



# ENKAMGAK

Translation from Anishinaabemwin: "The Happenings" or "What is Going on?"

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## Council Meetings:

Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:30pm  
Duchesnay

Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm  
Garden Village

Please submit agenda items by 4pm on the Thursday prior to the meeting to Freda Martel at (705) 753-2050 ext. 1223 or email to [fredam@nfn.ca](mailto:fredam@nfn.ca).

## We Said "Yes" to the AES... What Now?

The eligible voters of Nipissing First Nation voted "yes" to the *Anishinabek Nation Education Agreement* in December 2016. This "yes" vote means that Nipissing First Nation is part of the Anishinabek Education System (AES).

With 96% of votes cast being in favour of the Agreement, Nipissing First Nation was one of 27 communities that had an overwhelming "yes" vote and one of 14 communities that met the vote requirements.

Even though the majority of eligible voters in some communities that voted said "yes", there were not enough votes to convince Canada that they approved the Anishinabek Nation Education Agreement. To satisfy the Government of Canada's internal requirements and affirm the initial "yes" vote, 11 other First Nations chose to run a second vote in July 2017. The eligible voters of nine (9) First Nations reaffirmed their high level of support with majority votes cast being in favour of the Agreement.

On August 16, 2017, we joined 22 other First Nations that also voted "yes" to sign the *Anishinabek Nation Education Agreement* with Canada and the *Master Education Agreement* with Ontario. Together, these agreements will support the implementation of the Anishinabek Education System.

Under the AES, Anishinabek fully control education, including priorities and spending. First Nations will make education laws for schools on reserve (such as Nbisiing Secondary School), and have full control over how to best allocate education funding. First Nations will continue to make funding decisions for post-secondary students.

There will be no changes to funding amounts without our consent, nor will there be any changes to treaty or aboriginal rights. We can still negotiate treaties and other agreements, including agreements on education, and the Ministers of Indigenous and Northern Affairs have no authority over the AES.



### At a glance: the Anishinabek Education System



First Nations control education from JK to Grade 12 on reserve



Promotes Anishinaabe culture and language



Creates Anishinabek education standards to support transition of students between schools



Kinooamaadziwin Education Body and Regional Education Councils support education programs and services for PFNs



Funding support continues for post-secondary students

Learn more about the Anishinabek Education System: [www.SayYestoAES.ca](http://www.SayYestoAES.ca)

# Kinoomaadziwin Education Body

The Kinoomaadziwin Education Body (KEB) was incorporated in January 2011 as a not-for-profit corporation owned and controlled by the Anishinabek First Nations in accordance with a 2010 Grand Council resolution stating that the KEB will:

- ◆ Initiate the educational activities to support the First Nation exercise of jurisdiction over education on-reserve and the delivery of education programs and services by the First Nations
- ◆ Support the First Nations on the selection of the regional representatives to the KEB Board
- ◆ Implement the education strategic plan
- ◆ Report to the Chiefs-in-Assembly at its regular assemblies on the progress achieved and the ongoing plans to establish the Anishinabek Education System.

The KEB takes direction from the First Nations on the steps required to set up the Anishinabek Education System (AES). When the AES is operational, the KEB will support First Nations in their delivery of education programs and services and liaise with the Province on education matters.

The KEB will receive education funding from Canada on behalf of the First Nations and distribute 100% of the program and services funding to the First Nations. The KEB will develop a budget for First Nation approval on how the funding that Canada provides to run the AES will be spent.

## Kinoomaadziwin Education Body

Each First Nation that is part of the Anishinabek Education Systems belongs to one of four education regions of the Anishinabek Education System. Each First Nation appoints two (2) representatives to sit on their respective Regional Education Council (REC) under their own selection process. Nipissing First Nation belongs to REC #3 (along with Dokis, Henvey Inlet, Magnetawan, Moose Deer Point, Wahnapiatae and Wasauksing First Nations).

## Nipissing First Nation Representatives

**Kinoomaadziwin Education Board Member:** *Marianna Couchie*

**Regional Education Councils** (Groups of First Nations located in geographic proximity): *Muriel Sawyer & Fran Couchie*

**Local Education Authorities** (Established by First Nations to oversee the delivery of educational programs and services at the community level): *Education Committee / Chief & Council*

NFN's Education Committee will develop Education Laws with support from the KEB Board of Directors.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact:

Alice McLeod at 705-497-9127 ext. 2245 or [alice.mcleod@anishinabek.ca](mailto:alice.mcleod@anishinabek.ca).



***“The Kinoomaadziwin Education Body Board is committed to working diligently to ensure that the Anishinabek Education System is prepared to be operational as of April 1, 2018, on behalf of the First Nations we represent.”***

Debbie Mayer, Chairperson of the Kinoomaadziwin Education Board

L-R: Debbie Mayer, KEB Board Chair, Chief Scott McLeod & Deputy Chief Muriel Sawyer with a concept drawing of the KEB Building

We, the Anishinabek, are responsible to educate our children so that in the generations to follow there will always be Anishinaabe.

## KEB Building

NFN has invited qualified contractors to submit tenders for the construction of a building to house the Kinoomaadziwin Education Body on our territory.

The building will be located in the Bineshii Business Park and will house 12 staff when it is completed in the fall of 2018. NFN will be providing space for three to five staff initially within existing facilities until construction is completed.

There will be opportunities in the future for other First Nations participating in the AES to house their Regional Education offices with a minimum of 2 staff.

In addition, the building design includes 5,000 square feet of commercial space that will be available for NFN businesses to lease in the fall of 2018.

Our Economic Development office held a public session on September 16<sup>th</sup> to highlight this unique opportunity to lease commercial space, and to offer assistance to NFN entrepreneurs and enterprises with business planning and funding needs related to moving to the KEB Small Business Centre.

Another session will be held on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am - noon in the lobby of the new wing of the Administration Complex.

**For information about leasing Commercial Space within the new KEB Small Business Centre, contact:**

Michael Harney  
Ec. Dev. Manager  
705-753-2050 ext. 1264  
[michaelh@nfn.ca](mailto:michaelh@nfn.ca)

## Demolition of Building in Garden Village

### 289 Ted Commanda Drive, Garden Village

At the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, Chief and Council moved to demolish the building located at 289 Ted Commanda Drive in Garden Village (east of Holy Spirit Church). This building, which was constructed as a community hall and later became the daycare before becoming our Lands Office, is very old and has outlived its purpose.

We recognize the history of the building, but also realize that the costs to renovate it to current standards are not reasonable in light of recent developments in the community. The expansion of the Administration Building Complex has allowed us to better meet the needs of our staff and community members by housing the majority of our services under one roof.

**We anticipate demolition to begin in early November.** During the demolition, we ask community members to avoid the site in the interests of safety.

At this time, there are no plans to construct another building on the site, nor are there any plans to sell or re-allocate the lot. Chief and Council have directed that the site should remain a community area and will keep the community informed about any future plans.

If you have any questions or concerns about the planned demolition, please contact:

Dwayne Nashkawa, Chief Executive Officer  
705-753-2050 ext. 1222 or [dwaynen@nfn.ca](mailto:dwaynen@nfn.ca)

## Duchesnay Cemetery Expansion

As part of Nipissing First Nation's Capital Plan, we began the cemetery expansion project in Duchesnay on September 18<sup>th</sup>. The work includes the removal of large boulders and trees to prepare the site for an additional 304 plot spaces.

Should you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact:

Patrick Stevens, Facilities Manager  
705-753-2050 ext. 1220 or [patrick@nfn.ca](mailto:patrick@nfn.ca)

### Concept Plan: KEB Small Business Centre - Bineshii Business Park



## Annual Community Meeting

Mark your calendars! This year's annual community meeting will be held on **Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 a.m. until noon in Garden Village. Our leadership will provide updates on major projects and plans while community members enjoy a hot breakfast and ask questions.



We would like to take this opportunity to showcase the newly expanded Administration Complex to the community by hosting some of our information booths in the new wing of the building.

**Save the Date! More details to come in the November newsletter!**

## Hydro North Transmission Line

Hydro One will be replacing the sky wire (top) line on the north transmission lines that run through Beaucage and Commanda Townships from September 13 to December 31, 2017.

This maintenance work will involve ground crews as well as the use of a helicopter. Hydro crews will also be using roads and trails on Nipissing Nation to access the transmission lines and bring in equipment required to perform this maintenance.

We are asking all Nipissing hunters, trappers and resource users to be aware of this maintenance work and to use caution when hunting, trapping or 'minnowing' in these areas.

In turn, we have requested that Hydro provide warning signs when they are working in an area. We hope that this work will have minimal disruptions to Nation members harvesting wildlife in these areas.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

Joan McLeod, Land Manager  
705-753-2922 | [joanm@nfn.ca](mailto:joanm@nfn.ca)

## NFN Satellite Office Hours Nbisiing School

In order to better serve members located on the east end of NFN, the following departments offer a satellite office at Nbisiing Secondary School.

NFN's Satellite Office is available from **9:00am - 4:00pm** on the following dates (unless otherwise specified):

### ONTARIO WORKS

**Every 2nd Wednesday**

Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

**Appointment Required:**

Call 705-753-2050 to book.

### FINANCE

**Every 3rd Friday**

Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

### MEMBERSHIP

**Every 3rd Tuesday**

Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

**Appointment Required:**

Call 705-753-2922 to book

### HEALTH CENTRE

**Appointment Required:**

Call 705-753-3312 to book

### CHIEF McLEOD

**Appointment Required:**

Call Mike Sawyer at 705-753-2050

## Police Services Survey Report

Chief and Council have reviewed the results of the community satisfaction survey concerning policing services on Nipissing Nation. Miigwech to all of the Debendaagziwaad and Endaawaad who took the time to complete the survey.

A total of 84 surveys were completed and provided valuable input to Chief and Council about how residents perceive the current level of policing services across our communities, while identifying strengths and opportunities for improvement.

The final report summarizing the community's feedback has been posted to our website at [www.nfn.ca](http://www.nfn.ca).

To request a copy of the report by mail or email, contact Gen Couchie at 705-753-2050 ext. 1270 or [genc@nfn.ca](mailto:genc@nfn.ca).

# Seniors' Snowplowing Reminder:

Seniors & HCC Clients must submit a new waiver each year!

**To be eligible:**

- You must be a member of Nipissing First Nation and sixty-five (65) years of age or older.
- You must be the primary owner or tenant, and the home must be your primary residence.
- The home must be situated on Nipissing First Nation and within the area being serviced by the Public Works Department.

Waiver will be available at Diners' Club on October 11th, and upon request. The Seniors Snowplow Policy is available at: [www.nfn.ca](http://www.nfn.ca).

For more information, contact Shayla Brunet 705-753-2050 x1285 or [shaylab@nfn.ca](mailto:shaylab@nfn.ca).

**Snow Plow Tenders**  
See [page 19](#) for details

# Beautification & Maintenance Update

The Beautification and Maintenance crew have been busy since May working on multiple projects in the NFN community, focusing on repairs in public spaces and maintenance assistance for Elders.

The crew works closely with the Facilities, Public Works, Maintenance and Administration Departments to focus on short and long term projects in the communities.

Since June, major projects have included:

- Completing sheltered walkway from new Outdoor Rink change room to the Outdoor Rink;
- Repairing cross at Duchesnay;
- Prepping pow wow grounds, and volunteer parking ;
- Clean up of all public beaches;
- Redoing walkway at the front of the Administration Building;
- Seniors Lawn care;
- Community lawn brushing;
- Revamping Outdoor Rink in Duchesnay;

For more information contact:

Garry Leblanc, Foreman  
705-753-2050 ext. 1262 | [Garry.Lebblanc@nfn.ca](mailto:Garry.Lebblanc@nfn.ca)



# Christmas Distribution Notice

The Christmas Distribution payments will be given out on the following dates:

**Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Band Office, Garden Village

**Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Nbisiing School, Duchesnay

Registered Nipissing First Nation members will have until March 31, 2018 to pick up their shares. These shares do not accumulate and must be picked up or requested separately each year. For those picking up, please have your status card available to ensure greater efficiency for the payment process. Third party pick-ups are no longer permitted; however one can collect for a spouse and a parent may collect for children under the age of 16 still living at home.

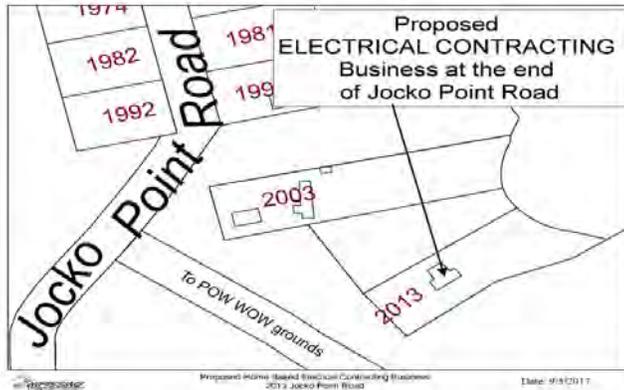
A form is provided at [www.nfn.ca](http://www.nfn.ca) and will be mailed to all member households in mid-October for anyone who would like to request a cheque or direct deposit instead of picking up. Please return the form to the Finance Department by **November 10, 2017** to receive payment on December 8, 2017.

**\* Reminder \***

Christmas distribution monies will be applied to any outstanding money owing to the Band at the time of distribution.

# Electrical Business Notice

An application for approval has been received by the Business Licensing Committee to operate a home-based electrical contracting business located at 2013 Jocko Point Road, as noted on the key plan set out below:



Should you wish to express any legitimate concerns or valid objections about this proposed land use, you are asked to submit them in writing by October 15, 2017 to:

Michael Harney, Economic Development Manager  
36 Semo Road, Garden Village, Ontario P2B 3K2

Should you have any questions regarding the location of the proposed business, please address them to:

Joan McLeod, Land Manager  
36 Semo Road, Garden Village, Ontario P2B 3K2

# Office Closure *Thanksgiving*

All of our offices will be closed for Thanksgiving on **Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**.

Garbage collection will also occur one day later on **Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**.



# Contact Us

**Nipissing First Nation**  
36 Semo Road  
Garden Village ON P2B 3K2  
(705) 753-2050  
[genc@nfn.ca](mailto:genc@nfn.ca)

## AFN National Fisheries Committee Meeting

NFN will host the Assembly of First Nations' National Fisheries Committee meeting from October 3-5 in Garden Village. We are proud to host this important gathering that will see 40 delegates from across the country meet to discuss various fisheries issues and initiatives, including NFN's leadership in Fisheries Management in Ontario.

We are very pleased to welcome several dignitaries to our territory, including Grand Council Chief Patrick Madahbee, Deputy Grand Council Chief Glen Hare and Elder Gordon Waindubence of the Anishinabek Nation. We are also pleased that Ontario Regional Chief Isadore Day plans to join us and share a few words on the final day of the meeting.

### FWIN Update

Due to warmer than usual water temperatures, the Fall Walleye Index Netting (FWIN) will take place in mid-October.

FWIN is a standardized assessment technique and water temperatures need to cool to 15° Celsius before it can begin. As of September 25th, the water temperature was still 21° Celsius.

We will provide an update on this year's FWIN assessment in the next newsletter.

## Natural Resources Updates

### Hunting Season

Hunting season has arrived and with that comes issues of trespassing on Nipissing First Nation Lands. The Natural Resources Department will be doing regular patrols on NFN bush roads to monitor activity and discussions have been taking place to reduce the amount of trespassing that has occurred over the past several years.

Non-Status hunters are required to obtain, for a fee, a hunting permit from NFN and have a Provincial hunting license/tag. Non-Status hunters are also required to be in the company of an NFN member while hunting on NFN Lands at all times.

Please contact the Natural Resources Department at 705-753-2050 for information on hunting permits.

### Miigwech to our Compliant Fishermen

The Natural Resources Department and NFN membership would like to say 'Miigwech' to registered commercial fishermen who complied with the NFN Fisheries Law this past season. Compliant fishermen allowed inspections by our enforcement staff, submitted catch forms and allowed their catch to be biologically sampled by our assessment staff.

This compliance enables the proper management of our fishery and plays a huge role to ensure the health and recovery of the Lake Nipissing fishery. Protection of Treaty Rights and protection of our fishery is the primary focus of NFN.

To express our appreciation for their efforts, a list of registered compliant fishermen was kept and each fisherman who fully complied was given Tim's Convenience Gift Certificates. Along with this, their names were put into a draw for a Lowrance Fish Finder/GPS unit and the winner of the draw was George Goulais.

Congratulations to George on winning this draw and again, Miigwech to all registered compliant fishermen for their efforts this past season!

## Traditional Fish Species and Preparation

*Free Workshop Facilitated by Norm Dokis*

*Hosted by the Culture & Heritage Department*

**Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. til 9 p.m.**

**Church Hall Basement, Garden Village**



For more information, contact Jane Commanda at 705-753-2050 or [janec@nfn.ca](mailto:janec@nfn.ca).

## Yellek Dock Removal

The dock in Yellek will be removed for the season in mid-October. For more information, please contact Terry Lariviere, Public Works Manager, at 705-753-4001 or [terryl@nfn.ca](mailto:terryl@nfn.ca).

## Post Secondary Information Session

What you need to know about Post Secondary and Nipissing First Nation Post Secondary funding process. Partnership with Nipissing University APSIP.

**Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**

**1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Nbisiing School Gym, Duchesnay**

**Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

**Education Office, Garden Village**



Please contact Geraldeana Goulais at 705-753-6995 or [gerryg@nfn.ca](mailto:gerryg@nfn.ca) for more information.

## Education Department Reminders

### Student Information / Nbisiing Bussing Forms

Please return completed forms to the Education Department. Forms are available at [www.nfn.ca](http://www.nfn.ca).

### Integrated Children's Program

The Integrated Children's Program has started and children must be registered in order to attend the program. Forms are available at the Health Centre, and completed registration forms can be submitted to Brandie at the Health Centre.

### Adult Education

The Adult Education program has begun again and is offered:

**Wednesdays from 6pm - 8pm at Nbisiing Secondary School**

**Thursdays from 6pm - 8pm at the Library in Garden Village**

For more information, drop into a session for assistance or contact Tracy Hanzlik at the Education Office.

## Contacts

### Director

Nancy Allaire

### Post-Secondary Worker

Geraldeana Goulais

### Elementary/Secondary Worker

Tracy Hanzlik

### Bussing Coordinator/ Administrative Assistant

Charlene Bellefeuille

**70 Semo Road  
705-753-6995**

## Report Cards & Incentives

If you have not signed an Authorization for Release of Information form with our office allowing us to access your student's report card in order to receive Incentives, please complete the form available from [www.nfn.ca](http://www.nfn.ca) and return it to the Education Office.

### Incentives for ON-Reserve NFN Students

Elementary attendance 4 days or less

High school attendance \$25 for each credit course enrolled minus \$2.50 for each class missed.

### Incentives for ON & OFF Reserve Local NFN High School Students:

\$25 for each credit passed &

Total average of marks for semester (80% - 100% =\$100, 70% - 79% =\$75)

### Start-up Allowance for ON-Reserve:

The maximum allowance for Nipissing First Nation elementary & grade 9 students living on reserve shall be \$40 per year for all students registered for the first day of school.



**N I P I S S I N G   S E C O N D A R Y   S C H O O L**

We're off to a fantastic start to the school year with increased enrolment, great classes and a variety of activities. Please visit our website [www.nbisiing.com](http://www.nbisiing.com) or Facebook Page for our calendar of events and other school-related information, or call (705) 497-9938.

**Raising Healthy Children Class** had a guest visitor last week. We played lego, playdough, coloured, played with balls and balloons outside, played hide and seek as well as what time is it Mr Wolf. All of the students interacted with our guest in a respectful way and had a great afternoon. Any parents with small children (under 6) who would be interested in bringing their child in for a class would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Ashley at [ashleyp@nbisiing.com](mailto:ashleyp@nbisiing.com).



**Co-op Education and Dual Credits**

Jayden and Zachary are learning many employability skills at their respective placements - Groulx Equipment and Redpath Mobile Shop. They are getting hands-on, real-life experience. As well, they are having fun while learning these relevant job skills and attributes.

Chi-miigwech to all of our employer sponsors: Greenwood Baptist Church, One Kids Place, and Hunter's Automotive.

There are also students enrolled at Canadore College in Dual Credit Programs such as Early Childhood Education, Manufacturing, and Electrical Techniques.

**School Evaluation**

Nbisiing is undergoing a 5 year comprehensive school evaluation this year. The evaluation is being completed by Cecile Somme. Information will be gathered from administration, and current students, alumni, staff, parents and guardians will be asked to complete a survey. More information will be shared as it becomes available.



Miigwech to all the parents, students, guests and alumni who came to our annual **Welcome Parent Barbecue.**



**Funny Money Presentation:** Sponsored by Meridian Credit Union, the Government of Ontario and the Ontario Chamber of Commerce.



**Flame of Hope:** Choose Life Presentation for Suicide Awareness Day. Miigwech to Tom Lambert for sharing your story with us.



Liked by connors623 and 152 others  
nipissingu The 12th annual Welcome Powwow was a celebration of culture and diversity.  
4 HOURS AGO

**Canadore College Pow Wow:** Nbisiing students and staff enjoyed a beautiful day. Some of our girls even made it onto the Nipissing University Instagram page!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Monday, October 2nd - PD Day

Friday, October 6th - Annual Thanksgiving Feast

Tuesday, October 31st - Halloween Afternoon Activities

Midterm Exams are scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.



ANISHINABEK EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE

[www.aeipostsecondary.ca](http://www.aeipostsecondary.ca)

(705) 497 9127 ext. 2228

**Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Everyone is Welcome!**

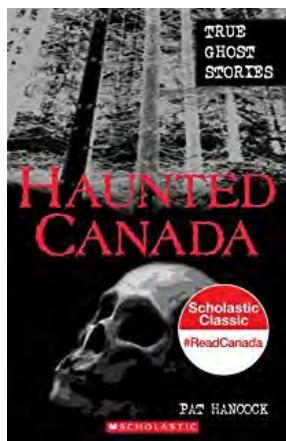
AEI offers a variety of post-secondary diploma and certificate programs.

Join us at our Open House to learn more. Snacks and refreshments available.

**Main Campus Location - 1 Migizii Miikan Road (off Hwy 17W)**  
Union of Ontario Indians Building

## Randy's Picks for October

**GHOST STORIES**  
FROM OUR LOCAL  
AREAS & OTHER  
PARTS OF CANADA



## Library Hours

**Monday:** 1pm - 4pm

**Tuesday:** 9am - Noon  
1pm - 4pm

**Wednesday:** 1pm - 4pm

**Thursday:** 9am - Noon  
1pm - 4pm

**Friday:** 9am - Noon

**Closed Saturday & Sunday**

**Randy Penasse, Librarian**  
24 Semo Road, Garden Village  
705-753-6997  
[randyp@nfn.ca](mailto:randyp@nfn.ca)  
[www.kendaaswin.ca](http://www.kendaaswin.ca)

## NEW MOVIES THIS MONTH!



**MY LIBRARY - "GO ANYWHERE, LEARN ANYTHING"**

## Cardinal TV series filming on NFN

The crew from the TV series *Cardinal* will be filming in two locations on NFN in October:

### October 10 & 11

*Private residence in Jocko Point*

### October 31

*Nbisiing School in Duchesnay*

While the crew is filming, there will be temporary traffic stoppages in these areas and workers will be hired to assist with traffic control. Miigwech for your patience.

## Nipissing Warriors off to Hockey Hall of Fame

Kudos to Les Couchi, NFN member and Nipissing Warrior, for leading an effort to have the Warriors documentary and memorabilia inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

[Read the full story here.](#)



## Special Events



**OJIBWAY WOMEN'S LODGE**  
Respect, Security, Harmony



### Sisters in Spirit Candlelight Vigil

**October 4<sup>th</sup>** is a day where we honour the lives of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. The violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls in Canada is a national tragedy. We must take the time to give thanks to the families who are the reason we all continue to demand action.

**Vigil Location:** 131 Commanda Crescent, Ojibway Women's Lodge

**6:00pm** - Opening Remarks with Smudge

**6:15pm** - Candlelight Vigil Walk

**7:00pm** - Refreshments & Closing Remarks

**All Welcome!** Please dress warmly. If possible, please wear an item of red clothing in honour of the missing and murdered Indigenous women.

Contact Emily Couchie for more information: 705-472-0233 or [emilyc@nfn.ca](mailto:emilyc@nfn.ca).



## Gtigewin Community Garden Feast



**When:** October 6<sup>th</sup> 12-1pm

**Where:** Band Office Gym

Prizes to be won!

Call if ride needed: 753-3312

For NFN community

Come enjoy a meal made with food from our garden to celebrate the end of the season!

## Adult Programs, Events & Trips

**Wednesdays throughout October - Chair Yoga Program** 6pm-7pm @ Nbisiing School Gym

Chair Yoga is a gentle form of Yoga that is practiced sitting in a chair, or standing and using the chair for support. Michele Chretien will be leading a four week Chair Yoga Program starting on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

To register, or to learn more about this free program, contact: Ashley Couchie at 705-753-6971 or [ashleyc@nfn.ca](mailto:ashleyc@nfn.ca).

**Wednesday, October 4 - Nipissing Nation Cemeteries Info Session** 10am-1pm @ the Library

Light refreshments will be served. All welcome!

For more information, contact: Steve Commanda at 705-753-2050 or [stevec@nfn.ca](mailto:stevec@nfn.ca).

**Tuesday, October 10 - Call-Ins begin for Adult Trip to Niagara Falls on October 27-28.**

**A trip for Adults aged 21 to 54 years. Call to reserve your seat!** Cost is \$55/person based on 2 person per room accommodations at Fallsview Comfort Inn. Payment is due by Friday, October 13. Cancellations/refunds are available if cancellation is done at least 48 hours (2 days) prior to departure.

In fairness to all community members, we will only accept names to hold two (2) seats starting at 8:30am on Tuesday, October 10. We will accept names until Thursday, October 12 at 4:30pm, or until all spaces are filled.

Motor Coach sponsored by Chief & Council. All other costs (meals, etc.) are the responsibility of the participant.

If there are any extra seats on the bus, then anyone over this age may attend by placing their name on the waiting list.

Bus will leave the Band Office at 6 am on Friday, October 27 and will leave Niagara Falls at approximately 3 pm on Saturday, October 28.

# Free Used Equipment Exchange

**Saturday October 14 10:00am-1:00pm**

**Outdoor Rink in Garden Village**



Donations of gently used hockey equipment can be dropped off at the Lawrence Commanda Health Center to Ashley until Friday, October 13

**"Pick up what you need, drop off what you don't"**

## Open Gym Nights

**Thursday Nights**  
Nbisiing School Gym  
4:30pm - 6:30pm  
Ages: 6-17 years

*Some photos from  
this summer's youth  
fundraising events*



## Youth & Family Events

**Sunday, Oct. 1 - Kids' Social** (Ages 6-12) 10am-2pm @ Band Office Boardroom\*  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Monday, Oct. 2 - PA Day Activities** (Ages 6-18) 9am-3pm @ Band Office Gym  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Wed., Oct. 4 - Thanksgiving Craft Night** (Ages 6-18) 6pm-8pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Tuesday, Oct. 10 - Kids' Social** (Ages 6-12) 6pm-8pm @ Nbisiing School  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Wed, Oct. 11 - Kids' Movie Night** (Ages 6-12) 6pm-8pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Friday Oct. 13 - Tween Night** (Ages 10-12) 4:30pm-6:30pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Friday Oct. 13 - Teen Night** (Ages 13-18) 6:30pm - 10pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Sun., Oct. 15 - Kids' Social** (Ages 6-12) 10am-2pm @ Band Office Boardroom\*  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Wed., Oct. 18 - Teen Movie Night** (Ages 13-18) 6pm-8pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) and Native Child Welfare Program*

**Sat., Oct. 21 - Teen Cooking** (Ages 12-18) 10am-2pm @ Seniors' Lodge in GV  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Monday, Oct. 23 - Mom & Baby Drop In** 9:30am-2pm @ the Library  
Moms, Dads and Children welcome! *Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Tuesday, Oct. 24 - Teen Social** (ages 13-18) from 6pm-8pm @ Nbisiing S.S.  
*Hosted by the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Wed., Oct. 25 - Hallowe'en Craft Night** (Ages 6-18) 6pm-8pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Friday Oct. 27 - Tween Night** (Ages 10-12) 4:30pm-6:30pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

**Friday Oct. 27 - Teen Night** (Ages 13-18) 6:30pm - 10pm @ the Library  
*Co-hosted by the NFN Kendaaswin (Library) & the Native Child Welfare Program*

\* **Note:** "Band Office Boardroom" is located in the new wing of the Administration Complex.

**On behalf of our NFN Youth, we would like to say Chi-Miiigwech to everyone who supported this summer's Youth Fundraising Activities!**

The funds raised at the Indian Taco Fundraiser in July and the BBQ Lunch Fundraiser in August were directed towards covering costs for 15 youth to participate in trips to the North Bay Escape Rooms, Chief Commanda Cruise and Science North.

# FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY

5:00 PM	Registration	<b>Haunted House</b> Entry: non-perishable food item or \$1
5:30 PM	Pizza & Hot Dogs	
6:00 PM	<b>Zombie Run</b> – Ages 6-10	
6:30 PM	<b>Pumpkin Carving Awards</b> (Most Creative, Scariest and Funniest)	
	<b>Costumes Contest</b>	Ages 0-4
		Ages 5-8
		Ages 9-12
		Ages 13-18
Adults		
7:30 PM	<b>Zombie Run</b> – Ages 11 & Up	<b>Music Video Dance &amp; Haunted House</b>

**ZOMBIE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
 Contact Ashley at 705-753-6971.

**Saturday, October 28 from 5pm until 9pm**  
**at the NFN Administration Complex**

Organized by: Food Bank, Library, NCWP & Recreation  
 Support provided by: APS, Community Wellness & Nbisiiing Bus Lines

Pumpkins will be accepted for judging until 6:00 pm  
 All children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

If you require transportation, please contact Tamara @ 705-753-2691 by Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Cultural Events & Updates

### Binaakwii Giizis - Falling Leaves Moon (October)



#### Full Moon Ceremony

at Culture Centre in GV

Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>  
8:00pm

Conductor: Virginia Goulais  
Will be conducted in our language  
Bring yellow cloth & skirts



#### Raised Beading Moccasin Vamps

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> ~ 10am - 4pm  
Culture Centre, Garden Village

Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> ~ 10am - 4pm  
Nbisiing School, Duchesnay

No Cost for NFN Members  
Facilitator: Darlene McLeod



#### Youth Drum & Dance Socials

New drummers & dancers welcome!

Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm - 8:00pm

Every 2nd Tuesday  
Garden Village, Church Basement  
Bring a snack to share if you like!

## Ojibwe Discourse Markers

Saturday, October 21st from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Nipissing University - Room A257

Join us for this session with **Dr. Brendan Fairbanks**, Anishinaabe Linguist & Author. Dr. Fairbanks is dedicated to preserving, documenting and revitalizing the Ojibwe language.



To register, contact Jane at 705-753-2050 or [janec@nfn.ca](mailto:janec@nfn.ca).

## Culture & Heritage Department Update

### Chi-Miigwech for another successful Pow Wow

We would like to say *Chi-Miigwech* to our sponsors and to the countless volunteers and staff members who assisted with the huge task of welcoming people to our territory to celebrate Nbisiing largest annual event.

### Nipissing Warriors Documentary

Now that the Nipissing Warriors Documentary is completed, we are working on the story of the Nipissing Indian Homemakers Club. We will be conducting interviews and gathering photographs of community events as well as memorabilia (pins, crests, jackets, ribbons, booklets, newspaper clippings). If you have any information or items to share, we would appreciate your help with putting together this important story. Please contact Glenna Beaucage at 705-753-2050 or [glennab@nfn.ca](mailto:glennab@nfn.ca). Miigwech.



### Anishinaabemwin Programs

#### Weekly Classes

Every Monday in Duchesnay  
6pm - 8pm @ Nbisiing School

Every Wednesday in Garden Village  
6pm - 8pm @ Culture Centre

Protect, Preserve, Promote, Practice  
& Pass On Your Language

For more information about Cultural events and programs, contact Joe McLeod

(705) 753-2050 ext. 1260 or [joe.mcleod@nfn.ca](mailto:joe.mcleod@nfn.ca) | [www.nfnculture.ca](http://www.nfnculture.ca)

# from the of the Health Promotion Worker for the Right Path Counselling & Prevention Services

Hello, Aanin, Boozhoo, Aniish na? How are you?

Having good mental health means striking a balance in all aspects of your life: social, physical, spiritual, economic and mental. Reaching a balance is a learning process. A person with a mental health problem has a higher risk of having a substance use problem, just as a person with a substance use problem has an increased chance of having a mental health problem. People who have combined, or concurrent, substance use and mental health problems are said to have concurrent disorders.

The following information is from the Government of Canada: Every day, Canadian families and communities are grappling with the devastating effects of problematic opioid use. Opioid-related overdoses have claimed the lives of thousands of Canadians of all ages and walks of life. The collection and sharing of epidemiological data are critical to empowering communities and public health professionals to make informed interventions. Collaboration and information sharing between federal, provincial and territorial governments is crucial to mounting an effective response to this crisis. The most recent data regrettably shows the devastating extent of the crisis, with at least 2,816 apparent opioid-related deaths reported in 2016. Preliminary data for 2017 suggest that the number of opioid-related deaths will almost certainly surpass 3,000 this year.

Available preliminary data indicate that in 2016 there were **at least 2,816 apparent opioid related deaths** in Canada and that the national apparent opioid-related death rate was **7.8 per 100,000**. While the updated data for 2016 show a slight drop in the national mortality rate from the previous estimate, this drop is due to the addition of data from Quebec and does not represent an actual reduction in number of deaths.

Key findings from the updated 2016 data include:

- 73% of apparent opioid-related deaths occurred among males;
- 28% of apparent opioid-related deaths occurred among those aged 30 to 39;
- 52% of apparent opioid-related deaths involved fentanyl-related opioids; and
- 84% of apparent opioid-related deaths involved another intoxicating substance (such as alcohol, cocaine or benzodiazepines).

Available preliminary data for the first quarter of 2017 indicate that there were 602 apparent opioid-related deaths in those three months. Because several provinces and territories are still finalizing their data, it is not possible at present to draw quarterly conclusions based on age and sex. **We expect that the number of apparent overdose deaths in the first quarter of 2017 will surpass the number of deaths in the first quarter of 2016.**

## DO YOU KNOW THE SIGNS OF AN OPIOID OVERDOSE AND WHAT TO DO?

### SIGNS:

- Blue lips or nails
- Dizziness and confusion
- Can't be woken up
- Choking, gurgling or snoring sounds
- Slow, weak or no breathing
- Drowsiness or difficulty staying awake

### WHAT TO DO:

**CALL 911**  
**Administer naloxone if you have it**  
**STAY with the person until help arrives**

**Together we can #stopoverdoses**  
**Learn more at [Canada.ca/opioidsx2](http://Canada.ca/opioidsx2)**

*If you need support or counselling for Mental Health or Addictions issues, remember we care and are here to help!*

Call us at Giyak~Moseng - The Right Path Counselling & Prevention Services 705-753-1375.

Baa maa Pii, Until next time, Lori-Anne, Dr. Brenda, Cheryl, Lisa L, Julie, Maxine, Amanda & Janice

## Snow Plow Tenders

**Tenders are being accepted from NFN members for the 2017-18 winter season.**

**Please use this form and indicate the price per driveway when bidding on Seniors' Driveways.**

### SENIORS' DRIVEWAYS – GARDEN VILLAGE & VLA

Driveways Seniors Program

### PRICE PER DRIVEWAY

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Driveways Home and Community Care Program

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seal tender and mark: **Snowplowing Driveways - Garden Village & VLA**

### SENIORS' DRIVEWAYS—DUCHESNAY & YELLEK

Driveways Seniors Program

### PRICE PER DRIVEWAY

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Driveways Home and Community Care Program

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seal tender and mark: **Snowplowing Driveways - Duchesnay & Yellek**

### SENIORS' DRIVEWAYS: MEADOWSIDE / BEAUCAGE

Driveways Seniors Program

### PRICE PER DRIVEWAY

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Driveways Home and Community Care Program

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seal tender and mark: **Snowplowing Driveways - Meadowside & Beaucage**

**Please use this form and indicate the price per contract when bidding on Community Buildings.**

### COMMUNITY BUILDINGS - GARDEN VILLAGE

Former Daycare/Lands Office (including parking lots and laneways)

### PRICE PER CONTRACT

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lawrence Commanda Health Centre Building

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seniors' Apartment Complex

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Village Fire Hall (including parking lot)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fisheries Building (17 Philip Avenue)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Former Housing Department Office (316 Ted Commanda Dr.)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Duplex Units in Subdivision (2)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Triplex Units in Subdivision (2)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### COMMUNITY BUILDINGS - DUCHESNAY

Ojibway Women's Lodge

### PRICE PER CONTRACT

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seal tender and mark: **Snowplowing Commercial Lots.**

**TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**The successful contractor must provide a Clearance Certificate from WSIB and Proof of Liability Insurance.**

Please submit bids clearly marked "**SNOWPLOWS TENDERS**" to the attention of **Dwayne Nashkawa** no later than **Friday, October 27, 2017 at 4:00pm to:** Nipissing First Nation, 36 Semo Road, Garden Village, ON P2B 3K2

*"Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted"*

**NOTE:** The number of driveways for the seniors' program will be determined only when contracts are ready for signatures. Contracts can be amended and are subject to change during the life of the contract. For more information, please contact: Shayla Brunet, Facilities Clerk at 753-2050 ext. 1285 or [shaylab@nfn.ca](mailto:shaylab@nfn.ca).

## ADVERTISING

### **FIRE MOVES FASTER THAN YOU!**

When a fire starts you don't have time to figure out how to escape.

Make an escape plan **BEFORE** there's a fire so you can **get out safely**.



**EVERY SECOND COUNTS!**

**PLAN  
2 WAYS OUT!**

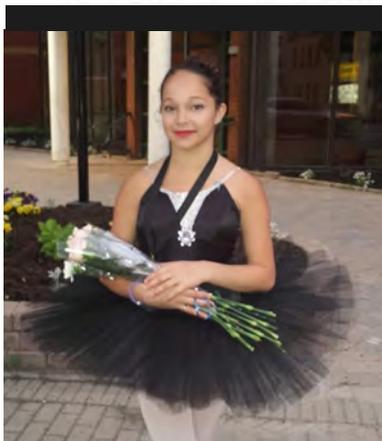
Contact your local fire department about how to develop a home fire escape plan.

Nipissing First Nation Fire & Emergency Services

Fire Prevention Week October 8 to 14, 2017

Office of the Fire Marshal  
and Emergency Management

[ontario.ca/firemarshal](http://ontario.ca/firemarshal)



Brooklyn Sawyer participated in part time competitive Dance team at Dance Expressions.

Miigwech to the Dreamcatcher Foundation for funding her program.

### **Food Bank Notice**

We will no longer be accepting clothes and household items. Should you have any clothes that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Union of Ontario Indians and they will be sent out to other First Nations that are in need. Contact Rebecca Timms for more information at 705-497-9127. Household items can be brought to Rebuilt Resources.

We are in need of plastic bags to help people pack their food. Bags can be dropped off to the Food Bank at 17 Philip Avenue.

## **Home for Sale**

### **4 Old Sturgeon Falls Road, Duchesnay**

Custom-built raised bungalow with panoramic views of lake Nipissing and great income potential.



Main floor has 2 bedrooms & 2 bathrooms; fully finished basement has 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, kitchen, living room and own entrance.

There is also a separate self-contained year-round cabin that can be rented out. Asking \$400,000.00. Listed with Century 21 – contact Dennis Mong at 705-474-4500 to book a showing or for more info.

# Jocko Point Community Centre Events

Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

9am - Noon

**Monthly All-You-Can-Eat Brunch**

Adults: \$11.00  
 7-12 years: \$ 3.50  
 7 & under: FREE

*Proceeds to Centre Maintenance*

Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

4pm - 7pm

**Spaghetti Supper**

Adults: \$11.00  
 7-12 years: \$ 3.50  
 7 & under: FREE

*Proceeds to Centre Maintenance*

Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

7pm - 10pm

**Monster's Ball - Family Dance Party**

Dress up and come on out for some family fun!  
 Tickets are only \$5 each.

*Proceeds to Children's Christmas Party*

\* Volunteers welcome for all of our events. Please call 705-493-3440 for more information. \*

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# October 2017

## Binaakwii Giizis Falling Leaves Moon

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>Kids' Social</b> 10am-2pm @ Band Office Boardroom	<b>2</b> <b>PA Day Activities</b> 9am-3pm @ Band Office Gym (6-18yrs)	<b>3</b> <b>Council Meeting</b> 7:30pm @ Nbisings School, Duchesnay	<b>4</b> <b>Sisters in Spirit Vigil</b> 6pm @ OWL <b>Craft Night</b> 6-8pm @ Library	<b>5</b> <b>Full Moon Ceremony</b> 8pm @ Culture Centre in GV	<b>6</b> <b>Gtigiwin Feast</b> Noon @ Band Office Come enjoy a meal made with food from our garden!	<b>7</b>
October 1-7 is World Breastfeeding Week – Recognizing the value of breastfeeding to improve maternal and newborn health.						
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b> All offices closed	<b>10</b> <b>Call-ins start for Trip to Niagara Falls on October 27 &amp; 28</b> <b>Kids' Social</b> 6-8pm @ Nbisings SS	<b>11</b> <b>Diners' Club</b> Noon @ Band Office <b>Kids' Movie Night</b> 6-8pm @ Library	<b>12</b> <b>AEI Open House</b> 9am-4pm @ UOI <b>Drum Social</b> 6-8pm @ Church Basement in GV	<b>13</b> <b>Tween/Teen Night</b> 4:30-6:30pm (10-12) 6:30-10pm (13-18) @ Library in GV	<b>14</b> <b>EcDev Info Session</b> 10am-12 @ Band Off. <b>Equip. Exchange</b> 10am-1pm @ ODR <b>Raised Beading</b> 10am @ Culture Ctr
October 8-14 is Fire Prevention Week – Make sure your family has a home fire escape plan!						
<b>15</b> <b>Kids' Social</b> 10am-2pm @ Band Office Boardroom	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Council Meeting</b> 7:30pm in Chambers, Garden Village	<b>18</b> <b>Teen Movie Night</b> 6-8pm @ Library	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Teen Cooking</b> 10am-2pm @ GV Seniors' Complex <b>Ojibwe Discourse</b> 10am @ NipU A257
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Mom/Baby Drop-in</b> 9:30am-2pm @ Library	<b>24</b> <b>Post-Secondary Info Session</b> 1:30pm-3pm @ Nbisings School <b>Teen Social</b> 6-8pm @ Nbisings	<b>25</b> <b>Post-Secondary Info Session</b> 6pm-7:30pm @ Education Office <b>Craft Night</b> 6-8pm @ Library	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Traditional Fish Species &amp; Prep</b> 6-9pm @ Church Bsmt <b>Tween/Teen Night</b> 4:30-6:30pm (10-12) 6:30-10pm (13-18) @ Library in GV	<b>28</b> <b>Raised Beading</b> 10am @ Culture Ctr <b>Hallowe'en Party</b> 5-9pm @ Band Office Games*contests*dance
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Happy Hallowe'en</b>  Reminder to drivers to watch out for little goblins tonight!	<b>Weekly Events:</b> <b>Adult Education Sessions:</b> Wednesdays from 6-8pm @ Nbisings & Thursdays from 6-8pm @ Library in GV <b>Anishinaabemwin Language Classes:</b> Mondays from 6-8pm @ Nbisings & Wednesdays from 6-8pm @ Culture Centre <b>Chair Yoga:</b> Wednesdays throughout October from 6-8pm @ Nbisings School Gym <b>Open Gym Nights:</b> Thursdays throughout October from 4:30-6:30pm @ Nbisings School Gym			



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