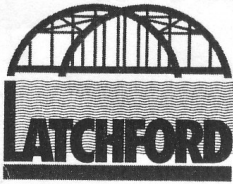


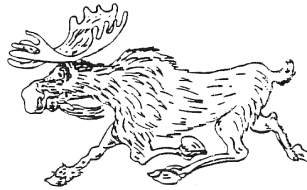
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PUBLIC NOTICE

~ **ALL** dogs must have current year tags per By-law 639/04. The cost per dog is: \$20.00

~ Remember to Poop & Scoop ~

Animal complaints can be reported to the Town Office @ 676-2416

COUNCIL MEETING FOR APRIL TO BE HELD ON THE 8th AT THE TOWN OFFICE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS @ 6:30PM. ALL ARE MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND.

LEGION MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION IN LATCHFORD.

Mayors Report

Spring is just around the corner! It can't here fast enough for me. It has been a brutal winter for many so the weather change will be greatly appreciated. We are still on the hunt for a new Clerk/Treasurer. Not an easy position to fill that is for sure. Have to thank Laurel for filling while we go thru this process. We have hired a part-time admin to help Laurel out in this transition so you will see a new face at the office when you stop in. Council is still working on the budget but looks like we will have it wrapped up shortly. I did attend a virtual meeting for the Latchford Dam Project with Temagami First Nations, Timiskaming First Nations, Coleman, George Lefebvre and Jeff Barton. This project has been near and dear to George for many years and it is good to see the discussions happening again and where we can go. Council is now doing a fundraising to upgrade playground equipment so you will see donation boxes out in our community. The goal is to raise money to purchase two new pieces for the playground. Councillor Cole is spearheading this fundraising and has already reached out to our youth to get their feedback. There will be a memory wall for those who want to create a legacy for their family and our community. The equipment will be purchased from a Canadian company. So, if anyone is interested and wanting to be on his committee, please reach out to him or the office. I have been talking to a couple of individuals in regard to our highway, pedestrians and speed. There is some programs out there and I am trying to see if we qualify to be part of them. So please stay tuned as I have some meetings happening in the beginning of April. Hoping you all have a Happy Easter and the Easter bunny treats you well!! Also please enjoy your time with friends and family.

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I have space on my calendar this winter if you would like an idea of cost we can come have a look and work out an estimate for you.

From the kitchen of Diana

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HOME MADE DRY BUTTERMILK PANCAKE MIX

In the last couple of months I had cravings for pancakes, bacon and maple syrup and found myself checking out the grocery stores for pancake mix. I have discovered over the years it's important to read ingredient labels trying as much as possible to eliminate products that have artificial colours, artificial flavours, preservatives, etc. A good way to have control over what's in our pancakes is to make 'em from scratch.

3 cups all purpose flour
3/4 cup dry buttermilk powder
1/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder
2 teaspoons baking soda
2 teaspoons salt

Mix all ingredients and store in an air tight container.

To prepare: add 1/3 cup water to 1 cup of buttermilk pancake mix (3 parts mix to 1 part water).. For more flavour add pure vanilla extract. Cook on oil or buttered pan over medium heat. Some lumps are fine. Add ins: For thicker pancakes add 1 egg. Combine wet and dry ingredients just until combined. Heat a non-stick skillet on medium, grease with butter. Pour 1/3 cup batter into pan for each pancake making 4 pancakes at a time. After 2-3 minutes when bubbles start forming use spatula to lift pancake half way to check if golden brown underneath. If golden brown, flip pancake and cook for 2 more minutes until golden brown and turn onto a plate. Wipe out pan, grease with butter and do cook remaining batter.

Note: My preference is to omit the egg and have thinner pancakes.

CORN MEAL PANCAKE RECIPE (JOHNNY CAKES) STORE LEFTOVERS

1-1/2 cups all purpose flour
1 cup yellow corn meal
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon fine sea salt (or fine Note and salt)
2 tablespoons sugar
2 eggs lightly beaten
2-1/2 cups buttermilk
6 tablespoons butter melted

In a medium mixing bowl combine the flour, corn meal, baking powder, salt and sugar. Stir together. In another mixing bowl whisk together eggs, buttermilk and melted butter. Whisk the wet mixture into the dry just until combined. Some lumps are fine. Heat a non-stick skillet on medium, grease with butter. Pour 1/3 cup batter into pan for each pancake making 4 pancakes at a time. After 2-3 minutes when bubbles start forming use spatula to lift pancake half way to check if golden brown underneath. If golden brown, flip pancake and cook for 2 more minutes until golden brown and turn onto a plate. Wipe out pan, grease with butter and do cook remaining batter.

Tip 1 : Store left overs in sealed container in fridge for 3 days or store in a air tight freezer bag for 1 month.

Tip 2: Careful not to over mix or pancakes won't be as fluffy or tender.

Happy Easter!!

Hello everyone!

Things have been busy at our Legion! We had dances, card tournaments, dart tournaments and lots of fun! On Saturday March 15 th , we held our draw for the beautiful cabinet that our member Mel Fleming made, a gorgeous cribbage board that was made by Creations Inc. and donated by our members Ken and Laura Olsen and the awesome \$100.00 gift certificate from Breault's Family Farm that was donated by our members Yves and Trina Breault. Thank you everyone for these wonderful items!!

Sue Ambeau won the cabinet.

Devon Mills won the cribbage board.

Donna Livingston won the \$100.00 gift card.

With the sale of the tickets, we raised \$1,684.00!!! This money will go towards our building renovations.

We will continue to open every Sunday from 1 pm to 6 pm for Games Day. Come out and play pool, darts, corn hole bag toss , watch sports on the TV or sit with friends and family. In January, we had a great turn out and many children came out to play games! We had a great attendance on Saturday night to play fun darts. It was fun watching them try to get 180! Fun darts will be every Saturday night starting at 7pm Everyone is welcome to come out and join in on the fun. Upcoming Events

Saturday April 26 th , the Ladies Auxiliary are hosting an Easter Supper from 4-6pm.

On Saturday April 26 th , there will be a Karaoke Dance starting at 8 pm. Come out and sing your heart out!! More events may be added. Keep checking our Facebook Page-Royal Canadian Legion Latchford. Sgt. Aubrey

Cosens V.C. Br 629.

The Legion is open Friday nights at 7 pm, Saturdays at 2 pm and Sundays at 1pm.

Rental of the Legion for special occasions is available. Please contact Vicky (705-679-4062) or Sharon (705-676-1115) if you would like more information or to book a date.

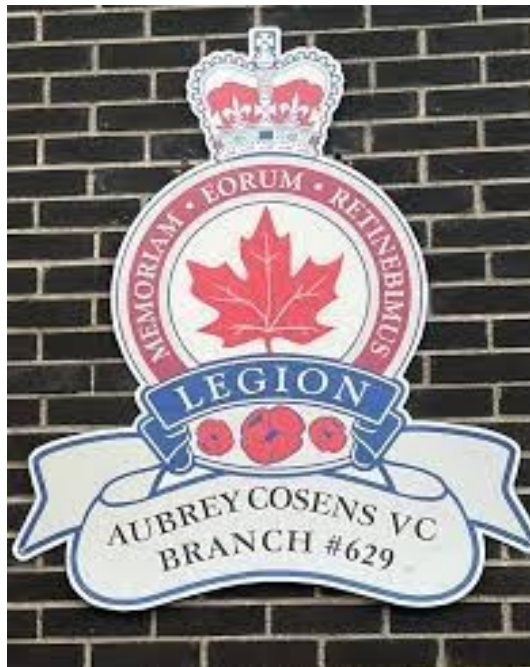
If anyone would like to become a Branch member, please contact me or stop at the Legion for an application form.

The Branch meetings will be every 2nd Wednesday of each month starting at 7pm. All members are welcome.

Here is the Legion contact information:
sgtaubreycosensv.c.629@hotmail.com
705-679-4062

Lest we forget.

Vicky Gray-Wilks, Branch President



Obituary



Jeffrey Michael Boyce

Chillicothe, Ohio – Jeffrey Michael Joseph Boyce, (Jeff aka Toadman) born on November 24, 1960, passed away peacefully on January 12, 2025, surrounded by loved ones. His passing followed a sudden illness, leaving a profound void in the lives of all who knew him. Jeff was the beloved son of Therese Johnston nee Dubie (Dube) and the late Earl Boyce (May 26, 1962). He is survived by his mother; his brothers, Richard Boyce and Greg Boyce; his sister, Beverly Johnston; three nieces, Brandie Spence (Scott), Kate Campbell (David) and Hannah Boyce. two nephews Jason Boyce (Tashia) and Jesseb Boyce. Great nephews, Brayden, Emerson and Henry, Great Nieces, Bria, Isabelle and Carmeron. His Aunt Doris Pervik who was by his side January 1st until the 8th. Aunt Nin LaRose and Uncle Butch Boyce and extended family Kelly and Monique

O'Shaughnessy who were by his side when he passed, and all here in Canada. He also leaves behind his devoted wife, Lisa Boyce; his step-daughter, Crystal Benson; his stepson, Jonathan Benson, and his wife Wendi; as well as five cherished grandchildren: Layla Robertson, Caden Robertson, Henry Robertson, Ronin Benson, and Ryker Benson.

His fur buddies/companions, Spike and Fred. Predeceased Buffy.

Predeceased by his father Earl Boyce and step father Glen W. Johnston, his older brother Earl (April 25, 2020). Grand parents; Ernie Boyce and Violet (Sampson) Boyce, Leonard Dube, Violet Montgomery (Lapointe) and Harry Montgomery aka Daddy Slim.

After graduating from Northern College with 2 degrees he worked at Algoma Steel in Sault Ste Marie Ontario before he crossed the boarder. For over 30 years, Jeffrey dedicated himself to his career at InfoSight Corporation as a Field Service Engineer. During his tenure, he formed many lasting friendships and had the opportunity to travel to 65 countries for both work and leisure. Jeffrey's larger-than-life personality left an indelible mark on everyone he met during his travels, earning him friends across the globe.

Jeffrey retired from InfoSight on September 13, 2024, after decades of hard work and dedication. Though his retirement was brief, it was filled with the love of family and friends who meant so much to him. Jeffrey will be remembered for his vibrant spirit and the joy he brought to those around him. His memory will live on in the hearts of his family and friends across the world. May his legacy bring comfort to all who mourn his loss.

A celebration of life will be held later this year.

Rhonda's Garden Tip

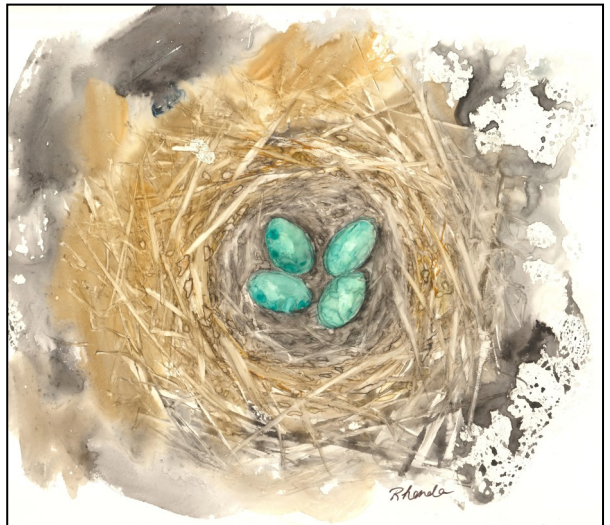
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Hello Spring! Or soon to be spring. The longer daylight hours and strengthening sun start to warm the soil, slowly melting snow in sunny spots. Hardy perennials like chives, rhubarb, and garlic may start peeking through as the snow recedes, while trees and shrubs, such as willows and poplars, begin to bud despite the chilly air. Gardeners use this time to start seeds indoors, particularly slow-growing crops like tomatoes, pepper, and herbs, ensuring a strong start for the growing season ahead.

Migrating birds will fill the air to welcome a new season. Wildlife picks up as birds like robins and red-winged blackbirds return. I can hear the robins filling the air with their early spring songs, but haven't seen one yet. Hibernating animals like skunks and raccoons begin to stir, and despite occasional warm spells, April can often create a "false spring" that tricks plants and gardeners into thinking the season has fully changed. Instead use this month to pick up the mess and clean up the damage that winter has left behind, like broken branches, leaves, pinecones and other debris. Get proper gloves for those raking jobs to avoid getting blister on your hands, work gloves or garden gloves work well. Find rubber boots or shoes that are comfortable for your feet to work in wet and muddy areas.

Remember to work slowly back into gardening, stretch before you start. Your muscles need a little time to wake up and get moving too! A 2 to 3 minute gentle cardio to get the blood flowing to your muscle will do wonders when you start digging, lifting, bending and pulling in the garden. Gardening is an excellent way to keep up on the exercise, and improving your flexibility while get some work done at the same time, double bonus. It's also the perfect time to check over all your gardening tools and accessories, so they will function at their best for the season ahead. Spring is coming, inching closer and closer. So, let's suit up with the proper gardening gear and tools to welcome all the beauty that spring has to offer us this year! Happy gardening!

Bye for now
Rhonda



rhonda's Cards



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Subscribers News

Is Mother Nature ever doing a number on us here in Latchford. She teases us with some very springlike temperatures, reduces the winter snow to about half and then turns around and gives us another dose of it. I am uncertain as to whether she was just testing our sump pumps to ensure they are working prior to going the full meltdown route but we all would welcome bare ground and dry conditions with warmer weather before Easter! Another benefit to warmer weather will be the safety improvement in driving on our northern highways. You hear and read a lot about the dangers one faces because of the large number of commercial motor vehicles (transports) on highway 11 and as one who puts a fair number of "klics" on during all seasons. I can attest to being a lot more uncomfortable on said highway during the "white" season.

Renewals for the month were led off by former resident Marg Larente of Welland who opted for 2 more years and that was followed up with another year for long time resident, Joan Carmody, of New Liskeard. Then Mavis Swiston, of Burlington, a longtime summer resident renewed for another couple of years. Rounding out the month came one from a far distance away, Rob Godby of Laramie, Wyoming renewed for another year for himself and his mother, Sheila Godby, of Peterborough. Rob is the grandson of our noted late resident, Fred, and wife Ida, Keenan. I believe we are closing in on the 100th anniversary of his grandparents arrival in Latchford where his grandfather is fondly remembered as the Principal of the Latchford Public School and an upstanding resident of Latchford.

On the health and fitness front, I confess to not having heard of any patients from Latchford having resided in the Temiskaming Hospital during the last month. One note that I should share is that Allan Haarala of Cobalt who many in this community knew and attended Cobalt High with him, has passed away. Al never missed a meal hosted at our Legion so many knew him from those visits and he was a longtime subscriber to the Moose Call.

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Dad Jokes

Did you hear about the actor who fell through the floorboards?

He was just going through a stage.

Why was the picture sent to jail?

It was framed.

Why do we tell actors to break a leg?

Because every play has a cast.

What kind of chocolate do you find in airports?

Plain

Why was the librarian kicked off the plane?

Because it was overbooked.

What do you call a person who never farts in public?

A private tutor.

Why was the sand wet?

Because the seaweed.

Why do people fall asleep in the bathroom?

Because it's also called a restroom!

What kind of dogs come from the bathroom?
Poodles.

What did the poop say to the fart?

Wow, you really blow me away!

Should you have your whole family for Thanksgiving dinner?

No, you should just stick with turkey.

Why did the electric car feel discriminated against? \

Because the rules weren't current.

I'm such a good navigator, a self-driving car once asked me for directions.

"Singing in the shower is fun until you get soap in your mouth. Then it's a soap opera."

"I thought the dryer was shrinking my clothes. Turns out it was the refrigerator all along."

"Have you heard about the chocolate record player? It sounds pretty sweet."

"I only know 25 letters of the alphabet. I don't know y."

"How do you make 7 even?" "Take away the s."

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**Today I found out that
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apartment above mine.**

**All these years I've been
living under a rock.**

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**Did you hear about
the restaurant
on the moon?**

**Great food,
no atmosphere...**

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**What's the best way to
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Fun Facts

The hashtag symbol is technically called an octothorpe.

The 100 folds in a chef's hat represent 100 ways to cook an egg.

The most streamed Spotify single is Harry Styles' "Girl Crush."

The longest wedding veil was longer than 63 football fields.

Some cats are allergic to people.

Apple Pie isn't actually American at all.

The unicorn is the national animal of Scotland.

The Crown Jewels contain the two biggest cut diamonds on Earth

The voices of Mickey and Minnie Mouse got married in real life.

The largest known living organism is an aspen grove.

M&M stands for Mars and Murrie.

Facebook has more users than many major populations.

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⇒ ***Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half***

- ❑ Ensure smoke alarms are installed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement
- ❑ Test them at least once a month by pushing the test button
- ❑ Replace the batteries in all smoke alarms. Best way to remember is when you change your clocks, change your batteries.

⇒ ***The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.***

- ❑ Clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- ❑ Keep the area around your dryer clear of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing.

⇒ ***Most cooking fires in the home involve the stovetop.***

- ❑ Keep anything that can catch fire - oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels, or curtains - away from your stovetop.
- ❑ Always stay in the kitchen when frying on the stovetop.

⇒ ***Extension cord fires outnumbered fires beginning with permanent or detachable power cords by two-to-one.***

- ❑ Check electrical cords to make sure they are not running across doorways or under carpets. Extension cords are intended for temporary use.
- ❑ Have a qualified electrician add more receptacle outlets so you don't have to use extension cords.

