



LIVE WIRE

Check Out These Facts

1. Our bodies are 71% saltwater, the surface of the earth is 70% water, and our blood is exactly as salty as the sea. This might explain why it is easy to fall asleep to the sounds of the ocean!
2. If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days, you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee.
3. The strongest muscle in the human body is your tongue.

"O Canada"

"O Canada" The song was originally commissioned by the Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, the Honourable Théodore Robitaille, for the 1880 St. Jean-Baptiste Day ceremony. Calixa Lavallée wrote the music, which was a setting of a patriotic poem composed by the poet and judge Sir Adolphe-Basile Routhier. The text was originally only in French. An English translation of the lyric did not appear until 1906, and it was two more years before Robert Stanley Weir penned an English version, which is not a translation of the French. Weir's words have been revised twice, taking their present form in 1980, but the French lyrics remain unaltered. "O Canada" was not officially Canada's national anthem until 1980, when it was signed into law on July 1st as part of that year's Canada Day celebrations.

Remembrance Day

Commemorates Canadians who died in the 1st and 2nd World Wars, and the Korean War. It is held every November 11th.

The first Remembrance Day was held in 1919 throughout the Commonwealth. Originally called Armistice Day, it commemorated the end of the 1st World War on Monday, November 11, 1918, at 11am. : the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

The poppy is the symbol of Remembrance Day. Replica poppies are sold by the Royal Canadian Legion to raise money for veterans. Lest we forget.

Mayor's Youth Award!

The next Award Ceremony will take place in Council Chambers on Monday November 17, 2008 at 6:30 pm.

Nominations are currently being accepted. Nominations forms are available on line www.ptboyouth.com

Did you know?

- Broccoli has been around since ancient Roman times.
- Broccoli is a plant of the cabbage family.
- The word broccoli comes from the Latin brachium an Italian vegetable long before it was eaten elsewhere else in the world.

"Poverty Myths."

There will be 6 editions in total, each addressing a separate poverty myth. This month's myth is that poverty is only an issue for impoverished citizens to deal with; it has no impact on the regular citizen. This is completely untrue because poverty affects us all. As Youth Council we are making poverty awareness a priority. The first step in making this a reality is to stress that poverty isn't an issue to push aside and regard as a problem that you are not impacted by, have no control over, or do not have any interest in. It is the responsibility of the larger community to help its weaker members, providing the resources and support required for success. So remember poverty is everyone's issue!

Stay tuned for next month's "Poverty Myths" where a second myth will be revealed!

The Right Way to Budget

Planning for the year instead of month to month. Research found that those who budgeted by the month underestimated their spending by nearly 30%, but those who came up with a yearly plan actually came in 3.1% under budget!

The reason: Long-term planners take into account unforeseen expenses, and come out ahead.

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