

Tower in place at Sorting Gap Marina

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THE lookout tower has finally been moved and it has been settled at the Sorting Gap Marina. Bad weather delayed the finishing of the tower but the moving project is finished. Since 2002 the tower has been closed to the public because of much needed repairs. There is no date set to officially open the tower as of yet but it will not be this year.

Well, it looks like the future is taking shape today. The new Fort Frances Public Library and Technology Centre is finally going up right next to the Memorial Sports Centre. The foundation has been poured and



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the electrical and plumbing has been completed. This project is going into the next phase and a roof should be built soon. This work should be completed in May or June of 2010, weather and funding permitted.

Elder Abuse Awareness Day

launched on Monday with dozens of flowers. Long-term care facilities and seniors manors in the area received the flowers. About five to 10 per cent of the areas elderly experiences abuse in some form.

Mine Centre Public School took an initiative to add the Ojibwe language to their studies. Science, social studies, music, art and gym are some of the subjects that will include Ojibwe language. So, zhiishibewe is replacing the popular duck duck goose goose game in gym classes. Teachers will be speaking Ojib-

we to the students when teaching about families and changes in the weather. Mine Centre Public School has 80 students, of which 90 per cent are aboriginal, making the school an ideal place for the language imitative program. Besides learning a new language, listening skills in the students have been improving.

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