



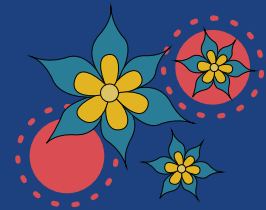
EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER

2019-2021 Elected Chief and Council



On Saturday, January 25, 2020, Community members were all welcome to attend the Monthly Gathering where the 2019-2021 MCFN Chief and Council provided a brief overview on their Committees and Pillars. The Gathering was very well attended.

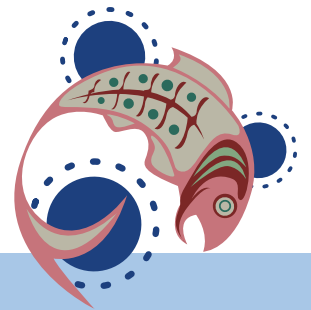
Congratulations, once again, to the 2019-2021 elected Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Chief and Council.



Vision Statement in Ojibwe:

Ezhi niigaan waabjigaayewaad Mississaugas of the 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.

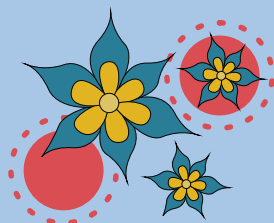


Eaglepress Newsletter

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.

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

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LSK Mural: Eaglepress Newsletter acknowledges artist(s) Philip Cote, Tracey Anthony, Rebecca Baird, for use of their artwork for our identifier, marketing and promotional materials.

The original artwork (pictured below) is located in the Library at Lloyd S. King Elementary School.



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A Message From Chief R. Stacey Laforme

A new year begins, a new Chief and Council elected and with the help and input of MCFN Membership we will continue to move forward on strategic planning and action. Yet as we move forward, I want to take a moment to reflect back and pay honour to our ancestors and To those we have recently lost. We will not forget you! We will strive to be worthy of your memory.

Belief

*We have lost so much and so many
And it seems we lose more everyday*

*So needed and gone far to soon
I want them all back, even if only for a moment*

*Loss, grief and hurt threaten to overwhelm
Yet it would not do you justice, to lose hope and we will
do you proud*

*We may do it with a broken heart and tears streaming
down our face*

*But we will stand with our head held high
We will be not ashamed to cry*

*We will earn your respect, We will be worthy of your
memory*

*We will remember you, honour you
And all that we become, you shall be a part of*

*For you, are a part of our past, our present
And you will be a part of our future*

*When our children sing their songs, speak their language
When we stand united,
when we become, who we are meant to be*

*We know you will see, we know you will share our joy
We know you will feel it and we know you will smile*



*Your memory shall not be veiled behind the years
It will shine as the stars*

*Your memory shall lead us
As it should, for we are of each other*

*We are all connected, we are all one
And as long as one stands we all stand*

R Stacey Laforme

*Miigwech,
Chief Laforme
Mississaugas of the Credit*



Let's Learn Anishinaabemowin:

February Words

Mkwa-giizis Bear Moon
 Gi bishgenmin I like you
 Gizaagin..... I love you
 Kwiishgibis You're sweet
 Nbazgim..... My sweetheart
 Aaptoojiinshin Hug me
 Zaagidwin..... Love
 Gidibenim..... I'm yours
 Mino Zaagidiwi Giizhiganken
 Happy Valentines Day

HISTORICAL TIDBIT

By Darin Wybenga

A fallen grave marker in the New Credit Townline Cemetery reads: Captain James McLean died Aug 8 1891 aged 87 years. As is often the case when one reads the stones in a cemetery, one is often drawn to wonder about the life of the person whose name is inscribed upon the monument. Fortunately, James McLean left behind records that provide a glimpse into his life among the Mississaugas of the Credit people.

Born in Scotland in 1804, McLean came to Upper Canada when he was about 13 years of age. Little is known of his early life, but one document suggests that his parents operated an Inn near the Humber River and that they later became estranged from him upon his taking a wife, Notinoqua (Sarah Thompson), from among the Mississaugas of the Credit. McLean lived among his wife's people as they transitioned from their traditional lifestyle into an agrarian community, and would accompany his adopted people when the band relocated from the "Old" Credit to New Credit. The story of McLean's marriage and his arrival at New Credit is provided in his own words, as taken down on May 16, 1881:

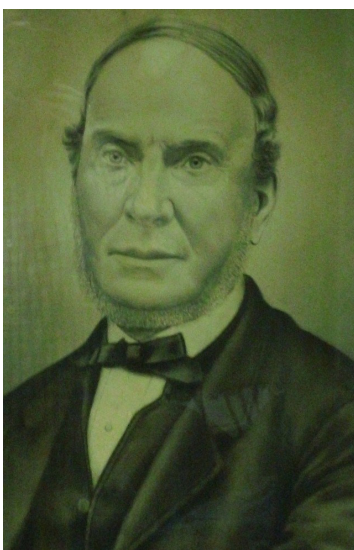
I am in my 83rd year. I have been living among and have known this Band ever since I came to this country in 1817. They were all pagan then. I married

a member of this Band. In about 1821 I was married to a member of this band according to the Indian rules of marriage which consisted in my bride being given to me by her father and mother and the Chiefs. She was the daughter of an Indian called Black Jacobs. After the band became Christianized ... I was married according to Christian marriage to this same woman. That was about in 1823. My wife was an acknowledged member of the Band and always was until she died. My wife owned 50 acres of land at the Old Credit before the surrender of that Reserve which I improved by virtue of my marriage to her. After the surrender I was paid for all my improvements. At the time of the surrender at the Old Credit Reserve and when it was decided to move here [New Credit] I asked in Council over which Capt. Anderson presided what should be done with the four white men who had married Indian women, meaning myself, Thomas Wood and the two Frenchmen John and Stephen Laform? Shall they remain here or shall they go with the band? ... Chief Joseph Sawyer and the other Chiefs took me by the hand and arm and said 'we want you to go with us; and it was there unanimously decided...

When the band came here the families received lands by drawing lots. I was not present at the time, but the late Chief Joseph Sawyer drew a lot for me, being the S1/2, lot 12 of Tuscarora. I refused to accept it because it was too far back in the woods. In returning home I saw some of the Six Nations chiefs and they asked me if I had drawn land. I answered that land had been drawn for me but I refused to accept it. They said there would be a Council of their Chiefs the next day and asked me to attend and they would see if I should not have land. I attended the Six Nations Council ... I was given lot No 1 Con 1 of Oneida. But there was a squatter on that lot and I could not get possession of it and I took up the south 1/2 of Lot No.3 in the same concession instead of it.. This lot had no squatters on it but all the other lots had. During the following fall these squatters were all dispossessed of the lands and the Mississaugas took temporary possession until the locations were decided by Council. I first took possession of this lot in 1848, and my possession was approved by Council, I have held it ever since.... I have made valuable improvements, have 78 acres cleared and fenced and all necessary farm buildings.

James McLean was not one to be content merely working the farm - even while farming the land at the

"Old" Credit he took an interest in doing other useful things. It is known he captained a ship on the Great Lakes for a time and partnered with the Mississaugas in a shipping venture and in the construction of the band's own schooner-the Credit Chief. While living at New Credit, he functioned as the Indian agent for a few years, served as the band's forest warden, and was even as a Justice of the Peace. McLean outlived his wife by 12 years and eventually settled in the west end of Hagersville leaving his farm in the care of his grandson, Oliver Wood. His descendants, primarily of the Wood family, still number themselves on the band list today.



*Captain James McLean
(photo courtesy of Darin P. Wybenga)*

BEADED LANYARD WORKSHOP

FEBRUARY 10 & 11, 2020
5:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.
MCFN COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARDROOM
BLDG #4, 659 NEW CREDIT ROAD,
HAGERSVILLE, ON.





LIGHT REFRESHMENTS!

MCFN MEMBERS WILL HAVE PRIORITY. ALL SKILL LEVELS OF BEADING ARE ACCEPTED.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: FEB. 7, 2020 AT 12:00 PM

LIMITED TO 15 PARTICIPANTS. YOU MUST CONTACT JAI KING-GREEN AT 905-768-1133 OR BY EMAIL AT JAI.KING-GREEN@MNCFN.CA

THEATER GROUP

Session 1:
Movement and Mask Work

Session 2:
Voice Work

Session 3:
Character Development

Session 4:
Improvisation

FEBRUARY 1, 15, 29, MARCH 14, 28, APRIL 18, MAY 2, 16,
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. LSK GYMNASIUM
659 NEW CREDIT ROAD, BUILDING 3, HAGERSVILLE

Session 5:
Scene Work

Session 6:
Rehearsal 1

Session 7:
Rehearsal 2

Session 8:
Technical Rehearsal and Performance Ready

Light Refreshments Available
Please wear comfortable clothing!

Interested individuals must be committed to attend all sessions.
To register or for further information, please contact Caitlin Laforme at
905-768-1133 or by email at Caitlin.Laforme@mncfn.ca

CULTURE AND HISTORY - Powwow Practice

Before the term "powwow" became popular, various words were used to describe this cultural phenomenon. Some of these included: Celebration, Doing, Fair, Feast, Festival Gathering, Happening, Indian Dance, Rodeo, Show and Union. The term "powwow" is actually a North Eastern Woodland word belonging to the Narragansett Language and the closest English translation is "meeting."

The modern day powwow evolved from the Grass Dance Societies that formed in the early 19th Century. The term "Grass Dance" can get rather confusing because there is also a style of dancing called "Grass Dance" that became very popular during the reservation period in the mid 19th Century. The Grass Dance Societies were an opportunity for the warriors to re-enact deeds for all the members of the Tribe to witness.

The removal period increased the growth of the reservations and this soon gave rise to the modern powwow. This transition for Native Americans often put Tribes at odds with other Tribes they did not know and many Tribes that were bitter enemies found themselves very close neighbors. A compromise and compilation of traditions had to take place in order for the people to survive.

Many ceremonies and customs were outlawed during the reservation period. The Grass Dance being more social was one of the only events allowed. As so many Tribes were pushed together it was soon clear and necessary to transfer the traditions of the Grass Dance between Tribes. "Inter-Tribalism" began to emerge with the sharing of songs, dances, clothing, food and art. Gift giving and generosity became integral aspects of these early festivities and they are still with

POWOW PRACTICE WITH NIKKI SHAWANA
Every Thursday evening starting January 9, 2020 until March 26, 2020
(no class on March 19 - March Break) 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Lloyd S. King Gymnasium




Open to all Participants
This is a free drop in event!
Light snacks and water.
Wear comfortable clothes, or
wear your regalia!

Calling all dancers, drummers and
anyone interested in preparing for the
Pow Wow season!
Are you interested in learning pow wow
dance styles or just wanting to get in
shape for the pow wow season? We
have a space for you to practice and
instructors to demonstrate the different
dance techniques led by
Nikki Shawana!
All levels of dancing and drumming
are welcome!
Feel free to bring your hand drums!

If you require any further information, please contact Jai-King-Green at
905-768-1133, Ext. 232 or by email at Jai.king-green@mncfn.ca

us today. Over time the phrase "Powwow" as a term for meeting or gathering became very popular and has been used widely to describe the cultural event since the mid 20th Century.

By the 1980s the Powwow had become extremely popular and even commercial. In some cases it became a great show for both the Native and Non-Native crowd. While there had been competition at powwows and competition powwows in the past, the rise of the 1980s brought about better prizes and better organization of the competition powwow. A new evolution could be seen across Indian Country that increased the interest in both the Native American culture and the powwow to both Native and non-Native people. As the 1990s came about, large casinos got in the act of promoting both competition and non-competition powwows to promote not only the most obvious but also the culture of the Tribe that owned or operated the casino.

Finally by the emergence of the 21st Century more Natives were calling for a return to the old ways and the earliest ways of the gathering. Soon the old terms and old ways started to appear more

CULTURE AND HISTORY - Powwow Practice

and more at both competition and non-competition events. To promote and get more interested in the old ways, many big money competition powwows have added new categories of dance and dress that is really the very old ways of dance and dress. With this they hope to create a re-newel interest of the old ways.

BUT Regardless of the term used to describe it – today's gathering or powwow bases itself on the fundamental values common to Native Americans across North America: Honor, Respect, Tradition and Generosity. Along with their families, thousands of singers, dancers, and vendors follow the Powwow Trail all over the entire continent to share and celebrate the culture.

Referenced from: <https://www.powwows.com/history-of-the-powwow/>

The MCFN Culture and Special Events Unit have hosted Pow Wow Practice with Nikki Shawana every Thursday at Lloyd S. King Gymnasium from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you would like to learn to dance, please feel free to come by the gym on Thursdays. Here are some photos of our MCFN community learning their traditional dancing.



Federal Indian Day School Class Action Update

JANUARY 13, 2020 - CLAIMS PROCESS OPEN FOR SURVIVORS OF FEDERAL INDIAN DAY SCHOOLS

What's Happening

The Indian Day School Settlement Claims Process is now open for Survivors who suffered harms while attending Federal Indian Day Schools and Federal Day Schools. Survivors can now take the next step in their journey by submitting a claim for compensation.

What Does this Mean for Class Members

To get started, Survivors can complete the Claim Form or call 1 (888) 221-2898. Class Members will have two and a half years to submit their claims for compensation. The last day to submit a claim will be July 13, 2022.

What are the Next Steps

The completed Claim Forms can be submitted to the Claims Administrator in the following ways:

To: Indian Day Schools Class Action Claims Administrator, c/o Deloitte

- **By Mail:** PO Box 1775, Toronto, ON, Canada, M5C 0A2, or
- **By Fax:** 416-366-1102, or
- **By Email:** indiandayschools@deloitte.ca

Legal and mental health supports available for Class Members


After waiting many years for justice and recognition, the opening of the Claims Process is a major milestone in many Survivors' lives. To assist people in the process, a number of supports are available for Class Members:

- **Claims Process and legal support:** For any questions about the Claim Form or Claims Process, Survivors can call 1 (888) 221-2898. They will be given the option either to seek support from the Administrator on submitting a Claim, or legal support and help filling out the Claim Form from Class Counsel.
- **Mental health counselling and crisis support** is available to Class Members 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the Hope for Wellness Hotline at 1-855-242-3310 or online at www.hopeforwellness.ca. Counselling is available in English, French, Cree, Ojibway and Inuktitut, on request.

The Indian Day School Class Action Settlement Claim form can be found here: <https://indiandayschools.com/en/wp-content/uploads/indian-day-schools-claim-form-en.pdf>

Schedule K - List of Federal Indian Day Schools can be found here: <https://indiandayschools.com/en/wp-content/uploads/schedule-k.pdf>

Printed Versions of the Claim Form are available at all MCFN Department.



AANII Classes

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING FROM

Jan. 8 - June 24, 2020 → 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

MCFN Community Centre

These classes are free!
Call, email or simply drop-in!
Open to all interested in learning.

Dinner will be provided for language class participants!
Please bring your own notebook and pen to take notes

NOTE: ON FEB. 19 AND APRIL 1, CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT LLOYD S. KING IN THE LIBRARY/MURAL ROOM

Advertisement for Board of Education Youth position

MCFN Board of Education Vision Statement: A thriving, positive, balanced learning environment that helps to grow and develop a successful educational journey while honouring our identity as Anishinaabe.

Scope: The members of the Board of Education are responsible to ensure all policies and procedures are being met regarding lifelong learning.

The Board of Education is to be made up of seven (7) appointed seats. Letters of interest are invited for the following vacancy:

One (1) Youth between the age of 18-29 years who is a MCFN member and enrolled in secondary or Post-Secondary. 2 year term effective January 2020.

Interested individuals must submit a package comprising of:

- A letter of interest (also indicate the area of representation in which you are interested).
- Two letters of reference from individuals who can reflect on the applicant's suitability for the appointment.
- A copy of a recent (within one year) Criminal Reference Check (CPIC) and Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) or copy of a receipt showing application for CPIC/VSS is in process.

Forward Package to:

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

2789 Mississauga Road, R.R. #6, Hagersville, Ontario N0A 1H0

Re: MCFN Board of Education

Or, by email to: education.director@mncfn.ca

Deadline Date for Submissions: Thursday, February 13, 2020 @ Noon

Traditional Native Medicine Talk

On Jan. 23, 2020, MCFN Community Health hosted the Traditional Native Medicine Talk with Jonathan Ferrier.

Ferrier was the keynote speaker for the evening, sharing his knowledge of Traditional Native medicines that help with addictionie:nicotinedependence and those that help aid in the prevention and treatment of cancer and diabetes. He also shared some of his teachings and stories on the use of Traditional Tobacco.



| Taxon | Healer rank |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| <i>Tynanthus guatemalensis</i> | 1 |
| <i>Uncaria tomentosa</i> | 2 |
| <i>Xiphidium caeruleum</i> | 2 |
| <i>Pimenta guatemalensis</i> | 3 |
| <i>Acacia cookii</i> | 4 |
| <i>Bursera simaruba</i> | 5 |

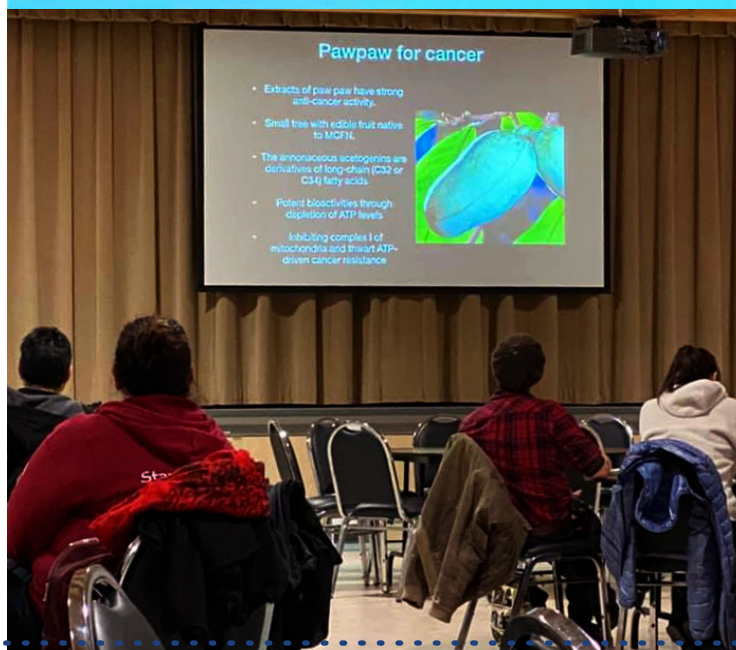
Table 4.S1. *Tynanthus guatemalensis* ranked #1 by healers

Lobelia inflata Indian tobacco

Lobeline inhibits nicotine-evoked dopamine release

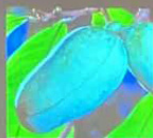
Lobeline does not release dopamine

Lobeline induces the metabolism of dopamine intraneuronally



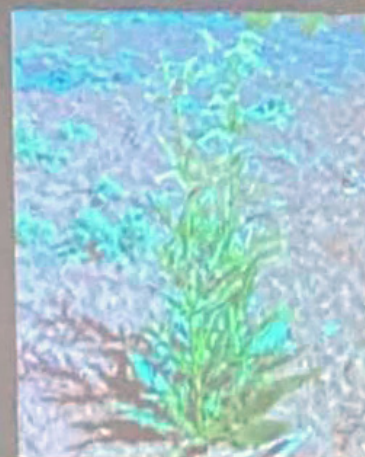
Pawpaw for cancer

- Extracts of paw paw have strong anti-cancer activity.
- Small tree with edible fruit native to MCFN.
- The amonaceous acetogenins are derivatives of long-chain (C32 or C34) fatty acids
- Potent bioactivities through depletion of ATP levels
- Inhibiting complex I of mitochondria and thwart ATP-driven cancer resistance



Traditional use of Asemaa

- Smoked in medicine ceremonies
- Nosebleed
- Headache
- Smoked in corn husks for cough
- Worms
- Rheumatism
- Cold remedy
- Asthma
- Emetic
- Kidney aid
- Tuberculosis
- Smoked for pleasure
- Other ceremonial purposes



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MCFN Member Steven LaForme Commits to Merrimack Men's Hockey

As featured in our April and May 2019 Eaglepress issues, MCFN member Steven LaForme had a stellar Minor Midget year with the Brantford 99ers capturing the Minor Midget AAA Alliance Championship in 2018/19. Following that, LaForme was selected in the Ontario Hockey League draft, 91st overall in the fifth round in the OHL Priority Selection Draft by the North Bay Battalion. Described as a well-sized and strong center and showcased a complete game and great intelligence in all facets, making him one of the top prospects out of the Alliance Hockey League that season.

Laforme would not see OHL action with North Bay and instead played Jr. B hockey for the Hamilton Kilty B's this past season, with 39 points (7 goals, 32 assists) in 32 games.

This past December, the Merrimack men's hockey team received a commitment from 2003-born forward Steven LaForme.

Merrimack College is a private Augustinian college in North Andover, Massachusetts. It was founded in 1947 by the Order of St. Augustine with an initial goal to educate World War II veterans. The college has grown to encompass 220 acres campus and almost 40 buildings. The library is named after Rev. Vincent A. McQuade, the founder of the college.

The athletics teams participate in the Northeast Conference of NCAA Division I. They began their four-year transition to Division I during the 2019-20 season and will be full Division I members by 2023-24. The college currently has 22 teams participating in intercollegiate sport (9 men's teams and 13 women's teams). The men's college ice hockey program is currently a NCAA Division I program, participating in the Hockey East conference.

"LaForme is a creative offensive forward who has the ability to score on every shift," said Neutral Zone scouts, who rate LaForme has a 3.75-star recruit. "As good as he is as a scoring option, he is equally as strong of a passer. He is able to find open teammates with strong passes that get through tight passing lanes. He has strong feet and a quick stride. Once he gets into open



MCFN Member Steven LaForme

space, he can beat defenders wide and create time and space for himself. He has good size and a solid frame; he protects the puck well and is already strong enough to lean on opponents."

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation wish Steven much success with Merrimack Men's Hockey. Congratulations! To view Laforme's commitment to Merrimack hockey, please click link below:

Youtube Video – Laforme talks his commitment to Merrimack: https://www.themackreport.com/news/video-laforme-talks-his-commitment-to-merrimack/?doing_wp_cron=1580233293.4267449378967285156250

TO VIEW MISSISSAUGA NATION NEWSLETTER

VISIT LINK: <http://mncfn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/MN-JAN-20-2020-PDF.pdf>

NEWSLETTER

Mississauga Nation



EarlyON Celebrates 1st Anniversary Niimaajidoomin maamwi Our Journey Together!



This beautiful mural was unveiled at the EarlyON 1st Anniversary Celebration held on Jan. 15, at MCFN EarlyON. The mural was commissioned by Philip Cote, a distinguished Indigenous artist. The purpose of Cote's research is to unearth, and reveal, his cultural experience and knowledge of signs of Indigenous symbols, language and interpretation. Openings are thus created both within the archive/academia and broader public that enable these imbedded stereotypes to transform under the gaze of an Indigenous based interpreted presence and intervene in the cross generational colonial bias. (l-r) Director Patti Barbar, Chief R. Stacey Laforme, Artist Philip Cote, EarlyON Coordinator Katharine Brown

This journey began from the 2015 Truth and Reconciliation calls to action whereby the Ministry of Education made a number of commitments. As part of this, under the theme of "Closing the Gaps and Removing Barriers" the Ministry committed to working closely with First Nations to enhance existing provincially funded child and family programs on reserve, and to make culturally relevant child and family programs available in more communities. We began with community consultations in 2017, proposals were submitted by both the First Nation and Haldimand/Norfolk County and a shared business model was submitted to the Ministry for the Indigenous Led EarlyON Child and Family Program which was accepted and approved in 2018.

Through these new relationships and journey together Niimaajidoomin maamwi, a commitment to reconciliation is fortified.

Many special guests were invited to the first anniversary including MCFN Chief and Council, Chief Executive Officer Kailey Thomson, Program Manager of Children's Services for Haldimand Norfolk County Jeff Wilson, and Karen Calligan Ministry of Education

Child Care advisor London Region.

Julie Laforme who was unable to attend sent some special words for the celebration, "My thoughts and well wishes are with you and the EarlyON staff as you celebrate your first anniversary. I know that you have all dedicated a tremendous amount of time and energy into the EarlyON project to ensure its success. Congratulations and miigwech!!!"

The Indigenous led EarlyON Child and Family Program at Hagersville Secondary School has grown in leaps and bounds since the move into the building in December 2018. The program has had steady growth every month leading up to December 2019 when the annual tally numbers were completed.

During the first year, the Centre has far exceeded their target numbers with over 350 registered children and more than 230 parents and caregivers.

Registered families have visited the Indigenous Led site more than 2000 times throughout our first year of operation.

The feedback received from registered families speaks to the desire to participate in an Indigenous Led

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Chief R. Stacey Laforme welcomes guests to the opening while Patti Barbar, Director of Child Care and EarlyON Programs and Katharine Brown, Coordinator EarlyON Child and Family Programs look on.

program, families have sought out the program and have willingly travelled from as far across the county as Saint Williams to Selkirk, Dunnville to Burlington, Waterford and into Brant County.

Our successes have come from the commitment of MCFN Chief and Council, the dedication of the EarlyON Staff and the continued mentorship and support from the Director of Childcare and EarlyON Patti Barber and Program Coordinator Katharine Brown.



MCFN EarlyOn staff: (L-R) Jolene Hill, Cierra Hemmings, Katharine Brown, and Bridgette Ferreria. Tiara Shurr

Miigwech to our community partners in Haldimand Norfolk at the Social Services and Health Departments and REACH, the Grand Erie District School Board, Principal and staff at Hagersville Secondary School and the Ministry of Education.

A highlight of the anniversary celebration was the unveiling of a mural created by Philip Cote. Philip is a member of the Moose Deer Point First Nation with affiliations to Shawnee, Lakota, Potawatomi and Ojibway.

Philip is an Artist, Activist, Historian and Ancestral Knowledge Keeper.

Cote has created public artworks across the greater Toronto Area and notably close to our heart, for the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation. Philip led the project named 'Kiinwin Dabaadjmowin' "Our Story", a 1000 square foot mural, located at Lloyd S. King Elementary School.

In Cote's own words, here is the meaning behind the beautiful mural located at the entrance of the MCFN EarlyOn Centre.

"Our Future Leaders" Mural by Philip Cote, MFA
6 Feet x 10.5 Feet (in 3 Panels)

Acrylic on Canvas Wrapped Panels

Traditionally and historically, Indigenous civilizations education was transmitted through oral communication between generations.

Ancient wisdom and daily survival practices were learned by our people through the observation of nature and the natural world, which was then passed down to the children and youth.

These advanced Indigenous values and skills were inferiorized and over shadowed by the west, first through the colonization of our lands that we had inherited all this wisdom, and then by forced assimilation by the residential schools systems where the western civilization and religion replaced native values and history. In the 17th century missionaries were brought over from Europe to establish schools for natives. The first residential school opened in Upper Canada in Ontario in 1840's. The cold and dark classroom replaced the community and connection to nature, and the settler teachers, priests and nuns replaced the elders and wisdom keepers of our



"Our Future Leaders" Mural by Philip Cote

communities and their religious books replaced our stories and storytellers. The chain of communication was broken, the youth could no longer learn about their identity and their traditions and customs. The legacy of these schools continues to this day. It is re-enacted in the significant educational, income, and health disparities between Indigenous people and other Canadians, disparities that condemn many Indigenous people to shorter, poorer, and more troubled lives.

The painting envisioned for this commission was in connection to the prediction spoken of by the Anishinaabe prophets roughly 1,200 years ago. It was their vision remembered and brought into the present by those young activists in the sixties and seventies who sought out the elders for our history and cultural knowledge and ceremony, the story of The Seven Fires Prophecy talks of the new people who will come in peace but the face of peace looks exactly like the face of war and speaks of troubles our people would go through and did, and still are.

The children in this work reflect a new vision, one where our young one's will be raised in the stories of our terrestrial roots and migration across this land to

remember where we come from and where we are going according to our ancestors vision. This vision



Looking on as the Mural is unveiled for the first time. (L-R) Karen Calligan, Ministry of Education Child Care advisor London Region, Jeff Wilson, Program Manager of Children's Services for Haldimand Norfolk County, MCFN Director Patti Barbar and Artist Philip Cote.

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speak of the place we are at now, year 2020 a turning point called The Eighth Fire, a place where we would come to a fork in the road and where we would have to choose between the light road or the dark road. It's at this point where we begin to take a look into our collective past and go beyond the settler narrative



Inspired by this incredible picture that was taken at that moment they were on the doorstep of the Residential school. The title of this photograph is Dakota Children Before Residential School 1897.

and see past the stereotype to our true selves.

The most important part for me as an artist is to show that there is a positive reflection of our presence across the land, one that our young people will be proud of today.

During my research for this commission, I came across an image of young Indigenous children dressed in their traditional regalia, it was so amazing and beautiful an image that my thinking was that these young ones knew who they were at that moment in time. This incredible picture was taken at that moment they were on the doorstep of the Residential school. The title of this photograph is Dakota Children Before Residential School 1897.

It was this picture that moved me and inspired my most recent mural, "Our Future Leaders". Thinking about what these children went through, and how much this forced assimilation of our ancestors was meant to break their spirit and hearts. We have come full circle and are in a healing path to re-engage those times before settlement of our Homeland and hearts and minds.

The story of the thunderbird shows us the importance

of ancestral knowledge. The thunderbird story teaches us to remember where our gifts come from and for me, it is like a prayer for these little ones and all the children that endured Residential School.

The Ancient story goes like this: there was a giant red tailed hawk flying over the land, all the animals and creatures of the land admired this beautiful bird and so too did the creator and he wanted to give this beautiful bird powers of creation, which the bird accepted. But there was one thing that the creator asked for in return for these gifts, that there be an altar to honour where the bird received the powers from and the bird agreed that he would make the altar. Many days went by, but the bird did not make the sacred altar and then even weeks went by. The creator was sad to see that there was no altar built for the powers of creation given to the red tailed hawk, but the creator decided that he cannot punish such a beautiful bird and he sent the thunder-beings down to look after the giant red tailed hawk. The thunder beings came down from the sky to take the bird to live with them and in doing so the giant red tailed hawk became the first Thunderbird. The moral of the story is to never forget where your gifts come from because our ancestors have handed down knowledge for generations and it is our responsibility to acknowledge their wisdom.

Philip Cote, MFA

Young Spiritual Elder

Moose Deer Point First Nation

Artist, Activist, Educator, Historian and Ancestral Knowledge Keeper



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Integrating Indigenous perspectives into higher education Talk to UC alumni by Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation member and University Toronto Mississauga professor reveals how community engagement leads to richer learning

By Sharon Aschaiek

Canada is on a long, complicated and often painful journey of reconciling with the Indigenous peoples of this land. The fraught history of this relationship, with its ugly legacy of occupation and forced assimilation by settlers trying to extinguish the culture, rights and humanity of Indigenous peoples, has devastated generations of Indigenous families.

As a country, we have made some efforts to right this fundamental wrong and heal the festering wounds through the federal government's Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada. Chaired by First Nations lawyer and Canadian senate member Murray Sinclair, the commission sought to document the history and lasting impacts of the Canadian Indian residential school system. Its calls to action, released in 2015, outline how society can make amends with Indigenous peoples and advance equality in areas such as education, health care and justice.

The TRC's recommendations include some specific measures for making higher education more inclusive of Indigenous knowledge, culture, history and traditions. Post-secondary institutions have been challenged to help repair the relationship with Indigenous Peoples by advancing understanding and respect of Indigenous perspectives. Universities and colleges have responded in different ways and to different degrees in areas such as curriculum, facilities, employment and support services.

At the same time, efforts are underway in higher education to redress the injustices of Indigenous oppression from the bottom up, which is of course where all meaningful change begins. Individual educators are aiming to be allies to Indigenous peoples as they strive to overcome obstacles to equality, self-determination and basic human rights (like clean drinking water—still). And First Nations communities in Canada are working with these allies in education to make progress from the ground up.

"Murray Sinclair said that education is what got us

into this mess, and education is what is going to get us out of it," says Veronica King-Jamieson, a councillor of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) band. "What that means is, if we really want to achieve reconciliation, then people need to know the truth about who we are and our history."



King-Jamieson here with Senator Murray Sinclair at the 2018 Symposium on the Importance of Indigenous Education in Ontario classrooms in December of 2018 at the University of Toronto-Mississauga.

That sentiment drives King-Jamieson and the MCFN to be proactive in advancing Indigenous perspectives in public education. They take a grassroots approach that involves building relationships with educators at all levels to create space for Indigenous Peoples, issues and ideas at public schools, universities and colleges. One of their productive partnerships has been with Sherry Fukuzawa, a self-described "non-indigenous settler ally" and a professor of anthropology at the University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM), which is publicly acknowledged as being situated on the traditional territory of the MCFN and other local Indigenous communities.

"I am a Japanese Canadian, and my parents were interned during the Second World War, so I've always been interested in decolonization in general in institutions. When I came to UTM, I wondered why the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation had no presence there, and that's what started my journey,"

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says Fukuzawa, who was also inspired by a lecture by Murray Sinclair in which he emphasized building relationships with Indigenous communities. "It's about bringing in different perspectives other than those of the colonial Westernized epistemology."

In March, King-Jamieson and Fukuzawa shared about their collaborative approach with University College alumni in a talk called "Community Engaged Learning: The Importance of the Indigenous Curriculum in Ontario Classrooms." They explained how they have worked together to increase representation of the Mississaugas at UTM and in education more generally. They also highlighted the strengths and value of community-engaged learning and how to make it work.

Their partnership was ignited in July of 2018, when the Ontario Ministry of Education cancelled a project to update provincial curriculum documents with Indigenous content. In response, King-Jamieson and Fukuzawa organized the Symposium on the Importance of Indigenous Education in Ontario Classrooms. Funded by a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council grant, the event sought to explore how different stakeholders in public education can integrate Indigenous content and methodologies into the current Ontario educational curriculum. More than 500 participants attended to hear keynote talks by Senator Sinclair and retired Ontario Court of Appeal judge and Mississaugas member Harry LaForme and participate in break-out sessions, including one on Indigenous curriculum in post-secondary institutions by Indigenous UTM sociology professors Jennifer Adese and Robin Gray.

From there, they collaborated on developing a course together with the direct involvement of MCFN members and the support of a grant from U of T's Connaught Fund, which supports research on solving societal problems. An Indigenous Action Group was established consisting of MCFN community members who helped shape the curriculum for the experiential course, called Anthropology & Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island. Launched last fall, this second-year undergraduate course examined the relationship between the field of anthropology and Indigenous peoples in North America, and included

the perspectives of Indigenous, anti-colonial and community scholars.

Through discussions and field trips led by MCFN elders and knowledge holders, the students learned about topics MCFN matters such as land treaties, the revitalization of the Ojibwe language, cultural ceremonies such as smudging to purify the spirit and using wampums in oral storytelling, and their efforts to sustain their culture. One Mississaugas member led students on a trail walk along the Credit River to share his insights on Indigenous medicine and botany. Another engaged students in a moccasin stenciling art exercise to reflect the MCFN members' connection to their land. Fukuzawa acted as a facilitator of the course, and provided ongoing opportunities for the students to reflect on their learning.

"We're trying to address U of T's response to the TRC Commission's calls to action in relation to education, and one of the keys is you need the Indigenous perspective from the first-person voice of the community," Fukuzawa says. "UTM is on the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, we got our name from them, so they need to drive the decisions to make sure the content is authentic."



King-Jamieson (left) presents the Honourable Harry LaForme (centre) with a thank you gift at the Education Symposium. LaForme was introduced to the participants by his brother MCFN Member and Department of Consultation and Accommodation Director Mark LaForme.

To be sure, UTM, and U of T, at large have taken several steps in recent years to advance Indigenous perspectives on campus. The UTM campus has an Indigenous Centre for supporting Indigenous students, staff and faculty. It has hired more Indigenous faculty members, introduced more Indigenous-focused courses, renamed one of its buildings Maanjiwe nendamowinan (which means “gathering of Minds” in the Anishinaabemowin language) and increased its outreach to the MCFN. Similar developments are underway at the St. George and Scarborough campuses as the institution as a whole works to achieve the vision set out in Answering the Call Wecheehetowin, a 2017 U of T report that outlines how it will meet its obligations to the TRC’s calls to action.

In the meantime, Fukuzawa and King-Jamieson will continue their grassroots efforts. Fukuzawa’s co-primary investigator in the course project, geography professor Nicole Laliberte, is overseeing the research side, which involves a longitudinal study to track the impact of the course on the 70 students in its first intake. The students, Fukuzawa says, expressed exhilaration at the chance to understand reality from a different perspective and to question Western ways of knowing the world. Fukuzawa is working to extend the life of the course beyond the grant’s three-year window.

Says King-Jamieson: “We’re trying to make Canadians understand who we are and the rights we’re fighting for, not just for ourselves, but for everyone.”

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Recognizing MCFN Inspirational Role Models

Who do you admire? Who inspires you? Who brings pride to our Nation?

Help recognize our outstanding achievers.

A Recognition Awards Committee has been established and will need your help to identify members who will be presented with a special recognition award.

Nominees must be Individuals who :

- Are members of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.*
- Have made an important contribution to our Nation.
- Demonstrate outstanding achievements
- Are a role model for others.

There will be two awards presented in 2020. Date for the call for nominations to be determined.

Trailblazer Award

This award recognizes an individual who has provided service to the MCFN by increasing MCFN profile or status with external communities, influencers and partners.

Community volunteer Award

This award recognizes an individual who has shown outstanding generosity, resulting in service or support to MCFN through their time, actions, talents and dedication.

- Awards can be made posthumously to family members.
- Current elected Council members are not eligible



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LaForme Blues Matinee In Honour of the Late Marvin LaForme Sr.



On Saturday, January 25th Dwayne LaForme and his band Boogie Blues brought Burl, Red (Ryan) and Mark LaForme together to honour their beloved elder who lost his battle with cancer in 2019.

(L-R) Red (Ryan) LaForme, Dwayne LaForme, Burle LaForme, and Mark LaForme



In keeping with a love of the blues, four sets were dedicated in honour pf Marvin. Many memories were shared both in song and story. Each of the LaForme guests played a set in their own personal style of blues, and the final set included all four LaForme musicians with Mark's harmonica bringing it all together.

The tribute was also lucky enough to have Velma LaForme, Marvin's sister and Dwayne's mom. Miigwech for the tribute.

Council News

Land, Water and Sustainable Prosperity Committee – Nov. 18, 2019

Approval was given for the appraisal for the easement for a 115 kv powerline over part of the Mississaugas of the Credit Indian Reserve #40A done by Andrew, Thompson & Associates Ltd, 177 Dunlop Street West, Barrie ON L4N 1B4.

That the MCFN Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs the DOCA Director to contact OKT Law Firm and request that a letter be drafted to Ontario and Canada and cc'd to MNRF regarding lack of consultation with MCFN based on MCFN's Water Claim and Treaty Rights.

That the MCFN Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs the Governance Committee to draft a letter in response to York Region Committee of the Whole Minutes dated May 2, 2019 regarding their Land Acknowledgement. And further, extend an invitation to the York Region Committee to review MCFN History.

Recognition Committee

The MCFN Emissary Award will recognize an individual who has provided service to the MCFN by increasing MCFN profile or status with external communities, influencers and partners.

The Community Volunteer will recognize an individual who has shown outstanding generosity, resulting in service or support to MCFN through their time, actions, talents and dedication within the community.

In the second year an additional award would be for an Elder or Teacher who values and shares our history language, culture beliefs and traditions. The main reason for the delay is to give further thought as to ensuring that there is inclusiveness in respecting Elders or Teachers who do not follow traditional teachings.

Eligibility Criteria: all members of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation can be nominated. Awards can also be made posthumously to family members. Current serving elected Council Members are not eligible for nomination. See Appendix 1 for Criteria.

A Nominating Form has been drafted. See Appendix

2. The intent is to circulate the form amongst community members, including in the newsletter. We would ask for Nominations to be submitted by January 20, 2020. The Committee would meet, review the nominations and make recommendations to Chief and Council who will have the final say in the Award Recipients.

The Committee is proposing that a modest glass or acrylic award with the MCFN logo and name of the award and recipient be given along with a custom designed with the MCFN logo. The design of the lapel pin and presentation box for the would be used for subsequent years and there would be no additional cost for the design. The Committee members could start immediately working with the jewellers on the design. We are estimating that in the first year the cost would be under \$1000.00.

That the MCFN Land, Water & Sustainable Prosperity Council directs that there is an additional possible award - Friend of Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation (Selection of the Award to be by Chief and Council). The award would be given from time to time to honour a person, who is not a member of MCFN, but whose career, in any field, has had a major impact or influence on advancing knowledge of our history, language, culture, beliefs and traditions.

Education and Wellness Committee Oct. 28, 2019

That the MCFN Education & Wellness Council approves the Terms of Reference dated October 22, 2019 for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Education Board with noted corrections. A final draft will be put in Chief and Council's mailboxes.

That the MCFN Education & Wellness Council approves and signs the BCR legally removing "New" from the name of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Toronto Purchase Trust. The name of the Trust will now be Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Toronto Purchase Trust.

That the MCFN Education & Wellness Council approves and signs the BCR for Peace Hills Trust which is required to fulfil Article 6.2 of the MCFN Toronto Purchase Trust which allows MCFN Minors who turn 18 in 2020 to receive their Per Capita Distribution payment of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars).

Council News continued

That the MCFN Education & Wellness Council approves the Moccasin Identifier to proceed with filing applications for copyright and trademark with ownership rights to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Governance Internal and Intergovernmental Council - Dec. 2019

Re: Mississaugas of the Credit, Monthly Incident Report: October: 41 Incidents: 3 year Average: 29 (2018: 34, 2017: 24, 2016: 29).

Calls for Service: 911 x 7: Accidental misdials, police engaged & confirmed no emergency.

Ambulance: EMS requested assisted to access locked residence, cancelled prior to attendance.

Animal Complaint x 3: German shepherd appears to stray and in bad shape, White Collie chasing cattle, Neighbour's dog on their property.

Assault: Historical in nature, CAS engaged, person charged.

Assist Other Police Agency x 5: Request to contact or locate local residents on their behalf.

Community Services x 8: Community Service Officer & Provincial Liaison Team outreach.

Family Dispute: Minor dispute over custody issue involving the pick-up of children.

Mischief: Ojibway road, damage to window, appears to a result of a pellet gun. No Suspects.

Missing Person Located: Missing for 4 days, officers located person and ensured well-being.

Motor Vehicle Abandoned: Vehicle partially on roadway, vehicle towed, unable to contact owner

Collision: Mississauga & Ojibway road, 2 car property damage, Driver charged

Police Assistance/Information x 5: Seeking advice and direction from Police.

Property: Numerous credit cards located and surrendered to Police. Investigation on-going.

Suspicious Vehicle: 1045 PM, 2 vehicles with people standing around at Council Building. Vehicles gone upon arrival of officers.

Theft: License plates stolen from vehicle.

Traffic Complaint: Transport trucks are ignoring signage, patrols requested.

Traffic Hazard: Person walking in the middle of the road, appeared impaired. Area patrolled with negative result.

Warrant: While attending to an unwanted person incident. Investigation revealed person had outstanding warrant.

Re: Mississaugas of the Credit, Monthly Incident Report: November: 28 Incidents: 3 year Average: 30 (2018: 34, 2017: 33, 2016: 22).

Calls for Service: 911 x 5: Accidental misdials, police engaged & confirmed no emergency.

Alarm: Country Style / Credit gas station, police attended

Ambulance: EMS requested assisted with uncooperative patient, cancelled prior to attendance.

Arson: Mississauga Road, Fire determined no source of ignition.

Assist Other Police Agency x 2: Request to contact local resident on their behalf.

Community Services x 6: Community Service Officer & Provincial Liaison Team outreach.

Domestic/Family Disputes x 5: all minor altercations, unwanted calls & texts and intoxicated arguments, break down in family relationship.

Fraud: Email stating their computer has been hacked, requesting money.

Mischief: New Credit Road, damage to front & rear door, glass was broken. No Suspects.

Collision: Toby's Gas Bar, minor damage to both vehicles.

Police Assistance/Information: Seeking advice and direction from Police.

Property: Mississauga Rd near Ojibway, ATM located, property recovered & is related to local theft.

Suspicious Person: Tuscarora Rd, report at 1:00 a.m. of person knocking on their door then walking towards backyard. Area was patrolled with negative results.

Council News continued

Theft: During recent home renovation, money has gone missing. Investigation on-going.

That the MCFN Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council approves the Submission of a Proposal for the First Nations Guardians' Initiative, and further, that a letter of support for this Proposal Submission be signed by Chief R. Stacey Laforme.

That the MCFN Governance Internal & Intergovernmental Council accepts the "Governance Arrangements for Trailblazer Strategic Plan" dated November 27, 2019 with noted corrections.

Financial Planning and Fiscal Oversight Council Dec. 2, 2019

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the MCFN Director of child Care & EarlyON Programs to proceed with entering into a design build quote with Earthscape in order to move this project forward.

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council accepts Wilf Ruland's (P. Geo) report and recommendations as outlined in his correspondence dated November 18, 2019 in reference to the 2018 Annual Monitoring Report of the Tom Howe Landfill Site. This report dated April 2019 was prepared for Haldimand County by WSP Canada Inc. See recommendations 1 – 5 from Wilf Ruland

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council directs that the Chief and political rep arrange a meeting with Anne Scotten (RDG) to discuss and clarify that MCFN are the Treaty Holders of MCFN's Treaty Lands.

That the MCFN Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council supports the collaboration with Parks Canada.

S.T.O.P.

Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

MCFN Community Centre Boardroom



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POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE

Councillor Evan Sault

Pillar Two Lead - Nation Well-being and Wellness

Aanii and Happy New Year to my fellow MCFN Members,

I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas and New Years Holiday, and I also hope that 2020 treats you well.

First off, I'm so humbled and grateful that I was re-elected for another term by MCFN Membership. I would like to send out many Chi-Miigweches to my nominators, Mark Sault, Carolyn King and all my supporters that voted for me.

I'm glad to be back with Pillar 2: Nation Well-Being and Wellness, I look forward to continue moving our vision, objectives and goals in the right direction for the Nation.

January 2020 was already a busy month with meetings and functions. I travelled to Dunnville and had a meet and greet with David Montgomery, the CEO and President of the War Memorial Hospital. I presented a MNCFN Flag and some Education & Awareness material about MCFN to display in the hospital. I invited them to our January Pillar 2 Meeting in which they attended, the Brantford and Hamilton Aboriginal Health Centres also attended this January Pillar Meeting. Both parties provided informative information on their programs and services and we had the opportunity to share discussions on where we can grow our relationships and partnerships in order to better serve our MCFN Members who may require their services.

Currently, I am a member of the MCFN Cannabis working group, along with Pillar 1 Lead Councillor Bill LaForme, Chief Operating Officer Kailey Thomson, Director of Sustainable Economic Development Brittney Sault and the CEO of the Mississaugas of the Credit Business Corporation Leonard Rickard. Multiple meetings have occurred in January in order to make significant progress on the MCFN Cannabis File. Our immediate goal is the successful implementation of the MCFN Cannabis Control Commission.

In collaboration with MCFN Administration, we've been meeting to develop a strategy to obtain a Jordan's Principle Navigator to assist and advocate for the MCFN Membership throughout the Jordan's Principle process.

As chairman of the MCFN Major Events Committee



(MEC), I have coordinated and scheduled meetings with the CEO, Organizers and Coordinators of the Canada Summer Games 2021 and the Canadian National Exhibition. In these meetings, we discussed MCFN's input, involvement and overall participation in these two huge events. Monthly meetings will be ongoing in order that MCFN is properly recognized and acknowledged.

I am also a member of the MCFN Negotiations Team, along with Pillar 5 Lead Erma Ferrell and the Director of Sustainable Economic Development Brittney Sault. We have met and are continuing our meetings with Hydro

One to establish the MCFN Community Improvement and Cultural Fund and to discuss bringing fibre optics to the Community.

Service Canada was present in the community on Thursday January 24. Service Canada will be set up in the community the 4th Thursday of each month, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to assist MCFN Members in completing applications for obtaining essential documents and accessing programs and services.

I served as the Master of Ceremonies for the Traditional Native Medicine Talk community event on January 23. I was very proud and honoured to be a part of this event.

I would also like to congratulate MCFN EarlyOn Program staff on their one year anniversary. It was a privilege to attend the anniversary and mural unveiling celebration at Hagersville Secondary School (HSS).

I have upcoming strategic planning meetings regarding the following initiatives: MCFN Child Welfare, MCFN Sports & Recreation, MCFN Peacekeepers/Community Safety.

In closing, please do not ever hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. Contact me by email at EvanS@mncfn.ca or by phone at 905-869-5767.

Miigwetch for your time,

Councillor Evan Sault

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Councillor Erma Ferrell

Pillar Five Lead - Cultural Awareness, Communications and Outreach

I WISH TO THANK EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED ME IN THE DECEMBER 2019 ELECTION. PLEASE CONTACT ME ANY TIME IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN. OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS I WILL DO MY BEST TO REPRESENT OUR FIRST NATION FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF OUR MEMBERSHIP.

Meetings Attended

Council meetings attended:

January 6 and January 13, 2020.

Additional Meetings Attended

January 9, outreach meeting regarding a proposed Mississaugas of the Credit history presentation for February; date to be determined.

Parks Canada meeting January 15, visited the EarlyOn Centre to view their new mural, and attended the Major Events Meeting on the evening of January 16.

Parks Canada

Parks Canada staff is working with our First Nation to create a trail along the waterfront, which will contain our history. A coordinator will be hired to lead this project on behalf of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

The proposed trail will be approximately 0.6 kilometers, following the shoreline of Lake Ontario, bordering Fort Mississauga National Historic Site in Niagara-on-the Lake. Parks Canada is requesting historical information on how stories are told to be placed on the trail. Future plans for the trail will be to attract tourists to presentations by the Mississaugas of the Credit to share their teachings on the trail.

The Parks Canada staff are hopeful the trail project will build a strong relationship with the Mississaugas of the Credit and are very supportive of additional project opportunities at other Parks Canada sites.



Major Events Committee

The Major Events committee members reviewed upcoming events for this fiscal and plans for the next fiscal. A review of the events and current budget were reviewed. The Major Events committee members will host a booth at the Lil NHL hockey tournament March 15 to 19, in Mississauga, Ontario. Also on March 14 and 15, the Major Events Committee will have a booth at the Sugar Shack event in Toronto on Sugar Beach. Mark Laforme will be singing at these events.

Billy Bishop Airport – Toronto

Ports Toronto have been working with our Culture and Special Events Coordinator, Caitlin Laforme to have a sculpture placed at Billy Bishop Airport. A sculpture and signage to recognize the treaty land of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. In 2019, a prototype was presented to our Chief and Council by artist Dave M. General. Chief and Council approved the prototype. On Monday January 13, 2020, both the artist and representatives met with Chief and Council and a presentation was made on finalizing what details the sculpture will contain. Further updates will be provided at a later date for the official unveiling. Ports Toronto will be providing the full cost of the sculpture directly to the artist and the art work and a plaque will provide the history of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We thank both the artist and the members of Ports Toronto for this special project.

Annual Recognition Awards Committee

Our annual recognition awards committee have completed their guidelines to nominate someone from our First Nation. An advertisement for an opportunity to nominate someone will be placed on our website in the near future.

FEBRUARY 2020 MCFN

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| <p>g Certificate Course, 5:30 PM</p> <p>nmunization, SS, 9</p> <p>ormation Session, SS,</p> <p>Registration, SS, (4-5 years and 6 – 12 years)</p> <p>LSK, 6 – 8 PM</p> | <p>28</p> <p>March Break Camp Registration, SS, 5:30 – 7 PM (4-5 years and 6 – 12 years)</p> | <p>29</p> | |

Councillor Craig King

Pillar Six Lead - Infrastructure and Community Development

I would like to thank everyone that came out to vote if I haven't thanked you already. Your support has been greatly appreciated. I am excited to be sitting on this side of the table to offer my knowledge and also learn from the experience. I have Pillar 6 as my responsibility and will do my best to carry on with the Organizations vision of our future. I have yet to meet with all the departments, but have some items that are currently already started that I will be a part of during my term. I have been involved with some of these projects previously as well.



- Housing list at approx. 104 as of 2020.
- application process effected by lack of available land or financial shortfalls.
- 3. Pre-approval for 2 Stand-alone Senior living homes
 - Received approval from funding sources
 - Infrastructure will need to be put in place prior to project.
- 4. Master plan for multi-unit Development Area
 - Current focus on overall vision of growth.

PUBLIC WORKS

1. Waterline expansion (Tuscarora Road#251)
 - Initiated construction January 2020
 - Expected completion July 2020. (Weather)
 - Note - This is for main installation only, once in, service residential hook ups will be offered.
2. Rumpus Hall/library renovation.
 - Initiated construction September 2019
 - expected completion March 01, 2020
 - renovation will provide 6 offices and library with potential usable space in lower level.
3. LSK Expansion
 - Initiated multiple dates /multiple changes
 - Expected completion TBD.
 - feasibility study finalized and currently at funding application stage.
4. Parking lot expansion (Health & Social)
 - Initiated construction November 2019
 - Expected completion Spring 2020.
 - Will consist of 20 additional spots with added Handicap spots and added lighting for safety.

HOUSING

1. New 5-plex
 - Initiated construction September 2019
 - expected completion April 2020.
 - consists of 5 units with 2 and 3 bedrooms.
2. Two new houses annually

I will be also focusing attention on organizing a Pillar 6 Infrastructure and Community Development Committee to assist with future growth implementations. If you or someone you know could bring some knowledge or experiences to this committee feel free to contact me for discussion. I can be reached at 905-869-5805, or by email at CraigK@mncfn.ca.

MCFN MONTHLY GATHERING

Saturday, February 22, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
MCFN Community Centre



AGENDA

- | | |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| 9:30 a.m. | Arrivals & morning refreshments |
| 10:00 a.m. | Drum Opening |
| 10:05 a.m. | Opening Prayer |
| 10:15 a.m. | Opening Remarks by Facilitator |
| 10:25 a.m. | Welcoming Remarks by Chief |
| 10:30 a.m. | Community Safety Strategy |
| | Constable Rodney Leclair - OPP |
| 12:00 p.m. | Lunch |



View the meeting live on our **FACEBOOK GROUP** at
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1974534826131680/>
Mliigwech!

Next Monthly Gathering: Saturday, March 28, 2020
Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the
Hagersville Food Bank.

Employment Opportunities

Policy Analyst/Writer

The Policy Analyst/Writer provides support to the Director of Intergovernmental Affairs by conducting research, analysing current and proposed legislation and assisting with writing laws for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Closing Date: Feb. 6, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Director of Media and Communications

To assist the MCFN and the Chief and Council of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation by providing and maintaining internal and external communications with all forms of media that may affect the First Nation by developing external and internal communications strategies to ensure alignment with the MCFN Strategic Plan and overall mission and growth initiatives.

Closing Date: Feb. 6, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Public Works - Casual Worker

This casual worker position will be required to fill-in at Community Centre and LSK Caretaker positions which require a Vulnerable Check, in addition to Custodian absenteeism. Duties may include, but will not be limited to lawn maintenance, building and/or rental unit cleaning and/or maintenance, snow removal, water meter reading, etc.

Closing Date: Open Call

Childcare Casual RECE and EarlyON Facilitator

The RECE will supervise the children in the assigned classroom in accordance with the philosophy and program statement of the Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre, maintaining compliance with all provincial and federal legislation requirements.

The EarlyON Facilitator will be responsible for creating the development and delivery of inclusive and culturally responsive and appropriate learning environment that reflects effective practices; facilitating developmentally appropriate, educational, supportive and interactive programs that address unique community needs. The EarlyON Facilitator will be responsible for creating the development and delivery of inclusive and culturally responsive and appropriate learning environment that reflects effective practices; facilitating developmentally appropriate, educational, supportive and interactive programs that address unique community needs

Closing Date: Open Call

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. The teacher will treat all students in a fair and equitable manner. The teacher will adhere to the Ontario College of Teachers Foundations of Professional Practice, including Ethical Standards for the Teaching Profession, Standards of Practice for the Teaching Profession and the Professional Framework for the Teaching Profession.

Closing Date: Open Call

After School Program Assistant

The After School Program Assistant is responsible for assisting the Community Wellness Worker with the afterschool care of attendees of the MCFN afterschool program.

Closing Date: Open Call for Resumes

Casual Receptionist Updated January 2020

Provides central reception to staff, Council, and guests at the Band Office, maintain the reception area, mail room and communications room (logging incoming/outgoing mail, distributing mail to relevant departments and updating general information materials in the office, orders office supplies as required, maintaining inventory, logging and distributing general materials such as purchase orders, expense claims and invoice requests.

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

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

EARLYON PLAY AND LEARN DROP IN



MCFN EarlyON Child and Family Programs
Join us for a fun play filled experience at our Play and Learn Drop-In Centre's



LOCATION: Hagersville Secondary School

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|------------------------|---|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |

****NEW LOCATION** Lloyd S. King Portable**

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------|----------|--------|
| 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | | |

All parents and caregivers are welcome with children aged 0-6 years old. Older siblings up to age 12 are welcome to attend with their younger siblings.

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLYON IS A **DROP-IN AND PLAY** NOT A DROP-OFF!

Follow us on Facebook MCFN EarlyON

EDUCATION

LSK NEWS

SPORTS

Intermediate Boys Volleyball

The boys did a great job. They won and went on to the Elite 8 tournament. In the Elite 8, there was a three way tie giving them an elimination from going to CAGE. Great job boys!

Intermediate Girls Volleyball

The girls places second in their division but it wasn't enough to move onto the Elite 8, great effort ladies!



LSK BAZAAR 2020

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Vendor Tables | \$555.25 |
| Bake Table | \$398.60 |
| Kids Crafts | \$721.55 |
| Luncheon | \$591.00 |
| Anishinabek Auction | \$1720.00 |
| Raffle Table | \$758.00 |

Donations - donated to the NC Cancer Support Group

Pre-Raffle \$2198.45

MCFN Chief & Council Donation \$3,000.00

Dreamcatcher Charitable Foundation Donation

\$2,000.00

K.L Martin & First Nations Engineering Services Ltd. Donation \$800.00

TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED \$11,681.25

Chi-Miigwech to all of our LSK students and families who helped contribute to this amazing fundraising effort, whether it be through donating gifts for the raffle table, selling iPad raffle tickets, donating to the bake sale, cash donations, buying student crafts at the bazaar, or working at the bazaar. We wouldn't have had the success without all of your wonderful help and efforts!

Miigwech to the following for your generous donations:

- The Dreamcatcher Foundation
- K.L. Martin & Associates Corp.
- First Nations Engineering Services Ltd.
- L.S.K. Home & School
- MCFN Media and Communications Dept.
- MCFN Public Works
- All LSK Staff, Students and Families.

We couldn't have done it with out you!!

Chi-Miigwech!!!

MEDIA RELEASE

"Every waking moment on our life-long learning journey is opening our minds to creative, amazing possibilities."

Veronica King-Jamieson January 2020
Pillar 4 Education and Awareness Pillar Lead

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Pillar 4 Lead would like to introduce the newly appointed Inaugural MCFN Board of Education as approved by motion by the Mississaugas of the Credit Council on Monday, January 20, 2020. The MCFN Council approved the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the MCFN Board of Education. Please contact the Education Department either by phone at (905) 768-0100 or by email to Education.Director@mncfn.ca to obtain a copy of the TOR document.

Introducing your new Board of Education:

Valarie King



BoardEd.ValarieK@mncfn.ca

Position: Member 3 years

Edebwed Ogichidaa Kwe meaning She who speaks the Truth Warrior woman leader. Mkwa dodem. MCFN doonjibaa. Valarie has lived on MCFN all of her life. She has been a skaabayis (helper) in the community and off

reserve in various employment capacities. For the last 30 years, she has strived to bring the sacred bundles of traditional teachings back to the people through ceremonies and rites of passages such as Grandmother Moon, fasting, drumming, singing, and feasts. She does activism work for families of missing and murdered Aboriginal women and for the sacred water. She currently works at Juddah's place as the holistic counsellor working collaboratively with a doctor and herbalist for the people's healing. Her education includes the following: Chartered Herbalist, Early Child Educator diploma, Bachelor Arts in Health and Women Studies with a minor in Indigenous Studies and a Masters in Indigenous Social Work.

Elizabeth Laforme



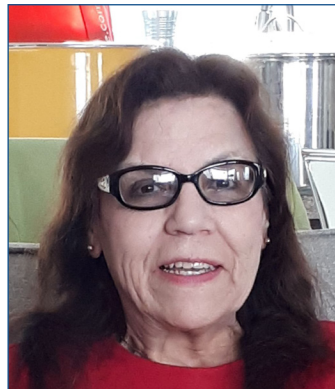
BoardEd.ElizabethH@mncfn.ca

Position: Grandparent/ Elder 3 years

Elizabeth aka "Touche" has over 15 years of employment experience with MCFN as Youth Worker / Child Care assistant and is currently working in Hagersville at

Koala T Day Care. She is dedicated to contributing to the best possible educational development for MCFN youth and future generations to come.

Dorothy Lowe



BoardEd.DorothyL@mncfn.ca

Position: Member 2 years

Dorothy is a retired nurse who has worked many years in the Health Profession as a Boarding Parent, Nurse Manager, Director of Care, Classroom / Clinical Instructor. She has

recently moved home from Vancouver and wishes to be involved with her community. She brings many

EDUCATION

years experience in being loyal, reliable, passionate, humble, caring, empathetic and dedicated. She has a bachelor of Nursing Science.

Jessica Hill



BoardEd.JessicaH@mncfn.ca

Position: Parent 3 years

Jessica has exceptional customer services skills in many capacities as well as having received a volunteer community involvement award. She is currently enrolled in a Social Service Worker

Program through Mohawk College, in Hamilton, Ontario with an expected completion date of April 2020. Jessica also has an educational background in Aboriginal Small Business Management and Native Community Care.

Fiona King



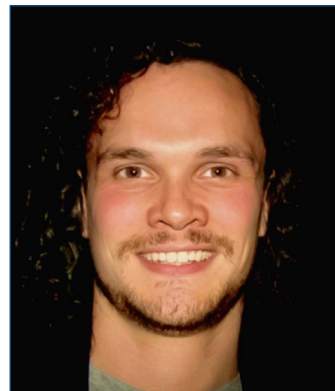
BoardEd.FionaC@mncfn.ca

Position: Parent 2 years

Fiona's education consists of a Bachelor of Arts from St. Francis Xavier University and a Bachelor of Education from Queen's University in the Aboriginal Teachers Education

Program. In addition, she has completed one year of programming towards her Masters of Education from Brock University. She has additional qualifications, which include specializing in Special Education. Her first year teaching she worked at Six Nations in a Grade 2/3 classroom. The majority of her career was teaching different self-contained classrooms in Special Education for the Grand Erie District School Board. She enjoyed working with students who saw the world in a different way, and believe her experiences will be a benefit to the community.

Jonathan Ferrier



BoardEd.JonathanF@mncfn.ca

Position: Teacher 3 years

Jonathan Ferrier PhD, BSc, BA Assistant Professor (Tenure Track, Dalhousie Diversity Faculty)

Jonathan states, "It would be a great honour to participate, listen, and learn specifics of MCFN's

approaches to lifelong learning. Holistic experiences rooted in our culture and language has inspired ceremonial approaches while practicing science with community family members and Elders. It would be a great pleasure to explore the life long learning process from childhood to adulthood while ensuring the awakening and transmission of our ancestral traditions, histories, culture and language with the MCFN Board of Education."

The Board of Education is scheduled to have another orientation meeting on February 14, 2020 to begin to create their 5 year work plan, Education Strategy, Language Strategy and much more. The Board of Education look forward to fulfill the vision of Lifelong learning through communication and engagement strategy with members, staff and Council of Mississaugas of the Credit.

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT'S



FOOD & MARKETPLACE

Good eats and Local vendors
Located at 78 1st Line Rd at Hwy 6 S
adjacent to New Credit Gas

Watch @mcfnmarketplace on
Facebook for upcoming events

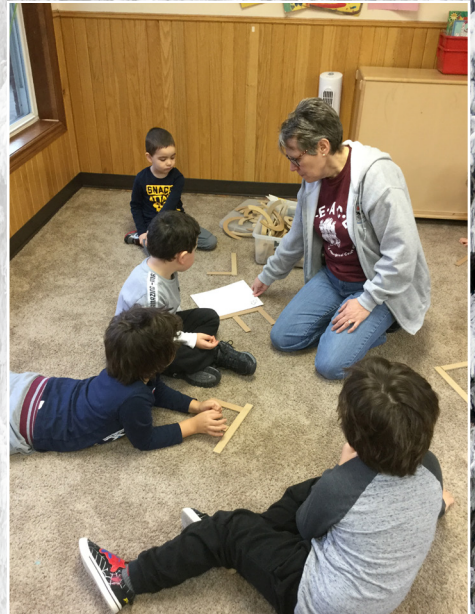
WINTER HOURS
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 10AM TO 7PM
MONDAY AND SATURDAY 10AM TO 5PM



The JKs have been working hard to learn the spelling of their names, and are enjoying taking part in the Jolly Phonics program.

The Preschool 3 friends have been dancing and drumming with Blake.

The Infants have been busy learning how to crawl, pull themselves up and even walk.



The Toddlers have been exploring their creative side and making beautiful works of art. They especially love to paint.

The Preschool Room 1 children had a special day- they enjoyed a tea party complete with peppermint tea.



HOUSING DEPARTMENT

Housing Repair/Renovation & Sanitation (HRRS) and/or CMHC/RRAP Program

This is a program to improve the quality of your home and to address all MANDATORY Health, Safety, & Structural deficiencies in and outside of your home.

HRRS applications can be picked up at the Housing Department (Agimaw Gamig Building-Band Administration) or you may call the Housing Department to have an application mailed and/or emailed to you.

Applications are to be returned to the Housing Department on or before and no later than March 31, 2020.

Once all applications received by the deadline date:

1. Inspections will be set up to inspect your home identifying not only the repairs you request but also to identify all Mandatory Health, Safety, Structural deficiencies.
2. A Specification report is then completed by the inspector and you will be asked to attend the Housing Department to view/discuss the specification report.
3. You will then be required to obtain 2 estimates per item listed on the specification report.

Emergency Repairs (remain the same)

If the emergency repair pertains to plumbing, heating, or electrical, please have a service man out to assess the situation first, as the First Nation inspector is not qualified to assess plumbing, heating, or electrical. Once the repair has been identified by a qualified Service Man, contact the Technical Resource Manager (Raymond Hill-Johnson) to inform of the situation and then the First Nation inspector will be out to verify the situation, a specification report will be drawn up, and 2 copies be given to you, and 1 estimate will be required for emergency repair, however, 2 estimates may be deemed necessary.

Note: Proof of income, Proof of land ownership where house is situated, and house insurance (copy of policy) is required at time of application.

Housing Program New

Housing-New applications are ongoing and can be

picked up anytime throughout the year. You may attend the Housing Department (Agimaw Gamig Building-Band Administration) to pick up an application or you can call the Housing Department and have a Housing-New application mailed to you.

Once your housing application has been submitted and checked to ensure that all questions/information have been answered, signed, and dated, the Housing Director will stamp it received and you will be placed on the housing-new list, provided you meet program eligibility.

Thereafter, each and every year, you will receive notification by letter of your placement number on the housing list as you move up the list.

There are presently approximately 104 individuals listed on the housing new list as of this date (January 17, 2020).

NOTE:

CERTIFICATE OF POSSESSION IS MANDATORY TO BE ON FILE, BEFORE BEING APPROVED TO BUILD.

Townline Estates – Rental Units

Rental Applications can be picked up at Housing Department (Agimaw Gamig Building-Band Administration) or emailed to you at your request throughout the year.

Please note: All rental units are currently full and the leases are renewed every two (2) years, at which time, the tenant has an option to renew for another two (2) years.

Please keep in mind, that when the Housing Department is considering an applicant for occupancy, rental units are family-oriented, also considers how many band members can be housed without overcrowding the unit and current living conditions at the time of applying.

Housing Department – Contact Information

(905)-768-1133

Lorraine LaForme (Housing Director) – ext 235

Alicia Maracle-Sault (Housing Clerk) – ext 230

Raymond Hill-Johnson (Technical Resource Manager) – ext 227

Ryan Thomas – (Technical Resource Support) - ext 239

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

Gala PARTY

Join Us!

MCFN is Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the Historical Gathering
Dinner, Photo Booth Mystery Draw, Entertainment... FREE EVENT

Carmen's Banquet Center @ 1520 Stone Church Road East, Hamilton

Tuesday, February 18th - 2020 from 5:30PM – 10:00PM

SEATING IS LIMITED Social Hour - 5:30pm and Dinner - 6:30pm

Registration is required before the event !

Email: HistoricalGathering@mncfn.ca

Phone: 905-768-0100

10th ANNUAL HISTORICAL GATHERING & CULTURAL SERIES

Gathering Location: MCFN Community Center
659 New Credit Road, Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0

*Speaker Series, Artist Talks, Short Films, Drum Group,
Moccasin Identifier Project, Winter Tree Walk...*

Wednesday, February 19th Doors open 8:00am, Event 9:00am – 4:30pm

Thursday, February 20th Doors open 8:00am, Event 9:00am – 4:30pm

Friday, February 21st Doors open 8:00am, Event 9:00am – 1:30pm

SEATING IS LIMITED, FREE EVENT

Registration is required before all events!

Email: HistoricalGathering@mncfn.ca

Phone: 905-768-0100

CATEGORIES AMENDMENTS UNDER INDIAN ACT:

This article is a follow-up to last month's update on Band Membership Entitlement. To get a better understanding of the category in which you were declared entitled to be registered in accordance with the Indian Act, following is a breakdown.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 6(1) and 6(2)?

- A person is entitled under Section 6(1) of the Indian Act if both their parents are or were registered or entitled to be registered. Fourteen (14) categories under Section 6(1) identify how someone is entitled for registration.

- Persons registered under Section 6(2) of the Indian Act have only one parent entitled to registration under 6(1) and the other parent is not entitled to registration.

WHO MAY OR MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP?

- Members registered under Section 6(1) category may pass on membership to their children.
- Members registered under Section 6(2) category cannot pass on entitlement to their children, unless
 - the other parent is entitled under their own right; OR
 - the other parent is registered with another First Nation; OR
 - the individual is able to have their category amended from a 6(2) to 6(1)

| ENTITLEMENT CHANGES | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Section 6 | | | | |
| 1951 (f. S.11) | 1985 BILL C-31 NOW | 2011 BILL C-3 NOW | 2017 BILL S-3 NOW | 2019 BILL S-3 DELAYED NOW |
| 6(1)(a) | 6(1)(a) | 6(1)(a) | 6(1)(a) | 6(1)(a) |
| 6(1)(b) | 6(1)(b) | 6(1)(b) | 6(1)(b) | 6(1)(b) |
| 6(1)(c) | 6(1)(c) | 6(1)(c) | 6(1)(c) | 6(1)(a.1) |
| | | 6(1)(c.01) | 6(1)(c.1) | 6(1)(a.3) |
| | | | 6(1)(c.2) | 6(1)(a.3) |
| | | | 6(1)(c.3) | 6(1)(a.2) |
| | | | 6(1)(c.4) | 6(1)(a.3) |
| | | | 6(1)(c.5) | 6(1)(a.3) |
| | | | 6(1)(c.6) | 6(1)(a.3) |
| | | 6(1)(c.02) | | 6(1)(a.3) |
| 6(1)(d) | 6(1)(d) | 6(1)(d) | 6(1)(d) | 6(1)(d) |
| 6(1)(e) | 6(1)(e) | 6(1)(e) | 6(1)(e) | 6(1)(e) |
| 6(1)(f) | 6(1)(f) | 6(1)(f) | 6(1)(f) | 6(1)(f) |
| 6(2) | 6(2) | 6(2) | 6(2) | 6(2) |

OVERVIEW OF SECTIONS 6(1) AND 6(2) OF THE INDIAN ACT:

| | |
|-----------|---|
| 6(1)(a) | Entitlement of person who was registered or entitled to be registered on or before April 17, 1985 |
| 6(1)(b) | Entitlement for individuals who are members of a group declared to be a Band after April 17, 1985 |
| 6(1)(a.1) | Reinstatement of individuals whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or a band list prior to September 4, 1951, because of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The "double mother" provision - The person was a woman who married a non-Indian; - The person is a child omitted or removed due to their mother marrying a non-Indian; or - The person was removed by protest due to being the illegitimate child of a man who was not an Indian and a woman who was an Indian |
| 6(1)(a.2) | Amending the status of children born female to Indian men out of wedlock |
| 6(1)(a.3) | Amending the status of children whose parent was an enfranchised minor child |
| | Amending the status of children whose parent was enfranchised because of the "Double Mother Rule" and amending the status of children of an Indian grandmother who parented out of wedlock with a non-Indian |
| | Amending the status of children whose mother lost status due to marrying a non-Indian man |
| | Amending the status for children whose parent is registered under 6(1)(c.1) |
| | Entitlement for children with a parent entitled under 6(1)(c.2) of (c.3) |
| | Entitlement for grandchildren whose grandmother is entitled under 6(1)(c.3) and a parent is entitled under 6(1)(c.4) |
| 6(1)(d) | Entitlement for a child whose parent is entitled under 6(1)(c.02) and grandparent was removed by protest due to being the illegitimate child of a man who was not an Indian and a woman who was an Indian |
| 6(1)(d) | Reinstatement for an individual who was enfranchised by voluntary application prior to April 17, 1985 |
| 6(1)(e) | Reinstatement for an individual that was enfranchised prior to September 4, 1951 for reasons of living abroad for 5+ years without the consent of the Superintendent General or becoming ministers, doctors, lawyers ("professionals"-only until 1920) |
| 6(1)(f) | Entitlement for children with both parents entitled to registration |
| 6(2) | Entitlement for children when only one parent is entitled to registration under 6(1) and the other parent is not entitled to registration. |

WHAT WE HAVE LEFT!!

Winter Coats \$32.00

Women's
2 - Xsmall
3 - Small
1 - Large
Men's
3 - Small

Women's T-Shirts \$5.00

1 - Small Pink
1 - Small Purple
1 - Small Blue
2 - Medium Blue

Golf Shirts - \$8.00

Various sizes, blue, silver and white\ men's and ladies

Men's T-Shirts

Small - Xlarge - \$5.00 2 XLarge - \$6.00
3 XLarge - \$7.00 4 XL - \$8.00
2 - Small Light Grey
1 - Small Navy

Adult Hoodies \$10.00

3 - White - 4XLarge
Children's Hoodies \$7.00
1 - Small grey/blue
4 - XSmall Navy
1 - Small Navy
1 - Medium Grey
3 - Medium Navy
1 - Large Navy

2 - Small Dark Grey
2 - Medium Light Grey
2 - Medium Navy
1 - Large Navy
2 - 2XLarge Light Grey
1 - 3 XLarge Light Grey
2 - 3XL Navy
1 - 4 XLarge Light Grey

Flags \$10
Blankets \$10
Re-usable straws \$ 2.00
Bandanas \$3.00
Baseball Caps \$3.00
Neck Coolers \$3.00

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ALL MNCFN MERCHANDISE WILL BE

75% OFF

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468 New Credit Road

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily

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GET YOUR FLU

FREE VACCINATION

MCFN FLU CLINIC

Thursdays, Jan. 16, 23, 30, Feb. 13 & 20, 2020

FREE DROP IN FROM 9 AM - 4 PM

MCFN SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES BUILDING

ALL MCFN MEMBERS FROM 6 MONTHS OLD THROUGH TO ADULTS AND THE ELDERLY
DROP IN OR CALL AHEAD FOR AN APPOINTMENT
PLEASE BRING YOUR IMMUNIZATION RECORDS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact
Maggie Copeland, CHN at 905-768-0141, ext. 239

New Credit
Cancer Support Group
Turkey Dinner &
Chinese Auction Fundraiser

February 15, 2020
Mississaugas of the Credit
Community Centre
4 pm - 8 pm
Eat In or Take Out
Call Ahead (905) 768-3615

\$10/adult
\$7/child



TRANSITIONAL SUPPORT FUNDING

CRITERIA:

- **Must be in receipt of social assistance (Ontario Works/ Ontario Disability Support Program) or be considered low income.**
- **Must reside in the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations Community**



Transitional Support Funding provides housing related supports to secure, retain/and or maintain accommodation. You must complete an application.

For more information and to schedule an appointment, please contact Lindsay Sault, at 905-768-1181, ext. 225



REVISED LOW-INCOME MEASURES (LIM) CHART

Current Dollars

| | Market Income | After Tax Income | Total Income |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| Household Size | 2017 | 2017 | 2017 |
| 1 person | 22,998 | 23,513 | 26,727 |
| 2 persons | 32,524 | 33,252 | 37,798 |
| 3 persons | 39,834 | 40,726 | 46,293 |
| 4 persons | 45,996 | 47,026 | 53,454 |
| 5 persons | 51,425 | 52,577 | 59,763 |
| 6 persons | 56,333 | 57,595 | 65,468 |
| 7 persons | 60,847 | 62,210 | 70,713 |
| 8 persons | 65,048 | 66,505 | 75,595 |
| 9 persons | 68,994 | 70,539 | 80,181 |
| 10 persons | 72,726 | 74,355 | 84,518 |

SOLID WASTE / RECYCLING

- Public Works Department (PWD) has a signed copy of the prepared agreement on file and is scheduled to meet with Emterra Environmental (EE) to review any revisions to collectable items.
 - Reminders:
Please make sure to place all the garbage and recyclables in designated areas, all custodians/staff/residents please ensure proper set out for pick-up is on the SHOULDER of the roadway prior to 8:00 am on collection day. If there are issues with collection day, please refer to the MCFN Website for revised collection information or call the PWD for more information. DO NOT leave the garbage and recycling out overnight to prevent animals from rummaging through it and/or blowing debris causing an unsightly First Nation.

ROADS/BRIDGES

- Public Works Department has prepared a "Tender Document" for the re-surfacing of Cayuga Road #272 with the assistance of Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation (OFNTSC). This document will be available over the winter months to potential companies interested in submitting a quotation for the Scope of Work in Spring 2020 and be coordinated following the Watermain Expansion Project.

EQUIPMENT

- Nothing to report on this item

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.
- The Watermain Expansion Project has begun with Avertex Utility Solutions Inc. which has mobilized on January 13, 2020 on Tuscarora Road with Second Line Road and Cayuga Road to follow. If homeowners are located on any of the roads where the NEW WATERMAIN will be constructed and HAVE NOT filled out a new "Consent to Participate Form", please visit the Agimaw Gamig Administration Office to request a form and return it to the Public Works Department. Please read the form carefully as it is the responsibility of the homeowner to contact the Inspection Company (OZA Inspections 1-800-667-8263 Ext. 231, email at appt@ozainspections.com and refer to file 19767) to schedule Pre and Post inspections for the homes that will be connected to

the watermain.

BUILDINGS

- MCFN Council - Pillar 6 Lead – Strategic Plan
 - Public Works Department has a new Pillar Lead – Councillor Craig King for 2019 – 2021 Term. The new Pillar Lead has reviewed planned tasks of the PWD and will be completing Pillar 6 Terms of Reference in consultation with PWD as determined by MCFN Council planning sessions soon.
- Agimaw Gamig Administration Building
 - New Fire Exiting Plans have been installed and the Work Place Health & Safety Committee is working on updating other facilities in the organization.
- Rumpus Hall Renovations - Library
 - The renovation project experienced some set-backs (weather, hydro connection and lift delivery) resulting in a delay of completion. Paulsan Construction Inc. is working diligently for planned occupancy for the upper level by the end of January with the remaining project completion for end of February.
- Health & Social – Parking Lot
 - The parking lot expansion including two (2) new lighting standards with updated LED technology is 75% complete. All underground and light standards are installed with minor grading and asphalt installation to take place in spring.
- New Administration Building
 - Completed Contract Documents ready for Tendering are available in PWD however, PWD has not received approval to proceed to construction to date.

OTHER:

- A revised Community Centre Facility Rules & Regulations document assembled by PWD provides updated information for renters is available from Economic Development Department.
- Visitors/Membership/Staff that observe any deficiencies are asked to fill out a Work Order Request Concern Form at Agimaw Gamig Reception and/or by calling the Public Works Department Director. HEALTH & SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.
- As a reminder - staff/visitors please wear appropriate footwear during the winter months as some surfaces maybe slippery.

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE: CORONAVIRUS

Coronavirus – Indigenous Services Canada Update

27 JAN 2020,

Dear Health Director:

We are writing to provide you with current information about the outbreak of respiratory illness in Wuhan, China that is caused by a new coronavirus. As you are probably aware, there are two probable cases in Toronto, in a couple who recently travelled from Wuhan, China. These people are isolated and being monitored. We want to assure you that we are aware of this situation and are following it closely. We are in ongoing contact with the Public Health Agency of Canada and receiving regular updates from them. We have provided up to date information to our nursing stations and health centres, and will continue to do so.

The risk to people in Canada who have not travelled to China is low.

We would like to answer some questions that we have received from First Nations community members.

What is a coronavirus?

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that come from animals but can cause respiratory illness in humans. Coronavirus infections are common and usually mild, for example they can cause the common cold. Symptoms are usually mild to moderate and can include fever, headache, cough, sore throat, and feeling unwell. More uncommonly, coronaviruses can also cause serious illness such as pneumonia, respiratory failure, kidney failure, or even death.

Why is this coronavirus “new”?

After several people in China became sick, all the tests for known viruses, such as influenza, were negative. This new virus had not been identified previously and therefore is ‘new’.

Who is at risk?

At this time it appears that people who have been in China, especially the city of Wuhan, are most at risk of being infected. People who are older (65 years) or who have heart or lung problems appear to be at risk of more severe disease. People in Canada who have not been travelling to China are not considered to be at risk.

How is the virus spread?

This virus, like other respiratory viruses, is probably spread

when people sneeze or cough into their hands and transfer virus to surfaces like water taps, door handles, and table tops. When other people touch these surfaces and then their nose or eyes, they become infected with the virus. It is not known if it can be spread through the air or through other ways.

Is there a vaccine?

There is no vaccine for this virus at this time.

How is the virus diagnosed?

If a person has been to China and then become sick, they can be tested for this virus. A health care provider can take a sample from the nose or throat, and then send it to a laboratory for testing.

Is there a treatment?

There is no specific treatment for any coronavirus infection. Very ill people who need to be in hospital receive “supportive care”, which means treating the patient’s symptoms, such as giving fluids and oxygen until the patient’s immune system can remove the virus.

How can people prevent getting sick with this virus?

Like all respiratory infections, there are things that people can do to protect themselves and others. Washing your hands frequently is most important. When coughing or sneezing, do not sneeze or cough into your hands but into your sleeve. If you use a tissue, put it in the garbage after use and wash your hands afterward. If you are sick, stay at home and monitor your condition. There is no evidence that face masks prevent illness and they are not recommended at this time. Anyone with worsening symptoms of a respiratory infection of any kind should contact their health provider.

What is Indigenous Services Canada – Ontario Region doing?

Our communicable disease team has been closely monitoring the situation since learning of the discovery of the new virus and the illnesses in China.

We have provided information to nursing stations and health centres about the virus, and what to do if the providers suspect that someone could have this infection, even though it is not likely at this time. This includes reaching out to our communicable disease team for guidance on assessing patients and possible testing if the person has been to China.

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We are receiving updates regularly from the Public Health Agency of Canada, Public Health Ontario, and our provincial public health units.

What is the Public Health Agency of Canada doing?

The Public Health Agency of Canada is in regular contact with the World Health Organization, and is actively assessing any possible risk to Canadians. They provide regular updates to the provinces and to Indigenous Services Canada.

They have also put in place additional measures at large airports in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver to remind travellers to inform Border Services Officers if they have respiratory symptoms, and have added an extra health screening question when travellers arrive.

Updated information is available at <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

Our healthcare professionals will continue to monitor this situation and provide updated information as it becomes available. In the meantime we encourage you to share this information with your community and review community preparedness plans as a proactive measure.

Sincerely,

Maurica Maher, MD, MSc, FRCPC Shari Glenn, NP (PHC)

Regional Public Health Physician Director of Primary Care

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**To: All Ontario Region Nursing Stations, Health Centres, and Health Centres with Treatment**

**From: Maurica Maher, MD MSc, FRCPC Shari Glenn, NP (PHC)**

**Regional Public Health Physician Director of Primary Health Care**

**First Nations and Inuit Health Branch: Ontario Region, ISC**

**23 JAN 2020**

## **Regarding Novel Coronavirus Infection**

Purpose: To provide currently available information about a newly-identified coronavirus in China.

On December 31, 2019, the Wuhan Municipal Health Commission in Hubei province, Central China, issued a public statement that they had identified an outbreak of pneumonia of unknown cause. China has made a determination that a novel coronavirus (referred to

as 2019-nCoV) is responsible for cases of pneumonia in the Wuhan outbreak. The Public Health Agency of Canada is actively monitoring the situation regarding a novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) identified in patients with pneumonia in Wuhan, China, as well as imported cases in other countries. The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) is in close contact with the World Health Organization to assess the situation and any potential risk to Canadians. At this time there is no clear evidence that this virus is spread easily from person-to-person, although person-to-person transmission has occurred.

The Public Health Agency of Canada is putting in place measures to enhance identification of possibly infected people over the coming week. These include messaging on arrival screens at Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver international airports reminding travellers to inform a Border Services Officer if they are experiencing flu-like symptoms, and an additional health screening question will be added to electronic kiosks.

The overall risk of disease spread to Canada and First Nations communities is considered low at this time, and there have been no cases in Canada.

This is an evolving situation and updates will be provided as more information is learned about the illness. Public Health Ontario and PHAC are updating information regularly.

## **What are the symptoms of a coronavirus infection?**

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that originate in animals but are known to cause respiratory illness in humans, particularly during the fall and winter months. Other novel coronaviruses have included Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV).

Coronavirus infections are common and typically lead to the common cold. Gastrointestinal disease is possible for young infants. Coronavirus symptoms are usually mild to moderate and can include:

- Headache
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Fever
- Feeling generally unwell

Although rare, coronavirus can also cause serious illness such as pneumonia, respiratory failure, kidney failure, or even death.

## **Role of the CHN:**

- Clients presenting with (a) fever and acute respiratory

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illness or pneumonia AND (b) travel to Wuhan, China, within 14 days prior to onset of symptoms should be clinically assessed and reported to the CD nurse immediately.

- After hours, the CHN should contact the EPHO on call (1-855-407-2676) to access the medical officer on call.
- Symptomatic clients who had contact with individuals meeting the above criteria should also be assessed.
- Clinicians should continue routine infection prevention and control practices, and apply additional respiratory precautions, based on risk assessment when caring for clients.
- Clinicians should encourage all clients to practice good hand hygiene and other practices such as staying home when ill to prevent the spread of respiratory infections. Influenza is still circulating in Ontario and Canada.

## Resources:

Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV). Public Health Ontario. <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/diseases-and-conditions/infectious-diseases/respiratory-diseases/novel-coronavirus>

Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) Testing. Public Health

Ontario.

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/laboratory-services/test-information-index/wuhan-novel-coronavirus>

Public Health Agency of Canada Novel Coronavirus Update: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

Public Health Agency of Canada Novel Coronavirus Symptoms

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus.html>

**\* AS OF JANUARY 30, 2020, THERE HAVE BEEN 3 CONFIRMED CASES IN CANADA. 2 IN ONTARIO, A HUSBAND AND WIFE AND ONE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA. THE BRITISH COLUMBIA TRAVELLER HAD ONSET OF SYMPTOMS AFTER HIS RETURN TO BRITISH COLUMBIA. HE HAD A PRESUMPTIVE POSITIVE WHICH BASICALLY MEANS THE VIRUS WILL BE TESTED AGAIN.**

## FEBRUARY HOME COMMUNITY CARE CALENDAR

| MONDAY                   | TUESDAY                             | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY                       | FRIDAY                |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                          |                                     |             |                                |                       |
| 3 FOOT CARE              | 4 FOOT CARE<br>WOMEN'S ALL DAY SHOP | 5 FOOT CARE | 6 FOOT CARE                    | 7 FOOT CARE<br>EUCHRE |
| 10                       | 11                                  | 12          | 13<br>MEN'S ALL DAY SHOP       | 14<br>EUCHRE          |
| 17<br>FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY | 18                                  | 19          | 20                             | 21<br>EUCHRE          |
| 24                       | 25<br>SOCIAL                        | 26          | 27<br>OUTING (WEATHER PENDING) | 28<br>EUCHRE          |





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OF THE CREDIT  
FIRST NATION

## INDIGENOUS WOMEN LEADERS GATHERING

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation in partnership with McMaster University, Lake St. Martin First Nation, and De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre, are conducting a research project with the goal of expanding the body of knowledge around Indigenous women at risk of/ living with Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke (CVD/S).

As a part of this project, a Gathering of Indigenous Women Leaders is being held on March 2, 2020 at the MCFN Community Centre. At this event a panel of Indigenous Women Leaders will share their stories of achievement and resilience in their life journeys and careers. Following the panel, participants will be engaged in a reflective exercise to share their own stories of resilience and strength-based ways of coping with life/ health challenges.

MCFN is inviting community participation through nomination of Indigenous community members for the following 2 areas:

1. To participate on the panel as an Indigenous Woman Leader. Nominees from MCFN will be considered amongst those from the other project partners and beyond. and,
2. To attend as a MCFN Indigenous female community member as a participant,

\*all participants must be 12 years or older.

To nominate a female for (1) the panel, or (2) to attend as participant, please contact Kim Sault at [kimsault@hotmail.com](mailto:kimsault@hotmail.com) by noon. Feb. 9 , 2020.

**MARCH 2, 2020**

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
MCFN Community Centre  
659 New Credit Road,  
Bldg #4, Hagersville, Ont.

**WOMEN & GENDER  
DIVERSE PEOPLE  
WELCOME**

IF YOU REQUIRE FURTHER  
INFORMATION, PLEASE  
CONTACT KIM SAULT, MBH  
COMMUNITY LIAISON BY EMAIL  
AT [KIMSAULT@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:kimsault@hotmail.com)

# 22st Annual School Invitational

## HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Primary and Junior aged teams  
from various First Nations.

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**1 day tournament**

**Medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams**

**GAYLORD POWLESS ARENA**

***Games  
start  
8:30 a.m.***

***FEB.7, 2020***

### **MORE INFO**

***Please contact Shelly, Jesse, or  
Angela at MCFN Community Support  
at 905-768-1181***

**Come out and cheer on your LSK Eagles!**



## FEMPOWER GROUP

Thursday, Jan. 16, 2020 - Thursday, March 19, 2020

12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

MCFN Social and Health Services

Gathering Place



This program is for moms to kick-start empowered parenting, improve self care, and self esteem

SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND CONNECTION

If childcare is required, please call by 4:30 the Wednesday before

LIGHT LUNCH PROVIDED!

If you require information, please contact  
Pat Jamieson or Michelle LaForme  
at MCFN Social and Health Services at  
905-768-1181.



## Safe Food Handling Certification Course

Thursday, February 27, 2020

8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

MCFN Social and Health Services

Lower Level

This Certification course is free to all community members!

Learn the general principles of safe food handling!

Topics include:

- Temperature control
- Cross-Contamination
- Personal Hygiene
- Cleaning and Sanitizing

Certification expires in 5 years.

Registration required. Contact Laura-Lee Kelly to register at 905-768-0141 ext. 241 or email: [LauraLee.Kelly@mncfn.ca](mailto:LauraLee.Kelly@mncfn.ca)

Please bring your own lunch/refreshments/pen/paper.

\*\* Must have a minimum # of 5 participants to run the course \*\*



## ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP



Every other Tuesday starting January 7, 2020 to  
March 19, 2020 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

MCFN Social and Health Services  
Little Turtle Room

This program is open to all who are seeking a support group  
in addictions and mental health wellbeing.

Light snacks and refreshments provided.

Please call to register a week before each Tuesday  
for food and supplies purposes.

If you have any questions, please contact Erin or Michelle  
at 905-768-1181, ext. 242 or 224



## Standard First Aid and CPR Course Level C

Saturday, April 25, 2020 9:30am - 4:00pm

MCFN Social & Health Services - Lower Level

MCFN Community Health is offering this comprehensive 1 day course to  
MCFN band members and staff! (A \$25 non-refundable fee towards cost of course for band  
members will be required, The cost for non band members is \$140.00 per person and must be paid in advance  
up to three days before the course at the Health Office)

Training includes CPR, AED and First Aid with topics such as:

- wound care
- head & spine injuries
- bone, muscle and joint injuries
- sudden medical conditions
- environmental emergencies and poisons

Please bring your own lunch and refreshments as well as paper  
and a pen to take notes.

Registration required. Must present a valid status card.

Please call Laura-Lee Kelly to register at 905-768-0141 Ext 241 or by email at [Lauralee.Kelly@mncfn.ca](mailto:Lauralee.Kelly@mncfn.ca)

**EVERYONE WELCOME TO  
ATTEND THIS FREE EVENT!  
SATURDAY, FEB. 22, 2020  
12:00 - 4:00 P.M.  
LLOYD S. KING GYMNASIUM**

## BEACH party

Light lunch and refreshments available.  
Draws for people who bring their feast bags!  
Prizes for best beachwear - Wear your best beach wear  
(swimwear, shorts, sundresses, sunglasses, hats, etc.)  
Let's beat the winter blues with some great family fun.  
Inflatable, beach games, food, and much more.

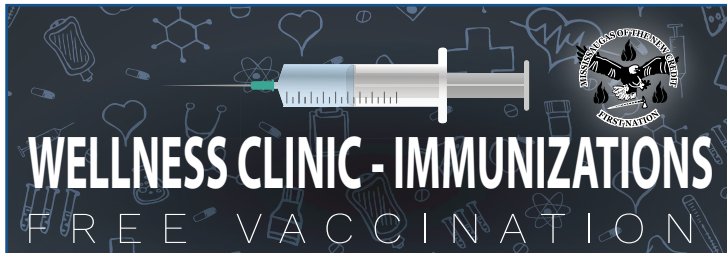
For more information, please contact Leslie Maracle at 905-768-1181, ext. 244



**WHEN:** February 27 & 28, 2020  
**TIME:** 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** MCFN Social and Health services  
**WHAT TO BRING:** Bring child/children's status and health cards  
**COST:** \$25.00 per child << Cash Only >>

**Registration forms must be filled out.**  
Ages 6 - 12 years old  
MCFN Members will have first priority.  
March Break Camp will be March 16 - 20, 2020.  
Camp runs 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily

For more information, please contact Shelly King, Angela Sault, or Jesse Sault at MCFN Community Support Unit 905-768-1181



## WELLNESS CLINIC - IMMUNIZATIONS

### FREE VACCINATION

**EVERY THURSDAY  
(CALL TO SET UP APPOINTMENT TIME)  
9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.  
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
659-2 NEW CREDIT ROAD**

**THERE IS NO COST.  
PLEASE BRING YOUR CURRENT  
IMMUNIZATION RECORD IF AVAILABLE.**

**For any further information or call to set up a  
time to come in to receive immunization, please  
contact Maggie or Janice at 905-768-0141**

## Service Canada Information Sessions

Every 4th Thursday of each month  
starting Jan. 23, 2020

4 - 7 p.m.  
MCFN Social and Health Services building  
659 New Credit Road

MCFN members are able to apply for the following documents:

- Passport
- Social insurance number
- Canada Pension Plan
- Old Age Security
- Grants
- Loans
- Canada Child Benefit.

If you require any further information, please contact Councillor Evan Sault at 905-869-5767 or Michele King at 905-768-1181, ext. 223.

Service Canada 





## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT  
THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM  
IS CANCELLED ON FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 2020  
PLEASE MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR YOUR CHILD(REN).**

## OPENING OF TEMPORARY LOCATION FOR NEW CREDIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Effective November 4, 2019, the New Credit Public Library will be temporarily located at 2789 Mississauga Road, Building #4 behind the New Credit Gym.

**HOURS:**  
**Monday - Thursday  
4 - 9 p.m.**

For information, please contact  
newcreditpl@gmail.com

# Baby 2020 Fair

**Saturday,  
March 7,  
11 am - 2 pm  
MCFN Community Centre**

**"Honouring our Grandparents"**



**CLUB REX**

COME JOIN CLUB REX FOR A DINOSAUR EXPERIENCE NOT FOUND ANYWHERE ELSE! GET HANDS-ON WITH MUSEUM CASTS AND REAL FOSSILS! LEARN ALL THE LATEST DINOSAURS AND DISCOVERIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD. TOUCH DINOSAUR POOP. WE LOVE EVERYTHING ABOUT DINOSAURS AND IF YOU DO TOO, THEN WE JUST BECAME BEST FRIENDS. VISIT BOOTHS WITH EVERYTHING UNDER ONE ROOF FOR PRENATAL, BABIES, BREASTFEEDING, TODDLERS, PRESCHOOLERS, PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS TOO. ALL GRANDPARENTS IN ATTENDANCE RECEIVE A GIFT.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS FREE EVENT!  
DINOSAUR EXHIBIT, FACE PAINTING, DOOR PRIZES!  
LIGHT LUNCH AVAILABLE 12 - 1 PM**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT  
BETH KING AT 905-768-1181 OR BY EMAIL AT BETH.KING@MNCFN.CA**

## The Food and Product Recall Red Binder



The Food and Recall post comes from the Consumer and Hazardous Product Safety Directorate/Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch Health Canada/Government of Canada.

Any MCFN Members wishing for information on recalls are welcome to review this binder during MCFN Social and Health Services regular hours from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the lobby of the MCFN Social and Health Services building, 659 New Credit Road, Hagersville, On.

If you require further information, please contact Maggie Copeland, RN or Janice Mt.Pleasant at 905-768-0141.

## Food and Product Recall Red Binder



Social and Health Services Department  
Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation  
659 New Credit Road, Unit 2, R.R. #6 Hagersville, Ontario N0A 1H0

Phone: (905) 768-1181  
Fax: (905) 768-0404

## Visit the Mobile Cancer Screening Coach

- ☒ **Pap tests**  
Ages 21-69, every 3 years
- ☒ **Mammograms**  
Ages 50-74, every 2 years
- ☒ **At-Home test for colon cancer screening**  
Ages 50-74, every 2 years
- ☒ **Help to quit smoking**  
Ages 18+

**Call to book your appointment today!**  
1-855-338-3131 or 905-975-4467



**Mobile Coach Features:**

- Friendly staff
- Inviting atmosphere
- Walk-ins welcome
- Translation services available

**Wed. February 19th @ 9:00-3:00**

**Social & Health Services - 659 New Credit Rd.**

**\* Please bring your  
healthcard with you**

**cco** Hamilton Niagara Haldimand  
Brant Regional Cancer Program  
in partnership with Cancer Care Ontario

# SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT GROUP

The group will be resume Thursday, February 13 from 12:00 – 1:30 pm at Social & Health Services. Please contact Laura Lee, CHR; or Beth, HBHC if you require assistance or if you have questions at 905-768-1181.

## MEN'S GROUP

Men's Program will commence every Wednesday evening starting January 15, 2020 to March 4, 2020 from 6 - 8 pm at the MCFN Social and Health Services building, Gathering Place, 659 New Credit Road, Hagersville, ON.

EVERYONE WELCOME



## Addictions and Mental Health Support Group

Every other Tuesday starting January 7, 2020 to March 19, 2020 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., MCFN Social and Health Services, Little Turtle Room. This program is open to all who are seeking a support group in addictions and mental health wellbeing. Light snacks and refreshments provided. Please call to register a week before each Tuesday for food and supplies purposes. If you have any questions, please contact Erin or Michelle at 905-768-1181, ext. 242 or 224

## Women's Sharing Time

Jan. 13 - March 2, 2020

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

MCFN Social & Health Services

Lower Level

Light refreshments

Child care provided, call before noon on  
Monday if you require child care.

For further information, contact Pat Jamieson at 905-768-1181

The Women's Sharing Time have commenced with programming and the program will run from Jan 13 - March 2, 2020, 2019 from 6 - 9 pm at the MCFN Social and Health Services building, lower level.

Child care can be provided, but please contact Pat Jamieson at 905-768-1181 before noon on the day of Women's Sharing Time.

## YOGA

Yoga has started and is being held at Lloyd S. King Elementary School every Wednesday evening from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Drop in!

## AFTER SCHOOL SKATING EVERY WEDNESDAY STARTING OCTOBER 23, 2019 4:00 - 4:50 p.m. Gaylord Powless Arena

Everyone is welcome to come join  
MCFN Community Support for  
After School Skating!  
Please bring your skates, helmet  
and gloves. Snack Provided.  
**EVERYONE IS REQUIRED TO WEAR A  
HELMET TO STEP ON THE ICE.**



If you require further information, please contact Shelly, Jesse, or Angela  
at Community Support 905-768-1181



## New Credit Cancer Support Group

Thursday, Feb. 6 & 20, 2020

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

MCFN Social & Health Services building  
The Gathering Place

It is the intent of the group to gather and distribute resources for all types of cancer, serve as a repository of information for individuals and their families, organize and deliver pertinent workshops and guest speakers, organize and host fundraisers, organize outings/tours/off-site activities, share stories and experience, provide positive group support for individuals and families.

**DROP IN ON THESE DATES AND TIMES IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE GROUP.**

Light refreshments provided.

If you require further information, please contact Margaret Sault at 905-768-3615



Naagidowendan gda mnidowin'naa  
(Taking Care of our Spirit)



*Open to all ages  
Bringing people to the space to  
share their teachings that has  
helped them in their journey.*

*This is a grassroots initiative.*

Please watch out for and participate  
in the online survey of needs. If  
interested for more information  
please call 519-802-7015 or email  
dancingmoonholistic@gmail.com

**January 30  
THIS SESSION HAS BEEN  
POSTPONED TO  
FEBRUARY 13**

**February 13, 2020 6-8 P.M.  
MCFN POP UP MARKET  
78 FIRST LINE  
AT CORNER OF HWY #6**

Music Vibration Recording Cost  
\$50. Regular participant cost \$25.  
Read out of what your body spirit  
needs. Limited space of 10. Bring  
drum or instrument and voice.

**Voice  
BioAnalysis**

*Let Your Voice Tell You  
What Your Body Knows*

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**Edebwed Ogichidaa Kwe,  
Mewa Dodem**


In 1999, my grandmother gifted me a dream guiding me to practice holistic therapies with the help of my helpers to help our people. So my journey began....

**Products & Services**

*Holistic Counselling by NTHB  
Ear Candling  
Reiki and Energy Clearing  
Aromatherapy  
Essential Oils Rep  
Chartered Herbsologist  
Herbal Products-salves, soaps, lip balms,  
Do other Teachings and facilitation*

**Dancing Moon Holistic**

*"Empowering the Spirit"*



Finding peace within

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## OBITUARIES

Randy King

March 1, 1952 - January 23, 2020

On Thursday January 23rd, in his 68th year passed away peacefully at the St Joe's Hospital in Hamilton. Son of the late Fredrick and Dorthy. Brother of the late Bill King Beloved husband to Linda (Burke) (predeceased). Father to Rudy (Linda), Tammy (Wayne), Christy (Eric), Shyel and Dalaine (Tony). Grandpa to Dustin, Jr, Ryely, Skylar, Coletín, RJ, Shenaya, Zander, Xzavier, Taetum (predeceased), Sophiah, Savannah. Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Dad to many adopted children throughout the years. Randy was an extremely talented musician with a beautiful voice and loved spending time with his friends and family just playing guitars and singing music. There will be no service for Randy at this time. The Family will update when a Celebration of Life is organized. [www.rhbanderson.com](http://www.rhbanderson.com)



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