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**SPRACK ATTACK!** From left, Gerry Dee, host of Family Feud Canada, poses a question to members of the Sprack family, Marc, Shari, Anne, Mike and Debbie, on the show that had Manitoulin residents glued to their televisions last week. The Sprack family appeared in three episodes, winning all three.



## Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow Rodney Nahwegahbow new chief of Birch Island

by Michael Erskine

**BIRCH ISLAND**—Rodney Nahwegahbow has been selected as the new chief of Whitefish River First Nation and the former chief of police for the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service has hit the ground running. It certainly helps that the new head of council already had two terms at the table before being elected as chief.

“I was really pleased with the voter turnout,” said Chief Nahwegahbow of the election. “It was great to see so many supporting the election process.”

The new chief notes that job one will be the revitalization of the community and the road to that goal begins with community engagement. “That includes at the personal level,” he said, “talking to people individually, both employees within the band and the community at large.”

Chief Nahwegahbow dismisses concerns about people coming in to talk. “That was the very essence of police work,” he said. “People coming in and bringing their concerns.” He stressed that building an atmosphere of trust is vital to good governance. “We need to build strong relationships with the community and to be proactive,” continued Chief Nahwegahbow.

While the physical plant of the community continues to be improved and built upon, the new chief stresses that the spiritual aspects of the community also need to be strengthened.

Chief Nahwegahbow said that collaboration with organizations both within and outside the community is important. “We need to build capacity in both the non-Native and Native services for our community,” he said. “My goal is to improve relationships.”

Chief Nahwegahbow will be joined by a council of seven, including Talon Chin-McGregor, Brian McGregor, Jeffery McGregor, Leslie McGregor, Leona Nahwegahbow, Esther Osche and Richard Shawanda. “I want to extend my sincere gratitude to the outgoing leadership for their hard work and accomplishments during the previous four-year term,” he said.

## Sprack family does Island proud on Family Feud

by Tom Sasvari

**MANITOWANING**—For three nights last week, residents of Manitowaning and across Manitoulin Island were spellbound, glued to their televisions to watch members of the Sprack family (Marc, Debbie, Anne, Shari and

Mike) as they awed Family Feud Canada audiences across the country. Winning three games in a row, the family took home close to \$21,000 in total. The program aired on CBC television last Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 pm and can be watched on CBC Gem,

the national broadcaster’s streaming service.

“I thought it was great. The Spracks were wonderful,” said Marilyn Wohlberg, a Manitowaning resident who knows the Sprack family very well. “Debbie is part of the Burns Wharf The-

atre group, so it was really exciting to see her. I feel very proud of them and am very happy for them.”

“It is cool,” said Mike Addison of Gore Bay, who also knows the family well. He was in Mike’s class in school and worked with Shari years ago. “It’s nice to see it.”

Assiginack Township’s mayor, Brenda Reid, told The Expositor, “Isn’t it wonderful? Huge congratulations (to the Sprack family). I think everyone is just loving it. The Island was cheering them on.”

The Spracks won their first game against the Davies family of Alberta, although they did not win the \$10,000 cash prize in that game. They ended up earning about \$800, based on the points they accumulated.

On Wednesday, the Spracks defeated the Gautam family of Mississauga, with Marc and Anne rising to the challenge in the second part of the game, amassing the 200 points needed to win \$10,000. They won the \$10,000 challenge in two of their three games. Families are allowed to play a maximum of three games.

“Our whole team really did love

## Central resident circulates anti-rec complex petition

by Michael Erskine

**CENTRAL MANITOULIN**—Plans for a new multi-purpose facility cited in Mindemoya to replace aging arenas and community centres in Providence Bay and Mindemoya are meeting opposition from members of the community. One resident, Chris Walker of

Providence Bay, has started a petition seeking to express the level of opposition to the plan.

“The Municipality of Central Manitoulin has been pushing for construction of a new multi-million-dollar arena facility to be located in Mindemoya since at least 2018,” he said. “At stake will

be the loss of all of your existing arenas and community centres (they will be torn down or sold),” he alleges.

“A lot of people don’t know what the council is planning,” said Mr. Walker when contacted by The Expositor. “They might if they read The Expositor, but the council won’t send out letters. Some people don’t have computers and are not able to go to the town website.”

Mr. Walker said he is very concerned about the potential cost to taxpayers should plans for a new complex go forward. “The amount suggested by council in 2019 was \$8 million,” he said. “Now here we are in 2023 and costs of construction have escalated. I started looking around and a facility around the same size, 45,000 square feet,

## Federation of Northern Municipalities launches task force on bail concerns

by Tom Sasvari

**TEMISKAMING SHORES**—The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) met with a group of police services to discuss the negative impacts federal Bill C-75 (the catch-and-release legislation) is having on communities across Ontario.

“Citizens of Northern Ontario are angry. People that break into our homes and traumatize law-abiding citizens are arrested by police, then released the same day, some of them committing another crime later that day,” said Danny Whalen, FONOM president. “The lack of movement to examine the legislation four years after implementation is unacceptable and we will continue to bring a northern voice to decision makers.”

Mr. Whalen’s comments come after FONOM members met with the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services board chair, Sault Ste. Marie Police Service, Timmins Police

Service, and the North Bay Police Association, to discuss the negative impacts of Bill C-75.

During a FONOM board meeting in July 2022 Sault Ste. Marie’s Police Chief Hugh Stevenson, shared the current catch-and-release procedures. At the meeting, FONOM membership com-

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## Climate change, invasive species and the Great Lakes

### Extreme highs and lows don’t favour stable environment

by Lori Thompson, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

**SAULT STE. MARIE**—Earlier this month, more than 900 attendees participated in the virtual 2023 Invasive Species Forum, which focused this year on invasive species action in a changing climate. Keynote presenter Dr. Gail Krantzberg, a professor at McMaster University’s Walter G. Booth School of Engineering Practice and Technology spoke about the link between climate change and invasive species in a

Great Lakes context, calling for “a new era of science, of predictive science that will help us understand threats to the region and enhance the resilience of the Great Lakes.”

There is much uncertainty about invasive species and changing climate. What is known is that we’re going to see more frequent extreme weather: an increased severity of storms, more floods and prolonged periods of drought. There will be extremes in

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# The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Recognized again! Jocelyn Kuntsi, a Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) student has been awarded with a Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award. In photo middle Ms. Kuntsi is presented with the award by Ontario Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell, right in the photo.

## Jocelyn Kuntsi recognized by Lieutenant Governor with Youth Achievement Award

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Jocelyn Kuntsi, a Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) student has been awarded a Youth Achievement Award by Ontario Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell. Ms. Kuntsi is a 2022 recipient of the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award. As was reported by The Expositor last week, she has also been named a finalist for the 2023 Loran Awards, ranking in the top two percent of all applicants from across Canada.

"I am delighted to join the Ontario Heritage Trust in celebrating this year's exceptional award recipients. In a time of unprecedented change, their tireless efforts to help us understand context is crucial to navigate with wisdom and care," said the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. "When Ontarians are given the opportunity to discover and interact with cultural, political, architectural, technological and environmental history, they are more likely to better understand the world around us and better equipped to shape the path forward in a responsible way."

John Ecker, chair of the board of directors of the Ontario Heritage Trust said, "The Trust is pleased to join the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario in recog-

nizing these outstanding individuals, organizations and communities for their achievements in conservation. They have each demonstrated a passion for their communities and shown the many ways that heritage enriches our lives."

Heritage builds an appreciation for our past and for the objects, stories and places that give Ontarians a sense of belonging in their communities, a release says. "2022 was a year of change, but amid all the change that Ontarians experienced last year and over the past few years, our shared need to feel anchored in places and traditions, to feel like we belong, is stronger than ever."

"The achievements of the 2022 recipients of the heritage awards safeguard traditions, places and stories that give Ontarians meaningful lives and dynamic communities and enrich their value for future generations. They demonstrate that the activities of heritage conservation protect what we value and do so with an eye towards the future."

A release states, "Jocelyn Kuntsi has transformed conservation practices on her robotics team, in her school and in the community to focus on environ-

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## New dentist takes over Gore Bay Medical Centre office

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—It has been a few years since the town of Gore Bay has had a dentist working out of the Gore Bay Medical Centre, and new dentist Dr. Mary Cross and her team at the dental office have received positive feedback from members of the public.

"I think it's great. The dental office hasn't been open for awhile

and it is great to have the dental service back," said Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane.

"It is great to have a new dentist like Mary and her staff on hand," said Mr. Lane. "She is a very nice person. I had work done on my teeth yesterday. She and her staff are friendly and very professional. I am now a patient and I would encourage others in town and the

area to do the same. This is just what we needed in town."

"Colleen (Punkari office coordinator) and I were here in the office in October, but we were still getting supplies, so we actually started in November," said Dr. Cross. "Our offices' grand opening was November 7, after we got new staff Marilyn and Alexandria in our office. We have been very busy since opening."

"I thought it would be slow to build up our patient list, but it has been really busy," said Dr. Cross. "There obviously was a big need for a dentist and Colleen has been very good when someone has an emergency, and needs dental services, to get them into the office."

Along with patients from Gore Bay and Western Manitoulin, Dr. Cross has seen patients from Minde-moya and at least a couple of people from the South Baymouth area.

Dr. Cross and the Town of Gore Bay split the costs of necessary renovations to the dental office and the purchase of equipment for the office.

"I love living and working here," stated Dr. Cross, who lives in Kagawong with her husband and 17-month-old daughter. "My husband and I were at a candle-

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## Luke Wassegijig and Wiikwemkoong Tourism a finalist for national award

WIKWEMKOONG—Luke Wassegijig and Wiikwemkoong Tourism have been recognized as one of Canada's best!

Wiikwemkoong Tourism has been named as a finalist for the exceptional industry leadership award at the Indigenous Tourism Canada Tourism Conference in Winnipeg.

"It's invigorating to see so many nominations representing a very impressive and diverse group of Indigenous operators from coast to coast to coast," said Keith Henry, chief executive officer and president of Indigenous Tourism Association of Canada (ITAC). "Along with Indigenous Tourism Manitoba (ITM), we will

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Indigenous Tourism Canada has recognized Luke Wassegijig among the top in the country.

## Regional Chief Hare slams feds for giving contract to search for unmarked graves to company from Netherlands

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare says it is unacceptable that a \$2 million contract has been reached between the federal government with an international group to give advice on unmarked graves. Anishinabek Nation leadership says it trusts Indigenous survivors, communities and experts to guide unmarked burial searches regardless of the federal deal with an international group.

"I don't know why in the world they would go with a group that far away to find out about something that happened in our history. It is unacceptable. They should be approaching our communities to do this work," stated Regional Chief Hare.

"It sounds like the federal government has more money than they know what to do with and are spending it."

This comes after the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation says there are many problems with a \$2 million contract Ottawa signed with an international group to give advice on unmarked graves.

The centre says it is 'deeply concerned' with the decision by



Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada to hire a Netherlands-based organization to launch "an extremely sensitive engagement process" on issues surrounding possible gravesites near former residential schools.

The federal government recently announced it had hired the International Commission on Missing Persons to provide it with advice, based on an outreach campaign with different communities interested in hearing possible options around DNA and other forensic techniques.

Last week, the commission released a copy of the technical agreement it had signed with the

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## New faces join veterans on Whitefish River FN council

by Michael Erskine

BIRCH ISLAND—According to results released by electoral office OneFeather, former police chief of the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service Rodney Nahwegahbow was elected chief of Whitefish River First Nation in the February 21 band election with 197 votes. Other candidate for chief results were Anastasia (Stacy) Cywink, 16; Sandy Jacko, 45; Murray McGregor, 78; David Shawanda, 54; with three spoiled ballots.

Elected to seats at the council table are: Talon Chin-McGregor, 87 votes; Brain A. McGregor (inc), 78; Jeffrey McGregor, 100; Leslie McGregor, 85; Leona Nawegahbow (inc), 74; Esther Osche (inc), 110; and Richard Shawanda, 92.

Other results in the election for council are: Raymond Francis, 25; Thomas Francis, 10; Candice

Jacko, 61; Clifford Jacko, 27; Gail Jacko, 72; Jordi Jacko, 28; Louise Jacko, 23; Paige Jacko 26; Roxanne Jacko, 9; Tania Jacko, 26; Kim Laundrie, 50; Melanie Manitowabi, 54; Anita R. McGregor, 53; Anthony Blair McGregor, 63; Brandon McGregor, 12; Brian A. McGregor, 51; Crystal Angela McGregor, 16; Donald McGregor, 62; Elizabeth (Lissa) McGregor 5; Francis McGregor (inc), 73; Giselle McGregor, 13; Justin A. McGregor, 15; Lorrilee McGregor, 50; Lynn McGregor, 39; Marida Lynn McGregor, 34; Michael Dennis McGregor 43; Tristan McGregor, 19; Valerie McGregor, 36; Vanessa McGregor, 58; Crystal McGregor-Clark, 52; Kigen McGregor Pelletier, 12; Bonnie Nahwegahbow, 48; Curtis Nahwegahbow, 41; Keith Nahwegahbow, 40; Tammy Nahwegahbow, 57;

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## Four people to run for M'Chigeeng First Nation chief in March election

M'CHIGEENG—The final candidates list has been set with four people seeking the position of chief and 32 for a seat on council for the M'Chigeeng First Nation council in the upcoming election.

Those in the running for chief include incumbent Linda Debassige, Renee Corbiere, Floyd Ense and Wayne Trudeau.

There are a total of 32 candidates for one of the 10 council seats. They include Charles John Beaudin, Robert Beaudin, Perry Matthew Bebamash, Diane Louise Bebonang, Andrew M. Corbiere, Dennis W. Corbiere, Ellen Samantha Corbiere, Ryan Glen Corbiere, Travis Corbiere, Lisa Corbiere-Addison, Chelsea H. Cameron, Andrew Debassige, Howard Debassige, Keith Debassige, Mark Debassige, Marko Debassige, Martin Debassige, Melanie Debassige, Sam Debassige, Steven Debassige, Terry Debassige, Deborah Ense, Josh Patrick (Kevin) Eshkawkogan, Thomas Hare, Jason (Jay) McLeod Migwans, Henry Migwans, Lynn Migwans, Andrea Panamick, Henry Panamick sr., James Panamick senior, Martin Panamick and Neda Toeg.

The election will take place March 27 with an advanced poll to take place March 22.

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## editorial

### As trust in politicians wanes so does democracy

There is little question that Western democracies are under assault. Autocracies across the globe have long recognized the inherent chinks to be found in the armour of democratic systems and in the age of ubiquitous social media and the information superhighway, autocrats and oligarchs have spared little expense in exploiting those chinks in attempts to undermine Western nations.

There are those who rail against a perceived lack of action by our democratically elected leadership in countering those attacks—but the truth of the matter is that many of those "chinks" are foundational to a free and functioning democracy.

Those exploits are not only being manipulated by outside actors; a significant amount of treasure is also expended by oligarchs within our democracy in attempts to "game" the system. Those who still maintain ability to exercise critical thought will note the right-leaning timbre of the "news" items posted to their Bing homepage—including a weird juxtaposition of an image of opposition leader Pierre Poilievre attached to a cryptocurrency advertorial. It takes money to play, and it is the right which tends to have the cash to splash.

The steady and near ceaseless stream of negativity aimed toward our politicians and institutions with which we are being bombarded these days online goes far beyond the realm of fair comment—that concept was left in the dust some time ago.

Not that honesty and fair dealing has been a hallmark of political actors down through the ages. Old-style politics was a very down and dirty game when played on the hustings by the 'backroom' cadres. Some would say that it has always been this way.

But what has not always been this way is the cumulative effect that a constant barrage of negativity from all sides has had upon the public consciousness. Trust in government and institutions has been plummeting and that is a very dangerous trend—reference the final days of the Weimer Republic.

Without trust, democracy will eventually wither on the vine.

There is a cost to honesty, transparency and accountability when practiced by a politician—but the cost of not exercising those virtues will eventually be much higher for those of us who cherish our democratic freedoms.

Politicians of all stripes, therefore, must be held to a higher ideal. This holds true for a John Tory, a Doug Ford, a Justin Trudeau and yes, so too a Jagmeet Singh. Trust is the armour that protects and insulates our Western democratic societies from the darkness. It is easily lost and so very hard to regain—to play with it for partisan gain is to betray us all.

We need to be able to trust our elected leaders. But there are two sides to this equation. As electors we must hold those seeking public office to account for prevarication when informing us, and most espe-

## letters

### Turkeys with and without feathers

*There are many other critters that need controlling more than turkeys*

#### To the Expositor:

The following is in response to a letter in February 15 edition of The Expositor concerning the turkeys in Kagawong.

I am a second generation Haweater of 80 plus years. I grew up in Kagawong. In those years there were no raccoons, no fishers, no Sandhill cranes, which in my way of thinking, are invasive species. Raccoons are known to be one of the worst carriers of rabies, Sandhill cranes do extensive crop damage, and fishers and raccoons have depleted our grouse population.

My home is in the heart of turkey country and I have learned to accept them. When my late wife was alive, we enjoyed sitting on the deck with a coffee watching the deer and the turkeys mingle. To see an old gobbler strut and hear the roosters cock-a-doodle-doo just makes a guy happy to be alive.

As for crop damage, according to farmers from down south that I've talked to, they tell me the turkeys do more good through control of such insects as grasshoppers and cutworms, than they do damage.

As for major traffic safety, we slow down or stop for children, pets, deer, turtles and snakes, why not our turkeys.

Maybe the turkeys would help eliminate the need for speed bumps along roads like Maple Drive and others.

A lot of businesses in Kagawong rely on tourism. On occasions I have had people stop and ask where they might get to see the turkeys.

The people in Banff, Alberta put up with elk all over the town for the sake of tourism. I cannot see why a very few cannot learn to accept a few turkeys. Also to note, to be closer to the truth on the number of

turkeys, it is not 60 but closer to less than 30.

Our council seems to be very eager to act on an individual complaint and run with it or bylaw it, like no swimming or diving off the government dock which all the town's kids and tourists have been able to do for 50-plus years of my life.

If council wants MNRF to do something that would better help our community, how about starting with Canada geese control and some control of the racoon population.

As for the geese, as beautiful as they may be, there are far too many of them. They are polluting our waters and beaches causing beach closures. Their excrement is in many public areas, in cottage areas and on many beaches where adults and children walk barefoot. Infection control issues are my concern, as well as property damage, especially if someone is trying to grow grass, geese can cause havoc with freshly sodded areas.

The other invasive species that bothers me are the ones that drive over the bridge and want to change everything. Often people move here to leave the city behind and are looking for a quiet country life. Our life here was unique.

As one sign says, "Keep your City out of our Country." Please do not try to change Manitoulin, leave it the way it was and should be. Does progress always have to mean destroy the old ways?

Allan Clark  
Turkey Country (Kagawong)

## A defence of the management of United Manitoulin Islands Transit

*Accessing public transit is a human right*

#### To the Expositor:

This is in response to statements made by Central Manitoulin Mayor Richard Stephens regarding United Manitoulin Island Transit Co-operative Inc. (UMIT) in the February 22, 2023 Manitoulin Expositor article 'Central Manitoulin is hopeful ministry will cover UMIT costs.' First, UMIT is appreciative that the municipality of Central Manitoulin stepped forward at the outset to sponsor UMIT's provision of transit services to Manitoulin.

The February 22 article attempts to portray UMIT as a thieving, irresponsible and lackadaisical entity. In fact, the opposite is true—UMIT had a hard-working, diplomatic executive director, who provided a customer-friendly voice to public inquiries. UMIT has a volunteer board consisting of both Anishinaabe and non-Anishinaabe members. UMIT has a website which provides information to the public about the transit services. UMIT has a working agreement with a bus company.

UMIT is a co-operative entity. It is also bi-cultural in an island society that is sometimes torn apart by racism and discrimination against the Other. UMIT's operating principles are grounded in Anishinaabe customs of hearing and listening to members, and of decision-making by consensus. Robert's Rules of Order are a zhaaganaash creation that has no place in inter-cultural co-operation. To suggest that UMIT is irresponsible because UMIT does not use the white man's systems of governance, is egregious in the extreme.

However, natural phenomena and other events confronted UMIT right from the beginning. Recall that during the time of the UMIT bus launch, the entire world was in the midst of the COVID-19 global pandemic. People were instructed to remain at home, wear masks, use hand sanitizer, and limit their contact with the public. Public events were cancelled. Service agencies closed their physical doors while at the same time continuing to provide services. No wonder then, that bus ridership was not what it could have been or should have been. Other transit organizations in Canada faced deficits of their own in recover-

ing from the pandemic, in the millions of dollars.

Manitoulin Island is on the 1850 Robinson Huron Treaty Territory. A treaty is an international legally binding agreement made between sovereign nations. The Robinson Huron Treaty was made between the Anishinaabek of this region and the British Crown. As a result of that agreement, \$4 per year per person is paid to treaty beneficiaries. These days \$4 per year per person barely covers the cost of a cup of coffee, never mind the value of the lands taken, the value of the resources extracted, and the value of other peoples using our waters (Lake Huron).

I do not want to criticize a small government for not being able to make a decision about creating a new landfill site, or about getting mired in arguments about a lilac bush. But all small governments are confronting harsh realities like the high cost of food, the lack of affordable housing, and low-income, on-the-ground, community people not having access to public transit. UMIT provides a transit service in a rural area. In Ontario, accessing a public transit service is a human right.

One image remains clear to me about UMIT's provision of service—that is of the bus driver opening the rear door of the bus to extract a wheelchair for a passenger. Another image is of the UMIT bus traveling north on Highway 6 after having brought students back to Wiikwemkoong from their college in M'Chigeeng.

I am a senior, living on modest means, on an Indian reserve. I am prepared to pay \$4 per month for the remainder of my natural life to pay down the deficit alleged to have been incurred by UMIT providing a needed public service.

Mii sa iw.

Marie McGregor Pitawanakwat, president  
UMIT

# A January message that suits March as well: Let's Talk the Talk

by Mike Brock

Talking. There is all sorts of talking in sports. Think about it...there's trash talk, pep talks, even TikToks.

There are radio stations, TV channels, websites, networks, all filled with folks talking about sports. Not to mention all the talking that goes on in the field of play. These days, you'd be hard pressed to find a televised sporting event that doesn't have at least one player wearing a microphone to capture all the talking.

Major League catchers at spring camp are starting to go out to the mound to talk to their pitchers.

After every NHL game, the first star has to talk to the reporters, using words like "It was a total team effort. Happy to get the win. We knew that if we scored more goals than them that we had a good chance to win the game."

At the weigh-ins before they punch each other in the face, even Heavyweight boxers do a lot of "talking." It's loud talking, but it's still talking.

In tennis, most players ask the crowd to not talk. John McEnroe used to quite enjoy talking to the umpires, though. Sometimes, he'd even stop the match he was playing just to have a chat with an umpire.

On every backstretch at every track in the world, there is a Horse Whisperer talking very quietly to a horse. The horse is listening, too.

You've heard curlers talk. They all say the same words, just differently, at a different volume. "Hurry. Hurry hard. Right off. Sweep. Yep. RIGHT OFF!" Talking seems to be directly proportional to the success of the team. The vocality of the skip rights the ship, so to speak.

In the lonely end of the rink, hockey goalies are known to talk to themselves even when the going is good. If the ice gets tilted the wrong way, they talk to themselves even more.

I've never met a golfer who didn't talk to their ball while it was in the air. I've also never seen it work.



If you are struggling, remember you are not alone. Reach out to someone who can help.

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Swimmers spend 3 hours a day staring at a black line on the bottom of the pool. Eventually, they end up talking to themselves. It's a little more difficult to talk out loud when you're swimming, although backstrokers have been known to try.

Teams talk to each other—anyone who's been involved with sports knows that there are a lot of meetings. Coaches meetings. Players Only Meetings. Defence Meetings. Offence meetings. Meetings about any kind of fence, really.

Fans don't even have to know each other at all in order to talk to each other about everything. In the stands, in line for beer at the game, on Twitter, at the water cooler—fans talk.

And that's a good thing. Especially when it matters.

Wednesday, January 25 was #BellLetsTalk Day. It's a day, anchored annually on social media, that has four key strategies:

help put an end to stigmas surrounding mental health, support care and access to care for people suffering from mental illness, fund research and promote workplace mental health guidelines. For the last 13 years, the hashtag #BellLetsTalk has been used to raise money, awareness and acceptance for mental health issues. Almost one and a half billion messages have been sent over the years, and hundreds of millions of dollars have been raised.

While there is still a lot of work to be done, Mental Health Awareness has definitely improved over the last decade, and some powerful voices from the sports world have been a part of that progress. Clara Hughes, one of Canada's most decorated Olympians with multiple medals in both Cycling and Speed Skating is the National Ambassador for #BellLetsTalk Day. She has led by example, sharing her own struggles with mental health, which is especially

powerful coming from someone so successful in the eyes of everyone else. When someone as successful, and seemingly fulfilled as Hughes, can talk about their own mental health issues, it puts a big crack in the stigma of everyone else talking about it.

Other big names from the sports world have added their stories to the narrative, too. Naomi Osaka, former World #1 tennis player, took time off at the height of her success to deal with her mental health. Simone Biles, the most popular and successful gymnast of the last 30 years, took a step back from her events at The Olympics, because her mental health was not where she needed it to be. After just one season in the NBA, the start of what could have been a very lucrative career, Tyrell Terry retired from the game in December, citing mental health issues. Hockey legend and current broadcaster Kelly Hrudey has been altruistically loud and public about his struggles. The authenticity and gravity of the conversations that these athletes have shared make a difference. However, you do not need to be a famous athlete to make a difference in your life, or the lives of your loved ones.

We are all fans on some level, but we are humans on every level. We need each other. We all know we need each other. The word "talk" appears 36 times in this article. If you are struggling, you are not alone, and there are places to go for help. Talking about it is just the first step, but it's a great first step.

Sure, sports get people talking. On every corner, and around every water cooler, the topic of sports fights for airtime with chit-chat champs "How About The Weather We're Having" and "Kids Today..." There is an inherent bravado and embellishment to sports talk. Heck, if you're not lying about your team, then you're not doing it right! But you don't have to be into trash talking—or even sports for that matter—to take the example of Clara, Simone, Naomi, Tyrell, and Kelly to heart. If you are struggling with Mental Health, #LetsTalk.

## Patrick Madahbee returns as president of Little Native Hockey League on interim basis

by Tom Sasvari

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Patrick Madahbee has been returned as interim president of the hockey tournament that is quite possibly the largest event held for First Nation youth in North America.

"I have served as president of the Little Native Hockey League (LNHL) previously, and have been involved in LNHL since it started," Mr. Madahbee told The Expositor last week. "Close to 4,000 athletes normally play in the tournament."

Mr. Madahbee, a member of the Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) First Nation who is the Anishinabek Nation Chief Commissioner on Governance and former Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief, explained he was approached by the LNHL executive two weeks ago about taking on the LNHL president role, with Marian Jacko having been recently appointed to the Hockey Canada board of directors. "Marian has had to take a one year absence as president of the LNHL."

Ms. Jacko, a member of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory served as the LNHL president since December 2018, but was required to step down from this position



Patrick Madahbee

since she was named to Hockey Canada's interim board of directors in December.

With the LNHL, Mr. Madahbee's responsibilities have included serving as a member of the tournament's executive, past president, and over the last several years as

a political advisor for the event. He also worked as a referee for the LNHL during its inaugural year in 1971 in the old Little Current arena, having been two months too old at the time to play in the tournament itself.

"I will be taking on the role of (LNHL) president until November," said Mr. Madahbee. As well, "I have been selected as the chair for the LNHL 50th anniversary planning committee next year."

"But for now we are getting ready for the 49th annual tournament," continued Mr. Madahbee. He explained "we will have 190 teams participating. In the first year of the tournament, which was held in Little Current, we had 17 teams and the event was held during the Christmas break."

"Since that first tournament, we have outgrown the smaller venues," said Mr. Madahbee. "We need to have 20 ice surfaces being used simultaneously to get all the games in for the tournament." He pointed out that prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, there were 239 teams taking part with 519 games being played over four days.

"Nipissing First Nation is hosting the tournament this year. They have hosted in the past and have always been an excellent

host," said Mr. Madahbee.

In looking ahead at the 50th anniversary of the LNHL, Mr. Madahbee explained, "we are going to acknowledge the three First Nations who hosted the first tournament, Whitefish River First Nation, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation and M'Chigeeng First Nation."

"We will also be honouring our water and our women water keepers during the 50th anniversary," said Mr. Madahbee. "I am really looking forward to that." He said the LNHL executive will also be talking to National Hockey League representatives in discussing how important this tournament is and to discuss making a concerted effort to promote female hockey players. At the LNHL, our female division has been growing for awhile and Hayley Wickenheiser has been very helpful in boosting this profile. Maybe some of the female players in our tournament will continue and one day play in the Olympic Games."

This year's LNHL tournament, the first that has been held since 2019, is scheduled for March 12-16 with the Nipissing First Nation as host. The tournament will be played in Mississauga.

## another letter

### Writer looks for more than assurances of commitment

#### *Loss of the Lodge in Gore Bay would be devastating to the community*

To the Expositor:

I am writing with respect to long-term care (LTC) homes on the Manitoulin Island, and specifically the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge, which is a for-profit home, owned by Jarlette Health Services.

In an article dated April 9, 2021, the mayor of Gore Bay, Dan Osborne, stated that David Jarlette assured him that the company was "committed to Gore Bay."

The same article confirmed that while \$933 million worth of funding was forthcoming from the province for LTC homes, none was awarded to the Manitoulin Lodge. It

was not clear from the article whether or not Jarlette had actually applied for any of this funding.

I hope that the Town of Gore Bay, and all of the other municipalities affected, which would be all municipalities on the Island since, if the Lodge closes both the Manor in Little Current and the new building in Wiikwemkoong will be over-capacity in no time, are keeping this particular file open and at the top of the pile. I don't recall exactly when the Lodge will be slated for closure, but I believe it is not far off. It is not hard to imagine that Jarlette would find the costs of refurbishing (if that were even possible) or a re-

build would bite into their bottom line so much that it would be easier and cheaper to just "leave town," in spite of assurances to the contrary. Assurances do not a contract make.

As Mr. Osborne stated, it would be "devastating to our community and Western Manitoulin if we didn't have this local nursing home."

Sincerely,

Willa Wilson  
Kagawong

## Manitoulin OPP reports decrease in number of domestic related incidents, charges

LITTLE CURRENT—The Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) reports a decrease in the number of domestic related incidents it investigated and the number of charges it laid for criminal offences in 2022.

"The Manitoulin OPP investigated 309 domestic related incidents in 2022, 88 of which resulted in someone being charged

with a criminal offence. This is a four-per cent decrease in domestic related incidents compared to 2021 where 321 domestic related charges were investigated and 78 resulted in charges," a release explains.

Some of the charges included assault, assault with a weapon, assault causing bodily harm, distributing images without consent, utter threats to cause death or bodily

harm, sexual assault, criminal harassment, mischief and arson.

To protect the identity of the victims, the OPP will not release the names of those involved.

"Victims in abusive relationships are not alone. If you are in an abusive relationship or know someone who is, there are local resources here to help. A toll-free call can

be placed to the Assaulted Women's Helpline at 1-866-863-0511 where your information will remain anonymous and confidential. You can also visit the following websites for more information: Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services at [www.mnvc-timservices.ca](http://www.mnvc-timservices.ca) and Manitoulin Family Resources at [www.mfresources.net](http://www.mfresources.net)



## Law & Order

### Police investigate break, enter and theft at Wiikwemkoong band civic complex

The Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service (WTPS) is investigating a break, enter and theft that occurred early on the morning of February 23 at the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory band civic complex.

"Unknown suspect(s) broke into and entered the band civic complex," police reported in a news release. "Once inside, the suspects broke into a display cabinet and stole a variety of items including a number of traditional beaded medallions."

Police are requesting the public's assistance in this investigation. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call the Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service at 705-859-3141.

To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers

(<https://ontariocrimestoppers.ca/>) where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

### OPP vehicle struck on Highway 6

Members of the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), with the assistance of the traffic incident management enforcement team investigated a motor vehicle collision on Highway 6.

On February 20 at approximately 7:20 am, police responded to a two-vehicle collision near the south end of Highway 6.

A motor vehicle left a commercial parking lot, turning northbound onto Highway 6. Upon entering the northbound lane, the vehicle struck a fully marked police vehicle causing extensive damage to both vehicles. There were no reported injuries.

As a result of the investigation, a 48-year-old from Espanola has been charged with careless driving.

The OPP reminds all motorists to slow down and be aware of their surroundings. Every person who operates a motor vehicle has a responsibility to ensure they are doing their part to keep themselves, their passengers and other road users safe.

## Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service host human trafficking awareness conference

WIKWEMKOONG—On Wednesday, February 22 the Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Social Navigator Initiative was proud to co-host a Human Trafficking Awareness Conference. The one-day event was held at the Rabbit Island Centre on the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory.

The conference dealt with a variety of topics that included: What is Human Trafficking; Sudbury and Areas Victim Services; Victim Support Services; and Lived Experience.

The conference also included presentations highlighting human trafficking from victims who survived and escaped the trauma and shared their personal accounts.

Speakers of note included Jessica Desmond, survivor and main speaker, Jessica Summers, member of victim support services for Manitoulin, Vincent Bolt, psy-

chotherapist and Tiffany Pyoli-York, Sudbury and area victim services.

The conference, which was attended by over 70 people, is one of many initiatives that the Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service Navigator Program will be providing to Wiikwemkoong and the surrounding area.

The Social Navigator Initiative would also like to thank the community partners that helped in the organization and planning of the event including the Community Wellness Human Trafficking Committee, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory (WUT), Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police

Service, and WUT Prevention which sponsored the event as well as Chief Rachel Manitowabi and Band Director of Operations, Shelley Trudeau.



## Friends and Neighbours

### Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

We hope you got a good sleep last night and rested your legs because today we officially start a 31-day March. Or if you're not into walking, you can ring in the new month by celebrating the Ides of March with a doughnut. In fact, eat two, Brute.

Feeling crafty? Get your crochet on this weekend, March 5th at 7 pm at the Park Centre. Drop by and learn basic skills and pattern deciphering for free! Bring what you are working on or get ideas for your next project.

Manitoulin Secondary School's musical theatre program is back in action this year with the hilariously ridiculous Broadway show, *Something Rotten!* It's the story of two brothers constantly outshined by the rock-star playwright, William Shakespeare. A local soothsayer foretells that the future of theatre will involve singing, dancing and acting, all at the same time! The brothers then decide to write a (wait for it) MUSICAL! Come out to experience the MSS stage Friday, March 3rd and Saturday, March 4th at 7 pm, or for a 2 pm matinee on Sunday, March 5th. Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased at the door.

If you see Shirley F or Nancy C around town this week, wish them many happy returns as they both turn 29 in the coming days. March birthdays are a bit of a family affair for Maddy M, Slade M and Steve S, who conveniently all celebrate birthdays at pretty much the same time. We were going to say that you are certainly aging gracefully, but it feels like another way of saying you are slowly looking worse. So, instead, we'll just say - congratulations!

Council is working towards updating the township strategic plan. Have your say on priorities by Thursday, March 2nd to get your ideas on the agenda for the next council meeting. Contact Tiana ([tmills@billingstwp.ca](mailto:tmills@billingstwp.ca)) for more info or to pass on your thoughts. The next regular council meeting is Tuesday, March 7th at 7 pm, in person, at the Park Centre. The agenda is posted the Friday prior to the meeting on the township website.

Reminder that the fire hall is still off-limits for safety reasons. Please utilize the water at the public works garage at 34 Carter Crescent. Please be mindful of the bay doors, and do not leave your vehicle unattended. NOTE: Please bring your own hose.

A friend of ours said her boss sent out a company-wide email saying they were planning to fire the employee with the worst posture. She has a hunch it might be her.

Island Time Dancing is bringing beginner line dancing classes to the Park Centre! Join Joe and Beth Arnold, starting Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30 pm, starting March 22nd and running for six weeks. Space is limited! Email [joebeth.arnold@gmail.com](mailto:joebeth.arnold@gmail.com) or call 519-490-5586 to pre-register. Cost of the full 6-week session is \$50.

Mark your calendars! Western Manitoulin Volunteer Fairs are happening in April. Stop in to meet the many organizations that work to make our communities so special. Learn about their efforts and events, and you are sure to find a comfortable fit for you. Billings' is April 26th at the

Park Centre from 2 to 8 pm and includes refreshments as well as prizes to be won.

We are so jealous of Pavlov's hair - it's so soft. He probably conditions it.

Wayne and Anna Aelick, a pair of fundraising Kagawongian superstars, are already raising funds for this year's Stroll for Liver! Mark Sunday, June 11 on your calendar for a stroll through the village at 11 am to raise awareness and funds for the Canadian Liver Foundation. More details to be announced as we get closer to the date.

We hope you have enjoyed another season of Short Poems for a Short Month. We are closing it out with one last ode to our favourite place - Manitoulin!

A Winter Poem:

Dang, it's cold.

The end.

It's true: the best way to carve wood is whittle by whittle. Have a great week!

### Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

We are covering two weeks because I missed getting the column in early enough last week.

Friday night, the 17th of February, at cards there were three tables plus one sit out. High lady was DonnaKay McDonald with 67 points; high man was Helen Black with 77 points; Chris Bigras won the ladies' lone hands with two. Men's lone hands went to Myra Duncanson with two; most euchres went to Bob Benedict with eight and he took home the juice as well; the money jar was still safe.

Saturday morning, we were cleaning up and setting up for the Fun Day event. Sandra Hartley looked after a lot of the organizing of the event. It is fun to work together getting everything clean and ready to go.

Sunday morning the food started coming. There were beef stews and chili con carne and many desserts. We served two kinds of chili, one with corn and another without. As well, someone made a very hot version for the people who liked spicy. There were lots of desserts.

A scavenger hunt was set up. As the people were arriving everyone was happy and chatty, and it was like one big party. At the entrance was a large basket which was won by John Bonwick. After the meal and dessert there was a euchre tournament. At half time everyone came down and ate again, then returned to the euchre game. A good time was had by all.

The report for the euchre tournament was supplied by Myra Duncanson: The day started with a delicious stew and chili luncheon with lots of desserts. We had eight full tables of euchre players - fantastic day! Winners for first place were Larry and Sylvia Pfeifer, tied with Karen Noble and Myra Duncanson, each team had 85 points and won \$80; two teams also tied for second place, Sally Lanktree and Irene Duncanson, plus Harold Rogers and Paul Sorbara, each team had 82 points and won \$30; the 50/50 winners were Scott Harley with \$57.50, Colin Frame with \$27.50, Mary Leeney with \$43.50, Bob Benedict with \$26.50, Guy Bigras with \$31 and Myra Duncanson with \$25.50;

prize winners were Mary Leeny (three), Larry Bednarz, Harold Rogers, Larry Pfeifer, Myra Duncanson (two), Colin Frame, Elaine McDonald, Sara-Lyn Arnot, Mildred Kelly, DonnaKay McDonald, Guy Bigras, Susan Arbour, Karen Noble and Joyce Benoit. Dawson Citizens get a big thank you of appreciation for their invitation to invite us to organize the euchre tournament. We had loads of fun and were able to give them \$215.50. Special nod goes to all who helped set up and worked all day long, especially Karen Noble. Thanks, from Myra.

Rene Lampe has registered with ChatGPT. He asked it to give him description of Meldrum Bay. It was amazing. He thought maybe it could write my column for me.

Last Friday night at cards there were four tables. High lady was Rose VanEvery with 74 points; high man was Harold Rogers with 69 points; ladies' lone hands were won by Myra Duncanson with three; men's lone hands went to Bob Benedict with five; most euchres were won by Brenda Carter with 11; the juice went to Karen and the money jar is safe. We were getting a little low on prizes, so Rose and Diane put their heads together and decided to make cookies for the prizes. Great idea!

### Silver Water Karen Noble

Saturday, February 18, there was a belated 80th birthday party for Gladys Duncanson. Her sons, Craig, Blake and Clarke and other family members did the work, and everyone enjoyed the meal.

There was a large crowd out for the Winter Fun Day in Meldrum Bay on February 19. The stew and chili luncheon were enjoyed. There were eight full tables for euchre upstairs in the afternoon. Thank you to all the people involved in the day, it was a lot of work and very successful.

Last week was full of snow falling and kept the snow removal people very busy.

There was a pickup truck accident in Fernlee this week with no one hurt.

Doug and Brenda Carter and Albert and I went to the old Twin Bluffs building for Sunday brunch. Thank you to Carol Chandler and her crew for a wonderful meal.

There were lots of snowmobiles around last week. The trail groomer is on its way west this coming week now that there is enough snow on the ground.

There were nine euchre players out on Thursday night in Silver Water. There were 16 out in Meldrum Bay on Friday.

We had lots of households out to the recycle bins on Saturday, February 25. Thank you to everyone who saves their egg cartons and Farquhar milk bags which get reused. Thank you to everyone who brought liquor containers that will be returned with the proceeds going to the Silver Water Community Hall.

Happy 89th birthday to Joyce Benoit on March 1. Happy 75th birthday to Myra Duncanson on March 3. Happy 49th birthday to Chris Wismer on March 4.

Get well to Joe Williams.

## Manor residents pedal to places around Manitoulin and the world

by Michael Erskine  
LITTLE CURRENT—Mobility and exercise, as well as mental stimulation, are widely recognized as being extremely important in maintaining quality of life as we age, but let's face it, sitting on a stationary bike and peddling one's way to nowhere is hardly anyone's idea of stimulating. But thanks to digital marriage between technology and a tried-and-true exercise system, residents of Manitoulin Centennial Manor are finding that exercise can be fun.

A large monitor screen sits in front of a stationary bike in an exercise room at the Manor upon which Ed Heis sits, arms and legs



Ed Heis shows off his certificate and medal from the Road Worlds for Seniors Pedal On 2022.

photos by Julie Omnet plays a very important role in maintaining quality of life. "It helps with maintaining balance, keeps the lungs and heart healthy and there is a mental stimulation aspect to this as well," noted Ms. Omnet. Like any of the body's muscles, the mind needs a workout too.

Adding to the fun is a little competition. Recently, Manor residents took part in a competition with long-term care homes across the globe. The Pedal On Road Worlds really captured the imagination of several residents.



Maria Lefebvre was one of the seniors from the Manor who took part in a global cycling competition.

pumping furiously as he focuses on the images playing out on the screen. The monitor is displaying a familiar scene—down Little Current's Robinson Street to Park Road heading down towards Low Island and then along the docks past Wally's. It's just one of the familiar local cycling routes Manor residents can choose from.

"The company, Motiview, has people who have what I would call a dream job," said Manor activities coordinator Julie Omnet. "I sent the company some suggestions, like starting out from the Manor which would be a familiar point." The company then sent a team to Manitoulin to record the routes.

But there is nothing saying Manor residents need to be tied down to local locales as there are hundreds of routes set in locations all over the world. One resident who immigrated to Canada more than half a century ago from Italy likes to pedal around the sites of Roma checking out his old haunts.

The Expositor took a turn on the system, choosing France as a destination and was soon cycling down the Seine River.

"Residents can choose from a wide variety of music," noted Ms. Omnet, punching up some '70s ambience. Soon the dulcet tones of Mick Jagger of the Rolling Stones were calling out the cadence as the shores of the Seine drifted gently by.

The bicycle has several safety features to ensure riders don't have any mishaps. Traffic is obviously not an issue on a stationary bike, but as anyone of an age can attest, falling off a bike is all too easy.

As mentioned above, exercise

## Island Special Olympic snowshoe athletes garner provincial gold

by Tom Sasvari  
MANITOULIN—Two Manitoulin Island Special Olympic snowshoers garnered gold in a provincial qualifying event held this past weekend.

Matthew Bedard earned three gold medals in his division, in the 800 metre, 1,600 metre and five kilometre races. Kelsey Mellan garnered a goal medal in her 100 metre race (results were not available on her 200 metre race as of press deadline).

MSO coach Joanne Mellan took the two athletes to Arrowhead Provincial park in Barrie for the competition.

## MSS Mustangs win North Shore Secondary School Association volleyball championship

by Tom Sasvari  
M'CHIGEENG—The Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Mustangs junior girls are the North Shore Secondary School Association (NSSSA) volleyball champions!

"Our junior girls team did very well," stated MSS sports coordinator Jordan Smith on Thursday. There were four teams in the NSSSA tournament which was hosted at MSS last Wednesday. After defeating Jeunesse-Nord of Blind River in the semi-finals the Mustangs took on Espanola in the finals. "MSS won in four games, winning the final in three games in very close matches," stated Mr. Smith.

The Mustangs, who are coached by Tina Balfe, capped off an undefeated season in both the regular season and league playoffs. "We had a very young team this year, with only three returning players from last year and seven Grade 9 players. Without much prior experience to draw upon, the girls did amazingly well as a young team, going undefeated in all league play among the North Shore teams and winning the NSSSA championship (last Wednesday)."

"Even more impressive was rising to the challenge at the Northern Ontario Secondary School Association (NOSSA) championship on Friday, only losing to the winning team, Horizon, in all the matches throughout the day,"



The Manitoulin Secondary School Mustangs junior girls' volleyball team won the North Shore Secondary School Association volleyball championship last week. The team which is coached by Tina Balfe included Mya Balfe, Prestlynn Biedermann, Sadie Bridgeman, Ava Corbiere, Aspen Debassige, Addy Gray, Jordyn Holmes, Merissa McQuarrie, Alexis McVey, Harmony Panamick-Shawana and Emery Watson.

said Ms. Balfe. The Mustangs beat Franco Cite and White Pines in their matches. "The girls took silver at NOSSA. Horizon had been undefeated in league play all year among the Sudbury schools so the girls did very well, losing some sets 25-17 and 25-19 against the top ranked team in the North."

The Mustangs players include Mya Balfe, Prestlynn Biedermann, Sadie Bridgeman, Ava Corbiere, Aspen Debassige, Addy Gray, Jordyn Holmes, Merissa McQuarrie, Alexis McVey, Harmony Panamick-Shawana and

Emery Watson.

The Mustangs senior girls' team took part in the NSSSA championship held at Espanola High School last Wednesday. "Our girls' team had a great day, they won the semi-final against Jeunesse Nord," said Mr. Smith. "Then they lost in the best three of five finals, losing in the fifth game 20-18. All the games were super close."

## Robbie Gordon rink qualifies for Masters curling championships

by Tom Sasvari  
SUDBURY—Robbie Gordon, who has family ties to Manitoulin Island, and his Sudbury-based curling rink have qualified for the All-Canadian Masters curling championship this spring. However, Mr. Gordon did not take part

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The smiles say it all. Francine Fiorst poses with her medal and certificate.

"There were teams taking part from here to the Netherlands," said Ms. Omnet. The Manitoulin Centennial All Stars team pedaled 48.3 kilometres in the 2022 Worlds to capture 160th place. It's a start and not bad for a small long-term care facility.

A Canadian team took first (17,231.2 km) and eighth place (4,219.2 km), with both of the top male and female individuals hailing from Orleans Ontario's Bruyere Village.

Following the competition, participating residents received certificates and medals.

The usual session on the bike runs to 20 minutes, but not everyone goes that long while others take on multiple sessions a day, especially during the competition. "We have folks who come in every day," said Ms. Omnet. "When the competition was on, some of them would even come in twice a day."

Mr. Heis said that he enjoyed his time on the bike, especially since the scenery was very familiar. Best of all, "it's not cold," he said.

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# Manitoulin OPP constable to participate in James Bay EPIC fat bike ride

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Steve Redmond, court case manager and offender transport coordinator with the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will be soon riding a Fat Bike up the James Bay coast from Moose Factory to Attawapiskat.

“I am taking part in the James Bay EPIC Fat Bike Ride in March,” Constable Redmond told The Expositor. The ride is designed to promote health and wellness while raising funds for youth bike programs along the James Bay coast. “We will be travelling from Moosonee to Moose Factory, Fort Albany, Kashechewan and Attawapiskat.”

Officer Redmond, a member of the OPP Cycling Team and five other team riders (all volunteers) from around Ontario will be participating in the ride from March 7-9. The program will be focused on positively engaging, influencing and mentoring youth through cycling and bicycle care.

“We will be riding 300 kilometres on our fat bikes on studded tires in weather that will be anywhere from minus five to minus 20 degrees,” said Constable Redmond. He explained, “we are hoping to present fat bikes to youth in these communities.”



OPP Constable Steve Redmond is taking part in the James Bay EPIC Fat Bike Ride in March.

“We are taking part in this to promote cycling to kids, show how to repair them and promote health as the bikes provide a healthy means of transportation,” said Constable Redmond. “We will be stopping along the way in the communities. We are hoping to give away 10 fat bikes (along with bicycle helmets).”

“The OPP has a cycling team of volunteers. Last year, we took part in the ‘Ride to Remember OPP Police Officers Memorial,’ travelling from Toronto to Ottawa,” continued Mr. Redmond. “We gave away bicycles, including a bike to a young girl in

Durham who has autism and had her bike stolen from her. She was very touched by this and sent us a beautiful thank you card.”

“Another person who had moved here from a third world country was provided a bicycle that he uses as a means of transportation,” said Constable Redmond.

New Hope Community Bikes is partnering with the OPP, Ontario Cycling, and the Nishnawbe Aski Police Service, along with the communities on the west coast of James Bay to bring about this epic event. “Our aim is to partner with

each local community to initiate youth bike programs, safe cycling education, skills and resources,” a release explains.

The OPP Cycling Team’s goal is to raise \$100,000 said Constable Redmond. He pointed out around \$10,000 has been raised locally through donations so far from the UCCM Justice Project and Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates.

For those people interested in making a donation the online link is James Bay EPIC Fat Bike Ride (zeffy.com).

## Mike Wall rink takes Little Current men’s bonspiel



From left are John Hodder, Duane Deschamps, Joe Cooper and Mike Wall.

LITTLE CURRENT—The Mike Wall rink won the Little Current Curling Club men’s annual bonspiel this past weekend.

The Mike Wall rink, representing Little Current defeated the Dan Marois rink in the first event finals. Members of the Mike Wall skipped rink included vice Joe Cooper, second Duane Deschamps and lead John Hodder.

The B event winner was the Steve Pellatt rink from Sudbury, with the Bill Sloss rink from Sault Ste. Marie winning the C event. The D event saw the Max Burt rink of Gore Bay as the winner.

A total of 16 teams took part in the bonspiel. There was at least one team representing each club on the Island with teams from Espanola, Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie also taking part.

## ...Robbie Gordon rink qualifies for Masters

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when the rink qualified for the national championships at the Northern Ontario Masters (60+) men’s provincial playdowns held at the Espanola Curling Club in January.

“Good on them, they played really well,” stated Mr. Gordon, who explained on the same weekend as the rest of his team was winning the Northern Ontario Masters championship. “I was at a wedding in Cambridge. The guys texted me Saturday night explaining that the final game would be played (in Espanola) the next afternoon, that they had won all their games so far and that the ice was great. I thought about travelling up to Espanola for the final but decided against it. And it ended up it only took the team six ends in the final to win the final game.”

Mr. Gordon pointed out in recent years rinks playing with only three players, instead of the normal four, “is not as uncommon as it used to be. The Brad Gushue rink did it at the Brier with only three players.”

With Mr. Gordon’s absence the rink, which included Ron Henderson as skip and lead, Doug Hong as second and Dion Dumontelle as vice, was one of four teams who competed in the double round-robin in the Northern championships. Other rinks included the Carr rink from the Port

Arthur Curling Club in Thunder Bay, the Harnden rink from the Soo Curlers in Sault Ste. Marie and the Duhaime rink from the Capreol Curling Club. The Gordon rink was representing the Northern Credit Union Community Centre in Sudbury.

The Gordon rink had an undefeated record going into the final game, where they defeated the Carr rink 7-1. The game ended in the sixth end with the Carr rink shaking hands with the winners. With only three players on the team, two of the three players had to take an extra shot in each round.

The Robbie Gordon rink has played together for about 12 years. He has family on the Island. His grandparents were Ron and Lizzie Gordon, who ran Gordon’s Lodge in Gore Bay for many years. Mr. Gordon spent many of his summers as a youngster in Gore Bay.

“The national men’s master’s competition is being held from April 2-9,” Mr. Gordon told The Expositor. “The only problem with that is it is the same time as the provincial (Ontario) seniors’ championships (which the Gordon rink has taken part in four times) are taking place. “But I guess having our team compete in a national event like the Masters for the first time is okay.”

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# ...Sprack family does Manitoulin Island proud on Family Feud

...continued from page 1 the Sprack family,” said Lindsay Christopher, acting associate producer for Family Feud Canada with CBC. “Our crew thinks it’s really great when families are genuine and just give us who they are and lay everything on the table.”

“We know how exhausted they were at the end of their (three show) run,” Ms. Christopher added. “We

were respectful, and supported and laughed with us.”

One incident stands out in her mind, that occurred while the Spracks were waiting to go on their last show. “A new family was getting ready to film after us and one of the producers asked us to go talk to them and calm them down. They were so nervous,” said Anne.

Manitoulin Islanders,” said Anne.

Both Marc and Debbie encouraged other families who may be thinking of applying to be on the show to do so. “Oh my gosh it was fun, and CBC is fantastic. They take care of everything.”

CBC paid for the family to travel to the studio for taping, for accommodation and other needs. “They are

during COVID, but they did a great job. We had to be vaccinated.”

The episodes were taped in May of 2022.

“It is a great deal of fun,” said Debbie. “Gerry was fantastic, and our stage producer, Dan, and his team. We couldn’t have been treated any more royally. We were happy to represent Manitoulin and had so much fun.”

“We made this donation in memory of our mom,” Anne told The Expositor. “We’re going to have a party one weekend this summer (at sibling Scott Sprack’s camp. He was a member of the team as a back-up), and with whatever was left we were to buy something just for ourselves. I bought myself an electric bike.” Her sibling Scott was also a member of the team, acting as back-up. However, he had to go through the same process as the rest of his

siblings.

“We’re dedicated to finding fun families in every province and territory, and would love to see more families from your area,” said Ms. Christopher. For families who want to apply to appear on Family Feud Canada, visit [cbc.ca/familyfeud](http://cbc.ca/familyfeud). Ms. Christopher will be keeping an eye out for your applications from Manitoulin Island.



The Sprack family of Manitowaning, from left is Mike, Anne, Debbie, Shari and Marc.



LEFT: Sprack Attack fever! This Assiginack township welcome sign left no doubt that the Sprack family was being cheered on by the community, and all of Manitoulin Island for that matter.

especially love the families that play hard but have fun and show who they truly are. That’s all we can ask for.”

It was Anne Sprack, a nurse in Sudbury, who spearheaded the family’s participation in the game. After seeing an advertisement on Facebook that said show producers were looking for families on Manitoulin Island, Anne called her siblings and asked if they were interested. “They said ‘okay’ so I went into my basement and made a video as to why we should be chosen.”

“I said in the video, ‘You want us on the show! We are from Manitoulin Island. We’re the Sprack Attack,’” Anne said. “It was a lot of work but an incredible journey through practicing and rehearsal, a bonding moment. We reminded each other of stories about living on Manitoulin and about each other, many of them funny stories. We shared that with the audience, about being family.”

She said the whole experience of the show was “a little more than any of us expected. When you watch the show on television, you don’t realize how incredibly talented and hardworking the staff of CBC is. They are all incredibly professional and talented, and we need to credit those that put the show together. They

“Mike went over to talk to the family and within a couple of minutes, there was laughter. ‘Every family was a good bunch,’” said Anne.

“They (producers) do want energy, though,” she added. “By the third show we were tired, tired and nervous. Host Gerry Dee is extremely witty and respectful. He is a great guy.”

“We had a lot of fun but we were like fish out of water,” Marc said. “We’re a tight family, usually lounging around the lake and then we were in a big television studio in front of a live audience and being asked about growing up and living on Manitoulin Island.”

“We were fortunate to have won three times, and that is the limit,” he said. “A family has to be replaced after they have been on the show three times. We did very well. Only one family this season has won the limit of \$30,000.”

“If anything, I’m proud that we were able to represent Manitoulin Island and to let people know how incredible a place it is,” Anne said. “It provided us with an opportunity to connect with people we haven’t seen or heard from in years, like my camp instructor.”

“No matter where we live, we are at heart Mani-

top notch,” Marc said. “It is a great way for a family to have a whole lot of fun together. It is fortunate that I come from a family of storytellers.

“It is definitely a worthwhile experience for any family to take part in,” said Debbie. “It is something we will never regret or ever forget. Our family is pretty close, but this experience made us even closer. We kept in touch the last three nights (when the show was aired) texting and laughing.”

“It is a process,” Debbie added. “The taping of the show was made a little difficult for CBC as it took place

It was evident the family was getting a lot of support when it took Debbie 40 minutes to walk through the Manitowaning grocery store last week when the show was on air. “I knew a lot of people were watching. After the first night, I spent the next five hours answering texts and calls.”

One of the goals the family set was to make a donation to the Wiikwemkoong Nursing home in memory of their mother, Joyce, who lived there before she passed away in December 2022. Before Christmas, the family donated two stereo sets for the residents, along with a karaoke machine.

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# ...Jocelyn Kuntsi recognized by Lieutenant Governor with Youth Award

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mental stewardship in every activity. She is a leader in promoting environmental sustainability and stewardship through building awareness in her broader community, organizing collaborative activities and building partnerships. This work includes her advocacy to raise awareness around water issues through a 64-kilometre (40-mile) Water Walk, working with M'Chigeeng First Nation for shoreline restoration and participating in bee revitalization. She has also sent sustainable action plans to businesses and event hosts, advocating for reduced carbon footprints. As the Rainbow District School Board Student Trustee, she sits on the board strategic planning committee and has used her unique position and voice to advocate for issues of conservation and sustainability. On a provincial scale, Ms. Kuntsi is the Chair of the Ontario Student Trustees Association Working Group on Environmental Sustainability.

"On her evenings and weekends, Ms. Kuntsi promotes and participates in community clean-ups and can often be seen along the side of the road in her rubber boots cleaning

ditches and shorelines. Most recently, she developed a carbon calculator and shared it with robotics teams globally and hosted a provincial science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and sustainability conference."

"Ms. Kuntsi's impact on conservation is wide and measurable. In the school and community, she is the face of sustainability, and is helping to inspire a shift in STEM culture to focus on technological innovation and environmental conservation alike."

Rainbow District School Board Chair Bob Clement said in a written statement, "Jocelyn Kuntsi is most deserving of this provincial recognition. Jocelyn understands and appreciates how individual action at the local level has a huge impact globally. More importantly, she has the ability to encourage others to share her vision and contribute to change. A natural leader, student trustee Kuntsi continues to make us proud."

At the Rainbow District School Board February 21, Bruce Bourget, director of education said, "our very own student trustee Jocelyn Kuntsi of Manitoulin Secondary School has been selected as a 2023 Loran Awards finalist-

ranking in the top two percent of all applicants from across Canada."

"Of the 4,800 students who applied, 90 have been selected for an interview," said Mr. Bourget. "The foundation provides 36 awards valued at over \$100,000 to students entering university. Loran Scholars receive the country's largest undergraduate merit award on the basis of character, commitment to service and leadership potential."

"Congratulations, Trustee Kuntsi. We are proud of you and wish you the very best as you continue in the selection process."

"Being a finalist is quite an achievement in itself," added Mr. Bourget.

## ...New dentist takes over Gore Bay Medical Centre office

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light snowshoe ski event a couple of weekends ago (in Ice Lake) which was beautiful. This was our Valentine's Day celebration."

"It's been really positive, we have had positive feedback since opening the office," stated Dr. Cross. "When we first opened, we

Bill's old spot in the Medical Centre building."

"I have visited Manitoulin during summers before, so it was not hard to convince me to move and work here," said Dr. Cross. "And once Colleen was hired and on board everything just seemed to fall into place. We have been

been so good to us."

The dental office provides, "the same services as Bill did, like fillings, extractions, complex flex extractions, crown and bridge work, dentures."

"It is wonderful to have Mary and her staff here at the dental office in the medical centre," said Dr. Studzi-

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



The dentist office at the Gore Bay Medical Centre was reopened late last fall. From left is Dr. Mary Cross, Marilyn Gibson dental assistant, Alexandria Shawongonabe dental hygienist, and Colleen Punkari office coordinator.

were open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but it has been very busy so we are now open from Tuesday to Friday, with Fridays being by appointment only."

Dr. Cross pointed out that Dr. Bill Studzienny, a long-time Gore Bay dentist, "had a lot to do with us moving here. He helped to convince me and my husband (Dr. Christinus van Burren who is also a dentist and will help out sometimes at the practice) to move here. Basically, we are back in

seeing lots of kids and families, which is nice," she said. Kids love visiting the treasure box (of toys) at the medical centre.

"My patients really love Alexandria," stated Dr. Cross. She noted the dental office will have a Facebook site starting very soon and the dental office will be taking applications for a 'Smile Makeover' initiative to provide someone who needs a filling free of charge. We are doing this to support the community that has

enny, who acknowledged he acted as a 'cheerleader' to convince Dr. Cross to move and work locally.

The dental office staff includes Marilyn Gibson, dental assistant; Alexandria Shawongonabe dental hygienist; Colleen Punkari office coordinator; and Dr. Cross.

Patients can call the dental office at 705-282-2223. The office is open from Tuesday to Thursday from 9 am to 4 pm and on Fridays by appointment.

## ...New faces join veterans on WRFN council

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Julian Nowgabow, 35; Allien Paibomsai, 16; Edward Paibomsai, 48; Julianne Pires, 29; Arianna Pitawanakwat, 17; Carmen Pitawanakwat, 26; Carson Pitawanakwat, 18; Ignatius Pitawanakwat, 30; Martha Pitawanakwat, 16; Andrew Recollet, 37;

John Recollet, 60; Hunter Shawanda, 11; Richard Shawanda, 92; Marilyn Stephens, 49; Murray Still, 55; Amy Jacko-Waboose, 26; and Ann Robin Ziegler, 5. There were six spoiled ballots.

There were 228 in-person ballots cast, 29 mail-in ballots and 135 electronic ballots.

## ...Luke Wassegijg and Wiikwemkoong Tourism

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be celebrating the outstanding achievements of so many Indigenous entrepreneurs."

Among the finalists are Wiikwemkoong Tourism and Mr. Wassegijg. The award is the exceptional industry leadership award. This award, "recognizes a business or organization leading the way through the demonstration of excellence in all aspects of its business such as marketing campaigns, Trip Advisor reviews, revenues generated, low staff turnover and repeat customers."

ITAC is a national organization representing the interests of Indigenous tourism operators from across the country and annually bestows awards on the best in the country.

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## ...slams feds for giving contract to company from Netherlands

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government in January confirming the final report will be due to the federal government by mid-June, with officials allowed to comment on drafts.

Stephanie Scott, executive director of the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, says seeing the agreement itself raises more questions.

Eugene Arcand, who sits as a member of its survivor's circle, says he cannot understand why Ottawa would look to an international group that lacks knowledge of the residential school system and 'cultural competency' needed for such sensitive discussions.

The centre says it has already raised concerns with Crown-Indigenous Relations Minister Marc Miller and plans to make more recommendations. His office says that the agreement is subject to amendments to be 'jointly considered' by federal officials and the international commission.

The agreement itself also states Indigenous facilitators will be hired to be present at the discussion and meet the 'spiritual and ceremonial' needs of participants throughout the process.

Anishinabek News reported February 23 that Anishinabek leadership is confounded by the recent announced of the \$2 mil-

lion agreement. The arrangement is structured to produce a report giving recommendations on identifying and uncovering human remains at the sites of former Indian Residential Schools.

Anishinabek Nation Indian Residential School portfolio holder and Anishinabek Nation Lake Huron Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief Travis Boissoneau expressed bewilderment on the federal government decision to use the international group when there is a Special Interlocutor already functioning and carrying out these same goals.

"We shouldn't be finding out about this deal after it is already in the process of being finalized," Chief Boissoneau told Anishinabek News. "Where was the consultation and engagement with First Nations and Survivors of Indian Residential Schools and their families to determine

if this was necessary and supported? Why not further support these Indigenous leaders who are well-known and trusted across the country?"

Kimberly Murray had been appointed in 2022 as the Independent Special Interlocutor for Missing Children and Unmarked Graves and Burial Sites to make recommendations for a new federal legal framework to ensure the respectful and culturally-appropriate treatment of unmarked graves and burial sites of children associated with former Indian Residential Schools.

"We are uncomfortable with the fact that Canada did not follow the recommendations of the jointly appointed Indigenous experts that are just beginning their work. Is the federal government impatient to close this dark chapter by seeking to outsource reconciliation?" asked Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe. "The

concept of reconciliation is difficult to contemplate when we are not yet done reclaiming the remains of Anishinabek children whose lives were unjustly and inhumanely ended by genocide. The act of remembering our ancestors is part of traditional law, and we need to reconnect with their spirits to move forward with any possibility of healing intergenerational trauma," he told Anishinabek News.

"We know what we are doing, how to do it and what we are looking for," said Regional Chief Hare. "I just don't understand why the government is getting a group from the other side of the ocean to carry this out. It just doesn't make any sense at all. They don't have the experience and knowledge on it. We already know what to do. Give us, our communities that funding if they can't find anyone else in Canada or the region to carry out this work."



### February gathering of Manitoulin musicians

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# ...Climate change, invasive species and the Great Lakes

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lake levels, both highs and lows. "That's the point," Dr. Krantzberg said. "It's extremes. When we get extreme drops, we lose habitat and wetland habitat and create more stress on native biodiversity."

These changes could result in the loss of nearshore zones throughout the Great Lakes, leading to displacement or disappearance of coastal wetland species and the potential increase of alien species coming in because of thermal shifts: where the water was once too cold and the winters too brutal, it's now possible for them to survive. We will see a shift towards warm water species, including alien invasive species, and they are very damaging.

A 2000 report from the American Institute of Biological Sciences noted damages from non-indigenous plants, fish, molluscs, insects and terrestrial plants (in the United States alone) were over \$2.5 billion a year. That cost has likely risen.

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came in at \$39 million. A second reference point is another arena in Tavistock with a budget of \$22 million. The potential cost of this dream/nightmare was estimated in 2019 at \$8 million. Currently that has grown considerably. Even with government funding, the remaining 50 percent would be carried by the township and paid for by increases to our taxes."

Mr. Walker asserted that the two arenas, one in Providence Bay and the other in Mindemoya are only utilized 25 percent of the time.

"We have only 2,300 official residents," he said. "That's 1,250 taxpayers. What do we need a new arena for? Central Manitoulin Public School only has 218 students. The high school has the M'Chigeeng arena right beside it. What on Earth makes council think it makes sense to spend \$25-\$30 million on a new arena?"

"Council has approved a feasibility study at a cost of \$100,000 to determine the costs of keeping the existing buildings and simply performing required maintenance," said Mr. Walker. "The alternative is to keep the two existing arenas and the community centres and perform the needed and deferred maintenance and take the

"That doesn't even account for the true costs of species extinctions," said Dr. Krantzberg. "How do you put a value on the loss of biodiversity or aesthetic damages?"

Take zebra mussels, for example. Municipalities spend millions every year ensuring that infrastructure pipes don't become clogged with them and destroy the water infrastructure. What's not as generally known is the damage zebra mussels cause to native species. "Zebra mussels like to go where the water is moving and so they smother our native species," Dr. Krantzberg said.

Zebra mussels were first introduced into the Great Lakes through ballast tank releases from ocean-going ships originating in the Black Sea. "Now zebra and quagga mussels are everywhere, causing these massive damages to the system," said Dr. Krantzberg. They don't much like cold water, so Lake Superior and the depths of Huron and Michigan might see little



While pretty to look at, the invasive purple loosestrife can destroy wetlands.

impact; however, their quagga mussel cousins very much like when it's cold.

Emerging invasive species threats include the spotted lanternfly, the jumping worm and the kudzu vine. The spotted lanternfly could potentially destroy the fruit and grape crop in the Niagara region, and has been detected across the border in Niagara Falls, New York. The jumping worm is already in

Ontario. Native to East-Central Asia, jumping worms like to feast on mulch and topsoil, causing erosion and killing plants. They cause a lot of environmental damage where they are established. Kudzu, a fast growing vine native to southern United States, has been found in Leamington, Ontario.

The history of invasive species in North America dates back to the turn of the twentieth century, when plants were brought across the ocean as horticultural ornamentals. Purple loosestrife is a perfect example, noted Dr. Krantzberg. "It's a pretty Eurasian plant but also can destroy wetlands. As time moves on, we're seeing more crustaceans, some fishes and some microbial invaders as well. The non-indigenous aquatic species are very diverse, so you can imagine the

impacts on the system are equally diverse."

Over time, species range and advancement is limited by climate, the severity of the winters, the coldness of the waters, or the habitat of the forest. When the climate becomes favourable, the species is able to find it, reproduce and then rapidly grow. "They can grow exponentially, which means if we don't catch them before they come and keep our eyes out for them, the cost of control is enormous," she said. "There's a lot of science that we need to understand: where these species are around the globe, how they might be able to get to the Great Lakes, and which ones might be able to get to the Great Lakes. We need to be united in our science because early warning systems can reduce the risk of invaders."

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Billions of dollars have been spent on restoration efforts in the United States through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The Canadian and Ontario governments have also focused their efforts on restoration and remediation. No such money has been invested for over 20 years in revitalizing, modernizing Great Lakes science, she pointed out.

In her role as Canadian co-chair of the International Joint Commission's Binational Decadal Science Plan, Dr. Krantzberg hopes to change that. "We really need to understand better how climate change is affecting the Great Lakes and will for the next 20 to 50 years," she said. "We need big science and big data in order to do that."

There are new pressures affecting the ecosystem, the economy and social cohesion of the region, she added. Communities, cities, conservation authorities and others are looking for solutions to adapt and respond to new pressures, including pressures that are not yet seen. "A science plan could collect the information needed to forecast change, to forecast which species in which part of the world would find it favourable to come into the Great Lakes, as well as how we might stop them from coming here."

There's a winter component to the science need: What happens in the lakes

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# ...Federation of Northern Municipalities launches task force on bail concerns

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mitted to create a Northern Task Force to focus on the issue. The task force consists of three FONOM board members, two municipal police chiefs, and an OPP service board member. The first meeting of the task force was held in Sault Ste. Marie on February 16.

"We've been discussing this issue at FONOM for the past 12-14 months," Mr. Whalen told The Expositor. "As municipalities we are footing the bill every time the OPP has to respond to a call for service; municipalities receive a bill. Members of the North Bay Police Service are frustrated as are police services everywhere. They have to go through all the work and effort to investigate break and enter incidents and get the person, then they are released in court and in some cases other officers are arresting the same person that very same day. They (police) are not being supported by the court system."

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during the winter months? What happens under the ice, and what happens where there's no ice? There are also questions about the food web, about invasive species and changes in chemical and nutrient cycling in the Great Lakes.

That's not all. "We need to deal with equity, diversity and inclusion in Canada. How do we think about our underserved groups like our important Indigenous tribes and First Nations that don't even have safe drinking water?" she asked.

Dr. Krantzberg wants to see people, governments and groups coming together in genuine collaboration, rather than working in silos. Centres of Excellence should be established to advance interdisciplinary science, support management and policy development, and address economic decision making.

"We could have a Centre of Excellence for traditional ecological knowledge and build on thousands of years of Indigenous observations on the Great Lakes to tell us what's changing, fine-tune what's changing," she suggested. "They could tell us how to integrate traditional ecological knowledge with western science, if it can be done. There's lots of opportunities for these centres of excellence to happen and to engage new researchers, get youth to populate the Great Lakes research agenda and be the next generation of change agents."

The decisions of today can slow the spread of invasives, improve the climate, reduce greenhouse gases and adapt to a changing climate more proactively.

"I'll be very frank here," said Dr. Krantzberg. "If we fail in all of this, the planet will survive. Biodiversity will be completely different. It will not support humanity the way we know it, but the planet will survive. There's no Planet B for humanity."

She warns that successfully adapting to a changing climate doesn't mean there won't be negative impacts, but those that do occur will be less severe. She's a big fan of adaptation, such as improving the way water permeates through the ground. "Don't pave over a greenbelt. Let it be there as a sponge so you don't get as much flooding. Successful adaptation doesn't mean there won't be a flood, but

"We are not saying to put everyone in jail," Mr. Whalen continued. "If an arrest on a break and enter has taken place and the incident had occurred because someone has broken into a place to alleviate their addiction problem, then rehabilitation should be provided for this person. Can we put more money into social issues and criminal court?"

"We're saying if someone is arrested and appears in court and the judge sets bail at \$3,000, there should be no money changing hands until the person charged has not reoffended by their next set court appearance," said Mr. Whalen.

Moving forward FONOM will work to increase partici-

pation from northern police services such as the Nishnawbe Aski Police Service, other northern police association representatives and government officials. The task force is communicating with the Attorney General and Solicitor General offices to participate in ongoing discussions around catch-and-release.

During the recent meeting Chief Stevenson, an Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) board member shared with FONOM four recommended amendments for Bill C-75. They include creating a designation of a chronic persistent offender, allow community impact statements at bail and at bail hearings, creating reverse onus in bail for all firearm offences and ensure bail-related firearm charges go to the superior court for bail hearing.

"Violent crime is up 80 percent in the last five years in our community," stated Police Chief Stevenson "Cyclical issues continue to cost municipalities in staffing and financial resources for emergency medical services, police, fire, court and correction services for these violent incidents."

The next task force meeting will be held in Timmins on April 12. Police Chief Stevenson has agreed to participate in a panel discussion on catch-and-release during the May FONOM conference in Parry Sound.

"There will be another meeting in April and we are going to be seeking more representation, from First Nations, the solicitor general and attorney general offices," added Mr. Whalen.



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# Manitoulin Island's magic featured in Ontario Out of Doors magazine

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin is featured in an Ontario Out of Doors magazine 2023 story. 'Manitoulin Magic, the worlds' largest freshwater Island offers an abundance of angling opportunity' was written by Bob McGary, who was making his first visit to the Island in 20 years.

"Visitors to the Manitoulin always comment about how friendly everyone is on the Island. Combine that with great scenery, lots of activities, and outstanding fishing and its easy to see why this is a destination not to be missed," wrote Mr. McGary.

"I visited the Island about 20 years ago, when I wrote an article for Ontario Fisherman magazine which was one of the biggest magazines in Ontario at the time beside Ontario Out of Doors," Mr. McGary, who is from Whitby, told The Expositor.

"I do it because I enjoy it so much. The beauty of it is that I get to meet so many interesting people and travel to some incredible areas of Ontario, including Manitoulin Island," said Mr. McGary.

Mr. McGary made his fishing and sight-seeing trip to Manitoulin in June 2022. "I get to meet so many amazing people on these trips and my wife Lois and I thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the Island. "Among the many great people I met were Dave Patterson and Moe Gauthier, who are both incredible fishermen and very nice guys. If I had a question they couldn't answer they would also say, 'I have someone that could put you in touch with someone that knows the answer to that.' I was able to interview a lot of great people over the course of the trip, including Kevin Hutchinson on Lake Manitou, a local angler who put me in touch with Ian Anderson of Kagawong, a retired conservation officer, who is a member of the Gore Bay Fish and Game Club. I also talked to Seija Deschenes of Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association (MSIA), Bill Strain of the Little Current Fish and Game Club, Neil Debassige of Fuel the Fire TV and Luke Wassegijig, manager of Wiikwemikong Tourism when we visited Wiikwemikong for National Indigenous Peoples Day and all the activities there on June 21."



Bob McGary, who wrote an article featuring Manitoulin Island in an Ontario Out of Doors magazine, Fishing 2023, which is now on newsstands, holds one of the fish he caught on his visit to the Island last year.

Mr. McGary and his wife Lois stayed on Manitoulin Island from Monday night to Friday night. "We stayed at Pirate's Cove in Mindemoya, which was outstanding," said Mr. McGary.

On the first night we were there we went walleye fishing with Dave (Patterson) on Lake Mindemoya. "Unfortunately, it was the start of the shadfly hatch so we didn't

catch any walleye, but my wife caught four perch about 12-14 inches in size that we ate that night." He said the lake is well known for its perch fishing in Ontario and said he would rate it in the top three in Ontario.

Mr. McGary said he and his wife thoroughly enjoyed their time at the National Indigenous Day celebrations in Wiikwemikong, soaking in the Indigenous culture and activities.

In the story there is an overview of a

number of places that visitors would enjoy visiting on the Island. Mr. McGary and his wife visited Kagawong one day, visiting Bridal Veil Falls, noting "the walking trail is spectacular. I would love to be there when the salmon are running and Seija (Deschenes) told me some of the good things Manitoulin Streams has done there. We also visited the Kagawong market which was great."

"One of the many highlights of the trip was visiting the Up Top Sports Shop in Mindemoya," said Mr. McGary. "I have a photo of Blaine Williamson in the article. He gave Lois a shirt with the 100th anniversary logo of the store on it. She said, 'the people of Manitoulin Island are so amazing, kind and interested in what you have to say.'"

One evening the couple went out fishing with Moe Gauthier of Screamin' Reels Charters in South Baymouth. "We caught three really nice lake trout, about four or five pounds each, and I caught an Atlantic salmon, which had been stocked in Michigan. The lake trout were wonderful on the barbecue and taste so much better than the lake trout we catch at home. The day before our fishing trip Moe said he had taken a fishing group that caught 10 salmon. The fishing was enjoyable, and Moe is a great guy. I was extremely impressed with his enclosed boat and his tremendous knowledge."

"On the last morning of our visit we caught some more perch on Mindemoya," said Mr. McGary. "Because we were staying at Pirate's Cove, I got to play golf at Brookwood Brae. When you stay in one of their cabins you can walk one way 60 seconds and be at the lake to fish or 60 seconds the other way you can golf."

The story explores fishing trips or tips from the experts for fishing in Lake Manitou, Lake Mindemoya, Lake Kagawong, the North Channel and Lake Huron. It also looks at how MSIA, and the fish and game clubs are making a difference toward helping to make sure fishing is good on Manitoulin.



## STRENGTHENING SPIRIT IMPACTED BY ADDICTIONS & MENTAL HEALTH

with STEPHANIE STEPHENS (WAABISHKA MIIGWAN)



### 2-DAY GATHERING

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### AGENDA

Day 1 - Tuesday, March 21, 2023

#### Past: Unsettling History & Worldview

Description: This will involve a condensed look at colonial history through the lens of Windogokaan - a protective spirit that confronts a negative W entity (greed, ego, selfishness). The infected colonizers spread this W spirit-virus across Turtle Island, infecting First Nations. Together we will remember the old ways of our ancestors before infected at contact, to better understand what Mino Bimaat'iswin really means. Traditional stories and teachings will be incorporated to provoke an awakening of your spirit. This will be a shame-free and experience for those who struggle

Day 2 - Wednesday, March 22, 2023

#### Present & Future: Reconnecting to Identity & Purpose

Description: It takes community-level change for people to move beyond a life consumed by addictions and mental health struggles. This is not a problem with the individual - it is a W-infected social environment that keeps perpetuating problems. Time to stop victim-blaming and empower the ones who are struggling the most. Strengthening spirit involves reconnecting to our inherent responsibilities, our ancestors and spiritual gifts. It involves everyone shifting into Anishinaabe worldview, while confined to Western systems, policies and processes.

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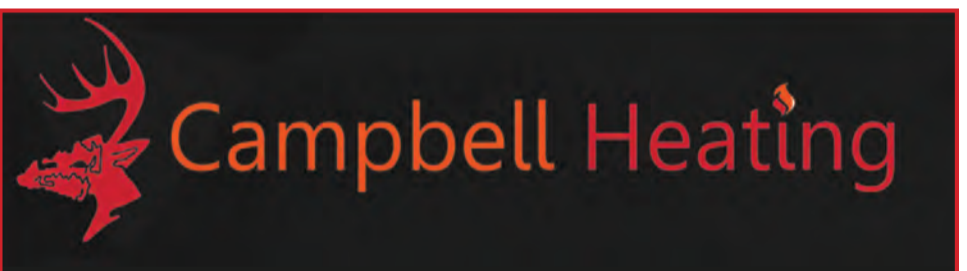
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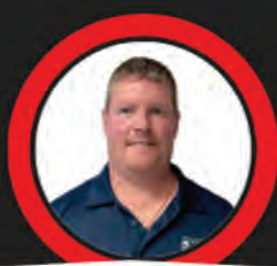


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# Manitoulin Sea Cadets Corps make successful return to biathlon competition

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadets Corps participated in the Northern Ontario area and regional cadet biathlon competition, January 27-29, at the Algoma Rod and Gun Club in Sault Ste. Marie.

“This was the first time we have competed at the biathlon in many, many years,” said Lieutenant (Navy) Sylvain Boucher, Commanding Officer of 348 Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps. “It had been more than 10 years since the corps last participated in biathlon, but when the opportunity presented itself this year, we jumped



Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadets Corps took part in the Northern Ontario area and regional cadet biathlon competition in Sault Ste. Marie. Back row, left, is Acting Sub-Lieutenant Miranda MacKay (coach), Master Cadet Elizabeth Hazlitt, Petty Officer First Class Lydia Pennings, Petty Officer First Class Savannah Crack and Lieutenant (Navy) Sylvain Boucher (start/finish staff). Front row, left, Leading Cadet Liam McLean and Leading Cadet Zack Peltier.

on the chance to bring it back as an activity for our cadets.”

Eight cadets were selected and issued biathlon equipment, said Mr. Boucher. Acting Sub-Lieutenant Miranda MacKay, who recently returned to the corps as an officer, took the coaching course in Sudbury and was handed the challenge of bringing a team together for this year’s competition. He explained that getting the cadets ready to participate was challenging as the weather did not cooperate, “but they still managed to get a couple of practices on skis before attending the competition in the Soo.

Biathlon incorporates skate skiing and target shooting, using .22 rifles, explained Mr. Boucher. Five cadets and two officers travelled to Sault Ste. Marie.

“During the weekend, all cadets had the opportunity to experience biathlon by learning to skate ski, safe handling and shooting a .22 rifle on the range, and of course, compete in their select age group races,” said Mr. Boucher.

Mr. Boucher said, “one of our cadets got a special recognition for sportsmanship/spirit. Petty Officer First Class Lydia Pennings completed two races and even though she came in last, she never gave up and pushed herself to complete both. She was selected by her peers as the recipient

of the MWO Ed Slade Sportsmanship/Spirit Award for constantly demonstrating sportsmanship during the NOA biathlon competition.”

“We did not win or place for the upcoming provin-

cial, but Manitoulin cadets will be returning next year, better and stronger, using the skills they learned over the weekend,” said Mr. Boucher.

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### Old School friends

Father and daughter crafters, John and Alisha Allison (foreground) and Mindemoya musicians Jim and Joanne Smith (on stage) were part of Saturday's Friends of the Mindemoya Old School Heritage Winterlude fair at the Mindemoya Community Centre. Twenty crafts and food vendors were part of the fundraising event on behalf of the repurposing of the Mindemoya old School as a combination arts and seniors centre.



### A rocking good cause!

Little Current Hospital Auxiliary members were getting their rock on to raise money for the Manitoulin Health Centre. The Rock-a-thon (brainchild of Carol Labelle) raised a whopping \$5,310 as of Saturday, but more was still coming in on Monday.

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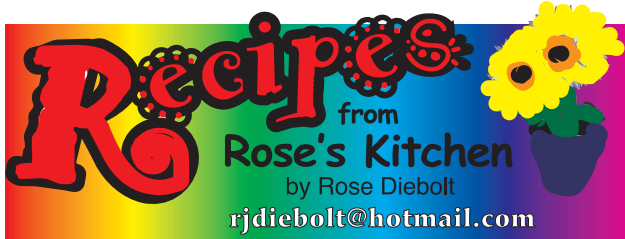
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One of my affordable staples that I make quite often is meatloaf. I have been making meatloaf of over 40 years and I am still constantly changing the recipe. I switch between a meatloaf and a vegetarian loaf. I like both recipes and I make enough to freeze for a few extra meals. Try the vegetarian loaf you will be pleasantly surprised with the flavour!

**Lentil Loaf with a Maple Glaze**

The secret and texture of this “meatloaf” is called mirepoix. Mirepoix is the combination of aromatic vegetables used in classical French cuisine. The ratio is 50 percent onions, 25 percent each carrots and celery. So true. The onions make this recipe sing. You can use other beans but the lentils work the best for colour and texture. Use your food processor because if the onions and vegetables are to big you won't be able to make neat slices. It will crumble. I tripled the recipe and cooked the loaf in a 9 x 13-inch square pan. Leftovers, yahoo! Remember: if you have time cook your lentils instead of buying canned. Less expensive.

- 1 can (540 ml) lentils, drained
- 3 Tbsp oil
- 3 medium onions, small diced
- 1 cup carrot, grated
- 1 cup celery, diced as small as you can manage (food processor)
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp chopped pecans (I used pumpkin and sunflower seeds)
- 1 cup old fashioned rolled oats—not instant
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, chopped
- 3 Tbsp tamari
- 2 Tbsp ground flaxseed
- 3 Tbsp nutritional yeast
- 2 tsp maple syrup
- 1 tsp vinegar
- 1/2 tsp salt or more to taste
- 1/2 tsp ground pepper

- GLAZE:**
- 1/2 cup ketchup or tomato sauce
  - 1/4 cup maple syrup
  - 1 tsp garlic powder
  - 1 tsp onion powder
- For the sauce stir all ingredients together.

Heat the oil in a skillet. Add the onions, carrots, celery, dried oregano, and garlic and sauté until soft.

Add the lentils (reserve 1/2 cup for later), cooked veggies, nuts or seeds, oats, tamari, ground flaxseed, nutritional yeast, maple syrup, vinegar, salt, and pepper to a food processor.

Pulse until the mixture is just combined and the texture is to your liking.

Stir in the remaining lentils and parsley.

Press into a parchment lined loaf pan.

Spread glaze over the top of the loaf.

Cover and bake in a 350°F oven for 30 minutes and then uncover and bake for another 10 minutes.

Remove from the oven and allow the loaf to rest for 15 minutes before slicing.

\*\*\*When I tripled the recipe I did a few extra steps. I pulsed the lentils and cooked veggies in 2 batches in the food processor and then placed them in a bowl. I then pulsed the seeds and oats together and added them to the lentils in the bowl. The rest of the ingredients (flaxseed etc) I added to the bowl and then mixed it all together, then pressed it into the large square pan.

**Italian Style Meatloaf**

This recipe brings meatloaf to a new level. The flavours are so Italian and my favourite! I always sauté the onions and garlic before adding them to the meat.

- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 large onions, finely chopped and sautéed
- 8 garlic cloves, minced and sautéed
- 2 large eggs
- 1/2 cup tomato paste
- 1 1/2 pounds of ground beef
- 2 cups dried bread crumbs or large flaked oats chopped in a food processor
- 1/2 cup finely chopped sun-dried tomatoes
- 1/2 cup chopped pitted Kalamata olives (not the black sliced olives out of the can)
- 1/2 cup grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese or Parmesan
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tbsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp of your favourite hot sauce

Preheat your oven to 350°F and line your loaf pan or square pan with parchment paper.

In your favourite skillet add the oil and sauté the onions and garlic until they are soft and a golden brown.

In a large bowl whisk the eggs then the tomato paste. Add the rest of the ingredients including the onions and garlic into the bowl. Blend with your hands until everything is thoroughly mixed. Transfer to your loaf pan or square pan.

Bake for an hour. Let sit for 15 minutes before slicing.

**Island farmer featured in Soil and Crop promotional video**

by Michael Erskine

GREEN BAY—Farmer Paul Skippen operates a 140-head cow-calf Limousin and Charolais beef herd, but like many long-established farms, he found himself faced with “the challenges that come with older facilities and limited labour availability.” He knew he needed equipment upgrades in order to create a safer environment for his cattle and workers. Enter the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP), which provided an opportunity to upgrade cattle handling facilities on the Skippen Century Farm to improve animal welfare and enhance biosecurity.

Mr. Skippen credits the CAP application process for helping him evaluate his cattle handling needs and select the right equipment for his farm.

“The application process was an educational adventure,” explained Mr. Skippen. “It allowed me to research online, work with a local veterinarian and communicate with the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association for advice to find the right set up to fit the age of my farm and my current management needs.”

Mr. Skippen noted that the challenge was to find an animal handling system that would allow two people, or even one person on their own, to safely process cattle. Additional pens were also required to address animal health needs, like quarantining or veterinary care and to improve the farm's biosecurity. After significant research, and completing the partnership application, Mr. Skippen was able to install a new animal handling system that met all of his needs. “The new working facilities have allowed us to work safely with the animals, where we've been successful in



Green Bay's Paul Skippen showcases the new animal handling system installed on the farm thanks to the Canadian Agricultural Partnership.

protecting the cattle and workers,” he said.

Mr. Skippen received cost-share funding for facility upgrades to improve animal handling and implement new safety practices, including installing corals, gating and a crowding tub for his beef cattle.

He said he is thankful to CAP for helping him establish better working conditions to address cattle handling and operational safety for himself, his family and veterinarians. “It's

made the process of working with cattle a lot safer and healthier for the animals. I can manage jobs like tagging, processing and needling, and easily divide cattle into different pens so I can work with them later or for the veterinarian to look at them.”

The new facilities have successfully reduced farm labour requirements, improved the ease and safety of handling cattle and has played a key role in managing herd health for

Skippen Farms. “CAP has allowed us to be sustainable and it's been a positive aspect in every way we work with cattle on this farm,” said Mr. Skippen. A video highlighting this success story can be accessed by searching ‘Skippen Farms’ on the Ontario Soil and Crop YouTube channel.

The Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA), a provincial not-for-profit farm organization, delivers cost-share funding programs and educational opportunities that support Ontario's farmers in implementing best management and sustainability practices on their farms. The Canadian Agricultural Partnership is a five-year, \$3 billion investment by federal-provincial and territorial governments, aimed at strengthening the agriculture, agri-food and agri-based products sector to ensure continued innovation, growth and prosperity.



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**Legion Events**

**Breakfast Brunch** at the Royal Canadian Legion, Little Current Branch 177 on Sunday, March 5 from 10 am to 1 pm. Adults, \$15; children 6 to 10 years, \$8; kids under 5, free. Serving eggs, bacon, sausages, homefries and French toast. Also includes toast, coffee, tea and juice for the kids. Please support your Legion so we can support community events.

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**Church Services**

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

30tfn

**World Day of Prayer** featuring Taiwan, Thursday, March 2 at 11 am at the Silver Water United Church. A luncheon will follow at 12:30 pm at Stop 540. UCW meeting will be at the Church at 1:30 pm. Roll Call - Wear Green - St. Patrick's Day. Welcome for any part or all day!

39-41p

**work wanted**

**PSW for hire.** Reliable, experienced and mature. Call 705-896-5145.

40-41c

**thank you**

**On behalf of John Buie's family**, we would like to thank you all so very very much for the so many ways you are all upholding us in prayer, care and love. It was a great shock at the time but we know that John is in our Lord's loving arms. Thank you for the lovely flower arrangements that have given us all so much sunshine. Thank you for all the food and treats that helped so much as we went through the planning stages for John's funeral. Thank you for the donations to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary, St. John's Church and other charities. And thank you all for the other ways you are holding us up in prayer. Your love and care is getting us through.

Mary Buie and family

41c

**The Runnalls family** would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards, flowers, phone calls and visits at the time of their brother jim's death. It is very much appreciated. God bless, Mona, Darlene, Elva and Morley

41p

**services**

**Are you a cancer survivor** and need someone to talk to on Manitoulin? Meetings are not yet in person due to the pandemic 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. Ask us your questions, tell us your concerns.

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**Christian Councelling:** 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.

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**for sale**

**Seasoned dried firewood** for sale, stored inside. 705-859-1202.

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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.

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**rentals**

**New two-bedroom** ground floor apartment downtown Little Current. New stainless steel fridge and stove plus washer and dryer and parking. Available May, \$1,400 inclusive. Call 705-368-1145.

41-42c

**notice**

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

Tfn

**coming events**

**Ladies!** You are invited to morning coffee/tea and conversation each Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 am at Grace Bible Church, 10 Draper Street East, Little Current.

23tfn

**Knox Church Rummage Sale** in Manitowaning will be open Wednesdays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm until the end of March.

41-45p

**services**

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

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

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



**Job Posting**

**Public Works Employee**  
Two (2) Full-Time Positions available  
**#2023-25**

Only those who are qualified will be contacted.  
Deadline for applications is March 03, 2023 at 4pm

**Brief Summary of Viable Candidate**

- Valid DZ driver's licence
- High School Diploma
- Minimum two (2) years practical work experience
- Minimum three (3) years associated Heavy Equipment Operator
- Work to schedule as determined by Superintendent
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Please forward your resume to:

**TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK**  
**C/O RON COOPER, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT**  
BOX 238, 156 ARTHUR STREET  
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**Children's Community Network**  
**Réseau communautaire pour enfants**  
is currently seeking a **bilingual**  
**Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Consultant**  
for the Sudbury office Hybrid Work Arrangement  
Full-time permanent, bilingual, 35 hours/week  
Salary range: \$26.93 to \$40.48 per hour

The FASD Consultant will deliver family-centred service to children and youth with FASD and/or suspected FASD and their families by leading the development of a strengths-based support plan for children and youth with FASD or suspected FASD. The FASD Consultant will work with the family, service providers and educators to build capacity for supporting the child/youth and identify service options to meet the specific needs of the child/youth and family based on the best available evidence of FASD supports. The FASD Consultant will be knowledgeable about FASD and will complement the current efforts of service providers within the community to provide collaboration and system navigation across multiple sectors, such as health, education, youth justice, community and social services, post-secondary, and employment and training. The FASD Consultant will connect children and youth with FASD, their families and service providers to interventions and supports including those developed through the other components of the FASD Strategy.

The successful candidate will be committed to strength-based principles of child, youth and family centredness, demonstrate the ability to build and maintain relationships with diverse stakeholders, have experience in data collection and analysis, have the ability to work independently and contribute to a team, and show strong organizational and time management skills.

The successful candidate will have knowledge of both theory and the application of systemic interventions, child development, childhood disorders and syndromes, family/individual mental health assessments and intervention.

He/She will possess a BSW or equivalent degree in one of the social sciences or helping professions, have a minimum of three years' work or equivalent experience with vulnerable or at-risk populations including special needs, have experience working with children/youth with FASD and their families, be fluent in both official languages, and have strong presentation and interpersonal skills. As travel throughout the assigned area is expected, candidates must have a valid driver's licence, access to a vehicle and provide a Motor Vehicle Abstract.

The successful candidate will be expected to work from home at this time.

Those interested in this position should send their current resumes in confidence to:

Mary Katherine Howe – Executive Director  
Children's Community Network, 319 Lasalle Boulevard, Unit 2, Sudbury, ON P3A 1W7  
Tel: (705) 566-3416 ext. 2547  
Fax: (705) 521-7376  
Email: mhowe@ccnsudbury.on.ca

We would like to thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**CHILD AND YOUTH  
MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS COUNSELLOR**

Classification Level: CS-4 (\$61,200-\$74,800) + pension and benefits  
Employment Status: Regular Full time  
Department: Mental Health

**Position Summary:**

Under the supervision of the Mental Health Clinic Manager, the focus of the Child and Youth Mental Health & Addictions Counsellor will be to provide counselling to children and youth to support mental wellness by assisting with emotional regulation and resulting behavioural management. The Child & Youth Mental Health and Addictions Counsellor will provide services through a trauma-informed lens with a focus on addressing intergenerational trauma inclusive of grief & loss. The position will be responsible for providing services that include Traditional ways of Healing.

**Essential Functions:**

- Assess and understand the child or youth's mental health needs through a developmental and trauma informed lens and formulate methods of intervention in collaboration with the team.
- Working knowledge of mental health and addictions.
- Work within MFN elementary and secondary school environments when required.
- Develop and implement the delivery of workplan initiatives.
- Provide client needs assessments and develop treatment plans.
- Provide direct counselling to children and youth.
- Provide Trauma Informed Care services.
- Assist team with prevention, intervention, and promotion workshops/activities/awareness within the community, inclusive of both traditional and western approaches.
- Provide appropriate referrals to other services.
- Provide aftercare services and supports for children and youth.
- Maintain a case management system utilizing the Electronic Medical Record system.
- Participate in regular intake meetings and case management reviews.
- All other duties as assigned.

\*For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.

**Qualifications:**

1. College Diploma in Social Services or related field of study (i.e., Addictions & Mental Health Diploma, Social Services Worker Diploma, Child & Youth Care).
2. 3 - 5 years work-related experience in the field of child & youth mental health.
3. Knowledge and skills in mental health, alcohol and/or drugs addictions awareness and prevention.
4. Excellent public speaking and facilitation skills.
5. Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and Mental Health First Aid Certification an asset.

**Other**

Have working knowledge of Harm Reduction Philosophy.  
Excellent time management and organizational skills with ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously.  
Rode model both during and after regular work hours.  
Working knowledge of Outlook, Microsoft Office, and general office procedures.  
Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal).  
Must obtain and keep current First Aid and CPR Certifications.  
Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe.  
Understanding of Anishinaabe language, culture, traditions as it relates to traditional healing.  
A strong advocate of M'Chigeeng First Nation's goals and objectives along with its mission and long-term vision.  
Must have own transportation and valid Ontario Class "G" driver's license.  
Must be willing to work flexible hours and weekends.  
Upon hire, a Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) must be submitted.

**Closing Date: March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.**

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

**CHILD AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS COUNSELLOR**

c/o Human Resources  
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333  
M'CHIGEENG, ON P0P 1G0  
Fax 705-377-4980 or email to: [employment@mchigeeng.ca](mailto:employment@mchigeeng.ca)

*Miigwetch to all interested applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*


**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
MANITOULIN NORTHSORE VICTIM SERVICES**

*In partnership with Police Services in Manitoulin and the North Shore, we provide coordinated and initial assistance to victims of crime, trauma and tragic circumstances. This program has been in existence since 1997 and has assisted hundreds of victims. The work is both challenging and rewarding.*

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

To work out of our Little Current, Ontario, office  
(SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF TRAVEL WITHIN THE MANITOULIN / NORTH SHORE AREA REQUIRED)

Salary Range: \$58,000 - \$63,000 (commensurate with experience)

**Position Requirements:**

- Educational background in the field of Social Sciences / Social Work
- Sound knowledge of the justice system, victims, and victim issues
- Demonstrated experience/education as a crisis intervention worker
- Knowledge and experience with budgeting and interpreting financial reports
- Good oral and written communications skills, and the ability to present information to large and small groups in accordance with the principles of adult education
- Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to maintain good working relationships with police services, volunteers, and a broad range of social service providers
- High level of commitment and energy to oversee a complex and demanding program
- Supervisory ability or experience
- Satisfactory Criminal Records Check, with Vulnerable Sector Check
- Valid Driver's Licence
- Access to a vehicle
- Flexible hours – willing to work some evenings and weekends

**Primary Functions:**

- Victim Services Program Development and Training
- Coordination with the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, Police, Public and Community
- Organizational Activities including Ministry Reports and Budgets
- Supervising full-time and part-time staff
- On-call backup support to after-hours workers
- Representing organization on a variety of community committees and coalitions
- Preparing grant requests to funders, as required
- Ensure organization policy and procedures are maintained and up-to-date

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS Friday, March 10 at 4:30 PM**

Please submit resume, reference contact information with completed Criminal Reference Check to:

Victim Services Hiring Committee  
BOX 702  
Little Current, ON  
POP 1K0

Or can be emailed to **Tanya Wall** at [mnvs@vianet.ca](mailto:mnvs@vianet.ca)

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (3<sup>rd</sup> Posting)  
LANGUAGE & CULTURAL FACILITATOR**

Classification Level: CS-2 (\$45,396.00 - \$55,484.00)  
+ Group Benefits and Pension  
Department: Education - BINOOJIIH GAMGOONHS (Early Learning Centre)  
Term: Full-time Regular

**Position Summary:**

Under the supervision of the Childcare Supervisor, the Language & Cultural Facilitator is responsible for providing program facilitation related to the Anishinaabe cultural teachings for a culturally enriched learning environment through language, play and various formal and informal activities delivered to the children, parents, staff of M'Chigeeng Binoojiih Gamgoonhs and the MFN Community. The Language & Cultural Facilitator will work collaboratively with the Child and Family Support Coordinator, and the Centre's Language Mentor.

**Essential Functions:**

- Support early learning programming by developing specific programs that build upon and strengthen responsive adult to child relationships and child exploration, play and inquiry.
- Model early literacy expectations enriched with the culture.
- Coordinate with parents and caregivers on discussions about child development, parenting and nutrition; pre-and post-natal support programs; and targeted outreach activities.
- Consult with community to identify and implement potential programming for families, children and adults.
- Consult and work in collaboration with Elders and language knowledge keepers, community partners that will support cultural programming within the Centre.
- Perform related duties that support child, parent and community, such as extra-curricular activities, parenting workshops, etc.

**Qualifications:**

- Post-Secondary education in Indigenous Studies and/or combination of an equivalent and relevant education.
- Strong knowledge and awareness in Indigenous culture, Anishinaabemowin and history, with particular emphasis on Early Child Education.
- Knowledge and 1 - 2 years of work experience working with children under the age of six (6) years of age.
- Proficiency of computer software (i.e. Microsoft Office).
- Valid First Aid and CPR or willing to obtain.

**Other:**

- Excellent interpersonal skills.
- Flexibility to work occasional evenings for facilitation of programming.
- Ability to collaborate and integrate programs and services with community and external partners.
- Excellent time management and organizational skills, with the ability to multi-task.
- Ability to demonstrate tact, diplomacy and professionalism.

**Conditions of Employment:**

1. Police Vulnerable Sector Check upon hire
2. Proof of TB tests and medical clearance upon hire

**Closing Date: March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.**

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, resume, three (3) current references and applicable certifications and diplomas addressed to:

**CONFIDENTIAL: "Language & Cultural Facilitator"**  
c/o Human Resource  
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333, M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0  
[employment@mchigeeng.ca](mailto:employment@mchigeeng.ca)

*Miigwetch to all interested applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*


**POSSIBILITÉ D'EMPLOI  
MANITOULIN NORTHSORE VICTIM SERVICES**

*En partenariat avec les services de police de Manitoulin et North Shore, nous offrons une aide initiale et coordonnée aux victimes d'actes criminels, de traumatismes et de circonstances tragiques. Ce programme existe depuis 1997 et a aidé des centaines de victimes. Le travail est à la fois stimulant et enrichissant.*

**DIRECTEUR GÉNÉRAL / DIRECTRICE GÉNÉRALE**

Pour travailler à partir de notre bureau de Little Current, en Ontario  
(CE POSTE EXIGE UN NOMBRE IMPORTANT DE DÉPLACEMENTS DANS LA RÉGION MANITOU-  
LIN / NORTH SHORE)

Échelle salariale : 58 000 \$ - 63 000 \$ (selon l'expérience)

**Exigences du poste :**

- Formation dans le domaine des sciences sociales/du travail social
- Solide connaissance du système de justice, des victimes et des questions qui les concernent
- Expérience ou formation démontrée en tant que travailleuse ou travailleur des services d'intervention d'urgence
- Connaissance et expérience de la gestion budgétaire et de l'interprétation de rapports financiers
- Bonnes compétences de communication tant à l'oral qu'à l'écrit, et capacité à présenter de l'information à de petits et grands groupes conformément aux principes de l'éducation des adultes
- Solides habiletés interpersonnelles et capacité à entretenir de bonnes relations de travail avec les services de police, les bénévoles et un large éventail de fournisseurs de services sociaux
- Haut niveau d'engagement et d'énergie pour superviser un programme complexe et exigeant
- Capacité ou expérience en supervision
- Vérification satisfaisante du casier judiciaire et des antécédents en vue d'un travail auprès de personnes vulnérables
- Permis de conduire valide
- Accès à un véhicule
- Horaire flexible – disposé à travailler certains soirs et certaines fins de semaine

**Fonctions principales :**

- Élaboration et formation de programmes de services aux victimes
- Coordination avec le ministère des Services à l'enfance et des Services sociaux et communautaires, la police, le public et la collectivité
- Activités organisationnelles, y compris les rapports ministériels et les budgets
- Supervision du personnel à temps plein et à temps partiel
- Soutien d'appoint sur appel aux travailleuses ou aux travailleurs après les heures de bureau
- Représenter l'organisme au sein de divers comités et diverses coalitions communautaires
- Préparer les demandes de subvention à soumettre aux bailleurs de fonds, au besoin
- S'assurer que les politiques et les procédures de l'organisme sont maintenues et mises à jour

**LA DATE LIMITE POUR POSTULER EST le vendredi 10 mars à 16 h 30.**

Veillez envoyer votre curriculum vitae et les coordonnées de vos références avec la vérification de casier judiciaire au :

Comité d'embauche des services aux victimes  
C. P. 702  
Little Current (Ontario)  
POP 1K0

Un courriel peut également être envoyé à **Tanya Wall** à [mnvs@vianet.ca](mailto:mnvs@vianet.ca)

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**Frontline Shelter Worker (casual)**

**Job Description:** Manitoulin Family Resources requires casual Violence Against Women Shelter Workers to support women and children in our emergency residence/shelter program. The Shelter Worker provides supportive counselling, crisis intervention and advocacy to women and children residing at the shelter, as well as telephone counselling and support through crisis line coverage. As a single-staff model of operation in a residential environment, responsibilities pertaining to health and safety in a fast-paced atmosphere and household duties such as cooking and cleaning are required in addition to the provision of individual counselling, in-house client workshops, safety assessments and linkages to other services.

**Requirements:** The successful candidate will have relevant post-secondary education (degree or diploma) and training/experience working with victims of woman abuse. Familiarity with provision of client-led, trauma informed services and harm reduction philosophy is a requirement. The successful candidate will also have excellent interpersonal, planning and communication skills, experience with data entry and computer skills, and a demonstrated commitment to diversity, cultural competency and anti-racist/anti-oppressive frameworks. Current CPR/First Aid certification, Food Handler's Safety certificate, valid driver's licence and Vulnerable Sector Screening are all required. Registration with the college of Social Workers and Social Service Workers is an asset, as is second language fluency in Ojibway and/or French.

\* This position is a bargaining unit position. Flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the shelter including, though not exclusive to, nights and weekends. Shifts will be pre-scheduled, though occasional call-ins will occur as needed, per the Collective Agreement.\*

Manitoulin Family Resources welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

**Deadline for applications: Thursday, March 10, 2023**

Please forward applications (letters of consideration and updated resumes) to:

Attn: Marissa McCready  
Shelter Supervisor  
Manitoulin Family Resources  
mmccready@mfresources.net



**Noojmowin Teg Health Centre  
Board Vacancies**

**Off-Reserve Representatives (2)**

The Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board of Directors seeks applications to fill the Board vacancies specific to First Nation/Indigenous members living Off-Reserve.

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

**Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is seeking two (2) board members** that are interested in making a difference for Indigenous health; Specifically, applicants must live Off-Reserve within the Manitoulin Island District and Espanola and have a clear Criminal Records Check. Off-Reserve applicants with lived experience with mental health and addictions, Type 2 Diabetes and/or 2SLGBTQAI+ will be prioritized. Previous familiarity with funding and reporting requirements and experience in reviewing budgets is an asset.

The length of each term is four (4) years. The successful applicant must commit to attending monthly regularly scheduled board meetings, and other special meetings (annual general meeting, strategic planning, etc.) throughout the year, participating in up to 15-16 meetings per year.

For more information about the organization, please visit our website at: [www.noojmowin-teg.ca](http://www.noojmowin-teg.ca).

**Pre-requisites:**  
Please submit the following:

- Cover Letter (outlining reasons for your interest, and what strengths you bring to the board)
- Resume or Description of experiences relevant to the position
- Three (3) relevant references with contact information
- Current and clear Criminal Reference Check
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is required
- Must be able to provide proof of Status or Indigenous Ancestry

**Send "Confidential" to:** Attn: Linda Debassige, Board Chair  
c/o Noojmowin Teg Health Centre  
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Postal Bag 2002,  
Little Current, ON P0P1K0  
Ph.: 705-368-0083 ext 204  
Fax: 705-368-3922  
Or email: [danielle.wilson@noojmowin-teg.ca](mailto:danielle.wilson@noojmowin-teg.ca)

**Deadline:** Posting is open until filled

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



**Seasonal Brewery Assistant (Full-time or part-time)**

Located in Gore Bay on Manitoulin Island, Split Rail Brewing Co. is a destination brewery located on the shores of the North Channel, Lake Huron. We are seeking a third brewer to join the team!

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Assist with canning and bottling operations
- Assist with keg cleaning and filling
- Assist with brewery cleaning and sanitization
- Assist with front-of-house sales and events

**Requirements:**

- Age 19 +
- Smart Serve certificate
- Ability to lift 25 kg

Split Rail is committed to diversity and inclusion.

Apply with resume in person or by email to: [splitrail@splitrailmanitoulin.com](mailto:splitrail@splitrailmanitoulin.com) by March 10, 2023.



**Noojmowin Teg Health Centre**  
A place of healing

**Employment Opportunities**

**Noojmowin Teg Health Centre (NTHC)** is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through the use of a wholistic approach that integrates both traditional and western healing methods. Our dynamic team includes: Traditional Healing & Cultural Services, Primary Care, Mental Health & Addictions and Health & Wellness Program & Services.

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

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

**Current available positions:**

- Mental Health & Addictions Manager (18-Month Maternity Leave)
- Cultural Support Worker - MMIWG (12-Month Maternity Leave)
- Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (Full-time one-year contract)
- Family Coach FASD Coordinator (Full-time)
- Firekeeper/Harvester (six-month contract)
- Registered Practical Nurse (Full-time)
- Traditional Knowledge Keeper (Full-time)
- Medical Administrative Assistant (Full-time)
- Receptionist (Casual/On-call)
- Aging at Home Van Drivers (Casual/On-call)

**For job details please visit:** [www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment](http://www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment)

**Submission Pre-Requisites:**

- Please submit a cover letter, resume, a copy of registration and list three (3) work-related references
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is required

**Applications:** Can be received marked 'Confidential', by email at [info@noojmowin-teg.ca](mailto:info@noojmowin-teg.ca), by facsimile at (705) 368-3922 or by mail:

**Attn: Human Resources**  
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre  
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy. 540  
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation  
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0

To learn more about employment opportunities, call (705) 368-0083 ext. 235  
**Miigwech/Thank you** for your interest in applying to Noojmowin Teg Health Centre



**Summer / Seasonal Taproom Servers (Full-time or part-time)**

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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.**

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(3) After Hours Youth Outreach Workers (Closes March 10th, 2023 at 4 pm)

Apply to: Human Resources at [hr@kgcfs.org](mailto:hr@kgcfs.org) and quote the position title in the subject line.

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The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board is a municipal service management organization created by the provincial government to oversee the local planning, coordination and delivery of a range of services and programs divested to the municipal order of government. The specific programs our DSB is responsible for are: Ontario Works, Community Housing, Paramedic Services (Land Ambulance), and Early Learning and Child Care services.

The following Employment Opportunity is now available to anyone interested in joining our highly dedicated workforce.

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Closing date: March 14, 2023

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Competition #2023-01-IHS  
Closing Date: March 14, 2023

For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at [www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers](http://www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers)

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**Deadline: Friday, March 10 at 4 pm**

We thank all applicants, however, only those considered for this position will be contacted.

# Death Notices

## OGIMAA

### JOSEPH FREDRICK HARE

Sunrise September 23, 1939 - Sunset February 21, 2023



In loving memory of Ogimaa Joseph Fredrick Hare, 83 years old, who passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Tuesday, February 21, 2023. He was born at his family's log cabin in M'Chigeeng on July 23, 1939, son of the late Patrick Hare and the late Ida (Eshkibok) Hare. Joe began his life with the teachings of both his mother and father. He was taught the strong values of family, community, integrity and hard work. Joe also loved sports, he was an avid ball player and a proficient hockey player. Joe was always an entrepreneur at heart, and many believe he was born with that gift. He attended Spanish Indian Residential School graduating in 1957. He then went on to Shaw Business College in Toronto. As he completed his education, Joe found himself very involved with advancing and advocating for Anishinaabe Rights, beginning with the Indian Friendship Centre movement. He became a stalwart warrior as he fought alongside many colleagues in advancing the rights of our people and advocating for opportunities to make the lives better for all of our people. He gained relations and connections all across Turtle Island and was known to many for his steadfast belief in our people. Through his efforts, he became the inspiration and empowerment of many and to this day many stories are told about his unwavering efforts. He believed in the preservation and revitalization of our identity, language, culture and our Traditional ways. He always believed we could take care of our own and always had a special place in his heart for all people of M'Chigeeng. He was principled in his efforts and served with integrity guided by the teachings he received through Ceremonies. Joe was elected Chief of M'Chigeeng in 1979. He quickly led M'Chigeeng First Nation to gain control of education which was the first in Canada. Throughout his nine terms as Chief and five terms as Councillor, including up to the day he started his journey, he always had the people of M'Chigeeng in his heart and was dedicated to work to ensure a better future and many opportunities were gained. He was the Grand Council Chief of the Union of Ontario Indians from 1994 to 1997, and Deputy Grand Council Chief of the Union of Ontario Indians from 1989 to 1992. He was a founding member of Waubetek in 1986, Kenjgewin Teg in 1994, Anishinabek Nation Credit Union and most importantly and dear to his heart created the proposal "Our Children, Our Responsibility" which led to the creation of Kina Gbezhgomi in 1984. More recently he developed the concept of Gwekwaadziwin Miikan Treatment Facility which he invited the UCCMM Tribal Council Communities to be a part of. He did this as he had great compassion and saw the need to provide as much help and support to all of our people who were facing addiction. He believed that all of our people could all be well. He also led the creation of Mother Earth Renewable Energy that saw the construction of the two wind turbines in M'Chigeeng. As well as the creation of the M'Chigeeng Business Development Centre and Grocery Store. Everything he did was to serve and benefit the people of our community whom he loved the most. During the short moments he was away (but remained near) from his political life, he was an avid entrepreneur and created Indian Line Trading Post, operated the Post Office for a number of years, ran a homemade furniture store and coffee shop. He extended a helping hand and gave many people an opportunity to work and learn. Joe was a Pipe Carrier, an Elder, a Leader, a Role Model and most of all he was proud to be Anishinaabe. Joe is survived by his loving wife Susan. Proud and loving Noos of Forry, Tom, Pina, Janice and Cynthia. Proud Mishoomis of Cheyenne, Weshgad, Nyala, Sonoma, Angel and Symone. Brother to Doris (Danny) Manitowabi, Debbie Hare, Yvonne (predeceased), Mary (predeceased) and Bernard (predeceased). He also leaves behind his extended family of the community of M'Chigeeng First Nation. Joe was resting at the M'Chigeeng Community Complex from Thursday, February 23, 2023 until the Traditional funeral on Saturday, February 25, 2023. Burial at the Hare Traditional Resting Place at 11 am. The family is requesting that no cut flowers be sent. Donations can be made to the Lakeview School Immersion Program. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at [www.islandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.islandfuneralhome.ca).

## RICHARD "RICK" WILLIAM FRANK ANNING

July 30, 1951 - February 16, 2023



It is with great sadness the family of Rick announces his passing at Manitoulin Health Centre in Mindemoya, Ontario on February 16, 2023, at the age of 71. Born to the late William and Maxine (nee Maunder) Anning in East York Township on July 30, 1951, Rick was a devoted husband of 24 years to Lura "Laurie" Anning (nee McGhee). Loving father to Michele (Tom) Duthie, Brandon Anning, Mande (Jason) Dickson, Catherine (Jason) Haist, Steven (Kayla) Anning and Amber (Andrew) Wood. Proud Grandpa of Aaron Duthie, Caitlyn (Mike) Speaker, Matthew Cornwall, Kyle (Grace) Dickson, Brady Dickson, Lily Anning, Kora Anning, Chantel Haist, Turner Anning, Chloe Haist and Landon Wood. Dear brother of Randy (Janet) Anning and William (Billy) Anning. Cherished brother-in-law of Tammy (Bill) Turner, Heather (Paul) Anderson, Lisa (Paul) Cole, Ken (Teena) Thibeault and Jacquie (Darrell) Brown. Will be missed by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and many friends. Rick was a coach for many years for Special Olympics bowling and baseball, which he enjoyed very much. He loved golfing with Bruce Wiggins and his buddies at the Brookwood Brea Golf Course in Mindemoya. Rick also loved cheering on the Toronto Maple Leafs and Toronto Blue Jays. Rick will now be watching the games with his dog and best friend Ryder. Rick's family would like to thank the doctors, nurses, and paramedics at Mindemoya Hospital, special thanks to Dr. Doris Mitchell and Dr. Moufak Al Hadi. Cremation has taken place, there will be no services as per Rick's request. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Manitoulin Special Olympics, Box 86, Mindemoya, Ontario P0P1S0. Arrangements entrusted to Sudbury Park Lawn Cremation Services.

## LARRY BOWERMAN



In loving memory of Larry Bowerman, who passed away at his residence on Wednesday, February 21, 2023 with his loving family at his side. Beloved husband of Pauline Bowerman (nee Cayer). Cherished father of Crystal (Denis Bouchard), Justin Bowerman (Sara), Jeff (Sarah Moore) and Jenifer (Mike Dickerson). Treasured grandfather of Jade, Jacob, Aurora, Cole, Abigail and Ellen. Dear son of Cleveland and Lena Bowerman (both predeceased). Special brother of Joyce (predeceased), Jim (predeceased), Nancy (predeceased), Barbara (predeceased), Phillip (Julie), Betty Jean (predeceased), David (Lynn), Margaret, Joey (Wanda), Rob and Roy (predeceased). Brother-in-law to Marcel Cayer (predeceased) (Jeannine), Ken and Diane McLaughlin and Verna Richer and Rita Cayer. Will be sadly missed by many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Will be especially missed by his canine companion Bella and Chico. Funeral visitation was at Grace Bible Church, Little Current on Friday, February 24, 2023, where friends gathered from 2 pm to 8 pm. Funeral Service was on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 11 am. Reception followed in the Church Hall. Cremation at the Park Lawn Crematorium.

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.

## in memoriam

**Strain**—In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle, Harold, who passed away March 1, 1980. He meant so much to us but nothing we can say can tell the sadness in our heart. We think of him each day. He always was true and tender. Lived his life for those he loved. And those he loved remember. Sadly missed by Gary, Elva, David, Jim and Karen 41c



**ELLIOTT**—In loving memoriam of Mom (Audrey Elliott), February 23, 2018. It is hard to believe five years have come and gone. So many days I go to call you just to say hello. I miss the times I had with you, Dad, Connie and Judy. So many fun times, so many laughs, so many memories. I miss your calls to me so many times a week. When I cross the bridge, I think of the visits to you and dad. Chrissy and Aaron would always make your place their first stop when coming from the Soo. Mom you loved your children and grandchildren so unconditionally. You were our support through troubled times. Your kindness and caringness was felt by everyone you knew and met. You always had a hug, a smile and a concerned word or two. Never thinking of yourself but only of others. You made our house a home. You were always there for us. There is a sadness that is deep in my heart. It is the loss of your presence here on earth. Yet I know you are happiest up there with Dad, Brent and so many family members. There are not enough words to express the loss I feel not having you here. You never ceased to be concerned for our well-being, never ceased to be a shoulder to cry on, to give an encouraging word. I will always remember how you loved to dance and play the juke harp and we must not forget your great talent as a yodler. There is something about losing a mother that is permanent and inexpressible. Mom your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure. You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure. Forever in our hearts, Chrissy, Aaron and family, Laura, Scott, Jaida and Chase and Joanne 41c

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



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**Municipal contributions to Gore Bay airport increase 5%**

by Tom Sasvari  
WESTERN MANITOULIN—Gore Bay-Manitoulin Airport partnering municipalities will see an increase in their contributions with this year's budget.

"The bottom line is there is a five percent increase overall to all three partner municipalities (Gore Bay, Gordon/Barrie Island and Burpee and Mills)," said Lee Hayden, chair of the airport commission after a meeting last week.

Mr. Hayden said the increase "is no sur-

prise with the cost of everything increasing. I'm actually surprised we have been able to keep the increase as low as it is." He explained that one of the biggest reasons for the increase in the budget is that "we have to have safety audits carried out every three years on the airport and this has been carried out this year at a cost of \$10,000."

Last year's airport operations budget for the airport was \$514,000 and this has increased to \$540,000 this year.



**M.S.S. Kids in the Halls**  
Alexandra Wilson-Zegil

Welcome back! It is now officially March, two months of the year done already! Things are going by fast, especially as there are only four months left of the school year. As of right now, however, the weather seems to be the perfect opposite of summer vacation. The cold temperature has done little to slow down the students of MSS though.

Here is a snow joke for you in honour of all the cold days we have had: Grandma has been staring through the window ever since it started to snow...if it gets any worse, I'll have to let her in.

The junior girls' volleyball team is officially NSS-SA champions! The girls competed at MSS on Wednesday, February 22. They secured their win in an exciting final game against the Espanola Spartans. Thank you to staff and student volunteers who helped make hosting

NSSSA possible and a huge congratulations to the players and coaches!

On Thursday, February 23 the MSS curling team went to Thessalon for a curling tournament. The team competed in three games in total and played very well. Great job, Mustangs!

Friday, February 24 was Love Local day. Students and staff were encouraged to wear their favourite local brands and show off their Island spirit. Manitoulin merch was seen in all different shapes, colours and

sizes!

The MSS musical is debuting this Friday, March 3 and will run until Sunday, March 5. Tickets will be available at the door while others are being sold at various stores around the Island. After months of hard work from everyone involved 'Something Rotten!' is ready for the stage! There will also be a buyout for students to see the performance on Friday, March 3 during afternoon classes.

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



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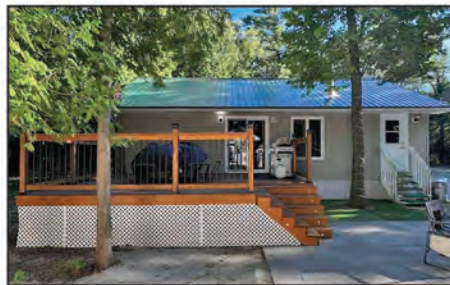
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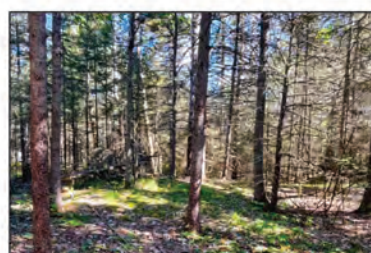
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