

Moosehorn's Preview to Christmas!

Saturday, December 9, 2017

Moosehorn Community Hall • 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

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If only

JUDE MCCUDDEN, GIRL FROM OZ

When I tell someone my story, how I sold everything I owned, left job and family, travelled over six thousand KMs to come and live on a property that is rustic and off the grid, I'm usually told I must be brave, fearless and/or crazy. But my first reaction is to ask the question, how could I not come? The act of staying and not changing my life holds much more fear. Because you are then left with the 'what ifs', 'I wonder' and the 'if only' that would haunt you endlessly. I've been reading about courageous people who are driven by the need to attempt some feat which many of us would find insurmountable. I'm a swimmer who loves the water, so the story of Diana Nyad who in 2014 was 64, became the first person to swim from Havana, Cuba to Key West, Florida (110 miles, 53 hours) without a shark cage. It was her fourth attempt to achieve the swim. When she made it to shore, she declared, "You're never too old to chase your dreams." With so much turmoil and violence in the world right now, living within safe boundaries and not venturing into the world sounds more secure. However, some of us toss up the coin to decide whether to choose security over love or hope or dreams. Then, we must deal with how it lands. But at least we've flipped the coin.



Door Prize
 'Christmas Dinner' in a box

* Silent Auction *
All welcome!

Lakeshore Women's Resource Centre presents
Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, December 9

9am-12 Ashern Centennial Hall
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 • Pin the Nose on Rudolph • Snowman Mummy

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- Chicken Fried Rice (x2)
- Sweet & Sour Chicken Balls (x2)
- Lemon Chicken (x2)
- Beef Mixed Greens (x2)
- Pork Lo Mein
- Deep Fried Shrimp
- Breaded Spareribs

No MSG ADDED.

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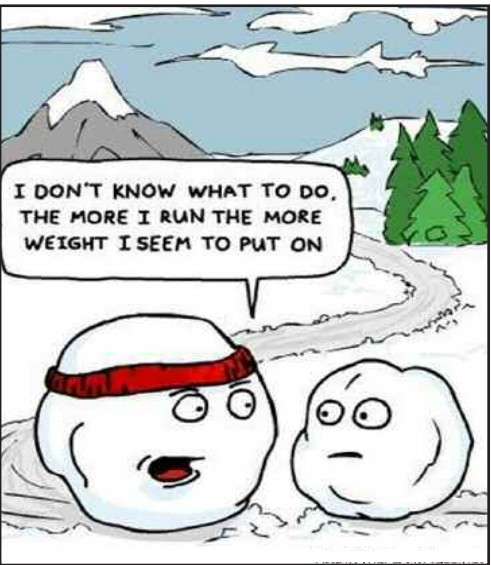
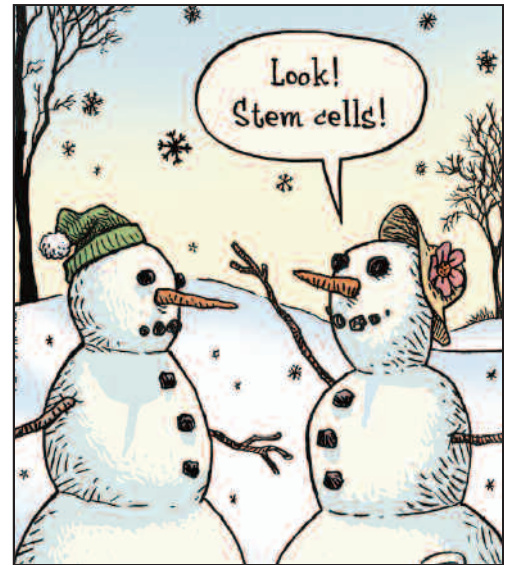
Something to Ponder

"And above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you
 because the greatest secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places.
 Those who don't believe in magic will never find it."
 - Roald Dahl

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 - PSALMS 113 KJV (submitted by Gerald Bankert)

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Healing in 'Style'

FRANK SWARK

Peacefully on Thursday, November 30, 2017 surrounded by loved ones, Frank Swark aged 94 years of Ashern, MB (formerly of Hodgson, MB) quietly passed from this earth at the Lakeshore General Hospital in Ashern, MB.

A memorial service and celebration honouring Frank's life will be held at 1:00 pm on Saturday, December 9, 2017 at the Ashern Legion Hall with Dawn Tober officiating. Luncheon will follow in the hall. A private family interment will be held in the Grace Lutheran Cemetery. Thank you to Dr. Kashur, nurses and staff of the Lakeshore General Hospital for their loving and compassionate care and to John and Karen Gray of Arnason Funeral Home. Special thanks to Helen Webster.

Arrangements by:

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~ Thank You ~

I would like to say THANK YOU to Eriksdale and area for 20 years of learning, guidance and opportunities with The Royal Canadian Legion. Doug & I have been members of Commemoration Br #140 for 30 years. It all started with Cdes. Bob Lundale and Ruth Lindell and Mark Jeffers. They never told me that I couldn't consider moving along in the Legion and afforded me many opportunities. Then, Cde. Bill Ebberts/Ashern encouraged me to take on Zone 52 Deputy Commander position that opened more doors for me. When Cde. Bill didn't let his name stand he nominated me as Zone Commander, a position I still hold. Cde. Sandra Hogue served with me four years as Deputy Zone Commander. Which we both enjoyed. I am grateful for all the people who supported, and encouraged me. I felt I tried to do my best within RCL rules. I will always be a RCL member somewhere if not here. Again, MANY THANKS!

~ Cde. Joyce Sewell, PAST PRESIDENT

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

Thanks

- Moosehorn Comm. Club would like to extend sincere thanks to Kieber Builders for their very generous donation of \$700.00 towards the new hall entrance doors. Greatly appreciated. ~ M.C.C.

An Evening of Christmas Music

with Jeannette, Jerry, Ross and Derrick


Friday, December 15 8:00 pm

Eriksdale Rec Centre

Tickets at the door

Admission: Adults \$5; Kids ages 6-19 \$3; Kids 5 & under Free

• Silent Auction • Coffee & Dainties served




Draconta Ocephus

Ocephus has been creating quite the stir in the area! WOW! Thank you to everyone for the emails, in-person discussions (filled with curiosity and questions) and online messages about our little dragon. We enjoy talking about him and teaching others about him.

Here is a recent photo of him. He's got a reddish tinge and his wings are developing as they should. He may change colours before adulthood, but we can't be sure. We have been getting asked so many questions about him that I wanted to answer a few now.

QUESTION: HOW DID YOU GET HIM?

We get asked this question A LOT. Everyone wants a dragon! Ocephus was discovered by the friend of a friend who works on a loading dock in Vancouver, British Columbia. Shipping containers are housed there from all over the world and a 'nest' of sorts was attached to one of them. Inside this nest was a tiny greenish gold colored egg. Well taken care of (thank goodness), the egg made its way to our possession through an intricate network of friends and was hatched with the help of another friend's incubator when we got the egg to Manitoba. We are not sure where he originates from.



QUESTION: HOW BIG WILL OCEPHUS GET?

He will grow to be about the size of a medium sized dog. Yes - we know how it will look 'walking' him down the road. We live in rural Manitoba so we're not worried. No, we won't put a sweater on him.

QUESTION: CAN HE FLY?

Yes, Ocephus can fly. For his safety, we purchased something called a 'wing restrictor.' It doesn't harm him, but it allows us to restrict his flying with a soft little clip attached to his wing base. He is small now, so he doesn't need it yet - he doesn't crash into anything or hurt himself when flying. When older and bigger, he is going to need to walk instead of fly. Our house isn't built for a dragon. When he is an adult, he will more likely glide than fly due to his weight but that can happen outside.

QUESTION: DOES HE GO OUTSIDE IN WINTER?

No, Ocephus can't go outside in the winter as he is too tiny to maintain body heat. He certainly doesn't mind cuddling up indoors though and he loves a good fireplace.

QUESTION: IS OCEPHUS MESSY?

Ocephus is not really messy in the sense that he leaves things all over the house. He is messy where he falls into things like the butter dish (we really have to learn to cover that) or the bathroom sink when someone is brushing their teeth. We are learning to be very careful of where he is at all times.

QUESTION: DOES OCEPHUS EAT HUMAN FOOD?

Yes, he does eat human food. He is little, so it isn't hard to keep him full. A pea (squished up), a small hunk of raw meat, some crushed fruit - literally these are meals for him. He isn't hard to please. One night, he wrapped himself around one popped kernel of corn (buttered) and licked that thing until it was a soggy mess. He loved it.

QUESTION: DOES OCEPHUS MAKE NOISE?


YES! Oh yes, he makes noise. When he isn't happy or one of the dogs has taken something of his - he makes sure you hear him. It is a sound I can't even describe. As he grows up, I hope it turns into one of those 'movie dragon roars' because right now it just sounds so un-dragonlike - more like shrieking. Not fun.

Did you know that the word 'dragon' comes from the ancient Greek word 'draconta', meaning 'to watch,' suggesting that they guard valuables? Dragons typically guard treasure such as coins or gems, but Ocephus has really become attached to our daughter and is as protective over her (our treasure) as he would be a mountain of gold. The noise he makes when she stubs a toe - wow - you'd think it was him.

He has also discovered he can use the printer tray at work as a slide.....so that's fun. If you find any of his dirty footprints on your copy of 'The Around Town' paper - don't let us know.

Thanks again to everyone for their interest in our new family member. Stay magical! ~ Shawn Cote

WINTER CROSSWORD



Across

1. Time off from school or work.

5. Used to decorate a Christmas tree.

7. It's a season for giving _____.

10. Holiday celebrated on January 1st.

12. Strap them on an go downhill on snow.

13. I'm dreaming of a _____ Christmas.

Down

2. Winter sport on frozen water.

3. African-American holiday celebrated in the winter.

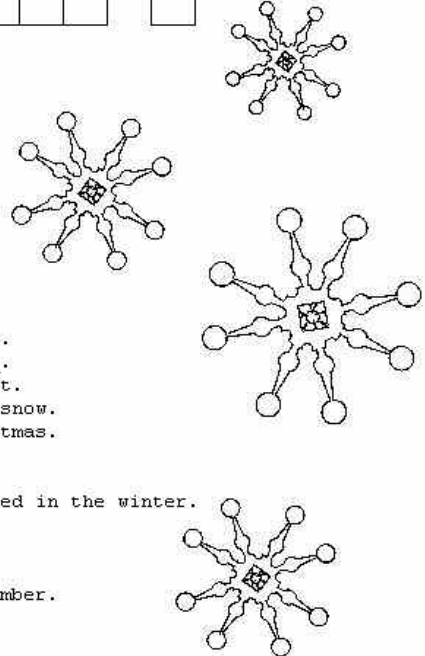
4. Famous Snowman

6. Flakes that fall from the sky.

8. The month following January.

9. Jewish holiday celebrated in December.

11. Santa's Helpers



Something to Ponder

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."
- Charles Dickens

"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."
- Mother Teresa

IN MEMORIAM


Brian Arnold Appleyard

5 years have passed since we had to say goodbye to you. Our memories of you will never go away, sad are the hearts that love you, silent are the tears that fall.

Remembered and greatly missed.

Love,

Janice, Amanda and Ashley



- THANKS -

To everyone who helped with our dispersal sale. We really appreciate the extra effort of our family & friends to get things done. Thanks to all the farmers & ranchers who bid on our cattle. Thanks to Walter Olson for sponsoring coffee. Thanks to the Interlake Cattlemens & to Buddy & Kirk for all their help.

- TEE M JAY FARMS

MIKE RAWLUK

August 14, 1918 – November 28, 2017

It is with great sadness that we announce Mike's peaceful passing on November 28th at the Fisher Personal Care Home. Mike was born August 15, 1918 in Eriksdale and celebrated his 99th birthday this summer.

Left to mourn his passing are his sons, Cecil (Alanna) and Dennis (Gary); Grandchildren: Drew, and Gage (Simone) – great-granddaughter Willow; Allen, Katie (Bobby) – great-grandsons Connor and Dawson; Andy (Shaelyn), and Jake (Laura) and sister-in-law Elsie.


Mike was predeceased by his parents, John and Sophie, his loving wife, Mary, of 59 years and his brothers Nick (Annie), Fred (Polly), Joe (Mary) and Dan.

Mike's childhood was spent on the pioneer family farm in St. Martin. As a young man Mike ranched with his brothers on Peonan Point. He met Mary Borowetz in Winnipeg and they were married in June 1951. After several years in Winnipeg where they owned an apartment block and then a corner grocery store, they decided to move to New Home where they farmed for many years. Mike and Mary raised their two sons, Cecil and Dennis, on the farm where they raised Herford cattle. Mike's passion for the cattle industry is being carried on by his grandchildren as they continue to raise show cattle. Mike's strong sense of community was evident by his role on many boards of directors including the Co-op, credit union, vet, area development and school boards. Mike and Mary's strong work ethic has been passed on to their sons and grandchildren. After Mary's passing Mike lived in his home for five years before moving to the Fisher Personal Care Home. We extend our most heartfelt thanks to the home care staff who made it possible for Mike to live in his own home for so many years, and then to the very caring staff in Fisher Branch who took such good care of him for his last years.

Funeral service will be held on Sunday, December 3rd at 2 pm (with viewing at 1:00) at Moosehorn Community Hall, followed by interment at RM of Grahamdale Cemetery. Pallbearers will be his six grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers if you so desire, a donation could be made to the Lakeshore Hospital Guild c/o Julie Bergner, Box 721, Ashern ROC 0E0 or to a charity of your choice.

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Ashern's Christmas Light Decoration Contest

Prizes will be given as:

- BEST DECORATED BUSINESS INSIDE
- BEST DECORATED BUSINESS OUTSIDE
- BEST DECORATED RESIDENTIAL TOWN
- BEST DECORATED RESIDENTIAL RURAL

Entries due in by December 8th

Contact Courtney Roehl at 204-768-2346



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