

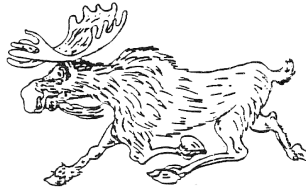
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# September

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**COUNCIL MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER TO BE HELD ON THE 15th @ 6:30PM THIS WILL BE AN ELECTRONIC MEETING AND WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.**

**LEGION MEETINGS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19 CONCERNS.**

**LATCHFORD FIRE DEPT. MEETINGS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19 CONCERNS.**

# Just Passin Through Again

Council has been advised by Enbridge Gas that our application to be included in the next round of expansion of natural gas services has been forwarded to the government of Ontario by Enbridge. While we had been previously led to understand that the announcement as to the successful applicants would be made in August, we are now told that the announcement will be made in November. The YouTube video can be viewed at: video <https://vimeo.com/442211407> and it has garnered a lot of positive responses from Enbridge and from some members of Cabinet which was the objective.

We were unable to move our Council meeting back to the Community Centre for August but are hopeful of making the transition for our September 17 meeting. Latchford received a grant of \$29,500 from the province to aid in responding to the impacts of the Covid pandemic. It is intended to utilize some of these funds to upgrade/acquire a proper sound system for use at the Centre for meetings. This will provide for the required social/physical distancing while allowing the public to attend while adhering to the same required distancing and mask protocol. It is hoped to have these upgrades in place by the indicated date or it is back to conference calls for our next meeting.

Very quietly, and working under the radar as is his style, Roger Clark has managed to acquire all the needed winter sand and it is pre-mixed to boot. Better still, it was done at no cost to the ratepayers as Roger managed to work a barter arrangement that does not impact our budget in any way.

Council has received a letter expressing concerns about speeding on one area of King Street which has some young children living in that area. The issue is being responded to and could result in some additional control signs and regulations being installed.

Take care and stay safe.

George L.



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2 lbs. peeled, seeded butternut squash, cut into 1" pieces (about 7 cups)

1/4 cup orange juice, preferably freshly squeezed,

1 Tbs, unsalted butter, cubed

1 tsp. honey, 1 tsp. grated orange zest

Salt,

freshly ground pepper

Fill large pot with 2" of lightly salted water and bring to a simmer over high heat. Add squash; cover. Reduce heat to medium and cook for 15-20 minutes or until squash is tender when pierced with fork or small, sharp knife.

Drain squash, transfer to food processor. Add juice, butter, honey, zest and salt and pepper to taste. Pure until smooth. Season again to taste.

Squash can be prepared ahead. Place finished squash in casserole dish. Cover and refrigerate up to 2 days. To reheat, place in 350 degree F. Oven, covered, for 30 minutes, or until warmed through.

## Orange Creamsicle Pie

Slimmed-down ingredients like lite whipped cream and fat-free condensed milk make this fluffy orange pie a dig-in delight! Makes 12 servings, Protein 4G, sugar 33g, Cholesterol.

4mg, Carbs 44g, Sodium 126 mg, Fiber 0, Trans fats 1g, Kitchen Time 20 minutes, Total Time 9 hours

Lighten-up version per serving: 239 Calories, Fat 5g

Classic Version per serving: 341 Calories, Fat 21g

1 can (15oz.) Mandarin oranges in light syrup, drained, syrup reserved

1 pkg. (0.3 oz.) Sugar-free orange-flavoured gelatin mix

1 cup of ice cubes

1 can (14 oz.) Fat-free sweetened condensed milk (Eaglebrand)

4 cups frozen lite whipped topping, thawed, from 16 oz. container (Cool Whip)

1/2 tsp. grated orange zest

1 pkg. (6 oz.) Graham cracker pie crust

Orange fruit slice candies, optional

In a large microwave-safe bowl, microwave reserved orange syrup on High in 10-second intervals until hot. Stir in gelatin mix until dissolved. Add the ice cubes; stir until slightly thickened. Remove and discard any remaining ice. Whisk in condensed milk; let stand until slightly thickened 5-10 minutes. Fold in 1 cup of whipped topping and zest. Transfer mixture to crust; smooth top. Refrigerate until set, about 2 hours. Top with orange segments in single layer; refrigerate 6 hours or overnight, Decorate with orange fruit candies if desired



Branch 629 is slowly evolving back into a state of semi-normalcy while responding to, and dealing with, the constraints of adhering to the standards required for our re-opening. We have been authorized by the Temiskaming Health Unit to once again host Barbeques which we traditionally do in conjunction with our horseshoe tournaments that have resumed.

The general public are welcome at and in the Legion and do not have to be a member to enjoy the facility or its activities such as out horseshoe tournaments. The Legion opens to the public at 7:00 pm on Fridays and 2:00 pm on Saturdays.

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## IS THIS A GOOD CUP OF COFFEE – OR WHAT?

I've recently had to change my diet for health reasons and find to my surprise I've developed a very bad reaction to coffee. Now this is not good news, since coffee was a reliable stand-by emergency psychiatric medication for me, one that could be relied on to smooth the troubled brow. Ah well. The only constant in life is Change so I'm learning to live with this new twist in things.

I heard on the radio recently about a globe-trotting father who took his kid to France. The boy asked for a milk shake and what he got was nothing like the North American one he was expecting. Being a bright kid, his reaction was: "This must be what milk shakes are here."

I got to thinking about my international experience of coffees across the globe.

First, the Old Country. My mother had a silver tea and coffee set which she received as a wedding present, and coffee was served in a very lah-di-dah way when it was used. Hot milk and hot coffee were poured together into the cup, mixing in the stream as they were poured. "White" was de riguer and the concept of black coffee was unmentionable.

When I went back to England years later and had a coffee in a small restaurant, they served a lower-class version of the same thing – hot milk mixed with black coffee in the cup and "sugar is on the table." I'd been living with the Canadian variety of coffee for a while, so this was a surprise, but since I needed the caffeine, I slurped it down without complaint.

Soon afterwards, my parents started dying and leaving us all kinds of money which we spent in short order. We visited every international restaurant in Hamilton and one of our favourites was a Vietnamese one. The coffee they served was different again. A small glass

was half filled with coffee grounds, the coffee was made in it, then heavily sweetened condensed milk used to finish the drink.

This was absolutely delicious to the serious caffeine addicts that we were at the time, so we bought a couple of their coffee-making kits to make it at home. However, the ultimate coffee-making experience was the one I had in Turkey.

There, serious coffee-drinkers, which describes everybody, take their coffee like this. A small glass mug is half filled with loose coffee grounds, boiling water is added and it's ready for the customer. But wait – large cubes of sugar are available for the drinker, or should I say: "sucker," as these are dipped into the brutally strong coffee, which is absorbed before it is sucked out of the sugar cube and swallowed.

To say it's an extreme way to get your caffeine fix is an understatement. Of all the various different ways to drink coffee I sampled across Europe, this was the most memorable.

Tea-making varies almost as much in my limited experience. The English tea-making rituals are famous in their intricacy. Like, loose-leaf tea is always used, the pot is warmed then brought to the boiling kettle, never the other way, and the drinker is asked: "Do you want the milk in first or last?" There is a definite taste difference between the two.

Here, you are asked: "Tea bag in or out?" anathema to the true Brit. But it was here, in Canada, I experienced the taste of Chai, that delicious Indian spiced sweet milky variety which, since I no longer qualify as a true Englishman, I can and do enjoy to the full.

A cup of "Wet and warm" to cheer you up, anyone?

**All the best from  
Charlie by the lake.**

# Rhonda's Garden Tip



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Harvest Moon  
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October  
Pumpkins  
Season  
Trick or Treat

Bye for now Rhonda

## Subscribers News

Well as good a month, weather wise that July was, August delivered an unwelcome realty check. Things cooled off considerably and to a great extent, unseasonably cool. We had more than our share of rain and the only beneficiaries to that were the lawns which just keep on growing and requiring cutting when they are dry enough. Fact is, much to the consternation of the circulation manager, I had to fire up the furnace before the end of August. Could be another one of those "age things" but the dampness started to get to me!

Renewals for the month were strong and led off by two more years for Doris (Lafleur) Herbert of Haileybury who grew up here in Latchford where her father, Ed Lafleur, was the last Deputy Chief Ranger of the Department of Lands and Forests and her family were the last occupants of what is now the House of Memories Museum. Next in was another two years for Diane Suhan of Windsor who, I believe, is a descendent of that once prominent Latchford family, the Bruneau's. Then Gail (Sullivan) Palmer of Sault Ste Marie also renewed for another two years. Gail being a member of the Sullivan family for whom Sullivan Avenue was named and an old class mate of mine in Latchford Public School. Rounding out the two year renewals was one from Ellen Carr from Temagami whose husband Don, I went to Cobalt High School with.

Next in was one from Glen Neary of Bell Island, Newfoundland and Labrador who opted for another year as did Theresa Treen of North Cobalt. Rounding out the month was another renewal from summer resident Richard Swiston of Hamilton who again renewed after doing that just last month. Good news Richard is that you are now good until 2022! Thanks to all for your continued interest and the extra so many insist on including!

On the health and fitness front, it has been a busy month in Latchford. Charmaine L 'Heroux spent some at Health Sciences North in Sudbury and Linda Gadoury visited Temiskaming Hospital in New Liskeard but both are now home. Alice Livingston is scheduled for a visit to an Ottawa specialist in early September and my mother-in-law, Sheila Belanger, continues to deal with breathing issues. I have probably missed some who are ailing or infirm but to all of you I am confident that all readers join me in wishing you all a speedy return to good health.

On a much more sombre note, one resident and two former residents passed on this month. Louise Godden, who with her husband Jim, lived here in Latchford for a number of years passed on August 03 and her passing was followed by the loss of Brenda (Johnston) Grant on August 17. Brenda and her husband Roy have lived here for many years with Brenda having been born in Latchford. A former long time resident Dorothy Paige, the mother of the late Ron Paige who many of you fondly recall, passed away on August 24. I cannot remember a year where more people with close associations to Latchford have passed on and I am confident that all readers who knew them join in extending our heartfelt condolences to all of their families.

**George L.**

## **NOTICE**

**The Latchford Recreation Committee would invite residents to consider joining their group, as several members have resigned and some are moving away, so very few members will remain. Should they not be able to recruit more people, this organization could very easily fold and this would be very detrimental to the children and adults of Latchford as they provide many activities for all ages throughout the year. Call Sharon @705-676-**

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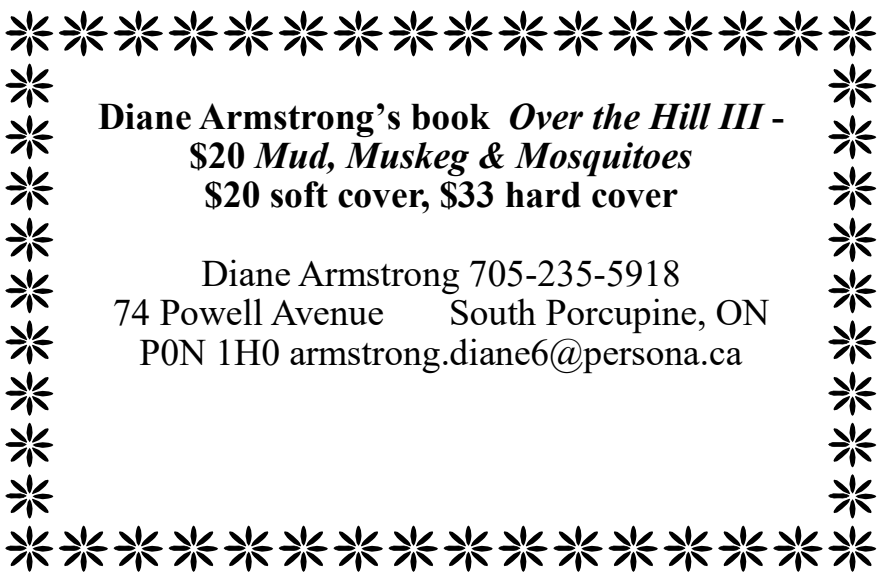


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### Remembering

I attended “Cobalt High School” from September 1955 to June 1960. During that time I had 92 grade 9 classmates. Each class had 46 students. The students came from many “feeder” schools to attend high school in my hometown, “Cobalt”.

They were bussed in from “Temagami”, “Goward”, “Latchford”, “Gillies” from the south of our town. Others came from “Mileage 104” and the “Kerr Lake” area. I met new friends for the first time from all these surrounding areas. As to “Latchford”, I met and have been lifelong friends with George and Basil Lefebvre and Barry Wellar.

I am asking my readers to do two things this morning. First, will you get word to Sharon or George Lefebvre if you went to “Cobalt High School” and if you can remember, list the era or years. The second, are you able to list a few new friends that you met in your time spent at “Cobalt High School”.

In concluding, I should mention that above “new” friends of mine are all still alive. George turns 80 in September and I turn 80 in December. Since George is older than myself I always call him the “old” man. It’s just a private joke between us. George’s brother Basil is a year or so younger (make that 2) and I do not know just how old Barry is (he beat us both to 80, Al!) I sign off now and wish all a happy morning and keep safe.

As always, Al Haarala, still living in “Cobalt”

### Obituary

Peacefully on Monday, August 24, 2020 at the Temiskaming District Hospital, Dorothy Amelia Paige (nee Gould) passed away at the age of 84. Loving wife of the late Ralph Paige. Beloved mother of Georgia (Breck) Manderstrom, the late Geraldine Symons, the late Ronnie (Nicole) Paige, Gloria (James) Sanderson, Coreen (Eric) Bedard and Glenda (Mike) Bogart. Survived by

many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Sadly missed by her sisters Doris Hogan and

Georgia Gould and sister-in-law Hazel Harrison. Forever remembered by her dear friend Larry Belanger who cared for and supported Dorothy through her illness. Predeceased by her parents Bruce and Alice Gould, her sister Doreen Gill and her brothers Ronald Gould and Donald Gould. Cremation has taken place at Lakeview Crematorium, Haileybury. As per Dorothy’s wishes there will be no funeral service. Arrangements entrusted to BUFFAM LEVEILLE FUNERAL HOME, Haileybury, 705-672-3122. The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Dr. Lawson and the wonderful staff at the Temiskaming Hospital. As expressions of sympathy memorial donations may be made to Community Cancer Care. Online condolences accepted at [www.buffamleveille.com](http://www.buffamleveille.com)



## Over the Hill by Diane Belanger Armstrong They Came to Build a House

During the early days of the silver rush in Cobalt, two men arrived with the intent to build one house in New Liskeard. The year was 1907. They were Len Hill, an electrician, and John Clark, a skilled carpenter. They had met while on a building project in Niagara Falls some years prior. Soon they were joined by another man, Frank Francis.

Those three men decided to remain in the North and left an indelible mark on Northern Ontario like few others.

They formed a company in 1913 and it was simply named for the three men – Hill-Clark-Francis – but there was nothing simple about what would become their huge operation. The headquarters was a 163,000-foot complex in New Liskeard with far-sighted equipment such as lumber sorting machinery designed and manufactured right at the plant.

They produced their own heat and electricity on site, by a complex transport system that carried waste shavings to be burned at an adjoining building. Steam heat from this system even supplied heat to a nearby home. The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway (T&NO), later Ontario Northland Railway, had tracks leading to and from the plant, easily accessing other rail hubs in the province.

At the beginning of their operation, there was an immediate need for buildings at the hundreds of mines that opened up in the north, but as the mines developed, so too did the towns around them.

In Cobalt, they built the Post Office and at nearby Cross Lake Mine, a structure was built to direct tailings to the dam. In New Liskeard, they undertook major renovations to the home of Beatrice Morgan, widow of local lawyer, Albert Norton Morgan.

In 1915, Hill-Clark-Francis built the office building at the Hollinger Mine in Timmins. It stood for over a hundred years until it was torn down in 2020. They also built the Municipal building in Timmins and in 1938 they oversaw the building

of Porcupine General Hospital in South Porcupine.

The iconic McIntyre headframe was built in 1927 and is one of the most photographed structures in the City of Timmins. Eleven years later, Hill-Clark-Francis built the other icon of the city, the McIntyre Community Building.

One of their early specialties was the rapid construction of badly-needed housing for Hollinger miners. To that end, 250 identical houses were built in the townsite beginning in 1919. What was unusual for 1919, was the houses were partially pre-fabricated in New Liskeard.

In Kirkland Lake and area, Hill-Clark-Francis were contracted to build the mill, office, dry and bunkhouse for the Lake Shore Gold Mine in 1917. Kirkland Lake Gold Mine had them build their mill and office building. The Sylvanite Mine also had an office building erected and company housing was built for the Teck Hughes Mine.

The famous Kap Inn and the major employer in Kapuskasing, the Spruce Falls Power and Paper buildings were constructed by Hill-Clark-Francis.

In North Bay, they built the Ontario Northland Railway diesel plant and the old North Bay hospital.

During Second World War, the “Most modern woodworking plant in Canada”, was contracted to build housing and major buildings at the Canadian Armed Forces bases at both Trenton and London, Ont. They built 10,000 “wartime houses” in the province during those years.

This pioneering company began with the mining boom in Cobalt, but soon covered the mines in Porcupine, Kirkland Lake, Elliot Lake and into Rouyn-Noranda in the province of Quebec. Their wartime contracts saw them constructing buildings of all sizes in Ottawa, Thunder Bay, Trenton, London, Windsor and many places in between.

Len Hill and John Clark arrived in New Liskeard in 1907 to build a house for Len’s aunt, then

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**Over the Hill continued.....**

formed a company with Frank Francis in 1913. From that one house and before Hill-Clark-Francis closed in 1966, they had constructed more than 50,000 buildings and at its height, employed between 1,500 and 3,000 people.

A neighbour asked me what my topic was going to be for this column. When I told him, "Hill-Clark-Francis", he said, "Never heard of that. What is it?" How quickly history is either forgotten by the old or never learned by the young.

I hope my neighbour and you will now look at many buildings in the north with a different eye, now that you know some of the hidden history behind them.

**That's my view from Over the Hill.**

**Obituary**



Godden, Louise Emily Mary- In loving memory of Louise Godden, age 67 years who passed away at the Temiskaming Hospital on August 3, 2020 surrounded by her loving family. Louise is survived by her husband Jim Godden of 43 years, daughters Tammy (Roger Leveille) of St-Charles, Tanya (Martin Pouliot) of Belle Vallee, Angela (Harry Grant) of New Liskeard and Amanda of New Liskeard. Louise is also survived by her grandchildren Brittney Boileau and Ryan and Kally Pouliot, who meant the world to her.

Louise enjoyed spending time with her family from holidays to the Godden Family Olympics, her family was very important to her. She also enjoyed spending time with friends when she could and with her beloved cat Julio who never left her side. Louise enjoyed her time that she spent with her Homecare nurses for the past eight years after numerous spinal surgeries. The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Louise's doctors (Dr. Pitrie and Dr. Pearce) in Sudbury, for whom treated her like one of their own family members and to all her Homecare workers that took wonderful care of her. Obliging to Louise's wishes, there will be no service and cremation has taken place at Lakeview Crematorium, Haileybury. Memorial contributions to the Northern Cancer Foundation will be gratefully acknowledged by the family. A Celebration of Life will be held for Louise at a later date. Condolences and contributions may be left at [www.buffamleveille.com](http://www.buffamleveille.com).

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**Grant, Brenda [Johnston]** - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of a great lady, Brenda Grant died peacefully at Health Sciences North in Sudbury, Ontario on Monday August 17, 2020 at the age of 74 years with her loving husband and her loving children by her side.

Mrs Grant was born in Latchford on April 21, 1946 to the late Louis & Mary Johnston [Lavigne]. She was the loving wife of Roy Grant; loving mother of Richard Niemi

[Daphne], Charlene [Mark] Crawford; Wanda [Wendell] Gustavson, Jason Niemi; stepmother to Jodi [Donny] Starkell and to the late Kenneth Grant. Cherished grandmother of Meagan [Scott], Jada [Justin], Riley [Eden], Landen, Amanda, Casey, Andrew [Andrea], Emily [Matt]. Great-grandmother of Nevada, Carter, Avery, Hannah, Hayden, Emma, Amelia, Leah, Alyssah, Emmett. Also surviving are her siblings Anita (late Wilfred) Chretien, Melvin (late Paulette) Johnston, Roger (Lou) Johnston, Bernice (Garry) Hermiston, brother-in-law Allan Keys, sister-in-law Theresa Johnston as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Mrs Grant is predeceased by her parents and by her siblings Glen Johnston and Monica Keys.

Brenda loved her family gatherings and dinners with a good game of Rummoli. She had a passion for flowers, yard sales and good deals. She enjoyed her little critters around her home. In her own words she was the number one fan to the Toronto Blue Jays, old time country music, singing and dancing were also a joy of hers. Brenda was a kind hearted, peaceful person who loved all of her family and had a smile that would light up a room.

In keeping with Mrs Grant's wishes, cremation has taken place at Lakeview crematorium, Hailybury Ontario. Memorial contributions to a charity of your choice will be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Condolences and contributions may be left at [www.buffamleveille.com](http://www.buffamleveille.com).



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