www.mncfn.ca June 2025



## **EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER**

Caring for Pets, Strengthening Families:











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

Translated by: Nimkew Niinis, N'biising First Nation.



#### **Eaglepress Newsletter**

The Eaglepress newsletter is available for download at www.mncfn.ca. We encourage members to view the online version rather than subscribing to print to help us care for Mother Earth and save print and postage costs.

The Eaglepress will continue to evolve with new features and information. If you have suggestions or submissions, contact: victoria.gray@mncfn.ca

Media and Communications Department

Office: 905-768-7469

Email: communications@mncfn.ca



#### Artwork Acknowledgement

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

Newsletter Header: Toni Hafkenscheid Photography



#### WHAT'S INSIDE

Message from the Chief
Culture and History5
Lifelong Learning17
Lands & Membership 26
Social & Health3
Contact InfoBack Cover



#### MESSAGE FROM OGIMAA KWE



#### OGIMAA KWE CLAIRE SAULT

April and May had profound significance for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN), marked by cultural restoration, international diplomacy, and leadership in environmental and economic development.

#### **Historical Gathering of the Mississaugas** of the Credit First Nation

I participated in the 13th Annual Historical Gathering, held from April 29 to May 1, 2025, at the Ancaster Fairgrounds. This multi-day event celebrated the rich history. lands, and waters of the Mississaugas of the Credit. The gathering featured educational sessions, cultural displays, artisan showcases, and community. Bringing together Elders, youth, and community leaders in a celebration of identity, heritage, and unity. It served as a powerful platform for cultural revitalization and intergenerational learning, reinforcing the Nation's connection to its ancestral territories and traditions.

#### **Repatriation of Percy Onabigon**

On May 1, 2025, I attended the repatriation ceremony of Percy Onabigon, held at his gravesite in Woodstock, Ontario. Percy was only 8 years old when he was taken to St. Joseph's Indian Residential School in Fort William, Ontario, in 1946. It was his first time attending, though his older siblings had already been admitted twice before. Percy, who had been paralyzed on his right side since birth and lived with epilepsy, was admitted to McKellar's Hospital just two months later. From there, he was transferred to institutions in southern Ontario—without his family ever being informed of his whereabouts or the reasons for his transfer.

When Percy turned 18, the Indian Agent denied his return home. He died in 1966. ten vears later. never having seen his family again. The last time

his loved ones saw him was in September 1946. A promise made to his oldest sister in 1997 to bring him home was finally fulfilled in 2025.

With financial support from the Ministry of Indigenous Affairs and First Nation Economic Reconciliation, the exhumation process began on May 1. Although the process may take more than one day due to the passage of 59 years, a ceremony was held to honour Percy's memory. It was an honour to participate and to experience a moment of reconciliation for this family and acknowledged the deep historical injustice and the importance of bringing Percy home to rest on his traditional territory.

#### **First Nations Major Projects Coalition** (FNMPC) Conference

At the 8th Annual FNMPC Conference, I joined other Indigenous leaders and stakeholders to discuss Indigenous equity participation in major projects. My contributions focused on sustainable development, economic sovereignty, and the importance of Indigenous leadership in shaping Canada's infrastructure and resource sectors. Access to capital was a priority for most First Nation leaders.

Continued on next page

#### **MESSAGE FROM OGIMAA KWE**

#### **Diplomatic Visit to the United Kingdom**

Councillor Erma, Councillor Veronica, and I traveled to the United Kingdom in May 2025 for a diplomatic engagement that included a meeting with King Charles III. This visit represented a significant moment in strengthening relationships between Indigenous Nations and the British Crown. The delegation engaged in discussions centered on reconciliation, treaty responsibilities, cultural preservation, and environmental cooperation. Our presence underscored the collective leadership of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation on the international stage. Very productive trip.

### Opening of the Toronto Region Conservation Authority

I attended the official opening of the TRCA's facility, which will serve as a hub for treaty education, reconciliation programming, and community services. The facility represents a step forward in supporting Indigenous governance and cultural revitalization.

### Support for Clean Energy Development in Port Colborne

I expressed support for a proposed battery separator manufacturing facility in Port Colborne. The project aligns with MCFN's goals for economic development and environmental responsibility and reflects the Nation's commitment to participating in Canada's clean energy transition.

#### **Election Law**

We are under way with the introduction of our Election Law. Consultation with the community will follow our MCFN community meeting on May 24th. We are excited to finally roll this out to the community and our goal is to bring it to ratification by the end of July.

#### CAO & HR

Our new CAO and Human Resource Manager will be coming on board in the next few weeks.

#### **Mayors & Council**

MCFN council met with Caledon Mayor and Council and had a productive meeting. Darin Wybenga provided a more foundational treaty perspective that was very beneficial to current dilemmas. With all speaking engagements, we are elevating the importance of treaty education to the public. We were scheduled to meet with Hamilton's Mayor & Council but had to reschedule due to the Mayor's health set back.

National Indian Residential School Crisis Line: 1-866-925-4419

IRSS Telephone Support Line: 1-800-721-0066

Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line: 1-855-242-3310

Native Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-877-209-1266

Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868, or text 686868

#### Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) & Council - Attendance Tuesday, March 4, 2025 to Tuesday, March 25, 2025

As per Chief & Council Honorarium Policy, Chief & Councillors allowed, per calendar year:

- 2 weeks of vacation (Two Tuesdays) (3 weeks of vacation for Chief)
- 3 weeks of sick (Three Tuesdays)
- 1 week of bereavement (1 Tuesday)



Chief / Councillor	Absent from: Name of	Sick / Vac/Bereavement Used		
Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault	Meeting and Date FinPlanning Council Mtg. Tues. May 6/25	Away on other Council Business		
	Lifelong LearningCounc. Mtg. Tues. May 27/25	Joined the meeting at 10:00 am via Teams (on other Council Business.		
Erma Ferrell	FinPlanning Council Mtg. Tues. May 6/25	Away on other Council Business		
Fawn Sault				
Larry Sault				
Leslie (Sault) Maracle	FinPlanning Council Mtg. Tues. May 6/25	Joined the meeting via Teams		
Jesse Herkimer				
Veronica King-Jamieson	FinPlanning Council Mtg. Tues. May 6/25	Away on other Council Business		
	Infrastructure & Environ. Stewardshi Counc. Mtg. Tues. May 20, 2025	Veronica King-Jamieson is no longer a Councillor; she is an employee.		
Ashley Sault	FinPlanning Council Mtg. Tues. May 6/25	Joined the meeting via Teams		

NOTE: There was no Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 as there was no Quorum.



#### **COUNCILLOR, JESSE HERKIMER**

Aanii all. The past few months have been filled with major developments and heavy-hitting negotiations. I've been meeting with mayors, legal teams, fellow First Nations, and business proponents to ensure our voice is not only heard but respected within our treaty lands. Whether it's standing firm against companies like Enbridge who try to force their agendas, or building meaningful partnerships with allies like Redjar Energy Partners and Milestone Environmental Inc., who take the time to listen, learn, and walk beside us, our Nation is asserting its rightful place. While much of the work I'm doing is tied up in non-disclosure agreements and can't be shared publicly just yet, I'm proud to say that one of these major projects has reached the application stage, and I can finally talk about it.

I'm proud to share an exciting milestone in our Nation's economic growth. On May 7, 2025, the Mississaugas of the Credit Business Corporation (MCBC), submitted a landmark proposal to the Federal Lands Initiative for *Endaayin*, a major development in the heart of Toronto.

Endaayin, (Your Home), would bring 305 purpose-built rental units to Sheppard Avenue West, with 31% of the homes set at below-market rents. But this is more than just housing. It's a culturally grounded, sustainable, and inclusive community. The project will include an MCFN-operated daycare, an employment resource centre, and outdoor spaces rooted in Anishinaabe values.

This development sits within the bounds of the Toronto Purchase Treaty No. 13, reaffirming our rightful presence and leadership within our traditional territory. Through MCBC and partnerships with TAS, Arcadis, and ITC Construction, our Nation is not only leading design and construction, but will retain long-term ownership and management of this community asset.

**Endaayin** is a bold step forward, demonstrating that we are not stakeholders, we are rights holders. This project represents opportunity, empowerment, and a possible home for Members, for our youth, and for generations to come.

Attached is from a 64-page submission. A small window into what's possible when we lead with our values, our vision, and our rightful place at the table.

Chi-Miigwech, Jesse Herkimer

1

#### **Executive Summary**

#### WHO WE ARE

Mississaugas of the Credit Business Corporation (MCBC) has assembled an experienced Project Team to deliver an affordable and community-oriented development rooted in sustainable Anishnaabe values.



is wholly owned by MCFN and entrusted with the responsibility for economic and business development on behalf of the Nation.



is an impact-focused development company that uses real estate as a tool to drive profit and purpose throughout the GTA.

#### **ARCADIS**

is a leading global design, engineering, and transportation firm with integrated architectural and engineering consulting expertise.



is an award-winning industry leader in the construction of residential and mixed-use developments and a subsidiary of Pomerleau, one of the largest construction companies in Canada and a partner of MCBC.

The Project Team is proposing to create "Endaayin" as the initial flagship development within the ARBO Community. Translated from Ojibwe and meaning "Your Home", Endaayin reflects the traditional Anishnaabe values of a Home that is rooted in a strong, caring, and connected community that takes a holistic view in respecting the earth's gifts and protecting the environment for future generations.

#### WHAT WE PROPOSE

Endaayin is a signature development featuring two twin 10storey mixed-use buildings connected by a main floor that includes a daycare and an employment resource centre.

Your Home.

The project offers a total of 305 purpose-built rental units consisting of 1-, 2-, and 3- bedroom suites, with a mix of 31% affordable housing and 70% market-rate dwellings. The design incorporates inviting outdoor public and amenity spaces inspired by MCFN culture and artwork.

### affordable housing Accessible homes with 31% of the suites dedicated to being attainable and provided at below-market rents.

#### inclusive development

A development managed to prioritize Indigenous Peoples, Women & Children, and Seniors to be actively engaged within the ARBO community and broader Downsview neighbourhood.

HOW WE WILL DELIVER

#### community programming

Practical and high-demand neighbourhood services, including a daycare, employment resource centre, and an abundance of outdoor play spaces.

#### sustainability

Geothermal building that achieves TGS V4 Tier 2 & Tier 2 2020 NBC requirements, with a landscaping plan purposely designed to embrace the natural assets of the Woodlot and further maximize carbon capture.

The Project Team has developed a schedule to ensure construction starts in Q1 2027. Our experienced internal team, covering project management, construction management, development, finance, legal, and key consulting services, is assembled and ready to advance the project immediately upon award.

Rooted in Anishinaabe values, the future of Endaayin envisions a vibrant, inclusive community that honours the land, fosters connection, and supports wellbeing for all. Featuring a blend of affordable and market housing, along with an on-site daycare and employment resource centre, the project is designed to empower residents of all ages. Culturally inspired public spaces and 100% integrated services create a place where people can live, work, and grow in harmony – with each other and with the PURPOSE-MEDICINE **BUILT INDIGENOUS** WHEEL-**KNOWLEDGE INSPIRED** environment. GARDEN CIRCLE MCFN-**INSPIRED PROJECT AFFORDABLE DESIGN** 40% LARGER **ACCESSIBLE FAMILY-FRIENDLY AMENITIES FAMILY** UNITS **UNITS EMPLOYMENT DAYCARE FACILITY &** POPS & **RESOURCE PLAYGROUND PUBLIC** CENTRE **ART** GEO-THERMAL **ENERGY** 

\*\*\*\*



#### **COUNCILLOR, ERMA FERRELL**

#### RICHMOND HILL ART EXHIBIT – JUNE AND JULY 2025

Staff from Richmond Hill and have been working together for an Art Exhibit. *Minwaa Niinwind Dabaadjimownan: Our Story Continues* is running until July 2nd at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts. More details can be found at RichmondHill.ca/MCFNArt.

#### **DRONE LIGHT SHOW**

Saturday June 7 – 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday June 8 – 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Councillor Veronica and I are working with staff from the Battlefield Museum in Hamilton. There will be a Drone Light Show in Stoney Creek, to commemorate the Reenactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek.

The Drone Light Show will feature images that reflect the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation; such as the Eagle. If you are interested in Drone Light shows, mark June 7th and 8th on your calendars to attend the show in Stoney Creek.

#### June 6, 1813 Battle of Stoney Creek is the original date of the Battle.

"The Battle of Stoney Creek, a significant event in the War of 1812, took place on June 6, 1813, in the Niagara Peninsula. The battle saw a British victory against a larger American force, halting the American advance and allowing the British to reassert control over the region."

Many First Nation Peoples participated in the War of 1812; sadly, not all First Nations Peoples who were part of the Battles of the War of 1812 were not identified in the Military Records.

#### **ARTIFACTS COMMITTEE**

Our Artifacts Committee met on Wednesday April 9, 2025, to begin our research on repatriation of items that belonged to Rev. Peter Jones. This work will be a long time before we will have positive results.

#### The CROSSING

Darin Wybenga and I have been working with the Crossing Steering

Committee to share some of our history and our Wampum Belts with other Culture groups who meet once a year in Dundas, ON. We are hoping for good weather this September 20, 2025 to celebrate Culture Days.

BELOW IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE CULTURE STEERING GROUP STARTED AND HOW IT HAS PROGRESSED. THE ARTICLE IS WRITTEN BY PASTOR PATRICK Rev. Patrick Gushue:

#### The Crossing

What began as an idea to celebrate the 190 years of ministry for Knox Presbyterian Church Sixteen in Oakville has transformed into an expanding mission of inclusion and reconciliation. In 2023, the idea for a community Heritage Day developed to draw attention to the history of Knox 16 and the vanished village of Proudfoots Hollow. Quickly, the Town of Oakville heritage planners and the Region of Halton Heritage Services joined to plan the event to coincide with Ontario Culture Days.

An invitation was extended to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, which was enthusiastically accepted, leading to the formation of the "Crossing." Initially, this term referred to the physical crossing of a river, but it soon expanded to symbolize a meeting place where people from diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and learn from one another.

#### YZD MCFN Scholarships

Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation celebrated four students this month who received scholarships aimed at supporting their post-secondary journeys.

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation's (MCFN) Lifelong Learning (LLL) Department hosted a meet and greet for recipients of the first annual YZD MCFN Scholarship at Lloyd S. King Elementary School in the Mural Room on May 20 with representatives from Northcrest Developments and LLL to celebrate recipients.

Recipients include Summer LaForme, 20, who graduated from Humber College's Child and Youth Care program this Spring and said the funds really helped.

"It really helped out being able to graduate and take care of a baby still, it's not easy," she said.

Arielle MacDonald, 22, started her MBA at the University of Guelph and said she's grateful.

"It helped out a lot, I'm super grateful to have the opportunity," she said.

Jake LaForme, 21, graduated from St. Clair College's Powerline Technician program and hopes to use some of the funds for licensing and other fees.

"It just helps my situation and with financial needs," he said.

Victoria Ryan, 21, recently graduated from Brock University's Sociology program with a minor in Indigenous Studies.

"I'm just super thankful for the opportunity," she said.

Each student received \$3,000 toward their education expenses.

lan Hanecak, Manager of Community Relations for Northcrest said the scholarship funds are the result of a Memorandum of Understanding Northcrest signed with MCFN in 2023 that calls for the company to provide assistance to the nation in three key areas, including education, culture, and economic development.

"I'm very happy we've been able to do this," he said. "I really wish you guys all the success as you move along."

Northcrest is currently developing the former Downsview Airport and plans to create "mixed use communities" at the site on Hanover Road in North York.

Patti Barber, Director of LLL said the next round of scholarship application will be for \$3,000 each and applications will be available in August.

"We are grateful for the partnership, and we're excited to be able to support our students directly," she said.

Keep an eye out for more scholarship opportunities on MCFN's social media channels or contact Andrea King,

Post-Secondary Advisor at andrea.king@mncfn.ca.





## BE THE FACE OF MCFN AT THE CNE!

SHARE YOUR PRIDE.
CELEBRATE OUR CULTURE.
VOLUNTEER WITH US!

August 15th - September 1st

- Lunch or supper meal allowance, mileage for transportation, and honorarium (all payable after CNE)
- Before or after your shift, enjoy the experiences and fun the CNE offers to everyone!
- If covering for 2 or more consecutive shifts:
  - Hotel room and breakfast
  - Taxi to CNE from hotel and back

Application deadline July 10 at 4 p.m. Scan the QR code to apply today!







**Check next page for more details!** 





MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION, May 28, 2025 — The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) is proud to announce a significant step forward in its efforts to reclaim and revitalize the Anishinaabemowin language, with the upcoming launch of community street and traffic signage written in our traditional language.

This meaningful initiative will begin near the end of June 2025 with the installation of new stop signs at the intersection of Mississauga and New Credit Roads, featuring the Anishinaabemowin word for stop: **"Dookshkaan"** with "stop" written below.

The replacement of stop signs marks the beginning of a broader plan to gradually update all street and directional signage throughout the community in Anishinaabemowin.

"This is more than just signage, it's a reclamation of our language, our presence, and our story," Councillor Ashley Sault Pillar 6 Lead: Infrastructure, Community and Membership Development said. "Every word placed in our community brings Anishinaabemowin back into the everyday lives of our people, and affirms that our language is alive, vital, and belongs in the spaces we walk every day."

The initiative represents a major cultural milestone for MCFN, one that underscores the Nation's deep and ongoing commitment to language preservation, intergenerational knowledge-sharing, and Indigenous visibility. Through this project, MCFN is not only restoring Anishinaabemowin to public life, but also fostering pride and identity among youth and elders alike.

The street sign initiative is part of a broader movement within the Nation to strengthen cultural expression, promote linguistic continuity, and ensure that future generations hear, speak, and see their language reflected in their own homeland.

Chi-Miigwech to Shannon Veri of RE/MAX Escarpment for providing funding for this initiative.

For more information please contact:

Victoria Gray
Manager of Communications and Engagement
226-802-2497
Victoria.gray@mncfn.ca



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation 2789 Mississauga Road, Hagersville, Ontario NOA 1HO



Phone: (905) 768-1133 Fax: (905) 768-1225

#### **Pet Wellness Clinics**

Ebony won't have to worry about ticks this year after getting a clean bill of health and medication from Dr. Tammy Hornak.

Countless other furry family members won't have to worry soon either because the Pet Wellness Clinic is expanding to help families care for their pets all year round.

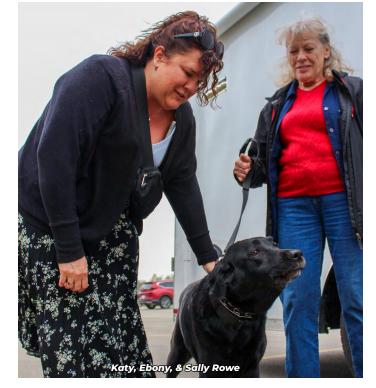
Sally Rowe brought nine-year-old black lab, Ebony to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Social and Health's Mobile Pet Wellness Clinic on May 13 in the Splash Pad parking lot at 659 New Credit Road with veterinarians from the Toronto Humane Society and Grand River Veterinary Hospital in Caledonia.

"It's cost effective and they're very nice here," Rowe said.

Drs. Karen Ward and Hornak are excited to start a pilot project to increase their visits to the nation from bi-annually to once a month. They also have pet foods, toys, beds, collars and more to giveaway! Although the food brands will change

> based on donations, there is always dog and cat food available.

"This way we can away from vaccines and offer real One Health Clinics," Ward said. "We can bring other supports."



Hornak added that expanding the clinic allows them to bring the cost of care down drastically.

"It's all about making it accessible and affordable for people," she said. Melissa Sawyer brought three cats to the clinic, Molly, Queenie and Trixie because it's convenient for her busy family.

"It's so much easier to bring them here because it's just around the corner and I don't have to bring them into town," she said.

The clinic will continue to offer vaccines, check-ups, deworming, microchipping and flea and tick medications it will also increase services by offering out-patient services for issues like ear infections, minor skin infections, pet anxiety, behaviour issues, quality of life for older dogs, pain management.





"We are excited about the mobile pet wellness and the positive response from community members," Margaret Copeland, MCFN's Director of Health Services said.

The Annual Fall Spay/Neuter Clinic that will take place at the MCFN Community Centre September 26 to 29, 2025.

"A lot of people have a difficult time knowing when it's time to euthanize an older dog. We can help give advice." Hornak said. "No questions are stupid and never be embarrassed. I can make anything work. I'm pretty creative that way."

The clinic can also help mitigate the cost of year-round flea and tick medication with monthly visits, making it more affordable and accessible to families.

Laura-Lee Kelly, MCFN's Community
Health Representative said moving to
a monthly clinic will be like the "One
Health" service delivery model, which will
encompass the overall health of the pet.

While there is a cost associated with the services, it is designed for affordability and to ensure family pets are included in family wellness.

"There are huge benefits (too many to list in this paragraph) to having monthly pet wellness clinics," she said. "I think everyone would agree that they appreciate the affordable cost of the mobile clinics. Pets are an extension of the family unit, keeping pets happy and healthy but also preventing disease is key!"



For more information or to register your pet for an upcoming clinic call Kelly at 905-768-1181 ext. 241.

#### **Travel Guidance for Entering the U.S**

Dear Jay Treaty Border Alliance (JTBA) Members,

We understand some members have concerns about possible detainment or issues when traveling across the U.S.-Canada border. To help ease concerns, please review the following guidance:

**1. Entry to the United States under Section 289 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA)**: Under INA Section 289, Canadian-born American Indians who possess at least 50% blood quantum are exempt from the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).

To verify your eligibility to cross the border, present your:

- Status Card
- Blood Quantum Letter
- Passport (if traveling by air)

Canadian-born American Indians do not need an immigration visa to enter the United States. 22 C.F.R. § 42.1(f). Canadia-born Indians are lawful permanent residents simply by residing in the United States. 8 C.F.R. § 289.2

#### 2. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Rule Update (Effective April 11, 2025):

On March 12, 2025, the DHS issued a rule imposing registration and fingerprinting requirements for Canadian travelers staying in the U.S. for more than 30 days. However, American Indians born in Canada who meet the 50% blood quantum requirement (INA Section 289 Entrants) are **exempt** from these requirements.

For full details, see the DHS rule here:

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/03/12/2025-03944/alien-registration-form-and-evidence-of-registration

#### 3. Have Questions?

If you or your community members encounter issues or need clarification, you can reach out to:

Rodney Lockett

Senior Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Office of Partnership and Engagement

Cell: (202) 841-2065

RODNEY.LOCKETT@hq.dhs.gov

NOTE: Applications for Blood Quantum letters can be obtained at the Lands and Membershiop office

#### Welcome to the Lifelong Learning Updates

June 2025 Reminders - 905-768-0516

June is associated with the Strawberry Moon (Ode"imini Giizis) and the Summer Solstice. That is the longest day of the year; a time of celebration and renewal marked by ceremonies and feasts.











Just a few short weeks until the end of the 2024-2025 academic school year. Graduations will be held at different times and locations for our many graduates. Keep your eyes peeled. CONGRATULATIONS!

See the notices for June regarding final exams and holidays. Each school will send out notices for school trips, sporting events, graduations etc. We are excited to share and celebrate your student's achievement and advancement.

#### **LSK Holiday/Events**

June 23rd – HOLIDAY - National Indigenous Peoples Day June 26th – Awards & Noon Dismissal

#### STEAM Academy

- June 23rd HOLIDAY National Indigenous Peoples Day
- Exams June 23-26

#### **Grand Erie District School Board (GEDSB)**

- No HOLIDAY on June 23rd
- Exams June 23-26

#### Catholic School Board Haldimand/Norfolk (BHNCDSB)

- No HOLIDAY on June 23rd
- Exams June 20 and June 23-26

From the staff at Lifelong Learning, we hope you all have a wonderful start to summer and thereafter.

#### **Application Process for Post Secondary Education**

Applications are available online at: https://mcfn.dadavan.com/student/pseapplication.jsp Part 1 must be completed first. After you submit this application, it will be sent to us automatically and it will be reviewed by the Advisor and you will receive an email directing you to complete Application part 2.

Post-secondary Application (part 2) forms can be found on the MCFN website, under department of Lifelong Learning tab, Post-Secondary resources section: https://mncfn.ca/departments/lifelonglearning/post-secondary-resources/

Once completed these forms are to be uploaded into the Dadavan Outcomes Portal.

Applications are required to arrive in the Department of Lifelong Learning by the deadlines set out in the chart below. Applications must be made for each semester within the academic year of enrolment. The academic year starts with spring (May-Jun), summer (Jul-Aug) enrolment, then fall (Sept-Dec), winter (Jan-Apr) in accordance to funding agency.

Term of Enrolment	Application Due By:
Spring/Summer	February 1st
Fall	May 1st
Winter	October 1st

Late applications will be reviewed after all other applications (who have met the deadlines) have been processed. Late applications will be subject to funding availability and applicants may be offered partial funding.

#### **Progress Reports/Official Transcript**

All approved applicants are required to submit a progress report/official transcript after each academic semester completed. Failure to submit these reports/transcripts by the dates outlined below will result in a disruption of monthly allowances or denial of future financial assistance applications. MCFN will reimburse the cost of official transcript fees with proper identifying receipt. All transcripts and schedules must have identifying information such as the school name, student name and term.

Andrea King is available to speak to students & parents regarding Post Secondary Education: Andrea.King@mncfn.ca • 905-768-0516

#### Lloyd S King Elementary School Update

Grade 7 Teacher: Stacey Coombs Student Support Worker: Teresa Smith

Recently the Grade 7's at LSK were tasked to create a realistic depiction of a "Slice of Cake". Students began the design process by examining the work of artist Wayne Thiebaud for inspiration. They researched, planned, sketched, and created forms out of thin cardboard using their knowledge of building 3D objects. Layers of paper pulp were applied to create the base. Students then let their creativity run free and utilized a variety of different materials and tools for the finishing touches. They experimented with air dry clay, modelling clay, foam clay and mixing paint colours to create the perfect effects. The students worked incredibly hard on this project and their pieces are a reflection of their dedication to creating the perfect "Slice of Cake"



#### **NEWS FROM MCFN EARLY YEARS**

## Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Highlights & Upcoming Events



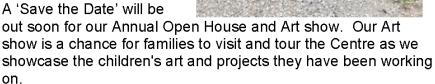
Supervisor: Shannon King, RECE

Assistant Supervisor: Pamela Bomberry, RECE

Exciting news at Ekwaamjigenang! We are in the final stages of our new 'Forest Playground'; we are hoping to have a grand opening once the space is complete! The children and staff would like to say Chi-miigwech to Leo & Jeremy S. from Public Works for clearing the bush and building the bridge for our new space. We will be having a naming contest soon, watch for details next month!



We are gearing up for a BBQ & splash pad party in June. We are excited for the splash pad to open this month; we will be spending lots of time over there this summer.





## Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Registration Information

#### Wait List Eligibility Criteria and Procedure

The Waiting List application form is available through the MCFN website or at the ECC office, or by emailing your request to <a href="mailto:shannon.king@mncfn.ca">shannon.king@mncfn.ca</a> for an electronic copy.



There is no charge for the waiting list application. Children are placed on the waiting list in accordance with the 'Priority Requirements Chart' and then by the date and/or time of the completed forms received at ECC. When a space becomes available, the ECC Supervisor or Assistant Supervisor will contact the family.

**Please Note:** Expectant parents are welcome to register their unborn child on the waiting list to be placed in priority sequence.

#### **NEWS FROM MCFN EARLY YEARS**

#### Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre Highlights & Upcoming Events

Supervisor: Kate Shroder, RECE

Assistant Supervisor: Greg Montour, RECE



The Infant Room enjoyed the sunny days we had this month by walking around with the toys, balls, and playing in the sand box. The infants enjoy making creative art and participating in sensory play; this month they really enjoyed exploring in the bubbles.



The Toddler Room had a treat this month! The Hagersville Volunteer Firefighters stopped by the

centre for a visit. The Toddlers were very curious to see the ins and outs of the truck. They took pictures sitting on the bumper and were intrigued by how the bell made noises when it was bumped!



The Preschool Room also enjoyed getting a tour of the fire truck. They were all smiles when they got to

sit in the back seats of the fire truck; some children tried the driver seat!

We spend time outside every day; exploring, painting with dandelions, and making paper airplanes. While inside the children enjoy working together to make ramps to see how fast they could

get the cars to go.







#### Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre Registration Information

#### Wait List Eligibility Criteria and Procedure

The Waiting List application form is available through the Haldimand Norfolk County Childcare Registry (One List) <a href="https://onehsn.com/Haldimandnorfolk/Account/Register">https://onehsn.com/Haldimandnorfolk/Account/Register</a> There is no charge for the waiting list application.

Children are placed on the waiting list in accordance to the 'Priority Requirements Chart' and then by the date and/or time of the completed forms received by Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care (MMCC). When spaces become available, the family will be contacted by the MMCC Supervisor or Assistant Supervisor.

#### **NEWS FROM MCFN EARLY YEARS**

#### MCFN EarlyON Highlights and Upcoming Events



"We believe in the potential of every child, the value of play, and the importance of attachment in the development and well-being of children..."

Need a break from your own four walls? Interested in meeting and connecting with other parents and caregivers? Giving your children (aged 0-6) new experiences? Come see us at the MCFN EarlyON sites! We offer a free, warm and welcoming play environment for you and your children to come and explore! Make sure to check out our monthly calendars in The Eagles Press or online! You can also follow our Facebook page, "MFCN EARLYON."



This month has been a fun, exciting month! We hosted our Mother's Day Brunch at the HUB on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and a second brunch at the HUB on May 9<sup>th</sup>. We ate, took pictures, visited and made soothing foot scrubs for our caregivers.

We visited the Hagersville Fire Station- the children loved it! Chii Miigwech to the Hagersville Volunteer Fire Station for hosting us!







This month our families met us in Townsend for a **Trail Walk**. Each month we choose a different trail to walk on together, join us next month, watch for details on our Facebook page and sign-up on KeyON!

**Toddler Baking Group** has started up again with **Lindsay and Megan**. This was a big hit for the Toddlers and their caregivers last month. Keep an eye on our KeyON Calendar for the next session.

Ang Campbell from The Grand Erie Health Unit visits the HSS EarlyON location twice a month to connect/support our caregivers for **Baby & Tot play**. If you have any questions or concerns, keep an eye on our KeyON calendar for the next visit from Ang! Ang has shared many resources and beautiful insights on child development, speech/language, potty learning and more! Her dedication and presence in our community is greatly appreciated. *Everyone is welcome to register!* 

This month **Jolene Hill** once again offered **Infant Massage!** We have had lots of new moms join us. **Beth King** from MCFN Social and Health Well Baby program has joined us as well to share her knowledge. Infant Massage benefits include helping with sleep, relief from digestive issues, gas, aiding circulation and breathing, pain relief and is a beautiful time for caregivers to create a stronger Parent-Infant bond and connection.



The children have been loving **Risky Play** with Megan and Lindsay. We have been using tires and pushing them up and down hills, and through the mud! Playing in the mud engages all senses, providing rich tactile experiences that stimulate sensory development! Tires promote big body play which helps children learn about their bodies, coordination and boundaries.

We also hosted a soothing, relaxing Caregiver evening filled with yoga, bracelet making and light refreshments with Jill Bennett. It was perfect for winding down after a long day and we finished off with traditional Cedar Tea.





#### Indigenous Book of the month





Indigenous Reads book of the month:



## EarlyON Family insights of the month: Heather Thompson & Family

Family insights of the month: Heather Thompson "Thomas and I were lucky enough to find MCFN Early ON in early 2020. From the second we walked through the door we were welcomed/ treated like old friends. EarlyON has been a staple in our lives from the countless play times to parenting classes to field trips like the Zoo or Maple Bush. EarlyON came into my life when I needed it the most. I was feeling isolated at home with a 1-year-old and every single staff member played a big part in making me a happier, better parent. I owe them everything. Thomas has made friends with other kids as well as staff. He looks forward to seeing Jolene, Megan, Lindsay or Ang every time we go."





Please follow us on Facebook or check out the KeyON calendar to see what new and exciting programs we have planned for June!

#### **HSS Location**

Our HSS location is in Hagersville Secondary School:
70 Parkview Road, Hagersville.
Play and Learn is open weekdays from 9:00am-11:00am and 1:00pm-3:00pm.
Please see the calendar for upcoming events for this location.
Please register on KeyON to attend. www.keyon.ca

#### **HUB Location**

Our "HUB" location is in the LSK and Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Building: 659 New Credit Road Building 3C.

Play and Learn is open weekdays from 9:00-11:00am and 1:00-3:00pm.

Join us every other Tuesday from 1:00pm-3:00pm and Family Dinner from 5:00-7:00pm

Watch the calendar for the dates!

Please register on KeyON to attend: www.keyon.ca

Registration is required for all our EarlyON programs. You can sign up through <a href="https://www.keyon.com">www.keyon.com</a>

If you need help, please feel free to call or email us! Our dedicated staff will be happy to assist

Jolene Hill, RSSW Community Navigator Jolene.Hill@mnfcn.ca

Ang Bell Support Staff Ang.Bell@mncfn.ca Lindsay DeMille, RECE Facilitator Lindsay.DeMille@mncfn.ca

Megan LaForme, RECE Facilitator/Kindergarten Afterschool Activities

Megan.LaForme@mncfn.ca

For questions or concerns regarding any of our Early Years programs including Child Care, Kindergarten and KASA, EarlyON and Food Service please contact:

Katharine Brown, B.ECL; RECE

Early Years Administrator

Katharine.Brown@mncfn.ca

#### **Food Service Update**

Food Service Lead: Jamie Busche

Pizza made its debut in the school cafeteria, and it was a total hit! The cafeteria was full of smiles, laughter, and the delicious smell of cheesy goodness as students gathered around their tables to dig in! The cheers for pizza were contagious, and it turned an ordinary lunch into something special. Safe to say, pizza day was a slice of success!



#### Kindergarten Update



The Kindergarten classes have been enjoying their time in the outdoor classroom. Some days both classes and ECC's Preschool 2 Room meet in the space and engage in outdoor learning, exploration and adventure. New and old friendships blossom as well as children connecting with all of the educators.

Some highlights this month were using nets to discover what was in the spring thaw water, mud kitchen play, relaxing in the hammocks, circle time at the fire and sharing s'mores!









LIFE EVENTS ARE BIRTHS. MARRIAGES, DIVORCES, NAME

CHANGES AND DEATHS.

**Members** 

#### Birth

In order for your child to be registered on the Mississaugas of the Credit membership list you must register the birth with Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

Only those entitled to registration on the MCFN membership list will be registered. ISC will notify you if your child is not eligible for registration.

#### Marriage

To register your marriage you must submit a request for amendment form. a copy of your marriage certificate and copies of your identification showing your married name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

#### Divorce

To register your divorce you must submit a request for amendment form. a copy of your divorce certificate and copies of your identification showing your maiden name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

#### Name Change

To register a name change you must submit a request for amendment form, a copy of the name change certificate and copies of your identification showing your new name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

#### Death

When a Mississaugas of the Credit member passes away the death must be registered with Indigenous Services Canada. If a death is not reported the deceased individual will remain. on the MCFN membership list. You can submit a death certificate to the MCFN Lands & Membership Dept. or to ISC.

For more information call Lands and Membership at 905-768-0100

\* Please be aware there is a delay in all life events submitted to ISC.



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)(a.1)** - Reinstatement of individuals whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or a band list prior to September 4, 1951.

**6(1)(a.2)** - that person meets the following conditions:

(i) they were born female during the period beginning on September 4, 1951 and ending on April 16, 1985 and their parents were not married to each other at the time of the birth.

(ii) their father was at the time of that person's birth entitled to be registered or, if he was no longer living at that time, was at the time of death entitled to be registered, and

(iii) their mother was not at the time of that person's birth entitled to be registered;

**6(1)(a.3)** - that person is a direct descendant of a person who is, was or would have been entitled to be registered under paragraph (a.1) or (a.2) and

(i) they were born before April 17, 1985, whether or not their parents were married to each other at the time of the birth, or

(ii) they were born after April 16, 1985 and their parents were married to each other at any time 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)(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 or more 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.

## Community Wellness Distribution 2025/2026

MCFN Council has approved \$1,500.00 for the 2025-2026 Community Wellness distribution.

LANDS AND MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

The 2025-2026 Community Wellness applications will be available in office (6 First Line) and online at www.mncfn.ca starting @ 9:00 a.m. on April 1, 2025.

#### THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE WILL ONLY APPLY TO THE 2025-2026 COMMUNITY WELLNESS:

- Application forms and required documents will be accepted via email, mail, or in person at the Lands & Membership office (6 First Line) beginning April 1, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m. A mail slot is available at the office for after-hours drop off.
- FAXED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Quotes, estimates and/or receipts are **REQUIRED.** Quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated April 1, 2025 or later. If registered after April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.
- The new 2025-2026 Community Wellness application form for \$1,500.00 must be used.
   Applications will not be accepted if other forms are used.
- Direct deposit is the preferred method of payment (CANADIAN ACCOUNTS ONLY). Your name must appear on your void cheque or direct deposit form NO EXCEPTIONS. If your name is NOT on your void cheque or direct deposit form, a cheque will be mailed to you. Not applicable if there are no changes to your banking information.
- Ensure the payment option is clearly indicated. Failure to clearly indicate cheque mail out or direct deposit will result in a delay in processing your application(s).
- If you have requested a cheque, it will be mailed to you. Please ensure your address is complete. Ensure to include street number, street name, city, postal/zip code, apt/unit number is applicable.
- Payments will be issued within 4 6 weeks, upon confirmation that all required documents have been received.

#### Acceptable Valid ID (MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THE FRONT & BACK OF ID)

- Birth certificate
- Status card
- Health card
- Driver's license
- Provincial Photo ID Card

- Employee ID, with digitized photo
- Student ID, with digitized photo
- Firearms license
- Passport or Nexus card

Phone: 1-905-768-0100 Email: cw@mncfn.ca

Mailing address: LM/Community Wellness, 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0

#### Community Wellness Distribution New Application for Minors - 2025/2026

#### MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

#### COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-MINOR (Newborn-17 Years) 2025-2026

Mailing Address: LM/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0 Email: cw@mncfn.ca

- \*\* All applications must include front and back copies/pictures of 1 piece of VALID minor ID and 1 piece of VALID parent/guardian photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is clearly visible.
  QUOTES, ESTIMATES AND/OR RECEIPTS ARE REQUIRED. MUST BE DATED APRIL 1, 2025 OR LATER. If registered after April 1st, 2025, quotes, estimates, and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.
- \*\* Custody, CAS, guardianship, decision-making authority documents etc. must be included with each minor application (if applicable). Payments for minor children will be issued to the applying parent/guardian.
- \*\* To avoid delays in processing, ensure that all sections are complete, application is signed and all required/supporting documents accompany your application. Ensure payment option is clearly indicated.

required/suppo	i tilig t	documents accompany yo	заг аррпса	ation. Liisure	payine	int option is clear	iy malcateu.
CHILD'S FULL NAM	it appears on Status Card	1):	CHILD'S REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):				
FULL NAME OF LE	ARENT/GUARDIAN:		LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN'S REGISTRY NUMBER:				
COMPLETE MAILI	DRESS:		CHILD'S BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):				
						/	/
					YYY	/	/ DD
LEGAL PARENT/G	UARD	IAN EMAIL ADDRESS:		(including a	-	JARDIAN TELEPH	ONE NUMBER
				(meraamig an		,.	
		CHOO!	SE A PAY	MENT MET	HOD		
						t (Canada Only)*	On File
Cheque Mail C		e, including city and postal/zi	in code)				
(=:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::				New Account (Include void cheque or direct deposit form)			
X				Total Rece	ipts:		
	G.	, Data		Amount:	ċ	1,500.00	
Parent/Guardia	n Sigr	lature Date:		Alliount.	<del>ب</del>	1,500.00	
	C	OO NOT WRITE BELO	OW THIS	S LINE. FOR	R OFF	ICE USE ONLY	<i>(</i>
Documents provi	or identity of child and p	oarent/gu	ardian:		Departm	ent's Initials	
רוג /גרוג ה		HC BC Prov.	Photo ID (	ard Pag	cnort	Other ID /	1
		rdianship <u>Parent/Guar</u>					
1100101 custou	y/ Guai	ulansinp <u>raient/dual</u>	<u>ulail ID</u>	_	DL	_11C1 assport	Frioto ib card
Amount Claime	ed:	Remaining Balance:			Acc	ount Number:	64 300
1500	00	0 00			Dep	t. Number:	100 030
					Che	que Number:	
					Che	que Date:	
			_				
Tate Received			Denartm	ent Signatur	۵.		

#### Community Wellness Distribution New Application for Adults - 2025/2026

#### MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

#### **COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM - ADULT 2025-2026**

Mailing Address: LM/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0
Email: cw@mncfn.ca

- \*\* All applications must include front and back copies/pictures of 2 pieces of VALID ID, one being photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is clearly visible. QUOTES, ESTIMATES AND/OR RECEIPTS ARE REQUIRED.

  MUST BE DATED APRIL 1, 2025 OR LATER. If registered after April 1st, 2025, quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.
- \*\* POA documents must be included with each application (if applicable). POA must also include front and back copies/pictures of 1 piece of VALID photo ID.
- \*\* To avoid delays in processing, ensure that all sections are complete and legible, application is signed, and all required/supporting documents accompany your application. Ensure payment option is clearly indicated.

FULL NAME (as it appears on Status Card):					REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):				
					T				
COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS:					BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):				
						1		1	
						/ .	MM	_ /	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	NUMBER (inclu	ıdina a	rea code):						
EMAIL ADDICESS.					TELETITIONE	NONDEN (mera	unig u	rea coaej.	
			CHOOS	SE A PAY	MENT METI	Ю			
Cheque Mail C					Direct D	eposit (Canada	Only)*	On File	
(Ensure address is co	omplete	e, including city ar	nd postal/zi	p code)	New Ac	count (Include v	oid che	que or direct depo	osit form)
I hereby authorize th Press Newsletter, Go personal information	verna	nce Community E	ngagemen	t, Internal I	Department's u	se). Under no cir	cumsta		
V						Total Recei	pts:		
X									
Signature			Date:			Amount:	\$	1,500.00	
Signature		NOT WE		OW THIS	CLINE FOR		•		
Signature 				OW THIS	S LINE. FOR	OFFICE USI	E ON	LY	
Signature Documents provid	ded fo	or identity:	ITE BELO			OFFICE USI	E <b>ON</b> l	LY ment's Initials	
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI	ded fo	or identity: HC BC	TE BELC			OFFICE USI	E <b>ON</b> l	LY ment's Initials	
Signature Documents provid	ded fo	or identity: HC BC	TE BELC			OFFICE USI	E <b>ON</b> l	LY ment's Initials	
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI	ded fo - — ecision	or identity: HC BC	TE BELC Prov. F			OFFICE USI	E <b>ON</b> Depart	LY ment's Initials	)
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI Proof of POA/De	ded fo - — ecision	or identity:  HC BCMaking Author	TE BELC Prov. F			C OFFICE USI	Depart	LY ment's Initials	0
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI Proof of POA/De	ded forecision	or identity:  HC BCMaking Author	Prov. Frity			Port Other	epart  Depart	ment's Initials	0
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI Proof of POA/De	ded forecision	or identity:  HC BCMaking Author	Prov. Frity			PortOther  Account Num  Dept. Numb	Depart  Depart	ment's Initials	0
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI Proof of POA/De	ded forecision	or identity:  HC BCMaking Author	Prov. Frity			Account Number Cheque Number	Depart  Depart	ment's Initials	0
Signature  Documents provid CIS/SCIS DI Proof of POA/De	ded forecision	or identity:  HC BCMaking Author	Prov. Frity	Photo ID Ca		Account Number Cheque Date	Depart  Depart	ment's Initials	0

#### **SOCIAL & HEALTH JUNE CALENDAR**

			,				
		SAT	7 Friendly Archery Competition 10am start @ SHS	14 Father's Day BBQ @ CC 1pm-2:30pm	21	28	paoun dn
VICES		FRI	6 ASP Euchre	13 ASP Foot Care Euchre	20 ASP Paperwork Due by Noon	27 Euchre	CC = Community Centre SHS = Social & Health Services LL = Lower Level ML = Main Level BFSG = Breastfeeding Support Group L&L = Lunch & Learn ASP = After School Program (3pm-5pm) TBD/TBA = To Be Determined/Announced
1 SER	25	THU	5 ASP Mens Shop Financial Workshop @ CC 5pm-8pm	12 ASP Foot Care	19 ASP Paperwork Due Respite Crafts SHS ML 1-3 Caregiver's Support Circle (a) SHS ML 5pm-7pm	26	
& HEALTH SERVICES	JUNE 2025	WED	4 ASP BFSG 12-1:30	11 ASP Foot Care Harm Reduction Workshop @ CC 5pm-8pm	18 ASP Paperwork Due	24 ASP 25 ASP Social Summer Camp Registration for Session 1 6pm-7:30pm \$40/child Status & Health Card required. First come, first serve. MCFN Members have priority.	ealth nunity Care rt upport
	3	TUE	3 ASP Womens Shop	10 ASP Foot Care Craft Day	17 ASP Paperwork Due	24 ASP Social Summer Camp Session 1 6pm- Status & Health Carr first serve. MCFN M	Community Health Home & Community Care Ontario Works Family Support Community Support Mental Health
SOCIAL		MOM	2 ASP Yoga @ CC 6-7	9ASP Foot Care Yoga @ CC 6-7	16 ASP Paperwork Due Yoga @ CC 6-7	23 CLOSED National Indigenous Peoples Day	30 Yoga @ CC 6-7 Assistance Pick Up 1pm-4pm
		NOS		œ	15	22	29



# Anishinaabemowin Phrase of the Month contest!

Each month, we'll share a new Anishinaabemowin phrase on MCFN's Facebook and Instagram to incorporate into your daily life. Here's the phrase of the month for June:

#### Anishinaabemtaadidaa!

which means

Let's speak Anishinaabemowin to each other!

Record yourself saying it and send the video to communications@mncfn.ca for a **chance to win a gift card**! To hear how the phrase is pronounced, visit our Facebook and Instagram pages for the video.

We're also posting a Word of the Week every Monday to keep the learning going.

Practice saying it, use it in your daily life, and keep the language alive!



Ages 6-12

July 7-10 2025
July 11 Campers Family Day

Join us for an unforgettable week of outdoor fun, where campers connect through fishing adventures, classic campfire songs and stories, traditional crafts, and hands-on outdoor skills. It's more than just camp—it's a place where lifelong friendships are made and kids grow in confidence, creativity, and teamwork.

\* Bonus highlight: Cap off the week with a special Family Day celebration! Come see what your camper has learned and share in the joy of their experience.

Ages 13-17

July 21-25 2025

Unlock your potential and build your confidence at the Youth Empowerment Camp! This transformative experience focuses on nurturing self-esteem, developing leadership skills, and understanding your place in the world. Through hands-on outdoor activities, traditional knowledge sharing, and exploring medicines, participants will discover their strength, learn about their roles and responsibilities, and leave with a deeper connection to themselves and their community.

#### Registration Opens May 12 2025

Information: 905-768-5144 ext. 7000 OR Ibadmin@nhtc.ca

130 New Credit Road Hagersville Ontario

All Campers Registration Forms must be filled out and signed by legal guardian no

later than June 23 2025

# FATHER'S DAY BBQ

Saturday June 14, 2025

1 - 2:30 p.m.

**MCFN Community Centre** 

Join us as we celebrate our Dads!

Giveaways and draws for dads only, plus a craft table

MCFN Families & Community Members Welcome

For more info, contact:

Beth King

905-768-1181 or

text 226-387-0679





#### **Aanii Community!**

Pillar 6 is hosting an Open Mic Series to help support bringing the musical talents of our members back home!

#### **VENDORS WANTED:**

If you would like to set up a table to sell your food/crafts – please email AshleyS@mncfn.ca to be added to the rotating list.

#### **MUSICIANS:**

We're asking all the singers, dancers, all instruments, all talents to come out and join. Only you can make this successful!

Questions? Want to be a vendor? Reach out to Ashley at: ashleys@mncfn.ca

## Community Open Mic Series

Everyone is welcome!

MCFN Community Centre Running 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

Saturday, April 26 (Community Meeting Day)

Sunday, May 11

Saturday, May 24 (Community Meeting Day)

Sunday, June 8

Sunday, June 22

Sunday, July 6

Sunday, July 20

Sunday, August 3

Sunday, August 17

Sunday, September 7

Sunday, September 21





## Mental Health First Aid Course

Registration required, limited spots available

Open to MCFN community and staff

Held at the MCFN Community Centre Boardroom at 659 New Credit Road To register, or for more information, please email Angie Hill:

restorative.justice@mncfn.ca



For more information, contact Donna Henry, Addiction Worker Donna.Henry@mncfn.ca 905-768-1181 x 4223

Light supper provided



Bami'ie Wiidookodaadiwin

**Giwetashskad** 

Caregiver's Support Circle

For families
who are impacted
by family members
substance use/abuse

MCFN Community welcome

Light supper provided

For more information contact: Donna.Henry@mncfn.ca 905-768-1181 ext. 4232

**Drug and Alcohol free event** 

Where:
Social & Health Services
Gathering Place

When: May 28 June 25 July 30

**Time:** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



Are you tired of living paycheck to paycheck?

Overwhelmed by credit card bills or stuck in a cycle of financial stress?

Join us for a powerful 3-hour event starting with dinner that will help you understand your debt, rebuild your mindset, and create a realistic plan to take control of your money—for good.

Sponsored by Mental Health Programming

- Learn how to shift from a scarcity mindset to one of abundance
- Finally, understand WHY debt feels so heavy (and how to lift
- Discover smart strategies to pay off debt faster and painfree
- Use methods to cut costs without giving up what you love
- Learn how to invest even if you're starting from scratch
- **BONUS:** Get a free workbook to help you apply everything to vour real life

Real talk. No shame. No fluff. Just practical tools and proven tactics.

Where? **MCFN Community Centre** 

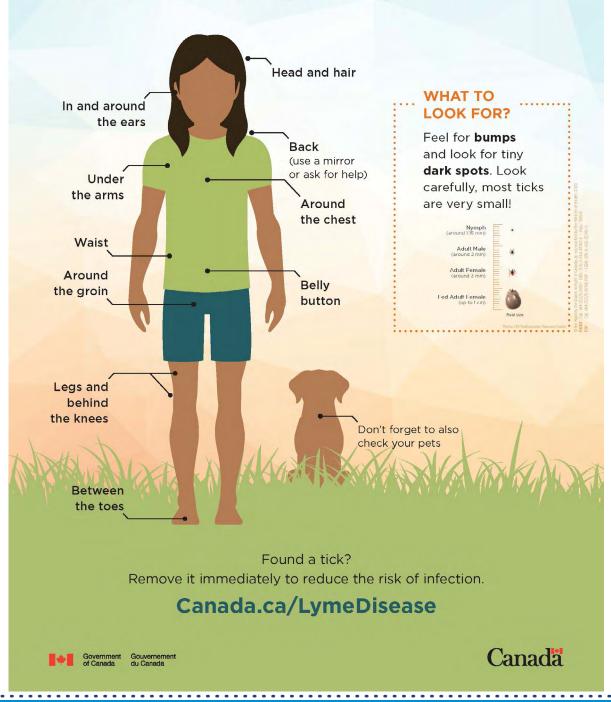
When? June 5th, 2025 5 - 8 p.m.

Dinner will be provided.

For more information, contact: Faith.Rivers@mncfn.ca or 905-768-1181 x 4236

## TOP 10 TICK HIDING SPOTS ON YOUR BODY

Tick checks are one of the ways you can prevent Lyme disease and other infections spread by ticks. Check your entire body, especially:





Government of Canada

Gouvernement

## ENJOY THE OUTDOORS, WITHOUT A TICK

**Lyme disease** is spread by the bite of infected blacklegged ticks. These ticks are often found in and near areas with trees, shrubs, tall grass or piles of leaves.

#### Follow these tips when heading outside:



#### **PREVENT**

- ✓ Wear light coloured long-sleeved shirts and pants.
- Tuck your shirt into your pants, and your pants into your socks.
- ✓ Wear closed-toe shoes
- ✓ Use bug spray with DEET or Icaridin (always follow label directions).
- Walk on cleared paths or walkways.
- You can also wear permethrin-treated clothing, now available in Canada (always follow label directions).



#### CHECK

- Shower or bathe as soon as possible after being outdoors.
- Do a daily full body tick check on yourself, your children, your pets and your gear.
- ✓ Put your clothes in a dryer on high heat for at least 10 minutes.



#### TAKE ACTION

- Use clean fine-point tweezers to immediately remove attached ticks by slowly pulling them straight out. Try not to twist or squeeze the tick.
- Wash the bite area with soap and water or alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Keep the tick in a closed container and bring it with you if you go see your health care provider.
- Contact your health care provider if you're not feeling well or if you are concerned after being bitten by a tick.

For more information, visit

Canada.ca/LymeDisease



#### **BUSINESS SECTION**



78 1st Line Rd, Unit 106B at the corner of Hwy 6 South and 1st Line 226-388-3736

Wednesday to Saturday 11am to 5pm

Serving up Home-Style cooking and baking Regular items include Corn Soup and Chili and ready to go sandwiches

Weekly Special Taco Friday made with Frybread Find us on Facebook Groups



#### **MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE!**

Saturday, July 5th • 9 a.m. 732 New Credit Road

Many, many items: canopies, household items, tents, clothes, and bikes to name a few. And of course, food!

Come on out!



Monday to Friday - 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Everything homemade and cooked to order! Call to order or for catering

905.869.5178 • 732 New Credit Road www.facebook.com/tastydelightsbycharwilson



#### **HERK'S VARIETY**

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Please call ahead for LARGE orders! Call or Text 289-456-6910 or 289-260-6910

P.O. Box 1104 9203 Indian Line Road Hagersville, Ontario N0A1H0

#### **TAX FREE ZONE!!!**

- Holistic Counselling
  - Herbal Teas
    - · Soaps
  - · Lip Balms
  - · Readings
  - · Cultural Gifts
- · Facilitates Cultural Workshops
  - Coming Soon: Green Drinks

NIHB provider

Val King 519-802-7015

2940 Mississauga Road



**SINCE 1999** 



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0



289-775-7199



dls\_nc@yahoo.ca



kcsweets



@kc sweets



#### **BUSINESS SECTION**

For Sale: Movies on both VHS and DVD. Asking \$2 each. If interested, call Vince Sault 905-768-3061 or go to 481 New Credit Road

Monica Vandertuin (LaForme) is looking to purchase between 1 and 4 acres of land on MCFN. For more information contact 519-771-3952 or email mvandertuin2@gmail.com

Member looking to purchase 1 - 2 acres.

Call or text - Brittney (647)203-3492







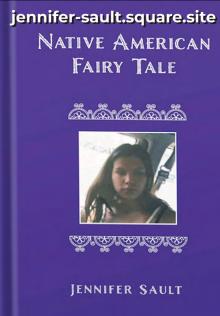
Wholistic

Darlene LaForme

 Physical, Mental, Emotional, and Spiritual

BSW, MSW, RSW (519) 732-2880





Don Kett is looking to purchase land on MCFN.

For more information contact: 416-554-8195 or email don@donkett.com

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation 2789 Mississauga Road, Hagersville, ON

facebook.com/mississaugasofthecreditfirstnation

@MCFirstNation

youtube.com/@mississaugasofthecredit

@MCFirstNation

Ogimaa Kwe Claire Sault

905-869-5767

Email: ClaireS@mncfn.ca

Councillor Jesse Herkimer

905-869-5761

Email: JesseH@mncfn.ca

Councillor Leslie Maracle

519-757-7205

Email: LeslieM@mncfn.ca

Councillor Fawn Sault

905-869-5805

Email: FawnS@mncfn.ca

Councillor, Pillar 4 - VACANT

Councillor Erma Ferrell

905-869-5760

Email: ErmaF@mncfn.ca

**Councillor Ashley Sault** 

905-869-5798

Email: AshleyS@mncfn.ca

**Councillor Larry Sault** 

905-869-5763

Email: LarryS@mncfn.ca

#### **DEPARTMENT CONTACTS**

Administration, Public Works, Special Events and Culture, Sustainable Economic Development:

Phone: 905-768-1133

Consultation and Accommodation:

Phone: 905-768-4260

Lifelong Learning Phone: 905-768-0516

EarlyON Child and Family Program

Phone: 289-758-5599

Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre

Phone: 905-768-5036

Employment and Training Phone: 905-768-1181 ext. 223

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Brandon Hill, Infrastructure Manager 905-517-7900

Matthew Sault, Infrastructure Assistant 905-971-2982

Housing

Phone: 905-768-1133 ext. 227

Governance

Phone: 905-768-4983

Lands, Research and Membership

Phone: 905-768-0100

Media and Communications

Phone: 905-768-7469

Ontario Works

Phone: 905-768-1181 ext. 225

**Public Works** 

Phone: 905-768-1133

Social and Health Services

Phone: 905-768-1181

Peacekeepers

Phone: 905-768-9990

Raymond Hill-Johnson, Technical Resource Manager 519-865-3883

Fire Department: 905-318-5932

Police Department (Cayuga): 905-772-3322

Roads Garage: 905-768-1133 ext. 243