

SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- A Walk on the Dark Side - Cemetery Tour (8:30 - 9:30 p.m.)
- Corvette Car Show June 19th - 21st
- Kenora District Dog Show - June 19th - 21st
- Happy Father's Day - Sunday June 21st
- Car Hop Days Wednesday's from 4-9 p.m. at A&W

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Talking Tourism

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Tourism Kenora Summer Students

Article by Whitney Van Belleghem

As a returning summer student, I now have a better understanding of what tourism has available to provide to both visitors and members of the community, and I look forward to the challenges that this can provide. Last Summer I enjoyed being exposed to people from all around the world, and as stated in last year's first article, I took this job as an opportunity to learn more about the community, and to share this information in order to help others. I now know that working with tourism is about more than sim-

ply the exchange of information, it is an opportunity to gain valuable life experience and share this with everyone



**Whitney Van Belleghem -
2nd year staff!**

you meet. I have lived in Kenora all my life and graduated from Beaver Brae Secondary school in 2007. I currently attend the University

of Ottawa and I am working towards a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a minor in criminology. I will be returning to Ottawa in the fall for my third year of university. I hope to see you all at one of our great locations this summer!

Article by Lindsay Mulash

I was born and raised in Kenora, and have lived here all my life. I am currently attending Confederation College where I am taking an Accounting-Administration program. Afterwards, I plan on attending Lakehead University to further my educa-

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Coney Island....Only a Shuttle Away!

Article by Meadow Nenadov

Leave your worries behind and take the Coney Island Shuttle for a day on the water. Whether a tour on the Lake of the Woods or a jaunt to Coney Island Beach, the shuttle enables you to have the weekend you crave and deserve.

Lake Tours take you around Lake of the Woods following the route of the Keewatin Channel and the south of Kenora to see natu-

ral phenomenons and historical sights such as bald eagles and other local wildlife as well as Devil's Gap, a channel guarded by a legendary rock bearing the face of wickedness. Lake Tours run every hour, \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. Take advantage of the scenery and environment during an hour you will never forget. Moment after moment can be captured for ages with constant photo opportunities making themselves visible at every turn.

Experience Lake of the Woods the way it was meant to be experienced, on the water.

Argyle III is a 12 passenger pontoon boat, named in honour of the classic lake boat that ran in the twentieth century. Argyle ferried locals and visitors alike across the water between 1936 and 1985, to explore the lakes and channels of secluded Lake of the Woods. The name is well suited for once again

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Street Festival moves to Harbourfront

**Article by
Whitney VanBellegem**

Festivals bring members of a community together and attract visitors from all walks of life. Providing, food, fun and entertainment these events create an atmosphere with conditions optimum for creating memories that will last for years to come. This year Kenora will host its third annual Street Festival which will run the 19th, 20th, and 21st of June with the

weekend's festivities taking place down at the Harbourfront.

The festival will be free to attend with some additional events costing a fee. The weekend will feature Wonder Show Midway, which puts on a variety of midway rides as well as food and beverage concessions, craft vendors, carriage tours, pony rides, and a petting carnival.

Saturday the 20th is the First Nations Solidarity

day and at 1:00pm there will be a variety of entertainment including drummers, dancers, contests and games. Also on the 20th there will be the Car Engine "Blow Out" Contest. This will take place at 2:30 with proceeds going to Beaver Brae Secondary School Football and Cheerleading.

In conjunction with the third annual Street Festival the Corvette Car

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Kenora will become a Corvette lovers paradise!

Getting to Coney will be Easier

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unreachable places have become accessible for all, "Coney is a fantastic place to spend the afternoon but the beach hasn't been accessible to people in recent years unless they have their own boat," O'Flaherty states.

Passengers are in the safe hands of John

O'Flaherty, who manned the fore mentioned Argyle II and Kenora boats. He has vast experience navigating through the maze of islands and peninsulas that distinguishes Lake of the Woods from other bodies of water.

Shuttle pick-up site is at Harbourfront Docks by the Pavillion.

The price for adults is \$8 for a return trip and

child ages 5-12 is \$4. The shuttle runs 12pm to 8pm, and is currently weekends only. A full 7 day operation will start in July

Tickets for the shuttle and lake tours are available in the area of the Thisles Pavillion, on the Harbourfront.

For further information please call John O'Flaherty 807-465-5867



Abundant wildlife on local and area trail systems.



**Article by
Lindsay Mulash**

The Kenora area is well known for the majestic Lake of the Woods, and is a popular vacation area simply because of its natural beauty. What's a

great way to explore the area's great outdoors? By taking a day to go hiking! Kenora offers a variety of trails in and around the Kenora area, each of them unique and beautiful!

The Vernon Nature Area is a unique trail system to visit, simply because

it is situated where the Canadian Shield meets the Boreal Forest. It includes three diverse ecosystems that are found within Canada, and each trail allows you to see the different plants and flora that reside within each.

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Introducing the Summer Staff with Tourism



Tourism Kenora Summer Student - Meadow Nenadov (left)

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Last summer was my first summer working with Tourism Kenora. I learned a lot about our community as well as the

region in North-western Ontario. I am returning to work for Tourism Kenora for my second summer this year, and I am looking forward to what kinds of new events this summer has to bring! I am also looking forward to seeing the familiar faces of visitors coming back for the summer.

I enjoy working for the City's tourism department because I like to talk to visitors

and find out why they're visiting. Once I have a better idea of what they're looking for, I can provide them with information that better suits their needs! Our area is so unique and beautiful; I try to make sure everybody who visits here is able to experience something special!

Article by Meadow Nenadov

A first time summer student at Tourism Kenora, I applied for this position with the hopes of passing along my ex-
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Third Annual Street Festival for 2009

Continued from page 2 show will also be taking place the weekend of the 19th-21st. There will be a tailgate party Friday the 19th at 7:00pm. Registration for the Corvette Car Show is free and will take place Saturday June 20th from 9:00am-11:00am in the Walmart parking lot. Participants in the show will be in town for three days with the main event, The Street "Braggin" show taking place

later that same day (the 20th) at 12:00 noon on the Harbourfront. There will also be a miniature care raffle at 3:00pm.

While the Corvette Car Show is into its third annual show, it is also on its third location. "Each year it's gotten bigger" says Councillor Chris Van Welleghem. He also hopes that with the new location more people will come out and enjoy the day. Participants are ex-

pected to come from all over the country, from Saskatchewan to Thunder Bay. Some participants are even expected from locations outside of Canada such as Wisconsin.

The weekend should be jammed packed with all sorts of fun activities, so when the 19th rolls around we hope you'll think of the 3rd Annual Street Festival and Corvette Car show.

Hello Summer! 2nd Annual Fundraiser

In support of the Kenora and Lake of the Woods Community Foundation, the 2nd Annual Hello Summer! Fundraiser will be held on June 27th. Starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Southview Inn and Bistro in Keewatin, the event is sure to draw a crowd and will be a great start to the summer sea-

son. Starting with a cocktail party and following with a live auction and live entertainment the evening is sure to be a hit with everyone! The entertainment is "Music by Dave" a bluesy - jazzy guitar variety.

The theme of the auction is "All about the Lake" and items include art works by Bon-

nie Dokuchie, LOWAC and LOW Festival of the Arts as well as M.S. Kenora certificates, loonie bears and more!

Tickets are \$75 each and are available at Southview on Second, Southview Inn and Bistro or

by calling the Community Foundation office at 467-4427.

A charitable tax receipt will be provided if requested.





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A Natural Attraction

Tourism Students Ready for Summer

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...perience of the lake and to further my knowledge of the area. I have lived on the water for years and have a unique perspective of all that lake and river life have to offer.

Boating, swimming, and fishing have always been apart of my summer memories and I am looking forward to sharing my favourites with the visitors to Kenora.

I am presently enrolled at Lakehead University and am working towards an Honours Bachelor of Science, Biology degree with an emphasis on geography and psychology. In the fall I will be returning for further my studies.



Outdoor Activity in Kenora - Trails & Nature

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Each trail has a varying difficulty and length, and located along the trails are lookouts that provide access to wetlands and picturesque scenes of Lake of the Woods.

The Rat Portage Urban Trail is right at the city centre. This trail system is great for taking a stroll in Kenora's downtown centre! Enjoy walking along the Harbourfront and taking in the spectacular view of the lake, visit McLeod Park, home of Husky the Muskie.

The Kenora Nordic Trails, which is at Mt. Evergreen Ski Hill, are grassy and rocky forest trails suitable for hiking, and skiing in the winter season. The Kenora Nordic trails have varying degrees of difficulty and length,

but it's up to you how long and far you want to go!

The Mink Bay Trail is in Keewatin, which is a beautiful area in the west end of Kenora. These trails have many different species of wildlife and flora, and this area is also known as the earliest settled area in Kenora. The Mink Bay trail takes you



Mink Bay Trail - Keewatin

through wetlands and wilderness, through the gorgeous Keewatin community, and to Keewatin beach.

The Rabbit Lake trail system is in the Jaffray Melick area. The Rabbit Lake trail system offers a scenic walk through the southern shores of Rabbit Lake, feeder trails along the way provide access to residential areas, and you can also enjoy Garrow beach which is nearby.

Rushing River Provincial Park is just 20 minutes from Kenora, and offers a variety of outdoor activities to do. You can go for a walk, go for a swim, rent a kayak, and lots more!

For more information on trails in and around the Kenora area, call Tourism Kenora at (807) 467-4637.