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**MAURICE MCKENZIE,
WORLD WAR 2 VETERAN**

Kwe Kwe! So, summer finally arrived in October and stayed until nearly the end. Wasn't it great? Seasonal chilly weather and wind have arrived now though. Time to bundle up and cosy up!

***Saturday, November 11 is Remembrance Day.** We honour all of our Veterans. On the cover is Maurice McKenzie, who enlisted in World War 2 at age 15. He served from 1940 to 1945. He fought in Italy and was in Holland at the war's end. After returning home, Maurice married Laura and they had 5 children – Vicki, Doug, Rodney, John, and Barry. Maurice McKenzie also served in the Korean War.*



Have you moved, changed phone numbers, or email address?

Please let TFN know!

Contact:

communication@temagamifirstnation.ca

or

705-237-8943

or

TFN Band Office, General Delivery, Bear Island, ON P0H 1C0

The BI Blast belongs to the people.

Your voice is needed and valued! Please contribute!

A photo, an opinion, idea, art, anything... all we ask is

“Be Nice, Keep Your Stick on the Ice”!

*Keep in touch
with your peeps!*



Pic of Chloe taken by Mommy Amy Paul

John White

Passed away at Lakeridge Health, Bowmanville, on September 13, 2017 at the age of 84.

He will be deeply missed by his loving wife Mildred "Millie" of 55 years, his children Lisa White, Tim White (Susan), Debbie Swan (Rob) and grandchildren Robbie, Jessica, Turner and Tommy. Brother of Jim White (Mary), the late Bill and White and the late Joan Ingo.

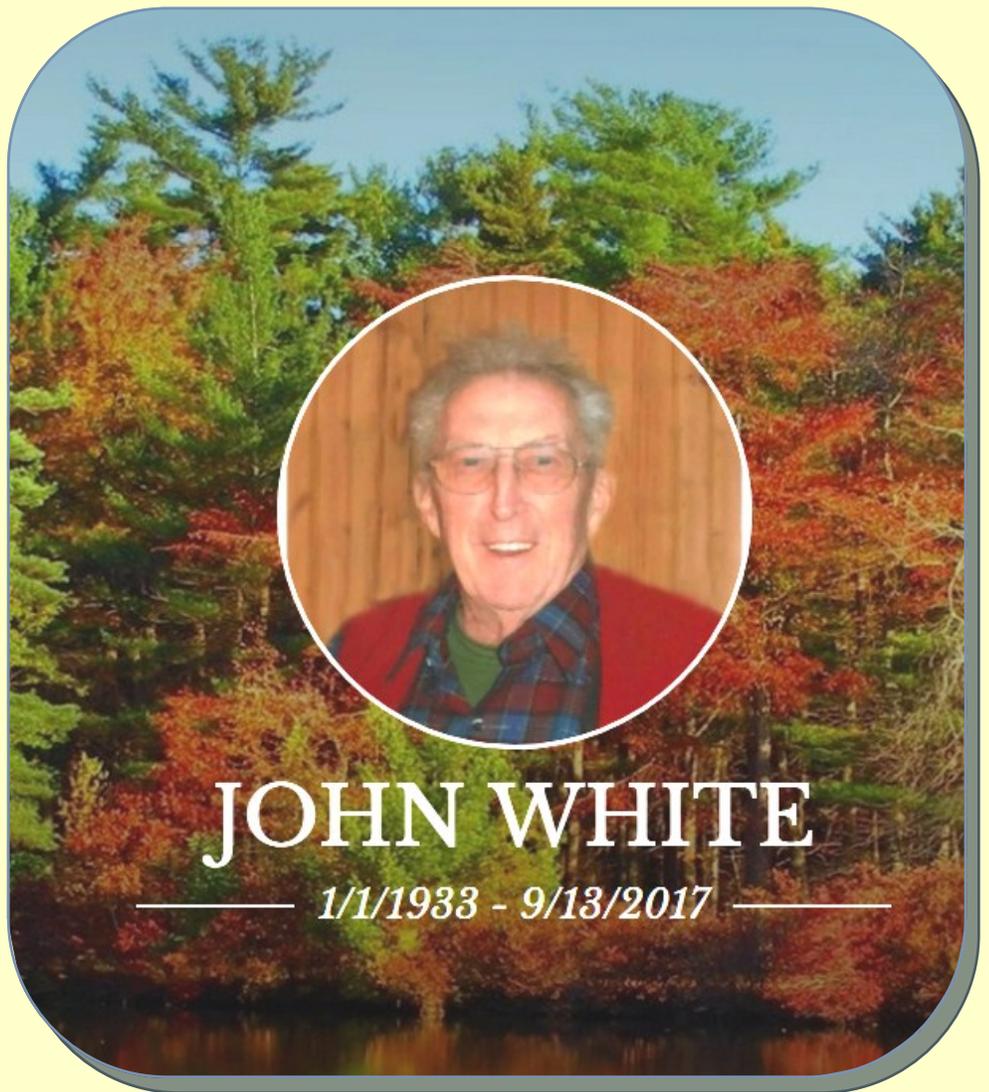
John will be fondly remembered by his nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Long-time member of AA and Associate member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branches 408 and 43.

John enjoyed his coin collection and was an avid hunter and fisherman, who was always happiest with fishing rod in hand, family and friends in tow.

Visitation was held at Mount Lawn Funeral Home & Cemetery, 21 Garrard Rd, Whitby, on Thursday September 21, 2017 .

A Memorial Service was held in the chapel on Friday September 22, 2017 at 11:00am, followed by interment at Mount Lawn Cemetery and reception at The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 43, 471 Simcoe St S, Oshawa, from 12:30-3:30pm.



“God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.”

Love and prayers to Millie and the family.

Donations in memoriam can be made to Alzheimer Society of Durham Region, Canadian Mental Health Association - Durham, or Canadian Diabetes Association.

Introducing....

Addysen Melissa Lecoysur

Born August 9, 2017



Proud Mommy is Jessie Lynn MacInnis,
Proud Daddy is Aaron Lecoysur

All of Addysen's family is thrilled to welcome her;
Grandma Melissa and Great Grandma June are watching over her.



Introducing...

Ember Ann Ahyoka Sams-Paul

Born October 23, 2017



Proud Mommy is Amanda Paul, Proud Daddy is Marc Sams.

Proud big sisters are Angel and Ruby.

Grandma Betty Ann says she looks just like Amanda did as a baby.

Greetings from TFN Councillor Wayne Potts

Councillor John Wayne Potts spent his early years on Bear Island. His father was a guide, trapper, and sometimes worked in the local Copper Mine.

John Wayne has great memories growing up on the Land in and around Lake Temagami.

He attended high school in North Bay.

Wayne always would come back to the lake during school holidays. Wayne went on to George Brown College in Toronto for two years training to be a Construction Technician (Estimator).

Eventually Wayne left the city, and returned to his roots on the Land in the Temagami area.

Here he learned to trap and hunt like his father had done. After a few years trapping John Wayne was attended Trent University in the Native Studies Program. He graduated with a B A in Native/ Cultural Studies in 1983.

The following year he graduated Teachers College. Wayne has worked in education for most of his working career, first as a teacher then as a Principal / Administrator.

John Wayne's passion has always been to empower the Anishnabe students to take on significant roles in their own communities and be the future leaders in a new era for Anishnabe peoples; a new era in which they re-establish their own sovereignty and self determination in their traditional territories.

Along his journey John Wayne has nurtured his musical gift and sees his music as a medicine. It's helped him on his life's journey and he believes his purpose with the music is to help others on theirs as well

Wayne has three daughters and one son.

He's married to Ronda Laferriere, originally from North Bay, a teacher he worked with in the community of Deer Lake, Northwestern Ontario. Ronda also is a singer/songwriter.

John Wayne Potts returned home in July 2016 after working as an educator in northern fly- in communities for the past twenty years.

He's presently serving his community as Health Services Manager on Bear Island.



John Wayne also aspires to be a leader in his community.

As a Band Councillor he is committed to help build on the positives of the Teagauma Anishnabe people as a Sovereign Nation.

Wayne's goals are to:

- 1) Work with the community leadership to establish a strong economic base going forward;
- 2) Work toward a Land Settlement with the Federal and Provincial governments;
- 3) Engage the people in developing a self-governing design that has all our people under a single governing entity.

As a caring responsible individual, Wayne is proud to have the honour of serving his community in the capacity of Band Councillor.

Wayne hopes he can make a difference in bringing positive change for today and future generations..

Contact Wayne at

2tfncouncillor@temagamifirstnation.ca
705-237-8900

Greetings from TFN Councillor Jamie Friday

Kwe Kwe.

With this being my first run at political office, let me take this moment to introduce myself.

I'm a mother to three amazing children: Emily who is 16, Brianna who is 9, and Adonis who is 7.

I moved back to the Bear Island community in 2014, and since then I have had a few employment and committee type roles in the community that have guided my strengths and helped me better understand the community, and the people locally and off reserve.

I left the community when I was in high school, and returned 20 some years later and I truly appreciate being back home, and find myself very rooted now.

During my time away, I spent many years in school, at one time in a Fine Arts program where my focus was visual arts and native culture. I continued my education at Laurentian, where I obtained a Bachelors Degree in Law & Justice.

I do plan down the road from now to attend graduate school in order to obtain my Juris Doctor in Law so I can one day practice as a lawyer.

Having goals and a vision and seeing them through is very important to me.

I'd like to take this moment to thank all of the members who elected me in as a Councillor for Temagami First Nation; it truly is an honour, Chi Miigwetch!

I take my position seriously, I'm committed, and value all the input I hope to receive, and have received from all of our members.

I hold the Youth, Recreation and Culture Portfolio, and I am very eager to get this off the ground and running and in full force before the winter season comes.

I sit on the Restorative Justice Committee, and am the alternate ex officio for the Communications Committee.

I can be reached at

4tfn councillor@temagamifirstnation.ca.

Miigwetch.

Jamie Friday



A Message from Teme Augama Anishnaabeg Chief Randall Becker

Hello.

These past few months has been hectic trying to retrace and re-establish the TAA, but I feel we have a good team and will work through the issues we are faced with.

The major problem we have is lack of participation in our meetings.

We discuss and ultimately decide our future at these meetings.

In no way shape or form will facebook or any other social media ever count as a vote or a counted voice of your opinions.

I will do my absolute best to schedule meetings well in advance and keep our gatherings on Ndakimenan.

Our next assembly is tentatively January 27th.

We will be dealing with:

- Membership
- Constitution
- Economic growth
- Off reserve programs
- Discussing ideas for Set Aside Lands

If only 20 people show up, they will make the decisions on your behalf.

This is not how we should run.

It's not who we are.

When we are United , there is nothing that can stop us.

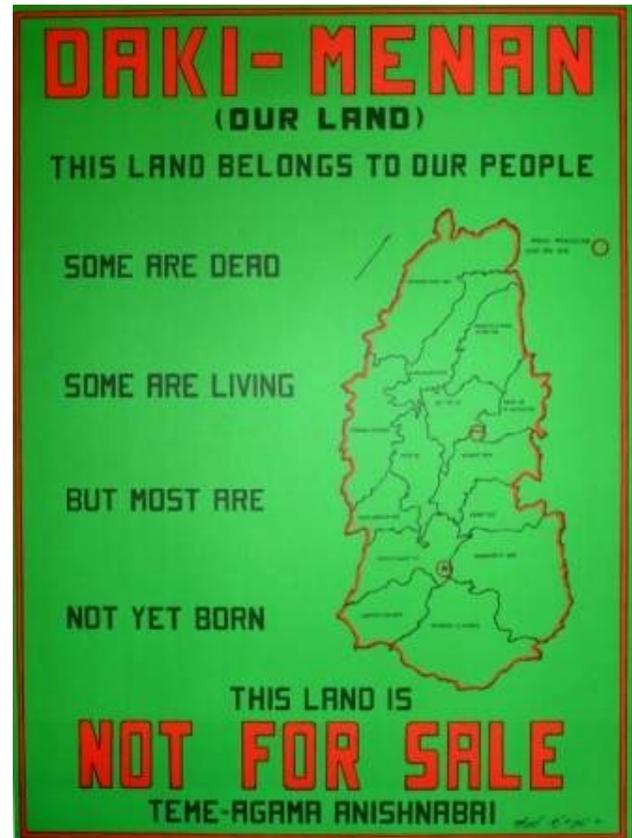
When we don't care, things can never go in our favour.

We are the original people to this land.

We have to take care of it and take care of each other.

Miigwetch.
Chief Becker

taachief@temagamifirstnation.ca



*Chief Becker at age 15, Red Squirrel Road.
Photo by Peter Brown McMillen.*

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NOTICE

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **Wednesday, November 15, 2017** **Lands & Resources Office** **7:00 pm**

In regards to anyone wishing to raise a matter – they must be present at the Council Meeting by 7:15 p.m. to be added to the agenda, otherwise the matter may be put over to the next duly convened council meeting.

For Webex (live web broadcasting) login instructions please

email: communication@temagamifirstnation.ca or call 705-237-8943/1-888-737-9884

Temagami First Nation Logo Contest

Last month, we announced the opening of the TFN Logo Contest.



4 designs were submitted.

They are on this page and the next.

Each TFN member and TAA citizen is entitled to one vote on the design he or she think best represents Temagami First Nation. See next page for more information and how to vote.

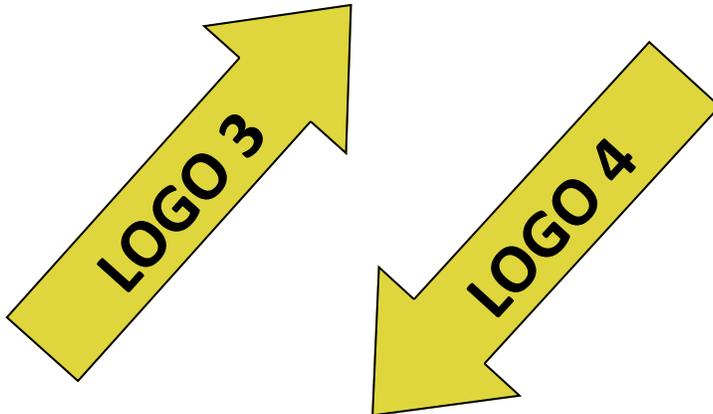


Things to think about when you are choosing the design you want to vote for:

- How would this design look huge, like on a billboard?
- How would this design look tiny, like on a business card?
- Does it show what makes Temagami First Nation unique, different from other First Nations?



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Votes can be cast in the following 3 ways:

-By email:

communication@temagamifirstnation.ca

-By facebook private message to:

Temagami Firstnation (NOT Temagami First Nation– has to be Firstnation all one word.)

-By mail:

TFN Logo Contest, C/O TFN Band Office
General Delivery, Bear Island, ON
POH 1C0

Please clearly state your name, and your choice of design according to its number.

(LOGO 1, LOGO 2, LOGO 3, LOGO 4, etc.)

All voter's names will be put together in a random draw. *Voter's names and choices will not be made public.*

The draw winner will receive a \$50 Walmart gift card.

DEADLINE TO VOTE:

Friday, November 17, 4:00 pm

-Please note: Bear Island only receives mail on Tuesdays and Fridays, so if you're voting by Canada Post please mail in your vote early!

**Additional Important Information
About the Logo Contest is
on the Next Page.**

Temagami First Nation Logo Contest, Continued

The winning design will be selected according to which gets the most votes.

The winning design's creator will be awarded a prize of \$500.

In accepting the \$500 prize, the winning design's creator agrees to assign all ownership rights, including all intellectual property rights to the logo, to Temagami First Nation. They keep the bragging rights. ;)

Additionally, Temagami First Nation may alter, modify, or revise the logo as it sees necessary to achieve the goals of Temagami First Nation.

Temagami First Nation guarantees that \$500 will be awarded to the Logo Contest winner.

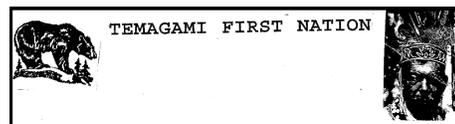
Temagami First Nation reserves the right to not make use of the winning design and instead follow a different Logo selection process if it is deemed to be in the interests of Temagami First Nation.



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Chi Miigwetch to all who submitted entries.

We are fortunate to have so many talented people in the community.

*Lake Temagami
October 29, 2017*



*Photo by
Barb MacInnis*

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TFN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(includes the Small Business Grants Committee)

**** CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS ****

There are two (2) vacancies on the Committee; each for a three-year term. The committee meets 4 times per year for full-day or half-day meetings with additional meetings as needed, determined by the committee, and/or the Economic Development Officer.

If you would like more information, the Terms of Reference for the Committee can be available upon request via email at tfn@temagamifirstnation.ca, or you may contact the Band Office at (705) 237-8943.

Please respond in writing, with a brief explanation of why you wish to participate on the committee. Committee experience is not mandatory, however please outline any related background or experience that you may have.

Applications can be mailed to:

Temagami First Nation, Bear Island, ON P0H 1C0.
Subject: Economic Development Advisory Committee

Applications may also be faxed or emailed to (705)237-8959,
tfn@temagamifirstnation.ca.

Applications must be received at the band office by:

Thursday, November 9, 2017

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GEZHTOOJIG EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Reg Canard, Skills Development Coordinator will be available to meet with individuals from *Temagami First Nation* on:

Date: November 28, 2017
Time: 9:30 to 12:45
Location: Lands and Resources Building

Information Available On:

- Academic Upgrading
- Gezhtoojig Programs & Services (to learn more about what we have to offer)
- Second Careers (assistance with the application process if you qualify)
- Apprenticeship (Information on the trades and apprenticeship and how to go about obtaining an apprenticeship. Purchase of Training for In Class Session & Wage Subsidies available for registered Apprentices)
- Resume & Cover Letter Tips (how to make a well-written resume and cover letter)
- Job Search & Interview Tips (networking, marketing yourself to employers, websites to search for job postings)
- Self-Employment Information (where to get assistance to develop business plan, where to apply for funding once you have your business plan developed)
- Targeted Wage Subsidies (to encourage employers to hire for full-time positions and provide on the job training which leads to sustainable employment)
- Purchase of Training/Course Purchase (for full-time training programs up to 52 weeks long with qualified trainers)
- Employment Support (you obtained a job and require equipment ie. Safety gear)
- Mobility (assistance to attend job interviews)
- Relocation (you obtained a job and require assistance to relocate)

Gezhtoojig Offers:

- Resource Centre (self-serve resources & information, Resource Worker available to assist you)
- Free Workshops (monthly draws)
- Individualized career counseling (meet with an Employment Services Officer one-on-one to discover your career options)
- Programs that assist unemployed, underemployed, those threatened with job loss, in receipt of Employment Insurance, social assistance, disability or who have no source of income
- To receive consideration for their training/employment request, **Clients or Employers** are encouraged to contact our office to determine eligibility and suitability

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Economic Development Report

Temagami First Nation invests in Highway 11 property



Temagami First Nation, via Daki Menan Lands and Resources Corporation Holding Company, has purchased the Temagami Transport Property, located on Highway 11, a little north of the Lake Temagami Access Road. This is an investment on behalf of the Temagami First Nation and can be sold in the future, when we develop our community site! We can relocate! Or perhaps we will look at ATR process.

In the meantime, we are setting up an Economic Development Office, hanging out our shingle, letting people know that we are ready and willing to do business!

We already have a couple of storage tenants on the property that will be continuing to do business with us and are meeting with other possible tenants! We also have a few business ideas that we are looking into. We will be paying about \$2,500.00 in taxes to the Municipality of Temagami, but we plan on having the property pay for itself as an investment.

Please drop by the L & R office anytime to discuss this opportunity further!

Free websites available to band members' businesses



TFN Economic Development, through the Lands and Resources department, is offering free webpages to Temagami First Nation members' businesses.

A professional webpage will be designed for all interested members to promote their businesses and a link will be provided from the new Temagami First Nation Website.

A form will be made available online upon which to fill out any text information to appear on the website.

Guidelines, criteria and suggestions will be in the Economic Development pages of the December Bear Island Blast.

John Shymko, Economic Development Officer, Temagami First Nation,
705 237 8600 ecdev@temagamifirstnation.ca

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Economic Development Report

The Ontario First Nations' Sovereign Wealth Limited Partnership



In a decision made without consultation of the First Nations in Ontario in April 2015, the Ontario Government planned to raise money to enhance Ontario infrastructure development by selling shares of Hydro One. The Ontario Regional Chief of the Chiefs of Ontario notified the Ontario Government that Ontario First Nations were seeking equity and fair participation in Hydro One.

Quick Facts

Number of shares: 14.875 million shares representing approx. 2.5% of Hydro One Limited.

Price: \$18.00/ share (approx. 20% to 25% discount to market price)

Total Purchase Price: 268 million dollars

Loan Amount: \$268 million (fully financed by Province – no cash investment required by First Nations)

Loan Term: 25 years

Loan Interest Rate: Province's borrowing rate + 0.15% (fixed interest)

Market Value of Shares: \$357 million (based on share price of \$24.00)

Market Value to Loan Covenant: (real market value of the shares compared to what they are loaning the First Nations to purchase them with) 150% fixed; currently approx. 133%

Seed Capital for Investment LP: \$45 million to be invested for long term wealth creation – fully financed by the province

Outside Closing Date: No later than December 29, 2017

Participation: 80% of the 133 Ontario First Nations need to sign as Partners in order for the deal to be accepted (106)

Important notes

No cash investment is required by First Nations to participate and no First Nation liability for repayment of the loan.

The transaction will not derogate from rights to pursue past grievances against former Ontario Hydro, Hydro One, OPG, OEFCorp, and Province.

Resolutions passed by the Chiefs of Ontario

Allow the investment fund to grow until it either:

- 1) reaches \$90 million, or,
- 2) for the period of 12 years, whichever comes first.

To establish a board of directors governance structure similar to that of the OFNLP.

Adopt the funding OFNLP funding formula in the interim. Discussion will be had over the next 5 years to establish a more fitting formula.

Terms of the agreement

80% of the 133 Ontario First Nations must sign on as partners (106)

First Nations Partners must retain their share portion for 5 years.

Ontario First Nation Sovereign Wealth LP must retain the shares until the loan is repaid to the Province.

Upon signing, Ontario First Nations agree not to seek compensation or damages against the Province relating to the selling of shares in Hydro One. **This in no way affects or limits other past, present or future legal claims re: Ontario Hydro, Hydro One, OPG, OEFCorp., Province.**

On October 29th, a community meeting and member vote was held with **11** in favour, **1** abstaining and **0** against accepting the **Chiefs Of Ontario's** recommendation to approve the deal. **A second and final vote by secret ballot will occur Sunday, November 12th from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Lands and Resources Office on Bear Island.** This is an important issue, so I promote all of you to come and place your vote.



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Community Energy Information Session

November 22, 2017

**Elders Building,
BEAR ISLAND**

**Time: 12:00 — 4:00pm
Catered Lunch at 12:00 PM**

On-island Shuttle Service Available

RSVP by calling TFN Lands & Resources at 705-237-8600

**Come out to hear about energy conservation for your
community and in your home along with community energy
planning and its benefits.**

TransCanada Terminates Energy East and Eastern Mainline Projects! TFN Lands & Resources

By Robin Koistinen, Lands & Resources Director

On Thursday, October 5, TransCanada announced that it will no longer be proceeding with the Energy East and Eastern Mainline projects as a result of the changed circumstances facing the projects and these projects have been formally withdrawn from the NEB review process.

Many questions remain, why were we involved in this project, why didn't we not just say No? There is Case Law with respect to Duty to Consult and Accommodate:

- **Haida Nation v. BC (2004)**
"Where the Crown is contemplating a course of action or a decision that could have a negative effect on asserted aboriginal rights it must consult with the relevant aboriginal groups and, if appropriate, seek to achieve a reasonable accommodation of those rights"
- **R. v Douglas, 2008 BCSC**
"A First Nation cannot, in good faith, avoid or refuse to actively participate in the consultation process then argue later that it has not been consulted."

Scope of the Duty

- The scope and content of the duty lies on a spectrum. The stronger the claim, and the more serious the infringement, the greater the duty to consult.

Requirements for meaningful consultation:

- *Rio Tinto Alcan v. Carrier Sekani Tribal Council* [2010] 2 S.C.R. at para. 44
- The Crown is required to consult First Nations when making "strategic, high level decisions" that may impact Aboriginal claims and rights.

With respect to our Nation the TransCanada Pipeline project could have had serious impacts and infringements on our rights. We simply, cannot, in good faith, avoid or refuse to actively participate in the consultation process then try and argue later that we have not been consulted!

In this case, we held several Community Information Sessions to hear your concerns, we documented 58 concerns. In addition, we completed a Traditional Land Use Study, we interviewed 46 knowledge keepers, video-graphed, mapped and transcribed their information. We were well positioned to negotiate mitigation and attend the NEB Hearings, if need be! There were too many unanswered questions, including design and engineering that were not complete.

On the upside, we got a lot of work completed and are well positioned going forward for major projects.

Be assured that, at no time, did Temagami First Nation consent to this project!



WELCOME ANTHONY BOUCHER

Temagami First Nation—Forestry Technician Intern

Greetings.

I hope everyone had a great Hallowe'en, and the children brought home lots of candy to share.

For everyone who hasn't gotten to know me yet my name is Anthony Boucher. I am a graduate of Sir Sandford Fleming College of the Fish and Wildlife Technician Program, and am an avid hiker, kayaker, and fisherman.

Currently residing on Bear Island with my wonderful fiancé and her 3 amazing children, I have had the chance to get to know a few people from the community. All of the people I haven't had the chance to know I hope I will be able to in the near future.

I am lucky enough to have the opportunity to serve the people as the Forestry Technician Intern. Having had the chance to work within the community in many different sectors in my short time here, I believe I can do my greatest benefit to the community in this position.

For anyone who has any questions for me I can be contacted at

Landstech@temagamifirstnation.ca or 705 – 237 – 8600 Anthony David Boucher



Bear Island Sunset, October. Photo by Dorothy Becker.

A Message from Bear Island Fire Chief Matt Pilon

Hello All,

Fire Practices will be running on 15th and 22nd this November, from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM.
Meet at the Sonny Moore Building.

We are always looking for volunteers, anyone over the age of 18.

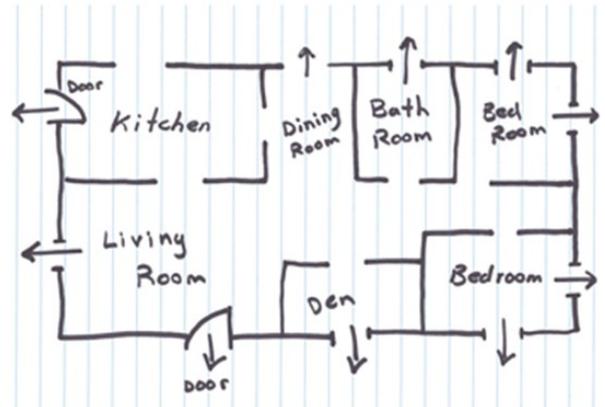
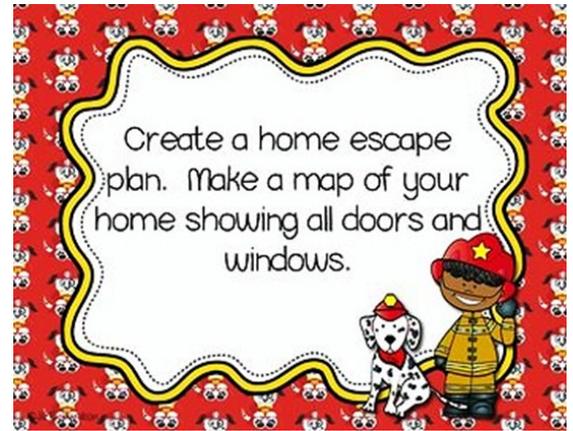
The fall weather is upon us, and so starts the season of woodstove use. Be sure to check and clean your chimneys. Make sure they are clear of all obstructions.

Fire Safety Tip: "Talk with all family members about fire escape plans, and practice those plans twice a year!"

Whether you live on Bear Island, Ndakimenan, or beyond, this is a great way to stay safe.

Miigwetch.

matthew.pilon@temagamifirstnation.ca



Cell Phone Service at the Mine Road Landing

The **Lake Temagami Permanent Resident's Association** has erected a cell phone booster at the Mine Road Landing building. This is the small building beside the wood and scrap metal dumpsters. Its effectiveness is being tested at this time, but the expectation is that it will provide cell service within a 50 foot radius of the building.

The Association members, (about 60) paid for the booster out of their membership dues. John and Heather Harding, Association members, stated that the Association is working with the Municipality of Temagami to have a phone line and internet signal installed at the building; there is no date for completion of this as yet. The phone line would only be available during work hours but the internet signal would be 24 hours, if the initiative is successful.

Miigwetch to the Resident's Association for installing the cell phone booster, and for the initiative to install the phone line / internet access. **Miigwetch to June Twain for alerting the Blast to this story!**



<https://sites.google.com/site/laketemagamiresidents/>

From the Temiskaming Art Gallery, Haileybury, ON:

Benjamin Chee Chee: *Life and Legacy*



The Temiskaming Art Gallery (TAG) is organising an exhibition of Bear Island-born, nationally renowned, artist Benjamin Chee Chee. The exhibition is opening Temiskaming Art Gallery in February 2018, and then will travel to other galleries in Northern Ontario (and possibly beyond).

Benjamin was born on Bear Island in Temagami in 1944, and passed away in Ottawa in 1977 at the height of his artistic career.

We aim to honour his life and work in our upcoming exhibition *Benjamin Chee Chee: Life and Legacy*, comprising approximately 30 paintings borrowed from galleries and private collections, as well as personal items and documents.

We would like to move forward in a respectful way and make every effort to honour Benjamin's roots and family. We are in search of stories from friends, family, and community members who would like to share any connections they have that will help others appreciate and understand the life of Benjamin, a man who seemed to be so full of life. We would be grateful if any members of Benjamin's family or community would be willing to participate in this project or contribute in any way. If you happen to have any prints or paintings you'd like us to include in the exhibition, that would also be wonderful.

We are borrowing paintings from galleries, but we want very much to honour Benjamin's full life; having the community of Bear Island participate in whatever way they feel they'd like to is so very important to us.

We would also like to extend an invitation to you, as members of the community, to attend our Opening Reception for the Exhibition. We haven't set the date yet, but will let you know as soon as we do.

Please get in touch with Felicity (felicitybuckell@hotmail.com or phone 705-672-2008) if you have any questions, or if you have anything to share. It will be greatly treasured and deeply appreciated.





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NOTICE

BEAR ISLAND EDUCATION AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday November 14th 2017

LMLC

@ 6:00pm

Any questions call LMLC at 705-237-8982

TFN Anishnaabemowin Sagaswe'idiwin / Language Commission

This Fall the Language Commission is working on a couple of proposals that could generate some money for some language activities. We'll keep you updated on how these proposals work out.

We have been participating in the community. John and I were asked to provide some language inclusion, alongside Lorney Bobb, at the Obabika Culture Camp.

John and I generated some language discussion and we played games. On the second day, with Lorney, we prepared a lesson for students and participants on Mshkikiin, the Medicines. We wanted to give the students an opportunity to experience the Sacred Medicines using their Five Senses and incorporate language as well. The students practiced the names of the medicines, they touched, they smelled, they tasted cedar tea, they saw and they we put some in the fire and heard giizhig/cedar crackling.

*Chi Miigwetch to Paula Potts and all the Staff and Volunteers who made **Culture Camp** a great event again this year.*

Photo, right: Patsy and John Turner with Julia and Sophia at Culture Camp; below, photo from Raymond Katt: Getting there is all part of the fun!

Each student took some Semaa and thought of something to be thankful for and offered tobacco. They also each got a small shkimdenhs /bag to use as a medicine bag, if they wanted to put Mshkikiin in the bag. Lorney shared some valuable insight into some teachings about the medicines and how to use them.

Also, Duane Paul was asked to provide some Anishnaabemowin lessons with the Youth Opportunities Program. He will participate once a week, holding some language lessons for the participants. This will take place during the work week.

Our next commission meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 2 at 6pm.

Miigwetch.

Patsy Turner





Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe the month of October is in the past and we are starting to see snowflakes in the air. The chill outside gives everyone more of a reason to open a book in the evening!

WHAT IS LITERACY?

Literacy relates to the ability to read, write and communicate effectively. Your child's success in school depends on literacy. It includes having strong oral language skills, being able to recognize letters and words in print, makes sense of what is being read and the ability to write.

WHY IS HOME LITERACY IMPORTANT?

Parents are always a child's first teacher. Students will be more successful with more support from home. The more exposure your child has to literacy at school and at home, the more prepares they will be to do well in school.

NATIVE LANGUAGE

Children who have a great foundation in their native language have an easier time acquiring a second language. We encourage you to continue to talk, sing and read to your children in your home language. It will strengthen your family relationships and help your child in school.

October Award Winners

Student of the Month

Alysha Donnelly
Josephine Sawyer
Kazia Pladzyk

Virtue "Respect"

Chase St. Denise Peshabo
Isaiah Mathias-Paul
Erickah Paul
Cheyanne Presseault

TIPS FOR PARENTS

EAT DINNER TOGETHER

Eating dinner together gives families a great opportunity to talk together and build oral language skills. Ask your child about school, their friends, their favourite show or movie, etc.

SING SONGS

Teach your child your favourite songs from your childhood. Tell them about your memories. Sing songs from other cultures or in a different language.

READ TOGETHER

Read to your child daily! Reading in English is fantastic, but it is also very important to read to your child in their native language. If you have trouble finding books in Ojibway, contact Virginia at the library or try using websites like amazon.ca

CAR RIDES=FUN!

Flick off the radio and play games in the car (I Spy...Find Something that Rhymes With...Name that Song, etc).

COOK TOGETHER (READ RECIPIES),
SUBSCRIBE TO A MAGAZINE,
READ AND COMPARE SPORT STATISTIC
ONLINE,

October Award Winners

Most Improved

Colby Jones
Huxley Becker
Tyson St. Denis-Peshabo
Kiizis Mattias

Native Language

Angel Jones

Perfect

Attendance
Jeremy Pichette
Nicole Goulin
Alysha Donnelly
Paige Becker
Brianna Friday

Math

Chase St. Denise-Peshabo

Language

Chase St. Denise-Peshabo

November



LMLC

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Awards Assembly 1:45 2:30 Dismissal (Staff Meeting)	3 Professional Development Day No School	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 George Couchie Walking the Path	11 Remembrance Day
12	13	14 Parent Teacher Interviews No PM Classes	15 Horizon Film Viewing Temagami Arena	16	17 Drum-Social 2:30 Gym	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Hot Dog Lunch (Fundraiser)	25
26	27	28	29	30 Parent/Student Literacy Night 6:30 Gym		

*Don't forget to check our Facebook page out for updates throughout the school year: www.facebook.com/RILMLC/

***LMLC Christmas Craft and Penny Sale Sunday December 3, 11am– 2pm
Draws start at 1:30 pm***

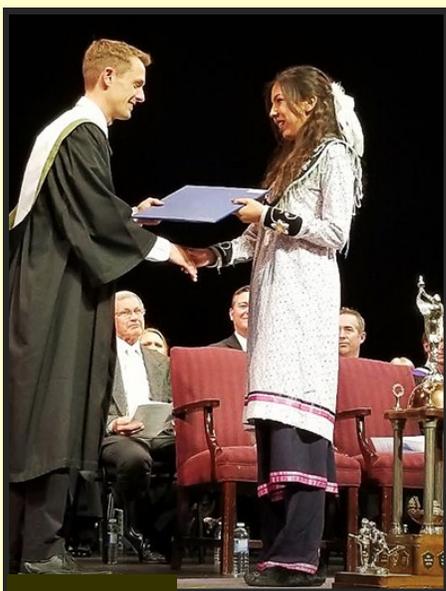
Donations can be dropped off at LMLC between 8:30 and 4:30.

Random News, Accomplishments, and Good Stuff from the Community

Aleria McKay

Aleria (Turner) McKay recently graduated from high school... With Ontario Scholar standing...and she made the Honour Roll every year.

Aleria is currently doing a “victory lap” before continuing to University. She is considering a career in Midwifery or Education.



Life on Ndakimenan...

Photographer **Natasha Mathias** and Dad **Alex Mathias** had a great day fishing on beautiful Obabika Lake on October 21st.



Madison Mattias

Contributed this to the Blast:

Hurt People Hurt People.

Hurt People Hurt People.

That's how pain patterns get passed on, generation after generation after generation.

Break the chain today.

Meet anger with sympathy, contempt with compassion, cruelty with kindness.

Greet grimaces with smiles.

When you forget about the fault, there is nothing to forgive.

Love is the weapon of the future.

-Yehuda Berg



Above, this is Maddy with Great Grandfather Tom Saville at the 2016 Remembrance Day Ceremony in North Bay. They laid a wreath on behalf of the North Bay Indian Friendship Centre.

Maddy Mayhem may be wild and fun and young, but she sure is wise too.

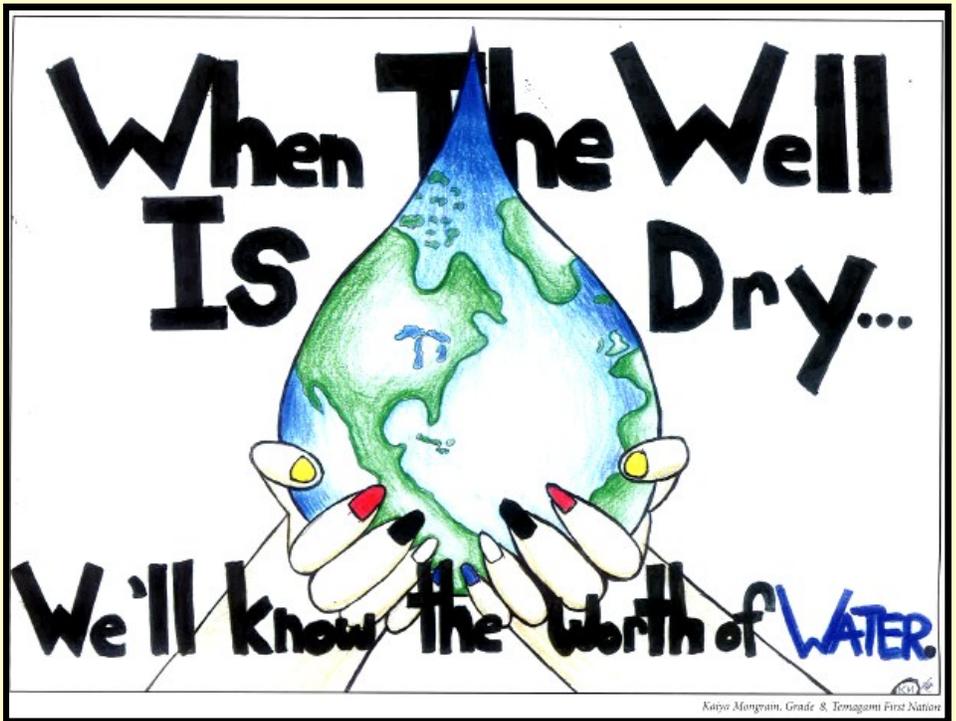
Looks like we have an Elder in Training!



Kaiya Mongrain



Kaiya Mongrain's artwork, right, was one of 13 pieces selected for the Native Canadian Centre of Toronto's



annual calendar. There were over 1,100 entries. And...this is the *second time* Kaiya's work has been selected—it was also featured in the 2015 calendar. Her original piece is framed and on display at NCCT.

By the way, this Bear Island kid is doing great in her first year of high school, taking to the new environment and exploring new opportunities. She's even playing trombone, and looking forward to going to Toronto with her school's band for a national competition in May.

Vicki Grant

Vicki Grant recently went on an epic adventure... she was one of 300 participants in "Canada C3", a 150 day voyage by ship through the Northwest Passage. You can see amazing photos and learn more about the project here:

<https://www.facebook.com/CanadaC3/>

From the website:

Canada C3 is a signature project for Canada's 150th Anniversary of Confederation in 2017. The centrepiece is an epic 150-day sailing journey from Toronto to Victoria via the Northwest Passage. Canada C3 will connect Canadians from coast to coast to coast and inspire a deeper understanding of our land, our peoples and the past, present, and future of our country.

<https://canadac3.ca/en/homepage/>



A Surprise in the Mail...



*This amazing pennant was sent to the Band Office recently by **Ann Bilodeau** of Ottawa.*

Ann wrote, "It is likely close to 80 years old, and was acquired by my father when he lived in the area. My father, Ross Hyslop, graduated from University of Toronto, Faculty of Forestry, in 1937. Immediately after graduation, he was hired by the department of Lands and Forests and was sent to Temagami. He lived in a cabin on Bear Island from late 1937 until late 1940, then moved to Temagami where he and my mother stayed until 1942.

He married my mother (a farm girl from southern Ontario) in June 1940, and she too lived on the island for several months until a house became available in town.

They both spoke fondly of their time in the area. They talked of meeting Anahareo several times. My mother said she was the only white woman living on the island during her stay there in the summer / fall of 1940.

It was an idyllic time for both of them.

This humble pennant moved with my parents from Temagami to Tweed, to Thessalon, to Sault Ste. Marie, to Port Arthur (Thunder Bay), and finally Toronto.

When I cleaned out their home in Toronto 11 years ago, I found it in a trunk and brought it home with me to Ottawa.

I know it is not much, but it seems appropriate that it return home to its starting place.

If it is of no interest to anyone there, please feel free to discard it.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Ann Bilodeau"

Isn't that something? The pennant will certainly NOT be discarded. It will be framed and kept in the Band Office. When the Multi-Use Facility is completed, it will join other artefacts of the community's history in a special display there.

Chi Miigwetch, Ann!

Your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

Nooshish **Raven Turner**

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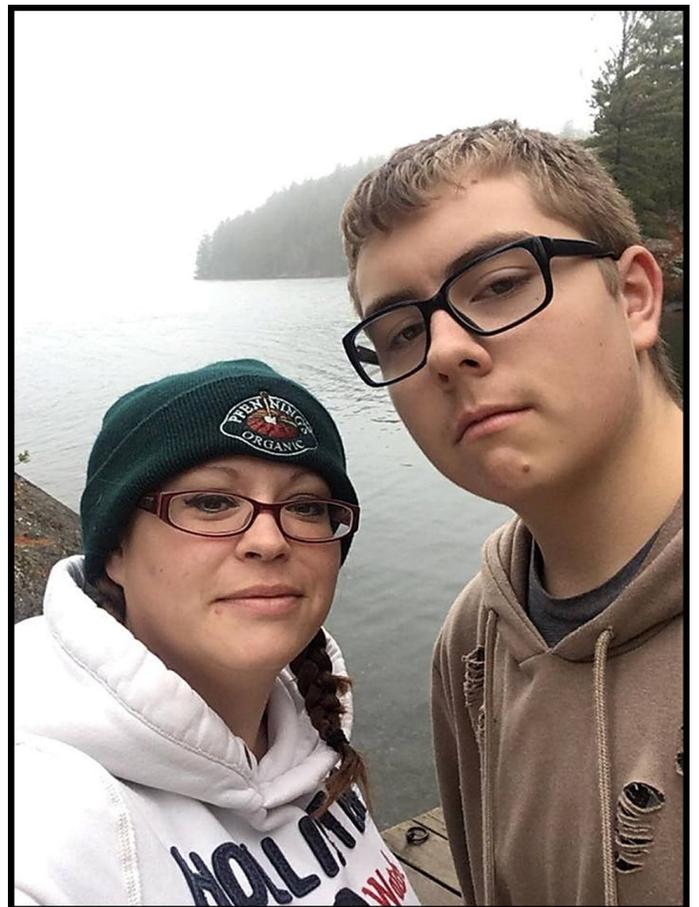
Kookomis **June Twain.**

Beautiful!



Lindsay Miller and her son **Tyson**

were back on Ndakimenan to enjoy the Lake and close up camp for the season. Lindsay is Virginia Miller's daughter and Patricia Twain's granddaughter. So that handsome young fella is Patricia's great grandson. Virginia stayed back home to take care of the little ones. Sounds like a fun weekend for everyone!



From the Saville Family...

Greetings everyone! We just wanted to extend a chi-miigwetch to family, friends, community, and beyond for all your thoughts, prayers and positive energy extended to Denton during his stay in the hospital. We also wanted to acknowledge those of you who helped with anything and everything during our time away, many stepped in and provided support or services, and for that we say "miigwetch"! (*monetary donations, fundraising, housework, transportation, paperwork, delivering items, phone calls, dog care, cards, food, gifts...etc.*)

Also, special thanks to everyone who made provisions to care for Amiah during this time, sadly, she could not be with us and it was hard on everyone; but with help of some great people it worked out well and for that we are grateful.

We are happy to report that immediately after receiving a couple of treatments, Denton had come around quite quickly and has made great strides in his recovery from meningitis. Still today he maintains his good health and he is back to his old self...busy as ever!

Denton has some lingering issues to be monitored, so we will be returning to CHEO for follow up in the coming weeks to help ensure he keeps on this positive healing path. We are hopeful that whatever caused his illness is gone, never to return! So again, we just wanted to express how appreciative we are to have had such great support from family, friends, and Community through this very worrisome time. Thank you and take care!

Respects,

Jamie, Amanda, Amiah and Denton

*Denton with "Chara" a therapy dog
he met at CHEO.*



**Barbara Laronde, Verla Moore, Marion Blake, Sue Heikkila,
Mary Laronde, and Kiiwedin Laronde**

Had a big night out in Toronto on October 9th. They all went to see the premiere of “Adizokan”, a production of **Sandra Laronde’s** Red Sky Performance. The venue was Roy Thompson Hall, and Sandra made sure they had primo box seats. “Adizokan” explores Indigenous connections to ancestral origins, and features 85 musicians (from the Toronto Symphony Orchestra) with guest vocalists and dancers. Mary said the experience was transcendent; when it ended there was a hush, then a roar of applause with a standing ovation.



Above: Waiting to be escorted to their seats

Photos by Mary Laronde.



←
*Look who else showed up!
Kiiwedin hangs out with
Ray Bizhiw Katt and Joan
Chalifoux.*



Earn Co-op credits while on the job and/or earn your compulsory credits through the SAL (Supervised Alternative Learning) Program being offered in collaboration with the Near North District School Board in our community starting January 2018.

Adult & Cooperative Education

Robin Potts, BIEA & Tyler Kidd, Near North Co-op teacher, will work with all interested adult learners who need highschool credits to graduate. Registration and educational assessment must be complete starting now.

When did you first start Grade 9?

Before September 1, 1999

To get your OSSD you may need only:

- four senior credits, including Grade 12 English

OSSD requirements if you started Grade 9 before September 1, 1999

After September 1, 1999

To get your OSSD you need:

- 18 compulsory credits (courses you must take)
- 12 optional credits (courses you get to choose)
- 40 hours of community involvement activities
- the provincial secondary school literacy requirement



Contact Robin Potts for more information

Work: 705-237-8943, Cell: 705-499-0093

E: robin.potts@temagamifirstnation.ca

Temagami First Nation's Canoe House Project



The White Boat House was built by community members in 1980 or so, the time when TFN purchased the Hudson's Bay Store from Zufelts. Government funding through the LEAP (Local Employment Assistance People) funded the building of the project back then with the intention of job creation. It served as a gas pumping station and a bait shop. Historically, when owned by Hudson's Bay, the boathouse served as a canoe and gear storage & outfitter space, at a time when Teme-Augama Anishnabai became more dependent for their livelihood as Guides for the tourist, prospectors and surveyors who travelled to n'daki-menan in increasing numbers during the first decade of the twentieth century.

The Renovations of the
Canoe House Project
is supported by
FedNor's Community
Infrastructure Program.



Government of Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

With financial support from

Community Infrastructure Program

Avec l'appui financier du

Programme d'infrastructure communautaire



CANADA 150

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Construction is underway with completion date by this Spring 2018.



The Canoe House will provide a community cultural learning and sharing space to revitalize traditional knowledge of our material culture, arts & heritage. The upper loft will provide a space for our birch bark canoes, other canoes and gear for outfitting to go out on the land in traditional ways. On the job are TAA members, Tom Mathias, Jason Ball, Jason Sanderson & Nathan Paul. Regular updates will be posted in the BI Blast about the project. .



TRICK OR TREATING AT THE BAND OFFICE





Nish Words Crossword Puzzle Clues

-You have to translate them into English to get the right answer!

Across:

1. Pemissay
2. Aneesh Waydee
3. Bookeshkah
4. Debwaywin
7. Mahchissug
8. Daybwaywin
13. Dootum
14. Uhjahoosay
16. Ogimah
17. O'zibbiigunahbo
19. Jiinahgo
23. Ahpannay
24. Kushkandum
25. Nahbii
27. Zhaybah
28. Kiishpin
29. Wahwahschayshee
31. Uhkik
33. Noongoom
34. Onahgauns
35. Weesuhgandum

Down:

1. Buhgishin
2. Wah
5. Wigwam
6. Cheebuy
9. Ogaunse
10. Naneebahway
11. Amik
12. Ningwahquud
15. Shingwauk
18. Noondum
20. Wahbung
21. Sagezay
22. Nuhgwagun
25. Wahsaschagun
26. Subii
29. Bahtay
30. Wahsuh
32. Payjhick

The first person to send a correctly solved puzzle to the Band Office wins a \$50 Walmart gift card.

Email: communication@temagamifirstnation.ca / Fax: 705-237-8959

Snail mail will slow you down, but you can try- TFN Band Office, General Delivery, Bear Island, ON POH 1C0 . Or if you're on Bear Island, come to the BO and drop it off!

Contributed with love from TFN NNADAP Worker Paula Potts.

tfnnadap@temagamifirstnation.ca

The FACTS about street **FENTANYL**

There is no such thing as a safe street drug. Know the risks.

Fentanyl is often **added** to other illegal drugs without people knowing.

Fentanyl has been used illegally in various forms including:

-  Pills
-  Pure powder
-  Powder mixed with other drugs
-  Patches



**50 - 100
times**

more potent than
Heroin • Oxycodone • Morphine

Fen•ta•nyl
[fen-tuh-nil]

An opioid narcotic, a prescription drug used for cancer patients in severe pain.



Overdose Signs

- Trouble walking or talking
- Pinpoint pupils
- Seizures
- Slow heartbeat
- Shallow breathing
- Bluish or cold/clammy skin



Slang Terms

- Fake oxy
- Greenies
- Green beans
- Green apples
- Apples
- Eighties
- Shady eighties

You can't
See it,
Smell it, or
Taste it.

Visit saskatchewan.ca/addictions for more information.

DrugAndAlcoholHelpline.ca
1.800.565.8603

MentalHealthHelpline.ca
1.866.531.2600

ProblemGamblingHelpline.ca
1.888.230.3505

The first place to start for help

The Bear Island and Temagami
Ambulance Phone Number is

705-569-3434

Elsewhere, call 911.



Feeling overwhelmed?
Don't struggle alone

1.866.531.2600
www.MentalHealthHelpline.ca

Webchat Available

Live answer 24/7, confidential and free




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is a free & culturally safe telephone help line for **Aboriginal Women** living in Northern Ontario.

To access our free & confidential help line, please call:

1 855 554 HEAL

A Help Line 
Aboriginal Women

PROVIDING

- Culturally sensitive crisis counselling, advice and support
- Personalized information and referrals
- Acceptance of Aboriginal women's issues in a non-judgemental way
- Help to find the path to personal healing
- Scheduled telephone counselling sessions

tfnnnadap@temagamifirstnation.ca

Please Note:

Due to Scheduling Changes, the
Family Healing and Wellness Centre Calendar
was not available for inclusion in this month's Blast.

It will be issued by mail.

Please call FHWC at 705-237-8900 if you have questions.

Miigwetch.

Save the Date!

 **Bear Island Community** 
Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 11, Laura McKenzie Learning Centre Gym, 5:00 pm

The LMLC Christmas Concert will be on a separate date this year.



Last minute addition, too lovely to miss... Beautiful Verla Moore with all her beautiful girls, on Lynn's birthday.

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Ec Dev Committee Application Deadline	10	11 Remembrance Day
12	13	14 LMLC Parent Teacher Interviews NO afternoon classes BIEA Meeting 6-9pm LMLC	15 Fire Practice 7-9pm Sonny Moore Building LMLC Student Town Trip (Film) Regular Council Meeting 7 pm L&R Meeting Room	16	17 LMLC Drum Social 2:30 pm TFN Logo Contest Vote Closes 4pm	18
19	20	21	22 Fire Practice 7-9pm Sonny Moore Building Community Energy Information Session 12-4 pm Elder's	23	24 LMLC Hot Dog Lunch Fundraiser	25
26	27	28 Gezhtoojig Outreach 9:30-12:45 L&R	29	30 LMLC Parent / Student Literacy Night	LMLC Christmas Craft and Penny Sale is Sunday, December 3rd. 11am-2pm Donations can be dropped off at LMLC between 8:30 and 4:30 pm Mon-Fri	

TEMAGAMI FIRST NATION
SHUTTLE BOAT SCHEDULE - November 2017

SCHEDULE A		November 2017							
MONDAY TO FRIDAY		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Depart Bear Island WEEK DAY (MON-FRI)	Depart Mineroad WEEK DAY (MON-FRI)	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	
			237-8955	237-8955	237-8955	237-8201	237-8201		
*8:00 a	*8:15 a	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	WEEKDAY ON-CALL TRIPS AVAILABLE -must be booked in advance
*8:30 a	*8:45 a		237-8201	237-8201	237-8201	237-8955	237-8955		
*9:00 a	*9:15 a								
*1:15 p	*1:30 p	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	No Service: Weekends or Holidays
*4:00 p	*4:15 p		237-8955	237-8955	237-8955	237-8201	237-8201		
*4:30 p	- 4:45 p								
*5:00 p	*5:15 p	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	-Student Travel		237-8201	237-8201	237-8201	237-8955	237-8955		
		26	27	28	29	30	1	2	
			237-8955	237-8955	237-8955	237-8201	237-8201		

NOTE: ON-CALL TRIPS MAY REQUIRE ONE (1) HOUR NOTICE - PLEASE LEAVE MESSAGE FOR BOOKING & CANCELLED TRIPS

THIS SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE ~ WEATHER PERMITTING

FOR MORE INFO CALL (705) 237-8943 ~ All trips must be confirmed by calling the Driver or Band Office

- Two Regular size Bin Limit; \$10 per passenger (regular scheduled trips); \$50.00 per On-Call Trip
- Driver: Dean Potts (705) 237-8955 * Dan Mongrain (705) 237-8201