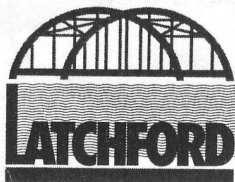


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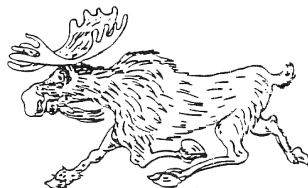
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**LEGION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEFION IN LATCHFORD.**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH.**

# **Just Passin Through Again**

I have lived through some tragic events during my long life in Latchford but the events of May 24th have left most of the community in shock and a state of disbelief. That morning too very well liked and much loved residents, 90 year old George Brunton and 74 year old Robert "Bob" Hachey drowned up stream of the dam and off Carter's Point when their pontoon boat capsized after puncturing a pontoon trapping the both of them within the canopy.

These two gentlemen were neighbours and friends over on the section of Hillview between Sullivan and Mowat and jointly shared a passion for fishing. If the weather cooperated there was not much could stop George from going fishing and Bob's responsibilities as the manager of the Latchford Landfill Site sometimes interfered with his ability to fish on Sunday when the site was open and required him being there where he never failed to share kisses with my little Yorkie, Bella.. Both of these guys were very easy to like and appealed to people of all ages when it came to conversation. Their obituaries appear elsewhere in the Moose Call so I will share the thoughts of myself and others with you about George and Bob.

Alice Livingston, who was a neighbour to both, shared a very cute story with me about help that had been rendered to her and husband Ted by Bob. In Ted's later years his legs gave him problems and one night about 4 in the morning he fell coming back to bed from the bathroom and she was unable to get him back into bed. Aware that Bob and George sometimes started playing cards at ungodly early hours, she looked out to see lights on in both their homes and Bob headed over to George's to start the card game. She immediately called George and told him to tell Bob to leave his coat on and please come over to help her with Ted. Bob was there in a flash and got Ted back into bed.

George, as indicated in his obituary, was a Navy man and he served aboard a destroyer escort in the Royal Canadian Navy off the coast of Korea during that war. While mostly shelling trains and troop positions in the north, his ship did venture up a river where they shelled enemy positions to relieve pressure on an American Regiment to allow them to evacuate.

I had the pleasure of taking George into Elk Lake in 2014 when the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) visited there during their cross Canada Memorial Baton Relay to commemorate their 100th anniversary. George had two brothers who fought with the PPCLI during WW2 and his presence was a hit with members of the PPCLI and Elk Lakers as well. Many in that community still remember him well and fondly, and share the grief in his passing.

**George L.**

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# From the kitchen of Diana

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## Strawberry Crisp Recipe

We are almost into berry season. This Fresh Strawberry Crisp is an excellent summer dessert: Fresh juicy strawberries are topped with a buttery and crumbly oat topping, and is great with a big scoop of vanilla ice cream on top!

### Filling:

5 heaping cups fresh strawberries, hulled and quartered

1/4 cup granulated white sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

3 Tablespoons cornstarch

### Topping:

1 cup all purpose flour

3/4 cup old fashioned oats

2/3 cup granulated white sugar

2/3 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

3/4 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a deep dish pie plate or large baking dish with butter or cooking spray and set aside. Combine the chopped strawberries and sugar in a large bowl and mix until the strawberries fully absorb the

sugar. Add in the cornstarch and vanilla extract and stir until all of the strawberries are evenly coated. Pour into the prepared baking dish. In a separate medium size bowl, combine the flour, oats, brown sugar, granulated sugar, salt, and cinnamon. Pour in the melted butter and stir well until well coated and crumbly. Sprinkle the crumb mixture evenly over the top of the strawberries. Bake in the preheated oven for 35-40 minutes until fruit is bubbly and topping is golden brown. Allow to cool slightly before serving. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream on top. Enjoy! Serves 8.

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The Ladies Auxiliary held their elections at their May meeting and their new executive is comprised of:

**President Francine Blowe**

**Vice-President Sue Klink**

**Secretary Sue Smerdon**

**Treasurer Sharon Gadoury**

**Sports Linda Sauve**

**Sgt at Arms Pauline Robert**

Branch elections are scheduled for June 08 and the successful executive will be listed in the July edition of the Moose Call. I can state that I will be stepping down from my role as Branch President and have enjoyed serving the Branch as secretary and President these past 17 years.

**Francine Blowe**

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## Letters to the Moose Call

**Dear Sharon,**

Please renew our Moose Call subscription for 2 years of large print.

We really enjoy receiving the local news and I get a good laugh from the jokes.

**Sylvia & George Whiting**

**Dear Sharon,**

Enclosed is a cheque for renewal of the Moose Call for Linda Scott and Claudette Noel. Thank you for the reminder and keep up the great work.

**Linda**

## Funny

What do kids play when their mom is using the phone? Bored games.

What do you call an ant who fights crime? A vigilANTE!

Why are snails slow? Because they're carrying a house on their back.

What's the smartest insect? A spelling bee!

What does a storm cloud wear under his raincoat? Thunderwear.

What is fast, loud and crunchy? A rocket chip.

How does the ocean say hi? It waves!

What do you call a couple of chimpanzees sharing an Amazon account? PRIME-mates.

Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert? Because she was stuffed.

Why did the soccer player take so long to eat dinner? Because he thought he couldn't use his hands.

Name the kind of tree you can hold in your hand? A palm tree!

What do birds give out on Halloween? Tweets.

What has ears but cannot hear? A cornfield.

What's a cat's favorite dessert? A bowl full of mice-cream.

Where did the music teacher leave her keys? In the piano!

What did the policeman say to his hungry stomach? "Freeze. You're under a vest."

What did the left eye say to the right eye? Between us, something smells!

What do you call a guy who's really loud? Mike.

Why do birds fly south in the winter? It's faster than walking!

Why did the student eat his homework? Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake.

What did Yoda say when he saw himself in 4k? HDMI.

Which superhero hits home runs? Batman!

Sandy's mum has four kids; North, West, East. What is the name of the fourth child? Sandy, obviously!

# Rhonda's Garden Tip

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## How to Protect your Plants from Frost and Heat Warnings

### Frost Warnings

Bring container and tray plants indoors.

Place plants under a roof, covered porch, or a deck.

Stake around larger area and place cloth coverings over stakes without it touching the plants.

If it's a deeper frost warning, use plastic propped up like a tent to cover plants.

Use terra cotta pots, pails or buckets to cover and seal around bottom of plants. Remove during the day.

Cardboard boxes are great frost covers. It's thicker than a sheet, but not plastic.

Add mulch to garden beds. A darker coloured mulch will hold heat longer.

Add straw or shredded leaves for protection.

Cover with a cold frame or hoop house.

Wait until later in the season to plant.

Cover plants with burlap, or fleece to protect from frost or wind.

Place in sheltered area where heat is generated and out of wind – closer to the house or building.

Store plants in the shed, greenhouse, or garage.

Use glass coverings or milk jugs – remove during the day.

Group large planters together to protect against cold and wind.

Wrap containers with bubble wrap or straw.

Newspaper coverings against the frost.

Use dark coloured planters to hold heat from the sun longer.

### Heat/Scorching Sun

Plant directly into ground instead of containers – containers dry out faster.

Place in shaded areas during the hottest time of day. Move indoors if possible.

Sit planter container in a tray of water – letting the roots soak up the water.

Water plants early in the morning.

Mulch garden beds with lighter coloured chips to hold in the moisture, but reflect the sunlight.

Set up an automatic self-watering system.

Add straw or shredded leaves at night to trap in coolness – easy to apply and light to remove.

Place flower, foliage in sunlight, but the roots in the shade.

Create shade from other taller plants to keep smaller ones cool.

Soaker hoses are great against the summer heat.

Try not to transplant during a hot day.

Choose heat resistant plants for the areas with the most sunlight.

Place plants under an awning, trellis, and pergola or patio/beach umbrella.

Use shade cloths, choose the percentage of sunlight you want to allow in.

Deep water soaks.

Use sheer curtains over a trellis.

Allow air circulation between plants during the hot days.

Try to water the soil directly instead of spraying the foliage. Water twice a day on the hottest days.

Use light colored planters to absorb less heat.

Fertilize when soil is wet, not dry.



Weather wise, May was a decent month with only a few frosts and freshet this spring was one of the gentlest that I can recall. There were very little chunks of ice headed through the dam but despite this the new barrier, that was just installed by PSPC last year, pulled free from its mooring on either shore and was only held by the centre anchor so I hope there was a guarantee on that product because it sure looks like a waste of tax payer's money at this time.

Renewals were strong during the month so the out-of-towners are still reading us! Diane Joyal of New Liskeard renewed for another year and hers was followed by two from Linda (Pacaud) Scott of North Bay who added another two years reading for her and her friend Claudette Noel of Etobicoke, both ladies having grown up here in Latchford. This was followed by another former Latchford girl, Liza (Garreau) Willet of Haileybury who renewed for another two years. Next in was one from my cousin Patricia (Lloyd) Rogers up in Timmins who also opted for another two years and this was followed by one from a former classmate of mine in Latchford Public School, Carole (Inglis) Innes who lives in Brussels, ON. Rounding out the month was another two year renewal from Sylvia and George Whiting of Egbert, ON. Thanks to all who insist on including the extra, most appreciated!

On the health and fitness front, it would be a severe understatement to say that May was a complete disaster for many of its residents. In addition to loosing George Brunton and Bob Hachey, the Moose Call also lost its popular columnist Charlie "by the Lake" Johnson who passed in hospital and we extend our sincere condolences to his partner, Linda Roberts. Unfortunately, I do not have an obituary for Charlie to include in this issue. Adding to the grief in this small community was the loss of a resident who took his own life. My sister-in-law, Frances Lefebvre, was take by air ambulance to Sudbury on May 28 and awaits open heart surgery on June 09 but is on a floor with a Covid outbreak and not allowed visitors! Heartfelt condolences are extended to family and friends of those lost and get well soon wishes are extended to Frannie and others who may be ailing or infirm. Let us all pray that another month like May is not in Latchford's future.

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 Francine Blowe @ 1-647-927-9757 Town Office @705-676-2416 to join up!**



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## More Funny

### Future Engineers.

Some engineering students were sitting at a corner in the class. The teacher went closer and noticed curiously.

Then asked the students: What are you doing here?

Student: Sir, we have discovered a new thing using which we can see through the wall.

Teacher: What is that?

Student: Sir, A-hole.

Teacher shocked students rocked

### Never ever dare to touch me again

A taxi passenger tapped the driver on the shoulder to ask him a question. The driver shouts aloud, Car gets out of control and nearly hit a bus, went up on the footpath, and stopped inches away from a shop window.

For a second there was complete silence in the cab, then the driver said, "Sir, don't you ever do that again. You nearly killed me!"

The passenger apologized for his tap and said, "Sorry, I didn't know that a little tap would scare you so much." The cab driver replied, "No Sir, It's not you.

Actually, Today is my first day as a cab driver – I used to drive a funeral van for the last 25 years and no one tapped."

### A not so nice, old man

A boy was riding a cycle with a basket of eggs on it. He hit a stone and fell down alongside the cycle. The eggs also fell and broke. A crowd gathered around the boy. As usual, free advice and taunts started flowing from the onlookers "Couldn't you be more careful?"

"What were you thinking, cycling, casually without attention?"

An old man approached the crowd saw what had happened and aforesaid "Poor fellow, now, what will he answer to his Owner about the eggs. Ok, I am going to help him, as maximum amount as I can".....

saying this handed over \$ 10/- to the boy. And mentioned, "These onlookers are good people, they will not only give advice, but they will help you by giving money also, accept their help".

The onlookers observing the sayings of the old man and his actions gave money to the boy. The boy was very happy since the **money collected** was over the worth of the eggs broken. One of the onlookers asked the boy

"Young man if that old man wasn't around, I do not know what difficulties you would have faced with your owner"

The boy looked at the man and said, "Sir, He is the owner of the shop, where I work".

Moral of the Story:

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## Obituary

### **Brunton, George Lionel 1931 -2022**

With broken hearts the family announces the tragic passing of **Mr George Brunton**. Mr Brunton died in Latchford on Wednesday May 25, 2022 at the age of 90 years.

He was born in Gravenhurst November 30, 1931 to the late Alfred Brunton and to the late Elsie Whitehouse. Mr Brunton joined the Navy at 17 years old and because he was a bit too young his mother had to sign and give permission for him to join. He was in the Navy for 5 years and then joined the Air Force for five years. During his time in the Navy he served in the Korean War and was also able to attend Queen Elizabeth's coronation. He owned a moving company for many years and in his later years managed three apartment buildings in Toronto. He moved to Latchford in the late 80's and he spent as much time on Bay Lake fishing as he could. Fishing was his passion. He said to many people over the years that if he could die fishing he would die a happy man.

Mr Brunton is predeceased by his parents, his son George Alfred Brunton, his wife Marion DeWolfe and by his ten siblings. Left to mourn his loss are his children Cindy (late Clayton) White, Debby and her husband Tom McLennan, Linda and her husband Kerry Wilhelm, Rick and his wife Andra VanGog and Mike VanGog. Cherished grandfather of Todd, Becky, Kevin, Caley, C.J, Connor, Coulter, Blair, Jeff, Deanna, Nicholas and Ryan. Also surviving is his brother Gerry and his wife Carol Brunton, his sisters-in-law Shirley and Vi Brunton as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

A celebration of Mr Brunton's life will be held at the Latchford Royal Canadian Legion Branch 629 on Sunday June 05, 2022 from 1:00 - 3:00pm.

Everyone is welcome. As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations to a charity of your choice will be greatly appreciated. Condolences and memories may be left at [www.buffamleveille.com](http://www.buffamleveille.com)

## Obituary

### **Hachey, Robert Joseph 1947 -2022**

With heavy hearts the family announce the death of Robert Hachey at the age of 74 years. Robert passed away tragically on the Montreal River as the result of a boating accident on Wednesday, May 25, 2022.

Born at Bathurst, New Brunswick to the late Emile Haché and the late Stella McGrath. Robert was an avid fisherman who loved his family and especially his granddaughter Bianca. He touched the lives of many and will be missed.

Sadly missed by his loving wife Claudette whom he married 50 years ago September 4, 1971; his daughters: Hannah [Wayne] Stevens of Sault Ste. Marie and Carole Hachey [Erik Grimes] of Hamilton. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Andrew Stevens and Bianca Grimes. Robert was predeceased by his siblings: Elizabeth, Diane, John and Frederick Hachey.

Robert's final care has been entrusted to Buffam Leveille Funeral Home. Memorial contributions to the Diabetes Association will be gratefully acknowledged. Condolences and contributions may be left at [www.buffamleveille.com](http://www.buffamleveille.com)

## Latchford Volunteer Fire Department News!

Camping and outdoor activity season is here! The Latchford Volunteer Fire Department would like to share a few camping and outdoor activity fire safety tips with the residents and visitors of Latchford.

Make sure to inspect your fire equipment at home prior to your trip. Ensure your fire extinguisher is in proper condition for use. If you see any damage, like a leak in the nozzle, have the fire extinguisher repaired or checked by a professional.

Before leaving your home, make sure to double check plugs and switches to appliances, and ensure all appliances are either unplugged or turned off.

It is important to consider the fire safety of the place when looking into, renting or checking in at a hotel, bed and breakfast, camp ground, motel, park or a seasonal property. Check if there are proper fire exits, firefighting equipment, working smoke detectors and clear signage of the escape route. When camping or participating in outdoor activities, it is a good idea to bring a fire extinguisher or fire blanket with you on your trip, to quickly and safely extinguish a fire in the event that one grows out of hand. Before using a propane-fueled grill, make sure to check the connection between the propane tank and fuel line to ensure it is not blocked and ensure that you do not overfill the propane tank. Do not use barbecue grills near shelters, tents, or anything that can easily catch fire. Make sure to douse hot coals with a sufficient amount of water before disposing of

them. Do not put coals inside plastic, paper or wooden trash bins or containers. Always keep barbecue lighters, lighters and matches out of sight and reach of children. If you build a campfire while camping or during other outdoor activities, make sure to keep it small and douse it with water to put it out completely. Never leave the camping or outdoor area without putting out the fire. Make sure to check with your local fire department, municipality or Ministry of Natural Resource to ensure there is not a fire ban in effect in the area you intend to build a fire. Check whether open air burning is permitted before having a campfire or burning brush. If open burning is allowed, campfires should be built on bare soil or on exposed rock. Remove leaves, twigs and debris from around the fire to keep it from spreading. Always keep a bucket of water, sand, or even a shovel close by, and supervise the fire at all times. Remember to pack a flashlight with extra batteries in case of an emergency.

If you smoke, try to do so outside. Keep a large can with water nearby so cigarette butts can be safely discarded. If you drink, please do so responsibly. Smoking and excessive alcohol consumption are contributing factors in many fires and can lead to serious injuries.

If outside and your clothes catch fire, use the STOP, DROP and ROLL method. Use a fire extinguisher to put out a small fire that is not yet spreading. Call the fire department immediately.

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