

Orihwase'shón:'a ne Wahta Rontenro Raotirihwá:ke

Iotóhra — *time of dormancy*

DECEMBER 2016



This issue....

Chiefs Message
Health Services
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NOTICE

Important consultations are underway this year at Wahta, please join in the meetings and watch the newsletter for updates or

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UPCOMING

GENERAL MEETING DATES

- ♦ January 28th, 2017
- ♦ Regular Council Meeting for December will be cancelled.

NOTICE

The Administration Building will be closed from Dec. 26th until Jan. 6th . We will be returning on Jan. 9th.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BEST
WISHES IN THE NEW YEAR!**

From the

**CHIEF, COUNCIL AND THE STAFF OF
WAHTA MOHAWKS**



December 2016

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Locations AB = Administration Building CHC = Cultural Healing Centre

From the Desk of the Chief

The following are a few updates on matters Council has been involved with. One of the more promising issues we have is the development of a water distribution system for the core area of the community including the subdivision where the seniors reside. Moving into a design phase there is word we will receive funding assistance with this project which decreases the costs to Wahta. This is an area that Council is considering to expand housing, as well as increased elder care services.

In terms of economic development and creating a comprehensive plan for the community, there is a teleconference coming up in the very near future between Ontario's Aboriginal Economic Development Fund and Council, where we hope the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation will be of assistance in developing a document that can be the blueprint for development along the highway corridor. At the end of November our Economic Development officer, Lance Decaire will also be attending an economic summit at Akwesasne.

As Chief, I have travelled to gatherings of Chiefs, the Assembly of First Nations, Chiefs of Ontario, and the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians. There are numerous subjects discussed and I am always mindful of which of these issues affect us most back here at Wahta. On every front, health, social, environment, economics, inter-governmental relationships, or inter First Nation relationships there are challenges to be dealt with. The Chiefs have signed protocols and memorandums of understanding with the Ontario Government with care to maintain our current positions. Such documents for the most part allow for First Nations to be recognized as players in planning government responses to the issues that affect us most. This has not existed in the past where government ministries have dictated how actions or program funding would be directed.

On taxation issues, whether it is a phone call, quick email, or regular mail if you have been denied point of sale tax exemption, and what reason was given, I'd like to hear from you. We do know that many people have status cards that are outdated, but we would like to hear from those who do not have outdated cards and still being refused. Council can then add to the growing discussion that is happening at the Chief's forums and a case can be made to the province. If you do have an outdated status card, Karen Sahanatien can provide advice on replacement, she can be reached at the Administration Building.

Up and coming will be Ontario's Finance Ministry response to a report they commissioned on the Tobacco Allocation system on First Nations. It is recommended more discussion needs to happen with First Nation lead-

ers, I am hoping we can soon have a local meeting with cigarette retailers and come up with some responses to take forward. As I said earlier this year the system is going to be changed by the ministry.

Following up, the Standing Rock issue looks more serious now that a new president elect for the USA is waiting in the wings. Council has passed a motion to send funds to assist and contact has been made with the Iroquois Caucus office to determine the best way to direct those funds. Council has approved a \$1,000 donation.

With regards to community discussion on long term care needs for our members, we currently have a needs assessment ongoing. We urge all members to take part in this whenever the opportunity arises. See more information in this newsletter. Long term care has been identified as important to our community.

The newsletter will carry a monthly page starting this issue to help forward the language learning initiative, featuring where learning resources can be found, Mohawk words, etc. The Wahta Mohawks website will also have an area in the member's only section www.wahtamohawks.com/Kanienkeha featuring items such as language learning videos. Again, this is an area identified in Council's Community strategic plan, ongoing and long term attention will be given. Language programs whether for adults or children must be continuous to be retained.

Many of our community initiatives are ongoing. The wellness series has one more session in November prior to the final conference. These have been good workshops aimed at personal and community development.

Council will soon release a survey to gain community input into the future direction of Iroquois Cranberry Growers. Please watch for that in your mail and take time to share your thoughts. This will help form the future direction for ICG.

On behalf of Council I hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season. As always if any of the above matters, or any thing else interests you and you want to know more, please be in touch.

Niá:wenhkó:wa

Chief Philip Franks

Making Lemonade Out of Lemons, Artistic Carvings Created

Earlier this year Hydro One undertook the task of ensuring a continued supply of power to the community by clearing trees that were growing into the distribution lines, they left tall stumps where a line of trees used to beautify the administration grounds at the gate. This safety concern for the lines, and the fact that the property fell on the right of way of the District of Muskoka's Road # 38 left our administration little argument to save the trees. Community member Ron Strength remarked how it would look better to have the half trees turned into carvings. Following up that idea Wahta Mohawks administration contracted a chainsaw carver who completed these pieces that have drawn great interest from passing motorists. What a great way to display and share the symbols of our clans and the protector eagle during these days following the truth and reconciliation report where many people are wanting to learn more about indigenous peoples.



Kagita Mikam Employment & Training

Applications are available for Kagita Mikam Employment & Training Programs. If you are unemployed, underemployed or out of school and would like to receive training or assistance to get back into the workforce then support is available upon meeting the criteria. For more information on Kagita Mikam programs please contact Kristal at 705-762-3343 x. 230 or by email at kristal.berwick@wahtamohawks.ca.



INTRODUCING JESSICA NORTH, BA, B.ED, MSW

Jessica North is a social worker, researcher and educator, who has worked across various healthcare settings over the past 10 years. Jessica is from the Wampanoag and Narragansett tribes of Massachusetts. She has been hired to assist in the facilitation of the "Long-Term & End of Life Care Project" with Wahta community members over the next five months. She will be hosting a variety of activities and group opportunities for members to come out and share their ideas, thoughts and opinions on what services and supports community member's need as they age. Jessica is looking forward to meeting all of you!

THE POWER TO CHOOSE LONG-TERM & END OF LIFE CARE PROJECT

BIG THINGS ARE HAPPENING

There is a need for long-term care housing and end of life support services at Wahta. Many members receive services outside of the community, sometimes travelling long distances to access much needed healthcare and other supports. The Administration has launched the "Long-Term & End of Life Care Project" to create a locally designed and controlled program that includes long-term housing options as well as expanding and introducing new services for community members.

PHASE ONE IS UNDERWAY!

Jessica North along with the Long-Term & End of Life Advisory Circle will be hosting a series of information-gathering activities over the next five months. We want to hear from you on what you need to be healthy as you age, which services are missing at Wahta and what you think the long-term care facility should look like!



WHAT IS A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY?

It is a building full of units that members live in if they require a range of services and supports to help with personal care and everyday tasks. These include: housework, frequent medical care, meals, laundry and housekeeping, and assistance with medication and activities of daily living.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call or text Jessica North at 705.209.9165 or email at jessicanorth@outlook.com



LONG-TERM & END OF LIFE ADVISORY CIRCLE

Join Now!

Have your voice heard in the development of long-term care housing options and end of life programs and services in your community.

WHEN: DEC 14TH & JAN 25TH

TIME: 6:30 - 8:00PM

WHERE: WAHTA CULTURAL CENTRE

For more information call or text Jessica North at 705.209.9165 or email jessicanorth@outlook.com.

Strength Assessment

The Journey Home - Long Term and Palliative Care

Why am I here?

Facilitate a process of coming together to strengthen your community's health and wellbeing by identifying, assessing, and building long term and palliative care services.

Phase One

Identify the strengths, challenges, and gaps that exist for seniors, and family members who will be taking the journey into the next phase of life.

Timeline- October to March 2017

Community member statements:

"For myself, I wouldn't want to be a burden on my family at home or in the position of caring for me...they are busy enough! But what I would like to have is a facility on my home reserve where family was free to come and go as they please kind of thing, more like a home setting but not in a home."

"One of the things that there is such great need in the community for end of life care, and it brings a community together, and not being able to have that loved one at home because of barriers can really , pull a family and the community apart. That's why it's so important to bring them home, where they belong..."

Tell Your Stories...

- Your voice and stories need to be heard on your strengths and needs as you age.
- Understand what values, experiences, traditions, practices, and priorities you want addressed and how.
- Develop recommendations to your council and funders on how to implement and build the structures needed to support you and your family.

Strength Assessment Process

Step 1 – Advisory Circle Form a circle with 6-8 community members to lead the process

Step 2 – Key Informants – Story tell and interview about needs to gather

Step 3 – Sharing Circles – Gather small groupings of community members together.

Step 4 – Community Survey – Design and launch survey for all Band members.

Step 5 – Final Report- Compile findings, themes and recommendations for Phase Two.

Advisory Circle

- Six to eight community members until March 2017
- Two meetings per month
- Brainstorm ideas, recruit participants, organize information- sharing events
- Keep community informed

Join Now

Contact : Christine at ext. 273

Katati Kanien'keha

(I speak Mohawk)

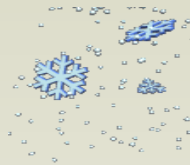
Each of us have a responsibility to learn our language. If you would like to someday be able to say Katati Kanien'keha, then consider being part of a larger group who are eager to learn and share the language.

We have dedicated this page and a website page to our language. Each month we will provide the link to our online language program for your independent study. You can find this link on the Wahta Mohawks website www.wahtamohawks.com/Kanienkeha under the new "Kanien'keha (Mohawk Language) section. We think you will find this course useful as it offers written, audio and video resources to learning kanien'keha.

We are in the process of applying to the Department of Canadian Heritage – Aboriginal People's Program for funding to create DVD's of our first language speakers to preserve our Wahta dialect and idioms and to develop a video with reflections on the past present and future for Wahta Mohawks. We have very few first language speakers still with us. Should this project move forward we will be reaching out to our first language speakers. We will also be asking for participation in an advisory capacity to provide direction to this project. Watch this page and the website for regular updates.



o:kera' (snowflake)



io'keren:'en (it is snowing)



(snowball)

teiotenonnio'ko:ien



teiatatenonnio'ko:iaks (we are having a snowball fight)



IROQUOIS CAUCUS

Iroquois Caucus Addresses the Dakota Access Pipeline

For Immediate Release

(September 8, 2016) The Iroquois Caucus, made up of elected leadership from Akwesasne, Kahnawake, Kanesatake, Oneida Nation of the Thames, Six Nations of the Grand River, Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte and Wahta Mohawks, are unanimous in their opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline project.

Throughout Turtle Island, Indigenous Peoples have always had the responsibility to safeguard their territories, its peoples and its cultures for future generations. Notwithstanding any economic benefits, we have serious concerns with respect to the devastating and long term effects that a spill from pipelines can have on the lands and waters, our way of life and our cultures and sacred and traditional burial grounds.

The Iroquois Caucus supports the people from the Standing Rock Sioux territory who stand in opposition to this oil pipeline. The Iroquois Caucus encourages the people of Standing Rock Sioux to remain steadfast in their fight to protect their sacred lands. The Iroquois Caucus will be sending a delegation to Standing Rock.

The recent media reports of private security using aggressive tactics against the Protectors are reprehensible in a country that holds in high esteem the constitutional right to freedom of speech and assembly. The Iroquois Caucus urges all parties to enter into respectful discussions to resolve this issue and address Indigenous Peoples concerns.

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The Iroquois Caucus can be contacted at:

Iroquois Caucus Coordinator
Trevor Bomberry
Tel: (519) 761-7694
ic.coordinator@sixnations.ca

HEALTH SERVICES

Cookie and Gift Exchange

On Tuesday, December 6th, 11—1 at the Administration Building. Please bring a \$10 gift and 2-3 dozen cookies. Sign Up with Christine or Sherry if interested

Community Shopping

Join us for a day of shopping in Barrie on **Wednesday, December 7th**. Pick up will be at **9am**. Please Contact Christine (273).

Foot Care

Wednesday, December 14th, at the Administration Building

Community Christmas Dinner

Please Join In at the Administration Building on Friday December 9th at 5:30

Please sign up before November 25th with Colleen or Amy

Please include the number of children that will be attending for Santa's gifts

Senior Christmas Lunch

Wednesday December 14th 11:30-1 at the Administration Building
Please RSVP by November 30th to Christine or Sherry

Come Out and Join In !!!

Pole Walking

Every Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am—10:00 am

Chair Exercise

Wednesday, December 21st,
10:30 am—12pm

Lunch will be served at the Cultural Healing Centre

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JANUARY 2017

Women's Drum Group

Wednesday, January 18th,
6:30-8 at the Cultural Center

Everyone Welcome!!

(experienced or newcomer)

Contact Christine or Sherry

*please note a drum is not required to participate...if you have a rattle bring it...if

you don't just bring yourself !

Happy
New
Year!

Community Shopping

Tuesday January 10th, Barrie. Bus will pick up after 9am, register with Christine or Sherry

Healthy Living with Soadi

Monday January 16th from 1-3 at the Cultural Center

Chair Exercise and Healthy Lunch

Wednesday, January 25th Cultural Center 10:30-1 register with Christine

Colouring Club

Let's beat the Winter Blues "Coloring has been shown to have stress-reducing benefits. The reason? Coloring is said to calm the amygdala, the part of the brain related to the fear/stress response while stimulating the parts of the brain responsible for creativity and logic. In fact, coloring therapy is being used experimentally for those with anxiety and stress related disorders. Some people report sleeping better when coloring for even 5 minutes before bedtime". So let's colour!!

Education

Grade 12 students are in the process of beginning to apply to post secondary schools. Our process for application for post-secondary funding begins January 1 to March 31, 2017. This is an AANDC funded program and eligible students must be registered with AANDC. Please contact Carol (carol.holmes@wahtamohawks.ca) for an application form in January should you wish to apply for funding. RETURNING STUDENTS MUST REAPPLY; IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED AN APPLICATION FORM YOU MUST REQUEST ONE.

SMP HEALTH SCIENCES
SUMMER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The Summer Mentorship Program (SMP) gives high school students of **Indigenous** or **African** ancestry a chance to explore health sciences at the University of Toronto over four-weeks in July.

You will:

- Get hands-on experience through experiments, lectures, and special projects
- Discover university education and professional careers in the health sciences
- Enjoy valuable mentoring experiences from a variety of professionals
- Earn a credit towards your high school diploma

APPLICATIONS OPEN IN FALL
For more information:
uoft.me/smp

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

University of Toronto's Summer Mentorship Program for students with Indigenous or African ancestry that are interested in health sciences. First deadline is January 13, 2017 online application - please share this with any student that you feel may be interested. To be eligible, the student must be at least 16 years old with a grade 10 or 11 science, social science, or humanities credit. Students earn a credit (GLN4O) once they complete the program and they do not have to be enrolled in academic (U or M) courses to be eligible for the program. Accommodation is provided in a U of T student residence for up to 12 students that live outside of the GTA.

Update of Aboriginal resource centre developments at Glen Orchard Public School - The committee presented the plan at the GOPS staff meeting held on November 01. This concept was well received by the staff and a number of ideas and ways to access the centre was generated. Staff are able to see curriculum connections to culture in all areas of the curriculum and not just the prescribed documents that are currently available. On December 5 the resource centre plan will be explained to the parent committee. It is expected that we have a grand opening sometime in January. More to follow....

EDUCATION NEWS

Below is a free on line tutoring program to help students in the area of math.

Go to <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org>

Homework Help is TVO's free online math tutoring platform staffed with Ontario Certified Teachers. It is designed to provide math support and encouragement to students within and beyond the classroom. Homework Help has been created to help students excel: to gain a better understanding and build an appreciation for math. The goal is to not only increase math skills, but also increase confidence and improve attitudes towards math. The Homework Help 'Ask a Tutor' chat rooms are open Sunday to Thursday, from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm, during the school year.

CULTURAL HEALING CENTRE



Youth Nights

Thursday December 1, 2016

Dinner- 5:30-8:30p

*Teaching and Medicine Bag Craft with
Shirley Hay*

Thursday January 12, 2016 – 5:30-

8:30pm

TBA

Dinner Provided!

PLEASE RSVP to Kara 705-762-2354

ext. 227



Pre-School Library Program

The library will offer pre-school programming once per month at the Cultural Healing Centre.

The following dates include:

Thursday December 8 @ 10:00

Thursday January 12 @ 10:00

Thursday February 16 @ 10:00

Thursday March 9 @ 10:00
More details to follow for each month.....

Lyla Lane Land Lottery

The Lyla Lane land lottery was held at the general meeting on Saturday October 29th 2016.

There were 74 members that expressed interest in the lottery.

The first 18 names that were drawn and notified and now have the opportunity to purchase the lot assigned by their draw number.

All 74 names were drawn at the meeting and recorded as to their position.

If one of the first 18 decides to not purchase the property then it will be offered to the next on the list #19 and so on.

We have had many members already purchase

their lots.

Keep your eyes on the newsletter, there may be new lots coming in the future.

If you have any questions please contact.

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Bean Supper

**WILD GAME
DINNER**

SILENT AUCTION, 50/50 TICKETS

**ALL PROCEEDS GOES TO
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING**

**FRIDAY
02
DEC.**

**ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED/PICKED UP
FROM WAHTA ADMIN. BY NOV. 25/2016**

ANNUAL EVENT

ALL WAHTA MEMBERS MUST PICK UP A TICKET FROM ADMIN
BUILDING FOR \$10.00 OR SIGN UP FOR A LARGE DISH DONATION

DINNER AT 6, AUCTION TO FOLLOW

TICKETS NON-MEMBERS \$12.00

RIGHT TOPLAY

Promoting Life-Skills in Aboriginal Youth (Play) Program

WHO: All Children/Youth that would like to be a part of having fun and healthy living!



WHERE: Wahta Mohawks Cultural Centre

WHEN: Joining the After School Program

Monday 3:30-5:30pm (Right to Play/After School)

Tuesday 3:30-5:30pm (Right to Play/After School)

Wednesday 3:30-5:30pm (Tutoring/Right to Play)

Thursday 3:30-5:30pm (Right to Play)

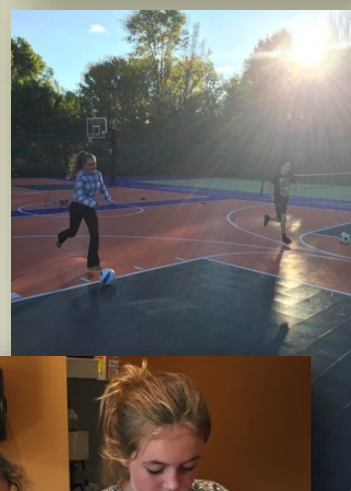
The Right to Play Program has been great this year! All of the children/youth come with big smiles, full of energy and lots of creativity. Each week we have different crafts and activities to participate in as well.

Also the older youth have been great with taking on some leadership roles and helping with the younger children throughout the program.

Nia: wen Kowa to them and their amazing attitudes!

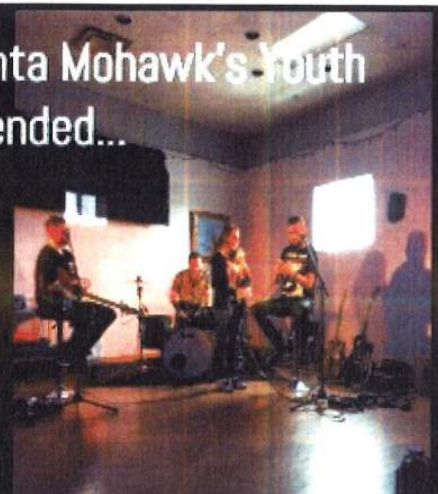
We look forward for the months to come!

Contact Kara at ext. 227 with any questions regarding the program





Wahta Mohawk's Youth
attended...



Robb Nash *Project*

On October 31, 2016 some of Wahta's youth had the opportunity to attend a concert that helped at risk youth who struggle with depression, bullying, self-harm, addiction and suicide. It was an amazing afternoon and everyone enjoyed their time with Robb Nash and his band.



Makayla Smith was nominated by her peers to sing in front of the group with Robb Nash, and did an amazing job. We were very proud of her and her beautiful voice.

IF YOU'RE GOING
THROUGH **HELL...**
WHY WOULD YOU
STOP THERE?
KEEP WALKING.





December 1, 2016

Youth Night

Medicine Bag Teaching

Dinner @5:30pm

Teaching/Craft @630pm



YOUTH CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 10 - 12, 2017

GOING M.I.L.E.S

Motivate, Inspire, Lead, Empower,
Succeed

Facilitators: Dakota House & Scott
Ward

Curve Lake, Hiawahta, Tyendinaga
and Algonquins of Pikwakansagan
First Nation will be participating in
the conference with the Wahta
Youth. This is a great opportunity
to mingle and mix with youth from
other First Nations.

You must be 18 -35 years of age to
attend. 20 spots are available for
Wahta youth. More information
will be mailed out to youth in
December.

Please note that this is a Drug and
Alcohol free event.

For more info please contact
Kristal at 705-762-2354 ext. 230 or
email
kristal.berwick@wahtamohawks.ca



Bow Building Workshop

Learn the Ancient Art of Bow Building. Through this hands-on workshop, students spend time shaping, tillering, bending and finally shooting their own bows.

No Experience is necessary... simply the passion to learn!

January 21,22nd 8:30am-6pm, February 25,26th 8:30-am-6pm

Program will be held in the shop/garage at the administration building

Space is very limited, please call Amy or Kara to book your spot,705-762-2354

Lunch and snacks will be provided each day

WAHTA CHURCH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11TH

COMMUNITY DINNER

4:30pm at Wahta Church

Come share your ideas for the church and meet Pastor Derek and his family

No cost for the meal, but donations are appreciated

Everyone is welcome!

Please RSVP

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Begins at 6:00pm

Christmas Carols and the Christmas Story

If you have ideas that you would like included in the service please contact us



NOTICE: We will begin regular services monthly starting in the new year

CONTACT: Pastor Derek (705) 346-1858

Grace S. (705) 762-2717

Snow Removal for Driveways

Dear Homeowner:

Once again this winter season, Wahta Mohawks will be providing snow removal on household driveways for the time period November 15th, 2016 to April 15th, 2017. To assist with the planning and billing for this years' service, we are asking that this form be completed and returned as soon as possible. The rate charged will depend upon the area of your driveway. Please contact Karen at the office to determine which rate that applies to you. We are pleased to advise that this service will continue free of charge for our senior residences.

If you would like to have this service for the winter season 2016/2017, please fill out the information below and deliver or mail it to the administration office. Only those who have completed and signed the form will receive this service. There will be no "as needed" service available.

Homeowner _____

Address: _____

Please check one of the following for service delivery:

Snow blowing required:

Senior Residence _____

Community Residence _____

It is the responsibility of the homeowner to ensure all objects are removed or marked clearly along the driveway area. All items should be at least 3 metres (10ft) from the snow removal area. Wahta Mohawks is not responsible for any damages under any circumstances and if damages do occur, no compensation will be paid. This service is provided at your own risk.

Everyone including senior and community members must fill out this form and return to the administration office.

Please note any outstanding invoice from last season must be brought up to date before you will be added to this year's listing.

The billing of this service is generated at the end of every month.

Signature: _____

PERSONS ACCEPTED AS MEMBERS

James Derek Jonathan Decaire
Nicole Annette Martin
Karen Marie Peters
Chase David Wayne Decaire
Emma Sydney Ida Decaire
Abigail Ester Annalee Decaire
Logan Earl Terry Decaire

Yoga practice
continues Monday, Dec. 6th, 12th and 19th
beginning at
7:00 p.m.



Join Our Newsletter Email Initiative!

In an effort to reach more people, provide faster communication and more opportunities for community consultation, we would like to start emailing the newsletter to as many members as possible.

We are asking all members that have not registered their email address through the website portal to join the email list.

There are two ways to get your newsletter through email:

1. **Register at www.wahtamohawks.com/member-registration** (if you haven't already). Once you register you will automatically be emailed the newsletter. If you wish to still receive the paper copy in the mail please email info@wahtamohawks.com

OR

2. **Email us at info@wahtamohawks.com** and let us know you would like to have the newsletter emailed to you.

Why Switch To Email?

- Improved ongoing communication
- More community consultation opportunities
- Help save trees, postage and paper

Questions

Q: Why should I opt in for Newsletters?

A: With hundreds of newsletters sent out each month it is a time constraint and costly procedure for staff every month. If you have an email address we would like to email you instead, this saves on time, paper and postage costs.

Q: When will I get the Newsletter?

A: Getting the newsletter online is actually faster than postage. We can email it once it is ready no need to wait for snail mail.

Q: How else will my email address be used?

A: Your email address will not be shared with anyone and will only be used for newsletters and occasional communication regarding community updates.



THE WINNERS WERE DRAWN AT THE GENERAL MEETING ON OCT. 29TH

Email winners:

1st Prize - Doug Schell

2nd Prize - Ron Roberts

3rd Prize - Joshua Commandant



WAHTA LANDFILL

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE LIFE OF OUR
LANDFILL

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Appliances (stoves etc.)
Freon Unit (fridges etc.)
Furniture
Tires (must not be on rims)
Metal Items (not to exceed 10
ft in length)
Household Large Items
Rugs/ Outdoor Furniture
Electronics (TV, stereos)
Bathroom Fixtures

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Dock Cribbing, Dock Foam
Heavy Machinery
Hazardous Waste
Motorized Vehicles, Boats
Engines Containing Fuel, Oil
Stumps, Rocks, Sod, Concrete
Construction Material
Lumber, Drywall, Insulation
Propane Cylinders
Doors, Windows, Shingles

- * When bringing tires to the dump please separate the tires from the rims before disposing of them.
- * A reminder to all those that receive roadside garbage pickup, it is only provided for bagged household refuse. We thank you for your cooperation as landfill space is limited, please be kind and recycle whenever possible.
- * "Please note that the landfill use is for Residents of Wahta only"



NOTICE MONTHLY

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

In order for council to serve you better we would like to ask members attending monthly meetings to submit new business in advance. This is something that council has done in the past and would like to start again, it can include questions, suggestions or items for discussion to be added to the meeting agenda.

Council would like to be able to address all issues and request a reasonable amount of time in which to do so.

Please submit items no later than the Friday before the Tuesday meeting (meeting is the last Tuesday of every month). Items not requested in advance cannot be included as new business or the meeting agenda. There are two ways to submit items, email at info@wahtamohawks.com or leave a message at 705-762-2354 ext. 256

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