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## Music Therapy

*Unique career choice draws Island man home to Manitoulin*

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—Composer William Congreve first penned the oft quoted words “music soothes the savage breast” in the late 1600s, but it has long been recognized that music’s powers stretch far beyond the rest of that phrase (“to soften rocks or bend a knotted oak”). Music therapist Jonathan Poenn of Little Current has harnessed music’s many powers through his music therapy classes to vastly improve the quality of life of residents in Manitoulin’s nursing homes.

“It has made a huge difference with a lot of our residents with behavioural issues,” said Wikwemikong Nursing Home Administrator Cheryl Osawabine-Peltier, “and we get to listen to him too.”

“It’s been extremely beneficial to some of our residents,” agreed Manitoulin Centennial Manor Activities Coordinator Julie Omnet. “It helps on so many levels, cognitive development, emotional skills, it just provides such an overall improvement to the quality of life.” Ms. Omnet also noted that the staff also find the music has a very positive impact on their workday. “The staff really enjoy it too.”

Mr. Poenn, an accomplished musician himself, practically fell into the musical therapy field by a fortuitous set of circumstances that melded his two main fields of interest, musical and medical, as fate literally brought them together.

“I did my undergraduate degree at the University of Ottawa, where I had the goal of

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**CRAFTY CHRISTMAS**—Scenes like this one have been repeated in every Island community as Christmas bazaars and fairs give Manitoulin craftspeople, bakers and others the opportunity to display and sell their unique crafts and edibles. In this photo, Kara Kennedy shows a wide variety of painted ornaments and mugs at the Wikwemkoong Christmas market held Sunday. The long time beader has just recently begun painting in the woodland style and was very happy to be sharing her new art with bazaar goers.

photo by Giselle Aiabens

## Burns Wharf Players reluctant about change to incorporated body

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOWANING—A large contingent of Burns Wharf Theatre Players (BWTP) and their friends attended the November 21 meeting of Assinack council to again plead their case as to why saving the Burns Wharf Theatre should mean something to this council and community.

Peter Baumgarten spoke on behalf of the group, beginning by noting a couple of the BWTP’s concerns: the denial by the municipality of placing a funding application forward on their behalf and council’s suggestion that the Players become incorporated to allow them to apply for funding on their own.

Mr. Baumgarten said that the BWTP has prided themselves on the

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## Kenjgewin Teg gets ready for diploma-degree granting status

*Ontario set to pass legislation recognizing First Nation education institutes as post-secondary partners*

by Robin Burridge

M’CHIGEENG—New legislation has been introduced that, if passed, will grant post secondary indigenous institutions in Ontario such as M’Chigeeng’s Kenjgewin Teg Educational Institute (KTEI) the right to award their own diplomas, certificates and degrees.

“This has been a long time in the making,” said KTEI Executive Director Stephanie Roy. “We have been advocating for this for the last 20 years. This is something that has been always on KTEI’s roadmap and we are pleased to work with the province to bring it

to fruition.”

Currently, KTEI partners with Ontario colleges and universities to offer degrees, diplomas and certificates.

“We will continue to work with partners moving forward,” stressed Ms. Roy, “but we will be evolving to deliver our own certifications, diplomas and degrees. We won’t be offering every program—we plan to be selective in what we offer through our own accreditation. One of our first will be a language degree. It has been a long time goal to offer an

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## Tehkummah councillors alerted recent motions may be ‘illegal’ since council vacancy remains

by Alicia McCutcheon

TEHKUMMAH—Tehkummah clerk-treasurer Karen Gerrard cautioned council at a special meeting held November 21 that

any council motions made following November 10 could be overturned because council “broke the law” by failing to fill the vacant council seat following former councillor Laird Lee’s resignation within the mandatory period required by legislation.

Ms. Gerrard provided reeve and council with a memo concerning correspondence she had received from the municipal solicitor on not filling the vacant council seat.

“Council should know that they may be acting in bad faith and in breach of their fiduciary duties which could impose personal liability to each of them,” the memo reads in part. “Council is advised that future decisions could be jeopardized due to its failure to act and disregard for its clear obliga-

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## Manitoulin—the horse—doing well in thoroughbred stakes

by Alicia McCutcheon

LEXINGTON, KY—The Phillips family is enamoured with the Manitoulin and Kilarney region, it’s safe to say, so when the family of thoroughbred racers and breeders in Lexington, Kentucky saw a fighter of a colt brought into this world on their horse farm, they decided to keep him and name him Manitoulin for the area they hold so dear. Feisty Manitoulin, it turns out, born to champion parents, is turning into quite the prizewinner himself.



Manitoulin crossing the finish line at Keeneland in April of this year. The racehorse took home a tidy \$72,000 for his efforts.

Last Friday night, Manitoulin, of Darby Dan Farms, owned by the Phillips family, took the Grade 2 stakes Hollywood Turf Cup in Del Mar, California—a 1/2-mile race—and with it, a \$200,000 cash prize. This was Manitoulin’s first stakes win (there are three grades, 1, 2 and 3 with 1 being the top grade; think Kentucky Derby) and has so far earned almost \$400,000 with his five wins in 17 starts.

Some may remember the famed race-

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# Wiikwemkoong’s Luke Wassegijig receives 2017 Tourism Champion Award

**by Robin Burrridge**  
THUNDER BAY—Wikwemikong Tourism Manager Luke Wassegijig was awarded the 2017 Tourism Champion Award at the Northern Ontario Tourism Summit in Thunder Bay earlier this month.

“I feel very honoured to have been recognized by the industry,” Mr. Wassegijig told The Expositor following the summit. “It is the first time the award has been presented to not only an individual, but someone from a First Nation community.”

Mr. Wassegijig noted that the work he does wouldn’t be possible without the support from his community of Wiikwemkoong.

“This year’s tourism champion nominee is both dedicated and driven to promote not only his community, but the region as a unique tourism destination,” states a press release about Mr. Wassegijig. “He is the tourism manager for Wikwemikong Tourism operating under the Wikwemikong Development Commission and has served on his band council from 2012 to 2014 under the Lands and Resource Portfolio. He has been involved in community tourism development in his hometown of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory for 10 years and has been instrumental in building a foundation for sustainable tourism development by implementing their tourism strategy. One of his first accomplishment in his role was building a tourist centre which provides visitor informa-



In photo left is Hilary Chambers, president of Nature and Outdoor Tourism Ontario, presenting the Tourism Champion Award to Wikwemikong Tourism’s Luke Wassegijig at the 2017 Northern Ontario Tourism Summit in Thunder Bay.

## ...continued on page 9 Bill raising minimum wage causing business concerns

**by Michael Erskine**  
TORONTO—A bill raising Ontario’s minimum wage to \$14 on January 1 and again to \$15 an hour on January 1, 2019 has many business owners concerned about the impact those increases will have on their business’s ability to survive—although few seem willing to go on the record about it.

“It’s a cutthroat legislation,” said one Island businessman who declined to be quoted on the record. “It’s a real Catch-22. On the one hand if you speak up about it, people will just say that you don’t want people to make a decent living. Nothing could be further from the truth.”

The business owner pointed out that there were very few employees in his family’s businesses that don’t already make more than the new minimum wage already, but that there would be a cascading effect where other employees would naturally anticipate a corresponding increase in hourly rates commensurate with the increase from the current minimum wage of \$11.60.

“You are talking about a 20 percent rise in January,” he said. “This after another 10 percent over the last couple of years and then another big jump

in 2018. It’s all happening too fast.”

Concerns about the escalating impact of the rise in minimum wage have been a common theme in discussions with local employers, but not all have expressed serious concerns. “It won’t really have that much of an impact on us,” said Denise Lytle, the new co-owner of Little Current’s Anchor Inn Hotel and restaurant.

Others have greeted the news with a sense of fatalism. “The government is going to do what the government is going to do,” said Luc Noel, of Luc’s Restaurant in Little Current. “You can complain about it all you want, but what are you going to do? They will do what they want.”

The Progressive Conservative Official Opposition recently announced that they would put the brakes on the rise in minimum wages, with a 25-cent annual raise each year to bring the minimum to \$15 in the year 2020, should they be elected to government in 2018.

The Ontario NDP in the meantime have wholeheartedly backed the rise, chastising the PCs for being “out of touch.”

## ...continued on page 9 Tehkummah Township council given orders by ministry *Have to agree on an inspection investigator for the job*

**by Alicia McCutcheon**  
TEHKUMMAH—Following a complaint of employee harassment registered by Tehkummah clerk-treasurer Karen Gerrard (who alleged that she had been the victim), council heard from Roger Chenard, the municipality’s health and safety coordinator, at its most recent meeting.

Mr. Chenard gave councillors an update on the Ministry of Labour (MOL) investigation of the alleged incident(s).

On October 30, MOL inspector Paul Marut attended the municipality and met with Mr. Chenard and Joe Hannah, acting public works supervisor, acting as a senior supervisor for the municipality. While there, Mr. Marut examined the current policy in place regarding harassment, bul-

lying and violence in the workplace.

“During this process, the inspector found that there were areas in the policy that were not clear and/or were ambiguous as well as some areas that were not in compliance directly with the act,” Mr. Chenard’s report to council states. “The inspector collected all available information and provided feedback regarding the requirements of the policy and the training of all staff which had already been started by the Health and Safety Coordinator since his employment earlier in October.”

The Ministry provided three orders, each with specific terms and deadlines: 1. The employer shall ensure that the harassment program includes measures and

procedures for workers to report incidents of workplace harassment to a person or other employer if the employer or supervisor is the alleged harasser. (November 30 completion date.); 2. The employer shall provide workers with information and instruction that is appropriate for the worker on the contents of the policy and program with respect to workplace harassment. At the time of the visit, the employer has not provided all workers with appropriate information and instruction on the contents of the policy and program with respect to workplace harassment. (November 30 completion date.); and 3. The employer shall cause an investigation to be conducted into the

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Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) EMS paramedics with the items they collected last year for the annual Stuff the Ambulance event.

## Upcoming Stuff the Ambulance and Stuff the Cruiser events collect food and toys for families in need

**by Robin Burrridge**  
MANITOULIN—Island emergency services groups are getting into the holiday spirit by hosting food and toy collections to help Manitoulin residents in need.

The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) Island EMS paramedics are hosting a Stuff the Ambulance event on Friday, December 8.

“We are encouraging members of the community to donate non-perishable food items along with gently used or new toys,” said Jessie Wilkin, one of the paramedics helping to organize the event. “All contributions are going to the Manitoulin Family Resources, which will be putting together baskets for local families in need during the holiday season.”

Stuff the Ambulance will be set up at the Little Current Valu-

Mart on Friday, December 8 from 5 to 8 pm and at the Mindemoya Foodland from 4 to 7 pm.

If people would like to donate but are unable to make it out for the event they can contact Ms. Wilkin at 705-822-5377 or jessica.wilkin@msdsb.net to arrange for a drop off.

“This event is a great way to help others and to ensure that everyone has a Merry Christmas,” concluded Ms. Wilkin.

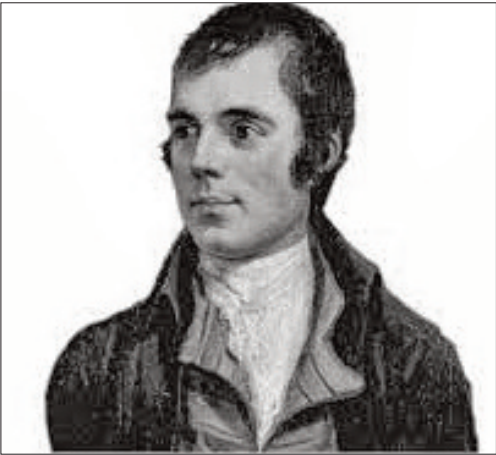
The UCCM Anishnaabe Police, in partnership with the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnisig (UCCMM) Service partners, will also be hosting a food and toy drive through the return of the Stuff a Cruiser event.

“The UCCMM service affiliates would like to promote and accept non-perishable food and children’s toy donations to the local First Nations,” said UCCM

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## Manitoulin Sea Cadets invite you to celebrate Scotland’s immortal bard Robbie Burns

**by Michael Erskine**  
AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Nothing chases the winter doldrums away better than a wee dram, but a close second might well be stepping out to a traditional Robbie Burns Night dinner to celebrate Scotland’s immortal bard. Thanks to the Manitoulin Navy League you can not only send winter’s blues packing, you can help support the Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps at the same time.



Robbie Burns

For the uninitiated, a Robbie Burns Dinner is a wonderful tradition that can introduce you to Scotland’s most famous son, the poet Robbie Burns, 1759-1796. Born in Alloway, Scotland, there is no surer way to a plumb a Scotsman’s soul than to ply him with a liberal measure of what George Shaw once cites as “liquid sunshine” and induce

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## Home-grown innovation will lead to improved health in Northern Ontario communities

NORTHERN ONTARIO—Northern Ontario families will benefit from improved detection of disease-causing bacteria in local lakes and waterways as a result of a Government of Canada investment of \$1 million.

The FedNor funding will enable the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) and its industry partner, Discover Air Fire Services, to develop innovative camera technology to quickly and accurately identify toxic blue-green algae (also known as cyanobacteria), one of Northern Ontario’s major environmental issues impacting human health.

The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour, and Member of Parliament for Thunder Bay—Superior North, made the announcement today on behalf of the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, and Minister responsible for FedNor.

“Innovation is the driving force behind a modern economy and the

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**editorial**

## Progressive Conservative platform a wolf in lefty clothing

The newly released Progressive Conservative platform channels the big rock candy mountain approach to government policy more commonly seen coming from proponents on the left of the political spectrum than the more conservative approach that has been the foundation of that party since time immemorial—or at the very least since the heyday of the “red Tory” reign of Bill Davis’s version of the Big Blue Machine.

The (relatively) newly minted leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party Patrick Brown has certainly delivered on his promise to put a new face on the party, designed to win back what he has termed “natural” PC supporters, including civil servants like police, EMS workers, nurses, doctors and private sector groups like the small business portion of the middle class.

Mr. Brown has been accused by his opponents as being weather-vane a politician, switching his direction to suit the moment. Certainly his rise to power as leader of the party that forms the Official Opposition seems to bear that out. The heir apparent to the PC crown, Christine Elliott, and her team were effectively blind-sided by Mr. Brown’s courting and mobilization of social conservative interests to sell memberships that eventual won him that crown—only to almost immediately swing about face to march in Pride parades and declare abortion and other right to life pillars as off-limits to his rank and file MPPs.

Mr. Brown’s new platform seems to have been designed more on the pattern of Justin Trudeau’s Sunny Ways than any fiat of the govern-

ment of Stephen Harper (for whom Mr. Brown was a backbench MP). He promises lower taxes for the middle class (although the touted 22.5 percent cut is not quite as trumpeted on close examination) while claiming that under Tory rule the province will “move ahead.” Hard to envision how that will play out, particularly in light of the \$12 billion cuts to government services currently enjoyed by Ontarians that is underplayed in his PR work.

Politics has always been a game of spin, with smoke and mirrors and policy sleight of hand playing a larger role than the truth—but we seem to be entering a whole new era these days where politicians are letting slip the reins of truth in the naked pursuit of power in a way rarely seen since the heyday of the Cold War Politburo and Com-intern communicates, sadly leaving the public with little clue as to how the carriage of state will veer once a new driver has taken the seat.

Little wonder that the common person is tending to say “a pox on all their houses,” and electing the Trumps of this world in retaliation, even though it is the common person who will suffer the ill in the end.

We must each of us resist the temptation to turn our backs on our democracy and make every effort to grasp back the reigns of our governments from demagogues and charlatans of any ilk. It isn’t easy, looking behind the curtains of the Great Oz never is, but if we want to secure our future at the end of the yellow brick road we must muster up our brains, our courage, and yes, our hearts if we are to discern the truth behind the spin.

**letters**

## Ontario Energy minister challenges NDP electricity narrative

*Opposition would rather play politics with rate relief and mislead people*

**EDITOR’S NOTE:** *The following letter from the Minister of Energy is in response to a November 17 article in the Manitoulin West Recorder ‘NDP allege Liberals’ hydro hike to fund private profit, CEO pay,’ Page 4.*

**To the Expositor:**

I’m not surprised to see the NDP misleading people on electricity prices, and trying to confuse the conversation around rate applications. Utilities are given the opportunity to state their case to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for updated rates through a regular application cycle. Whether it’s Hydro One, Greater Sudbury Utilities, or any other provider, each has infrastructure that needs to be maintained and occasionally upgraded to ensure the electricity system remains reliable for families and businesses.

But let me be clear: Regardless of the outcome of any rate application before the OEB, electricity bills would not be impacted beyond the rate of inflation, as per the Fair Hydro Plan. In the case of Hydro One’s Draft Rate Order for transmission costs, it’s estimated that the bill impact for 2017 would be an increase of 0.1 percent, and 0.2 percent for 2018.

It’s also important to remember that this is only at the application stage with the OEB. The OEB is an independent regulator with a mandate to protect the interests of ratepayers and to set just and reasonable rates. It also has a strong record of reviewing rate applications with the consumer in mind. For example, in 2010 Hydro One asked for a rate increase for distribution and actually received a nine per cent reduction on its distribution rates. And in 2012 Hydro One asked for a rate increase for transmission, and received a three per cent reduction below its existing rates.

Through Ontario’s Fair Hydro Plan, our government cut electricity bills by 25 per cent on average for all families, along with as many as half a million farms and small businesses. It is the single largest rate reduction in the province’s history and for each of the next four years, any increase will be in line with inflation. Customers in some rural and northern areas are seeing even greater reductions. The latest figures have Hydro One customers seeing an average reduction of over 30 per-cent.

Our plan is about real relief for Ontarians and a way to ensure greater fairness in our electricity system. Neither opposition party has offered anything practical or substantial when it comes to reduced electricity costs for Ontario families and small businesses. In fact, they voted against our Fair Hydro Plan. They would rather play politics with rate relief, and mislead people when it suits their interests.

**The Honourable Glenn Thibeault**  
**Ontario Minister of Energy and MPP for Sudbury**

## Expecting the people of Assiginack to pay for conflict not fair

*There is still time for a Christmas present of an out of court settlement*

**To the Expositor:**

Good morning Assiginack,

So it’s been a few times I’ve been published in The Expositor and I’m grateful for the dialogue with the public. It’s one of my first ventures into this type of work, and I’m hoping I’m affecting the greater good as this has been my intention for quite some time now. One person this week says to me: ‘I read your s#%! disturbing again this week.’ There was also a statement made beside my letter that stated something to the effect of, “The friends of the Norisle have been advised by their legal team not to comment on the case.”

So I reflect. I refine. I’m a doer, so I don’t always reflect until after the action is done. I’m not too proud to admit, I may have been going about it in not as positive a way as my intentions.

I have no interest in s#%! disturbing unless it produces the results that benefit the greater good. I have interest in persuading all parties to settle out of court, so we can all move on in a win-win-win situation. (The parties being the township office, Friends of the Norisle, and the greater good, the good people of Assiginack.) I have no interest in the fear tactics that lawyers use to get money; again, they are doing well, I’m sure, and if they aren’t, we the people should be asking them to do good work.

There is an old hunk of metal at the docks in Manitowaning. If any of us can benefit from the removal or use of that old hunk of metal, then let’s do it peacefully. Expecting the people of Assiginack to pay for

a violent conflict is not ok; no thank you.

I took an organization in Sudbury to court one time many years ago. At the pre-trial, the judge said, ‘You received a nice sum of money to be terminated from that workplace. Even if you are correct in that organization treated you unfairly (which in my humble opinion they did and to many other people in the few years I worked there), there is a very slim chance you will receive more money.’ I didn’t want the money. I wanted myself and other people to be treated fairly and with respect.

Let’s be clear, Assiginack. This should be our priority; we want to be treated fairly and with respect. Conflict is an opportunity for all parties to grow, and there is always a choice to compromise (a little bit of losing and winning for both parties) or even better collaborate so that it’s win-win.

There is still time to settle out of court.

I know all parties are reading.

Let’s get this done. Please let me know if I can be of service.

Wishing us all well in any conflict that we have, whether it’s in our workplaces, our homes or our community.

It would be a sweet Christmas present for all parties involved to read in the next few weeks the dispute is settled out of court don’t ya think?

**Howie Mende**  
**Manitowaning**



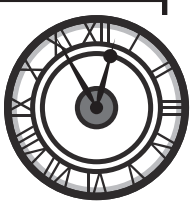
Doug Clark

Visiting Doug’s digs, at Digs and Doug’s, his workshop on Hwy 540 in Kagawong is a true delight. He welcomes one and all, whether they come to pick his brain about a new creation or whether they want to buy his excellent wood furniture. “I start my 12-hour ‘summer’ day at 6:30 in the morning. I have made thousands of these Adirondack chairs over the last 20 years or so, averaging about 200 a year. People seem to love them, and all are happy when they come here for a chat and a visit.”

Doug’s Muskoka chairs are solid cedar and priced well below the commercial rate at \$135 each. “I get visitors from all over the province and beyond. They call and say they will arrive in a few weeks and could I have two chairs ready. They also ask for furniture



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Mnaachtoong Maadsewin  
By Petra Wall



or to meeting each other and also after their marriage. They loved their visits here, often staying at Norm’s Park until Al retired. They rented a cottage initially and did some tenting later.”

Doug first opened his eyes on January 24, 1948 and remained their only child. He remembers getting a special Christmas ornament at age two. “Somewhere, there sits a photo of me hanging this ornament on the tree in 1950.

he would drive to the ferry at Tobermory and head for Manitoulin. In the winter, he drove around every two weeks or so, to visit friends on the Island. “When the ferry was running, I would load my cycle on the back of my truck, drive to Tobermory, park the truck, and take the dirt bike on the ferry which would be the Norgoma or the Norisle, at the time.” Back in Hamilton, Doug had a job with Otis Elevator from 1968 to 1974. “We also helped design the scenic elevator on the outside of the CN tower while at Otis. But that was a desk job and I had to wear a suit every day. I didn’t like that.”

In April of 1974 Doug had a deciding moment. “It was the most compelling change in my life at the time,” he confirms. “I said: ‘if I don’t go now, I will stay here forever, so I am leaving this rat race.’” His dad guessed his destination. Both parents knew that Manitoulin was where his heart was. On April 30 of that year, he said good bye to his parents and headed for the Island.

“I met my future wife-to-be, Candy Tracy, daughter of Harry and Helen Tracy, in 1974 in Kagawong, the year the Chi-Cheemaun started making the island trips. Candy was from Manitoulin and worked as a teacher at a place called Shining Tree, near Sudbury.” She left that job and moved back to the Island where she wanted to stay. Doug lived in a trailer while he built their own home on a back street in Kagawong. “My skills were automotive, not wood-working, so I sought help from others for carpentry skills.”

That same year Doug conveniently found work with Noble Lumber, during hunting season, the third week of November. He was filling in for missing hunters that week. “I wound up staying and learned a lot over the next seven years. Many employees had woodworking skills and they



At camp, Digger's love of machines started at two years of age.

and Eileen spent their summers on Manitoulin so they could spend more time with their son in their favourite summer location, returning to Hamilton each October.

Doug and Candy were married on July 27, 1981. Candy knew that it was two days before Princess Di married Prince Charles and she may have wanted to add an element of surprise to her own nuptials. Apparently the wedding party on Manitoulin was to be ‘kidnapped’ in order to surprise the family. “We didn’t want a big wedding so we didn’t tell our families that we were marrying that day but we had to make up a reason to get them to the cottage.” The Best Man was told he had to apprehend the Maid of Honour who was babysitting at the time. He had to find a substitute sitter and then convince her to come because ‘Candy was in trouble and needed her help.’ Candy’s mum and Doug’s parents had to be tricked in similar fashion. They all wound up on the front lawn of the cottage where the surprise wedding took place at 10 am on that Monday.



Candy and Doug on their wedding day at the cottage in July of 1981.

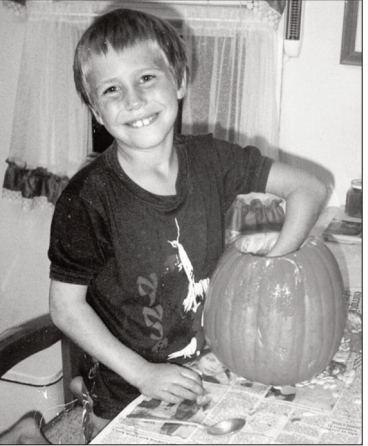
shared them with me. One such person was Tom Christiansen of Gore Bay. He was in his ‘70s but he worked with me for seven years. I learned the finer details about cabinet making.” At Noble’s, Doug also made deliveries and he met a lot of good people. “It took six months to build our bungalow. Some of it was trial and error but I succeeded in the end.”

“In 1979 we bought a cottage in Kagawong and the shop was moved there.” Doug spent much of his time there between May and October. In 1980, Doug’s dad, Al, retired from Westinghouse. He

and put it on his birth certificate along with the names of both grandfathers. By that time, Doug was employed with Community Living (CL) and all his students wanted to come to the hospital to see the baby. “I brought them over, one at a time.” The name Digger would stick.

Digger went to high school here, then to Cambrian where he trained in mechanics. He has been working for Addison’s Tire for 15 years and he helps his dad out when it gets busy, often when Doug’s days are 12 hours long. Digger has a house nearby, in town. “Our shop is called, ‘Dig and Doug Furniture.’

While Doug began working at Community Living, ‘The Hope Farm’ in Mindemoya, he ran the sheltered workshop there and had 17 enthusiastic students. They created a business that built and sold beautiful chairs. Each finished chair was placed at the roadside. “We delivered furniture as well. The participants learned to do meaningful work, met lots of people, and were praised for their work. “One time we went to Sudbury to advertise for the Hope Farm, to sell the furniture we had made. They put us in the honeymoon suite and we pre-sold a lot of chairs,” he recalls. “They seemed to like their workshop until 1998 when the government



Digger, age five, getting ready for Halloween.

shut the program down.” After that, Doug helped with job placements until 2013 when he retired to do his own woodworking full-time.

“Candy has always supported me in this initiative. She encouraged me to add more space for my hobby and in 2000 we built this big 24’ x 40’ building on Highway 540 in Kagawong, across the road from Bridal Veil Esso. It houses the equipment and a small office. An oil furnace heats the place in winter. My wife helps deliver the finished products for me as well. We have made arrangements for pick-ups in Espanola, Birch Island and McGregor Bay. One day this shop will belong to my son.”

“In order to put up the building, I had to go to council to get the zoning change for this site. When I arrived at that meeting, I saw lots of cars and I was worried that there might be opposition. To my delight, the opposite was true. They were all there to support me and the zoning change was easy, with additional help from the township. The location adjacent to Bridal Veil Falls is ideal for me too. Lots of people see the shop and stop in or call.”

“We have hosted Hot Wheels races for many years. I built a race track and the kids have come to compete with their cars. Doug made elaborate trophies to give out to the winning participants. Ruth Farquhar, in her Sudbury Star column of June 11, 2007 states: “Everything gets underway on the morning of June 16 when classic cars, motorcycles and vintage sleds will set up...an original Hot Wheels race track will be set up and run all day.” Doug adds that he has a few Hot Wheels cars that he has collected, and he lets the kids play with

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Doug poses with a beautiful dresser hand-crafted from solid wood.

that is adapted to wheelchairs or other needs. I make chests of drawers, wooden swings, tables and many other items,” he adds. “I love to meet my customers and have a little chat. It’s fun to find out where they are all from.”

The Clark ancestors resided in the Hamilton area. “Both my grandparents came from that part of Ontario. Paternal grandfather,



Candy with a 'Geritol Follies' sweatshirt from a photo taken in Toledo in 1989.

Harris Clark, (wife Gladys) was in World War I and his son, Al Clark, my dad, was in World War II. Maternal grandparents were Carl and Maime Slipp. Carl was a war veteran also.”

Doug’s parents Al and Eileen (Slipp) Clark met at a dance in Hamilton during the war while Al was on leave from his job as an airplane mechanic. Both had been regular visitors to Manitoulin pri-

Each year it would come out and I would hang it up for all to see. I still have it.”

“Another cherished memory is going out to the shop and watching my dad working on vehicles, at age three or four. He loved to fix up old cars. Neighbourhood kids would come over to watch too. Our house was a gathering place for youth. When we got older we liked to help him as much as we could. It was a great hobby. I learned from him that hard work pays off.”

“My dad worked for Westinghouse for 40 years. Mum was employed at the nearby licensing bureau. She got time off every summer to come to Manitoulin and Dad would arrive on weekends.” Eileen had spent her earlier years as a dancer. Her successful troupe, ‘The Geritol Follies,’ toured the States and performed in numerous locations in Ontario, as well as hometown Hamilton. “She loved to dance, dad loved to fish.”

School started for Doug at age six in Hamilton. “I liked school; math and English were alright, but later, I loved shop the best. Whenever I mentioned Manitoulin to anybody at school, they would give me strange looks. People generally didn’t know where the Island was then and that still seems to be the case for many.” High school football was fun we are told; Doug was a lineman, but main passions were still cars and now, motorcycles. “I liked the dual-purpose dirt bikes that Yamaha made.”

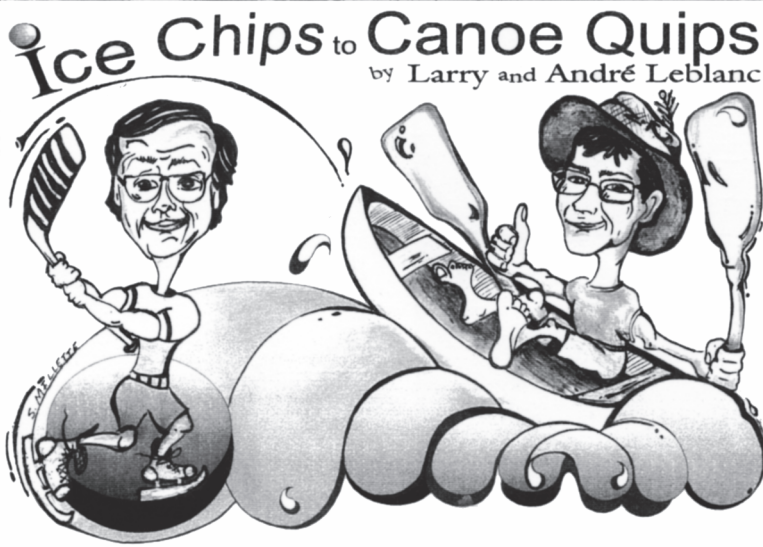
After Doug got his licence at 16,







# Manitoulin Sporting Life



### Mustang Minute

The Manitoulin Mustang boys’ hockey team continue to get their skating legs under them but suffered a loss against the powerful St. Charles Cardinals including a former house league teammate of several Mustangs, **Tanner Webkamigad**. Despite the early season loss the players are getting a lot of ice-time now and will surely get their game back. Point-getters for the local side includes **Kyle Debassige** with a goal and an assist. **Greg Doane** potted the other goal and one helper from **Zachary Paul**.

### Island Sons continue to click!

This past weekend the Nickel City Sons Minor Bantam AAA side hosted their only northern foes, the North Bay Trappers, in back to back home games. Saturday afternoon’s offering saw Island hockey alumni **Samuel Assinewai** and **Liam Bridgeman** reunited as linemates for the first time since a tournament in August. Happy to be back together, the Island connection, alongside linemate and Sudburian **Scouter Riengnette**, celebrated by leading the way for the Sons offensively, accounting for both goals in a 2 – 2 tie. Not resting on their laurels in Sunday morning’s game, Liam, Sam and Scooter, highlighted by some outstanding passing plays, scored or set up all 4 markers in a 4 – 1 win. **Carson Shawana** was a stalwart D-man on the blue line as always. He is so tough to get by that the opposition have now learned that rolling the dice across his line is likely to result in a sudden, if not painful stop. Keep up the selfless play, boys!

### Off their rock hockey

**Greg Trudeau-Paquet** is in Trenton this week as a star for the NOJHL’s entry. The event, the Eastern Canada Cup Challenge will showcase all of the best Junior A players. The NOJHL side lost their first game against the Central Ontario Junior League but will surely put up a stronger defence against the LHJQ Burrows. Good Luck, Greg. Greg’s brother **Izzy Trudeau-Paquet**, by the way, is a tenacious player for his St. Charles Cardinals’ football team.

**Tanner Webkamigad** will continue his staunch defence of the perennial powerhouse St. Charles Cardinals’ blue line again this year.

Meanwhile, another local Warrior backstops her high school squad up in the north-west. Hats off to **Jennelle Manitowabi** (daughter of **Sam Manitowabi** and wife, **Jenn**) who is leading her Sioux Lookout Warriors’ high school squad into another great season.

### Panther alumni game

In addition to all the coverage of the amazing Panther Alumni game last Friday, I wanted to make sure to acknowledge a player skating for the Espanola Express who has deep Manitoulin roots. **Jace Pitawanakwat**, who is a Wiikwemkoong band member, stopped many rushes from the cagey veterans.

Also of note, two Panther Alumni, **Mitchal Payette** and **Hunter Abotossaway**, are now skating for the Bracebridge Pioneers of the “outlaw” CPJHL, Canadian Premier Junior Hockey League. The pioneers are riding a great opening to their season with an 8 and 2 record to grace second spot in their division.

### Outdoor Education organization promotes to the world

The Wikwemikong Ontario Adventure Leadership Experience (OALE) presented the ideals and success of their program at the 45th International Outdoor Education Conference to Youth Workers and Outdoor experts from across the world in Montreal this past weekend. Community leader **Lawrence Enosse** was there to endorse OALE’s mission statement: ‘Promoting Resilience and Well-Being through an Outdoor Adventure Leadership Experience Designed for First Nations Youth.’

The OALE initiative has been taking local youth on a ten day excursion from Wikwemikong, up through Killarney and down the coast to the French River and has enabled scores of local youth to discover their potential when faced with such tough physical, social and mental challenges.

### Condolences...

A great sport supporter has recently passed on Manitoulin. **Russ Bond**, father of **Brad**, a M.S.S. Mustang hockey team coach for many years. Russ always was a frequent and generous supporter of local and rep hockey through the years. Our thoughts are with all of his friends and family.

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# Alex McGraw brings home two jujitsu golds

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Alex McGraw fell in love with the mixed marshal art of jujitsu shortly after finishing high school, attending the tri-weekly Troope Manitoulin sessions at Aundeck Omni Kaning under the tutelage of Darren Madahbee. Mr. McGraw continued his intense connection with the sport and recently was rewarded with two gold medals at the Grappling Industries Gi Nogi Jujitsu tournament held at Toronto’s Ryerson University, where he won all 10 of his matches, but a year and a half ago things were looking pretty grim.

“I wasn’t expecting to win all 10,” admitted Mr. McGraw. “But as it turned out I won nine of my matches by submission and the other one by ref’s decision.”

Mr. McGraw now trains with Sudbury’s Troope MMA under 2nd degree black belt Richard Nancoo, but back in the day it was all Manitoulin. “Darren started it all,” he said. “Now I try to get on the mats every day.”

“I am very proud of that young man,” said his former mentor Mr. Madahbee, who admitted he did not at first see the champion in the making. “To be perfectly honest he came in with a bit of a chip on his shoulder,” he laughed. “But then he got a bit of humble pie. We all get that at the start, I know I got plenty of my share. But he stuck with it and that’s what separates a champion.”

Sticking with it is right. A year and a half ago, Mr. McGraw was in a car accident that left him with a pelvis broken in three places along with five broken ribs. “The



Alex McGraw tops the podium at the Grappling Industries Gi Nogi Jujitsu tournament held at Toronto’s Ryerson University, bringing home two gold medals after winning all 10 of his matches.

first thing I asked the doctor was ‘will I be able to wrestle again, will I be able to do jujitsu?’” he said. Mr. McGraw heaved a sigh of relief when the doctor told him it would be six months to a year before he could return to the sport. “I was back at it in six months,” he recalled. A year later he was in top winning form.

Today the 23-year-old Manitoulin Secondary School graduate is working in Sudbury at the Townhouse Tavern as a doorman/bouncer and working out on the mats every chance he gets. “I love the job at the Townhouse,” he

said. “I get to listen to great music and the people are great.”

His next tournament will be in Toronto on December 2. Are the Olympics in his sights? “Jujitsu isn’t an Olympic sport,” he said. “Maybe in 2020, but that’s okay, there are a lot of big tournaments.”

The Aundeck Omni Kaning Troop Manitoulin Jujitsu sessions are open to everyone and take place three times a week, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7 pm. Apparently it’s where champions get their start.



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# Proud to Parent Conference invigorates Wiikwemkoong

**by Michael Erskine**  
WIKWEMKOONG—A recent two-day Proud to Parent conference was hosted at the Wiikwemkoong arena by Naadwe-chige Wikwemikong Health Centre Children's Services Program and brought parents together with leading parenting counsellors to share best practices in building healthy family units based on traditional values.

Over the two-day conference keynote speaker Janet Fox discussed topics of Traditional Family Parenting/Reclaiming our Indigen-ousness.

Ms. Fox hails originally from Red Deer, Alberta and is a member of the Samson Cree First Nation.

"Every First Nation is facing the same cycles of poverty, diabetes, suicide, addictions, high dropout rates, high incarceration rates, gangs, violence and high numbers of children in the child welfare system," said Ms. Fox. "We can start promoting the pride and rich traditions to the youth in our communities by sharing the teachings, our languages, customs and traditions so that they have a brighter future. The teach-



Janet Fox was the keynote speaker at the Proud to Parent Conference held in Wiikwemkoong.

photo by Michael Erskine

ings have always been there and they can be revitalized."

"On the first day I dealt with how our parenting skills were impacted by four generations of residential school," she said. "Each child was removed from their parents' care and placed in a very authoritarian system. Ms. Fox pointed out the residential schools, operated by staunch Christians, tended to follow a very Victorian and industrialized school of thought when it came to raising children—and any hint of

Indigenous culture was forbidden and severely punished.

"I was forbidden to know my language," said Ms. Fox. "I was taught to be ashamed of who I am. The textbooks I saw, especially in high school, painted the Anishinaabe as savages and heathens."

It wasn't until she reached her 40s that she started to really understand the effects of residential schools and the trauma that they inflicted on generations of her people.

"So we are working

through these cycles," she said. "Due to the policies of assimilation we have to fight to find our roots."

On the second day of her talks, Ms. Fox explored the teachings that predated the residential schools. "The teachings that were there," she said. "We need to understand where our ancestors came from."

Among the topics Ms. Fox explored were the various traditional medicines that Indigenous mothers and grandmothers utilized as part of their childrearing.

Other topics discussed at the conference included 'Co-parenting, the Good the Bad and the Ugly' presented by registered aboriginal midwife Sylvia Recollect from the Oneida Nation and Nadmadwin Mental Health Services counsellor Cody Wassengos; 'Breast feeding and Post Partum Depression, 'Looking at the Evidence,' presented by Stephanie George; 'Understanding Temperament in the Family' presented by a child and parent group facilitator at Merrymount Family Support and Crisis Centre in London, Sarah Wells; and finally 'Anishinaabe Men's Roles and

Responsibilities' presented by Dan Garcia. Day two's schedule included 'Breast Feeding: Our Children Can Help Heal Communities From Intergenerational Trauma,' presented by Stephanie George; 'Transitioning Together: The Move to School or Daycare' presented by Sarah Wells; 'Mirror Communication,' by Amy Assinewai; and 'Reclaiming Our Anishinaabe Roots,' by Dan Garcia.

As part of the handout package for the conference was a Best Start booklet supplied by Kina Gbezghomi entitled 'A Child Becomes Strong: Journeying through Each Stage of the Life Cycle.' The booklet contained a wealth of traditional knowledge about Anishinaabe child rearing practices and cultural learning, as well as great

explanations of the various stages of development of children.

"We have had a great response from parents for this booklet," said Daphne Corbiere, maternal health worker with Kina. "It helps parents who are trying to get back into traditional teachings, getting into culture with your children and understanding how they develop."

"These teachings awaken the spirit in us and we can balance our emotional, mental, physical and spiritual parts so that we can make change in our communities," said Ms. Fox, who emphasised that Anishinaabe traditional parenting skills can be reclaimed despite generations of residential school trauma and the lateral violence it has engendered.



Team Canada at the 25th FIG Trampoline Gymnastic World Age Group Competitions in Bulgaria. Reuben Negannegijig, formerly of Little Current, is in the middle row, 11th from the left.

## Reuben Negannegijig represents at World trampoline championships in Bulgaria

**by Robin Burridge**  
BULGARIA—Reuben Negannegijig, formerly of Little Current, proudly represented Canada recently at the 25th FIG Trampoline Gymnastic World Age Group Competitions in Bulgaria.

"He completed his routine and his score was in the top half of the competitors," said Reuben's mom Francis Hore. "Unfortunately, he didn't make it to finals, but he had a great time and said he really enjoyed taking in the competition and watching the other athlete's routines."

"We are so proud of him and that he qualified and made it to the world competition," added Ms. Hore.

"It was good," said Reuben. "It was exciting and I had a lot of fun."

The 14-year-old athlete qualified for the Worlds at the National Championships in June with a score of 93.5, second place in the 13 to 14 age division.

Reuben grew up in Little Current, but moved to Newmarket with his family to join Airborne Trampoline after getting into the sport on a competitive level. His passion

for gymnastics was sparked by a radio ad and subsequent visit to Jungle Gym in Sudbury.

In October, Reuben competed at the Loulé Cup 2017 International competition in Portugal, placing in the top eight trampoliners.

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HANNAH WOESTENENK

Congratulations, Hannah!

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Hannah Woestenenk is one of many MSS athletes who deserves to be recognized. Hannah is a grade 11 student who loves to hangout with her friends and watch hockey games when she isn't studying for school or attending practices.

Hannah has always had an athletic side to go along with her easy-going personality. While she was a student at C.C. McLean, she competed in basketball, soccer, volleyball, baseball, and track & field. Hannah has participated in many sports at MSS, demonstrating her determination. In grade 9, Hannah played basketball, hockey, tennis and volleyball. In grade 10, she competed in basketball and tennis again, volleyball, track & field, and hockey. Hannah went to NOSSA in grade nine for her track & field performances. Hannah is moving into the senior division for all of her sports this year and is also on the Mustang hockey team this year.

As Hannah looks forward to graduating high school, she spends her time outside school playing house league hockey with the Gore Bay Bruins. She has played with the Bruins for 5 years, as a defense player. Hannah is going to go to college and either become a police officer or get her pilot's license. Her favourite things about high school are her Society Challenge and Change class and getting to see her friends.

Sports take up a lot of time, but Hannah enjoys the feeling she gets when she is in the middle of an intense game, and the crowd watching is going wild. Her favourite sport is hockey because of the energy during the game.

Hannah is a notable Mustang in a school full of talent, and with her crazy energy, positive attitude, and love of the game, she is sure to make MSS proud. Let's go, Hannah, let's go!

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...Bill raising minimum wage causing business concerns

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“They like to talk a good game, but I’ll tell you this—I was shocked to hear that they’re happy to have workers continue to earn wages that won’t even pay the rent and put food on the table,” said NDP Leader Andrea Horwath following the Tory announcement. “We are in favour of a minimum wage increase, we have been for a long time, but the fact that the Conservatives are saying people have to wait another four years before \$15 minimum wage is in place in Ontario shows how utterly out of touch that party is.”

Unions are also largely on board with the increases. “When working people say what they need, they have the power to get it,” said OPSEU President Warren (Smokey) Thomas. “Bill 148 is a significant step forward for workers’ rights, and I think every union, community group and individual who helped make it happen should take a bow.”

But the province’s hospitality industry, a major player in the low-end wage market, is likening the rapid increases as “approaching a disaster,” citing absorbing the rapidity of the increases as the major challenge facing their industry.

Other negative voices came from reports from the TD Canada Bank and the Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis, who both estimated the potential for between 90,000 and 185,000 jobs lost in Ontario as a result of Bill 148. Ontario’s own Financial Accountability Office warned that 50,000 jobs could be lost.

But these assessments fly in the face of numerous economists who maintain the increase in minimum wage will, in fact, boost the Ontario economy by putting more money in the hands of lower income consumers. Those most likely to spend a larger percentage of their wages on the necessities of life.

Bill 148 is entitled the ‘Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017’ and contains a great deal more than the headline grabbing rise in minimum wages, even though most are making less waves than the income rises.

Among the coming changes in Ontario’s commercial environment are: the addition of a critical illness

leave; the expansion of family medical leave; the expansion of the list of professionals who can certify statutory leaves; a revision to the “three-hour rule” that will entitle employees to more pay guarantees; exceptions to the on-call and scheduling rules for employers who provide essential public services (this was in response to a clarion alarm raised by small rural municipalities who envisioned having to pay their local firefighters for their 24/7 on-call job requirements); clarification on what Equal Pay for Equal Work will apply in that the duties performed by workers do not necessarily have to be identical, but rather “substantially the same”; deletion of the hours-based “seniority system” exception to Equal Pay for Equal Work; the expansion of what employee information may need to be provided to a union during a union organizing drive; and a ban on mandatory high-heeled shoes in the workplace under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (except for the entertainment industry).

...Luke Wassegijig receives 2017 Tourism Champion Award

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tion while collecting visitor data.”

Mr. Wassegijig founded the annual Wikwemikong Ice Fishing Derby in 2008, attracting over 500 anglers from across the province each year. He also worked with trail groups to assist in developing a hiking trail system in Wiikwemkoong starting in 2010.

“In 2012, they (Wiikwemkoong Tourism) opened the Bebamikawe Memorial Trail with over 14km of trail complete with educational signage, outdoor fitness stations and authentic Indigenous lodges,” the press release notes. “This tourist attraction now draws over 3,500 users to his community. Also in 2010, he initiated a partnership with the Georgian Bay Coastal Trail to develop a rugged hiking trail along Georgian Bay. From there he reignited the vision of the Point Grondine Park which opened to outdoor enthusiasts in 2016. The Point Grondine Park is a phased development to create a First Nation owned and operated Eco Resort and Campground where traditional Anishnaabek culture meets a peaceful eco-retreat in one of Ontario’s spectacular regions.”

Mr. Wassegijig and his team have been training and helping build hiking trails for First Nation communities across the province through Wikwemikong Tourism’s Trail Development Services.

“Not only is he the tourism manager, he is also an entrepreneur and is the proud owner of Wass Tours,” the release concludes. “He has diversified his business from a private island cottage rental to now offering scenic/historic boat cruises and fishing charters on Georgian Bay. Wass Tours was featured on national TV programs such as Canadian Sport fishing with Italo Labignan and Fuel the Fire TV.”

Over 300 delegates from across the region gathered for the Summit from November 15 to 17, participating in

over 24 workshops and sessions.

“It was nice to see Luke Wassigijig of Wikwemikong Tourism receiving the 2017 Tourism Champion Award from Nature and Outdoor Tourism Ontario (NOTO) congratulations,” said the Chair of Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocate (MICA) Maja Mielonen, who attended the summit. “The former Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Cooperation (OTMPC) was renamed to Destination Ontario (DO) and presented the powerful promotional video Cycle Ontario. It was in part shot on Manitoulin this fall.

“Succession planning for businesses was well attended as so many businesses owners in the north reach the age where they would like to find young entrepreneurs that want to continue what they had created through their life,” said Ms. Mielonen of the summit. “A pilot project opportunity for businesses called Experience Fishing was presented for businesses that want to include fishing experiences for new guests that may never have had an opportunity to experience fishing. MICA was happy to see the release of the Cycle Tourism Plan booklet we have assisted with in the past two years. We found the significance of the Manitoulin Passage Ride as a excellent product that is sold out year after year mentioned amongst many other important cycling information.”

“We were very happy to share the good news the M.S. Chi-Cheemaun, our great ferry, shared with us with all our tourism friends,” she added. “For 2017 the ferry’s cycle traffic count was 5,843 up over six percent comparing with the 2016 numbers. Manitoulin Island is emerging quickly as the essential link in the ever growing provincial cycle community, as the essential connection coming to northern Ontario where we have so much beautiful cycling to offer.”

...Stuff the Ambulance and Stuff the Cruiser events collect food and toys

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Anishnaabe Police Community Services Officer Murray Still. “They realize that this time of year is particularly difficult for families in need, therefore it’s important as community service providers do what they can to help.”

The Stuff the Cruiser campaign is running from November 1 to Tuesday, December 12. Locations across Manitoulin will be receiving dona-

tions of non-perishable food items and toys during regular business hours.

Drop off locations include: Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services in M’Chigeeng, Mnidoo Mnising Employment and Training in Birch Island, Noojomowin Health Centre and Mnaamodzawin Health Centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, the Aundeck Omni Kaning Band Office, the Ojibway Culture

Foundation in M’Chigeeng, the Sheguiandah Health Centre, the Sheshegwaning Health Centre, the Zhiibaahaasing Band Office, the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising office in M’Chigeeng, the UCCM Anishnaabe Police in M’Chigeeng, and Waubetek Business Development Corporation in Birch Island.

...Sea Cadets invite you to celebrate Scotland’s immortal bard Robbie Burns

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him to recite his favourite stanza.

Around the globe the Scottish diaspora has been gathering to celebrate Robbie Burns Night with dinners that feature a piping in of the haggis (a curious Scottish “chieftain of the puddin’ race”), a recitation of the Robbie Burns poem celebrating the same, in an atmosphere of “great camaraderie” and a chance to learn about how the traditions have been celebrated around the world.

The dinner will be taking place on Saturday, January

27 at the Four Directions Complex located at 1300 Highway 540 in Aundeck Omni Kaning and will feature finely catered roast beef, tatties and neeps (that’s potatoes and turnip), desert and table wine.

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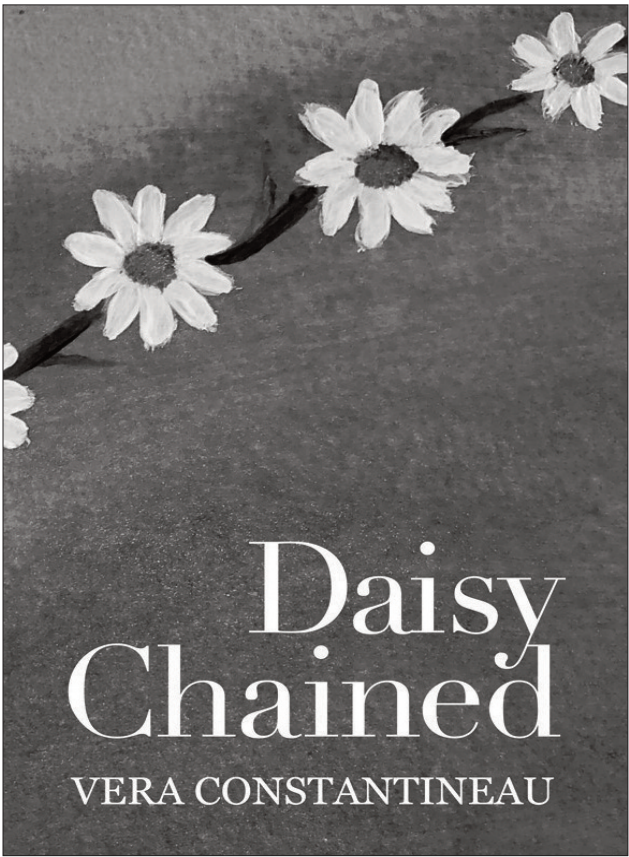
# Islander authors release their collected stories

GORE BAY—Double your pleasure; double your fun. Experience the launch of collected works by two Manitoulin authors on the same day. The dual launch is part of the Christmas tea and shopping event to be held on the second floor of the Gore Bay Harbour Centre Saturday, December 9 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Artist studios will be open for the occasion and visitors can enjoy original readings by local writers as well as yuletide refreshments.

Evelyn Cardiff will be on hand to sign copies of her new release ‘From the Banks of Bickel’s Creek.’ The book features memoirs, short fiction and family history all related with the author’s characteristic humour. The collection is dedicated to the strong women who nurtured her and educated her through the years. “Family stories should be shared with the next generation, whether they like it or not,” she notes in her introduction.

Ms. Cardiff grew up on Manitoulin and worked in nursing for nearly four decades in Sault Ste. Marie. After she returned to Gore Bay to enjoy a well-deserved rest, she found that gazing upon Bickel’s Creek refreshed her spirit and inspired her to put pen to paper. The result is a thoughtful reflection on the timelessness of the human experience as well as a tongue-in-cheek look at the foibles of small town life.

Manitoulin artist Christie Pearson Anderson contributed the cover



‘Daisy Chained’ by Vera Constantineau and Evelyn Cardiff’s ‘From the Banks of Bickel’s Creek’ are being launched as part of the Christmas tea and shopping event on December 9 at the Gore Bay Harbour Centre.

art which depicts a creek scene very familiar to Gore Bay residents.

Vera Constantineau, formerly of Little Current, will also be presenting her debut anthology at this pre-Christmas launch. As past president of the Sudbury Writers’ Guild and a charter member of the Manitoulin Writers’ Circle, she has refined her style in both fiction and poetry; her dedication has led to publication in many anthologies both at home and internationally. The tales in ‘Daisy Chained’ focus on odd situations,

difficult choices and even contradictory events. Readers will respond to her ability to express the contradictions in life and to offer a quirky sense of fun.

Ms. Constantineau is also well known in the Espanola area where she wrote a humour column for Around and About for several years. Here on the island she has contributed to many Writers’ Circle endeavours including ‘Canadian Crossroads,’ ‘Manitoulin Morsels’ and ‘Manitoulin Cross-Pollination.’

In releasing her collection, she tells readers, “The answers within may not always be expected, but then, life is full of contradictions. I hope you find a story that moves you.” ‘Daisy Chained’ is published by Control Freak Publishing of Copper Cliff.

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## ...Tehkummah Township council given orders by ministry

...continued from page 3 reported incidents/complaints of workplace harassment discussed today. This investigation is to be conducted, at the expense of the employer, by an impartial person possessing knowledge of the workplace harassment provision under the Occupational Health and Safety act and be qualified to conduct a workplace harassment investigation and to provide, at the expense of the employer, a written report by that person. At the time of this visit an investigation had not commenced. (January 31, 2018 completion date.)

Tehkummah placed a request for proposal for an investigator to conduct the MOL investigation, as this

is not done by the ministry. The municipality had heard from five interested parties, with the reeve supplying his own firm for consideration, and pushing for council to approve his submission that night.

“Let’s get this over with,” he said.

Mr. Chenard gently warned council that the MOL has to approve the investigator.

“What’s 24 hours?” Councillor Hierons asked the reeve, noting that the submission date for the request for proposals was November 22. “We don’t swing at the first pitch.”

Mr. Chenard noted that council can request more time from the MOL to be in compliance if needed.

Reeve Russell suggested

that the health and safety coordinator was threatening them with Mr. Chenard responding by saying that he was simply helping them complete their due diligence. A back and forth between the merits of waiting for a review by all interested parties and a move to hire someone that night occurred between Councillor Hierons and Reeve Russell.

Council decided to meet as a committee of the whole following the council meeting to review the submissions to date with Mr. Chenard.

As of press time Monday, a firm or individual had not been chosen by council to act as MOL investigator.

## ...innovation will lead to improved health in Northern Ontario

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Government of Canada is proud to encourage Canadian researchers and entrepreneurs capitalize on opportunities that lead to business growth and the creation of well-paying middle-class jobs,” The Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, and Minister responsible for FedNor, said in a press release. “Projects such as this will help unleash the potential of new technologies for the benefit of Northern Ontario residents, communities and companies alike.”

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...Unique career choice draws Island man home to Manitoulin

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getting really good at the cello,” he said. (Those who had the opportunity to listen to his playing prior to leaving for school would readily testify that he was already “really good.”) “When I finished that, like most people who study music at the undergraduate level, I was looking around for what to do next and settled on ‘more education’.”

He had his eye on the Glenn Gould masters program at the conservatory in Toronto. “I just sort of assumed I would get in,” he said. “I didn’t get chosen.” It was his first real academic setback. “It was a shock,” he admitted. “It was a very humbling experience.”

Undaunted, Mr. Poenn then set his sights on a one-year program at Sir Wilfred Laurier and focussed on playing in groups, orchestras and string quartets, even a rock band. “The rock band wasn’t part of my course of studies,” he laughed. Taking on the Sir Wilfred Laurier program was to prove a very fortuitous decision.

“As I was looking at my elective choices I saw one called ‘Introduction to Music Therapy,’ he recalled. “I thought to myself ‘that sounds interesting,’ and it turned out to be really fascinating.” The same university offered a master’s program in music therapy. “I applied and got in,” said Mr. Poenn. “I found it synthesized two opposing interests, health



Jonathan Poenn

care and music.”

After a number of placements and working for a while in southern Ontario, Mr. Poenn found himself drawn back to the Island where he hoped to be able to employ his newfound dual skillset.

Soon he was working at two of the Island nursing homes, as well as taking on individual clients and the odd private gig.

The cognitive function impact of music therapy can be immense. “There are so many domains that music plays an important role in,” he said. “Emotional, physical, social, spiritual—especially spiritual.”

Ms. Osawabine-Peltier said that the impact of Mr. Poenn’s work with the residents of the Wikwemikong Nursing Home has a wide reach. “We have residents who really don’t take part in the normal activities here,” she said. “They don’t do bingo or anything that the other residents take part in. But those residents that don’t take part in other activities will sit there and

listen to Jonathan play for hours, some of them even follow him around when he goes to visit other residents.”

While Mr. Poenn plays the guitar and the piano, his favourite remains the cello for a variety of reasons. “The great thing about the cello is that it is very loud,” he explains. That allows the instrument to dominate the space and to help listeners focus on the sound. “When you are playing in an enclosed space, you can feel the vibrations from the cello in your body.” Those who may begin listening in an agitated state are soon calmed by the music.

“Music helps to trigger memories of old friends and acquaintances,” he explains, and when the music brings back those memories people often find themselves calmed and lost deep in thought.

“Long term memory is one of the last things to go,” said Ms. Omnet. “Short term memory goes pretty fast, but long term memory stays around.” Music is inextricably linked to events and people in a person’s past and when an old favourite is played, it can bring those memories flooding back.

In addition to the group and individual sessions that Mr. Poenn conducts in the long-term nursing homes, he also is available for private therapy sessions. With the growth of palliative care options on

Manitoulin, Mr. Poenn also hopes to see his schedule expand there as well.

And then there are the opportunities to play to audiences in a “non-medical” setting, which he still enjoys.

“I still play at various functions,” he said. “In fact, this weekend and next I am playing down south at functions. It’s going to be a pretty busy couple of weeks.”

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...motions may be ‘illegal’ since vacancy remains

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tions under the Municipal Act, 2001.”

“If council wilfully ignores its obligations under the statutes, there may also be the question of whether the members are acting in bad faith and in breach of their fiduciary duties and responsibilities to the electorate,” the memo continues.

“With regards to filling a vacancy on council: the statute itself does not set out a remedy as the requirement to fill a vacancy on council is mandatory. Interestingly, even if council eventually fills the vacancy, it will still have been in breach of the Act after November 10, 2017, but we’re not certain what consequences that failure may have created, if any,” the memo states.

“Ramifications of this failure to comply with the Municipal Act in filling a vacant seat or by not paying for the property repairs, or by failing to adhere to its own bylaws and policies, may jeopardize any decisions made by council by potentially rendering them voidable if someone should challenge any bylaws or resolutions enacted.

“Council cannot believe that it can continue to operate as normal,” the memo stresses.

“Any qualified elector can go and challenge council business,” Ms. Gerrard told council.

It was noted that a vacant council seat does not have to be filled if it falls six months prior to the next election. This instance falls outside of

that scope, however, as the next election is almost a year away.

There was much discussion, and confusion, over the inability to vote on a motion to overturn a vote regarding how to deal with the vacant seat, which Councillor Paul Bowerman attempted to do at council’s regular meeting held earlier this month.

Councillor Lori Leeson accused Ms. Gerrard of leading them to believe falsehoods about filling the vacant seat. Ms. Gerrard pointed to the Municipal Act and what it states concerning the subject.

With this new information in hand, Reeve Eric Russell asked council if

they wished to go ahead with the meeting.

“I’m willing to go forward,” Councillor Bowerman said. “I’m not afraid of anything I’ve done.”

“I’ve tried to represent everybody fairly,” the councillor added. “I always thought of everybody else when sitting at this table,” going on to note that he’s been “threatened, bullied, discriminated against and intimidated.”

In reference to Councillor Bowerman trying to overturn his vote, Reeve Russell said he thought that while the motion had to be made by someone on the prevailing side, it is not clear whether whoever sec-

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# ...Players reluctant about change

...continued from page 1 support of council since the beginning, “a positive relationship” they would like to see moving forward.

In 2008, the BWTP’s first production after a long hiatus, the group approached council to ask for a \$1,000 donation to be used toward start-up fees. Mr. Baumgarten explained that this is the only time the Players have approached council for a hand out. Instead they have contributed almost \$14,000 to the municipality through a portion of ticket sales from 2008 to 2013—almost \$3,000 each year. The Players, he added, also reached out to local restaurants and church groups during the shows’ runs, encouraging them to put on events or specials to create a theatre package that only sought to benefit the people of Manitowaning.

Mr. Baumgarten also spoke to the community inclusion that each play brings, seeing actors varying in age from 5 to 90 involved in the plays.

“We have 1,000 audience members every season, even people who schedule vacations specifically for these shows,” he said.

He also reminded council that the BWTP helped to pay for a new roof and a brand-new lighting system, which was only used once season. “Structurally, the building is sound,” he added, “it’s all about the building codes.”

“We feel we’re being compared to the Steamship Society,” Mr. Baumgarten said. “We find that a very unfair comparison. We’re nothing like them except that we’re both an historical asset and our theatre is located a stone’s throw from the Norisle.”

With the completion of the required building code improvements to the Burns Wharf Theatre building, it will mean an asset for the municipality for decades to come, he said.

The BWTP make enough money each year to keep them going and

## ...Tehk motions may be ‘illegal’

...continued from page 11 onds Councillor Bowerman’s proposed vote has previously had to be on a particular side too.

Councillor Ron Hierons asked what was wrong with holding an election. “It would have been over and done by now,” he said, noting that this is how council had filled a vacancy during the last term of council.

“Because it was three years until the next election,” Councillor Leeson responded.

Reeve Russell asked the clerk-treasurer why items he asked to be put on the agenda were being left off. Debate followed on whether it was an intentional move, with Ms. Gerard assuring the reeve that it was not.

When reeve and council got to the business of approving the agenda, Councillor Bowerman said that he would not approve the agenda because he too failed to see items on the agenda that he had requested to be there, well in advance.

The meeting went ahead.

has no money sunk into the Burns Wharf, unlike the Steamship Society that has, reportedly, over one million sunk into the aging ship so far, he added. “We’re nothing like the Norisle and to compare us to the Norisle is unfair,” he reiterated.

Mr. Baumgarten reminded council that at one time, repairs to the Burns Wharf Theatre were a priority for council and while that may have changed, there is no reason they can’t apply for grants on the Players’ behalf and make them a funding priority. He also reminded mayor and council that for the people of Assiginack, the restoration of Burns Wharf is a priority, according to a strategic planning survey undertaken by the municipality.

“We’re asking for the township’s assistance, and not even a lot of it,” he said.

Mr. Baumgarten said that the Players do not mind doing the “legwork” for funding applications, as long as municipal staff and council will provide feedback on those applications in order to get them back in the Burns Wharf.

As for incorporation, “it’s not a simple process, and it’s a costly one,” Mr. Baumgarten continued, listing the many items a group must do to become incorporated.

“If incorporation is the only way forward, I’m not sure what will happen to our group,” he admitted.

“We’re not like Friends of the Norisle, we’re not like Manitoulin Streams, we’re a social group,” Mr. Baumgarten continued. “If anything, we’re more like minor hockey than any of the other groups.”

He pointed to the fact that some members of council feel that the Players don’t need a dedicated space as they can continue to use Debajehmujig’s black box theatre, as they have done for the past two summers. “Debaj has been accommo-

dating, but they’ve already given us signals that this arrangement isn’t going to last,” Mr. Baumgarten said.

And as for the Assiginack Public School gym, it’s not conducive to a theatre group.

“We need to get back into the Burns Wharf building and we hope to do so without being incorporated,” he again stated.

Mayor Paul Moffatt said the reasons stated for not incorporating don’t hold any weight, noting that it doesn’t take much time and it’s not expensive.

“If you were incorporated, then the municipality could give that venue to you then you could raise all the money,” the mayor said.

“I fail to see why the township wants to download the building from your plate on to ours,” Mr. Baumgarten replied. “There are not a lot of assets in this community. If we don’t feel we can incorporate, it could be another thing gone from this township.”

“I fail to see why you think it’s so difficult to incorporate,” Mayor Moffatt reiterated.

“We still don’t understand why we should be incorporated,” Marilyn Wohlberg, BWTP artistic director, interjected. “Why is this absolutely necessary?” she questioned, asking if this was a direction from the municipal lawyer due to their other legal problems regarding township assets of late. “You must have a reason for insisting on this?”

“If and when your organization becomes incorporated, we can transfer that venue to you,” the mayor repeated.

“Why is the township not taking responsibility for the building?” Mr. Baumgarten queried. “We’re not hearing an answer as to why.”

“We don’t really want the building,” Ms.

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# ...Manitoulin—the horse—doing well in thoroughbred stakes

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horse Little Current that won two of the three races that make the Triple Crown in 1974—the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes. This newspaper made much of Little Current at the time and his owner, John Galbreath, who just so happens to be the grandfather of John Phillips, of Darby Dan Farms.

“Little Current should have won the Triple Crown, he was very, very good,” Mr. Phillips said, recalling a trip to Little Current, the community, with his grandfather. A room was set up to show a film of Little Current’s wins and his grandfather answered questions from the crowd. “About 40 people were there,” Mr. Phillips said.

The Expositor spoke with Mr. Phillips on Monday of this week following Manitoulin’s Hollywood Turf Cup win. It turns out Mr. Phillips had been in the area just one week prior, bird hunting with long-time family friends the Beauvais family of Killarney. In fact, it was thanks to a friendship struck with the Beauvais that Mr. Phillips’ grandfather first made acquaintance with the area and soon fell in love, building a cottage on George Island, just outside of Killarney. Mr. Phillips spoke of a special family challenge which states that whoever can waterski from the Killarney lighthouse to the Strawberry Island light is



Manitoulin as a yearling on the Darby Dan Farm.

worthy of having their name on a special plaque in the Phillips-Galbreath cottage. So far there are about 12 names on said plaque.

“Philip Edward Island is one of the most beautiful places in the world,” Mr. Phillips said of the Killarney-area island, “and we’ve been very blessed to do a lot of travelling. It’s one of the most sacred places in the world for us.”

One of the reasons Mr. Phillips said he is so drawn to the area is due to the dynamic quality of the environment—the ebb and flow of the water levels, the change in seasons.

“We are the product of our nurturing, no doubt, both in terms of your incredible land and our love of horses.”

Mr. Phillips said that as a young man, he felt the need to do something professional, like become a lawyer, which he did, but it just didn’t fit—the call of the horse was much stronger, and more fun, so he reverted to his roots and stepped up at Darby Dan Farm.

This is actually Darby Dan’s second Manitoulin; the first Manitoulin was named by Mr. Phillips’ grandmother and raced in the English Derby in 1971. “He did not prevail, but my grandfather’s horse did win the English Derby, several years later.”

Mr. Phillips said they rarely keep colts, but in Manitoulin’s special case Darby Dan Farms made an exception and put together

the group that would care for him and name him when he was a baby. Manitoulin was born of a risky caesarian section and in the world of thoroughbred horses, C-section foals have a 50/50 chance of survival. “It was a miraculous survival.”

Mr. Phillips gathered his fishing buddies, hunting pals and the veterinarian

who delivered him when settling on a name and, as most of those people had vacationed at the Killarney family cottage, the name Manitoulin was decided. “He’s named for an area that’s brought us all together.”

Manitoulin first raced as a three-year-old colt.

“He has a very strong personality—he is a charac-

ter,” Mr. Phillips said. “He is very much an energetic and playful horse. It’s why he went from a colt to a gelding. He didn’t want to train, he liked to play; he bucked, he walked on his hind legs. He wasn’t mean by any means, but he loved to play and get loose. He wasn’t very focussed.”

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# ...diploma-degree granting status

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Anishinaabemowin degree and diploma. We are looking forward to offering specialized degrees.” Currently, for example, KTEI offers teacher training accreditation through Queen’s University.

“Ontario is taking an historic step in recognizing the unique role Indigenous institutes have in the province’s postsecondary education system with the introduction of new legislation that, if passed, will transfer key functions and oversight to Indigenous people,” states a press release from the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development.

Deb Matthews, minister of Advanced Education and Skills Development, and David Zimmer, minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation, were joined by the Aboriginal Institutes Consortium, chiefs, leaders of Indigenous institutes (including KTEI) and students from across the province in Toronto last Thursday, November 23 to mark this step on the path to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

“The legislation, if passed, would recognize Indigenous Institutes as unique and complementary pillars of Ontario’s post-secondary education system and support

the independence and sustainability of the institutes,” the release continues. “It is also another important step on the path to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. The changes would create a framework for ongoing collaboration between Ontario and Indigenous institutes and would support a strong, independent Indigenous institutes sector, overseen by an Indigenous controlled and governed council. The council would, among other functions, provide quality assurance for postsecondary diplomas, certificates and degree programs offered by Indigenous institutes.”

The proposed legislation is the result of joint policy co-creation between the Indigenous institutes, represented by the Aboriginal Institutes Consortium, and the government.

“Working in partnership with Indigenous institutes to promote Indigenous language, culture, identity and community well-being is a key step towards reconciliation with Indigenous peoples in Ontario,” re-iterated Minister Matthews in the press release. “This legislation goes a long way to create greater access to lifelong learning

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# ...Manitoulin—the horse—doing well

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he began to focus and soon discovered that running was fun.

Mr. Phillips likened thoroughbred race horses to dogs in the retriever family—they are born and bred to do what they love to do. In Manitoulin’s case, that’s run. “They’re competitive by nature.”

“It took us a while to figure him out, and now he’s a graded stakes winner,” Mr. Phillips added.

Manitoulin’s father, Awesome Again, and mother, Soaring Softly, were both Grade 1 stakes winners for the Darby Dan Farm. Interestingly, Manitoulin’s jockey, Mike Smith, has had the privilege of riding both of his parents.

Manitoulin’s speciality is the mile-and-a-half run, on firm earth. “He likes to hear his feet rattle.”

Following his Del Mar win, Manitoulin will return to Kentucky for some R and R. He’ll be walked for a few days, then let into a small paddock, then a larger one to play and mess about.

Manitoulin will then head to Florida until the end of January before he comes home to Kentucky to get ready for more turf racing next summer, hopefully in the stakes.

“A happy horse is a horse that goes out there and makes stakes,” Mr. Phillips said.

A charmed life indeed.

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# Rockin’ The Rock announces line up

by Robin Burridge  
LITTLE CURRENT—Rockin’ The Rock, Manitoulin’s new rock festival, has announced its initial lineup for the inaugural 2018 event.

“So far we have booked Headpins, Prism, Helix and Harlequin,” said organizer Kelly Timmermans. “We will be making more announcements in the coming weeks.”

Ms. Timmermans explained that the idea for the event had been something that she and her husband and co-organizer Craig Timmermans had been discussing for some time.

“We had been talking about wanting to have a rock concert on Manitoulin for a while, but we didn’t want to impede on Spanish, so when they made an announcement to cancel their festival we decided to pick it up,” said Ms. Timmermans. “We felt it was better to keep it in the region then not have it here at all.”

A ‘name the festival’ contest was held in partnership with The Expositor, and Rockin’ the Rock was chosen as the winning name.

The Timmermans, who also organize Manitoulin Country Fest, decided to hold the event the weekend following Country Fest, August 17 to 18, 2018, allowing visitors to the area to stay for a week and take in both festivals.

“We already have a lot of people who have booked their camping spot for



Country Fest and Rockin’ the Rock and are planning to stay the week,” said Ms. Timmermans.

As part of the event, there will also be a band battle on Friday, August 17, with the winners kicking off Saturday night’s show.

“We are encouraging local bands to participate and think it’s going to be a lot of fun,” added Ms. Timmermans.

The entire event is 19

plus, with the whole venue licenced. Tickets are on sale now for \$49.96 plus tax for a weekend pass, but the price will be going up to \$69.99 plus tax after December 31.

“Tickets make a great Christmas gift,” said Ms. Timmermans. “You don’t need to worry about the wrong size or colour.”

Tickets can be purchased online at rockintherock.ca or by calling 1-866-755-7425.

“Stay tuned to the webpage and our Facebook page for more information and lineup updates,” concluded Ms. Timmermans.

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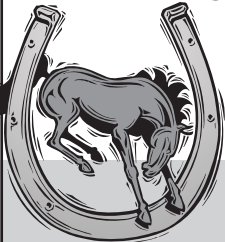
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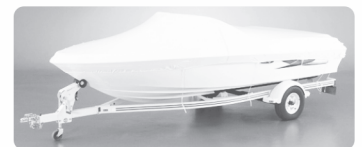
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27-28p

**Children Shop for Free** time is here again on Saturday, December 9 from 11 am to 1 pm at Trinity United Manitoulin (formerly Mindemoya United Church). Children under 12 years old are welcome to come and shop for parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters. Assistant shoppers are on hand to help smaller children shop while the parents enjoy cookies and refreshments. Wrappers are on hand to wrap the gifts. Donations of new or gently used item for children, men, boys, women, girls and pets are welcome. Contact persons are: Marian Sloss 705-282-2816, Willie Munro 705-282-8541, or Tom McQuay 705-377-5783.

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27-28p

**Pancake breakfast** at Tehkummah hall, Sunday, December 3, 9 am to 12 pm. Adults, \$10; children 6 to 12, \$6, 5 and under free. Santa will be there to greet the children. Everyone welcome. Sponsored by Tehkummah Triangle Senior Citizens Club.

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28-29p

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28-29c

**Christmas Tea** at Knox United Church, Manitowaning. Saturday, December 2, 11:30 am to 3 pm. Admission, \$5 per adult; \$2.50 ages 6 to 12; ages 5 and under free. Christmas and Bazaar table, touch and take table, bake table, penny table, raffle table and door prizes. Santa will arrive at 2 pm.

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## What ever happened to Mr. Ebenezer Scrooge?

Have you ever wondered what ever happened to Ebenezer Scrooge after he was redeemed? Come see for yourself as the Little Current United Church warmly invite you to a dramatic reading of a sequel to the classic Dicken's tale of *A Christmas Carol* entitled **Scrooge and Cratchit.**

**The dramatic reading will take place on Sunday, December 3 at 7:00 pm at the Little Current United Church at 5 Robinson Street.**



A free will monetary offering or non-perishable food items would be greatly appreciated as an entry fee.

All proceeds will go to the Manitoulin Family Resources

coming events

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# We shall light a Thousand Candles

Please join us for two celebrations of **Seasonal music** presented by the Island Singers & Friends



**Sunday, December 10, 2017 • 3:00 pm**  
 Sponsored by  
 Little Current United Church

**Monday, December 11, 2017 • 7:30 pm**  
 Sponsored by  
 Mindemoya Missionary Church

Adults \$10 • Family \$20 • Students \$5

# FUNDRAISER




Little Current Howland Minor Hockey Association will be selling Purdy's chocolate bars at **Orr's Valumart on Saturday, December 2 from 10 am to 2 pm.**

*The ideal stocking stuffer!*

You are cordially invited to have



**Saturday, December 2nd**  
 9:00 am - 10:30 am  
 Little Current United Church Hall  
 \$8.00 per person

Parents and children come and enjoy a morning with the Claus family that will always be remembered.

**Breakfast Menu:**  
 Juice, Bacon, Sausage & Pancakes with Maple Syrup  
 There will be surprise gifts from Santa for each child!



*We hope to see you there!*  
 Love, Santa & Mrs. Claus

Bring your own camera to take pictures!

The 8th annual

## Christmas in Tehkummah

Saturday, December 2  
 10 am - 3 pm  
 Tehkummah Hall

Do some shopping and enjoy a bowl of homemade soup or a cup of coffee or tea and chat with neighbours and friends.

**Baking, preserves, handcrafts and lots of interesting gift ideas from local vendors.**

Be sure to put your name in for the free door prize draw.

## Manitoulin Flee Market



### 25% OFF

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Open Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
 9685 Hwy 6, 5 minutes South of Little Current  
 705-368-1841 or 705-368-0078

Visit our web store at [www.manitoulinfleemarket.com](http://www.manitoulinfleemarket.com)

## Journey to Bethlehem

**Friday, December 1, 6:00-8:30 pm**  
**Saturday, December 2, 6:00-8:30 pm**

A multi-denominational, family-oriented outdoor presentation of the Christmas story starting at Mindemoya Missionary Church. Free will offering.

**For further information phone 705-377-5283 or 705-348-0049**  
 Sponsored by the 4 churches of Mindemoya



## SAVE THE DATE

Saturday,  
 Jan 27, 2018

### Traditional Robbie Burns Dinner

Hosted by the Manitoulin Navy League at Four Directions Complex in Aundek Omni Kaning

Watch for details.

**Private classified** word ads, like this, are \$8 for up to 25 words and 10 cents for every additional word, per week, plus HST. Pre-payment (VISA, MasterCard, cheque or cash) is required. Private sales only. Call 705-368-2744 to book your ad.

**Passport photos** are taken Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4:30 pm at the Expositor Office. \$20.50 including tax. No appointment necessary. 705-368-2744.

**Deadline for text ads**, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.



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**Canadian Mental Health Association**  
Sudbury/Manitoulin

**Canadian Mental Health Association,  
Sudbury-Manitoulin is hiring:**

**Rehabilitation Practitioner / Justice Case Manager,**  
Little Current  
Full-Time – 35 hours per week  
(Contract up to 12 months with possibility of extension)

Deadline for accepting applications is  
**Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at noon.**

Please visit our website at  
***<https://sm.cmha.ca/get-involved/careers/>***  
for all application details.

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**The Expositor Office** can meet your various printing needs: wedding invitations, invoices, letterhead, business cards, rubber stamps, envelopes. Call 705-368-2744, ask for Dave.



**Mnaamodzawin Health Services Inc.**  
**Registered Nurse (Permanent Full-Time)**

**Position Summary:**  
The Registered Nurse provides primary care nursing services and is responsible for the assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of home care services to the individuals, families and communities to the Five First Nation communities of Mnaamodzawin Health Services (Sheguiandah, Aundeck Omni-Kaning, Sheshegwaning, Whitefish River and Zhiibaahaasing First Nation).

**Objectives:**

1. Implement nursing services to eligible clients within the policies and procedures of the Home Care Program;
2. Ensure that the Home Care Nursing Services are sensitive and culturally appropriate to meet the needs of the First Nations Communities;
3. Assess eligible clients and works collaboratively with health care providers in providing holistic care that focuses on achieving and maintaining optimal health;
4. Ensure timely, quality and compassionate care

**Minimum Qualifications:**


- A Baccalaureate in Nursing from a Canadian University and/or a diploma in nursing from a recognized School of Nursing.
- A member in good standing with the College of Nursing and possessing a current license to practice.
- Experience in community health nursing/home care nursing; within First Nation communities considered an asset.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Knowledge of available community resources.
- Knowledge of Ojibway culture, language and traditions an asset.
- Valid driver's license.

**Salary Range:** Subject to current salary grid

Please send application letter, resume and three (3) professional references to:

**CONFIDENTIAL**  
Home Care Manager  
Mnaamodzawin Health Services  
Postal Bag 2002, Little Current, ON POP 1K0

**Application Deadline: Friday, December 8 at 12:00 noon.**  
Only those applicants considered for an interview will be notified.



**Conseil des Services du District de  
Manitoulin-Sudbury**  
District Services Board

210 boul Mead Blvd  
Espanola, ON P5E 1R9  
Telephone/Téléphone: (705) 862-7850  
Fax/Télécopieur: (705) 862-7805  
<http://www.msdsb.net>


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, Social Housing, Emergency Medical 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.

**Integrated Program Assistant – Espanola**  
**TEMPORARY FULL-TIME**  
**35hrs/wk at \$22.76/hr**  
Competition #2017-10-ISS  
Closing date: December 15, 2017  
For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at  
[www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers](http://www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers)

While all responses are appreciated, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

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**Manitoulin Family Resources**

**Manitoulin Family Resources  
Employment Opportunity  
Shelter Residential Counsellor, Casual Position**

Manitoulin Family Resources requires one casual Residential Counsellor to support women in our Violence Against Women shelter program, Haven House. The Residential Counsellor provides counselling, crisis intervention, support and advocacy to women and children residing at the shelter as well as telephone counselling and support through crisis line coverage.

**Qualifications:**

- Relevant post-secondary diploma or degree, and/or combination of training/experience working with victims of woman abuse.
- 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 French.

This position is a bargaining unit position and flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the shelter.

Please forward applications to [dleblanc@mfresources.net](mailto:dleblanc@mfresources.net)

Manitoulin Family Resources  
Attn: D. Leblanc  
P.O. Box 181  
Mindemoya, ON  
POP 1S0  
705 377-4863 (fax)

**CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS**

This is an exciting time to join Correctional Services as it undertakes transformation! If you have a desire to work for Correctional Services, then consider this rewarding opportunity with the **Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services**, where you will support the correctional system in Ontario and contribute to keeping Ontario's communities safe. The Correctional Officer position is a rewarding career in the justice sector, and an opportunity to work with an employer that promotes diversity. There are 58 unilingual (English) and 2 bilingual (English/French) positions available, of up to 6 months in duration. You will work from 0 to 40 hours per week, on an irregular on-call basis, with no guarantee of hours. **Location(s): 1501 Fuller Ave., Penetanguishene, or 3052 Rese Rd., Monteith, or 2550 Trout Lake Rd., North Bay, or 181 Elm St., Sudbury.**

You must meet the following pre-requirements to apply for these positions: be a minimum of 18 years of age; be able to provide proof of eligibility to work in Canada; possess oral French skills at the Advanced-Minus level (for bilingual positions); be currently certified and/or able to be certified by the first day of employment in Emergency First Aid, Cardiopulmonary Heartsaver (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED); have original proof of Grade 12 completion or an equivalency (e.g. general equivalency diploma/certificate); be able to work rotating shifts, including days, afternoons and nights, and on weekends and statutory holidays; and pass all required testing.

These positions require Enhanced Screening Checks: CPIC Check, Vulnerable Services Sector Check, Intelligence Check, Local Police Record Check, Internet Search, Credit Check, Immigration Status Check, MTO Check, Fingerprint-based CPIC.


**Salary Range:** \$25.09 - \$29.50 per hour

For full position details, please visit [www.ontario.ca/careers](http://www.ontario.ca/careers). Please apply online, quoting **Job ID 114183**, by **Friday, December 15, 2017**. Please follow the instructions to submit your application. **Des renseignements en français sur ces postes (ID de poste 114183) sont disponibles en ligne à [www.ontario.ca/carrieres](http://www.ontario.ca/carrieres).**

*If you require accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please contact us at [www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/ContactUs.aspx](http://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/ContactUs.aspx) to provide your contact information. Recruitment Services staff will contact you within 48 hours. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.*

*The Ontario Public Service is an inclusive employer. Accommodation will be provided in accordance with Ontario's Human Rights Code.*

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# Now and Then: Doug Clark

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them too.” This was a big event for Kagawong. The Island classic car club also borrows the track each year for their event.”

“I am not a member of the local associations but have donated to them for good causes. The Lions Club may get a bird feeder for their silent auction. I don’t make windows or regular doors because other businesses make or sell those. I don’t want to compete with other Island firms. I do make wooden screen doors in different sizes. Retirement, anniversary and thank you gifts are popular such as two chairs and a table or two Adirondack chairs. The high school buys chairs for retirees. Components for trailers have been made too.”

“In addition to chairs, dressers and picnic tables, I make special sizes such as wider or higher chairs as needed. We made such chairs for a fly-in camp. The chair bottoms,



Dad and Digger on a motorcyle at three in 1987.

sides and back had to fit into the fuselage of a plane. I have made yokes for canoes and rough-cut panels for people who like to carve. Specialty items for school are on my list too. I like to say: ‘treat people the way you want to be treated.’ That has always done well by me.” If a chair or table is damaged by a falling tree or otherwise, Doug will fix it for free. He enjoys making people happy.

“The wood we use is harvested from small local farmers with portable mills. The hardware comes from Williamson’s, Castle or Home Hardware. When you buy locally, business comes back to you. Even the gas station across the road knows our schedule and sends people over.”

“All the boards are cut specifically for each piece of furniture so not much of the wood is wasted. The shavings are



The warehouse is full of new chairs and other items.

used for chicken bedding, gardens, composting toilets and fertilizer. The sawdust blows into a trailer attached to the building and it is picked up by local farmers. Small pieces of wood are collected and used for firewood starter in local camps.”

This story is being recorded with pen and paper on the work bench with a newly finished chair elevated by ‘two by fours’ so the writer was high enough to use the bench. Several people dropped by to check on their orders. One lady requested that scallops be added to a dresser, another person ordered a rocking chair, and some stopped in or called just to touch base. Everyone was well received; business as usual. The short injections of discourse added to the ambience.

“My strengths are building creative projects that customers ask for. It’s fun to find solutions to problems and make the people smile. Many are repeat customers from all over the province and the country. They come now for the fall colours and often they stop in here. “If we go for a boat ride on the lake, we can see all the furniture and screen doors that came from our shop. It feels good to know that after I am gone, there will be a lot of our furniture around, my legacy to the future.”

Doug is proud that one of his chairs was used to hold the Stanley Cup when it came to Manitoulin on August 26, 2007. Randy Carlisle, coach, and Dave Farrish, assistant-coach of the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, brought the cup that year the Ducks had won. “We took the students from the Hope Farm to the Manitowaning Airport and brought one of my chairs. The two coaches signed it and I have a photo of the cup in the chair.” The chair was later raffled off for \$2,000 for the Special Olympics. A slight impression of the cup was left in the seat of the chair and that added to the appeal.

“I don’t think much about getting older. I get up in the morning and go out the door. I plan to be productive, to make, say, three chairs and meet some new people. At the end of the day, I feel good if I can say I made those three



The family in the workshop circa early 2000s.

chairs and additionally, I met two new people.” Doug likes to listen to country music and ‘60s music while he works.

“We have a cat named Diesel. He is a tough cat. He chases mice and sits by the dock most of the day,” Doug muses. “There is also a neat story about a St. Bernard that showed up at a neighbour’s door one day. The family tried to find his owner over several weeks but finally gave up and kept the dog. One day the dog left, and the kids were heartbroken. He came back two days later with a kitten in his mouth. It appears that he had gone back home to find this male kitten and bring him to a safe home. Luckily, they kept them both.”

“Candy and I built our retirement home here and moved in three years ago. We are very close and do a lot together in our free time. We see our son daily. Digger is a good role model. He is the real thing as far as I am concerned. I am proud of his accomplishments. Having a career is important and he chose to stay on the island where he is well-accepted.”

“On Fridays, I visit some of my former students at Community Living and share some time with them. I visit Hamilton from time to time to see a cousin and his two children. They are all the family I have left there, and they often come here in the summer. Some of the kids from the old neighbourhood, the ones who hung out in our garage with dad, come up to Manitoulin and rent cottages too.”

“I just love the Island, always have. I love the people, the fresh air. Life goes on at a leisurely pace. If I have one regret, it’s that I could have moved here sooner. When I am accused of not being a Haweater, I respond, ‘You were born here, but I chose to live here.’ That should count too,”

## in memoriam

**LACHAPELLE**—In memory of my aunt Sally Lachapelle who passed away on November 27, 2016. Gone are the days we used to share But in our hearts you’re always there Never more than a thought away Loved & remembered every day. Susan



**TURNER-** In memory of Marion N. (Buchanan) June 5, 1931 – November 30, 2016 On behalf of our family, I would like to take this opportunity to offer sincere appreciation to those who were such an important part of our mother’s final journey. To the Personal Support Workers and staff at Manitoulin Lodge who so lovingly cared for Mom. To Jacqueline and Janyn for the Eulogy, difficult and perfect. To Barb, for your never-ending support. And to Mom’s pallbearers ... nieces, nephew, cousins, friend Jody Armstrong, Ginger Wood, Charlie Turner, Todd Gordon, Bryan Turner, Dave Barnes, You truly honoured Mom. Your service will never be forgotten. Heather

## thank you

The Tehkummah Senior’s Club would like to thank everyone who bought tickets on our money raffle, draw date, November 18. We appreciate your continued support. The winners were: first prize, \$500, Shirley Viney; second prize, \$300, Gus Normore; third prize, \$200, Vivienne Eaton.

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His chairs make the cover!

he confirms smiling. “I don’t like leaving. I am a homebody even though I wasn’t born here. I have so many friends and memories. Doug adds, “How would you like to live in Florida and be blown away by storms?” I left Hamilton on April 30, 1974 as a young man of 26, spent most of my adult life here and now I would never leave.”



notice

The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah

Notification of Request for Tender

Tender 2017-10

Enabling accessibility Fund - Community Access Stream

Tehkummah Community Centre,  
468 Highway 542A, Tehkummah

The Township of Tehkummah invites tenders  
from qualified contractors to supply material and labour  
for the following project:

**Tehkummah Community Centre - Washroom Alterations**

**CLOSING DATE: December 5, 2017 at 4:00 pm**

Documents can be obtained from  
the municipal office located at 456 Highway 542A,  
Tehkummah, Ontario POP 2C0,  
or by calling 705-859-3293,  
or sending an email to karen.gerrard@tekummah.ca

FEDERAL COURT

The Tug “Warren L. II”

No. T-1191-17

NOTICE TO PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS

ARISING FROM THE TOWAGE OF 50 TONNE ROCK TRUCK AND FALLING OFF  
BARGE IN KILLARNEY CHANNEL DECEMBER 7, 2015

The owner of the tug “Warren L. II”, namely Ross Patrick Herbert c.o.b. Herbert Fisheries commenced an action in this Court to limit his liability pursuant to the provisions of the *Marine Liability Act* arising out of the towage of a 50 tonne rock truck which fell off the towed barge in Killarney Channel on or about December 7, 2015.

On November 8, 2017 the Court made an Order requiring Ross Patrick Herbert to provide a guarantee bond and/or a letter of undertaking from a reputable insurer in the amount of \$500,000 plus interest from the date of the incident, constituting a limitation fund and giving directions to interested parties as to how claims against the limitation fund may be filed. The Order may be inspected and a copy obtained at the Registry of the Court at 180 Queen St. West, Suite 200, Toronto, Ontario M5V 3L6. A copy of the Order may be obtained from Rui Fernandes at Fernandes Hearn LLP, 155 University Ave, Suite 700, solicitors for Ross Patrick Herbert.

IF YOU HAVE A CLAIM for loss or damage resulting from the towage of a 50 tonne rock truck which fell off the towed barge in Killarney Channel on or about December 7, 2015 or if you dispute the right of the Plaintiff to limit his liability pursuant to the *Marine Liability Act*, you must file a Defence or a Notice of Claim supported by affidavit in the Registry of the Court on or before February 28, 2018 or you will be barred thereafter from participating in these proceedings or in the distribution of the limitation fund.

DATED at Toronto this 8th day of November 2017.



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opportunities for Indigenous people so that they have the skills, training and education to succeed in Ontario’s highly skilled workforce.”

The legislation was introduced on November 14, 2017. There are currently nine Indigenous institutes throughout the province (the Aboriginal Institutes Consortium is the industry association) of which all are Indigenous-governed and operated institutions, receiving their mandate from Indigenous communities, and providing postsecondary education and training to Indigenous students.

It was also announced that, over the next three years, the government will be investing \$56 million for Indigenous institutes to expand their capacity and strengthen their role as an important and unique pillar in Ontario’s postsecondary education system. Kenjgewin Teg has already begun to expand its programs with the groundbreaking earlier this fall for a dedicated trades school at its M’Chigeeng campus.

“This is going to be really good for Manitoulin,” said Ms. Roy. “Good for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous individuals. We want to include everyone as we continue into the next chapter and become the third pillar (joining universities and colleges) in the province.”

...Players reluctant about change

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Wohlberg added.

“If you are an incorporated body we can enter an agreement with you,” CAO Alton Hobbs responded. “We’re involved in a number of issues currently. Our solicitor suggested that if you want to go down that route, then a logical way through this is incorporation, then lease.”

“What you’re saying is that you’re not willing to work with us,” Mr. Baumgarten said. “We’re not asking staff to search for the money, financial or manpower resources, just cooperation.”

“You’re saying that because a lawyer said that because you’re in hot water with one group you can’t help another, then I’m concerned with how this municipality is running,” he added.

“I believe council sees this as a business decision and therefore we should develop a business relationship,” said Councillor Leslie Fields who went on to cite poor plumbing and sewer in the theatre building as it now stands.

Ms. Wohlberg said that the building’s issues are the township’s and not the Players.

“You have to realize that we’re struggling financially,” Councillor Fields said. “That building could have more and more issues. You may not ask for money now, but eventually you will.”

Councillor Hugh Moggy said he personally wished to see the funding application go through for the BWTP.

“I don’t want this to become adversarial,” Mr. Baumgarten said. “We feel that the building has value to the community and we will keep fighting.”

“There is absolutely no way we can see ourselves going through six months plus the cost (of incorporation) only to find the lease is something we can’t work with,” he continued. “We would need to see the specifics of that lease.”

“We’ve been leading these people on for the past two years,” Councillor Moggy said.

The mayor told Councillor Moggy he thought his comment was “out of order.”

Councillor Moggy responded that he didn’t think he was, noting that when the budget was set, there was money in the working funds reserve so that if the FedNor grant (that was not applied for in the end) had been approved, they would have the municipal contribution there. “Why are we as a municipality not working to help these people to see if there is funding?”

Councillor Brenda Reid said the problem, as she saw it, is that the funding application could be better used on a new fire hall, public works garage or ice plant, for example.

“It’s (Burns Wharf) an asset for the community and if there are no people coming here you’re going to be paying a heck of a lot more in taxes,” Councillor Moggy said. “It’s not just the BWTP that can use that building.”

Mr. Baumgarten reminded council of the summer concert series and the municipal-run youth theatre camp that was also housed at the Burns Wharf, with Ms. Wohlberg noting that she could bring the camp back again.

Ms. Wohlberg pointed to the many projects undertaken by the municipality recently, like the beautification of the beach, the seniors’ park and the amphitheatre and encouraged them to have “courage and faith” in the Burns Wharf project.

The mayor wished them the same back and encouraged the Players to “not lose their vision.”

An emotional Ms. Wohlberg cited “roadblocks at every turn” by council.

“No one at this table has ever wanted the Burns Wharf (Theatre Players) to not do well,” Mayor Moffatt said.

“The goal posts are shifting,” Mr. Baumgarten said. “You say there’s support, but we’re not feeling it.”

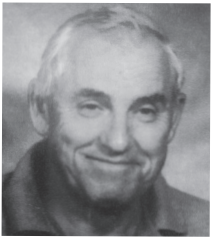
Mayor Moffatt reminded the Players that much has shifted over the last four years, alluding to the ever-increasing municipal download by the province, pointing to a multi-million-dollar revamp of the municipality’s water system that must be undertaken in the next few years.

The delegation from BWTP ended with assurances that the two parties would sit down to work on a lease proposal.

Death Notices

CHARLES EVERETT

August 20, 1939 - November 23, 2017



It is with deep sadness that the family of Charles Everett of Meldrum Bay, announce his passing peacefully at the Manitoulin Lodge in Gore Bay Ontario, on Thursday, November 23rd 2017.

Charles was born in Mindemoya, on August 20, 1939. He was predeceased by his parents Helen and George Everett and his brother Allen Everett. Charles is survived by his wife of 58 years Helen Everett (Marshall), son Christopher Everett (Valerie), daughters Laura Mallory (Ed) and Charlene Everett (Warren). Also by his siblings, Harold Everett (Bernice), Dianne Everett, Lorna Maki (Gord), sister-in-law Kathleen Everett, beloved grandchildren Ryan, Jamie, Ashley, Darci-lyn, Abby, Brendan, Paige, Sydney and Kaisha and great-grandchildren, Cayden, Isabella and Brynlee as well as several nieces and nephews. Charles first met Helen in High School in Gore Bay where they became instant sweethearts and were married on June 19, 1959. Charles spent most of his life working in the Forestry Industry starting with the KVP Company and then on to Reed Paper, Great Lakes Paper and Avenor. Charles and Helen then went on to own the Town and Country Motel in Dryden, Ontario and then the Mohawk Motel in Massey, Ontario. In his retirement, Charles was a Mason, a member of The Eastern Star, The Shriners and Royal Arches. Charles loved the outdoors. He loved to hunt and fish and remote camping excursions were always his specialty. He built homes and cabins and there was nothing that he couldn't fix in one way or another. A private family service has been held. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations may be made to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary as expressions of sympathy and may be made through [www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca](http://www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca)

ETTA ISABEL GRACE DICKIESON (BOLTON)

October 4, 1932 - November 22, 2017



It is with grieving hearts we share the sudden and unexpected passing of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother Etta Isabel Grace Dickieson,(nee Bolton) in her 86th year on November 22, 2017 in Kincardine, Ontario. Etta was the daughter of the late Robert & Rose Etta Bolton of Teeswater. Wife of George (predeceased), companion of Alex Smith (predeceased). Dear mother of Shirley (Brian) of Ripley, George (Tammy) of Manitoulin Island, step-mother of Betty (Don), plus many others who called her "mom". Grandmother to Jolene (Clint), Dennis (Elyse), Janine (Andy), Mark (Amie), Jonathon, Noah, and Kathy. Great-grandmother of Brianna, Anthony, Anika, Reed, Kyla, Drayce, Isaiah, Kairi, Caryss, Jaida, and Austin. Affectionate aunt and great-aunt to many nieces and nephews. Etta will be missed by her brothers John Bolton of Wingham, and Harvey Bolton of Walkerton, sister Marg Sleightholm of Lucknow, sisters-in-law Faye Dickieson of London, June Dickieson of Mildmay, and Marie Bolton of Walkerton, as well as her extended Smith Family. Etta loved to knit, play cards and board games, do puzzles, and to always be surrounded by little ones, whom she loved dearly. Etta had a wide circle of friends and neighbours who loved her. Her door was always open to everyone. With family by her side, she slipped peacefully into her Spirit Journey to reconnect with so many loved ones who have gone before.

WENDELL IRWIN BUIE



In loving memory of Wendell Irwin Buie who passed suddenly at home on November 23rd. Beloved husband of fifty years to Nan (nee Cranston), father to Carol (Mel), Meredith (Will), Jason (Laura) and Tamara. Grandfather to Graeme, Bria, Liam, Brynn, Dylan and Evan. He was very passionate about his family and was happiest when surrounded by them. Wendell was a prominent community member in many ways. He was the owner of Buie’s Grocery for thirty eight years, was an avid hockey and ball player as well as being active in the community. He will be deeply missed and never forgotten. A Celebration of Life took place at Providence Bay Community Centre on Monday November 27 from 4 pm to 7 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary or to the Kidney Foundation of Ontario may be made through [www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca](http://www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca)

JANE NIELSON

September 1, 1941 - November 26, 2017



Jane Nielson of Little Current died unexpectedly at Manitoulin Health Centre on Sunday, at the age of 76. Beloved life partner of Ronald Millette. Predeceased by parents Doreen Daley, Patrick Carroll and step father Rev. Cannon George Daley, sister Mary Bright and Victor Nielson. Survived by brother Max (Sharon) Nova Scotia, daughter in law for life Dorothy Millette (Nova Scotia). Children Michael (Stephanie) Qatar, (spouse Jackie predeceased), Joel (Dana) Millette, Kapuskasing, Tish (Randy) Millette, Little Current, Jamie (Robin) Peterborough. Grandmother of Patricia (Andrew) Arnoldin, Joel Jr., Daniel (Sharon) Robichaud, Samantha (Gui) Millette, Michael Jr. (Fab) Millette, Mikhaila (Mitch) Kozlovich, Benjamin (Kelsey) Kozlovich, Lynnette (John) Smith, Misty (Stephan) Smith, Monica Smith, Jessica (Russell) Smith, Riley and Sophia Millette. Great grandmother of Dylan, Nathan, Mila, Laya, Fionn, Cohen, Conner, Briar, Autumn, Haileigh, Joe-Lun, Graham, Ashton and Kalliope. Jane loved her family incredibly. She had many life long friends she cherished dearly. She loved her Anglican Church Family, and her Grace Bible Church Family. Although she had many health problems she took great joy in driving her scooter all over Little Current with her Chihuahua Splinter AKA "Killer" in the basket. She loved having crazy hair: blue, red, pink and purple. The brighter the better. Her art/knitting club ladies were cherished friends. We will all remember her with great love and laughter and cherish our memories of our many adventures and shenanigans together. A Celebration Of Life will be held on Saturday, December. 2, 11 am at Island Funeral Home with a luncheon following. Donations to Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Manitoulin Health Centre Auxillary or Manitoulin Centennial Manor Tree of Lights will be gratefully acknowledged. Island Funeral Home can only accept cheques for all charitable donations. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at [www.islandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.islandfuneralhome.ca)

JESSE SAMPSON



Jessie Sampson, of Sheshegwaning, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 in his 87th year. Beloved husband of Adeline for over 62 years. Jesse will be sadly missed by his children Elizabeth (Joseph) Laford, Silver Water, Sandra (Dalton

Fogal predeceased) Sampson, Sheshegwaning, Virginia (Donald -predeceased) Matheson, Silver Water, Leslie Sampson, Toronto, Blair (Amelia) Sampson, Sheshegwaning, Cynthia (Scott Hunter) Benedict, Meldrum Bay, Gloria Debassige, Sheshegwaning, 12 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, sisters Barbara Sampson of Toronto, Norma Sampson of Philadelphia USA, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. Predeceased by his parents Ivan and Louise (Jackson) Sampson, sisters Muriel McCulligh and Ella Sampson and "Scamp", his faithful companion. Jesse loved to read, especially his National Geographic and Sudbury Star, as well as watch his favourite T.V. shows. He was an avid hunter, and had a passion for the slots, bingo and his daily scratch tickets, crossword puzzles, playing the fiddle and his taxi runs. Visitation was held at the Sheshegwaning Community Complex on Thursday November 23 from 1 pm until time of the funeral mass on Friday at 11 am. Cremation followed. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society as expressions of sympathy and may be made through [www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca](http://www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca)

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 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.



# Northeast Town Council Notes

**Howland drain**  
Northeast Town CAO Dave Williamson reviewed the final costing of the Howland drain with council.  
He reminded council that this drain goes from the lagoon, past Ferguson’s property, past Jeffery’s property, to the landfill, across Highway 6 and down to the Strawberry Channel.  
“The final costing of constructing the drain is \$1,054,140.15,” said Mr. Williamson. “Of that amount, the Ministry of Transportation is paying for \$740,000 because of the culvert going under the highway.”  
Councillor Michael Erskine asked what the “bottom line” is for the town. Mr.

Williamson responded, “\$105,000.”  
Council carried a motion to approve the bylaw for the actual cost of the Howland drain.  
**Pyette-Ferguson drain**  
Greg Pyette sent council a letter indicating that he was having issues on his property in regards to the Pyette-Ferguson municipal drain located on Lot 10, Consession 8 in Bidwell.  
Under the drainage act, Mr. Pyette said he was giving council and the town notice that maintenance of the drain is required.  
“I would like verified: if there is naturally occurring obstructions of the waterway, if there has been alterations of manmade

obstructions of the waterway, if the drain was not designed or constructed properly and what corrective measures will be taken.”  
Mr. Williamson explained that Mr. Pyette wasn’t to tile drain his field.  
“The drainage superintendent inspected the drain and came back and advised staff that there are no issues with the drain and it is working as it was designed to do,” said Mr. Williamson.  
He said that a meeting will be held with the landowners along the drain to see if they are having shared experiences and it will be looked at to see if it is indeed a maintenance issue, otherwise it is a drain

improvement and the cost will have to be borne by Mr. Pyette alone.  
**Fire department**  
Northeast Town Fire Department Chief Duane Deschamps presented council with the November report  
He noted that there had been three calls for service since his last report.  
On October 27 the department responded to a fire call on Highway 540, but the fire ended up being in M’Chigeeng.  
The department also responded to a fire at 40 Meredith Street, the Valu-Mart’s sprinkler alarm.  
On November 6, there was a strong smell of propane reported at Superior propane. When the department responded, it turned out that an employee was purging a tanker truck for servicing.  
Fire Chief Deschamps said that there were 43 calls for service to date and that fire apparatus and equipment was in good working order.

reported that the Soup to Tomatoes Program started on November 20 and that adult and child programs are starting on November 29. He also noted that there is a Canada 150 skate day being held on December 10.  
Mr. Taylor said all the buildings and docks have been winterized and closed and that the parks and buildings will be monitored regularly over the winter.  
For upcoming events he listed the Little Current Santa Claus Parade on December 2 and the Festival of Trees at the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah November 24 and 25.  
Public Works Manager Gary May said that winter operations have started on the roads and that staff are touching up grading when the weather permits. He added that the roadside brushing had been completed for the year.

ing controls report, noting that there had been a total of 59 permits issued this year. The total value of construction to date is \$52,82727, with a total building permit revenue of \$66,888.43.  
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**farm facts and furrows**  
by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell


**2018 Spring Cereal Performance Trials**  
The 2018 spring cereal performance trials are now available on the website [www.gocereals.ca](http://www.gocereals.ca)

**New Horizons – Ontario’s Draft Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy**  
We are pleased to inform you that a new document ‘New Horizons – Ontario’s Draft Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy’ is available online at [ontario.ca/soil](http://ontario.ca/soil). We are engaging with Indigenous communities, stakeholder organizations and the public from November 1-December 31. This proposal is a follow-up to and builds on the discussion document ‘Sustaining Ontario’s Agricultural Soils: Towards a Shared Vision’, which was released for a 90 day public consultation from August 29 to November 27, 2016 (Environmental Registry posting number 012-8468). It includes the Vision, Goals and Objectives proposed in the discussion document and introduces a number of proposed actions under each of four theme areas: Soil Management, Soil Data and Mapping, Soil Evaluation and Monitoring, and Soil Knowledge and Innovation. During the comment period, OMAFRA will be hosting and participating in variety of engagement activities across the province, including regional open houses where people can connect with OMAFRA field staff on soil health issues that matter to them.

Information about the open houses will be available at the link above. Healthy soil is fundamental to the success of Ontario’s agricultural sector and to a healthy environment. Maintaining and enhancing the health of our agricultural soil will help: Sustain and enhance the productive capacity of Ontario’s farmland; Contribute to the economic growth of the Agri-food sector and food security; Improve water quality and biodiversity; and Help the sector mitigate and be more resilient to the impacts of climate change. The draft strategy document is available directly at: [www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/landuse/soil-strat-2017.pdf](http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/landuse/soil-strat-2017.pdf) you may also access the proposal on the Environmental Registry at [www.ebr.gov.on.ca](http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca) by entering search number 013-1373 or search term ‘Soil Health.’ It will be available for public comment until December 31, 2017. If you wish to provide input by other means, we encourage you to visit [ontario.ca/soil](http://ontario.ca/soil) and click on the link for more information, including a feedback form. You may also provide input by: Visiting the Environmental Registry posting and clicking the ‘comment’ button, emailing [soilhealth@ontario.ca](mailto:soilhealth@ontario.ca), Sending a fax to 519-826-3492 or Mail: Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy c/o Paul Smith, Senior Policy Advisor, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, 1 Stone Road West, 3rd floor, Guelph, ON N1G 4Y2.

## Little Current Public Library News

by Marian Barnett

Library Outreach has been an important feature of our town’s library for over seven years. At its November 21 meeting, Wendy Gauthier gave a summary to the Board of the history and operation of this volunteer group which she oversees with Ellie Miller and Robin Burrridge. Residents of the Manor, TLC Retirement home and Channel View Apartments benefit from the regular friendly visits of their ‘book buddies.’ Library materials are exchanged, but conversation and genuine friendships have become the real bonus for many older people in the program.  
In her presentation, Ms. Gauthier reminded the Board of the huge part played by the Little Current Lions Club over the years. They have supported the Outreach program by funding the purchase of appropriate reading materials for the elderly, many of whom have vision and memory issues. Actual visits to the library are also arranged for these special patrons. On November 10, volunteers brought a group to enjoy refreshments and browse for books about local history. It is reassuring for an aging population to know that their connection to our library can continue thanks to generous volunteers.  
In other library news, 50 Meredith Street was the scene of several workshops over November. John Savage’s Wednesday iPad classes have now concluded and will resume in the new year. Barbara Baker led two sessions on Android cell phones. In

Pauline Tofflemire’s latest watercolour workshop on the 16th, participants enjoyed painting a Christmassy theme. Senior games, bridge playing, knitting and creation station continue to take place every week. Drop in and find an activity where you can learn, meet people, and make winter speed by.  
New materials are appearing on the shelves with 10 new DVDs, all very current movie and series titles like ‘The Glass Castle,’ and ‘Diary of a Wimpy Kid.’ Mrs. Gallo has ordered all five of the Giller Prize short-listed novels including the winner, ‘Bellevue Square,’ by Michael Redhill. Several other new books are being catalogued and will be available soon.  
Meanwhile, behind the scenes, library staff is preparing to implement the new operating system recently chosen by the Board. It is called JASI, which is a program that aims to give all libraries in the north an integrated system for cataloging, circulation, and acquisitions. Since implementing the new system requires many staff hours, the Little Current Library will be closed to the public on Tuesdays during January and February of 2018.  
Be sure to make note of upcoming holiday hours. The library will be closed from December 25 until January 2. There is still plenty of time to stock up on good reading and viewing material for those long December evenings.

**Community services and public works**  
Community Services Manager Reid Taylor delivered his report to council.  
“The arena ice is running at normal capacity and staff are completing regular maintenance,” said Mr. Taylor. “The Manitoulin Panthers Alumni game went well and was well attended.”  
This month at the recreation centre Mr. Taylor



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**REDUCED!**  
Live in the heart of Mindemoya in this 3 bedroom bungalow with attached garage. Perfect for the first time home buyer or the retiree looking to downsize. MLS# 1044877 \$132,000



Century Home located on 7 acres of waterfront property in Sheguiandah. This 3 bedroom home has been almost completely maintained in its original form with hardwood floors, doors and railings.  
MLS# 1044937 \$389,000



Sheguiandah - This 4 bedroom 2-storey home is located across from the Sheguiandah Old Mill. Includes 3 bay garage on a corner lot.  
MLS# 1044000 \$124,900



**REDUCED!**  
Magnificent log home over looking Lake Kagawong is a nature lover's dream. Hardwood bush surrounds this log home and double log garage and is highlighted by 200 feet of waterfront! MLS# 1043143 \$449,000



**SOLD!**  
A beautiful view of the North Channel and LaCloche Mountains this 3 bedroom home is located on 3 acres in the community of Kagawong. Priced to sell at \$199,900  
MLS# 1044555



Off grid home in country setting in the small community of Tehkummah. This 3 bedroom home is set up with solar system and wind turbine and set back on 1 acre lot providing ample privacy.  
MLS# 2051720 \$115,000



Private year round chalet style home is located on the beautiful shore of South Bay on Manitoulin Island. Only minutes from the ferry dock. This secluded year round road access home features all natural setting of mature trees, MLS 2051708 \$334,900



Located on a corner lot in Manitowaning, this home has a bright spacious kitchen, large living room with fireplace and 3 bedrooms. The yard is completely landscaped with perennials, apple trees, and a large 1.5 garage.  
MLS# 1044771 \$189,000



Spring Bay Area farm for sale. 148 acres includes pasture, workable land for crops and some bush. Property features a creek and pond at west end. Stable barn with hay loft and several out buildings  
MLS# 1045542. Listed at \$289,000



Looking for a home on the water or a year-round cottage? This 2+1 bedroom 4-season home/cottage is located on beautiful Lake Mindemoya with spectacular fishing in front of this cottage. Property offers 2 bedrooms & 1 bath with modern amenities. Large finished basement with large rec room & a 3rd bedroom.  
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**INCOME PROPERTY IN LITTLE CURRENT!!** - Located at 23 Vankoughnet Street East, this property is within walking distance of all the amenities in Little Current including hospital, shopping & swim beach. The single floor building consists of a 705 sq. ft commercial store front attached to it is a 610 sq. ft 1 bdrm apartment & a 960 sq. ft. 3 bdrm apartment. This property has tons of potential!!! Listed at only \$199,000. MLS#1044554



**BEAUTIFUL 4 BDRM HOME ON LAKE MANITOU WITH AWESOME SUNSET VIEWS!!** - This 2800 sq. ft. of living space comes quality finished with large eat-in kitchen that has granite counter tops, old style propane cook stove, maple cupboards & walk out onto a large deck. The lower level features a large work shop with walkout, newer high efficiency propane furnace with air purifier, another kitchen, large family room, bathroom with jet tub & 2 bdrms. This could make a fantastic in-law suite or rental unit. The waterfront is absolutely spectacular with docking, decking, sheltered harbour & magnificent shade umbrellas. It also has its own boat launch. The home comes with many extras such as central air, reverse osmosis, hot tub, generator, boat lift, an enormous amount of storage & plenty of decking. A great buy at only \$389,000. MLS#2051497



**WILDLIFE LOVER'S PARADISE!!** - Snuggled into 48 acres of mixed bush & meadows along with a little duck pond this really nice rustic little 2 + 1 bdrm home comes with 2 full baths, a full basement, a large sunken sun room/wildlife viewing station, heated with a free standing metal propane stove as well as centrally heated by a forced air oil furnace. The yard is landscaped with wildlife feeding stations & bird houses that are viewed while walking the mowed trails through the meadow & several fruit trees leading into the thick forested cedars & mixed bush. The open concept home comes with a beautiful sunset view out the large living room window. All this beauty located only 15 mins from the amenities of Mindemoya or Gore Bay. Great for lakes in every direction only mins away. A truly magical place to live. List price \$277,000!! MLS#2050191



**KING OF THE CASTLE!!** - A 36 ft Dutchman Trailer that sleeps 6 in excellent condition. Located at Hutchinson's Cabins & Trailer Park in the town of Sandfield on Lake Manitou. The trailer features an electric fridge & microwave, propane furnace & a hot water on demand system that runs on both electric & gas power. A 40 X 8 ft covered deck with special blinds are attached to the trailer sitting on a large private lot over-looking the rest of the park and Lake Manitou which is famous for its lake & speckle trout, walleye, bass & perch fishing. Rent paid up until July 2018. Just \$25,000. MLS#1050276



**2 + 1 BDRM COUNTRY HOME** - On 3.7 acres of land in the quaint town of Silver Water. This well insulated home has new windows, some not yet installed, a completely insulated unfinished basement with a large wood stove and a walkout to one of two driveways which adorn this property. Also on this nicely landscaped lot is a 31 by 24 ft garage that comes with 2 doors, a cement pad & hydro. Much of the property is forested & the public beach & boat launch on beautiful Silver Lake (well known for its bass & walleye fishing) is a short 1 minute drive down the road. Asking \$139,000. MLS#1050231



**JUST LISTED** - 1990 Bon Air Trailer, a ten by twelve sleep camp & shed in Stanley Park on beautiful Lake Mindemoya. This nicely landscaped lot with plenty of decking & two 45 gallon holding tanks. This gorgeous sand beach is an extremely short walk & the park has many amenities as well as activities for kids. The hospital, restaurants, grocery shopping, golfing & much more is close by. The lake is well known for its great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike & whitefish. The yearly rent is \$1750.00 & includes hydro. The park is open from May 1st to October 1st. The trailer comes turn-key & includes all contents except personal items. Asking \$16,900.00!! MLS#1045227

**MOVE IN READY COUNTRY HOME!!**  
3+1 bdrm with 2 full baths on 1 acre landscaped lot. Fully finished basement with attached 2 car insulated garage. High efficiency propane furnace, central air conditioning with screened in porch, large deck & 2 large sheds. Ready to move in. Asking \$229,000. MLS#1035248



**PRIME LAKE MANITOU BUILDING LOT!!** - Over 2 & a half acres, fully treed & gently sloping with over 160 ft of shoreline. Located on Maple Lane only 20 mins from the amenities that the town of Mindemoya has to offer such as; shopping, golfing & hospitals for both animals & humans. No more lots can be created on spectacular Lake Manitou (the largest lake on an island in the world) so once the current lots are built on there will be no more available. Lake Manitou is fantastic fishing for speckle trout, lake trout, walleye, bass, pike, perch, whitefish & ling. Asking \$165,000. MLS#1044178

**BUILDING LOT IN CENTRAL MANITOULIN ON MUNICIPAL MAINTAINED ROAD WITH HYDRO AVAILABLE!!** - Located in the heart of the island this large, level 1.5 acre corner lot comes with 2 driveways both with 20 ft metal culverts and gravel in place. The lot has plenty of soil for a full basement, it also comes with an 8x12 shed. The property comes with a great water view over beautiful Lake Mindemoya & there is access to the lake across the street. Amenities such as hospitals (people & pets) and shopping are just minutes away. Asking \$20,000. MLS#1042214

**VACANT LOT AT HWY 542** - south end of Lake Mindemoya, year-round road access, close to Mindemoya and Golf course. Asking \$39,000. MLS#1043194

**READY TO BUILD LOT IN SUNSITE ESTATES!!** - Lot has septic, hydro, a large circular driveway & \$5200 water levy has been paid in full. Culvert for drainage is in place & property has been landscaped with trees, herb gardens & flowers. Backing onto park area & only steps to the water. A must see to appreciate the beauty of this lot. Asking \$35,000. MLS#1039591

**7.7 ACRES** - with 300 ft of Lake Huron Shoreline on the South Shore of Manitoulin only 20 mins from Mindemoya. This south-facing endless sea of beauty features a nice flat lot with a rocky shoreline & good fishing for 4 types of salmon & 3 types of trout. This off grid lot has plenty of deer that traverse it & the close by town features such amenities as the island's largest grocery store, a hospital & a golf course. Asking \$60,000. MLS#1045397

**4.3 ACRES** - with 287 ft of Lake Huron Shoreline on the South Shore of Manitoulin only 20 mins from Mindemoya. This southwest facing endless sea of beauty features a nice level lot with a rocky shoreline & good fishing for 4 types of salmon & 3 species of trout. Many deer traverse this property & the close by town features such amenities as shopping, a hospital, restaurants & a golf course. Asking \$50,000. MLS#1045396

**MINDEMOYA BUILDING LOT!!** - Uniquely located in the centre of Treasure Trails Subdivision that is currently undeveloped, this very large, private, flat, cleared corner lot is approximately 180 ft X 155 ft and has no neighbours across the street neither East nor North. The neighbours to the South and West are hidden by rows of 20 ft high closely spaced cedar trees. The golf course is a short walk or cart ride away as is the public boat dock and sand beach. The amenities such as hospital and shopping is a 5 minute drive into town. Fishing in Lake Mindemoya is very good for walleye, bass, perch, pike and whitefish. Asking \$23,000. MLS#1041711

**200 ACRES OF PRIME DEER HUNTING** - In an area of Manitoulin that is well known for its large deer population!!! Located close to the town of Kagawong this remote property offers plenty of privacy, ATV trails & some tree stands. Also on the property are many acres of fully mature cedar & many acres of hardwood as well. Large marshy ponds connected by a creek also traverses the property & is full of minnows, ducks & geese providing great waterfowl hunting. The property is currently under a Forest Management Plan which is self-directed and allows for a 75% property tax cut. Current access to this spectacular remote property is by ATV. Asking \$200,000. MLS#104529



**2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LAKE MANITOU!!** - Nice renovated cottage with open concept close to Mindemoya which has amenities such as shopping, hospital & golf course. The cottage comes with a storage shed & a double size garage with a workshop. The cottage comes turn-key with all furnishings, window coverings, dishes, riding lawnmower & a dock on wheels. Lake Manitou is the largest lake on an island in the world & is famous for its lake & speckle trout as well as walleye, bass & perch. Asking \$209,000. MLS#1044109



**6 YR OLD 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!!** - Located at the North end of Lake Mindemoya, this modern looking camp comes adorned with a vaulted ceiling in the open concept kitchen/living room, indoor flush toilet with septic system, water drawn from the lake, a huge L-shaped deck, several outbuildings & a very large beautifully landscaped lot. The waterfront (a short walk from the cottage) consists of a kid friendly, sand bottom great for swimming. The lake features great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike & whitefish. The amenities of the town of Mindemoya only 10 mins away. Asking \$65,000 MLS#1044952



**ESTATE SALE!!** - 3 Bdrm Beauty In South West End of Sudbury!!!! Located on a quiet street with easy quick access to the amenities of Sudbury & very quick access to the out of town freeways. This older home has upgrades such as windows, flooring & roof. This large 109 ft X 102 ft landscaped lot comes adorned with this great bungalow (most furnishings included), a double wide interlocking brick driveway, a backyard garden & a slightly detached double car garage with a workshop & a basement with a walkout as well as access to the basement of the house via an underground tunnel. Asking \$319,000. MLS#1042895



**GREEN BAY LODGE ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE MANITOU WITH FANTASTIC FISHING!!** - This large 13 acre property comes with a very nice 4 bdrm personal residence plus 5 rental units. 3 units are under the main residence and there is a separate building with a large studio & rental unit under it. The waterfront has a gorgeous protected harbour. The entire operation comes turn-key! This spectacular property would make a great family retreat or allows you to live for free at this wonderful resort. The rental units are currently rented by the night with a 3 night minimum stay. There is plenty of room for expansion if so desired. The amenities of Mindemoya or Little Current are only 15 mins away. This is a great buy at \$600,000. MLS#1044479



**2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND WITH BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPED LOT!!** - The gorgeous lot has a dug well, septic system & an outhouse with a flush toilet plus a full 3 piece bath in main cottage. Located in the Lloydsville subdivision on Lake Mindemoya a 30 second walk to a beautiful kid friendly sand beach. The grocery store, hospital, golf course & other amenities are a short drive to the town of Mindemoya. Reduced to \$42,500. MLS#1043476



**RETAIL BUSINESS FOR SALE IN CENTRAL MANITOULIN!!** - Located in the town of Mindemoya at the intersection of Hwy 551 & Hwy 542 this retail operation has 5 income streams: 1) fuel & propane 2) grocery, confectionary & lottery 3) ice cream parlor 4) laundry mat & 5) 3 residential rental units. All amenities of this expanding town which has become the hub of Manitoulin are in walking distance. The building is well maintained & upgraded, the lines to the gas pumps have also been upgraded to meet new codes & the property has undergone an environmental study with a clean bill of health. The sellers are willing to hold a mortgage on this turnkey retail business. Priced to sell at \$499,000 plus inventory. MLS#1042095



**LAKE MINDEMOYA ESTATE SALE!!** - Belonging to the late Dr. Tipper, a well-known veterinarian who was respected by all in the community! Beautiful spacious brick front home just 2 mins from downtown Mindemoya & walking distance to the hospital. The almost 4 acres of land offers great privacy & the land is gently sloped giving an elevated sunset view over the lake. The lakefront just a few metres across the highway has 274 ft of nice sand bottom for swimming & a dock for your fishing boat. The lake has plenty of walleye, perch, bass & whitefish. Asking \$399,000 & open for offers! MLS#1043927



**BACK OF THE MOON!!** - On the North Channel, near the beautiful village of Kagawong, is a serene & peaceful 4 season waterfront cottage or year round home for sale. This lovely property is located on 10.3 acres of land with a 576' shoreline. Completely furnished 2 bdrm cottage all cedar interior with 2 baths; an open concept kitchen-living room with a beautiful stone fireplace. This 10 acre property also features a garage with completely furnished sleeping quarters for 8-10 with a 2 piece bath & sliding glass doors leading to a balcony overlooking Lake Huron. There is also a sauna, storage shed, back-up generator & a dock. A MUST SEE!! Reduced to \$359,000. MLS#1043806



**11 1/2 ACRE WATERFRONT PROPERTY** - 1000ft shoreline & 500ft deep, heavily treed lot, with ATV trail to lake. 1000 sq. ft. Chalet style semi-finished summer home with 2 patio doors to decks facing lake, very secluded & private. Great for hunting, fishing or just plain relaxing. Reduced to \$230,000. MLS#1032037



**ELEVATED SUNRISE VIEW OVER BEAUTIFUL LAKE MINDEMOYA!!** - Large 2 1/2 acre lot with almost 150 ft of shoreline, a dock & a (grandfathered-in) boathouse. A quick flight of stairs brings you from the dock & fantastic deep water shoreline to the top of the flat bluff where you find a 3 bdrm cottage with an eye catching view! The golf course, hospital, restaurants, shopping are only 15 mins away. Only \$200,000!!! MLS#1043385



**3 BDRM HOME IN THE CHARMING TOWN OF EVANSVILLE!!** - This perfect retirement home is only 15 mins from the amenities of the town of Gore Bay which has a live theater, medical centre & plenty of shopping. The house features an unfinished basement, a very large double size garage with storage loft, a covered front deck & a fancy steel roof. Great fishing in Lake Huron or Lake Wolsey is less than 2 mins from your door. Asking \$169,000. MLS#1042403



**CUTE 700 SQ FT BUNGALOW IN MINDEMOYA!!** - Located close to golf course & a short walk to public beach & boat launch on Lake Mindemoya, this little summer home comes with an open concept has a large living room, an eat in kitchen, a small bedroom, a large L-shaped deck & a couple of sheds in the back yard. This beauty comes with most furnishings & listed at \$100,000. MLS#1037207



**KAGAWONG** - 3 bdrm/2 bath newly renovated home on full 1 acre lot close to Kagawong. This home has been renovated inside & out. The property located along Hwy 540 is zoned residential & commercial so that you could run a business from it. Reduced to \$129,000. MLS#1036016



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**EXTREMELY HIGH QUALITY 3 BDRM HOME WITH NICE VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMOYA!!** - This beautiful home with its hardwood floors & vaulted ceilings comes with a magnificent kitchen with cherry stained maple cabinets, 3 baths including the en-suite in the huge 600 sq ft master bdrm found at the top of a spectacular oak stair case. The manicured lot comes adorned with a variety of mature trees which nicely outline the property, amazing concrete driveway & huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks of which one is a covered verandah. Also on the lot is a 10 x 12 storage shed & a heated completely finished & insulated double size garage. Asking \$370,000. MLS#1037157



**LAKE MINDEMOYA WATERFRONT** - This home or all seasons cottage on a year round road has wonderful landscaping leading to an appealing shoreline suitable for swimming or boating. The home features open concept living, dining & kitchen areas with patio doors leading to a deck which overlooks the lake. Including all appliances this property is move in ready. There is a 2 car garage for all the toys. Reduced to \$350,000. MLS#1035687



**BAY ESTATES** - Waterfront cottage with sleep camp on gentle sloping lot to shoreline. 6ft high basement with propane stove & concrete floor, open concept living/kitchen/dining facing lake with patio doors to deck. Some finishing needed in bedrooms. 4pc. bathroom with washing machine. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1032814



**GREEN BAY BEAUTY!!** - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1 1/2 storey quality built home on Lake Manitou with gorgeous flat 3.6 acre waterfront lot in a gated subdivision. This nicely manicured lot consists of a covered boat harbour & light house. The property also includes an attached single car garage & 3 detached garages, 2 of which have nice lofts above them that could be used for storage or bunkies & also included on the property is a massive 28 x 70 ft 4 bay garage with 13 ft high garage door, hydro & concrete flooring for all of your storage needs. This property is priced to sell. Assessed at \$539,000 but listed at only \$450,000. MLS#1039860



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**GORE BAY FOUR BEDROOM HOME**

Character two storey older home, estate sized lot 80 x 200 feet, oil heat, paved drive, basement area, 4 piece and 2 piece washroom, only five minute walk to public school, asking \$122,500 MLS#1040220

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**GORE BAY WATERFRONT** Large level waterfront lot on lighthouse road, Gore Bay harbour, easterly facing, municipal water, paved road, area of newer homes and cottages, 150 feet frontage by one acre in size, surveyed lot, only 5 minute drive to Gore Bay shopping. (1321) MLS#1012977 \$69,500

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**ALMOST 1 FULL ACRE**, level building lot in Little Current with frontage on Hwy 540. MLS#1039010 Asking \$44,900

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**3 BDRM LAKE KAGAWONG TURNKEY COTTAGE!!**  
- Located in the center of Manitoulin Island this quality finished cottage is on a year round road in Oriole Park Subdivision. The lot is quite private with a nice deck, it has 2 useful storage sheds & some lovely gardens. This beautiful 960 sq. ft. cottage with its marvelous hardwood floors comes fully furnished including dishes & also has a great dockage including boat lift. The amenities of Gore Bay & Mindemoya are both 20 mins away in opposite directions & include such things as a live theater, restaurants, hospital & golf courses. The cottage is well insulated; it has been used in the winter & has both wood & electric heat & could easily be converted into a year round home. The nicely landscaped lot slopes gently to the water which is fine for drinking, swimming & fishing. Asking \$295,000. MLS#1044176



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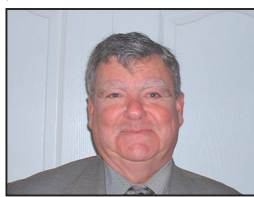
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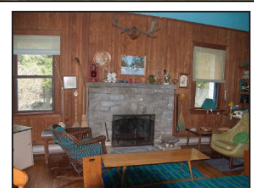
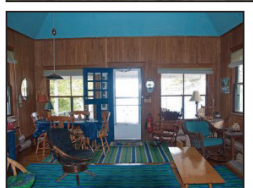
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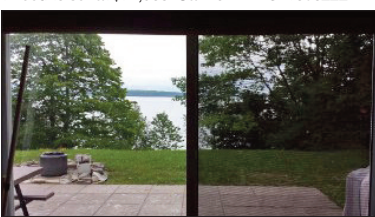
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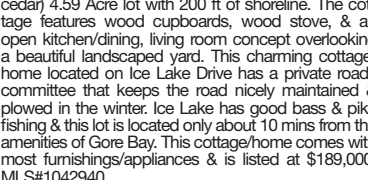
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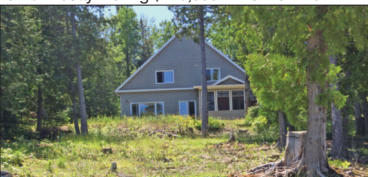
**COZY 2 BDRM COTTAGE/HOME ON ICE LAKE!** - This cottage/home is on a fully treed (hardwood & cedar) 4.59 Acre lot with 200 ft of shoreline. The cottage features wood cupboards, wood stove, & an open kitchen/dining, living room concept overlooking a beautiful landscaped yard. This charming cottage/home located on Ice Lake Drive has a private roads committee that keeps the road nicely maintained & plowed in the winter. Ice Lake has good bass & pike fishing & this lot is located only about 10 mins from the amenities of Gore Bay. This cottage/home comes with most furnishings/appliances & is listed at \$189,000. MLS#1042940



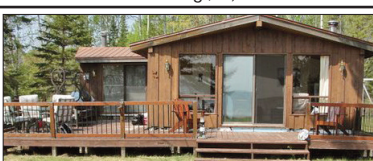
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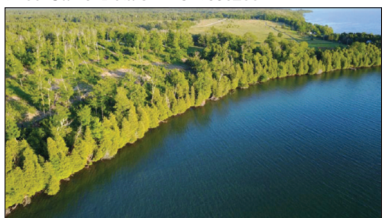
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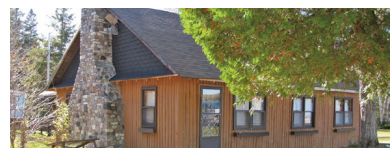




**GORE BAY ON THE HARBOUR** - Executive Tudor style 2 storey home. This 2980 sq ft home offers 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 fireplaces & a sunken dining room. Sweeping staircase from the foyer gives a architectural design to the home. Cedar shake roof & brick & stucco surround the home. 3 car garage with access to basement. \$500,000. MLS#1041821



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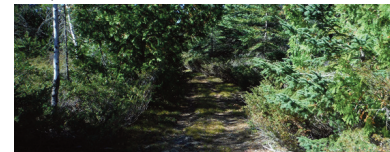
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**MELDRUM BAY ACREAGE** - Close to 300 acres of undeveloped land bordering on the west side of Meldrum Bay's town plot. A network of ATV trails in place. Ground and tree stands also available for white-tail deer hunting. Lots of white pine and cedar. Historical trail passes through north-east corner of the property. \$168,000. MLS#2051551



**KAGAWONG** - Quaint 3 bedroom bungalow located in Kagawong. Detached garage with separate workshop ideal for woodworking. Some TLC required. Large carport. Very reasonably priced at \$134,000. MLS#2050061



**WEST BAY LOT** - Very attractive waterfront lot in a quiet secluded area of West Bay. Great seasonal road access, hydro available, nicely sloped and treed to a accessible beach area with 180 degree views over West Bay, Cup N Saucer bluffs, and distant mountains. An excellent spot to build your dream cottage! \$74,900. MLS#1044874

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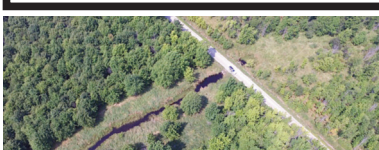
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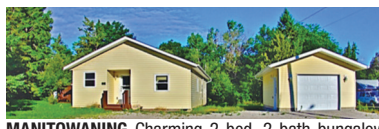
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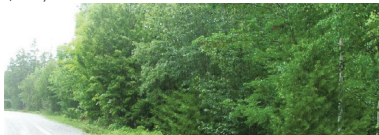
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**NORTH CHANNEL** - Rare waterfront lot with western view over North Channel on year round maintained road with hydro and telephone service available, only a short drive to Little Current or Mindemoya amenities! Sloping lot ideal for your home or 4 season cottage. \$75,000 MLS#1042859



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**GORE BAY HOME** - Convenient 3 bedroom one floor home on a level lot located down town Gore Bay. New roof in 2011, oil tank and kitchen counters in 2015. Would make an ideal starter home, or one to down size to. \$130,000. MLS#1037159



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**MELDRUM BAY LOT** - Large east facing lot with 250ft of water frontage on beautiful Meldrum Bay. It is a very tranquil setting on the west end of Manitoulin Island. (Neighbouring properties also for sale.) \$99,000. MLS#1043993



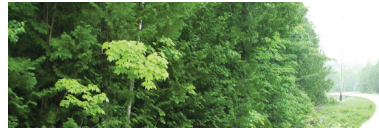
**SPECIAL MANITOULIN** West-end home and property. The house has had extensive exterior upgrades (2016). Windows, doors, and Manitoulin cedar. Also new insulation added to the house, and new electrical service to the house and outbuilding. The outbuilding consists of an insulated garage (900 sq.ft.), and a 2 bed room apartment (900 sq.ft.) with its own septic system. \$199,000. MLS#1043551



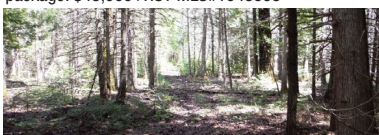
**MANITOWANING BAY!** 684ft and 3.54 acres on the Bay. Large 3 bedroom home in a private setting in the town of Manitowaning. Propane heat and large garage and shed for storage. Addition in late 1990's and newer windows and roof coverings. Easy access and walking distance to all amenities. 20 mins to the ferry at South Bay and 25 minutes to Little Current. \$217,900. MLS#1044159



**GORE BAY HOME** - Nice family home located in a popular residential area. At the end of the street resulting in minimal traffic. Master bedroom has a 4-piece ensuite bathroom. Another 3-piece bathroom on the main level. List price \$209,000. MLS#1034904



**SANDFIELD ACREAGE** - 26.7 Acres with 1442' frontage on East Road, Sandfield Twp. Surveyed, hydro available at road. Fully treed, ideal hunting or recreation property. Across road from 10 acre waterfront lot offered by same owner, could be purchased as a package. \$43,000+HST MLS#1043693



**ROCKVILLE ROAD ACREAGE** - Close to 200 acres of land with 2.4km of year round road frontage. Trailer on site with electrical service. There are blinds, tree stands, and approximately 4km of trails. The land is level with a mix of open areas, bush, and wetland. It is currently pastured which reduces tax rates. \$165,000. MLS#1036976



**MINDEMOYA** - New home in central Mindemoya. Short walk to all amenities of town and the public school. 3 bedrooms and 1 full bathroom on the main level. Large open concept kitchen, dining, and living room. The lower level is unfinished with unlimited potential. Basement ceilings are over 8' and roughed-in plumbing for a bathroom. Be the first to own this quality new home. Taron New Home Warranty! \$244,900 incl HST. MLS#1044218



**GORE BAY** 3 bedroom bungalow on a quiet street. The basement has additional finished living space with more potential. Kitchen has upgraded cupboards (some finishing required). Combination wood/oil forced air heat. Great starter home. \$129,000 MLS#1044444



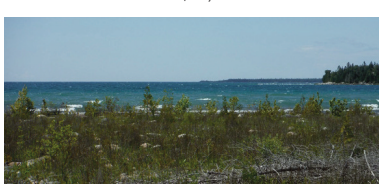
**NEW HOME IN MINDEMIOYA.** Walking distance to all amenities & public school. 3 bedrooms & 2 full baths on main level. Master bedroom has an ensuite bathroom. Walkout to a covered deck from the kitchen. The lower level is unfinished with unlimited potential. Basement ceilings are over 8' & roughed-in plumbing for a bathroom. \$249,999 inc. HST MLS#1044217



**PERFECT FAMILY GETAWAY!** Great cottage at the end of Big Dam Lake Road. Large cottage with custom woodwork throughout, plenty of room for family, friends. Open concept on main level, with bedroom and full bath. Upper level has 3 pcs bath and 2 bedrooms. Detached garage, plus large storage shed. Excellent level lot. \$294,900. MLS#1042101.



**WEST BAY** Beautiful water front lot, close to Kagawong. 293' frontage, mature tree cover & good beach. Hydro to lot line. Seasonal road access. Eastern exposure over West Bay and northerly views of the North Channel & distant mountains. \$89,000. MLS#1032685



**LAKE HURON/SOUTH SHORE** - 2 original lots being sold as one parcel providing a private frontage of 308' on Manitoulin's south shore. The lots are level and include a small bay with year round road access and hydro available. All for \$79,500. MLS#1044666



**GORE BAY** 2-storey commercial building located in the heart of Gore Bay. Gore Bay is the judicial capital of Manitoulin Island - the largest fresh water island in the world. There are currently 7 rental units as well as undeveloped space formerly used as firetruck parking bays. The units include commercial and residential. \$175,000. MLS#1043371



**PERFECT RETIREMENT PROPERTY** - Easy to maintain, this 1 bedroom 1 bath bungalow is in a central location close to schools, downtown, hospital & shopping. Built in 2011/12 on a nicely landscaped lot with paved drive & detached garage, this property is an ideal retirement home. \$149,500 MLS#1045383



**ATTENTION!** 200 acres of hunting property close to Gore Bay. Mostly treed lot with some small clearings. Property has Trailer with small addition. List price \$47,500 MLS#2051558



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# Golden anniversary

## Whitefish River First Nation celebrates 50th anniversary of band administration

by Robin Burrridge

**WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION**—Whitefish River First Nation celebrated the 50th anniversary of band administration this past Saturday with a large gala for community members and neighbours following the annual Christmas parade.

The evening got started with entertainment from Elijah and the Back Burners.

A buffet dinner was served following opening prayer and remarks.

The keynote speech was given by Councillor Esther Osche, '50 Years and Going Strong.'

Councillor Osche explained in her opening remarks that she was asked to prepare a walk down memory lane as "no celebration is complete without a peek into the past to see and reminisce about our earliest beginnings."

"Long after the treaties were signed and our community was permanently established as Whitefish River First Nation No.4, the Indian Act and the Indian Agent became the first form of administration we were to experience," said Councillor Osche. "Our leaders and community members would work with in this system in an effort to take care of their needs as their lives changed from a free lifestyle to a very regulated lifestyle, controlled in large part by strangers and government officials. This slowly began to change following the Great Depression and World War I and II."

Councillor Osche said that the restrictive lifestyle created a "stirring" in the community for something better.

"Our leaders of the time saw the treaty promises fading and the society around them growing wealthy and making progress with the use of an inheritance that rightfully belonged to our people," she said. "It was a time for action and to take back our own autonomy and get more control over our own affairs once again."

The individuals of Whitefish River started to change as Indigenous people across Canada began gaining more equal rights. Councillor Osche said these changes sparked WRFN leaders to organize themselves and fight to reclaim their political rights and the power to govern themselves.

"Our leaders' successes grew because they were united and focused," she explained. "These are the days after World War II, the Indian Agent became less visible and less involved in our daily affairs. Our chiefs won and reclaimed their rights to establish their administration over their own daily affairs."

Despite reclaiming their rights to govern, Councillor Osche said there were new challenges such as financial constraints.

"Our first official administration office was opened in the home of former Chief Bill McGregor in his living room at a big desk," she shared. "There he would run the affairs of our community and attend meetings to advocate our rights and seek out funds to develop our community."

Some time in the late '50s or early '60s, Councillor Osche said that the community centre was built as the hub for the community to gather. She added that it even had a projector room for showing movies.

"When former chief Art Nah-



Back row, from left, Whitefish River First Nation councillor and the evening's keynote speaker Esther Osche, WRFN Councillors Cara McGregor, Band Manager Art Jacko, Aundeck Omni Kaning Councillor Karen McGraw and Chief Patsy Corbiere, Jean McGregor, Dennis McGregor, MP Carol Hughes and WRFN Councillor Gerald McGregor, front row, Silvia Shawanda, WRFN Chief Franklin Paibomsai, former WRFN Chief James McGregor and Pauline Andrews.

photos by Robin Burrridge



Aundeck Omni Kaning Chief Patsy Corbiere and Councillor Karen McGraw present Whitefish River First Nation Chief Franklin Paibomsai with a gift on behalf of their community.

wegahbow took office he recurred the funds to build a small two room office addition to the community centre," Councillor Osche continued. "There were three desks and a safe and the community centre closet room served as the post office. Later the two room office made space for a small library."

One of the offices was occupied by Chief Nahwegahbow and the other office was for the administrator of the time, Jean McGregor Andrews.

Councillor Osche said that when necessary, the chief would invite the Indian Agent, Vern Robinson, who was based out of an office in Manitowaning, to a council meeting to inform the band what could be available for land development.

"When former chief Jim McGregor took office, a clerk position was opened with only one applicant applying, Dennis McGregor, who held the post for nine years," she said. "Dennis reminisced with me how there were only two phones and an old-time copier to work with. Space was limited so when Chief McGregor stepped out, Dennis would need to utilize the office to organize meeting minutes, band council resolutions and various correspondences."

In 1973, Dennis McGregor

received permission to create and distribute the first community newsletter.

In 1974 Pauline Andrews took over the role of band administrator. When Chief Leona Nahwegahbow took office, she created more positions within the band administration and additions were built to the existing community centre to accommodate the growing staff.

"This was surely an exciting time of growth and without planning it, we became an all female run administration," said Councillor Osche. "Many of the positions opened held multiple jobs because of the shortage of funds, but spirits were high and folks rolled up their sleeves and dived into the work. It was great to work for community development and see the community beginning to really grow."

The administration continued to grow when Chief Franklin Paibomsai took office and the office space expanded with the changes.

"I remember one time a carpenter saying if we built one more addition and changed the roof again we might be mistaken for a flying unidentified object from sky view," she with a laugh. "Yes we had grown, and now we had outgrown our humble beginnings. Down came the old wall

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The annual Christmas Parade kicked off the 50th anniversary celebration.



Councillor Esther Osche gives the keynote speech, '50 Years and Going Strong.'



Wednesday, November 29, 2017

THE MANITOULIN EXPOSITOR—1A



Tehkummah Talk and Times

Guess who let out a scream when one day, after getting steel on the roof, I also got “baptized” with the free siding snow! Boy it belted me good, my hood was full and I said, “oh gosh darn.”

Talking to Lyle Dewar on the phone a while ago, congrats to their 13-year-old grandson who today got a six-point buck. Way to go! Good way to start out, first day and all.

Also heard by the grapevine that my grandson Tory got his deer too. His first ever. He just started hunting a year ago.

Well I don’t know if I tripped or my ankle gave out, all of a sudden I was laying on top of the garbage can, wondering? My tea was up my arm and all over my jacket I’m trying to get up. It isn’t easy this growing old stuff, it definitely is not for wimps.

Tuesday, thanks once again to our faithful musicians, Lyle, Gordy and Peter, who help each month to celebrate the birthdays. This is a November, December duo. Lyle and

Margaret McCarthy, then I was the only December (no Audrie, Cal or Corraíne.)

“How wonderful it is that no one needs to wait a single moment before starting to improve the World”—Anne Frank.

Observed today a young man pushing his shopping cart, a few more steps he could have put it away properly. I put mine back, his ran freely, I limped!

How nice it would be if only other folk were considered. Someone else left their cart behind a car. Is it the way of the world that someone else does your job? All but for a minute of time!

Enough preaching, right, be kind!

With the best of intentions, I went to Prov for the tribute to Glen’s life. I even found a real close parking space, but then I looked at the rollers (very pretty mind you) blowing into shore, and I looked at the line up still outside the hall and I said “self, this is no place for you.” I met Larry and Shelly in Foodland. Shelly said she wasn’t dressed for

standing out either, my legs wouldn’t have made it. Sure, a lot of folks, I guess.

I’ve since heard that Wendell Buie too passed away. Sympathy to all. As well in the last Expositor, Amelia MacDougall, Russ Bond (I worked for his Mum when they were babies) and to Mary Ellen’s family, too, my prayers are with you all.

I had lunch today at Chill and Grill. Sat with Betty and Eric (they had gone through the line up at Prov.) I hadn’t seen Natalie Tann for ages until shopping today.

I’m going to remember Simon’s nephew Chuck, the next time I see him? (Wards). Chuck brought in a deck of cards to the apt. “Captain Morgan Rum” in Mum’s memory. Had a nice chat with Mary Balfe too.

Sherry and Dave will miss old “Pokey,” her name was Smoky. She had been failing, she was a dear old cat.

Margaret was looking after the birthday, it was her celebration?

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# Providence Bay News and Notes

Our little village is sure looking festive again. A group of volunteers including Sharon Dewar, Carol Dewar, Anna Orford, Janet Bean and Marilyn McDermid were out decorating all of the hydro poles in time for the Christmas season. They'd like to send out a special thank you to Russ and Margo Hendricks for donating the vintage wreaths. The new decorations were donated by the Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Club. It's a wonderful mixture of old and new. Joanne and John Bisailon weren't able to help the day of the planned decorating bee so they donated lots of red ribbons and decorated hydro poles out their way when they returned.

Family and friends gathered at the Providence Bay Community Centre on November 24th to celebrate the life of Glen McDougall. They had a visitation, a masonic service, celebration of life and burial in the Providence Bay Cemetery. Our thoughts are with the family at this difficult time and Glen will be very missed by many in the community. The family is asking for donations to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary for the Palliative Care Unit if so desired.

The family of Alice Darleen Gilchrist gathered on Saturday, November 25 for her ashes to be buried at the Providence Bay Cemetery. She passed away in Little Current on October 9 at the age of 84. Family received friends and relatives at the Providence Bay Hall following the service.

The Providence Bay Village Square is well lit up with Christmas lights now. Mary Jo Gordon and Alex Baran were out decorating the square last Saturday. It looks so festive. We're so lucky to have the community members that we have who are so generous with their time and efforts.

Our condolences also go out to the family of Wendell Buie who passed away suddenly at home on November 23. A celebration of life was held at the Providence Bay Community Centre on Monday, November 27. The family is requesting that donations be made to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary or the Kidney Foundation of Ontario.

We now have the prettiest post office in Ontario in our opinion. The Mutchmor has a mini-Mutchmor inside the Post Office area. Linda Garniss is looking after it and it looks wonderful. Linda and some friends did a beautiful

window display using Shelagh McDermid's one of a kind painted signs, skates and other items. They also have locally decorated Christmas cards for sale along with a whole host of other artisan's works. They will be having an open house soon in December in conjunction with the post office customer appreciation day. Keep an eye out for the date and plan to attend.

Condolences go out to Maureen Eadie on the loss of her fur baby Sky who was her white shepherd/husky mix.

If you have something that you would like to contribute to the Providence bay News and Notes, please let us know. We know the amazing people and things that happen in our community but let's allow everyone to know. If there is an upcoming birthday, anniversary, fundraiser or celebration, please let us know. You can email Cheryl at prov\_chick@hotmail.com or call her at 705-862-1613. Submissions must be received by each Sunday at 3 pm for submission in the following Wednesday publication of the paper. We look forward to hearing from you.

## ...Tehkummah Talk

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Cribbage, almost 8 tables: high hand, Lorrie Lee and Margaret Case, 24; first, Margaret Mc and Lorrie, 959; second, Gib and Florence, 940; third, (tied), Simon and Marg, 938 and Betty Jean and Bill, 938; low, Hugh and Lyla, 810; door, Glenna, Laurene and Simon.

Hey, I shopped at Cindy's on Friday, and actually bought something!

Thursday afternoon Bid Euchre: I didn't get a list, I do remember Laurene won second!

I didn't hear if a lot of deer being got this season?

Where are the birds?

A phone call from Donna Phillips on Saturday morning. She kind of filled me in on yesterday's service for Glen, and then I told her what I'd heard about Carol Smith's heart attack and stent. I guess things are OK.

Just got a call from Colleen Duggan. Her Mum passed away a couple of days ago. Sympathy to all the friends and family. Bernice was 86. Colleen says they probably will have a celebration of life in the Spring. She was a Slash girl.

I see some sunshine?

9:30 pm, I'm in bed most nights about this time, last night, clock watched 2:30, night before after 4 am. But I want to sleep in the light!

We just came home from the Knox Christmas Gala. A most wonderful roast beef dinner. Lovely dinner music from the Burns Wharf Players, under the expert Marilyn Wohlberg, Ray Scott, saxophone and trumpet added much. Hey, slow dancing in the snow no less. Loved it. Tara won a draw prize.

This is how we celebrate Mum. She almost made 101, birthday was November 25. Sherry, Tara, Pauline, Susan and I, we shared table space with Barb Grigg, Faye and her sister Gloria who I just met. Had a lot of laughs, they all helped to decorate the hat I got out of my Christmas cracker. Thanks all for another wonderful evening.

Sunday evening, just back from cards, at Cal's with Florence and Gib. The girls were the "Best"! Prior to that we all met at the Green Acres restaurant. So many folks have been giving their condolences to me. I guess everyone knew Mum, if not personally, through my column! So, thank you for caring! This morning, I travelled with Lydia our Queen of the Southern Belles to the Hotel Conference Centre in Little Current. What a lovely place that is, my first time there. The annual Christmas Red Hat event was hosted by Little Current. What a nice affair that was. Delicious luncheon, lots of draws, something for everyone! Music by Maurice Labelle and Gordie LaPierre. Each group had to sing a song about Red Hats to a known tune. We got to sing with "Simply Scarlett" as we weren't assigned our own song. Somehow missed on the mailing list! Our table consisted of Lydia, Betty, Laura, Joan, Jeanine and Carolyn. We missed having Helen with us.

This weekend in Tehkummah the annual Christmas Fair. The hall, for information call Mary Johnson.

Sunday is Christmas Breakfast with Santa

And hey, all of a sudden, I see homes and yards dressing up in the annual Christmas finery!

Diane and Harvey's yard is showy, enjoy the season. A pretty tree in Tammy's window.



**Plants for pets**

The Grass Roots Garden Club donated \$500 to Bleu Fisher to continue her work in rescuing animals. The funds were raised through the annual Spring Plant Sale. The photo is Bleu Fisher, right, and treasurer MaryEllen Bailey.

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# Debajehmujig celebrates Premier’s Award with Christmas retrospective

by Michael Erskine  
MANITOWANING—To say that winning the 2017 Premier’s Award for Excellence in the Arts left the Debajehmujig Storytellers troupe giddy might be a bit of an overstatement (they are a pretty excitable bunch at the quietest of times), but that isn’t so far off the truth—so small wonder they decided that this year’s Christmas dinner and a show would focus on the accomplishments of the past three-and-a-half decades.

“Well, we figured out it isn’t quite 35 years,” admitted Debaj artistic director Joe Osawabine, “that isn’t until next year.” But then they checked their poetic licence, saw it was fully up to date, and forged ahead.

Each of the Debajehmujig Storytellers troupe was encouraged to think back upon their favourite scene over the course of the past 34 years and to put together a vignette featuring that scene. The wealth of possibilities lay out before them and the crew rolled up their sleeves and got to work.

“The original plan was to put on Tomson Highway’s ‘The Rez Sisters,’” admitted Mr. Osawabine, but in the end the logistics and cost proved too daunting. “We figured that in order to fully cast the play, we would have to bring in some artists from places like Toronto and that would have cost upwards of \$10,000 to \$12,000. Kind of counterproductive for a fundraiser. But when we thought of this idea it actually seemed more appropriate.”

So the 35-year retrospective, minus one, will take to the stage for dinner theatre on December 11 through 14 for business Christmas parties, with public shows on December 15 and 21.

“There are at least a dozen pieces, from past productions, including ‘Elders Gone AWOL,’ ‘Indian Affairs,’ and the ‘Rez Sisters’ being prepared for the retrospective,” said Mr. Osawabine. “In addition, Audrey (Wemigwans, 30-year plus Debaj veteran) and I will be relating inter-spliced anecdotal stories from our experiences through the years.”

The progressive development of Debajehmujig down through three-and-a-half decades has been impressive as they moved from a somewhat traditionally structured theatre troupe to the holistic land-based artistic organization that it is today.

The dinner theatre production will feature tables of 10, with smaller groups sharing tables and larger organizations sometimes booking the entire night. “We have one booking that will be offsite, taking place at the new Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current,” he said. “Our capacity here at the Creation Centre in Manitowaning is about 100.”

Mr. Osawabine said that Debaj was also excited to be presenting the ‘New Constellation’ show at the Creation Centre tonight (Wednesday, December 29), with two showings at 7:30 pm and 9 pm. “Those shows are close to being sold out already,” said Mr. Osawabine. “The young guys in our

company tell me that July Talk is a really big name these days.”

July Talk consists of singers Peter Dreimanis and Leah Fay, guitarist Ian Docherty, bassist Josh Warburton and drummer Danny Miles and has been taking the alt-rock scene by storm since being formed in Toronto in 2012.

The Debajehmujig Storytellers Christmas show is entitled ‘3 Decades of Debaj’ery’ and features an evening of dinner theatre costing \$45 per person. Dates for booking staff parties are December 11 through 14 and December 18-20 (December 18 is fully booked). Performances with no dinner will take place Friday, December 15 and Thursday, December 21 at \$25/seat.

## Journey to Bethlehem marks 20th anniversary

by Robin Burridge  
MINDEMOYA—Journey to Bethlehem, a multi-denominational, family-oriented outdoor presentation of the Christmas story, will celebrate its 20th anniversary this Friday and Saturday in Mindemoya, December 1 and 2.

Dedicated volunteers have been busy cooking, baking, working on sets and props and practicing scenes getting ready for the weekend event which is organized collectively by the churches of Mindemoya.

There are over 75 costumed volunteers, plus many more behind the scenes, and over 200 candles. Participants are taken back in time and led on an interactive walk to Bethlehem, passing beggars, guards, shepherds, the three wise men, encounter a choir of angels, visit a market, an inn, and eventually meet Mary, Joseph and a live baby Jesus.

The Mindemoya event was inspired by the Walk of Love in Bruce Mines.

The production has grown since its inception 20 years ago, along with the volunteers offering their unique ideas and talents.

The production brings out hundreds of individuals from Manitoulin and across the North.

Journey to Bethlehem starts this Friday, December 1 at 6 pm at the Mindemoya Missionary Church and goes until 8:30 pm. The production will also be open to the public on Saturday, December 2 from 6 to 8:30 pm.

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Christmas in Sheguiandah celebrates crafts

Thecla Negannegijig poses with one of the thousand-plus origami swans her son made. The swans were one of the many items on sale at the Sheguiandah First Nation annual Christmas Bazaar.

photo by Michael Erskine



Get on your (Christmas) high horse

The Little Current United Church Christmas bazaar saw Jim Chrysler offering up his great selection of hobby horses. Mr. Chrysler got into creating the horses, and a host of soft plush soccer and other sports balls suitable for indoor play when he moved North after years of working with children in southern Ontario.

photo by Michael Erskine



Wiikwemkoong shows off its many Christmas talents

Veda Trudeau, who learned the art of quillwork from her late mother Stella Manitowabi, had a table full of traditional birchbark and quill work inspired by the holiday season at the Wiikwemkoong Christmas craft fair.

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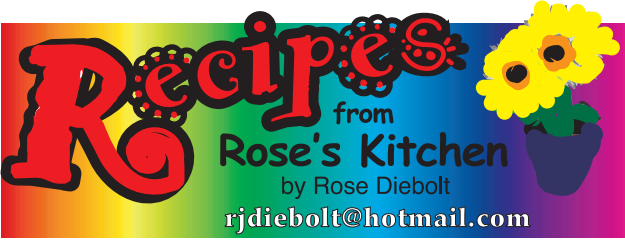
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Sometimes, when it comes to baking cookies that are really special, I bite the bullet and go all the way, white flour, white sugar and butter. A marriage made in heaven. This holiday season I found two new recipes that will go into my file as “make every year and share.” They are delicious.

Coconut Apricot Cookies

I changed the recipe to suit me. I used unsweetened coconut flakes (using sweetened desiccated coconut makes them super sweet) which give the cookies more “chew.” Try and find apricots or mangoes that don’t have sugar added to them. Read the ingredient list on the back, it should just say apricots or mangoes! Use whatever nuts you like but make sure they are chopped. This recipe calls for rolling the dough into a log, then chilling, then slicing. I didn’t

have time so I formed the dough into small balls, pressed them into thin circles with a fork and baked.

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 3/4 cup butter, at room temperature
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 1/2 cup sweetened, desiccated coconut
- 1/2 cup chopped dried apricots or mango
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped almonds, hazelnuts or pecans

1. Preheat oven to 325°F.
2. In a medium bowl, stir flour with baking powder until evenly mixed. In a large bowl, using an electric mixer beat butter with granulated sugar at least 2 minutes. Beat in egg, scraping down side of bowl as necessary. On low speed or using a wooden spoon, gradually stir flour mixture into butter mixture until evenly mixed. Stir in coconut, almonds and apricots.

3. Divide dough into 4 portions (or follow my directions). Shape each into a rectangular or round log about 6 inch long and 1 1/4 inch wide. Wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate until firm, at least 1 hour or up to a week. Or seal in a plastic bag and freeze up to 1 month.

4. To bake, remove wrapped logs from refrigerator and let stand at room temperature for about 15 min. so they’re easier to slice. With a serrated knife, using a gentle sawing motion, slice into rectangles or rounds about 1/3 inch thick. Spread slices out on a parchment lined baking sheet.

5. Bake in centre of oven until cookie edges are lightly browned from 8 to 10 minutes. Remove cookies to a rack and let cool completely. Cookies will keep in the refrigerator up to 2 weeks or in the freezer up to 1 month. Good luck on keeping them that long!

Mini Fruit Cake Balls

No baking for this recipe! Great for snacks—your own healthy granola bar in a ball. The secret in keeping the dough together is in how fine you grind the ingredients in the food processor.

- 1/2 cup almonds
- 1/2 unsweetened coconut
- 1/4 cup cashews
- 1/2 cup pitted packed dates, chopped
- 1 tsp almond extract
- 1 Tbsp orange zest
- 1 Tbsp lemon zest
- 1/3 cup mixed dried fruit with no added sugar (goji berries, mulberries, raisins)
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1/4 cup fresh orange juice
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans or walnuts
- Frosting Ingredients:
- 2 Tbsp melted coconut butter (small squares of solid coconut)
- 1 Tbsp raw cashew butter or almond
- 2 Tbsp melted coconut oil
- 1 Tbsp maple syrup

1. Soak the dried fruit in the lemon and orange juice for about 1 hour or overnight to soften and absorb the flavours. Strain the fruit but keep the juice.
2. Grind the almonds, cashews, and coconut down to crumbs in the food processor. Add the dates, extract, and zests. Process until the dates are broken down and the mixture is combined.

Add the soaked fruit mixture and pulse several times to incorporate it. Add up to 1 Tbsp of the juice as needed to create a dough that holds together. Stir in the pecans by hand. If it doesn’t hold together mix in some more of the juice.

3. Using a small scoop to create balls of dough place them onto a parchment paper-lined tray. Place in the freezer while making the frosting.

Frosting instructions:  
Place all ingredients together in a bowl set over a pot of hot water to melt. Whisk together, then set aside to cool. While cooling whisk periodically until it starts to thicken slightly, about 10 minutes. Pour a little over each chilled ball and it will firm up quickly. store in the fridge.



The MSS halls are bustling as the Mustangs continue their athletic seasons, campaigns to change the world and artistic opportunities.

The MSS Mustang senior boys’ volleyball team travelled to OFSSA in Woodbridge on Wednesday, November 22. The boys had their first game on Thursday afternoon against Quinte Secondary School, losing the first set 21-25, and the second set 23-25. They won their second match against Ursula Franklin Academy, 25-5, and 25-11. On Friday, they played against Durham, losing the first set 17-25 and the second set 22-25. Their last game of the round robin was against Romeo-Dallaire, which the Mustangs won 25-15 and 25-18. In consolation quarter finals, MSS defeated Mackenzie in straight sets: 26-24, 25-21, 31-29. During the consolation semi-finals against Rockway, MSS battled hard but lost three sets: 25-22, 25-19, 34-32.

Bryce Draper, a five-year MSS volleyball player, said, “We played very hard. We had times we got in slumps but managed to get out of them quickly. My favourite part of the tournament was just being there with the boys. To compete in a high level with the guys you’ve played with for five years is definitely special.”

The boys’ basketball tryouts have started up, and both the junior and senior teams have been practicing hard. The teams will be finalized in the upcoming weeks. The senior and junior girls’ volleyball teams have both started tryouts as well. The girls’ hockey team beat Espanola High School 6-0 on Thursday, November 23. This was the first shut out of the season, and Coach Addison was very proud of her goalies: Sophie Bondi and Gabby Corbiere.

The Students’ Council and Three Fires shoe box campaign is well underway. The boxes will be filled with school

supplies, small toys and toiletries, and then sent to Northern communities for Christmas. Each homeroom class has a shoebox, and the class that fills the most boxes will get a free taco lunch. In addition to the shoe boxes, Three Fires is also running a clothing drive. Any community donations can be dropped off in the big, yellow box in the front foyer.

SHARE/Go Green’s campaign, Brick by Brick, is under way. SHARE has 5,000 Lego bricks that can be sponsored for \$2 each, in order to raise \$10,000 to donate to WE.org. The money will go towards building a school in a developing country. SHARE will be selling bricks at lunch times, through a homeroom Give Change to Make Change Challenge and in the community.

Students’ Council is getting ready for the 12 days of Christmas activities. Many groups in the school have activities planned, including dodgeball, cookie decorating, karaoke, and candy-grams. Also in the holiday spirit, the Students’ Council is organizing the Winter Formal. The dance will be on December 21, from 9 pm to midnight. Ticket sales will begin shortly.

The MSS Arts’ Council has begun organizing the Winter Talent Show! There are many slots available, and any talent is encouraged: juggling, singing, playing an instrument, dance, or comedy. Anyone interested can talk to Mr. Theijmsmeijer for more details. In the second week of December, the MSS Senior Band and Vocal group will be travelling to the elementary schools around the Island to perform Christmas music.

The MSS Mustangs are representing Manitoulin Island well on a provincial, local, global, athletic and artistic level. ‘Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs.



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# ...Whitefish River First Nation celebrates

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and up grew the new facilities that could once again meet the community’s expanding needs.”

“We have stayed true to the vision of those who walked before us to keep our dignity, hold our heads up high in the lands of our inheritance and to reclaim our autonomy over our affairs and to direct those affairs based on need and growth for our future generations,” concluded Councillor Osche. “We have built a great place to live and have made the facilities to meet our needs and the needs of the future. I think our ancestors would be proud of these accomplishments that have been made thus far, especially their humble beginnings. Let’s congratulate their efforts and yours to keep the dream alive to become the best we can be together going forward as we always have as one family and one community.”

Aundeck Omni Kaning Chief Patsy Corbiere and Councillor Karen McGraw presented WRFN Chief Paibomsai with a gift on behalf of their community and Chief Corbiere presented a gift on behalf of the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising (UCCMM) Tribal Council.

Chief Corbiere commended the band administration on their hard work growing and developing their community over the last 50 years.

“When you drive through the community, you can see all the hard work you have done,” said Chief Corbiere.

Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes presented Chief Paibomsai with a certificate marking the 50th anniversary. She sent regrets from MPP Mike Mantha and congratulations and greetings from the new NDP leader Jagmeet Singh.

“I have been honoured to represent the area for the last nine years and work alongside First Nation leaders from this community and others in the area,” said Ms. Hughes. “I’m impressed by how your



Elijah and the Back Burners provided the entertainment for the evening.

community has flourished and your determination as a people to fight for what is rightfully yours.”

Chief Paibomsai thanked Ms. Hughes for attending and noted that a congratulatory letter had also been sent from the Honourable Carolyn Bennet, minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs, and a personal email from Premier Kathleen Wynne.

WRFN Councillors Cara McGregor, Gerald McGregor and Esther Osche presented quilts to honoured guests, former administration staff Jean McGregor, Silvia Shawanda, Pauline Andrews, Dennis McGregor and James McGregor—thanking them for their years of service and work for the community.

“Congratulations to our former administration and leaders for all their work over the years,” said Chief Paibomsai concluding the presentations for the evening. “As we acknowledge 50 years of history, we look to the future. Congratulations to the staff who work tirelessly for us throughout the community in all areas. Job well done. Miigwetch.”



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Program Overview:

The Construction Estimator Program is designed to improve the knowledge and skill levels of persons working or wishing to work as estimators in the Commercial Construction Industry. Individuals who previously learned estimating skills on the job or individuals wishing to enter the construction industry would benefit from this program.

Admission Requirements:

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Roger Miller of Mindemoya has opened a new restaurant named Miller Tyme. The new eatery occupies the old Roosterant restaurant and is open from 11:30 am to 8:00 pm from Tuesday through Sunday.  
photo by Betty Bardswich

## Miller Tyme restaurant open for business

by Betty Bardswich

MINDEMOYA—There is no shortage of good quality restaurants on the Manitoulin and Islanders will be happy to know that another has opened in Mindemoya. Dubbed Miller Tyme, the new family eatery replaces the Roosterant that has been closed for some time.

The signs for the new business, created by Julie Beacon, reflect Mr. Miller's passion for fishing as do the walls inside the building that sport rods and antique reels. When asked about his favourite kind of fishing, Mr. Miller replied, "I like everything and anything."

Roger Miller and his wife Kim have always wanted to have their own business and their wish became a reality when they moved here in September. The Millers are from Brantford and had been coming to stay at Island Spring Cottages for over 25 years. They have one daughter, Kassandra, who attends Haileybury College where she is enrolled in the veterinary technician three year course.

Mr. Miller became a chef at the age of 22 and has been in the restaurant business

since he was 16. He has worked at different spots in southern Ontario and has spent the last 13 years at the Brantford Golf and Country Club.

The menu for the new venue includes onion rings with a horseradish aioli, sweet chili Thai popcorn shrimp and hummus with naan bread as just part of the appetizers, as well as bison burgers, Reuben sandwiches, and chipotle breaded chicken salads for lunch. Supper items include liver and onions, braised beef, cedar baked salmon, chicken and chorizo sausage jambalaya and a seafood farfalle with shrimp, scallops and salmon. Cod and whitefish are also part of the menu as well as soups.

In discussing his menu for the new venue, Mr. Miller said, "I like making homemade soups, always did, always will." He has also kept some of the popular Roosterant recipes including Thai shrimp noodle and the delicious Italian cake.

Miller Tyme is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11:30 am to 8:00 pm. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 705-377-4667.

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