

The Corporation of the Township of Matachewan



MUNICIPAL

NEWSLETTER

THE DIMESTORE FISHERMAN



The broadcast is expected to be aired in the fall or winter of 2010. Check out some behind the scenes footage and keep posted by checking "The Dimestore Fishermen", out on You Tube & Facebook in the meantime. Some of the clips are quite comical. Stay posted for the community profile that will be posted on our website www.matachewan.com.

The Staff and Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan wishes to thank our participants and partners who have helped promote tourism and our community in this very unique way.

- KDCDC-The Kirkland & District Community Development Corporation
- Northgate Minerals Corporation-Young Davidson Project Mine
- Camp Matachewan (Matachewan Outfitters) and Marg's Log Cabin Restaurant
- Golden Eagle Camp
- AG Guiding Services
- Horseshoe Island Camp
- Dog Star Services

Tax and Water Rates

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan announces **NO CHANGE** to the Tax and Water rates for 2010.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

There is not a fire ban currently in place, however the Ministry of Natural Resources warns that the threat is still high.

Take special precautions to prevent the spread of fire and be prepared.

CALL BEFORE YOU BUILD

The number of calls pertaining to people in our township building without a permit has been climbing. Consult the Municipal Staff or the Chief Building Official before you build. Building without a permit could result in fines or penalties.

REQUEST FOR TENDERS & JOB ADVERTISEMENTS

MRFP-2010-400 Young-Davidson Complex --- Roof Ice Breaks

This includes the purchase and installation of 2 staggered rows of new ice breaks (18 gauge or heavier) over every exit of the building, on to the metal roof of the new multifunctional complex. Each segment must be installed in accordance to the manufacturers specifications and specifications must be provided to the municipality along with contractor warranty. Each segment must be secured with 2 inch screws, fastened at every high rib of the roofing panel on both sides (must be well anchored).

(Please include a copy of current liability insurance certificate and WSIB coverage (Lowest or any bids not necessarily accepted.)

Interested parties are invited to submit sealed bids quoting the appropriate MRFP number prior to the attention of:
Andrew Van Oosten, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer
Corporation of the Township of Matachewan
P.O. Box 177
Matachewan, ON P0K 1M0

For additional information, please contact the Municipal Office at 705-565-2274.



The Council and Staff of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan wants to recognize the efforts of all of the volunteers who contributed to the days events on Canada Day.

OUR VOLUNTEERS MADE THE DAY!

- **Leahan Parrott**-Who went out of her way to purchase supplies and who brought hours of laughter, fun, relays, competitions, games and races to the beach grounds for kids of all ages. Thank you for giving your personal time to make sure that there were events for kids this year, they had a blast!
- **The Volunteers of the Matachewan Fire Department** -Who orchestrated and lead our annual parade, decorated the truck, handed out candy and helped with the fireworks. Thank you Fire Chief Roxanne Mueller, Deputy Fire Chief Ray Macklin, Normand Mueller, Rene Boucher and Jessie Gobin.
- **The Royal Canadian Legion** - Legion Members arranged for inflatables for the kids (their smiles and laughter were priceless), a cribbage and horseshoe tournament, the annual duck race, 50/50 draw, great food and hospitality, participating in the annual parade in full uniform and so much more.
- **The Township's four Summer students** - Samantha Schram, Zack Gilbert, Ryan Fournier and Emily Gauthier. This group went above and beyond this year. All equally creative, reliable and ambitious, you stopped at nothing to get involved. Preparing the Complex for the public, heavy lifting, setting up and cleaning up the beach grounds. Decorating and preparing for games and food and for participating in all aspects of the events at the beach, even relieving Legion Members from their posts at the inflatables when needed. (Let's not forget Ryan who volunteered to be sacrificed in the name of fun for all who doused him with wet sponges through the face board...what a good sport!) You all accomplished so much and did so with fantastic attitudes. Working with you on Canada Day was a joy!
- **The Matachewan Pioneer Club** - Who provided their barbeque to cook our hot dogs for everyone at the beach.
- **Gerry Bernatchez** - for cooking hot dogs for hours at the YDMC for everyone to enjoy and **Joe Bisson** for providing to the town his handmade face-board.

Thank you EVERYONE and don't forget we are accepting pop cans for fireworks all year long.



ARCHIVE YOUR HISTORICAL
MATACHEWAN PICTURES

Matachewan’s new website was launched in April 2010 and is all new. We would like to use your information to help polish off the site. Any pictures or articles you may have for the site would be appreciated. E-mail or bring in your photographs to the town office.

- Woman’s rapids
- The pictographs
- Jacob’s cave
- Fire works displays (incl. our signature waterfalls)
- Canoeing/hiking/trails
- The Matachewan Reunion (2001 & 2009)
- Fishing/hunting/camping/ATV
- Historical Information RE previous councils
- Local businesses, pictures/contacts/web addresses or links
- Any historical pictures (please name those in pictures)
- Whiskey Jack Creek Bridge
- Snowmobiling/trails
- Souci Lake Road
- High Falls
- The Old/New Montreal River Bridge



CHARLIE
THE MOOSE



NADEAU GROCETERIA



Please e-mail your submissions to township@ntl.sympatico.ca or come to the office and your pictures or articles can be scanned for the website.

DURING AN EARTHQUAKE

Wherever you are when an earthquake starts, take cover immediately. Move a few steps to a nearby safe place if need be. Stay there until the shaking stops.

If you are indoors: "DROP, COVER, HOLD"

- Stay inside.
- **Drop** under heavy furniture such as a table, desk, bed or any solid furniture.
- **Cover** your head and torso to prevent being hit by falling objects.
- **Hold** onto the object that you are under so that you remain covered.
- If you can't get under something strong, or if you are in a hallway, flatten your self or crouch against an interior wall.
- If you are in a shopping mall, go into the nearest store.
- Stay away from windows, and shelves with heavy objects.
- If you are at school, get under a desk or table and hold on. Face away from windows.

If you are in a wheelchair, lock the wheels and protect the back of your head and neck.

If you are outdoors

- Stay outside.
- Go to an open area away from buildings.

If you are in a crowded public place, take cover where you won't be trampled.

If you are in a vehicle

- Pull over to a safe place where you are not blocking the road. Keep roads clear for rescue and emergency vehicles.
- Avoid bridges, overpasses, underpasses, buildings or anything that could collapse.
- Stop the car and stay inside.
- Listen to your car radio for instructions from emergency officials.
- Do not attempt to get out of your car if downed power lines are across it. Wait to be rescued.
- Place a HELP sign in your window if you need assistance.

If you are on a bus, stay in your seat until the bus stops. Take cover in a protected place. If you can't take cover, sit in a crouched position and protect your head from falling debris.

AVOID the following in an earthquake

- Doorways. Doors may slam shut and cause injuries.
- Windows, bookcases, tall furniture and light fixtures. You could be hurt by shattered glass or heavy objects.
- Elevators. If you are in an elevator during an earthquake, hit the button for every floor and get out as soon as you can.
- Downed power lines – stay at least 10 metres away to avoid injury.
- Coastline. Earthquakes can trigger large ocean waves called tsunamis.

After an earthquake Stay calm. Help others if you are able.

ANIMAL - ABUSE - NEGLECT - CRUELTY

The OSPCA says animal cruelty generally falls into one of three categories: **neglect, intentional cruelty or sexual abuse**. Neglect is the failure to provide adequate water, food, shelter, or necessary care. Examples of neglect include: starvation; dehydration; inadequate shelter; parasite infestations; failure to seek veterinary care when an animal is in need of medical attention; allowing a collar to grow into an animal's skin; confinement without adequate light, ventilation, space or in unsanitary conditions; and failure to trim hoofs or nails resulting in excessive growth (e.g. hoofs curling upwards). In some cases neglect is a result of the owner's ignorance, and can be rectified by law enforcement authorities, like the Ontario SPCA, educating the owner and issuing orders to improve the animal's living conditions. Fortunately, if people witness or hear about animal cruelty and neglect and report it to organizations with cruelty investigation authority, legal action can be taken. Federal, provincial and municipal laws cover animals and are used by Ontario SPCA investigators to protect animals in need. In fact, one of the most powerful ways the public can assist Ontario SPCA investigators with their lifesaving work is to understand how to recognize animal cruelty and to report it to authorities.

How to recognize animal cruelty

Examples of animal abuse include but are not limited to:

- Wounds on the body, limping or animals suffering injury or have been hit by a car and not receiving Veterinary care.
- Severely overgrown nails (often curling under) or hooves (often curling upwards).
- Patches of missing hair.
- Extremely thin, starving animals with ribs or backbone protruding and muscle atrophy.
- Infected eyes that have been left untreated.
- Animals who are repeatedly left alone without food and water. Often they are chained up in a yard without adequate shelter or shade.
- Animals who are kept outside without shelter in extreme weather conditions. Tropical birds especially cannot tolerate cold temperatures.
- An owner kicking, hitting, physically abusing or tormenting an animal where it would suffer physical or mental pain.
- Animals who cower fearfully or act aggressively when their owners approach.
- Severe flea or tick infestations left untreated.
- Animals left in a car on a hot or cold day.
- Abandonment (often when pet owners move or by unprofitable farmers).
- Reptiles with dull, darkened skin, tremors, gaping mouth and excessive saliva, or experiencing difficulty climbing.
- Aquatic and amphibious creatures kept in tanks with murky water.
- Illegal trapping of wild animals or animals left for extended periods in traps.
- Excessive scratching of the head area, shaking of the head and dirt or discharge in ears indicative of a possible ear infection and rabbits with a severe head tilt.
- Chronic diarrhea or vomiting or swellings, such as tumors or abscesses, left untreated.
- Animals kept in dirty conditions including being forced to stand in their own urine and excrement and animals crammed into tiny cages in overcrowded conditions.
- Slaughter by untrained individuals.

What you can do

Report suspected animal abuse by calling the Ontario SPCA at 1-888-ONT-SPCA (668-7722), Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), your local Ontario SPCA Branch (Joilene Sholtes, Agent #1569 at (705) 647-5288 or The Ontario Provincial Police at (888) 268-9017.

Animals cannot ask for help themselves, give them a voice!