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Understanding Different Political Perspectives' Forum



The next 'Understanding Different Political Perspectives' meeting will be held Monday March 9th at 7pm at the Old Town Hall in Richards Landing. These are moderated discussions of current affairs and political issues with a focus on understanding and respecting different opinions and perspectives.

Over the last month, there have been many varied issues and events developing here in Canada and around the world. There was the tragic event in Tumbler Ridge, B.C.; The announcement by the Alberta Premier of nine questions to be asked in a provincial referendum this fall; ongoing discussions ongoing negotiations of the CUSMA trade pact with the U.S.

and Mexico; changes to tuition fees levels and OSAP in Ontario, another floor crossing from the federal Conservatives to the Liberals; ongoing discussions among Western democracies along the lines of PM Carney's "middle powers" speech; continuing fall-out in the U.S. and Britain of the Epstein files; increasing U.S. pressure on Cuba; the U.S. Supreme Court's finding against President Trump's tariffs; and, of course, the recent U.S.-Israel bombings or Iran (for which PM Carney voiced his support). Add to these issues are the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine, Gaza and, unfortunately, many other locations around the world and much more.

There are a lot of issues continuing to unfold about which many of us hold varied opinions and perspectives. The purpose of these meetings is to have a forum where we can interact with others face-to-face instead of yelling at the TV, doomscrolling and arguing online. The goal is to discuss opinions, ask questions, and talk with each other about issues that are concerning in a way to encourages thoughtful discussion and an effort to understand others, even in disagreement.

These conversations are moderated in an effort to try and encourage respectful exchanges and explore ways to approach what could be difficult conversations in other settings.

Everyone is welcome, no matter your age, your perspectives, background or knowledge. There are some ground rules, but most important is a willingness to listen and consider what is being said by others.

- Jody Wildman



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****PRESS RELEASE****

AlgomaTrad is pleased to announce that its Artistic Directors, Julie Schryer and Pat O'Gorman, are working with the Sault Ste Marie Centre Francophone to present a weekend of Francophone culture in the Sault and on St. Joseph Island from March 20-22. The weekend event, Festival Rendezvous des Cultures Francophone, will feature concerts, workshops, art and craft demonstrations, and several francophone cultural experiences. More information for the entire Festival can be found HERE. Tickets to the entire 3-day festival are \$100+hst, and are available at https://www.francossm.ca/rendezvous-billetterie.html

As part of the weekend, AlgomaTrad will be hosting a traditional Sugar Shack Brunch at the Algoma-Trad Centre, 1249 F&G Line, St. Joseph Island, on Sunday, March 22, from 11:30am to 4pm with traditional music and dance, including Québécois group É.T.É, Canadian master fiddler Pierre Schryer and stepdancer Danielle Enblom, and Cajun duo Ball & Chain, as well as a traditional Québécois square dance with guest caller, Hélène Gaulin to finish things off. The brunch will feature local maple syrup with crepes, bacon, fruit, baked beans, and traditional maple taffy. Cost for the Sunday event is \$40+hst and can be purchased at

https://www.francossm.ca/rendezvous-billetterie.html!

Sunday, March 22 - Featured Performers

É.T.É - Awarded the 2020 Gala GAMIQ Album of the Year award in Traditional Music, plus the OPUS prize for "Discovery of the Year 2017-2018", among many other accolades since their first album release in 2017, this trio is winning over the hearts of listeners worldwide, young and old alike. É.T.É are Élisabeth (fiddle, step-dancing, vocals), Thierry (bouzouki, guitar, podorythmie, vocals), and Élisabeth (cello, vocals). The word été in French means summer—a fitting tribute to how their original, lively take on Québec traditional music is infused with a new vitality.

With lovely vocal harmonies, deep groove, stepdancing, and rich instrumentation, É.T.É are an explosive trio on stage, transforming the nostalgia of a kitchen party into an unforgettable show experience that celebrates the joie de vivre of Québécois culture.

Ball and Chain are Michael Ball on fiddle and Jody Benjamin on guitar. Michael and Jody have been making frequent trips to Louisiana since 1997 and the music from Southwest Louisiana and its cultural context continues to fascinate them. Jody Benjamin's singing style is an easy marriage of sincerity and humour that comes from her wit and her love of the old country and cajun music she sings. Micheal Ball has a sweet tone to his fiddle playing and an ear for melody and space seldom heard

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• Ontario Secondary School Diploma

• Current DZ license (driver's abstract required)

• Minimum 5 years' of related heavy equipment operating experience (grader experience considered an asset)

• Excellent interpersonal and communication skills for day-to-day operations and interaction with the public

• Ability to work independently, show initiative, and demonstrate attention to detail • Working knowledge of, and compliance with, the Occupational Health & Safety Act and other relevant legislation

• Must be self-directed and able to work with minimal supervision, exhibit initiative, and demonstrate attention to detail.

HOW TO APPLY

A detailed Job description is available at www.stjosephtownship.com, or by contacting the municipal office. Qualified candidates may submit a cover letter and resume by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2026 to:

Amanda Richardson - CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

1669 Arthur Street, P.O. Box 187

Richards Landing, Ontario P0R 1J0

Email: clerkadmin@stjosephtownship.com

Phone: 705-246-2625 ext. 202

Fax: 705-246-3142

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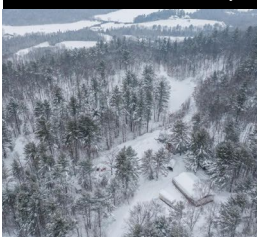


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8 3 3001 sq ft 2.4 Acres

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**Festival Rendezvous des Cultures Francophone,
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from players who were born after 1920. Together these experienced performers make a sound fuller than you'd expect from only two musicians. Based in Ottawa Ontario, Ball and Chain has been performing as a duo for over 20yrs.

Pierre Schryer and Danielle Enblom - Franco-Ontarian fiddler Pierre Schryer and North American folk dance specialist

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No stranger to Sault Ste. Marie, Pierre Schryer is one of Canada's leading traditional fiddlers. A recipient of numerous titles and awards including Canadian Open Fiddle Champion, Grand Masters Champion, Violonx Championnat, and North American Irish Fiddle Champion, Pierre truly captivates an audience with his energy and genuine warmth. His ability knows no bounds, covering styles from Irish, Scottish, Québécois,

and Cape Breton to Canadian Old Time, American Swing and more.

Danielle Enblom is a dance historian, choreographer, sean-nós Irish dancer, and award-winning step dancer and jigger from Mni Sota Makoce - Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is Red River Métis with strong French Canadian and Swedish ancestral roots. Danielle holds a research-based master's degree in Ethnochoreography (dance anthropology) from Munster Technological University (Ireland), and a Diploma in Traditional Irish Music from University College Cork (Ireland) and she has studied with tradition bearers across genres and cultures including Irish, Métis, French Canadian, Appalachian, American Tap, and Ottawa Valley.

Hélène Gaulin - Caller and dancer Hélène Gaulin leads workshops, training sessions, and traditional dance evenings throughout the Gaspé Peninsula. She is passionate about preserving and passing on the region's distinctive repertoire. Her approach prioritizes the dancers' enjoyment, and her explanations are clear and concise. A lover of the Gaspé dialect, she peppers her calls with regional expressions that highlight the rich heritage of this area. And you don't have to understand French to understand her calls, everything will be translatable!!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student volunteer hours available at the RCL Br. 374's Maple Syrup Festival on April 4, 5, 11 and 12 - 8 AM to 3 PM. Contact Gloria at 705-246-2416 if you would like to fill up your volunteer hours.

The 57th Annual Maple Syrup Festival is looking for volunteers. If you would like to be part of this wonderful Royal Canadian Legion event on April 4, 5, 11 and 12, please call Gloria at 246-2416. To help us serve over 3000 customers, we need to fill over 250 volunteer hours. Various tasks available from cooking, table clearing, serving, dish-washing and so much more. Student hours available. You do not need to be a Legion member to volunteer.

St. Patrick's Day Concert - Saturday, March 7 at 2:00 pm at the Legion in Richards Landing. Kick up your heels with lively Irish music and dance! Enjoy tea, coffee, and oatcakes. Suggested donation \$10; youth 15 and under FREE. All proceeds support the St. Boniface Church renovation fund.

Tai Chi and Kung Fu classes available at the Old Town Hall, Richard's Landing! No experience necessary, all are welcome! Sat, 9am. Tai Chi and Kung Fu for Wellness. Sat. 5:30pm. Kung Fu for Self-Defence and Competition. CanadianShieldKungFu.ca or 705-562-3606 to learn more.

Come Celebrate World Day of Prayer A non-denominational short service prepared each year by women from different countries. 2026 Service Friday March 6 Time 2:00 p.m. Hosted by Grace United Church, 3087 First Street, Hilton Beach Prepared by the women of Nigeria Presented by women from across St Joseph Island All are welcome Coffee and refreshments and fellowship after the service.

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Restore, stretch, and breathe in a welcoming yoga practice for all levels. Enjoy mindful movement, relaxation, & a calm space to recharge. Sessions held weekly - come as you are and leave refreshed. Everyone is welcome. See FB page Yoga on the Move with Kerry for schedule, locations & fees.

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Order your home made perogies now for Easter. St. Boniface church fundraiser is accepting orders. Quantities are limited. E-mail stboniface@ssmd.ca for more information or to place your order.

AlgomaTrad monthly community called dances at the AlgomaTrad Main Hall March 7th, April 10th, May 9th! All starting at 7PM with family friendly easy dances, progressing to more advanced contras/squares from 9 - 10:30pm.

Every November, the St. Joseph Island Hunters and Anglers support the Deer Check Station where data about game sighting, harvest and eco-system changes are collected. A student team, with their professor, Greg Cull, will present a report on the 2025 Deer Check data on Thursday, March 12th, at 7:30, at the Conservation Centre, 1802 Twentieth Side Road. All are welcome. A regular business meeting will follow.

Landfill vehicle stickers were included with the 2026 Interim Tax Bill for Hilton Township residents. If you did not receive your sticker, please visit the Township Office. Lost stickers may be replaced for \$2.00. fee.

**RCL Br. 374
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The St. Joseph Island United Churches would welcome you at either of their Sunday services: 9:30 a.m. at Grace United in Hilton Beach or 11 a.m. at Harmony St. Marks in Richards Landing. For more information please call 705 246-2578 or email St. Joseph.is.uc@bellnet.ca. Hope to see you there.

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH 3133 Maple St. Hilton Beach, ON Contact: Deacon Randy Gardner (705) 987-2967 www.stbonifacechurch.ca stboniface@ssmd.ca

The St. Joseph island and Area FOODBANK Opening hours 1 - 3 every Wednesday at Harmony-St. Mark's United Church, Richards Landing

AA meetings will be held at the United Church in Richards Landing side entrance on Fridays at 7:00pm. We are looking forward to seeing you if you need our support.

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Euchre every Monday at the RCL Br. 374 Lounge. 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome!

Crib every Tuesday at the RCL Br. 374 Lounge. 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome!

Pool every Wednesday at the RCL Br. 374 Lounge. 7:00 PM Everyone welcome!

Meals on Wheels Offered through the Dr. HS Trefry Centre Call 705 246 0036 for more information.

The Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Jocelyn - 580 M&N Line - welcomes you to worship with us on Sundays at 11:00 AM. For information, please call Rev. Dawn Henderson at 1-705-783-1983.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 374 in Richards Landing is holding its 57th Maple Syrup Festival April 4, 5 and 11, 12, 2026 - 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancakes, Sausages & St. Joseph Island Maple Syrup – beverage and taxes included. Adults \$13.00, Seniors \$12.00, Under 10 \$7.00. Local crafts, maple candy and maple syrup for sale. \$1000.00 Raffle. For information: 705-246-2494

The St. Joseph Island Horticultural Society invites you to our next meeting on Thursday March 5, our topic that day will be Fruit Tree Pruning. We will start with a demonstration by Laurie Thompson-Kokinin, at the Richards Landing Marina at 3:00, after the demonstration we will proceed to Fellowship Hall, Harmony St. Marks United Church, for a follow up presentation, refreshments and our meeting. All are welcome to attend. Memberships will be available.

March Gatherings at the Hilton
 Union Public Library
CRAFTS & COMPANY
 Wednesday, March 11/26
 1pm
CHESS
 Saturday, March 14/26
 2-4pm

WANTED

Local high school student looking for small engine donations for projects. I can pick-up on the island. If interested, please email samcutsyourgrass@gmail.com or text 705-989-9503.

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MATTHEWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION
Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday March 28, 2026, 10am
Location: Richards Landing Township Office
 (1669 Arthur Street)

- Annual Membership Dues – \$5.00 for 2 years
- 10:00 am – Annual General Meeting
 Year-end Financial Statement for approval
- Election of Board of Directors:
 - 3 Representatives for Northshore
 - 6 Representatives for St. Joseph Island



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This week's Children's Corner is Peppa Pig by Maggie MacKay age 3
Submit drawings, poems, stories even business ideas to islandclippings@gmail.com

