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#### Rainbow Falls Habitat Study

# Students help out nature

By Angie Saunders The News

Schreiber Public School students were at Rainbow Falls with MNR Conservation Officer Mike Kenny on April 24th doing their part to help out nature.

Sixty students from grades 4 to 6, 3 teachers, and 3 parent volunteers participated in outdoor projects which included making brushpile hideouts and owl nests,

### Brushpile hideouts

Brushpile hideouts were made from a combination of rocks,

dead logs and branches. Rocks are first placed on the ground and covered by criss-crossed logs. The logs are then covered by smaller brush and branches until it reaches a height of about four to five feet.

### Shelter provided

The hideouts provide shelter for small animals such as chipmunks, squirrels, rabbits, martens, mink, as well as some birds and snakes.

Students arranged the brush so that there wouldn't be room for larger animals such as foxes.

The other project of the day was to make owl nests. To make a nest, a cone of chicken wire is constructed and lined with paper. A drain hole is cut in the bottom. A stick nest is built inside the cone by weaving small branches into the wire. The finished cone

is then placed in the crotch of a tree 3m to 6.5m above the ground.

A few young girls then swept up the area of branches used to make the nests, so to leave the area clean for other nature lovers.

Dave Tamblyn, project coordi-

nator, mentioned,"The students are also learning man's affect on habitat in the classroom."

The students will be returning to Rainbow Falls on May 1st, where with the help of Mike Kenny, will be planting 500 white spruce trees.



About 120 Terrace Bay citizens were out on April 22, doing their part for Earth Day by picking up litter around the town. Shown here are a few people cleaning up the playground by the Terrace Bay Rec Centre.

**Photo by Angie Saunders** 



Mike Kenny, conservation officer from MNR, helps Schreiber Public School Students (l-r)- Lindsay Miller, Erica Morris, and Christina Reynolds hold up owl nests made by grades four to six. **Photo by Angie Saunders** 

## Domino accident sends five to hospital Transport driver charged

By Angie Saunders The News

A four vehicle accident occured outside of Schreiber on Thursday, April 26.

At approximately 7:20 a.m. Thursday morning a transport truck pulled out from a side road near the Rongie Lake Motel into

dense fog.

A car hit the trailer of the transport which was horizontal to the highway while pulling out.

A second transport hit the cab of the first transport.

Another vehicle, a van, hit the second transport's trailer, which brought the number of vehicles

damaged up to four.

Five injuries resulted from the accident, but all but one were released.

Constable Crowder Schreiber OPP stated." A charge has been laid on the driver of the transport who was pulling out and was across the road."



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