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Police continue to hold the scene at a McMillan Street address where the body of a deceased male was found. (Photo by Ian Kaufman)



UNDER INVESTIGATION: Police continue to hold the scene at a McMillan Street home where the body of a deceased man was found last Friday.

McMillan homicide

Police were first called to the residence on McMillan Street last Friday for reports of an alleged weapon incident

THUNDER BAY
By TB Source Staff

Police are investigating the city's latest homicide after a deceased male was found inside an Intercity area residence.

Officers with the Primary Response Unit of the Thunder Bay Police were first dispatched to a residence on the 800 block of McMillan Street at approximately 2:20 p.m. Friday.

The initial call was related to a weapons incident at the address and when police arrived the body of a deceased male was found.

The Major Crimes and Forensic Identification Unit launched an investigation and the scene on McMillan Street was held by

police.

On Saturday, the Thunder Bay Police Service issued a media release confirming the incident is now being investigated as a homicide.

The scene is still being held by police and a post-mortem examination on the victim is pending.

This is the city's ninth homicide in 2022.

The public is being asked to avoid the area while police continue to conduct the investigation.

Anyone with information that could assist investigators is urged to call police at 684-1200. Tips can be submitted anonymously through Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or online at www.p3tips.com.

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EMS consolidation approved

THUNDER BAY
By TB Source Staff

Thunder Bay's city council has approved controversial changes to ambulance service provided by Superior North EMS in North Shore and Greenstone communities.

That includes consolidating ambulance bases in Nipigon and Red Rock into one, a similar consolidation for bases in Schreiber and Terrace Bay, and the closure of a base in Beardmore, redeploying its ambulance to Longlac.

The possibility has prompted vocal and near-unanimous opposition from municipalities and First

Nations in those areas, with leaders raising concerns over response times and a consultation process they say didn't allow for real input from those impacted.

With the City of Thunder Bay legislated to oversee Superior North EMS and its delivery of services across the district, however, the decision was left in the hands of city council last Monday – prompting several district leaders to call for a change in oversight of the service.

Councillors voted unanimously in favour of the recommendations for consolidation and redeployment, which were included in a 10-year "master plan" received by council last year.

The changes are intended to



GROWING CONCERNS: city council has approved a plan to consolidate four North Shore ambulance bases into two.

distribute resources more effectively across the district as the paramedic service faces quickly

rising call volumes, severe staffing challenges and other pressures on the system, and millions in costs to

replace aging bases.

Several representatives of district communities attended Monday's meeting. After council's vote, Terrace Bay Mayor Jody Davis expressed disappointment, saying the decision sets up his community and Schreiber to compete over the location of a single ambulance base.

Beardmore will retain a paramedic and a non-ambulance vehicle under the plan, which will operate on a new "community paramedicine" model, offering house calls and able to respond in case of emergencies.

However, it will leave the nearest ambulance base close to a one-hour drive away, in Geraldton or Nipigon.

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REZONING APPROVED: Developer Robert Zanette answered questions about a proposed hotel and office development at city council on Monday.

Golf Links rezoning

Rezoning allows for hotel, offices on Golf Links Road

THUNDER BAY
By TB Source Staff

A developer has secured zoning permissions for a hotel and office development off of Golf Links Road, a location that was originally intended to host a privately run soccer bubble.

Council approved an application submitted in March by Reliable Northern Developments for zoning amendments for the land, located near the southwest corner of Oliver and Golf Links roads, at a meeting on Monday.

A group of investors led by developer Robert Zanette had originally hoped to build a soccer bubble at the location along with a hotel, and gained approval from council to do so in 2019.

A representative for applicant Reliable Northern Developments declined to comment on development plans for this story, though Zanette provided some details on the project in response to questions from Coun. Aldo Ruberto on Monday.

The proposal is for a hotel including 150 units, with a roughly \$25 million gross cost, Zanette said, estimating construction on the project will take about one year.

The property of about 11,500 square metres will likely have road access only from Burwell Road, as it's separated by a hydro right of way from Golf Links Road.

On Monday, council approved an application to remove a holding

symbol placed on the lands, which are zoned IN6 – Prestige Industrial, add office and hotel as permitted uses, and increase the maximum height for a hotel to 21 metres.

The maximum height for the property is 17 metres under the city's 2010 zoning bylaw, which remains in force, and will be 15 metres under its new zoning bylaw, which won't go into effect until several appeals are resolved.

"We're amending the 2010 bylaw because there is no certainty as to when the appeals to the new bylaw will be heard," senior planner Decio Lopes told council, an approach favoured by the applicant to avoid delays.

The holding symbol was placed on the property until city services were available on site, which is now the case.

The city's planning services division recommended approval of the application, noting the addition of the office and hotel uses is consistent with the Official Plan's intent for the lands, and found no concerns over the height change.

"The increase in height is considered negligible given the wide hydro transmission corridor that separates the property from Golf Links Road," staff wrote in a report.

The city plans to impose site plan control conditions including requirements to submit plans for lot grading and drainage, stormwater management, site servicing, erosion and sediment control, and sanitary sewer and water connections.

Council unanimously approved the rezoning application Monday.

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EDITORIAL

National disgrace

Hockey has always been considered Canada's national pastime, with images of kids playing on frozen ponds to elite athletes vying for world championships coming to mind.

Recently Hockey Canada executives revealed during testimony before a House of Commons committee that since 1989, the organization has paid \$8.9 million for sexual abuse settlements to 21 complainants. In light of these revelations, major sponsors have cut ties with Hockey Canada and the federal government has frozen its funding.

The question arises as to why this culture has been able to persist among players and others for so long and why no steps have been taken to address it. It's not enough to just throw money at it in the hopes that it won't happen again. Change can only come by addressing and educating those responsible.

And that must start with Hockey Canada executives, coaches, parents, and the players themselves. They owe it to the kid skating across the frozen pond but even more so, they owe it to the sexual assault survivors, those who came forward, and others who likely haven't.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Middleton's Holiday a multi-layered story

Holiday by Stanley Middleton was a winner of the Booker Prize for Fiction. A married man returns alone to the seaside town where he used to holiday as a child.

A multi-layered story of marriage, death, seduction and separation unfolds. Holiday is about lives in crisis which many consider to be the author's finest.

Although his name may not be well known, Middleton was as good as any novelist writing at that time. He has a gift for describing the most ordinary scenes as if he has just been looking at them for the first time.

He also draws us into the story, releasing pieces of information

like a jigsaw puzzle that does not come together until the end of the novel. He keeps us guessing and gets us onside of the protagonist who we want to succeed.

We know from the start that Fisher's relationship with his wife, Meg, is in trouble, but we don't know why. They have a blazing row and Fisher packs his bag and leaves. He stays with a friend while he tries to work out what to do. He decides to holiday.

The place that Fisher goes to is

by the sea. It is a typical British seaside resort, the kind that was very popular with working class people until cheap foreign travel opened up the doors to Spain, Greece and Ibiza.

The British seaside town then went down on its luck and this is what Fisher describes as he checks into his rather seedy seaside hotel. It's the kind of place where none of the bedroom furniture and the building smells of boiled cabbage. I know them well.

Fisher recalls his childhood

holidays here with his father - the annual one week holiday that the working classes enjoyed from their monotonous manual labor. His father was a hail-fellow-well-met kind of character who always had something witty to say to his fellow guests.

The day would be spent on the beach, sheltering from the wind behind garish wind-breakers, and venturing into the icy sea. This would be followed by dinner at the hotel and an evening in the pub. Friendships would be struck up between the hotel guests. Some of these led to romance or sex.

This is the world that Fisher takes us into as he makes friends with

two working class couples. The men just want to get drunk and don't keep an eye on their wives who both have designs on Fisher. He is trying to stay faithful to his wife but Sandra and Lena have other ideas.

Fisher casts his mind back to the past and his relationship with his father, while focusing on the present of Sandra and Lena, and thinking whether he has a future with Meg.

He also has his in-laws to contend with who conveniently turn up at the same resort and 'accidentally' bump into him at the bar. It soon becomes clear that they are on a mission to save Meg's marriage.



John Pateman
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Soccer community left in the cold

Letter to the editor:

Thunder Bay's 8,000 soccer players should have been looking forward to playing in an indoor turf facility at Fort William Stadium this winter built and operated by a private company.

The proposal from Colab Sport Management was one of the Expressions of Interest submitted to the city months ago for its consideration as an alternative to a city-owned facility.

However, instead of playing under a seasonal bubble that would go up every fall and comes down in the spring over the artificial turf there, the soccer community is out in the cold for yet another year.

There are two reasons for this major whiff by city hall: first, the majority of city councillors are too wedded to the idea of a city-owned facility; second, councillors were aided and abetted by the empire-builders in city administration who deliberately gummed up the EOI process with bizarre bits of bureaucratism that has damaged the city's reputation for fair dealing with the

private sector.

And here's the kicker: Colab, the private southern Ontario firm, was going to pay for the bubble and to take it up and down each year.

However, instead of having negotiated a contract with Colab by now to get the bubble up and running this autumn, councillors have pushed the matter over to the next council.

It didn't have to be this way.

A council that was truly acting as an honest broker would have made the Expressions of Interest public months ago and begun the debate on their merits. Instead, the public only discovered the details of the private sector proposals on Monday night as council is about to enter its lame duck period.

You may remember councillors, at the urging of city staff, 'paused' the Expressions of Interest process to wait to hear if the city would get \$22 million in federal funding. This was wrong and unfair to the companies who spent time and money putting their proposals together.

And we did not need City

Manager Norm Gale at the last minute pull out from beneath his suspenders a requirement that the winning Expression of Interest would have to undergo a further Request for Proposals.

This is certainly not what happened when the city asked for Expressions of Interest when the city sold the Municipal Golf Course.

After city council chose a proposal by Bruno's Contracting to build a resort on the property, council told city hall staff to simply negotiate a contract of purchase and sale.

In the case of the Indoor Turf Facility, Expressions of Interest was the route chosen to seek the greatest diversity of proposals. Once you choose an idea put together by a proponent, you do not then go out and undermine his proposal by asking for others to provide competitive bids for the proponent's proposal.

If that is what the city planned, then all the financial elements should have been put out in the open so potential competitors

could make informed opinions and bid lower. That's the logic of the city's position. But that didn't happen. City staff revealed the financial elements only to city council behind closed doors.

The "tell" that this Gale's RFP wrinkle was hinkey was given away by Kelly Robertson, the general manager of Community Services. She called the financial details of the Expressions of Interest "proprietary" and wouldn't be made public. That suggests the EOI's were more than mere 'concepts' as city manager Gale tried to characterize them, but were substantial proposals from which a contract could be concluded through negotiations.

The Indoor Turf Facility is a perfect example of how the city is making up the rules as it goes along, leaving the private sector scratching its collective head wondering how it can ever get a fair deal from the city.

Suggesting one deal was a simple land sale and the other a more complex proposal for the use of city land doesn't cut it. Both had complexities that were not

answered in the Expression of Interest and did and would have required further negotiations. (We know in the case of Municipal Golf Course that there was no requirement in the final contract that the golf resort actually be built, an incredible oversight that suggests total incompetence on the part of someone or something more sinister. There's still no golf resort on the now overgrown property.)

Finally, what is also disappointing is that only councillor Peng You recognized the unfairness of treating the private sector proposals so shabbily by not making them public a long time ago. Meanwhile the rest of council stayed stuck to the lobbying of the soccer community who wants the city to subsidize its activities with a municipally-owned facility.

Let's hope voters ask candidates in this fall's election where they stand: practical solutions or unaffordable fantasies.

Shane Judge,
Thunder Bay

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CLE is going ahead

The CLE fair will go ahead despite TSSA safety inspector strike

THUNDER BAY
By TB Source Staff

With OPSEU, the union representing TSSA inspectors, having made the decision to commence a strike starting July 21, many in Thunder Bay were concerned with how this would affect the annual CLE.

Jim Mills, owner of Select Shows, says that his rides are already up to TSSA standards so the strike shouldn't affect his company from bringing its rides to Thunder Bay.

"We have our annual inspection that has been done prior to us coming to Thunder Bay in recent weeks, and everything came out clean bill of health for those rides and everything," he said. "And we've been assured by TSSA that if required, there will be stand-in inspectors in Thunder Bay if required."

Stephanie Coyne, EDAD inspector with TSSA who is taking part in the strike, says that one of her main concerns is that there won't be operation inspections after the rides are broken down, transported, and rebuilt at new locations like the CLE grounds.

"My second concern is when we did that periodic some time ago, chances are there could have been a series of orders, or deficiencies we call them. Who's following up on these deficiencies? Who's making sure that what we put on that report has been completed before public use," she said.

"There's nobody, the amusement ride operators, they could have a fleet of 20 devices, but we only inspected, say, half of them, 10 devices, who's going around



STILL ON: TSSA inspectors began strike action on July 21.

and doing audits to make sure that only the 10 of those devices are being used, right? Operators know we're not out there doing audits and inspections."

Alexandra Campbell, spokesperson for the TSSA, says that operational inspections are for spot checks and not required to ensure the safety of rides.

"Good organizations that have TSSA permits, that have qualified staff that do daily safety checks, have their annual TSSA inspection. So operational inspections are just spot checks that don't happen at any set frequency or set locations," she said.

"So, I think what you're hearing is them suggesting something that is not

standard and, unfortunately, maybe trying to bring some attention to the strike."

Both OPSEU and the TSSA claim that the other party was unwilling to negotiate and blame each other for the strike.

At this time the CLE will go ahead as planned but OPSEU says that they will be picketing the fair and invite people to learn more about the strike.

Campbell says that those who are concerned about the safety of rides can ask the ride operators about their inspections and certificates or call the TSSA if they are concerned about any ride in particular.



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HELPING OTHERS: The United Way of Thunder Bay recently released its 2021 Impact Report.

Local impact

United Way reports over 50,000 local lives impacted

THUNDER BAY

By Justin Hardy - TB Source

The United Way of Thunder Bay has released its 2021 Impact Report, announcing that 51,264 local lives were positively impacted in Thunder Bay and region from Kenora to Terrace Bay last year according to the report.

“We’re so thrilled to be able to release our impact report that covers all of 2021. Every year the United Way reaches out to the community, we invite businesses, individuals, families, organizations, community groups to get involved and show their local love for the community by donating, by volunteering,” said Albert Brulé, CEO.

“And then at the end of the year, we’re able to compile all of that information and talk about the partnerships that have been developed, the programs and services that have been supported, and when we actually counted the numbers there were over 51,000 people whose lives were positively impacted by your donations, the volunteer efforts of our supporters.”

Due to the support of its donors, the United Way of Thunder Bay says it was able to invest in 40 community initiatives that align with its three Community Impact Goals: People’s Basic Needs Are Met, A Connected and Inclusive Community, and A Community Where All Youth Graduate.

These initiatives funded several local programs across the Northwestern Ontario region including Thunder Bay Counselling Centre, 211 North, Regional Food Distribution Association of Northwestern Ontario, Northwestern Ontario Women’s Centre, Thunder Bay and Area Victim Services, NorthWind Family Ministries, and Elevate Northwestern Ontario.

“In keeping with our commitment to ensure that donations stay 100 per cent local – always – the United Way of Thunder Bay is proud to reinvest in community programs and services that serve those most in need across our catchment area. The hope is that we can foster an environment where neighbours help their neighbours,” said Brulé.

“The United Way of Thunder Bay serves communities across the Northwestern Ontario region, including Kenora, Dryden, Balmertown, Pikangikum, Keewatin, Heron Bay, Wabigoon, Pic River First Nation, Rainy River, Fort Frances, Stratton, Barwick, Emo, Devlin, Atikokan, Sioux Lookout, Pickle Lake, Marathon, Schreiber, Manitouwadge, and Terrace Bay.”

The United Way of Thunder Bay also works alongside community partners to fund events that support the community, including Show Your Local Love Day, Novemburger, Catch the Ace, and Run the North.

Through these events, upwards of \$165,000 was raised and invested back into the community to support local programming.

“We’re delighted that The United Way of Thunder Bay has impacted so many lives in the region, and it’s all thanks to the support of our donors. Their commitment to making a difference in the community allows us to provide funding for programming that improves the lives of local individuals,” said Jodie Wilson, director of philanthropy and community engagement.

“We look forward to the year ahead where we will continue to focus our efforts on the incredible programs available in the region for those in need.”

To see the United Way of Thunder Bay’s 2021 Impact Report, visit their website.

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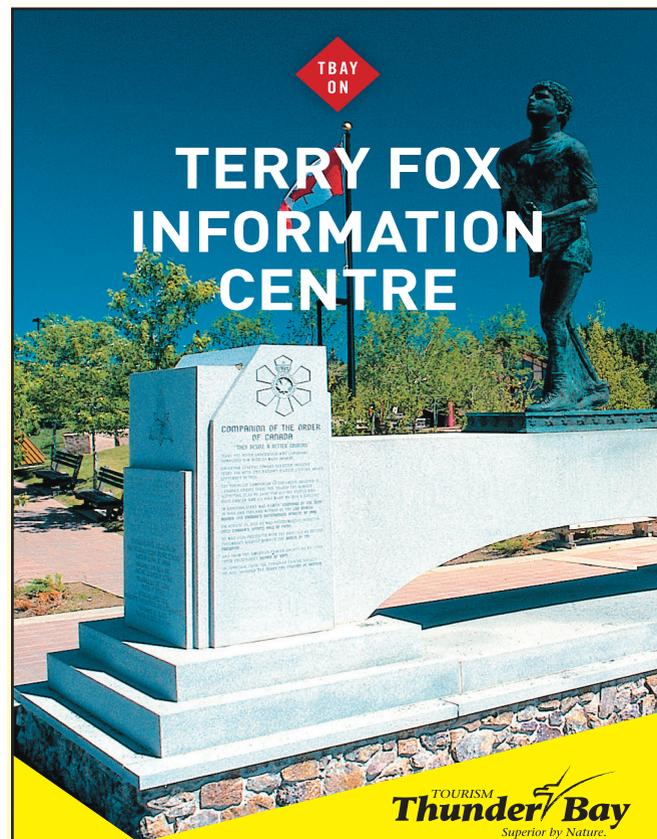
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Gizmo's wild adventure

Gizmo the cat survived a crash and nearly a month on his own

WHITE RIVER
By Gary Rinne - TB Source

A city man who rescues cats went to exceptional lengths to find an animal that went missing in White River while en route to southern Ontario for adoption.

One-year-old Gizmo is now safely back in Thunder Bay after being on the loose for several weeks, nearly 400 kilometres away.

Terry Hostland drove to White River twice, and spent fruitless days searching, before some tuna and sardines finally attracted it into a trap behind a gas station on Highway 17 last Sunday night.

Hostland runs the Save A Stray Cat Facebook group.

He knew Gizmo's history, and had become familiar with the cat while it stayed at his home for about a month.

It initially had been rescued from a cat colony in Thunder Bay.

A new home was found for it, but the owner suffered a stroke, and Gizmo was taken in by another rescue group.

On June 29, the vehicle that was transporting him and other animals to southern Ontario collided with a moose near White River, destroying the van and resulting in the death of a puppy.

Gizmo and the other animals survived, but he escaped his



SAVE A STRAY CAT

BACK HOME: After weeks on the loose in White River, Gizmo was caught in a trap where Terry Hostland of Thunder Bay placed some fish.

cage when it broke in the collision.

Hostland became extremely concerned when he heard what happened.

"I couldn't just leave him out there to fend for himself. He's not a street cat, he's domesticated...He wouldn't have survived out there," he said.

"We went down there right after the accident. At that point he was hiding so good there were no sightings. So we put posters all over the town, we talked to everyone and put it on a local website."

Hostland feels the whole town was keeping an eye out for Gizmo.

Finally, there was a sighting last week.

That prompted Hostland to drive back to White River and set some traps.

"I just put a whole bunch of different smelly stuff in there," he said, resulting in Gizmo taking the bait in one of the traps.

Hostland estimates his out-of-pocket expenses as \$2,000, but says he's grateful for local supporters of his cat rescue for pitching in.

Gizmo's adventure has changed plans to re-home him.

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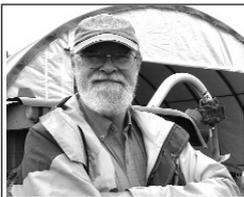
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Mowing the lawn this summer

The grass needed cutting. The opportunity to mow the lawns came Sunday morning. But it briefly poured early on so when the clouds moved on and the sun came out, everything was glistening with diamonds - water drops reflecting the light. I had to wait.

Eventually around 10:30, I noted that the grass was sufficiently dry for me to climb aboard the riding lawn mower and get to work. I grabbed a drink to slake any thirst that arose while doing the deed. I also filled the machine with gas and made sure no hoses or extension cords were in the path of the lawn mower. This is all standard



Fred Jones
RURAL ROOTS

procedure as in the past I have been known (unfortunately) to possess a Swiss Cheese memory and forget about clearing the way for grass cutting especially if the extension cord is now hidden in lengthy grass.

Not this time.

In summers past as I have written in this space, lawn mowing has been at times slowed down to a halt and all because of honey bees flitting from pollen producing plants like dandelions. I try to keep a vigilant eye out for them and when I see a couple buzzing from dandelion flower to dandelion flower, I stop and wait. I have had times when I sat for several minutes before the bees decided that

they had collected enough pollen.

Why do I engage in lawn mowing interruptus? I have read that bees are the most important animal on the planet. Not only do they produce delicious honey but they are major pollinators without which a lot of plants would not grow. So, off I went mowing away and keeping an eye out for "them pollinators".

At first, I saw no bees. I wondered why not. Was it because this summer there are no dandelions popping up through the grass? And for that matter, why aren't there any dandelions?

"Something weird is going on," I muttered. But what there is that is yellow in abundance covering the lawns this summer is Trefoil. Sure, the flowers are yellow. Also, there is

a fair amount of clover accompanying the Trefoil. The Trefoil is new in my experience at least growing on our lawns. The plant is prolific along the road sides but this is a first for Casa Jones. And I don't recall such a profusion of clover growing admittedly in patches, on the greensward.

I mowed a great deal of grass beside and in front of the barn, along the sides of the driveway, and eventually around Casa Jones. It was then that I spied the honey bees. Not a lot but enough (usually two or three) intent upon their quest for pollen from both Trefoil and clover flowers. Now mowing the lawn slowed down sometimes, as I mentioned, coming to a halt. The bees would flit twixt pollen-giving plants and when they had moved out of the way, I would

continue to mow.

Part of me was succumbing to guilt: should I leave the Trefoil and clover for the bees? But then the grass that is already getting a bit out of hand, will be even harder to cut; and besides, long grass harbours biting insects (note that I did not write "stinging". The bees don't bother me).

Besides the septic field is covered in Trefoil. Plenty of flowers there for pollinators since I don't mow that section. I like to gaze out our living room window and see the carpet of yellow flowers mixed in with daisies.

Nutz. I went ahead and finished mowing the lawns, watchful for bees, stopping to allow them to complete their gathering of pollen, and when they moved on, so did I.

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Tricks for catching summer walleye

By August, many walleye anglers find that fishing has become increasingly difficult. Even the “hot spots” where we caught fish through July can be unproductive as the water in most lakes reaches its peak temperature in late summer. Luckily, there are a few ways anglers can increase their odds of striking gold this month.



Keith Ailey
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Picking the right day can be an extremely important factor during a summer heatwave. If you are on summer vacation and have the luxury of choosing your fishing days, look for a forecast that includes plenty of cloud cover. If your potential fishing day features some wind along with those overcast skies, all the better. Even a moderate breeze will add a little “walleye chop” to the surface of the lake, and that will diffuse light penetration and keep the fish feeding throughout the day. On really windy days, fishing the wind-blown shoreline

can be a great place to start looking for feeding walleye.

As cloud cover dissipates and winds die down, anglers will do well to locate some cover like a weed bed. Right now, when lake vegetation is peaking, it pays to spend time around weeds which will hold schools of baitfish and shelter walleye from the intense light of the sun. The importance of fishing cover is amplified in clear water lakes as more light will penetrate the water and force the walleye to seek cover.

With the warm water temperatures of August, searching the depths can also put us on the fish. Summer walleye like to seek shelter in deep water located off points, reefs, and weed lines. It seems that fish in deeper water can often be aggressive throughout the day, so if you’re limited to fishing while the sun is up, try staying out deep. During low-light conditions in the morning and



GREAT CATCH: Summer offers some great opportunities to reel in walleye in the Northwest.

evening, fish tend to move up into shallower water, allowing us to

move into more traditional areas as light conditions change.

Trolling with Rapalas or spinner rigs tipped with minnows are popular ways to locate active fish, but walleye will often be lethargic and unwilling to give chase under the hot summer sun. If trolling is not working, try slowing down or even killing the motor in favour of vertical jigging or slowly drifting with a subtle live bait rig to coax reluctant fish.

If all else fails, it might be time to try the night bite. Big walleye typically move up to shallower flats, sand bars or rocky/weedy points to feast on baitfish at night. This might be anecdotal, but I have had my best night fishing under a full moon. If you are targeting a trophy walleye this summer, fishing at night might be the most effective way to catch a big one.

Getting out in the boat on a warm August day is certainly pleasant compared to all those cold and wet days we endure in the spring and fall. Trying a couple of the tricks listed above can help make sure the walleye make an appearance during your day on the water.

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Derek Lankinen

Here's Cooking at You Kid

will return, larger, angrier, and more boisterous than before.

I am of course talking about rhubarb. Quite possibly the most divisive of all fruits (I'll get to you later tomatoes). It has a longer season than most fruit in northwestern Ontario and is quite adept to our climate. There becomes the problem of what to do with it

once its here. There's only so many strawberry rhubarb pies one human can eat.

The stalks are obviously what you're wanting to go for here. The thick hard stalks are relatives of the



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DIVISIVE FRUIT? Rhubarb is often paired with strawberries in pie.

buckwheat plant, while the leaves are high in oxalic acid which is known to cause renal failure in humans, so let's avoid those shall we? A couple weeks ago we talked

about Lamb. Rhubarb with its extreme tartness is a natural complement to any game meats. Lamb, bison, and venison all can benefit from the flavour of rhubarb. Rhubarb can easily be chopped and cooked into relishes and chutneys as a compliment to sharp or ammoniated cheeses. The tartness helps to cut and compliment more of those intense flavours you may find in a brie or gorgonzola cheese. Chicken and Brie Grilled Cheese with a Rhubarb Chutney? GTFOH.

Rhubarb itself doesn't carry a lot of sugar so to offset it, you need to either add sweetness or work towards using a sugary compatible vegetable. In a savoury dish, onions are the obvious choice to add some sugars. Spices that can add dimen-

sion to a rhubarb dish include allspice, cinnamon, and cloves. Your standard basic "pumpkin spice" spices. A way to utilize rhubarb without making it the star is to add it to a barbecue sauce. The natural tartness coupled with the sweetness and acids is great for game meats or white meats.

There are many local purveyors of rhubarb in northwestern Ontario, too many to mention here in fact. To find a local supplier, check out www.tbayinseason.ca

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City's famous 'Persian' featured in new novel

Nancy Mauro has fictionalized the story of the Persian in her novel *The Sugar Thief* set in Thunder Bay

BOOKS

By Gary Rinne - TB Source

If Nancy Mauro knows the recipe for the Persian, the famous sweet bun slathered with tasty pink icing, she's not prepared to admit it.

The pastry created by local baker Art Bennett is at the centre of the author's new novel, *The Sugar Thief*.

"I might know that recipe, but I won't talk about it," says Mauro.

For the book, the Thunder Bay-born writer changed the recipe to protect family and trade secrets.

"There is a chapter where one of the characters is creating the Persian. That I invented myself, so all secrets are safe," she told TBnewswatch in an interview.

Mauro grew up in the city but moved away to attend university and currently lives in New York.

Her family is still in Thunder Bay, so she visits on a regular basis.

The Sugar Thief was released this month by Penguin Random House Canada.

The publisher describes it as "A deliciously comedic family melodrama about an imploding social media star, a small-town Italian bakery, the treachery of fame, and the pink-frosted pastry at the heart of it all."

Mauro's parents and other family members purchased Bennett's Bakery and inherited the Persian in the 1960s.

"I was a little too young to remember much about the bakery, but I had always heard



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SWEET FICTION: *The Sugar Thief* is the fictionalized story about the Persian and an Italian-Canadian family in Thunder Bay.

stories of where it came from, and how it got its name and so on. That led to some research,

then I turned the story into a work of fiction," she said.

The Sugar Thief is about a social media influencer and YouTube pastry chef who returns to her hometown of Thunder Bay.

As Mauro describes the story, in unravelling the secret of the Persian the main character also ends up unravelling her family's history and the true reason a decision was made to move from Italy to Northwestern Ontario.

There are numerous local references in the novel.

Mauro is getting lots of positive feedback from people who've already picked it up.

"Everyone's been sending me pictures of their 'morning read.' They've got the book open beside a Persian on a plate, and

a steaming cup of coffee. That's pretty much the best response anyone can hope for," she said. "It's kind of a fun summer read that's for sure."

Mauro said she hopes local readers get particular enjoyment out of seeing their city as the setting for a novel, but noted "It's also a story about family....about leaving family and about coming back to family. So in that way it's definitely identifiable."

She'll be in Thunder Bay on Aug. 25 to do a reading at Indigo.

The Italian rights to *The Sugar Thief* have been sold to a publisher based in Italy, where it is expected to be released in the near future.

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By John Voss - For TB Source

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Estate Auction LIVE ON LOCATION SATURDAY AUGUST 6th 10:06 am at 216 poplar avenue. Preview one hour prior. Complete household contents and garage. Usual auction terms, cash or cheque only. Info call Alex 627-4533 or www.aszczomakauktion.ca

50. PERSONAL
Single male 58, would like to meet new friends for fun and good times. Call 357-9686.

53. GENERAL SERVICES
#1 dump runs, trash/yard clean up: inside/outside. Tear down/remove sheds, decks, fences. Also repair sheds, fences, decks. Cut/remove small trees, trim hedges, lawn cutting + general odd jobs/services. Call Frank 628-5919

TREE REMOVAL SERVICES. In town/rural, ++experience, Man-lift, insured, and seniors' discounts! Very reasonable rates, free estimates. Call Jacques (Jack) 345-4363

53. GENERAL SERVICES

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Sunshine Lawn Maintenance - yard, garden, odd jobs including eave-strough cleaning, window-washing, experienced, great seniors' rates, references. Call Mark 631-6967.

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51. LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the Estate of **WILLIAM "BILL" SMALL**

All Persons having claims against the Estate of **WILLIAM "BILL" SMALL** late of Shuniah, ON, deceased, who died on or about April 17, 2022, are hereby notified to send particulars of the same to the undersigned on or before August 25, 2022, after which date the estate will be distributed, with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice and the undersigned will not then be liable to any person of whose claims they shall not then have notice.

Dated at Thunder Bay, Ontario on the 21st day of July, 2022.

CHRISTOPHER LENT, ESTATE TRUSTEE
c/o ERICKSONS LLP
ATTN: RYAN VENN
Barristers and Solicitors
291 South Court Street
Thunder Bay, ON P7B 2Y1



68. DEATH/FUNERAL



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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "We are born brave, trusting and greedy, and most of us remain greedy."
— Author Unknown

50. PERSONAL

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IT IS HOT OUT THERE FOLKS. THIS SUMMER CONTINUES TO BREAK RECORDS WITH INFLATION, FUEL, GROCERIES AND ALL OTHER COSTS OF GOODS IN GENERAL.

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