

MERRY CHRISTMAS



The Junction

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. us on Facebook Othejunctioninrosslyn for updates or contact us for more information. 475-5140 email slateriverbaptistchurch2@gmail.com

MERRY CHRISTMAS

from

SLATE RIVER

BAPTIST CHURCH



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

Sunday Sermon Messages Messages are posted on our website and Facebook page each week.

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

Wishing all in our rural community a safe and blessed holiday season! We need to hear from you!

Working Together for Better Internet Service

Coalition, made up of six municipalities (the Townships of Gillies, O'Connor and Conmee, and the Municipalities of Shuniah, Oliver Paipoonge and Neebing), has been lobbying senior orders of government for better internet service in our rural areas. It seems that programs for funding are announced on a regular basis, but they always seem to be out of reach. Over the past few months, the Coalition has been diligently working on an application for funding to access some of the money made available through various government programs designed to improve rural broadband access. With assistance from the Northwestern Ontario Innovation Center, and TBayTel, a joint application to improve internet functionality is under-

The Lakehead Rural Municipal way. While it may be some time be-Coalition, made up of six municipalities (the Townships of Gillies, sion, the Coalition is encouraged by O'Connor and Conmee, and the Municipalities of Shuniah, Oliver through the first phase of the process.

The next submission requires information from our local businesses, including home industries. We need to hear from you! How would improved internet service allow you to expand your business, start a new enterprise, or otherwise impact your ability to participate in the rural economy? Examples are needed by December 10th. Please send an email to your local clerk (Erika Kromm, Clerk-Treasurer, clerk@neebing.org) and describe how a successful application would impact you! Thank you in advance for your participation.

Holiday Hours~Municipal Office CLOSED Dec 21, 2020 to Jan 1, 2021 Office Open Jan. 4 Sand Hill & Scoble Landfills CLOSED Saturday Dec. 26, 2020





Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holiday season!

From the Council and Staff Municipality of Neebing





Neebing Emergency Services

by Dale Ashbee, Fire Chief, Neebing



December 2020 – "Tis the Season to be ... Cautious"!

2020 has been seemingly endless - a year of both turmoil and uncertainty. However, the start of **December** signals the 'soon to be end' of the current year, and we can begin to anticipate the coming New Year of **2021**. Although much as this past year has

been disruptive due to the COVID pandemic and its health restrictions, as a community we have adapted, adjusted and supported each other in remaining relatively safe and secure.

As it does every year, the month of December heralds the beginning of our true northern winter. The arrival of colder temperatures outside reminds us that over the next few months, as we tend to spend more time inside keeping warm, we need to pay extra close attention to the proper use and maintenance of the fire/heat sources that provide for safety and comfort in our homes.

With the onset of winter, **Fire Safety** attention focuses on;

- The care/condition of household electrical heaters, extension cords and cooking appliances;
- **Cooking** itself, as kitchen fires are known to be the cause of a majority of house fires;
- The Inspection/ maintenance of your **heating system** overall, to ensure that it is working properly and will be able to safely meet your heating needs over the winter:
- The inspection/cleaning of your **chimney** system and spark arrester;
- Carbon Monoxide is a silent killer it is colorless, odorless and tasteless! Check/test your CO alarms regularly. Replace the batteries, or the entire unit itself, if they do not work properly or are expired. CO alarms provide early warnings if CO levels begin to increase in your home, giving you time to exit safely.
- Smoke Alarms and fire extinguishers should also be checked regularly to ensure they are working properly. Keep extra batteries on hand so that you can replace them in the alarm as soon as needed. These fire safety tools can provide early detection warnings of fire, and the extinguisher may be useful in suppressing a small contained fire.

December messaging that includes a number of safety messages to promote safe family and festive gatherings over the holiday season is provided, in

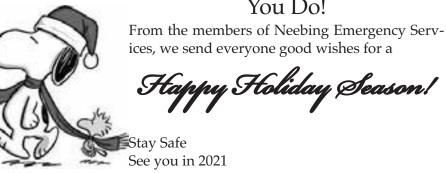
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Safety, that appears elsewhere ON PAGE in this edition of Neebing News. However, for December 2020, it is probably appropriate to also send reminders to our community members to; avoid large gatherings, remain inside your 'household bubble' if you are having a small get-together, and stay at home as much as possible over the holiday season. Although we have fortunately been able maintain a relatively 'COVID free' community for the past eight (8) months, recent and rapid increases in COVID cases in the area reported over the past few weeks, are concerning. They serve as a reminder and a caution that the COVID 19 virus is still present, that it spreads quickly, and that we all need to remain diligent in our efforts to contain it. While vaccines are apparently on the way, in the meantime we are reminded to follow those same simple guidelines that have gotten us this far:

- Minimize unprotected contacts outside your household/family bubble;
- Maintain social distancing six (6) feet apart;
- Wear a mask while in close contact with those outside your bubble;
- Wash and sanitize your hands frequently!

As 2020 draws to a close, it has been our tradition to end the year with a Thank You to all those who have supported, Neebing Emergency Services throughout the year. While the pandemic severely disrupted so much of our regular community contact and activity, some people amazingly found ways to help, assist, donate, volunteer, fund raise and still remain safe over the year.

THANK YOU to All of You, For All the Things You Do!



The Rural Pharmacist: COVID-19 Vaccine Not Available Just Yet

by Devon Myers, Pharmacist/Owner of Kakabeka and Rosslyn Pharmacies

If you're eagerly waiting for a COVID-19 vaccine don't hold your breathe. Just keep breathing into your mask awhile longer. Unfortunately Canada will not be producing a vaccine within its own borders. For that reason we will be dependent on manufacturers from other countries. Countries such as the United States, Germany and Britain may begin providing their citizens with a vaccine before the end of 2020. But it's likely that distribution to Canada won't begin until 2021. That's a pretty fair estimate. In which month? In which quarter will we see distribution in Canada? That's a much tougher guessing game.

At the time of writing this article, Health Canada, the regulatory body which approves vaccine use in our country, has yet to give any vaccine the green light. Couple that with federal and provincial decisions that regulate distribution within our borders and it could be some time before a vaccine makes its way to the general public. I don't mean to put a damper on things. Trust me, we could all use some good news! But this view is more in line with what is likely to occur. Even when we get a vaccine, who will be providing it? Will it be provided through doctor's offices? Pharmacies? Designated injection sites? Nobody knows at this time.

Maybe somebody at the very top does but unfortunately you and I don't have access to that kind of information!

What we do know is that every single one of us can do our part to help reduce the damage that this pandemic has laid on our society. Keep washing your hands. Keep wearing your masks. Continue social distancing. The hard work that everyone is doing is commendable. I'm confident that we can muster the strength to continue following recommendations throughout the holiday season. It's going to be a unique Christmas for all of us but hopefully we can all manage to stay safe!

To end on a much lighter note, I'd like to share that Rosslyn IDA Pharmacy will be celebrating its 3rd year anniversary in December. It might be hard to find anything positive to talk about this year but we feel extremely proud to have been able to service our community throughout 2020. Our staff has worked very hard to provide during this unprecedented time and we feel honored that you've entrusted us to help manage your healthcare. From everyone at our Rosslyn and Kakabeka Falls pharmacies, we wish you and your family a Merry Christmas. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year. COVID-19 free?

Neebing Recreation Committee Notes

by Dawne Kilgour

Christmas 2020.

The Recreation Committee wishes to offer you the best, this year, whatever Covid 19 deals us.

The real reason for the season should prevail and Peace, Joy and Hope should bring us happiness. Where else could a person look out on a cold crisp winter scene to view the stars and count our blessings, with or without our families being physically present.

We are sure that sooner or later, our regular calendar of events will be announced and everyone will enjoy themselves either attending or working on them. The Easter Egg Hunt, the Crafternoons, Canada Day Celebrations, the Annual Harvest Dinner to name a few, will be back, bigger and better than before.

Please stay safe, follow the health protocols and stay home as much as you can is the winning formula. Call your friends and neighbours espe-

Winter Driving Tips for Motorists

When it's snowing and stormy outside, the best driving advice is to stay off the roads. When you can't stay home, keep these three key driving elements in mind when you are out on the roads this winter:

STAY ALERT - SLOW DOWN - STAY IN CONTROL

STAY ALERT: Sometimes snow on a road may be hard-packed and as slippery as ice. Wet snow can make for slushy roads and affect your ability to steer. Look ahead as you drive and recognize hazards.

SLOW DOWN: Adjust your driving speed to road conditions. Avoid sudden turns and sudden braking which could cause a skid.

STAY IN CONTROL:

Be careful when approaching shaded areas on roads and bridges. These sections of road freeze much sooner in cold weather creating black ice. Black ice can cause your vehicle to suddenly lose traction.

A severe or long storm may delay road clearing even with the best efforts of our Municipal Public Works crew. Stay Alert, Slow Down and Stay in Control. Let's all stay safe out there this winter.

cially those who are alone or older. You never know the good you can do for some lonely soul. Take up a hobby, bingewatch your favourite series, read every book on your bucket list, and exercise as often as you can. This too shall pass.

May 2021 bring us all a vaccine and a return to normalcy whatever that is.!

So Season's Greetings to all, and "God bless us everyone." in the words of Tiny Tim, [courtesy of Charles Dickens].

For more info call Dawne at 964-2750.

P.S. We are also looking for volunteers for Century Park, aka Blake Hall rink and the Alf Olson Park rink to plow and clean as the snow builds up. If you have a few hours per week, just call the office at 474-5331 and leave your name for Councillor Coulson to call you. Thanks to all who phone.

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

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Many Thanks!

Since this year has not gone the way we originally planned, it will not be possible to acknowledge all our hard working and dedicated volunteers and staff at the annual appreciation event. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people (listed below) that help to make our community a great place to call home.

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Although we cannot get together during the pandemic, please know that your efforts are truly appreciated and we look forward to working with you in 2021.

.Sincerely, Mayor and Council



What's the fire risk in December?

Top ignition sources:

- Cooking
- Heating equipment
- Electrical distribution equipment

*2009-2018 Ontario avg. fire losses, Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (injuries and fatalities above are for civilians only)

December's Fire Safety Concerns

Cooking
Smoking
Alcohol
Heating equipment
Electrical
Holiday Lighting
Candles



Chix in the Stix Joy in the Familiar by Cindy Harasen

Well here we are, counting down the days to our first pandemic Christmas. There is no manual for this. We're all flying by the seat of our pants. Like you, I'm just trying to find my way and keep my family safe and healthy. But I have learned a few things this past month. While I am no where near being able to think about resolutions for 2021

positive changes and deliberate choices each day. Like kindness. I am making a point of being exceptionally kind to literally every person I encounter. I truly believe it's what will get us through this. I am well aware of the layers of controversy and theories flying around out there and the chance to argue and debate may be tempting. But I refuse to let it take priority over

what is really important – which is our humanity. I refuse to ose my grasp on compassion, sympathy, generosity – the keys to being 'humane.' We may disagree about some things, but I

quite yet, I'm still trying to make

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by Knowledgeable

Staff

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that caring and looking out for each other, especially those who are struggling or at risk, is where we come together. Okay lecture over. On a lighter note here are a couple of December pointers for your consideration: 1. Please don't hog the toilet paper this time. 2. Hug your family every day and say I love you every chance you get. 3. Pay for the guy's coffee behind you in the drive-thru. Seriously this never gets old and once you try it I think you'll be hooked. I mean like keep a stash of loonies in your car just for this alone. 4. Let that guy in who's trying to merge instead of speeding up. And last but not least, NOTICE the things in your life that bring you joy! I did this very deliberately for a single day and I found out that I LOVE to squeegee the shower doors after my shower. Like seriously love it. And as I tried to figure out why I started to remember how when I was a kid my grandpa would let me clean the windshield for him at the gas station while he filled up with gas. It was my job and it became an important ritual in our outings. What a great memory. It really is a strangely rewarding task. It's like there's this mess of water and then it's gone and there's clarity. And maybe it's just the NEED right now for some semblance of order and control, but I don't care because all I know is it works and doing it makes me smile. I bet window washers love their job! And here's the best part about all this -You don't have to 'look' for the joyful moments. You just have to 'see' them. Looking implies that they need to be found. They don't. I promise you they are right there, probably several of them during the course of your day. You just need to recognize them. And here was my other 'aha' moment! Since Covid hit we have moved to a new house. In the old house we had a woodstove in the living room and in the winter that is where I hung clothes to dry. For 20+ years I did that. And occasionally I may have grumbled about it. All summer I was hanging my clothes outside, but now the weather is colder so I had to resort to rigging up a clothesline inside the new house. Grumble grumble. So

I'm laying in bed one night and I can see into the living-room and the clothes all hanging along the new make-shift indoor line. And instead of grumbling I literally couldn't stop smiling. In that instant the new house felt like home. This thing that I used to sometimes use as an excuse to NOT be joyful, was suddenly this thing that warmed my heart. Like I didn't even know I was missing it until it was suddenly there! Because it was familiar. And I realized that with so many changes and uncertainty that what I need right now is as much 'familiar' as I can get. So I am determined to embrace the familiar. I mean it's nice to try new things, learn new things, get creative and think outside the box. But familiar is good too. It is grounding and comfortable and easy. So don't forget to go there too. It is a great place to rest! Makes me wonder how many other things in my life I allow myself to grumble about for no good reason – so I'm gonna work on that. And so our Christmas planning continues over here. Personally I plan to totally go overboard with the decorating this year. And like every year I'll be cutting my carrots with the fancy 'wavy' cutter my kids have come to expect. I'll be whipping the heck out of the mashed potatoes with the hand mixer with loads of butter and heavy cream. I might even do some Yorkshire pudding with extra gravy. We're gonna show this stupid pandemic Christmas who's boss. Savour the chocolate. Sip the wine. Let the shortbread melt in your mouth. On Christmas Day I can assure you I will be squirting whipping cream right from the can into my mouth and I don't care who knows it (I'm classy that way!) No holding back this year. Gonna spoil myself and my family. Hope you do the same. We all deserve it. Do me one small favour though. Set aside some days to make some cards and wrap some gifts to drop off at one of the local senior's homes. They need this now more than ever. Have a Merry Christmas everyone! I'll be thinking of you all and praying you are happy and healthy. Keep looking forward folks. We've got this!



Snow Clearing Reminder!

As we head into winter, the Municipality would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that placing snow from private property onto municipal road allowances is not permitted. This practice is contrary to municipal by-laws and the Province's Highway Traffic Act. Section 181 of the Highway Traffic Act states:

181. No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing so to do from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road

Placing snow on the roadway creates safety hazards for vehicle traffic and makes road maintenance more difficult. Please help keep the roads safe for everyone!

by Santorelli's

Husky Truck Stop

How to Pay Your Landfill Fee Notices

There are a few ways to pay your Neebing landfill fee invoices - online banking, by mail or in person.

- 1) To pay your landfill fee invoice through online banking, you have to set up a new Neebing account to pay for things other than your property taxes (building permits, landfill fees, etc.). See the following details for tips on getting set up.
- a) Log into your online banking program and go to the 'Bill Payments' section.
- b)Select 'Add a Payee' and using the alphabetical list of available Payees, search under the letter 'N' for Neebing. We appear as Neebing Taxes or Neebing Municipal Taxes. Select Neebing as your Payee.
- c) When asked for your 'Account Number' - enter your property tax roll number <u>BUT</u> where the last four digits of your roll number are zeros, enter 1's instead.

For example, if your tax roll number is 58-01-123-456-78900-0000 you would enter it as 5801123456789001111. It's the 1's on the account number entry that let us know you are paying for something other than property

- d)When you have a bill from Neebing such as a landfill bill, select the Neebing payee with the account ending in four 1's.
- 2) You can pay your landfill fee by mailing or dropping off a cheque to the Municipal Office.
- 3)Our office has reopened with restricted entry and COVID-19 safety measures in place. We are once again able to accept your debit and cash payments.

Choose the payment method that is easiest for you. If you have any questions about payment methods or your invoices just call the office. We are happy to help!

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4-H News

by Susie Rietdijk



4-H Thunder Bay is still monitoring the COVID-19 situation. Unfortunately at this time we will have to continue to put our projects and meetings on hold. It could be a while

until we are safely allowed to gather in groups.

4-H Ontario has made some changes to their website. One of the big changes you will find is the option of doing 4-H projects online! This might be a great solution for the members who are currently 4- H members. Non members are also welcome to sign up and do projects at home. All information can be found on the 4-H Ontario website. https://www.4-hontario.ca/

We hope everyone in

our club and our community is safe and well. Please don't hesitate to contact Jean; 935-2587 for information about 4-H.



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HEALTHCARE

Neebing By-Laws

As with any other municipality, Neebing has a variety of by-laws in place to control activities and development within our boundaries. Many of these by-laws are available for viewing on our website at https://www.neebing.org/en/your-local-government/by-laws-and-policies.aspx. By-laws that are not listed on our website can be obtained by calling the Municipal Office.

We would like to draw attention to a few by-laws that are in force in Nee-

- The Noise By-law is a new by-law that was passed on October 7, 2020, which controls noise from a variety of sources and a certain times of the
- The Trailer By-law, passed in 2005, requires a monthly permit for recreational trailers being used as dwelling units.
- The Firearms By-law, passed in 2016, restricts firearms on municipal roads and road allowance.
- The Zoning By-law, passed in 2017, outlines the various development zones within Neebing and provides the requirements for each zone. This includes what types of buildings can be built and setbacks for those build-
- The Obstructing Highways By-law, passed in 2002, prohibits placement of materials on roads and road allowances. This includes plowing snow across the road and placing objects in the road allowance without permission. These actions can interfere with regular road maintenance activities.
- The Dog Control Bylaw, passed in 2014, requires residents to be responsible pet owners. This includes not allowing dogs to run at large or persistent barking.











NEEBING FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION DECEMBER 2020

Respectfully submitted: Carole Aitken. President NFRA

Fill the Fire Hose

Donations are still coming in for our Fill the Fire Hose campaign. Our current total is \$13,215.00. The new Pumper fire truck is scheduled to arrive soon and we are excited that NFRA has been able to contribute to the outfitting of this new vehicle. Thanks to Arellas Quality Dollar Store on Bay Street, Kris Ligate for the pop can, bottle and metal return revenue, Joan and David Miller, Linda and Monty Miller, Cathy and Ron Doyon and to our many anonymous donors. We welcome new donations to help us reach our goal. Donations may be made by cheque to Neebing Fire and Rescue Association, 4766 Hwy. 61 Neebing, ON P7B 0B5 or on-line at www.neebingfirerescueassociation.com then press the donour 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 honour of someone. All contributions are welcome at anytime as we continue to raise funds for additional emergency equipment for Neebing Emergency Services(NES).

Bottle Drive

NFRA held a Bottle Drive at the Fire Hall at Hwy. 61 and Hwy 608 on Saturday November 7. Many NFRA members, NES members and community volunteers showed up to help. It was an overwhelm-





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ing success with two half ton trucks as well as Kris Ligates large trailer and truck all filled to the brim with liquor bottles and cans. The event raised over \$400.00. Thanks to all volunteers and donors who brought truck loads of bags of cans and boxes of liquor bottles. We plan to

repeat these Bottle drives in the early spring, probably the end of March, at both Mink Mountain and the Fire Hall #1 at Hwy 608 so please remember to save your bottles and cans over the next few





Silent On-Line Auction

We held our first ever on-line Silent Auction from November 8 to 15. The auction was comprised of 20 packages donated by over 30 donors. Items donated included gas cards, gift cards, BBQ, firewood, crafts just to name a few. A complete list of donors is included in the list below. Forty-three (43) people registered for the auction and bidding was frantic at times. Revenue gleaned from this event was \$2411.00 and was put into the Fill the Fire Hose campaign. I would like to thank all donors, buyers, Robert Casavant who solicited and collected many of the donations, and Clara Butikofer who administered the event. NFRA is hoping to hold another auction in the spring and encourage anyone who wishes to contacting donate by nrfaevents@gmail.com or at our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/nfraev ents. Donations can include crafts, yardwork, woodwork, jams, honey or anything you or your business may wish to donate. No item is too small as we put those into a package with other items.

ON-LINE NFRA

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Upcoming NFRA Event

NFRA is planning a Food Drive for the Rural Food Cupboard on Saturday December 5 from 10 am to 3pm at Fire hall # 1, Hwy. 608 and Hwy. **61**. As we were not able to collect for them at our Christmas Treat sale we wanted to do something to support this very important organization to help with Christmas hampers. Donations of non-perishable, non-expired food or money may be dropped off at this location. Receipts will be issued by the Rural Food Cupboard later. We will be following all Covid protocols and if more restrictions are imposed we will have to cancel if necessary. We hope you will support NFRA in our effort to help the less fortunate in our community.

See Announcement on front page! NFRA Meeting

We are holding a meeting on Monday December 7, at 7pm.via teleconference. If you wish to attend please conat 797-1989 tact me or caroleaitken1989@gmail.com

Annual General Meeting

NFRA will be holding its Annual General meeting for 2020 on Monday February 22, time and location to be determined (may be electronically as required). The new Board will be elected at this time. More details to follow. We are always looking of more members to join. If you are interested in becoming a members contact me at caroleaitken1989@gmail.com or767-1989.

Season's Greetings

I would like to extend the best of the Holiday season to everyone from NFRA. Although it will certainly not be the same we can celebrate our successes, our community spirit and the joy of living in this great community of Neebing. Thank you to the present NFRA Board; Mary Ann Beckwith, Vice President: Clara Butikofer, Treasurer; Delma Stajkowski, Secretary; Kris Ligate, Karen Davies, and Eileen Pelletier. Also thanks to members; Robert Casavant, Jim Aitken, C.J. Smylie, Dawne Kilgour, Jennifer Quick, Dale Ashbee, Barb Ashbee, Meagan Forneri, and Bev Mercer. As well thanks to all our volunteers and donors, the Neebing Emergency Services team whose dedication and expertise keep us all safe throughout the year, to the Office staff who support us, to the Landfill staff who help us with the pop can bins, and to all the residents of Neebing who continue to donate and support Neebing Fire and Rescue Association in good and not so good times. Let us hope for a better year when we can return to our community events and enjoy our usual camaraderie. In the meantime, we continue to look for creative ways to raise money for NES.

Please be safe and observe the included "12 days of a Safe Christmas". Cheers to all!

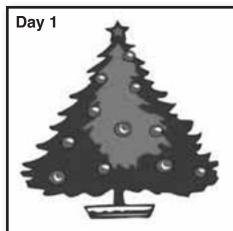




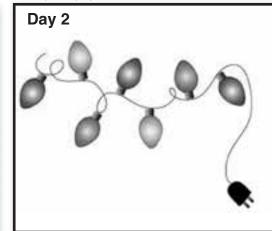




12 Days of Christmas Fire Safety from NFRA



Water fresh trees daily
It's time to trim that
Christmas tree, and if you're
using a real tree, buy a fresh
tree and keep the base of the
trunk in water at all times.
Keep your tree away from any
ignition source such as the
fireplace, heaters or candles.



Check all sets of lights
before decorating
Before you put those lights on the tree or around the front window check the cords closely. Discard any sets that are frayed or damaged.

Day 3Make sure you have working smoke alarms
With family and friends spending extra time at

your home over the holidays, it's a great time to check your smoke alarms. Replace smoke alarms if they are over 10 years old. Remember that you need working smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Test your alarms to make sure they will alert you and your family if a fire occurs, giving you the precious seconds you need to safely escape.



Make sure you have working carbon monoxide alarms
Carbon monoxide is an invisible, odourless gas that can quickly kill you. Replace any carbon monoxide alarms over seven years old. Installing carbon monoxide alarms in your home will alert you to the presence of this deadly gas.

Day 5 Make sure everyone knows how to get out safely if a fire occurs! Develop and practise a home fire

escape plan with all members of the household and make sure someone helps young children, older adults or anyone else that may need assistance to evacuate. Once outside, stay outside and call 911 from a cell phone or neighbours house.



Use extension cords wisely
People often use extension cords
for that extra set of lights or the
dancing Santa in the corner.
Extension cords should be used
only as a temporary connection.
Make sure cords never go under
rugs as this can cause damage to
the cord and cause a fire.

Day 7



Give space heaters space
If you are using space
heaters to help take the chill
off, remember to keep them
at least one metre (3 feet)
away from anything that
can burn such as curtains,
upholstery, or holiday decorations.

Day 8

When you go out, blow out!

Candles can set the perfect mood for a holiday celebration, but remember to always blow out candles before leaving the room or going to bed.

Keep lit candles safely away from children and pets and anything that can burn, such as curtains, upholstery, or holiday decorations. Be candle safe!

Day 9



Keep matches and lighters out of the sight and reach of children

People often keep matches and lighters handy to light holiday candles. But matches and lighters can be deadly in the hands of children. If you smoke, have only one lighter or book of matches and keep them with you at all times.

Day 10

Watch what you heat! The holiday season is one of the busiest times of the year, which means it's easy to get distracted from what we are doing. Cooking fires most commonly occur when cooking is left unattended. Always stay in the

kitchen when cooking; especially if using oil or high temperatures. If a pot catches fire, carefully slide a tight-fitting lid over the pot to smother the flames and then turn off the heat.

Day 11



Encourage smokers to smoke outside

Careless smoking is the leading cause of fatal fires. If you do allow smoking indoors use large, deep ashtrays that can't be knocked over and make sure cigarette butts are properly extinguished.

Day 12



There's more to responsible drinking than taking a cab home With all the festive cheer this time of year, keep a close eye on anyone attempting to cook or smoke while under the influence of alcohol. Alcohol is all too often a common factor in many fatal fires.

For more Info ON: Christmas Tree & Decoration Tips; Light Safety Tips; Smoke Alarms; CO Alarms; Home Escape Plans; Electrical Safety Tips, Heating & Fireplace Safety Tips; Candle Safety; Cooking Safety; Holiday Entertaining;

https://www.oafc.on.ca



Hymers Fair News

by Shannon Dodd-Smith

Perhaps you are crafting homemade gifts by the firelight...or knitting hats and weaving plastic bag rugs for donations...or madly trying to get the kids fed and to bed after a long and stressful day trying to stay safe from Covid while making ends meet....

The realities we face differ from person to person. Somehow, Debbie, the Wizard behind the Virtual Market, and the following vendors (available at the time of publishing) who participated in our November Virtual Holiday Market made time to create or market things to make their ends meet while helping the Hymers Agricultural Society pay the bills.

Thank you to all; and to all who shopped!!

A Graceful Park Art with Heart Bella Boo Biscuits Deep Roots Candles **Epicure** Essentially Debbie For Goodness Cake Gelmoments Handmade Crafts Thunder Bay Heart of the Mountain Hillside Candles Hoops & Yarn Keations by Kim Media by Amanda Megan Doodles Metal and Yarn Newborn Feathers NH Designs Handmade North Point Trading Nor'Wester Maple

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Usborne Books

The Hymers Agricultural Society - the tireless team who delivers the beloved Hymers Fair to y'all - will host its Annual General Meeting on Saturday, January 16 @ 1pm via Zoom.

Please contact Debbie to participate either by Zoom or by telephone.

Email Debbie at: info@hymersfair.com Or call 475-8586

The Fair is sure to look different in 2021; but we are anticipating a high need for volunteers. If you are not already on a list, please also let Debbie know if you are interested.

Peaceful, Healthy Holiday Wishes To All!

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On your **SMARTPHONE**, touch the 3 horizontal bars in the upper right-hand corner then on the Report a Concern link.

Next, fill in the online form with the details of your concern and click **Submit**. Your submission is recorded and forwarded to the Municipal Office for review

Use this form to report any type of municipal problem or concern you may have.

Of course, you are always welcome to call the office if you have any issues or concerns you think we should be aware of. Contact us at 474-5331.





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NEEBING NEWS NOW DELIVERED TO YOUR MAILBOX (unless you have NO FLYERS posted) Deadline for the JANUARY issue of The Neebing Newsis JANUARY 4!! (BUT early submissions are always very welcome!) 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



Effective January 1, 2021, the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority will be charging a Fee for Service for all planning comments provided on all Planning Act applications submitted to our Member Municipalities. The fee will be collected at the time of application by the applicable Member Municipality or the Lakehead Rural Planning Board and remitted to the Authority. Moving to a "fee for service" model requires the users of the service to pay the cost, which will reduce municipal levy required to administer this delegated core-mandate program. For more information, please visit our website at www.lakeheadca.com.

With the holiday shopping season upon us, it is a great time to purchase an Explore Card Parking Pass. The 2021 Explore Card Parking Pass is now on-sale. Proceeds from the

Lakehead Region Conservation **Authority**

submitted by LRCA Staff

sale of Explore Cards contributes directly to the upkeep of our Conservation Areas. Cards are \$30.00 +HST and can be purchased on our website, over the phone or in person at our Administrative Office. They also make great stocking stuffers.

Our extremely popular Explore calendars have arrived, and best of all, they are free! We will have a limited number of calendars available at our office, otherwise, they can be picked up at select local businesses including Safeway, Eat Local Pizza, Beefcakes Burgers, 55+ Centres in Thunder Bay, local Municipal offices and more. Very limited quantities available.

Please be advised that the LRCA Administrative Office will be closed from December 24, 2020 until January 4, 2021.

Get out and Explore!



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For Neebing Residents

ncy Text Alert Service! This text alert service is used to notify ou residents <u>yis text message</u> of immediate dangers or emergencies occurring in our com 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 <u>neebing@neebing.org</u> or call us at 474-5331. Your personal information is kept strictly confidential. If you have any stions, please feel free to contact us at www.neebing.org/contect-

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Current COVID-19 Alert Level: Yellow - Protect



Travel Guidance

TBDHU strongly recommends avoiding all non-essential travel outside Northwestern Ontario.

Due to the rapidly changing and rising case numbers in many jurisdictions, at this time, travel outside of Northwestern Ontario is not advisable and should be for essential reasons only. Similarly, hosting visitors from other areas is not advisable and should be limited to essential reasons.

It is recommended to cancel or postpone any current plans for non-essential travel and consider other options, including connecting or participating virtually.

If residents must travel for urgent or essential reasons (*see below), it is strongly recommended to:

- Stay home for 14 days after returning, especially if traveling from a high risk area.
- Carefully monitor yourself for symptoms for these 14 days.
- If any symptoms develop, immediately self-isolate and follow the instructions on the Testing Information page to access testing. Self-isolation includes staying separate from other members of your household.
- If you as the traveler develop any symptoms, your household members, including those who did not travel, should also self-isolate, even if they don't have symptoms. If they have or develop symptoms, they should get tested as per usual recommendations.
- Do not interact with others outside your household. This includes not having visitors in your home.
- For individuals who are essential workers, including those who travel as part of their work:
- Work with your employer and follow their policies on returning to work after traveling, as well as policies they have for staying safe when traveling for work.
- When not at work, please follow the stay at home directions above.

*Urgent or essential reasons for travel include: accessing needed medical services outside the region, urgent family issues, essential workers such as HCP, first responders, infrastructure worker, etc. who may come from elsewhere, etc. and those who need to travel as part of their work.

What is "Yellow - Protect" Level?

The "Yellow - Protect" level outlines strengthened measures. It includes enhanced targeted enforcement, fines and enhanced education to limit further transmission. Public health measures are in place for high risk settings.

A snapshot of the changes when moving into the "Yellow - Protect" level:

- Establishments, such as restaurants, bars and meeting/event spaces, must close at midnight and no more than 6 people can sit together.
- Contact information must be collected from all patrons in settings such as restaurants, bars, personal care services, meeting/event facilities, sports/fitness/recreation facilities, casinos, bingo halls, cinemas and performing arts facilities.
- Liquor can only be sold/served in establishments between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m., and is not permitted to be consumed in these locations between 12 a.m. and 9 a m.
- In sports and recreational facilities, patrons must be at least 3 metres apart where there are weights/weight machines and in exercise/fitness classes. As well, programs are limited to 10 people per room inside and 25 people outside, and pre-registration or appointments are required.

What is the Framework?

The Keeping Ontario Safe & Open Framework categorizes public health regions into 5 levels: Green - Prevent, Yellow - Protect, Orange - Restrict, Red - Control and Lockdown.

The goal is to have every public health unit region in the "Green - Prevent" level. The framework is designed to 'stack' or 'ladder down or up'. Measures are scaled back or implemented progressively, level by level. If trends are improving, measures are dropped cautiously, level by level, to ensure there are no significant community or public health impacts with the rollback of measures.

To access a .pdf of the full framework, visit the Province of Ontario's website

Lockdown

Control

Restrict

Protect

Prevent

https://files.ontario.ca/moh-covid-19-re-sponse-framework-keeping-ontario-safe-and-open-en-2020-11-20-v3.pdf

What resources are available if I need help?

Call 211 or visit 211north.ca to learn more about resources and supports related to emergency food, health care, income support and more.

Neebing Municipal Services During COVID-19

Updated December 1, 2020

Municipal Office:

The Municipal Office is open with entry restrictions and COVID-19 safety protocols in place for the public and our staff. Entry restrictions include:

- Only one visitor at a time is permitted inside the building
- The wearing of face masks is MANDATORY

Municipal matters requiring in-person consultations must be scheduled in advance. Please call the office at 474-5331 to book an appointment.

Stay safe and avoid unnecessary interactions with others not from your immediate household. We strongly recommend using options other than in-person contact to conduct business whenever possible.

Municipal Council Meetings:

- 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.

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/



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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

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!



Beyond Books: Library Services Limited

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

The one thing we are learning through this pandemic is that things can change very quickly. The District had been doing well in terms of the number of positive cases of COVID in the area; however, within the last week or so, these numbers changed upwards significantly. Rosslyn Library had just started a new grab 'n go service which allowed patrons to come into the Library for 15 minutes each and browse for loans. It was a great way to resume contact with our residents.

With the number of COVID cases rising, the Board has decided that for the safety of our staff and patrons, that we return to curbside only at this time. While the decision was difficult, we felt it was the right one.

Loans are still available through curbside pickup. Curbside pickup will be available at Rosslyn on Tuesdays from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The Murillo Library also has curbside available on Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Email the Library at oplibrary@tbaytel.net or call either Murillo 935-2729 or Rosslyn 939-2312 to arrange for loans and pickup

We are unsure when grab 'n go services will be resumed. We know how much you

times.

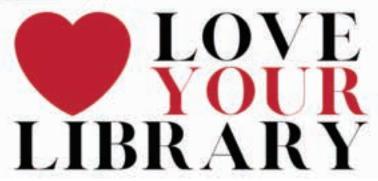
enjoy coming into the Library and value the services provided through the Library.

Our first patron to access loans from inside the Rosslyn Library was Janine Reynolds. Here, Janine gathers a number of items including books and puzzles for loan.

The board and staff of Oliver Palpoonge Public Library would once again like to thank the Rosslyn Women's Institute for making a donation of their hard-earned Valentine's Day Tea proceeds to Rosslyn Library.

This year the donation was used to purchase books by local and regional authors for the library. These high-interest titles range from stories about growing up on Whitefish Lake by Anne Marlene Idman in her book titled 'Strange Township', regional railway history in 'Community Ties' by Kathy Toivonen and Kim Manduca, the children's picture book 'I found hope in a cherry tree' by Jean E. Pendziwol and 'Seasons of Thunder Bay Cookbook' by Rachel Globensky, to name a few.

These books are all available by placing a hold through our website, emailing the library at oplibrary@thaytol.net or by telephone, 939-2312.



Others wait for their turn to safely access the Library. Karen O'Gorman and Gaetan Ayotte wait patiently outside the facility. Karen is a municipal councillor in Gillies Township. Even though the service was open only for two days, grab 'n go proved to be successful with about 4 patrons an hour coming into Rosslyn Library for loans. While the inside of the Library looked very different with shelves and tables moved, plexiglass for staff installed, and many pieces of equipment like the computers not available, patrons seemed

very pleased with the service.

In the meantime, we have a student intern working with us. Welcome to **Chloe Gysen**. Chloe is a grade 12 Student at Westgate High School. She will helping and learning many new tasks associated with the Library including curbside pickup loans. The student intern position was funded through Young Canada Works in the Heritage Organizations Program. She will be with us until at least March 31st, 2021.

On behalf of the Board of the Oliver Paipoonge Library and our wonderful Library staff, Maxine McCulloch and Theiann Scherby, we hope you have a safe and joyful holiday season.



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