Local News Weekly

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Chapleau General Hospital 5th Annual Golf Classic



he Flatliners team wins the tournament with a total score of 58! Team members are (from left) Robert Noel, Robert Scott, Mitch Plourde and Curtis Brunette. A total of 14 teams played the 4 person scramble at the Kebsquasheshing Golf Club which raised just over \$14000 for the the acquisition of

Chapleau General Hospital Foundation. This tournament is a major fundraiser for the Chapleau General Hospital Foundation and helps to support



Drs. Doris Mitchell, Kendra Saari and Stephen Saari sponsor green fees for the Chapleau General Hospital Foundation 5th Annual Golf Classic.

capital equipment, community health programs, major renovations, and future

building expansion. A big thank you to our generous sponsors, donors, and volunteers

this golf tournament would not have been a success without your support.

contest

Community challenged

By Phyllis McLeod he children are

back to school and hockey is getting started. It's time to think of the Chapleau Arts and Crafts fall fair. This year the fair is on October 18th and



19th. All of the spaces available have been filled. Our theme this year is "Invasion of the scarecrows" There will be a number of life size scarecrows on display, each one representing a member of the fall fair committee as well as some of the artisans and a few other of Chapleau's citizens.

With this in mind we would like to put out a challenge to the citizens of Chapleau. Simply make and display your own scarecrow in your front yard, fill

out an entry form at no cost and return the entry form to the address shown on the form. Entry forms must be mailed back before Wednesday October 9th. There will be a panel of three judges that will go and view your creation and take a picture of your display. The winner of this contest will be announced at the fair. The winning display will receive a cash prize. Let's get

for this contest will be in the "Chapleau Express", as well as participating businesses. This should be a fun way to celebrate the fall season, gearing up to the Chapleau fall fair.

Again this year we have a number of new artisans both local and from afar, with many of your favorites returning. As a special feature, there will be a photo booth set up on the Friday evening from 7-9 p.m. Most of the fall fair committee will be in their "Scare-

crow costumes". Will you? Remember the Chapleau Fall Fair is

to "Scarecrow"

always the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving.



Sunday High 12 Low 5



Monday High 12 Low 1

Tuesday High 15 Low -1

Wednesday High 17 Low 5

some community involvement and spirit going! The entry form



The new \$5s and \$10s are coming Is your business ready?

CNW

Unveiled on 30 April 2013, the new polymer \$5 and \$10 bank notes will enter circulation in November 2013. For many business owners, this begs the question: Is my cashhandling equipment polymer-ready?

The lower-value \$5 and \$10 notes will be used extensively in vending, self-serve retail checkouts, as well as parking and transit machines. To help ease the transition, the same gradual approach used for the introduction of the polymer \$20 notes will be adopted for the new \$5s and \$10s. But don't delay. Note acceptors should be upgraded (or in some cases replaced), to be ready to accept or dispense the new \$5 and \$10 notes when they begin circulating in November.

By issuing the final two polymer notes at once, the Bank of Canada is doing their part to help the cash-

handling industry plan their machine upgrades. Working together with manufacturers, the Bank has provided information to help determine the types of adjustments their equipment required. Also, several months in advance of the notes entering circulation, the Bank offered manufacturers and suppliers advance bank notes to test on their machines.

If you have machines with note acceptors, contact your supplier to find out if there are upgrades necessary. **Test notes**

These are now available for manufacturers to proceed with the adaptation of the equipment that they supply to the Canadian market.

Transitioning to polymer

During the introductory phase of the new notes, both paper and polymer \$5 and \$10 notes will circulate together.

With a deep appreciation and thanks

To all the kindness and generosity extended to my family and I during this time of the loss of Tom. All the people who travelled for distances for the funeral. To all the people who donated food. I would like to thank the Nagassin Road Committee for their generosity. I will always remember your kindness. May God bless you abundantly. I would also like to thank Father Sébastien Grosleau for the kindness to our family and the beautiful mass.

Linda Donivan and family

Letters to the Editor

I am writing in response to the letter by William E. McLeod in your Sept 7th 2013 edition.

abuse to any child in the class.

If our mother was truly that cruel I'm surprised it never surfaced in our home. We only remember her as a strong, intelligent woman with a fantastic sense of humour. She was a loving mother, friend and teacher. It truly saddens us that such mean words have been printed in a public forum about a woman who can no longer defend herself. Our family finds this cruel.

17th Annual Vacation Bible School a success





The 17th Annual Vacation Bible School was held August 5 through August 9, 2013 and was a great success. This year, the theme was "Gone Fishing" and the highlight of the week was a 60 foot whale built on the Chapleau Pentecostal Church lot where children from ages 4 to 12 years old were able to sit inside. We had (36) children in attendance who participated in activities such has singing, crafts, Bible stories, and much more.

If your child is interested in attending the Vacation Bible School next year, look for it to start on the holiday Monday of August. For info call 705-864-0828.

OPEN HOUSE

The family of Betty and Tom O'Shaughnessy invite friends and family to celebrate their

60th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, September 21st, 2013 From 2-4 p.m. **Chapleau Legion Hall** No Gifts Please **Best Wishes Only**

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GOING TO CHURCH CHAPLEAU PENTECOSTAL

Catholic Church SACRED-HEART OF JESUS PARISH ROISSE SACRÉ-COEUR DE JÉSU

26 Lorne Street North OFFICE- 21 Lansdowne St.N 864-0747 New Schedule Effective Nov. 7/09 Nouvel horaire à compter du 7 nov/09 Sat/sam 7 p.m. (E or F) Sun/dim 9:30 a.m. (F or E) Weekdays/Semaine lun-ven 9:30 a.m. Wed/Mer (Hosp) 11:30 a.m. Fr. Sébastien Groleau

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Liturgy of the Word Liturgie de la parole Mass 3rd Sunday Messe 3e dim 12:00 Noon (B) Permanent Deacon Diacre Permanent Ted Castilloux

se of Moosonee Anglican Churc of Canada ST. JOHN'S CHURCH 4 Pine Street West

705-235-5556 Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. The Rev. Iris Montague

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

78 Devonshire Street 864-0909 Sunday Service 10 a.m

9 Elm Street (P.A.O.C.) 864-0828 Sunday 10:30 a.m.(With childcare) Story Hour Fri 3:30-4:30 p.m Pastor Dan Lee

FRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Corner of Beech and Lorne 864-1221 Sunday Service and Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Rev. Rolly MacLean Soup Kettle every 2nd Wednesday of the month ww.angelfire.com/on/trinityuc

OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS PARISH PAROISSE NOTRE-DAME-DES-SEPT-DOULEURS (Foleyet)

Lituray of the Word Liturgie de la Parole Mass 2nd-4th Sunday Messe 2e-4e dim 12:00 Noon (B)

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHAPEL Corner of King and Maple 864-0470 Communion Service 9:30 Family Bible Hour 11 a.m Including Sunday School Evening Bible Study and Ladies Bible Study during the week Transportation available Al Tremblay

THANK YOU

To the Doctors, nurses and staff of the Chapleau General Hospital for their care, dedication and professionalism during my recent stay. May God bless you all and your families

> **Donald Doyon** and family



I'm surprised by the slanderous words used by Mr. William McLeod about our mother (Madeleine Pellow). We cannot question what he saw or heard many years ago. We remember our mother as loving her profession and wanting every child to get an education. Two of us actually had her as a teacher and did not witness any acts of

Brenda, Janice and **Debby Pellow**

Min Blackburn brightened lives of Chapleau citizens with her 'zest for life' and leadership of senior citizens club

Chapleau Moments

by Michael J. Morris

Min Blackburn, described as a "bright light" in the life of Chapleau, for 15 years participated in the Chapleau Rotary Club's 10 mile walk for crippled children.

But, it was her role as president of the C h a p l e a u S e n i o r Citizens Club in 1973 that really brought her into the community spotlight, first with the establishment of a "Drop-In Centre" in the basement of Trinity United Church, and then for her support of the Cedar Grove Lodge project.

In an article about her, the Chapleau Sentinel said she arrived in Chapleau in 1960 when she married long time resident Peter



Blackburn, and from that moment on she was dedicated to "brightening lives of citizens" with her "zest for life".

Born in London, England, in 1907, she came to Canada with her family in 1913 and settled in Fort William, now Thunder Bay.

In the summer of 1973, Mrs. Agnes Freeborn called a meeting, held on the lawn of the old Chapleau High School, where the Chapleau Civic Centre is now, to see if a senior citizens club could be formed. Previous efforts had failed. About 40 people showed up and the group agreed, and by the end of the meeting an executive had been elected with Mrs.

Freeborn declining to accept the position of president.

Min was elected president while Ernest Gilbert, who as a councillor, also represented the municipality, became first vice president and Margaret Costello second vice president. Helen Grout was elected treasurer, Charlie Swanson, assistant treasurer, Einar Pearson, secretary and Mrs. Mary Mizuguchi, assistant treasurer. Within a year Mrs. Freeborn had agreed to become a vice president.

Min knew right away that the club needed a permanent home, and space was found in the basement of Trinity United Church. She had the ability to bring people together and by December 1, 1974, the basement had been transformed into the Senior Citizens "Drop-In Centre". It had become a vital part of community life.

By 1975, plans were underway for a





Organizational meeting of Senior Citizens Club in 1973

senior citizens complex and Min gave her full support to the project as did her executive and the club members.

In 1976 as part of the 75th anniversary celebration of the incorporation of Chapleau as a municipality in 1901, Min and club members participated in groundbreaking ceremony for Cedar Grove Lodge with the Hon. Rene Brunelle, an Ontario cabinet minsister who gave great support to the project.

In 1978, with its completion, Min assisted with the official opening of Cedar Grove Lodge and the senior citizens moved to the Mrs. Agnes Freeborn Memorial Elderly Persons Centre, in recognition of her efforts in establishing the club. Mrs. Freeborn had died on March 3, 1977. Mrs. Freeborn was born in Chapleau, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. McAdam. Her father, a CPR engineer was the third reeve of Chapleau holding office from 1917 to 1919. Her husband Earle, a CPR freight agent died in office while serving as the 7th reeve in 1938.



Jamie Doyle receiving Peter Blackburn Memorial Trophy from Min in 1978. Peter Bernier seated.

Her son Elmer served several terms on Chapleau council and another son Earle served as reeve/mayor from 1998 to 2010.

The apartment section of Cedar Grove w a s n a m e d t h e Blackburn-Crichton Wing after her husband Peter, and Vince Crichton, both contributors to Chapleau over many years.

Min had also donated a trophy to the Chapleau Intermediate "A" Huskies in memory of Peter, to be presented to the player who made the best overall contribution to the team, and she presented it to Jamie Doyle at the opening of the Chapleau Recreation Centre in 1978.

"Min Blackburn

was a woman of many

accomplishments and

many interests with a zest for life," the Chapleau Sentinel article noted, adding, "Min liked people, young and old and won many friends wherever that happened to be." So very true. She made Chapleau a better place, not just for its senior citizens but for everybody. My email is mj.morris@live.ca



Groundbreaking for Cedar Grove Lodge 1976. from left MJM, Dr. G.E. Young, George Evans, Hon. Rene Brunelle, Walter Wilson, Ernie Gilbert, Lauretta Viet, Mrs Ste Pierre, F.A. Card, Louise Mione, Min Blackburn



Min Blackburn in Rotary Walk



Kebsquasheshing Golf Club 2013 "Club Championship"



Kebsquasheshing Golf Club held it's annual "Club Championship" weekend on September 7 & 8. A total of 34 golfers participated. The weather cooperated and everyone enjoyed the event. At the end of it all Robert Noel won the men's division. Joanne Plourde won the women's and Billy Scheer won senior men division.

Reality Check on Fiscal Update

Taxpayers Federation Ontarians to ignore the

The Canadian (CTF) is reminding

General Hospital Foundation this afternoon by **5th Annual Golf Classic**



Yvan Rheaume from Rheaume Carpentry donates \$500 of carpentry labour toward the Chapleau General Hospital Foundation5th Annual Golf Classic auction table.

spin with the release of forgets to mention how the 2012-13 Public Accounts of Ontario Finance Minister Charles Sousa.

"Minister Sousa must getting dizzy with all the spinning he is doing," said Candice Malcolm, Ontario Director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation. "He is bragging that spending went down by 0.1 per cent last year, but doesn't mention how it's projected to rise by 4.1 per cent this year."

"The Minister also conveniently



much debt his government has racked up," said Malcolm. "Since the government was reelected in 2011, every man, woman, and child in Ontario is on the hook for an additional \$2,535 of provincial debt."

"One-time savings and modest reductions from their own predictions are not worth celebrating," continued Malcolm. "This government needs to walk the walk and make significant changes to balance its budget."

Just The Facts:

· Ontario had the highest deficit of any provincial government in 2012-13, and

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overspent by \$9.2 billion.

· Ontario's deficit per capita in 2012-13 was \$681.

· According to the first quarter update for 2013-14, this year's deficit remains \$11.7 billion.

· The deficit will increase by 27.2 per cent this year over last year.

The 2013-14 deficit per capita will be

another \$866.

· Every man, woman and child in the province is on the hook for an additional \$2,535 of debt since the last provincial election.

· Ontario spent \$122.6 billion in 2012-13 and is projected to spend \$127.6 billion in 2013-14. That represents a 4.1 per cent spending increase in just one year!



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arrangements and get a chance to win one of three **\$500.00** cash prizes for a minimum number of days used per month (some conditions apply; to be awarded in December)

> For more information please call The Chapleau Child Care Centre at 705-864-1886 or stop by the Centre at 28 Golf Road

A First for Chapleau Minor Hockey



As another summer draws to an end, we begin to focus on the excitement of another fun-filled hockey season. And this season is starting off with a bang. For starters, Chapleau Minor Hockey Association welcomed

the RHP Training Center from Sudbury for a second consecutive year. We would like to thank Mayor Andre Byham and Council for making this possible by putting the ice in early again this year. We look forward to watching our



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teams develop. celebrating our successes, but more importantly, witnessing the enthusiasm as our minor hockey players step on the ice.

But that's not all. CMHA will be hosting its very first ``Return to the Ice`` Golf Tournament on Saturday September 28th, 2013. Registration fees are \$30 per person and include a spaghetti dinner. A big thank you to Chapleau Northern Credit Union and Tembec for sponsoring this event. Tournament Event Highlights are: * 9 holes of golf 3 ball best ball format * Chipping contest * Chuck-a-ball * Spaghetti dinner

* Holes sponsored by local community businesses

Please register with Josée Thibeault @ 864-1891 before September 21st.

Finally, we would like to say THANK YOU to the members of our community for contributing to our numerous fundraisers. Without your continuous support, none of this would be possible. We hope to see you in the stands this season cheering on our Chapleau Huskies.

General Hospital Foundation 5th Annual Golf Classic



"Return to the Ice" Golf Tournament Nouvelles du Grenier de Pierrot



Au Grenier de

Pierrot est heureux de

pouvoir offrir encore

cette année le cercle de

lecture où vos enfants

recoivent un goûter

santé, peuvent recevoir

de l'aide avec leurs

devoirs, partagent,

empruntent, lisent des

livres en français et font

une variété d'activités

interactives, après les

classes ainsi que des

cours de danse pour les

jeunes à des coûts

commanditaires

FormationPLUS, la

Fondation Trillium de

l'Ontario et Gilles

Jolivet, de nouveaux

cours se sont offerts l'an

dernier et seront encore

disponibles cette année

comme cours de garde-

d'enfants, seul à la

maison, tricot, crochet,

couture pour les jeunes

ainsi que couture pour

adultes avec Phyllis

Grâce à nos

minimes.

McLeod.

Voici l'horaire des activités commençant la semaine du 16 septembre. Cercle de lecture et devoirs du lundi au jeudi de 15 h 15 à 16 h 15, danse pour les jeunes de 8 à 12 ans les mardis de 16h30 à 17h30, couture pour adultes les mercredis de

19h à 22h pour 10 semaines, danse pour les jeunes de 4 à 7 ans les jeudis de 16 h 30 à 17 h 30. Pour les cours de garded'enfants, seul à la maison, tricot, crochet et couture pour les jeunes les dates et heures seront à déterminer selon le nombre d'inscriptions. Je voudrais remercier M. Michael Manta, André Byham de leur présence lors de la porte ouverte. Merci aussi à tous ceux qui ont pris le temps de venir voir le centre.

Les inscriptions auront lieu le lundi 16 septembre de 18 h à 20 h au 31, rue Birch, 2e étage.

Pour plus d'informations, communiquez avec Sylvie L.Rousseau au 705-864-2666 avant 20h s.v.p.



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> Période d'inscription Du 23 au 26 septembre

Tennis court on Lansdowne St From now to mid-October Tentative schedule: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. and Thursday 7 p.m.



Probe Mines Ltd. sponsors dinner for the **Chapleau General Hospital Foundation 5th** Annual Golf Classic fundraiser. In photo from left to right: David Palmer, President and CEO of Probe Mines Ltd; Gail Bignucolo, Chief Executive Officer, Chapleau Health Services and Mike Petrina, Chief Operating Officer, Probe Mines Ltd.

Session d'information le mercredi 25 septembre à 19 h au 69, rue Birch.

Ce cours sera offert en journée et/ou en soirée selon la demande.



The Chapleau Economic Development Corporation successful in obtaining funds

The Chapleau Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) is pleased to provide an update on the progress of its Investment Readiness projects. With the continued support of the Township, the CEDC has been

successful in obtaining Study and Gaps funding through the Northern Communities Investment Readiness (NCIR) program and the Superior East Community Futures Development Corporation towards the completion of an Asset Inventory, Market

President

Spacek expressed his

Analysis. Together, these three projects will lay the groundwork for the CEDC's efforts to attract investment to the community, and capture the opportunities associated with local mining developments.

information on the mining sequence, please join us on Thursday, September 19th at 6:00pm at the Curling Club in the Chapleau Recreation Centre for the Miningfor-Non-Miners event. The evening will

For more feature a presentation residents understand by Pierre Bousquet, District Geologist with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, followed by a progress update from Probe Mines Ltd. The intent of the Miningfor-Non-Miners program is to help

establish appropriate

programming in order

that Northern Ontario

general patrol August 31,

2013 an officer of the

East Algoma OPP

conducted a traffic stop

on Highway 108 at

approximately 6:30 p.m.

While speaking with the

driver, the officer could

detect an odour of an

investigation, the driver

was arrested and

Through

Charged with

alcoholic beverage.

charged.

the development process, government regulations and anticipated timelines. Special guest speakers from Probe Mines will put this information into the local context and answer questions from participants.

FONOM Board meets with Ministers at AMO

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) met with representatives from seven Provincial Ministries including five Ministers during the recent Association of Municipalities of Ontario held in Ottawa.

Alan Spacek, Mayor of Kapuskasing, and President of (FONOM), said that "FONOM was very appreciative of the new working relationship with the Provincial Government. The Provincial Government is more sensitive to the needs of the North and certainly have been very accessi-

satisfaction with a high level meeting held with Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister Jeffrey, Northern Development and Mines Minister Gravelle, Finance Minister Sousa, Health Minister Matthews. Natural Resources Minister Orazietti, Energy Deputy Minister Imbrogno and PA to Minister of Infrastructure Flynn at the Association of Munici-

ble.".

Ottawa. President Spacek, along with

palities of Ontario

Annual Meeting held in

FONOM Board members met with the Cabinet members for over an hour. Mayor Spacek said the meetings were collaborative and cordial.

Topics discussed at the meeting included the pilot projects at the three provincial parks, a request to increase by \$75 to the Northern Community Grant to help municipalities provide infrastructure and services; Connecting Link and Infrastructure Renewal; transmission capacity and competitive pricing; Non-Emergent and Non-Urgent medical transfers; and

fairness in the application of land tax reform and territories without Municipal organization

"All these topics are of significant importance to Northern Ontario Communities and FONOM considers it vital that there be consultation and commitment by the Province to address "We were pleased with working relationship and that the Provincial Government is working with FONOM. We need to build on the strengths of the North and by building upon those strength together

the following is Albert LAROCQUE (61) of Chapleau. Impaired Operation ,Exceed 80, Breach of Probation voters elected Percy candidates ran on the Hatfield with 66 per issues that mattered to cent of the vote. Hatpeople and they won field, a respected former respect. I want to CBC journalist, and congratulate all these

two-term city councilcandidates for their hard lor, has garnered the work and effort in each confidence and respect of these elections. of residents for decades. What was made clear Both Sattler and during these elections Hatfield are proven

was that Ontarians have leaders who know how sent a clear message to to bring people together the Liberals who lost

we can seek and remain a sustainable contributor to the Province's economic well-being.`

East Algoma OPP Charge Chapleau Man With Impaired And Other Charges

While on (X2)

> The accused remains in custody awaiting a bail hearing in Sault Ste Marie.

> Anyone with information regarding possible impaired drivers is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

> Any information that leads to the arrests or identity of persons responsible can lead to a cash reward. You can remain anonymous and crime stoppers do not subscribe to call display.

> stand the stresses that working families face and have rolled up their sleeves to deliver results that make a difference.

he summer has seemed to fly by; I look forward to spending the last few weeks with my family touring the riding visiting communities and attending many of your events. I look forward to meeting up with many of you and listening to your concerns and ideas. As always, please feel free to contact my office about these issues, or any other provincial matters. You can reach my constituency office by email at mmanthaco@ndp.on.ca or by phone at 705-461-9710/1-800-831-1899.



Last month five by elections were called in electoral districts of



fantastic New Democrat MPPs to Queen's Park to do exactly that. Voters have sent a clear message that they're tired of an arrogant government that ignores their challenges.

In London West, voters chose Peggy Sattler, an

these major issues", said President Spacek. the advent of a new

Etobicoke-Lakeshore, London West, Ottawa South, Windsor-Tecumseh and Scarborough -Guildwood. Many were disappointed that Premier Kathleen Wynne set the voting date for August 1st, the day before the long weekend when people are preoccupied with summer vacations. Liberals thought people

smarter than that. In these by-elections voters had a choice, people were looking for candidates who would deliver results and hold the government accountable - not a politician that would ignore the real challenges they are facing. Ontarians sent a

elections; however, we

knew that voters were

clear signal that they want leadership that delivers results and

experienced school board trustee who has gained the respect and trust of her community for years. Sattler, who regularly balances \$600 million budgets, has delivered real results for her community year after year. Constituents know she will continue to deliver results as the MPP for London West. In Windsor-Tecumseh in a landslide win,

to get the job done. They will deliver results for all Ontarians at Queen's Park. I, alongside my NDP colleagues, want to congratulate them on their wins and look forward to working with them in the upcoming session and working on behalf of all Ontarians.

The NDP ran five strong campaigns with five amazing candidates. These

60% of ridings they won comfortably just two years ago. They are tired of the mismanagement, the lack of respect of taxpayer's dollars, and their partisan politics. Ontarians want and deserve accountability and transparency within their government. They know that New Democrats have listened to Ontarians and under-

Labour Day Reality Check: Federal Employees Take Nearly 3X More Sick Days than the Rest of Us Federal employees take 17.9 sick days per year Non-government employees take 6.7 sick days per year

With Labour Day just around the corner, the Canadian **Taxpayers** Federation (CTF) is encouraging the federal government to crack down on abuse of workplace sick leave by government employees when union contracts expire in 2014 and 2015.

"We have more federal government employees booking off sick on any given day than actually show up for work at General Motors and Chrysler combined," said CTF Federal Director Gregory Thomas. "We're facing an epidemic of sick-leave abuse amongst government employees and it needs to be stopped."

Overall, federal government employees took 17.9 days of sick leave, according to the most recent Treasury Board survey. In comparison, the most recent report from Statistics Canada shows employees working outside of government took only 6.7 sick days in 2012.

Government employees at the Department of National Defence booked off sick 18.6 days in the 2011-12 fiscal year – more than three and half weeks, in additional to paid vacations which range from three to six weeks. Veterans Affairs employees booked off 24.2 sick days, averaging more than a month of sick time. "The behaviour of Veterans Affairs employees is unbelievable," said Thomas. We're not talking about war veterans here, we're talking about desk jockey's in Ottawa. Rather than honouring their employment obligations and assisting

fought for our country, they pad their generous vacation time by taking more than a month of sick leave." The behaviour

employees compares poorly with employees at the Department of Foreign Affairs, where staff took an average of 11.5 days of sick leave,

the heroes who have of Veterans Affairs the Department of Justice, where staff took an average of 13 days of sick leave, and Environment Canada, where the average number of sick days was 12.6.

encouraged by the federal government's recent indications to put an end to this taxpayerabuse when union contracts expire in 2014

"We are and 2015," Thomas added. "Too many government employees have forgotten the meaning of an honest day's work for an honest day's pay."





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Ontario Weather Review: August 2013

By Geoff Coulson

Temperatures for the month of August were normal. Despite a cold start, the warm finish caused the mean temperatures for the month to be in the normal range. Northern locations showed the greatest variations from normal values, being slightly warmer than normal, with variations of about one degree Celsius above the 1971-2000 normal mean temperature values for August.

R a i n f a l l a mounts varied throughout the province. Northern locations experienced wetter-than-normal conditions. A number of locations received 1.5 to almost double the rainfall amounts normally expected this month. Exceptions are

for the vicinity of Big Trout Lake, Kenora, Fort Frances and Thunder Bay that received normal to drier-than-normal conditions. If those locations were in Southern Ontario, the precipitation discrepancies would go unnoticed as most of Southern Ontario was drier than normal. Thunder Bay received half of the precipitation normally expected in August, while locations such as Muskoka and London received less than half of their normal monthly rainfall. Severe Weather

The August severe weather section starts off with the confirmation of a tornado from back in July. Strong storms moved through areas





"Who pulled up all my poison ivy plants?"

The Chapleau Best Start Hub will be closed to the public every

Unusual precipitation readings (in mm), ranked by variation from normal:

Location	Precipitation	Normal	Difference	Driest since
Muskoka	40.5	87.3	-46.8	2006
London	40.7	85.3	-44.6	2010
Thunder Bay	45.2	87.5	-42.3	2011
Sarnia	41.6	77.1	-35.5	2003
Kitchener/Waterloo	52.4	86.3	-33.9	2010
Location	Precipitation	Normal	Difference	Wettest since
Timmins	154.3	82.0	72.3	1992
Chapleau	140.8	76.2	64.6	1988
Wawa	157.2	99.5	57.7	1988
Sioux Lookout	140.1	88.5	51.6	2009
Earlton	129.6	80.9	48.7	1988
Kapuskasing	124.8	80.3	44.5	2004
Moosonee	113.9	75.8	38.1	1987
Peterborough	118.2	83.2	35.0	2008

to the north of Lake Huron during the evening hours of July 18. One of these storms produced damage to trees and minor damage to buildings in an area just north of Massey, which is approximately 85 kilometres southwest of Greater Sudbury. The path of damage was roughly 250 metres wide and 700 metres long. An Environment Canada employee was able to view the damage track in August and confirmed the event as an Enhanced Fujita Scale One (EF1) tornado, with peak winds between 135 and 175 kilometers per hour. The Enhanced Fujita Scale ranges from zero (weakest) to five (strongest). This incident brought the tornado count in Ontario up to 11 as

August began.

With respect to August weather, six more tornadoes were added to the Ontario tally this month. Fortunately, none of these tornadoes produced significant damage. The Ontario tornado count at the end of August stands at 17. It is important to note that the vast majority of these tornadoes have been weak and short-lived. Ontario normally verifies 12 tornadoes each year in a season that runs from late April until early October. While the number of events so far this year is greater than the long-term average, the popularity of smartphones and social media has played an important role this season in the identification of a number of these tornadoes.

On August 1, a witness reported a brief tornado near Carleton Place, which is approximately 50 kilometres southwest of Ottawa. Since no appreciable damage occurred, it was classified as a low-end EF0 tornado, with maximum wind speeds at the ground up to 110 kilometres per hour. A line of severe thunderstorms developed in the late afternoon hours of August 7 in portions of south central and eastern Ontario, causing five

tornadoes. A combination of eyewitness accounts and photographic evidence were instrumental in confirming that an EF0 tornado occurred in Orillia and another EF0 tornado occurred over Head Lake in the Northern Kawartha Lakes area, some 40 kilometres east of Orillia. Fortunately, neither of these events produced significant damage. After viewing photographic evidence and listening to eyewitness accounts, Environment Canada storm investigators travelled to Carnarvon (north of Minden) and to the area between Arthur and Grand Valley (to the north of Kitchener) to investigate two other possible tornadoes. Both events were also confirmed as EF0 tornadoes by the storm investigators and again, fortunately, only minor damage was noted. A few weeks after the event occurred, Environment Canada was

kilometres south of Barry's Bay) and local flooding in Lindsay.

On the morning of August 21, thunderstorms with strong winds caused damage to a number of trees in MacLeod Provincial Park near Geraldton. Trees fell onto a camper trailer, causing minor damage. Three days later, on August 24, thunderstorms rolled through portions of northwestern Ontario. Strong winds from some of these thunderstorms caused numerous downed trees in Arbor Vitae, 15 kilometres southeast of Lake of the Woods.

A continuous series of thunderstorms rolled through northeastern and eastern Ontario on August 25 and 26. Over this two-day period, total rainfall amounts of 60.4 mm were recorded in Wiarton, more than 60 mm in Tobermory, 59.0 mm in Gore Bay and 55.5 mm in Parry

Friday morning starting Friday October 4th 2013. The closure allows staff to offer a school readiness program from the main site.



provided with aerial photographs of tree damage that had occurred on August 7 roughly 5 kilometres to the northwest of Haliburton. The relatively long and narrow path of tree damage led this event to being classified as an EF1 tornado. The thunderstorms on this day also caused tree damage in Boulter (approximately 35

Sound.

On August 29 and 30, a low pressure system travelled from Minnesota through northern Lake Superior, resulting in widespread showers a cross northern O n t a rio. W a w a recorded 60.8 mm of total rainfall during the two days while Dryden recorded 43.0 mm and Chapleau had 32.6 mm.

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Societe Alzheimer Society meetings will be held at the Chapleau Hospital every 1st Monday of each month starting from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Offers help to anyone who desires to stop drinking. Open discussion meeting on Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Trinity United Church basement. Telephone contacts: 864-2786

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (A.A). Open discussion meeting every Monday evening. Brunswick House First Nation Band office lounge 7pm. Narcotics Anonymous(N.A) every Tuesday same place same time. NNADAP Worker @ 864-0174 info.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Offers help to anyone who has the desire to stop using drugs/alcohol. Open discussion meeting on Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Pentecostal Church. Call 705-860-9769 for support.

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