

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



In Touch by Constable Gord Adams

It is the time of year for increased incidents of Tax Scams

The OPP and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) continues to receive reports of emails, text messages and telephone calls related to tax scams. Tax scams can involve the following:

- 1. Fraudsters are calling consumers impersonating the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and claiming that a recent audit has identified discrepancies from past filed taxes. Repayment is required immediately. Fraudsters threaten consumers that failure to pay will result in additional fees, jail time and/or deportation. Fraudsters may request payment via money service business, pre-paid cards / gift cards (iTunes) or bitcoin.
- 2. Consumers receive an email or text message indicating a refund is pending from the CRA. The email includes a link that directs consumers to a website that looks like the actual CRA. Consumers are asked to fill in their personal information such as Social Insurance Number (SIN), Date of Birth (DOB) and banking information before receiving the refund (email money transfer). Victims who input their personal information are subject to identity fraud. No refund is ever issued.

Warning Signs - How to Protect Yourself

in most cases, the CRA will use registered mail to contact consumers – not email or phone.
contact the CRA directly to confirm you owe back taxes or are entitled to a refund.
never provide personal information over the telephone, by text or email.
the CRA would never request payment by money service business, iTunes gift cards or bitcoin.
if you've shared personal information, contact Equifax and Trans Union to place fraud alerts on your account.
if you've shared banking information with the scammers, contact your financial institution to place alerts on your
account.

For more information about frauds involving the CRA, visit:

https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/news/newsroom/tax-tips/tax-tips-2018/what-to-expect-cracontacts-you.html If you think you or someone you know has been a victim of fraud, please contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501 or report online at http://www.antifraudcentre.ca



Moose n' Fiddle Music Festival—August 25th and 26th Early Bird Tickets are on sale at Eventbrite. Buy your tickets before June 30th and save.

ALWAYS A RIVER

Deep into the time of COVID-19, the Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls developed a new work for an age-old media platform. ALWAYS A RIVER is a radio play that traces a day in the life of a colourful cast of characters in a small town, deep in the heart of Ontario's North! Shaping the stories and painting a picture of the landscape and lore of the Laurentian Plateau, is Skeleton Woman. Tune into ALWAYS A RIVER, a radio play on your favourite podcast listening site: May 18-28, 2023.

The Sioux Narrows Arts Council is pleased to announce the May Long Weekend opening of the new Sioux Narrows Summer Art Gallery.



THANK YOU to Gill's Trading Post for donating a beautiful space for local artists to explore and create visual, musical and literary works. Volunteers interested in helping with this not for profit initiative should email siouxnarrowsartsfestival@hotmail.com.

Artists and participants should follow Sioux Narrows Arts Festival on social media for upcoming exhibits and opportunities.



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Mobile and Mental Health and Addictions Clinic

Sioux Narrows: Monday, May 1st

Nestor Falls: Wednesday, May 3rd and

Wednesday, May 24th

For appointment, call 807-468-1838, press 5

www.cmhak.on.ca

Landfill Summer Hours

Starting May 1st, Landfill Hours will change to:

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

GET YOUR FIRE PERMIT ONLINE

Register for Fire Hazard & Restricted Fire Zone Alerts!
snnf.burnpermits.com

Seasonal Burning Permits are required April 1st—October 31st and can be purchased online at snnf.burnpermits.com or visit the Sioux Narrows Municipal Office weekdays 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Hazardous Waste

We are currently unable to accept hazardous waste at the Landfill Sites, ie. paint, oil, gas/fuel.

As soon as we are able to do so, details will be provided.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Emergency Preparedness Week

This year, Emergency Preparedness Week is May 7-13, 2023. The theme is: 'A safe, practiced, and prepared Ontario.' Being prepared and knowing what to do in an emergency helps us to better protect ourselves and our loved ones. This special week is a national effort of provincial, territorial and municipal emergency management organizations, and Public Safety Canada.

Emergencies and natural disasters may be beyond our control, but there are ways to reduce the risk and the impact of whatever emergency we might face – whether natural or human-induced.

Be prepared. Know what and how to prepare for emergencies. For more information, visit: https://www.snnf.ca/public-works/emergency-measures/

Thank you on behalf of the Township of Sioux Narrows - Nestor Falls Emergency Management Department.

SIOUX NARROWS NURSING STATION

Schedule was not available at the time this went to print. Please call 807-226-1081 for appointments

AMBULANCE, FIRE AND POLICE—CALL 911