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Prepare for the Unexpected!

WE CANADIANS HAVE FACED many emergency situations in the past, from floods to ice storms, power outages and water supply problems. Canadians understand their impact and the fear and anxiety that emergencies cause. It makes sense to 'expect the unexpected' and prepare for the continued safety of your family and your home, when any kind of disaster strikes.

And the 'unexpected' doesn't just limit itself to natural disasters! The events that took place in the United States on September 11, 2001 have shaken us all and underlined the importance of being prepared for any possible event. Though the risk of a terrorist attack in Canada is hopefully low, it makes good sense to plan ahead and take steps to better prepare ourselves for any possible emergency – natural or 'man-made'.

Joe Books of Hilton Beach is a pretty busy guy. He wears many hats, and one of them is to act as St. Joseph Island's Emergency Services Co-ordinator. Joe and other community Co-ordinators like him across the country are a key link in a strong national 'Emergency Management' system that includes local individuals, municipal response teams, several key organizations such as the Red Cross, as well as Municipal, Provincial and Federal Government agencies.

He's been telling us about SAFE GUARD, a national information program aimed at increasing public awareness of the need for emergency planning and preparation. The triangle in SAFE GUARD's logo is the international symbol of emergency preparedness. The jagged line evokes the maple leaf, Canada's internationally recognized symbol.



Joe shares the following important information and helpful tips with us, so we can ALL take steps to protect ourselves, our loved ones and our property. We're certainly not trying to scare or alarm anyone, but if and when trouble comes, we ALL need to be ready for it, and be able to react in a calm, common sense manner!

Joe's advice: Develop YOUR OWN Personal Emergency Plan!

Create an Emergency Communications Plan

Choose a contact with whom your family can check in, ideally someone who lives far enough away that they might not be affected by an emergency here. Make a list of that contact's phone numbers (home, work, cellular or pager) and e-mail addresses for everyone in your household, and make sure that everybody – including your contact – has a copy. Your workplace and your children's schools too! In an emergency, try to keep your phone calls short, so others can get help too!

Telephone lines almost always get overloaded in such cases,

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but e-mail could still get through.

Establish a Meeting Place

Pick a place for your family to meet away from home. It can save time and minimize confusion, if your home or your entire community is affected or evacuated. You may even wish to make arrangements in advance to stay with out-of-town friends or family. And don't forget your pets! You might need to make other arrangements for them, since many shelters and hotels will not accept them.



Assemble an Emergency Supplies Kit

If you DO need to evacuate your home, or remain inside for an indefinite period of time, having Emergency supplies on hand could make your life a lot easier. Keep your kit in an easy-to-carry container, such as a duffel bag, or a small plastic garbage can and store it in an easily-accessible location, such as a closet shelf on the main floor of your home. Aim to have an emergency kit that would keep your family self-sufficient in your home for at least three days.

Your kit should include:

- First aid supplies
- Change of clothing (footwear too) for each family member
- Candles and matches or a lighter
- Sleeping bag or bedroll for each family member
- Flashlight and batteries
- Battery-powered radio or television
- Fresh batteries
- Duct Tape
- Non-perishable food
- Bottled water
- Whistle
- Playing cards or games
- Toilet paper and other personal care supplies
- Basic tools (hammer, pliers/wrench, screwdriver set, fasteners and work gloves)
- Extra car and house keys
- Copies of important family documents (birth certificates, passports, licences, etc.)
- Cash or Travellers Cheques
- Special needs for infants, elderly or disabled family members

Learn Basic First Aid Techniques

In an emergency, remember that you should always tend to your own well-being first. First aid training will help you to help yourself and those around you.

Learn about your Community Emergency Plans, Arrangements and Authorities

No matter what may happen, you will need to know who to call, and what to do. In a real emergency, the 911 network could quickly become overloaded. Find out about your local municipal and school emergency plans, services and designated emergency routes. What if something takes our bridge down?! What if your home is destroyed or severely damaged? Make note of all fire, police, ambulance, public works and utilities numbers, and post them near your telephone. If you have children in school, find out what type of authorization your school needs to release your child to your designated 'stand-in', in case you can't get there yourself.

Emergency preparedness starts with each one of us. We'll be featuring more good, practical preparedness advice from Joe in upcoming issues. You can also find out more by contacting the Public Affairs Division of the Federal Government's Office of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Emergency Preparedness at:

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They have a wealth of information on emergency preparedness and dealing with different types of threats, all available at no charge for the asking.

In the meantime, take these important steps NOW, so that you and your loved ones are ready. Don't wait until trouble strikes, and you're caught unprepared!



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An interesting take on rural post office closures!

CUPW DOES NOT and has never represented rural post offices in Canada. Rural offices the size of Grade 6 and below are represented by CPAA (Canadian Postmasters and Assistants Association). Interesting that CUPW was so willing to take credit for preserving and working in rural Canada. CPAA's President is Leslie Schous, 281 Queen Mary, Ottawa, Ontario K1K 1X1 by phone 1-613-745-5559 or by e-mail: mail@cpaa-acmpa.ca. This union represents small rural offices nationwide and has for decades.

Yes, the moratorium is still in place (the moratorium that is a direct result of rural Canada making lots of noise to begin with). In the 8 years previous to 1994, 1,496 rural corporate post offices were permanently closed. Those communities lost their heart forever.

If you take time to read any of the new Service Charter, scroll down to the rural section. Yes, to be fair, there are some suggestions that would certainly benefit rural Canada if implemented, but equally intermingled are several issues of concern, not the least of which is a statement to the effect that communities with population less than 10,000 would no

longer be serviced by a corporate post office, but a franchise (a local business with mail boxes). This, according to the Charter, is not a reduction in service. I disagree!

If the moratorium is in place and will remain so, why do they need to notify communities one month before a closure or reduction of service? Is that not a contradiction? Moratorium = no closure, therefore no notification is necessary?

Canada Post is a wonderful organization whose mandate is to deliver mail wherever you live in Canada. This is not a privilege, but rather a right, and it needs to be preserved. We need to make noise to keep the pressure on to maintain and expand postal services.

Our postal service can be put on the same list with reductions in local radio, tv, hospital services, bank and school closures. If all these important SERVICES disappear, where should we all live – Toronto?

Make noise, make a difference! It is important!

Sincerely, D. Burns, Bruce Mines

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Editor's Note: Our reader gives us all something to think about ... and keep a watch on! Last week's article was focused specifically on the future of the Richards Landing and Hilton Beach post offices, and on Canada Post's assurance that they and their level of service were not in any danger. It was never our intent to suggest in any way that our community – or any community – just sit back and be complacent, while important decisions affecting Canada's rural postal services might be made by government bureaucrats looking for efficiencies, and 'throwing the baby out with the bathwater'. We know all too well how THAT particular story usually works out!

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The 'Made in Canada' Challenge

*Our thanks to a reader for reminding us all about the
importance of the words 'Made in Canada' with the following
(condensed and edited):*

A high school physics teacher once told students that, while one grasshopper on the railroad tracks wouldn't slow a train very much, a billion of them would. Here's something we should all think about doing – one light bulb at a time.

I was in Lowe's the other day for some reason and just for the heck of it, I was looking at the hose attachments. They were all made in China. The next day I was in Home Hardware and just for the heck of it I checked the hose attachments there. They were made in Canada.

Start looking! In our current economic situation, every little thing we buy or do affects someone else – even their job. Here's one lady's story. I think she's on the right track. Let's get behind her!

“My grandson likes Hershey's candy. I noticed, though, that it is marked 'Made in Mexico' now. I do not buy it any more. My favorite toothpaste, Colgate, is made in Mexico now. I have switched to Crest. You have to read the labels on everything.

This past weekend I was at Walmart. I needed 60W light bulbs. I was in the light bulb aisle, and right next to the GE brand I normally buy was an off brand labeled, “Everyday Value”. I picked up both types of bulbs and compared the stats – they were the same except for the price. The GE bulbs were more money than the Everyday Value brand but the thing that surprised me the most was the fact that GE was made in MEXICO and the Everyday Value brand was made - get ready for this - in Canada by a company in Ontario.

So throw out the myth that you can not find products you use every day that are made right here. My challenge to you is to start reading the labels when you shop for everyday things and see what you can find that is made in Canada – the job you save may be your own or your neighbour's!

If you accept the challenge, let your family and friends know, so we can all start buying Canadian, one light bulb at a time! Stop buying from overseas companies!

And one further thing, just recently Sears closed their call centres in Belleville and Saskatchewan, putting a few hundred Canadians out of work. The reason? They moved all their call centre work to Manila! I, for one, will no longer deal with Sears. If we all did this, maybe they would smarten up...though I doubt it. (We should have awakened a decade ago...)

Let's get with the program! Help our fellow Canadians keep their jobs and create more jobs here in Canada .”

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I have been asked, several times, for this recipe so I thought maybe the time has come to include one of my own recipes in this column.

This recipe makes 3 loaves of bread. I use my bread maker on the dough program and let it rise the first time in the bread maker. My bread maker makes a 3 lb. loaf and when it rises it reaches the top. If you have a smaller bread maker you could still make the dough but take it out and raise it in a bowl. You also could use a mixer with dough hooks or for the truly enthusiastic and energetic you could do the whole thing by hand. If you don't want that much bread you could always cut the recipe in half for one big loaf

I put a little oil on the top of the loaves and cover lightly with plastic wrap (so it doesn't restrict the rising) to prevent the dough from drying out while it's rising. I turn my oven on to warm it up then turn it off for a warm place to rise the dough. When it has risen sufficiently I just turn up the oven to 375°F and bake it. This is just the way I do it. I'm sure all you experienced bread bakers out there will have your own system.

All that being said here it is.

Heather Fox's Simple Brown Bread

- 3 C. warm water
- 3 tbsp. olive oil
- 1/3 C honey
- 1 tbsp. salt
- 4 C. all purpose flour
- 4 1/2 C. whole wheat flour
- 3 tsp. dry active yeast

Place all ingredients in bread maker. Use small spatula to slightly mix up the ingredients. Run dough program. (If you are rising in a bowl place somewhere warm until dough doubles in size approximately 1 hr) Dump on floured counter and knead for a minute. Cut dough into 3 pieces. Shape into loaves and place in oiled bread pans. Let rise in warm place until double in size (approximately 1 hr). Bake at 375°F for 35 minutes or until crust is nicely browned.



A man goes hunting and gets lost in the woods. Remembering the universal distress signal of firing 3 shots, he fires 3 shots into the air and waits. After an hour he fires 3 more shots. Another hour goes by and still no one comes to help. Preparing for the next sequence he says to himself, "I hope somebody comes this time because these are my last three arrows."



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2750 Canoe Pt. Rd. St. Joseph Island

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2383 A Line Rd. St Joseph Island

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1216 Gore St. Richards Landing

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4198 Old Moffat Bay Rd.

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1081 F & G Line Road, St. Joseph Is.

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2032 Canoe Point Road

St. Joseph Island - Scenic views from this open concept 4 bedroom 3 bathroom home on Gawas Bay. Master with ensuite, main fir laundry. Two car detached garage with bunkie, woodworking shop and art studio. Sandy beach, big dock, minutes from Hilton Beach. **\$499,000.00**



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St. Joseph Island
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456 Pine Island

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9 Taylor St. Bruce Mines

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1960 Shore Rd. St. Joseph Island

200 feet of shoreline. On paved year round road, nice sand beach, newer septic system, shed and guest bunkie. Cottage has character with large covered porch. Newer electrical panel. Faces west for beautiful sunsets. Half log exterior. **\$229,900**



3079 Hilton Rd. Hilton Beach

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1304 Spring Street, St. Joseph Island

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2948 Soo Mill Rd. St. Joseph Island

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5950 Jocelyn Drive, St. Joseph Island

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An Update on the Great Soup Kitchen 'Sleep Over'

The Great Soup Kitchen Sleep-in-a-Box was successful in its two-fold goal, namely, to raise awareness of the problem of homelessness in our area, and to raise funds to help the poor. I want to thank all our Islanders who supported the project morally and financially.

Over 200 persons spent the night on the street in cardboard boxes, including Brian Reed and myself from the Island. Over \$20,000 was raised.

A humorous incident took place while Brian was setting up his cardboard abode and sleeping bag. An elderly lady came by who was obviously unaware of the project. She expressed pity for Brian's "plight" and offered a place on her porch for him to sleep. Brian thanked her for the offer and explained the whole project to her.

Ray Stortini, Richards Landing



A police car pulled up to a woman's house and her elderly grand-father got out. The patrolman explained that the old gentleman had been lost in the city park and had asked for help. "Granddad", she said, "you've been going there for 40 years. How could you get lost?" The old man smiled slyly. "Wasn't exactly lost," he admitted.

"I just got tired of walking."

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PC DOCTOR



by George Skardis

QUESTION: I think that my computer has been hijacked. The last web site I visited was all about popular recipes. Now, this thing keeps popping up telling me that I have dozens of viruses and mucho Trojans. Then, there's an offer to clean out my computer for \$39.99, Visa or MasterCard accepted. Is this legitimate and how do I get this off my computer?

ANSWER: Yes, you have been hijacked. This alert is completely bogus. Do not under any circumstances purchase any such offer directly from the Internet using your credit card. The Internet is a battleground and you have been officially listed as a war casualty.

Global warfare has gone beyond trenches and horse-drawn artillery pieces. You know and I know that today's potential combatants are continents apart. Via the Internet, an unknown hacker has surreptitiously infected that recipe web site you visited. Hackers have discovered that web-based attacks have more success than email-based viruses and trojans. The object is to steal your credit card information. According to recent studies, over six hundred thousand web-sites world wide are infected. Web sites are typically multi-page. Tallying roughly at 10 pages per web site, that works out to 6 million infected web pages globally and growing.

Whenever you encounter a bogus anti-virus alert, do not click on the pop-up window. Your best option is to shut the computer off completely, as quickly as possible. Do not return to the suspect web site. Update your current anti-virus program and perform a thorough scan to remove any malicious software (malware).

QUESTION: What is metered Internet?

ANSWER: Metered Internet is a pay-per-byte scheme that may be coming into fashion regardless of Internet service provider. Currently, cellular high-speed Internet is metered. Cellular high-speed Internet plans impose capacity limits starting at 500 megabytes per month. A 500 megabyte limit might be enough to receive and send email, but this will not cover extensive use of YouTube, music downloading, or Facebook. Streaming audio or video is simply too expensive under this metering. My advice to anyone on cellular high-speed metered Internet: check you usage log frequently during the month. Caution everyone within your household that massive downloads or uploads quickly add up. Check the log!

Bell high-speed Internet, Xplornet Internet, and Shaw Internet service do not meter usage at this time. There is monitoring, Internet traffic shaping, and application of the fair-use policy whenever some-one hogs bandwidth. These Internet service providers are well aware of the potential earnings if pay-per-byte rates were applied tomorrow. The Internet's continued growth and enhancement might justify pay-per-byte.

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To: Mike Brown, MPP, Algoma-Manitoulin
Re: Rural and Northern Health Care Panel

Dear Mike:

Regarding the advertising to call the Service Ontario Info line with your input to be given to this panel, I called them, and they knew nothing about this. I was told someone would call me back but no one has, as I mentioned in my phone call to your office.

My input is the following: Problem #1 is that no one seems to understand Northern Ontario. Southern Ontario has 11% of the land mass and 87% of the population. You can drive almost anywhere and have assistance in a half hour or less. Northern Ontario has 89% of the land mass and 13% of the population. What we do have, we desperately need.

It is 913 miles from Sudbury to Kenora. People making the rules for the North should have to drive individually to these areas so that they realize the vastness of this part of the province.

Problem #2: with regards to our health care, the next biggest

problem is that the Ministry keeps trimming the tree from the roots. In business, there should be no more than 15 to 20% of cost and salaries going to management and administration. I have made an attempt to attain the percentage of administration to front line health care workers and have been unable to get accurate information with regards to this matter, or it is not a figure anyone wishes to disclose.

I do know, however, that when two hospitals amalgamated in Sault Ste Marie, not one person in administration lost their jobs. More jobs and positions in this area have been added. This equation (15 to 20%) must be worked on and attained through time and attrition, to keep health care costs properly budgeted. The people wish the Ministry to cut administrative jobs - not health care workers. It is difficult to attain good health care workers (doctors and nurses) because care givers are too short staffed, too stressed, plus run off their feet for lack of an adequate number of people to actually do a good job. A mistake could mean someone's life. As a result of the above situation, people do not wish to come to the north to work, fearing early burn-out.

Problem #3: Canada puts out a pamphlet on the Canada Food Guide, to which the average person should adhere if they wish to remain healthy. Day cares must adhere to this guide and all children must have all the recommended foods on the list before they go home each day. How is it that, when people are recovering from illness, injury, or surgery, the lowest grade of food is given to them with little or no fresh healthy food?

The Canada Food Guide is totally disregarded in hospitals, long term care and nursing homes. If the Ministry wishes quick recovery and shorter hospital stays, nutrition is the most important factor for people. We have culinary arts programs in Sault Ste Marie and Sudbury and my suggestion is to not only use these courses as a teaching facility but have students prepare fresh, good, nutritional food for the sick and the elderly, according to the Canada Food Guide.

Problem #4 is cleanliness. Cleaning staff have been cut to the bone. My husband was in hospital with acute myelogenous leukemia and was in reverse quarantine while he was there with pneumonia. There were dust balls, as well a hypodermic needle under his bed when he was admitted. They were still there ten days later when he was released.

I cleaned the bathroom and wiped all surfaces with antibacterial wipes to avoid him getting secondary infection. My sister and father both died in hospitals from secondary infections they got in the hospital and I lost my husband, father and sister within three months. Hospitals should be

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cleaner than hotels/motels. If you went to a hotel to check in and it was not clean you would go somewhere else. With hospitals you do not have a choice. They are not anywhere near as clean as hotels, which should be the reverse.

The cuts to cleaning and cleaning staff and properly trained cleaning people has created an atmosphere where people generally become sicker in hospital than they were when they went there, resulting in these secondary infections and illnesses creating even longer hospital stays.

Cleaning is the bottom line to cutting health care costs and until we address the above problems the situation will remain the way it is - getting more costly each year.

Sincerely,

Carol E. Yost, Richards Landing



Sudoku

Answer on page 16

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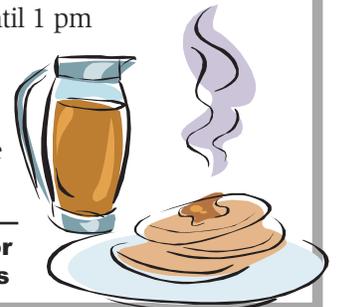
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to scheduling difficulties, the Night Out at the Theatre in support of the Food Bank and Soup Kitchen has been POSTPONED until after Christmas. Watch for the new date and information early in the New Year!

"A Christmas Workshop" The St. Joseph Island Horticultural Society invites the public to come and create a cone arrangement for their holiday décor. Nov 26- 7 pm. Harmony St. Marks Church Hall For details and to register call President Sheila Campbell at 246-3078.

The Children's Library will be opening after school on Thursdays from 3:30 - 5pm beginning Nov. 12. Also, please note that Monday evenings we will be opened 6 - 8 instead of 6 - 9. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays hours will remain the same.

The Township of Hilton is looking for an individual interested in serving as one of its representatives on the Hilton Union Public Library Board. If you have an interest in this position, please respond in writing to: The Township of Hilton, 2983 Base Line, Hilton Beach, Ontario P0R 1G0 prior to November 30th, 2009.

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St Joseph Island Hunters And Anglers General Membership Meeting. Thurs. Nov. 19th at 8 pm.

Welcome in 2010 at the RCL Br. 374's New Year's Eve Party in Richards Landing to the music of Kick Start featuring Joe Mattalo. Tickets are \$15. per person and include: dancing, light lunch, party favours and a whole lot of fun. Party runs from 8:30 pm to 1 am. Cash Bar. Tickets available at the Legion (246-2494) to the 1st 150 people. Worried about driving? Call Bill Wells at 246-2296 and make arrangements for rides to and from the party.

The Jocelyn Township Office will be closed on November 19, 26 and 27.

THANK YOU

Once again Grace United Church Women would like to thank everybody who attended our annual Tea and Bazaar. Our event was a great success. The time and talents of our convenor and numerous volunteers were greatly appreciated. Your contributions help us carry on our Island charity work. Door Prizes donated by: Mary Stevens, Dana Stevens, Janet Jerrard, Kay Vernelli. Winners: Cathy Lewis, Lucy Ansley, Helen Anne Betts, Chris Barich, Connie Rahn. See you next year - second Saturday in November.

CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday:
St. Boniface Roman Catholic, Hilton Beach 4:30 pm.

Sunday:
Holy Trinity Anglican, Jocelyn at 11 am.

Free Methodist, 10th Side Rd. Bible study for all ages 9:30 am. Worship service 11 am.

Island Bible Chapel, Richards Landing. Lord's Supper 10 am, Family Bible Hour 11:15 am.

Grace United, Hilton Beach. 9:30 am.

Harmony St. Marks United, Richards Landing. 11 am.



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The second lady says, "You think that's bad? The other day, I was sitting on the edge of my bed, and I couldn't remember whether I was going to sleep or had just woken up!"

The third lady smiles smugly. "Well, my memory is just as good as it's always been, knock on wood," she says as she raps on the table. Then with a startled look on her face, she asks, "Who's there?"

THANK YOU

Classified Ads and Announcements

Answer to puzzle on page 13

The Island Clippings is pleased to publish personal Classified Advertising and Public Service Announcements, free of charge to Island residents, as a community service. **Ads or announcements for non-residents, businesses, or items or services to be sold for profit will incur a nominal charge of \$10. plus GST. This includes the sale of real estate, rental of real estate or the sale of items valued at over \$1,000.**

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Deadline for all material is noon Tuesday.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON ST. JOE	
Friday	Hens & Stitches, Dr. Trefry Centre - 10 am to 12 pm Island Cast-a-Weights, Calorie Watchers, Hilton Community Hall (rear door, basmt) - 8:30 am Friday Foods Menu available at the Legion - 5 pm to 9 pm AA Meeting, United Church (new addition, side door) - 8 pm Seniors Walking Program - Legion, 9 - Noon
Saturday	Childrens Library - 10 am to 3 pm Story time - 10:30 am Hilton Union Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm Free pool all day in the Legion lounge Nordic Walking Group, Tranter Park - Meets at 9 am
Sunday	
Monday	Bridge, Dr. Trefry Centre - 1 pm to 5 pm (Open to all seniors) 60+ Exercise Program, Dr. Trefry Centre - 10:30 am Euchre, Legion Hall - 8 pm (\$3.00 per person) Carpet Bowling for Seniors, Legion - 1 pm St. Joseph Twp, Public Library - 6 pm to 9 pm Hilton Union Library - 3 pm to 5 pm & 7 pm to 9 pm Children's Library - 6 pm to 8 pm Seniors Walking Program - Legion, 9 - Noon
Tuesday	CAPC Play & Learn Best Start Hub - 9:30 to 11:30 am, Free Methodist Church Women's Physical Activities, Public School Gym - 6:30 pm to 8 pm Cribbage (singles), Legion Hall - 7:30 pm (\$3.00 per person) Quilting - 1-3 pm, Downstairs Hilton Hall except the 3rd week held at the Trefry Centre.
Wednesday	Pool, Legion - 7:30 pm St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm Food Bank, United Church, Richards Landing (side door) - 1 pm to 3 pm Children's Library - 9 am to 12 pm Story time - 10:30 am Hilton Union Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm Seniors Walking Program - Legion, 9 - Noon
Thursday	St. Joseph Twp. Public Library - 1 pm to 5 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm Dr. Trefry Centre's Day Out Program - 9 am to 4 pm Children's Library - 9 am to 12 pm Story time - 10:30 am 3:30 - 5 pm Darts at the Legion (Starting as Open; may change) - 7:30 pm



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