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(ripening time)*

JUNE 2016

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Chief and Council Update

A quarterly Wahta General Meeting was held last month on April 23, a number of things were covered such as the MRP update with continued and ongoing education and consultation regarding this important matter with regards to legal issues for on reserve marriages. At this time it is looking like we should be proceeding with our own law as prescribed as an option within the federal act. If so this is a long process to build a sound law that will serve us well into the future. The next part of providing education and gaining input will be through focus groups among community members.

Waneek Millar presented on the Citizenship code review, and what she sees as a plan to begin working you, the members of Wahta to be able to work toward a different, or improved Citizenship Code. Her interesting presentation seemed well received by the participants. Council is looking to formalize a proposed contract with her firm.

An update on the Community Trust was presented as mandated in the Wahta Trust Agreement.

Because of time, Economic Development Officer Lance Decaire held a short discussion regarding Iroquois Cranberry Growers with a proposal to form a board of Directors, and on ongoing business plan. We are expecting to be able to afford more time for him at our next meeting.

Chief and Council will be meeting with Hydro One late May to enter into mediation regarding their contractual obligation for in kind services offered to Wahta which we feel was incongruent with past council's intentions. Ongoing questions have arisen regarding what contributions were agreed upon without success, hopefully our mediation meeting will resolve this.

Chief and Council are happy to report that all Post-Secondary Applications for 2016/2017 have been approved within budget. In some cases earlier in

the budgetary process, the applicants' circumstances changed as per school acceptances, therefore the original budget forecast was less.

Wahta will be hosting the AIAI General Assembly June 7-9, 2016. Wahta welcomes various Chiefs and political representatives as part of the AIAI political organization.

You will see in this newsletter issue that new subdivision

lots on Lyla Lane will be for sale on Wahta this fall. A nominal fee will be charged and a lottery system will be in place to ensure fairness. This will be carried out later in the year, if you interested taking part in the lot lottery, please contact the lands department here at Wahta for detail on location of sites.

The roads project has also begun, the material has been quarried and road improvement has started. Both the lot development and roads improvement are consistent with our ongoing infrastructure development and within the ongoing sustainability plan.

This is the time of year for our political organizations to hold their general assemblies where they account for what has been accomplished. Wahta will be hosting the AIAI General Assembly June 7-9, 2016, at the end of June is the Chiefs of Ontario assembly, followed by the Assembly of First Nations. All of these are held in Ontario and Council will be sending representation to at least two of them.

Wishing everyone a good month coming up. Please remember, now that the cold is finally letting up it is time to cover up from the summer mosquitos. West Nile Virus can be serious and is not letting up.

Nia:wen kowa,

Chief Franks

**Please Join Us at the Cultural
Healing Centre on June 21st for a
BBQ and Social Activities**

**to
Celebrate
Aboriginal Day!!**

5 – 8 pm

Come Out and Join
In !!!

Pole Walking
Every Tuesday
&

Thursday
9:00 am – 10:00 am

NOTICE TUTORING SESSIONS

&

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Will resume in September



Community
Shopping
Thursday, June 2nd
9:00 am pick up
To Barrie
Georgian Mall
&
Walmart
Please contact
Christine at
705-762-2354 ext. 273
Or
Sherry ext. 250



Diabetes Club

Wednesday, June 22nd at the
Cultural Centre , 10am-12pm

Soadi Nutritional Bingo & Make it Sacred

Contact Christine ext 273 or Sherry ext 250



Chair Exercise
Wednesday, June 29th
10:30 am - 1 pm
at the
Cultural Centre
Contact Christine at
705-762-2354 ext. 273

Baby Play

Every Monday at the
Cultural Healing Centre
9:30 am – 11:30 am

and

Wednesday s at the
Admin Building

9:30 am – 11:30 am

Please contact Colleen
at

705-762-2354 ext. 241

BOOK CLUB

Monday, June 20th,
4:30 -6

At the

Cultural Centre

Please contact
Christine at
705-762-2354 ext. 273 or
Sherry ext 250



Foot Care
Wednesday, June 8th

The Children's Place
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raotinákte



ENGAGING
WAHTA
CHILDREN,

CREATING
POSITIVE
CHANGE

Strawberry Picking



Monday June 27th

Bus leaves the **Administration Building** at 8:15 am

Lunch at participants own cost

Contact Christine (273) or Sherry (250)

Drum Group

Tuesday, June 7

6:30-8

Cultural Center

All women welcome

(experienced or newcomer)

Contact Christine (273) or Sherry (250)



Make A Mess Art Studio (Adults)



June 9th Bus leaves at 9am from the Administration Building

Building

No artistic talent required

Lunch to follow (at participants own cost)
@ Henry's Fish and Chips

Contact Christine (273) or Sherry (250)

ANNUAL SWIMMING LESSONS

Will be held July 4th – July 8th, 2016

Please contact Colleen

at

705-762-2354 ext. 241



SUMMER LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CAMP

WHEN: Monday July 11, 2016 from 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday – Thursday

8:30am – 1:00pm on Fridays

WHERE: Cultural Healing Centre

This language and culture camp will run Monday to Friday.

Activities to include but not limited to;

Language, Culture, Arts & Crafts, Play, Traditional Foods, Gardening

WHO: School aged children, Mom/Dads with babies and tots, Students that require volunteer hours, and Elders.

WHY: Language and Culture is integral to who we are and we believe if we give our children enough exposure, they will learn it, and continue speaking and teaching the future children in our community.

Watch for future newsletters for more information or contact the Administration Building for more information.



LOCAL VENDORS WANTED

On June 7th and 8th from 12 pm – 4 pm

Wahta Mohawks will be hosting the AGA for AIAI with approximately 100 people in attendance.

We have limited space available for vendors.

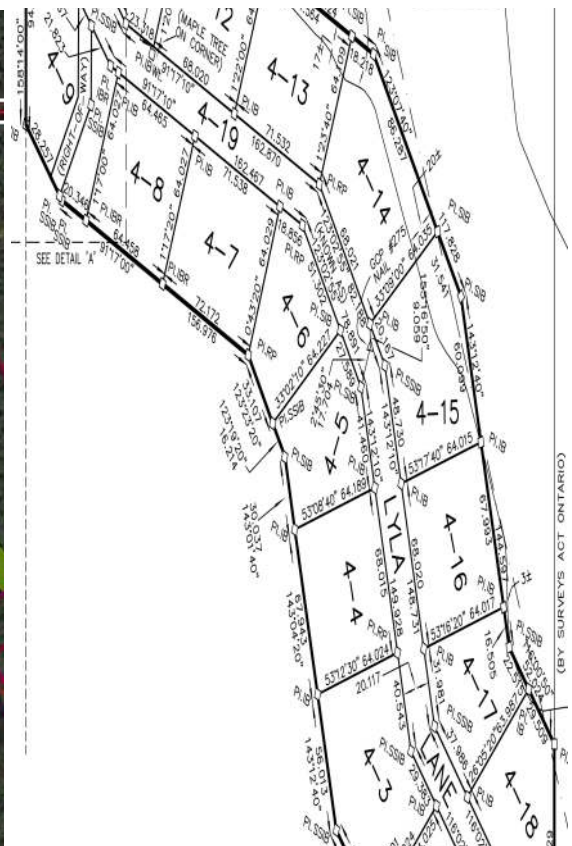
If you would like to register for a space please contact Christine at ext. 273

New Land Lots For Sale!

Chief and Council are pleased to announce that land lots have been surveyed and prepared for sale.

The lots are located on Lyla Lane (see map) and are back lots (not river front lots). These lots will be assigned through a lottery for all interested members that enter their name (must be 18 years of age or over). The cost of each land plot is \$2000. Lot sizes range from 0.7 acres to 2 acres.

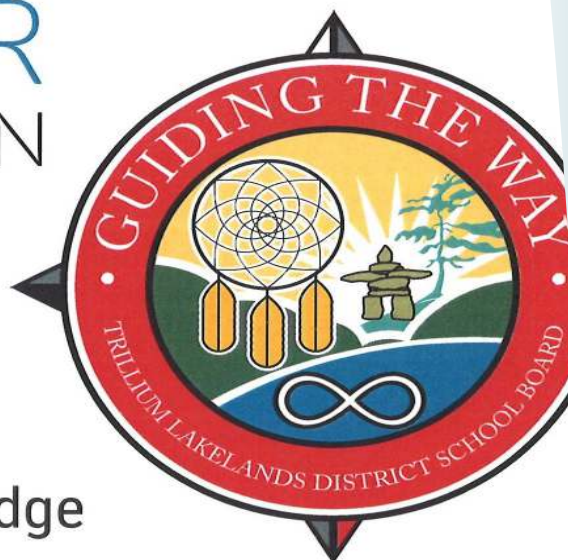
We want to give everyone ample time to consider this opportunity, all members are welcome to enter into the lottery, all names will be drawn and assigned a number, there are 18 lots available. The lottery draw and sale will take place this fall. Watch the newsletter and website for monthly updates on this development. If you would like to enter your name into the lottery or have any questions, email Lands Coordinator Scott Aubichon at scott.aubichon@wahtamohawks.ca



JOWI TAYLOR & SIX STRING NATION

9th Annual Parent and Community
Evening for First Nation, Métis,
Inuit Education

June 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Rene Caisse Theatre | Bracebridge



Parents and community members are invited to attend an evening with cultural entertainer Jowi Taylor. Enjoy a presentation about various cultures, communities, and characters from across Canada through the Six String Nation guitar.

Learn how Trillium Lakelands District School Board is supporting First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education.

Tickets are \$5.00 each for this event.



Enjoy a presentation by
award-winning cultural
entertainer Jowi Taylor

Parents and community members are
invited to attend an evening to celebrate
First Nation, Métis, and Inuit education.

Reserve your tickets through the
Rene M. Caisse Theatre by calling
the box office at 705. 645.8400.
Tickets are \$5. For more information
visit www.thecaisse.com.

SAVE THE
DATE!

Important consultations are underway this year at Wahta,
please join in the meetings and watch the newsletter and
website for updates regarding MRP. Electoral Regulations
and the Membership Code.

Membership Consultation Meetings

- ♦ July 16th, 2016 General Meeting 9AM
- ♦ October 29th, 2016 General Meeting & Referendum (tentative)
- ♦ January 28th, 2016 General Meeting

* Regular Council Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at 7pm*

CULTURAL HEALING CENTRE

JUNE 2016

What is traditional healing??

A traditional healer uses natural medicines provided by the Creator and the practice includes a wholistic approach involving all elements of self; spiritual, emotional physical and mental.

Traditional Healers have knowledge passed on to them from generation to generation.

GRAND OPENING June 18 10:00-2:00

The official grand opening is quickly approaching. The committee decided to wait to offer this celebration in June to take advantage of the nicer weather and to kick off the celebrations of a recognized holiday - Aboriginal Day!

The day will begin at 10:00 with a focus on the children. Children who have been attending cultural programming will be recognized and their Mohawk names will be celebrated.

Lunch will be provided with activities in the afternoon.

Please rsvp if you plan to participate in this celebration (705-762-2354) by calling Christine ext 273, Colleen ext 241 or Carol ext 233

Please RSVP before June 6 so we can plan effectively for lunch.

ANYONE interested in joining together to practice some traditional songs to sing at grand opening??? Please contact Christine, Colleen or Carol. The invitation is open for anyone interested. No worries if you don't know the songs, there will be some practice time available and opportunity to learn songs prior to the event

SEEKING INPUT TO NAME THE CENTRE....

What are your suggestions ? In the future we will have a sign placed on the property identifying the building and are looking for a name that reflects the purpose and intent of the programming that will occur within the building.

The principles that we

uphold are: compassion, respect, love and caring, words of encouragement, state of peace and inner strength, resulting in a good mind. Bring your ideas to the grand opening..... We can offer the suggestions and make a decision on that day! (And will have the translation to our Mohawk language).

Quote from the late
Mohawk Chief Jake
Swamp – Wolf Clan
.....

“In the beginning ,
when our Creator made
humans, everything
needed to survive was
provided. Our Creator
asked only one thing:
Never forget to appreci-
ate the gifts of Mother
Earth. Our people were
instructed how to be
grateful and how to
survive”.

For this reason we must
remember the Ohenton
Karihwatehkwen; our
way of bringing our
minds together to bring
acknowledgement and
thanks for all of
Creation.

TEACHINGS FROM THE LONGHOUSE

At a focus group session when we gathered input for programming to be held at the Cultural Healing Centre, the request for traditional teachings was made.

Beginning the last Saturday in July the first session of a series of sessions will begin. The schedule is as follows:

Creation Story – July

Origins of Clans– August

Migration Story– September

Birth of Peacemaker– October

The Journey of the Peacemaker– November

Formation of Great League of Peace—December

Kariwiiio The Good Word— January

TEA AND SHARING May 26, 1-4 & June 10, 10-12



Please join us and share your pictures and your stories at the Cultural Centre. We will scan the pictures to either frame or put in an album for display.

Please contact either Sherry ext 250 or Christine ext 273
if you will be joining us.

SAVE THE DATE
CULTURAL HEALING
CENTRE GRAND
OPENING
SATURDAY JUNE 18

10-2



WHAT IS YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT ENGAGEMENT

The Wahta Youth/Young Adults were asked this question and such words as a **youth voice, youth involvement, youth participation, and youth in governance** were discussed.

Youth engagement is the result when young people are involved in responsible, challenging actions to create positive social change.

This means involving youth in planning and in making decisions that affect themselves and others. We are starting here at Wahta.

Youth engagement is a central **principle of youth development**.

This is where young people are true leaders of their own development. Youth are more than passive recipients of external influences; instead they are actively involved in shaping their development by interacting with the people and opportunities made available within their communities.

Through youth engagement, communities can do a better job of creating the **services, opportunities, and supports** that young people need to develop in healthy ways.

Youth engagement offers community leaders the expertise and partnership of young people, helping adults fully understand what it is like to grow up in a rapidly changing world. From a political point of view, youth engagement is important because young people deserve the right to represent their own interests. Youth community engagement is also critically important to prepare young people to be active citizens in their communities. Defining culture, roles and responsibilities and considering their perspective and voice is all important when creating a healthy community.

We are hosting a Youth Engagement Night once a month on Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. at the

Cultural Center throughout the year. Opportunities will be provided to reconnect with old friends and to make new friends in a healthy environment. It is also a chance for Youth/Young Adults to reconnect with their cultural identity and regain a sense of meaningful and hopeful belonging within the community. The cultural center is a perfect location in the ``heart of the community`` for this to take place and we couldn't be more excited to host this monthly event.

We will be discussing various topics such as lateral violence, mental health, addictions, life promotions, and other community issues that may or may not affect you directly but occur in the community. We will be working on leadership/life skill building, self-esteem, confidence and developing new friendships and bonds in fun and interesting

Cultural Center Events

Save the Date - Engagement Nights:

June 2, 2016

July 14, 2016

August 11, 2016

September 8, 2016

October 6, 2016

November 3, 2016

December 8, 2016

Youth/Young Adult Engagement Night

The Youth and Young Adults of Wahta gathered at our monthly get together on May 12, 2016. We touched base with dinner, and performed the 'Kairos Blanket Exercise', a teaching tool to share the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. This exercise created the basis for a discussion amongst the youth which we carried forward into recent events around Attawapiskat and the suicide epidemic that they are facing. We prepared tobacco, cedar, sweet grass, and sage bundles with well-meaning messages that we wish to send off to the Youth of Attawapiskat.

Walk for Attawapiskat- Saturday May 28, 2016

Calling all Dancers, Drummers, Everyone Welcome!

Attawapiskat First Nation Walk for Awareness

7:00 am Departure from Wahta to Sudbury Secondary School (154 College Street, Sudbury). Traditional Smudging Ceremony to begin day followed by guest speakers and 18 honored Attawapiskat Youth guests will be attending. Departure from Sudbury Secondary School at 10 am to begin walk to Bell Park around 12 noon with a Round Dance to finish the event.

Some of the Youth at the Engagement have showed interest in attending and if there is anyone else interested in attending, please get in contact with Kara Wanoth to arrange transportation if needed 705-762-2354 ext 227

National Youth Summit – Niagara Falls Sunday July 10, 2016

The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) and the AFN National Youth Council (NYC) is pleased to be hosting a 2016 National Youth Summit, which will provide an opportunity to bring together over 150 First Nations youth from across Canada for dialogue focused on key priorities and issues around mental wellness, suicide prevention, substance abuse, and the broader social determinants of health. Most importantly, these young leaders will work to shape solutions to the challenges faced by our communities and the broader Canadian community. Two youth have volunteered from the youth engagement night to attend as the Wahta Youth Reps and will be informing other Youth of Wahta about the event once they return.

Next Engagement Night

Thursday June 2, 2015

Who: Youth 12-19 yrs. Old

What: Dinner, Movie Night and Discussion to follow

Where: Administration Office

Please RSVP by May 31, 2016

HEALTHY AND STRONG ESSENTIAL OILS 101

Join modern day hippie Ange Beasley from Shineon... with the essential for an evening of learning why essential oils are causing such a huge shift and using what our beautiful earth provides.

Essential oils have the unique ability to soothe the mind and elevate the spirit and help bring the body back into balance. Feeling too much stress and too little serenity? We invite you to discover how our pure essential oil and carefully formulated blends can help you reestablish health, balance and peace in your life.

All are welcome- whether you're ready to kick it up a notch, or just learn a new approach to wellness. There will also be a chance to purchase oils for yourself and family.



When: June 16, 2016

Where: Cultural Center, Wahta Mohawks

To register contact Kara Wanoth 705-762-2354
ext 227

kara.wanothmee@wahtamohawks.ca

Y Walk for Women & Girls

From August 9 - 14, 2015, former YWCA Muskoka Executive Director Beth Ward walked over 175 km through all 6 Muskoka municipalities. In addition to raising money to support YWCA's programs, Beth's goal was to raise awareness about the issues faced by women and girls in Muskoka.



Beth was supported along the way by other volunteer walkers who joined her for parts of her journey. Through generous pledges and donations, the YWalk event raised over \$16,000 which helped to fund the Girlz Choice program this school year.



YWalk supporters in Wahta

2nd ANNUAL Y WALK for WOMEN & GIRLS

The Wahta Mohawks Community was invited to participate in the 2nd annual walk. It is tentatively planned for August 15th. Please watch for details in the July newsletter.



Iroquois Cranberry Growers

FARM STORE HOURS

(2860 Iroquois Cranberry Growers Drive)

Open 7 Days a Week

Monday- Thursday 9am-5pm

Friday & Saturday 9am-7pm

Sunday 9am-5pm

Kiosk Store Hours

(2664 Muskoka Rd. 38, Wahta Administration Office)

Monday-Thursday 8am-4:30pm

Friday 8am-2:00 pm

Farm Store: 705-762-5725

Kiosk Store: 705-762-2354 ext 227

Retail Manager: Kara Wanoth-Mee

Join Our Newsletter Email Initiative!

In an effort to help save postage and paper costs, 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 newsletter list, there are 2 ways to do so.

2 ways to get your newsletter through email:

Register at www.wahtamohawks.com/member-registration (if you haven't already) and check the box that says you wish to receive all newsletters and notifications to your email address .

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

Help Save on Postage and Paper!

Why switch to Email?

Q: Why should I opt in for Newsletters?

A: With over 700 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 and save 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.

WAHTA MOHAWKS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PROGRAM AREA: PUBLIC WORKS – ONE YEAR CONTRACT

POSITION TITLE: PUBLIC WORKS TEAM LEAD

REPORTING PROTOCOL: REPORTS DIRECTLY TO THE SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR

POSITION SUMMARY: The Public Works Team Lead is responsible to assist in the administration of the Public Works department and its services including the planning, development and implementation of effective policies, procedures and practices and for keeping the Senior Administrator current and up-to-date on all matters relating to the management of the properties services and programs of the Wahta Mohawks in a timely and professional manner.

The Public Works Team Leader is responsible to assist in the general maintenance of all Wahta Mohawks' owned buildings, vehicles, equipment, roads, bridges, street lights and water treatment systems and related equipment including the maintenance of all Wahta Mohawks' owned properties as well as the property maintenance (snow blowing, grass cutting of driveways and yards where mandated by program funding) of all privately owned homes where seniors reside and other related services and programs as may be required or assigned from time to time including roads maintenance and program transportation vehicles, collectively referenced as the Public Works Department.

Education/Professional Requirements:

- Journey person certification in a skilled trade
- Minimum Grade 12 diploma and or 5 years' experience in plumbing, electrical, carpentry and mechanical fields, including automobile and furnace applications
- DZ Driver's License essential
- Safety compliance training and up-grading required as applicable to the job function areas; i.e. WHMIS, etc.
- Must produce a clean CPIC (criminal record check)
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Skills/Abilities Required:

- Capacity to take initiative and to multi-task.
- Ability to work in a team environment.
- Knowledge and understanding of the community environment and culture.
- Must be capable of meeting the physical demands of the Public Works department including lifting, working outdoors year round, climbing, confined spaces, etc.
- Must have a proficient level of communication skills suitable to the work environment.
- Must possess excellent organizational and time-management skills.
- Familiarity with INAC, and other funding sources for Public Works department services and programs.
- Must possess a current and valid Driver's License and clean drivers abstract.

Interested candidates can mail, fax or email your resume to Martie Stanton by June 17, 2016.

Martie Stanton
c/o Wahta Mohawks
P.O Box 260
Bala, ON
P0C 1A0

Fax: 1-705-762-2376 or Email: martie.stanton@wahtamohawks.ca

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Wahta Mohawks will be accepting resumes for the following positions: Children's Program Assistants at the Culture Centre and Cashier at ICG.

Work Responsibilities of Children Program Assistant: Providing prep work required by teacher and Program Administrator, snack and lunch prep, assisting with children's program daily, providing children with positive support and meeting individual needs, set up and clean up after daily program, opportunities will be provided for students to create games/activities to promote their leadership skills. Other duties not listed may be required of the student.

Work Responsibilities of ICG Cashier: Customer service, acquire knowledge of the cranberry marsh and the health benefits of the cranberry, stocking shelves, cashier, taking stock of inventory, completing customer orders and general cleaning of the store. Other duties not listed may be required of the student.

To be eligible for one of these positions you must currently be 15-30 years of age, and be currently attending secondary or Post-Secondary studies full-time and be returning to school full-time this fall. Must be able to provide your status card number.

Interested students can mail, fax or email your resume to Kristal Berwick by May 31, 2016.

Kristal Berwick
c/o Wahta Mohawks
P.O Box 260
Bala, ON
P0C 1A0

Fax: 1-705-762-2376 or Email: kristal.berwick@wahtamohawks.ca

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Wahta Mohawks seeks a **Mohawk Language Teacher** to fulfill a summer culture language day camp from June 27 - Sept 2. Responsibilities include providing language curriculum and instruction to registered day camp children/youth and to provide language instruction to parents and interested community. Hours will be flexible throughout day.

Wahta Mohawks seeks a **Cultural Educator** to fulfill a summer culture language day camp from June 27-Sept 2. Responsibilities include providing curriculum and cultural instruction to registered day camp children/youth with cultural teachings to parents and interested community. Hours will be flexible throughout day.

Interested candidates can mail, fax or email your resume to Martie Stanton by June 17, 2016.

Martie Stanton
c/o Wahta Mohawks
P.O Box 260
Bala, ON
P0C 1A0

Fax: 1-705-762-2376 or Email: martie.stanton@wahtamohawks.ca



PARRY SOUND HEALTH CENTRE - FIRST NATIONS & INUIT HEALTH BRANCH

JUNE 2016 – NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION

STAFF:

Susan Siwik, CHN

Nancy Tabobandung, Clerk

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
08:30 – 4:30

Thursday 08:30 – 1:00

TOLL FREE NIHB CLIENT INFORMATION LINES:

Dental: 1-855-618-6291

Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm

Orthodontics (Braces)

1-866-227-0943

Monday to Friday 8am – 5pm

All other benefits:

1-800-640-0642

Monday to Friday 8am – 4pm

NIHB APPEALS PROCESS

There may be an appeals process for medications, medical equipment & supplies or services that were prescribed and were denied at the initial approval stage.

If you have received a notice that the item you were denied is subject to the appeals process, you can contact Nancy at 705-746-5807, and she can assist you in the appeals process.

If your item was not covered, Nancy can assist you to find out why it was not covered & if it is subject to an appeal. For those that “text only” our resource area has a telephone that you can use to call the client information line, during our regular business hours. Call Nancy to set up a day/time to come in. Or you can call from your home. You will need to have your (the clients) name, date of birth & status # when you call in.

Items that you will need in the appeals process are:

- The letter of denial from NIHB
- An initiation letter, signed by the client, their parent \ legal guardian, or representative. (Our office has a sample letter that can be modified for your use).
- An appeals form, completed and signed by the prescribing doctor (our office has a form available).
- Any supporting documents that may assist in this process.

There are three stages of appeal, done at the Regional NIHB office, with a different person doing the review at each stage.

ADDRESS:

Box 89, 74 James Street

Parry Sound, ON P2A 2X2

Phone: 705-746-5807

Fax: 705-746-1421

nancy.tabobandung@hc-sc.gc.ca

susan.siwik@hc-sc.gc.ca

Items that are listed as “Exclusions” through the NIHB program are not eligible for the appeals process.

If you were denied and you paid for the item, & it gets approved during an appeal, you can submit a request for reimbursement of the item\’s purchased within the past 12 months.

If you want more information on the appeals process, need help to start an appeal or if you need the forms mailed \ emailed to you, you can contact Nancy at 705-746-5807, and she will make sure those get sent to you.



Find us on: facebook®

Wahta Mohawks has a new Facebook page! Check out our Facebook page for regular council and community updates at facebook.com/wahtamohawksCouncil

Notice

The roads improvement plan is well underway; aggregate is being applied to Wahta Mohawks Territory roads, this will continue for the next few weeks until all community roads have been resurfaced.

Once this phase of the plan has been completed, we will offer aggregate for sale to Wahta Mohawks Members.

If you would like to purchase aggregate please contact;

Scott Aubichon
Wahta Mohawks
Lands Manager
Box 260

Bala, Ontario
P0C1A0

Office: 705-762-2354 Ext 242

Scott.Aubichon@wahtamohawks.ca

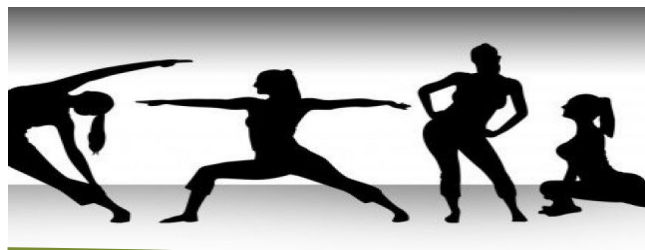
YOGA CLASSES

Every Monday Evening

7 pm, at the Cultural Healing Centre

MOVE, STRETCH, STRENGTHEN

Instructor Kyla Holmes



Do you have any Questions, Comments or Suggestions for us?

Your comments and suggestions are welcome and will assist us in continuously improving our community. We appreciate your input!

Please send a detailed email to: comments@wahtamohawks.ca

Aboriginal Legal Advice from Aboriginal Lawyers



ALAAL Clinic

The purpose of this clinic is to provide culturally appropriate, summary legal advice to aboriginal clients.

Lawyers **Cara Valiquette** and **Jay Herbert** will focus on all areas of law, including criminal, child protection, family, and civil law. Services could include: creating wills, Powers of Attorney, and Indian Act issues. The clinic will run approximately once per month, at **two locations**. Space is limited, so sign up in advance!

Parry Sound Friendship Centre

What: Legal clinic for aboriginal clients

Where: 13 Bowes Street
Parry Sound, ON P2A 2K7

When: June 20, 2016
July 11, 2016
August 15, 2016
September 12, 2016

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Other: Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments will be served first please call 705-746-5970 to book your appointment.

Midland Friendship Centre

What: Legal clinic for aboriginal clients

Where: 175 Yonge Street
Midland, ON L4R 2A7

When: June 24, 2016
July 15, 2016
August 19, 2016
September 16, 2016

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Other: Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments will be served first please call 705-526-5589 to book your appointment

WAHTA MOHAWKS LIBRARY

NEW TITLES AVAILABLE

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On-Reserve Housing Programs through CMHC

WHAT ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE

Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP)

Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program—Disabled (RRAP-D)

Emergency Repair Program (ERP)

Home Adaptations for Seniors Independence (HASI)

CMHC has recently announced that RRAP and RRAP-D funding has increased to \$60,000 per home, ERP funding has increased to \$20,000 and HASI has increased to \$10,000. These funds are grants as long as all terms and conditions are followed.

Eligibility criteria for RRAP and RRAP-D include having an income below \$42,500, the repair must be a health or safety issue, you must own and live at the home, you can not have accessed the program within the last 15 years.

ERP eligibility requires you to have an income below \$42,500, you must own and live at the home, the repairs must be urgent to make the home safe i.e. heating systems, foundations, roofs etc.

HASI is for persons 65 years and over, there is no income limit for this program, you must own and live at the home, these repairs could include bath tub grab bars, walk in showers, ramps etc.

All homes require an inspection completed by Ontario First Nation Technical Services Corporation.

If interested please contact the office as soon as possible as Wahta Mohawks must submit applications by June 10th, 2016.

Please be advised that by applying does not necessarily mean you will be approved. There are limits on applications for every First Nation.

For more information

Please contact

Karen Sahanatien

at

705-762-2354 Ext. 233

NOTICE

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Hydro One Network Inc. Has indicated that the distribution line brushing contract will not commence before June 15th

Allocation of Registered Trap line
Deadline June 27, 2016

If you have interest in obtaining a vacant trapline please contact Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in Parry Sound.

Leslie Joint Resources Liaison

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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 comments@wahtamohawks.com or leave a message at 705-762-2354 ext. 256

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Membership Report

Persons accepted as Members

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Carly Jean Louise Thiffault
Cameron Joseph Commandant-Maher
Tayler Dawn Maher-Bosse
Terri Anne Marie Thomson
Aria Annora Aunah Kaduk
Theodore Gene Kaduk-Jackson
Isaiah Howard Tryon
Sheri Ann Falconer
Dale Warren Decaire
Chantelle Patience Ewart

Persons Accepted through Appeal Process

Olivia Susan Marie Nevar

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Please Feel Free to Call with any Questions or Concerns

Administration Office Hours:

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