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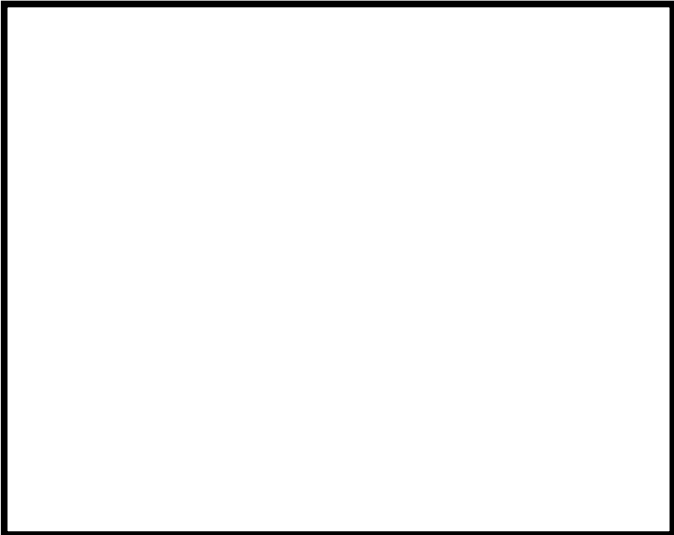
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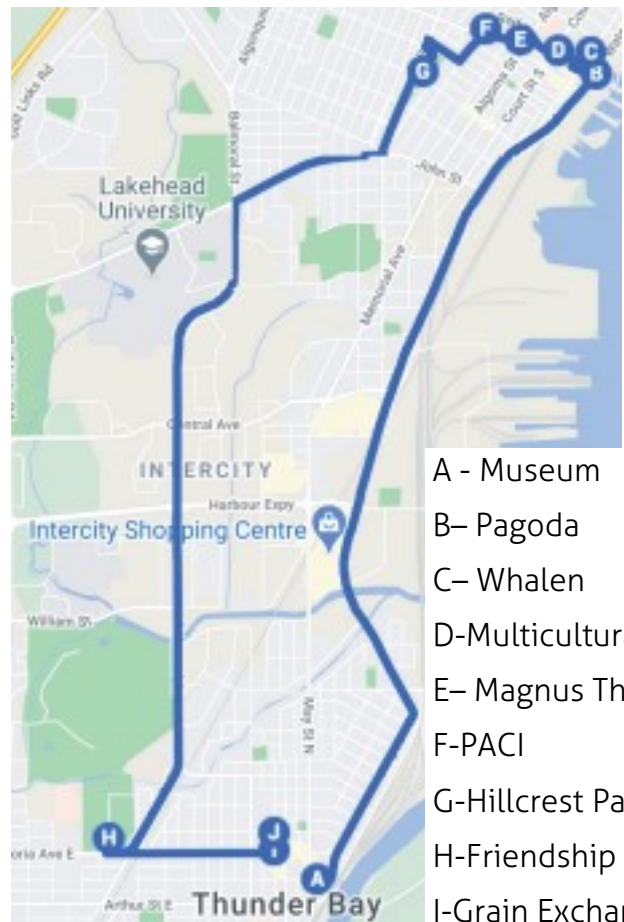
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Coo House

Built in 1989, this building was first owned by Sarah Jane and George Coo. On this building you will find an arched entrance, turrets, and windows of various sizes. At one point a Christmas store operated inside and a restaurant called Excuria. Isn't it a cool looking building?

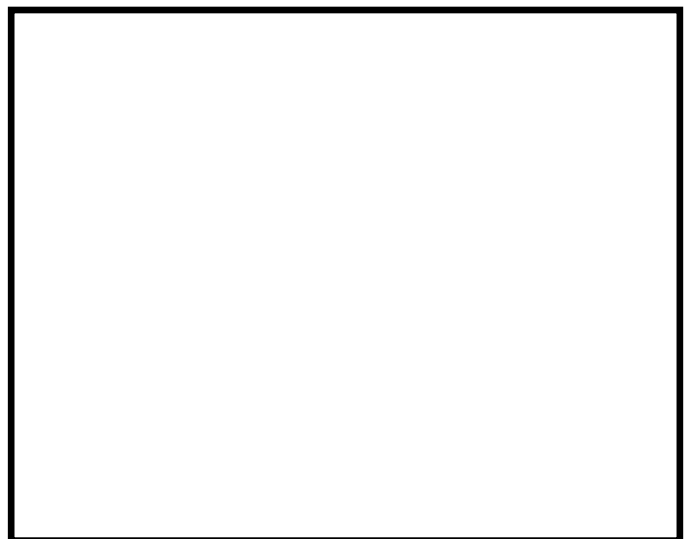


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Thunder Bay Museum

Do you like history and learning about Thunder Bay? Well, the Thunder Bay Museum is a great place for you! The Thunder Bay Historical Society was created in 1908 to preserve and take care of the history of Northwestern Ontario. The actual museum opened its doors to the public in 1997. Before 1997, this building served as a police station and courthouse.

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Pagoda

This building was built in 1909 after the community wanted a building to get people to come to Port Arthur. Did you know that Thunder Bay used to be 2 towns? Port Arthur and Fort William came together in 1970 to become one city, Thunder Bay. In the early 1960's it was vandalized with polka dots on the roof! Some people liked it, others didn't. The polka dots stayed on until 1988. Do you like the polka dots or no polka dots?

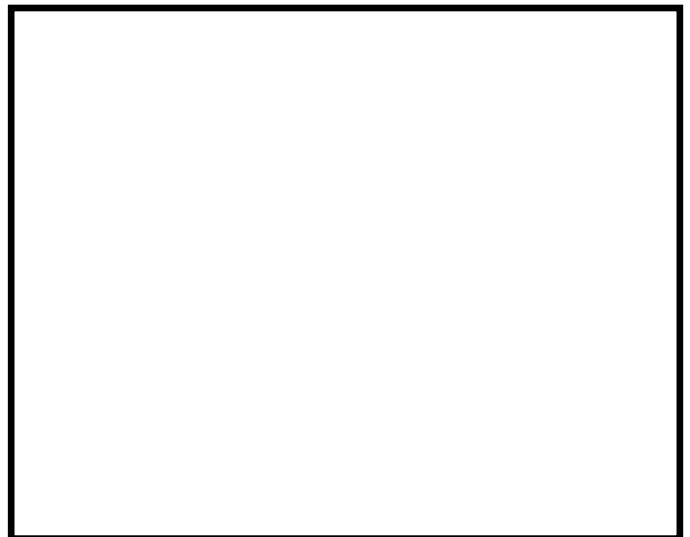
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The Grain Exchange

The Grain Exchange building was built in 1913 after Fort William was chosen as the headquarters for the Grain Commission of Canada. The first floor of this building was home to Chapple's Department Store along with several other offices in the building. Today, it is a part of Victoriaville Mall and is where Unveiled Bridal Boutique is. You still will see sheaves of wheat carved on the sides of the building.

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The Whalen Building

The Whalen building, named after James Whalen, was built in 1913 and it was the first and only skyscraper in the city. Who knew Thunder Bay had skyscrapers! Many businesses have been in this building over the years, and now Synergy North occupies the building. When you spot this building, take a close look at it; you will find lions, shields, and faces carved into it.

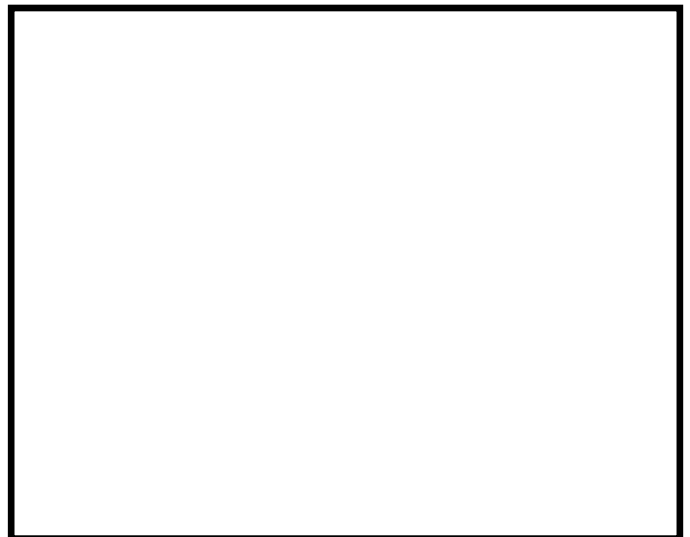
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The Friendship Gardens

The international Friendship Gardens is a city park that was city in 1967 as a Centennial gift (meaning 100 years) from the Soroptimist Club of Fort William-Port Arthur. The garden has 18 different ethnic groups. Can you find all 18? Did you ancestors come from any of these ethnic groups that are showcased?

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Multicultural Centre

This building was built in 1906 and served as a Fire Station. Early fire-fighters were volunteers and used horse drawn hand pumps and hand pumps (talk about a lot of work!) They received their first fire truck in 1913. In 1986, the station retired when North Central Fire Station was built. Many businesses had interest in this building. In the end, the Thunder Bay Multicultural Centre bought the building.

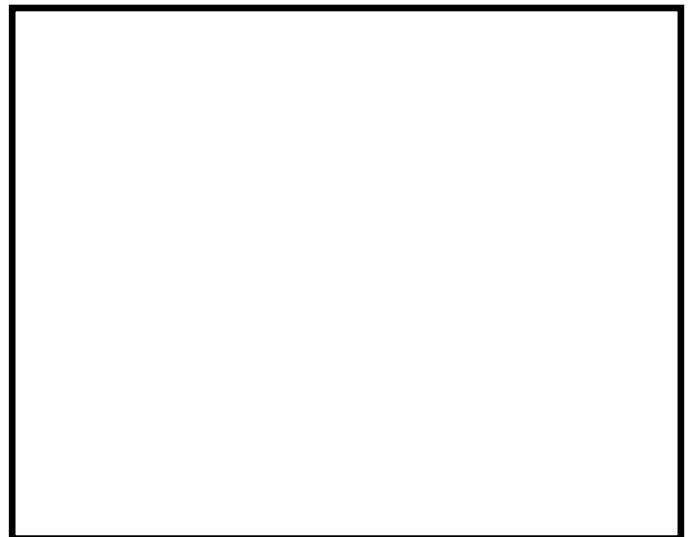
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Sleeping Giant (View from Hillcrest Park)

Isn't the view of the Sleeping Giant nice? The Sleeping Giant is also known as "Nanabijou" in Ojibway. There are many legends about the Giant. It is a rock formation that looks like a giant laying down. It required no imagination to see it! The Sleeping Giant has many camping and nature trails that you can check out.

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Magnus Theatre

In 1884, this brick schoolhouse was built as the Port Arthur Central School. Does this building look anything like the school you go to? This building was an elementary school until 1965, then was the Board of Education's Resource Centre until 1977. It is now the home of Magnus Theatre

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P.A.C.I

PACI, the Port Arthur Collegiate Institute was built in 1909 to serve the growing population of Port Arthur. Over the many years, it had several additions built on it. The high school closed in 2007 then was turned into a Law School for Lakehead University.

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