



# CONNECTIONS

*Connecting to Your World*

## Another year is done!

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It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another year. What a year it has been. It has been a very busy year for us here at the Centre. The increase in students has been almost record breaking. We have come very close to running out of space.

We also did a GED program this year and an ACE program. We have had two intro to computer classes and several First Aid Course. We did some training at Goldcorp for Microsoft Office Applications as well as here at the Centre.

We have had over 70 credit courses on the go; some have been completed and some are ongoing. We are doing our credit courses through the Lakehead School Board in Thunder Bay in cooperation with the Keewatin Patricia District School Board.

Ear Falls has been quite busy this year as well. They have had a couple of students graduate; receiving their grade 12 diploma.

The students here have worked hard this year and although they have all enjoyed the year, they are looking forward to the summer break. They truly deserve it.

## Anniversary Party

The Red Lake District Adult Learning Centre will be commemorating their 20<sup>th</sup> year of incorporation this fall. To make this celebration even more memorable; we have received assistance from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to complete some major renovations to make our facility more energy efficient and accessible. We will be holding a "Grand Re-Opening Ceremony" to celebrate our success.

You are invited to share in the festivities taking place.

Where: Red Lake District Adult Learning Centre

232 Howey Street

Red Lake, ON

When: Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009

Time: 1:00 p.m. Open House

1:30 p.m. Official Opening

If you have any pictures or stories to share, we would be happy to have them. If you get them in before September 30, we could scan them to put them on display and we would return the originals to you. Call us at 727-3207.

## ABC Canada Record



### Graduates;

We hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places, your heart have ever known.

On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, students from the Red Lake District attempted to help break a world record. This year in celebration of Family Literacy Day, ABC Canada organized a nationwide event to try to break the Guinness World Record for "Most Children Reading With an Adult, Multiple Locations". This record was currently held by the United States with 78,791 participants set in 2006. On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009, 512 students from the Golden Learning Centre, Red Lake Madsen Public School, St. John's Catholic School and Ear Falls Public School joined thousands of other students nationwide to attempt to break this record.

Well the final numbers are in! ABC Canada recorded 121,268 Canadians as participants in the Family Literacy Day World Record Attempt. Documentation has been sent to Guinness World Record and we are now waiting for the official ruling to determine if Canada is the new record holder for "Most Child Reading With and Adult, Multiple Locations.

Alberta	14,740
BC	17,697
Manitoba	2,575
New Brunswick	1,962
Newfoundland and Lab	1,405
N.W. Territories	654
Nova Scotia	2,694
Nunavut	19
Ontario	68,261
PEI	48
Quebec	3,052
Saskatchewan	8,014
Yukon	271

## Writing Corner

Father's Day is June 21<sup>st</sup> this year.  
Here is a poem for Fathers:

### What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain,

The majesty of a tree,

The warmth of a summer sun,

The calm of a quiet sea,

The generous soul of nature,

The comforting arm of night,

The wisdom of the ages,

The power of the eagle's flight,

The joy of a morning in spring,

The faith of a mustard seed,

The patience of eternity,

The depth of a family need,

Then God combined these qualities,

When there was nothing more to add,

He knew His masterpiece was  
complete,

And so,

He called it ... Dad

~~Author Unknown~~

**Hats Off**  
TO OUR  
GRADUATES!

Joe Briganti

Ryan Heithoff

Josh Morgan

&

Debbie  
Sundquist

## Recipe Corner

### Cucumber Dill Pasta Salad

This recipe can be made in 30 minutes or less.

3 cups cooked pasta

½ cup carrot, thinly sliced

½ cup celery, thinly sliced

1 cup broccoli florets,  
parboiled

1 green onion thinly sliced

¼ cup chopped onion

½-¾ cup bottled cucumber  
salad dressing

1 tsp dill weed

Salt and pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients in a large salad bowl. Chill until serving time.

Yield: 4-6 Servings

## School Activities

Our school picnic was held on June 8<sup>th</sup>, and the weather held off long enough that day for the students to have a wonderful day. They did some canoeing, paddle boating, badminton and of course the hot dogs and marshmallows on a fire. We topped that meal off with banana splits and went home happy.

June 16<sup>th</sup> will be our annual potluck. All the students, board members, volunteers, and staff will get together for some good food and laughs. On the 19<sup>th</sup> of June we will bid farewell for the summer. The Learners have worked very hard and deserve a relaxing summer break.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank some very important people that help us throughout the year. We would be lost without them. Thanks for your help, Nelson Haney, Orville Gentes, and Terry Gattering

School starts up again in September on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you then.

### Congratulations to the Graduates!

June is the time of year that thousands of young people finish school and enter the world of working and living their lives. It is a grand time for them. For an adult student it is so much more. They have to work so hard, juggling families, jobs, limited study time and finances to obtain that diploma. We celebrate you! You have truly succeeded at something that you might have thought impossible. Always remember, your schooling may be over but your education lasts forever.

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## Sponsors for 2009/10

"It is not how much you give or do, but how much you put into giving or doing." ...and we are very grateful for those people in our lives.

We are grateful to this year's Corporate Sponsors:

- Copperfin Credit Union
- Ear Falls Lions Club
- Goldcorp – Red Lake Gold Mines
- Hotel 105 Bar & Grill
- Lundy's Foods
- Red Lake Career & Employment Services
- Royal Canadian Legion – Red Lake
- Red Lake Lions Club
- Red Lake Marine Products
- Sobeys – Red Lake

If you are interested in becoming a corporate sponsor for the 2009/10 year, we have an information package available to anyone interested. Please contact our office for more information.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**



### Father's Day

Father's Day is a special day for everyone! We use this day to honor our fathers all over the world? We celebrate this holiday on the third Sunday in June. A woman named Sonora Smart Dodd from Spokane, Washington, thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Her father, Henry Jackson Smart, had raised Sonora after her mother died and she wanted him to know how special he was to her. Her father was born in June, so she chose that month to celebrate the new holiday!

### The Graduate

The future lies before you  
Like a field of driven snow,  
Be careful how you tread it,  
For every step will show.

~Author Unknown