

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

Seskehko:wa - The Time of Much Freshness



September 2019



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Public Council Meeting

There will be a Public Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 3rd, at the Administration Building at 7:00pm

General Meeting

There will be a General Meeting on Saturday, October 5th at the Administration Building at 9:30am

Snow Removal Update

Starting this winter, the pricing structure for plowing driveways will be changing to be more reflective of the actual costs to provide the service. If you are interested in having your driveway plowed this winter please contact Randy Sonmor at 705-762-2354 ext. 230 or at [randell.sonmor@wahtamohawks.ca](mailto:sonmor@wahtamohawks.ca) to arrange for a quote. As with previous years, the new pricing structure will not be applied to seniors' driveways.

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



SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Public Council Meeting 7:00pm	4	5 Community Shopping 9:00AM	6	7
8 Church 11:00am	9 FASD Info Dinner 5:30PM	10	11 Footcare/ Sue Siwik/ Dietician Senior's Exercise 1:00PM	12	13	14
15	16 Mindfulness 9:00AM	17 Opioid & Naloxone Workshop & Dinner 5:30PM	18 Parent Information Night 5:30PM	19	20 Bingo & Lunch (55+) 10:30AM	21
22	23 Mindfulness 9:00AM	24 Earring Making at CHC 10:00AM Hearing Clinic 10-4 Good Food Box Pick-up	25 Chair Exercise & Lunch 10:00AM Dinner with Brad 5:30PM	26	27	28 Medicine Walk and Teachings 10:00AM
29	30					

Council Update for September 2019

Chief Philip Franks

In the August update, I stated that a meeting would be called for the purposes of voting on proposed election regulation changes that was to occur September 14. Work has been going on to ensure procedures for mail in ballots are precise, without flaw, so with that slight delay, and in order for you to have the time to totally consider that package, that vote will occur during our quarterly general meeting on **October 5th**.

Audit Presentation: As usual a representative from KPMG will be on hand to present the Wahta Mohawks audit for the fiscal year April 1st, 2018 to March 31st, 2019. There is always a question and answer time period, so we hope to hear if anyone has concerns.

Addition to Reserve: The process for having the lands that were taken from us in 1918 returned to reserve status continues. This process is prescribed by Indigenous Services guidelines, the actual settlement agreement accepted by Wahta in 2002, and with the participation of Ontario government ministries. Currently issuance of permits to those persons who maintained their camps or cottages and need access through the returned lands are being work on. Latest positive development was the Governor General signing an order of the Privy Council recognizing that the mineral rights on the land claim area are those of Wahta Mohawks.

Woodland Cultural Centre: Wahta, Six Nations, and Tyendinaga are still affiliated and do the governance on the board of directors for the Centre. In the past two years renovations and restoration have been going on to return the Mohawk Institute residential school back to some of its original look. Government and public donations of some 13 million have been utilized to repair and replace just about everything on the building including walls, the roof, and brick. We are currently fundraising for another \$100,000 to replace all of the windows with replicas. When complete the building will feature a new interpretive activity including tours. Councillor Fenton- Strength and myself are members of the WCC board.

Understanding First Nation Political Situation: While I was away recently at a Chiefs Council meeting, I was reflecting on how our elected leaders attend political meetings regarding Canadian or Ontario legislation and how in many cases these laws are disrupting to our nations, and generally accepted by the Chiefs to be not to our benefit. Yet they pass through government even after our input. What I was thinking about is that when coming back to do reports to you in our membership, it is not an easy task to try to explain all of the intricate and historical ins and outs of our intergovernmental relations. I had a short discussion with Deputy Grand Chief Peters on these thoughts and we will be looking at new approaches to be able to make issues easier to understand. These concerns come as federal and provincial governments shift back and forth from one party to the other, and an increased number of changes are occurring to laws that affect us as Indigenous people.

AIAI Elders Conference: While at the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians Chiefs Council I was happy to be able to attend the first day of the Elders Conference. The conference continues to grow each year it seems. I believe we had 14 delegates from Wahta this year. During an age elimination game Wahta delegates were in strong numbers as the elimination got into the under 85 years category, and only Wahta members were standing for the ninety year old category. Grace Sowards was recognized as the oldest conference goer at 98, next down, Grace Franks, followed closely by Phyllis Keough, and they represented the conferences most elderly.



Wahta member Grace Sowards shown here with AIAI Deputy Grand Chief Gord Peters after being declared the Eldest delegate at the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians Elders Conference this year.

Grace will be 98 years young this month of September.

Saturday October 5, 2019 9:30am

The proposed election regulation vote has been changed to Saturday October 5, 2019 at the Administration Building at 9:30am. Consultation has taken place at the last three general meetings and information posted on the website as well as discussions at the monthly council meetings. Past electoral officers and legal counsel have also been consulted on the problematic areas of the current regulations and how they can be changed.

Please be advised this is a show of hands vote as per the current regulations. All members will receive a package containing the current regulations, proposed regulations and an explanation of the proposed changes. These documents are also available at www.wahtamohawks.com.

Some of the proposed election regulation changes include:

- Longer election timelines
- Revised appeals process
- Mail-in voting

We hope that you will take the time to read the proposed regulations and come out and vote!

2019 Council Weekly Meeting Summaries

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – Wed June 12, 2019

In Attendance:

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

Agenda:

06.12.01 Alisa Lombard Legal Representative – see motion below

06.12.02 Approval of Water Feasibility Study Invoice – see motion below

06.12.03 MCR for New Relationship Fund Application – Council resolution required for funding application for Lands and Resource coordinator activities.

06.12.04 Approval to Initiate Design and Tendering Process for Admin Building Roof – see motion below.

06.12.05 Request for Pride Flag Raising - July 22nd at 11:15 am, Council approves the request to raise the flag for Pride celebration.

06.12.06 Scheduling for Council Discussion on ATR Items and Survey Review. New surveys and draft permit for road allowance need approvals, tentative June 25 meeting scheduled.

06.12.07 Upcoming Travel/Meetings:

District of Muskoka Indigenous Leadership Table – June 18th Councilor Greasley and Senior Administrator to attend.

Motions:

06.12.01 – Council approves the Wahta Mohawks file to remain with Alisa Lombard and be transferred from Maurice Law to Semaganis Worme Lombard Law Firm. Carried by consensus.

06.12.02 – Council approves the Water Feasibility Study invoice to Neeghan Burnside for \$38 883 funded by Indigenous Services Canada. Carried by consensus.

06.12.04 – Council does authorize Neeghan Burnside to proceed with the design tendering process for the Administration roof. Carried by consensus.

Next Meeting: June 19, 2019

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – Wed June 19, 2019

In Attendance:

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

Agenda:

06.19.01 Randy Sommer Maintenance Manager Update

MFP Roof – Quotes have been obtained for roof replacement of the MFP building; both are approx. \$75 000. Council will consider both quotes with maintenance manager and make a decision

Duplex Construction – Test pits have been completed to identify suitable locations, duplex drawings have been prepared for review and approval. The project will proceed to the detailed design phase.

McMaster Lake – Inventory counts have been completed for the cabin inventory purchased in April 2017. Some materials have gone missing and require replacing and a new project initiated through Maintenance manager at the direction of council.

Next Meeting: June 27, 2019

Council Weekly Meeting Summary – Thursday June 27, 2019

In Attendance:

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

Agenda:

06.27.01 OPP and Legal Council Meeting

Commander Michael Burton, Aboriginal Liaison Mark LaFrance and Wahta legal representative Jay Herbert attended. Jay explained that section 81 of the Indian Act allows for certain By-laws to be enacted such as the Trespass By-law. They have agreed to have their legal council review the by-law and reconvene.

Recent police activity on territory was discussed and how they interpret the Provincial Offenses Act on reserve. There was discussion on how a cannabis law can be enforced on reserve, the OPP take the position that Provincial Law prevails and utilize a dedicated drug enforcement unit.

The Aboriginal liaison is willing to come to Wahta for community meetings to address any concerns as well as educate on new initiatives such as speeding, drug use etc. They suggested quarterly meetings with Chief and Council. Early Fall meeting to be scheduled.

Next Meeting: July 2, 2019

January 2019 Community Meeting Minutes

Wahta Mohawks Community Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday July 2, 2019

- I. **Present:** Chief Philip Franks, Councillor Lawrence Schell, Councillor Blaine Commandant, Councillor Strength-Fenton. Regrets Councillor Teresa Greasley
- II. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm.
- III. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Moved by Councillor Strength-Fenton, Seconded by Councillor Schell. Carried.
- IV. **Adoption of Minutes of June 10, 2019:** Moved by Councillor Commandant, Seconded by Councillor Strength-Fenton. Carried.
- V. **Update to June 10, 2019 Minutes:** Education deficit is now lowered to \$22 000; this will assist in continuing to help with education funding.
- VI. **New Business:**
 - **Hydro Payout Transmission Line Appraisal** - Band Council resolution required for transfer of permit rights for Hydro including use of the occupation of the tower lines. This also includes annual land rental payments of \$392 522, valid to 2029, includes land claim area.
 - **Survey Approvals** - Band Council resolution required for 14 provisional survey plans originally conducted in 2002. The original ATR (Additions to reserve) land surveys became stale dated and needed to be done again to keep the ATR process going. Approval of new surveys required.
 - **Roderick Lake Permits** – Permit required for the Additions to reserve for camps in Roderick lake, permit provisions include upkeep, free of garbage and used only as a trail.
 - **Funding Formula Updates** – The Chiefs of Ontario are exploring different options for establishing a new province wide funding formula for dispersing new program funding and top up funding to existing programs. This work was undertaken based

on the direction of the Chiefs in Assembly to find a more permanent method to disperse funding that is both fair and equitable.

The proposed formulas from the Chiefs of Ontario's working group look at various weighting ratios involving a base amount, a per capita allocation, large band factor, and a remoteness factor. The proposed formula also factors in age considerations for the per capita portion when the program's focus is age specific. Wahta in concert with the other Association of Iroquois and Allied Indian communities is currently examining the proposed formulas in order to determine whether to support the working group's proposed formulas.

I. Old Business/ Follow-up

- **McMaster Lake Update** – Shirley Hay and Stuart lane have title to the lake as trustees of the McMaster Lake property which was required at that time. The additions to reserve process will include the return of this land back to the reserve. For now, a legal document will be drafted stating the trustees will sign it over upon Additions to reserve completion. Signatures are required.
- **Capital Projects** –6 new dwellings are being built in the core subdivision, it is 90% funded by Indigenous Services Canada, the other 10% is not funded. ISC does not fund the land preparations. There currently is a project management team in place. Water study still needs to be completed for that area. Other capital projects include fixing up the Mohawk Food Processors roof.
- **Contribution Agreements:**
Crisis response team funding - AIAI is funding a crisis response team to boost our capacity for training in crisis response.
Child Care Family agreement – Funding to supplement the family well being program.
- **District of Muskoka Land Acknowledgement** – The District of Muskoka would like to create a working group with area First Nations to develop a common engagement protocol between municipalities and community first nations.

II. June Motion Summary

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III. Questions/Comments:

Gerry News said landfill area are just dropping things at the edge at the dump, there is a lack of respect and proper use of the landfill. Administrator Murray Maracle stated he spoke with the maintenance manager about ways to minimize this through more signage etc.

Councillor Schell asked the Administrator if we have hired anyone to do the archives and front desk. Murray stated he is getting a system in place and a staff member will start archiving. Applications are now coming in for a front desk person.

IV. Next Meeting Date: August 6, 2017

DID YOU KNOW?



- That in July 2019 the eastbound radar sign located on District road 38 near Wahta Road 5 collected data from 43,500 Vehicles!
- The day with the most traffic Friday July 19th with 2,800 vehicles.
- The average speed recorded for all vehicles was 75 KM/H
- We collect data each month from both Wahta Mohawks radar signs.



Invasive Plant Management Strategy

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What are Invasive Plants?

A: Invasive Plants are plants that have been moved from their native habitat to an introduced area where they are able to reproduce quickly and crowd out native species. These plants impact Muskoka by resulting in economic, ecological and/or social disruption including health risks like those of the Giant Hogweed plant. These plants were introduced and spread by human activity like horticulture/gardening and transportation and natural process like wind and river/stream flows of seeds.

Q: Why are herbicides being applied to this vegetation?

A: Invasive Plants are identified as presenting risks to human health, private and municipal infrastructures and to the ecosystem as a whole. Surveys along roadsides have identified over 300 locations in Muskoka alone, where these plants have become established. The recommended Best Management Practices for controlling these plants includes the use of herbicides.

Q: Is using herbicide the most efficient and successful way to manage these plants?

A: Yes. It has been established that the use of the appropriate herbicide is the only efficient way to destroy the root structure of these plants. The District follows practices and removal techniques as recommended by the Ontario Invasive Plant Council.

Q: How is the herbicide applied to the roadsides?

A: Herbicides are applied in a prudent manner, in an appropriate season, and in consultation with environmental experts. The District utilizes certified and provincially-licensed firms to apply approved herbicides. Application methods, such as "spot spraying" are utilized to manage these plants while protecting other potential receptors such as nearby plants and animals.



Q: What time of year is herbicide applied?

A: Giant Hogweed is managed in the late spring and early summer due to its human health impacts. Phragmites and Japanese Knotweed are managed in the late summer and early fall to reduce conflicts with the growing and breeding plants and animals, including Species at Risk.

Q: How is the public notified about herbicide roadside application?

A: The District's approved contractor is mandated to provide written notice to occupants within thirty (30) metres of a proposed herbicide application, prior to the application. The District publishes the road names where herbicide application may take place.

Q: Can I stop the municipality from applying herbicides in front of my house?

A: Please contact the District of Muskoka at 705.645.6764 if you receive a notification and do not wish to be included in the eradication efforts.

Q: Where can I get more information?

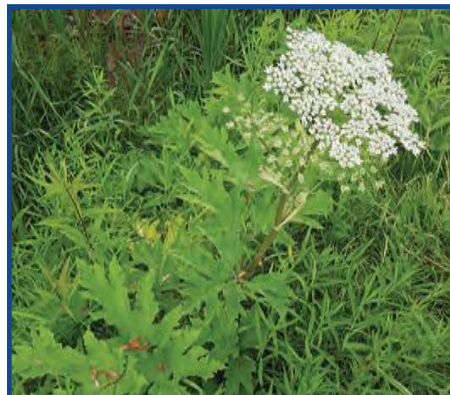
A: The District has established a webpage with more information on this program at www.muskoka.on.ca. Additional resources include www.ontarioinvasiveplants.ca, www.invadingspecies.com and ontario.ca/invasivespecies



Invasive Phragmites



Invasive Japanese Knotweed



Invasive Giant Hogweed

The District Municipality of Muskoka
Engineering and Public Works Department
70 Pine Street, Bracebridge, P1L 1N3
www.muskoka.on.ca
publicworks@muskoka.on.ca

July, 2019





PUBLIC NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE

The District Municipality of Muskoka intends to control INVASIVE and NOXIOUS WEEDS along various District-owned roadsides and on roadsides owned by the Town of Bracebridge, Town of Huntsville, Town of Gravenhurst and the Township of Georgian Bay, using 'WeatherMax' which contains the active ingredient Glyphosate.

Applications will be facilitated on roadsides where treatment is required.

Invasive Giant Hogweed application will commence June 13, 2019 - June 30, 2019 (weather permitting), and applications suitable for Invasive Phragmites and Japanese Knotweed will commence September 8, 2019 to October 15, 2019.

For more information and a list of locations, please visit www.muskoka.on.ca or contact: Jamie Delaney - Manager, Environmental Compliance, The District Municipality of Muskoka

Phone: 705-645-6764 ext. 4296 Email: publicworks@muskoka.on.ca

Muskoka Road 38

Species	Municipality	Herbicide Application Date
Giant Hogweed	Wahta First Nations	June 13 to June 30
Phragmites	Wahta First Nations	September 9 to October 15

Recycle *Right.* Recycle *More.*



ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

Clean and Empty No Food Waste!

GROCERY PLASTICS

Beverage Bottles
Condiment Bottles
Detergent Bottles
Takeout Trays
Tubs and Lids
Plastic Film / Bags Packed in a Bag

GROCERY METAL

Tin / Soup Cans
Aluminum Cans / Foil / Trays

GROCERY GLASS

Glass Jars / Bottles

OTHER

Empty Aerosols
Empty Beauty Bottles Empty
Dry Paint Cans (*Lids Off*) Foam
Meat Trays
Plastic Garden Pots



ACCEPTABLE PAPER (FIBRE) PRODUCTS

PAPER PRODUCTS

Tissue Boxes / Paper Tubes
Empty Food Boxes
Paper Cups
Office Paper / Envelopes
Milk / Juice Cartons
Magazines / Catalogues

CARDBOARD

Flatten, Bundle, Tie
(*Smaller than 80cm x 80cm x 20cm*)



LANDFILL SITE IS OPEN FROM 9 AM TO 12 NOON ON SATURDAYS & 5 PM TO 7 PM ON WEDNESDAYS

We also accept Electronic Waste - Dump metal and wood waste where directed - 705-762-2354 for more information



We have some remaining cranberry juice available for free to community members.

Contact Harry Byrne at 705-641-0833 for more information, and to arrange pick up.

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.

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

- Two 2 acre lots off Wahta Road 2
- Three lots off Muskoka Road 38

For more information, please call
705-644-4227

West Nile Virus Monitoring



If you see a device like the one pictured in the woods, don't disturb it. It's a mosquito trap used by the Wahta Mohawks to collect samples as part of its surveillance of West Nile Virus in the community. Traps have been set up in 4 locations, evenly spaced throughout the area. They are mostly off the beaten path in wooded areas. We do move the traps around sometimes. Traps are checked and emptied weekly.

All it takes is one mosquito bite to become infected with West Nile Virus. About one in 150 people infected will develop serious symptoms, such as high fever, headache, neck stiffness, stupor, vision loss, numbness, and paralysis. Symptoms could last several weeks, and neurological effects could be permanent. Up to 20 percent of people infected will have milder symptoms, and about 80 percent won't have any symptoms at all.



To reduce the risks of infection, the Health Canada advises eliminating mosquito breeding sites by getting rid of standing water, wearing insect repellent, avoiding the outdoors at dawn and in the early evening, and fixing screens to keep mosquitoes out of your house.

For more information please contact Evan Holmes at 705-762-2354

Address Information

Please keep your address up to date with our office. If you will be moving or have moved, please provide us with your current address, email and phone number.

We do not share your contact information with anyone.

We do send out information packages periodically and we need your input.

Thanks for keeping in touch!

Tewanónhstat ne Rotiksten'okón:'a Raotiwen:na

Preserving the Voice of Our Language Keepers

Aimed at preserving and celebrating our language, this project offers important history of the people of Wahta and the unique perspective of our language keepers.

Wahta Mohawks is proud to offer households of Wahta Mohawks members a complimentary copy of the DVD and accompanying text of this important project, while quantities last.

If you are interested, please see the receptionist at the Administration Building.

After November 1, a limited number of copies will also be made available to non-members of Wahta Mohawks at a cost of \$40 while supplies are available.

Education Department Parent Information Night

The Education Department would like to invite interested parents and caregivers to join us for the first Parent Information Night of the new school year on **Wednesday, September 18th from 5:30-7:30** at the Cultural and Healing Centre.

The evening will feature updates from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board and a presentation from Autism Ontario. We will also provide updates on the Language Program, Education Department initiatives and information on Jordan's Principle.

Light refreshments will be served, and childcare will be provided.

Hope to see you there!

Seeking a Graphic Designer!

Wahta Mohawks is seeking expressions of interest from Graphic Designers for community projects. Working in concert with the Education Department this individual would be tasked with planning and hosting sessions for selected youth, sharing with them the fundamentals of graphic design.

For more information on this exciting opportunity please contact Simon Sutherland at simon.sutherland@wahtamohawks.ca or 705-762-2354 ext. 245

Health & Social Services Events

****5 spots available for ages 19-64****for **AIAI Indigenous Health And Wellness Conference in Niagara Falls October 28-30, 2019** (Mileage will be provided for travel)

Topics to be discussed

*Video Game Gambling

*Asperger's, Autism and Gaming

*Men and Women's Roles and Responsibilities

*Diabetes Essentials

*Hoop Workshop

And more!

****Please submit ASAP and by September 18th for consideration – 5 names will be drawn from those who express interest****submit to Sherry

Thursday, September 5th – Car seat clinic ---CANCELLED---more information to follow

Thursday, September 5th – Community Shopping (Midland) Leaving at 9:00am. Please call Christine or Sherry to Register.

Monday, September 9th – FASD Info dinner @ admin @5:30pm – **RSVP by Sept 3**. RSVP to Kristan or Christine. Giveaways to all participants.

Wednesday, September 11th - Footcare/Sue Siwik (Blood Pressure Clinic) Lua – Dietician
Contact Christine for more information

Wednesday, September 11th - Seniors exercise at 1pm Contact Christine to sign up

Monday, September 16th & 23rd – Mindfulness 9 am

Tuesday, September 17th – Opioid and Naloxone Workshop and Training & Dinner @ admin 5:30pm. RSVP to Kristan by Sept 10

Friday, September 20th – Bingo and Lunch 10:30 Contact Christine

Tuesday, September 24th – Earring Making at CHC 10am-2pm Lunch included RSVP Sherry

Tuesday, September 24th – Good Food Box Pick UP after 1pm

Wednesday, September 25th - Chair Exercise and Lunch 10 am Contact Christine to sign up

Wednesday, September 25th – Dinner with Brad – 5:30pm RSVP to Sherry by Sept 18

Saturday, September 28th – Medicine Walk and teachings – 10am – 4pm @ admin RSVP to Kristan or Sherry by Sept 20

Monday, September 30th – Bingo and Dinner for ages 19-54 - 5:30 RSVP to Kristan or Sherry

PLEASE JOIN US FOR WAHTA'S FIRST



ON OCTOBER 3RD FROM 3:00PM-8:00PM AT THE
BAND HALL

Please come join us for festive activities for children and adults, drumming, workshops, vendors, traditional games, door prizes, and more!

Snacks and dinner will be provided

*If you are interested in being a vendor and selling your wares, please contact Sherry or Christine by **Sept. 26th, 2019***

sherry.bryne@wahtamohawks.ca , 705-762-2354 ext. 250

OR

christine.cox@wahtamohawks.ca , 705-762-2354 ext. 273

After School Program Notice

Starts October 8th, at the Cultural Centre

Mondays – Drumming and singing 3:30-5:00

Tuesdays – Swimming lessons 4:00-8:00 (9 weeks)

Sign up prior Sept 20th. Please pack your children food for the evening. If you wish to drive your children yourself, please let us know.

Wednesdays – 3:30-5:00

All children must be willing to participate in the activities that are scheduled for that day.

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Women's How to workshop

basic handyman skill development

September 28 and October 19th from 10:00- 1:00 at the Cultural Centre

Only 10 spots available!

Pumpkin Mania Family Event At Rounds Ranch

October 19th bus leaves at 10am


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Do you want to workout but find it impossible because of childcare?

Now's your chance with, child minding available during the months of October & November
Every Tuesday and Thursdays from 1-2 at the Wahta Gym.

For more information on these events or to sign up please contact Amy Davidson at 705-762-23343 ext. 201

amy.davidson@wahtamohawks.ca



FOOT/KNEE/HIP OR LOW BACK PAIN?

**Visit Zach, Certified Canadian Pedorthist at the
Wahta Health Hub**

Specializing in custom foot orthotics and compression socks

Booking appointments for: September 4th/September 25th



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

IROQUOIS CRANBERRY GROWERS

ORAL HISTORY PROJECT



This project aims to document and celebrate the history of the Iroquois Cranberry Growers and marsh, informed by the stories, knowledge and experiences of Wahta Mohawk community members.



PROGRESS

- Consultation workshops in Fall 2017 & Winter 2018 involving Wahta elders, administration, and representatives
- Life story interviews with former Iroquois Cranberry Growers employees
- Compiled archives related to cranberry marsh



NEXT STEPS

- Additional interviews and workshops with Wahta community members, including those involved with the Iroquois Cranberry Growers
- Collect additional documents (e.g., photos, newspaper articles) relating to the Iroquois Cranberry Growers
- Work with Wahta community to create a display that documents and tells the history of the Iroquois Cranberry Growers



GET INVOLVED

- Take part in an interview or workshop to share stories, photographs and other symbols / objects that you associate with the cranberry marsh. You will receive a \$50.00 honorarium for each session
- Offer ideas on how to showcase the history of the Iroquois Cranberry Growers
- Contact Bryan if you're interested in working together on the project



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A Mohawk Council Resolution was passed July 26, 2017 in support of this research. The research has been reviewed and received ethics clearance from the University of Waterloo Research Ethics Committee (ORE #23054)



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sciences humaines du Canada

Canada



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FACULTY OF APPLIED
HEALTH SCIENCES

Summer Picnic and Fish Derby 2019



Congratulations to the baseball champs, Caleb, Al, Ben, Jonathan, Patsy, Dan and Earl



Fishing Derby, Congrats to Ladies Champ Patsy Decaire, Men's Champ Kevin Decaire and Youth Champ Jacob Schell.



Horseshoe Champs, Congrats to Tim Falconer and Earl Strength



B Final Horseshoe Champs, Congrats to Jonthan Stock and Ben Stillar



It was a perfect day for fishing and a picnic. Thank you to all that helped out and participated. It was a great turn out with at least three generations of community members attending. Good to see young and not so young out together.
See you next year ☺

DECORATIONS

Time is running out only 3 months until the Christmas Season starts.



Order one of these Custom Christmas crates now to ensure you have it before the big day. Made with recycled skids/pallets. Pick your own Child's Name & Christmas Colours. The dimensions of the crate are 24" x 13 "x 7". \$35.00

Wahta United Church

Church Service will be on
September 8th 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

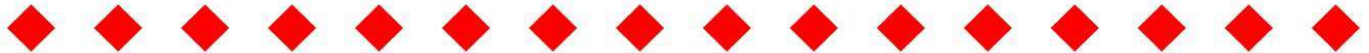


Kagita Mikam Employment & Training

Intake applications are ongoing for Kagita Mikam Employment & Training Programs. If you are unemployed, underemployed or out of school and would like to receive training to get back into the workforce then support is available upon meeting the criteria and funding availability.



Programs available through Kagita Mikam are: Purchase of Training, Targeted Wage Subsidy, Mobility Assistance, Youth Work Experience, Employment Assistance Supports and Self Employment Assistance. Funding for training is for 1 year only. Members of Wahta Mohawks without status are eligible for funding. A Letter from Wahta Mohawks stating that you have membership must be provided. Members with status must provide status number and membership letter. For more information on the program please contact **Simon Sutherland** at **705-762-3343 x. 245** or by email at **simon.sutherland@wahtamohawks.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.

If you would like an appointment with **Dr. Ed Connors** please call **Sherry Byrne** at 705-762-2354 ext. 250.

Join our Newsletter Email List!

In an effort to help save paper and postage costs, we would like to email the newsletter to as many community members as possible. There are two ways to join the newsletter list.

1. Register at www.wahtamohawks.com/member-registration
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?

Why should I opt in for Newsletters?

Help save on postage and paper! With over 300 newsletters sent out each month, it is a time consuming and costly procedure for staff. Electronic newsletters also make it easier to visit links provided for websites and contact information.

When will I get the Newsletter?

You will receive the newsletter as soon as it is ready. You will not have to wait for it to be sent out in the mail.

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

If you are the spouse or parent of a member of the community, please email us at info@wahtamohawks.com, and let us know you would like to receive the newsletter.

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 the occasional communication regarding community updates.

The Good Food Box



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, and they are available for pick up on the fourth Tuesday of every month

The next scheduled pick up days are September 24th,

October 22nd, and November 26th

Please contact Christine or Kristan

Contact Information

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Murray Maracle	Senior Administrator	Ext. 231
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Karen Sahanatien	Lands and Housing Clerk	Ext. 222
Kristan Sahanatien	NNADAP	Ext. 230
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Simon Sutherland	Edu. Assist./Employment & Training	Ext. 245
Cindy Thompson	Health Services Manager	Ext. 240
Samantha Walker	Executive Assistant/Librarian	Ext. 272

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Harry Byrne	Maintenance Supervisor	705-641-0833
Terry DeCaire	Maintenance	705-644-9862
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Please Feel Free to Call with any Questions or Concerns

Administration Office Hours:

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