

# WAHTA MOHAWKS

ONERAHTOKHA - APRIL (BUDDING TIME)

## Ice Fishing Derby of 2015

Congratulations to the winners of the 2015 Ice Fishing Derby. There were three trophy categories, youth, women's and men's. The winners this year are, Zack (youth), April (women's) and Barnie (men's). Thanks to everyone who came out to participate and a thank you to the staff that set up, organized and cooked for this event. It was a great day of fishing !



## Traditional Kids Camp Winter 2015

Another successful Traditional Kids camp was held at the longhouse during March break. The children received certificates for completing the two day Mohawk language and cultural program which taught language, cultural teachings, games, cooking, crafts, dance and song, sugar maple and good mind, peace and unity.

*A special thank you for their work and dedication goes out to Terry Kanenrahkeniate, Lucia Sahanatien and Iohate Sahanatien*

### NEW WEBSITE!

Please visit our new website at [www.wahtamohawks.com](http://www.wahtamohawks.com). There is a link in the top right hand corner to register, enter your information here and you will be sent the login link with a username and password to access the members only area. The members area is still a work in progress but we have provided monthly newsletters, meeting minutes etc. More information will be added every month. Email any comments or questions to [info@wahtamohawks.com](mailto:info@wahtamohawks.com)

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### NOTICE

The April Chief and Councils monthly report will be included in the upcoming annual report.

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# HEALTH SERVICES

## \* Baby Play

Mondays, April 13th, 20th and 27th from 9:30 to 11:30 at **ratiksaokón:'a raotinákte** (The Children's Place)

## \* Baby Drop In

Wednesdays, April 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th from 9:30 to 11:30 at **ratiksaokón:'a raotinákte** (The Children's Place)

## \* After school program

Every Tuesday from 3:30 to 5:30 at the longhouse and every Tuesday from 3:30 to 5:30 at the Community Centre. Please call the school to make arrangements to have your child dropped off at the community centre. Please ensure your children are dressed for the weather as we will be doing outdoor activities. For more information, please contact Colleen at ext. 241

## \* Well Baby Check With Sue

Wednesday, April 29th from 9:30 to 11:30, at **ratiksaokón:'a raotinákte** (The Children's Place)

## \* Foot Care

Wednesday, April 8th

## \* Chair Exercise and Healthy Lunch

Wednesday, April 29th at 10:30, contact Christine, ext. 273

## \* Bingo

Wednesday, April 29th at 1pm, please bring a \$5.00 wrapped gift.

Contact Christine if interested ext. 273



## \* Nordixx Pole Walking

Every Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 – 10:30. We will be doing it in the main hall...NOT outside. Pole walking involves more than 90% of your muscles. If you use a walker and would just like some exercise come out as well. You can set your own pace. Let's get moving!! Contact Christine if interested ext. 273

## \* Community Shopping

Monday, April 13th, in Midland. Contact Christine if interested ext. 273

## \* Ladies /Men's Social Get Together!

April 23rd, at the tri-plex from 1:30 – 3:00. This is a time to get together and socialize. For those of you that are interested we will work on making a quilt together. Tea/Coffee will be available. Please call Sherry if you are interest in attending , ext.: 250

## \* Easter Tea

Wednesday, April 1st  
Please contact Sherry or Christine if interested



## EDUCATION

Post Secondary applications will not be accepted after March 31, so please be sure to send in your application form should you wish to be considered for sponsorship. This will be the final announcement.

Trillium Lakelands DSB Education Symposium is being held May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Renee Caisse Theatre again this year. The keynote speaker is Richard Wagamese, an Ojibway writer from north west Ontario. His recent novels include: Indian Horse, Him Standing, and Medicine Walk. The event for students and teachers occurs through the day with an evening session with Richard beginning at 7:00 p.m. Our very own Wahta youth singing group will be performing at this event. Many thanks go to Lucia Sahanatien for her teaching and patience in bringing this group along.

The Education Symposium held on February 28 held in Wahta was successful. The feedback overall was favourable. Our key note speaker, Earl Lambert, provided a strong message about the importance of education despite barriers and obstacles that one might encounter. Being grounded culturally is critical to success in life overall. The Woodland Centre provided story telling (Creation Story) through shadow puppets, Terry and Iohate Sahanatien were available for traditional cultural education, Dahlia Sahanatien provided opportunities to make a crafts and

Grace Franks taught some Mohawk language songs. The delicious traditional meal was catered by Lucia Sahanatien. Presenters at booths included Trillium Lakelands DSB topics included special education and Aboriginal education offered in schools. Warren Maracle from Kagita Mikam brought materials and spoke of the education and training program to those interested, as did Sgt. Peter from the Armed Forces. Reps from Nipissing University and Georgian College were also in attendance. For future planning we would provide an activity in another area for the younger children while the key note speaker is on. Having said that however, the young children were provided activities at the tables and they all were very quiet and well behaved while the Earl Lambert was speaking seriously.

Wahta Mohawks has been approved by the Ontario Trillium Foundation for a full grant in the amount of \$150,000.00. This money, along with the proposal driven money received by the Wahta Trust fund (\$290,000.00), will provide the necessary renovations to create our Cultural/Healing Centre. We expect the project to begin as soon as we can break ground. Much work will occur long before this however, in terms of project management. I am excited to work with the team as we move forward with this project. We have much to look forward to over the next several months.



## Notice

### Allocation of Registered Traplines - Deadline May 9, 2015

Currently the Parry Sound  
District has a number of trap-  
lines currently available for  
reallocation.

Zones

PS193

PS063

PS137

BR040

PS153

Maps are Available at The  
Wahta Mohawks Office

For more Information Contact

Scott Aubichon  
Lands Manager  
Wahta Mohawks  
[scott.aubichon@wahtamohawks.ca](mailto:scott.aubichon@wahtamohawks.ca)

705-762-2354 Ext 242

or

Leslie Joynt  
Parry Sound District Office  
705-773-4256  
[leslie.joynt@ontario.ca](mailto:leslie.joynt@ontario.ca)

## Proposed Relocation of the Cenotaph

With the planned repurposing of the old administration building as a cultural healing center this spring, Chief and Council have discussed the potential of moving the Cenotaph from that location, to the new administration building at Webster Lake.

The thinking is to bring the annual November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day ceremony together with the luncheon service now held here. Moving the cenotaph to this site would centralize the event and make it easier for some of the veterans attending. We are of the understanding that relocation of a cenotaph can be done with appropriate ceremony involving the Royal Canadian Legion and should the Wahta membership be supportive of this change in location, then the ceremony and work would be conducted prior to this years' service, which is scheduled to be held here at Wahta.

If you have any comments or concerns regarding this proposed change please let us know by writing or calling this office. We appreciate and respect your input.



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## Food Handler Course

We are in the planning stage of offering a Food Handler Course for community and staff, this helps you improve your skills in preparing safe foods.

This course is beneficial to anyone involved in food handling in the food service industry, especially owners, operators and staff of food premises. If you are interested in attending please call Sherry for more information at 705-762-2354

### Senior 2 Bedroom Apart- ment for Rent

**Newly Renovated**

**For more information,  
please contact the office at**

**705-762-2354**

## Parry Sound Health Centre First Nations & Inuit Health Branch

### STAFF:

Susan Siwik CHN  
Marsha Rivers CHN  
Nancy Tabobandung, Clerk

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday &  
Wednesday 8:30am – 4:30pm  
Thursday 8:30am – 1pm

### EASTER HOLIDAY

The Parry Sound Health  
Centre will be closed on  
Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and  
Monday April 6<sup>th</sup>

### Important Phone #'s

Toll Free NIHB client lines  
Dental: 1-855-618-6291  
All other services:  
1-800-640-0642

**APRIL 2015**

### WAHTA MOHAWKS COMMUNITY VISIT DATES

WEDNESDAY APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> – B/P CLINIC

MONDAY APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup> - COMMUNITY VISIT

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> - LUNCH EDUCATION & CHAIR EXERCISES

THURSDAY APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> - COMMUNITY VISIT

### REMINDER: ABOUT AMBULANCE BILLS

AMBULANCE BILLS ARE PAYABLE BY NIHB.

IF YOU RECEIVE AN AMBULANCE BILL, YOU CAN...

- DROP THE **ORIGINAL** BILL OFF AT YOUR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE, TO BE PICKED UP BY THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE, OR
- DROP THEM OFF AT OUR OFFICE IN PARRY SOUND

WHAT DO I DO IF I GET ANOTHER AMBULANCE BILL AFTER I HAVE ALREADY DROPPED THE FIRST ONE OFF?

- CALL NANCY AT 705-746-5807 TO BE SURE SHE RECEIVED THE FIRST AMBULANCE BILL.
- IF SHE HASN'T... DROP IT OFF AT YOUR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE,
- OR DROP IT OFF TO NANCY AT 74 JAMES STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, IN PARRY SOUND.

NANCY IS ABLE TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF AN AMBULANCE BILL, TO NIHB, ON YOUR BEHALF.

HOWEVER, NIHB WILL **NOT** PAY AMBULANCE BILLS ONCE THEY HAVE GONE TO COLLECTIONS. SO GET THEM IN TO OUR OFFICE AS SOON AS YOU CAN.

## Chief and Council

Phillip Franks	Chief	705-528-9468
Lawrence Schell	Councillor	705-644-3001
Mike DeCaire	Councillor	705-644-3384
Teresa Greasley	Councillor	705-644-9934
Stuart Lane	Councillor	705-641-1548

## Administration 705-762-2354

Karen Commandant	Senior Administrator	Ext. 231
Scott Aubichon	Lands and Resources Coordinator	Ext. 242
Kristal Berwick	Employment/SS Administrator	Ext. 230
Sherry Byrne	Health Services	Ext. 250
Christine Cox	Health Services Family Violence	Ext. 273
Amy Davidson	Health Services Assistant	Ext. 240
Lance DeCaire	Economic Development Officer	Ext. 224
Allan Farrell	Properties Manager	Ext. 244
Carol Holmes	Education Services	Ext. 233
Alice Murphy	Financial Accountant	Ext. 245
Colleen Mendes	AHWS/NCWPW	Ext. 241
Kim North	Finance – Accounts Payable	Ext. 237
Karen Sahanatien	Lands and Housing Clerk	Ext. 222
Martie Stanton	Executive Assistant/Human Resources	Ext. 272

## Wahta Nursing Station 705-762-1274

WAHTA MOHAWKS  
BOX 260  
BALA ON CANADA



*Please .....*

*Please advise Wahta Mohawks of any  
change in address as soon as possible  
so we can continue to serve you.*