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# Onaping Falls Town Holl Onaping Falls Town Holl Onaping Falls Town Holl Onaping Falls

Tuesday, March 5th @ 6:30pm

#### **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Come and find out what is planned out for our community.

Get an update on the Greater City of Sudbury's plan for our communities in the next few months.

Local groups are welcome to come and share what they have going on.

Our efforts to bring our community together is through these meetings.

Please call or text Dolly Gordon for more information 705-662-9095

The Onaping Falls Soccer Club is a recreation soccer league for children aged 3 and up (born 2016 and earlier).

We are sponsored by the Timbits Foundation for all children 8 years and under.

Sponsorship includes a jersey, shorts, socks and a soccer ball and medal (at year end). Teams will play two (2) games per week Monday and Thursday. (subject to change)

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# The Nickel Belt MP stands by Bill C-316 and its efforts to increase organ donor registration rates across Canada

NICKEL BELT-GREATER SUDBURY – Marc Serré, Member of Parliament for Nickel Belt, is proud to support Bill C-316, An Act to amend the Canada Revenue Agency Act (organ donors). The proposed amendment would allow Canadians to use their tax forms as a way of declaring their consent to become an organ and tissue donor in their province. The federal government would then play an active role in the process and disclose the recorded information to provincial donor organizations to assist them in identifying opportunities.

"I fully support and stand by Bill C-316 as organ donation is a matter that is close to my heart. Organ donation and transplantation are important for people like my aunt Claire Horner of Sturgeon Falls who received a kidney in 2005, and my friend André Auger of Sturgeon Falls, who received a lung last year.

They're 2 out of 17,323 Ontarians who have received a life-saving organ transplant since 2003 and I wholeheartedly feel that this Bill has great potential to save more lives across Canada," Serré said.

#### Quick Facts

- Bill C-316 was first introduced in the House of Commons on October 16, 2016 by Conservative MP Len Webber.
  - As of September 30, 2018, 1,590 Ontarians are waiting for an organ transplant.
- 33% of Ontarians are registered donors. This represents 4.1 million out of an eligible 12.4 million







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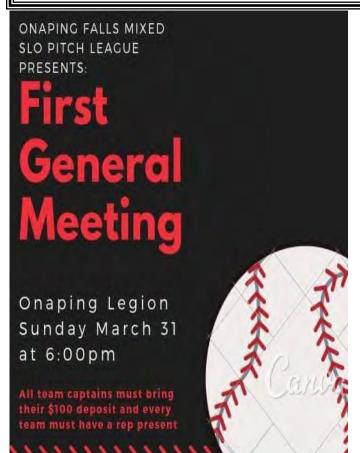
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Couple's Night—Friday Evenings Many more Special Events!

Residents of Onaping Falls......if you have any issues within your township that are of a concern to the Greater City of Sudbury you should be calling 311 to report it.

Your call will then create an A.C.R. or Active Citizen Request, also sometimes referred to as a reference number. Your A.C.R. is then forwarded to the proper department.

# **CALL** 311

The city promises, 'One City ~ One Service', to respond to your A.C.R. Always request your reference number so you can follow up.

Here is the important part of this message.....

if you do not call the city to report the problem they will not know that we (our community)

have the problem. The more calls received by residents the more action we will receive.

Talking to your neighbour or complaining about things via social media will not get us the assistance we need. CALL 311.

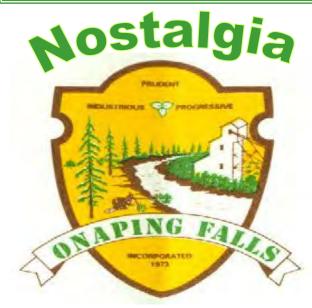
These matters include snow removal from our highways and side streets, garbage issues, street lights. This can also include your opinion on our services such as the arena, pool, leisure centre, playgrounds, etc. There are many facets to our Greater Sudbury which include Parks and Recreation, Road Maintenance, Emergency Services, Senior Services, Housing and the list goes on. If you see a problem or have an issue....don't hesitate to call 311!

To learn more about your community and what you can do to make it better please attend the next town hall meeting on Tuesday, March 5 @ 6:30pm at the Dowling Leisure Centre or Thursday March 28th @ 6:30pm at the



# The Tradition Keeps On!

Due to a communication glitch ... the continuation of this story will be moved to the April issue of the Onaping Falls News.







Hello,

Now that we have all made it through a very cold and snowy month of January and February, I would like to take this opportunity to give you a little more information about a program that could help reduce your electricity bills.

Residents of Ontario are eligible to apply for a grant through the AffordAbility Fund. If you pay an electricity bill, you may qualify for support.

Depending on your combined household income and the amount of your average energy bill, the AffordAbility Fund provides different levels of support.

The fund may provide you with a Home Energy kit with products you can install easily like energy efficient light bulbs, power bars and more. In some cases you may qualify for upgrades that can include energy efficient appliances.

If your home is electrically heated, you may qualify for household upgrades, such as the installation of heat pumps, insulation and weather stripping.

To apply, you will need to provide information on your household income, your average electricity bill, and any late payment or disconnection fees you have paid.

For more information visit their  $\underline{\text{website}}$  or call 1-855-494-3863 or call us at 1-877-280-9990.

Until next month....

My name is **Kim Depatie** and I am a Registered Practical Nurse, I am also the proud owner of **Kind Hearts Home Care.** 

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### PANCAKE BRUNCH



#### **SHROVE TUESDAY**

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by Arianna Thibodeau

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Can you help the leprechaun find the pot of gold??



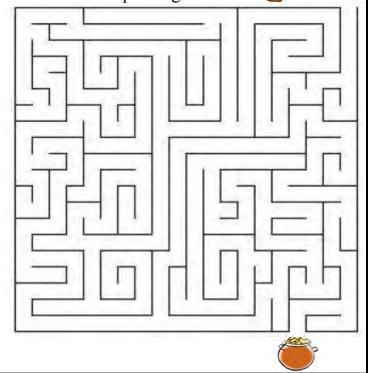
# When is an Irish potato not an Irish potato?

When it is a French Fry!

Why do people wear Shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day?

Because real rocks are too heavy!





### The Learning Curve by Kyleen Gray

#### The Essential Reading Skill of 'Inferencing'

The term 'inferencing' may be new to parents, but it's one that should be discussed and practiced at home with kids to support literacy learning. By definition, inferencing is "a conclusion reached on the basis of evidence and reasoning".

It is the skill of being able to think analytically and learn to understand 'implicit' messages in all kinds of texts (print, digital, advertising, graphic, etc.). We begin to teach students to inference as soon as they begin interactions with text. In the ELK classroom, this could be asking students to explain the meaning of an image in a story book. By the time students reach secondary school, they are expected to be able to read challenging texts and use inferencing skills to interpret meaning that isn't obvious, such as being able to explain a main idea, or dominant theme.

#### How can you help your kids practice inferencing? Here are some easy and practical ideas:

- \* Show an interesting picture/piece of art and ask them to explain the 5 W's of the text and to defend their choices by pointing to clues in the image.
- \* Ask the meaning of physical and digital signs with little to no text and how they can understand/interpret meaning without words i.e. driving signs (arrows); poison signs (skull); emojis (moods).
- \*Share and explain examples of 'figures of speech' with them, such as "I'm so cold I could freeze to death" (metaphor/hyperbole); "Stop yelling like a hyena!" (simile); "The wind is howling" (personification)
- \* When reading non-fiction text with them, askthem to identify and defend themes, main ideas or bias.
- \*I f they are reading fictional texts at home, ask them implicit questions

(i.e. Tell me about the main character's personality; Why do you think the author chose their setting?)

#### MARCH BREAK 2019

March 11th ~ 15th









## SCHOOL NEWS



Congratulations to our eight representatives who participated in the Public Speaking Contest at the Onaping Legion, Branch 503 on Sunday, February 10th. What a wonderful showcase of creativity and passion. **Well done Lasers!!** 



Thank you to everyone who supported the St. Bartholomew's Cantata Choir and Youth Choir once again this Christmas, making the performance of "Sing Christmas!" a success.

Thank you to the volunteer choir members and narrators for their hours of practice and contributions of baked goods, to the Knights of Columbus for their generous monetary donation, to Tammy Amyotte (Event Decorator) of The Added Touch for the donation of chair covers, and to the members of the audience who supported us with their donations as well. Thank you the Onaping Falls News for advertising our event and to all the local businesses who allowed us to display our posters. Preparations have begun for our spring performance.

Don't miss it!



Front row L-R: Janice Farrow, Carol Nerpin, Shirley Mirka, Emmanuella Doucet, Nicole Rocheleau, Taede Walma Second row L-R: Linda Dusick, Claudette Wisniewski, Diane Hykin, Bev Rouleau, Sheena Farrow Nagy, Caitlin Farrow, Brent Farrow, John Lefebvre Third Row L-R: Joan Beers, Aila Kelemen, Cathy Fillion, Bonnie Myre, Courtney Farrow, Steve Shinton, Nathan Farrow, Stephane Ostrander, Patrick Fillion



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- · Dog Park
- Community Gardens

#### Want to get involved?

We're always looking for new community members who want to make a difference. Our meetings take place on the second Thursday of every month at 6pm at the Onaping Falls Community Centre (north rear doors).

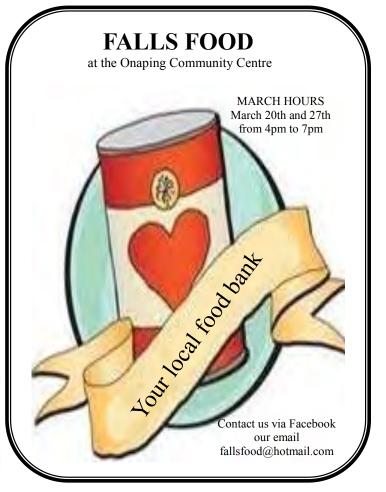
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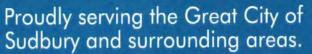
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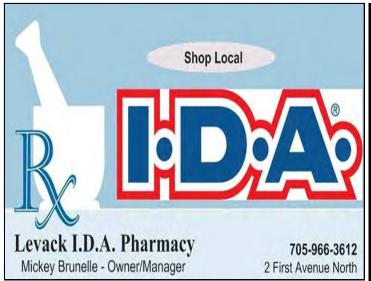


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#### **Onaping Falls Pastoral Charge**

Larchwood Memorial, Dowling St. John's, Levack, Onaping, Cartier

#### **Schedule of Services**

Larchwood Memorial, Dowling 9:30 a.m. St. John's, Levack 11:00 a.m.

Lent begins on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

#### **Looking Ahead...**

Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>
Spaghetti Dinner at Larchwood Memorial
Beans & Ham in March at St. John's

Crossword Asnwers
1. clover 2. rainbows 3. luck 4. St. Patrick
5. bagpipes 6. leprechaun 7. Ireland 8.
coins 9. gold 10. green

### Healthy Living with Danika

by Danika Lavoie-Rochette

After a winter such as this one, with ample amounts of snow and record breaking cold weather, it's easy to start looking forward to the warmer temperatures that usually come with Spring. When we think of this timeof year, we picture flowers budding and gardens sprouting. Although gardening season isn't far away, one way to brighten up your space as the snow continues to linger outside, is to add a few plants to your indoor surroundings!

It appears that many are intimidated by the care of a house plant!

Luckily, there are plenty that require very little maintenance, and they have the benefit of adding light and life to your household. Looking for something easy? Try adding an *Aloe Vera* plant! They only need to be watered once every three weeks and the gel that grows inside their leaves have multiple soothing and healing properties when applied topically.

Peace Lilies, English Ivy and Jade Plants are among a few of the great options that don't require an incredible amount of attention. Not only do their pops of green look great, these beautiful beings will also help filter the air in your home. Don't be afraid to add a few new earthly friends to your living space this month. I promise, you won't be disappointed!

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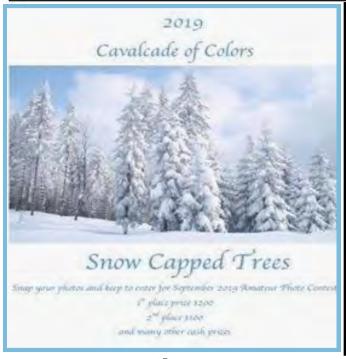
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different services that are available in our Communities



#### **Lions Club Bingo**

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### **ONAPING FALLS LIONS**

# TUESDAY EUCHRE

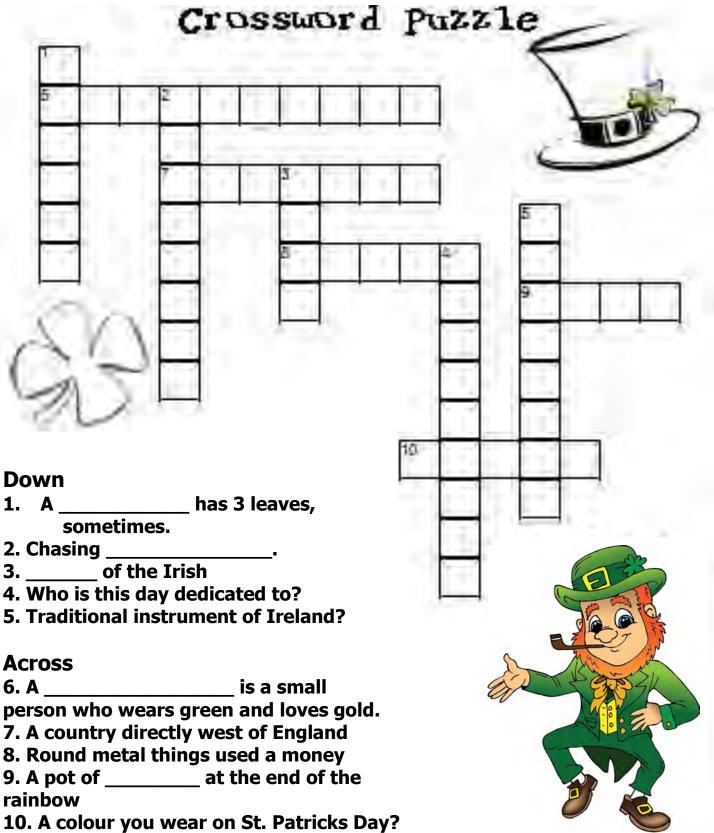
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# St. Patrick's Day



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#### Weekly Events at Branch 503

Monday 7:00 pm Mixed Pool ~ in the Club Room ~ \$5.00

Thursday 7:00 pm Dart League ~ – in the Club Room ~ \$7.00

Join the League or Spare In

Thursday 7:30 pm Euchre – Upstairs in the Hall ~ \$10.00

Saturday 3:00 pm Porquetta Bingo ~ in the Club Room ~ \$15.00

Club Room Hours: Monday to Friday ~ 4:00 pm to closing Saturday ~ 1:00 pm to closing

Sunday ~ 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm









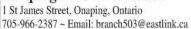


#### Annual R.C.L. Student Public Speaking Contest February 10, 2019



Congratulations to All the Students in the Branch 503 Annual Public Speaking
Contest on Sunday Feb. 10th. The speeches were terrific, all very well delivered ~
and what a fun variety of topics!! The Legion Thanks all the Students for
participating in the Contest, and we also thank all the Executives who came out to
help with the contest, and all the Families and Educators for
supporting the R.C.L. Public Speaking Contest!

### BOOK YOUR SPECIAL EVENT at Onaping Falls Branch 503





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#### Comrade Emily Getchell Receives Volunteer of the Year Honour

Branch 503 Congratulates our own Comrade Emily Getchell who was recently honoured with the Nickelbelt Volunteer of the Year Pin from the Honourable MPP Marc Serre.

The Pin and Award Certificate were presented to Comrade Emily at our Legion during the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Onaping Falls Winter Carnival events in January 2019.





Comrade Emily Getchell with her Daughters and Sons ~ All Branch 503 Members ~ Dan, Sharon, Robert, John and Joanne.

# CECTON TO

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#### ~ THANK YOU for Supporting Branch 503 ~

embers participating in 2019 Legion Activities must have Dues Paid up to date.

#### Br. 503 Annual Curling Bonspeil ~ January 26, 2019



Congratulations to the First Place Team ~ Ken Rogerson, Joel Blais, Kris Lariviere and Magalie Blais!! 14 Teams competed this year at the Onaping Curling Club. All day Fun, followed by dinner at the Legion Hall and then prizes for everyone! The Trophy will be on display in the Club Room soon with the 2019 Winners plaque! Thank You Jolene Wheatley, Sports Chair, and her team of organizers for putting on another great event, and Thank You to the Ladies Auxiliary for again serving up a wonderful meal!



#### **Onaping Falls**

# Minor Hockey Association O.F.M.H.A.



#### **HUSKIES WIN GOLD....again!**

Congratulations to the Onaping Falls Huskies Atom team who placed 1st in the Verner Bulls Tournament Feb. 8-10. Job well done on winning the cup!



Bottom l to r—Evan Deziel, Reegan Purvis, Lucas Morin, Cameron Goudreau, Logan Lesard, Felix Comtois, Carsyn Duguay and Gergory Dusick.
Top l-to r –Emersson Demers,
Owen Bouchard, Lowell Huskinson,
Caleb Robillard, Hunter Gagne, Evan Jones, missing Aubry Charron.
Coaches back row l to r—Shane Duguay,
Ryan Huskinson, Bobby Allair,
Jeremy Dusick, Dan Lessard. Missing
Manager Lori Huskinson

CHAMPS! February 16th was another great weekend of hockey for our Peewee Huskies bringing home Gold from the Coldwater Classic Tournament!





Front ~ Garet LePage
Middle I to r ~ Alex Turcotte,
Drew Macneil, Jack Landry
Top I to r ~ Max Yarkie,
Jacob Rogerson, Ethan Wheatley, Curran
Morin, Olivier Drapeau,
Coaches back I to r Mark Turcotte, Keith
Landry, Eric Drapeau and
Andre Lepage.
Missing Manager Sylvie Lavigne.

HUSKIE HOWL to our NOVICE team who brought home Silver in the Feb 1-3 MGI Collision House League Tournament in Kirkland Lake

**WAY TO GO HUSKIES!** 



# Moments That Matter

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#### Hardy Hockey Club 50th Anniversary Dinner & Dance



April 27th, 2019

#### Dowling Leisure Centre

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#### \$50 per person

(Registration is required for dinner and includes dinner, souvenir, door prizes, photo booth, live entertainment and free bus ride home)

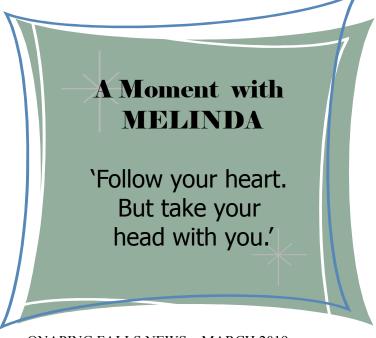
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KMAC ~ Dowling Karate Club

# THANK YOU to these amazing volunteers!

Our 1st Annual Onaping Falls
Winter Carnival could not happen
without you!

(I hope no one was left out because you are all amazing!)

Jana Lahnalampi
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Sharon Leblanc
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Paula O'Conner
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# Thank you for your contributions









Windy Lake Motel



















Onaping Falls Curling Club

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Dr. Austin Andrews



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**Onaping Falls Legion** Branch 503

Onaping Falls Golden Age Club EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS EMPLOI

# Community Heart & Soul

A little bit about somebody...

by Jana Niemi-Lahnalampi

# Janice Farrow

Listening to music has been proven to: make you happier; dopamine, "the happy hormone" is released when you listen to music. As well, listening to music lowers the stress hormone, cortisol from being released. Furthermore, listening to certain types of music can help lower depression and improve your sleep.

A result from improved moods can lead to enhancements in our functioning in other activities such as driving; if we are in a better mood driving, our performance improves. The benefits of making music are even greater. In addition to the above listed advantages, participating in a choir further develops our memory, learning and intelligence.

Physically, singing improves our breathing, posture and muscle tension. Who knew whether listening or participating in music had such a wide range of effects? Our community has been lucky to have numerous musicians enrich our community life through their talents which they generously share. One musician in particular has enhanced the culture of her faith community, educational experience of our young, and our community at large.



Janice Farrow (nee Hickey) grew up in a musical family. Her mom Helen was a formally trained pianist, while her dad Len loved to sing, play the harmonica and tap dance. Most of her 6 siblings are musically inclined to various degrees. This musician is a home grown talent. She attended Lindsley Public School, and still remembers the songs taught to her by her grade four teacher, Mrs. Hykin. Janice went on to Levack District High School, where she developed a love of language and literature under the tutelage of Mrs. McMillan. This future teacher attended Laurentian University and Nipissing University for her Bachelor's in Education. Her, music education is as varied as her talents are: piano lessons, guitar lessons and choral direction from Sister Bonnie Jean Chesser.

Through Nipissing University music courses and a Vocal Music Specialist. As well, choral training in earlier years singing in such choirs as Sudbury Chamber Singers, Bel Canto under direction of Dr. Douglas Webb and Four Counties Choir in London, Ont. After post secondary school Janice returned to the community, sharing her expertise with the students of Levack District High School, Levack Public School and Larchwood Public School. Mrs. Farrow, gives of her talents in a variety of capacities. At St. Bartholomew's she has served as a Chorister and guitarist, for over a span of 45 years; bringing music to mass each Sunday. She has directed children's choirs and Cantata choirs for over three decades. Through her musical direction celebrations of faith are deepened; her Christmas Cantatas and Easter musicals are enjoyed by the community at large. The funeral choir she participates in, comforts those in need. A highlight from her years directing at Larchwood Public School was having a choir of her's recommended to compete provincially at the Kiwanis Music Festival. Other fond memories include bringing her Larchwood students to participate in Guitars Alive. Mrs. Farrow's gift of music exposed her students to opportunities they would not have otherwise had. Which further developed their learning and intelligence. Additionally, Janice has volunteered at the Kiwanis Festival, served on her parish council and taught religion classes.

Today, Janice is retired from the Rainbow District School board after 30 years of service. She remains busy with her interests of swimming, bicycling, theatre and of course music! Janice and husband of 38 years, Brent reside in Onaping. Music continues to be a family affair. All of her children and Brent sing in the cantata Choir: Sheena Nagy-Farrow, Nathan Farrow, Caitlin Farrow and her daughter-in-law Courtney Farrow. As well, three of her grandchildren sing in the children's choir: Avery Farrow, Braeden Farrow and Owen Nagy. Her son in law Joe Nagy and other two grandchildren, Aislinn Nagy and Lenna Nagy, form the groupies in the front row! If you are interested in any of the above mentioned benefits, I suggest you seek out a performance of one of Mrs. Farrow's choirs. Or even better, get in touch with her to see about joining one of her talented choirs.

The Next Cantata Choir performance 'Calvary's Love' will be April 19th at 7pm... Everyone is welcome!