

TRAILL TALES

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A message from our College Principal

Dear Traillites,

It is amazing the difference one week can make in the life of the College! Now that classes and exams are over, the College is quite quiet. This is a welcome time between the busyness of the academic year and the beginning of the summer term. Daffodils, asters, and other flowers have sprouted and soon the buds on our trees will transition over to leaves. Spring is one of my favourite times of year for the College. If you haven't been by lately, you definitely must.

Springtime also is the season of repair and renovation. A new fire door was added to the back of **Kerr House** this week and the heritage chimneys will be repointed next week. This is in advance of a more fulsome restoration of the brick work this summer and the addition of a new accessible ramp. I am grateful for readers who have already pledged funds to the Kerr House renovation. If there are any others interested in making a contribution, please let me know.

This summer promises to be another exciting one of free performances in the Amphitheatre. The final details for the **William and Nona Heaslip Summer Festival** are underway, and we will be able to share the full line-up of performers in the very near future.

Traill College does offer after-hours access to Scott House over the summer. Any students who are interested in requesting summer access must write traillaccess@trentu.ca before April 30th so we can have it processed in early May. Existing tap access expires on April 30th, so please email if you will need access renewed over the summer.

This weekend at the AC there will be celebration of the life of the inimitable Paul Wilson. "Bloody Marvelous" is a phrase that was frequently uttered from the university's first director of athletics and it pretty-well sums up how we think about him. He is definitely missed. Registration for the event is requested, and you can do so by clicking on this [link](#).

Until next week!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael...', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.



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Academic Advising helps you navigate your degree and understand university regulations



Academic Skills helps you refine your skills for success at university

Looking to book an academic appointment?



[Academic Advising](#) and [Academic Skills](#) appointments are available Monday to Friday on the [Student Experience Portal](#).

Trail College offers same-day appointments on Fridays from 9:00am - 4:00pm for both Advising and Skills. Book Advising at 705-748-1011 ex. 1488 or come to the college office to book in-person. Book Skills on the [Student Experience Portal](#). Appointments are on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are a Graduate Student and require Academic Advising support, please reach out to graduate@trentu.ca or your home department.

Cabinet Corner



<https://www.trentu.ca/colleges/trail/belong/college-cabinet>

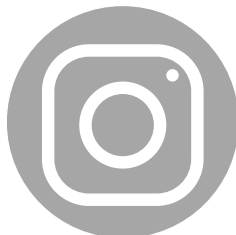
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Symons Gala 2026




What's going on at Traill!

Graduate Writing Retreat

May 11-12, 9am-4pm

Join us in person at Traill College
or online via Zoom!
Jumpstart your summer writing!



Registration required



Are you planning to work on your course work, MRP, thesis, or other writing over the summer of 2026? Join your fellow graduate students and learn how to increase productivity as you progress with your writing. The retreat is a hybrid event for in person and online attendees. [Registration required](#)

2025-26 W.L. MORTON COMMUNITY LECTURE

"CANADIAN WILDERNESS" IS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' HOME: Knowing better means doing better in Temagami and beyond

THURSDAY 23 APRIL, 2026
5:00 PM

BAGNANI HALL
CATHARINE PARR TRAILL COLLEGE

FREE PUBLIC EVENT



JOCELYN THORPE
U. MANITOBA



VICTORIA GRANT
O.C.



REGISTERED ATTENDEES TO
THE TALK WILL RECEIVE
DISCOUNTED ADMISSION TO
THE CCM APR 23 - 24, 2026



TRENTU.CA/CANADIANSTUDIES/COMMUNITY

Join us for the 2025-26 W.L. Morton Lecture with Dr. Jocelyn Thorpe in conversation with Victoria Grant (O.C.): "Canadian Wilderness" is Indigenous Peoples' Home: Knowing better means doing better in Temagami and beyond' Thursday April 23 at 5:00 pm in Bagnani Hall, Traill College. This event is free and open for everyone to attend. Pre-registration is appreciated via the link in our bio or the QRCode in this image.

Save the Date

PIZZA FRIDAY IS RETURNING!



STARTING MAY 15TH TRAILL COLLEGE WATCH FOR UPDATES!

Mark your calendars...Pizza Friday is coming back! Starting on May 15th, join us every Friday, all summer long for this iconic Traill tradition! Enjoy all-you-can-eat pizza, chips, and ice cream for \$5 cash or \$6 online. Watch out for updates (and registration links!) in Traill Tales and on our social media (@traillcollege on Instagram and TikTok)!



Traill College Merch available on our Marketplace storefront [Found Here](#)
Traill College stickers (like Squirrel with the Pearl Earring, above) have been restocked!

What's going on at Trail & Trent!



The Equity & Human Rights Office, in collaboration with Out On Campus, is inviting international students who identify as LGBTQ+ or have experienced marginalization based on their sexual or gender identity to share their voices through a short survey.

Your feedback will directly inform future programming and help create safer, more welcoming spaces where everyone feels seen and supported.



Questions about recently announced changes to the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)? While full details are still being finalized, OSAP remains an important source of funding for many domestic students, and support at Trent is available. Learn what we know so far, what you can do now, and where to find help: trentu.ca/osap-changes

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For more information, please go to our website www.trentu.ca/careerspace/microcredentials.

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Backwoods Baking Presents:

Lemon Tart

INGREDIENTS

[View the Recipe Here](#)

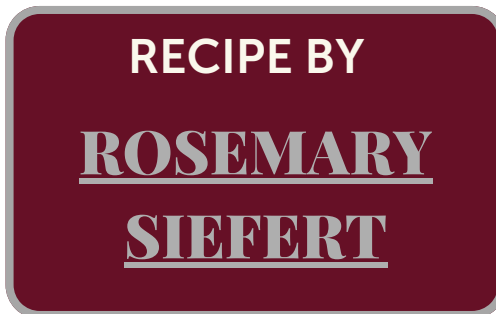
INSTRUCTIONS

Filling:

- 3 large eggs
- 1-1/4 cups sugar
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon grated orange zest
- 1/4 cup butter, melted

Crust:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 cup ground almonds
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
- 1 teaspoon grated orange zest
- 1/2 cup cold butter, cubed
- additional confectioners' sugar
- Fresh raspberries, optional



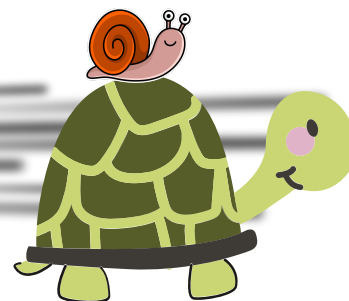
1. Let eggs stand at room temperature for 30 minutes.
2. Preheat oven to 350°. Whisk eggs, sugar, lemon juice and orange zest. Whisk in butter until smooth.
3. For crust, pulse first 6 ingredients in a food processor until mixture forms a ball. Press dough onto the bottom and up the side of an ungreased 9-in. fluted tart pan with a removable bottom.
4. Pour lemon mixture into crust. Bake until center is almost set, 25-30 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Just before serving, sprinkle with confectioners' sugar and, if desired, fresh raspberries.



Check out our video on how to book an academic advising appointment! Click on [Traill's YouTube channel](#) to view

Trail Mix

What did the snail who was riding on the turtle's back say?
Wheeeee!





Student Supports

We want you to know you are supported on-campus and in the community. Every week we will rotate through groups who can support your unique self!

This week we are highlighting: **Spiritual Affairs**



Trent University Spiritual Affairs is a program area of the Office of Student Affairs. Spiritual Affairs provides support to students from all faith traditions, as well as students who are not religious but are considering questions of meaning, purpose and identity. University life provides ample opportunity for personal growth and exploration - and at times, can be stressful. [Our Chaplains and Community Liaisons](#) are available to provide spiritual support to students as they navigate this complex and exciting life stage. Our multi-faith model is rooted in respect, understanding, and inclusion.

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About It?**



Weekdays 12-3 PM

Student Centre 3.04

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Visit our office on the 3rd floor of the Student Centre, send us an email, call, or book an appointment on [trentu.ca/sep](#) and start preparing for your future. And remember, don't wait 'til you graduate, we're here to help now!

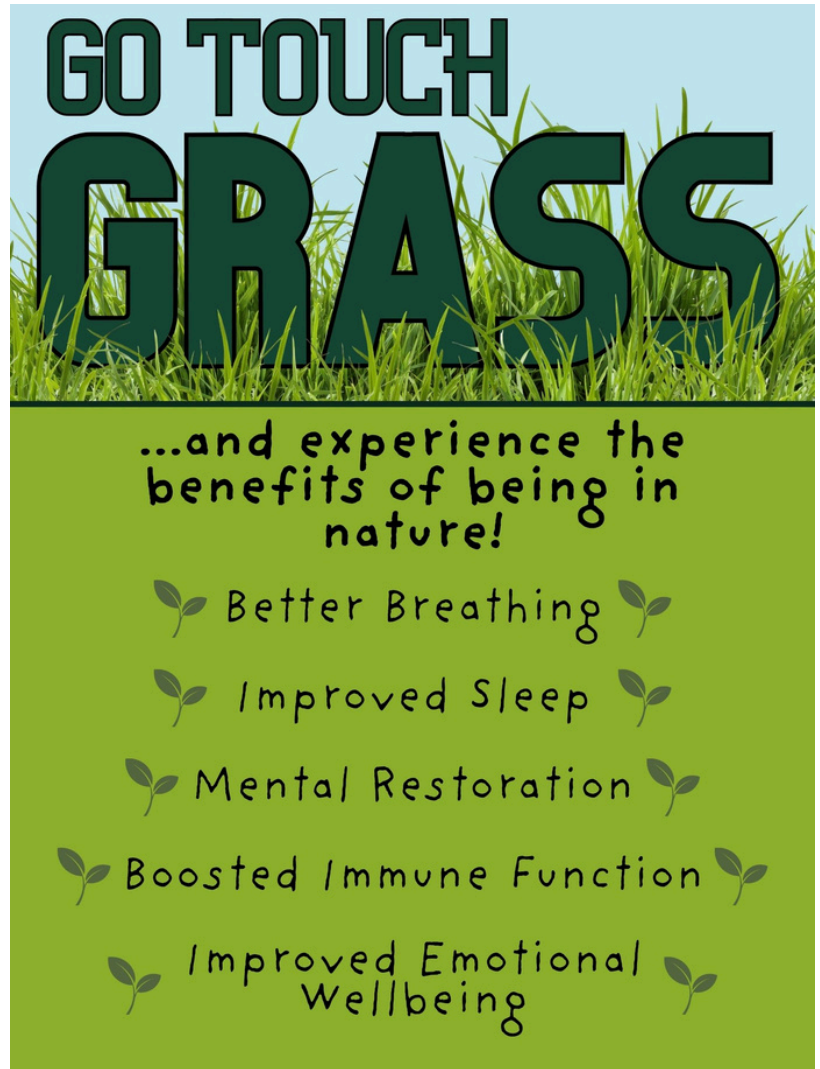
Wellness Resources

[Click Here for More Info](#)

Go Touch Grass!

The snow has melted, the sun is shining, and the air is warming up...why not go outside and enjoy it? Reconnecting with nature after a long winter stuck inside feels great for a reason! There are physical and mental benefits to spending time outside, such as improved sleep, immune function, and emotional wellbeing.

Looking for ideas to get outside? Try going for a walk in a local park, spending a day reading by the river, or come and enjoy the lawns and amphitheatre at Traill College!



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"If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant." —Anne Bradstreet