Eaglepress Newsletter

Vision Statement in Ojibwe:

Ezhi niigaa niigaa niigaa niigaa niigaa niigaa niigaa (the vision of these people).
Ezhip mino maadzijig (living a joyful life),
ezhi waamji-gaazwaad (their identity, how people have identified them),
ezhi debwedmowaad (their beliefs),
ezhi mimiingaazwaad (what was given to them by Creation, what they always had, their heritage),
niigaabminunkiiwaad Anishinaabek (is how they always lived as Anishinaabek).

Translated by: Nimkew Niinis, N’biising First Nation.
Eaglepress Newsletter

The Eaglepress newsletter is available for download at www.mncfn.ca. We encourage members to view the online version rather than subscribing to print to help us care for Mother Earth and save print and postage costs. Please visit our website and subscribe to receive automatic newsletter updates sent to your email.

This special edition newsletter will capture 2017 and all of the exciting events in our community. So enjoy the reflection of the 2017 Special Holiday Edition.

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Musician Mark LaForme with Six Nations musician Robbie Robertson, where Robertson was honoured with the first-ever Lifetime Achievement Award at a special event on Six Nations Oct. 14.
2017 Year in Review

Aanii! It’s been a whirlwind year here at MNCFN and we wanted to bring you some of the year’s highlights with our first-ever Eaglepress Holiday Edition – Year in Review!

We hope you enjoy all the news and photos of 2017 with a little taste of what’s to come in 2018!
Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

January 2017

Burlington School Unveils Truth and Reconciliation Mural

Students at St. Mark Catholic Elementary School in Burlington wowed guests, including those from Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, with a special mural project they undertook aimed at truth and reconciliation.

MNCFN Waterline Expansion

Council approved a motion to acknowledge and support the MNCFN waterline expansion schedule and committee to proceed with a conceptual design report which has less requirements to fulfill, lower costs, and less completion time.

Wealth Creation

An economic development committee, led by Councillor Casey Jonathan, was established to support MNCFN Wealth Creation. MNCFN accepted $980,952 in funding from INAC to support wealth creation on MNCFN.

Peel Board of Education Commits to Truth and Reconciliation

The MNCFN Education department met with the directors of education for the Peel District School Board after the board reached out to MNCFN in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Calls to Action to gain an understanding of MNCFN’s education system and education realities.
February 2017

**Historical Gathering Focuses on MNCFN Role in Shaping Canada**

It was the largest turnout ever at the 7th annual Historical Gathering and Cultural Series hosted by MNCFN Lands, Research and Membership.

**LSK Mural Tour Explains the Story of the Mississauga People**

A tour group attending the Historical Gathering had a chance to learn about the history of the Mississauga people through a guided explanation of the beautiful LSK Mural, led by community elder and knowledge holder Carolyn King.

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**Community Energy Plan**

Sustainable Economic Development gathered input from the community for three months in early 2017 for a Community Energy Plan and helped residents find ways to save money on energy bills and energy usage.

**Carolyn King Recognized for Hard Work and Volunteerism**

MNCFN volunteer, knowledge holder, elder and ambassador Carolyn King was honoured by MNCFN Chief and Council with a beautiful pottery gift by renowned artist Steve Smith for her tireless dedication to volunteerism and making the community a better place.
In September 2016, MNCFN filed an Aboriginal Title Claim to Waters within the Traditional Lands of the Mississaugas of the New Credit. The claim details were discussed at the February 2017 Monthly Gathering.

**MNCFN Eyeing Indigenous Business District in Toronto**

The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation is on a journey toward economic self-sufficiency. Wealth creation, in the form of developing own-source revenue, will allow for the improvement of the overall holistic well-being of our First Nation.

The LSK Little Eagles put forth a valiant effort during the 19th annual New Credit Hockey Invitational on Feb. 10 at Gaylord Powless Arena in Ohsweken.

**Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Honoured at MNCFN Vigil**

An annual vigil was held in February to honour MMIWG at the main intersection in Hagersville followed by a dinner and sacred fire at the MNCFN community centre grounds.
March 2017

MNCFN Media and Communications Department Unveils New Website

The Media and Communications Department unveiled a new website, www.mncfn.ca, with new features and information. The website continues to evolve to ensure better communication with the membership, MNCFN staff, chief and council, the media, and the general public.

Revitalization of the Indigenous Legal System Through the Naakinagewin Project

On March 23 and March 24, knowledge holders, youth and community members gathered at Curve Lake First Nation to revitalize the Mississauga legal system.

April 2017

NAIG 88 Days Out Event in Toronto

April 19 was a day full of excitement, hope and optimism as guests, dignitaries, and members of MNCFN council celebrated the 88 Days Out event to the NAIG Games in Toronto.

Chief Brings Greetings at Lil NHL Hockey Tournament in Mississauga

Chief R. Stacey Laforme brought greetings to thousands of guests and welcomed them to Mississauga Traditional Territory at the Hershey Centre for the annual Lil NHL Hockey Tournament.
**Mental Wellness Curriculum Rolled out LSK**

Staff at MNCFN Social and Health Services and Lloyd S. King Elementary School engaged students in an innovative mental wellness curriculum in May and June. Grade seven and eight students were taught, through various interactive lessons, some basic tenets of mental wellness.

**Mental Health Week**

MNCFN Social and Health Services held a number of events aimed at raising mental health awareness during National Mental Health Week.

**Indigenous Business District Open House**

An open house on the proposed Indigenous Business District in Toronto was held at the community centre to get community input on the idea on April 18 and April 19.

**Earth Day 2017**

The kids and staff at ECC planted dozens of trees on the property between the childcare centre and LSK Elementary during annual Earth Day celebrations. Union Gas donated 200 saplings to MNCFN for Earth Day initiatives.

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**Caterer Wanted**

February 14 - 16, 2018

The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation is seeking 3 individual caterers to supply lunch and desserts for the following:

- 150 people per day February 14, 2018
- 150 people per day February 15, 2018
- 150 people per day February 16, 2018

In your submission, please indicate which day you will be available to cater if selected.

Lunch ideas/suggestions:
- Corn soup and scone, Indian Tacos, Soup and sandwich, Lasagna and Salad. Desserts will be choice of caterer

Submission deadline - January 19, 2018

Please email all quotes to HistoricalGathering@mnfcn.ca
If you have any questions, please call 905-768-0100
May 2017

**Hollywood Fever Hits MNCFN**

MNCFN was treated to a taste of Hollywood in all its glamour and excitement after two major young stars – Cara Delevingne and Jaden Smith – filmed a portion of their upcoming movie Life in a Year at the site of Cec and Judy’s old gas bar on First Line Road May 23.

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**Sustainable Economic Development (SED) Unveils Results of Community Energy Survey**

After SED undertook a community energy survey, consultant Cambium Aboriginal suggested energy priorities on MNCFN be: education, conservation, the potential for independent energy generation, and zero energy use increase year over year.

![Figure 1 - Total Energy Use by Type, 2016](image)

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**80,000 honey bees rescued on MNCFN**

An estimated 80,000 honey bees were safely removed from the Old Council House on May 13, 2017 by MNCFN member Katherine Brown, of King’s Heritage Farm, and Anne Parkhill, a licensed bee keeper affiliated with Ontario Bee Rescue Services.

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**New Telemedicine Videoconferencing System Expands Health Care for MNCFN**

MNCFN Social and Health Services initiated new “e-health” technology for members to access remote medical services at the S&HS office.

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The HMCS Goose Bay Naval Ship docked in Toronto harbour for four days in May recognizing the Treaty Lands and Territory of MNCFN by flying our flag.
June 2017

Moccasin Identifier Featured at New Ontario Place Park

Visitors approaching the new park at Ontario Place are greeted with a sign that says, “The design of Trillium Park was inspired by Ontario’s rich natural landscape, built by its people and guided by a special partnership with the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, whose influence is visible throughout its landscape.”

Engagement Continues of MNCFN Strategic Plan

Member engagement on the MNCFN Strategic Plan heated up with both the June and July Monthly Gatherings dedicated to this purpose.

Toronto School and LSK Students Share Culture at Peer Exchange Day

About 150 students from St. Andrew School in Toronto spent the day with LSK students at the MNCFN Community Centre making moccasins and experiencing outdoor activities together during a peer exchange day.

NOTICE

Please be advised that the Department of Lands, Research & Membership (LRM) will be relocated to 6 First Line Road, Hagersville, Ontario in January of 2018.

Please stay tuned for confirmation of move date.

Old Address: 468 New Credit Road, Hagersville, Ontario
New Address: 6 First Line Road, Hagersville, Ontario

From all staff at Lands, Research & Membership, we wish you all a Safe & Happy Holiday!
**Kids Learn About Culture at Fourth Annual ECC Powwow**

It was a beautiful day full of culture, laughter and dancing at the fourth annual Ekwaamjigenang Children’s Centre Powwow. MNCFN welcomed hundreds of little visitors from child care centres in surrounding communities to witness Indigenous culture and learn about their friends and neighbours.

**Local Youth Celebrated at MNCFN NAIG Day**

A special media event was held at LSK to celebrate local youth participating in the NAIG Games: McKenzie General and Ryann LaForme (who participated in softball) and Caleb “Deuce” Martin.
**Water is Life Celebrations**

Valarie King, traditional knowledge keeper for the MNCFN Water Committee, worked hard to bring awareness to MNCFN water rights with activities throughout the community in June 2017.

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**July 2017**

**MNCFN Host Partner at 2017 NAIG Games!**

MNCFN welcomed thousands to its traditional and treaty territory during the 2017 North American Indigenous Games held in Toronto in July 2017. Three MNCFN youth represented MNCFN by participating in the Games, as well. There were 5,250 Indigenous athletes aged 13 to 18 from across North America celebrating their heritage and shining in their preferred sport. Ryann LaForme and MacKenzie General won silver medals in U16 softball, Chayton King (pictured below) won a gold medal in U19 Male Lacrosse and Caleb “Deuce” Martin placed 14th in U17 Male Golf. MNCFN is very proud of the youth who participated in the Games! They represented the community well.
The Warrior in Us: A Celebration of Sport

In light of the Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games being held on MNCFN, we hosted a Celebration of Sport. The Warrior in Us event featured a question and answer panel with professional Indigenous athletes. The celebration also hosted the front runners who carried the torch for the Pan Am Games, traditional singers, dancers and drummers and we topped off the evening with some live entertainment of local bands. CN Rail sponsored the event.

Canadian Native Fastball Championships

August 2017

Ryann LaForme played for the West Bank – Four Directions Women’s Team, while Matt Sault played for the West Bank Cardinals Men’s Team. The Cardinals repeated as three-time Canadian Native Champions! Way to go Ryann and Matt!

Save the Dates!

8th Annual Historical Gathering
Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation

February 14th, 15th & 16th, 2018
MNCFN Community Centre
659 New Credit Road, Building #4, Hagersville, ON

Come out and enjoy learning about the rich history and culture of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation.

This is a free event but you MUST register to reserve your spot, as space is limited. Register now for all or part of this three-day Historical gathering!

Refreshments and catered lunch provided.

To register or for more information contact:
905-768-0100 or email: HistoricalGathering@mnccfn.ca
Chief R. Stacey LaForme Provides Welcome at the Canadian National Exhibition

Chief R. Stacey Laforme provided a historic welcoming address at the opening of the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto.

MNCFN Three Fires Homecoming Powwow

The 31st annual powwow was a smashing success, which celebrated 170 years since MNCFN’s move from the Credit River to its current-day location near Hagersville, Ont.

Community Kitchen

Thursday, January 25, 2018
12:00 - 2:00 pm
Social & Health Services (Lower Level)

Community Kitchen is a great program for anyone who would like to eat healthier or who would like to learn how to cook. Under the Diabetes prevention program, community members can cook a healthy balanced meal to take home. All the ingredients will be provided, participants will cook and share with other in the community kitchen.
Healthy eating is a prevention for diabetes! Come out to learn new recipes and tips for cooking, to share your knowledge with others and try something new! Please bring a reusable container so you can take your delicious, healthy meal home.
This is a free event open to all community members. To register or for more information contact Laura-Lee Kelly at 905-768-0141 or LauraLee.Kelly@mncln.ca

NOTICE:

Please be advised that as of January 8, 2018, the Department of Consultation and Accommodation (DOCA) will be relocated to 4065 Highway 6 North, next to Don Hyde Marine, Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0.

If you have any questions please call our office at (905) 768-4260.

The Department of Consultation and Accommodation would like to wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.
September 2017

Mississauga Nation Flag Unveiled at Curve Lake Powwow

The Mississauga Nation unveiled the new Mississauga Nation logo at the Curve Lake Powwow on Sept. 16.

MomenTo 2017

MNCFN participated in MomenTo by Canoe “Celebrating the Humber” at Etienne Brule Park. Elder Garry Sault provided the opening, followed by Chief Laforme with opening remarks, and Carolyn King educated participants at the MNCFN booth.

RBG Indigenous Peoples and Plants Trail

It was a beautiful day on Sept. 17 as the Royal Botanical Gardens (RBG) celebrated the opening of its Indigenous People and Plants Trail “Enji Naagdowing Anishinaabe Waadiziwin” – The Journey to Anishinabe Knowledge.

Celebration of Nations

Councillor Margaret Sault and Elder/Veteran Garry Sault and Veteran Bill LaForme attended the Celebration of Nations, an Indigenous performing and visual arts gathering to honour and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding achievements of First Nations, Metis and Inuit people within Canada in St. Catharines.
Caring Together Week

Hundreds of community members turned out for the annual Caring Together Week event which showcases all the different services MNCFN has to offer. It ended with a beautiful “colour run” where participants got covered head-to-toe from special dye made of coloured powder.

Invictus Games

MNCFN hosted the Invictus Games Toronto 2017, an event where veterans compete in sporting events.

DOCA Open House

The department held an open house on Sept. 7 and Sept. 8. It was a chance for members to meet the staff and learn about some of the proponents of the department and their current projects happening on treaty and traditional territory.

October 2017

On October 1-3, 2017, the Ontario Association of Children’s Aid Societies (OACAS) hosted a gathering at Geneva Park and Rama First Nation to acknowledge and apologize for the harmful role child welfare has played historically, and continues to play, in the lives of Ontario Indigenous children, families, and communities.

The Credits - Heritage Mississauga Awards

The Credits - Heritage Mississauga Awards were held on Oct. 12 with Susan Robertson receiving the New Credit Cultural and Heritage Award. The award is given to any person who has demonstrated a commitment to awareness and preservation of MNCFN culture, traditions, community and heritage.
DOCA Banquet Honours Field Liaison Representatives

It was a spooktacular evening of fun, food and good spirits Oct. 28 at the third annual banquet honouring Field Liaison Representatives (FLRs) employed through the Department of Consultation and Accommodation.

MNCFN Fall Harvest a Huge Success

Saturday, October 21, 2017 - It was a perfect Fall day for the Community Fall Harvest lead by Mark Sault. Mark shared his knowledge with attendees about fall harvest activities with demonstrations on wild rice, lyed corn and smoked venison, moose and pickerel. Traditionally, fall was the time of year Anishinaabe people prepared for the long winter ahead. We look forward to it again in Fall 2018!

Treaty Awareness Week in Oakville

MNCFN Chief and Council members attended various events in Oakville to bring attention and awareness to various treaties.

Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, January 17, 2018
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
MNCFN Social & Health Services (Lower Level)

Lunch will be provided!
Bring your feast bag if you have one!
This is free event open to all community members.

Contact Laura-Lee Kelly to register as limited space is available – (905) 768-0141, ext. 241 or LauraLee.Kelly@mncfn.ca

TOPIC: Smoking Cessation

Cancer Care Ontario will be giving a brief presentation on the importance of cancer prevention through smoking cessation. Some of the information that will be provided: tools & tips to quit smoking, strategies to reduce cravings, relapse prevention & nicotine replacement therapies. Props will be on display, information pamphlets with information & support will be given to help a person quit smoking.
**LSK and Brampton School Plant Reconciliation Garden**

Students from LSK Elementary School and St. Agnes Taylor Public School in Brampton punctuated months of working and learning together with the planting of a reconciliation garden at St. Agnes Taylor on Fri. Oct. 27 in Brampton.

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**Congratulations to Harry S. LaForme and Kevin Rose**

MNCFN member, the Honourable Harry S. LaForme, was presented with an honourary doctor of laws degree from the Law Society of Upper Canada. MNCFN member Kevin Rose was appointed president of the Economic Development Association of Canada.

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**November 2017**

**Members Being Sought for MNCFN Pillar Committee**

Band member participation is still being sought to participate as a resource on council’s “Seven Pillars”, part of the MNCFN Strategic Plan.

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**MNCFN Veterans Honoured at Remembrance Day Ceremony**

Chief R. Stacey Laforme delivered a message at the annual Remembrance Day service: few people are aware of how many Indigenous people (including MNCFN members) served Canada in wartime and in peacetime.
New Boarding House in Hagersville Addresses Housing Needs

A new boarding house aiming to reduce homelessness and provide help with day-to-day independent living in Southern Ontario will soon be open in Hagersville and available to MNCFN community members in need.

MNCFN Partners With Massey College

Massey College marked its new and growing association with the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation with events on Friday, Oct. 27 in Toronto, Ontario. The association is based on the spirit of reconciliation inspired by the Chapel Royal, Massey College.

MNCFN Community Health Marks World Diabetes Day

On World Diabetes Day on Nov. 21, MNCFN Social and Health Services - Community Health held an informative and day-long workshop and conference on diabetes for community members to learn more about diabetes, its risk factors and how to manage and cope with an existing diabetes diagnosis.

December 2017

Council held its bi-annual elections on Dec. 16, 2017. The results from the 2017 election are as follows:

Statement of Votes

Mississaugas of New Credit First Nation
Poll: Saturday, Dec 16, 2017

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Number of valid ballots cast for candidates for Chief: 277
Total number of rejected ballots for Chief: 4

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Number of valid ballots cast for candidates for Councillor: 277
Total number of rejected ballots for Councillor: 7

Elected Candidates

To the Office of Chief:
LAFORME, R. Stacey

To the Office of Councillor:
KING-JAMIESON, Veronica
FERRELL (LAFORME), Erma
JAMIESON, Cathie
KING-JAMIESON, Veronica
LAFORME, Bill Rodger Sr.
LAFORME, Stephanie L.
SAULT, Evan

This count was diligently conducted in accordance with the Indian Band Election Regulations.

Vaughn Johnston
Electoral Officer

Saturday, Dec 16, 2017
Community Christmas Party

Hundreds of MNCFN members came out to enjoy a beautiful dinner, music and horse and carriage rides at the annual Community Christmas Party.

Breakfast With Santa

Dozens of little ones enjoyed a delicious breakfast with Santa at the annual Breakfast With Santa at the Community Centre Dec. 9th. Please check our Facebook page for all photos taken at this event.
Chief and Council during their swearing in ceremony held on Monday, December 18, 2017.

(L-R) Stephanie Laforme, Evan Sault, Cathie Jamieson, Larry Sault, Chief Stacey Laforme, Veronica King-Jamieson, Erma Ferrell, Bill Laforme
Local Artist showcased at the Mississaugas Living Arts Centre

Local artist showcased at the Mississaugas Living Arts Centre in their Here and Now Gallery Exhibit ... just some interesting exciting news about one our band members. The Exhibit runs until Jan 7th and is free!

Kaytee Dalton is an Anishnaabe photographer from the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation and frequently photographs pow wows and Indigenous dancers. By removing the dancers from the context of the pow wow, Dalton focuses on the person and the regalia. Without background distractions, this approach strengthens the relationship between the dancer and the regalia, and also highlights the incredible handiwork of the regalia. Dalton’s work also contributes to the ongoing conversation around the depiction of Indigenous people throughout history. By depicting members of her own community, she shifts the gaze and power back to the subject. For more information, visit http://www.livingartscentre.ca/gallery/here-and-now

Soar
INDIGENOUS YOUTH GATHERING
MARCH BREAK 2018

For more information on this program, please visit https://kpe.utoronto.ca/soar-indigenous-youth-gathering

Presented by the University of Toronto’s Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education, First Nations House Aboriginal Student Services, Indigenous Education Network, Office of Indigenous Medical Education, and Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Hart House, University of Toronto Mississauga, Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering
MNCFN UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

NEW CREDIT COMMUNITY HEALTH
JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2018 – Mark your Calendars

FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE
Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., call Maggie Copeland 905-768-0141 to make an appointment.

YOUTH SPORTS NIGHT
Mondays - January 8th – 29th – 6:30 – 9:00 Orienteering LSK Gym.

HALDIMAND-NORFOLK VICTIM SERVICES
DROP IN
Thursdays
January 11 & 25, 2018
February 8 & 22, 2018
March 8 & 22, 2018
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

ANISHINAABEMOWIN CLASSES
Wednesdays
January 17 - March 28, 2018
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
MNCFN Community Hall - Watch for flyer

POW WOW PRACTICE CLASSES
Thursdays
January 18th – March 29, 2018
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
MNCFN Community Hall - Watch for flyer

INDIGENIZE YOUR CLOTHES - APPLIQUE WORKSHOP
Saturday & Sunday, January 20 & 21, 2018
9:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
MNCFN Community Hall - Watch for flyer

LITERACY DAY
Saturday January 27th is Literacy Day
Details to follow.

ART JOURNALING
Tuesdays Jan 22 & 30, 2018
Details to follow

MOTHER & CHILD
Feb 6 & 13, 2018 – office in records bldg.
Details to follow

ZUMBA
Starting January 8, 2018
Mondays & Thursdays
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Community Centre

YOGA
Starting January 9, 2018
Tuesdays 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. at LSK

Plus one date to be added for yoga (restorative) Thursday or Saturday mornings.

ICE RINK AT THE BALL DIAMOND
Open Daily…Weather Permitting if it’s frozen it’s open.
MNCFN UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

LUNCH & LEARN
Wednesday, January 17, 2018
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Smoking Cessation – Lower Level Social & Health

HEART HEALTH
Monday, February 26, 2018
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Lower Level Social & Health

DIABETES – KIDNEY HEALTH
Monday, March 26 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lower Level Social & Health

COMMUNITY KITCHEN
Thursday, January 25, 2018
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Lower Level Social & Health
Thursday, February 22, 2018
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Lower Level Social & Health
Thursday, March 22, 2018
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Lower Level Social & Health

REFLEXOLOGY
January 17, 18, 24 & 31, 2018
February 1, 14, 21, 28, 2018
March 1, 14, 21, 28, 2018
Call Janice (Monday – Thursday) at 905-769-0141 to book an appointment at Social & Health

SEXY HEALTH CARNIVAL
Friday, February 9, 2018
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Youth (14+) & Young Adult Specific Age Sensitive Content

TRADITIONAL PARENTING
Wednesdays in February, 2018
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Social & Health - Teen Room

WINTER CAMP AT SPIRIT POINT
February 19 - 22, 2018
Spirit Point

LSK Christmas Bazaar 2017:
1. Vendor Tables – $625.00
2. Bake Table – $1038.00
3. Kids Crafts – $996.00
4. Luncheon – $290.00
5. iPad Raffle – $4,257.00
6. Anishinabek Auction – $2,618.00
7. Raffle Table – $754.00
8. Donations - $8,170.00

**TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED = $19,049.00**
The Infants really enjoyed making ginger cookies—stirring and rolling the dough in the sugar but most of all eating them for snack. Parents please remember to stop by the Office at Ekwaamjigenang on Wednesday mornings for Coffee Hour to enjoy a tasty treat.

Our friend and Literacy specialist Elizabeth VanEvery came to visit the Preschool Room. They had a blast singing songs and storytelling with plush props. Nevayah keeping an eye on the little mouse.

The Toddler Room has been enjoying the falling snow. Here’s Jaxon trying to catch it on his tongue. We have also been using our racing sticks to run extra fast outside. Watch them go!

The JK’s have been letting their creative juices flow, making amazing decorations to adorn their gingerbread house doorway.

We Wish You Happy Holidays!
# January 2018

**Home & Community Care Calendar**

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**Merry Christmas**

From the Media & Communications Department
Aanii,

For those of you that don’t know my new role: I started as the Community Sports and Recreation Coordinator in August 2017 and have been working very hard to bring new, inclusive holistic programs to our community based on our community needs. I am thrilled to provide a brief update on what has been happening so far this fall and what is coming in the new year!

What we have done so far … Strengthening Our Connections Camp, meet me at the Garden Suicide Prevention/ Awareness Program, Youth Sports Nights – Volleyball and Fencing, Aqua Fit, Foundation Challenge – Boot Camp for the community and at LSK for the grade 6/7 & 8 classes, Outdoor Education with LSK Grade 8’s, Nature Hike, Garden Planting with Eco Source and LSK Grade 6/7 class, Coaching and Assisting with LSK School sports, 3-Pitch, Soccer, Volleyball, as well as providing support for the Kindergarten Afterschool Program and other unit events. Needless to say it’s been a very busy productive fall!

What’s coming for the Winter … Outdoor Skating rink at the Ball Diamond!! Youth Sports Night every Monday – Jan-Orienteering, Feb- Basketball, March-Badminton, Art Journaling – Mother/daughter (child), Outdoor Education with Grand River Rafting Company, Outward Bound Canada Outdoor Education in Toronto … our traditional territory (We’re going to canoe to the island and up the credit river in the spring!), Swimming Lessons – all students at LSK, Skiing Grade 8’s, Spirit Point Winter Camp for High school students (we stay in a lodge, it’s gorgeous … come join us!), Girls Power Camp for March Break, More Boot Camp, More yoga and a few workshops thrown in there, too! Plus, more planning and networking and training for me and an even more exciting Spring and Summer for you!

I am really honoured and thrilled to have this opportunity to do what I do for our community, as some of you know it was a very difficult decision for me to leave LSK. Not only is it a part of our family’s legacy but LSK is family, rich in culture and the heartbeat for our strong youth. I am so pleased that I get to incorporate programming into LSK and still play a role in growing and supporting our children and families.
I also need to take a moment to say Chii Miigwech, Chii Miigwech, Chii Miigwech for the love and support that was given so freely and generously to our family as we brought our dad, Max King, home for his final days and as we said our final goodbyes. Miigwech for holding us up, for feeding our bellies and our souls, for sending us flowers and cards, for coming to visit with him and with us, for the hugs, the stories, the laughter and the tears as we said goodbye to our pillar, our rock, our father. He loved you all as much as you loved him and we are humbled and proud that he was our father and that we are members of this strong, vibrant and loving community.

Wishing each and every one of you a very happy and peaceful holiday season!

Miigs,
Andrea King-Dalton
Community Sports & Recreation Coordinator.
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ENJOY A FIRE SAFE HOLIDAY

WHAT’S THE RISK?

Smoking and cooking are the top 2 causes of fatal fires during the holidays (Nov, Dec, Jan).

Injuries caused by smoking account for 1 in 10 home fire injuries during the holidays.

Smoking accounts for 30% of all home fire deaths during the holidays.

Cooking fires account for 19% of all home fires during the holidays.

27% of all home fire injuries occur in cooking fires during the holidays.

How do I protect my family during the holidays?

- Always stay in the kitchen while cooking. If you must leave, turn off the stove.
- Keep an eye on any drinkers in your household and make sure all cigarettes are properly extinguished and the stove is off before going to bed.
- Cigarettes can smoulder among upholstered items for hours before igniting. Check sofas and chairs for cigarettes that may have fallen between the cushions.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers.
- Wet cigarette butts with water before discarding.

ARE YOU PROTECTED BY SMOKE AND CO ALARMS?

- In 34% of fatal home fires there is no smoke alarm warning.
- Install smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas.
- CO alarms are required outside all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

Haldimand County Fire Prevention Bureau
905-318-5932

Office of the Fire Marshal & Emergency Management
www.ontario.ca/firemarshal

Statistics for Ontario between 2010-2014.
Proposal Writer
The Proposal Writer will assist the MNCFN organization by providing and being responsible for the identification of potential sources of funding to support current or new programs and services.
Closing Date: January 11th, 2018 at 12:00pm

Casual Supply Teacher
The teacher is responsible for ensuring that each child has an opportunity to reach his/her maximum potential through the creation and implementation of suitable programs and teaching styles to meet individual student needs.
Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Receptionist
Provides central reception to staff, Council, and guests at the Band Office.
Closing Date: Open Call

Milton Presentation Centre Representative
The Milton Presentation Centre Representative is responsible for central reception and providing support to the representatives of the Milton Logistics Hub Project.
Closing Date: Until filled

For detailed job descriptions and to apply, please visit www.mncfn.ca/job-board

Casual Registered Early Childhood Educator – Afterschool Program
The Registered Early Childhood Educator – Afterschool Program worker is responsible for providing afterschool care for the five-year-old attendees of the Afterschool Program.
Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Cook
The cook is responsible for the preparation of quality meals that are appropriate for children and seniors by preparing written meal plans according to Canada’s Food Guide, implementing the meal plans, ensuring the proper cleaning and maintenance of equipment utilized for food preparation, and completing all the required administration processes with regard to provision of meals.
Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Custodian
The Custodian cares for the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation’s buildings and equipment to ensure the health, safety and security of the public and staff by performing custodial duties, minor maintenance and other miscellaneous duties in order to ensure that MNCFN buildings and facilities are maintained in a healthy, safe and sanitary manner.
Closing Date: Open call

For detailed job descriptions and to apply, please visit www.mncfn.ca/job-board
The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation
wishes you and your family
a very safe and
happy holiday!
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