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Neighbourhood creativity gathers at Collins Art Gallery



A sample collection of the pieces of artwork on display by 5 of the contributors.

By Shelley Martel

The art exhibit for the month of April joins

together the artistic talent of our community under one roof.

The show titled

“Creativity of the Neighbourhood”, uniquely displays the works of over 2 dozen

various Chapleau artists, from amateur hobbyists to well-known professionals. The pieces of art compliment each other and give a different interpretation of similar subjects.

The husband and wife team of Ted and Marguerite Castilloux have contributed several wood carvings and sculptures as well as a variety of paintings.

There are two mother/son duos involved in the art show as well. Helga and Eyk Scheitel have offered some of their paintings and Joseph and Maria Gagne's artwork is displayed as well.

Jim Landsfeld's popular wood carvings

have taken on a new shape for this exhibit. He has created an interesting collection of wizard-like creatures, each one with its own unique personality and appeal, not unlike the group of artists themselves.

Seasoned exhibitors, Vicki Meyer and Bonnie Ivey, have included a selection of their art pieces in the show.

Other names which have become familiar at the art gallery include Guy Riopel, Carl Nyman, and Sylvain Jean. These artists have contributed pieces done in oils, charcoal, and abstract on fabric.

Joanne Allaire, Luc Tessier, and Betty O'Shaughnessy, who

are new to the art exhibitions, all have very impressive additions to the show ranging from scenery and still life to portraits.

Art Exhibit organizer Diane Jean was very surprised with the amount of art that was offered, “I didn't expect to have this many but I'm glad that we are able to show some of the new talent. Sometimes when they are just starting out or they don't want to have their own show, it is easier to join in a bigger show.”

A select few of the pieces are for sale but it is worth it to visit the gallery just to see some of the surprising talent that we have in our community.

Nature Festival headliners are presenters at Junos

By Shelley Martel

Melissa O'Neil and Rex Goudie, Chapleau's vote for this summer's Nature Festival performers, attended the 2006 Juno Awards in Halifax on Sunday, April 2nd, 2006.

The two, who were the winner and runner up of Canadian Idol 2005, took a break

from their national tour titled “Let It Go” to present a \$10,000 instrument bursary to Greenwood Academy of Cambelton, Newfoundland.

The bursary, presented on behalf of the Academy of Canadian Arts and Sciences, will go toward the music education program at the Greenwood

Academy School.

Melissa O'Neil shared, “I was really only introduced to serious music at the beginning of high school. Thanks to my mentors, I discovered my love of music. Music is the only thing in the world that can touch and affect emotions in people worldwide.”

Rex Goudie's

experience was a little different as he explained, “In the town I grew up, I never had the chance to participate in a music education program. Like other schools in the area, we learned to play the recorder by 4th grade but it wasn't my favourite instrument.”

Despite the lack of music



Rex Goudie and Melissa O'Neil

education in school, O'Neil and Goudie are doing just fine. The

pair was impressive enough to attain the Cont'd on P.3


The deadline for ads for the Easter publication will be on Wednesday April 12, 2006 at 1:00 p.m
Easter “In Memoriams” see page 6 for details

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O P E N H O U S E

THANK YOU GERRY (TONTA) PILON

A Husband, a dad, a poppa and a friend. The family wishes to express our gratitude to those who have comforted us with their presence, condolences, cards, prayers, mass offerings, memorial gifts and floral tributes. Thank you for those who visited at the hospital or at the Daffodil Lodge. "It made his day" To all who brought food to our homes and for the luncheon after the Funeral mass.

"THANK YOU"

A special note of appreciation is extended to Dr. Shapiro, Dr. Isenberg, the Nurses and Hospital Staff at the Chapleau General. Also to Father Jacques Fortin, the Sacred Heart Choir, Knights of Columbus, the Pallbearers, and the Honorary Pallbearers.

Gerry was a most important person in our Family. He will be always be missed but our memories will live in our hearts forever.

Lucille, Mark, Nadine, Danny, Heather, Lucien, Aline, Larry, Marguerite, and all his nieces and nephews. And Poppa's favorite little people: Emily, Brittaney, Logan, Lacey.

CWL Penny Sale Winners

The winners of the penny sale are Carol Lafreniere, Cecilia Ketterer, Ceilidh O'Hearn, Eileen McAdam, Ethel Orton, Lorraine Butler, Claude Lortie, Gloria Demers, John Saylor, Jacinthe Richard, Jaunita Muise, Kathleen Bouchard, Kristen Pellow, Lucille Pilon, Lurleen Blais, Meagan Nyman, Michelle Courtois, Mireille Laroque, Pam Morin, Pat Fournier, Ollie McAdam, Robin Geer, Shelby Stewart, Simone Lewis, Stacy Combdon, Tara St. Amand, Velma Morin, Veronica Desbois, Verna Serre,

CWLNEWS



CWL President Monique Lafrenière with Sean the Leprechaun the CWL St-Paddy's Day Mascot.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada - Sacred Heart Parish started the year off with an election of new executives. The installation of officers took place during mass Feb. 26th 2006. The names are as follows and you will see some hold more than one position. President - Monique Lafreniere, Past President - Lurleen Blais, 1st. Vice President - Judy Imbeault, 2nd Vice President - Suzanne Lemieux, Secretary - Sue Lemieux, Treasurer - Adyh Duffney, Spiritual Development - Gloria Demers, Christian Family Chairperson - Ludi O'Hearn, Memberships - 1st Vice Judy Imbeault, Community Life - 2nd Vice Suzanne Lemieux, Organization - Past President Lurleen Blais, 1st. Vice President Judy Imbeault, Education & Health - Tara O'Hearn, Communications - President Monique Lafreniere, Calling Committee - President Monique Lafreniere, Secretary Sue Lemieux and Arlene Morita. We wish them all the BEST for the next 2 years.

Although the year started off with a change in the executives of the CWL,

it didn't take long for them to step up to the plate and dig their heels in. The buzz was in the air about having a St. Paddy's Day Tea which used to be a great fundraiser for the CWL. They were well known for their Tea's throughout the years but with March Break and some people going away for spring break made it hard to organize things. So this year they decided to have it on March 4th at the Legion Hall Branch #5 and it was a H U G E SUCCESS.

The St.Paddy's Day Tea was long overdue, the wonderfully decorated hall gave smiles and delighted those who ventured in. Irish music playing in the background set the scene for the tea, tables dressed in Irish flair and the ladies of the CWL wore Irish attire and welcomed all with gracious smiles. The hall filled with a joyous buzz and everyone was having a great time. Three beautiful St.Patrick's Day cakes were donated by Lorraine Lemieux, Ethel Orton, Gisele Robitaille, they lit the eyes of all that gazed upon them, those who got to take them home.

Many left with arms full of goodies they purchased from

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This letter is to express my concerns about the Chapleau Volunteer Firefighters hiring policies.

I have applied on three occasions in the past 4-5 years and have yet to receive an interview. To my first application, the response was that I would not be considered because a co-worker was already a firefighter and that two firefighters could not work for the same business, which I later learned was far from the truth.

For instance, there is more than one C.P. Rail employee on the fire department. In a discussion with a high ranking fire department officer while at the town dump, the reason given as to why my second application was not considered was that he had heard that I had suffered a back injury at a baseball game. I asked

him, after unloading my truckload of garbage, if he thought I had a back problem.

My recent application was submitted after seeing the recruitment ad in the Chapleau Express. I still haven't received an interview or evaluation, and I know for a fact that at least two individuals have since been hired. I'm curious to know why I haven't been considered this time. I have 3 years experience as a volunteer firefighter in Foleyet. If only given a chance, I know I would be a good asset for our community's Volunteer Fire Department.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my friends and family and the few firefighters who have supported me in my efforts.

Chantal Servent Fiaschetti

the touch & take table or bake sale table and others had arms full with items they won from the raffles /draws and the penny sale table.

Refreshments were served and prepared by CWL and parish members and the empty plates from the treat table kept the dishwasher in the kitchen humming. As the night drew to a close, the hum in the hall turned to a murmur, the decorations were placed back in the boxes and the tables cleared and happy but tired hearts left knowing they did a job well done. So here's to you CWL ladies, who worked so hard to pull off such a wonderful night - a special THANKS to each one of you - Monique Lafreniere, Lurleen Blais, Mrs. Sue Lemieux, Adyh Duffney, Gloria Demers, Arlene Morita, Ludi O'Hearn, Betty Tremblay, Joanne Boyle, Michelle Courtois, Bunny Swanson, Ginette

Pelletier, Paulette Tremblay, Beatrice Morin, and Parish Volunteers -Rejean Anglehart and Shawn Hanns for a mighty fine job.

THANKYOU TO ALL who made it a wonderful memory. We know times are hard on OUR town with layoffs and closures, thus causing a domino effect throughout OUR community BUT you still opened your HEARTS and donated gifts, baking and shared your time with us.

Businesses who so kindly donated were Aux Trois Moulins, Collins Furniture, Kathleen Bouchard, Le Salon, Mars' Garage, Mel's Salon, Model Drug Store, Pimii Kamik Gas Bar, Pizza Hut-KFC Express, Purdy Flowers, Post Office, The Bargain Shop and the Valu Mart.

A special Thanks goes out to the Church Bulletin for the support they gave the CWL, the Legion Branch N0.5 for the Cranston Hall for our Tea and to Rev. Rolly Cont'd on P.3

C.W.L News



The decorations received the attention of all ages

Cont'd from P.2
 MacLean for opening our Tea with a prayer. WE are so very grateful.

But the Tea was not the end, as the CWL is gearing up for a meeting March 18th 2006 in Kapuskasing Ontario to finalize the ideas for the convention of the Hearst Diocesan CWL on April 21,22,23 2006 in Geraldton Ontario, where all 11 Diocesan's will gather-seminars with guest speakers - workshops - reports and a NEW Diocesan Executive will be elected. This is open to any and all members and executives of the CWL.

There is also

Nature Festival headliners

Cont'd from P.1
 highest number of votes from the citizens of our community to perform at our annual Nature Festival. Of course, we only want the best!

Rex Goudie, in particular, has achieved a lot of success in the past year. He was nominated for Artist of the Year at the Juno Awards alongside last year's Chapleau Nature Festival headliner Kalan Porter.

In addition, Rex's album "Under

our 59th Annual Ontario Provincial Convention on July 9,10,11,12,2006 in Lindsay Ontario

As Christians, we are all companions on a journey with Christ. If you would like more information on this or anything related to the CWL please feel free to contact Monique Lafreniere at 864 2226 or visit the web site at (www.cwl.ca for national) or cwlont@cwl.on.ca for provincial) CWL meetings are the first Monday of each month at 7pm in the church... hope to see you there.

Peace be with you all
 CWL Sec. Mrs. Sue Lemieux

the Lights" was nominated for a Juno for Album of the Year. Not bad for a runner up Canadian Idol!

Past Canadian Idol Winner and Nature Festival Performer, Kalan Porter's album "219 Days" was nominated for Pop Album of the Year and he also attended the Juno Awards as a presenter.

Both Rex Goudie's hit song "Run" and Kalan Porter's "Single" are on the Juno Award Nominees 2006 CD.

Lynn Miles 2006 Juno nominee to perform in Chapleau

Lynn Miles is clearly one of music's most promising new arrivals. Billboard magazine picked her as one of the 10 best performers of the year, alongside the likes of Beck, Curtis Mayfield, and Sheryl Crow. Her beautiful voice and sweet melodies make her one of pop music's truly captivating artists. The characters and situations she covers in her songs are very real; frequently addressing the many sides of romance and many moments will ring with familiarity.

Lynn Miles was born in

Sweetsburg, Quebec and has traveled around the world. As a child she studied violin, flute, and piano and took voice lessons from an opera singer. She started writing at the age of 10 and hasn't stopped since. Compared to the likes of Shawn Colvin, Lucinda Williams and Joni Mitchell, Miles is considered one of Canada's finest singers/songwriters.

Lynn Miles will perform at the Chapleau High School cafetorium on Sunday, April 9, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets available at the door.



REPORT FROM Queen's Park BY Mike Brown,

Provincial Member of Parliament for Algoma-Manitoulin



Brown Welcomes Announcement of Increased Land Ambulance Funding in Algoma-Manitoulin Algoma District Social Services Administration Board to Receive \$414,417

Mike Brown, MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin welcomed the announcement today by the Government of Ontario of increased funding of land ambulance services in the Algoma district

"I am very pleased to see the Government of Ontario recognize the importance of land ambulance service to the overall healthcare needs of Algoma district communities and patients," said

Brown. "Municipalities in Algoma-Manitoulin expressed their need for additional funding for land ambulance services and this announcement recognizes that need and will provide for better care for Algoma-Manitoulin patients."

Under this announcement, \$414,417 will go to the Algoma District Social Services Administration Board to be put towards land ambulance services. This funding is part of a plan to achieve equal cost sharing between municipalities and the province for land ambulance service by 2008.

Des boissons amusantes pour l'été

(EN)—Mettez l'accent sur les boissons que vous servez et ajoutez une touche amusante à vos réunions estivales. Donnez-leur des noms originaux, servez-les dans des verres incassables à thème, avec des pailles colorées et des parasols, ajoutez des fruits et que le plaisir commence. Et n'oubliez pas les enfants, ils méritent un simi-cocktail avec une boisson Minute Maid légère mangue et fruit de la passion. Faite de véritable jus de fruits et faible en calories, la boisson Minute Maid Légère mangue et fruit de la passion procure l'apport quotidien recommandé en vitamine C dans une portion de 250 mL, ce qui en fait une boisson idéale et « bonne pour vous ». Servez-la telle quelle ou comme friandise glacée. Cette recette fera fureur auprès de vos enfants cet été. Friandise glacée à la mangue et aux fruits de la passion
 2 tasses (500 mL) de

boisson froide Minute Maid légère mangue et fruit de la passion faible en calories

1 tasse (250 mL) de gelato ou sorbet à la mangue ou aux fruits de la passion

1 tasse (250 mL) de glaçons

Dans un mélangeur, combinez la boisson Minute Maid légère mangue et fruit de la passion, les glaçons et le sorbet ou gelato. Réduire en purée à haute vitesse pendant 3 minutes ou jusqu'à consistance épaisse.

Verser dans quatre verres. Garnir d'une tranche de lime, au choix.

CONSEIL : Substituer du sorbet à la lime ou de la gelato au citron pour une variation plus citronnée et servir avec des pailles très colorées pour une apparence de fête.

- L'édition Nouvelles

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**REPORT from
OTTAWA
by
Brent St. Denis**



Federal member of Parliament
Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing

Prime Minister Harper's Speech from the Throne: Overview

On April 4th, 2006 Prime Minister Stephen Harper laid out his government's agenda for the 39th Parliament. The Speech from the Throne highlighted the five Conservative priorities, and adds two new ones: federalism and international obligations. What the Throne speech does not highlight is a comprehensive vision for the future of Northern Ontario or of Canada as a whole.

In my opinion we need a government that is prepared to face these challenges head on, not ignore them for the sake of their partisan desire to "control the message." My colleagues and I hope that, by working cooperatively with the opposition parties, the government will be able to develop a truly national vision that reflects the priorities of all Canadians.

While the Conservatives have broadened their list of priorities, there are many important issues that received little or no mention in the Conservatives' plan for this session of Parliament. Given that the previous Liberal government has handed the Conservatives a strong economy and one of the best fiscal positions in the world, why is this government not implementing the historic Kelowna Accord which will raise the standards of living for Canada's First Nations? Why is it not honouring the \$1.5 billion Forestry aid package? Why is there no mention of agriculture? Why is it cancelling the child care funding agreements with the provinces, increasing taxes by rolling back the Liberal income tax cuts, renege on Canada's

Kyoto commitments and ignoring the infrastructure needs of Canada's communities? Why does it place so much emphasis on crime when crime rates are dropping while it stands idly by as Alberta plans to trample on the Canada Health Act?

The Throne Speech was short not only in words, but also in substance a collection of generalities, not a clear direction for the country. Though I accept Mr. Harper's effort to be concise, I do not believe that the needs of Canadians can be summarized in only five priorities. The Throne Speech makes no mention of FedNor, the Forestry Industry, Northern Ontario or even rural issues. In light of this, my colleagues and I will make every effort to expand the government's scope so that it may address some of the most pressing needs of the people of Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing and of all Canadians. The Liberal opposition has proposed an amendment to the Throne speech which reads as follows:

while this House acknowledges the broader agenda mentioned en passant in the Speech, it particularly looks forward to early and meaningful action on such promises as those respecting aboriginal Canadians, new immigrants, greater security for seniors, improvements in the environment, and increased supports for farm families; and, given the strong economic and fiscal situation which the Government inherited, this House sees no reason for tax increases or a decrease in anticipated early learning and child care spaces in Canada.

Spruce up your yard in Spring: Garden and lawn care tips



(NC)—With the white stuff gone and the school yard tune of 'April showers bring May flowers' dancing in your head, you may be wondering if it's time to get outside and enjoy your yard. April is an ideal month to start gardening and prepping lawns for the summer. If you're wondering what to plant this Spring and are looking for ways to restore your grass to green glory, consider these tips from The Home Depot Canada:

Add colour. Feature the many colourful flowers of summer by planting their bulbs this month. Dahlias, gladiolas and lilies are summertime bulbs that will beautify your garden.

Perennial essentials. Sow seeds of hardy perennials after the heavy freeze of winter has subsided. Annual plant seeds of asters, cosmos and marigolds are wonderful garden additions.

Go organic.

Eat healthier from your own backyard. Onions, leeks, broad beans, cauliflower, spinach and lettuce are favourites that can be sowed this month. Plant your desired fruit trees and berry plants in the sun.

Rake away. Use a rake to remove all winter debris from your lawn. This allows it to breathe and prepares it for any reseeded or repair.

Air it out. Aerate your lawn by poking holes over the

surface with a garden fork. This allows water to penetrate deeper in the lawn soil and reduces the need to water during the drier months.

Fertilize with care. There's no need to fertilize your lawn if it appears well after the winter, especially if you've fertilized in the fall. Over fertilizing your lawn in the spring causes the grass to experience top growth at the expense of root growth.

Combat crabgrass. Crabgrass, a summer annual weed, is the bane of all gardeners. Battle crabgrass outbreaks using herbicides containing pre-emergent chemicals. This will control the weed before it germinates and emerges.

Trim it. Mow your lawn once the grass reaches a height of four inches. Keep the grass height to at least two inches high so it can withstand heat stress.

For more Spring gardening and lawn care tips, visit the local The Home Depot store in your community.

- News Canada

Pets are part of the family yet survey finds that few are insured for unforeseen accidents and illness

(NC)—When Canadians think of their family members, an overwhelming majority include their pets. In fact, according to a recent Ipsos-Reid/PC Financial survey, 91 per cent of Canadian pet owners consider their pet to be part of the family. Despite this, only four per cent of owners have pet insurance to protect their cat or dog in case of an accident or illness.

"There are a wide range of illnesses and accidents that can occur that might require a trip to the veterinarian - and

veterinary costs are the last thing a family should worry about," says Dr. Lynn Webster. "Just like the pain or hardship felt when any family member falls ill, it is no less easy when it's the family pet. When faced with this situation, having pet insurance allows pet owners to focus on the best treatment option for their pet, rather than the financial implications." Unexpected trips to the veterinarian are quite common. In fact, 34 per cent of Canadian pet owners have taken their cats or dogs to the

veterinarian for an accident or illness in the past two years.

To protect the one family member who doesn't carry a health card, pet insurance is a smart choice. Veterinary costs can add up. On average, Canadian pet owners spent a total of \$1,046 in the past two years on unexpected visits to the veterinarian. Compare this with the cost of pet insurance, which can start as low as \$8.95 per month for accident coverage for cats.

PC Financial pet insurance offers

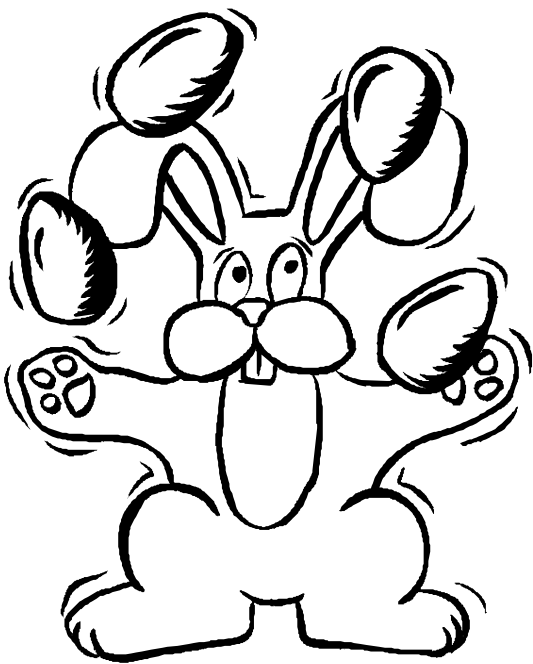
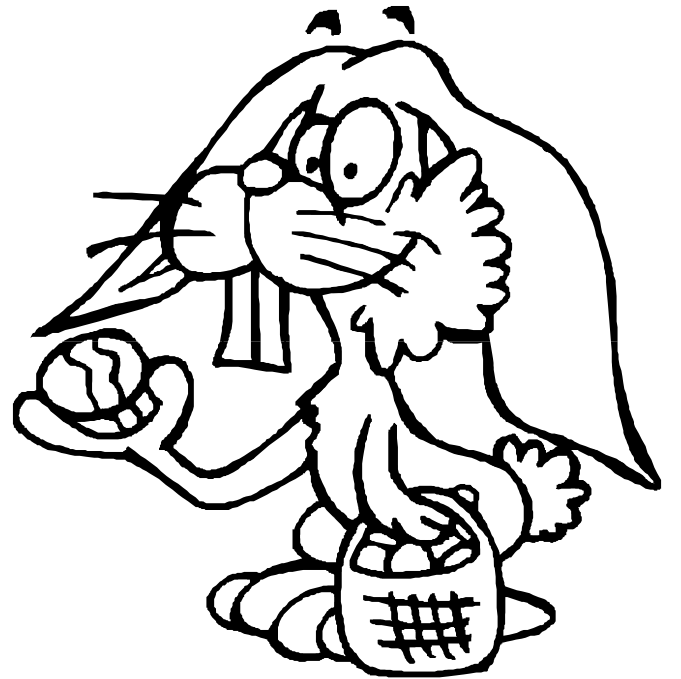
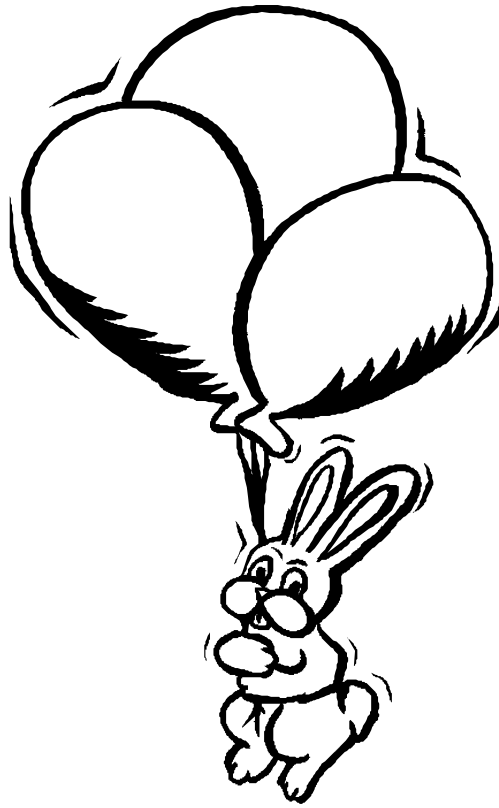
affordable coverage that can help cover veterinary costs for unforeseen accidents and illnesses. There are a variety of coverage options available, and all breeds of dogs or cats are covered, regardless of age. Plus, while there are good reasons to choose to spay or neuter your pet, it's not a prerequisite for coverage.

For more information on pet insurance, connect at www.pcinsurance.ca or call 1-877-PCF-PETS (723-7387).

- News Canada

Happy Easter

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The Algoma District School Board wishes to advise that their **Regular Board Meeting** will be held at **Chapleau Secondary School** on **Tuesday April 11th, 2006.**

Any member of the public may attend the Open Session which begins at 7:30 p.m. Please contact Chapleau Secondary School at 864.1452 should you require further information or the Algoma District School Board at 705.945.7111.

Mario Turco Director of Education Wanda McQueen Chair

School's Cool!

A school readiness program for children starting JK

Where? At the Ontario Early Years Program Located at the Chapleau Childcare Centre

When: Starting Monday, April 24 and running for 8 weeks Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

There is no fee for your child to participate

To register:

Visit the Ontario Early Years Program to fill out a registration form



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The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.

Le Centre culturel Louis-Hémon présente



Rencontre animée par Joël Ducharme et les comédiens après spectacle

Le samedi 8 avril 2006

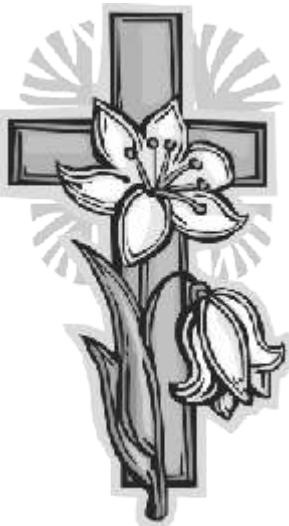
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Famille 25\$



EASTER IN MEMORIAMS

On Saturday, April 15th, 2006 The Chapleau Express will be publishing Easter In-Memoriams. Place a tribute in memory of your loved one today. Ad deadline is Wednesday, April 12th - 1:00 p.m. Bring your ad to the Centre Culturel Louis-Hémon along with payment or call 864-2579 on Monday Tuesday or Wednesday, April 10, 11th and 12th, 2006 if your are going to pay with Visa or Mastercard. Place your tribute for only \$15.00 (Gst included) for 8 lines or less. .50 cents for each additional lines.

THE LOCAL MARKET PLACE

THE LOCAL MARKET PLACE

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Membre du Parlement Fédéral pour Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing

Le discours du Trône du Premier ministre Harper : survol

Aujourd'hui, le Premier ministre Stephen Harper a présenté son plan d'action pour la 39e législature. Le discours du Trône reprend les priorités électorales des conservateurs en y ajoutant deux autres: le fédéralisme et les obligations internationales. Mais ce qu'il ne propose pas est un grand dessein pour l'avenir du Nord de l'Ontario ou même du Canada tout entier.

Pour ma part, je

crois que nous avons besoin d'un gouvernement qui est prêt à s'attaquer de front à ces défis, et non pas à les négliger au profit d'un désir partisan de « contrôler le message ». Mes collègues et moi espérons, qu'en collaborant avec les partis d'opposition, le gouvernement pourra se donner un véritable grand dessein national qui cristallise les priorités de toutes les Canadiennes et de tous les Canadiens.

Mais, bien que les conservateurs aient élargi leurs priorités,

de nombreuses questions importantes sont escamotées ou à peine évoquées dans leur plan pour l'actuelle session parlementaire. Étant donné que le gouvernement libéral précédant a légué aux conservateurs une économie dynamique et une situation budgétaire qui se compte parmi les plus favorables au monde, pourquoi le gouvernement actuel ne met-il pas en œuvre l'Accord de Kelowna, qui permettra de hausser le niveau de vie des peuples des Premières Nations? Pourquoi ne reconnaît-il pas le programme d'aide à l'industrie forestière d'une valeur de 1.5 milliards de dollars? Pourquoi n'a-t-il pas mentionné l'agriculture? Pourquoi met-il fin au

financement des ententes conclues avec les provinces sur les services de garde d'enfants? Pourquoi augmente-t-il les impôts en mettant un terme aux baisses d'impôt sur le revenu mises en œuvre par les libéraux? Pourquoi renie-t-il l'engagement pris par le Canada dans le cadre du Protocole de Kyoto et pourquoi néglige-t-il les besoins des localités du pays en matière d'infrastructures? Pourquoi met-il tant d'emphase sur la criminalité quand les taux de criminalité sont à la baisse, tout en ignorant les délits de l'Alberta face à la loi canadienne sur la santé?

Le Discours du Trône s'est révélé dépourvu de matière. Il s'agissait de généralités et non

d'une vision limpide pour le pays. J'accepte que M. Harper tente d'être concis, mais je ne crois pas que les besoins du Canada peuvent être agrégés en seulement cinq priorités. Le discours du trône ne mentionne aucunement la FedNor, l'industrie forestière, le Nord ontarien ou même les enjeux ruraux. En conséquence, mes collègues et moi allons tenter d'élargir les priorités du gouvernement afin qu'elles adressent les besoins des gens d'Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing et de toutes les Canadiennes et de tous les Canadiens. L'opposition libérale propose un amendement au discours de Trône; le voici:

[que] cette Chambre

prenne bonne note des diverses initiatives mentionnées sommairement dans le discours du Trône, elle attendra avec impatience de voir si les promesses concernant les Autochtones, les nouveaux immigrants, l'amélioration de la sécurité des aînés, la protection de l'environnement et l'aide accrue aux familles agricoles seront tenues rapidement et, étant donné la saine situation financière dont le gouvernement a hérité, la Chambre trouverait injustifiée l'augmentation des impôts ou la diminution des places prévues pour l'apprentissage et la garde des jeunes enfants au Canada.

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