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SHIPS IN PORT—Sixty-two vessels and 135 members of the Great Lakes Cruising Club descended upon the Port of Little Current this week to celebrate the club's 60th annual rendezvous at the place where it all began. The GLCC burgee in foreground, left, could be seen throughout the port. photo by Doug Jackson

Great Lakes Cruising Club takes over Port of Little Current

Club's 60th anniversary rendezvous celebrated this week

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—It is back to the future for the Great

60th anniversary Rendezvous. The GLCC's popular gathering began here on Manitoulin Island, in the Port of Little

Current, and it has been going strong ever since.

"This means a lot to Little Current," said Debby Turner,

ll M'Chigeeng Health Services will be delivered through medium of emotionally-focussed therapy model

M'CHIGEENG FIRST NA-TION- In a bold step toward generational healing, the M'Chigeeng First Nation Health Centre is rolling out a

by Jacqueline St.Pierre.

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

trauma-first mental health and wellness program rooted in both clinical practice and Anishinaabe values. With more than 20 new hires expected and job postings already live, the initiative marks a deep investment in the emotional and cultural wellbeing of the com-

"Trauma-informed care just grazes the surface," said Floyd Ense, director of the health centre. "What we actually

want to do is train our people to process trauma while working with families—teaching a new way of being and living.'

The program draws on the

foundational principles of emotionally focused therapy (EFT), a counselling approach

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who co-chaired the Rendezvous with her husband Jib. "We're celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Great Lakes Cruising Club Rendezvous."

Ms. Turner explained that the first one was held in 1965. "It was held here as a two-day event just to honour my husband Jib Turner's grandfather, Grant Turner, for all the work he did when they founded the club in 1934.'

Grant Turner, she explained, managed to pull some important strings when it came to improving boating in the North

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Potential home for new waste processor Gordon/Barrie Island votes to host proposed facility

by Tom Sasvari

GORDON/BARRIE ISLAND—Gordon/Barrie Island council has narrowly voted in favour of granting approval to Waste Energy Solutions and Technologies Inc. (WEST) to amend a municipal zoning bylaw to allow the company to erect a proposed renewable energy source for a waste generation plant and advanced recycling project. This despite concerns raised by a local resident

last week that all hers and other neighbouring property owners' questions and concerns have not been fully answered.

"Not all the questions submitted by the residents were acknowledged or replied to before council voted on the proposal," stated April Patterson, a local resident who, along with Heather

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Grand Chief Linda Debassige demands Ontario environment minister resign

Cites his suggestion that Canada should reduce environmental controls on developments, safe drinking water supply

by Jacqueline M. St. Pierre, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter ONTARIO—The Anishinabek Nation has issued a firm and sorrowful song to the halls of power: water is life, and this sacred truth must no longer be subject to the push and pull of partisan tides.

In a searing statement, Grand Council Chief Linda Debassige condemned Ontario and Alberta for attempting to block Bill C-61, a federal act that would safeguard source water, drinking water, wastewater, and related infrastructure on First Nation lands.

'We are shocked," the Grand

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MNR lays out walleye plans for L. Manitou

by Tom Sasvari

SANDFIELD-Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) representatives outlined its Lake Manitou walleve stocking plans to hopefully increase populations of the fish at the annual general meeting of the Lake Manitou and Area Association (LMAA),

"We are very fortunate tonight to have Denis Gendron (MNR management biologist, Sudbury District) and Kim Tremblay (regional fisheries specialist) here tonight, to present the walleye stocking plan that our fishery committee has been meeting and working with them on for the last 10 months." said Mike Costigan, LMAA president.

The MNR representatives provided an outline of Lake

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The Manitoulin West Recorder



CHEMO ROOM SUPPORT - Little Current United Church Pastoral Charge, along with United Church congregations nationally, celebrated the centennial of the United Church of Canada in June. Part of the Little Current United Church's celebration was a dessert tea in late June where fashions from the past century (and before) were arrayed in the church hall and appreciated by the large attendance. Funds raised that day were earmarked for a donation to the chemo room at the Mindemoya site of the Manitoulin Health Centre, an initiative that had been a work-in-progress by the Little Current United Church Women (UCW) organization just prior to the pandemic that halted events like this. Former Little Current UCW members gathered last week at the church to present MHC CEO Paula Fields, right, with a \$1,000 donation collectively raised from the proceeds of the dessert tea and private donation. From left, they are Helen Gordon, Myrna Ferguson and Diana Parrill (who organized the exhibits for the dessert tea).

photo by Lori Mastelko

'Through The Years' collection goes digital

SUDBURY—The Greater Sudbury Public Library has all of the volumes of 'Through the Years, which details the history of Manitoulin Island, on its bookshelves, and is in the process of making all 151 editions of the monthly booklets available

Arlene McQuarrie, wife of the late former publisher/owner of the Manitoulin Recorder and Through the Years, explained, "John was a friend of Dr. Len Piche, a professor at the University of Western Ontario who had two of John's books reprinted. Dr. Piche had suggested that Through the Years should be digitized on computer, so that each edition would be accessible to everyone. That is what John had planned and the reason that I gave my permission to this, to have it available to everyone. Now all editions of Through the Years are safe and sound in the Sudbury library."

Norma Hughson, a local Manitoulin Island genealogy expert said, "Rick McCutcheon of The Manitoulin Expositor had called me to tell me that he had given permission to Dr. Piche, as had the McQuarrie family, to scan all the documents (in Through the Years) and I related this to Nancy coordinator) of the Sudbury District Branch and Ontario Ancestors-Ontario Genealogical Society, who spearheaded this project."

The Sudbury library has all the computer equipment to scan every page of each edition of the booklets, said Ms. Hughson.

Ms. Graham Vaillancourt told The Expositor, "The fellow that initiated the project was a professor at (UWO) (Dr. Piche) who was a good friend of Jack and Arlene McQuarrie. When Jack retired from the newspaper Dr. Piche had a conversation with them about this. Both were very interested in getting the history of the Island detailed in Through the Years out broadly, to make them accessible to everyone."

Ms. Vaillancourt then contacted Kristen Bertrand, local history librarian for the Greater Sudbury Public Library. "Ms. Bertrand was really excited about this project. I put she and the professor in contact, and they worked with Rick McCutcheon of Manitoulin Publishing Co. to get approvals to take the original text format and dig-

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Gore Bay Theatre's opening week wows audiences

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY-Gore Bay Theatre opened its summer season last week with two outstanding productions, 'Separate Beds,' a romantic comedy by Maryjane Cruise and 'The Woman in Black,' a spine-chilling thriller adapted by Stephen Mallatratt from the book by Susan Hill.

One word, brilliant, and one expression, a tour de force, describe both theatrical experiences. The plays are entirely different, but have one thing in common: performances that are

Last Friday, 'Separate Beds'

by Michael Erskine

numerous complaints.

pleased by his response.

Billboard blocking access to

Lewis Lake will soon be moved

MANITOULIN-Lewis Lake has been a popular fishing spot for

many anglers both local and visiting from across the province and

beyond. Recently, a large billboard was placed across the best lo-

cation to launch a boat, leaving anglers frustrated and garnering

Despite assurances from the Ministry of Transportation several

weeks ago that the sign would be moved, it has remained stubborn-

ly in place. The Little Current Fish and Game Club reached out to

Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Bill Rosenberg about the issue and were

MPP Rosenberg to the club in a July 11 email. "They have given the

sign company until next Friday to move the sign or they will have

"Our latest conversation with the MTO was positive," wrote

played to an appreciative soldout dinner theatre audience hosted by the Gore Bay Rotary Club. The Rotarians lived up to their reputation of providing a fabulous dinner and dessert.

Evelyn Cardiff, wrote on the Gore Bay Theatre Facebook page, "Thanks so much, Andrea (Emmerton) and Walter (Maskel) for all the work involved in producing and directing (Separate Beds). Helen and Ray Landry (actors in the production), such a talented pair!"

"And the Rotary Club, as usual, prepared and served a delicious meal. And the dessert was definitely the stuff of dreams!" wrote Ms. Cardiff. "Such a lovely evening, and we are just so fortunate to have these hardworking, creative and dedicated people in our little commu-

'Separate Beds' is about two couples, in the autumn of their lives. Ernie, played by Ray Landry, and Twink, played by Helen Landry, are celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary and their children have sent them on a cruise.

Free of chores and children. they are introduced to exciting people, namely the rich and successful Blake, again played by Ray Landry, and Beth, again played by Helen Landry, who still seem to have a perfect life together after 10 years of marriage. Without giving away the plot this is a hilarious laugh out loud romantic comedy that becomes funnier as it builds toward its heartwarming conclu-

This is achieved by two incredible performances by Ray and Helen Landry, both award winners at the regional and provincial level. For two hours. two actors with a great deal of experience and talent held the audience to a master class

Motorcyclist killed in three vehicle collision near Espanola

ESPANOLA—A motorcyclist was killed in a fatal accident involving three vehicles on Highway 6 in the Espanola area on Tuesday,

At around 1:30 pm on Tuesday July 8, officers with the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and Manitoulin-Sudbury Paramedic Services responded to a three-vehicle collision involving two passenger vehicles and a motorcycle. As a result of the collision, the motorcyclist was transported to hospital by Manitoulin-Sudbury Paramedic Services, where they were pro-

Highway 6 was closed in both directions between Fox Lake Road and Lang Lake Road for around five hours, being reopened around 6:30 pm on the evening of July 8.

The investigation remains ongoing with assistance from the OPP Northeast Region Traffic Incident Management and Enforcement unit, technical collision investigators and a reconstructionist.

The Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario-Ontario Forensic Pathology Service is assisting, and a post-mortem examination will take place at a later date.

Anyone with information or dashcam footage related to this collision is asked to contact the Manitoulin OPP at 1-888-310-1122, or report anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at ontariocrimestoppers.ca.

29th Annual Manitoulin **Art Tour spans the Island**

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The Island is home to an eclectic group of artists and artisans and each year the Manitoulin Fine Arts Association holds the Manitoulin Art Tour, showcasing the work from one end to the other. This year the tour takes place from 10 am to 4 pm, July 18, 19 and 20.

The work the Island produces is just amazing," said Manitoulin Art Tour organizer Judy Boyd. "You can get just about any kind of artwork, whether it is a painting, sculpture, photography, pottery, woodwork or jewellery—the art tour has it all."

There are 28 locations available to visit this year, with more than 49 artists exhibiting their works. "There are 49 individual artists," said Ms. Boyd, "but that doesn't include the galleries." The locations on the Manitoulin Art Tour run from Barrie Island to South Baymouth.

The galleries and other group locations offer an opportunity to check out a number of artists and artisans in one place, but the idea of the art tour is to

encourage people to visit many locations spread out across the Island. So, this year the Manitoulin Art Tour has a new option—bingo cards.

"That is new this year," said Ms. Boyd. "People are being encouraged to fill out their cards with as many locations as they can and then hand them in for prizes. The idea is to encourage people to go many of the smaller studios rather than just hitting those places that have a group of artists." There are several locations to drop off your bingo

There are not many communities on Manitoulin that do not have at least one art tour location to drop in on. The brochures, with map, locations and brief descriptions, can be accessed online at ManitoulinArt. com or you can pick one up at the NEMI Welcome Centre in Little Current (near the swing bridge) or any of the many participating artist studios. The centre-page spread of the second section of this newspaper

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Southeast Lions Club Summerfest, this weekend in Manitowaning, honours the late Lion Lori Case

by Michael Erskine

Manitoulin mechanics of all shapes, sizes and ages are gearing up for one of the most anticipated events of the year—the Southeast Lions Club Summerfest demolition derby on Sunday, July 20 (gates open at 11 am), but there is a host of events that help make Summerfest the go-to Island event from July 18

This year the event has a bittersweet flavour as it is being dedicated in honour of a longtime community volunteer and a Christmas in July theme.

"This year we are dedicating Summerfest to Lion Lori Case,' said organizer Lisa Hallaert. "She was a longtime dedicated volunteer for just about everything going on in the community. She passed away this past

Ms. Hallaert noted that the Summerfest ball tournament, the Jim Case Memorial Tournament, is named in honour of Ms.

Case's late husband.

MANITOWANING—Across "Christmas was Lori's favourite time of the year," said Ms. Hallaert, "so, we decided to make this year's theme 'Christmas in July.' That theme will be reflected in the decorations, promotions and the parade.

'We have a lot going on throughout the weekend," she said. "The Friday night starts off with a free family glow dance from 6 to 8 pm and then it's time to party in the pavilion with Rural Roots until midnight.'

Saturday attendees can start out the day with a pancake breakfast at the Knox United Church starting at 9 am, followed by the parade at 11 am.

Registration for the popular truck pull also begins at 11 am, with the pull to follow. Local music will start up at 1 pm in the pavilion and go on until 3 pm, while kids' activities will be in full swing from noon until

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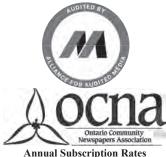
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"who dares not offend cannot be honest"

One Manitowaning Road opinion

<u>editorial</u> **Despite all the trade turmoil—we can still be friends**

The arrival of Great Lakes Cruising Club's members in the Port of Little Current to celebrate the occasion of the club's 60th anniversary Rendezvous highlights the longstanding and deep ties of Manitoulin Island residents and our neighbouring communities on the Great Lakes—be their home ports in Canada or the United States of America (USA).

Many citizens of the USA have called Manitoulin their summer home for five generations or more, and many partners from each nation sealed the deal with marriages over those same centuries.

Perhaps most famously is that of Danny Dodge and his wife, Gore Bay's Annie Laurine MacDonald, whose 1930s honeymoon here on Manitoulin unfortunately ended in a tragedy that has inspired both books and film after only 13 days of marriage—but less famously, at least to the outside world perhaps, was that of the late Doug Hore and his wife Marilee, whose 62 years of wedded bliss stand testament to those ties.

Visitors to Mr. Hore's celebration of life this past Sunday included folks who had flown in from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania specifically to honour his memory. More than a few of those in attendance also hailed from communities south of the border.

Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney has famously suggested that the bonds of trust between our two nations have been irrevocably sundered—we beg to differ.

While our relations have been strained in a way that has not been seen since the War of 1812 (still a point of contention—we say we won that one, they say they won—we will agree to disagree) by the recent trade strategies of the current occupant of the White House our personal bonds remain strong.

It is saddening to hear one of our US residents, someone many of us consider to be friends and family, feel the need to apologize for the land of their birth and citizenship with pleas to "please don't hold it against me."

Politics may make for strange bedfellows, but more often than not, politics gets in the way of simple humanity.

That is why, despite the ongoing trade turmoil, despite the US president's disrespectful assaults on our sovereignty, we still manage to remain, on a personal level, not only friends, but close friends. While in urban centres some might greet the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner at sporting events with jeers and catcalls, our visitors should know that we do not consider that kind of protest to be the true Canadian way and certainly not a "Manitoulin" thing—no matter how badly we feel about current events.

Our bond with our southern friends remains strong here on Manitoulin; in truth, not even strained. The vast majority of our US visitors (and certainly those who are Island residents) are the folks who know and understand our country better than those who have never made the journey North.

We will not let the vagaries of politics tear us apart. To be sure, we do appreciate those apologies offered up so often by US citizens when telling us where they are from, but for the vast majority of Manitouliners, be they Haweater or originally from away, also greet those apologies with a bit of unease, embarrassment really, as we find ourselves saddened that our friends and relatives feel it is necessary to offer them.

There remain rough waters ahead, at least for the next three years or so, but together we will endeavour to trim our sails and set out the sea anchors of our longstanding connections to weather this and any other storm.

We will not let politics tear our relationships asunder. We both have far too much invested in this relationship, far too much water under our respective bridges, to become adversaries.

So, we say to our visitors from the US, whether you come by boat, car or have lived here most of your live, you are welcome. Together we will get through these most trying of time.

Manitoulin Streams holds successful annual Jackets and Jeans fundraiser

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING— Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association (MSIA) is an



Project coordinator Seija Deshenes was pleased with the turnout at the

environmental non-profit that has garnered international awards and renown for its innovative approach to revitalizing Manitoulin's many streams and lakes. Each year, MSIA holds a Jacket and Jeans fundraising dinner and auction that helps raise funds to further the organization's groundbreaking work.

"Our goal for this year's Jacket and Jeans fundraiser dinner and auction was to have 150 people in attendance," shared MSIA environmental technologist Liam Campbell. "We exceeded



Scott Rudolf brought his awesome auctioneering skills into play.

people in the room and we are grateful for everyone that was able to attend and support our organization. All funds raised at this event stay right here on Manitoulin and go directly back into the restoration of our waterways and the environmental education of our youth."

"What a night!" reads the statement from the board of directors. "Our 2025 Jackets stepped up to help, the evening flowed smoother than a well-restored stream."

"We'd like to extend our deepest thanks to Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation for welcoming us into their community and allowing us to host this event on their land and in their beautiful community complex," continues the statement. "It was an honour, and we look forward



Caterer Pam Roy's meal got rave reviews.

and Jeans fundraiser dinner and auction was an absolute hit, a resounding success filled with good food, great company, and the unmistakable hum of community spirit. This year brought with it a few unknowns, as we moved to a brand-new venue, but thanks to the tireless efforts of our staff and the many incredible volunteers who

to continuing to strengthen our relationship through future restoration projects and shared stewardship goals."

MSIA called for a "big round of applause" for caterer Pam Roy and her team, who catered the evening and left no plate unpolished. The meal was outstanding and judging by the chorus of compliments we heard by



The silent auction is always a great hit with those attending the dinner.



Split Rail Brewery brought some great brews to the event.
night's end, we weren't the only ones who thought so."

This year, instead of naming a single Volunteer of the Year, MSIA invited all of the chiefs, mayors, and reeves from across Manitoulin to join them in a shared meal as a symbolic gesture of unity. "Because when it comes to protecting and restoring the natural beauty of this island, we believe the strongest current is the one we swim together," said Mr. Campbell. We are constantly humbled by the generosity and support shown by our community. Your continued belief in our work is not only appreciated, it's what fuels our efforts and reminds us that true environmental stewardship is alive and well on Manitoulin. To everyone who attended, donated, volunteered, or simply cheered us on, thank you. Let's keep this momentum flowing.



Scanning this QR code will bring you to the donation page for Manitoulin Streams to support their work.

Lake Manitou and Area Association awards individual contributions

SANDFIELD—In providing information on the many things the Lake Manitou and Area Association (LMAA) has done in its history, outgoing president Mike Costigan took the time to award several individuals for their contributions to the association over the years.

"I am very proud of all the things that we have accomplished over the years," stated outgoing LMAA president Mike Costigan at the group's annual general meeting held July 8 at the Sandfield Schoolhouse.

"As my last order of business as president I personally feel it is very important to recognize some people that have made significant contributions to the organization over the years," said Mr. Costigan. He made presentations of a framed logo of the LMAA to four of the six deserving recipients on behalf of the board and membership. Two of the recipients were not in attendance at the meeting.

"Don Payne has been with LMAA since 2007 being the treasurer until 2019," said Mr. Costigan. He served previously with the Franks Road Cottage Association (FRCA) as a director and was instrumental in negotiating Frank's Road upgrade with Central Manitoulin in the late 1990s. "While treasurer Don



Mike Costigan, left, outgoing president of the Lake Manitou Area Association (LMAA), presents a 'Presidents Award' to Nancy and David Kains for their contributions over the years to LMAA.

they took over the water testing responsibilities and continue to do so today," said Mr. Costigan. "This is one of the most time-consuming volunteer duties we have, six samples annually from May to October at two different locations and sending results to the Dorset testing

ects like Manitou River and Blue Jay Creek restorations, and more recently working together on a phragmites removal project last year on Lake Manitou.

Ms. Deschenes, "has continued to make annual presentations at our information night

cial donations over the years.

"The LMAA is so fortunate to be one of the many stewardship partners aligned with MSIA and Seija has been the foundation of those relationships," said Mr. Costigan.

Mr. Costigan then got a little emotional in handing out the next award, to his mother, Pat Costigan. "She began her tenure with LMAA on the information committee alongside Mary Lochead. Her passion for education lent itself naturally to this committee, which evolved into what we now know as the education committee. And for years she and Mary organized the guest speakers and promoted the information night."

"Pat played a key role in LMAA projects like Lake Manitou map project, Lake Manitou Historical Tidbits book which accompanies the map and most recently the LMAA historical slide show," said Mr. Costigan. He explained his mother, "has always had a passion for history so it is not surprising that her latest initiative is acquiring the history of Lake Manitou Cottages."

"When my father became an LMAA director in 1998, later the vice-president in 2001, the president from 2003-2018 she was by his side hosting director's meetings and assisting with many of his responsibilities as an execu-

mother, most importantly your family," said her son.

Earlier in the meeting Mr.

Earlier in the meeting Mr. Costigan welcomed everyone to the annual general meeting. "We're so fortunate to have the property owners on the lake that we do. The LMAA was formed 32 years ago to protect the water on the lake," said Mr. Costigan. "It's all part of being stewards of the lake."

Mr. Costigan acknowledged the new members of the association, and Annette Smith, a new director on LMAA, for the idea of holding a barbecue fundraiser prior to the annual meeting.

Don Payne, along with Brenda Edington, directors for 18 and three years respectively, have now retired from the board, having both provided valuable contributions.

Mr. Costigan noted, "Last fall I let the board know that I would not be seeking re-election as president. I have been a member of the board since 2005, in many different roles." He noted coming out of COVID the organization went through some difficult situations, but thanks to the efforts of its board, and members, they got through. I want to thank the directors I have worked with. By working together, we have reestablished our partnerships, ensured our finances are in order, and while memberships are not at the precovid level yet, we are well on our way towards this.'

The LMAA has improved its website and improved communications, created a brochure, has a new LMAA clothing apparel online store, improved its relationship with the MNR on the Sandfield dam and lake levels, as well as a walleye fishery plan for the lake, and been involved in stewardship projects with MSIA and Manitoulin Phragmites,

Mr. Costigan said while he is leaving the president post of LMAA, he is not stepping down, as he will continue to be active as the former chair and will continue to chair the fishery committee. "I would like to thank all of you, our present and former members for all your hard work over the past 32 years as an organization."

Sharon Cooper, newly elected president of LMAA said, "We have had a very productive board of directors for the past few years. We have revised by-



Mike Costigan, left in photo, outgoing president of the Lake Manitou Area Association (LMAA) presents a 'presidents award' to Seija Deschenes, coordinator of Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association at the LMAA annual general meeting last week.

photos by Tom Sasvari

was instrumental in upgrading the LMAA constitution during the first incorporation of the LMAA in 2011," said Mr. Costigan, he explained Mr. Payne also served as a director with FRCA from 1997-2007 and stayed on as the volunteer roads advisor until 2012. "Don also stayed on as director with the LMAA from 2022-2025 at my request as a resource to the reincorporation that we had to go through after it lapsed during COVID. He is now a retired director."

Stan Salisbury, "began his tenure as a volunteer with the LMAA in 2011," said Mr. Costigan. "He led the first revamping of LMAA website in 2012 and was really responsible for establishing and maintaining the associations web presence, noting Mr. Salisbury remained website administrator until retiring last year. "This online presence was crucial in establishing a connection with our members outside of our AGM and info night meetings. It enabled us to keep everyone informed on what was happening around the lake and raise the profile of the association."

David and Nancy Kains joined LMAA in 2010. "They began their tenure as volunteers with the LMAA in 2013 where

centre. Dave and his volunteer assistants have never missed a reading."

"Nancy frequently was Dave's sampling assistant over the years and later joined the education committee in 2022 and will be taking over as chair of the committee going forward," explained Mr. Costigan. The couple are never willing to accept money for gas used during the water sampling season and are always generous donators of their honey as door prizes to our public meetings, he said.

"The next award goes to Seija Deschenes (coordinator of Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association [MSIA]). Suffice to say Seija is Manitoulin Streams," stated Mr. Costigan. She began as MSIA project coordinator in 2007 and made her first presentation to the LMMA members in August 2008 showing project progress on the Norton's Creek rehabilitation project. "Norton's Creek is a very important feed stream to Lake Manitou that fell victim to years of cattle damage over the

Mr. Costigan said the stewardship relationship between MSIA and LMAA was forged during this project and led to many other cooperative proj-



Mike Costigan, presents a 'Presidents Award' to his mother Pat Costigan, a long-time member and contributor to the Lake Manitou Area Association, at the LMAA annual general meeting, last week.

since that initial one in 2008," continued Mr. Costigan. "Seija was an instrumental resource to the LMAA Fishery Committee during our discussions with the MNR over the last year." LMAA has always donated volunteer labour to MSIA projects regardless of where they are taking place, as well as finan-

tive with the association; they were a team essentially just as they were in life."

Ms. Costigan is also well known for her years of involvement with the Historical Society of Central Manitoulin, Friends of Mindemoya Old School, and the Big Lake Community. You are an inspiration to many, laws, have a new events coordinator and have taken several other positive initiatives. A lot of positive action has been taken by the board in a short period time. I want to thank Mike (Costigan) for his leadership."

"I am really proud to be the new president of LMAA," added Ms. Cooper.

Wikwemikong Police program shows positive results in reducing repeat offences

WIIKWEMKOONG—The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service (WTPS) is seeing real results from a new program aimed at reducing repeat offences and improving compliance with court conditions. The Offender Management Apprehension Program (OMAP), launched in March, is already helping to make the community safer through targeted monitoring and strong partnerships with local service providers.

In its first four months, the program registered 40 individuals, with 20 currently active. Officers have conducted 36 compliance checks, with 72 percent of those checks confirming that individuals were following the conditions of their judicial release. Ten individuals were found to be non-compliant since the program's inception in April 2025.

"We're already seeing the difference that the OMAP is making in our community," said Chief of Police Ron

Gignac. "This isn't just about keeping track of people. It's about supporting recovery, building trust, and working together to make our community safer for everyone."

OMAP is guided by four key pillars: early intervention to identify and reduce risk before it escalates, tracking and monitoring of court-ordered conditions, accountability through clear consequences for violations, partnerships with social service providers and community organizations to support rehabilitation.

The program is designed not only to ensure compliance, but to reduce the number of repeat offences through support-based strategies rooted in restorative justice. WTPS continues to work closely with key partners to offer individuals the tools they need to reintegrate and succeed.

Repeat offences place a significant burden on policing, court systems, and community resources. By proactively

identifying and supporting high-risk individuals, OMAP helps reduce the cycle of reoffending. These early interventions not only improve public safety but also generate long-term cost savings that allow WTPS and community partners to redirect resources into other critical areas such as youth programs, victim services and mental health supports.

"WTPS extends its sincere thanks to all community members and partners for their support of this initiative. The force remains firmly committed to making Wiikwemkoong a safer, stronger, and more resilient community for everyone," a release states. "We also continue to encourage the community to play an active role in keeping Wiikwemkoong safe by reporting suspicious or criminal activity through a telephone call to the police, Crime Stoppers or the WTPS online reporting tool at www.wtps.ca."

Friends and Neighbours

Providence Bay Alexia Hannigan

Townships, taxpayers and Texas floods! Amid all the doom and gloom and reality checks, the Toulin time clock keeps on ticking and every last one of us are burning the candelabras and firecrackers at both ends trying to usher in our best business season, best memories and best gardens and harvest this side of the western hemisphere. Summer's hum and honey is sweet and all things delicious and delightful come and go in a hummingbird's wingbeat. Enjoy your visit, this is the best place to take a minute. Manitoulin Island is a gift never to be squandered. Look up from your phones for a spell, admire the cascade of orange pinks and purple at dusk and dawn; the monochromatic hillside hews of greens, yellow and blue. Birds and butterflies are in full bounty now. These are the scopes and scenes that inspire and spark your soul fire. Let the sun kiss your face, the waters calm you and the people charm you. We welcome you friends and neighbours to Manitoulin Island.

Here's what's happening: Providence Bay Arena/Fairgrounds: No big events this weekend but you may catch some of the horses and trainers preparing for the August Providence Bay Fair horse show. The bleachers are always a beautiful place to spot Eagles, Hawks and catch a great sunset. If you would like some more information about the August Providence Bay Fair, you can check out the Providence Bay Fair Facebook page. Campsites are selling fast.

Providence Bay/Mindemoya/Spring Bay Hall: Manitoulin recreational events calendar with class schedules for Providence Bay Hall, Mindemoya Hall and Spring Bay Hall visit: events.centralmanitoulin.ca or contact Alison Sloss at asloss@centralmanitoulin.ca 705-377-5726

Providence Bay Community of Christ Church: Check the Facebook page for services and events as times may vary throughout the busy season. Joys and community updates at 10:30 am; service at 11 am.

The Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions are launching their new progressive lottery "Catch the Ace" to benefit the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary Inc. starting July 21.

\$5 tickets will be available at Mindemoya Grill & Chill, D.A. Williamson, Huron Island Time, Buie's Grocery and Lions Club members. The first draw takes place Tuesday, August 12 at 7 pm and will be broadcast live on the Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Facebook page. From each ticket sale, 20% funds the weekly jackpot, 30% contributes to the progressive jackpot and 50% goes directly to the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary Inc.

Providence Bay Beach Boardwalk and Discovery Centre is officially open for the season seven days a week from now until the end of August - you can check their Facebook page or centralmanitoulin.ca for events - Wednesdays are event days - stay tuned for updates or call 705-377-5025 for information.

Providence Bay Beach: is an amazing 2 km sand beach on Lake Huron coast that is open to the public. Play safe and enjoy

the beautiful beaches, boardwalk and epic sunrises, moonrises and sunsets.

Sunset Music Series: The series officially marshalled in the new music season, be sure to catch Jeff Wiseman Trio on Friday, July 18 and Ian Reed on Saturday, July 19. This is not a ticketed event, but you can support your local musicians by donation side of the stage show. Note if the show gets rained out - it is always pushed to the next show day. The location is in Providence Bay beside Huron Island Time. Parking and washrooms at the site. The music series features great musicians and artists who take to the stage right beside the boardwalk and Discovery centre every weekend though July and August from 6:30 to 9 pm. Bring your blankets and chairs!

Manitoulin District Cenotaph and Memorial Gardens:

Four distinct monuments; the Merchant Marines Memorial, the Manitoulin District Cenotaph, the Youth in Partnership with Veterans Memorial and the Women's Memorial stand in this tranquil memorial garden located on Hwy 551/542 between Mindemoya and Providence Bay off Monument Road. These monuments are a tribute and ode to the men and women whose service, contributions and sacrifices for peace and freedom we honour and remember. The cenotaph flags are those of Canada's WW2 allies.

We remember and give thanks.

The Heavens: July 16 moon bear Saturn and Neptune.

July 17 Perseid Meteor shower

July 31 Southern Delta Aquarids Meteor shower peal.

Manitoulin Island is a dark sky reserve so find a dark sky spot, bring your telescope and enjoy the wonders of the cosmos. Next full moon is Saturday, August 9, Sturgeon. Moon

The Friends:

Happy Birthday to all of you mid-July babies! We welcome you all to Manitoulin Island and we wish you a wonderful, happy and safe Summer Holiday. Be sure to take lots of pictures and please keep our beaches, hiking trails and waterways clean and litter free for the health and sustainability of our ecosystems and wildlife. Check out your favourite local businesses, art galleries and restaurants social pages for special events. You can also visit the Central Manitoulin Township webpage or visit exploremanitoulin. com for updates on all the events happening near you.

"Hummingbirds are tiny miracles that remind us of the extraordinary beauty that exists in the smallest of things."

– Anonymous

Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

On Friday, July 4, a group of us drove to Gore Bay. First, we went to the Community Hall for desserts and coffee. I enjoyed my date square. We visited with friends who were there. We went down to the waterfront to take in the market and there was a large variety of interesting things being sold. Pat bought a nice-looking bat house from someone with many interesting looking birdhouses and bat houses for sale. In other booths there were baking,

garden produce, crafts and artwork. My brother and sister-in-law had a table too. We stopped for lunch at Cod Mother's Restaurant. After a bit of grocery shopping, we made our way home.

Friday evening at cards there were four full tables and two people sitting out. High lady was Millie Kelly with 75; high man was Bob Benedict with 85, he took home the money jar and he also took home the juice. Congratulations Bob! Ladies' lone hands went to Donna K MacDonald with two and men's lone hands went to Murray Duncanson with three; most euchres went to Natasha McVey with eight; Elaine Bradley won the door prize; Steve Gugelyk won the 50/50 draw. We all had a great time.

Saturday morning, we got up early and drove off to Karen Noble's yard sale. Again, we all had a great time. We all sat around in lawn chairs and visited. Proceeds went to the Angel Bus.

Jamie and Norma had company from out of town and invited us to join them for a roast beef dinner. It was beef from the Martin farm and was full of flavour and very tender. Of course, I had to finish up with bread and gravy and then came dessert.

On Thursday, July 10 there was a euchre game in Silver Water. Six came from Meldrum not counting the two girls that came with their dad, and they quietly entertained themselves while the rest of us played. Coming home it was dark and we encountered a baby skunk dancing on the road. First one side then the other back and forth and we waited for him, politely until he decided to scramble into the bush. One deer was staring at us from the ditch and a large bird (owl?) flew up close to us. We enjoyed the wildlife and were glad we didn't hit anything.

Have a great weekend everyone. Drive carefully.

Barrie Island Enid Runnalls

Barrie Island has been abuzz with activity this week!

Jeff Rock and his fiancé Casey Krieger were here to celebrate their upcoming nuptials. Jeff's mother Carolyn Lane-Rock and friends decorated the Barrie Island Hall and fed a crowd of 50 guests. The couple welcomed friends from the Island, Sudbury and Toronto to fete them ahead of their wedding which takes place on July 11 in Vancouver, B.C.

Carolyn Lane-Rock, Jim and Sandy Miller and Katie Runnalls have all jetted off to Vancouver this week to attend Jeff and Casey's wedding.

Also, there was a bachelorette party happening at the cottage of Gerry and Jane Webber, as their daughter Mackenzie is getting married this August.

Moya Miller and Jeff Rothwell, along with their daughters Lucy and Liv spent the week at their grandparent's cottage. As well as enjoying the cottage time, they were in town to eat fish and chips and enjoyed the beach at Fish Point and the Water Park. There are so many fun things to do in Gore Bay! Also, they jumped on Micah's trampoline and ate ice cream and did some painting with their aunt Enid. They had a lovely time and we hope that they come back soon.

Pickle the dog got sick one night and had to visit the vet. Dr. Jo Paquet of the Island Animal Hospital and Vet Tech Bryn Milsap took such good care of him and he is now feeling better.

On Tuesday, Enid was in Silver Water with the Campbell Horticultural Society to visit the garden of Eric and Linda Thiessen. The group was enthralled with the beauty of the garden and the variety of garden structures there including a private artist studio, a salad green house, a laying hen hut and meat bird hut, a grape vine pergola, a garden church, and raised vegetable beds! Linda and Eric are an artistic couple and there was evidence of their creations everywhere the eye rested!

Enid Runnalls has been busy preparing her Barrie Island Studio for visitors during the Manitoulin Art Tour which is to start this week on July 18,19,20, from 10 am to 4 pm. Her paintings reflect life on Barrie Island - a place of agricultural heritage and natural beauty, where her family has roots going back to 1879.

Bill Runnalls of Winnipeg arrived yesterday to spend some time here with his older brother, Oliver Runnalls. They had dinner at Waters Edge last night and enjoyed a feed of fish and the acoustic guitar music of Kenny and Joel.

A service is planned for the community to celebrate the life of Brother John Featherstone. It will be held at the Barrie Island Hall on July 17 at 6 pm. Our condolences go out to Pauline and sons and their families.

Have a good week everyone! Please call if you have some news to share!

Silver Water Karen Noble

On Friday, July 4 we went to euchre in Meldrum Bay.

Saturday morning, we had a market in our yard with quite a few shoppers attending. We are hoping to start having more produce for sale on Saturday, July 26.

DonnaKay McDonald, Gene Cada, Myra Duncanson and I went to the euchre tournament in Tehkummah on Sunday. There were nine tables of players.

Heather Wilson, Gladys Duncanson and I have been enjoying swimming in Silver Lake. It is just the right temperature now to cool us off.

There was euchre at the Silver Water Community Hall on Thursday night.

Bill Kling is at his cottage for the month of July. Jim and Patsy Kling are here with some of their family visiting.

Reminder to the residents of Robinson Township that there will be a metal recycling bin in our yard at 20563 Hwy 540 on Saturday, July 19. Any proceeds of the bin are for the Local Services Board. The bin will arrive before Saturday and will stay for several days to give everyone the opportunity to use it.

Condolences to the family of Benson Wayne Sanders.

Condolences to the family of Don Norton

'Through The Years' historical collection goes digital

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itize each edition to put

online."
"The library has a full collection of the booklet and have grouped them together in 13 editions in hard cover that they have on the library book-shelf," said Ms. Vaillancourt. "They are working toward having each edition, online, where you can search a name, place, year, in chronological order as well as by each edition to find what you are looking for online.'

Ms. Bertrand informed The Expositor, "Yes, we've slowly been digitizing and having an online presence for Through the Years. This is one of the things our local historical department does. We are very excited to have been given permission to do this with Through the Years."

She said, "it takes an incredible amount of work to pull all of this together, such as scanning each page from each edition. We are carrying similar projects for other publications like the Sudbury Star. We are currently in the process of recruiting another person to pick up where the previous person left off in the project."

"Absolutely, visitors online will be able to see every page and picture and can look for stories and information listing the surname, event, loca-

MANITOULIN DISTRICT HISTORY AND GENEALOGY 72nd edition VOL. VI OCTOBER 1989 NO. XII **Those Old Rail Fences** In the early years of the farm, rall fences were a must for every farmer, o keep his cattle in so be could find them at milking time, and to keep there cattle out of his pasture.

But all the work that went into building those fences!

First to the bush to cut the cedar logs, and all by the saw and axe. Then and them out with the horses, and build the fence.

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All the stones that a person sees by the old fences were picked by hand a the filed. One thing that most farms on Manitoulia and Cockbura were seemed to lack, were stones. And they all had to be picked and

The 'Through the Year's collection is now available in digital form at the Greater Sudbury Public Library.

the page," said Ms. Bertrand.

go to the GSPL website at https://cdm22003.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/ collection/p22003coll15.

On January 2, 1969, Jack McQuarrie became the owner and publisher tion. The partnership con-

tion and highlight it on of the Gore Bay Recorder in partnership with T.G. Davis. In November To link to the collection 1983, Lorne McQuarrie and Jack McQuarrie published the first edition of Through the Years, as editor and publisher respectively. Manitoulin Printing printed the edi-

tinued until Lorne's death on September 9, 1984, Jack continued McQuarrie as editor and publisher, crediting Lorne in future editions as 'Founding Ed-

Jack McQuarrie was president of Mid-North Printers and Publishers Ltd (MNPPL), parent company of The Recorder, Manitoulin Printing, and Through the Years booklets. The three subsidiary companies were owned and operated by Mr. McQuarrie until June 1, 1993, when Margaret Sanderson and Douglas Robinson became owners with Mr. McQuarrie remaining as president of MNPPL. Prior to the change in ownership Mr. McQuarrie had published 146 editions.

In September 1994, Mid-North Publishers was replaced by Manitoulin Media Inc. as the official publisher of the booklets. The final five editions of Through the Years were produced as a quarter-ly publication under the auspices of Margaret E. Robinson (of Manitoulin Media Inc.) as publisher for editions 147-149, and Jennifer Enns (of DDSK Enterprises Inc) as publisher for editions 150 and 151 the final printed editions. Manitoulin Publishing Co. Ltd. purchased The Recorder and other assets from DDSK Enterprises Inc. in 2001.

Through the Years be-

dedication required for

the intense five-month rehearsal period. Mr.

Maskel said, "Helen and

gan as a monthly publication produced in booklet format. As recorded in the verso for the first edition, the publication, "is dedicated to the preservation of the history of the entire Manitoulin District."

Sources of information for the booklets were cited as museums and local newspapers; with Manitoulin residents invited and encouraged to contribute stories and photographs for publication.

Permission to digitize

Years available to researchers in an online format has been generously granted by Arlene McQuarrie, wife of Willis John McQuarrie past president of Mid-North Printers and Publishers Ltd., and by Rick Mc-Cutcheon, vice-president of Manitoulin Publishing

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...Gore Bay Theatre's opening week wows audiences

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of comedic acting. They changed smoothly from one character to another using excellent comedic timing and sight gags to earn a well-deserved standing ovation.

'Separate Beds' is one of those truly entertaining evenings of theatre, true to the saying that laughter is the best medicine.

'The Woman in Black,' which hit the stage in front of a large crowd Saturday evening, is a gripping story building with a slow purposeful precision, that grabs you and does not let you go. The experience is unforgettable, one of those rare plays that will stay with you long after the curtain drops. It is easy to see why it played for 33 years in London, England and why the Daily Telegraph said it, "was the most brilliantly spine-chiller you will ever encounter.'

It tells the tale of a lawyer, looking to exorcise the fear that grips his soul, sent by his firm to an isolated estate to attend the funeral of an elderly widow. He is haunted by the events that transpire there and hires an actor to help him tell the story in dramatic fashion for his relatives

The play is mesmerizing because three skillful and experienced actors are able to navigate this journey into the unexplained. It features Ray Scott who has entertained audiences for the last 20 years at Burns Wharf Theatre. He deftly plays seven different characters



The Gore Bay Theatre production of the hilarious comedy 'Separate Beds' hit the stage last Friday evening in front of a sold out crowd at the Gore Bay community hall. In photo, 'Twink' played by Helen Landry, and 'Ernie' played by Ray Landry are shown in a scene from the play.

in the play within a play, including the tormented lawyer, Mr. Kipps.

He hires an actor. played by John Robertson, to help re-enact his frightening tale. Mr. Robertson has appeared in many Gore Bay Theatre productions and has received numerous awards at the regional and provincial level. His indelible performance will chill the

Again, without giving too much away, Tammy Robinson, the third actor in this phenomenal production, will remain a mystery.

An immediate standing ovation was well deserved for this play.

Dr. Sonja Kahkonen, a chiropractor from Gore Bay and Sudbury, told The Expositor after Saturday's theatre performance, "It was extremely well performed. I have never seen anything so intense, and I have seen a lot of theatre. There is so much happening with plots and subplots. I will definitely be coming back to see it again. It needs to be seen again."

The architects of these two entertaining evenings of theatre are co-directors Andrea Emmerton and Walter Maskel. To create two marvelous sets rotating on consecutive nights is an achievement only a few professional theatres have accomplished. The music in 'Separate Beds' was toe-tapping and reflected the characters feelings. The complex sound effects for 'The Woman in Black' was skillfully arranged by one of Northern Ontario's most talented sound designers, Isaac Gosse. The thoughtful use of costumes and props in both plays served the actors to a tee.

Both directors voiced their praise for the actor's Ray Landry travelled from Sudbury to rehearse for three months before their camp opened in Mindemoya, Ray Scott travelled from Big Lake and John Robertson from Lake Kagawong. The commitment and love for the process of creating theatre was evident from all our actors." Ms. Emmerton added,

"Both Walter and I agree that this is one of our strongest seasons and we are thrilled to offer our audiences two entirely different, yet entertaining evenings of theatre. We are very proud of both productions.

Mr. Maskel and Ms. Emmerton have directed close to 200 hundred productions, including twenty-eight as co-directors for Gore Bay Theatre. The experience and knowledge required to produce firstrate theatre is obvious from this award-winning group. Gore Bay Theatre is known and respected

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Blue green algae on east shore of Lake Wolsey reported by resident

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—A long-time seasonal Evansville resident says that for the first time ever, he saw blue-green algae on the east shore of Lake Wolsey. While it cleared up the next day, he is providing a heads-up to other area residents of what could be lurking in their water this

summer.

"I am 65 years old, and we have had this property in my family since the 1930s—I have never seen this before," stated the man who wished to remain anonymous, on Wednesday of last week.

The resident explained in an email to The Expositor on Tuesday, July 8, "We have a pretty dramatic blue-green algae bloom happening here on the east shore of Lake Wolsey; there was no sign of it yesterday. Apparently, it's very toxic so I wanted to spread the word."

"I know seeing blue-green algae in the water could be serious, that it is toxic. I have read the articles in your paper in years past of other cases of it around the Island," the resident told The Expositor. "It was horrible Tuesday, scum all over the rocks and my entire harbour was the colour of pea soup."

"Fortunately, things are far better

today (July 9)," said the local resident. "There is still a lot of ugly algae around right now, but not nearly as bad as it was yesterday. We are the only one in the neighbourhood that saw the algae bloom yesterday. I didn't want this incident to pass without anyone knowing about it, to alert everyone it has been in the area."

If you suspect a blue-green algae bloom, please contact the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks at 1-800-268-6060.



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A long-time West End resident has reported seeing blue green algae on the east shore-of Lake Wolsey last week. He wanted area residents to be aware of the possibility and to take precautions. If you suspect a blue-green algae bloom, please contact the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks at 1-800-268-6060

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NET SHED



Area anglers have raised alarm about the placement of a Highway 6 billboard blocking access to the boat launch at Lewis Lake on Lacloche Island.

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it moved by the highway maintenance company."

"It was really good news," said LCF-GC member and former president Bill Strain, who noted that the MTO had indicated to MPP Rosenberg that the owners of the sign had been told by the MTO to move it back on June 28. "Now if they don't comply, the ministry will do it for

Lewis Lake spans some 384.9 hectares (approximately 951 acres or 3.8 square

kilometers) and is located about eight kilometres north of the Manitoulin swing bridge off Highway 6. The lake is a popular place to haul in some large northern pike, bass and is one of the few inland lakes in the Manitoulin District where an angler can find muskellunge, the ever elusive and legendary "muskie."

The location once hosted one of the only "free" camping spots to be found in Ontario, but that ended several years ago when it was closed by the owner following incidents vandalism and extreme littering

Visit the Net Shed Museum in Meldrum Bay!

The Net Shed Museum, located at the west end of Manitoulin Island, is open from Saturday, June 28th, until Sunday, August 17th.

Come and learn about the lives of settlers and the early lumbering, fishing and limestone quarrying industries starting in the late 1800s.

Hours: Tuesday to Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm. Closed daily from 12:30 pm to 1 pm, and on Mondays.

Free admission but donations appreciated.

For further information, contact the Meldrum Bay Historical Society at 416-522-3885 or net-shedmuseum@gmail.com.

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"This year we are doing something different with live music at the dance," said Ms. Hallaert. "Wheelhouse will be playing from 9 pm to 1 am."

On Sunday, the aforementioned demolition derby will take place, with

registration starting at 10 am. "This year we are trying something different with vans taking part," she said. "That should be really entertaining; they smash up good."

All through the weekend there will be beer gardens at various locations, with a barbecue serving up burgers and hot dogs. Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association will be selling snacks in the pavilion.



This year's Summerfest is dedicated in honour of the late Lion Lori Case.

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(Pages 4A-5A) also features the art tour map.

"The furthest away is number one, Barrie Island," said Ms. Boyd. Enid Runnalls welcomes visitors to the studio in her farmhouse to check out the many works she has created in a variety of media inspired by the Island's countryside.

"Putting the art tour together is a lot of work every year," noted Ms. Boyd, who is also president of the Manitoulin Fine Art Association, but she adds that it is well-worth it to showcase what Manitoulin artists and artisans have to offer.

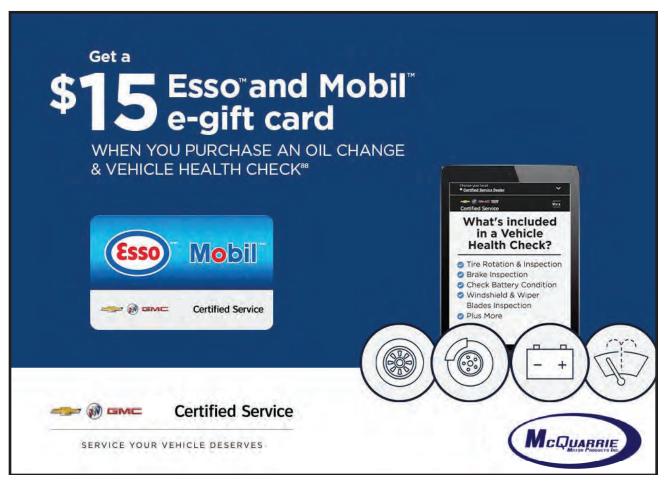
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by its peers across the province.

I highly recommend that you see both productions, especially "The Woman in Black," not once, but twice, since there is so much happening on stage that a second viewing will help illustrate what you might have

Advance ticket prices for both plays have remained the same for the past 15 years, \$20 each, and a matinee performance of each play is offered for the first time this year. Be sure to get yours. Information about dates and tickets are available in the advertisement in this week's Expositor.



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that helps individuals rebuild emotional bonds. But Mr. Ense said the centre's approach goes further—delving into the roots of pain and disconnection to resolve trauma more effectively.

"I've used EFT as a base to go deeper into people's trauma," Mr. Ense explained. "It's been very successful in helping individuals move through hurt and pain in shorter periods of time by actually going in and resolving it—not just talking around it."

At least 20 new positions are expected to be created, including an in-house trainer who will ensure the program's core vision stays intact. The trauma-first mindset will become the foundation across all service delivery at the health centre, Mr. Ense said.

"We want to make sure this program runs with trauma resolution as its core focus. That's why we're here—not just to speak about trauma, but to actually resolve it."

One of the most community-based pieces of the program is the creation of a Community Connector team—staff who will check in on households, knock on doors, support children who are missing school, and offer early intervention before issues escalate.

Mr. Ense said the program is grounded in cultural values as much as therapeutic ones.

"Our traditions, our culture, our language—they all speak about connection," he said.

"That's the foundation of everything. What we're seeing right now in families and in society is disconnection. Disconnection from self. Disconnection from others. This work is about restoring that connection."

EFT, Mr. Ense added, isn't in conflict with Indigenous ways of knowing—it's a doorway.

"It's going to open up opportunities for individuals and families to seek that further connection. But first, we need to understand why they stepped away from connection in the first place."

The funding for the initiative comes from new money being transferred to First Nations through child welfare reform—dollars previously controlled by external agencies that are now being returned to communities.

"We've had an increase in the amount of funding

Expositor correction

A Page 1 story in the July 2 edition of The Expositor contained a number of factual errors. Bill Concannon is a Gore Bay resident, not Kagawong; criminal charges against Mr. Concannon were withdrawn on June 19, 2025, not June 12, 2025 as reported; court was held in the Wiikwemkoong courthouse, not Gore Bay; the peace bond is of a personal nature, not a professional one (Mr. Concannon has full access to the Billings Township mayor and CAO); and the peace bond does not involve specific locations. The Expositor regrets the errors.

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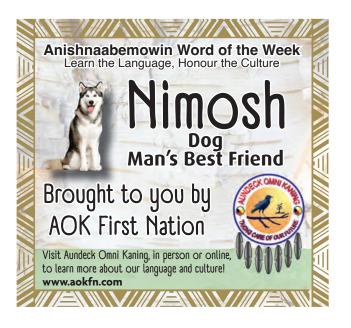
through the child reform process," said Mr. Ense. "The focus of prevention used to be with child welfare agencies, and now they're giving it back to communities—saying, 'You take care of your own families."

While the funding stream is technically part of child and family services, Mr. Ense said the ripple effect of trauma resolution reaches far beyond that.

"If we resolve trauma, we also reduce diabetes rates, heart disease, addiction. When we take care of the root issues, we take care of the ways people have been coping. That's why I want the trauma-first focus to guide our entire Health and Wellness Department."

More job postings are expected in the coming weeks.

"Every person we work with belongs to a family, a community," Mr. Ense said. "When they heal, their whole circle benefits. That's the vision—to make changes that last through generations."





...Grand Chief Linda Debassige demands Ontario environment minister resign

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Council Chief wrote. "Water is life and we will always defend our First Nation rights while ensuring that legislation aligns with the principles of reconciliation, sovereignty, and respect for our Anishinabek communities.'

The bill, carved over years of dialogue and co-drafted in good faith with First Nations, was nearing the finish line before Parliament was prorogued. Only the Senate's reading remained. Now, in the face of provincial opposition, its future hangs in suspension like mist above a river at dawn.

The Anishinabek Nation is calling for its immediate reintroduction in its current form. "This Government can reintroduce Bill C-61 and have this legislation enacted at the same speed as Bill 5 – Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act," said Chief Debassige, drawing a stark contrast between the speed of industry-friendly laws and the stalling of a bill that affirms a basic human right.

The Grand Council Chief's words struck with the weight of centuries behind them-not just disappointment, but a kind of bone-deep weariness with governments who speak of reconciliation while quietly reaching for the scis-

Anishinabek First Nations had recently met with Premier Doug Ford,



Grand Council Chief Linda Debassige

who expressed support for ensuring clean drinking water in all First Nations. Yet in what the Nation calls a betrayal of that commitment, Ontario's Environment Minister Todd McCarthy reportedly called for the dismantling of federal environmental policies that "undermine competitiveness and delay project development"—specifically naming Bill C-61.

"It is our belief that Minister Todd McCarthy is running rogue," said Chief Debassige. "By his actions, words and behaviour, he has done real damage between the First Nations in Ontario and the Government of Ontario.'

She went further still, calling for his removal from Cabinet, naming his "ignorance and lack of knowledge" about the bill's creation and the Federal Court Order mandating it as a dangerous liability. "This behaviour, idealism, overreach and insult is not conducive to the building of a relationship," she wrote.

The situation no longer allows for more measured or conciliatory language. Chief Debassige's words are thunderclouds over the Great Lakes. They are the voice of a Nation that has waited too long, and watched too many boil-water advisories stretch into years, watched too many promises turn to dust.

"It's time to end this nonsense," the Grand Council Chief stated plainly. "We call upon Ontario and Alberta to begin to work constructively with all First Nations and the Government of Canada."

Clean water, she reminded all levels of government, is not a luxury, a political favour, or a line item to be bargained with. It is life itself. It is the pulse of the Earth, the breath of the trees, the inheritance of children not yet born. And it affects every living being on the planet.

We urge all Members of Parliament, Provincial and Territorial Legislatures to support Bill C-61 and to prioritize dialogue, collaboration and respect," she wrote. "The decades-old call from our communities for clean, safe drinking water must be prioritized if reconciliation is to survive Prime Minister Mark Carney's quest to stickhandle the financial shocks to the Canadian economy from Trump's trade war."

The Anishinabek Nation has shifted from requesting action to asserting their position. Emphasizing their long-standing role as stewards of the land and water, they are calling on all levels of government to recognize and uphold the fundamental principle that water is life.

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Channel and Georgian Bay. "He was able to call the Prime Minister at that time and get hydrographic services to help chart these waters," she said, "because the waters were totally uncharted at that time. As a result of all that, the GLCC has this wealth of knowledge thanks to their 'harbour log reports' as they're called, and that's just one reason to join the club."

"We have 62 boats and 135 people are visiting us, some by car and some by boat, and they come from all over." Most of the club members leave their boats in one of the ports on the Great Lakes, noted Ms. Turner. "Some of them have retired from boating,' she said of those coming by car, "but they still belong to the club and they're enjoying meeting old friends, making new friends and meeting new members.'

That was the impetus for Chuck and his wife, who drove up from Ohio to take part in the gathering. "Our boat is up for sale right now," he said. The couple started out with a 28-foot vessel when they got married (bought by Chuck) and then, as is the wont of sailors just about everywhere, they upped it to a 30-foot (bought by Chuck's wife) and then purchased their latest boat together. Now it is time to put down the an-



Wiikwemkoong Tourism's Jack Rivers presents on the history of Mnidoo Mnising to a crowd of Great Lakes Cruising Club members during the Harbourmaster's Welcome.

chor permanently, albeit reluctantly. "My wife is celebrating an important birthday soon," he said. 'It begins with eight."

Ms. Turner was speaking to The Expositor on Sunday, July 13 during 'Harbourmaster's the Barbecue' Welcome (sponsored by the Little Current Business Improvement Area) at the Rendezvous Pavilion on the Little Current waterfront. Ms. Turner explained that "Today, we have the Wiikwemkoong drummers and dancers performing and letting everybody see what our culture is all about and how we have it up here."

As part of the evening's proceedings, Wiikwemkoong Tourism's Jack Rivers provided a whirlwind tour of the history of the region, from the earliest Indigenous communities to the present day, as seen through an Indigenous lens.

"I had to condense a three-hour presentation into 45 minutes," laughed Mr. Rivers, "it was not easy—I hope they manage to take it back home with them and maybe look into the history more." A significant portion of his presentation on the history of the Three Fires Confederacy tribes included the regions that many of the GLCC hail fromsuch as Traverse City, Michigan.

It may have been a "condensed" (even the three-hour version has to skip over a lot to fit into that timeframe, noted Mr. Rivers), but judging from the rapt attention exhibited from his listeners, his talk was very well received.

The bulk of the GLCC members at the Rendezvous are from the US state of Michigan, judging from the show of hands requested by Mr. Rivers, others hail from all points across Ontario and the upper states, but at least one couple hailed from Florida and another from Maine.

Over the course of the next few days, the GLCC members will be taking in an amazing number of excursions set up by Ms. Turner and her team. The Sunday presentations included drumming and dance demonstrations as well as Mr. River's history presentation. Little Current's own Cole Hughson provided musical entertainment for the evening.

On Monday (the official ʻarrival following conti-

day'),

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- Party in the Pavilion with Rural Roots -8 pm midnight

Saturday, July 19

 Jim Case Memorial Ball Tournament continues





Saturday, July 19

- Pancake Breakfast at Knox United Church Hall -9 am
- Christmas in July-themed parade 11 am
- Vendor mall in the arena -11 am 4 pm
- Truck Pull Registration at 11 am. Pull to follow.
- Live Music in the Pavilion -1 3 pm
- Kids activities -Noon - 4 pm
- Summerfest Dance featuring live music by Wheel House - 9 pm - 1 am

MANITOVANING

July 18-20, 2025

Sunday, July 20

- The Lions' Famous Smashup Derby -Registration at 10 am. Gates open at 11 am.
- Vendor mall in the arena 11 am 3 pm





The Saucy Signoras are serving up greatness, Italian style

by Margery Frisch
M'CHIGEENG—Located
on Hwy 551 in their bright
red building, the Saucy
Signoras opened its doors
a year ago March. That's
the building and the business, but the Saucy Signoras are two amazing women—Ladeanne Debassige
and Sury Zuniga—who
followed a passion and a
dream (Ladeanne's) and
brought it to fruition with
determination and hard

work.

It was not quite 10 in the morning. The takeservice opens at noon and preparations were well underway for the day ahead. While Ladeanne Debassige (her given name pronounced Lady-Anne) was busy in the kitchen, Ms. Zuniga explained how it all began. "I helped Ladeanne open this up, because it's always been her dream to have some type of establishment." Ms. Debassige wanted to do something with food. Her father was Anishinaabe, from M'Chigeeng, and her mother

was Italian, from Italy. From the time she was a little girl she learned about food and cooking from her Italian grandmother. "Italian is just one of her many gifts as a cook." Ms. Zuniga said. It took close to two years to realize this dream, from building to opening.

When Ms. Debassige joined the conversation, she explained that she was trained as a teacher and worked in that profession for 20 years, but she always wanted to cook and couldn't shake that desire. She loves cooking all types of food, "Both sides of my family—Anishinaabe and Italian—are strong foodies." Coming to M'Chigeeng she didn't want to step on anyone's toes, she wanted to blaze her own trail. Italian became the chosen route to follow. "And it's been a learning process from the beginning, with refinement and adjustments and changes. For example, Sury made all the railings here," Ms.



Meet the Saucy Signoras, left, Ladeanne Debassige and Sury Zuniga. The Saucy Signoras are located in a jolly red trailer in M'Chigeeng, near the powwow grounds.

Debassige said, indicating

the exterior of the build-

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she did it all. Find your

passion, find your inter-

est and do it." Not empty

words from this deter-

mined woman who has

seen her dream become a

They moved from To-

ronto to Manitoulin Is-

land seven years ago.

Both were working at

Kenjgewin Teg in differ-

ent capacities. Once their

jobs concluded, it gave

them the opportunity to

reality.

photo by Margery Frisch

decide what would come next, what would be the next chapter of their lives. "This is Indigenous owned and operated," Ms. Debassige pointed out. "Sury is also Indigenous, from Guatemala. She's Mayan and I'm Anishinaabe on my dad's side, from M'Chigeeng. So, that was also very important to us, coming back here to establish, and Kenjgewin

land."
"We knew that the Island was a special place,"

Teg led us back to the Is-

Ms. Debassige continued. "We've been coming up in the summers for the past 20 years, and me my whole life. You can't beat the nature, you can't beat the people, you can't beat any of this. In terms of food, it's unique in its offerings, and we wanted to add to that uniqueness."

"There's a lot of prep that goes into every day," Ms. Zuniga explained. "We started off with our paninis, and we've expanded from there, but our paninis are what's

popular and we try to put fresh, tasty ingredients in everything we do." Their success comes from their many homemade touches and their fresh, premium ingredients. "We slice, we grate, we do everything ourselves. I will roast those peppers, and I will peal them for you. And it will be time consuming because I know you can taste it. Quality is paramount," Ms. Debassige said.

"And people recognize that," Ms. Zuniga said. Through social media and word of mouth, people are coming, and they say, 'We've heard about you; we've heard good things about you.' "We're al-ways happy to hear that," she said. "Maybe people don't expect that from a trailer. They don't expect that from a takeout establishment, and in a way, at the beginning, or into the middle, that impeded our growth, because people don't expect that. But once they taste it, they know." Ms. Zuniga said.

"We've been honoured to have Island chefs come to us," Ms. Debassige said, "and I'm not a chef. I'm a teacher, so I'm self-taught, family taught, but I'm not a chef. I'm not trained that way. So, I have real chefs that come and eat here and give us compliments, that to me is a very high honour. Another high honour is when people tell

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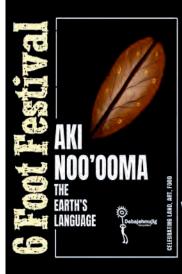
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Artists will receive compensation for their submissions.

This festival is open to community Submission deadline is August 1, 2025

If you have any questions call Ashley Manitowabi 705-859-3560

...Ministry of Natural Resources lays out walleye plans for Lake Manitou

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Manitou, noting for instance clear lakes do not provide ideal walleye habitat and that Manitou is the largest lake within a lake Island in the world.

"Lake Manitou is one of the bigger lakes in the Sudbury District," said Mr. Gendron. It has a mean depth of 14.6 metres and a maximum depth of 49 metres.

Tremblay Ms. plained Lake Manitou is a highly valued natural lake trout lake. Lake trout and walleye co-exist, generally inhabiting different habitats (one above thermocline/one below). "Walleye are also a valued sportfish species in Manitou and in the zone wide plan for (fisheries management zone 10)," she said. "Our current understanding is that anglers have rarely, if ever, caught walleve in Manitou before 1990. Their origins are unknown, but they may have been introduced or re-introduced in the 1990s. Regardless, walleye have been established for at least 35 years." "Lake Manitou is an important source for walleye eggs for the MNR's fish culture and stocking program," said Mr. Gendron. The MNR has been collecting walleye eggs for stocking programs since 2005, and the mincollects between



Denis Gendron, left, MNR management biologist and Kim Tremblay, regional fisheries specialist, outlined the Lake Manitou Walleye stocking plan at the annual meeting of the Lake Manitou Area and Association, last week.

2-7 million walleye eggs each year from the lake. "These eggs support MNR walleye stocking across the Northeast region, education programs and community hatcheries. Each mature female walleye can produce over 300,000 eggs. In Manitou, this equates to an average of approximately 15-16 females used for fish culture operations."

In a history of Lake Manitou fisheries assessments, they have included fall walleye index netting (FWIN) and broad scale monitoring (BsM) surveys of the lake in 2011, 2016 and 2022, explained Ms. Tremblay.

"Mike (Costigan) and group met with us several times to look at increasing the number of walleye being stocked in Lake Manitou, due to declining populations," said Mr.

Gendron.

"The fish culture program has capacity to grow up to 4,000 walleye yearlings (80-120 grams, kept in the hatchery for one full year), and stocked in the spring," said Mr. Gendron. "This larger size fish can be fin clipped and are expected to have higher survival rates. Measurable results could take close to 10 years."

Success can be monitored through broadscale monitoring scheduled in 2028 and potentially again in 2033. "Hopefully, we will see good results and after five years have an idea of the results and can adjust the plan if needed," said Mr. Gendron.

The meeting was told the stocking plan for Lake Manitou includes, over 10 years, annual spring yearling stocking with a target of 2,500 walleye (each

year) can be redirected from within the Sudbury District plans in 2025. MNR will work towards the stocking of up to 4,000 yearling walleye for the next five years. Stocking spring yearlings annually will be the target. The spring yearlings are the largest size available and provides the best chance of survival, considering the complex fish community. Fin clipped fish provide opportunities to better understand stocking survival.

A five-year checkpoint in 2030 will be conducted to evaluate the plan and provide adaptive management based on: angler information on fin clipped fish and annual egg collection trends, a 2028 broadscale monitoring fisheries assessment results and provincial fish culture and stocking program capacity and demands. A revised plan for 2030-2035 will be established, but the goal will be to continue stocking walleye during that time frame.

Ms. Tremblay said, "Normally, we look at ways to increase fish populations without stocking, but this is a special interest project (with the Blue Jay Creek Fish Culture Station in Sandfield) we are trying this experimental stocking here."

"We will try stocking to solve the issue (of declining walleye populations)," said Mr. Gendron, noting there can be many factors involved.

One of the predators of walleye is bass because they compete for the same food sources, the meeting was told. Ms. Tremblay said when bass and walleye are competing for food, bass will be the winner.

Ms. Tremblay outlined the Lake Manitou stocking plan objectives. "Lake Manitou is a unique and complex fishery. The proposed experimental stocking efforts have the following objectives: replace potential and perceived losses from egg collection to ensure future egg collection can continue; combined with 2024 changes to FMZ 10 recreational

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...Great Lakes Cruising Club takes over Port of Little Current

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nental breakfast, the ships in the Rendezvous got together for an aerial photograph and the "morning cannon/land acknowledgment" and the singing of both country's national anthems. What would a boating event on Manitoulin be without the dulcet tones of the LCYC Cruisers Net with Roy Eaton (Ch 71) sweeping out across the waters? Then there is something for just about everyone. A book club and knitting club sets up at the West Pavilion at 9 am (the directors of the club will be meeting in the Artisans' Centre in the municipal building,

followed by a full board meeting at 11 am and Port Captains meeting at noon).

The afternoon has a host events on tap as well, with Pico sailboat races down at Low Island Park, featuring a friendly "Lakes vs Lakes" competition hosted by the Little Current Yacht Club. A tour of the bridge will be escorted by members of the Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps.

An unveiling of the Rendezvous Plaque will take place at 5 pm.

The evening will host the Commodore's Reception, with dinner by Hershel's and a cash bar by Manitoulin Brewing Company along with musical entertain-

ment courtesy of Barry Hamilton.

Tuesday's agenda is fully packed with excursions to the archaeological site in Sheguiandah and to Lavender Fields. After lunch it's off to Nic Harfield's vineyards at noon, followed by a talk given by author and retired journalist Mike Strobel, who will reprise his talk on the heartbreaking tragedy of The Rhu.

Wednesday, a cornhole challenge takes place at Low Island's soccer fields and an introduction to pickleball will fill out the morning and some of the afternoon. Following the "Bilge Auction," a shuttle will take the boaters up to the NEMI Recreation Centre for cocktail hour at 6 pm, followed by the piped in entry of the "Commodore and Bridge" escorted by the Manitoulin Sea Cadets as everyone settles in for the Commodore's Awards Dinner and Dance.

Thursday, there will be a blessing of the fleet, with Fleet Chaplin Nelson Stone, assisted by Aundeck Omni Kaning elder Craig Abotossaway and the Bass Creek Drummers, who will send the GLCC members off with a travelling song and a prayer.

Of course, all events are subject to weather, but there are also a host of individual recreational opportunities such as horseback riding, hiking at the Cup and Saucer Trail, skateboarding and a pump track, tennis courts, museum tours and charter fishing.

"We can arrange transport for those who need it," assured Ms. Turner.



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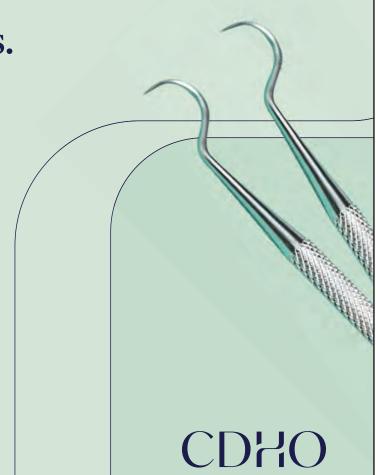
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The Manitoulin Hillbilly Fish Dinner was a huge success! "All funds raised from the fish supper and t-shirt sales will go toward repairing the J.H. Burt Arena," said organizer Marie Ford. "We were very happy with the turnout and served over 300 people. We also wanted to make it a fun community event. We are also very thankful for the volunteers working who made it a success." The dinner was held at the Freshwater Church in Mindemoya. The Mindemoya Arena Repair Committee has been raising funds through several events, and with alcohol and can returns at Foodland in Mindemoya as well. In photo, the serving crew included from left: Kathy Graham, Annette King, Karlene Scott, Cathy King, Marie Ford, Deb Karn, Lauren Dewar and Lise Shaffer.

photo by Jan McQuay

...The Saucy Signoras serving up greatness

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me, 'This tastes like home, this tastes like grandma used to make.' Those are the things that make my day and push me further forward."

Comments made about the Saucy Signoras on social media abound and here are just a few: "I am now a "sandwich" person! This was amazing!"

"Absolutely delightful experience from the moment you walk to the takeout window! The staff is incredibly friendly and attentive, truly embodying the spirit of Italian hospitality. The paninis are out of this world-each one a delicious showcase of different flavours and high-quality ingredients."

'Truly fantastic time at The Saucy Signoras! The sandwiches are SOOOO good! So many great options, and the potato salad was super yummy! The owners are very friendly, funny and kind. All around amazing experience."

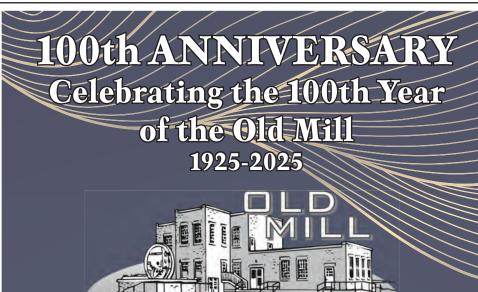
"We visited a few weeks ago and I'm just writing my review now because I literally have not stopped thinking about these sandwiches-and that says a lot coming from someone who is Celiac. While they couldn't 100 percent guarantee no cross contamination, they assured me they take as many precautions as possible and even let me take a look inside to double check! All gluten free stuff is stored separately and sealed until use, and they make it on a separate clean surface and open fresh ingredients! I tried The Lucy Loo and even went back a second time for The Little Big Bird and they were easily the best sandwiches I've ever had!"

"The pizza—whoa! Hands down, best pizza on Manitoulin. Slices available on weekends. Check their Facebook Page for updates. They are good people.

Ms. Debassige has the last word, "We're different and unique, so come check us out, because we could surprise you with just a 'sandwich'." The Saucy Signoras will delight your tastebuds from Wednesday to Sunday, 12 to 6 pm. Do check them out!

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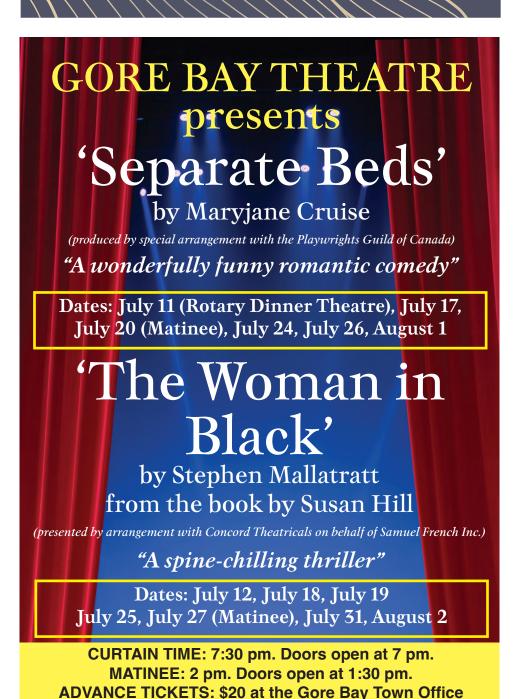
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...Potential home for new waste processor in Gordon/Barrie Island

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Jefkins, also a neighbouring property owner, and council members attended the council meeting last week.

cil because they didn't respond to my questions do their due diligence in providing communications to the questions before they voted," said Ms. Pat-

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"I feel let down by counterson. She said council had at a previous meeting encouraged residents to send in questions but then didn't respond before vot-

Council voted in favour of amending the zoning bylaw which states in part, "Renewable Energy Generation Plan and advance recycling project shall mean only an electronic thermal conversion technology being a combination of thermal disassociation and flash

methodology without the presence of a gas recirculation system; The system operates up to 1,000° Celsius and converts organic and carbon waste stream such as municipal solid waste into renewable natural gas within a fully sealed, oxygen-free chamber, without the use of a fossil fuels catalyst.

In a recorded vote, council members Brad Wright and Jack Bould, along with Reeve Lee Hayden voted in favour of approving the zoning bylaw amendment, with councillors Isobel Harry and Cameron Runnalls voting in opposition.

"Everyone has had the chance to bring forward their thoughts, concerns and questions and we have held two public meetings and received reams of emails and letters. This has been one of the most thought out and discussed items we have looked at since I've been on council," said Reeve Hayden. "The zoning bylaw amendment provides for a site specific use, for that location, and is specific on what the land can be used for. Even with that, WEST still needs to go through an extensive permit approval process from government permitting agencies. And they still have to go through building permit stage."

"First of all, garbage is an issue, and this has been the first legitimate opportunity presented to us to divert on our current system of garbage disposal at the transfer station," said Reeve Hayden. "It's an innovative option, but controls are in place through various government agencies like the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks. That is where a lot of the issues regarding environment requirements will be looked at."

Reeve Hayden said the location for the WEST proposed plant is right beside the transfer station, having been the former landfill area before a transfer station, and is open to the elements and possible environmental disturbances. The WEST operation "would all take place in an enclosed building."
"Jobs would be created, and we would be able to change from our current process of the transfer station, where we have to ship our garbage," said Reeve Hayden. "The concerns expressed by neighbouring landowners were not taken lightly in this process.'

Reeve Hayden noted "there is no investment required of the municipality with this proposal, all we are committing is providing our garbage to this project proposal That is our only commitment.'

Councillor Cameron Runnalls, who voted in opposition, told The Expositor, "I didn't have enough confidence in what I understood to be part of the proposal. It seems every question that was brought forward led to more questions.'

"I am supportive of the concept, there is a need for this in the province," said Councillor Runnalls. 'And I would like to see the proposal succeed. But I did not have enough evidence to make me confident enough to vote in favour of it, mostly because it is an unproven, untest-

"The (WEST) proposal hasn't been through any regulation processes and can't until all the bylaws were passed (by council) to allow for it. As a council we had to take their (WEST) word that it will work the way they say it will," added Councillor Runnalls.

Councillor Isobel Harry said in a written statement, "The feedback we received from a couple of public meetings and some written comments indicated a need for more detailed answers from WEST. Concerns from a wide range of residents, from engineers to farmers and interested homeowners varied from wanting to ensure the proper classification of the site under the Environmental Assessment Act to worries about potential health risks from toxins and increased industrial use in a rural area as well as noise and traffic, among others. There is no question we all want to solve the Island's no longer viable waste disposal system but there's no rush to install an as-yet untested system without real life

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...MNR lays out Manitou walleye plans ...continued from page 13 declined below the average for the zone, with ery year," said Mr. General said of the said of the

fishing regulations (walleye >18 inches to be released), there is potential to reestablish the population or to maintain a viable walleye fishery; and determine success of stocking larger size classes of walleye."

The MNR will continue evaluating alternative egg collection options, reevaluate walleye egg requirements with the potential to reduce egg targets for the next few years. Monitoring will include 2028 broadscale monitoring, angler survey if clipped fish caught and a review of lake trout stocking objectives.

In looking at the history of Lake Manitou fisheries assessment, Ms. Tremblay explained fall walleye index netting (FWIN) took place in 2000, while broad-scale monitoring surveys were conducted in 2011, 2016 and 2022.

For Lake Manitou, the catch per unit effort (ki-10gram per net), the walleye biomass (kilogram/ hectare) has declined over time while the catch per unit effort for Lake Manitou walleye has also one fish having been caught in the nets during BsM in 2016 and next to no walleye caught in 2022," said Mr. Gendron. "It looks like in 2022 there were no walleye left (through BsM)," said one LMAA member.

"There were numbers but this is the case in a lot of other lakes in the province," said Ms. Tremblay. "Manitou is not alone in this story."

Ms. Tremblay explained the age structure for walleye in Lake Manitou used to have multiple year classes (ranging from 4-16 years old). In 2011, in the category of four to 16 years old, the numbers provided a pretty good range in the broadscale monitoring, but five years later there were no young fish. In 2016, one 16-yearold walleye was captured. No walleye were sampled in 2022, even though the number of nets set in walleye habitat were increased. "Declining catches of walleve have also been observed during MNR's egg collection," she said.

"Walleye do not have a

dron.

The meeting was told there were changes in the fish community from 2011-2022, with an increasing number of smallmouth bass, which compete with both walleye and lake trout.

The MNR representatives outlined several factors to the decline of the walleye fishery on Lake Manitou, including invasive species (proximity to the Great Lakes is a risk factor e.g. spiny waterflea, zebra mussels); shifts in fish community with limited amount of energy in a system and competition for resources; smallmouth bass numbers are increasing; harvest (this is unknown, but considering walleye are a desirable species, it has potential to be a factor); and climate change.

"I commend all of you, (MNR) and the (LMAA) fishery committee, for this plan," said one u member. "I'm hoping in the next few years we will have a good walleye class."



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by Margery Frisch

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Once seated in the darkened space, Caitlin Ryan began the program. The dome of the ceiling seemed to fall away and everyone gasped. "If that's your reaction to the opening of the dome," Ms. Ryan said, "you're in for a great time this afternoon." And it was great. Everyone was in awe of the sights, the stories and the fast-paced movement of our solar system and beyond. The program began with what we see, here on Manitoulin Island, once the sun sets and the stars 'come out.' They're always there, of course, but our brilliantly burning sun does not allow us to see them during the day.

The Big Dipper is always easy to spot in the night sky. We learned it's really part of a larger constellation, called the Big Bear, or Ursa Major, consequently Ursa Minor, or Little Bear, was also presented. An imagination is needed to connect the dots and see these objects animated in the sky, but it was entertaining, nonetheless.

Back in March, Rebecca Milne, Allied Health Manager at Mnaamodzawin Health Services, stopped at a Home and Reno Show in Mississauga on her way home from Toronto. There she encountered "this great big blue dome," which she had to investigate. When she discovered it was a portable planetarium, she asked if they travelled. "We sure do," the presenters from Astronomy in Action told her. And the ball started rolling from there. "We decided we'd bring the program here in July, because the kids would be out of school and it would be something for them to go to with their parents. And we decided to open it up, basically to everyone, rather than to just our five service communities. Just to provide that opportunity for everyone to take advantage of it."

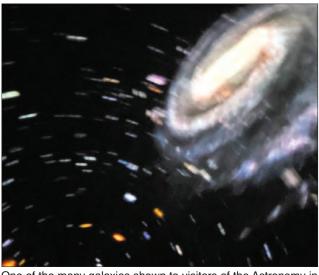
The programs ran from 10:30 in the morning to 4:30 in the afternoon, with shows an hour-and-a-half apart throughout the day. There was even a show specif-

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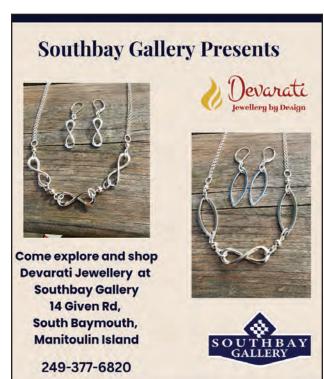


Viewers get up close and personal with Mercury, which Astronomy in Action presenter Caitlin Ryan feels does not get the attention it deserves.

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One of the many galaxies shown to visitors of the Astronomy in Action portable planetarium.





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Lynn's Loft offers wire wrap crystal jewellery in Gore Bay

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—A grand opening celebration of Lynn's Loft at the Gore Bay Harbour Centre took place recently.

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"I've been working in wire wrap crystal jewellery for some time now," Lynn Jackes, operator of Lynn's Loft told The Expositor after the grand opening on June 28. She pointed out she does not use diamonds, but materials like am-

ethyst. She has had her works sold in Kim Lalonde's studio in the Harbour Centre.

"I actually opened about a month or two ago, but am easing into it," said Ms. Jackes. "As a live-in artist, this is a working studio, I don't just create commercial in the studio, it provides me the opportunity to design and create in the studio."

"When this studio came up to rent, I decided to retire from Burpee and Mills township municipal office," said Ms. Jackes, who said her new studio location, "has to be most beautiful place on the Island."

Along with her own art works, Ms. Jackes carries the works of a couple of other artists, paintings and greeting card works by Michelle Legere and Pamela Meacher.



Lynn Jackes, operator of Lynn's Loft located at the Gore Bay Harbour Centre offers custom wire wrap crystal jewellery. The space is working studio, so you might be lucky enough to catch Ms. Jackes in action.

photo by Tom Sasvari

...Potential home for new waste processor in Gordon/Barrie Island

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trials. I agree with some residents who want to see an independent third-party review and environmental assessment before WEST can proceed."

Councillor Bould told the Expositor, "I voted in favour. To me the issue was one of approving the zoning amendment. That is all we as council (and as a municipality) have control over. All the regulation issues are dealt with by the province. And this system is far better than the transfer station process where we have to ship waste, which we have very little control over and is costly."

"The operations being proposed by WEST will be scrutinized by the province," said Councillor Bould. He said the WEST proposal, "is good for the municipality and could be good for all of Manitoulin Island. If Dodge haulage stops taking waste from the Island in the next 10 years, we will all be scrambling for a solution to our waste disposal issues."

Councillor Brad Wright said after the meeting, "first of all, since I have been a member of council, we have never had as much discussion about any other issue as with this one. This issue sparked a lot of discussion, concerns, questions and comments. I believe that many government agencies will have oversight on the facility, if it proceeds. WEST still has a lot of hurdles to clear before and after it begins operations."

"If the operator (WEST) delivers everything it proposes, it will save tax-payers money and there will be less environmental impacts," said Councillor Wright. "It will also create jobs, which is a positive."

Councillor Wright added, "I'm confident the Ministry of the Environment and others will have lots of oversight on the facility."

Ms. Patterson said, "I've sent three letters to council on this issue." In her delegation to council at last week's meeting she outlined several questions to

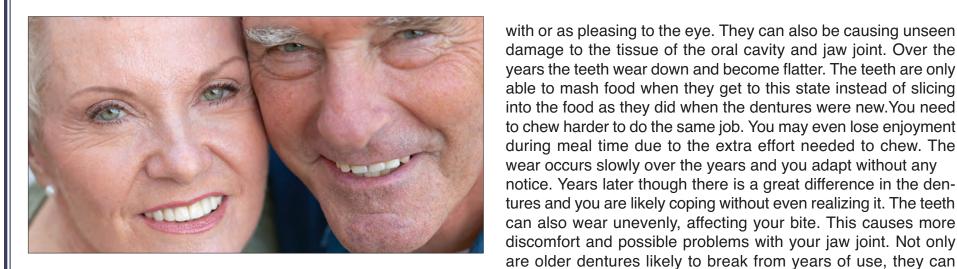
council including whether the new plant and work done prior to its opening and once operating, will it affect the quality of her well water and what steps the municipality has in place to assure water quality will not be affected. She questioned whether any consideration has been given to limiting operating hours of the WEST plant to provide neighbouring properties relief from noise, radar, night light and traffic activity. She also questioned whether the local volunteer fire department is adequately equipped and trained to respond to potential fires or other emergencies at a waste energy facility; questions regarding exactly how much waste WEST will need to produce energy from the plant, and if the operation will restrict nearby property owners to use and enjoy their land.

Ms. Patterson questioned whether the municipality has engaged legal counsel to review the WEST waste-to-energy proposal to identify any potential legal or regulatory issues. "Should something go

wrong, either in the short-term or long term-such as issues related to emissions, environmental damage, or impacts on residents' health, will the township hold any part of the liability?" asked Ms. Patterson. She also noted a concern with the 20-year contract the municipality will have for WEST taking all its garbage. 'Reducing waste transportation fees is an attractive aspect of this proposal. Considering past business patterns, which suggest the possibility of WEST establishing (the process) and then exiting (selling), has council ascertained whether the long-term fixed rates contract would remain valid and transferrable under new management.

In her letter Ms. Patterson added, "We are not the only community facing challenges with waste management. Is the council actively seeking out or exploring other options, such as alternative proposals, stricter recycling programs, bag limits, or developing a municipal composting initiative?"

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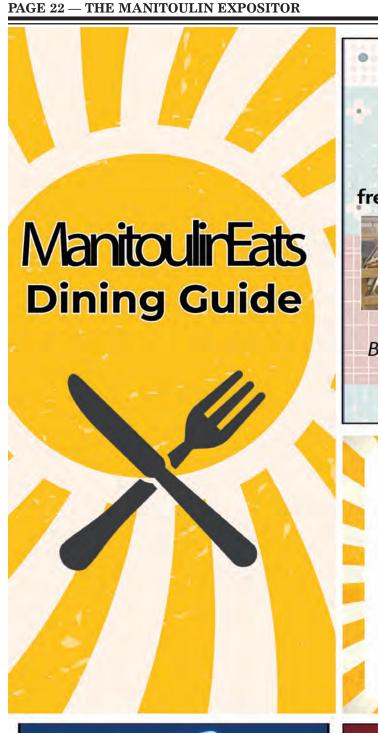
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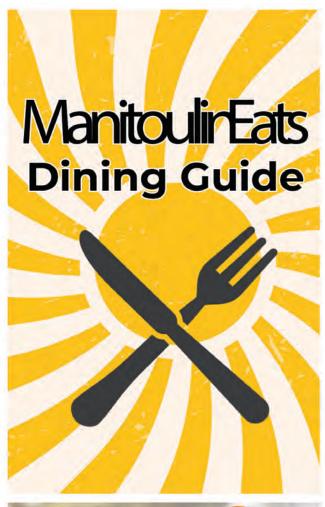


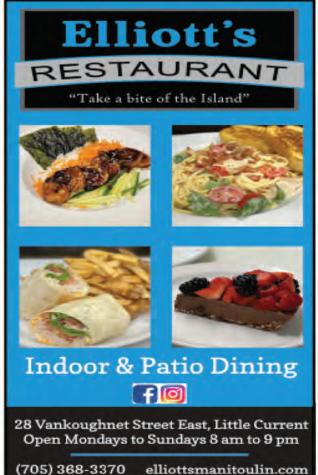




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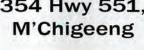














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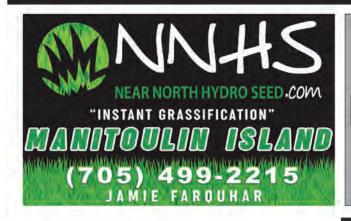
"I've gotten good feedback from everyone who went," said Ms. Milne, "Even our executive director thought it was pretty cool. We're lucky that we got to bring it up (to the Island) and give that opportunity to people and kids who've never been to a planetarium before.'

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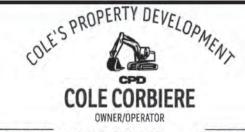


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Friends of Misery Bay AGM honours those who made the park a reality

by Phyllis CacciottiMISERY BAY—Friends of Misery Bay (FOMB) have been active since 1995 in assisting with the development of this beautiful nature reserve located on the scenic coastline of Lake Huron. Over the ensuing years, numerous FOMB volunteers have stepped up to create and maintain hiking trails, boardwalks, shelters and assist with the construction of the

Interpretive/Visitors

Centre itself in 2002.

Five members of the FOMB board attended this year's annual general meeting (AGM) along with eight members of the public, some of whom are also members of the Friends. The meeting was held at the Visitors Centre on Saturday, June 21. Jim Cahill, FOMB treasurer, highlighted that this season, there will be three people on hand at the park to conduct guided hikes, answer visitors' questions and generally provide information and an overview of Misery Bay Provincial Park. Ontario Parks (OP), who have overall responsibility for the nature reserve, was unable to hire a suitable parks warden this season but Mr. Cahill noted there is ongoing communication between them and the FOMB.

Of note, are 12 new interpretive signs that will be erected throughout the Misery Bay Park

Trails during July. They cover points of interest including some of the rare and beautiful plants, the alvar, the history, glacial markings and erratics, the shelters and pit karrens. These signs will add something to your hikes at Misery Bay.

During his review of the treasurer's year-end reports, Mr. Cahill noted that 2025 marks the 30th anniversary of the Friends holding AGMs. Quite an accomplishment for this not-forprofit organization run by volunteers!

Detailed financial statements were reviewed by the treasurer and no questions were posed on any of the content. Dale Scott extended thanks to Mr. Cahill for all his work throughout the year in tracking FOMB's financing and preparing reports for FOMB and the public.

The board elections were held and four people were nominated and subsequently accepted their nominations to the board. The include Dave Edwards, Jean Bentley, David Hill and Elizabeth McQuarrie. They were thanked for their interest and welcomed to the board by Mr. Cahill. The current FOMB board consists of Peg Balkind as acting president, Dale Scott as vice-president, Jim Cahill as treasurer and general members consisting of Michael



At the annual general meeting of the Friends of Misery Bay (FOMB), the group paid tribute to George Whyte, long-time member and contributor to FOMB who passed away on October 26, 2024.

Hobson, Kathryn Ritzie and the four newly elected members.

The highlight of the meeting was the tribute to George Herbert Whyte, long-time member of FOMB. Mr. Cahill shared with the group that sadly, Mr. Whyte died on October 26, 2024 at the age of 81 and, as a regular attendee of the Misery Bay annual meetings, his presence was greatly missed.

Mr. Whyte authored the five-part series of books titled 'Manitoulin Island: Hearsay and Recollections' which chronicles the first white settlers who arrived on Manitoulin Island in the

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late 19th century. They detail the history of the conservation efforts to protect the south shore of Burpee Township which now includes Misery Bay Provincial Park and the Mac's Bay Conservation Reserve. Mr. Cahill shared that in reading a couple of these volumes, he enjoyed hearing about George's adventures as a youth during his summers spent on Manitoulin and its cast of local characters. He noted that these books are available on Amazon.

George Whyte's first summer at Murphy Point, at the age of five, was spent with his par-

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ents and brother. This is where the family gathered with friends and neighbours from Toronto each summer. This sowed the seeds for George's life-long quest to preserve the wilderness along the South Shore of Manitoulin Island.

Mr. Whyte was born in Toronto in 1943 and raised in Toronto and Port Credit. He attended McGill University in Montreal from 1966 to 1968 and completed his master's degree in Canadian and American history. In 1967, George married Helen Phelps Martin and they embarked on a two-year trek, hitchhiking through Europe, Asia, India and Australia, on what he claimed was "a budget of 30 cents a day."

His career was quite varied. He played pro-hockey in Germany and Austria, worked on a pick and shovel crew, lived in a castle in southern Germany for a time and taught at an Anglican seminary in Perth before returning to Canada. Mr. Whyte also taught adult education for a year on Manitoulin as well as taking a history refresher course for teachers from Cambrian College.

In 1970, the Whytes ran Murphy Point Resort for its owner, Joe Brown, and they ended up purchasing it. They ran the resort each

summer for five years while George taught at Hillfield Strathallan School in Hamilton the rest of the year. In 1976, they incorporated Murphy Point and sold nine shares to friends, retaining one share for the Whyte family. Murphy Point Inc. is now into the fourth generation of friends and family coming to enjoy the amazing South Shore of Lake Huron. Murphy Point Inc. is one of two corporate members of FOMB.

Mr. Whyte met Donna Haynes in 1970, and they reconnected in 2004 and began their life together. Living on 10 acres in Flesherton, Ontario for 13 years, they travelled across the world each winter and summered at Murphy Point.

For many George and Helen and Cal and Eunice Sifferd had a dream of conserving, for future generations, the south shore of Burpee Township from the western tip of Misery Bay to the eastern tip of Murphy Harbour and this dream turned into an evolving reality. Over many years, they bought up nearby properties and, in 1977, the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) purchased the Sifferd's properties and Misery Bay Nature Reserve was born. Their properties form what is today the

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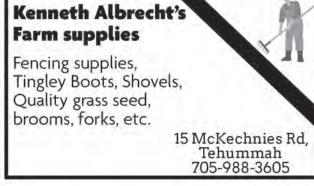
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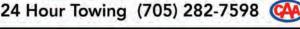


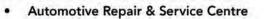
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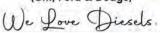






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Questions or concerns about diabetes? We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current,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

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Narcotics Annonymous will meet every Monday at the Little Current United Church, 5 Robinson Street at 8 pm. For more information please contact Lori at 705-507-6223.

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Wanted: Summer student, 18 plus, to pile five cords of wood in Kagawong. Wage is \$20 per hour. Call 705-282-3009.

9-10c



Are you a cancer patient undergoing or recovering from treatment? Are you a cancer survivor, a family caregiver or supporting someone with cancer? The Manitoulin Cancer Support Group (MCSG) may provide you with resources and opportunities to share experiences as well as give/receive support with others who have travelled this similar cancer journey. This group is open to anyone with any type of cancer, is free to join and will be rotated to different parts of the Island. This group will alternate meetings on weekdays and weekends. The schedule is as follows: Wednesday, July no meeting; and Wednesday, August 20 at the Mindemoya Council Chambers from 2 to 4 pm. For more information please contact: Terry Mackenzie at 705-507-0433 or tandjmackenzie@hotmail.com; Bonnie Young at 705-377-4998; or Ann Cranston at 705-282-7531 or bnannc@gmail.com.

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Notice

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

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

52-15p

Knox United Church Rummage Sale in Manitowaning will be closing on Saturday, July 12 at 3 pm. It will reopen on Thursday, July 24 at 10 am.

8-10p



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

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9 am - 1 pm
Waterfront
Pavilion



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on the Waterfront at the

See you Saturday!



Pancake breakfast and yard sale at Knox United Church in Manitowaning on Saturday, July 19. Breakfast from 9 am to 12 noon. Adults, \$15; ages 6-12 years, \$7.50; ages 5 and under, free. Yard sale from 9 am to 2 pm.

8-9p

Hot Turkey Dinner at Knox United Church in Manitowaning on Wednesday, July 23. Take-Out only. Adults, \$25; ages 6 to 12 years, \$12.50; ages 5 and under, free. Pick-ups from 4:40 to 6 pm. Reservations only, by Monday, July 21. Call Ann at 705-859-3540 or Diane at 1-705-282-4066.

8-9p

Auction and Dessert Night. An evening of fun with very interesting auction items and many delicious homemade desserts at Saint Paul's Anglican Church Hall, Manitowaning on Wednesday, July 23. Auction begins at 7 pm. Admission is \$5 per person, which covers auction paddle and your desserts. See you there!

8-9p

Assiginack Horticultural Society's 70th anniversary flower show and High tea, Wednesday, July 30 from 12 noon to 2 pm at the Assiginack Community Centre, 59 Vankoughnet Street, Assiginack. Admission includes entrance to the flower show. photography show and high tea. Adults, \$8; children, \$2. Penny table and silent auction of a homemade quilt. For more information please email assiginackhorticulturalsociety@ gmail.com.

9-10

Gore Bay Harbour Days annual ecumenical church service under the tent on Sunday, July 27 at 11 am. Followed by a potluck lunch and fellowship. Everyone welcome. Sponsored by the All Saints Anglican Church, Gore Bay.

9-10p

Lake Mindemoya Stewardship Association (LMSA) Annual General Meeting

July 27th, 2:30 - 4 pm Lions Club Pavilion Mindemoya, behind the Old School.

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8-9p

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9p



Yard sale, Saturday, July 19 from 8 am to 3 pm at 60 Laura Lane, near Gore Bay. Household items, furniture, electronics, lawn equipment, tools, work bench, composting toilet and more! Please park on the road.

8-9c

Yard sale, Saturday, July 19 from 8:30 am to 2 pm at 77 Robinson Street, Little Current. Tools, outdoor furniture, fire pit, wheelbarrows, swing, gardening racks and much more! Sale will take place in the backyard.

Indoor yard sale, Saturday,
August 9 at Trinity United Church
Manitoulin, 6070 King Street,
Mindemoya from 9 am to 1 pm.
Donations will be appreciated
and can be dropped off, Monday
thru Friday 9 to 5, the week of
the sale. Please no TVs or large
furniture

9-12p

9p

Christmas in July yard sale,
Saturday, July 19 and Sunday,
July 20 at 150 Queen Street,
Manitowaning (across from My
Friends's Inn) from 9 am to 2 pm
both days. Seasonal decorations
and household items!

Multi-family yard sale, Saturday, July 19 at 96 Wellington Street, Manitowaning from 9 am to 3 pm. Will be postponed to following Saturday in event of rain.

Neighbourhood yard sale, Saturday, July 19 from 8 am to 2 pm, Oakville Drive, M'Chigeeng First Nation. Clothing, toys, furniture, books and more.

Garage sale, rain or shine, on Saturday, July 19 from 8 am to 12 noon at 2026 Bay Estates Road North



Ontario supporting long-term care residents with complex needs

TORONTO—The Ontario government is investing \$35 million to help long-term care homes across the province support residents with complex needs. The Local Priorities Fund (LPF) is designed to support programs that connect people with the right care for them, reducing emergency department visits and hospital stays. This investment is part of the government's plan to protect Ontario by ensuring long-term care residents get the quality of care and quality of life they need and deserve, a press release from the province states.

"Our government is protecting our long-term care system by investing in the tools and training to ensure residents can get the right care in the right place," said Natalia Kusendova-Bashta, minister of long-term care. "This funding will expand the specialized equipment and innovative services available at long-term care homes across our province, so those with complex needs get the support they deserve."

Originally launched in 2022, the LPF provides specialized equipment, services and staff training to enable long-term care homes to admit new residents with specialized needs and support current residents with complex needs. Since its launch, the fund has supported approximately 2,500 projects across Ontario.

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- Date of application: May 26 to September 19, 2025
- Areas along powerlines in: Baldwin, Merrit, Mongowin, Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, Howland
- Pesticide trade name: Garlon RTU
- Guarantee: Triclopyr 144 g/L
- PCP Act registration number(s): 29334
- Name of pest: non-compatible vegetation brush and growth from previously maintained stumps
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- Transmission fluids Engine oil
- Antifreeze

From your yard:

- Insecticides, herbicides, Pesticides
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Rat and mouse poisons What not to bring:

- Ammunition, fireworks, explosives
- · Infectious and biological waste
- Syringes (your local drugstore will handle those)
- · Radioactive waste
- To ensure safety:
- · NEVER MIX CHEMICALS and NEVER SMOKE while handling hazardous materials
- · Do not place waste in plastic garbage bags
- · Tighten caps and lids leaving material in original labeled containers
- · Sort and pack paint, pesticides and household cleaners separately

Residents of the Town of NEMI ONLY Date: Saturday, July 19 Time: 8 - 11 am Location: NEMI Recreation Centre 9001 Hwy 6, Little Current For More Info: 705 368-3500

· Pack containers in sturdy upright boxes and pad with newspaper

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· Cleaners (oven and drain), spot

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bleach (do not mix)

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Aerosol cans

removers

Wood preservatives

 Pack your vehicle and go directly to the site

Residents of Central Manitoulin, Townships of Assiginack, Billings, Burpee & Mills, Gordon/Barrie Island, Tehkummah and the Town of Gore Bay Date: Saturday, July 19 Time: 1 - 4 pm Location: Mindemoya Roads Building, 7 Lakeshore Rd off Hwy 542/551, Mindemoya For More Info: 705 377-5726

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west side and central part of Misery Bay Park.

In 1981, the Whyte's 746 acres accumulated over the years were also purchased by the NCC. Of the 746 acres, the 98acre lot on the west side of Mac's Bay and the 25acre lot on Lot 9, Concession 4, was added to Misery Bay. The remaining 623 acres created the Mac's Bay Conservation Area. In 1983, the Whyte's 95-acre

Mae Ainslie lot

was also acquired by NCC. In 1984, the Whyte's purchased the 54acre Curly Willogging liams camp at the east end of Misery Bay. This property was the proverbial "hole in the doughnut," in the park. It was the original site of the

1998. As explained by Mr.

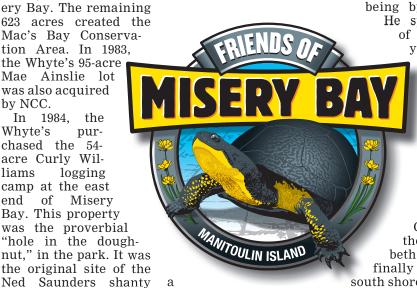
in the 1880s and was ul-

timately sold to NCC in

Whyte himself in volume four of his books and in emails to Jim Cahill, "Ned Saunders was the first white settler of Gore Bay, and Robinson Township, and the only

settler to live within the boundaries of the Misery Bay Park. He lived in this shanty full-time from about 1884 to 1893. Shanties were usually built for a short duration, just long enough to collect enough good logs to build a proper log cabin.

However, being



bachelor, Ned only needed a small shanty for his permanent residence. There ing on the Manitoulin.

are very few of these shanties still stand-Most were turned into hen houses after the permanent log cabins were completed, and the





Application for CONSENT **Under Section 53 of the Planning Act** To be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 7:00 pm

File No.: Con 2025-06

Applicant: Daniel and David Love

Notice

Legal Description: Civic Address: Official Plan:

Sheguiandah Township, Concession 13, Lot 16 296 Pepper Point Road Shoreline Area and Rural Area

Zoning Shoreline Residential, Rural with Deer Wintering

Yard

PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

This is a request for four severances and one retained lot. The acreage is owned by two brothers who would like to separate the property for future planning purposes.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

The request is being made for four consents and one retained lot. All of which will be accessed from Pepper Point Road and meet the lot size requirements of the zoning by-law

ANYONE INTERESTED IN THESE MATTERS MAY ATTEND the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands public meeting concerning this application. If you have specific comments regarding this application, you may submit a letter to the Secretary-Treasurer of the planning authority prior to or at the meeting.

IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND this Hearing, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in the Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceeding.

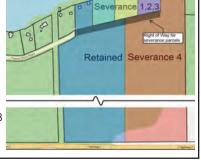
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IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY THAT FILES AN APPEAL against a decision of the Approval Authority in respect of the proposed consent has not made a written submission to the Approval Authority before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Land Tribunal may dismiss the

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application is available to the public for viewing at the Municipal office between the hours of 8:30 a.m.

and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday; or you may contact Ms. Pam Myers, Clerk and Secretary-Treasurer of the Planning Authority, at (705) 368-3500 ext. 228.

Dated: July 16, 2025 Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands 14 Water St. E., P.O. Box 608 Little Current, ON P0P 1K0



sheds were eventually torn down.

Ned was a scholarly but eccentric individual, about 5 7" tall, very strong, and very erect as if he had military experience. He was a sailor, a shoemaker, a hunter, a timberman, a fisherman, a gardener, and a master on the violin. Most of all, Ned loved

being by himself. He spent most of his adult years living as a

recluse in various locations along t h e coast of the Manitoulin. first Gore Bay, then Elizabeth Bay, and on the

south shore at Misery

We are fortunate that the remains of Ned Saunder's shanty are still to be found in the east end of Misery Bay Park and George's dream was for this historical building to be preserved for future generations. To that end, he prepared detailed drawings that contain fascinating details of life in the 1880s.

On page 1,113 of volume five, 'Settler Stock-Conservation' of Mr. Whyte's books, he documents that all told, the Whyte's were responsible for conserving approximately 1,100 beautiful and wild acres of land. It will be interesting to see if his dream will be realized, the inclusion of Mac's Bay Conservation Area in Misery Bay Provincial Park.

Donna Haynes, George's devoted partner of 20 years and his son, Andrew Whyte, were present at the meeting to hear this lovely tribute. Jim Cahill shared that he will be bringing forward a motion to the next FOMB board meeting to consider installing a plaque in the memory and honour of George Whyte's considerable contributions to Misery Bay and to conservation overall. If approved by the board, Ontario Parks will then be approached on this initiative.



Death Notices

CECILIA COLLEEN MOODIE April 22, 1928 - July 8, 2025



with great sadness and in celebration of 97 remarkable years well lived, the family of Colleen Moodie announces her passing on July 8, 2025,

in London, Ontario. Colleen was the loving and beloved wife for 60 years of Kenneth Moodie who predeceased her on September 23, 2007. She was the proud matriarch of a large and extended family, all of whom she loved deeply and who will love her, always. She was the devoted mother and mother-in-law of Michael (predeceased May 11, 2007) and Nancy, Kim and Terry, Shane and Sheila, and Robin and Alison. Cherished grandmother of Heather (Don MacIntosh), Jennifer, Maija (Ryan Craig), Shane (Kelly Stafford), Morgan (Hannah Moodie), Amy (Andrew Ivens), Ken (Fiona Manning), Colleen (Tyler Greenough), and Sophie. Loving great-grandmother to Logan and Rhys MacIntosh, Owen Meating, Brenden Vresk, Ava, Colin and Brynn Craig, James and Charlotte Moodie, and Margaret Moodie. Colleen was predeceased by her parents Owen and Amy Maguire (née Leeson) and her brothers John, Jim, Beverley and Bernard, and sisters-in-law May (John) and Donna (Jim). She will remain in the hearts of her Maguire sisters-in-law, Ann (Beverley) and Karen (Bernard), and her Maguire and Leeson cousins. Also predeceased by Ken's brothers and sisters-in-law, Lyle and Florence, and Don and Earlene, and his parents James and Margaret Moodie. "Aunt Colleen" will be fondly remembered by her many Maguire and Moodie nieces and nephews. Colleen was born in a log cabin at Hilly Grove, Manitoulin Island. In her early life, she was shaped by the strength and warmth of the close-knit farming community near Manitowaning where she was nurtured to live a life of love, kindness and devotion to others. She travelled by lake steamer to Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario to attend high school, where she met Ken and married. They raised their boys in Parry Sound, Little Current, and the Soo, becoming original residents of the "P Patch." Lifelong learners and passionate believers in the power of education, Ken and Colleen made the then somewhat radical decision for her to return to Sault Collegiate Institute in the early 1960s to finish Grade 13 and attend North Bay Teachers' College. This courageous decision not only helped fund their sons' university educations but planted the seeds of opportunity for generations to follow. "Mrs. Moodie" was a revered educator among her colleagues and a beloved teacher to generations of students at Rosedale Public School. She later became a teacher-librarian after earning her Bachelor of Arts from Algoma University and further studies in Education and Library Sciences at Western University. She served her profession through her involvement with the Federation of Women Teachers' Associations of Ontario and gave generously to her community. She chaired the Sault Ste. Marie Public Library Board and volunteered in hospital cancer care, offering comfort to families during times of grief. As a congregant of St. Andrew's United, she gave her time and talents to fundraising, preparing meals for weekly community suppers, and tutoring refugee children. In 2007, Ken and Colleen's children and grandchildren established a scholarship at Algoma University to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary and honour their deep commitment to post-secondary education. Colleen will be best remembered by following the way she lived. Shine your love on your family, your friends and your community. Colleen never forgot her Manitoulin roots and has come home to be laid to rest beside Ken in Hilly Grove Cemetery. Friends gathered at the Island Funeral Home, Little Current, on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 from 10 to 11:30 am. The funeral service followed at 12 noon., with interment at Hilly Grove Cemetery, Manitoulin Island. Memorial donations to The Kenneth and Colleen Moodie Endowment Fund at Algoma University, the Sault Ste. Marie Public Library children's collection or Algoma Regional Community Hospice (ARCH) will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

GRENVILLE "G.G." GREEN



With heavy hearts, we announce the peaceful passing of Grenville "G.G." Green on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at Georgetown Hospital, surrounded by his three girls. He was 82. Like any life well lived, his passing leaves behind broken hearts and cherished memories. G.G. will be profoundly missed by his loving wife and lifelong

sweetheart, Brenda, with whom he recently celebrated 60 years of marriage on June 12, 2025. He was the devoted father of Kimberley (Karl) and Stephanie (Greg), and the adoring grandfather to his 'chums,' Soren and Rowen, who brought him endless joy and pride. Born and raised in Little Current, G.G. grew up surrounded by the natural beauty of Northern Ontario-a place that forever held his heart. A true Island boy, he developed a lifelong love for the outdoors and all things Manitoulin. A gifted hockey player in his youth, G.G. played Junior A hockey, leaving a mark on the ice with both his talent and sportsmanship. When his father passed, G.G. was just 13. Forced to grow up quickly, he entered the workforce early, helping to support his family and putting his mother through nursing school—a testament to his resilience and sense of responsibility. First Inco in Sudbury, then Federal Cold Storage in Toronto, that work ethic led him to travel North America for National Sea Products. He gained customers and friends during his travels. After starting a family, Brenda and GG decided to return home to the Manitoulin from Florida to raise their family. They started their business, GG's Food Mart, from the ground up. In retirement, G.G. found peace in woodworking, taking quiet pride in crafting with his hands. Whether he was building something, casting a fishing line, or spinning a story at the hunt camp, he did so with warmth, humour and humility. Predeceased by his siblings, Dubs and Karlene, G.G.'s memory lives on in the hearts of his family, his sister-in-law and brother-in-law Mary and Stew Spry, his niece and nephews, special cousins, his godson Stephen Cady (Cyndi), his many friends, and all who were fortunate enough to know him. His legacy is one of quiet strength, gentle humour, and a steadfast love for his family and the outdoors. Family was the cornerstone of G.G.'s life—and his friends, always treated like family, were no exception. G.G. always had good advice, a hug or helping hand at the ready for anyone who needed it. A Celebration of his Life will be held in Little Current on September 13, 2025 at the Royal Canadian Legion. In keeping with G.G.'s generous spirit and his commitment to community, memorial donations to the Manitoulin Health Centre are welcomed in lieu of flowers.

ROBERT MATTHEW COTE December 24, 1941 - July 5, 2025



The family announces with great sadness the passing of Robert Matthew Cote (Matt) at the Manitoulin Health Centre on Saturday, July 5, 2025 at the age of 83 years. Beloved husband of Joan. Father of Dave Cote (Brenda), Tim Cote and Lori Robert (Barry). Grandfather of Steve (Kristina) and Devin. Greatgrandfather of Nicholas, Chloe

and Maxwell. Predeceased by his parents Jean and Otto Cote. Matt ran the Sunoco station in Espanola for many years and then worked at the mill until his retirement. Matt loved old cars and restored a few. He enjoyed watching the Young & Restless every night with Joan and loved his Pepsi, watermelon, spaghetti and Panda black licorice. The family would like to thank the staff at the Manitoulin Health Centre - especially nurse Kim for her excellent care and compassion. As per Matt's wishes, cremation has taken place and no service will be held. Remembrance donations may be made in Matt's honour to the Manitoulin Health Centre or the Alzheimer Society of Sudbury-Manitoulin, North Bay & Districts. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.



RUDYARD "RUDY" STEPHENS



It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Rudyard "Rudy" Stephens, who left us peacefully on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at the age of 77. Beloved son of the late Archie and the late Laura (Eadie) Stephens. Rudy was a kind-hearted man who made friends wherever he went. Though no longer together, Rudy shared

many meaningful years and built a loving family with Lisa, the mother of his children. He was a cherished father to Amber and William (Crystal) and proud stepfather to Shane (predeceased) and Dallas. He will be lovingly remembered as a proud grandpa to Destiny, Maurissa (Kory), Olivia, Shane, Jaiden, Grace, Connor, Taylor and Skylar; and a beloved great-grandpa to Princeton and Naomi. Rudy was a devoted brother in a large and close-knit family: Nona (Gordon predeceased), Guelda (Nick) (both predeceased), Maxine (Donald) (both predeceased), Charmaine (Tony predeceased), Laurence (predeceased), Vicki (Douglas predeceased), Tom (Maryanna predeceased), John (Aline), Allen, Paul (Laurel), Kimberly (Lewis), Philip (Pamela) and Martin. He was also a special uncle to many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, all of whom held him dear. Rudy had a large and extended family, and each member held a special place in his heart. Rudy had a passion for the outdoors, a love of travel and adventure, and a lifelong appreciation for cars. But above all, his heart belonged to his family. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date with family on Manitoulin Island, a place he treasured deeply. Forever remembered. Forever missed. Forever loved. Cremation services provided by Simple Wishes of the North Sudbury, and Crystal Crematorium.

Celebrations of Life

JOHN FEATHERSTONE Brother John

Please join us to remember and Celebrate the Life of John Featherstone (Brother John) on Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 6 pm at the Barrie Island Hall, Barrie Island.

ARDETH ELIZABETH MARIET BURMASTER (nee Williams)



Please join the family and friends of Ardeth Elizabeth Mariet Burmaster on Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 2 to 4 pm for a Celebration of Life at the Burpee and Mills Hall, 8 Bailey Line Road, Evansville.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Fundraising or Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 70 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.

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LaCloche Mountains clap back after vandals leave their mark

KILLARNEY—One of Killarney Provincial Park's most popular trails was recently vandalized.

The parks staff recently shared photos on its Facebook page that show what appears to be fluorescent paint marking the cliffs of the Crack Trail.

Along with the photos was an "open letter from the LaCloche Mountains." 'You know me...you love me, I'm the place you go seek adventure or just get away from it all. You paddle in my lakes and hike through my forests. And you know my sunsets are like no other!"

"But how well do you really know me? I have witnessed things you couldn't begin to imagine! The creation and destruction of entire continents. The rise and fall of dinosaurs. Life is growing from a handful of single celled organisms to the complex and messy tapestry it is today."

"The very air you breathe is younger than me. And never in all my two billion years have I seen something like this," the July 3 post on the park's Facebook page reads. "In my younger years I let people record their history on my sides. But this is different."

"I understand the desire to leave your mark. To say, 'I was here'," the letter continues. "After all, I've been here longer than any of you-but do you have to leave your mark on me?! You know what makes a great memory for future generations? A photo...or a video...or a journal entry. Really anything that doesn't involved dressing me up in colours that I just can't pull off."

"You could use that little rectangle you always have in your pocket to show the whole world that you saw me, the one and only La Cloche Mountain Range. Everyone will be so impressed that you met a real-life rock



The LaCloche Mountains, and their friends, are not happy with the trail of paint left behind by recent visitors.

star. Treating me like a colouring book doesn't impress anyone. It just makes me, and everyone who loves me, sad. So next time, do us all a favour and keep the paint on the canvas."

Those who are fans of the park have been outraged, with more than 100 comments on their Facebook post about the vandalism. "Killarney Provincial Park is

quite possibly one of the most beautiful parks in all of Canada," wrote one person. "For people who choose to spend time in this magnificent park this is a great insult to all that Mother Nature created. This vandalism has no place in the natural world."

The Expositor could not reach anyone at the park for a comment prior to this week's press deadline.

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Northeast Town celebrates community with burgers and hot dogs

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—The laughter of small children and murmur of conversation could be heard echoing across the grounds of Low Island Park in Little Current on Sunday, as the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands held its annual community picnic.

"It's been great," said NEMI events coordinator Lisa Hallaert, "the kids are really enjoying the touch a truck event. We have firetrucks, excavators, the OPP have brought a cruiser and we even have a school bus for the children to check out." Best of all, everything was free.

Meanwhile, over in the pavilion, NEMI Mayor Al MacNevin and town Councillors Patty Aelick, George Williamson and Al Boyd were kept busy serving up burgers and hot dogs to a host of hungry patrons. Off to the side there was plenty of watermelon and bottles of water to fend off the hot weather thirst being offered by summer student town employees.

Musician Tristen Hall was set up and providing musical entertainment for one and all, while children played in the splashpad, clambered about the bouncy castles, enjoyed the games or simply went for a swim, as their parents and grandparents looked on.



A heavy e q u i p m e n t operator in the making? Kids were having a great time checking out all the equipment at the touch a truck display.



Nothing says community picnic quite like bouncy castles. The kids were having a blast climbing and tumbling in the hot summer sun.



Councillor Patty Aelick and Mayor Al MacNevin were busy serving up a vast number of hamburgers and hot dogs.

photos by Michael Erskine



Manitoulin Streams' Liam Campbell talks all things invertebrate and streams with some young conservationists in the making.



Hanging out in the back seat of a cruiser is a lot of fun for dad and son. The cruiser was part of the popular touch a truck event at the NEMI Community picnic on the weekend.





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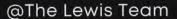


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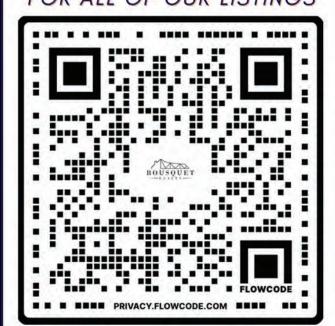
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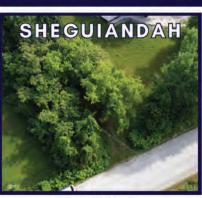


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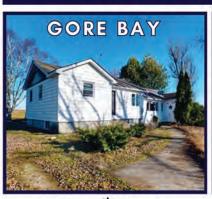


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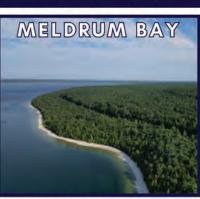


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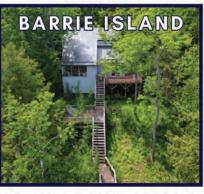
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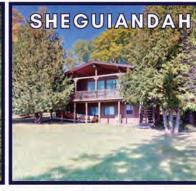
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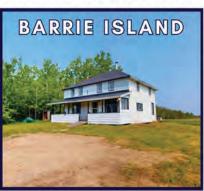
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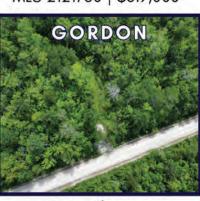
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MANITOULIN—Every Manitoulin Special Olympics (MSO) team member who competed in the Ontario Special Olympics Summer Games came home with a medal.

"All our athletes performed their best at the games, they all made new friends and had a great time," stated MSO team coordinator and coach Janet Anning on Sunday evening, after the team had returned from the provincials, held in Brantford July 10-12.

The Manitoulin Wolverines softball team brought home a bronze medal from the games. "They had to rally and come from behind in the final game against Ottawa, down 9-4, to win 10-9," said Ms. Anning. MSO won three of its four games.

"Everyone played their best and what was great is that everyone played in every game, and they all came together so well as a team, including two players from Sudbury who were added to the team and fit in very well. It was

and fit in very well. It was amazing to watch. And we were so happy to see this team medal because a lot of the players have never been at this level of competition before."

The MSO Wolverines team included players William Leclair, Rebecca Strain, Emily Moggy, Marybeth Taliotis, Aaron Nickol, Mathieu Bouillon,



Manitoulin Special Olympic (MSO) athletes, from left in photo Bruce Vanhorn, Matthew Bedard and Kelsey Mellan were all medal winners at the Ontario Special Olympics provincial games, held this past weekend. Missing from photo is coach Joanne Mellan. See group photo on Page 6A.

Michael Cormiere, Jarred Ladouceur, Michael Harper, Dylan Danville, Tyler Madahbee, Jeffery Harper and coaches Roslyn Taylor and Janet Anning.

MSO had three athletes take part in track and field events. Bruce Vanhorn garnered two gold medals in the 200-metre run and the mini-javelin throw; Kelsey Mellan won a gold medal in the mini-javelin throw, and two bronze medals in the shotput and 200-metre run. Matthew Bedard also brought home three medals, gold in the 800-metre run, and

silver medals in the 3,000 and 5,000 metre runs. Joanne Mellan was the MSO coach.

"All three athletes posted personal bests, even in the extreme heat," said Ms. Anning. She pointed out temperatures reached between 35-36°C during the games. "Everyone had a fabulous time except for the extreme heat. Thankfully for our teams, the family members who were on hand to cheer the athletes on, provided ice to keep water bottles cold throughout the weekend."

Manitoulin Sporting Life



New Manitoulin Mahem soccer squad launched!

While the NEMI Soccer League continues to increase its numbers over the years, there has also been a core group of competitive kids that wants to play even more and enter off-Island Tournaments. Enter the Manitoulin Mahem!

The traveling team, featuring 15 players from across the Island has just entered their first tournament in Eliot Lake. The Mayhem, has focussed on their team defense and it paid off launching them into the championship game where they lost in a shoot-out!

Coach **Mathieu Page** has managed to field the team with a lot of leg-work, including getting the fledgling club insured with his kudos for Mindemoya's VanHorn Insurance. Entering a new team into the an established league, in Sudbury for instance is costly with estimates around \$15K! The new team is hoping to don some snappy new jerseys for upcoming games and hoping to secure some local sponsorship so they can do that!

Page is so pleased with the enthusiasm for the venture from players: Brooke Varey # 2, Ada Correa # 8, Maximus Panamick #9, Finlay Card #7, Walter Weber #12, Simon Page #10, Addison Page #5, Simon Fessenden #1, Graeme Becks #4, Oliver Wilding #11, Mason Dedman #17, Brenna Pollard #3, Jack VanVolkingburgh #13, Eli VanVolkingburgh #16, Karmen Atkinson #15 and Chase Atkinson #14. The additional Coaches/managers include: Mitch Varey, Kimberley Weber and Danae Page. Good luck team, have fun!

Manitoulin Special Olympians Shine!

Our Special Olympians competed on two fronts last week in Brantford and the McMaster University campus. The opening and closing ceremonies, and meals were held at the Wayne Gretzky Sports Complex.

The Track and Field team, named the Manitoulin Striders qualified three athletes: Bruce Vanhorn, Kelsey Mellan and Matt Bedard and their Coach, Jo-

anne Mellan. The trio picked up some major hardware thanks to all their training. Bruce scooped up gold medals in the 100 m and in Mini javelin. Kelsey took home Gold in Mini javelin and Bronze in Shot put and the 200 m. Matt was Gold in the 800 m, Silver - 3,000 m and Silver 5,000m.

Meanwhile on the diamond, our Manitoulin Wolverines Softball squad fielded 12 athletes:

Tyler Madahbee, Emily Moggy, Jefferey Harper, Rebecca Strain, Aaron Nickol, Michael Harper, Dylan Danville, Michael Cormier, William LeClair, Marybeth Taliotis, Jared Ladouceur and Mathieu Boullion. Their Coaches were Janet Anning, Sandra Graham and Roslyn Taylor.

The Wolverines won two of three games in the round robin. Then, they won the bronze medal in a nail biter against Ottawa. The Coaches are so proud of all these athletes, not just because of the medals but because of the sportsmanship and teamwork all weekend.

Summer Curling!

What a better place to be on these sweltering days than on the pebbled ice and some local curlers are doing just that! **Devon MacKelvie** and **Spencer Johnston**, junior curlers from the Providence Bay Curling Club, attended the Amethyst Curling Camp in North Bay from July 6-11. They joined 80 curlers, of ages 12-18 from across Ontario and Quebec joined by an incredible coaching team (111 combined Nationals appearances). They worked on their on-ice skills, including delivery and sweeping, as well as had off-ice training sessions and workouts. They are all ready to hit the ice this fall!

In other curling news, Prov's McDermid clan, Mom Bev and daughters Angela, Terri and Pamela attended the Kelowna Curling Club's Summerspiel from July 4-6. There were 60 teams from around the world with games spread out over 12 sheets of ice. The team had 4 wins and 2 losses and came second in their pool! What an awesome experience!

A good sport is good for sports chipstoquips@gmail.com



The Champ!

Billy Biedermann is the Rainbow Ridge Golf Course Men's Open champion for 2025. Mr. Biedermann posted a two-day, 36 hole score of 153 (72-81) to take the title in the tournament held this past weekend. Don Gilchrist was the winner in the second flight with a score of 174, with Scott Bell first in the third flight (188), Steve Snowdon winning the fourth flight with an overall score of 207 and Ronald Wabegijig winning the fifth flight with a total score of 243.



Rotarians making a difference—one dinner theatre at a time

The Gore Bay Theatre Production of 'Seperate Beds' was a sold-out hit. The Rotary Club volunteers line up for a photo. Funds from the dinner will be going to support the Gore Bay volunteer fire department. It costs upwards of \$5,000 to outfit each firefighter.



Employment Opportunity

PARKS AND RECREATION MAINTENANCE WORKER

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is seeking applicants for the position of Maintenance Worker. Salary range: \$50,000-\$65,000

Further information including a job description is available on our website at www.centralmanitoulin.ca.

Resumes will be received until a suitable candidate has been found at the office below.

Denise Deforge, CAO/Clerk

Municipality of Central Manitoulin 6020 Highway 542 P.O. Box 420

Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0 ddeforge@centralmanitoulin,ca Phone: (705) 377-5726 Fax: (705) 377-5585



KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services

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

We are currently inviting applications for the following employment opportunities:

Manitoulin Island:

Child Well-Being Worker—Full-Time Team Assistant—Full-Time

Sudbury/Manitoulin Island:

Volunteer Driver: Open Recruitment

Sudbury:

Youth Transitional Home Worker—Full-Time

All postings close July 18, 2025 at 4 pm EST

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

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

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

Thank you for considering a career opportunity with us.

MTO brushing is underway on Manitoulin

MANITOULIN-The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has confirmed that brushing work on the sides of Manitoulin Island highways will continue later this summer.

"Our maintenance contractors carry out brushing work every year and as part of those ongoing maintenance efforts, brushing work on Manitoulin Island began last month and includes section of Highways 6, 540, 542 and 551," said Tanya Blazina, senior media relations with MTO on Thursday of last week. "Additional brushing is scheduled on sections of Highways 6, 522 and 542."

This comes after The Expositor had received an email from an Island resident recently indicating that, "ministries, towns, etc. have allowed no maintenance or untimely maintenance to make driving on Manitoulin a dangerous situa-

UCCM Anishnaabe Police is hiring

Help make our communities a safer, better place.

Position: Financial Assistant

Term: Permanent Full-time

Salary/Pay: \$65,985.72 - \$72,104.38 - \$78,790 (based on education and experience)

The Finance Assistant position will assist the organization in successfully meeting its mission of providing culturally sensitive policing services to the UCCM police service area. This position is a finance assistant professional who will provide financial support to the Financial Controller through compiling financial data, analyzing information and preparing reports by applying accounting control procedures that ensures the accuracy and integrity of the accounting system

Your duties will include (but are not limited to):

- Acting as the first point of contact for payroll related inquiries including processing payroll, troubleshooting and resolving payroll discrepancies, reconciling payroll distribution;
 Process accounts payables: along with reviewing purchase orders and matching with invoices, complete travel forms, HST Exemptions, etc.;
- Prepare accounts receivables: send out applicable invoices, monitor revenue and reconcile monthly, prepare and process bank deposits, ensure revenue is entered as per funding agreements;
- General accounting responsibilities: reconcile monthly bank statements, reconcile monthly visa statements with supporting documentation in accordance with applicable policy, collect and develop forms as required; and
- Other financial and administrative duties as assigned.

Administration Support

- Inform the Financial Controller about financial anomalies, and complete internal reporting;
- Maintain, file and keep safe financial records, contracts, leases and other funding agreements;
- · Complete approved program grant applications and prepare and submit interim and reporting
- Compose professional correspondence and memorandums as required.

Your education and experience:

- College Diploma or acceptable combination of equivalent experience;
- Minimum of 2-3 years of recent work-related financial and payroll experience, preferably in a business
- Experience processing financial and payroll transactions; and
- Experience interpreting and applying financial policies and guidelines.
 Compensable factors include (but are not limited to):

- Knowledge of accounting functions and principles: payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, chart of
- Experience in financial management and financial file maintenance;
 Ability to work independently, handle multiple projects, meet multiple deadlines and problem solve;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to learn very quickly in a fast-paced environment;
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office software applications, financial accounting software and general computer
- Excellent human relation and interpersonal skills.

We offer competitive pay and 100% employer covered benefits, matched pension contributions, Health Spending Account, Wellness Account, along with a welcoming, close-knit work environment and opportunities to learn about Anishnaabe culture and history.

How to Apply – We Require:

- Cover letter and resume
- Copy of driver's licence and valid First Aid and CPR
- Contact information for three (3) work-related references (1 current) · Completed Consent and Release of Liability form (available at uccmpolice.com)

We encourage individuals of Anishnaabe ancestry to apply and self-identify.

Send your application with the subject line "Employment Opportunity: Financial Assistant" marked Confidential to:

Email: recruitment@uccmpolice.com

Mail: UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service, 5926 Hwy 540, Box 332, M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0 **NOTE:** The successful applicant must clear a thorough background check prior to an offer of

Deadline to apply: August 1, 2025, 4 pm EST



Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Term: Permanent Full-time Salary/Pay: \$70,948.80 - \$80,953.60/annually (based on education and experience)

UCCM Anishnaabe Police is hiring

The Human Resources Assistant (HR Assistant) will assist the organization in successfully meeting its mission of providing culturally sensitive policing services to the UCCM police service area. The position is an administrative professional who will provide clerical and administrative support ensuring the efficient daily operation of the office, while operating within standard operating policies, procedures and practices. The HR Assistant will have interactions with UCCM Anishnaabe personnel, vendors and external stakeholders,

Your duties will include (but are not limited to):

Help make our communities a safer, better place.

Provide general human resources support;
 Assist HR in maintaining HR files and databases;

Position: Human Resources Assistant

- Assist in fulfilling approved uniform and equipment requisitions; Participate and travel to various events and meetings to promote UCCM APS;
- Maintain working knowledge of applicable legislation, polices and procedures;
- · Assist in recruitment and selection including preparing job postings, scheduling interviews and applicant testing, attending recruitment and community events and manage inventory of promotional materials; Provide administrative support;
- Implement the organization's marking plan; and
- Assist in quality assurance of the company's image.

- Applicants must have a Certificate, Diploma and/or Degree in Human Resources Management, Business Administration and/or Office Administration or equivalent combination of education/work experience;
- Knowledge of Human Resources principles and previous experience in human resources is required.

- Your skills include (but are not limited to):

 Knowledge of standards and policies related to effective records management
- Human resource management and HR file maintenance · Ability to handle multiple projects, meet multiple deadlines
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- · Word processing skills of 40 words per minute Ability to learn very quickly in a fast-paced environment
- Ability to organize and prioritize work/tasks
- Knowledge and skill in Microsoft Office software applications and general computer skills Ability to exercise professional judgment and reasonableness in a variety of situations

How to Apply – We Require:

- Cover Letter and Resume
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New Detective Kate Bray mystery has landed

by Michael Erskine LITTLE CURRENT—Au-

thor Ray Love stopped by The Expositor office to chat about his latest novel, 'Diamond Play,' part of a series featuring pro-tagonist Detective Kate

Mr. Love is living his best life after 18 years a retired educator and being the author of eight books, most of which fall into the non-fiction category and feature the history and culture of Central and Northern Ontario.

The father of three, grandfather of three and husband of one began his writing career following his retirement and his career teaching history, geography and economics helps to inform his writing and subject matter. He discovered his original inspiration in the lesser known history of his Midland home. Mr. Love's roots are deep in the region, his family settled in Muskoka in 1875 where his great grandfather built a highly successful resort business. It was the story of that resort which formed the background for his first book 'Elgin House, Lake Joseph Past and Present.'

Several more books ensued including 'Pioneer Muskoka: Tales of Courage, Grit and Community, 'The Georgian Bay Ship Canal Canada's Abandoned National Dream,' 'Muskoka Ontario's Playground A History of Recreation and Sport in Ontario's Cottage Country 1860-1945.'

His family have a camp on the French River and his experiences in that area also provided ample inspiration for his prolif-

But then he turned to fiction, penning his first novel 'Murder by a Dam Site,' a mystery novel "outline environmental conflicts currently facing residents of the North.'

His latest novel, 'Diamond Play,' features connections to Manitoulin Island and follows the detective work of Nickel City investigator Kate Bray, the protagonist of his first novel, as she delves into the disappearance of a competitor in a triathlon—the wealthy owner oi a diamond mine that is poisoning fish and wildlife in a small Northern Native community.

"Diamond Play" filled with intrigue and mystery, as well as shocking twists and turns that will captivate a summer reader. The book, and its predecessor "Murder by a Dam Site,' can be found on the shelves of The Expositor's book store in Little Current.

Cleaning Position

Must have own transportation for 1 or 2 days every 2 weeks.

Please send resume and references to 2026 Bay Estate Rd N Sheguiandah POP 1WO

or call 705-368-2523 and leave a message.



Author Ray Love dropped into The Expositor office to talk all things 'Diamond Play,' his new detective novel.



TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH is accepting applications for **FULL-TIME Public Works Operator**

- Assist in maintaining municipal infrastructure including roads, landfill site
- Responsible for operating equipment, routine maintenance and equipment repairs, and performing other tasks as required
- Ability to operate heavy equipment
- Grader and snowplowing experience an asset, DZ licence required
- 40 hour work week possible flexible scheduling due to seasonal demands

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Friday, July 25, 2025 - 3 pm

Interested applicants please forward resume to: Clerk-Administrator Township of Tehkummah 456 Hwy 542A, P.O. Box 24 Tehkummah, ON POP 2C0

Deliver in person to Township office between 8:30 am - 4 pm

By fax: 705-859-2605

By email: clerk.administrator@tehkummah.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Community Living Manitoulin is looking for dedicated staff with a passion for working with adult individuals with developmental disabilities.

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You are qualified if you have:

- Post-secondary diploma for Developmental Service Worker or equivalent in the Human Services Field (preferred)
- Personal Support Worker certificate or equivalent
- First Year Developmental Service Worker students may also qualify
- A valid Ontario driver's licence (Class G) Vulnerable Sector Criminal Reference Check

Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to the attention of: Mrs. Megan Wickett, Operations Manager **Community Living Manitoulin** PÓ Box 152

Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0 Or by email to mwickett@clmanitoulin.com Or by fax to 705-377-7175

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Nakiiwin Azheyaaksin **Employment Opportunity** Finance Officer

Closing Date: Until Filled

The Wikwemikong Co-ordinated Financial Services Unit is seeking applications from qualified individuals to apply for the position of Finance Officer. Working under the supervision of the Band Finance Manager, the Finance Officer will perform various general accounting duties for the WUT and related companies.

- Generate monthly financial statements for distribution to program managers, finance committee and Chief and Council
- Review financial statements and general ledger listings with program managers,
- prepare adjustments as required Prepare and distribute transactions, then record and post transactions to the
- general ledger Perform reconciliations for various accounts
- Maintain capital asset records for additions, dispositions, amortization, insurance,
- Assist program managers with preparing financial reports for funders Assist program managers with budgets and record budget data to the financial accounting system
- Assist other finance personnel
- Other duties as required

Requirements

- Minimum 2-year diploma in finance or accounting
- Excellent knowledge of financial management systems
- Must be proficient in Microsoft Office Suite applications High standards of ethics and maintain confidentiality when handling sensitive
- information Strong organizational and interpersonal skills
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Ability to work independently, learn and implement new concepts
- Exercise good judgement, show initiative and be proactive
- Able to work overtime as required
- Knowledge of Anishnaabemowin and culture and committed to continual learning and development

Salary Range: \$65,009.00

Posting Date: June 25, 2025

Please submit a covering letter, resume, copies of diplomas and/or certificates, and 3 (three) work-related references (within the last three years) to:

Confidential: Finance Officer Position

19A Complex Drive, PO Box 112 Wiikwemkoong Unceded Indian Reserve, Wiikwemkoong, ON POP 2J0 erc@wiikwemkoong.ca

We thank all interested applicants. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please submit copies as there is no return of submissions.

NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – MULTIPLE POSTINGS

Gwekwaadziwin Miikan – Seven Grandfathers Program ,.. 00, Gwekwaadziwin Miikan is seeking motivated professionals

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Please visit www.gwek.ca or email mmaracle@gwek.ca for details.

Program Description

Gwekwaadziwin Miikan provides a person-centred model of mental health and addiction treatment for individuals 19+. It supports a community of healthy people working towards wellness, education and economic prosperity for First Nations individuals and communities. Gwekwaadziwin Miikan offers four phases of support, including Withdrawal Management, Land-Based Treatment, Live-in Aftercare and Community Aftercare.

Program Descriptions

Land-Based Counsellors (Full-Time Contract) Application deadline: July 25, 2025 at 4:00 pm	The Land-Based Counsellor is a unique position that combines the skills of an outdoor experiential learning leader with a treatment counsellor. Staff in this position will be living and working in outdoor settings with participants and operate on a three-week rotational schedule. Staff in this position will be responsible for delivering a holistic treatment program with a significant focus on Anishinaabe culture and land-based learning.
Withdrawal Management Support Worker (Casual) Application deadline: Open until filled	A part-time casual position, responsible for the implementation of acute withdrawal support, distribution of harm reduction supplies, safe/flex beds, as part of the Gwekwaadziwin Milkan continuum of services. Must be available to work weekends.
Aftercare Support Workers (Casual) Application deadline: Open until filled	A part-time casual position responsible for assisting in the implementation of participant treatment plans, monitoring the facility, facilitating group, and assisting with other facets of the Gwekwaadziwin Miikan programming. There is opportunity to provide casual relief in all areas of programming.

Please visit gwek.bamboohr.com/careers for more information

Current Vulnerable Sector Check and Drivers Abstract required prior to offer of employment.

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



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39 Henry Drive, Kagawong

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Nocimo Lakeside Studio,

15 Old Mill Road, Kagawong

165 Main Street, Kagawong

45 Bay Street, Little Current

North Channel Arts Gallery,

Kagawong Park Centre,

Ceramic Studio, 14 Main Street, Kagawong

607 Honora Bay Road, Honora Bay

2260A Highway 540, Little Current

27 Red Mill Road, Little Current

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14 Water Street, Little Current

70 Meredith Street E., Little Current

230 Corbett's Beach Road, Manitowaning

25 Cockburn Street E, Little Current

Harbour Centre,

Gore Bay Museum,

Lake Huron

Campbell

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Lynsart Studio/Gallery,

4909B Hwy 542, Mindemoya

Northern Creative Studio,

172 Camp Mary Anne Road

2207 Hwy 551, Mindemoya

132 Burke Street, Spring Bay

70 Deer Foot Trail, Spring Bay

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Meet the Artists 27 Red Mill Rd., Little Current Judy Boyd (705-368-2779)

Tutored by the renowned Ivan Wheale, Judy mainly works with

watercolour and oils. She is inspired by the beauty of Manitoulin and surrounding areas.

Sue Cairns (705-662-2983)



This juried artist finds her muse in the landscape, flora and fauna of rural Ontario. Sue works in watercolour and oil.

Linda Williamson oil & mixed media landscape **Ellen Lewis** watercolours, acrylics, pen & ink

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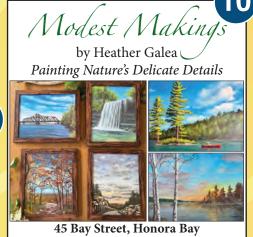
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Nocimo Lakeside Studio

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Anna, a fabric artist and seamstress, was taught by an accomplished trained designer and seamstress.

1. 388 Eastline Road, Barrie Island Enid's Barrie Island Studio

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Judy Boyd and Sue Cairns

Patricia Meehan

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15. 14 Water Street, Little Current

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16. 70 Meredith Street E., Little Current

Tourist Information Centre - Dani Lynn Redgrift-Berthelot and Gwendlyn Goulet

17. 10962 Hwy 6, Sheguiandah

Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah - Paulette Stewart, Jola Klim, Julia Chmilnitzky and Marian Barnett

18. 35 Limit Street, Sheguiandah Raven's Roost - Ruth Heiser

19. 10955 Hwy 6, Sheguiandah Sue Garbutt

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Nocimo Lakeside Studio - Leslie Shoji 21. 1819 Bidwell Road, Manitowaning Wee Point Resort - Debbie Whatling

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Pottery to Treasure - Glenna Treasure 28. 940 Monument Road, Spring Bay

Periwinkle Studio - Rochelle Neal

29. 14 Given Road, South Baymouth South Bay Gallery - Devarati Jewellery

For more information find us online at www.manitoulinart.com and our Facebook page 📑 @ManitoulinArtTour

Rochelle Neal **Periwinkle Studio** On Lake Mindemoya (940 Monument Rd.) 705-377-4329 Rochelle is a popular Manitoulin artist who has



won many artistic awards Periwinkle Studio, is nestled in he woods on the west side of Lake Mindemoya and offers a beautiful view of the lake. She paints vivid watercolou using Manitoulin landscape, flora, fauna and rustic things from the past as her creative inspiration.

Meet the Artists 15

Penny Bois Coni St. Pierre Acrylic, Oil (2022 LaCloche stinguished Artist) Gwen Bond Pastel, Charcoal,

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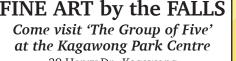
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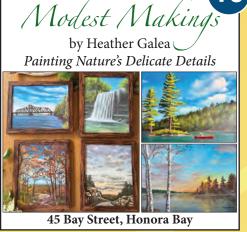
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Little Current Lions Club



Central Manitoulin Lions Club

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23 **CREATIVE STUDIO**

Peter Barnett Peter combines his background as an award-winning landscape geoscientist with his love of photography to create visual images that convey moods

and promote memories.

We are Hiring

JOIN OUR FINANCE TEAM



FINANCE CLERK

The Finance Clerk will support our Economic Development team and M'Chigeeng First Nation finance department team with essential administrative tasks. The Finance Clerk will assist with invoicing, processing financial transactions, maintaining accurate records, and ensuring timely reporting. This role requires an individual with strong numerical aptitude, attention to detail, and an understanding of basic accounting principles.

Department: HIAH
Salary: CA-4 (\$46,800.00 - \$57,200.00 per annum)
Type: Term Full-Time - 6 months with possible extension

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE/GENERAL LEDGER CLERK

M'Chigeeng First Nation (MFN) is seeking an organized and detail-oriented Accounts Receivable Clerk (ARC) to manage day-to-day financial transactions, ensuring the accurate and timely recording of revenues and accounts receivable for MFN and its affiliates. Reporting to the Finance Manager, the ARC will be responsible for maintaining financial records, reconciling accounts, processing customer payments, preparing reports, and assisting with month-end and year-end financial audits. The ideal candidate will have strong analytical skills, excellent attention to detail, and a commitment to efficiency improvements in line with MFN's values and policies. Strong communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively with department managers and other stakeholders are essential.

Department: Finance Salary: CS-4 (\$63,648 - \$77,792 per annum) Type: Regular Full-Time

PAYROLL CLERK

M'Chigeeng First Nation is looking for a detail-oriented and experienced Payroll Clerk to join the Finance Department. The Payroll Clerk will be responsible for accurately and timely processing employee payroll, including calculating deductions, tracking attendance and leave entitlements, and maintaining accurate payroll records. The ideal candidate will ensure compliance with MFN's policies and payroll legislation and manage reports for benefits providers, including pension and group life plans. Applicants should have a minimum of three years of relevant experience or be working towards a Payroll Compliance Practitioner certification. Strong IT skills, attention to detail, confidentiality, and effective communication are essential.

Department: Finance Salary: CA-4 (\$46,800.00 - \$57,200.00 per annum) Type: Regular Full-Time

> employment@mchigeeng.ca c/o Human Resources P.O. Box 333,M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1GO (Fax 705-377-4980)





SHESHEGWANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Principal - Full-Time position



The Sheshegwaning First Nation is seeking a reliable and trustworthy Principal to join our excellent school, who will be tasked with reviewing budgets and school policies, organizing school events and community initiatives, updating student records, handling disciplinary issues and recruiting new staff. You should make valid contributions to the improvement of the school and be a stellar example for both staff and students.

The incumbent reports to the Sheshegwaning First Nation Director of Education.

Qualifications:

- University Degree or College Degree Principal Level 1 and 2.
- Knowledge of First Nation needs and goals in the education of First Nation people and education delivery.
- Knowledge of current First Nations' position on education and training issues at community regional and national levels as it pertains to education and training programs.
- Excellent verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills.
- Proven supervisory skills.
- Ability to manage programs within a limited budget.
- To speak Anishinaabemowin would be an asset.
- Proven computer skills in Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Outlook.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Consult and work with other departments along with Director of Education for the harmonious advancement of our students.
- Work with Director of Education to review budgets, school policies and rules and regulations to maintain a positive relationship with the Education Committee and Chief and Council.
- Attend and participate in meetings with staff, parents and other officials.
- In cooperation with teaching and support staff and administration, work with Director of Education to review departmental needs within financial constraints.
- Help to arrange professional development for school personnel.
- Establish rapport and maintain relationships with parents, staff and students.
- Sit in on disciplinary hearings and provide advice for at-risk students.
- Update student and school records
- Remain active and visible on field trips during school functions.
- Address concerns raised by students, staff and parents.
- Supervise teachers on a day-to-day basis including performance reviews and setting annual goals and objectives.
- Monitor the attendance and progress of the students who are being transported to other communities to be educated.

Interested applicants should submit their resume along with a CPIC, cover letter and three references no later than August 15, 2025 or until position filled marked confidential to the attention of:

Heather Wilson, Director of Education Sheshegwaning First Nation 1079A Sheshegwaning Road

Sheshegwaning First Nation 1079A Sheshegwaning Road Sheshegwaning, ON P0P 1X0 heather@sheshegwaning.org

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



Provincial champions!

The Manitoulin Special Olympics Wolverines softball team brought home a bronze medal from the Ontario Special Olympics Summer Games, held this past weekend in Brantford. The team includes back row left to right, coach Roslyn Taylor, Emily Moggy, Aaron Nickol, coach Sandra Graham, Dylan Danville, Mathieu Bouillon, Micheal Harper, William LeClair, Michael Cormiere, Tyler Madahbee, Jeffery Harper, coach Janet Anning. Front row I-r, Jared Ladouceur, Marybeth Taliotis, Rebecca Strain.

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SHESHEGWANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Elementary School Teacher



The thriving community of Sheshegwaning First Nation is currently accepting applications for an Elementary School Teacher. Come, work with some wonderful staff, amazing kids and fantastic community members and make a difference in the future generation, with the gift of education.

Essential Duties:

- \bullet Work under the supervision of the Principal.
- Prepare and deliver lessons to the students according to the approved curriculum.
- Implement and deliver culturally appropriate Anishnaabe teachings within the school and community setting.
- Experience and or Knowledge, of land-based learning.
- Teach students using a systematic plan of lessons, discussion, audio-visual presentations, field trips, hands-on activities to promote their physical, mental, and social development and their school readiness.
- Develop and implement long range plans.
- Prepare and administer student assessments.
- Evaluate the progress of students and discuss results with students, parents, and school officials.
- Identify children's learning styles and needs.
- Prepare and implement remedial programs for children requiring extra help. Work] with consultants and Principal to provide supports.
- Participate in staff meetings, teacher training workshops, professional development days and other school functions.
- May supervise teacher assistants and student teachers.
- Knowledgeable in literacy and numeracy practices

Qualifications/Requirements:

- Must hold a valid Ontario Teaching Certificate.
- Preferred Bachelor of Education or ATEP.
- Must have knowledge and/or experience of the culture, tradition, history and customs of the Anishnaabe.
- Understanding and fluency of Anishnaabemowin language is an asset, or willing to learn.
- CRC/CPIC and Vulnerable Sector Screening.

Location: Sheshegwaning First Nation - St. Joseph's Anishinabek School **Salary Range:** As per placement on the approved Teacher Salary Grid **Deadline to Apply: August 15th, 2025 or until filled.**

Interested applicants may forward their cover letter and resume marked confidential to: Heather Wilson

Director, Education & Life-Long Learning Sheshegwaning First Nation 1079A Sheshegwaning Road Sheshegwaning First Nation, ON P0P 1X0 heather@sheshegwaning.org

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Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah Fall Fair seeks to bolster tradition

by Michael ErskineLITTLE CURRENT—The Sheguiandah Fall Fair committee was concerned about dropping participation from Island youth, so they set about revitalizing the event at the source. Outreach committee member Cindy Tarr conducted a series of presentations with students at Little Current Public School as the school season came to a

"The Sheguiandah Fall Fair is one of the many fairs that are hosted here on Manitoulin Island that provides an opportunity to bring the community together to meet and greet each other, have some fun and to sell their creative and innovated goods," said Ms. Tarr. "Anything from harvested goods, photos, history, culinary goods, knitted goods and/or the arts can be submitted to the judges to be evaluated. These days there are so many talented people on the Manitoulin that have created wonderful items from skincare to toys."

The fall fair isn't just about the competitions in each category, notes Ms. "There is always Tarr. something for everyone at the venders' tables; we have a barbeque, live loentertainment and the Early Years Program provides a fun station for kids to play while the parents shop and connect with neighbours." But there is that opportunity for "bragging rights" and small cash prizes—and it isn't just about the youth—adults



Sheguiandah Fall Fair outreach committee member Cindy Tarr had fun working with students at Little Current Public School.

are encouraged as well.

"Of course, no fair would be complete without a friendly competition and a chance to showcase your talents," said Ms. Tarr. "We encourage community members across Manitoulin to enter their homemade creations to be displayed and enjoyed in our exhibit hall."

The pandemic caused a pause in the fall fair and as a result, entries took a big hit even after the dust had settled.

"This is where we noticed a lack of participants in the fair," said Ms. Tarr, "ever since COVID hit the Island.'

"The fall fair committee decided we need to promote the fair and let everyone know that we are still here and would love to see evervone out on September 13 at the Centennial Museum in Sheguiandah from 10 am to 3 pm."

But back to the youth outreach effort.

"I was welcomed into Current Public School (LCPS) to talk with the children about the fair

(a lot the children had never even heard of the fair),' she said. "We thought if we start at a young age we might instill a love of creating and sharing their tal-

ents for a life time.' The first up was Ms. Volpini's Grade 1 class. "They loved colouring and hands on creating." Then Ms. Corbiere's Grade 1 and 2 class. "They really enjoyed drawing their own art." Mr. Walsh's Grade 4/5 class saw youth creating with various materials and made original creations, while Ms. Linklater's Grade 2/3 class gravitated mostly to bead work.

Ms. Tarr provided materials and supplied handson creative time with the children. "It was a blast for both the children and me,' she said. "They really got into their work and created some masterpieces. Some children really did not want to part with their creations, so I encouraged them to enter their items in the fair this September. It was a fun way to end their school year and to get them crafting for the summer.'

The Sheguiandah Fall Fair committee invites all the parents and family members of LCPS to come out in September to view the creative talents of their children, said Ms. Tarr. "I became a member of the Sheguiandah Fall Fair two years ago because I wanted to give back to the event that my children and I have enjoyed for many years."

"As I grew up in Southern Ontario in a larger community I cannot remember any community events besides school events," said Ms. Tarr. "I do remember coming to the Island often to visit family and always having some places to go such as a luncheon, a fiddle contest or a bazaar. Not to mention the Providence Bay Fair. I can remember always visiting the exhibit hall at the fair, where all my cousins had entered their artwork (crafts) and won prizes and I felt they were so lucky.'

"Once I had my own children, I decided they would benefit from these community events," she said. "A community fall fair offers children a chance to get a sense of pride in where they live and the knowledge and history of Manitoulin. Going to different events around the Island they were able to meet and talk to elders and learn about all the different communities.'

"It gave my children such joy to invite their grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins into the exhibit halls to see the works of art that they created or the vegetables that they helped to grow," shared Ms. Tarr. "The photos that they had taken were always a fa-

vorite. Whether it was at Providence Bay Fair, Sheguiandah Fall Fair or the Manitowaning Fall Fair, they had a good time. We even went to visit the Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) Community Fair a few times—that fair is hosted by the CMPS school in Mindemoya."

Ms. Tarr offered suggestions on where youth and their parents could learn more about the Sheguiandah Fall Fair, or how to enter. "You can find a Sheguiandah Fall Fair booklet at the following places: Town of NEMI Library, Town of NEMI municipal office in downtown Little Current, the Town of Assiginack municipal office or the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah," she said. "We hope to see you all at the fair on Saturday, September 13.'



WIKWEMIKONG TRIBAL POLICE SERVICE **Employment Opportunity - Permanent**

Position⁻ Location: Responsible to:

Special Constable / Offender Transport Wikwemikong Unceded Territory Inspector, Divisional Commanders, and Chief of Police of the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service

Salary:

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service is accepting applications for Special Constable. Applicants will be required to successfully complete any additional training deemed necessary as a condition of employment. All new hires are expected to have a valid and completed OACP certificate as per attached OACP link www.oacpcertificate.ca.

Summary: The Special Constable program is a great opportunity for members to learn on the job roles and responsibilities of a General Law Enforcement Officer and will be responsible to the Inspector, Divisional Commanders, and the Chief of Police.

Primary Key Duties/Responsibilities:

Transport of prisoners, guard, reporting of inmates and fingerprinting.

Provide court security during court hours for judges and other court staff, adult and young offenders, Crown Attorneys or other prosecutors and the general public, where required.

Schedule sufficient court security personnel to ensure adequate coverage.

Assume responsibility for offenders while they are on-site for court appearances, monitoring their activities and

performing searches, as required. Arrange for prisoner transport. Escorts prisoners between various locations, i.e. cells, counsel room in building

and to and from various correctional/holding facilities. $Manage \ all \ case \ files, including \ criminal \ cases, \ assisting \ the \ Crown \ and \ preparing \ or \ ensuring \ preparation \ and$

- proper completion of all related information and documentation by uniformed officers.

 Present and swear information, warrants and KGB statements as commissioner of oaths; issues subpoenas for
- witnesses (police and civilian); prepares and processes various court-related documents and serves or ensures appropriate notices are served, as required by law. Liaise with and respond to inquiries from uniformed officers, Crown Attorney's office, defence counsel
- accused persons, victims, witnesses and personnel from various agencies including probation and parole office, immigration, police, correctional facilities to obtain and update court documentation, to consult on Pre-Charge Diversion (YCJA) and to answer general enquiries regarding court protocol.
- Maintain court-related records and files, e.g. court dockets, disclosures, warrants, and add all charges to Niche/RMS and ICON record systems and send all court orders to Records Clerk for CPIC maintenance (bail release documents, probation orders, prohibition orders.
- Process all Provincial Offence tickets issued, including reviewing for accuracy, filing with the courthouse and completing or ensuring completion of all necessary documents for trials.

Secondary Key Duties/Responsibilities:

Participate in community events and cultural gatherings.

Respond to routine and emergency calls with an assigned parent WTPS officer, assist with crime or accident investigations with WTPS officers.

Assist with vehicle patrol operations as directed.

- Assist with the containment and preservation of crime scenes as directed.
- Assist WTPS members in the development and implementation of projects, acting as a resource to team
- Undertake assignments, including traffic point duty and crowd control, as required.

Display cultural competence when interacting with members of the community. Perform shift work that include weekends and holidays. Such other duties, not inconsistent with the above, as the Police Chief should direct.

- Must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada of at least 18 years of age. Must possess an OSSD or equivalent.
- Must possess a valid Class G Ontario Driver Licence. Current OACP certificate or equivalency.
- Possess current First Aid/CPR Certification.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Office. Must have awareness of First Nation cultures and traditions.
- Be physically and mentally able to perform the duties of the position. Ability to maintain confidentiality a MUST.
- Be prepared to take an Oath/Affirmation of Office and Secrecy. Be of good moral character and habits.
- Pass a detailed background check that includes security clearance checks, credit and reference checks.

Benefits Program:

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service offers a complete comprehensive benefits package which includes: 100% employer paid benefits.

As part of the benefits program, an additional Flex family spending account of \$3,000 per year.

\$5,000 annual mental health clinicians.

A police service Wellness Coordinator on-site for the staff and their families.

Continuing education tuition assistance program starting January 2026.

Interested applicants are to forward a completed electronic package, letter of interest, detailed resume, copies of relevant diploma/certificates to:

Attention: Human Resources Manager, Richard Flamand

richard.flamand@wtps.ca

Posting Deadline: August 8, 2025 at 2:00 PM

Please note that all applications received will be screened for content and only those selected will be extended a personal interview.



UNITED CHIEFS and COUNCILS

OF MNIDOO MNISING

SUMMER STUDENT **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Location: United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising, M'Chigeeng First Nation **Duration**: 8-12 weeks

Responsibilities:

As a Research Technician, you will be responsible for providing essential support to an ongoing research project within the By-law Program. Under the direct supervision of the principal researcher(s), you will actively contribute to data collection, analysis and interpretation of the information collected. You will also have an opportunity to attend team meetings, participate in discussions about research findings, and present your own observations.

- Assist research in collecting and presenting data related to the research project.
- Participate in the progress of the research project according to established protocols.
- Contribute to data analysis and the generation of reports, graphs or presentations.
 Participate in team meetings to discuss research progress and results. • Work closely with the research team to ensure weekly progress of the project.
- Any other reasonable tasks related to this position.

Qualifications:

 Must be a Grade 12 student or post-secondary student returning to post-secondary school in September 2025.

Skills/Knowledge:

- Knowledge of computers including word processing and data applications preferably in a Microsoft environment.
- Some work experience is preferred but not necessary.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Willingness to travel to First Nation communities to carry out research activities.
- Good organization and time management skills.

Closing Date: July 18, 2025 at 12 pm

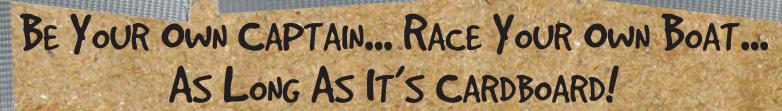
character reference letter.

To apply, mail or deliver a complete package which must include the following: Cover letter, resume, copy of a valid driver's licence and access to a vehicle, three (3) work-related letters of reference including one from a supervisor/manager and one (1)

Incomplete, emailed or late packages will not be considered. Thank you for applying but only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.

Mark "Confidential-Research Technician" to:

Jordan Atchison, By-law Operations & Community Safety Manager, United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising, Box 275, M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0



The Little Current Lions Club wants you to join in the fun of HAWEATER WEEKEND with the

20th Anuual

Saturday, August 2, 12:30 pm

Low Island Park AGES 8-11, 12-15, 16+, AND BUSINESS CATEGORIES

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Questions? Call Alicia at 705-929-3101 or email editor@manitoulin.com

Structure must resemble a typical boat—no rafts.
All paddles must have shafts and a blade.

