

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

Onerahtokho:wa - The Time of the Big Leaf



May 2019



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Lot for Sale

Lot 5-2, Concession 5 (23.40 Acres)
Please call Teresa DeCaire
at 778-587-3784 for more information

Land for Sale

- 1.88 ha off Muskoka Road 38 no driveway
- 1 ha off Muskoka Road 38 with Driveway
- Two lots 0.81 ha off Wahta Road 2,
undeveloped, no hydro

For more information, please call 705-644-4227

Attention Members:

If you are stopped by MNR authorities, please keep a record of the name and badge number of the officer, as well as the date, time, and place that you were stopped. The goal of collecting the information is to assist council in advocating for the protection of the community's rights. Please report this information to Scott Aubichon at 705-762-2354 ext. 242.

Are you thinking about building or renovating? Contact Karen or Matthew for help with the various Housing Programs, Subsidy Programs & Mortgage Programs that are available. 705-762-2354

karen.sahanatien@wahtamohawks.ca
matthew.commandant@wahtamohawks.ca



MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6 Mohawk Language Class (AB) 6:30pm	7 Public Council Meeting 7:00pm	8 Footcare, Blood Pressure, & Dietician Senior's Exercise 1:00pm	9	10	11
12 Church 11:00am	13 Diamond Dotz, Colouring, Rug Hooking 9:00am Mohawk Language Class (AB) 6:30pm	14 Community Shopping	15 Lunch with Brad 11:30am	16	17	18
19	20	21 Hearing Clinic (AB) 10:00am to 4:00pm	22 Troy Greene Chair Exercise and Healthy Lunch 10:00am	23 Language Video Project Viewing (AB) 5:30pm	24	25
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Chief's Update

There will be no update from Chief Franks this month. We wish him well as he recovers from retina complications.

2019 Council Weekly Meeting Summaries

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – January 16, 2019

In Attendance:

☒Philip Franks ☒Lawrence Schell ☒Blaine Commandant ☒Teresa Greasley ☒Lorie Strength-Fenton

Agenda:

01.16.01 Finance Policy – Discussion and Approval – Minor changes discussed, revised mileage charts. Motion required next week.

01.16.02 Administration Building Roof – Internal Funding Options – The Administration roof is getting worse with more leaks and wear and tear appearing. An engineer's report has been completed and funding is now being discussed. Work will be scheduled for Spring and funding options are being looked at such as OFNLP, Wahta Trust etc.

01.16.03 Wahta Community Profile – Motion to Approve – AIAI (Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians) requires motion to approve the Wahta Mohawk Community Profile as a learning resource at the request of partnering AIAI communities. Report will be available on the Wahta Mohawks website.

Motions:

01.16.03 – Motion to approve the Wahta Mohawks community profile at the request of Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians to be used as a learning resource. Carried by consensus.

Next Meeting: Wed January 23, 2019

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – January 23, 2019

In Attendance:

☒Philip Franks ☐Lawrence Schell ☐Blaine Commandant ☒Teresa Greasley ☒Lorie Strength-Fenton

Agenda:

01.23.01 Finance Policy Approval and Motion – See motion below. The Chief Financial Officer would like to be informed about all asset disposal of Wahta Mohawk and ICG property.

01.23.02 Election Regulations Review – Council read over the draft regulations in detail, several notes made with questions and clarifications. Consultation will start soon with drafts provided at next general meeting Feb 2, 2019.

01.23.03 Membership Report Approval – Discussed Waneek Horn-Miller's final report on membership consultation. Copies and discussion on next steps will also be held at general meeting Feb 2, 2019.

Motions:

01.23.01 – Motion to adopt the Wahta Mohawk Finance Policy as of January 23, 2019. Carried by consensus.

Next Meeting: January 30, 2019.

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – January 30, 2019

In Attendance:

☒ Philip Franks ☐ Lawrence Schell ☒ Blaine Commandant ☒ Teresa Greasley ☒ Lorie Strength-Fenton

Agenda:

01.30.01 Cultural Centre - Update - More quotes needed for all fire code violations and updates. There is 50K in funding available so far.

01.30.02 MFP Lease – Update -Lease is being looked at by legal counsel, issues such as rood repairs, doors, drywall repair etc. and leasehold improvements need to be looked at.

01.30.03 Water Feasibility Study – Council, Administration and Indigenous Services looked at all the submitted bids. Two bids did not meet the initial threshold. The final bid was awarded to Neeghan Burnside. Project funded b y ISC Indigenous Services Canada.

01.30.04 Electoral Officer – Compare costs to last election to see what to expect. Looking for one more applicant before decision is made.

01.30.05 Capacity Training participants – The CFO officer has requested some governance training for Chief and Council, this could be funded through First Nation Market Housing Fund Capacity Training.

Next Meeting: Wed February 6, 2019

February 2019 Community Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday February 5, 2019

- I. **Present:** Chief Philip Franks, Councillor Lawrence Schell, Councillor Blaine Commandant, Councillor Teresa Greasley, Councillor Strength-Fenton.
- II. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.
- III. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Moved by Councillor Schell, Seconded by Councillor Strength-Fenton. Carried.
- IV. **Adoption of Minutes of January 8, 2019:** Moved by Councillor Commandant, Seconded by Councillor Strength-Fenton. Carried
- V. **New Business:**
 - **Residential School Records** – In 2027 records for residential school compensation court records will start to be destroyed. If anyone wants a copy of their record, they can apply to get a copy of court documents. More information will be posted on the website.
 - **Finance Policy Approved** – The Finance Policy is complete; a copy can be located on the website.
 - **Draft Election Regulations** – Chief Franks did not get to much feedback about mail in voting. Kelly Maracle is being considered for the position of the Electoral Officer, we will be discussing the mail in and/or online systems she has dealt with in the past.
 - **ICG Juice** – Approx. 8 skids of juice are still in storage, most of which is pure juice, it will be brought over to the Band Hall for members to take. Watch for more information in the newsletter.
- VI. **Old Business/ Follow-up:**
 - **Water Feasibility Study** – Neeghan Burnside has been selected to do the Water Feasibility Study. INAC representatives attended along with a selection committee. INAC will pay for the study to determine what is the best course of action to take to provide safe water.
 - **Community Engagement Membership Report** – The report is complete from Waneek Horn-Miller and available on the website. Chief Franks would like to make a motion to accept the report as complete.

- Motion to accept the Community Engagement Membership Report as completed by Waneek Horn-Miller, motion carried.
- **Iroquois Caucus Ottawa Feb 19-20, 2019** – Councillor Strength-Fenton and Councillor Commandant attending.
- **AIAI Law Making Summit Nottawasaga Feb 19-22, 2019** – Councillor Greasley, Chief Franks and Councillor Schell attending

VII. January Motion Summary

01.16.03 – Motion to approve the Wahta Mohawks community profile at the request of Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians to be used as a learning resource. Carried by consensus.

01.23.01 – Motion to adopt the Wahta Mohawk Finance Policy as of January 23, 2019. Carried by consensus.

VIII. Questions/Comments:

Councillor Schell would like to know what the hiring policy is and if council should be on the hiring boards.

IX. Next Meeting Date: March 5, 2019

X. Adjournment

XI. Closing



Employment Opportunity

Financial Assistant

Reporting To: Chief Financial Officer

Overview:

The Financial Assistant will process payroll and administer benefits, assist with accounting tasks, and submit HST remittances. This position will also be responsible for some purchasing duties and the maintenance of an approved vendor list.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

1) Payroll Functions

- Responsible for the processing of biweekly payroll, ensure accuracy of approved timesheets, track and deduct special payroll deductions and ensure valid data transfer to/from payroll service
- Handle the administration of the electronic timekeeping system. Setup each employee and valid programs for each employee's salary costs
- Establish/maintain employee records; ensure that employee changes are entered correctly and made on a timely basis
- Adhere to policy including compliance with Federal regulations

2): Benefits Functions

- Assume responsibility of timely payment of monthly premiums
- Manage enrollments and determine employee eligibility
- Handle all benefit compensation and reimbursement procedures
- Coordinate leaves of absence and process claims or request (medical operations, WSIB etc.)
- Update employee records with all relevant information

3) Accounting Functions

- Assist with month-end task, including reconciliations of general ledger accounts
- Analyze accounting data when required
- Back up to A/R and A/P
- Ensure financial policy is adhered to on day-to-day transactions
- Oversee HST and complete annual submission

4) Purchasing:

- Assist developing a purchasing process
- Evaluate and facilitate approval on purchase requests and coordinate with vendors to ensure accuracy of all deliveries
- Maintain a preferred vendor list
- Manage inventory, if applicable

5) Other Related Duties:

- File and keep files up folders up to day
- Perform other job-related duties as may reasonably be required by the Chief Financial Officer, Managers or Senior Administrator.

Education and Experience Requirements:

- Minimum of an Accounting Diploma
- At least 3 years of direct experience working in payroll and month end tasks
- Good knowledge of accounting and bookkeeping procedures
- Attention to detail, with an ability to spot numerical errors

Skills and Knowledge Requirements:

- Knowledge of Simply Accounting 300 and/or Simply Accounting 50
- Comprehensive knowledge of accounting procedures and processes
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office Apps
- Knowledge of Payroll Legislation
- Purchasing experience or knowledge would be an asset
- Well-developed organizational, communicative, interpersonal, time management and analytical skills.
- High level of initiative and self-direction.
- Ability to work in a team environment.
- Must be reliable and dependable, and committed to maintaining confidentiality.
- Non-judgmental and positive approach to all service users.
- Self-awareness of own limiting factors that may impact job performance

Other Requirements:

- Must have a valid Ontario Class "G" license and access to a vehicle.

Terms of Employment:

This is a full-time position beginning immediately. Hourly wage will be based on qualifications and experience.

Application:

Please submit a resume and cover letter detailing how you meet the requirements of the position to:

Attention: Joanne Contant

HR@wahtamohawks.ca
P.O. Box 260
Bala, Ontario
POC 1A0

Phone: (705) 762-2354 ext. 227 Fax: (705) 762-2376

Deadline for applications is **May 8th, 2019 at 4:00 pm**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. The successful candidate will be required to provide an acceptable Canadian Police Information Check (CPIC) before commencing work.

Attention Members:

With the current stockpile of gravel running low, Council has decided to have more crushed. With the increased costs of having this work completed the price per load will also be moderately rising to reflect this. Once the work is completed in early in May and the final costs are calculated, the resulting increase will be finalized and take effect immediately. The increased price per load will also be advertised in future newsletters.



Spring Cleaning?

The Wahta Landfill site accepts all your electronics and batteries.

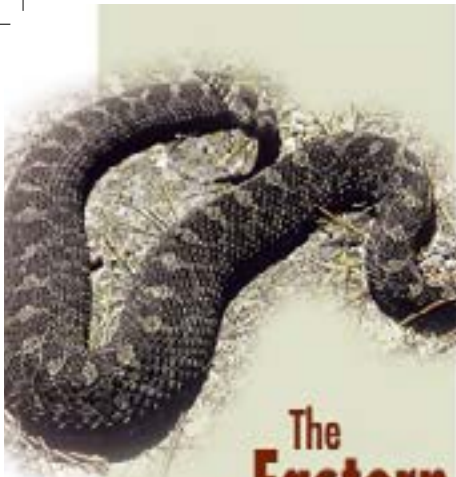
- We have a container for electronics of all sorts including cell phones, computers, monitors, printers, as well as old radios and televisions.
- We also have a barrel where we accept batteries.

Land Fill Site is open on Wednesdays from 5PM to 7 PM and Saturdays from 9AM to Noon



GET YOUR WATER TESTED

The best time to sample your well water is when the probability of contamination is greatest. This is likely to be in early spring just after the thaw, after an extended dry spell, following heavy rains or after lengthy periods of non-use. If you live on the Territory and would like your water to be tested, please contact Evan Holmes at 705-644-9884.



The Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake



Ontario's only venomous snake, the Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake is a unique and fascinating reptile. Many people will never get to see a massasauga because of the snake's behaviour. They are non-aggressive and will avoid people. They rely on their colouration and remaining still to stay hidden. The rattle may be used as a warning if someone moves too close.

... A Threatened Species

The Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake once had a much wider distribution in Southern Ontario than it does today. Persecution, habitat fragmentation and loss have resulted in their decline. This threatened species is protected by both Provincial and Federal legislation. Massasauga rattlesnakes are a unique component of Ontario's natural heritage. By being aware of your surroundings and following some precautions, you can safely share habitat with the Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake.

Identifying Ontario's Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake

Learn to identify Ontario snakes, and to distinguish the Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake from other snakes. Teach your children and visitors how to identify the massasauga. Ask children to tell an adult if they see a snake. The message is not meant to scare them, but to make them aware.



What To Look For

Colour

Brownish grey to dark grey background with dark saddle-shaped blotches on the back with several rows of alternating blotches on the side. Blotches are edged in white. Belly is dark.

Shape

Heavy-bodied snake. Head is diamond shaped with white stripes along jaw. Neck is narrow in contrast to wide head and body. Stubby tail has a brown, segmented rattle.

Eyes

Vertical (cat-like) pupils. Heat sensitive pits are located between eye and nostril. If you can see this you are probably too close! Try using binoculars to see these features.

Length 47 - 76 cm

www.massasauga.ca

Annual evening in support of Indigenous Education

May 16, 2019

7:30 p.m. at Bracebridge

Rene M. Caisse Theatre

Admission is \$5



Tanya Talaga

Award-winning Journalist and Author

Tanya Talaga is an award-winning author who has written two bestselling novels. She was the first Ojibway woman to deliver the CBC Massey Lectures; and for the past 20 years has worked as a journalist, being nominated for several awards.

Tanya shares indigenous stories, humanizing the legacy of cultural genocide and sharing her hope for a more inclusive and equitable future.

Reserve your tickets by calling the box office at 705-645-8400 or visiting www.thecaisse.com.



Larry Hope - Director of Education
Louise Clodd - Chair of the Board

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First Aid Course



Wahta Mohawks, with the support of Kagita Mikam, is seeking to gauge the interest of Wahta Mohawks membership in participating in a Standard First Aid Course. **This course would be open to members only and would need to have a direct connection to your career advancement (For example, many of the seasonal positions in this area require first aid training as a condition of employment).**

Topics to be covered would include:

- Roles & Responsibilities of the First Aider
- Emergency Scene Management
- Adult CPR & AED Training – with Level C and HCP
- Choking
- Unconsciousness and Fainting
- Severe Bleeding & Wound Care
- Shock
- Head Injuries & Spinal Management
- Burns
- Medical Conditions – Asthma, Diabetes, Anaphylaxis, Seizures
- Multiple Casualty Management
- Bone & Joint Injuries
- Child & Infant CPR (optional)
- 2 Rescuer CPR
- Chest Injuries
- Heat & Cold Injuries
- Eye Injuries
- Poisons, Bites and Stings

Although no date has been confirmed we plan on offering this course in early June.

If you are interested in participating in this training opportunity, please contact Simon Sutherland at

simon.sutherland@wahtamohawks.ca or 705-762-2354 ext. 245 **no later than Friday, May 17th, 2019**

Language Video Project Viewing

Come join us at the Administration Building on May 23rd at 5:30pm for dinner and language video viewing. Six Elders from our community were involved in a special language project, and we are excited to show the video to all our community. Please plan to attend!

RSVP to Carol by May 8th at 705 762 2354 ext. 233



Wahta Mohawks Person in Profile



Have you, or another Wahta Mohawks member you know, recently achieved success in your career or schooling after working with Kagita Mikam or the Education department of Wahta Mohawks? If so, we want to hear about it so we can share it with everyone!

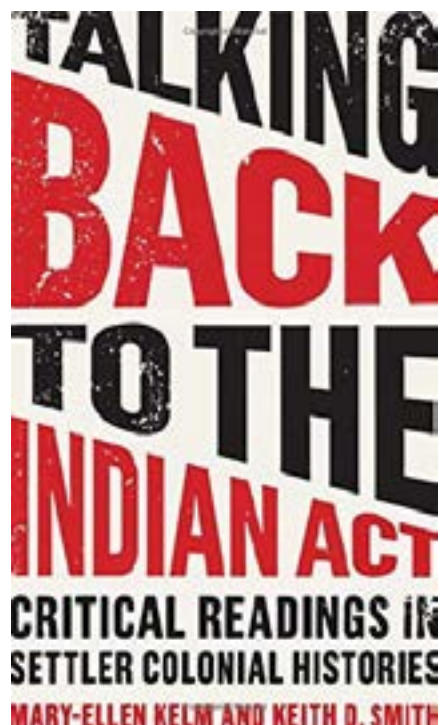
Working with Kagita Mikam, we want to show off all the tremendous successes that happen everyday where members are striving to reach their career and educational goals and making their dreams come true!

If you think that your successes, or those of someone you know, should be featured in the newsletter then please contact Simon Sutherland at 705-762-2354 or simon.sutherland@wahtamohawks.ca for more information.

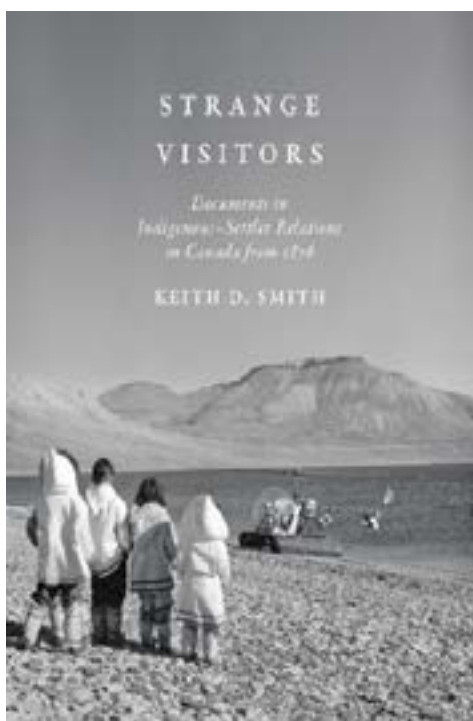
****Submissions will be selected based on their relations to Kagita Mikam funding primarily but all submissions will be considered****

Library Update

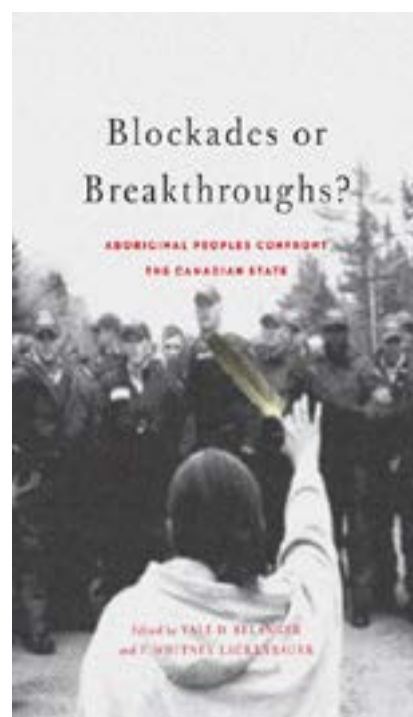
Come in and check out these new books!



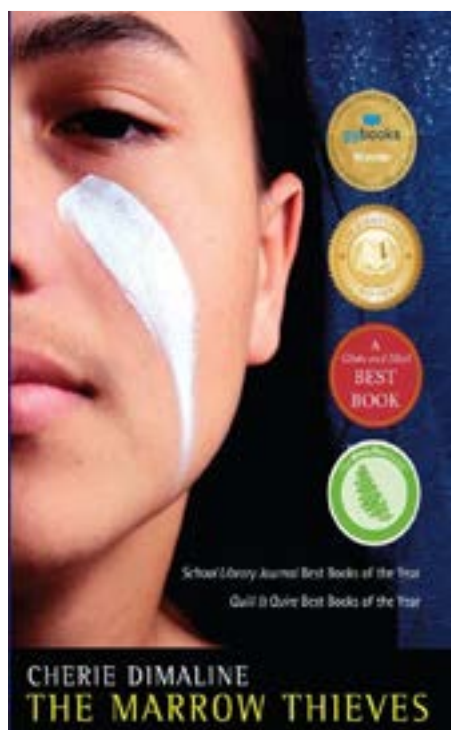
Talking Back to the Indian Act: Critical Readings in Settler Colonial Histories by Mary-Ellen Kelm and Keith D. Smith



Strange Visitors: Documents in Indigenous-Settler Relations in Canada from 1763 by Keith D. Smith



Blockades or Breakthroughs?: Aboriginal Peoples Confront the Canadian State by Yale D. Belanger and Whitney Lackenbauer



The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline

The library has also purchased the entire First Nation Communities Read Collection from 2018/2019.

First Nation Communities Read is an annual reading program launched in 2003 by the First Nations public library community in Ontario. First Nation Communities Read selected and other recommended titles:

- encourage family literacy, intergenerational storytelling, and intergenerational information sharing;
- are written and/or illustrated by, or otherwise involve the participation of a First Nation, Métis, or Inuit creator;
- contain First Nation, Métis, or Inuit content produced with the support of First Nation, Métis, or Inuit advisers/consultants or First Nation, Métis, or Inuit endorsement.

Honor Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women



**Wear red, a
red dress or
display a red
dress outside
your home,
office or place
of work**



upload your photo #REDdress

#MMIW #MMNAWG

#Gonebutnotforgotten



**May 5th National Day of
Awareness for Missing and
Murdered Native American
Women and Girls**



Health Services Events

Traditional Healer Troy Greene will be in Wahta May 22nd, 2019

Troy Greene

Troy is Bear Clan of the Oneidas. He is from Six Nations. Troy Greene has been giving Readings since he was sixteen years old. He is now in his mid-forties. He has the ability to communicate with Spirit Helpers, or with Spirit relatives, to give information to the living about a person's physical health and emotional or spiritual wellbeing.

Please call Sherry at 705-762-2354 ext. 250 to make an appointment.

Lunch with Brad from B'saanibaamaadsiwin

May 15th from 11:30am to 1:00pm

Please call Sherry ext. 250 or Christine ext. 273 to register

Elder's Conference 2019, hosted by Tyendinaga

Leaving Wahta on August 19th returning 22nd, 2019

Please call Sherry ext. 250 or Christine ext. 273 to register or for more information.

Closing date to register May 31st, 2019

More information to follow... as we receive it from AIAI

Mindfulness Activities

We supply all items required for Diamond Dotz, Colouring and new this year

Rug Hooking. Come on out and enjoy this social time together.

May 13th & 27th, 2019 9:00am to noon

Community Shopping

Tuesday, May 14th

Orillia - Orillia Square Mall, Montana's and Walmart

Please contact Christine or Sherry to register

Footcare/ Sue Siwik (Blood pressure clinic)/ Lua (dietician)
Wednesday May 8th

Seniors Exercise
Wednesday May 8th at 1pm

Chair Exercise and Healthy Lunch
Wednesday, May 22nd at 10 am
(now ALWAYS THE 4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH)
Contact Christine to register

Let's Soda Stream
If you're looking for great tasting soda, but on a low sugar or no sugar diet plan, just cutting back on carbs or concerned about calories, Soda Stream is for you.
Thursday, May 30th 6:30pm. Contact Christine to register ext. 273

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B'SAANIBAMAADSIWIN ABORIGINAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Spring Cleaning for Your Mental Health

Brad Bowland is your Aboriginal Mental Health and Addiction worker from B'saanibamaadsiwin, a program of the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Please call your community worker for a referral and to arrange appointment times or call Brad's office directly at (705) 746-2512.

It's that time of year (even if it does not always feel like it). The days are longer, the sun is out more often, and there is a sense of renewal in the air. Many people begin their annual practice of airing out their home and spring cleaning. It is also a good time to do some spring cleaning and airing out for your thoughts and mind. Here are a few things you can try this month to shake out the winter blues.

Whatever you choose to do, be intentional. Taking the time to focus on your mood can have long-term benefits. Happy spring cleaning!

Say Goodbye to Negative Thoughts

Months of gray skies has us holding tight to thoughts that do not always serve us.

The first thing to do is acknowledge these thoughts. We have a tendency to avoid dealing with how we are feeling, but recognizing a negative feeling helps us address its root cause so we can move on.

Once we have reflected on how we are feeling, we can get ready to let the feeling go. As they say, worry is paying twice.

Exercise

Bad weather often contributes to lowered rates of exercise, and because many experts agree exercise has big benefits for a variety of mental health issues, including anxiety and depression, it is important to break out of our winter rut. Clear out your pent up energy by getting your body moving. The benefits of exercise takes time to present, so it is important to be consistent.

Spring Clean for Real

Go with the tried and true and give your home a tidy. According to research, keeping a clean house can contribute positively toward decreased fatigue and depression, and increased focus. Make a plan to do a few small things a day to organize and declutter, and track your mood as you respond to a new sense of order and cleanliness.

Dinner with Brad

Discussion will be on Healthy Sleep



June 5th, 5:30pm

At the Administration Building

Contact Sherry to attend



Would you benefit from foot orthotics?

If so, come visit Zach, the onsite pedorthist at the Wahta Health Hub.
Specializing in orthotics, footwear, compression socks and knee braces.

All services are federally funded at no cost to the client

Booking new appointments for April 24th and May 22nd, 2019

Please call the Health Hub at 705-762-1274

Thank you.

Mohawk Language Class

May 6, 13, 27 and June 3, 10, 17

From 6:30pm-8:00pm

At

The Administration Office

Local AA Meetings

Bala United Church (this meeting is open and anyone can attend)

Monday evenings 8:00pm

Greenstone Muskoka (this meeting is open and anyone can attend)

3571 Muskoka Road 169, Bala

Thursday evenings 8:00pm

Trip to Canada's Wonderland

Saturday June 1, 2019

Leaving the Administration Office at 8:30am. Returning around 6:00pm.

Please call Kristan at 705 762 2354 ext 250 to sign up.

A \$10.00 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your reservation.



JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE

Jordan's Principle is a Federal principle that was enacted in 2009 to ensure that public services are available to First Nations children as they need them, when they need them. Services in health, education, recreation, childcare, languages and culture can be applied for.

Eligibility:

- All First Nations children (0-19 years old) who live on or off reserve
- One child, or a group of children



"Every child, no matter who they are, or where they live, should get the services they need to grow up healthy and proud."

To work together in supporting a child through Jordan's Principle, please contact Allana



Dnaagdawenmag Binnoojiiyag Child and Family Services (DBCFS) is a multi-service agency. Development of DBCFS began over 20 years ago by member First Nations, who identified that there was a need for consistent, responsive, culturally intelligent child welfare services for Indigenous children, youth and families. Their workers work collaboratively and alongside the family, extended family, First Nation and surrounding community to assess and ensure the well-being of children and youth.

DBCFS Offers:

- Early intervention/prevention strategies
- Support services for member First Nations, members on and off territory as well as Indigenous children, youth & families off territory
- When needed, Alternative Care placements- these are in the form of Kinship Service, Customary Care, and Kinship Care (more on this next month!)

For any questions or concerns, or interest in learning more about DBCFS, please contact:



Allana Healey
Family Well-being Coordinator
Wahta Mohawks
allana.healey@wahtamohawks.ca
+1 705 762 2354 ext 241
wahtamohawks.ca

We are Excited to announce YOUR LOCAL HEARING CLINIC
RIGHT HERE IN WAHTA. Partnered with the Wahta Health and
Social Services Department and for now, clinic will held out of
Administration Office. First Clinic will be held March 26, 2019
from 10 am-4:30 pm

Do you need HEARING TEST?

Do you have or need HEARING AIDS?

Do you need Custom Swim Plugs, Custom Noise Protection,
Home Alerting Devices or anything to do you with your EARS?

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www.plimmerhearingcentres@hotmail.com

(Ages 4 to 18 can have screen hearing tests)

(Ages 18+ can have hearing tests and hearing aid evaluations)

WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED:

ALL NIHB (Indian Affairs), ALL WSIB

(Workers Safety Insurance Board)

ALL ODSP, OW (Social Services), ALL DVA (Veterans Affairs) and

ALL Private Insurance

DECAIRE FAMILY REUNION!

DATE: AUGUST 10, 2019 TIME: NOON

LOCATION: HALL/CULTURAL CENTRE

2343 MUSKOKA ROAD 38 (ACROSS FROM HEALTH HUB)

POTLUCK – BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH

RSVP TO: TERESADECAIRE@HOTMAIL.COM 778-587-3784

LISA2MAK2JACK@GMAIL.COM 705-644-3118

PLEASE BRING BASEBALL EQUIPMENT IF YOU HAVE ANY AND PASS THIS INVITE ALONG

Wahta United Church

Church Service will be on
May 12th at 11:00am

Church Service will be on the
second Sunday of each month

If anyone would like a visit, they
can contact Pastor Derek at
(705) 346-1858



Kagita Mikam Employment & Training

Intake applications are ongoing for Kagita Mikam Employment & Training Programs. If you would like to receive education or training to get back into the workforce, or to improve your career opportunities, then support is available upon meeting the criteria and funding availability.



Various programs are available through Kagita Mikam including course costs, wage subsidies, mobility assistance to help with the costs of travel to and from training and supports for youth and entrepreneurs.

For more information on the program please contact **Simon Sutherland** at **705-762-3343 x. 245** or by email at simon.sutherland@wahtamohawks.ca or visit Kagita Mikam's website at <http://www.kagitamikam.ca/>



Do you need support...someone to talk to?? Everyone needs support at one time or another.

**Aboriginal Mental Health and Addictions Program (B'saanibaamaadsiwin)
705-746-2512 24/7 Support Line**

This program is aimed at providing culturally appropriate support and treatment for Indigenous individuals, families, and community. Model of service is culturally relevant and community specific therapeutic interventions that are based on best practices.

Please contact Sherry for referral (ext. 250) or referrals for counselling and treatment can come through any source or self-referral throughout the districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound. Services can be accessed by calling the Parry Sound Office. People can be supported in community or go into their offices...whatever your preference may be.

Dr. Ed Conners is at the cultural centre every Thursday. If you would like to book an appointment contact Sherry at 705-762-2354 ext. 250

Join Our Newsletter Email!

In an effort to help save postage and paper costs, we would like to email the newsletter to as many community members as possible. 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

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

Why Switch to Email

Why should I opt in for Newsletters?

Help Save on Postage and Paper! 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.

When will I get the Newsletter?

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

Do I need to be a member to get the newsletter?

Not necessarily, if you are the spouse or parent of a member then please do not register but instead email us and let us know you would like to receive the newsletter via email.

How else will my email address be used?

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

The Good Food Box

A Pilot Project (Started in January)

The Good Food Box is a monthly box of assorted fresh fruits and vegetables. Bulk ordering of fresh, high-quality produce (mostly local and Ontario) offers a sizable discount to customers. Each box contains a monthly newsletter with health and dietary information along with produce information and recipes to prepare meals from the box of produce you receive.

Boxes can be purchased and picked up from the administration building. **Small boxes cost \$10.00 and large boxes cost \$15.00.**

Boxes must be pre-ordered and paid for by the 7th of each month

Please contact Christine or Sherry

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