

The Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls Community Newsletter July 2023



Please Note: Due to the province wide fire ban, the fireworks have been cancelled/postponed in Sioux Narrows and Nestor Falls for July 1st.



Be Prepared in an Emergency

A grab-and-go bag is a small emergency kit that's easy to take with you, in case you need to leave right away. It's a good idea to make grab-and-go bags for your home, workplace and vehicle.

For a list of emergency evacuation items to build your bag, please visit:

https://www.snnf.ca/wp-content/uploads/ItemsToGatherEvacToDoList.pdf

On June 7th, 2023, leadership and staff from the Ojibways of Onigaming, Animakee Wa Zhing #37 and the Township of Sioux Narrows – Nestor Falls met to continue relationship building, discuss challenges, opportunities and working together toward a better future for our communities and residents.

We discussed common goals related to environmental stewardship, prosperity, physical and mental health and wellbeing, eliminating economic and social barriers, systemic racism, and promoting education related to

understanding the use of inappropriate Anishininaabe (First Nation) symbols, sacred objects, pejorative references and titles, and perpetuating incorrect or hurtful accounts of historical events.

Land use planning, the importance of Indigenous First Nation traditional knowledge, including how it relates to environmental and species sustainability and continuity, partnering on cultural and capital projects, mental health and addictions, housing, trail projects, and business attraction were notable subjects.

It was agreed to continue to dialogue regarding leveraging our collective voices to agencies and senior levels of government, as well as sharing and building stories to reduce stigma, improving relationships and partnerships with First Nations, and gaining a better mutual understanding of our cultural differences and similarities.

We look forward to continuing to work together to build a more inclusive, understanding, welcoming and sustainable future for all.





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Landfill SitesSummer Hours

May 1st—September 30th

Open 5 days a week

Sioux Narrows: 8:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Nestor Falls: 1:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Open Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat. & Sun.

Closed: Mondays, Tuesdays and Civic Holidays

SIOUX NARROWS ARTS COUNCIL

ARTS FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

Thursday June 29 at 5pm, Sioux Narrows Art Gallery (Highway 71), Everyone welcome.

MAKING ART DAYS

Mondays July 10, 17 and 24, Youth Art at the Sioux Narrows Community Hall,10am to 11am. Follow our social media for weekly activities. Bring an adult.

SIOUX NARROWS SUMMER ART GALLERY June 29 to July 2 Fibre Arts Exhibit and Sale

July 6 to July 9 Nexus Group Art Exhibit and Sale

July 13 to July 23 Open Community Arts Workshops and Exhibits (Several volunteers and artisans are required to host this block, Email siouxnarrowsartsfestival@hotmail.com if interested)

PHOTO CONTEST!!!

Show us how you live your best lake life this summer for a chance to win 1 of 3 lake inspired prizes. We are looking for photos that show what living the lake life entails and highlights our community members actively living the lake life in our community. Please see contest rules at: https://www.snnf.ca/tenders-and-rfps/

Lake of the Woods Chapel United Church

Sunday Evening Worship Services - 7:00 p.m.
"Open Doors" - noon to 1:00 p.m. Fridays - beginning June 30th throughout the summer - a time for quiet reflection

Evensong - casual evenings of song, readings, and prayer - at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays...June 27th, July 11th, July 25th

And a big thank you to all who contributed to the fun of Pie Night!



THANK YOU!

The Township of Sioux Narrows—Nestor Falls and Sioux Narrows—Nestor Falls Fire Rescue Services thanks the Sioux Narrows—Nestor Falls **Men's Club** for their gracious donation of a camera for fire inspection and other department use. Your community support and generosity is incredible and very appreciated!

Turtle Portage Marine Railway Open

Retrofits are complete and the Turtle Portage marine railway system on Lake of the Woods is now open to the public. The site is safe and the boat transfer system is functional. Please be advised of the following. Some users may find the hand wheel challenging to operate. The contractor is exploring options to make it easier, and will return to make adjustments. Be mindful of your transducer when loading your boat onto the cart as it may come into contact with the cart bunks. BOATS MUST BE TIED DOWN TO ALL FOUR CLEATS ON THE CART. Failure to do so may allow boats to slide off the cart during transport.

SIOUX NARROWS NURSING STATION

Please call 807-226-1081 for appointments. Ambulance, Fire and Police—CALL 911.