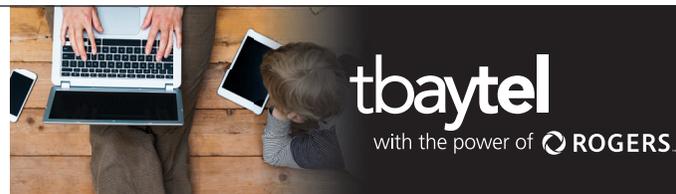


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LOCAL NEWS

MMIWG advisory hearings postponed

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The federal government is postponing scheduled regional advisory meetings, including one planned for Thunder Bay, ahead of a national inquiry into murdered and missing Indigenous women and girls.

In a release issued late Thursday night, officials with the inquiry said the decision came after issues arose in Whitehorse, where the first advisory meetings were held. Issues were also raised and forwarded to the commission from elsewhere in Canada.

The decision comes a week after families and advocacy groups said the inquiry has failed to reach out to the families of the women. The purpose of

the regional meetings was to gather advice on what issues should be covered when the inquiry starts hearings.

According to the release, while in Yukon they were advised to consider making changes moving forward in order to meet the needs of different regions, people and communities.

"The National Inquiry remains committed to listening, hearing and being responsive to what families, survivors and communities are sharing with us," Chief Commissioner Marion Buller said in a statement.

"We understand there needs to be more communication in advance about our process and the options available to those who want to participate. We need to be flexible."

Officials heading up the inquiry have reached out to families, survivors and loved ones, as well as community members, who were scheduled to take part in meetings in Edmonton and Thunder Bay and issued an apology for the timing of the public notice.

They add that out of respect, it is important for families and survivors to be informed directly by inquiry members.

No new dates have been set and inquiry representatives said the details of any rescheduled meetings will be shared with participants already confirmed to attend the original meetings before new details are made public.

The first public hearing is set for the end of May in Whitehorse.



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LOCAL NEWS



DOUG DIACZUK

SAFETY FIRST: Potential flooding on the James Bay coast means Kashechewan First Nation residents are being evacuated.

Evacuees arrive

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

Evacuees from Kashechewan First Nation have arrived in Thunder Bay as the risk of flooding in the community continues to rise.

Due to the ice-breaking up on James Bay, a state of emergency was declared in Kashechewan. With the risk of flooding imminent, precautionary evacuations began on Sunday.

The city of Thunder Bay Emergency Operations Control Group met yesterday and decided to host evacuees from the northern community.

“We are only expecting one flight,” said Greg Hankkio, deputy fire chief with Thunder Bay Fire Rescue. “The control group will monitor the situation in cooperation with the provincial emergency operation centre. If we have further requests to host, we will bring it back to the control group and give it consideration at that time.”

On Monday afternoon, 50 evacuees landed at the Thunder Bay International Airport. Other communities, including Kapuskasing, Wawa, and Smooth Rock Falls have already accepted more than 300 evacuees.

Thunder Bay has taken in evacuees in the past and Hankkio said the city is happy to lend a hand to neighboring communities in need.

“This is a precautionary evacuation for them,” he said. “As in years past, we are more than willing to step up and serve as a host community. We’ve done it in the past and we are pretty good at it and it’s a cooperative effort from a whole bunch of different agencies within the city.”

The evacuees were transported to a hotel in the city, which Hankkio said will serve as their home while they are away from their community.

“Our intent is to make their stay as welcome and comfortable as possible while they are here with us,” he said.

Hankkio said he does not know how long the evacuees will be away from their community. Ministry of Natural Resources officials will continue to monitor the flooding situation in Kashechewan to determine when it is safe to return.

“This is a precautionary evacuation for them...”
GREG HANKKIO

“When they are given clearance to go back, when the conditions are good, then we will reverse the process and get them back to their community,” Hankkio said.

On March 31, 2017, an agreement was signed between Nishnawbe Aski Nation and the provincial and federal governments to look into possibly relocating the Kashechewan community, which is plagued by flooding nearly every spring.

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LOCAL NEWS

North End splash pad coming soon

Project will cost \$450K to design and construct

THUNDER BAY
By Jon Thompson – TB Source

North End Park will be home to the city's third neighbourhood splash pad.

The city has released designs for Diamond Head Sprinklers' \$450,000 outdoor sprinkler park near the North End Community Centre. Construction will begin in May and staff expects it will open in July.

The splash pad will be similar to the one built in County Park, with recreational areas for toddlers, children and

teens, all resting on a concrete base.

City parks and open space planning supervisor Werner Schwar said the pad is part of a broader plan for North End Park that has seen a beach volleyball court and a half basketball court built to complement the community centre and outdoor ice surfaces.

"When you have activity, it helps generate other activity. It feels vibrant and alive," Schwar said.

"When you have eyes and people in the park, a lot less vandalism happens. People have pride in the place and it becomes a place people feel good about being."

Beyond the splash pad at Marina Park, the city has constructed on Franklin and County parks and is continuing to build new structures a two or three-year cycle.

The next pad after North End will be constructed at James Street Park. The goal is to have a splash pad for every 5,000 local children under the age of nine.

Schwar added the city's approach to aquatic development has been to veer away from the construction of outdoor swimming pools for a number of reasons.

"Pools have maintenance requirements to them in terms of chlorination, water quality, plus supervision. splash pads aren't regulated by those same regulations. they don't need to be supervised the same way," he said.

"They have activators which, once the water gets turned on by the user, it turns off on its own and use far less water than a pool."

"When you have activity, it helps generate other activity."
WERNER SCHWAR



FUN IN THE SUN: An artist's conception of what the North End Splash Pad will look like.

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BACK IN PRISON: John Tsekouras (left) will spend 9.5 years behind bars after losing his drug dealing conviction appeal.

Tsekouras to prison

Convicted drug dealer's appeal denied by Judge David Watt

COURT

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

An appeal of a conviction filed by a notorious Thunder Bay drug dealer has been denied.

Arrested as part of Project Dolphin and found guilty of selling cocaine and marijuana, John Tsekouras was released on bail pending an appeal of his 9.5-year sentence.

On April 11, Ontario Court of Appeal Judge David Watt released his decision.

"The core findings of fact made by the trial judge do not reflect palpable and overriding error. The inferences drawn by the trial judge from the cumulative effect of this evidence fall well within the field of reasonable inferences available on this evidence," Watt writes.

"As the communications reveal, this was not a first-time transaction between (Keith) Ritchie and the appellant, on the one hand, and Penguin, on the other. The quantity of drugs shipped – two kilograms – was plainly for the purpose of trafficking. The drugs were being shipped to a place for pick-up in a package that the appellant had the information necessary to locate. Nothing more was required."

Penguin was the code name of a co-conspirator, while Ritchie was convicted this past February and also sentenced to 9.5 years behind bars in a federal penitentiary.

Busted

On June 15, 2011, police executed a number of search warrants at residences throughout Thunder Bay, an investigation known as Project Dolphin.

A total of eighteen one-kilogram bags of marijuana and a one kilogram brick of cocaine was seized from the garage of Sal Larizza's home.

That same day Tsekouras was arrested, seizing an encrypted cell phone, which was allowed to be entered as evidence into the Tsekouras trial.

Using evidence found in the phone, investigators were able to attach names to monikers used by senders and receivers of emails, including Ritchie, who was known as either Daft Punk or Surf Dawg. Tsekouras was known as

Sega Time and Muzzi, who would later plead guilty to a number of drug charges, was 7710.

Larizza, murdered in his Belton Road home on Oct. 25, 2012, gave an 80-minute recorded statement to police before his death implicating Muzzi as the man who delivered the drugs to his home.

Tsekouras' legal team based his appeal on five grounds, claiming data taken from his Blackberry seized during his arrest had been done so without a warrant. His lawyers also objected to the hearsay statements of Larizza.

Muzzi pleaded guilty to four counts including conspiracy to traffic in cocaine and marijuana.

Rejected

During Tsekouras' trial the judge rejected the defendant's contention of a reasonable expectation of privacy on his phone because during the arrest he'd thrown it to the ground, thus discarding it before being arrested.

A search warrant was obtained after the fact, which the judge factored into his decision, stating it would have been obtained earlier if thought necessary.

During the appeal process the ruling judge pointed out that in 2014, when Tsekouras first went on trial, the rules surrounding cell phone searches were hazy and lacked consistency.

Tsekouras' lawyers also objected to the statement of fact filed and relied upon in Muzzi's guilty plea proceedings and the hearsay statements of both Larizza and Muzzi under the co-conspirators' exception to the hearsay rule.

According to the ruling, about three months after his arrest, Larizza gave an 80-minute statement to police, admitting he provided a stash house for Muzzi and another man, Muzzi promising he would remove the drugs the next day. He was unable to do so after police raided Larizza's home.

The appeal judge allowed Larizza's statement to stand because it had been audio and video recorded and it was made under oath. That Larizza had initiated the interview was also factored into the decision.

Lawyers for Tsekouras argued neither Muzzi's guilty plea nor the acceptance of facts surrounding it should have been accepted, calling each hearsay and not reliable.

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Editorial

EDITORIAL

Evacuees visiting city

Springtime on the James Bay Coast is never simple.

As the ice begins to break, floodwaters pour over the rugged landscape, creating miniature lakes where dry land once stood.

Caught in the middle of it all are residents of Kashechewan First Nation, who annually, it seems, are forced to flee from their homes and seek refuge in communities throughout Northern Ontario.

Thankfully it appears a solution may be on the horizon.

An agreement has been signed to study the situation and make recommendations, which when finalized are expected to include provisions to move the community off the flood plain.

On Monday, about 50 residents arrived in Thunder Bay.

We encourage those who live here to welcome them with open arms, like you would with friends and family coming to town to pay a visit.

In the past, not everyone in Thunder Bay has proven quite as welcoming, racism on occasion rearing its ugly head.

The evacuees did not choose to live on a flood plain and senior levels of government have done little to help them solve the problem – until now.

They deserve a stay worth remembering for all the right reasons, not the wrong ones.

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No defence for schools

To the editor:

Some people are using individual acts of kindness and personal generosity to defend a colonial, racist and dehumanizing system of residential schools.

Unfortunately, Senator Lynn Beyak who is from this region, is ignoring the realities around us that led to an apology in the House, and the creation of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) so that our history is properly told.

Indigenous people are the only Canadians subjected to residential schools and have first-hand experience on how they were treated, have been affected, and continue to suffer from the inter-generational impacts.

As acknowledged in Prime Minister Stephen Harper's apology on June 11, 2008 with unanimous support of Parliament:

"...The legacy of Indian residential schools has contributed to social problems that continue to exist in many communities today ... Therefore, on behalf of the government of Canada and all Canadians, I stand before you, in this chamber so central to our life as a country, to apologize to Aboriginal peoples for Canada's role in the Indian residential schools system.

"To the approximately 80,000 living former students, and all family members and communities, the government of Canada now recognizes that it was wrong to forcibly remove children from their homes and we apologize for having done this.

"We now recognize that it was wrong to separate children from rich and vibrant cultures and traditions that it created a void in many lives and communities, and we apologize for having done this.

"We now recognize that, in separating children from their families, we undermined the ability of many to adequately parent their own children and sowed the seeds for generations to follow, and we apologize for having done this.

"We now recognize that, far too often, these institutions gave rise to abuse or neglect and were inadequately controlled, and we apologize for failing to protect you.

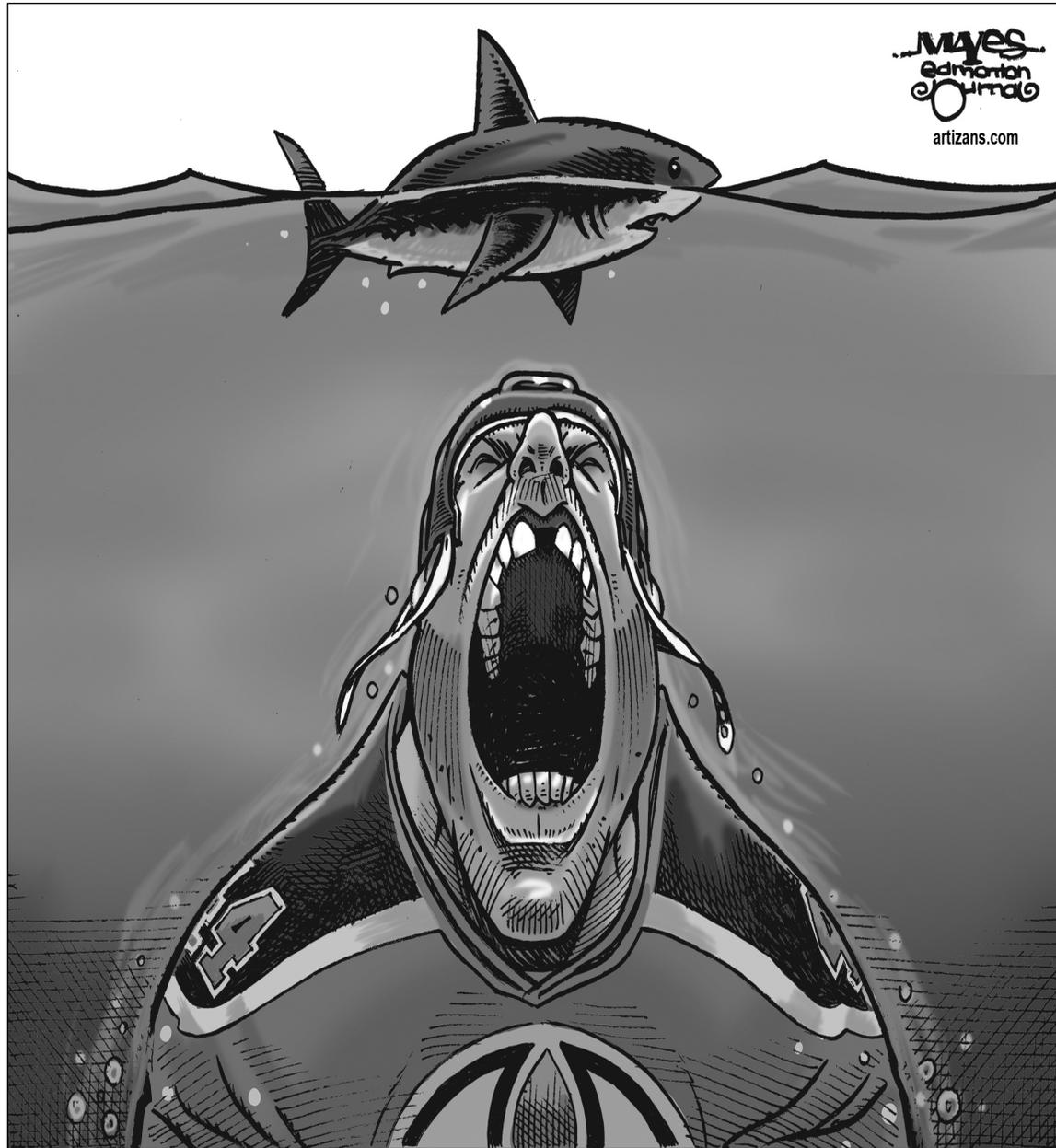
"Not only did you suffer these abuses as children, but as you became parents, you were powerless to protect your own children from suffering the same experience, and for this we are sorry.

"The burden of this experience has been on your shoulders for far too long.

"The burden is properly ours as a government, and as a country.

"There is no place in Canada for the attitudes that inspired the Indian residential schools system to ever again

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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prevail."

It is hard to support attitudes, beliefs and policies that inspired and fostered residential schools.

The good actions of individuals who showed empathy and genuinely cared for the wellbeing of the students should not be credited to a foreign and racist education system imposed on a sovereign people without consultation or consent.

The survivors were resilient and those who thrived are not a reflection of a caring and nurturing system designed to make them equal.

It is both discourteous and patronizing to tell victims subjugated under racist practices that we should not just listen to their negative stories because there were good deeds done by some folks who were part and parcel of governance and helped to implement the discriminatory policies.

This is akin to arguing that since great people such as Booker T.

Washington, Nelson Mandela, or Oskar Schindler emerged out of slavery, apartheid and the holocaust respectively, therefore these systems were not all evil.

In this day and age, we should not spend valuable time searching for silver linings to justify racist, oppressive and dehumanizing systems, but focus on righting the wrongs and learning not to repeat similar mistakes.

I find it condescending for Senator Bayak to say that "she doesn't need any more education about the horrors of the residential school system because she 'suffered' alongside Indigenous people who were sent to the institutions."

We all have a lot to learn since the TRC finally gave a voice to once silenced groups to share their perspective on residential schools and what really happened that many of us were not aware of.

It is unpleasant to hear the truth

about how things once were in this beautiful country.

We should be ashamed of the way original inhabitants of the land were mistreated--not allowed to practice their culture and speak their language as if the creator we believe is righteous erred by giving them their own identity.

We should not continue arguing about the merits of a colonial system and racist attitudes we have already apologized for. The TRC's Calls to Action offers us an inclusive way to move forward.

Shaking off the shackles of slavery, apartheid, the holocaust and residential school is a long haul, and Indigenous groups predict that it will take seven generations to heal from the impacts of the old colonially-segregated education system.

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Perspective

Ice cream diplomacy

Dairy business helps save school in Markdale, Ont.

OPINION
By J.R. Shermack
Special to TB Source

Public school closures are a fact of life in rural and northern communities across Ontario.

“Be true to your school” is a rallying cry that unites generations of students, former students and educators who mourn the loss.

Fortunately, larger communities like ours have other schools that can accommodate the school closure refugees.

It is upsetting for many local students and parents but in small, rural communities there is a lot more at stake.

As a matter of public policy schools are shut down when they drop below the provincial average capacity.

Rural towns and small cities can be devastated by the loss of a school and the negative effects on community life.

The local school is often the heart of the community and once a school is placed “under review” the end is in sight and resistance is futile.

But not always – this is the story of one Ontario town that didn’t accept the loss of its only public school.

It is an example of how ordinary families and corporate citizens can work together for mutual success.

Markdale, Ont. (pop 1,400) was facing this situation at Beavercrest Community School – at only 60 per

cent capacity it was closing soon.

Local residents dreaded the prospect of bussing their kids to schools in other communities after they had been happily walking to Beavercrest.

The situation was also unacceptable to the town’s major employer, the Chapman’s ice cream company.

This family-owned business purchased a small creamery in Markdale in 1973 and grew into a thriving, proudly Canadian company.

By 2009 Chapman’s had employment for 350 workers – that same year, tragedy struck and the production facility burned to the ground.

The Chapman family decided to rebuild and they continued to pay employees during the reconstruction, to retain their local workforce.

Today, Chapman’s is the largest independent ice cream maker in Canada and the cornerstone of the community.

That makes them a major stakeholder in the school closure.

The company has plans to expand its production space by 100,000 square feet and increase its workforce to 1,000.

If Beavercrest School was closed it would be difficult to fill those jobs – families will think twice about relocating to a community with no school.

In response, Chapman’s offered to make a multi-million dollar donation to repair or replace the existing school, slated for closure in June.

They were also concerned about their present workforce which they considered to be members of the Chapman family.

The offer was not accepted and the board questioned whether or not it is appropriate to fund public education with private funds.

Assurance was given that there were no strings attached and no requirement to fill the school with Chapman’s vending machines.

Still nothing, so they offered to buy the school outright and lease it back to the town, but that was a bureaucratic impossibility.

The counter offer was a \$2 million donation from Chapman’s and another \$2 million which they coaxed out of a Toronto urban developer.

That’s a pretty good deal considering that a new school would cost about \$7 million, but the school board stuck to the rules and said no.

Only recently have they decided to reconsider their stubborn refusal and it looks like they might finally accept the generous gift.

Hopefully, a new school will be built in Markdale and the community will continue to thrive along with its corporate patron.

The board should also reconsider those vending machines – it’s a good way to say thank you to Chapman’s and besides, what harm could it do.

I would have enjoyed school a lot more if there had been more ice cream.

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DOUG DIMAZIUK

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LIFE-SAVING DRUG: Naloxone is used to counteract the effects of opioids and can stop overdoses.

Naloxone kits are available in city

HEALTH
By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

A drug that can bring someone back from an overdose is becoming more readily available across Ontario, and pharmacists and paramedics in Thunder Bay say it will save lives.

Naloxone, a drug that counteracts the effects of opioids and can stop an overdose, is available in more than 200 cities across Ontario as part of the Ontario Naloxone Pharmacy Program.

Janzen's Pharmacy in Thunder Bay has carried the naloxone kits since June 2016, but pharmacist John-Paul Federico said in that time, the pharmacy has only given out roughly 20 kits.

"Unfortunately, there hasn't been a great deal of demand for these because the public is not fully aware of them yet," he said. "I've been targeting certain patients, methadone patients, and patients especially on fentanyl. Most patients are receptive and like having these as a backup first aid kit."

"They are essentially first aid kits," Federico continued. "When someone experiences an overdose, these would be used as soon as possible to save their life."

Opioid overdoses can cause respiratory depression, lowering an individual's breathing to as low as four to six breaths per minute. Naloxone blocks the effects of opioids and can start working within two minutes of an injection.

"Unfortunately, there have been numerous deaths due to opioid overdoses such as fentanyl, but also heroin, morphine, methadone," Federico said. "So to prevent

these deaths we encourage anyone on opioids to have a kit readily available."

Easier access to naloxone is also being welcomed by paramedics in the city. Andrew Dillon, deputy chief for professional standards for Superior North EMS, said all EMS crews carry naloxone kits.

"It's absolutely a concern for us," he said. "We have increased the Narcan (naloxone) medication in all our vehicles by three times. We are carrying three times what we were carrying even six months ago. It's something we are taking a proactive approach to."

While Thunder Bay has not experienced an epidemic of opioid overdoses, paramedics are keeping a close eye on situations in other parts of Canada.

"Within the Thunder Bay area, we are seeing some increase in the use of opioids, whether that be fentanyl, or other forms of the opioid, perc's and oxs, but we are not seeing, at least not yet, the huge increases in use such as the east side of Vancouver, or even to that matter, Winnipeg," Dillon said. "I just assume that it's going to be coming, but as of yet, we haven't seen the massive rise in the use of it that those cities have."

Naloxone kits can be picked up at pharmacies across Thunder Bay and are available to anyone with an Ontario health card. The kits are free and anyone who is given a kit is trained by a pharmacist how to use it. Naloxone itself is not harmful, but for those who need it, it can save your life.

"It allows families of those who use opioids, to have the option to get that medication and have it," Dillon said. "You can't cut people off cold turkey, so if they are going to use it, you need to have a way to save them."

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Murder suspect nabbed at U.S. border

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Abraham Roberts was arrested by U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agents at the Fort Frances and International Falls, Minn. point of entry.

Roberts was arrested after a warrant had been issued for his arrest as a material witness in the homicide of 34-year-old Agnes Yarlee of Johnston, Iowa on Saturday.

The 38-year-old attempted to enter

Canada but was returned to the United States, where he was arrested and turned over to the Koochiching County Sheriff's Office.



ABRAHAM ROBERTS

"The apprehension of individuals with outstanding warrants along the U.S. – Canadian border is a critical element of our border security efforts," said Anthony Jackson, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's International Falls port director.

According to a post on the Johnston Police Department's Facebook page,

Roberts and the victim have children together.

Driver strikes pole

A Thunder Bay man has been charged with impaired driving following a single vehicle collision on the city's south side last Saturday night.

Thunder Bay Police responded to reports of a collision on the 1400 block of Walsh Street.

A single vehicle struck a hydro pole, causing severe damage to the front of the car and nearly breaking the pole in two.

The driver, a 67-year-old Thunder

Bay man, was arrested and charged with impaired driving and driving with more than .08 mgs of alcohol per 100 ml of blood.

There were no reports of injuries and the section of Walsh Street was shut down while the hydro lines were repaired.

Death suspicious

Ontario Provincial Police have made an arrest following an investigation into a suspicious death in Aroland First Nation.

On Apr. 14, OPP officers from the Greenstone detachment were called to

a residence in Aroland First Nation after receiving reports of a possible injured male.

Byron Meshake, 30-years-old of Aroland First Nation was transported by ambulance for medical treatment but was later pronounced dead.

OPP have charged 26-year-old Jeffrie Metasawagon of Aroland First Nation with assault with a weapon.

Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service and the OPP Northwest Region Crime Unit continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death.

A post mortem examination is pending.

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New bridge proposed

Fort William First Nation chief says span would cost \$25M

FW FIRST NATION

By Nicole Dixon – TB Source

Building a new \$25-million span over the Kaministiquia River just west of the James Street Swing Bridge is an idea being explored by Fort William First Nation.

Despite the current court battle with the city of Thunder Bay and CN rail over who is responsible for repairing the bridge, Chief Peter Collins says it's going to be a long time before the connection to his community is restored.

"It doesn't matter how it pans out," Collins said. "If the city loses they are going to say they don't own the bridge anyway and if CN loses there's a good chance they are going to appeal the decision and we will still be waiting."

Unlikely scenario

At the end of the day, Collins said, the repairs to the bridge probably aren't going to happen, adding he was told by the province's infrastructure minister to seek federal infrastructure funding.

"It's going to take a little bit of time and a little bit of effort from all levels of the government, plus ourselves always working with them trying to put things together," he said.

"We have four months to come up with a term of reference and a guiding principle about how we get there."

Collins hopes the plight of his



CONNECTIONS: Fort William First Nation Chief Peter Collins wants a new bridge.

community ensures they are put on a priority list.

Much of the legwork has already been done, he added.

Three different locations have been examined including one north of mission road and one around the old elevator, but the location just west of the James Street Swing Bridge was the best option.

"It makes more sense there and everybody is comfortable, they got that way over the last 100 years traveling in that direction, so it's a good set up that we want to put together," Collins said.

There's still a lot of work to be completed, but they are making

progress with the provincial and federal government. Collins added there are plenty of benefits that might arise if approval is given to construct the bridge.

Huge project

"It's about a two to four-year project, so it's a good project and it would be good work for a lot of guys in the community," he said.

"We have lots of iron workers in our community, so it would be a good an opportunity for them to get back to work."

MP Patty Hajdu said the project has been discussed at the federal level and would likely fit into programs already in place.

Sections of 19th century building could be preserved, says Hebert

THUNDER BAY

By Matt Vls – TB Source

One of Thunder Bay's oldest buildings will likely meet a wrecking ball in the near future, but members of the city's heritage advisory committee have taken steps to preserve some of its history.

The former Riverside Grain Products site on the city's south side is being targeted for demolition, which includes the 19th-century McLaurin building.

Coun. Larry Hebert, who sits on the heritage advisory committee, said members were able to go inside the building to take pictures and collect a few artifacts.

"This is an historic building. The McLaurin building was the first independent store outside the North West Company and the Hudson's

Bay Company established in Thunder Bay," Hebert said on Monday.

"We're really pleased they were able to get us in there and get some pictures and we can get them recorded along with a few artifacts."

Hebert said the committee members were able to take some bricks and pieces of wall from the former store, which he added might be the city's oldest brick building.

"It's a very historic area around here on the (Kaministiquia) River," Hebert said. "With (John) McLaurin, who was a real entrepreneur in his day, establishing that store here was really something significant."

The property is owned by the province through Infrastructure Ontario, though the city is responsible for the care of the buildings.

The province is seeking public consultation as part of an environmental assessment that must be conducted before demolition can proceed.

Hebert recalled a blaze nearly two decades ago that destroyed part of the area, resulting in explosions of grain dust, and it's caused concern from nearby residents about the dilapidated buildings.

While it's unfortunate to lose part of the city's history, he acknowledged it's inevitable.

"We can't preserve every building because some of them are in tough shape and have to be taken down. In this case it's in very tough shape inside," Hebert said.

Hebert said he envisions the property could be re-purposed as a historical site with a picnic area and waterfront walkway.

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Egg hunt a Good Friday tradition

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The sun was shining and the chocolate and prizes were aplenty on Good Friday, as hundreds of children descended on Frank Charry Park for the annual East End Easter egg hunt.

Among the throng who raced out onto the field in search of eggs were nine-year-olds Kelsey Ellacott and Hope Lenardon, who said the hunt has long been a tradition in their families.

"It's really fun and it's really generous because it's free and you don't have to pay any money - and there are big prizes you can win," said Hope, decked out in bunny make-up along with her friend.

Kelsey said it was lot of fun. "It's nice to come and get eggs," she said.

Both girls are big fans of the Easter weekend.

"It's a nice holiday to get together with your family," she said.

"It's nice to celebrate and you can have egg hunts, and also the Easter Bunny comes," Hope added.

Put on for the ninth straight year by the Hill City Kinsmen, organizers tossed out thousands of plastic eggs onto the park's ball field, participants divided into four age groups for the hunt itself.

Eleven-year-old Mikaela Barstead volunteered, a year too old to actually join the mad dash for eggs on the field. "I've been doing this for all these



CLEANING UP: Excited children of all ages came out last Friday to take part in the annual Easter egg hunt at Frank Charry Park.

years and my mom's helping out, so I get to throw the eggs around and go hunting."

The youngster said it's a great activity for Thunder Bay's children. "Kids get to get out and exercise

instead of playing video games," she said.

Her friend Melissa Otto couldn't



FUZZY FUN: Several children dressed up for the annual Easter egg hunt.

agree more.

"It's my first year helping out and I just like helping the little kids get some Easter eggs," she said. "And the best part of the day?

That's easy, Melissa said.

"It's probably getting to see the little kids' faces when they get their eggs," she said, adding Easter to her means happiness and love.

Kinsman James Iannetti, co-chair of the event, said it's always a great day, especially after it's all said and done.

"It's just great to see the kids enjoy it, receiving the eggs, and the community actually giving back," Iannetti said.

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Ground getting greener



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RURAL ROOTS

The ground was brown. The grasses, hummocks of last year's dead stuff, as far as one could see – brown. Until Easter Sunday.

All of the feathered critters are back including the pair of Sandhill cranes who have been coming daily, sometimes twice daily to the paddocks below Casa Jones. So at the place where we've scattered bird feed on the other side of our 'hoosie', there is a steady stream of Red-wing Blackbirds, grackles, Juncos, sparrows of some denomination (the brown-jobby kind), and other fleeting feathered things that I can't identify.

The cranes stick to the southern areas from which they can make good an escape if so required.

We heard the cranes for a couple of days before we saw them. My first sighting was on last Wednesday evening and only because a shaft of sunlight had penetrated the pine that borders the main paddock did

I observe an anomaly. One of the branches was almost white in colour. I had looked at that section of the bush several times and never seen a white branch before. So I grabbed the binoculars and sure enough, white branch became long neck of Papa crane. Some scanning with the glasses allowed me to locate Mama crane feeding very close by.

But the next couple of days the cranes got brave and came out into the paddock proper. Since all of the hillocks, lumps of dead grasses, low-lying bushes that have grown in the paddock since farming ceased on this property back in the '70's, were a uniform brown, the cranes blended in. The question became "Is it a lump of grass or a lump of crane?" The binoculars solved the puzzle each time. "Nope, it's just lumps of dead grass" or to my elation "Nope, they're back!"

So these attempts to distinguish cranes – tall creatures with a huge wingspan – from, say, a large, brown ant's nest or a hillock of dead grass got a lot easier Easter Sunday.

We awoke to learn that the much-needed rain we received on the Saturday, kick-started the process of greening the ground. Slowly the brown is turning green enough so that when I heard that unmistakable chirring call that, due to the deployment of

trees, echoes loudly all around the property Sunday morning, I immediately grabbed the glasses and scanned the adjoining paddocks to locate the birds. There they were: their brown and grey feathers nicely contrasting with the now-greening ground.

Of course I am very pleased that this pair of cranes has returned.

I know that the ravens that dwell here are the same two year after year. But is the same true for the cranes? I would like to think that these magnificent birds have realized that our property is a safe haven in which to nest and breed their young.

The rain has hastened the growth of the crocuses and the daffodils in our garden. My wife, Laura, hoped that we'd have daffs blooming for Easter. She got her wish but not until Easter morning. Saturday? No blooms. Easter Sunday? One daff in full bloom with three others well on the way.

So the greening hath begun although it got interrupted Easter Sunday afternoon when we got hit with a snow blizzard. Go figure? Laura went out and harvested the rest of the daffs. No point in seeing them freeze.

But despite this rude interruption, this belated sneeze by Jack Frost, the warmth will return and it won't be long before a riot of colour will appear to join the green.



JUMP AROUND: Students at Agnew H. Johnston Public School helped kick off the Heart and Stroke Foundation's annual Jump Rope for Heart campaign last Thursday.

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Jumping to raise money

Heart and Stroke event helps fund valuable research

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Elizabeth Faiers is living proof that heart research pays off.

Just six years old, the youngster was born with half a heart and was in surgery before she was a week old.

She's still not out of the woods, and the day will likely come before she leaves high school that a heart transplant saves her life again.

For now, she's just your average elementary student, who loves to laugh, play with her brothers and sisters and spend time with friends.

She also travels from school to school each year in Thunder Bay to deliver her message of hope and help the Heart and Stroke Foundation kick off their annual Jump Rope for Heart fundraising campaign.

On Thursday Elizabeth was at Agnew H. Johnston Public School, where students are hoping to top the \$15,500 they raised last year for the organization,



DANCING FUN: Elizabeth Faiers (front) was born with half a heart.

which funds research into heart disease and strokes.

"I'm a heart warrior, what's your super power?" Elizabeth asked the crowd of children at an assembly in the school gym.

Her mom, Melissa, said her daughter is an inspiration.

Despite going through three open-heart surgeries, she's never really complained and takes it all in stride. Her success is why it's so important to keep the research going.

"We know that we're really fortunate. We see friends who don't do as well. We see friends who haven't survived this long and we know we're just super fortunate to still have her and have her really healthy," Melissa said.

"We have decided to use the time we have been given with her to make a difference. We go to these jump events and do as much as we can ... to just get the awareness out there so people understand it affects unborn babies, it affects everyone."

Melody Lavallee, area co-ordinator for Northwestern Ontario for the Heart and Stroke Foundation said the Jump Rope for Heart campaign has been in place for more than three decades and has been a major fundraiser for the organization over the years.

"We hope to reduce the stat of losing one Canadian every seven minutes to heart and stroke by 2020," she said.

Why take it to the schools?

Why not, Lavallee said.

"It's important for the kids to learn at an early age how to keep care of their heart," she said, adding heart disease is caused by both lifestyle and genetics and knowing one's risk factors could be key.

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Management and staff at the city's two Canadian Tire outlets have challenged other big box and grocery stores to help the Thunder Bay and District Humane Society out of dire financial straits.

The animal shelter last week was forced to temporarily shut its doors to the public because of a kennel cough outbreak that overwhelmed the 43 dogs being housed there, the vast majority surrendered to the facility from a home in Greenstone.

Officials with the Humane Society issued a plea in the aftermath, saying they needed \$50,000 in the next two months to care for the dogs, which for the first time in the shelter's history outnumber cats at the Rosslyn Road facility.

The alternative could force the doors closed permanently.

Logan Hebert, general manager of the Arthur Street Canadian Tire location, on Friday said most of the staff has pets of their own and news of the situation at the Humane Society tugged at their heartstrings.

There are a number of ways they are helping out, he added.

"They're in a major crisis right now and we're in the business of selling pet food and pet supplies and we definitely thought it would be fitting that we not only take cash donations and product donations from customers at our tills, but we also wanted to step up and offer a \$5,000 donation to the Humane Society," Hebert said.

The campaign, which includes providing literature about recurring donations to the shelter, will go on indefinitely.

Brenda Everts, chairwoman of the TBDHS's board of directors, said the impact will be felt immediately and she's hopeful it catches on city-wide.

"They've also got shopping carts placed at the front of the store where you can donate cat food, litter, dog food. Any little bit helps us at this time," Everts said.

"They've got an extreme amount of support for us at this time. This can make a tremendous impact because we're hoping that this will multiply right across the city and the district."



PET FRIENDLY: James Iannetti, manager of the Thunder Centre Canadian Tire (from left), Logan Hebert, manager of the Arthur Street Canadian Tire, join on Thursday, April 13, 2017 with Thunder Bay and District Humane Society fundraising co-ordinator Cassandra Nordal and board chairwoman Brenda Everts to launch a fundraising campaign.



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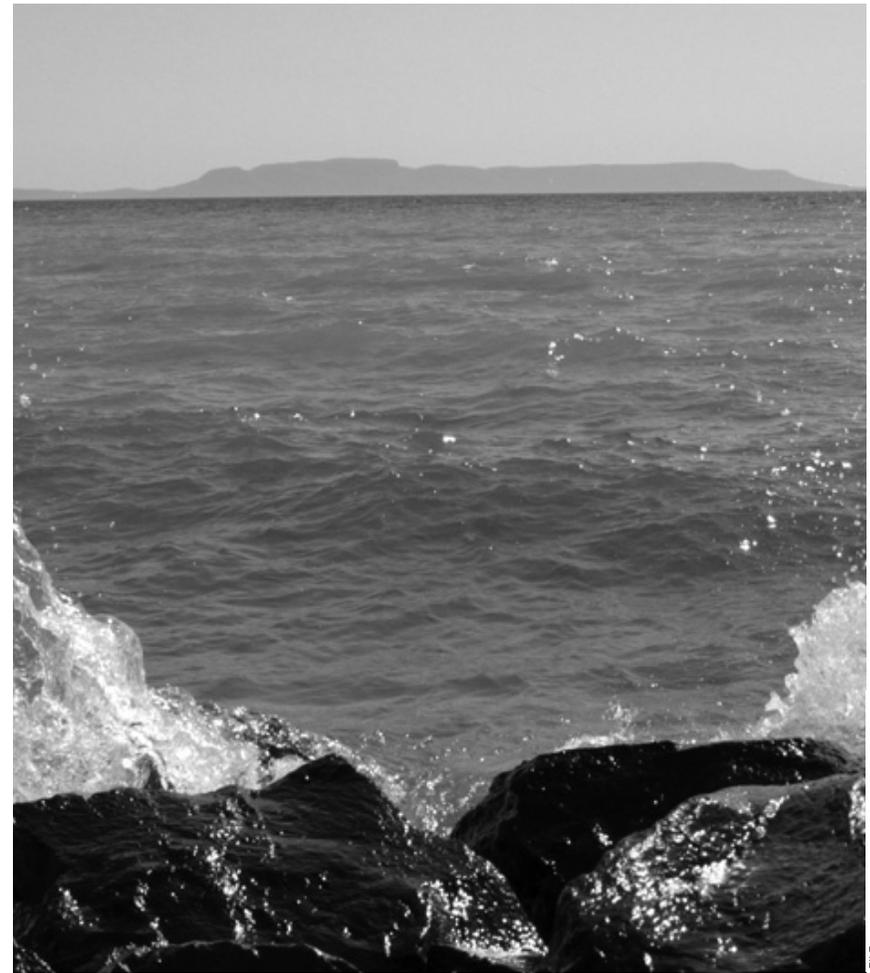
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Students helping out city tourism

BUSINESS
By Nicole Dixon - TB Source

Outdoor recreation students at Lakehead University are providing some of their research to Thunder Bay's tourism and transit divisions.

Last Wednesday, the students pitched their final proposal to city officials, on ways to explore what the city has to offer using public transportation routes.

According to research conducted by the students, the fairly untapped market can often form the largest visitor segment for Thunder Bay, as the city has such a large student population and many don't have a vehicle.

City of Thunder Bay manager of tourism Paul Pepe said the city's noticing a shift with more millennials traveling.

"We have a massive out of town student population that's here, not only from Ontario but from around the world, so they want to explore the city," Pepe said.

"We want them to explore the city, we want them to get out and see the city."

Pepe added the thought of connecting transit to attractions is an exciting idea for the city.

Students took the big city off-again, on-

again bus tours idea and tweaked it to fit a smaller city demographic, linking popular tourist hot spots and things to do with bus routes.

Each of the six itineraries developed was made to cater to different traveler interests.

From walks around Boulevard Lake and the botanical gardens for the outdoorsy traveler or eating at locally owned restaurants for the foodie, to checking out the city's history.

Meredith Davy was part of the group that developed each itinerary and she hopes having these available routes promotes a more sustainable way of exploring Thunder Bay.

"I've lived here for four years and I've seen a lot of amazing things within the city," Davy said.

"This just opened my eyes to how we can see all these beautiful sites and experience amazing opportunities in a sustainable way."

Unlike other school projects that go back on the shelf unseen after the due date the website for this project, with detailed itinerary instructions and directions, will be promoted and used by Thunder Bay's tourism offices and it's something that will be continuously developed and maintained with future classes for years to come.

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Past ghosts don't haunt Elliott Brood

Alternative country/folk rockers, Elliott Brood, set to return to Thunder Bay with a mix of new and old material

MUSIC

By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

After making music for the last 15 years, Elliott Brood has started looking to the past, both personally and musically.

"I think the older you get maybe the more reflective you become on the past and I think that's sort of where we are at," said Mark Sasso, Elliott Brood lead vocalist and banjoist/guitarist.

Elliott Brood, the alternative country/folk rock trio, are returning to Thunder Bay on Friday, Apr. 21 as part of a 16-date cross-Canada tour.

Elliott Brood is no stranger to the Thunder Bay stage, but Sasso said this tour is a chance for the band to try out some new material that will appear on their upcoming album, *Ghost Gardens*, which is expected to be released next fall.

"It's one of those things where we just want to kind of road test a bunch of new songs we want to put on a new record," Sasso said. "To play a bunch of new tunes, road test them, and sort of give a preview of some of the things to come."

Even though these songs will be new to audiences and fans, they actually go back more than 10 years.



LOOKING BACK: Stephen Pitkin, Mark Sasso, and Casey Laforet of Elliott Brood will be performing at Crocks on Friday, Apr. 21.

Band members Sasso, Casey Laforet, and Stephen Pitkin, recently made the move from Toronto to Hamilton and in the course of that move, they rediscovered a series of demos first recorded in 2006.

"It's kind of like a harkening back to the *Tin Type* era," Sasso said. "What happens is you obviously grow and you reimagine them now as they would be."

"You can see the beginnings or the start of a great song, but we didn't get there,"

he continued. "Now that we have time, that we've rediscovered them, you can now approach them from a new angle and you have perspective on them. A lot more perspective. So I think that actually helps these songs way more than if we recorded them back in the day. I don't think they would have sounded as good."

The rediscovered songs will make up the majority of content for *Ghost Gardens*. But even Elliott Brood's most recent album, *Work and Love*, released

in 2014, was a return to the past for the band who have come a long way since they first began making music in 2002.

"We're all fathers, family guys and I think now you are looking through the eyes of your kids," Sasso said. "I think that was what was happening with *Work and Love* and I think that is similarly happening here with *Ghost Gardens*."

Throughout their career, Elliott Brood has been nominated for several Juno awards, taking home the prize in 2013

for best roots and traditional album of the year, as well as being shortlisted for the 2009 Polaris Music Prize.

But Sasso said they don't allow such accolades to get in the way of making music, because for the band, it all comes down to single songs.

"I think we break it down on a more minute level," he said. "Is this a really good song? Are we doing the best for this song? If you do that, for us, it takes the pressure off you and you are focusing more on those songs."

Even though Elliott Brood is looking into the past, that does not mean they are no longer looking to the future, because for Sasso and his fellow band members, the future, much like the past, will always involve music.

"It's just in our blood," he said. "I don't know what else we would do. We need to write songs. It's kind of in us. When that stops, maybe that's when the band will stop, but I don't foresee that. We inspire each other enough to write together and separately and push each other. The energy is still there and the excitement is still there."

Elliott Brood will be taking to the Crocks stage on Friday, Apr. 21 at 8 p.m.

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Moonlight heads film festival line-up

FILM

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A pair of highly acclaimed, Oscar-winning films are the backbone of this year's 25th annual Northwest Film Fest.

Moonlight, which won the Academy Award for best picture, will get two showings, including a special Thursday night preview, while Iranian-made *The Salesman* will close the festival out.

In total, 23 films, which won a total of 301 major film awards and were nominated for 314 more, will be screened during the festival, the bulk of which will be shown at Silver City on April 23 and April 30.

North of Superior Film Association president Marty Mascarin said this year's line-up is one of their most diverse yet, featuring seven Canadian movies, six from the United States and the rest from every corner of the globe.

Picking the films is never an easy task, involving scouting potential titles at the Toronto International Film Festival and Cinefest in Sudbury.



DOUBLE BILL: The Oscar-winning *Moonlight* will screen twice this week.

"Also, we keep an eye out for any major releases that occur in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver, and films that are getting critical buzz. Then we make our submissions to the film circuit and they're the good folks who deal with the

distributors and they see what titles they can procure for us," Mascarin said.

More often than not they're at the whim of the distributors, who in the past have made films available only to pull them at the last minute.

Mascarin said there's plenty of variety in this year's collection.

The festival will start with a special April 20 prelude featuring *Queen of Katwe* and *Moonlight* screening back-to-back.

Among this year's gems are *A Man Called Ove*, *Paterson*, and the animated *The Red Turtle*. Other films being shown on Week 1 include *Hello Destroyer*, *Jean of the Joneses*, *River of My Dreams*, *Last Cab to Darwin*, *Little Men* and *20th Century Women*.

Week 2 highlights include *Julieta* and *Things to Come* in a Thursday, April 27 double-feature, then on Sunday, April 30 the festival will show *Swiss Army Man*, *Searchers*, *PM Burn Your Maps*, *The Eagle Huntress*, *Chevalier*, *Marguerite* and *The Other Half*. A second screening of *Moonlight* will also be held that after-

noon.

Festival co-ordinator Catherine Powell recommends attendees get to the theatre early, especially for popular titles like *Moonlight*, as advance tickets do not guarantee a seat and late-comers might be turned away.

"We quite often sell out during the festival because there are films that have buzz," Powell said on Wednesday, launching this year's festival line-up. "It's important you come early and not as you would for another film when you come five minutes in advance.

The festival will also feature a number of shorts, including local filmmaker Ryan LaVia's *Dan's Magic Hands*, a five-minute documentary on a former hydro worker who was shocked on the job and relies on the help of friends and family.

He said he's excited to be able to show his work locally, ahead of *Paterson* on April 20.

"It'll be an honour to see it play on the big screen in front of a full house," LaVia said.

NORTHWEST FILM FEST LINE-UP

Thursday, April 20

Queen of Katwe (6:30 p.m.)
Moonlight (8:40 p.m.)

Sunday, April 23

Hello Destroyer (9:45 a.m.)
Jean of the Jones (10 a.m.)
River of My Dreams (11:45 a.m.)
The Red Turtle (12:15 p.m.)
Paterson (2:15 p.m.)
Last Cab to Darwin (2:20 p.m.)
A Man Called Ove (4:40 p.m.)
Weirdos (5 p.m.)
20th Century Women (7:15 p.m.)
Little Men (7:20 p.m.)

Thursday, April 27

Julieta (6:30 p.m.)
Only the End of the World (8:30 p.m.)

Sunday, April 30

Things to Come (10 a.m.)
Swiss Army Man (10:15 a.m.)
PM Burn Your Maps (12 p.m.)
Searchers (12:05 p.m.)
The Eagle Huntress (2:20 p.m.)
Chevalier (2:30 p.m.)
Marguerite (4:30 p.m.)
Moonlight (4:45 p.m.)
The Other Half (7 p.m.)
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YOUNG TALENT: wolf, by Clara Adams on display at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery.

Brilliant, bright, and young art

ART

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

It is what I was expecting, and more. As soon as one steps into the community gallery off Thunder Bay Art Gallery's main foyer, feel the pull of brilliant colour.

Instantly eyes register the clear outlines of hills and forests against a moonlit sky, a sunrise, a sunset. The same treasured scenes and images encountered while hiking and camping; the beauty we have in such abundance throughout this region and further north. The land, the lakes, the wildlife: something that signifies home for students of remarkable talent who attend Dennis Franklin Cromarty High School here in the city. I'm referring specifically to the students of Greg Chomut's art class. Nice work!

The DFC 2017 show features 32 works by some two dozen artists: mainly acrylics rendered in the brilliant hues already mentioned; alongside a couple of graphite-on-paper sketches, serenely quiet in contrast. And a collection of photographs only those with eyes to appreciate beyond and beneath the surface of things try capturing with a camera.

Some of the acrylics stay true to a Woodland style and tradition of aboriginal painting; a few are fine attempts to replicate The Group of Seven.

This viewer was first pulled to a pair of acrylics to do with wolves. It was the saturation of blue: the indigo that dominates the colour scheme of both "Wolf" and "Girl and Wolf". Then, in "Girl and Wolf", further swirled brush strokes in violet and magenta add suspense; a wonderful unease much as do the surreal scenes of

half-remembered dreams.

"Farm" is another work to stand before and let yourself feel the movement of clouds across a late summer sky; feel the cooling breeze of evening's approach; smell the pending harvest growing in nearby fields, ripe in just a few weeks' time. At least that's what I experienced. Great texture and motion here. I wonder what the artist intended.

"I was never into art (as a child) but now it really inspires me because I like to be creative," explains Ariel Meekis. The grade 12 graduate from Deer Lake, north of Red Lake, offers a shy smile. "Art has given me a new way of looking at things. I've had a tough past," she says softly. "Art is a way to see things differently, to be proud of myself." There is a smile in her eyes when she learns she's won an award that can go toward more art supplies. Ariel isn't entirely sure of her future, but she is certain of her next step: she's taking a year to paint; the walls of her bedroom will be a 360-degree canvas. Ariel tells me the artist who has made the most impression on her, so far, is Vincent Van Gogh.

Judith Mamakwa, also graduating this year, says her Woodland culture introduced her to art as a child. Her home, Kingfisher Lake, is 2 hours by plane from Sioux Lookout. I locate it on a map. Judith grins. "No, I'm never satisfied with my painting. And yeah, photography isn't easy." Her photo? A dancer: in full regalia, no blur-of-motion there.

Her plans? A general arts course at Confederation College, for now.

The 2017 DFC exhibit is up until May 7. Go see it.

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4:30 PM
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7:00 PM
THE OTHER HALF - 103m
Short: Autistic Artistic - 10m

6:30 PM - JULIETA - 99m

8:30 PM - IT'S ONLY THE END OF THE WORLD - 95m

10:15 AM
SWISS ARMY MAN - 97m

12:00 PM BURN YOUR MAPS - 102m
Short: The Maltese Guinea Pig - 15m

2:30 PM
CHEVALIER - 99m

4:45 PM
MOONLIGHT - 111m

7:15 PM
THE SALESMAN - 125m



IN THE bay

Student films hitting the big screen

FILM
By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

From dramas to comedies to stop-motion animation, future filmmakers are sharing their skills and ideas with audiences on the big screen.

On Friday, Apr. 21, Confederation College is hosting its annual Film Night, showcasing the work by this year's film production graduates.

Lee Chambers, a film professor at Confederation College, said this year there are 32 students screening short films between five and 10 minutes long. The films cover a wide variety of genres, which Chambers said highlights the creative diversity of this year's graduates.

"While we try to teach them some of the technical aspects of cinematography or sound design, art direction, or lighting and all those things, it's still an

art form," he said. "It's an art form where the stories, whether they are music videos, comedies, dramas, thrillers, animation, it all comes from the mind of the filmmakers who made them. Every year it's always a wide variety of work."

The annual Film Night has been held for more than 40 years and in that time, filmmaking technology has come a long way, and the college has been keeping pace with industry standard equipment, including the use of an ARRI Alexa camera.

"We are shooting on the same thing Hollywood features shoot on," Chambers said. "The students master up into 5.1 surround sound. We are mastering up cinema quality material for audiences to view."

While the films are part of a thesis project that the students complete during the year, they are made for the

same reason as any other film – for the audience.

"We're not making movies for ourselves, we are making movies for an audience," Chambers said. "The lights go off, the screen goes on, and the sound comes up, whether it's five or 10 minutes, to hear an audience react, whether it's to laugh or to cry, it can be quite an exhilarating experience."

And seeing the support of audiences throughout the years is important for students participating in the program and who work for more than seven months on a film project bringing their ideas and passion to life.

Confederation College's Film Night will be taking place on Friday, Apr. 21 at the Confederation College Lecture Theatre. Admission is free but donations are accepted at the door. For more information, visit www.conflix.com.



ON SET: Confederation College film production students, Warren McGoey (left) and Guinseng Won (right), on set during shooting.

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New law show not great, but it's a start

Fox's new reality show, *You the Jury*, is bad TV but presents important legal topics that should be up for discussion



The People's Court on steroids. Two sides of a civil case present their arguments on a circular stage in front of a judge – former California Superior Court Judge LaDoris Cordell – and a live audience. The arguments, which are preceded by emotionally inflammatory video montages, are made by celebrity attorneys who love to see their name in lights and have worked on high-profile cases. They circle and stalk their witnesses, often asking their questions from behind them.

outcome of the “trial.” Producers claim the results are legally binding but we’ll leave that up to the next set of attorneys to argue.

The cases are certainly interesting. The premiere trial involved a woman who suspiciously drowned while in Aruba with her boyfriend – a man who had just bought a \$1.5 million insurance policy for the trip. He was locked up for months but never charged with a crime.

The second case involved online bullying and offensive comments about a three-year-old child that went viral. The posts were made by the defendant’s online troll friends who regularly and unapologetically attacked people with their cruel humour. So it was ironic that online

votes decided the case against them.

The show has been promoted with the line, “America, take back justice.” As though Fox could guarantee justice with the same voting public that selected American Idol winners and Donald Trump.

According to “Judge” Cordell, the hope is that people will have “a renewed respect for [the] legal system.” Given the blatant lack of reality regarding the manner of the proceedings or the law itself, that result is profoundly debatable. But she also believes the issues raised in the cases will make people think.

And that’s where there is a kernel of hope.

The discussion over the attack of a toddler by cyber trolls and the subse-

quent viral threats made to the defendant and HIS child should make people stop and think before they text. The evidence that showed how the original Facebook post, when forwarded, was manipulated from its original thread, may remind people that sometimes the written word isn’t any more reliable than old-fashioned verbal gossip.

These are discussions that should be had, yet rarely are. People don’t talk about morality, public responsibility and the law unless it’s prettied up and simplified into 44 minutes plus commercial breaks. These are complex issues dumbed-down for mass consumption on Friday nights.

So *You the Jury* won’t make for great TV. But it’s a start.

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Enigma cryptograms are created from quotations and proverbs from around the world. Each letter stands for another letter. Hint: "C" = "A"

"FB FMXX GB WOAFO GS ERB ELCZWI
 FB XBCKB GBRMOJ."

— JCWAECO TLAKBLG

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong." — Mahatma Gandhi

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Adherent (suf.)
- Drop
- Chin. dynasty
- Auto
- Lower intestine
- Venezuelan copper center
- Knife
- Gentleman (Ger.)
- FDR's dog
- Legendary celt
- Garment
- Settled
- Bit
- Own (Scot.)
- Pew
- Newspaper
- Flowering tree
- Aryan
- Tall (Sp.)
- Verbal rhythm
- Dance
- Lily
- Scientific name

DOWN

- Science of (suf.)
- Posed for a portrait
- Small
- Domain
- Alberta (abbr.)
- Sanction
- Indo-Chin. people
- Pac. island
- War god
- Thames estuary
- Railway station (Fr.)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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- 25 Skin
- 26 Cotton fabric
- 27 Dip
- 28 Elbe tributary
- 30 P.I. weapon
- 33 Tsetse fly disease
- 34 Large (pref.)
- 36 Affray
- 37 Liang
- 38 Field
- 39 No (Ger.)
- 40 Identical
- 42 Air traffic control (abbr.)
- 43 Shooting match (Fr.)
- 44 Flap
- 45 Army service number (abbr.)

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Sports

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Americans join Gold Cup squad

Todd Bertuzzi's son among U.S.-born players joining Northwestern Ontario team

HOCKEY

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Hockey Northwestern Ontario's best will join forces with some of the United States' top prospects at next month's OHL Gold Cup.

Tag Bertuzzi, the second overall pick in last weekend's OHL Priority Selection Draft and the son of former NHLer and Canadian Todd Bertuzzi, is one of four American players named to the HNO squad.

Joining Bertuzzi from south of the border are forward Dalton DuHart, chosen 47th overall by the London Knights, goaltender Mack Guzda, taken in the second round, 31st overall by Owen Sound, and Andrew Perrott, who heard his name called by the Knights in the second round.

In a brief release, HNO says the move was made for a couple of reasons.

"To help maintain the integrity of the high level of competition for the event, Team HNO and NOHA have agreed to take players that Hockey Canada wants to see compete in this event for evaluation purposes, that are playing outside our jurisdiction."

The Thunder Bay Kings, with eight players named to the tournament, are the top represented team, along with the Sudbury Wolves and the Quinte Red Devils, including three of four players drafted last weekend.

Heading to the tournament are goaltender Christian Cicigoi, defencemen Joseph McCollum, Zach Fotrin, and Anthony Biniaris and forwards Cooper Witherspoon, Christian Veneruzzo, Keighan Gerrier and Owen Belisle.

The HNO roster also includes



LEITH DUNICK/FILE

MADE TEAM: Cooper Witherspoon of the Thunder Bay Kings will play for Hockey Northwestern Ontario at the OHL Gold up next month.

Thunder Bay defenceman Brad Fortier at CIH Green Midget AAA and forward Levi Siau, who spent last year with the London Jr. Knights.

Sam Brunton and Jacob Lugli make up the Dryden contingent, while Kenora will be represented by forwards Jacob Frankcom and Cater Tresoor.

The Hockey Northwestern Ontario entry will be coached by Jeff

Ricciardi, who will be assisted by former Lakehead Thunderwolves players Aaron Piccinin and Luke Judson.

A total of 160 players will take part in the event, which starts May 3 in Kitchener, Ont.

"Every year, the players selected to participate in the OHL Gold Cup put on such a display of skill and the ability to adapt to a new team, it is so

fun to see," said OHL Gold Cup co-chair, Tony Martindale. "Today, the countdown to puck drop really begins."

Eighteen of the 21 players selected in the OHL draft are on teams, with 129 of the 160 players having been taken.

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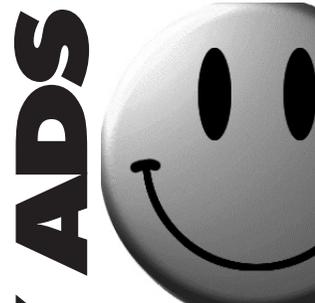
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