

# Newsletter

January 2009

Township of Larder Lake

## Christmas Home and Yard Decorating Contest

Winners of the 2008 Christmas Home and Yard Decorating Contest are as follows:

**First Prize:** Melvin Porter – 73 Ontario St.

**Second Prize:** Noel Labbe – 48 Second Ave.

### Honorable Mentions:

Ernest Nash – 80 Commissioner St.

Don Demers – 9 Second St

Ian Porter & Family – 55 Fourth Ave

Gilles Audet – Hwy 66

Ritchie Mihalick & Family – 81 Eight Ave

Gerard Godin – 62 Ninth Ave

### Commercial Business:

Larder Lake Lodge

## Congratulations Brenda

On behalf of the Township of Larder Lake we would like to congratulate Brenda Coulter on successfully completing the OACA'S Planning course.

## 2009 Property Tax Discount

The Township of Larder Lake is pleased to announce to all property owners the approval of a Discount to anyone who wishes to Prepay their 2009 Property Taxes.

The discounts are as follows:

<b>January 2009</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>February 2009</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>March 2009</b>	<b>0.5%</b>

## Reminder Notice

The 2009 Dog Tags are available at the Township Office at a cost of \$20.00 per tag. The deadline for buying dog tags is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 after this date the tags will cost \$30.00. Dog owners should give this matter their immediate attention to avoid a fine and an increased tag fee.

## Larder Lake Outdoor Skating Rink

The skating rink is now opened. It is maintained, but not supervised, we advise that you put on your skates at home or in your vehicle.

## Larder Lake Ski Club Hours

Wednesday:	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Friday:	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday:	10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday:	10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Upcoming Events at the Larder Lake Ski Hill

**February 10, 2009** – Spaghetti Dinner – Skiing / Snowboarding Night.

Location: Ski Chalet  
Dinner 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Adults - \$6.00  
Kids 6 yrs to 10 yrs -\$3.00  
Kids under 5 – FREE

**March 7, 2009** – Pancake Breakfast

Location: Ski Chalet  
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
Admission will be announced at a later date.

**May 2, 2009** - Celebrating 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a steak BBQ.

We are looking for old or new pictures of past and present ski members. We prefer digital photos as we would like to present a slide show at the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Steak BBQ and ski banquet. If anyone has any pictures they would like to lend to the Ski Committee you can contact Michelle Fecteau at 643-2419. All pictures will be returned.

We are also looking for volunteers to sit on the Ski Club Committee or to help out at any of the upcoming events.

Please contact: Michelle 643-2419  
Leanne 643-2398  
Nadine 643-2285  
Claudette 643-2509

## Snowmobiles and ATV'S on Ski Hill

Anyone caught on the Ski Hill with a snowmobile or ATV will be charged with trespassing. Anyone knowing of someone damaging the Ski Hill with their snowmobile or ATV is asked to report it to the Township Office 643-2158.

## Public Works Department

The Public Works Department is updating their call out list. If you are available for casual work and are interested in receiving a call please contact the Municipal Office at 643-2158 and your name will be added to the list.

## Larder Lake Public Library

The Valentine Day Craft Night will be held on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Children 7 years of age and under must be accompanied by an adult.

## Announcements

The Township of Larder Lake would like to announce that a mutual agreement has been reached between Mr. John Plaunt and Mr. Neil Albright whereby the position of Acting Public Works Foreman will be taken by Mr. Neil Albright commencing February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. This agreement was approved at the regular Municipal Council Meeting that took place on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

On behalf of all residents of Larder Lake, the Municipal Council would like to deeply thank John for stepping up to the plate in our hour of need. John carried out his duties with true dedication and honor, earning the total respect of the people and the council of our township.

The Municipal Council would like to wish Neil all the best in taking over this co-operative effort to maintain a strong works department.

## Employment Opportunity

The Township of Larder Lake has an immediate opening for the position of “Cleaner” for the Municipal Office and the Recreation Centre. The position demands approximately 15 - 20 hours every two weeks with additional hours required depending on the activities at each location. All interested individuals should submit a resume to Anne Kmyta, the Clerk-Treasurer, by Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.



## **Keep fire safety in mind as temperatures drop**

Town of Larder Lake – January 2009. As Ontario prepares to be blasted by chilling Arctic temperatures this week, the Larder Lake Fire Department is urging the public to keep fire safety in mind when taking steps to deal with colder winter weather.

The winter months traditionally see more fires in Ontario homes related to heating equipment and appliances. People need to pay close attention to potential fire hazard related to the use of fuel-burning appliances, space heaters and even block heaters in their vehicles.

“Block heaters should be treated just as any other piece of electrical equipment around the home” explains Fire Chief, Ron Jacques. “Cords and connections should be in good repair and caution should be used to ensure circuits are not overloaded”

### **Important fire safety tips for cold weather include the following:**

- Burn dry, well seasoned wood in fireplaces and woodstoves to reduce the risk of excessive creosote build-up in chimneys.
- Allow ashes from your woodstove or fireplace to cool before emptying them into a metal container with a tight-fitting lid. Keep the container outside.
- Keep intake and exhaust vents for furnaces and heating appliances free of ice and snow accumulations to reduce the risk of carbon monoxide build up from inefficient combustion. Install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to alert you to the presence of this deadly gas.
- Keep space heaters at least one meter (3 feet) away from anything that can burn, including curtains, upholstery, and clothing.
- Replace worn or damaged electrical wires and connections on vehicles and extension cords and use the proper gauge extension cord for vehicle block heaters.
- Consider using approved timers for vehicle block heaters rather than leaving heaters on all night.
- Ensure that vehicles are not left running inside any garage or building.

The Larder Lake Fire Department reminds everyone that the Ontario Fire Code requires smoke alarms to be installed on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Failure to comply with this law can result in a ticket of \$235 or a fine of up to \$100,000. If you require more information about smoke alarms or fire safety, please contact the Larder Lake Fire Department.

For more information contact: Ron Jacques, Fire Chief - 643-2644

### **National Flag Day**

February 15, 2009 is National Flag Day. Anyone wishing a lapel pin can drop in at the Municipal office to pick one up.

### **Family Day**

Please be advised that the Township Office will be closed on Monday February 16, 2009 for the Family Day Holiday.

### **Raven Beach Park Operator**

Interested individuals are invited to submit a proposal to hold the position of Park Operator at Raven Beach Park. For more information contact Anne Kmyta, Clerk-Treasurer at 643-2158 or [Anne.Kmyta@ntl.sympatico.ca](mailto:Anne.Kmyta@ntl.sympatico.ca). All proposals should be received no later than February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.