

EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER

Caring Together Week

Ends with Breathtaking Colour Run





MNCFN recently held its annual Caring Together Week from Monday, September 18, 2017 through to Friday, September 22, 2017 and ended the week's activities with a very exciting Colour Run cohosted by the Media and Communications Department and the Department of Consultation and Accommodation.

Vision Statement in **Ojibwe:**

Ezhi niigaan waabjigaayewaad Mississaugas New Credit endaawaad (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.

The Eaglepress will continue to evolve with new features and information. If you have suggestions for the newsletter, please contact:

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Councillor Evan Sault presents the medal for archery, along with James Ferron, of Carillion Canada, at the Invictus Games.



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Message from **Chief R. Stacey LaForme**

The Strategic Plan - A Vision for the future, a Vision for our Children, founded from the Mission, Vision and principles of our people.

Funding was secured from INAC. It is separate and above the regular funding the First Nation receives for operations. INAC has made a three-year commitment of \$75,000 each year to support the development of the strategic plan. Chief and Council have met with senior management and met with Membership at two community meetings. Seven guiding pillars have been developed and a living document has been placed online for input, yet there is still a lot to do. Although Council has accepted this draft, it is not a final draft - it is better acknowledged as a working document; a document that requires guidance and input from the Membership.

In the next draft, I anticipate that clarification will be given around pillar 4 as the outreach (awareness) components of pillar 4 belong under pillar 5, while the governance aspects belong under pillar 7.

Pillars:

- 1. Inclusive prosperity, economic growth and job creation;
- Nation well-being and wellness; 2.
- 3. Environment and sustainability, stewards of our air, land, water and natural resources;
- Education and awareness; 4.
- 5. Striving to be an independent and sovereign people;
- 6. Infrastructure, community and membership development;
- 7. Inclusive leadership and governance.

Chief and Council have identified a Council lead for each pillar. The next steps are to put together teams to reach out to all our Members and get their input into the development of the pillars. Teams are tentatively agreed to as a Councillor, a Director, and two Members who have a background in a specific pillar.

The question that is fundamental for all Membership to consider is what do you want to see, now and in the future? Dream big, for this plan will encompass all aspects of our lives and be the foundation for how we move forward for the years and generations to come. Once this stage is complete (keeping in mind that this will always be a living document) we will move on to the next stage: strategy and implementation, over a 1 to 4 year time line, recognizing that opportunities may

arise that allow us to move more rapidly in certain areas. So at the end we will have created our vision, we will have developed a strategy to support that vision, and established time lines and implementation strategies. Each Councillor will have one pillar to work toward, making the life of our Membership better by pursuing all political and social methods for ensuring the lives of our Membership are always progressing in the direction that the Membership has identified for us.

Each Councillor will be accountable through various meetings and media tools to update the Membership on the progress they are making. This leads to ultimate accountability. There is already movement toward aligning the *Eaglepress* newsletter under a Pillar structure so that any meetings attended will be reported in the newsletter under a specific pillar.

I want to provide an example of what types of ideas we are asking the Membership to provide for each pillar. For this purpose, I will use the pillar, Nation Well-Being and Wellness:

"I am a Member and I wish to see holistic healing and wellness"; "I want to see a wellness center in the community"; "I want programming to grow for seniors, a centre"; "I want the youth to be able to access all levels of sports, or music, anything that gives them a sense of purpose and pride"; "I wish to see a peacekeeping unit in our Nation"; or, "We must have culture and language throughout our programming."

That is a small example of the ideas we are hoping to generate from Membership under each pillar, recognizing, of course, that not all ideas will be developed in year one.

As an aside. I have asked the LSK students to send letters to Chief and Council on what they wish to see in their school. I have received some very good ideas, some short term, but others that are more long term. The short-term ones I will take to the Departments and to Chief and Council. The long-term ideas will be brought forward to be incorporated in the strategic plan for review. If you have ideas now for the strategic plan, send them to myself or to any Councillor you wish and we can incorporate them for review within the plan. Miigwetch,

Chief R. Stacey Laforme

CULTURE & HISTORY

Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Historical Tidbit - October 2017

Augustus Jones (c. 1757-1836) was an American born surveyor who rose to prominence as the Deputy Surveyor General of Upper Canada. As a Crown surveyor in the early days of Upper Canada, Jones mapped an immense expanse of land that included much of the treaty lands and traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. The lands surveyed included most of the townships from Lake Erie to the Head of Lake Ontario; the lands along the Grand River; the north shore of Lake Ontario between Toronto and the Trent River, and the town plots of Niagara and York. He also completed the survey of Yonge Street that connected Lake Ontario with Lake Simcoe, and also the survey of Dundas Street that connected Lake Ontario with the Detroit area.

Jones in his work employed First Nations people in his survey crews and was well-liked and respected amongst them. He married Sarah Tekarihogen, a Mohawk, and went on to father eight children with her. He also maintained a relationship with Tuhbenahneequay (Sarah Henry), a Credit River Mississauga, with whom he fathered two boys – John Jones (b. 1798) and Peter Jones (b.1802). The two boys lived with their mother's people until 1816 when they went to live with Augustus at Stoney Creek. Both boys went on to become chiefs of the Credit River Mississaugas with Peter becoming a Methodist Missionary, the founder of the Credit River Mission Village, and a tireless advocate of his people.

Augustus Jones, surveyor as he was, made careful note of many of the geographical features he dealt with in his occupation. In 1796, one of the documents he wrote listed the Mississauga names, as well as their English meanings, of over thirty rivers and creeks flowing in the lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit. Below is a small sample:

Names by the Mississaugas	Names by the English	Explanation	
Pesshinneguning	Ouse (Grand River)	<i>"the one that washes the timber</i>	
		down and drives away the grass	
		weeds"	
Missinnihe	Credit River	"the Trusting Creek"	
Cobechenonk	Humber River	<i>"Leave the Canoes and Go</i>	
		Back"	
Chi Sippi	Rouge River	"Large Creek"	
Adoopekog	Etobicoke River	"Place of the Alders"	

Jones, for reasons unknown, left his position as Crown surveyor in 1802. He went on to farm and later held respected positions as a militia captain and a magistrate. He died at his farm near Paris, Ontario, in 1836.

Thanks to Donald B. Smith for his copy of the document written by Augustus Jones detailing the Mississauga place names.

Darin P. Wybenga, New Credit Public Library

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

The Credits - Heritage Mississauga Awards

The Credits – Heritage Mississauga Awards were held on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at the Mississauga Grand Banquet & Event Centre.

The Mississaugas of the New Credit Cultural and Heritage Award is presented to a member from any community who has demonstrated a commitment to awareness and preservation of the Mississaugas of the New Credit culture, traditions, community and heritage.

This year the award was presented to Susan Robertson. Susan has led the development of the Credit Valley Trail initiative, building relationships with community stakeholders and First Nation leaders to develop a trail strategy and Indigenous Experience plan. The Trail from Port Credit to Orangeville will share the river's hidden stories, enhance learning and grow the Greenbelt. This legacy project will identify hiking and cycling routes and promote the natural and cultural destinations of the river along the way.



Susan Robertson (centre) receives the Mississaugas of the New Credit Cultural and Heritage Award. Also in photo Carolyn King (left) and Stephi Laforme (right).

GIIWENH - A First Nations Literary Festival

On September 30, the Chippewas of Rama First Nation hosted a seldom-seen literary event, one of Canada's first, featuring Indigenous authors, story-tellers and performers in Rama as part of Doors Open and Culture Days. GIIWENH, an Obijwe word meaning 'so the story goes', is a day-long festival for all ages featuring bestselling authors from Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta, including David Bouchard, Lee Maracle, Joseph Boyden, Tracey Lindberg, and more. From the written word to the spoken word, the day will wrap up with stories told around the evening fire. The festival features performers from local Indigenous communities, including renowned storyteller Mark Douglas and young handdrummer Thomas Harrigan. Other surprise guests have been invited. A highlight of the day was a cooking demonstration by chef David Wolfman.

For more information, check out the link below: https://hccpresents.com/category/giiwenh/





Best-selling author David Bouchard with MNCFN Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson during the Chippewas of Rama First Nation's *GIIWENH - A First Nations' Literary Festival* event.

ADMINISTRATION

Employment Opportunities

Home Support Maintenance Worker

The Home Support Maintenance Worker is responsible for providing general maintenance for community seniors and disabled clients to enable them to reside at home in a safe and healthy environment.

Closing Date: November 2nd, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Matrimonial Real Property Consultation & Engagement Officer

The Matrimonial Real Property Consultation & Engagement Officer will assist the Lands, Research and Membership department with the engagement and promotion of the draft Matrimonial Real Property Law.

Open Call for Resumes - starting ASAP, ending March 31, 2018.

Community Wellness Worker – After School Program

The Community Wellness Worker –After School Program is responsible for providing afterschool care for the attendees of the MNCFN afterschool program.

* Responsible for offering programming geared towards preparing to integrate children into the regular ASP program (including socialization, expression, boundaries, self-awareness, etc.)

* Working hours include 5 weekly hours of program preparation and 3 hours of work per day (ASP program runs from 3-4:45pm daily Monday-Friday).

Closing Date: Open Call (3-Month Contract)

Casual Receptionist

The Casual Receptionist provides central reception to staff, Council, and guests at the Band Office, maintains the reception area, mail room and communications room (logging incoming/outgoing mail, distributes mail to relevant departments) and updates general information materials in the office, orders office supplies as required, maintains inventory, and logs and distributes general materials such as purchase orders, expense claims and invoice requests.

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. Please note that this position will be required to report to the Milton Presentation Centre for their shifts.

Closing Date: Open Call

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

In accordance with the New Credit Organizational Policy, 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 the provision of meals.

Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Custodian

The Custodian cares for the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations 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 the Mississaugas of The New Credit buildings and facilities are maintained in a healthy, safe and sanitary manner.

Closing Date: Open Call



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For detailed job descriptions and to apply visit: www.mncfn.ca

Education Updates NOVEMBER 2017

Lloyd S. King Elementary School

November 1 - IPAD Mini Sales Raffle Begins November 8, 9 &10 - Book Fair November 9 -Remembrance Day Assembly @ 9:00 an November 10 - Progress Reports go home November 21 - Home & School Meeting

Hagersville Secondary School

Nov 1 -Take Our Kid to Work Day – grade 9

Post-Secondary Education

Attending college/university can be a bit stressful for new students; remember to pace yourself and take the time to visit the Aboriginal Department in your school. They are there to help. The MNCFN education office staff can also help if you need us. Office hours are 8:30-4:30 Monday - Friday.

Deadlines for applications

Fall Semester: April 30th Winter Semester: October 1st Spring/Summer: February 1st

Applications can be found on the MNCFN website at www.mncfn.ca or in person at the education office. You may also call the office and an application can be emailed or mailed to you. Office: (905)768-7107.

We have come across a few students that wait until they receive their acceptance letters and then send in the application; this causes them to miss the deadline. Don't wait; send in the application as early as possible. You can send in the acceptance letter when received.

We can accept applications emailed/faxed but you must also mail them. This is helpful if you decide to apply and the deadline is close.

OSAP-Ontario Student Assistance Program website: www.ontario.ca/osap. OSAP is financial aid to help stu-

	Nov 1 - Grade Eight Students Visit HSS
	Nov 2 - Girls Basketball at HSS
	Nov 3 - Commencement 7:30 pm – grads arrive at 6:30
	Nov 7 - Girls Basketball at HSS
m	Nov 9 - Term 2 begins
	Nov 15 - Rock Your Mocs Day
	Nov 17 - PD Day – NO SCHOOL
	Nov 20 - Mid Term Reports go home this week
	Nov 22 - Parent Council Meeting – 5:30 pm – all wel-
	come!
	Nov 30 - Semi-Formal 7 pm
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dents pay for college/university. It is a combination of grants and loans. Grants: money that you do not have to pay back. Loans: money that you will have to repay. Loans are interest and payment-free while you are in school full time.



EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING/ONTARIO WORKS

Ontario Works Transitional Support Fund

The Transitional Support Fund (TSF) is a program funded 100% by the Ministry of Community and Social Services which replaced the Community Start-Up Maintenance Benefit on January 1, 2013.

TSF may be granted to individuals in receipt of Social Assistance (Ontario Works, Ontario Disability Support Program) as well as low-income individuals and families living in the New Credit Community to provide housing related supports to secure, retain/and or maintain accommodation. TSF is provided on a caseby-case basis at the discretion of the Ontario Works Administrator (OWA). The TSF allocation is limited each fiscal year and once it is depleted, will not be available again until the following fiscal year.

All TSF applications must receive prior approval from the OWA before any purchase or agreement to purchase is made. Any purchase or agreement made prior to receiving OWA approval will not be recognized.

Please visit www.mncfn.ca/ontario-works for the full policy.

Hunger Awareness Week At Hagersville Food Bank



EKWAAMJIGENANG CHILDREN'S CENTRE







The Toddlers were very excited to find a fuzzy caterpillar in their garden. The children watched as it moved onto the leaves and over the dirt. The children check each day to see if their caterpillar friend has come back. Ryan noticed a dew covered spider web on the climber, then Ethan discovered one on the underside of the climber. We wonder what we will find next.







Tatum is reminding everyone to change the batteries in their smoke alarms. When, you change your clock back on November 5th.



The infants had a visit from our special friend Elizabeth (Literacy Specialist). Elizabeth sang songs with us and even gave us a special gift-5 little monkeys felt props.





HOUSING

Housing Update

Programs for this year are coming to a close.

Housing New Program: individuals were faced with a few technical setbacks and are working to smooth things out. As a result of this, potential homeowners may have to defer to build until next year due to the lateness in the season.

The Ontario First Nation Technical Services Corporation (OFNTSC) are mandated to complete all inspections pertaining to Housing New.

MNCFN HRRS (Repair/Renovation) Program: 9 approvals to improve their homes for health, safety, structural items.

The MNCFN Technical Resource Manager (TRM) and the TRM Assistant are mandated to complete all MNCFN Repair/Renovation inspections.

CMHC Programs offered through Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation for low income families (combined household income):

• RRAP (Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program) Disabled RRAP– backed by a Doctor's note and/or Occupational Therapist Report or; Regular RRAP: 1 approval

• ERP (Emergency Repair Program) (NEW): 2 approvals.

• Retrofit Program (NEW): Section 95 Housing/Rentals built through CMHC – 1 approval.

• HASI (Home Adaption for Seniors Independence): Individuals 65 or older. This is to modify the home in order to keep an individual in their home for as long as they can -1 approval.

• Garden/End Suite: for individuals who have a family member who can no longer live on their own and would like to add on a Garden/End suite to their home so as the family member can reside with them. The criteria for a Garden Suite is that the family member have their own entrance, bathroom, and kitchenette area. No applications received.

OHZI First Nation has been hired by CMHC to con-

duct all inspections pertaining to all CMHC programs. This is a new process that just started this year initiated by CMHC.

There are approximately 5 additional applications into CMHC waiting approval this year and CMHC has requested that no more applications be sent to them until the ones on file have been dealt with that could occur this year or next year.

Information pertaining to the Housing New Program and the MNCFN HRRS Program will be placed in the February 2018 issue of the Eaglepress newsletter informing of applications and deadline dates.



Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

Epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD)

Epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD) is an infectious and often fatal virus in white-tailed deer that was first detected in Ontario in September 2017.

Epizootic hemorrhagic disease (EHD) is an infectious and often fatal virus in whitetailed deer that is characterized by extensive hemorrhages at numerous sites throughout the body. EHD is one of the most common and harmful diseases to affect white-tailed deer in the United States. *Culicoides* midges, commonly referred to as "no-see-ums", are the carrier of this disease.

It is important to note that there are no human health concerns from the EHD virus or from bites to humans from midges of the *Culicoides* species.

Deer hunters, wildlife managers, farmers and livestock owners need to know about EHD because of its ability to cause largescale outbreaks in deer and its potential implications to the domestic livestock industry. Currently there are no available effective treatments or vaccinations for this disease.

Symptoms

Deer can develop clinical signs of EHD in as little as 7 days, post-exposure. Infected deer typically show signs of:

- · loss of appetite
- loss of fear of people
- weakness
- excessive salivation
- · rapid pulse and respiration rate
- signs of fever, including submersing themselves in bodies of water to reduce their body temperature

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- a blue tongue from hemorrhaging and the lack of oxygen in the blood due to the effects of the virus
- swelling of neck and head

Deer with this disease are often found dead in or near water bodies which deer may enter, trying to cool themselves.

How is this disease different from Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)?

Some symptoms of EHD may be confused with chronic wasting disease (CWD), a disease that has not yet been detected in Ontario through ongoing annual surveillance. Deer with CWD would typically appear emaciated (very skinny), but would not have any swelling in the neck or head and their tongue would not appear blue.

What the ministry is doing

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is working with the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative (CWHC), Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Canadian Food Inspection Agency and stakeholder organizations to actively monitor for the extent of the EHD virus in Ontario.

What you can do

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Report sightings of deer that appear sick or are found dead as soon as possible to the Natural Resources Information Centre at 1-800-667-1940 or Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative at 1-866-673-4781.

Ontario

ontario.ca/wildlife

Because midge larvae develop in water, you can also help by eliminating standing water such as old tires, planters, flowerpot saucers, buckets, trash containers, and by replacing water in bird baths frequently.

Impacts to human health

There are no human health concerns from the EHD virus or from bites to humans from midges of the *Culicoides* species.

Consuming meat from deer that was infected with EHD that is not showing signs of sickness, ulcers, abscess, or other abnormalities is considered safe. However, hunters should, as always, practice proper carcass handling and processing techniques when dressing hunted deer.

How is EHD spread?

The distribution of EHD largely depends on the distribution and abundance of the *Culicoides* biting midges, the level of existing immunity in deer, genetic variations in susceptibility, and seasonal weather patterns.

EHD occurs most often in the southern United States, where occurrence is characterized as frequent and mild, whereas in the north, the disease is less commonly observed, and outbreaks are characterized as infrequent but can be severe, and capable of high mortality as deer herds maintain lower antibody levels due to the infrequency of exposure to the virus.

Outbreaks of the disease in northern US are typically characterized by both

significant outbreaks that occur on a 5-10 year cycle that may affect large areas, and smaller outbreaks that may only involve a few counties. However, in worst-case scenarios, outbreaks have been known to cover hundreds of kilometres.

Handling wildlife carcasses

To diagnose EHD, the entire deer carcass or vital organs must be submitted within 24 hours of death, before decomposition or necrosis starts. Detailed instruction on the submission of deer carcasses to CWHC is available at <u>www.cwhc-rcsf.ca</u>

Each municipality is different when it comes to the disposal of wildlife carcasses – call your local city or town for more information about the rules that apply in your local area.

More information

Report any suspicious dead wildlife found on your property: <u>https://www.ontario.ca/page/dead-animal-</u> or-fish-found-your-property

Report and submit sick or dead wildlife to the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative: http://www.cwhc-rcsf.ca/report_submit.php

Chronic Wasting Disease: https://www.ontario.ca/page/chronicwasting-disease

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Update

As of October 26, 2017

SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING

• Public Works Department arranged a meeting with Halton Recycling Ltd dba Emterra Environmental to discuss the contract extension and review comments for future planning of curbside needs of MNCFN. An amendment should be forth coming.

Reminders:

i. <u>Please make sure all the garbage and recyclables are</u> located in designated areas and properly set out for pick-up at curbside (roadside of culvert) prior to 8:00 am on collection day.

ii. Membership information; Emterra Environmental collection trucks are equipped with Global Positioning System (GPS) satellite tracking that is monitored during operation, in the event of a "missed" call the company can check the tracking system to ensure all pick-ups are completed. This system also records date and time of the travelled routes.

iii. One final note, should membership be notified of normal collection issues or if waste is forgotten to be set out at the proper time, PWD recommends not leaving the garbage and recycling out overnight to prevent animals from rummaging through it, and would ask that the waste be collected and set out thefollowing week on the normal collection day.

ROADS/BRIDGES

• The Public Works Director and the Infrastructure Manager are currently working with McIntosh Perry, INAC and Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to accommodate the replacement of Bridge #13 located on Mississauga Road #125 (in close proximity to Cemetery Road). A Bridge Deck Condition Survey was completed on this asset and due to changes in minimum design standards all structural elements have increased in size therefore impacting the overall cost of the project. Information has been forwarded to INAC, MTO for review and PW is waiting for comments. Public Works Department will make best efforts to ensure the membership is kept informed of any planned road construction.

EQUIPMENT

• On October 14, 2017, Social & Health Services conducted a "baby fair" event at theCommunity Centre and asked if Public Works Department could provide some equipment to put on display for the children to view. Public Works Department staff were in agreement with this request and accommodated with the: dump truck, backhoe and two (2) lawnmowers being put on display and were present to answer any questions the children may have. In addition, Haldimand County Fire provided two emergency response vehicles as well. There were train rides around the parking lot throughout the event and spaghetti provided to all in attendance.

WATER/WASTEWATER

• Just a reminder for all residents NOT to be flushing diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, cooking grease, toys or any other garbage down the drains. The flushing of these products causes an increase to maintenance costs for the First Nation.

• MNCFN has been working on a pilot project with Trent and McGill Universities, Aclarus and Environment Canada on wastewater treatment methods to improve water quality through the lagoon processing and discharging stage, keeping the environment in mind. Colleagues from Environment Canada have deployed mussels in cages at two sites in the Grand River and three sites in Boston Creek to ensure sufficient acclimation time to their surroundings before the discharge begins. With a positive quality result of the lagoon water; normal discharging will begin and duration of discharge is dependent on seasonal rainfall and lagoon levels determined by the Infrastructure Manager. Lagoon water and creek samples are being monitored throughout the process. Environment Canada's crew are visiting the mussel locations every 4-5 days to make sure debris has not accumulated on the cages. At the conclusion of

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Update Continued

the project, a final report will be presented to Chief and Council and made available for review.

BUILDINGS

• Kuiper Property Renovations – DOCA and LMR Office Relocation: Public Works Department, SED, OFNTSC and K.L. Martin & Associates Corp. have successfully tendered this project by way of an invited tender callout to six (6) general contracting companies capable of executing the scope of work. Of those companies three (3) declined and three (3) provided submissions. After the tender period and review summary evaluation, Abcott Construction Ltd. was the successful bidder. They are in the process of assembling the insurance and contract for signature to begin.

•Sand & Salt Storage Renovation: Public Works Department has budgeted structural concerns for this asset in this fiscal which if not addressed could result in Health & Safety issue. All vertical posts and lateral bracing members are being replaced with new sonotube ground anchors and steel "C" channels secured with through bolts.

•Agimaw Gamig Lower Parking Lot Replacement: Public Works Department has budgeted within this fiscal replacement of the lower parking lot which could result in Health & Safety issue if not addressed. Two (2) Additional parking spaces have been added to accommodate staff/visitors in addition to the installation of drainage tile to address surface run-off at the parking lot entrance.

OTHER:

•Members choosing to utilize MNCFN Facilities (Community Centre, Ball Diamond etc.), are asked to please follow the rental policy procedure (minimum seven (7) days advance notice) through Sustainable Economic Development 905-768-1133 Ext. 244 contact Desiree Webb, Special Project Intern to ensure all your event needs are attended to and to prevent conflicts, miscommunication or scheduling delays. LSK School Gymnasium rentals please call the school Secretary/Office Manager directly at 905-768-3222.



You are cordially invited to join us Veteran's Memorial Remembrance Day Service Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 10:30 am

Service to be held in the Grove by the Veteran's Monument 2789 Mississauga Road, Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0

> Light Luncheon to follow at 11:00 am Community Centre Boardroom Please note this is an outdoor service, please dress for weather.

For more information contact: Nicole LaForme-Hess 905-768-1133 Nicole.LaForme-Hess@mncfn.ca

COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

Invictus Games a Huge Success



Volunteers: Sitting: Rebecca Hill, Michelle LaForme, Donna Sault Standing: Anthony (Dean) King, Evan Sault, John Barnes

MNCFN was the Host First Nation of the 2017 Invictus Games which were held in Toronto from September 23rd to September 30th. Over 550 athletes from 17 countries world-wide competed in 12 different sports including: sitting volleyball, wheelchair tennis, track and field, swimming, archery, indoor rowing, wheel chair rugby and more. The Invictus Games began in March 2014 in London, England. The games were named after the Spanish word Invictus meaning "undefeated" or "unconquered."

Chief Stacey Laforme, Councillor Evan Sault, Mark Laforme, Bryan Laforme and MNCFN Major Events Committee Representative Tony Johnson attended the Opening and Closing Ceremonies of the games at the Air Canada Centre in Toronto. A video of Chief Stacey Laforme was shown at the opening and closing reciting the veteran's poem 'Remember''. MNCFN worked in partnership with Carillion Canada doing traffic control at Fort York National Historic Site where the Invictus Archery event was held. Thank you to our volunteers-Michelle Laforme, Donna Sault, John Barnes, Rebecca Hill, Tony King and our drivers Omar Haddadi and Janice Mt. Pleasant. Also, Miigwetch to our booth workers who helped set up and work the MNCFN information booth at Fort York: Toni Marie Green, Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson, Councillor Evan Sault, Laura Jamieson, Tony Johnson and Caitlin Laforme.

On September 20th the Invictus Flag made its way to the MNCFN community hall. MNCFN Eagle staff and flag along with the Invictus Flag entered into the community hall grand entry style with the drum group Big Train drumming in the flags and singing a veteran's song. MNCFN veterans Garry Sault, Mark Laforme, Al Sault and William (Bill) Laforme carried in the flags and eagle staff. The official Invictus Mascot Vimy also made an appearance at the event.

The Major Events Committee would like to again say Miigwetch to Administration and Public Works for allowing us to have the Invictus Flag event during their evening of Caring Together Week.



Every Tuesday Evening 5:00 – 6:00 PM Lloyd S. King Elementary School – Gym Drop in for a relaxing and great workout! Contact Leslie or Fanice at 905-768-0141 for more information!

Lunch & Learn

Tuesday November 28, 2017 12:00 – 1:00 PM Social & Health Services (Lower Level)

Light lunch provided! Bring your feast bag if you have one!

Contact Leslie to register as limited space is available - (905)768-0141



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ZUMBA CLASSES

Every Monday and Thursday evening 6:00 – 7:00PM MNCFN Community Centre

New Credit Community Health is offering free Zumba classes!

Drop in to have fun and get a great workout! Make sure you wear comfortable clothing and shoes!



Haldimand/Norfolk

Victim Support Services - Drop In Support Thursday, October 12, 2017 Thursday, November 9, 2017 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

MNCFN Social & Health Services - (Teen Room)

These days are being set aside for anyone who has been victimized orwould like to help provide support to someone who has been a victim.

This could include being a witness to violence/tragedy, being a survivor of domestic violence, human trafficking, etc. Please feel free to drop by and find out more about the services that are available in our area. Light refreshments will be available.

For more information contact Social and Health Services at 905-768-1181.



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SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES

Family Night Series

Join the Concurrent Disorders Program for a monthly drop-in group catered to family and friends of individuals who are experiencing mental illness and addiction, concurrently.

Session topics include: What is Addiction, Effective Communication, Boundaries and Support, Treatment Options, and more.

Last Tuesday of every month, 6:30 – 8:30 pm St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton West 5th Campus, 100 West 5th Street Community Psychiatry Clinic, Level 0, Group Room 4 Tel: 905-522-1155 ext. 36040



Men's Program

September 27th - November 16th, 2017 (Wednesday Evenings) 6:00 - 8:00 PM Social and Health Services (Lower Level)

This program is weekly for all men! Bring your positive attitude and drop in for an evening to share & learn!

Light refreshments will be available. Door prizes and weekly draws! Wear comfortable clothing.

> Childcare is available – please call before 12 pm on day of if required. Contact Stephanie D. Laforme at 905-768-1133

MAKING HEALTHY MNCFN FAMILY SUPPORT UNIT **Please Join Us!** Ages 5 - 8 This program offers making healthy choices, dealing with loss and grief, healthy boundaries, dealing with feelings and emotions. Aaes 9 - 12 **Every Tuesday** November 7, 2017 - December 19, 2017 Light refreshments There is no cost to attend this Prizes every week! program Social & Health Services Building - Teen Room 659 New Credit Road Hagersville, Ontario TO REGISTER please contact Pat Jamieson or Connie Henry at 905-768-1181

NOMINATE a worthy

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Lifetime Achievement Award For Outstanding Volunteerism

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Volunteers are essential to the vitality and well-being of our communities. The Lifetime Achievement Award for Outstanding Volunteerism recognizes individuals who have made an exceptional contribution to our communities through volunteerism during their lifetime. This award is presented to a maximum of four residents from one or more of our communities, with a celebration honouring award winners during National Volunteer Week in April each year. As part of the award, a legacy fund will be established in honour of each recipient and administered by the Brant Community Foundation.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2017

Who is eligible?

Nominees must reside in the County of Brant, the City of Brantford, Six Nations of the Grand River Territory or Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. Nominees must have made a noteworthy and unpaid contribution to our community and the lives of others over a significant period of time. Contributions may be by volunteering their time, knowledge, skills or resources. All nominations will be kept on record for three years for future consideration.

> For detailed eligibility criteria and nomination forms, please visit www.lifetimeachievementaward.ca or call Derek Bond at 519-717-4125.

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MNCFN MONTHLY GATHERING

Saturday, November 25, 2017 10:00 am – 1:00 pm MNCFN Community Centre

AGENDA

9:30 am	Arrivals & morning refreshments
10:00 am	Drum Opening by Jordan Jamieson
10:05 am	Opening Prayer by Garry Sault
10:15 am	Welcoming Remarks by Chief Laforme
10:25 am	Facilitator Remarks
10:35 am	MNCFN Toronto Purchase Trust Annual Community Update – Georgina Villeneuve Annual Community Investment Performance Update – Jeff Frketich
11:15 am	16/17 MNCFN Audit -Meyers Norris Penny, Richard Beatty
12:00 pm	Turkey Dinner provided by Tasty Delights by Char Wilson
1:00 pm	Closing

Please note that there will be no Monthly Gathering for December 2017 due to the holiday closure. Have a safe and happy holiday!

> Next MNCFN Monthly Gathering: Saturday, January 27, 2018



SNOW REMOVAL - MNCFN BAND MEMBERS

The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Council has been providing snow removal for the past several years and have agreed to continue this service for the aged 60+ clients living on reserve for the 2017-2018 season.

Band members will be required to complete a form, available at Social & Health Services, starting November 1, 2017. Your permission/consent is required in order to receive this service.

Please contact Social & Health Services at 905-768-1181 if you would like a form mailed to your home.



Ohsweken Genealogy Society

OGS is holding its first contest ever!

OGS has always been there to help whoever it may be in their search to reconnect with their ancestors. However, many of you disappear after your search is over, and we never hear the results of your search. So, we've decided to hold a contest.

Tell us your story.

We want to hear about your quest and its results.

The Best Story about the hardest to find relative will win the contest.

Tell us who they are, and how you reconnected.

(Doesn't matter if the reconnection was for real or only through a paper trail)

And of course tell us who your family is.

*Please only 2 pages or less.

First Prize:	
Second Prize:	
Third Prize:	

Gift basket

\$100.00 Cash

The contest begins immediately, and the winners will be announced at our genealogy meeting in May 2018. We will be reading these entries at our meetings throughout the year. Watch for details of the reunion that will follow in June, when the gifts will be presented.

Beautiful framed family genealogy wall hanging

Entries may be emailed to: <u>penvok@aol.com</u> (Please put **Best Story Ever** in subject line.) Or they may be dropped off at any of our meetings. (1^{at} Sunday of every month)

Each entry must include your name, home town, phone number, and email (if possible).

*All entries become the property of OGS.

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Active school Skate Every Wednesday starting October 11th, 2017 4:00 pm - 4:50 pm Gaylord Powless Arona Community Support welcomes New Credit community members to join in an afterschool Skate every Wednesday at the Gaylord Powless Arona in Ohswelen beginning October 11th 2017 Everyone on the ice must wear a helmet. May questions please contact Community Support at 905-768-1181 ext.246







Wellness Group

Saturday November 11th, 2017 1:30PM – 3:00PM, 6:00PM – 7:30PM Social and Health Services (Lower Level)

This group is open to everyone who wishes to increase their knowledge of diabetes. Diabetes effects everyone in different ways. Sharing experiences knowledge is most welcome!

Childcare can be arranged for the evening session with 24 hour notice. Please contact Leslie at 905-768-0141 for more information.





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Call 905-975-4467 or 1-855-338-3131

Book your appointment to Reclaim your Health!

Visit us

November 14, 2017 MNCFN Community Hall Parking Lot 9:00am - 3:00pm

No Appointment Necessary

Six Nations & New Credit members welcome!



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Women's Sharing Time Program September 25 – November 13, 2017 (Monday Evenings) 6:00 – 9:00 PM Social and Health Services (Lower Level)

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Bring your positive attitude and drop in for an evening to share, learn and create!

This program runs weekly and is for all women! Information sharing and making crafts to take home.

Light refreshments will be available. Wear comfortable clothing. Childcare is available please call before 12pm on day of if required. Contact Stephanie D. Laforme at 905-768-1181 ext 224

World Diabetes Day



New Credit United Church

In recognition of World Diabetes Day, Community Health will be hosting this event to enlighten our community on different programs available with our community and surrounding areas.

There will be different booths set up which will include massages, teas, naturopath and a few others!

Everyone welcome to attend! Door prizes to be won! Light lunch will be provided from 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm. Bring your feast bag (if you have one!)

For more information contact Leslie Sault or Laura-Lee Kelly at 905-768-0141



New Credit Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 11, 2017 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. New Credit Community Contre

Contact Amanda Snow/Fran Laforme to register for a table at 905-768-1181 (Home Community Care Program) There are no fees, however organizers ask for a donation towards door prizes, which will be drawn throughout the day

Yould Sports Night - Fending Mondays, November 6, 13, 20, 27, 2017



The MNCFN Community Health Department, Sports & Recreation program will be offering a 4 week skill development progressive course and participants are strongly encouraged to attend all sessions.

Space is limited, please call Andrea King-Dalton at 289-527-0009 or by email at andrea.king-dalton@mncfn.ca

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Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation

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EVENT CALENDAR

Date	Event	Location	Time
Nov 1	After School Skate	Gaylord Powless Arena, 1738 Fourth Line Road, Ohsweken	4:00 p.m 4:50 p.m.
Nov 1	Men's Program	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 2	Aquafit	Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, 254 North Park St., Brantford	10:30 a.m.
Nov 2	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 3	Christmas Basket Deadline	Social & Health Services, 659 New Credit Road	4:00 p.m.
Nov 5	Remembrance Day Service	Veterans Monument, 2789 Mississauga Road	10:30 a.m.
Nov 6	Traditional Parenting	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.
Nov 6	Women's Sharing Time	Social & Health Services (Lower Level), 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.
Nov 6	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 6	Youth Sports Night Fencing	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 7	Making Healthy Choices	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 7	Yoga	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 7	Foundation Challenge	New Credit Community Gym	7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 8	After School Skate	Gaylord Powless Arena, 1738 Fourth Line Road, Ohsweken	4:00 p.m 4:50 p.m.
Nov 8	Men's Program	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 9	Clothing Giveaway	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Nov 9	Haldimand Norfolk Support Services	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.
Nov 9	Aquafit	Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, 254 North Park St., Brantford	10:30 a.m.
Nov 9	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 10	Clothing Giveaway	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Nov 10	Embracing Our New Life Recovery Group	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 9:00 p.m.
Nov 11	Mom to Mom Sale	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.
Nov 11	New Credit Annual Christmas Bazaar	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.
Nov 11	Clothing Giveaway	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Nov 13	Traditional Parenting	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.
Nov 13	Women's Sharing Time	Social & Health Services (Lower Level), 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.
Nov 13	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 13	Youth Sports Night Fencing	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 14	Screen For Life Cancer Screening Bus	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road, parking lot	8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.
Nov 14	World Diabetes Day	New Credit United Church, 2691 First Line Road	9:00 a.m 12:30 p.m.
Nov 14	Making Healthy Choices	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 14	Yoga	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 14	Foundation Challenge	New Credit Community Gym	7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 15	After School Skate	Gaylord Powless Arena, 1738 Fourth Line Road, Ohsweken	4:00 p.m 4:50 p.m.
Nov 15	Men's Program	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 16	Aquafit	Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, 254 North Park St., Brantford	10:30 a.m.
Nov 16	National Addictions Awareness Event	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	5:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 16	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 18	Baby Food Making Workshop	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.
Nov 20	Traditional Parenting	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.
Nov 20	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 20	Youth Sports Night Fencing	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 21	Making Healthy Choices	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 21	Yoga	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 21	Foundation Challenge	New Credit Community Gym	7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 22	After School Skate	Gaylord Powless Arena, 1738 Fourth Line Road, Ohsweken	4:00 p.m 4:50 p.m.
Nov 23	Aquafit	Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, 254 North Park St., Brantford	10:30 a.m.
Nov 23	Community Kitchen	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 23	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 24	Embracing Our New Life Recovery Group	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 9:00 p.m.
Nov 27	Traditional Parenting	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.
Nov 27	Zumba	MNCFN Community Centre, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 27	Youth Sports Night Fencing	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 28	Lunch and Learn	Social & Health Services - Lower Level, 659 New Credit Road	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.
Nov 28	Making Healthy Choices	Social & Health Services (Teen Room), 659 New Credit Road	5:30 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 28	Yoga	Lloyd S. King Elementary School - Gym, 659 New Credit Road	6:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.
Nov 28	Foundation Challenge	New Credit Community Gym	7:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.
Nov 29	After School Skate	Gaylord Powless Arena, 1738 Fourth Line Road, Ohsweken	4:00 p.m 4:50 p.m.
Nov 30	Aquafit	Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, 254 North Park St., Brantford	10:30 a.m.
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