



The Neebing News

Volume Fifteen, Number Eleven

November 2020

Neebing has lost a Pioneer and Supporter

by Dawne Kilgour

Harry Mintenko passed away on September 25, 2020.

He and his wife Joan were fixtures down in Sturgeon Bay for decades. A better friend or neighbour couldn't be hoped for.

I remember moving to Margaret St almost 30 years ago from Thunder Bay and one of the first people we met were "the Mintenkos" Harry had been on Council and was still on the volunteer fire department. We were told about an insurance saving we could access because of the proximity to a water pumper stationed at his location. We went down and he told us about it, and after that many more stories, [or tales if you wish], about the history, the people, the events, etc. I was amazed by his energy, his recall, his sense of fun and after that, we returned to our building site, and felt more confident that all would be well, 'living in the country,' especially with neighbours like Harry and Joan.

One of my favourite stories was about their wonderful Christmas displays that we looked forward to every year when winter brought so much darkness. The lights, the decorations on the Mintenko place were out-

standing, often better than all we saw in town. And then we saw what they did in preparation one fall, when we stopped by to chat. Harry was in his tractor, and Joan was in the bucket of the tractor, PUTTING UP THE LIGHTS ON THE ROOF, SOME 10 FEET UP OR MORE.....chatting and laughing and arguing about what to put where. Yikes!

They enjoyed dancing every Saturday night and family gatherings of which there were many, until Harry's health began to fail and they moved to the city.

Joan became his caregiver even when she had health issues herself. Whenever we would meet at the grocery store or doctor's office, she would be in good spirits and Harry would smile and nod. Amazing people, amazing neighbours and friends.

I now know why his nickname was Harry the Hat after reading his obituary. He did so many things in his life, his works, his jobs, his family responsibilities including so much community service on Council and our NES. So many hats..

A man of many talents was Harry Mintenko. We will miss him.



Harry plowing snow on Sturgeon Bay Road

See pages 6 and 7 for NFRA's latest ventures and adventures!





Neebing Emergency Services

by Dale Ashbee, Fire Chief, Neebing



Brrrr ... Can It Really be 'November' Already?

Why is it, that as much as the COVID situation (with its requirement for social distancing, mask wearing and 'stay at home' messaging) has seemed to slow things down, the months seem to be going by faster?

November is the month that starts with 'NO', as in **NO** more fire permits 'til next Spring, **NO** more wondering how to costume up the kids for this Halloween and **NO** more hoping for just a few more days of warm weather! Instead, our thoughts begin to change to wishes for a lovely White Christmas.

The declaration of the first week of November as being **Carbon Monoxide Week (CO)**, is another reminder of seasonal change. As our activities move inside, heating systems start running full time, windows and doors get shut tight, and the threat of possible CO poisoning increases. The servicing of your heating system to make sure it is operating correctly is important in reducing the risk of CO leaks. In addition, testing your **CO alarm** regularly to make sure that it is operating properly is essential. It is meant to provide a level of assurance that if CO does develop inside your home, the CO alarm will provide an early warning of the detected danger, and afford residents the opportunity to immediately exit the house before they become incapacitated by CO.

If you have a seasonal property and use battery powered CO and smoke alarms, something to be aware of is that the ability of batteries to generate power is greatly reduced when the temperature of their environment is lowered, but that they will in fact return to normal operation once they warm up again. This issue is not a problem if you are fully seasonal, and will not be returning until next spring. However, if you are using your seasonal property intermittently throughout the winter, and not maintaining a warm inside temperature, you should be aware that the batteries in your alarms will take some time to warm up before they are operating fully again. It would be wise to test the alarms before your tuck in at night, to ensure the batteries have warmed up enough to activate in the event of a smoke or CO hazard.

November is also time to ensure

you are ready for the coming winter;

- Check the **chimney**, and clean it if required.
- Make sure your snow shovel and snow blower are ready for action - to keep your **driveway** clear, not only for day-to-day use, but in case an emergency vehicle needs to gain access to your residence should you need help.
- Changeover to your **winter tires**, to allow for improved/safer winter driving.
- Ensure your **winter travel kit** is ready for emergency use - stocked with some spare mitts, a flashlight, a foil blanket and a candle with matches.

The Ontario Associations of Fire Chfs website offers an excellent summary of key fire safety tips for autumn at <https://www.oafc.on.ca/autumn-fire-safety>.

Hoping everyone who picked up the fire engine red canna lilies this spring has remembered to either dig them up if they were planted in your garden, or move the pots inside for the winter. If you store them in a cool dark place over the winter, they will provide many future years of enjoyable foliage and flowers. Speaking of 'fire engine', see below an updated progress picture of our new Neebing fire pumper truck.

Stay Safe

Dale Ashbee



CARBON MONOXIDE AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 1 - 7

Learn about CO hazards in your home and how to stay safe. Visit www.CO-safety.tips

#COsafety

Beat the Silent Killer



No Odour



No Colour



No Taste



In Ontario, over 80% of all carbon monoxide deaths and injuries occur in homes.



Chix in the Stix

New Season, New Habits

by Cindy Harasen

I am colouring inside the lines lately. Which doesn't really sound like me (note the shaved head, pierced nose, tattoo, army boots). And I'm not even talking about a metaphor this time. I am literally colouring. Because it's therapeutic. I'm taking care of ME. And as we stare down the barrel of our first pandemic winter, I hope you are taking care of YOU. Personally, I'm kind of torn this year about winter. Usually I'm one of the first to grumble when the weather drops to single digits and the white stuff starts to fall. But strangely, this year I'm kind of okay with it. Covid aside, summer was great, and fall has been absolutely glorious. But I'm ready for another change. It means another clean slate and a chance to try and get it right. And it means time is passing and we are moving forward which I appreciate because through some of this 'new normal' (ugg) I feel like I have just been spinning my wheels.

Like most of you I am still acutely aware that these are strange times. But there is LIGHT! I enjoyed some walks and hikes around the city recently and I don't ever recall people being so quick to say hello as they passed by. I think it's because we are recognizing our vulnerability and our humanity in all of this. I have also had a few days when I have been driving to town or back, or had a day at home and I have completely forgotten about Covid. And that has been nice too. So it's still a bit of ride. But hope is in the air!

Truth be told, I am a die-hard optimist – to the point that it can be a tad annoying to some. And somehow I have become MORE optimistic since Covid, instead of less. In stead of grumbling, it has forced me to look even harder to see the full glass instead of the empty glass. Never before have I relished so many individual moments and experiences on a daily basis. Just this morning driving down from the mountain a momma and poppa and 2 baby deer met me on the driveway. The little ones were so curious and stood and stared and even took steps towards my vehicle. And I mean I have totally seen deer before, even closer than this. But seeing this 'family' was for some reason very moving. Another time I might have been inclined to honk my horn so I could get on with my day. But

not this time. Last week I saw my first flock of Blue Jays leaving a farmer's field. That too made me catch my breath and my heart went pitter patter. And the activity in my yard – between the Partridge, Canada Jays, chipmunks and bunny rabbits – it's the highlight of my mornings. I am just noticing things, embracing them and feeling grateful for them more than ever before. Covid has softened me rather than hardened me. And I like it. But here's the kicker - it has been by choice. I have been trying to BE positive, and also trying to make positive changes and find new ways to cope. Which is where the colouring comes in. It's something different. Something to pull my brain and heart off in new directions – away from the news, the politics, the debates about masks and vaccines, and all the heaviness. NEW things. NEW habits. I started listening to funky ocean sounds and white noise to help me relax and fall asleep at night. I even started an on-line Beginners French class with my daughter. And I started colouring. And I know I am way behind with this whole adult colouring craze. That's partly because I'm not that good at sitting still for very long. So colouring forces me to at least try, and to decompress and breathe and stop thinking about the BIG things for even short periods of time. I highly recommend it. Because what I'm learning is that some things may be BIG but that doesn't mean they are important. Colouring for me has just the right amount of freedom. It affords me the chance to add a personal touch while still offering some structure and order. There aren't a lot of surprises. It's predictable. It's almost boring. The only big decisions I have to make are what colours to use. The rest is all there laid out before me, already figured out. And some days that is exactly what I want and need. And I'm sure it is all connected because with the remaining uncertainty in our lives right now it is just nice sometimes to sit and drink tea and know that burnt sienna, violet red and olive green have never changed and that the lines are still there to guide me. And if I do mess up and colour outside the lines, well, I have discovered that swearing in French sounds almost classy! You should try it sometime. The colouring that is!

The Mintenko family would like to thank everyone who sent cards flowers and phone and made donations to Neebing Fire and Rescue. Harry would be so pleased. Thanks to Slate River WI for the lovely lunch also to Sherry and Margaret for setting up.

Thank You ~ JoanMintenko

A TRIBUTE from Neebing Emergency Services to Harry Mintenko

NES would like to pay a sincere tribute to Harry Mintenko, who passed away on September 25, 2020. Harry was one of the original founders of the fire service which continues to serve (following much growth and many equipment changes) in present day Neebing. During the early 1980's, Harry was instrumental in the organization and work that led to the formation of the original Blake Fire Department, which thereto evolved to form our current community-based fire service in Neebing.

Harry contributed to the betterment of Neebing in many ways, who – as a business operator, a municipal councilor and a firefighter – was always (as is his family) supportive of the development of a strong fire service in Neebing.

Please take a moment of personal silence, as will members of NES, to remember Harry MIntenko, and his invaluable contribution to the development and function of a fine fire service in Neebing.

Dale Ashbee – Fire Chief, Neebing

RURAL CUPBOARD FOOD BANK

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

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

We sincerely thank all those that continue
to support us during COVID-19.
Your donations enable the food bank
to remain open

Next Food Bank
Wednesday, November 18th
Registration 9 am to 11 am



- WETT Inspections and Certified Chimney Sweeps
- Wood Burning Appliance Sales and Service
- Authorized Heatmaster SS Outdoor Wood Furnace Dealer
- Oil-Fired Appliance Service

South Gillies, ON • countryman@tbaytel.net

Phone: 767-3643

WINTER LANDFILL HOURS

Starting October 1, 2020,
the Sandhill and Scoble Landfill hours will be as follows:
Saturdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sundays from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Beat the Silent Killer

Make sure **YOUR** household is safe from carbon monoxide poisoning.

Ensure all fuel-burning appliances and vents in your home are inspected annually. Find a registered contractor at COsafety.ca



Install and regularly test carbon monoxide alarms



of all carbon monoxide deaths and injuries in Ontario occur in homes



Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are similar to the flu without the fever

It is often referred to as The Silent Killer



No Odour



No Colour



No Taste

Many Ontario homes have on average 4-6 fuel-burning appliances that produce carbon monoxide



Fireplace



Portable Fuel Heater



Dryer



Furnace



Stove



Water Heater



Portable Fuel Fired Generator

COsafety.ca
ontario.ca/firemarshal

55 Plus Group Chat Line

What is it?

A call in telephone-based older adult service to join in on

fun activities, educational and health and wellness program information.

A calendar will be provided to you with the dates and times of scheduled activities.

You can participate if you:

-Live in the township of Conmee, Murillo, Oliver Paipoonge, Neebing, Shuniah, O'Connor, Gilles or Fort William First Nation.

-Are 55 and older and find it difficult to leave home, access community centres and services or experience loneliness.

What Are The Benefits?

Create friendships and a community from the comfort of your home. Scheduled time so you know when you can chat. There will be a variety of weekly activities to participate in all or choose those that interest you.

Join Now!

No fees or charges to join. You just need a telephone! No computer required

For more information or to register

contact Twyla or Suzanne at the Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre.

Email: tbiluk@thunderbay.ca
Phone: 684-3471

SLATE RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH



Sunday Family Worship Services are currently being held weekly. Seating is limited and reservations (and masks) are required.

Sunday Sermon Messages are also being posted on our website and Facebook page.

For reservations or for additional information please contact us:
Pastor Rob Cain
475-5140 or email
slateriverbaptistchurch2@gmail.com



WINTER AT The Junction in Rosslyn

We have an assortment of winter outer wear for men, women and kids – coats, sweaters, hats, mitts, scarves, as well as other clothing items. If you or someone you know in our rural community needs some help keeping warm this winter, please contact us. We also have a pantry of non-perishable food items and other sundries. Emergency care packages to assist rural singles, seniors and families are available by request. Regular store hours are currently by appointment. Find us on Facebook [@thejunctioninrosslyn](https://www.facebook.com/thejunctioninrosslyn) for updates or contact us for more information. Phone: 475-5140 or email: slateriverbaptistchurch2@gmail.com



Hymers Fair News

by Shannon Dodd-Smith and Erin Laforest

The winner of the 50/50 draw (\$4150.50 pot) was Rick Breukelman of Oliver Paipoonge. Rick bought the ticket at Thunder Bay Feeds; and has generously donated a part of his winnings back to the Hymers Fall Fair! Thank you Rick and to everyone that sold and purchased tickets!

Hoppers Variety
Kakabeka Esso
Kakabeka Petro Canada
Metropolitan Moose
O'Connor Township Office
South Neebing Variety
Thunder Bay Co-op Farm Supplies
Thunder Bay Feeds
Thunder Oak Cheese Farm

A special shoutout to Cheri Biloski for assisting the fundraiser and selling the most tickets...and to the following:

YYYYAAAASSSS! We are hosting another HOLIDAY ON-LINE MARKET on November 21 and 22! Go to Fair Facebook and you will find many of the beloved Hymers Fair vendors and MORE, just in time for the holidays. Home-made/grown gifts are truly where it's at. Personally, I'll be there looking for anything fuzzy and WARM (for myself!).

AJs Trading Post
Backstage
Persian Man/Bennett's Bakery and Deli
Country Clippers
Gillies Township Office
Green Acres Variety

encompass HEALTHCARE
Katrina Hill Nurse Practitioner
WE DO HOUSE CALLS - \$40*
807.632.3275 • Encompasshealthcare.ca
Meeting Your Healthcare Needs at Your Convenience
Katrina Hill Nursing Professional Corporation *Additional \$5-25 travel fee

Want to be vendor? Email info@hymers-fair.com by November 2nd with \$20.

Until Then....Wishing You Warmth and Health

Providing Quality Rural Land Development Services
Kim Kydd Cell: 807-621-4880 Office: 807-473-8100 Fax: 807-473-4460
Shawn Kydd Cell: 807-627-4286 Office: 807-473-8100 Fax: 807-473-4460
K&S CONTRACTING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT INC.
Kim & Shawn Kydd "We're the Guys"
Check out our webpage or visit us on Facebook
Email: kandscontractinginc@gmail.com Webpage: http://kandscontracting.ca

- ✓ Septic Certified
- ✓ Backhoe/Bulldozer/Excavator
- ✓ Gravel Truck Services (sand, gravel, topsoil, manure etc.)
- ✓ Skid Steer & attachments
- ✓ Firewood
- ✓ Grapple/Feller Buncher
- ✓ Heavy Duty Mechanical Repairs
- ✓ Brush Cutting (heavy & light equipment)
- ✓ Site Preparation + New house excavation
- ✓ Ditching & Drainage
- ✓ Driveway Repairs & Grading
- ✓ Fence & Gate Installation
- ✓ Sikeskin/Weeping Tile
- ✓ Welding & Fabricating

Open Burning of Garbage

What Is Open Burning?

Open burning refers to burning garbage in barrels, open pits, outdoor furnaces, woodstoves, or fireplaces. Open burning of garbage is much more harmful to your health and the environment than you may think. Even seemingly harmless materials like paper, cardboard, yard waste, and construction debris -- releases a hazardous mixture of cancer-causing compounds and other toxic substances when open-burned.

Open Burning Bylaws

Many Canadian communities including Neebing have developed bylaws prohibiting open burning or restricting the types of materials that can be open-burned. Neebing Bylaw 2009-829 is a by-law to provide for the regulation of burning of noxious materials in the Municipality. Any person/owner who contravenes any conditions of Bylaw 2009-829 is guilty of an offence and upon first conviction is subject to a minimum fine of \$250 and a maximum fine of \$5,000.

Dioxins, Furans, and Your Health

One of the greatest concerns with open burning of garbage is the health risks posed by the release of dioxins and furans into the environment. Exposure to dioxins and furans has been linked to certain types of cancers, liver problems, impairment of the immune system, the endocrine system, and reproductive functions and effects on the developing nervous system and other developmental events.

In Canada, the open burning of garbage produces more dioxins and furans than all industrial activities combined.

Dioxins, Furans, and Your Environment

Since open burning of garbage is more common in rural and agricultural areas, there is particular concern for high levels of dioxins and furans settling on crops, in our streams, and in our lakes. Dioxins and furans produced by the open burning of garbage are deposited on plants, which are eaten by animals. The dioxins and furans are absorbed by these animals and stay in the food chain until they ultimately end up in our meat and dairy products. In fact, over 90 percent of our intake of dioxins and furans is from our diet.

Safer Alternatives

Following the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) principle and disposing of your garbage in a safer way will help you protect your health and the environment.

Reduce: Avoid disposable items. Buy products in bulk instead of individually wrapped or single-serving sizes. Buy durable products and products that can be recharged, repaired, or refilled.

Reuse: Donate items you no longer need such as clothing, furniture, books, magazines, and toys to relatives, friends, or charities. Mend and repair rather than discard or replace.

Recycle: Separate the recyclable items from your garbage and prepare them for drop off at the recycling depot at the landfill.

Compost: Install a backyard compost bin for composting your kitchen and yard waste or participate in your community's organics collection program.

Dispose: Bring your garbage to your local landfill.

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL MEMBER

Erwin Butikofer, Mayor,
Mayor@neebing.org, 964-1788 (R)

Gordon Cuthbertson, Councillor at Large,
Councilatlarge@neebing.org 708-7548 (C)

Mark Thibert, Ward 1 (Blake)
Blake@neebing.org 939-2720 (R)

Brian Wright, Ward 2 (Crooks)
Crooks@neebing.org 964-2365 (R)

Curtis Coulson, Ward 3 (Pardee)
Pardee@neebing.org 577-2475 (R)

Gary Gardner, Ward 4 (Pearson)
Pearson@neebing.org 577-1963 (R)

Brian Kurikka, Ward 5 (Scoble)
Scoble@neebing.org 633-3735 (C)

R-Residence C-Cell

What Goes **Up**
Must Come **Down**
Open Burning of Garbage Is Harmful to Your Health and the Environment



NEEBING FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION
FILL THE FIRE HOSE

Respectfully submitted: Carole Aitken, President NFRA

Our fall fund raiser "Fill the Fire Hose" continues to bring in donations. To date our total is \$9990.38, leaving another \$7000.00 needed to reach our goal. Thanks to everyone who has donated including Arella's Quality Dollar Store, Tiffany and Michael Moore, pop can /metal collected by Kris Ligate and many anonymous donors.

Donations can be made by cheque to the Neebing Fire and Rescue Association, 4766 Hwy. 61 Neebing, ON P7B 0B5 or online at www.neebingfirerescue-association.com then press the donor button that takes you to Canada Helps to donate. Receipts will be issued for donations of \$20.00 or more. You may wish to donate in memory or in honour of someone.

We have received donations in memory of Howard LeBlanc and Harry Mintenko. On behalf of the families I would like to thank everyone for thinking of us as your donation.

PURCHASES

We have been able to purchase the Folding Access Ladder to the new Pumper Fire Truck which is hopefully arriving soon.

As well our Terry Trauma purchase last month is now being used for training by Neebing Emergency Services (NES).



POP CANS/BOTTLE DRIVES

We held a second Bottle Drive at Mink Mountain Parking lot on Saturday October 17. The response was overwhelming with many local Mink Mountain and Margaret Street residents bringing in their liquor bottle, beer and pop cans. Also folks from McCluskey Drive and Oliver Lake drove the distance to bring in truckloads of donations. Thanks to all who did come with your bottle, cans, and wine bags. We appreciate your support and dedication to NFRA.

We also held a pop can cleanup and sort on Friday October 23rd and Saturday October 24th. Thanks to all who helped sort through the mounds of cans Kris had collected from the landfill sites.

We are having another Bottle Drive on Saturday November 7 at the Fire Hall at Hwy.61 and 608 from 10:30 to noon. Hope to see you there.

SILENT AUCTION

NFRA is holding its first ever online Silent Auction. The auction will begin November 8th at 9:00 pm and end on November 15 at 9:00 pm. Mark your calendars. Go to <https://www.32auctions.com/NFRAfillthefirehose> to view the items available but your bid won't be accepted until the time advertised. When you bid you will need to create an account. It is an easy process. You can create your account ahead of time to be ready. You will be notified if someone bids more than you. There will be a maximum of 20 amazing prizes to bid on. Prizes include gift cards, tools, a BBQ, electronic equipment and much more. If you are the lucky winner you can NFRA by e-transfer, cheque or exact cash on pick up or delivery.

Thank you to our many donors for your generous contribution to NFRA.

This is another NFRA fund raiser to help us reach our goal of providing necessary emergency equipment for the new Pumper Fire truck.



CONCLUSION

I would like to notify everyone that I am moving to town so will no longer be as active in NFRA. I will remain as Acting President along with our Vice President Mary Ann Beckwith until our AGM next year to be held on Monday, February 22nd, 2021.

I want to thank all the Board, members and community for their support for NFRA and know this will continue in the years to come. We have done some great work but there is always more to do to support Neebing Emergency Services in their goal to provide excellent emergency response for the Municipality of Neebing.

Cheers and stay safe

IN MEMORY OF LOCAL FIREFIGHTER HARRY MINTENKO

Mr. Harry Mintenko passed away this month and will be missed by all. He was one of the founding members of the Blake Fire Department which later became Neebing Emergency Services (NES). For many years Harry served both as the Neebing Municipal Councillor for Blake and as a firefighter on the Blake Fire Department. At the Tailgate Sale in 2019 Harry's original fire jacket was presented to NES for public display at the Neebing Municipal Office. Harry's name will now be added to a plaque honoring deceased NES and NFRA members. Thank you Joan for having NFRA be the noted donation preference.

We wish the Mintenko family all the best as they mourn the loss of a great member of our community.



Help us ...

NFRA
Neebing Fire/Rescue Association

FILL THE FIRE HOSE \$47,000

Back Up Camera	\$ 2,500	Automatic Tire Chains	\$ 3,000
Booster Reel	\$ 3,000	Folding Access Ladder	\$ 3,500
Hard Hosebed Covers	\$ 8,000	Generator and automatic electric cord reel	\$12,000
Deck Gun-remote control	\$15,000	TOTAL	\$47,000

Progress bar: \$15,000, \$20,000, \$25,000, \$30,000, \$35,000, \$40,000, \$47,000



BOTTLE/CAN DRIVE
Saturday, November 7
DROP OFF

10:30 - 12:00

@ Fire Hall

Hwy 61 and Hwy 608

(ALL NFRA PERSONNEL WILL BE OBSERVING COVID PROTOCOLS)

Collecting: LCBO bottles, wine bags, pop, beer and metal cans

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT



**WE'RE SCIENTISTS,
 ENGINEERS, SAFETY EXPERTS.
 AND PROUD CANADIANS.**

At the Nuclear Waste Management Organization, we're responsible for Canada's plan for the safe, long-term management of used nuclear fuel.

Canada's plan involves safely containing and isolating used nuclear fuel in an area with suitable geology and informed, willing hosts.

Every day, we are conscious of our duty to be accountable to Canadians – this includes taking action to address the challenges associated with COVID-19 and to contribute to community well-being in the areas where we live, work and engage.

» Dig deeper, learn more | nwmo.ca

@nwmoCanada
 @nwmoCanada
 /company/nwmoCanada

nwmo

GILLIES COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS & EVENTS

A BIG thank you goes out to all the **BOOK SWAP** volunteers who dedicated their time and energy to make this beloved community event happen! Also, thank you to the over 60 ppl who attended this 2 day event.

We are now open for private rentals within restrictions.

Please call 475-8834 for more information.

*All renters must adhere to strict and up to date restrictions and guidelines in this matter. We have adopted a mandatory cleaning fee to ensure the safety of our patrons. There is a minimum 72hr window between ALL rentals.

7 days per week
Flexible hours



• Top Soil
• Crushed Rock
• Gravel

Pick up or delivery

(807) 475-5347

Kershaw Well Services

MOE Contractor Licence #6741 MOE Well Tech. Licence #T2262

Drilling with a Difference

Rotary & Cable Tool Drilling
Well Tests, Well Upgrades
Pump Systems & Accessories

SINCE 1993

www.kershawwellservices.ca

Phone: 939-2166

Rural Family Centre

The Centre is closed until further notice.

We hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. We look forward to seeing you when our EarlyON programs begin again!

Keep updated and connected to us on Facebook or call 935-3009 or Email ruralfrc@tbaytel.net

Use physical distancing and hand washing to stay safe.

Play, sing, laugh and we will see you soon!



Child and Family Centre

The Ultimate Wood Heat.

Set the thermostat where you want for a more comfortable home.

- **More Comfort** - Thermostatically controlled wood heat.
- **Peace of Mind** - Keep the fire outside and eliminate the dangers associated with indoor wood heating.
- **Save Money** - Wood is a renewable, inexpensive and often free energy source.
- **Durability** - Long-lasting, stainless steel firebox.




3879 Hwy 11/17 939-1152
hhimporters.ca



The Classic Edge HDX is U.S. EPA Certified

CLASSIC EDGE
TITANIUM HDX
Outdoor Wood Furnace
CentralBoiler.com

*Low off the MSRP of select in-stock Central Boiler outdoor furnace models, at participating dealers only. Savings shown on 1-Class, 1230. See dealer for details.

Grandma's Restaurant

Take Out 939-1551



Home Cooking
7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
every day



BREAKFAST
All Day Every Day!

FRESH HOMEMADE SOUP
Daily!

Fresh Subs, Sandwiches, Wraps!
Coffee Bar available 24hours

Santorelli's



Bulk DEF
Now Available!





3131 West Arthur Street
(near Twin City Crossroads)
Phone 939-2619

PRO-TEC TIRE CENTRE



OUR TOUGHEST ALL-TERRAIN TIRE. EVER.

- 20% Tougher Sidewalls
- 2X Longer Treadlife on Gravel, +15% on Asphalt
- +10% Traction in Mud, +19% in Snow

We also sell tires for cars and light trucks!!



THE NEW K02
TAKES ON
CANADIAN EXTREMES

3129 W. Arthur by Santorelli's Husky Truck Stop

Fast, Friendly Service by Knowledgeable Staff

Monday - Friday 8-5, Saturday 9-1
Ph. 939-2581
Authorized BF Goodrich Truck Tire Dealer

Thunder Bay Community Pasture
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Monday, November 16th, 2020
 8:00 p.m.
By Zoom
To register
 Contact Kendal Donahue at
 Kendal.Donahue@ontario.ca
 627-1566

VALUE NURSES
PUT AN END TO
BILL 124 & BILL 195
 www.ona.org



Tempelman WATER Haulage
 For all your Bulk Water Needs
 Residential or Commercial
 City Water delivered in stainless steel tanks

Wells • Holding Tanks • Swimming Pools • Skating Rinks

Providing Reliable Service Since 1987
 www.tempelman.ca
 807-767-9173

LAKEHEAD REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
 www.lakeheadca.com
 @lakeheadregion / f t i

AVISTA REALTY GROUP LTD.
 640 Beverly Street
 (807) 344-3232 Office
 (807) 344-5400 Fax
 1-888-837-6926 Toll Free
 bmcewen@avistarealty.ca
 www.avistarealty.ca

TOP TEN MLS AWARD WINNER OVER 27 years!

Barb McEwen
 Salesperson
 (807) 626-3860 CELL

KAMLANDER CRUSHING LTD.
 Sand - Gravel - Topsoil - Crushing - Screening
 Septic - Snow Removal - Property Maintenance

OFFICE 807.357.7237

JESSE SUNMMA 807.355.4409
 JARMA SUNMMA 807.631.4709

788 Silverfalls Rd., Kamistiquia, ON P0T 1X0 kamcrush@gmail.com



NEW AT THE LANDFILLS: Beginning July 4, 2020, battery recycling is being offered at both landfill sites. Bring in your household batteries for proper disposal. Accepted batteries include AA, AAA, C, D, 6 & 9-volt, watch & cellphone batteries.

A 1 Sewage Services (1989) LTD.
 Office: 473-9480 or 473-9492
 Email: a1sewage@tbaytel.net
 www.a1sewage.com

Commercial Services
 With specialized equipment, experienced trained drivers and our expertise in all fields of waste management, we are available to assist you with whatever job, spill or emergency presents itself.

Hot Water Jetter Truck
 Cleaning of all lines, plugged or frozen. Line camera inspection also available.

Septic Tank
 Septic and holding tank pumping.
 4,000 & 3,000 Imp Gas Vacuum Tank Trucks to service customers needs

Portable Toilet Rentals
 We offer a large selection of portable restroom units, MOE approved.

We sell EVERYTHING YOU NEED to work on your own pump, waterline, and filters!

- filters
- softeners
- UV sterilizers
- media
- uv bulbs
- cartridges
- salt
- submersible pumps
- jet pumps
- sump pumps
- effluent pumps
- fittings
- pipe
- wire

...and more!

MAD JACK'S WELL SHACK

8am-5pm Weekdays
 707-7000

176 Clavet Street
 www.mjws.ca

The Rural Pharmacist: Flu Shots Are Back in Stock!

by Henry Tempelman, Pharmacist/Owner
of Kakabeka & Rosslyn IDA Pharmacies

Is it just me, or did October disappear faster than our flu vaccine supply?!

The Ministry of Health's initial allotment of flu vaccine for each pharmacy in Ontario was equal to 50% of their total doses administered last flu season. We got our supply Tuesday, October 6th and we were out of stock at both our Rosslyn & Kakabeka locations by Saturday, October 10th! We did half the amount of last year's total flu shots in less than a week! We wish we could reorder vaccines right away, but the Ministry of Health was very strict and would not allow reorders to occur until October 26th. Patient uptake is way up thus far, with recommendations from health experts that this year it is very important to be up to date on your vaccines.

Like Rick Mercer said, on CBC's This Hour Has 22 Minutes "You've never been hit by a car before, but you still look both ways when you cross the street, right?" Just because you haven't had the flu in the last few years doesn't mean you shouldn't get the flu shot to protect you and your loved ones. It's the best thing you can do to protect against the flu, especially in a year when you want to avoid being any type of sick.

As Devon wrote last month, this is the first year that pharmacies are able to administer both the High Dose (HD) Senior flu vaccine and regular flu vaccine. We've had many requests for the high dose flu vaccine, and also many questions asking what really is the difference between the high dose flu vaccine and the regular vaccine?

The senior vaccine is a "High Dose Trivalent Influenza Vaccine" (HDTIV). It covers 2 influenza A strains and 1 influenza B strain. In a study where it was compared to its regular strength trivalent flu vaccine counterpart (which is no longer used), it resulted in less hospitalizations for seniors. The HDTIV vaccine is only available to people ages 65+.

The regular vaccine offered at pharmacies this year is a "Quadrivalent Influenza Vaccine" (QIV). It covers 2 influenza A strains and 2 influenza B strains and is indicated in ages 6 months+. The extra B strain that the QIV covers is a strain that is prevalent in young children, which one could argue might be beneficial for grandparents who are in regular contact with young children. Note that the HDTIV and QIV vaccines have not been directly compared in a study and there is no evidence to support one to

be superior or inferior to the other.

The Ministry is only providing pharmacies with a limited supply of the HDTIV vaccine, and they will not provide us with the quantity that will be made available to each pharmacy. Ask our pharmacists which vaccine they recommend for you. Patients with COPD, cancer, immunocompromised, heart failure or over 80 years old may benefit from the HDTIV, but rest assured the regular QIV offers good influenza protection. You should not skip the QIV in hopes of finding an HDTIV at another pharmacy, as they also have limited quantities and may also be out of stock. The sooner you get your shot, the sooner you are protected (it can take two weeks for your body to build immunity after receiving the flu vaccine). The best flu shot you get is the one you get today.

At the time of writing, we are expecting to resume flu shots in our pharmacies Monday, October 26th. We have been doing our best to book and maintain appointments for flu shots, in an effort to control patient traffic and prevent crowds. Walk-Ins may be accepted depending on appointment availability. Please call the pharmacy and speak with our friendly staff to book an appointment for you and your family. Please remember that flu shots are subject to availability and unfortunately it can be out of our control, due to Ministry allocation.

We will also be holding a Flu Clinic at the Kakabeka Legion (and possibly Oliver Paipoonge Community Centre) in early November. We are unable to announce a date in this article because we want to make sure we will have appropriate stock on hand to properly serve a clinic. We should know more the week of October 26th. Stay tuned for signage in the pharmacy and around the village along with highway sign in front of the Legion for clinic dates!

Thanks for your patience through the first wave of flu shots. If we were unable to serve you because of supply issues then we look forward to seeing you again in November to ensure you're protected!



Lakehead Region

Conservation Authority

submitted by LRCA Staff

The 2021 Explore Card Parking Pass will be available for sale this month! Proceeds from the sale of Explore Cards contributes directly to the upkeep of our Conservation Areas; we rely on these funds now more than ever, and appreciate the support. An Explore Card Parking Pass will provide parking for one year at all of our seasonal and year-round Conservation Areas. Cards can be purchased on our website or in person at our Administrative Office. They also make great stocking stuffers!

The LRCA 2021 Calendar will be available during the month of November. Be sure to look for it at select businesses such as Safeway, Wilderness Supply, Waverly Public Library, LU Bookstore and more. The LRCA will also have copies available at our Administrative Office at 130 Conservation Road. Thank you to all of the sponsors for making this calendar possible for another year.

Even though the weather is getting cooler, exploring a Conservation Area is still an excellent way to maintain a healthy lifestyle and reap

the benefits of recreating in nature for positive affects on your mental and physical health. It is important to ensure your personal safety is top-of-mind when visiting a Conservation Area, as trails can become slippery when wet with rain, snow and frost. We also require all visitors to keep their dogs on-leash at all times; bicycles are also not permitted on any Conservation Area trails. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep our Areas safe, clean, and fun for all visitors. All local and Provincial COVID-19 restrictions surrounding physical distancing and outdoor group sizes must be followed when visiting a Conservation Area.

For your information, Lake Superior water levels remain near all-time highs. As such, the LRCA is continuing the Shoreline Condition Statement for the Lake Superior shoreline within our Area of Jurisdiction. Lake Superior will likely see a prolonged period of high lake levels. All of the Great Lakes continue to be above average.

Get out and Explore!

WANT ADS

FOR SALE:

INTERNATIONAL 5 TON TRUCK

466 cu.in., 7.6 L Navistar, non-intercooled, turbo charge, inline 6 cyl. Diesel engine-10 speed Road Ranger transmission. Air brakes, manually acutated, clutch, air compressor on motor, hydraulic power steering, all spring suspension, 24' flat deck. Capable of hauling eleven 5' x 6' round bales of hay. Call 473-9002

FOR SALE: SKIDDER

C6 Tree Farmer, 353 Detroit Diesel. 10 speeds: 4 low speed, 4 high speed, 2 reverse - 1 low, 1 high. Gearmatic winch, good tires-chains on front tires, blade and a snow-

NEEBING NEWS NOW DELIVERED TO YOUR MAILBOX (unless you have NO FLYERS posted) Deadline for the OCTOBER issue of The Neebing News is SEPTEMBER 20!

Submissions and photos of community events and articles of interest are welcome, and can be sent to Chris Vaclav at designhouse@tbaytel.net. 628-7271



EMERGENCY TEXT ALERT SERVICE

For Neebing Residents

Sign up for Neebing's Emergency Text Alert Service! This text alert service is used to notify our residents **via text message** of immediate dangers or emergencies occurring in our community such as evacuations, road closures, forest fires and other hazards. Sign up is free!

You must have a smartphone equipped to receive text messages to sign up for this service as it does not work on land lines. Sign up at neebing.org/textalerts or send us your name, Neebing address, and your text-enabled cell phone number including area code to neebing@neebing.org or call us at 474-5331. Your personal information is kept strictly confidential. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at www.neebing.org/contact.

Premium Wood Pellets For Sale

Lac Wood softwood @\$5.95 per bag

Proudly selling locally produced premium hard and softwood pellets

*While quantities last



Call for more details
939-1152
3879 Hwy 11/17

*Caring Soles Foot Care Services
is a mobile foot care service*



- All services are provided by a qualified foot care nurse
- We provide quality care and service
- All tools are sterilized to top standards

Visit our website at www.caringsolesfootcareservices.com
Call 807-628-9436 Email: caringsoles2020@gmail.com

FREE CLASSIFIED ADS FOR NEEBING RESIDENTS

Got an event happening? Want to wish someone a happy birthday or anniversary? Having a yard sale? 50 words or less. Events must be taking place in Neebing. No commercial submissions please. Send Info to designhouse@tbaytel.net or call 628-7271

RURAL BUSINESS SERVICES DIRECTORY

AUTO REPAIR

Charlie's Auto

Automotive Service Technician, Charles Clair
953 Candy Mountain Dr., 473-5456 708-5536

Fast Forward Auto

Full Service Domestic & Import Repairs
Brakes, Driveline, Drivability; Quality Four Wheel Alignments
1024 Boundary Dr. W. Neebing 807-628-8551

CATERING, HALL RENTALS & MEETINGS

Blake Hall - For Rental call 474-5331

Founder's Museum

Hwy. 61 & Gillespie Road, Phone: 475-5114

Fax: 473-4663, Email: info@founders.ca

EXCAVATING & EQUIPMENT RENTALS:

Allens Enterprises Services Inc.

Office: 626-6267 Director: 626-6857

dig1@tbaytel.net / www.dig1.ca

Pete's Backhoe Service Ltd.

52 Haniak Rd, Rosslyn

Ph 939-1014, Email office@petesbackhoe.com

Dump Trucks, Excavation, Lot Development

ELECTRICAL

5 Star Electric (Thunder Bay) Inc.

Residential, Commercial, Industrial; New Builds, Upgrades. Lighting Retrofits (grants possible), Solar system repairs, Generator backup systems. 807-475-7827,

email: inquiries@fivestarelectric.ca, message us at Facebook

FEED & FERTILIZER

Thunder Bay Co-op Farm Supplies

Highway 61 & Boundary Drive

Phone 475-5190 Fax 475-7420 www.tbcoop.com Fertilizers, chemicals, building supplies, hardware, feed, poultry chicks, garden products

GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Allens Enterprises Services Inc.- Essential

Excavating, Landscaping, Driveways, Dug Wells, Septic Systems

dig1@tbaytel.net / www.dig1.ca

Office: 626-6267 Director: 626-6857

Pete's Backhoe Service Ltd.

52 Haniak Rd, Rosslyn Ph 939-1014,

Email office@petesbackhoe.com

Driveways, Lot Development, Gravel/Sand

MASSAGE THERAPY

Lisa Hipwell Registered Massage Therapist

NEW LOCATION: Located in same building as Rosslyn Family Dentistry. Call, text or email.

(807) 252-3357 lisahipwell.rmt@hotmail.com

202 Highway 130, Rosslyn

METAL ROOFING

Thunder Bay Co-op Farm Supplies

Highway 61 & Boundary Drive, Phone 475-5190

Fax 475-7420 www.tbcoop.com Largest Stock of Ideal Metal Roofing & Siding in N. Ont.

MUSIC

Musical Discovery with Suzanne Gilmore

Piano, Voice, Theory, Intro Guitar

Exam Prep for Royal Conservatory

Lessons held in Rural Schools and online

964-2223 musicaldiscovery@hotmail.com

PORTABLE TOILET RENTALS

A-1 Sewage Services (1989) Ltd.-Essential

519 Pole Line Rd. Rosslyn P7K 0S6

Ph. 473-9480 Fax 473-9099

REAL ESTATE SALES

Avista Realty Group Ltd. 640 Beverly St. Thunder Bay

Barb McEwen, Sales Rep.

Cell 807-626-3860 Ph. 344-3232 Fax 344-5400

SEPTIC SYSTEMS INSTALLS:

Allens Enterprises Services Inc.

Licensed Septic Systems Installer

dig1@tbaytel.net / www.dig1.ca

Office: 626-6267 Director: 626-6857

Pete's Backhoe Service Ltd.

52 Haniak Rd, Rosslyn

Ph 939-1014, Email office@petesbackhoe.com

Licensed Septic Installer- Peter Haniak

SEPTIC TANK CLEANING:

A-1 Sewage Services (1989) Ltd.

519 Pole Line Rd. Rosslyn P7K 0S6

Ph. 473-9480 Fax 473-9099

TIRE SHOP

Pro-Tec Tire Centre

3129 West Arthur Street, Husky Truck Stop

Tire Shop: 939-2581 Office: 939-2572 Fax 939-1171

TRAVEL

Travel Professionals International

Amanda Gordon - Travel Consultant

Direct line 807-708-5342, amandag@tpi.ca

Ph 905-896-6948 TICO# 1576226

1131 Nottinghill Gate, suite 203, Oakville, ON L6M1K5

TRUCK, CAR STOP & RESTAURANT

Santorelli's 24 Hr. Husky Truck Stop

3131 West Arthur Street (near Twin City Crossroads)

Gas Bar: 939-2619/Fax: 939-2060/Office: 939-2572

WATER TREATMENT

Authorized Purifier dealer for N.W.O.,

Water treatment specialists

Brad's Water Treatment 577-0462

WELL SERVICES/PUMPS

Allens Enterprises Services Inc.-Essential

Dug Well Tech / Installation - All Pumps

dig1@tbaytel.net / www.dig1.ca

Office: 626-6267 Director: 626-6857

Kershaw Well Services

350 Blindline Road, Rosslyn, ON P7K 0R7

Phone 939-2166 Fax 939-2167

Neebing Municipal Services During COVID-19

Updated November 1, 2020

Municipal buildings including the Municipal Office, Public Works Garage and Fire Halls remain **CLOSED** to the public. We continue to provide essential municipal services and are available by phone 474-5331 and email neebing@neebing.org. We appreciate your patience as we continue to protect the health of the public and our staff.

Mobile Health Clinic:

- The NorWest Community Health Centre advises that all mobile health clinic programs are temporarily paused until further notice. This includes flu clinics.

Flu Shots:

- The Thunder Bay District Health Unit offers by appointment only flu shot clinics for children under 5 and their families. Those over the age of 5 can be immunized by their health care provider or a pharmacy.
- Contact the Thunder Bay District Health Unit for upcoming public flu clinics by calling their FLU LINE at 624-9082 or toll free at 1-866-607-3337 or visit <http://www.thunderbayflu.ca/>

Landfill and Recycling:

- Both the Scoble and Sand Hill landfill sites including the Good Neighbour sheds are OPEN running normal hours of operation.
 - o Operating hours: Saturdays 9 am – 5 pm and Sundays 12 pm – 4 pm.
- Annual Municipal Garbage Bag Tag allotments should be picked up at either landfill site. You must present photo ID to the attendants in order to receive your tags.
- Household battery recycling is offered at both landfill sites. Bring in your batteries for proper disposal. Accepted batteries are AA AAA C D 6 and 9-volt (including rechargeable), watch and cellphone batteries.

Building Permits and Inspections:

- Building permit applications are being accepted, reviewed and approved to facilitate all types of construction, and inspections will continue for all permitted projects.
- Visit our website www.neebing.org/building for permit applications and building information.
- Please contact our Chief Building Official, Ken Yanishewski at (807) 708-9944 to discuss to your building project and permit needs.

Property Tax Payments:

- Property tax payments can be made using your online banking program, through Payments by credit card, or by dropping a cheque, money order or bank draft in the mail or in the secure mailbox at the office located in the entrance alcove.
- We are currently unable to accept cash and debit payments as the office is closed to the public.
- Visit www.neebing.org/taxes for details on payment methods available to you.

Municipal Council Meetings:

- Council passed a by-law to allow members of Council to participate and vote at council meetings electronically during this emergency.
- Council meetings are virtual and held on regular council dates being the first and third Wednesday of each month. A 'virtual meeting' is the hosting of a meeting in a virtual environment and not face-to-face. Participants call in by telephone or connect online through the internet.
- Prior to all meetings, agendas, meeting documents and public participation details are posted on our website www.neebing.org/events.



Posted by
The Corporation of the Municipality of
Neebing
4766 Highway 61 - Neebing, ON -
P7L 0B5 (807) 474-5331



Beyond Books: Grab 'N Go Service Coming Soon to Rosslyn Library

submitted by Beverly Ball on behalf of the Oliver Paipoonge Library Board

Rosslyn Library will be opening soon. The hours, times, and number of people that can be in the Library at any one time will be limited. Under the limited reopening plan that was approved by Council, Rosslyn will begin to reopen one day per week. The exact date that the Rosslyn Library will be open for "in facility" grab'n go loans will be announced. Watch for information on the Library's facebook page or the website.

Special thanks to **Chris Bowles – Director of Operations and Fire Chief – Sean Horan** for reviewing the plan and inspecting the facility to make sure that we have everything in place to maintain a safe facility for patrons. Once again, Oliver Paipoonge's **CAO/City Clerk – Wayne Hanchard** provided invaluable guidance and review of the plan to make sure it provides for the health and safety of our residents and staff.

Like most services that you may have used over the last several months, we want to continue to keep people safe in our community and therefore, we are limiting how patrons can use the library. Key things you need to know when coming into Rosslyn Library:

The grab'n go service will be available at Rosslyn Library on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Start date to be announced).

There will be a limit of 3 patrons in the Library at any one time or if a household has more than 3 people, then a single household unit will be permitted into the Library.

Children ages 9 and under must stay within arm's length of parents/guardians.

There will be a limit to the amount of time that each person/ household can be in the Library. The limit is 15 minutes per person/ household.

Before entering the Library, a hand sanitizing station will be set up and you must use it before coming into the library.

Masks or face coverings must be worn when entering the Library (Oliver Paipoonge Mandatory Mask Policy By-Law No. 65 2020) and must cover the mouth, nose, and chin as outlined in the Policy and recommended by health authorities. Toys and equipment including computers will not be available at this time.

The used book area with book sales by donation will be open under the same limitations as the main library area. Donation envelopes will be available.

There will be limited patron access to the public washrooms.

Patrons' movement in the library will be guided by tables/ shelves. Please respect physical distancing amongst patrons and staff.

Curbside pick up will continue at Rosslyn, however, once the grab'n go service opens at Rosslyn, the date for curbside pick up will change to Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Here, Oliver Paipoonge residents **Kelsea Chony** and sons, **Liam and Ehron** enjoy a quick stop at the Rosslyn Library curbside pick up.



The reopening of Murillo Library will occur at a future date yet to be determined. Murillo Library curbside pick up is available to patrons on Wednesdays, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. At this time, we are moving cautiously and at a pace that we feel is in the best interests of everyone to continue maintaining a safe and healthy environment. If you have any questions you can email opllibrary@tbaytel.net or phone either Library (Murillo Library 935-2729 or Rosslyn Library 939-2312).

New for 2020 – BOTH MURILLO AND ROSSLYN LIBRARIES WILL BE CLOSED ON REMEMBRANCE DAY – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH.



RURAL CUPBOARD FOODBANK

We thank OPG for the very generous donation they recently made to the Rural Cupboard Foodbank.



Christmas is coming.....and the Rural Cupboard Foodbank would appreciate your donations for the Seniors and Singles in our community. Let's make the Holiday Season more memorable with a gift from you to them.

Donations may be mailed to:

Rural Cupboard Foodbank, 19 Holland Rd. W, Conmee, Ont. P0T1W0

OR

make it online at www.canadadonates.org

Thank you so much for generosity this Christmas Season

I.D.A.

Two CONVENIENT LOCATIONS!

ROSSLYN PHARMACY
939-2007 202 Hwy 130

KAKABEKA FALLS PHARMACY
577-2435
4781 Hwy 11/17

Flu Shots Appointment or Walk-Ins
(Subject to Availability)

Walk-In Clinic Available
Monday Thru Friday
MUST BOOK APPT -
- Call 888-930-6571

Thanks for Supporting Local!

While Supplies Last:

Marth Wood Pellet SALE!

1 Skid of Pellets for only **\$339.99** -HST
50 - 40lb bags total

THE BEST QUALITY WOOD PELLETS YOU CAN BURN!

THUNDER BAY CO-OP



FARM SUPPLIES

Fencing & Gating • Seed • Fertilizers
Pet & Livestock Supplies • Water Supplies

Located just off Hwy 61
560 Boundary Drive,
Slate River, ON P7J 0A5
tbcoop@tbaytel.net
www.tbco-op.com

MORE ON OUR SALES:  

(807) 475-5190