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HAPPY 150TH CANADA!



The fireworks displays were visible throughout the city. The photo above, used with permission from Photography by Mark & Lynn Clement, was taken on Shirley Street.

For eight days, beginning June 24th and ending July 1st, the City of Timmins played host to Stars and Thunder, an eight day music and fireworks extravaganza. In spite of some vocal opposition from the get go, the overwhelming consensus

from both attendees and organizers was that the festival was a resounding success. Local merchants also seemed pleased with the increase in business brought on by an influx of out-of-town concert goers.

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STARS AND THUNDER

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Mother Nature did throw some wrinkles into the fireworks competition. Shifting winds created a safety concern about debris falling onto the crowd and prompted organizers to cancel the fireworks on more than one evening. The displays that did take place, however, were second to none. (As a reference point, they were on par with Disney Parks fireworks.) It was also announced that the pyrotechnics that were not launched will remain in the city to be used at a future time.

Headline entertainers included (amongst others) David Wilcox, Hedley, Simple Plan, Tom Cochrane & Red Rider, April Wine and Cold Creek Country. Talent with local ties, including The Shaftmen, Celeste Levis, Sons of Maxwell and Lights, were also among the acts that took the stage. As the sun set on July 1st, Keith Urban closed the festival to an estimated crowd of 25 000 happy Canadians.

While the main attraction was the concert facility that took over Fred Salvador Field at Hollinger Park, free entertainment and family activities were also available at Gillies Lake. Science Timmins received a much needed financial boost as concert-goers enthusiastically purchased 50-50 tickets. A total of \$211 330 was won over the 8 days, including a maximum \$50 000 prize on Canada Day.

As of the printing of this newsletter, financial reports have not yet been released by the city. That said, Stars and Thunder brought the community together on a scale not scene before and definitely put Timmins on the music festival map!



Above: Keith Urban closes Stars and Thunder. Below: Don and Dave (aka Sons of Maxwell) have come a long way from playing Schumacher Day gigs. (Photos courtesy of Shannon Johns.) Bottom: The Canada Day crowd at Fred Salvador Field. (Photo courtesy of Stars and Thunder Timmins.)





FUTURE OF SCHUMACHER

Progress has been made since the inaugural community meeting held on February 4th and follow-up meeting on February 25th. On May 24th, members of SACHA, along with Tom Laughren and Joe Campbell, met with representatives of District School Board Ontario North East and the Timmins Family YMCA. There is good news to report from both organizations.

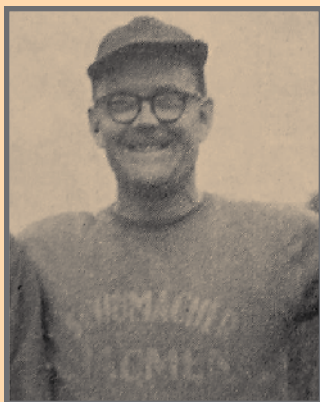
For a variety of reasons, Schumacher Public School has been taken off of the list of schools scheduled for Accommodation Review. This means the school is no longer slated for possible closure! This is definitely good news; however, changing Ministry of Education directives, the vision of newly appointed DSB ONE Director Lesleigh Dye, and the priorities of the Board of Trustees elected in 2018 could see SPS come under Accommodation Review in the future. Board Chair Doug Shearer and Vice Chair Bob Brush both indicated that one way to help keep the school's future secure was to

make sure it is being utilized as much as possible by the community. On that front, DSB ONE is open to Community Hub and Community Use of School proposals for Schumacher Public School. Student safety will always be the number one factor in whether or not any given proposal is accepted.

In another stroke of good news, the Timmins Family YMCA has recognized that their programming is very well received in Schumacher. As such, they plan to increase their presence at SPS specifically through the Y-Mobyle summer activities program and the introduction of after school and evening recreation programming this fall.

The Future of Schumacher group met on June 5th to receive these updates before breaking for the summer. The group will reconvene in the fall to participate in a heritage preservation presentation. The event is being organized through the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport as part of the Cultural Days initiative.

SPORTS HALL OF FAME



The 2017 Timmins Heritage Sports Hall of Fame Inductees are: John Bagordo, Jeff Brown, Leanna Caron, Jack Costello, Peter Gazzola, Denham Greer, Bryce Kulik, Alan MacDonald, Bob McCord, Ghislain Ouellet, Paul Perreault, Mike Pintar, Dave Poulin, Joe Sgro, Darrell Sokoloski, Don Stewart, and the Timmins Porcupine Track & Field Club. Many inductees have Schumacher ties. Don Stewart served on the McIntyre Curling Club Board. Lifelong Schumacherites Spyke Pintar and Red MacDonald contributed to Schumacher Day hockey and fastball respectively. Denham Greer was a manager of the McIntyre Macmen. Respected boxing trainer and referee Johnny Bagordo moved to Schumacher in 1935.

The 2017 Timmins Sports Heritage Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony took place at The Mac on June 10th. Johnny Bagordo (left) and Denham Greer (right) were among those inducted. (Photos courtesy of Timmins Sport Heritage Hall of Fame.)





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EDITORIAL

Wherever this edition finds you, I hope you are finding time to enjoy summer. It has been a busy few months since the last edition went to print.

Learning that SPS is no longer slated for closure and that the YMCA plans to increase its Schumacher programming were both welcome bits of news. It will be interesting to see where the Future of Schumacher group chooses to direct its attention come the fall.

Stars and Thunder was an amazing event and proved just what The City with a Heart of Gold is capable of pulling off. I can't think of a better way to have celebrated Canada's 150th. Ideally this is just the start of great entertainment events in Timmins.

On a personal note, I officially completed my Masters of Mathematics for Teachers through the University of Waterloo in April. I am also proud to have worked behind the scenes of O'Gorman High School's fantastic production of Bye Bye Birdie. That said, I'm now looking forward to a restful summer!

Until next time,
Lisa Romanowski,
SOS Editor



SCHOLARSHIPS

Grade 12 graduates who have resided in Schumacher, Gold Centre or Carium Road throughout high school (and who are pursuing post secondary education) are eligible for Schumacher Alumnae Scholarships, valued at \$500 each. Recipients must have demonstrated sound academic achievement, a positive attitude towards learning, and meaningful contributions to their school. 2017 recipients are Bruno Fregonese (O'Gorman High School), Connor Delich (Timmins High & Vocational School), and Isaac Rondeau-McNair (Ecole secondaire catholique Theriault).



Above: O'Gorman High School graduate Bruno Fregonese is presented with a Schumacher Alumnae Scholarship by Anne MacDonald. Left: The MacAfee Family of Sweet Apple, Ohio (consisting of daughter Kim played by Cassandra Sinnaeve, son Randolph played by Ben Dunkley, father Harry played by Patrick Peg, and mother Doris played by Emily Legasy) perform the Ed Sullivan Show song during the OHS production of Bye Bye Birdie. (Photos by Lisa Romanowski.)

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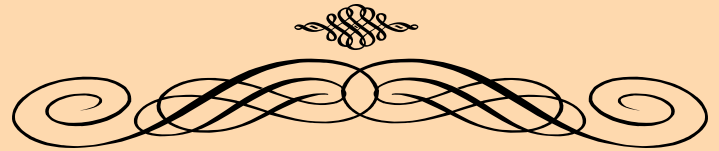
Readers are invited to submit articles and photos for publication consideration. Items should celebrate Schumacher's past, present, or future. Please include the creator's full name and the full names of photo subjects.



Good for a Giggle ...

Did you know Uranus is a gas giant?

Submitted by Jacob Dunkley, age 8.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesdays through August 30th
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Summer Concert Series

Schumacher Lions McIntyre Park

YMobyle children's activities from 6 PM to 8 PM.

For artist lineup: www.tourismtimmins.com

Thursdays through September 28th

Open at 11:00 AM

Urban Park Market

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Friday, July 28th and Saturday, July 29th

6:00 PM to 2:00 AM Nightly

Rock on the River

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For tickets: www.timminsfestivals.com

Sunday, July 30th

11:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Festa Italiana 2017

Porcupine Dante Club, 162 Cedar St. S., Timmins
Free admission, live entertainment, children's activities,
and many food items (for sale)!

For more information: 705-264-3185

Saturday, August 12th

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Classic & Elite Car Show

St. Mary's Gardens, 225 Fifth Avenue, Timmins

Barbeque and refreshments will be available.

Friday, August 25th through Sunday, August 27th

Great Canadian Kayak Challenge

Mountjoy Historical Participark

Kayak challenge, vendors, concerts and entertainment.

For info: www.thegreatcanadiankayakchallenge.com

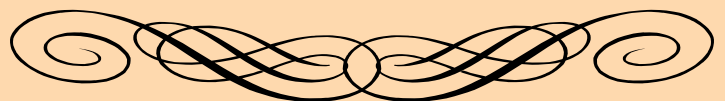
Wednesday, September 6th

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

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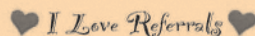


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