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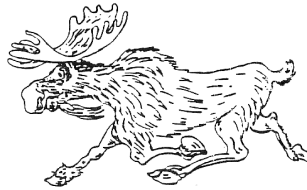
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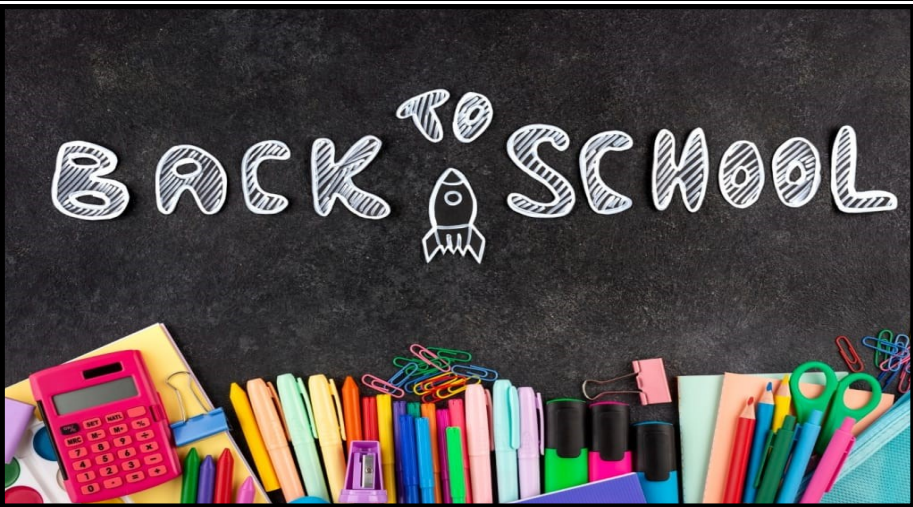


THE LATCHFORD AND AREA

MOOSE CALL



September 2023



COUNCIL MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER TO BE HELD ON THE 12th VIA ZOOM @ 6:30PM AND WILL BE POSTED TO THE TOWN'S WEBSITE, AND SEPTEMBER 26TH @ 6:30PM AT THE LATCHFORD RECREATION CENTRE, ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATETEND.

LEGION MEETING WILL START UP AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 13 @ 7:00PM AT THE SGT AUBREY COSENS VC BR 629, ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION IN LATCHFORD.

Mayors Report

Hello all. Hope you all enjoyed your Civic holiday weekend and got out to watch the fire works! Thank you Latchford Fire Department for putting on a great show!

The legion had their pig roast for that weekend and seemed to have a good turn out! Always great to see when the community comes out to support and then get together and just catch up on a chat!!

The Biker poker run and bbq happened on Aug. 12th and was great then also to see people coming out to support. They said their bikes were down because of the rain but many riders just came out to the rec center to participate in the other stuff that was going on down there with vendors and bbq and such. They were hoping to donate \$10 000 to community cancer care but they ended up donating \$11 000. Love seeing the people coming to our community and participating and supporting our businesses too.

I do have to thank people who have taken the time to help keep our beach looking clean even with all the geese and them pooping all over. I actually have to say I took it on myself to go lend a helping hand get it picked up. We have since invested in some owls that seem to be helping keep the geese away so lets hope this keeps working as I have seen how they have made a mess of the beach and I am sure it made people not want to go swimming.

The council meeting will be going back to twice a month not that summer is over and I know I sound like a broken record but would love to see more town people coming out to these.

The new taxes will be coming out in the next couple weeks. The office is in the process of getting them ready to be sent out.

Hoping you all enjoy your Labor Day weekend as I do see the temperatures are going to be super nice!!

**Thanks
Sharon**

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 Pam @ 705-679-3093 Town Office @705-676-2416 to join up!

From the kitchen of Diana

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PUMPKIN CAKE ROLL

One of my favourite recipes since the 1980's from Better Homes and Gardens. A layer of pumpkin cake and a sweet, cream cheese and butter filling create a classic pumpkin roll cake.

3 eggs

3/4 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1 teaspoon baking powder

1 teaspoon ground ginger

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1 cup granulated sugar

2/3 cup canned pumpkin

1 teaspoon lemon juice

1 cup chopped walnuts or pecans *

Filling

1 8 ounce package cream cheese, softened

1/3 cup butter, softened

1 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1 1/2 cup powdered sugar

Allow eggs to stand at room temperature for 30 minutes. Meanwhile, grease a 15x10x1-inch baking pan. Line bottom of pan with waxed paper or parchment paper; grease paper. Set pan aside. In a small bowl stir together flour, cinna-

mon, baking powder, ginger, salt, and nutmeg; set aside.

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a large mixing bowl beat eggs with an electric mixer on high speed about 5 minutes or until thick and lemon color.

Gradually add granulated sugar, beating on medium speed until light and fluffy. Stir in pumpkin and lemon juice. Beat in flour mixture on low to medium speed just until combined. Spread batter evenly in the prepared baking pan.

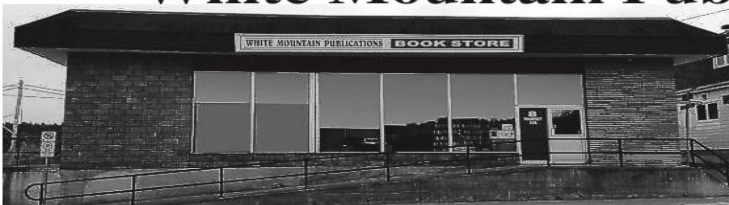
*Sprinkle with walnuts or pecans.

Bake about 15 minutes or until cake springs back when lightly touched. Immediately loosen edges of cake from pan and turn cake out onto a clean kitchen towel sprinkled with powdered sugar. Carefully remove waxed paper. Roll towel and cake into a spiral, starting from a short side of the cake. Cool on a wire rack.

Meanwhile, for filling, in a medium mixing bowl beat cream cheese, butter, and vanilla on medium speed until smooth. Gradually beat in 1 1/2 cups powdered sugar.

Unroll cake; remove towel. Spread cake with filling to within 1 inch of the edges. Roll up cake; trim ends. Cover and chill for 2 to 48 hours. Add additional sifted icing sugar (optional) when ready to serve. Makes 10 servings.

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Thanks to all who attended the pig roast on August 5th with a special thank you to Lou Armstrong for cooking the pig. We appreciate that it took all day and alot of preparation. Thday was a success and we thank everyone for contributing to the day.

We have enjoyed a few days of Horseshoe tournaments followed by BBQ dinners. Thank you Willy.

August 25th we were happy to host a wedding which went really well. The bride and groomwere thrilled with the service and food for their special event. Thank you to Sharon Lefebvre, Pauline Robert, Sharon Gadoury and Willy Blowe for their contributions to a very successful day.

September 9th will be our last Horseshoe tournament of the summer, Burgers and hot dogs available for \$5.00 each.

Branch meetings will resume in September 13th the at 7pm. Auxiliary meeting will take place

September 13th at 6pm. Ladies Auxiliary will be holding elections at the September meeting. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

We are happy to be hosting a Thanksgiving dinner on October 7th from 4-6 pm. Turkey dinner

with all the fixings will be available at a cost of \$15 per person, \$8 for kids under 6.

Legion hours are Friday 7:00 pm to 10pm and Saturday 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Francine Blowe
President Ladies Auxiliary
Perry Livingston
President Branch 629

Biography of a Fallen Soldier

By Vicky Gray-Wilks

Sergeant Thelma JJ Earnshaw

Born in 1915

Ms Earnshaw was born in Evanturel Township, by Tomstown, Ontario.

Sergeant Earnshaw enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1939. She served with the Canadian Women's Army Corp during WW2. She served 1 ½ years at the Canadian Military Headquarters in London, England. Her unit wastransferred to Antwerp. Sergeant Earnshaw was responsible for receiving and processing daily dispatches from the front lines. She and her unit moved extensively throughout Europe. At the end of the war, she was serving in Lamgo, Germany.

In 1953, Thelma and 3 members of the Canadian Women's Army Corp contingent represented Canada at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.Sergeant Earnshaw retired in 1961 and moved to the Northwest Territories. She later received an Honorary Doctorate of Philosophy for her work with Native people. Sergeant Earnshaw passed away in 2011 at the age of 96.

Thank you for your service, Sergeant Earnshaw!



Dad Riddles

What has to be broken before it can be used?
An egg.

Jimmy's mother had three children. The first was called April, the second was called May. What was the name of the third?
Jimmy.

What has a head and a tail but no body?
A Coin.

What begins with T, ends with T, and has T in it?
A teapot.

You can hold it without using your hands or your arms. What is it?
Your breath.

It's so fragile even just saying its name can break it. What is it?
Silence.

What building has the most stories?
The library

What tastes better than it smells?
Your Tongue.

What gets broken if it's not kept?
A promise.

It's been around for millions of years, but is never more than a month old. What is it?
The moon.

Feed me and I will live, but give me a drink and I will die. What am I?
A fire.

You throw away the outside, eat the inside, then throw away the inside. What is it?
Corn on the cob.

What can you keep after giving it to someone?
Your word.

What has four fingers and one thumb, but isn't alive?
A glove.

What smells bad when living but smells good when dead?
Bacon.

What can never be put in a saucepan?
It's lid.

I live in my little house all alone. There are no windows or doors, and if I want to go out I have to break through the wall. What am I?
A chick in it's egg.

What cannot talk but will always reply when spoken to?
An echo.

Three doctors said that Bill was their brother. Bill said he had no brothers. Who was lying?
No-one. The doctors were Bill's sisters.

Take away my first letter, then take away my second letter. Then take away the rest of my letters, yet I remain the same. What am I?
A postman.

The more that there is of this, the less you see. What is it?
Darkness.

Rhonda's Garden Tip

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Environmentally-Friendly Lawn Care Options without Grass Cutting

Many homeowners are now searching for environmentally-conscious ways to maintain their lawns without the hassles of mowing. Here are some eco-friendly alternatives:

1. Natural Plants and Wildflowers:

Opting for native plants and wildflowers is an excellent method to reduce the necessity for mowing. These plants are well-suited to your local climate and soil conditions, requiring minimal upkeep. Furthermore, they attract beneficial insects and wildlife.

2. Clover Lawns:

Clover lawns are gaining popularity due to their low maintenance requirements. They also improve soil health naturally by adding nutrients. Clover can stay green even in dry conditions, reducing the need for excessive watering.

3. Ornamental Grasses:

Ornamental grasses offer aesthetic appeal without demanding extensive care. They can grow in various soil types and climates, making them an easy-to-maintain option.

4. Creeping Thyme:

Creeping thyme is a low-growing plant that emits a pleasant scent when stepped on. It's ideal for areas with light foot traffic, like garden pathways.

5. Moss Gardens:

Moss gardens are a contemporary landscaping trend. Moss thrives in shaded areas and doesn't require much sunlight. They provide an attractive ground cover without the need for mowing.

6. Artificial Turf:

Artificial grass is a low-maintenance alternative to traditional lawns. It remains green year-round without mowing, watering, or pesticide use. Look for eco-friendly options made from recycled materials.

7. Permeable Pavers and Gravel:

For areas where plants struggle to grow, consider using permeable pavers or gravel. These materials allow rainwater to soak into the ground, reducing runoff and supporting groundwater replenishment.

8. Low-Maintenance Ground Covers:

Some ground cover plants, such as sedum, vinca (Periwinkle), kurapia, corsican mint, and creeping Jenny, require minimal care. They are excellent choices for homeowners seeking a low-maintenance yard.

By exploring these alternatives, homeowners can reduce their environmental impact, create attractive and sustainable landscapes, and potentially save time and money on lawn care. These options offer a practical way to care for your yard while minimizing the need for chemicals and equipment associated with traditional lawn maintenance.

Bye for now Rhonda

rhonda's Cards



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Subscribers News

Well, August was more like a traditional August here in Latchford as we had a normal range of temperatures and some mornings cool enough to remind us of where we are headed in September. My friend Helen Larose even told me her furnace kicked in on a few occasions! The weather is forecast to be quite warm for the end of the month and let's hope the forecast was accurate!

Renewals were light for the month as renewal notices are not sent out during the summer as the summer help kindly looks after folding the Moose Call's and inserting them in their envelopes thereby giving the circulation manager a break. Nonetheless we received a renewal for another year's reading from Theresa Treen of North Cobalt for another year's reading. Then the circulation manager (Sharon) renewed for another year for our daughter Jennifer Miller in Plymouth and granddaughter Hannah in Jacksonville, both in Illinois.

I had a rather pleasant surprise one day on returning to my car from shopping. I always leave my windows open a bit during hot days and noticed, as I was unlocking the door, a picture laying photo side up on the driver's seat. I picked it up and then realized it was a picture of me in a much earlier time. Resplendent in a double breasted suit and not a grey hair on my head! Flipped it over and my lifelong friend Bert Jones had taken it on the day of the naming of the Sgt Aubrey Cosens VC Bridge, May 31, 1986! That was almost half my lifetime away but it brought back a lot of very pleasant memories.

On the health and fitness front, the local outbreak of Covid seems to have waned or, possibly just went back underground. My elderly friend Neal Thompson is still hospitalized but has long recovered from Covid but none of us can avoid the ravages of aging. I am unaware of any recent cases but this disease isn't like, Scarlet Fever, I believe that when one in a home was infected with it back in the 1940's you had to put a sign or notice on your front door to notify everyone that someone in the home was infected and entry was not allowed. I am uncertain as to what health agency administered these controls but in Latchford's case I am confident that none other than Dr Herb Dunning of Cobalt played a major hand! What Fred Keenan contributed to teaching in Latchford, which was everything; Dr Dunning contributed to health care. Until next month, stay well!

George L.



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People on the Move!

August witnessed a lot of visitors to Latchford families and I can share with the readers those that I have been made aware of (and can remember).

Alice Livingston welcomed her sister Marion Pacaud from North Bay as well as niece Tara and husband Don Larente with daughter Abby from Welland, ON.

Jackie and Herb Adshead hosted a family reunion with daughters Cathy of Kirkland Lake and Veronica of Sudbury together with their husbands, children and grandchildren as

well as their son James for the long weekend.

Our home was full from late July through the first week of August as we were visited by our daughter Jennifer Miller, grandson Brandon Gravelle and spouse Chelsey, grandson Briar Miller, granddaughter Faith Miller with partner Kelton Rice and our great-granddaughter Layla, all from Plymouth, Illinois! I can again attest to how busy a two year old can be! During their visit and with other family members in attendance, we interred the cremains of Sharon's mom, Sheila, in the Harley cemetery alongside her parents and one brother.



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HOW TO SPEAK NORTHERN ONTARIAN

Diane Belanger Armstrong

Language is always evolving. A recent Over the Hill column explored the phrase, “Piling slabs every summer” which had been prompted by the question, “What were slabs?” This, in turn, offered suggestions of other words and phrases that might only have originated in northeastern Ontario.

Local industries and occupations ranked high on many lists. Mining in particular added words that would be unfamiliar in southern Ontario. The mines worked three shifts, so if you couldn't attend a function because you were ‘on graveyard’, that meant you worked a nightshift which had nothing to do with burials. “I'm ‘afternoons’ next week” makes perfect sense to someone else who also worked a shift from 4 pm to midnight.

Powder boxes’ were wooden boxes that were dove-tailed on all four sides and similarly connected to the base and lid. Many a garden shed or play house was constructed from these boxes which, when taken apart, could be rejoined by the dove-tailing into flat sheets for walls. Dynamite came in these boxes – by the hundreds to all the mines.

A ‘shaft’ is a hole dug straight down into the ground in which the miners went down in a ‘cage’ and ore was brought up to the surface. The structure above the shaft is called a ‘headframe’. From the main shaft were tunnels where mines blasted for ore and these were called ‘raises’ and ‘stopes.’ A ‘highgrader’ is not one who gets straight A's in school. It's a term used to describe a person who steals high-grade ore from a mine.

Instead of a commercial type of garbage can, most homes used a ‘cyanide’ barrel. Cyanide was a chemical used in gold refining. The used barrels were given freely to the miners to use anyway they saw fit. A cyanide barrel garbage can with a home-made wooden lid was found in most yards until the 1970s.

In early Timmins, the Hollinger Mine stored their used cyanide in rock waste and pumped it

into Miller Lake. When the water was displaced, the flat area became a playground known as ‘the cyanide slimes.’ Today it's known as Hollinger Park. With approval from various levels of government it has been cleaned of dangerous chemicals and we no longer hear about the cyanide slimes.

The pulp and paper industry uses long conveyor belts made of heavy, closely woven wool laid over a screen mesh. The wool is called a ‘felt,’ therefore when the long belts (felts) of wool are replaced, the process is called “putting on a felt.” Pieces of the old belts are eagerly taken home by employees to be used to cover decks and docks, for blankets, as insulation on garage walls and door mats. I had thought they were called ‘mill ends,’ but I'm told ‘mill ends’ are a byproduct of the lumber industry. They are short, unusable lengths of finished wood from lumber mills. Like 1-foot ‘slabs,’ they were sold by the mills cheaply, for people to use in wood-burning stoves.

Until furnace oil was delivered for home heating and natural gas piped to homes, nearly every home had a ‘back shed,’ where the winter coal and wood was stored. Even homes with basements had back sheds to store tools and gardening utensils.

Whether these expressions are truly from northeastern Ontario is debatable, but a ‘two-four’ is a case of 24 beers and you go to the ‘in and out store’ – an LCBO outlet – to buy a ‘mickey,’ which is the smallest size of distilled alcohol available. Having a large francophone population, many expressions are literal translations which we commonly hear today. ‘Wheel barrel’ is said instead of ‘wheel barrow.’ ‘Turn off the light’ is often ‘close the light.’ Many do not ‘shop for groceries’, but instead ‘do groceries.’

Most definitely though, the phrase ‘May Run’ truly began in Timmins, Ontario by six friends who started a tradition of large numbers of teens, ‘heading to the bush’ on the long weekend in May. The first May Run was held at Kettle Lakes Provincial Park on May 23, 24 and 25, 1970. The phrase can **Continued on page 11.....**

SPEAK NORTHERN ONTARIAN continued....

be heard as far south as Temagami, as far west as Kapuskasing and as far east as Rouyn, PQ, but until it's introduced in other areas of Canada, it's truly a northeastern Ontario phrase.

That's my view from Over the Hill.

Dad Jokes

When's a door not a door? When it's ajar.

Did you hear about those new corduroy pillows? They're making headlines!

What happened to the exorcist's car? It got repossessed.

A duck walks into a pharmacy and says, "Give me some lip balm — and put it on my bill."

I saw a sign by the road that said, "END ROAD WORK" and thought, Wow, people will protest anything these days.

I just burnt my Hawaiian pizza. I guess I should have put it on aloha temperature.

Were does a dog go when he loses his tail? A retail store.

My friend really changed once she became a vegetarian. It's like I've never seen herbivore.

Why didn't the skeleton cross the road? He didn't have the guts.

What's the leading cause of dry skin? Towels

Why did Karen press CTRL+ ALT+ DELETE? Because she wanted to see the task manager.

What do you call a dinosaur that asks a lot of deep questions? A philosiraptor.

Why do chicken coops only have two doors? Because if they had four, they would be chicken sedans!

Parent to her friend: "I'm exhausted. I was up with the baby until 4 a.m." Friend: "It's probably not good to keep a baby up that late."

What do you call a new baby monkey? A chimp off the old block.

I can cut a piece of wood in half by just looking at it. I know it's hard to believe, but I saw it with my own two eyes.

Why was 2019 afraid of 2020? Because they had a fight and 2021.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. It's impossible to put down!

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Fall fire safety tips.

As the fall season brings cooler temperatures outside, inside things are warming up. During the fall and winter months fire hazards in your home or business stem largely from heating the space. According to the American Red Cross there is even a drastic increase in the amount of house fires during this time.

Local fire departments have gathered the following fire safety tips and fire prevention techniques to help you stay safe during the during the fall months.

1. Replace the batteries in your smoke alarms & locate fire extinguishers.
2. Develop a home fire safety and evacuation plan.
3. Bring fire safety to work through proper training and a post-fire recovery plan.
4. Check your Heating System!

Here are a few things you can do to reduce the risk of furnace fires:

Regularly replace furnace filters.

Keep all areas around the furnace clean and unobstructed.

Keep the burner area clean and clear of debris.

Keep all combustible items at least six-inches away from the vent pipe.

Never close off more than 20% of heat registers.

If there are any issues with your heating system, contact a professional immediately. For preventative care, have your central heating system cleaned and serviced by a certified HVAC contractor once annually.

5. Keep your fireplace clear of debris, and have it inspected each year.

Additionally, here are a few things you can do to enhance fireplace safety:

Use a fireplace screen, guard, or glass doors to keep hot ash and sparks contained.

Store extra wood, and other types of combustible materials, at least five-feet away from your fireplace.

Never leave a fire unattended.

Burn seasoned hardwoods, such as oak, that have been split and stored in a safe and dry environment for at least six-months.

Keep fires small – Never overload your fireplace.

When building a fire, strategically place logs on a metal grate at the back end of your fireplace; always use kindling to ignite fire.

