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THE TEMAGAMI COMMUNITY FOUNDATION... BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY

HIS HONOUR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JAMES BARTLEMAN VISITS TEMAGAMI & BEAR ISLAND

The day was a classic Temagami day, blue sky, clear blue water, some wind and warm, quite unlike the day of the official Launch of the Temagami Community Foundation, when weather prevented Mr. Bartleman's visit. Even the mosquitoes made it easy and stayed away. The community of Bear Island hosted a lunch in his honour, and the Temagami Community Foundation's Board of Directors were invited to participate. Mr. Bartleman began his visit to Temagami with a gathering at the Train Station and then on to Bear Island, where, after lunch, he participated in a tour of the school, the daycare centre and the health centre.

A large number of community members came out for the lunch, including school children and elders. The most incredible part of the day was the children singing "O Canada" in their native Ojibwa language. There were a



From Left to right - Annette Polson, Lt. Gov. James K. Bartleman, John Turner, Vicki Grant, Verla Pacey, June Keevil, Lorne Pacey and Kim Krech

number of presentations. Chief Doug McKenzie and Chief Alec Paul spoke and welcomed Mr. Bartleman to the community. Victoria Grant, on behalf of the Board of Directors, presented a special paddle to him, which had been made as a gift for the Lieutenant Governor as part of our official launch. Mr. Bartleman talked about what he would like to do in his term as Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. He thanked the community for their gifts and the Foundation for the paddle. He presented to the Foundation and others, autographed copies of his book *Growing up in Muskoka*.



TCF President Victoria Grant presents paddle to Lt. Gov. James K. Bartleman

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Another year has passed and The Temagami Community Foundation continues to thrive and grow within our community. Our annual general meeting was held at the Doreen Potts Health Centre at Bear Island in March. Temagami in March is wonderful, not too cold and very relaxing. There have been some changes in the complement of people within the Foundation. It is with disappointment and regret that I inform you that Allan Marquette has not accepted the reappointment of a new term as a Director of the Foundation. We will miss Allan. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to recognize and thank Allan for his contribution to the Foundation. Cathy Dwyer-Smith left us as executive coordinator in March. During her time with us, Cathy was instrumental in getting the office together. She has left to focus her energies on her business, The Temagami Garden Centre. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I extend our heartfelt thanks and would like to recognize your contribution to the Foundation. The Board is pleased to announce to the community that Lorie Hunter is our new executive coordinator. Welcome Lorie! Lorie has taken to the job with enthusiasm and purpose. Over the summer, the TCF had a summer student: Krista Gooderham was working in the office and the community to promote the Foundation. Thank you, Krista, for your work and support over the summer.

The TCF directors were given time to meet with the Lieutenant Governor to share the hope, the plans and the dreams of the Foundation. A number of the directors were in attendance: Lorne Pacey with his wife Verla, Kim Krech, John Turner, June Keevil, Annette Polson and Vicki Grant.

The Board of Directors has many dreams, plans, and hopes for the possibilities that can make a difference in our community. Although the grants are small, we have made a start and it is important that each grant make a difference to the community. Through the newsletter, we celebrate the success of each and every one.

As important as the grants are, it is as important to acknowledge our donors, those people who have given us support and by doing so, provide a great benefit to the community. In each of our newsletters, we will profile a donor, telling the story of what Temagami means to them. The TCF recognizes and appreciates our donors; without you there would be no Foundation.

I would like to say Thank You to all the volunteers who gave time and effort to our summer event. Volunteers are the heart of the Temagami Community Foundation.

There are many things happening and much to do in order to make this foundation a vibrant living organization. In order for this to happen, the TCF needs you, the community, to participate.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Board of Directors for their support and dedication to the Foundation. I am glad you are there to "Share the Dream." Without your commitment, it would be impossible to grow the Foundation.





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ST. URSULA'S CHURCH A LANDMARK ON THE TEMAGAMI LANDSCAPE



Painting by Helen Hall

Story by John Turner

For generations, those living on the lake and those who have visited the area have taken notice of the church on Bear Island. The Church, St. Ursula's, of Roman Catholic denomination, is situated on a hillside facing the southwest. It is still the dominant landmark, emblematic of the Bear Island shoreline vista. Construction on the Church was begun in the latter half of the 1920s by a contractor from Elk Lake, and completed during the course of the next few seasons largely by volunteers from Bear Island including veterans of the Great War, Charles Moore jr., John Petrant and John Turner. The church pews were crafted by Donald McKenzie. The majority of the costs of the building were funded with the donations from Mary ("Granny") Turner, and sisters, Kattie and Mary Honan. The Honan sisters were the teachers on Bear Island during the first quarter of the twentieth century. Father Evan was the first to serve in the new Church and administered the first marriage between George Turner and Mary McBride, while the first child to be baptized was Hilliard (Sonny) Moore.

The exterior walls and roof of the structure are clad with painted steel tiles. The distinctive bell tower rises well above the roof and atop it is a wood cross with hand crafted decorative tips. Over the years the church has had some necessary repairs, first in 1955 when funds were raised over that summer, spearheaded by the volunteering efforts of a young Rita O'Sullivan and Jimmy Turner. The required work was done by John Turner. During the mid-seventies the Temagami First Nation funded more necessary repairs, mainly concerning the foundation, with a project led by Mac McKenzie. Since that time, the front steps have been replaced and the exterior of the structure has been painted. Today the Church still has a regular mass during the summer months and is also used by other denominations for summer services. The charm of the distinctive old structure still transcends its religious purpose and is appreciated by all for its period architecture and its historical value to the Temagami Lake community.

Co-operatively and actively nurture and care for the place we know as Temagami - the land and its inhabitants - for today and the future.



“Creating a Community Foundation is an ideal way to recognize and enhance your interdependence. This initiative is rooted in a sense of neighbourliness and concern for the region as a whole.”

**Ontario Lt. Gov.
James Bartleman**

“The community-based SFL proposal is admirably positioned to offer a unique approach and promote greater stakeholder harmony. It would address Temagami’s unique social and ecological environment.”

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THE FOUNDATION’S SUMMER EVENT: A FISH FRY AND SQUARE DANCE ON BEAR ISLAND!

By Lori Hunter

In an effort to prevent another piece of history from disappearing, the TCF hosted a Fish Fry and Square Dance to help raise awareness of the community effort to begin fundraising to restore St Ursula’s church, an historical landmark that’s very prominent in the skyline of Bear Island.

The event was well attended with everyone having a good time for a good cause and meeting old friends and making new ones. It was one of those hot stifling days (yes, we did have a few of them this summer). The fish fry was held at the ice rink by the ball field, a great spot for a dance with lots of room for the dinner tables and open to the cooling breezes.

Of course nothing like this gets done without volunteers -and we had plenty of them! Barry McKenzie and John Turner took charge of the facilities and setup and organized the vehicles and drivers to help get people up to the ball field. David and Carolyn Laronde cooked the fish and Fred Blake provided his famous french fries. Peter Healy was the man behind the huge bubbling corn pot and Barb Fehrman organized all the volunteers who donated salads and desserts and a remarkable variety of delicious bannock - what a feast!

We were royally entertained by local artist Hugh McKenzie and father-daughter fiddlers Vic Kelly and MaryJo Aultman accompanied by keyboardist and vocalist Bernie Kerr, all of whom travelled up from Powassan to provide that splendid nostalgic music. And what is a square dance without Rita O’Sullivan (Bubsey) to call the squares! And we can’t forget all the businesses that sold tickets and donated door prizes to the event. Thank you everyone for making the fish fry a success!!

The Foundation is accepting donations on behalf of the Restore and Repair Committee for St Ursula’s church and will issue tax receipts for any donation it receives.

The Foundation will be hosting an annual summer event to create awareness for various activities and events in the community. Next summer the event will be held in town. Watch for details in local papers.



Nominating Committee Member Niki Plumstead shares a moment with husband Bill.



Bubsey and the Band



Fred Blake tending the pot of French fries

TEMAGAMI COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SUPPORTS SFL

A Report from Tracy Paul and Wayne Adair

The Temagami Community Foundation recently supported a Preliminary Business Plan for the Community-Based Sustainable Forest License proposal.

The Plan sought to further define the concept. It outlines operational and technical details (including a Temagami office). It identifies a unique Board with First Nation, industry and community members. The Board would be responsible for the overall governance, strategic direction and operational guidelines for the company while the staff would conduct daily operations in accordance with existing regulations.

With an SFL being inevitable, TFN, TAA and town concluded that a community model would be best for the Temagami Forest. It would allow for meaningful community and Native participation and benefits. It would address Temagami’s unique social and ecological environment. And, at the same time, it would serve forest industry needs at a reasonable cost.

Temagami has experienced a number of SFL proposals over

the years, and this is the first proposal to receive the full endorsement of the affected Native community. It also has wide and diverse support including local communities, members of the Forest Industry (including several local companies), environmental organizations and other stakeholders.

While the document is a basic framework, the details will be negotiated into a final Business Plan. The proponents are currently discussing the proposal with the various supporters and the local forest companies. Support from the companies is building and they are in favour of full Native involvement.

The next step is to send a letter to the Minister of Natural Resources requesting MNR’s support to develop a full business plan, which would be written with the involvement of local forest companies. This SFL proposal, should it be implemented, would be the first SFL in Ontario to have significant Aboriginal involvement from the outset.



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Overall, this project, in my opinion, has been one of the most exciting and inspiring ideas for our community. Of course, the kids have the first-hand benefits. The opportunity to explore their creativity and imagination will last them a lifetime.

It is also a program designed to bring Temagami closer together despite our differences. Our children are the future; they will be the ones who change things. If we teach them at a young age what good changes are they will see that and follow by example.

The Community Foundation has had the privilege of funding one of the most successful community-oriented programs in the area. I can say this because I witnessed it first hand. This is what we stand for. It should be the example that we use for future supportive opportunities.

The history and culture of this land is shared by everyone who lives here. It is a beautiful and captivating place that we should be proud to call our home. Our children and their children to come, should be able to feel the same way.



"JJ's group" — at the art camp on Bear Island

PROFILING OUR BOARD MEMBERS **PLANTING A SEED**

Victoria Grant, Chair of Board

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Victoria (McKenzie) Grant is a member of the Teme Augama Anishnabai "Deep Water People" Temagami First Nation, who until she married resided as a year-round resident of Bear Island. She then became a resident of the mainland and is now a member of the seasonal community of Temagami.

Vicki is Chair of the Board and founding President of the Temagami Community Foundation. She speaks with a deep passion and love for the community called Temagami. For Vicki this community encompasses three nations, Native, Canadian and American; it also includes residents of Bear Island, the town of Temagami, year-round residents of Lake Temagami, the many islands in the lake, and the surrounding mainland as well as seasonal visitors to the Temagami area.

Vicki had a dream, a vision, to bring the various people living in and connected to the community of Temagami together in a way that would be beneficial to all. Through her work and experience with the Trillium Foundation, Vicki saw what was being done in other communities and this made her realize what could be done in Temagami.

"On a beautiful winter day in February of 1998 several community members gathered on Bear Island to discuss the option of a Community Foundation and the opportunities it would provide to our community."

"As a metaphor for where the Foundation is today and where we have to go, I would compare us to the White Pine illustrated in our logo. The Board has cultivated the seed, the root system, to create a strong foundation on which to grow the tree. This tree will go through many changes, face many challenges and weather many storms as it grows into a mature and stately pine. I hope that each member of the Temagami community becomes part of the tree. As the tree grows and matures, new cones will emerge, from which will flourish new growth and in time a forest."

"The sole purpose of the Foundation is to receive and distribute contributions for the benefit of the community; the accumulated funds will be managed by members of that community. The Foundation believes that cooperation, respect and community accountability can provide perpetual stewardship for the land."

Vicki brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to her position as Chair of the Temagami Community Foundation especially as she has spent most of her life in Temagami. Her desire to seek support for the Community Pow Wow and her extensive experience with foundations were instrumental in the chain of events leading to the creation of the Temagami Community Foundation. Vicki was the first band administrator for the Temagami First Nation. She has worked as a bookkeeper, a nursery school supervisor, an owner/operator of an arts and crafts business, an office manager in a law office, and is currently the coordinator of the Noojimawin Health Authority.

Vicki has been an active community volunteer as former Director of the Board of the Trillium Foundation of Ontario for six years, former Director of the Donwood Institute for three years and is currently a director on the Board of Nishnawbe Homes in Toronto. As the founding Board President of the Temagami Community Foundation, Vicki believes that by working together opportunities can be found to sustain a strong and healthy community, "one that we can all be proud to share."

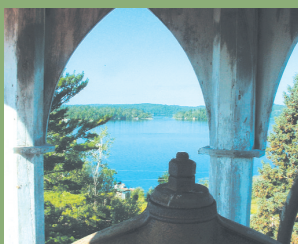
"As a person who grew up here, I can tell you that each and every facet of this community has influenced who I am today. It is my hope that every member of the Temagami community will become part of our Pine Tree, a limb, a branch, a cluster, a needle or a cone."





“One of the most successful community oriented programs in the area — this is what we stand for.”

Krista Gooderham,
speaking of the Art Camp



View from the bell tower of St. Ursulas Church

“It’s just had such a positive impact on this area, that really brought this community together.”

Holly Charyna.

“Promoting volunteerism was also key to measuring the success of the Pow wow.”

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TEMAGAMI THE PLACE TO BE! WE LOVE TEMAGAMI!

Review of Summer Art Camp TCF funded Project - by Krista Gooderham

How our community is breaking down its barriers!

“The surest way to corrupt a youth is to instruct him to hold in higher esteem those who think alike than those who think differently.”

– Friedrich Nietzsche



“Having fun in art class”

On July 7th, the Bear Island Art Camp had its fair share of different thinking. It included children from town, cottagers and local residents from the lake, Marten River, and of course from Bear Island. The week could not have had more success.

The program was collaborated and run by Holly Charyna and Bettina Schuller. Holly is the Health Services Manager for the Doreen Potts Health Centre. She coordinated the budget for transportation, supervision, and nutrition for the children, not to mention the cook for the week. I asked her why she decided to get involved with this project.

“The kids are a blast! Just seeing them share and enjoy the experience together was the most rewarding part. I would definitely do this again. It’s just had such a positive impact on this area, that really brought this community together.”

She told me that because it was the first run of the program a lot of the expenses were underestimated. ***“I would say that the hardest thing was budgeting... but it was a learning experience that worked out in the long run.”***

We ended our interview with what she would like to see change in the future with the camp. ***“In the future, I think the camp should move around. So next year the town could host it and the kids from Bear Island and the lake would do the traveling.”***

Bettina Schuller is the activities director as well as supervisor for the camp. When I asked her what the most difficult part of setting up the camp was, she replied that there wasn't any.

“Everything fell right into place, from applying for the Community Foundation grant to organizing the activities.”

She told me that each day the kids had a guest speaker come in to share something creative such as a song or story. ***“Everyone was immediately willing and helpful; it was a really wonderful experience.”*** They even had artist Cheryl Ruddock come up from Southern Ontario to volunteer her time for the week and work creatively with the kids.

The program included 40 kids from all over the area. Each day a bus picks up kids from town and brings them down the Mine Road; there a boat is waiting to take them to Bear Island. They begin the morning with a group activity such as, a song or game. Then they split up into five smaller groups with a councillor for each group. The Temagami First Nation donated six of their work staff to help supervise and do activities with the kids. The children break for two snacks in the morning, then a lunch and outside activity time with their councillors in the afternoon.

“Children are one third of our population and all of our future.”
~ Select Panel for the Promotion of Child Health, 1981

The undeniable proof of this project's success comes from the kids themselves. Here are some quotes about what they thought:

Kendall - ***“The only thing I hate about it is that we have to leave!”***

My mom told me I only had to go for one day and if I didn't like it I wouldn't have to come back, but I love it!”

“I liked meeting new friends who can come and visit me in the summer”

Misty - ***“My favourite part was when a woman came and told us stories about dancing and the Jingle dress.”***



“Hanna painting”

PROFILING OUR DONORS

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS



Bill and Billie Kitts talk with June Keevil

At the brink of the Great Depression, Bill's grandfather, Osiah Charette left Quebec on foot heading west along the rails, lumberjacking, sending money home, and finally three years later, reaching and falling in love with a place called Temagami. When he returned to move his family to this little French-English community, Bill's Mom, Aliette Charette was just a young girl. Further south, Bill's Dad, Jim Kitts, an orphan at age 5, was raised by the local priest whom he helped by lighting fires in the church each morning. Years later, after W.W.II, Jim would move to Temagami and capture Aliette's heart by learning to speak French better than she did! They moved from the little cabin on Osiah's homestead to build a new home, the first along the highway, when their son Bill was a toddler.

Across the lake, the Louks family had come north to vacation as guests on Island #86 in Axe Narrows. Responding to the lake's lure, Bob and Betty moved north permanently in 1959 into a house built by Butch Spooner for Gerry Twain, father to the famous Shania. To make room for the new B.A. Station, they moved the house down the highway, settling next to the Kitts on Jesse Creek. Billie Louks became the girl next door. "They were such good years" Billie remembers, although "we fought like cats and dogs." Meals were cooked on the wood stove and water fetched from the creek. Bill remembers skating from town down to Bear Island, recalling that it was great going down the lake, but "was it ever cold coming back battling that north wind!"

Eventually the Louks bought Northern Marine and Fuels, moved it across the bay to its present site and renamed it Temagami Marine. Each season Billie and her sisters would scrape, paint, wash and ready the wooden boats for the water. There were fewer boats on the lake then, and for fun they would swim from town over to Finlayson Point.

Bill and his brothers enjoyed summers at Camp Wassacks in Marten River where his mother ran

the camp for the Goddards, but by the time he was nine years old his father who was foreman for the Dept. of Highways had secured him a job at the very busy Trapper's Trading Post. Three summers later he found work with both Bob Louks at Temagami Marine and Pacey Bros. in town, establishing relationships and work habits that would last a lifetime. Lorne Pacey used to say, "Billy, if there's nothing to do, just pick up a broom and start sweeping!"

At 16 he struck out to make his way in the world, but one winter up the mountain blasting on

In 1981, they were able to buy the island in Axe Narrows, where Billie's family had happily vacationed years ago. The next ten years saw wonderful family summers on the island making great memories and great friends.

Despite the necessity of long working hours, they always enjoyed participating in the winter carnival and playing on the local ball teams. Deeply committed to promoting the community, Bill has served on Council and the School Board, and Billie volunteers for the Lions and at the cemetery. Starting out in politics, Bill remembers, "I had so many ideas, I thought I could change the world overnight! As a Councillor you must be unselfish and put the community's needs ahead of your own for the sake of future generations."

They are extremely well travelled, but say that "wherever we go, Temagami is always home!" Beautifully decorated and landscaped, their home is still near the old homesteads on the highway. Perhaps their love of gardening was inspired years ago, when they used to steal treats from Bill's Mom's garden! An adept and adventurous decorator, Billie thinks nothing of changing the house around on a whim. Upon returning home family members would often find themselves entangled in houseplants and furniture that weren't there when they left! Their daughters Kim and Corry

both live in the north. Kim has joined the family business and sits on the board of the T.C.F. Their children are fortunate to have two grandparents and four great-grandparents in town! Bill and Billie hope that "we all live long enough to be here when our grandchildren have children and then we will have five generations in Temagami together...that'd be really nice!"

The Foundation is very grateful for your most generous gift of \$25,000, and will endeavour to support your dreams of a growing collaboration within the community and the development and well-being of a vital, progressive school.



***"Wherever we go,
Temagami is always Home"***

the "powder gang" at Sherman Mine, convinced him to go back to school. Riding the bus to New Liskeard High, his friendship blossomed with the girl next door, and in 1967 the young teens married and headed to Expo 67 in Montreal for their honeymoon.

Eleven years and many jobs later, their diligence enabled them to purchase the boating business from Bob Louks. After a day in the yard, Billie would sit for hours at the kitchen table, with a very patient Bob Brown of White Gables, learning how to keep the books.

The TCF will consider projects that:

- *Meet an obvious community need within our Mission*
- *Promote community discussion & dialogue*
- *Foster shared responsibility and common well being*
- *Involve volunteers*
- *Create Excitement in the community*

Grant Application deadline for 2004: 06 Feb 2004 and 20 Aug 2004

The TCF will not fund:

- *Individuals for personal support*
- *Capital campaigns*
- *Operating deficits*
- *Political or religious activities*
- *Fundraising dinners or event sponsorships*

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Expressing our Appreciation

TEMAGAMI COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DONORS FOR 2003

Dick and Sally Grout
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Pam Morgan



We would like to acknowledge all of our donors and express our appreciation for investing in the Foundation, which is an investment in our community.

Bill & Billie Kitts
Carol Rykert
Michael Bloomfield
David Kittredge
Rick Mulhauser

Total Donations Received to date; \$165,626

OUR GRANT RECIPIENTS

Temagami Traditional Pow Wow by Murray Pridham

Temagami First Nation hosted a second pow wow at Lion's Park August 8th, 9th, and 10th, 2003. The beat of the drum welcomed everyone to this year's gathering. Pow wow is a way of life that people from all walks may enjoy. We were happy to share this way of life that many people live on the pow wow trail.

Travelling all the way from Fort Frances, Ontario was Louis Councillor, who served as our elder and host drum the Hope Lake singers. We thank Louis for coming down this way especially after having major surgery. As well, Louis demonstrated he could still shake a leg with his old style grass dance.

Promoting volunteerism was also key to measuring the success of the pow wow. Several secondary school students earned community development time that goes directly toward graduation. Our volunteers did an

excellent job and not enough can be said about their commitment to excellence.

The beautiful weather helped draw a large crowd and everyone enjoyed the potato dance and Anishnabai-style musical chairs. Saturday was highlighted with a large feast with more than enough food to serve several hundred people. On Sunday visitors witnessed a giveaway with loads of gifts for everybody.

Miigwech to all our sponsors and volunteers; without your generosity it would not have been possible. Special thanks goes to Municipality of Temagami and the Temagami Community Foundation for contributing to this noteworthy gathering. *Chi-miigwech to all!*



Dan Commanda



Madison Mathias

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ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

The Foundation is supporting The Royal Canadian Legion in their capital project to install a washroom in their basement Club Room. Many of the senior members have difficulty in climbing the two levels necessary to use the only washroom that is upstairs. The Foundation recognizes that this building is used by the entire community as a meeting place and we are glad to be able to help in this project.

Taken on May 20, 2003. Members of the Canadian Legion Branch #408 Temagami. Photo taken at the evening meeting in recognition of Lloyd Saunders' many years as Poppy Chairman of the Branch. Left to Right: Ray Richmond, Legion President; Verdun Pacey; James Kitts; Lloyd Saunders - with cane; Bob Molyneux; John Rumney; Lorne Pacey; Bill Humphrey; Kelvin Mathieu.

TEMAGAMI CREEL

The Temagami Stewardship Council, in partnership with the Ministry of Natural Resources, is conducting a Lake Temagami Open Water Creel this year on Lake Temagami. This creel is the last piece in a five year plan which is part of the Temagami Assessment Strategy. The creel is designed to gather data on the fishery of Lake Temagami and Cross Lake. The Foundation recognizes what an important asset the fisheries are to the economic base of the Temagami Area and are pleased to be able to participate in this project.



TCF President Vicki Grant with Stewardship Chair Gaye Smith

NASTAWGAN TRAILS

Nastawgan Trails Inc. is a not-for-profit community based organization that is presently working to map, sign, clear and promote area trails. The Foundation has made a grant to Nastawgan Trails to help them with the purchase and/or manufacture of trail signage. They require directional signs, interpretive signs and trail markers and are hoping to use this opportunity to begin standardizing the trail signage throughout the area. The Foundation believes that this type of ecotourism is an important part of the overall economic strategy for the Temagami area.



DENISE CRACKNELL

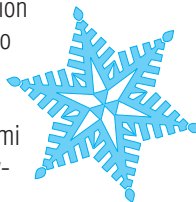
The Temagami Community Foundation is very pleased to announce that they have made a grant to a very talented young woman from Marten River. Denise Cracknell is presently being groomed as Concert Mistress of the Sudbury Youth Orchestra for an upcoming trip to Czechoslovakia and Austria. Denise has been playing the violin since she was four years old and is now a member of the Sudbury Youth Orchestra and the North Bay Symphony Orchestra. Our grant to Denise will help with the extra costs she will incur while getting ready for her concert tour abroad as well as some of the travel expenses of her tour. The Foundation is very excited for Denise and looks forward to hearing all about her experiences over the next year!



Taylor Charette

POW WOW

The Temagami First Nation (TFN) once again organized a traditional Pow-wow in the town of Temagami on August 8 -10, 2003. The Foundation was pleased to be able to support this event with a grant to the Municipality of Temagami who sponsored the Pow-wow.



The Temagami Community Foundation strives to continually improve our skills as grant makers, making a visible and lasting difference in our community through a granting program that is balanced, flexible, creative and responsive.