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## Successful Fundraiser For Local Firefighter Family



*By Rosalind Russell* - Fundraisers to assist a North Shore firefighter and his family have proven to be quite the success. Sables-Spanish Rivers Township Firefighters spokesperson, Jillana Goodchild, says a recent spaghetti dinner and other efforts have raised over \$5,000 for the Darcy Schuurman family. Schuurman was hurt in the line of duty this summer, says Goodchild, and the department and supporters have been assisting the family while he recovers. She extends a thank you to everyone who helped in the fundraising efforts.

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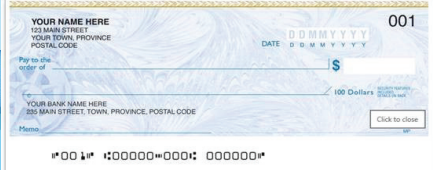
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**Saturday February 8th**

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**Saturday, February 8th**

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# All The World's A Circus

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## Inextricably Drawn Together--Donald J. Trump And The Toilet.

So after starting a trade war with China and threatening France with the same, after personally attacking Prime Minister Justin Trudeau then escalating the war with Iran by assassinating their defense minister, after assisting Turkey in their war against his own allies, the Kurds--President Donald Trump declared war against wind.

Speaking to a student summit in Florida over the holidays, an event he did not know was being televised, he said: "I know windmills very much. I've studied it better than anybody I know."

Never mind that if he'd read even one newspaper article on the subject he'd know they're called 'wind turbines,' Trump actually believes that as the planet heats up and countries like Australia catch fire, wind power is more dangerous than burning coal.

He went on to claim that "windmills" kill more birds than anything else when in fact cats kill twenty times as many. He said "windmills" spew a tremendous amount of fumes into the atmosphere whereas wind power mechanisms have the smallest carbon footprint of any energy source known to man. Except of course, that man!

So hearing the laughter of the students and sensing his expertise on "windmills" was not selling well, the stable genius quickly changed gears. "People are flushing toilets 10 times, 15 times as

opposed to once."

"And the water rushes out to the sea because you could never handle it. You turn on the faucet, you don't get any water." Nobody, not even American's most ludicrous human being, Rudi Giuliani would venture a guess as to what the hell Trump was talking about.

"And there may be some areas where we'll go the other route--desert areas." Heads up Arizona, you're about to become America's national outhouse.

"You have many states where they have so much water that it comes down--it's called rain." Well I'll be damned! Rain! Mystery solved because we've had a lot of that liquid stuff coming down on our heads here in Canada and we've always believed it was just droplets of Seven Up evaporating from the local Pepsi Cola bottling plant. Rain! So that's the reason Samuel Fox invented the umbrella and not just for old ladies to ward off flashers! "Now as you know rain can be purple in states like Minnesota where Prince lived." Okay, that one I made up but not the rest of the aforementioned gibberish coming from the mouth of the President of The United States and not from a typewriter left unattended in a room full of 100 monkeys.

Just after he moved into the White House, as a man who's audacity matches his ignorance, Trump asked Nancy Spector

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of the Guggenheim Museum in New York City to loan him Vincent van Gough's 1888 Landscape With Snow. Spector of course refused but- and who knew museum curators have a twisted sense of humour- instead offered the president an 18-karat gold, fully functional toilet designed by artist Mouizia Cattelan and already used by more than 100,000 museum visitors. So yeah, it's in good working order.

An admitted germaphobe, Trump turned down the offer and then ran and threw up in his own private porcelain bowl, the same one from which President Lyndon Johnson used to conduct staff meetings.

I was shocked. I just assumed the president would graciously accept the \$6 million crapper and then have his son Don Junior melt it down and sell the bullion for cash.

The solid gold toilet offered to the White House is considered a "participatory sculpture" and titled "America" which tells you Maurizio Cattelan sense of humour is every bit as nasty as the museum's curator. Adding insult to injury, a jab Trump would never get, Nancy Spector offered to send the operating instructions along with this brilliant yellow pissoir. But given Trump's expert advice on how Americans should only flush their toilets once a day, that 18-karat can wasn't going to stay shiny for very long. Trump really should have accepted this gold toilet

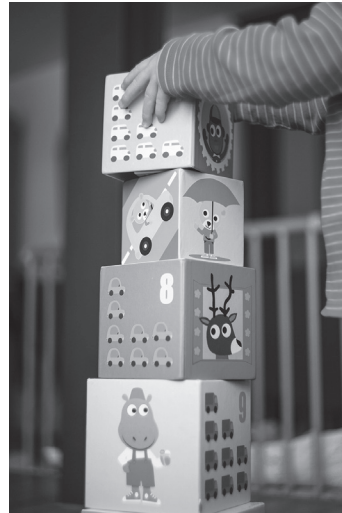
because it represents the throne of opulence that every man needs to become a king, a key component in Trump's not so secret journey from democratically-elected president, to a royal and then a dictator. The golden throne would be yet another item checked off Trump's "Dictator To Do List" like his name in big letters on buildings, a bunch of fake "Time's Man Of The Year" portraits, huge scary rallies with exaggerated crowd sizes, his own propaganda department (Fox News), large personal profits from government policies, a brotherhood with other world strongmen, the threat to jail opponents, the appointment of family members to positions of power, the complete destruction of truth and that military parade he keeps begging Republicans to let him have. Trump is like this close to wearing a military uniform with epaulettes and carrying a riding crop.

Donald Trump and the toilet, like Berlusconi and his iconic double bed or Saddam Hussein and his spider hole. Each man forever linked to a favorite, inanimate talisman that says everything about his life.

So yeah, the gold toilet was a badly missed opportunity for Trump especially since everything he touches turns to...

To buy a book or invite humorist William Thomas To be your guest speaker, go to [www.williamthomas.ca](http://www.williamthomas.ca) [williamjthomas@gmail.com](mailto:williamjthomas@gmail.com)

## Minister Of Education Offers Financial Assistance To Parents



Grade 7.

\$40 total per day for students in JK up to and including Grade 12 with a special need(s).

Funding will also be retroactive for qualifying parents to cover costs already incurred due to labour disruptions that have occurred during the current 2019-20 labour negotiations.

More details about this financial support can be found by visiting [www.Ontario.ca/SupportForParents](http://www.Ontario.ca/SupportForParents) or by calling the Support for Parents Helpline at 888-444-3770.

Parents who are affected by the closure of schools and/or school-based child care centres can receive support from the Ontario government.

Education Minister Stephen Lecce says a full withdrawal of services could require parents to make alternative arrangements with a strike also impacting full-day child care centres located in schools.

To address these potential realities, Lecce says the Support for Parents initiative offers financial support to parents for each day of school that a child misses on account of a labour disruption, or each day of child care that is not available if offered from a closed school.

Eligible parents of children up to age 12 (Grade 7), or up to age 21 for children and youth with special needs, in a publicly funded school, qualify for:

\$60 per day for children aged 0-6 who are not enrolled in school yet but attend a school-based child care centre that is required to close on account of the strike.

\$40 per day for students in Junior Kindergarten (JK) and Senior Kindergarten (SK).

\$25 per day for students in Grades 1 up to and including

### QUICK FACTS

During a strike, licensed child care programs, including before- and after-school programs, will be allowed to extend their hours, request temporary relocation to avoid labour disruptions and request an increase to the number of children they are licensed to support.

The province also intends to allow day camps to open to school-aged students without it counting against their 13-week per-year operating limit.

The ministry is also considering other ways to support students with special needs during any strike action by teacher federations and/or education worker unions.

Parents can use the licensed child care finder to contact local operators about available licensed programs in their area.

On November 4, 2019, a central agreement was ratified between the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and the Council of Trustees' Associations (CTA), with the agreement of the Government of Ontario.

On December 10, Minister Lecce announced a tentative agreement with the Education Workers' Alliance of Ontario.

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## UCCM Police Commission Appoints New Chief Of Police



A team leader and constable instructor will be taking over the helm of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Police.

The UCCM Police Commission has appointed Faron Whiteye as the Chief of Police.

Commission chair, Peter Nahwegahbo says Whiteye will take over the helm on February 3rd.

Whiteye has over 23 years of experience in First Nation policing including working at the Ontario Police College as an instructor with the Basic Constable Training Program in Firearms and the last two years as Team Leader in Criminal Investigations.

Whiteye has been married to his wife Patricia for 23 years. Patricia holds her BSc, MEd. Their three children also are quite accomplished. Their eldest son Alistair (23) serves with the US Marine

Corps as Crew Chief on a Huey Helicopter. Aiden (21) serves with the US Marines, is the Designated Marksman in the Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team and their youngest, Abigail (19) attends University at Eckerd College on a full scholarship to play NCAA basketball.

“The UCCM Police Commission is confident that Mr. Whiteye will be a welcome addition to lead the team as he possesses a diverse policing background and a solid understanding of First Nations policing. A welcoming ceremony is being planned with our Commission, Staff, Chiefs and First Nations at a future date, once Mr. Whiteye and his wife are settled. We hope everyone will welcome them to our beautiful Manitoulin Island” adds Nahwegahbo.

The Commission would also like to take this opportunity to say Chi Miigwetch to Yves Forget who has served as interim Chief of Police for the past several months while the search for a Chief of Police was being carried out.

Photo: The UCCM Police Commission has appointed Faron Whiteye as the Chief of Police.

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Photo provided by UCCM Police Commission

## Espanola Gardeners - Combat Pesky Problems



**By Grant Lewis** - Thrips, aphids, wilt, slugs, powdery mildew, necrosis, mites, gall,.....the list goes on and on. List of what you ask! These are just a few of the hundreds of things lurking in your garden, ready to destroy all your hard work. Too bad there wasn't a health care plan for your plants. But wait; there is help on the way! Is it a magic hoe? Super spade? Shovel Shazam? No....it's Espanola Gardeners to the rescue. Join us for a round table discussion on the myriad of problems you may run into next gardening

season. We will help you as best we can on Monday, February 10 at the Queensway Pentecostal Church at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be an informal look at pests, spores, insects, and such that terrorize our defenceless plants. BUT.... they are not so defenceless. Hopefully you will leave with an array of ideas to combat these pesky problems. All gardeners, experienced and beginners have to cope with the same issues. So, mark Monday, February 10 on your calendars. Everyone is welcome and bring a friend.

## Viking Cruise Lines Coming To Little Current



Viking Cruise Lines is expanding to the Great Lakes within the next two years. Viking founder and chairman Torstein Hagen announced last Thursday that two new ships will be sailing Lake Superior and Lake Huron starting in 2022.

He says the company worked in partnership with the Great Lakes Cruising Coalition to develop the destinations including Thunder Bay, Sault.

Ste. Marie, Killarney and Little Current.

Hagen adds the cruise ship company will offer two cruises, with 'The Great Lakes Explorer' being an eight-day cruise from Milwaukee to Thunder Bay and including three days in the local North Channel.

Viking is currently in the process of building these two ships which will be tailored to expedition-style cruising.

### HOME GAMES!!

**Friday, February 7, 7:30 pm**

**ESPANOLA VS BLIND RIVER BEAVERS**

**Sunday, February 9, 2:00 pm**

**ESPANOLA VS TIMMINS ROCK**

## Memorial Hockey Game Nets Winnings For Cancer Room



The Manitoulin Secondary School Mustangs honoured the late Cassandra Cristo Friday, January 17 by retiring her number #16 and presenting the jersey to her mother.

Cristo, an avid athlete and hockey player lost her battle to cancer a few weeks ago at the age of 20.

The double-header hockey game also netted \$1,722.00 for the cancer room at the local hospital.

Photo: The Manitoulin Secondary School Mustangs girls' team honoured the former team member, the late Cassandra Cristo at a special hockey game, officially retiring her number and raising funds for the local cancer room at the Manitoulin Health Centre. Photo supplied by Mike Mantha

## A Massey Area Woman Has Had A Life-Saving Liver Transplant.



Elizabeth Cassidy had a liver transplant on Wednesday, January 15 from a live matching donor.

A portion of their liver, which

is all that is needed, was transplanted to Cassidy.

Cassidy's liver, which had failed her just over a year ago due to a chronic illness was also removed.

Cassidy extends a thank you to everyone for their prayers and well wishes.

She will remain in Toronto hospital for a few months while she recovers and enters an anti-rejection regimen.

Photo: Elizabeth Cassidy has come through a liver transplant in fine style. She will now spend several weeks recovering. Photo by EC

*Welcome to Local Hippie's weekly tip for living a greener life! Each week we will provide you with a quick tip to help you reduce your carbon footprint and change the world.*



This week's tip is: make your own skincare at home!

Buying and using lotions and potions is so much fun, but sadly it's not great for the environment. Most skin care products come in containers that can't be recycled and are seldom reused.

Luckily for us, there are many skincare products we can make with ingredients we already have at home! This week I'm sharing with you one of my favourite hydrating face masks that can help with dry winter skin. The honey serves as an excellent antibacterial agent, while the coconut oil and lavender are intensely hydrating and soothing.

**Ingredients:**

- 2 tsp coconut oil
- 1.5 tsp of raw honey
- 1-2 drops of lavender oil

### Directions:

Mix raw honey with coconut oil and lavender essential oil by stirring with a toothpick or small spoon. If mixture is too viscous, throw it in the fridge for 5-10 minutes. Once it's hardened slightly, remove from fridge and whip it with a spoon. After cleansing your skin, apply mask to your face with your fingers using small circular strokes. Leave mask on for 10-15 minutes.

Enjoy!

Have questions? Feel free to forward them to [jaymie@localhippie.net](mailto:jaymie@localhippie.net)

Have a happy hippie week!

## Warning Of Inspection Scam In Algoma



Inspections by Algoma Public Health for restaurants and other businesses are always free, but someone tried to make some quick money.

Chris Spooney, manager of Environmental Health at Algoma Public health says a local restaurant was contacted by someone pretending to be an inspector with the health unit.

He says the person told the restaurant operator they had a complaint and would have

to carry out an inspection, and then asked for credit card information to charge a service fee.

If anyone is contacted by someone attempting to schedule an inspection and asking for a credit card, call your local police and the health unit, emphasizes Spooney.

He adds inspectors would never ask for credit card information, and they also carry a valid badge and photo ID.

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Submissions via e-mail or mail will be received by Olivadel up to and including **5:30pm on Thursday, February 13, 2020, clearly marked with the corresponding RFQ number** such as "RFQ 2020-07 Painting" in the subject line.

## FUNDRAISER

**Fundraiser event in support of Rodney Landry**  
**February 28, 2020**  
**DFR Sports Bar**  
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

**Live Band & Silent Auction**  
**\$5.00 Entrance Fee**

Contact  
Tanya Landry 705-869-8242

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## THANK YOU

# Thank You

There are so many people and groups who help out the Lions Club at Christmas. Probably the most important are those who deliver the bags of presents to over ninety homes in the area. This year, we were thrilled to have three officers from our local OPP detachment help us out. Their time and contribution certainly made it easier for everyone. What a great way to mingle with the community. Many thanks!

## Recipe

Nacho dip has always been one of my favourites and my "go to" recipe whenever I have to make a dip for an occasion, but last week I discovered a new dip that is very similar, yet different. Taco Dip! The idea is it's supposed to resemble eating a taco. The base contains taco seasoning which gives it the taco flavour and then the toppings are up to you. I topped my dip with all the things we would put on a taco; shredded lettuce, chopped green onion, diced tomatoes, diced red pepper, sliced green olives and a sprinkle of shredded cheddar cheese but the beauty of this dip is that you can add more or less of any of your favourite toppings. I did find that I missed the salsa in it, but I put some in a bowl alongside the dip for people to top their chip with. Salsa could also be layered on top of the cream cheese base.

### Taco Dip

- 8 oz cream cheese, softened
- 1 1/2 cups sour cream
- 1 packet taco seasoning

### Toppings

(Choose your favourites)

- iceberg lettuce, shredded
- shredded cheddar, shredded
- diced tomatoes
- jalapeno peppers
- sliced olives, green or black
- green onion, diced
- red or green pepper diced
- salsa

Mix cream cheese with a hand mixer on medium until fluffy. Add the sour cream and taco seasoning. Mix to combine. Spread into a dish. I used a 10" dish. Top with desired toppings and serve with nacho chips. (The scoop nacho chips worked perfectly)



## COMMUNITY NOTES

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**Spanish River Snowmobile Club-Poker Run/Next Meeting** - Saturday, February 1. Starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Spanish Marina Complex-Garnier Rd., Spanish. Trail Permits are Mandatory at Registration.

**Webbwood Eagles Spaghetti Dinner** - Spaghetti Suppers are back at the Webbwood Eagles! Saturday, February 1st from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. For takeouts call 705-869-4269 on the 1st after 3:00 p.m.

**Espanola Knights Of Columbus 39th Annual Spaghetti Supper** - Friday, February 7. For tickets contact Marc 705-869-0692.

**The Walford Community Club Indoor Yard Sale** - Saturday, February 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Walford Community Center. For more information call 705-844-2887. Proceeds go to the Walford Community Club for various projects.

**Massey Area Museum** - is looking for a few talented and conscientious volunteer board members to lead and strengthen the Massey Area Museum. If interested call Chris Berry at 705-562-6077.

**Voices of Spring Community Choir** - rehearsals Saturday, 10:30 am in the basement of St. Andrew's United Church, Massey. New members always welcome.

**Free community luncheon at the Lighthouse** - every second and fourth Tuesday of the month 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

### Do you have a NOTE for the Community?

We invite not-for-profit organizations to submit information on their upcoming events in writing no later than **Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. 25 Word Limit.**  
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