for a position.*

#### Wage: To Be Determined

Other: Vulnerable Sector Check is required by successful applicant

★CLOSING DATE: June 23th, 2023 at 12:00pm★

Please submit your application, resume, three references, copies of any relevant certificates, diplomas or degrees to:

Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation  
13 Hill Street

Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0

Re: Day Care Supply/Educator Assistant

Attention: Wayne Osawamick, Band Manager  
or by email at [Osawamickw@aokfn.com](mailto:Osawamickw@aokfn.com)

“We thank all who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.”



# M.S.S. Kids in the Halls



Alexandra Wilson-Zegil

Welcome back to Kids in the Hall! The school year is quickly wrapping up with exams just around the corner. It is both a stressful and exciting time as students prepare for both the final days of the school year and the first days of summer vacation. But just because there are exams doesn't mean there isn't anything fun to do! This week, MSS has been abuzz with exciting student activities like a talent show and Student Appreciation Day.

On Friday, June 16 MSS hosted a student talent show. This annual tradition brings everyone together to watch displays put together by students. The talent show showcased the remarkable abilities of students. From musical performances to dance routines, magic tricks and comedy acts, the show was an example of the creativity and passion of our student body. All of this took place within the span of third period as a student "buy-out." This means that students can buy tickets to watch during their classes and help fundraise for the music department.

That same day was Student Appreciation Day. During the fourth period the fire alarm was pulled to bring all the students out of



Students getting their faces painted on Student Appreciation Day. the building where a plethora of activities were waiting for them. This special occasion was dedicated to recognizing the talents, achievements and contributions of our students during this stressful time of year. Organizations like the Mnaamodzawin Health Services and Public Health came together to help celebrate with students, setting up educational booths for students to interact with. Along with the booths there were multiple student-run activities. The Rainbow Rights club set up tables where students could get their nails painted. The Student Council handed out freezies, painted students' faces, and put together a

scavenger hunt. Lastly, the Athletics Association hosted school-wide Capture The Flag along with many small field sports like Bean Bag Toss. Overall, it was a great way to honour the student body's hard work and relieve a bit of stress in light of the impending exam season.

New courses have been introduced that students can select for next year's schedule. Some of these courses include Outdoor Education, The Raven's Program (for Indigenous culture), Entrepreneurship, and Robotics. These exciting opportunities will be offered to students next year in the form of classes.

Students have received their timetables for the upcoming academic year. Students and their guardians are encouraged to review their timetables and take note of the courses and opportunities that await them.

As we look forward to the future, we also have to say goodbye to two esteemed members of our school community. Ms. McCann and Mr. Corbiere will not be returning to MSS next year. These individuals have made many great contributions to the wellbeing and education of students during their

time at MSS and will be missed.

As this academic year comes to an end, let us celebrate the achievements of

our students, embrace the opportunities that lie ahead, and express our appreciation for the teachers who have made a lasting

impact.

That is all for this week! Until next time, go, Mustangs, go!

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### 2nd Posting - JOB POSTING PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER

Aundek Omni Kaning First Nation (AOKFN) is looking for a dynamic, energetic professional experienced in First Nation administration of Public Works. We are seeking a superior performer who is confident and self-motivated. The Public Works Manager oversees the operation of the Road Crew, Grounds Crew, Water Delivery operations and the Water and Wastewater department.

The Public Works Manager provides leadership in strategic planning and advising on policy, development and implementing work plans for AOKFN's Public Works Department. Reporting to the Band Manager, this is a management position responsible for the management, administration, and delivery of all AOKFN's Public Works programs and services to ensure that the needs of AOKFN are met in a reasonable, effective and efficient manner.

**The Public Works Manager is responsible:**

- Hiring, plan, direct, co-ordinate, administer and supervise Public Works staff and Public Works budget.
- Submitting reports on time.
- For strategic planning and project management.
- For final inspection of Public Works projects.
- For all tendering and Request for Proposal preparation for Public Works services.
- As the liaison and to communicate with local officials of various Ministries, Crown Corporations, and government agencies on all functions pertaining to Public Works.
- For reviewing cost reports and construction progress of AOKFN projects to ensure standards of quality and conformance with budget appropriations.
- In working in compliance with Occupational Health and Safety Act and any other relevant legislation.
- Certified in leadership or experience in leadership or would be an asset.
- Be available to travel as needed.

**The ideal candidate will have the following:**

- A university degree or college diploma in Civil Engineering or other related field, or certification as a Certified Engineering Technologist (CET). An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.
- Certified Road Superintendent (CRSS) Level I and Level II required or must be committed to complete.
- A minimum of 5 years' experience, with 3 years at a management role, in a public works setting.
- Level 2 certification in EOCP Water Distribution and EOCP Wastewater Treatment would be an asset. OIT will be considered.
- Working knowledge of heavy equipment and certified to operate an asset.
- Working knowledge or education in Wastewater, Water and Storm water utility planning and management.
- Strong knowledge of federal/provincial legislation and policy that affects the operation of public works.
- Computer literate.
- Knowledge of Anishnaabemowin language and culture.
- Must be willing and able to work outside of regular work hours and weekends

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

Attention: Public Works Manager Posting  
13 Hill Street, LITTLE CURRENT, ON P0P 1K0

Only qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview.

The successful candidate will be asked to provide a current Criminal Record Check (CPIIC).

**DEADLINE DATE: July 5, 2023, at 2:00 p.m** There will be no return of submissions.

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### MFN GROCERY STORE INC. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Produce Lead Hand

Employment Status: Regular Full-Time (Subject to a three-month probationary period)

**Position Summary:**

This person will be responsible for overseeing the daily operations of the produce department.

**Reporting Relationship:**

The produce Lead Hand will report to the Store Manager.

**Essential Functions:**

- Maintain inventory levels and order products as needed
- Ensure product quality and freshness
- Create schedules and manage staff
- Train and develop staff on product knowledge and customer service skills
- Monitor sales and adjust pricing as needed
- Maintain a clean and organized department
- Work with vendors to negotiate prices and manage relationships
- Provide excellent customer service and resolve any customer issues or complaints
- Manually put away orders from the truck to stock shelves
- Prepare fresh cut fruit and vegetables trays
- Other duties as required

**Qualifications and Requirements**

**Preferred**

- 2+ years of experience in a produce department or retail environment
- High school diploma or equivalency
- WHMIS, Food Handler's Certificate, Health & Safety Certificate, Customer Service Training Certificate
- Have knowledge and/or experience with Anishnabek culture, history and customs
- Understanding and fluency of Anishnabemowin is a strong asset

**Minimum**

- Previous experience working within a grocery/retail environment is a strong asset
- Have knowledge and/or experience with Anishnabek culture, history and customs is preferred
- Ability to lift up to 50lbs

Interested applicants may apply at:

404 HWY 551 M'CHIGEENG, ON P0P 1G0

Drop off your resume off c/o Sean Gray MFN Grocery Store Manager

OR email resumes to [gsmanager@mchigeengfreshmart.ca](mailto:gsmanager@mchigeengfreshmart.ca)

Only applicants selected for an interview, will be contacted.

For a complete job description, please contact Sean Gray at [gsmanager@mchigeengfreshmart.ca](mailto:gsmanager@mchigeengfreshmart.ca)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: OPEN UNTIL FILLED**

**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.)

**CONTRACT positions:**

**Sudbury:**

- Youth in Transition Home Cook (Part-time): Closes June 23, 2023
- After Hours Youth Outreach Supervisor: Closes June 30, 2023
- Cutural Support Worker: Closes June 30, 2023

**Sudbury/Manitoulin:**

Funding Specialist (Multi-Year): Closes June 23, 2023

**Manitoulin:**

Education Support Worker: Closes June 23, 2023

Education Liason: Closes June 30, 2023

Jordan's Principle Service Coordinator: Closes June 23, 2023

**Apply to: Human Resources at [hr@kgcfs.org](mailto:hr@kgcfs.org) and quote the position title in the subject line. All postings close at 4 pm EST.**

**To view the postings and detailed job descriptions, visit our website at: [www.kgcfs.org/employment-opportunities](http://www.kgcfs.org/employment-opportunities)**

At KGCFs we are committed to providing a barrier-free work environment following the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code. Accommodations are available upon request for candidates taking part in the recruitment process. Mijgwetch for your application, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. As a condition of employment, the successful candidate must submit the following: a Satisfactory Criminal Reference Check and/or Vulnerable Sector Check (current and within three months of application date), Driver's Abstract and Proof of Liability Insurance.



# 2023 Pearson Cup winners



Open Division A winners were The Underdogs team, with team captain Amanda Third.

photos by Karlene Scott



Open Division B winners were the Quarter Pounders, under team captain Michael Niven.



Open Division C winners were the Haweater Hazards, under team captains Troy and Kerri Campbell.



35'sers Division A winners were the I'd Hit That, with team captain Christa King.

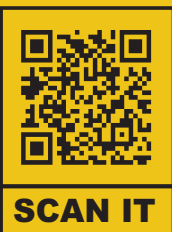
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# Island schools hold powwow celebrations

## Lakeview School in M'Chigeeng



An explosion of colour is exhibited by this fancy dancer in full regalia at Lakeview School.

photos by Michael Erskine



Families came out to join their young ones during the Lakeview School powwow celebration of culture.



The head grand entry crew gather for a photograph after the entry was complete.



Head female dancer, Georgia Deb, was rocking the shawl at the Lakeview School Powwow.



Head male dancer Noah Haner carried himself in Men's Traditional regalia at the Lakeview School Powwow.

## Wiikwemkoong Junior School Powwow



Excited young dancers enjoy the outdoor event during the Wiikwemkoong Junior School Powwow.

photos by Dwayne Animikwan



Dancers line up during the festivities at the Junior School Powwow in Wiikwemkoong.



These dancers are all smiles as they pose for the camera at the Wiikwemkoong Junior School Powwow.



The heartbeat of the nation rings out across the grounds as grandfather drum's voice calls the dancers onto the arena floor.



Manitoulin Secondary School

### PLAYER PROFILE

by Mackenzie Green



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### AMY SMITH

From the golf course to the track, from the arena to the court, Amy can be found taking advantage of every opportunity to be active! As a rookie Mustang, Amy brings a positive attitude and spirit to all of her athletic endeavors. She consistently shows up to practices and games with a smile on her face, contributing enthusiasm and great energy. Amy has already established herself as a dependable, well rounded athlete, indicating that she will have a bright athletic career at MSS!

Before taking on the black and gold, Amy wore red, competing as a Colt for Charles C. Mclean Public School, located in Gore Bay. At a young age she could be spotted signing up for a variety of athletic activities. Amy was often on the court as a member of the volleyball and basketball teams. She recalls that volleyball was her favourite sport in elementary school because of the high energy and team spirit. However, she was not limited to the court. Amy could also be found on the field, playing for the soccer and softball teams. She often jumped from the trails to the track as she competed on cross country and track and field teams. Amy recalls one of her most memorable moments of her elementary career taking place at the Island Track and Field Championships, where she spent the meet with her dad.

Transitioning into high school athletics, Amy has sustained her dedication to athletics. She quickly jumped on the opportunity to golf as a Mustang. She made her NSSSA debut on the course and punched her ticket to NOSSA, competing in North Bay. Amy recognizes this as a highlight in her high school athletic career. Following the golf season, Amy played right wing for the girls' hockey team throughout the winter months. She displayed dedication and commitment as the team often travelled multiple times a week to play teams based out of Sudbury. As the weather got warmer, Amy hung up her skates and switched her stick for a tennis racket. Only in Grade 9, she played girls' doubles in the open category at NSSSA. Next came the track and field season; Amy threw javelin in the Pre-NSSSA and NSSSA competition, capturing silver! From her performance, she earned the opportunity to compete at NOSSA track and field, wrapping up her first year as a Mustang.

Although Amy has been involved in a variety of sports throughout the years, she has found that golf stands out as one of her favourite sports. She has developed a passion for that game that allows her to travel and play on stunning courses, while keeping her active and healthy. She also recognizes that golf has provided her with the opportunity to meet new people and socialize. Outside of high school athletics, Amy continues to pursue golf by playing on the Northeastern Junior Gold Tour. Recently, she has earned a silver medal at an event in the tour!

When Amy takes the black and gold jersey off and puts the clubs away, she can be found staying active with her dog, Hazel, who encourages her to go on walks and play together. Besides walks and fetch, Amy enjoys the outdoors by fishing, wakeboarding, biking, camping and playing Spikeball. She can also be spotted in the community, working at the IDA in Gore Bay and at Campbell's Drive-In. Amy also makes time to run a small business!

In the classroom, Amy values her academics as much as her athletics. She particularly enjoys English. Amy explains that she loves to read and write, therefore English is the perfect class for her. Although she still has a couple more years as a Mustang, Amy is already considering future career options. Currently, she would like to pursue becoming a gym teacher as her father, Dan Smith, has inspired her to teach others what she knows about sports, just as he did!

No matter what Amy chooses, with her dedication, sportsmanship and positivity she is sure to reach all of her goals, on and off the court!

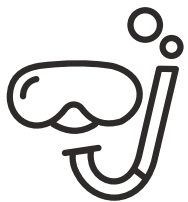
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## HOROSCOPES (June 18-24)

### ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, sometimes you do not have to take action to fix problems. Certain issues will work themselves out on their own. Don't feel the need to rush in and find a quick solution.

### TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Right now the spotlight is on you and your talents, Taurus. You have a large group of admirers who are looking to see what you can produce next.

### GEMINI – May 22/June 21

You will recover quickly from disagreements with others, Gemini. These situations may give you a new perspective and compel you to change a few things for the better.

### CANCER – June 22/July 22

Confide in a friend about something that is troubling you, Cancer. Talking about the issue could start you down a path toward a solution. Thank others for lending an ear.

### LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Leo, on the outside everything may seem to be going along fine with a friend. But things may be different on the inside. Treat others tenderly to avoid piling on.

### VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Vacation vibes are high this week, Virgo. You are daydreaming about potential destinations. Narrow down your prospects and zero in on your favorite features.

### LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

You may want to know what another person is thinking but don't want to come off too pushy, Libra. If you phrase the question the right way, it won't seem like an interrogation.

### SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Your physical and emotional health may be a focal point this week, Scorpio. Book some time for reflection, rest and relaxation. Solitude can help you clear your mind.

### SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you are staying on top of your responsibilities and have good energy moving through this week. However, by the time the weekend arrives you may be running on empty.

### CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

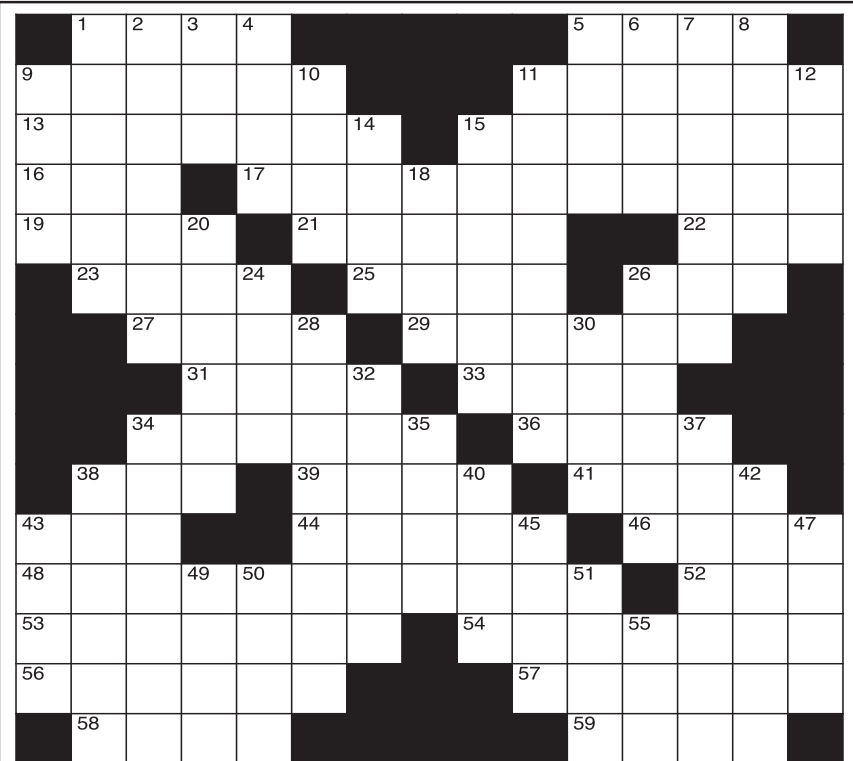
Try having some fun outside of your comfort zone, Capricorn. It is good to try new things from time to time and push the boundaries you have set up for yourself.

### AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, this week you may find yourself meeting new people and fitting into groups you had not imagined. Network as much as possible while having fun along the way.

### PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, finances may have been on your mind and you are eager to pay off some debt. It could take a while, but you will be successful.



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Understand intuitively
- 5. Two of something
- 9. Not involving computer tech
- 11. Acclaimed
- 13. Undermine
- 15. The condition of being concealed or hidden
- 16. Irritate
- 17. The process of developing a theory
- 19. Ceramic jar
- 21. Not fresh
- 22. Dad's fashion accessory
- 23. Popular review site
- 25. New Mexico county
- 26. '\_\_\_ death do us part
- 27. Fees
- 29. Takes with force
- 31. One-time Yankees rookie sensation
- 33. Gordon and Snider are two
- 34. Body parts
- 36. Arranges
- 38. Fiddler crabs
- 39. Mimics
- 41. Witnesses
- 43. They \_\_\_
- 44. Lasso
- 46. Runs down
- 48. In response to
- 52. Bird-like dinosaur
- 53. Metamorphic stages
- 54. Conditions of incapacity
- 56. Sodas are sold in these units
- 57. Break away from
- 58. Ethereal
- 59. Boggy

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mangled
- 2. Ruffled some feathers
- 3. Not young
- 4. Lakers legend
- 5. Nocturnal S. American rodent
- 6. Direction (Scottish)
- 7. Intestinal inflammation
- 8. Spring back in fear
- 9. Owl genus
- 10. Girls
- 11. Unbeliefs
- 12. Force unit
- 14. Expired trade agreement
- 15. Went alone
- 18. Animal noises
- 20. Woman who graduated from a specific school
- 24. The very top
- 26. Organs in males
- 28. Earnings
- 30. Z Z Z
- 32. Reddish browns
- 34. A salt or ester of acetic acid
- 35. A place to get off your feet
- 37. More disreputable
- 38. Kidney condition
- 40. Cease moving
- 42. Quick
- 43. Extra seed covering
- 45. "Survivor: Panama" winner
- 47. Six
- 49. One who inspects lamps
- 50. Small parrot
- 51. Primordial matter of the universe
- 55. \_\_\_ fi (slang)

# SUDOKU

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3	2	8	9	5	1	7	6	4
4	9	1	2	6	7	3	5	8
5	7	6	8	3	4	9	1	2
6	1	3	4	8	9	2	7	5
9	8	4	7	2	5	6	3	1
2	5	7	6	1	3	8	4	9

ANSWER:

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# Lion President Dale Scott Looks Forward to Bright Year Ahead

By Expositor staff

MINDEMOYA—Dr. Dale Scott is a busy guy: he's a long-time municipal councillor in Central Manitoulin, a board member for the Friends of Misery Bay (where he also builds and maintains trails), has been working on building new trails in Mindemoya's own park, Waggs Wood, helps out at his church and the retired veterinarian is just now ending his first year as president of the Central Manitoulin Lions Club.

It's clear that, for Lion Dale, volunteering and helping out his community is extremely important so it's no surprise that, for him, the priority for the club in the year ahead is recruiting new members.

Not to take anything away from the club's current year: "this has been a good year," Lion Dale stresses. "It's been a rebuilding year after the COVID-19 experience."

Lion Dale, who has been a Lion since the late 1990s, is clear that, during the pandemic when many normal club activities (including Homecoming Weekend, the club's signature event) didn't take place "some members stepped back and haven't come back."

"Financially, after the pandemic, we were rebuilding, and we've done relatively well. We're hoping for another successful Homecoming Weekend that will also help to put some money in the club's account that we, in term, can put back into the community," Lion Dale says.

"We like to have the majority of our contributions stay local," Lion Dale explained. "While we do support initiatives like the Guide Dog Program (a national Lions priority) and we have donated to Camp Quality and Camp Trillium, the vast amount of our contributions, go to support local minor hockey, kids' ball programs, Strawberry Point



Lion President Dale Scott

Children's Camp, the Eye Van and many other worthwhile area activities."

During his second year as club president, Lion Dale plans to resume regular dinner meetings for club members that will help to add new Lions to the successful club's membership rolls.

As for club activities, "there aren't plans for new large projects but we're there to serve whatever local organizations, charities and non-profits come to us for assistance."

Other ongoing Central Manitoulin Lions Club fundraising events include Trivia Nights planned for a few times this year at the community centre. (There will be one this fall.)

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The Mindemoya Classic is making a triumphant return this Homecoming Weekend.

## New Organizers at the Helm of Storied Mindemoya Classic

**By Expositor staff**  
 MINDEMOYA—As careful readers of Andre Leblanc's regular sports column in The Manitoulin Expositor may have noticed recently, the Mindemoya Classic Triathlon will reappear as part of the Homecoming

Weekend events lineup this year.

As Andre pointed out, the 2023 edition of the Classic is "Under New Management" after a hiatus of three years. He was part of the crew that began the Mindemoya Classic several

years ago.

The new management is Breakaway Sports and Cycle in Little Current and the Classic is now a prominent part of the Breakaway Race Series this summer.

Breakaway co-owner Ben Quackenbush was quick to point out that veteran organizer Al Haner remains a vital part of the Classic team.

"It's an event we've participated in over the years," observed Dr. Quackenbush, referencing himself and spouse Sarah, co-owner of Breakaway Sports and Cycle, "and we're happy to keep it going."

The Mindemoya Classic

ing forward to a bright year ahead and, in just more than a week, "a great Homecoming Weekend."

The community volunteer encourages anyone interested in becoming part of the Central Manitoulin Lions Club to ask him about joining when they see him or to call him at home.

## ...Lion Dale Scott

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Just before Halloween, the club organizes a haunted trail at Pioneer Park (with the proceeds from this activity donated to the historical society) and three bake sales, one at the Mindemoya Christmas market, one also at Easter and usually one more.

Lion Dale is clearly look-

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Lineups for barbecue were deep at the inaugural Ribfest last year.

## Homecoming Weekend Promises Fun for the Whole Family

By Expositor staff

MINDEMOYA—On page 5 of this supplement, there is a full-page program for the upcoming Central Manitoulin Lions Club's annual Homecoming Weekend. But even so, veteran club secretary, Lion Marcus Mohr wanted to make sure everyone knows just how exciting the days around Canada Day are going to be.

Some things will be a little different: this year's fireworks display will be the night of Friday, June 30 but as usual the best seats are in the bleachers attached to the Mindemoya Community Centre. This change is being made so as not to compete with the traditional Canada Day fireworks display the next day at Providence Bay.

But Lion Marcus promises that the Friday event will be "an epic one, thanks to the generosity of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, local businesses and other donors."

Lion Marcus also wants everyone to know that, after the popularity of the appearance

of two professional rib cookers last year, "this year we've doubled, there will be four 'ribbers.' Last year's duo (Go Gonzales BBQ and Brickyard BBQ) will be back. These pros are from London and this year, two more ribbers, these coming from the US, will join them. They are 'Made in America BBQ' and 'Bubb a Lou's Bar-B-Q'."

"We're now on their circuit," Lion Marcus proudly explained, "the guys we had last year were so busy, they ran out of ribs. So we all decided we needed more ribbers."

"But there'll be lots of ribs for all four to cook," Lion Marcus added. "There'll be a reef-er transport on site, filled with ribs for them to cook and sell."

In fact, the Central Manitoulin Lions have created a special website to promote this activity for the years ahead:

[www.manitoulinribfest.ca](http://www.manitoulinribfest.ca).

Again this year, Jake's Home Centre is sponsoring a related event, Lion Marcus said. "This

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# Homecoming 2023 Schedule of Events

## June 29 to July 2

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### Thursday, June 29 Festival 4 pm to 9 pm

- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.
- 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.

### Friday, June 30 Festival 11 am to 11 pm

- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Live Music.
- 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Central Manitoulin Market in the Mindemoya Arena. Up to 70 Vendors Selling Handmade and Direct Sales.
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm – Tristen Hall Music Performance.
- 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.
- 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm – Live Performance.
- 10:00 pm – Fireworks at Ball Fields.

### Saturday, July 1 Festival 10 am to 11 pm

- 10:00 am to 4:00 pm – Central Manitoulin Market in the Mindemoya Arena. Up to 70 Vendors Selling Handmade and Direct Sales.
- 11:00 am Homecoming Canada Day Parade Through Mindemoya – Manitoulin Inn to Community Centre. To Register Call Karlene at 705-869-7695.
- 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm – Bouncy Castles, Games and Prizes Beside the Lions Pavilion.
- 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Amateur Rib Cookoff. Call Marcus at 249-878-1659 for details.
- 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm – Silver Peak Band.
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Ice Cream Eating Contest Outdoor Stage. Register at Event.
- 4:00 pm to 5 pm – Mindy Indy Soap Box Derby on Duke Street.
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm – Studebaker Props Band.
- 6:00 pm to 6:30pm – Amateur Rib Contest Judging.
- 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.
- 9:00 pm to 1:00 am – DJ'd Homecoming Dance at the Mindemoya Hall.

### Sunday, July 2

- 8:00 am to 11:30 am Mindemoya Classic – Run, Paddle, Pedal Triathlon. Visit [breakawaymanitoulinevents.ca/events/mindemoya-classic](http://breakawaymanitoulinevents.ca/events/mindemoya-classic).
- 11:30 am to 12:00 pm – Professional Ribber Competition Trophies Awarded.
- 12:30 am to 1:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.
- 3:30 pm – Draw for \$2,500 Lions Backyard BBQ Ultimate Dream Package Sponsored by Jake's Home Centre.
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm – Live Music Outdoor Stage.



Check out the live music at the Mindemoya baseball field throughout Homecoming Weekend.

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## ...New Organizers at the Helm

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is on Sunday, July 2, and activities start and finish at the Lake Mindemoya government dock area on Ketchenkookem Trail.

Dr. Quackenbush explains that registration for the triathlon will begin at 8 am Sunday morning at the pavilion in the park across from the government dock and "the first event, the run, begins at 9:30 am."

He explained that the run is 5.5 km, beginning and ending at the government dock.

The second event in the triathlon is the one in the water: a canoe race of approximately 3 km that will follow the Lake Mindemoya shoreline (and so will minimize participants exposure to any windy conditions that might occur.) This portion, similarly, begins and ends at the government dock.

The final leg is the biking portion, a 13 km loop with the first two kilometres through wood and the balance on the roadway.

Dr. Quackenbush pointed out that participants can be "ironmen/women" type singles or teams of two or four and that, "teams with multiple members can all participate in all events or divide up the events into relays so that one person could run, for example, a pair could do the canoe part and a fourth could handle the cycling leg."

The Mindemoya Classic is one of a series of four active events that Breakaway Sports and Cycle is organizing this summer and Dr. Quackenbush made it clear that volunteers are welcome to help out at these activities.

The full complement of events is available at the website [BreakawayManitoulinEvents.ca](http://BreakawayManitoulinEvents.ca).

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# ...Fun for the Whole Family

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event is for amateurs: last year we had seven contestants. The amateur ribbers bring their own barbecues and ribs and cook on site. They can each do up to two different recipes for judges to sample."

"Last year, amateur local ribbers Rob Sheppard and Wayne Legge were tied on points. Rob won top prize on a coin toss," Lion Marcus said, recalling that both Rob and Wayne generously donated their cash winnings to the Lions Club. There will be some local celebrity judges making the important decisions in this friendly competition.

The ribfest fun continues on. Besides ribs being available to purchase all weekend, the pros themselves will be judged on Sunday when diners can vote for the best sauce.

The "Mindy Indy" soap box derby is back again this year, Lion Marcus explained. "It's on Saturday afternoon, on Duke Street again. Racers start off from an inclined ramp to gain momentum. Soap box cars are provided. It was a really popular event last year for kids and their families."

And the parade on Saturday, Canada Day: "it's always a big hit," Lion Marcus notes. It starts at 11 am from the Manitoulin Inn, travels down

Highway 551 to Douglas Street where it turns, follows that street around to King Street (Highway 542), turns left and goes through the downtown main intersection, ending at the community centre." To register your float, contact 705-869-7695. The theme of the 2023 parade is Canada Day.

Following the parade, there is a Hot Wheels Derby, Lion Marcus says. "You bring your own Hot Wheels car. There are prizes and the course will be set up by the Lions Pavilion in the Old Schoolyard Park.

And there will be music and dancing.

Leanne Lewis' Royal Lepage office will again be sponsoring Silver Peak. The band will play Saturday, after the parade.

"And then there's a public ice cream eating contest, right up on the stage," Lion Marcus says.

And after that, more music. Lion Marcus is pleased that John Tustian and Christian McMillan have re-formed their old MSS band, Studebaker Props, and they'll be performing Saturday afternoon.

This year's dance, a licensed event, will be held at the Community Centre Saturday evening as the arena will be busy Saturday with the

Central Manitoulin Market, a parallel event that is new to Mindemoya this year but is certain to be popular.

On Sunday, the rib cooking goes on, of course, but so does the Mindemoya Classic, (running, paddling and cycling) after a three-year hiatus, Lion Marcus encourages spectators to visit the government dock area in Lake Mindemoya, the hub of this event.

The Lions will be selling 50/50 tickets all weekend as well as raffle tickets on a 'backyard BBQ ultimate dream package', valued at \$3,350, sponsored by Jake's Home Centre.

The Lions beer tent will also be up and running all weekend.

Lion Marcus stressed that, "we're all really excited about seeing everyone again and kicking off the summer! The Central Manitoulin Lions Club really appreciates the municipality's support and the generosity of local businesses!"

He stresses, though, that the club is looking for volunteers to help with the many duties all weekend. "Students can also get their volunteer hours by helping out," he notes.

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# Central Manitoulin Market

## By Exhibitor Staff

**MINDEMOYA**—When Delray McCarthy moved to Manitoulin a few years ago with her husband and children, the businesswoman also brought along her love of designing and making children's clothing.

As Delray met other artisans at events she attended, she came to the realization that there was room on Manitoulin for a large market that showcased makers' work and offering direct sales in the process.

Out of this came the Central Manitoulin Market concept, twice-annual events that so far have called the Providence Bay Arena home.

But this year, Delray explains, "the Central Mani-

toulin Lions Club reached out to us at the beginning of the year, suggesting that we hold the summer market in Mindemoya at the same time as their Homecoming Weekend. We thought we'd give it a try."

The next Central Manitoulin Market will be a two-day event, June 30 and July 1, but look for it at the J.H. Burt Arena in Mindemoya. This will be the fourth of these events.

"It's a collaborative event," Delray points out. "We showcase Island artisans' products, plus direct sales-people. The food, we will leave that to the Lions and the ribbers!"

"It will be a completely different experience for people coming into our market at

the arena, compared to what will be going on outside," Delray continues. "Visitors will meet 60-plus vendors: artisans, stained glass artists, photographers, visual artists and a great deal more."

The Central Manitoulin Market's summer edition will run Friday, June 30 from 2 pm to 6 pm and Canada Day, Saturday, July 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 pm.

The Central Manitoulin Fall Market will be back at the Providence Bay Arena on Saturday, October 14.

"The motivation behind these markets," Delray points out, "is to bring a lot of creative people together in one place so shoppers can know what is available on Manitoulin Island."



At last year's Central Manitoulin Summer Market, vendor Lynn Hoar (Fairy Soaps & Custom Calendars) holds up a sample custom calendar.

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