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## Winter Arrives!...in March?

THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT MARCH has indeed 'come in like a lion!' Last weekend's sneak attack by Old Man Winter arrived right on the heels of a snowy end to February, catching many local residents by surprise. After all, this winter so far has not really amounted to much weather-wise, and many of us have let our guard down, as we start looking ahead a few weeks to the prospects of spring. Hah!

For some, Saturday morning brought a rude awakening, with electrical power out and up to 30 cm of fresh snow outside our windows, courtesy of a heavy snowstorm that tracked up from Texas, of all places! Even then, Old Man Winter didn't get the blame (or the credit) as Environment Canada referred to the snowfall as an 'early spring storm', with blowing snow bringing visibility right down to zero in many places.

At least we weren't alone. The storm cut right across Northern Ontario and Quebec, dropping 16 cm in the Sault, 20 cm in Sudbury and 13 cm in North Bay. Police public information sources were jammed with accident reports, road condition warnings and highway closures.

And amidst all the blustery wind and white-outs shone the flashing beacons of our often-unsung winter heroes – our snowplow operators. While most of us were huddled inside or occupied with doing our own driveways, these dedicated people were out in the worst of it, working long and tedious hours to keep our roads open and safe to use. Thanks guys!

This fresh new snow could also be a good omen for this weekend's "Free Family Ride", courtesy of the St. Joseph

Island Voyageurs Snowmobile Club. You might finally get a chance to use that dust-covered snowmachine that you've been waiting all winter to ride! And if you do, be sure to stop by the Clubhouse on the P Line for free hot dogs and hot chocolate, between 10 am and 3 pm.

Be aware though that events at the Clubhouse will be cancelled if it is raining. Even now, the doubt still lingers that this new snow will last, as the weather forecasters roll their eyes and talk about temperatures rising and rain before the weekend. Jeez!

We asked local weather expert Jerry Shields for a better prediction, but it seems that, while he's pretty darned good at forecasting the weather, he's still not able to control it. And his long range outlook for the rest of March sounds like the classic 'good news and bad news' scenario. "I fear that we are going to go through a month of extremes before the weather



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## The Real Estate Stop

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*The sticky white stuff on top of our ash can settles down in April.* he says cautiously. "It looks like we could easily have some more substantial snow events in combination with a few thaws with substantial rain."

"This reminds me of last winter where we had all our snow just before spring," he continues. "I suspect that when spring does arrive it will take a while to warm up - just as we saw last year."

So will March 'go out like a lamb?' It appears that our weather for the rest of the month promises the best of both worlds ... or the worst. It depends on your attitude. All you can really do is dress properly for whatever weather we get!

**THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ANNUAL WATER AND SEWER REPORT**

Municipal Water and Sewer users are advised that a copy of the Annual & Summary Reports for the 2011 Richards Landing Well Pumphouse Waterworks is available for viewing at the Township Office, or on the website at [www.stjosephtownship.com](http://www.stjosephtownship.com).

*Barry Elliott,  
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**How to Provide Feedback During the Decision-Making Process**

During the month of March, written correspondence is encouraged from all parents and school community members before March 26, 2012.

It is appreciated if you would let the Board know:

- if you are writing as a parent or community member;
- if so, what grade(s) is your child(ren) in;
- and in what community you reside.

In April, a report with senior staff recommendations will be submitted to the Board for consideration by the trustees. This report will also be made available on the Board website and at each Central Algoma school. Individuals can provide further input and reaction to the Senior Administration's recommendations. The final recommendations will be made to trustees to be voted on by the end of April/early May.

**Feedback can be sent to Lina Aceti...**

**By e-mail to:**

**acetil@adsb.on.ca**

**By fax to:**

**705 942-2540**

**By mail to:**

**Algoma District  
School Board  
644 Albert Street East  
Sault Ste Marie, ON  
P6A 2K7  
ATTN: Lina Aceti**

Detailed information including chronology of meetings, minutes of meetings, presentations at meetings can be found at:

**[www.adsb.on.ca](http://www.adsb.on.ca)**



## Johnson Township Recreation Hosts the Annual Family Hockey Tournament, March 23 and 24

THE TOWNSHIP OF JOHNSON Recreation Committee has announced that it will be hosting the annual Family Hockey Tournament on Friday and Saturday, March 23 and 24. The activities will take place at the Township of Johnson Arena and Community Centre in Desbarats.

Although the event has been a popular fundraiser for CASS athletics for many years, this is the first year that the Rec Committee is involved. In recent years, the tournament had been organized by an ad hoc committee of local hockey enthusiasts, with proceeds going to the Sault Speedskating Club.

The Committee recognized that many current and former residents are involved in the locally historic tournament and decided that it was important for the Township to be involved, as well as providing an opportunity to raise funds for township recreation programs. Johnson Recreation has also been administering the local Adult Recreational Hockey Program (formerly the North Shore Men's Hockey League) for 3 years now and the committee felt this was a good fit to its involvement in local hockey.

The Recreation committee will host its annual March

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### PUBLIC MEETING ON OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND THE FUTURE OF OUR SCHOOLS

A Public Meeting hosted by the Township of St. Joseph will be held **Monday March 19th at 7:00pm** at the Old Town Hall in Richards Landing

The Algoma District School Board (ADSB) has advised that they will cut off public comment on their proposed grade JK-6 / 7-12 model at the end of March. Staff will then make a recommendation to School Board Trustees based on their process and public feedback.

**If you do not make your voice heard, ADSB will assume you do not have any concerns with the proposed model.**

The meeting agenda will be to give a brief overview of what ADSB has told the public followed by a discussion and suggestions of how to give your opinion to your Board Trustee.

**Who should attend?:**

- present and future parents
- interested students
- concerned residents

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and outdoor toys. Wood/oil combo furnace and on town water. This home is in excellent condition and can handle the biggest of families. **\$239,900.**



**PRIVATE IN TOWN LOCATION!**



Lake Huron sand beach professionally landscaped waterfront in Thessalon. Mint condition with lots of hardwood and new carpet. 23 x 23 family room with woodstove, fireplace in living room, both with great views of the lake. Large modern kitchen with eating area plus formal dining area. home gym and play room area, double garage and lots more features. Home is positioned to take advantage of the western exposure and sunsets. **\$325,000.**

**WEEKENDS OR YEAR ROUND!**

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## OPP Warns of Texting Dangers

### Damage to Reputation and Identity

ONCE IT'S OUT THERE, you can't get it back. That's the message the Ontario Provincial Police is putting out to teens across the province. A mistaken belief that their texted messages and images will remain private and secure puts them in real danger of becoming victims of their own words and actions.

Teens frequently engage in relationships with peers through the use of their mobile devices and computers that lead to 'self-peer exploitation', also known as 'sexting'. Mistakenly believing that they can remain anonymous, they often also engage in this type of behaviour with individuals they don't know ... who they've only ever 'met' online.

Police warn that this kind of risky activity has very real dangers associated with it, including permanent, long term threats to the teen's identity and reputation.

Every day, thousands of teens are photographing and videotaping themselves in suggestive and compromising photos and sending the images through electronic devices to their peers. Quite often, this type of conduct can quickly become a dangerous game as those images never stay with the one intended to receive it. Instead they are frequently passed along by the recipient to friends, who pass it on to other friends who continue this cycle of distribution while some post them to social networking sites, and upload them onto the internet.

The teen is now a victim of their own actions. The resulting shame and embarrassment can, and has ended with very tragic results. Officers are increasingly seeing teens unable to cope with what they have unknowingly created from what they had believed to be "harmless fun".

There is also a real criminal risk for those who receive and re-distribute such images. Often unknowingly, by sending the images to others and posting them, these individuals are engaging in the distribution of child pornography and could face criminal charges.

Parents, guardians and educators need to learn more about this serious social issue. They should recognize the significance of this problem, discuss it with their teens and monitor their social media activities.

Inspector Scott Naylor, Manager of the OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit says, "Self-peer exploitation has become a big social issue that no one has been adequately prepared to manage. Those with a vested interest in the protection of children need to get involved and learn how to protect them from permanently damaging their lives. Understand what self-peer exploitation is, and find out what to do about it. There are ways to intervene."

To learn more, visit [www.opp.ca](http://www.opp.ca) or follow the OPP on Twitter at: [www.twitter.com/OPP\\_News](http://www.twitter.com/OPP_News). or visit [www.cybertips.ca](http://www.cybertips.ca). You can also call OPP Detective Sergeant Terry Paddon at 705 329-3248.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The SJI 1812 Bicentennial Committee will be meeting on Wednesday March 14th at 10 am at the Jocelyn Township Offices. All are welcome to attend.

The Good Food Box, containing a variety of vegetables and fruit, will be available for pick-up on St. Joseph Island at a small cost. It will be available starting in March. For more information call Janet at 705 246-0847 or Rita at 705 246-1687.

Watch For Our Daffodil Sale Coming! The St. Joseph Island Cancer Society will be selling fresh bouquets of daffodils the end of March! Available at various local businesses. For info contact Joan 705 246-2387

Volunteers needed! April is residential canvassing month for the Canadian Cancer Society. The Island Branch is in need of volunteers. Students are welcome to get involved and add to their hours of service. Please help us "Fight Back Against Cancer!" For info contact John Shannon 705 246-0006. During our March meeting we will be co-ordinating the canvass. Anyone is welcome! Time is 1:30 pm at Harmony St. Marks Church Hall, Tuesday the 20th.

March 10 & 11. "Free Family Ride Weekend" sponsored by the St Joseph Island Voyageurs. Dust off your snowmachine and take the kids for a ride. (Permits not required this weekend only and only on St Joseph Island) Stop at the clubhouse on the P-Line for free hotdogs and hot chocolate between 10 am and 3 pm. Hope to see you on the trails (they are in great shape). Cancelled if raining.

**Learn How to Make Apple Jelly** on Saturday, March 10, 2012 from 9:30 am -12:30 pm at the Trefry Centre in Richards Landing. Sponsored by Richards Landing Women's Institute as a R.O.S.E. Session (Rural Ontario Sharing Education) and the St. Joseph Island 1812 Bicentennial Committee. Cost is \$10 /adults and \$5/child (6-16 years). Instructor will use the Bernardin Hot Water Bath Method. Participants will receive a 148 page Bernardin Canning Book with over 300 recipes. Must register with Carol at 705 246-3942 or online at carol.wlodarczyk@gmail.com. Hurry we still have a few spots.

Jocelyn Recreation will be having their annual Irish Stew Supper on Saturday, March 17th from 5 to 8 pm at the Jocelyn Township Hall. Cost is \$10. per adult and \$5 for those 12 years and under. Come enjoy some home-made stew, biscuits, dessert and beverages with your family and friends. For further information call 705 246-2025.

## THANK YOU

The St. Joseph Island 4H Club would like to thank the community for their wonderful support of our recent Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper. We are not only grateful for the funds raised to help run our weekly projects, but the experience we all gain from these events is priceless!! Presently we are working on the "Great Chicken & Egg Project". We welcome new members who are 9 as of Jan 1st anytime. Thank you from all the members and leaders.

Our heartfelt thanks to everyone in our wonderful community for all of the cards, donations, kind words, best wishes and your support at this so-difficult time for our family. A special thank you as well to our terrific Camille's staff. Without knowing that I could depend on you, I could not have spent Mom's last four days with her or been there for my Dad. Lisa VanSchaik

## OBITUARY

Diana (Di) Lynn Hele, age 54 resident of Hilton Beach, Ontario, left us on Thursday February 17, 2012. She fought a short but valiant battle with Lung Cancer. Diana was born August 15, 1957. She is survived by her partner David Bosman, her 3 children Blaze, Clinton, and Michelle, 2 grandchildren, her mother, 3 brothers and 2 sisters, and her extended family Jenny, Sarah, and their children. Thank you to Dr. Booth and Dr. Avery at Matthews Memorial Hospital for their efforts and help. Also a big thank you to the nurses in ICU and the 1st floor "B" wing of the Sault Area Hospital, for the excellent

care they provided to Diana, her family and friends. Arrangements will be made for a celebration of her life in Hilton Beach, Ontario. A time and place will be announced at a later date. Diana may the green apple wine flow, the darts fly, and the hummingbirds flutter. You will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved you. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to the Cancer Society.

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 Submission deadline is **Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.**  
 Sealed quotations are to be addressed to Carol Trainor, Clerk Administrator, The Township of St. Joseph, 1669 Arthur Street, Richards Landing. 705-246-2625 [www.stjoseph township.com](http://www.stjoseph township.com)  
**The lowest or any bid not necessarily accepted.**

**MEMORIUM**

In loving memory of D'Arcy McGuire who passed away March 12, 2011 in his 88th year. "Dad did not do extraordinary deeds, nor did he die a famous or a rich man. But he lived his life as any of us can – by living an ordinary life in an extraordinary way. Goodbye Dad, we miss you, we love you. Rest in peace until we meet again."  
*Love your wife Norah and all your family.*



**Where's the rest of it?**

PEOPLE HAVE NOTICED that our recent issues are 8 pages, down from our usual 12 or 16 pages. Have we run out of things to write about? Did we run out of paper? What's up?

The answer is really simple economics. The Island Clippings is a small business and advertising is our only source of revenue – and most of that income goes to the costs of producing & mailing each issue. We strive to maintain a balance between advertising and editorial content, and like every other periodical at this time of year, our paid advertising is at its lowest point, while expenses are actually increasing.

We're simply trying to keep everything in a healthy balance, and we look forward to increasing our page counts again in the near future when ad revenues can support it.



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Breakfast Buffet on the Saturday morning of the tournament. As well, the Johnson Tarbutt Central School Grade 7/8 class and their teacher Marla Adamson will provide a chili supper upstairs in the Community Hall on both Friday and Saturday evening, as a fundraiser for their class trip. The Arena Canteen will also be open throughout the weekend. The Bruce Mines Royal Canadian Legion Branch 211 will provide bar service in the community hall on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening.

So get in on the fun! Teams wishing to register for the tournament are asked to call Pat O'Gorman at 705 782-6601, extension 205.

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### Friday

Hens & Stitches, Dr. Trefry Centre - 10 am to 12 pm

Island Cast-a-Weights, Calorie Watchers, Hilton  
Community Hall (rear door, basmt) - 8:30 am

Walking at the Legion - 9 am to noon

Friday Foods at the Legion

AA Meeting, United Church  
(new addition, side door) - 8 pm

### Saturday

Childrens Library - 10 am to 3 pm, Storytime 10:30 am

Hilton Union Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm -  
Phone number: 705 255-3520.

Nordic Walking Group - Tranter Park, 10 am

St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm

Free pool all day in the Legion lounge

St. Boniface Roman Catholic, Hilton Beach at 4:30 pm.

Jam Session, Legion - 4 pm to 6 pm

### Sunday

The Anglican church worships at Holy Trinity, Jocelyn at  
11 am.

Free Methodist, 10th Side Rd. Coffee, tea and friendship  
at 10:30 am. Worship service 11 am.

Island Bible Chapel, Richards Landing.

Lord's Supper 10 am, Family Bible Hour 11:15 am.

Grace United, Hilton Beach. 9:30 am.

Harmony St. Marks United, Richards Landing. 11 am.

### Monday

Bridge, Dr. Trefry Centre - 1 pm to 5 pm  
(Open to all seniors)

60+ Exercise Program, Dr. Trefry Centre - 10:00 am

Euchre, Legion Hall - 8 pm (\$4.00 per person)

Walking at the Legion - 9 am to noon

Carpet Bowling for 50 Plus, Legion - Refreshments  
Available - 1 pm

St. Joseph Twp, Public Library - 6 pm to 9 pm

Hilton Union Library - 3 pm to 5 pm &  
7 pm to 9 pm - Phone number: 705 255-3520.

### Tuesday

Child Care Algoma's CAPC Play & Learn Best Start Hub,  
Free Methodist Church - 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Cribbage (singles), Legion Hall - 7:30 pm  
(\$4.00 per person)

Quilting - 1-3 pm, Downstairs Hilton Hall except the 3rd  
week held at the Trefry Centre.

### Wednesday

Walking at the Legion - 9 am to noon

Bridge, Dr. Trefry Centre - 1 pm to 5 pm  
(Open to all seniors)

St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Food Bank, United Church, Richards Landing  
(side door) - 1 pm to 3 pm

Children's Library - 9 am to 12 pm, Story time - 10:30 am

Hilton Union Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm -  
Phone number: 705 255-3520.

Pool, Legion - 7:30

Native Drum Circle, Harmony St. Mark's Church - 7 pm

### Thursday

St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm and  
7 pm to 9 pm

Dr. Trefry Centre's Day Out Program - 9 am to 4 pm

Children's Library - 9 am - 12 pm, Story time 10:30 am  
After school 3:30 to 5pm

St. Joseph Twp. Public Library -  
1 pm to 5 pm & 7 pm to 9 pm

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