



The Cornerstone

Township Of O'Connor

OCTOBER 2023



PLEASE NOTE that the Township Office will be closed Monday, October 2nd in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day, and Monday, October 9th for the Thanksgiving holiday. The office will also be closed Wednesday, October 25th for staff to attend training.



2023 FINAL TAX BILLINGS

The 2023 Final Tax bills were mailed out at the beginning of August with three installments. Due dates are August 31st, September 29th and October 31st. Only cash, cheques (no debit or credit) will be accepted as payment at the Township Office located at 330 Highway 595. Payment can also be made using e-transfer, internet, or telephone banking. Please check our website for further details at www.oconnortownship.ca.



COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meetings of Council will be held:

Tuesday, October 10th and Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

The regular meetings of Council will be held in Council Chambers at 330 Highway 595. To view meeting agendas, please visit the Township Website at www.oconnortownship.ca to access them through the "Council" page. Please note that the virtual option to join a meeting is no longer available.

Council welcomes your involvement.

Mayor: Jim Vezina, 807-577-6735

Councillors:

Alex Crane, 807-473-9420

John Sobolta, 807-624-8025

Bishop Racicot, 807-577-2215

Carly Torkkeli, 807-620-2579

The Township of O'Connor Council and Staff would like to give thanks for this great community that we live in and the amazing residents that reside here.

We wish everyone a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving this Monday, October 9th.

O'CONNOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & AUXILIARY 2-BIT AUCTION

This year's 2-bit Auction will be held Saturday, October 7th at the O'Connor Community Centre at 7:00 pm. Tickets are all sold out, but we are still looking for prize donations for the event. For more information on how to donate, please call the O'Connor Township Office at 807-476-1451.

O'CONNOR SKATING RINK

The Township of O'Connor is looking for volunteers to join the Rink Committee to help flood the rink once the cold weather arrives and to help maintain the rink through the skating season (shovelling, snowblowing, and flooding). If you are interested in volunteering or for more information, please call the Township Office at 807-476-1451. If you volunteered last year, you are still on the list and staff will contact you. Your help is greatly appreciated!

O'CONNOR TOWNSHIP OFFICE

The Council of the Township of O'Connor did an excellent job of trying to minimize tax increases this year. In the best interest of the community, Council would like to reach out and ask if any individual would be interested in furthering the community spirit in keeping taxes minimized and would like to volunteer their time assisting Administrative staff with their duties in a time of being short-staffed. For interest or inquiries, please contact the Township Office at 807-476-1451.

Emergency Contacts:

Medical Emergencies: 911

Fire: 911 Police: 911

Police Non-Emergency 1-888-310-1122

Municipal Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday:

9:00 am to Noon & 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Fridays: 9:00 am to Noon

Office Phone: 807-476-1451

Fax: 807-473-0891

Garage: 807-476-1453

Community Centre: 807-476-1452

Website: www.oconnortownship.ca

E-mail: twpoconn@tbaytel.net

Find the Cornerstone on our website!

Disposal Site Hours:

Winter Hours (Sept 1-Mar 31)

Tuesdays 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Saturdays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Summer Hours (Apr 1-Aug 31)

Tuesdays 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Saturdays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Volunteer Fire Department:

O'Connor needs Volunteer Firefighters and First Responders! For more Information or questions on volunteering, please see page 3 for contact numbers.

Dog Control Officer:

Margaret Foster 807-632-1235

Building Permits:

By-law Number 2016-12, being a by-law respecting Construction, Demolition, Inspections, and to set out the rates for permits within the Corporation of the Township of O'Connor states that building permits will be required for the construction, erection, alteration, repair, removal, relocation and change of use of all buildings, decks or structures within the Township of O'Connor. If you are building anything larger than **161.2** square feet or any building with heating and/or plumbing, you are required to apply for a building permit. For more information, please call the Township Office or the Township's **Chief Building Official, Martin Tempelman, at 807-630-9726 or email to cbomartint@gmail.com**

Applications are available on the Township Website or at the Township Office.

Oliver Paipoonge Library Hours:

Rosslyn - Tues & Thurs 10-8 pm

Fridays 10-3 pm

Saturdays 1-4 pm

Murillo - Mon & Wed 10-8 pm

Saturdays 9 am-12 noon

Email: olibrary@tbaytel.net

<http://oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca/>

Thunder Bay District Health Unit:

807-625-5900 Toll Free: 888-294-6630

Telehealth Ontario:

1-866-797-0000

Call Ontario 2-1-1 to find programs and services in your area.



DISPOSAL SITE

FALL CLEAN UP TO DO LIST

Now is the time to get cleaning and decluttering before winter. Preparing for winter will make life easier when spring arrives. When disposing of your garbage or unwanted items, please keep in mind that not everything should be thrown to the Disposal Site. Use the following checklist to make your fall clean-up easy and enjoyable.

1. **Check out all Food Storage** - Go through your fridge, freezer and cabinets. Check for expired or unwanted food items. For items not expired, drop them off at the Township Office for the Rural Cupboard Food Bank and put items in the Community Blessing Box.
2. **Clean out the Closets** - Switch seasons and declutter your closets. Bag up any unwanted clothing, linens, etc and drop off at clothing bins or stores in various locations. Many places take used items. Even if they're not in good condition, they will cut them up for rags.
3. **Clean up Yard Debris** - The most efficient way to start cleaning up the yard is at the top, by pruning trees, trimming hedges and cleaning gutters. After that, work your way down. Disposing of your branches and yard debris will give you a proper fall yard cleanup and put you ahead of the game when spring arrives.
4. **Clean out the basement** - Get rid of any junk and debris you've been storing and not doing anything with. This will help declutter and give you more space for the winter.

For more information on recycling and disposing of your items, please visit the Township Website at twpoconn@tbaytel.net and check out our Waste Disposal Guide on the Disposal Site page.

ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY PASTURES

For information, questions, or concerns regarding the Community Pastures and its cattle,
Please contact Mike Huber
at 519-572-0184.

REMINDER TO FARMERS

Please ensure that fence lines are checked for damage from weathering, fallen trees, etc.
Be mindful of keeping your animals on your side of the fence and that they are not free to roam on Township roads or into your neighbouring yards.



Cornerstone Advertising

The following fee structure for advertising in the Cornerstone has been set by Council;

- **Business Ad** - \$ 10.00
- **Full Page Ad** - \$ 30.00
- **Personal/Classified Ads** (ie. Garage Sale, Parties, Funerals or Celebrations) - \$ 5.00
- **Announcements** (ie. birthday, anniversary, baby) - \$ 2.00 (This does not include pictures)
- **Death Announcements** - Free of Charge for the Township of O'Connor past or present residents. (This does not include funeral advertisements)

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.

O'CONNOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT HALLOWE'EN TREATS



Bring the kids by the O'Connor Fire Hall on
Tuesday, October 31st
from 6:00 - 8:00 pm



for Halloween treats and fire safety information.
Check out the Fire Hall and talk to our Volunteer Firefighters to see if you might be interested in joining the O'Connor Team.

If anyone would like to donate purchased goodies for the event, please drop off at the O'Connor Township Office during regular business hours.

TOWNSHIP SPEED LIMITS

The Township of O'Connor Council would like to remind everyone to be mindful of the Township's speed limits. Please slow down and watch for posted speed limit signs. Be respectful of the people that live close to the roads and always watch for people backing out of driveways, children and pets.



DONATE YOUR:

- ⇒ POP CANS
- ⇒ BEER CANS
- ⇒ LIQUOR BOTTLES
- ⇒ BEER BOTTLES

FOR THE O'CONNOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT!

HELP OUR LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT RAISE MONEY BY PUTTING YOUR CANS AND BOTTLES IN THE SPECIALIZED BINS FOR O'CONNOR!

The O'Connor Fire Department Auxiliary has pop & beer can, beer & liquor bottle bins at the O'Connor Disposal Site, the O'Connor Fire Hall, Kakabeka Falls Public School and Green Acres Variety. Using these bins, rather than the regular recycling bins, helps raise money for the O'Connor Volunteer Fire Department equipment thus reducing the tax dollars needed during budget time.

FEELING EXTRA CHARITABLE??

Remove your pop can tabs and drop them off at the Township of O'Connor Office for the March of Dimes.



Dogs Running at Large

The staff of the Township of O'Connor would like to give a friendly reminder to check your dog's leashes and collars inspecting for cracks, tears and breaks, and batteries in your battery operated dog leashes. If you are having trouble with dogs running at large, please contact the Township's Dog Control Officer, Margaret Foster at 807-632-1235.



O'CONNOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

Book your next special occasion at the O'Connor Community Centre. Maximum capacity in the Community Centre is 162 people. If a liquor license is required, the Centre's capacity is 132 people. Please call the Municipal Office at 807-476-1451 for more information or to book your event.

O'Connor Hall Rental Fees:

- ⇒ Social with Liquor - \$200.00
- ⇒ Hall Rental No Liquor - \$75.00
- ⇒ Use of basement Kitchen - \$50.00

—Please note that a deposit may be required.—



Volunteer Fire Department News

Since our last newsletter, the O'Connor Volunteer Fire Department received 2 Fire calls and 1 First Response call.

MEET YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS this month featuring FIRE CHIEF HENRY MATTAS



Fire Chief Mattas grew up in Stanley where he attended Stanley School. He has worked as a welder, farmer and machine operator. He now lives in Oliver-Paipoonge with his wife of 57 years where they raised two boys. Henry has been a Volunteer Firefighter for 49 years. He first joined the Paipoonge Volunteer Fire Department where he volunteered for 23 years until it amalgamated with Oliver Township to form the Oliver-Paipoonge Volunteer Fire Department where he volunteered for another 3 years. Henry then joined the O'Connor Volunteer Fire Department where he has volunteered for the last 23 years. Henry joined the fire department because he wanted to help his neighbours. What he likes most about being the Fire Chief is meeting new people and knowing that he is making a difference in the community by volunteering. He enjoys his time at the O'Connor Volunteer Fire Department and says that they are a good bunch of people to work with.

Henry's favorite food to eat is his wife's Smothered Chicken. See page 8 to get the recipe.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER! WE NEED YOU!!

The Township of O'Connor is looking for volunteers for O'Connor's Volunteer Fire Department and First Response Team. Volunteer firefighter training occurs on a weekly ongoing basis and now is the perfect time to join our team. Our community needs more volunteers to ensure that in the event of an emergency, our residents will be taken care of as fast as possible. For questions on volunteering for the O'Connor Fire Department, First Response and/or Auxiliary, please call:

Fire Chief Henry Mattas at 807-628-3523
Volunteer Fire Department
Leanne at 807-475-5828
Volunteer First Response
Cheri at 807-621-5768
Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary

Applications to join the team can be found on the Township website at www.oconnortownship.ca.

**Your Volunteer time could make a difference
in someone else's life.**



FIRE PERMITS

Fire Permits are still required until October 31st. If you need assistance applying for a permit, please contact Township Staff at 807-476-1451.

- Fire Permits are required for **ALL** outdoor burning, including fireworks and incinerators, with the exception of small campfires for cooking or warmth,
 - Permits may be revoked at anytime at the absolute discretion of the Township's Fire Chief, Henry Mattas,
 - Fire Permits are valid for the entire fire season and can be obtained through the following steps below:
- ⇒ **STEP 1:** Register online at: <https://oconnor.burnpermits.com/> Keep your password for future years. If you have already registered a previous year, please skip to Step 2.
- ⇒ **STEP 2:** Using the same login information from previous years, follow the steps at the above web address to apply for your burn permit.
- ⇒ **STEP 3: Call 1-833-490-0299 each time before burning.** Calling this number before you burn is mandatory to ensure the Township is aware of all active burns, while providing you with the necessary risk level information.

O'CONNOR EMERGENCY TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE

Please sign up for O'Connor's Emergency Text Messaging Service. It is free of charge to you and phone numbers are for this service only. Stay informed on road closures, emergencies, municipal events and updates happening in O'Connor Township.

Instructions for the Township of O'Connor Emergency Text Messaging System can be found on the Township Website "Emergency Services."

PLEASE NOTE: The text messaging service is for outgoing messages only. If you wish to send us a message, do so by emailing to twoconn@tbaytel.net. Please do not respond to the delivered text messages as these are not checked on a regular basis.

EMERGENCY INFORMATIONS FORMS

As a small community, Staff and Council are always concerned for our residents' well-being. By filling out an Emergency Information Form, Staff will have the information they need to ensure that your needs are being met during an emergency or in the event of an emergency evacuation. All information is kept confidential and used only in the event of an emergency. Don't need help in an emergency, but want to help your community? This information is also on the form! Find the Emergency Information Form on our website under "Emergency Services." Email completed forms to twoconn@tbaytel.net, or drop off to the Township Office at 330 Highway 595.

SMOKE DETECTORS & CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS SAVE LIVES



The O'Connor Fire Department has for purchase:

Kidde Smoke Alarms.....\$25.00
Kidde Carbon Monoxide (CO) Alarms.....\$25.00
Kidde Combination Smoke/CO Alarms.....\$50.00

These units can be picked up at the O'Connor Township Office during regular office hours.

OCTOBER 2023



NorWest Community
Health Centres
Centres de santé
communautaire NorWest

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
2	3 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Diabetes Educator Dietitian	4	5 LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-4:30pm	6
9 CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING	10 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 1pm-6pm	11 Mobile Clinic - Armstrong 8:30am-1:30pm	12 LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-4:30pm	13
16	17 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Diabetes Educator Dietitian	18	19 LifeLabs	20
23	24 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group	25	26 LifeLabs Walk-In Clinic 8:30am-4:30pm Mobile Clinic - Upsala 10am-3:30pm	27
30	31 Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group Dietitian	STRATEGIES FOR A HEALTHY FALL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get your flu shot • Wash your hands • Move more, sit less • Make healthy food choices 		

Kakabeka Site

4785 ON-11 Unit B,
Kakabeka Falls,
ON P0T 1W0
(807) 473-5528

Thunder Bay Site

525 Simpson Street
Thunder Bay, ON P7C 3J6
(807) 622-8235

PROGRAM INFO.

Call Shaun at (807) 473-5528
ext.1 to register for all programs

Fly the C.O.O.P Walking Group
Meets outside of the Kakabeka site

Please call to book an
appointment for:

- LifeLabs
- Dietitian
- Diabetes Educator



Follow us!

NorWest Community
Health Centres -
Kakabeka Falls Clinic

www.norwestchc.org

RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Conmee Municipal Complex
19 Holland Rd, Kakabeka Falls P0T1W0
807-285-0836

Next Food Bank is

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

Registration 9 am to 11 am

Drive-thru pick up

We sincerely thank all those that continue to support us.
Your donations enable the food bank to remain open.

RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

FALL HARVEST

October 5 & 6

4:00 - 8:00 pm

October 7th from

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Please drop in at the Odena in Kakabeka Falls
and make a monetary or food donation.

Help us stock up our shelves for the winter ahead.
Tax receipts for any monetary donation over \$10.00.

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program

*Provides FREE dental services
to eligible seniors*

You may be eligible if you:

- Are 65 or older
- Are a resident of Ontario
- Have no access to any other form of dental benefits (e.g. private insurance or other government program)
- Have an annual net income of \$22,200 or less for a single person OR a combined net income of \$37,100 or less for a couple

For more information:
Visit TBDHU.com/SeniorsDental

To apply online:
Visit ontario.ca/SeniorsDental

For assistance or to book an appointment:
Call (807) 625-5984 or toll-free: 1-888-294-6630



Thunder Bay District
Health Unit



Kakabeka Falls

& Rural District RCL Branch #225

Kakabeka Legion, 4556 Highway 11-17, Kakabeka Falls

Sunday, October 8th - **Monthly Buffet Breakfast**
8:30 am - noon

Saturday, October 14th - **Exec/Gen Meeting**
2:30/3:00 pm

Saturday, October 14th - **Dance with Quest**
7:00 - 10:00 pm

Sunday, October 16th - **Jam Session**
7:00 - 9:30 pm

Friday, October 18th - **Dinner/Dance with the Fugitives**
5:30 - 10:00 pm

Call Gary for reservations 807-708-0411.

Friday, October 27th - **Rural 60+ luncheon**
12:00 - 1:00 pm

Saturday, October 28 - **Hallowe'en Dinner/Dance**
5:30 - 10:00 pm

Call Gary for reservations 807-708-0411.

Sunday October 29th **An Afternoon of Music**
2:00 - 4:00 pm

Call the Legion hotline for any changes at 807-473-9122.



O'CONNOR COMMUNITY CLUB

If you are interested in joining the O'Connor Community Club team or volunteering for the club, please contact Lorna at 807-476-1451 for more information. All are welcome to attend. Meeting nights are flexible to adhere to members availability. We are always looking for new members, event ideas and activities! Please join us to see what the club is all about and ensure that social events continue to happen in O'Connor.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 17th at 7:30 pm in the O'Connor Council Chambers at 330 Highway 595.



Commemorative Plaques

Celebrate a family member, friend or loved one and order a plaque TODAY!

The Township of O'Connor offers plaques to observe special anniversaries of 50 years or longer and birthday celebrations of 75 years or older for present and past residents of the Township. If you know anyone who will be celebrating either of these special events, please contact the Township office three weeks prior to the date and a plaque will be ordered at no charge.



O'Connor's History Book

"First Hundred Years Of Country Living At Its Best"

The Township of O'Connor has copies of the O'Connor History Book which commemorate the "First 100 years of O'Connor's Country Living At Its Best." Copies of the hardcover book can be purchased for \$40 at the O'Connor Township Office during regular office hours.



Dan & Annie Macsemchuk

are celebrating their

50th Wedding Anniversary

on October 19th.

and



Annie's 70th Birthday

is on October 16!

Cheers to you both!

With love and admiration from your family.



<p>Murillo Library Monday 10 – 8:00 pm Wednesday 10 – 8:00 pm Saturday 9 – 12 pm 935-2729</p>	<p>Email: oplibrary@tbaytel.net Website: http://oliverpaipoonge.olsn.ca</p>	<p>Rosslyn Library Tuesday 10 – 8:00 pm Thursday 10 – 8:00 pm Friday 10 – 3:00 pm Saturday 1 – 4:00 pm 939-2312</p>
	<p>Thank you to Lorraine Leveque for sponsoring the purchase of the latest novel by William Kent Krueger!</p>	
<p>Murillo Library will be closed on Thanksgiving Monday October 9th. </p>		<p>Rosslyn Library will be open until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday October 31st. If you are in the neighbourhood for 'treats' stop by the library!</p>



Story Time with Kelsea
Every Thursday at 11:00 am
at Rosslyn Library

Vendors Wanted

Christmas Craft Fair



We are considering a week day/evening
craft/bake sale in December at Rosslyn Hall.

If you are interested in participating, please call
Rosslyn Library at 939-2312 or email
oliverpaipoongelibrary@gmail.com and let us
know by Wednesday October 18th

Carpet Bowling for Seniors

Rosslyn Community Centre

Sponsored by Rosslyn Library

Seniors!

Enjoy a fun game of carpet bowling!

- Relaxed & gentle pace of exercise
- Free
- Socializing & fun times
- Coaching available
- Snacks & refreshments
- Air conditioned comfort

Beginners welcome!!




**Rosslyn Hall
every Friday**


1 - 3 pm

Call the library at 939-2312 for
more information.

Please bring indoor shoes!



An EarlyON Storytime Adventure




Tuesday, Oct 17th
1:00pm-2:00pm

We're taking storytime on the road to the
Rosslyn Library! We will be meeting at the library
to enjoy some engaging tales, free play and crafts!

All ages welcome, no pre-registration necessary!

Call the Rosslyn Library at 939-2312 or ask a
Rural Family Centre staff member for more
information!



CRIBBAGE

BEGINNERS WELCOME!

EVERY TUESDAY 1 P.M.

ROSSLYN COMMUNITY CENTER
3405 ROSSLYN ROAD



'Get Creative' craft gathering
Every Thursday from 1 to 4:00
at Rosslyn Hall



Bring in your current craft project to
work on alongside other 'crafty-
minded' people. Games of Canasta,
dominoes or other card games can be
arranged if you wish to play. This is a
great time to meet new people,
socialize and share tips and ideas.

Call 939-2312 for more information.

After school 'Reading with Rena'

Calling students in grades 4 to 6...

Do you enjoy being read to in a quiet relaxing space?

Why not join us at the Murillo Library and see what it's all about.

Every Monday at 3:00 p.m.

(except Oct. 9th)

Snacks will be provided.



Start the new year off right! It's time to join....

Free Exercise Class for all ages



This safe low-impact routine works to lubricate joints and keep them flexible, strengthen and stabilize individual muscles and increase blood circulation resulting in a decreased number of falls and an increased ability to better accomplish day-to-day physical activities.

**Drop in every Tuesday and Thursday
from 11:30 – 12:00 at Rosslyn Library**
(Stretch bands and balls on Tuesday, weights on Thursday) *Please bring indoor shoes and weights.*



October Events

Corn Hole League Begins – October 12th at 7pm

Monday Gentle Flow Yoga 7-8pm

Tuesday Playgroup 10-12pm

October 21st – Halloween Family Parties

October 29th – Waldorf Parent & Child Gathering

Be sure to follow along on the Gillies Community Centre Facebook page for ALL the events happening this month!



LAKEHEAD REGION
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



The Level I Low Water Condition declared on August 3, 2023, for the LRCA Area of Jurisdiction, remains in effect. This declaration is based on one-month and three-month received precipitation and observed flow conditions in area streams when compared to the lowest average summer flows. Affected residents (households utilizing private wells) are advised to monitor their water levels and usage, as they may experience shortages if the lack of precipitation continues into the fall.

The LRCA's 2024 Explore Card Parking Pass will be available for sale on November 1, 2023! Explore Cards can be purchased by visiting our webstore (www.store.lakeheadca.com), by calling us at (807) 344-5857 or at our Administrative Office at 130 Conservation Road in Thunder Bay. Explore Card Parking Passes permit day-use/parking at our ten Conservation Areas for one calendar year. Visit as often as you like. Enjoy one calendar year of recreation activities! For the low price of \$40.00 +HST, it's convenient for frequent users, and a great gift idea. All Explore Card revenue goes directly towards the upkeep and maintenance of our Conservation Areas. 2024 Explore Cards are valid from November 1, 2023 until December 31, 2024.

Attention teachers: the LRCA offers a variety of outdoor environmental education programs, including field trips to a Conservation Area, outdoor programming at your school, and in-class presentations. If you are interested in booking one of our excellent programs, please contact us by emailing education@lakeheadca.com.

Autumn is a wonderful time to explore a Conservation Area. The falls colours are now in full swing, and the weather is cooling off a bit which means less bugs. While visiting a Conservation Area, please note that all pets must be on-leash at all times and picked up after, place garbage in the proper receptacles, and remember that campfires and overnight camping are prohibited.

RURAL 60 PLUS

5 Pineview Road, Kakabeka Falls
807-475-5779, www.rural60plus.ca, rural60@tbaytel.net

TUESDAYS

Weaving – 10am to 3pm

Knitting – 10am to 3pm

WEDNESDAYS

Cribbage – 1pm to 3pm

Quilting – 10am to 3pm

Carving 10am to 3pm

THURSDAYS

Weaving – 10am to 3pm

Knitting – 10am to 3pm

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY

Craft Room is open 10am to 3pm

THANKSGIVING DINNER WORD SCRAMBLER

(answers on page 11)

1. ALFYMI _ _ _ _ _
2. KRYTUE _ _ _ _ _
3. FSIUFGTN _ _ _ _ _
4. MPNUPIK IEP _ _ _ _ _
5. ARVYG _ _ _ _ _
6. RCON NO EHT OCB
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7. HASDEM AOTPTSE
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8. EARRCYRBN ESCUA
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9. TORACR ACKE _ _ _ _ _
10. TUETURBN USAQHS
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11. STEWE OPTAOT ECAOLERSS
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12. TIBSUCIS _ _ _ _ _

Willis' Smothered Chicken

Submitted by Willis Mattas

6 chicken breasts
1 cup uncooked rice
1 cup mushroom soup
10 ounces water
1 package onion soup mix (you may want to use less to suit your taste)

Lay chicken breasts in a greased 9" x 13" dish with the skin side facing up. Sprinkle uncooked rice over the chicken breasts. Mix together soup and water. Pour the soup mixture over the chicken breasts and rice. Bake at 350F for one and a half hours.

Enjoy!!

Macaroni salad

(makes approx. 2 L and can be halved easily, similar to Odena's)

1.5 cups of uncooked macaroni... cook as directed to just slightly al dente (not too soft) Drain and cool.
2 -3 large celery sticks, chopped/diced fine
10 - 12 baby carrots, chopped/diced fine
2 - 3 green onion chopped/diced fine
10 - 12 heaping TBSP of Miracle Whip
4 TBSP sweet green relish
4 TBSP ketchup
1 TBSP mustard

Salt and pepper to taste - optional

Once cooled, add chopped/diced celery, carrots and onion to cooked macaroni. Add remaining ingredients.

(You can add a bit extra Miracle Whip or even a TBSP or two of mayonnaise to make it creamier if you like)

Refrigerate until ready to eat.

(I make the day before and let sit overnight to let the flavours blend)

Submitted by Ronda Martin

HAPPY HALLOWE'EN!!!

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I	O	Y	C	R	S	P	O	O	K	Y	U	A	U
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TREATS
GHOST
SPOOKY
OCTOBER
SPIDER
CAULDRON
SKELETON
WITCH
SCARECROW
BLACK
SCREAM
WEREWOLF
EERIE
CAT
GOBLIN
CANDY
BAT
COBWEBS
ORANGE
COSTUME
VAMPIRE
MUMMY
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SCARY



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71 Blake Hall Road, Neebing

WEDNESDAYS

11:00 am - O'Connor Community Centre
330 Highway 595, O'Connor

For more information, please contact 807-577-5924.

O'CONNOR BLESSING BOX

The "Blessing Box" is a **community pantry** open to and supported by the residents of O'Connor. The Blessing Box can be found outside of the O'Connor Community Centre at 330 Highway 595. If you have any questions, please contact Shelley at 629-2851.

If you would like to contribute to the Blessing Box, please see examples of items below to donate (Please no cans at this time due to warmer temperatures):

- Rice
- Oatmeal, Cereal
- Crackers
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- Pasta, Boxed Soup
- Oatmeal, Granola or Cereal Bars
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Non-emergency encounters

Call the toll-free Bear Wise reporting line at 1-866-514-2327 or (TTY 705-945-7641) if a bear is not posing immediate threat, but rather being a continual nuisance. This line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, from April 1st to November 30th.



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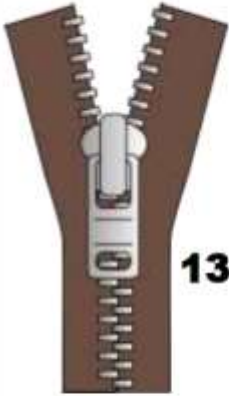
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Pastor Chris Fiorito

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Answers to Word Scramble:

1. FAMILY 2. TURKEY 3. STUFFING
4. PUMPKIN PIE 5. GRAVY 6. CORN ON THE COB
7. MASHED POTATOES 8. CRANBERRY SAUCE
9. CARROT CAKE 10. BUTTERNUT SQUASH
11. SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE 12. BISCUITS

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For Pastoral Care, call Church office at 807-939-1364, or
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Redeemer Lutheran Church

13 Marion Street, Kakabeka Falls, ON

For information, please contact Pastor Dan Barr
807-473-9164 or check the website at www.redeemerlcc.ca

St. James' Anglican Church

10505 John Street Rd., Murillo, ON

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Rector: Reverend Jonathan Blanchard

807-939-1103 parish.rector@tbaytel.net

St. Mark's Anglican Church

5 St. Mark's St., Rosslyn, ON

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to view online services every Sunday or join in person.

Rector: Reverend Jonathan Blanchard

807-939-1103 parish.rector@tbaytel.net

St. Theresa's Roman Catholic Church

10 Porter St., Kakabeka Falls, ON

For information, please contact
Parish Priest: Fr. Randal Morrisseau at 807-935-2898
(Rectory)

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Saturday, November 25th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

at 330 Highway 595.

To participate in this year's parade as a volunteer or to register a float,
please call or text Erin at 807-629-8792 or email twpoconn@tbaytel.net

Please register your float by Monday, November 6th.



Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in attendance.

Registration for kids 12 and under, to receive a gift from Santa, will open up
November 1st.

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