



The Lakeside Bulletin



Spring is right around the corner!

To welcome in the season the Township Office is putting on a colouring contest for the children in our community! You will find the colouring page on the last page of the bulletin (extras will be at the post office beside the entry box), please drop off your artwork at the post office. The top three drawings will win an Easter basket full of goodies! The contest will run until April 30th, 2020 and the winners will be announced in the May Bulletin!

Riddle of the month: What goes up when the rain goes down?

(See the last page for answer)



Picture taken by: Rachael Oskam - Sunset over Pickle Lake 2019



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April 6th, 2020

MEDIA RELEASE CONCERNING COVID-19

The Emergency Management Control Group met on Monday April 6th, 2020 to discuss the Municipalities further response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. At this time, the Province of Ontario maintains it's declared Emergency State. The Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake maintains that at this time it is **NOT** declaring a state of Emergency. If this situation evolves the means of communication to the community will be as follows: Written Posted Notice on the Community Bulletin Board (located at the Community Hall), Municipal Website, Municipal Facebook and Social Media Platforms and delivered notice(s) to residents via mail.

Please continue to remain calm and follow protocols set out by the World Health Organization, Ministry of Health, Northwestern Health Unit and both Federal and Provincial governments. Maintain handwashing, disinfecting and social distancing. Do not partake in social gatherings, limit your trips out for supplies and work from home if possible. At this time there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Pickle Lake.

- All Municipal buildings including ServiceOntario will remain closed until **May 4th at earliest**.
- The landfill, garbage collection, fire protection services, maintenance to roads and waterworks plant will continue as normal.
- **Absolutely NO WALK IN APPOINTMENTS will be accepted at the Clinic. Assessments for COVID-19 will be administered at the discretion of the staff following a phone screening.**
- MNRF Fire crews will continue to work at distance until they are required on base. Logistics are being monitored for social distancing all staff that are being brought into Pickle Lake and daily self-assessment tools are being utilized.
- OPP will continue enhanced surveillance of all medical/warehousing/grocery buildings to ensure buildings are undisturbed during closed hours and enforcement of Provincial provisions related to Social Distancing/Essential Service operation. Court is cancelled until Provincial State of Emergency is lifted.
- A Federal Mandated 14 day quarantine with strict guidelines must be adhered to upon arrival from out of country travel.
- Social gatherings are limited by the Province to a maximum of 5 people with the exception of funerals which permits for 10 people. These regulations are enforceable by law and can include large fines.
- Watay Power project will continue until further notice. All camps have their own quarantine, screening, isolation and movement of persons in and out of Pickle Lake policies developed and their own medical personnel on site 24/7.
- Please respect closure to Public Access Notices, Limited Access Notices and Social Distancing Measures implemented by all business in Pickle Lake.
- Mishkeegogamang community access notice **WILL NOT** affect the free flow of individuals and persons on Hwy 599 as confirmed by Chief Maskaeyash.
- ALL recreation sites including campgrounds and playgrounds are **closed** until further notice under Provincial mandate.
- Restricted Fire Zone ban in place. Absolutely **NO DAYTIME OR NIGHT TIME BURNING**.

The EMCG will continue to monitor the situation closely taking direction from our Federal and Provincial governments in the coming days and weeks. We feel that the above measures will assist in the protection of Pickle Lake residents from the spread of COVID-19.

Jamie Hussey
Clerk Treasurer
Township of Pickle Lake
clerktreasurer@picklelake.org 807-928-2034 ext. 202

IMPORTANT DATES: *April 2020*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Garbage pickup for businesses Landfill open 8am-4pm	Clinic, Landfill and Town Office closed Good Friday	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Clinic and Office closed Easter Monday	Council Meeting				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

NOTES:





COMMUNITY NOTICE



PICKLE LAKE HEALTH CLINIC

Locum Doctor In-House

You must call ahead for any appointment made with the clinic. There is no doctor in-house during the month of April.

Please call the clinic at 928-2047 for appointment availability.

In case of an emergency, please call the Ambulance Base at 928-2255.



*****Reminder*****

The landfill will be open all day Thursday April 9th, 2020 (8am - 4pm) and closed Friday April 10th due to the holiday. Business pickups will be on Thursday instead of Friday.

Do not leave garbage out if it is not in an enclosed container.

Building Inspector

If you require services from our Chief Building Inspector Jody Brinkman, please contact him ahead of time.

Jody Brinkman
cbo@picklelake.org
807-323-4034

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Absolutely NO Day-time or Night-time burning until further notice**

Important Phone Numbers In Pickle Lake

Emergency Numbers

OPP and NAPS.....1-888-310-1122

Ambulance / Fire.....928-2255

Forest Fire Reporting.....310-FIRE (3473)

THE TOWNSHIP OF PICKLE LAKE

Town Office.....928-2034
 Community Hall.....928-2371
 Curling Rink.....928-2126
 Arena.....928-2826

HEALTH RELATED

Northwestern Health Unit.....938-2234
 Nursing Station - Mishkeegogamang...928-2298
 Pickle Lake Health Clinic.....928-2047

TRANSPORTATION

North Star Air.....1-844-633-6294
 Wasaya Air - Reservations.....1-877-492-7292

CHURCHES

Friendship Baptist Church.....928-0905
 Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church
 - Lucie Hoffman.....928-2359
 Pickle Lake Gospel Church.....928-2152

MISCELLANEOUS

CBC Radio Thunder Bay.....807-625-5000
 Canada Post.....928-2010
 Crolancia Public School.....928-2381
 Hydro One - Emergencies / Outages...1-800-434-1235
 Hydro One - Customer Inquires...1-888-644-9376

MISCELLANEOUS - CONTINUED

OPP - Administrative calls ONLY.....928-2211
 NAPS - Administrative calls ONLY...928-2724
 Weather Station (Pickle Lake).....928-2431
 Tikinagan Child & Family Services
 (Mish Office).... 928-2990

TOLL FREE SUPPORT NUMBERS

Ontario Works (Cheryl Wong).....807-934-6673
 Community and Social Services Helpline - Ontario
 211.....211
 Crisis Response Services.....1-866-888-8988
 Drive Test.....1-888-570-6110
 Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program.....
 1-800-465-4377
 Kids Help Phone.....1-800-668-6868
 Motherisk.....1-877-327-4636
 Poison Control.....1-800-268-9017
 Road Closures - Ontario 511.....511
 Screen for Life Northwest.....1-807-684-7777
 Telehealth.....1-866-797-0000
 Travel Grant, Ministry of Health....1-800-461-4006
 Service Canada (Sioux Lookout).....1-800-622-6232

SERVICE ONTARIO
TUESDAY & THURSDAY
 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

PICKLE LAKE TOWNSHIP
BUSINESS HOURS
 MONDAY - FRIDAY
 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM





Aviation, Forest Fire and
Emergency Services

Services d'urgence, d'aviation et de
lutte contre les feux de forêt

What You Should Know About Restricted Fire Zones



**It's important! And it's
the law!**

A Restricted Fire Zone is a
specific geographic area where
the use of open fires, like

campfires or debris burning, is restricted.

It is a temporary measure put in place by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry when the fire danger is extreme to prevent human caused fires. A Restricted Fire Zone order may last from a few days to weeks depending on conditions. The restrictions are lifted as soon as conditions allow.

When a Restricted Fire Zone is declared, it is illegal to set a fire within the affected area. Failure to comply could result in a fine of up to \$25,000 and three months in jail, as well as the financial responsibility for any costs incurred in fighting a forest fire caused by the illegal act.

~~You can still go camping~~, hiking, fishing, and have fun outdoors, but if you need heat for cooking and warmth, you'll have to use a portable gas or propane stove.

Portable charcoal equipment (e.g., BBQs, Hibachis, etc.) are illegal for use during a Restricted Fire Zone except close to a dwelling that you legally own or occupy or in an organized campground.

Commercial campground operators may allow their guests to continue enjoying campfires during a Restricted Fire Zone period provided certain conditions are met.

For more information, visit:
ontario.ca/forestfire.



How will I know if I'm in a Restricted Fire Zone?

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry posts highly visible green and red Restricted Fire Zone signs along roadways. Restricted Fire Zone posters are posted at popular camping spots, and in sport lodges, gas stations, and stores.

Advisories are issued to radio, television, print media and the internet, indicating the specific areas affected using the Zone numbers on the Restricted Fire Zone map.

For more information on **Restricted Fire Zones** please call your local Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry office.

For areas below the — line on the map call your local Municipal Fire Department.

**To report a wildfire in northern Ontario, call
310-FIRE (3473).**

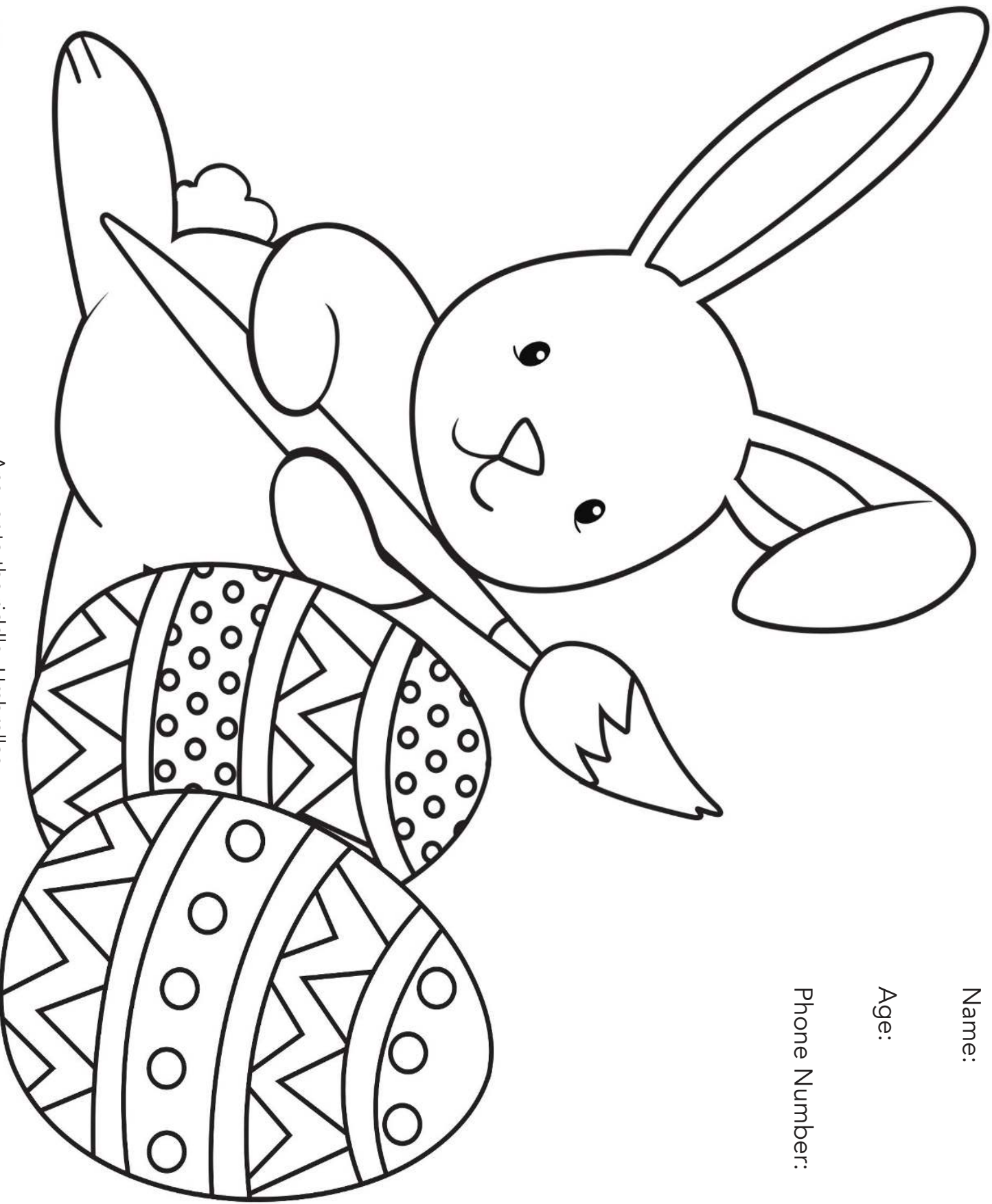
South of the French and Mattawa rivers call 911

2020 EASTER DRAWING CONTEST

Name:

Age:

Phone Number:



Answer to the riddle: Umbrellas