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Great Moon (Hope of Spring)

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Events/Gatherings:

Sault College Love and Unity Pow-wow

Feb. 9-10, 2019 Sault Ste. Marie, ON

CCP Information Session

February 15-17, 2019 Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women March

February 14, 2019 Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Algoma U Gathering at the Rapids Pow-wow

March 2-3, 2019 Sault Ste. Marie

LNHL Tournament

March 11-14, 2019 Mississauga, ON

March Break Family Camp

March 11-15, 2019 Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Messages from Chief

Watchey,

I hope everyone had a good holiday and we are going into the new year with some momentum. We are waiting to hear back from the federal government on our financial compensation.

We are hoping to hear back regarding a formal offer by the beginning to middle of March 2019. We can then begin the process of ratification of the acceptance/denial of the offer.

This will include information sessions in the hub locations and live streaming for those who do not live in the hub locations.

There are many new ventures happening with Islandview camp, castle building in Echo Bay and on our new reserve lands.

Stay warm, and keep an eye out for new information on the website, Facebook page and your mailbox.



Chief Jason Gauthier

Missanabie Cree First Nation

From the Desk of:

BAND ADMINISTRATOR

Wachaye,

The new year has brought a mix of cold temperatures and plenty of snow to keep busy with! Staff have been busy as well with the recent Winter Solstice that was held in Wawa which was well attended by membership. In addition, Community Hub sessions have been posted on the Missanabie Cree First Nation website and Facebook for the main Hub areas in Toronto, Sudbury, Missanabie, Thunder Bay and Sault Ste. Marie. The Community Hub session also includes a collaborative process component which will consist of consultation sessions for membership to discuss issues relating to Indian Registration, Band Membership and First Nation citizenship.

As provided in previous Bearfax issues, there is funding available for eligible expenses related to Health and Wellness services. Please reference additional information providing in this Bearfax report relating to MCFN – Community and Wellness Services. Intake forms are also provided.

Miigwetch! Stay warm!

CORPORATE FINANCIAL DIRECTOR

Hello,

We have great news regarding Island View Camp (IVC) in 2019 and future years to come. We have been approved for bunkhouses delivered to IVC to increase our bed capacity by an additional 98 beds. There was a second approval for over 1.3 million in renovations to the pavilion, the elders trailer, and the new cabins. There is also new windows and roof going on the lodge. We have discussed with the contractors bidding on the work, and there will be possible job opportunities for those qualified and interested.

MCBC looks forward to the future growth of the community and the economic development that is expanding and growing everyday.

Dalton MacFarlane,

Corporate Financial Director.

From the Desk of:

CBA IMPLEMENTATION COORDINATOR

Whatchay,

A productive meeting at the Island Gold mine has resulted in the Alamos HR department agreeing to review Missanabie Cree's Skills Inventory Database. They suggested additional columns should be included to indicate whether members are prepared to relocate or not. The reason being, is that a job applicant's willingness to relocate to the area of the mine is a distinct advantage in the application process. It is envisaged another column will be added that will include a member's career preferences. The end-product is that Alamos at Island Gold will be looking to match member applicants' criteria with potential entry-level positions that arise.

It was also proposed at the meeting that the CBA Implementation Coordinator should gage members' interest in visiting the mine site in the early summer for a tour of both the surface and underground operations. This would be followed by an information session.

I am pleased to report that sponsorship funding for the Little NHL community initiative undertaken by Dominic Fletcher is going well. Business partners' Alamos, ESS, and Lafarge have contributed in a large part to covering all costs.

In reference to Lafarge, their requirement for Backfill Operator/Laborer/Driver positions at their new plant in White River looks an appealing proposition. Essentially, the work requires on-site operating of equipment and delivery of cement to the Hart Mine in the Hornepayne area. Initially, Lafarge will employ a skeleton crew. This will expand to include 4 drivers, covering both night and day shifts when the operation is fully ramped up in the spring.

Please find attached the posting in this month's copy of the BearFax on page 32.

If any further information is required, please contact me at (705) 248-1411 x202 or email me at shawkins@missnabiecree.com

Miigwetch.

Steve Hawkins, CBA Implementation Coordinator, MCFN

From the Desk of:

FAMILY WELLBEING WORKER

Hi, my name is Eva Dabutch and I am interim Family Wellbeing Worker. I have previously been doing Anti-Human Trafficking work, but with change to the government, the funding and position is on hold. I am excited to continue working here at Missanabie as the Family Wellbeing Worker. I began my position in December and have done some fun programming. In December we did Christmas baking and crafts event, as well as plan the Christmas dinner and family photo activity. In January, I have been planning a Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women's march which is held on February 14, 2019. Every year there is a memorial march that is held in front of the court house in Sault Ste. Marie. I am part of an Indigenous Women's Anti-Violence Task Force (IWAVTF) that has been advocating for systemic changes. As part of our work, we got a proclamation from the city of Sault Ste. Marie that declares February 14 as a day of remembrance and to honor those women and girls who have gone missing or have been murdered. I invite all the band members to come out to the court house and participate in this event. Below is the proclamation and flyer of the upcoming event.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The March for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) is a national annual event to raise awareness of the disproportionate numbers of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls; and

WHEREAS This is an opportunity for Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples of all genders and ages to gather in solidarity to remember, honour and grieve those who have passed on or who have gone missing; and

WHEREAS On February 14, 2019 people of Baawaating (Sault Ste. Marie) and across Canada will participate in a National Day of Action and Remembrance for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls to call for actions to end this violence;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Christian Provenzano, by virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Sault Ste. Marie, do hereby declare February 14th, 2019, as a Memorial Day to remember and honour Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and encourage all residents of the city to support this important national event.

COMMUNITY YOUTH WORKER - MUSHKEGOWUK COUNCIL

Wace ᐅ Family & Friends,

Winter is coming to end and the March Break is nearly here. A friendly reminder that the Coding Camp is taking place during the March Break, so if youth would like to participate and receive a refurbished laptop, send me an email and I'd be happy to register them. If you have any questions please contact me at 705-257-7732, or lsouliere_mcfn@hotmail.com, or lisasouliere@mushkegowuk.ca. If you haven't joined the Mamoowina Facebook page, please do so to keep up to date with announcements and opportunities.

Mikwec,

Lisa Souliere, Mushkegowuk Community Youth Worker - South Missanabie Cree

From the Desk of:

CULTURAL FACILITATOR

Gloria J Harris (Wesley) Eagle Spirit Woman,

Happy new year!

May you all have good health, happiness and harmony in all you do.

WHEN THE EARTH IS RAVAGED
AND THE ANIMALS ARE DYING,
A NEW TRIBE OF PEOPLE SHALL
COME UNTO THE EARTH FROM
MANY COLORS, CLASSES, CREEDS
AND WHO BY THEIR ACTIONS AND
DEEDS SHALL MAKE THE EARTH
GREEN AGAIN.

THEY WILL BE KNOWN AS
THE WARRIORS OF THE RAINBOW.

-- OLD NATIVE AMERICAN PROPHECY



From the Desk of:

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION OFFICER / INDIAN REGISTRATION ADMINISTRATOR

Education

The applications for post-secondary funding for **September start 2019 to April 2020** are now on the website under education on the members tab. **Deadline is May 15th.**

Only applications received by May 15th will be the priority for funding for academic year 2019-2020. Late applications will be subject to funding available. Please note that funding is not guaranteed. All applicants are asked to apply for all scholarships, bursaries, grants and student loans if necessary. See the financial aid office at the college or university of your choice: some academic counsellors may also be able to assist you. It is up to you to find the alternate source of funding. The Indigenous Services Canada website can help link you to over 700 possible sources of alternate funding.

If supporting documents are not available, submit your application regardless. Make note that you will forward them ASAP. If you are not sure, call me directly: 705-254-2702, EXT 227.

For the current students, please send in your fall semester transcripts to show your progress. These are required documents for continued funding. They are past due: fall transcript submission extension given to February 15th, 2019.

As the education person for Missanabie Cree First Nation, I sit on Omuškegowuk Education Board, the Indigenous advisory board for Sault College, the Huron-Superior Catholic School Board and the Ontario Post-secondary counsellors association. And as invited, to other boards, schools, universities and colleges where members attend. If the parents of Missanabie Cree First Nation want me to assist them with issues where their children attend, they may contact me directly. Sometimes Jordan's principle applies to their child's situation – these services are available across Canada.

Indian Registration Collaborative Process of Information Sessions

Please contact me directly if you have not attended a session or would like more information or would like me to include their thoughts on the topics in the report. Some information is on the Crown Indigenous Relations Northern Affairs Canada website (CIRNAC).

For the Indian registration discussion – this will take at least three hours – the representative from CIRNAC (old INAC), will be attending for 1 and ½ hours – s/he wants to talk about the recent changes as a result of Bill S3. Whereas the other 1 and ½ hours we will meet with Missanabie Cree members from the greater Toronto area about membership going forward i.e. what do we want to tell CIRNAC about Indian registration, band membership or/and citizenship into the future?

Do we want to eliminate or keep the second generation rule? What about unnamed fathers? The categories of section 6 of the Indian Act? What about what role will federal government have in “determining” future status? What about the enfranchisement issue? What do we want to see done about that issue? Or is it not an issue? The more members we have that speak about the themes, the richer will be our report which will be sent to the office of Carolyn Bennett MP, Minister of CIRNAC for her report to Parliament.

We are trying to develop sessions by teleconference or skype or other video chats with members who do not live in Thunder Bay, Sault Ste Marie, Missanabie, Sudbury or Toronto areas. Your input is valuable. Unfortunately we have a very short timeline to give feedback to the Minister of Crown Indigenous Relations Northern Affairs Canada, Ms. C. Bennett – my report needs to be submitted by March 15th 2019. To date, I have met with members who attended the winter solstice in Wawa last month, Toronto on January 12th and Thunder Bay on the 20th of January. Next in-person sessions will be in Sudbury at the Holiday Inn at 1696 Regent Street Sudbury and at an unspecified location on February 15th in Sault Ste. Marie Ontario.

Regards, *Deb Clement*

Indian Registry Administrator – Membership Clerk

Education Officer

Missanabie Cree First Nation

705-254-2702, Ext. 227

From the Desk of:

CHOOSE LIFE COORDINATOR

Waachiaye,

I sincerely hope everyone had a joyous holiday, have recovered from the festivities and gearing up for next celebrations.

In the “The People’s Inquiry Into Our Suicide Pandemic “report, the 15th identified issue is health. The commissioners developed recommendations and possible solutions

Leadership	Community	Individual
advocate for resources for land-based activities	provide land-based activity programs	get involved in land- based activities
hire more workers	bring in traditional people who are knowledgeable about medicines, herbs	educate selves
	develop workshops on historical trauma	feel confident in questioning the professions.

Quotes from The People’s Stories:

“We need to somehow balance modern living with...the traditional lifestyle in harmony with the land”

“We had a strong connection to the Creator when we lived off the land. This is what provided balance in our lives”

The Wellness team will be beginning the planning of activities for upcoming events, get involved by sharing an idea you may have for a land-based activity, no idea is too big or too small. Send it to one of the team members, myself – JoAnn Pezzo, Eva Dabutch, Bonnie Wiebe, Gloria Harris, or Lesley Gagnon.

Wanting nothing but the best for all... take care and keep safe...May 2019 be filled with blessings of happiness, prosperity and good health...

Miigwej

JoAnn Pezzo

Choose Life Coordinator

From the Desk of:

MISSANABIE CREE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Watchay, from Members of Missanabie Cree Development Corporation Board

On behalf of the board members, I would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve our community. Missanabie Cree Development Cooperation (MCDC) is a not for profit board that has handled some of Missanabie Cree First Nation's businesses such as Island View Camp (IVC). Missanabie Cree Business Corp is now running in full force and is set up as a for-profit. There are some important updates for MCDC, IVC and MCBC.

IVC was originally purchased to hold the yearly gathering for the MCFN. It has been in a deficit for most of that time. The funds were not there to keep up maintenance and repairs. Thus, the long list of repairs is demanding attention. As part of the board, MCDC was to help MCFN come up with a strategic plan on how to address the situation.

With the help of Dalton Macfarlane, Chief and Council and the managers of IVC a plan has been set in place to renovate, repair and restore the entire camp. Addressing all points of concern and adding new infrastructure and needed equipment. The vision is to make IVC profitable again.

Contractor with excellent knowledge and skills will be hired to oversee the project. Jobs may be available, if you are qualified and interested please contact the office for more information. Construction will commence this spring and will be completed before the gathering of 2019. Construction includes, but not limited to; cabins 1-7, the lodge, pavilion, multipurpose facility, storage, the five newer cabins and new bunkhouses.

With such heavy construction and maintenance, for the health and safety of all involved, IVC will be closed to tourist until construction has been completed. If it is deemed safe, family camp may take place at IVC in July.

MCDC will be relinquishing responsibility of IVC which will now be transferred to Missanabie Cree Business Cooperation. MCBC will be able to utilize their business capital to update and maintain the camp ground without the need to pull financial resources from MCFN.

MCDC Board will be decreasing the number of directors to one (1) and will remain as a not-for-profit entity to be utilized if needed in the future not-for-profit ventures.

Again, I would like to thank everyone for this opportunity, and I am looking forward to the future of MCFN and IVC. See you all at the 2019 Gathering.

Thank you,

Julianne Schuh

Elders Speak

I want to say thank you to MCFN and Joann Pezzo for bringing me on a short contract to assist in coordinating the Winter Solstice event.

It was another very successful event and growing considerably. Last year we had 24 participants and this year I believe we had 43 - almost double. We held everything (except the sunrise ceremony and the actual celebration at 5:28 p.m. at the Wawa Motor Inn outdoors with a fire) at the Legion. All the meals were catered by the Legion ladies, we had a live country band during our feast and many, many activities for adults, children and elders. The weather was great for driving, both days, and everyone arrived home safely. It is a good feeling to be celebrating a natural event the way our people did hundreds of years ago. This celebration has a very spiritual feeling, especially when we sing the song we made last year to honor this day.

Jackie Fletcher.



Winter Solstice

Welcome Winter Solstice
Glad you are here
Tonight is the longest night of
the year

Welcome Winter Solstice
A time to come together
To story tell and vision
And to ignite the fire

Welcome Winter Solstice
To feast and to share
To laugh and to pray
And to celebrate our way

Welcome Winter Solstice
Glad you are here
Tonight is the longest night of
the year



WINTER SOLSTICE

It was an exciting beginning to the winter season. Celebrating the change of season were 42 band members who participated with great enthusiasm in the land-based activities. 10 MCFN families were represented, 19 youth, 11 adults, 10 elders.

Accommodations were at the Wawa Motor Inn chalets. Lunches, dinners and activities were held at the Royal Canadian Legion, the winter solstice feast was held in the club room. A band provided live music as well.



The First Day Began With a Sunrise Ceremony.



Two Day Mitt Making Workshop

WINTER SOLSTICE



Youth Spirit Painting



In preparation for the feast, each family was provided with the ingredients and baking pans to make a bannock for sharing.

WINTER SOLSTICE

FEAST AND SOCIAL



WINTER SOLSTICE



Everyone was divided into 5 groups and provided newspaper and masking tape and had to create a winter fashion which represented the winter solstice.

This had to be completed within 20 minutes.

Pictured is Prince Winter Solstice.

Chi Miigwej to Jackie Fletcher for her assistance and mentoring. Chi miigwej to the osh-kebewis (helpers) Patrick Bergeron and Greg Fletcher. Joanne Austin, chi miigwej for jumping in and helping me when needed.

To the Ladies Auxillary of the Royal Canadian Legion, thank you for the delicious meals and volunteering to be judges for the winter solstice fashion show and the band who entertained us.

Community News and Notes

Emergency Food Support

For more information, please call
the MCFN Office
705-254-2702
Bonnie, Family Support Worker
Lesley, Program Development



Happy Birthday Dad

*In
Loving
Memory
of*

(Jack Gideon)



Who went to the Spirit World in 1993.

Love You Dad

Your Daughter, June.

Happy Birthday to Clifford Bain,

WHO IS CELEBRATING IN THE SPIRIT WORLD.
LOVE, THE BAIN FAMILY.



*In
Loving
Memory*

WE NEED YOU!

The powwow committee is looking for volunteers to assist with organizing the 1st Annual MCFN Powwow. Don't live within the band office location, meetings are held through teleconferencing.

To submit your name or want more information contact:

JoAnn Pezzo

Community News and Notes



Regional Forestry Employment Study and Human Resources Strategy Project



***Are you interested in working in Forestry?
Need training or support to overcome personal barriers?***

We need your input!

Regional employers are predicting an increase in demand for forestry workers in the near future. White Lake Limited Partnership and Anishinaabek Employment & Training Services (AETS) are developing a Forestry Sector Human Resources/Training Strategy to help match our workforce needs with job opportunities in the forest industry.

There are two ways you can participate in this project:

Community Input Session

Where: Sault Ste Marie
When: Friday, February 15th
Time: 1:00 – 5:00 PM

The session will be conducted as part of our Community Comprehensive Planning activities.

Regional Forestry Employment & Training Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AETSforestrywork>

You can link to the survey via our community website!

*Complete the survey and enter to win a \$100 VISA gift card!
The survey closes at midnight on March 8th, 2019.
All responses will be kept anonymous.*

Save the Date

NAN Chiefs Assembly on Education

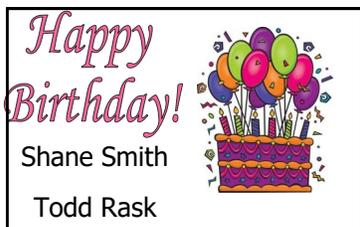
February 12 - 14, 2019
Da Vinci Centre, Thunder Bay

February Birthday Greetings

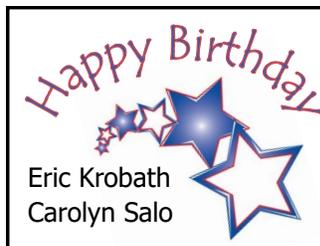
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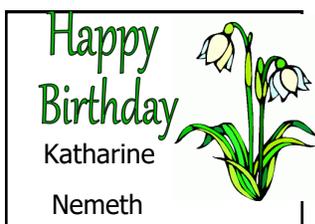
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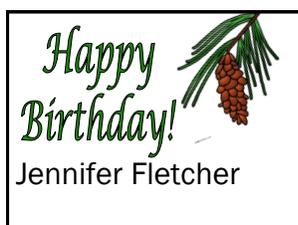
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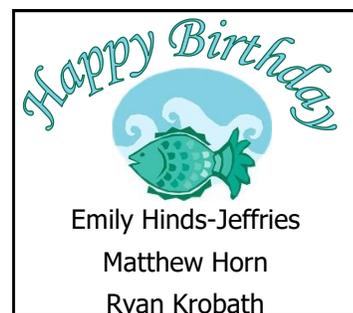
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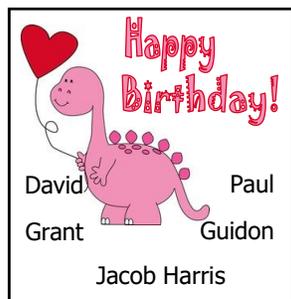
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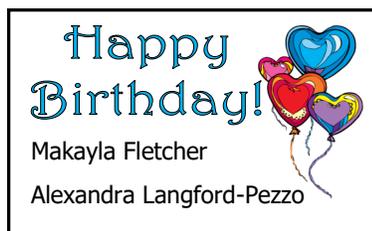
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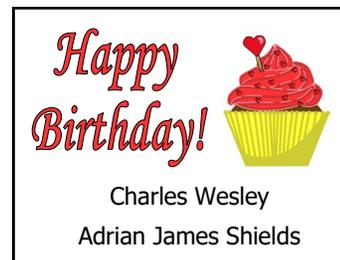
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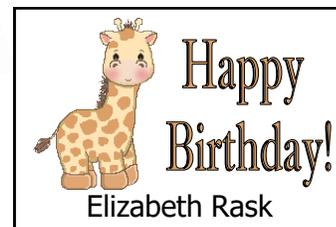
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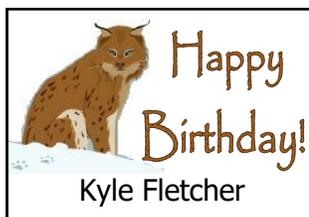
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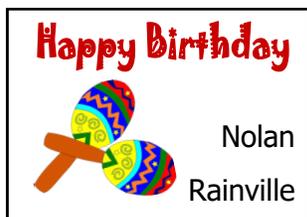
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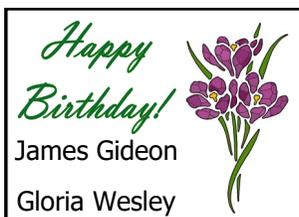
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FEBRUARY 24



FEBRUARY 25





March Birthday Greetings

MARCH 1

Happy Birthday!
Carol Nolan
Nicole Ringos

MARCH 2

Happy Birthday!
Michael Tremblay

MARCH 4

Happy Birthday!

Dawn Nolan
Nathan Stevenson

MARCH 5

Happy Birthday!
Edward Jodzio-Robinson

MARCH 6

Happy Birthday!
Jon Claude Bergeron
John Everett Fletcher
Kenneth Nolan

MARCH 7

Happy Birthday!
Cindy Hourtovenko

MARCH 9

Happy Birthday!
Robert H. Nolan
Dean Wilson

MARCH 10

Happy Birthday!
Katelyn Fletcher
Lisa Sky Jeffries

MARCH 11

Happy Birthday!
Tazz Kyle McLeod

MARCH 12

Happy Birthday
Christine Lee
Marie Nolan

MARCH 13

Happy Birthday!
James Deakins
William Yerex

MARCH 18

Happy Birthday!
Neil Vernon Nolan

MARCH 19

Happy Birthday!
Warren Mandoshkin

MARCH 20

Happy Birthday!
Shawna Lynn MacDonald

MARCH 23

Happy Birthday!
Jennifer Dehoney
Neal Gideon

MARCH 24

Happy Birthday!
Karynanne Jeremiah
Ernie Louttit

MARCH 25

Happy Birthday!
Hazel Fletcher

MARCH 28

Happy Birthday!
Ashleigh Lalonde
Sharon Snodgrass

MARCH 29

Happy Birthday!
James Robert Fletcher

MARCH 30

Happy Birthday!
John Kaplan

MARCH 31

Happy Birthday!
Gloria Harris
Glenn Nolan
Janice Souliere

Concerning Health Services

HEALTH AND WELLNESS “INTAKE FORM”

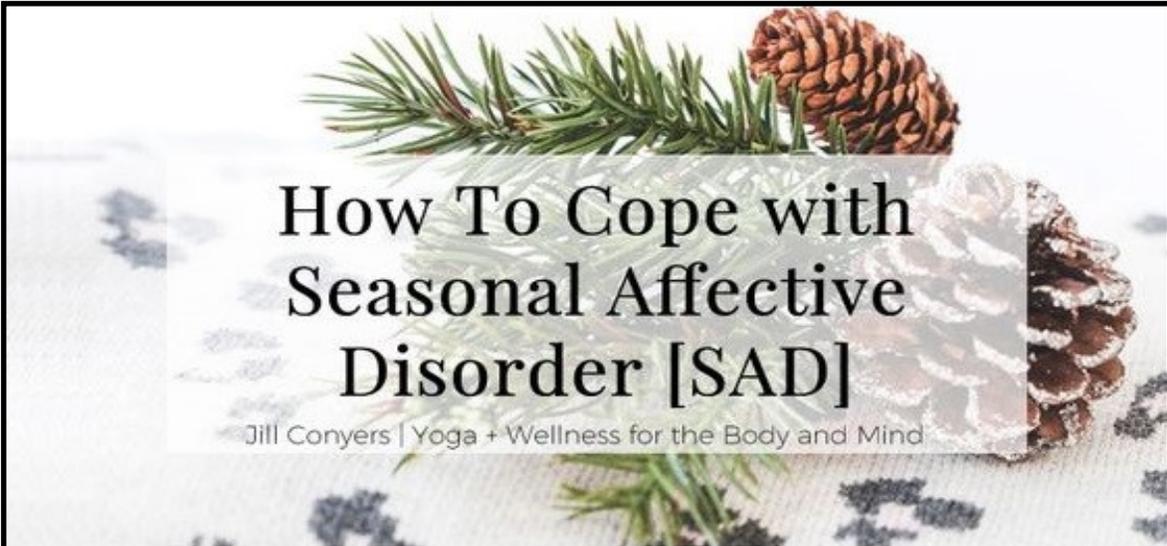
Missanabie Cree First Nation has received funding to assist members with some or all of the costs of the following services:

- Adult Day Programs
- Caregiver Services
- Foot care services
- Personal support services
- Physiotherapy
- Pharmacy services
- Speech and language pathology
- Emergency home maintenance & repair
- Prevention Services (designed to keep families together),
- Homemaking services due to medical needs (housecleaning, laundry, grocery shopping) -
- Client intervention services, non-medical services designed to keep families and children together in their own home

These funds are limited; however each application will be considered and assessed in order to ensure approved requests meet the funders' requirements.

If a service is requested which does not fall under the scope of this funding, our Family Well Being Team can assess the request and work to locate resources within your home community that may be available. Follow up will be provided.

If you are in need of a service to improve your quality of life, keep families together or to assist elders in remaining in their home, please complete one of the Health and Wellness Intake Forms and submit to Lesley Gagnon at lgagnon@missanabiecree.com.



How To Cope with Seasonal Affective Disorder [SAD]

Jill Conyers | Yoga + Wellness for the Body and Mind

SAD is a type of depression that's related to changes in seasons. Typically, Symptoms start in the fall and continue into the winter months, sapping your energy and making you feel moody.

Tips To Uplift Your Spirits During the Winter Months

Spend time outdoors

Vitamin D

Up your omega-3 intake

Move your body

De-clutter

Practice mindfulness

Journaling

Create a self care routine

Eat a well-balanced diet

Reach out for help

Stick to a regular sleep schedule

Essential Oils

For more info contact Family Support Worker

705-254-2702 Ext 238



HOSTED IN SAULT STE. MARIE

*** HOTEL TO BE ANNOUNCED ***

ARRIVAL: SUNDAY MARCH 10, 2019

DEPARTURE: FRIDAY MARCH 15, 2019

ACCOMMODATION / TRAVEL TO BE PROVIDED TO FAMILIES

REGISTRATION FORM DEADLINE: FRIDAY MARCH 1, 2019

Email or Fax Registration to:

JoAnn Pezzo

JPezzo@MissanabieCree.Com

Fax: 705-254-3292

For More Information, Contact:

Lesley Gagnon

LGagnon@MissanabieCree.Com

705-254-2702 Ext. 226



FAMILY WELL-BEING PROGRAM



MCFN MARCH BREAK CAMP FOR FAMILIES 2019



INTER-GENERATIONAL – CULTURAL – WELLNESS ACTIVITIES

March 11 – 15, 2019

REGISTRATION FORM

MISSANABIE



MASKWA



MISSANABIE CREE LNHL TEAM

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD BETWEEN THE AGES OF 7 & 8
WHO LOVES HOCKEY?

MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION IS INTERESTED IN
STARTING A LITTLE NATIVE HOCKEY LEAGUE TEAM IN THE
NOVICE DIVISION.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN REGISTERING YOUR CHILD OR IF
YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,

PLEASE CONTACT DOMINICK FLETCHER BY EMAIL OR PHONE
AT

FLETCHM1@HOTMAIL.COM

1-705-920-4544



Little Native Hockey League Hosted by Aamjiwnaang First Nation in the City of Mississauga March 11 - 14, 2019

Boys Novice Rec

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Atikameksheng Stingers | Whitney Nootchtai |
| 2. Kettle & Stony Point | Denise Anderson |
| 3. Curve Lake Screaming Eagles | Daphne Harmon |
| 4. Oneida Blackhawks | Elly Antone |
| 5. Serpent River Little Serpents | Sheena Pine |
| 6. Akwesasne Wolves | Bryce Thompson |
| 7. Boys Novice Rec | Cheyenne Hughie |
| 8. Walpole Island Hawks | Jaclyn Jacobs |
| 9. Rama First Nation | Kat Masterson |
| 10. Saugeen Stars | Samantha Johnson |
| 11. Garden River Little Rapids | Andy Rickard |
| 12. Bkejwanong Novice Ducks | Keena Williams |
| 13. Wikwemikong Novice Lightning | Lenore Mayers |
| 14. Chippewas Of Nawash | Jennifer Linklater |
| 15. Sagamok Eagles | Arlene Eshkakogan |
| 16. M'chigeeng Thunderbirds | Ryan Corbiere |
| 17. Moose Cree | Cynthia Kapashesit |
| 18. Six Nations Sting | Jodi Powless |
| 19. Aamjiwnaang Novice | Amanda Hopkins |
| 20. Dokis | Annelise Dokis |
| 21. Wiikwemkoong Jr T-birds | Stacey Dell |
| 22. Whitefish River Warriors | Richard Shawanda |
| 23. Missanabie Maskwa | Dominic Fletcher |
| 24. Wiky Thunder Hawks | Petrina Shigwadja |
| 25. Batchewana Attack | Joey Sewell |
| 26. Nipissing Warriors | Samantha Goulais |
| 27. Wasauksing | Jodi Baker Contin |

Notice of Upcoming Missanabie Cree Information Sessions

MCFN Members;

Please be advised of upcoming community information sessions. Topics of discussion will include:

- Indian Registration / Membership -

Recent changes as a result of Bill S3

- Family Wellness -

Programs and Services

- Community Comprehensive Planning -

A Review of what has been done & our next steps as a Nation

We will be holding community information sessions in the following community hub areas on the following dates.

February 2, 2019 Sudbury, Holiday Inn, Regent Street. 11:00am-4:00pm

February 15-17 Sault Ste. Marie, CCP/Membership Questions, Details TBD

MMIW

**MISSING
MURDERED
INDIGENOUS
WOMEN**

Memorial March

**Drumming 11:30 am
Memorial and Speakers 12:00pm
March Procession to Delta Hotel 1:00pm**

**Debriefing, Sharing and Refreshments to follow
at Delta Hotel, Algoma Ballroom East Centre**

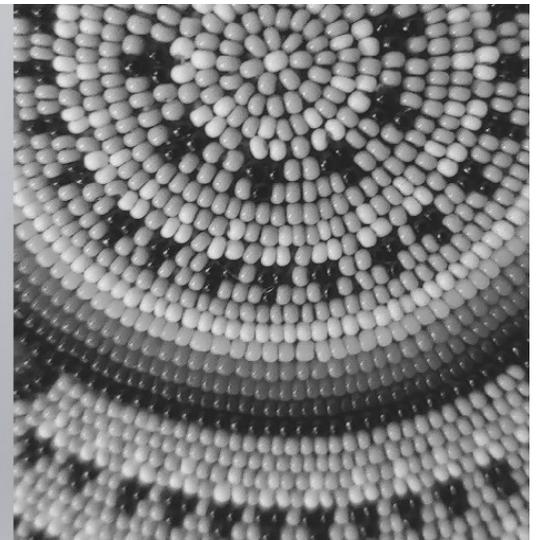
**Community gathering in front of the court house to honor, pray, remember,
and raise awareness for our Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women,
Girls, 2 Spirited, Men and Boys**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2019
SSM COURT HOUSE**

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- *Bear Creek Drum Group
- *Healing Lodge Singers
- *Guest Speakers
- *Local Drum Groups

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

Grand Entry | 1pm & 7pm
Mascot Dance Off | 3pm
Community Feast | 5pm
Please bring feast bundle (plate, bowl, utensils)
& reusable water bottle

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

Grand Entry | 12pm
International Dance & Sharing | 3pm

HOST DRUM: Shining Water Singers (Georgina Island)
CO-HOST DRUM: Obadjiwon Singers (Batchewana)
HEAD DANCERS: TBD

Traditional Men's & Women's Special
1st \$300 | 2nd \$200 | 3rd \$100

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For more information or to book table contact
Karen Boyer 705.759.2554 ext. 2758
karen.boyer@saultcollege.ca



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Gathering at the Rapids

Celebrating
Life-Long Learning



MARCH 2nd & 3rd, 2019

George Leach Centre, Algoma University

1520 Queen Street E, Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Missanabie Cree First Nation

Community Comprehensive Planning Sub-Committee Meeting

February 15th, 16th, 17th 2019

Days Inn Hotel

322 Bay Street, Sault Ste. Marie

Northern Lights Room

Feb 15: 12:00pm - 5:00pm

Feb 16: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Feb17: 9:00am - 1:00pm

Lunch to be provided for CCP committee members at 12 noon each day

All MCFN members who have an interest in serving on the CCP committee groups are welcome to attend. We ask that you please register with CCP Coordinator in advance of the meeting.

Employment & Training focus group session for workforce development strategy to be held Feb. 15th @ 1:00pm for local members

For More Information: Contact CCP Coordinator Jutta Horn
(705) 254-2702 Ext. 245
Jhorn@missanabiecree.com



MCFN Events Calendar

FEBRUARY 2019

MARCH 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 IRA/ Community Development Sudbury Info. Session
3 Wellness T Sudbury	4	5 Mitt Making	6	7	8	9 Sault Co Pow-wow
10 Sault College Pow-Wow	11	12 Mitt Making Family Wellbeing Healthy Snacks	13	14 Missing & Murdered Indig. Women March SSM Courthouse	15 CCP Workshop Sault Ste Marie	16 CCP / Wellness Team Sault Ste Marie
17 CCP Workshop Sault Ste Marie	18 Family Day	19 Mitt Making	20 Elders Tea	21	22 MCFN Pow-Wow Fundraiser (TBA) AHT Awareness Lunch & Learn	23
24	25	26 Mitt Making	27	28		
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 Algoma U Pow-Wow
3 Algoma U Pow-Wow	4	5 Mitt Making	6	7	8	9 Community Development Info. Session Toronto
10	11 Little Native Hockey League	12 Mitt Making	13	14 March Break Family Camp	15	16
17	18	19 Mitt Making	20 Elders Tea	21 Spring Equinox	22	23
24	25	26 Mitt Making	27	28	29	30
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Employment Opportunities



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Paste Backfill Driver/Operator

Location: Harte Gold Mine – White River Ontario

Responsibilities include:

- o Maintain a Safe Workplace and ensure compliance of the Lafarge Health & Safety Policies
- o Ensure compliance of all governmental regulations.
- o Delivering Paste fill with Ready Mix truck to designated on site locations in a safe and timely manner.
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- o Effective and efficient utilization of all company resources
- o Utilization of Lafarge Best Practices and operational tools.
- o To perform Labor duties as well as routine maintenance
- o You will be responsible for traveling to White River where bunkhouse accommodations and all meals will be provided
- o Daily transportation will be provided to and from the mine site based on a rotating work schedule of 12 hours / day; 4 days on - 4 days off.

Key Competencies:

- o Valid Class AZ or DZ drivers license
- o Safety Mindset
- o Mechanically Inclined
- o Team player
- o Strong communicator

Educational Background: Grade 12 diploma or equivalent

Experience: 3 - 5 years of experience in the trucking industry with a clean driving record. Training will be provided for operating the ready mix truck.

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We thank you for your interest. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Lafarge is committed to the principles of employment equity and encourages the applications from women, visible minorities, and persons with disabilities.

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EDUCATION POLICY AND RESEARCH ANALYST

The Chiefs of Ontario is inviting applications for the position of Education Policy and Research Analyst. Under the supervision of the COO Education Director, the Education Policy and Research Analyst is expected to assist in the planning and coordination of initiatives and activities aimed at improving the education environment for First Nation learners in Ontario.

The successful candidate will bring their advanced analytical, research, project management and relationship management skills to deliver on priority work plan activities in support of a joint partnership between COO, the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

LOCATION: Toronto, Ontario

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct in-depth research, data collection, policy analysis, and environmental scanning of current and future legislation, policies and programs impacting First Nation learners from early years through to postsecondary education and training.
- Develop and maintain partnerships with government ministries, First Nation communities and organizations to ensure effective communication flow and dialogue between all partners.
- Actively participate and collaborate in working groups and task teams and provide policy / program advice and recommendations.
- Contribute to ongoing strategic planning, budgeting and program support to ensure the successful development and implementation of projects and programs related to improving the achievement and well-being of First Nation children and students from early years through-to postsecondary education and training.
- Develop and implement accurate reporting mechanisms that measure the efficacy of previous and current programs, strategies and initiatives and inform ongoing improvements.
- Assist the Education Director as required;
- Travel may be required;

RELEVANT SKILLS:

- Knowledge of First Nation traditions, cultures, and values; understand the history and relationship between First Nations and the Crown.
- Knowledge of Indian Act, Federal and Provincial Laws and policies relating to First Nation education.
- Political acumen for working with First Nation, provincial and federal governments.

- Policy and Program analysis and evaluation skills to assess and provide recommendations on new /revised policies, legislation and programs aimed at improving the education environment of First Nation children and learners.
- Project management and coordination skills.
- Research and statistical analysis skills to conduct environmental scans, trends data analyses, data management, and quantitative and qualitative research.
- Comprehensive knowledge of historical impacts, current / emerging trends, issues and data related to First Nations in Ontario from early years through to postsecondary education and training.
- Advanced written and oral communication skills to lead and participate in engagement, draft meeting summaries, reports and briefing materials, and actively participate in task teams, working groups and other joint policy and program initiatives.
- Strong communication and liaison skills to solicit and exchange information and build partnerships across the First Nation early years, education and postsecondary education and training sectors.
- Conflict resolution and facilitation skills to identify emerging issues and contribute to the development of effective solutions.
- Computer applications skills (word processing, spreadsheet, project scheduling, and internet) to research and prepare documents as required.

DURATION: February 11th to March 31st 2020

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 6th, 2019 5:00 pm EST (Application must be received by this date & time)

Send letter of application, resume and include 2 references marked confidential to:

Ashley Nardella
Chiefs of Ontario
468 Queen St. E, Suite 400,
Toronto M5A 1T7
Email: opportunities@coo.org



Wahkohtowin Development GP Inc.

Hello from Wahkohtowin Development - for those not aware your First Nation is an owner and we focus on forestry business development. The Natural Resource Canada Minister Sohi was at CCFN to congratulate the work of the Chiefs Forum over past three years in Forestry which led to Wahkohtowin forming.

Wahkohtowin Development created a 5yr Strategic Plan to guide and focus its business development and services this past June.

The Birch Syrup Sugar Shack is built and will be operational in April/May again - lots of opportunity to help out or come and see.

Starting in January - we will start a Guardian Initiative Coordinator who will be key to linking our First Nation to our emerging partner learning opportunities.

Also in January - we are hopeful the Senior Project Manager position will come online as we explore new growth

We are actively building businesses and jobs in;

Forest Management Planning

Forest Operations and Compliance

Forest Harvesting

Tree to Home - partnership

Continue designing a Regional Bioeconomy Model

There are still currently ongoing employment at the Hornepayne Sawmill - Millwright, Electrician, Welder and Labor - with room to train and advance in mill positions.

Starting in January we will be actively looking for 4 to 5 candidates to train on new harvesting equipment processor and forwarder - PONSE which have a lighter footprint.

Merry Christmas and all the best this Winter Solstice.

Please visit www.wahkohtowin.com

Or call David Flood, RPF - cell 705 622 9581





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Posting: January 9, 2019

NOW TAKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

FOREST HARVESTING OPERATORS (4) AND SUPERVISOR (1)

Wahkohtowin Development is currently seeking operators for the following INNOVATIVE harvesting equipment from PONSSE.COM – Scorpion King Harvester, Elephant King Forwarder – see images below.

Background: Wahkohtowin Development is a wholly First Nation owned Forestry Ec Dev Corp. that is taking up a negotiated long-term harvesting contract in the Hornepayne, ON area on the Magpie Forest.

The training:

Previous experience is an asset but not fully required as PONSSE Simulator Training combined with 2 weeks in the field start up training will be provided to qualified applicants **beginning in mid- MARCH 2019.**

The work:

As a start-up harvesting company we are seeking 4 operators and a supervisor to commute daily from secured **accommodations available for workers** in Hornepayne, ON.

- Wages will be industry competitive
- Shifts 8 to 10 hours – including preventative maintenance.
- Transportation from accommodation to worksite provided
- Productivity incentives will be assessed after 6 months
- Shifts will be determined after the 4 week start up – training window
- Not targeting to have night shift work – morning and afternoon.

The Skills/Qualities

- Able to work with minimal supervision through shift
- Quick to learn – experience with computerized controls
- Ability to work in a commercial industrial setting
- Organized and able to recognize productivity goals
- Understand the value of preventative maintenance
- Work in a team environment to maintain operational productivity
- Commitment to worker safety
- Commitment to environment care
- Supervisor will oversee all aspects of running a stump to roadside harvesting operation.



A powerful machine with great load carrying capacity and superior tractive force designed for demanding operating conditions



Superior power and ergonomics.



SEND RESUME, COVER LETTER AND REFERENCES TO:

Email – wdgpi.gm@wahkohtowin.com

Wahkohtowin Development is working with Mushkegowuk Employment and Training Services and Wabun Training and Employment Services for qualifying candidates.



Vital Drilling Services offers a wide range of drilling services to exploration clients across Canada. We offer both conventional and hydraulic drills, specialized in helicopter supported projects as well as land projects with difficult terrain. We believe in promoting ourselves through our core values; being professional, being honest and staying competitive.

All of our jobs are equipped with highly experienced crews to provide our clients maximum efficiency and service.

We are searching for highly motivated and committed people to join our drilling crew at multiple sites for high profile clients. If you are willing to be part of a team that is dedicated to growth, high performance and a culture of safety and accountability, we would like to hear from you!

DRILL HELPERS

Key Responsibilities:

- Reporting to the Driller, the drill helper will be involved in
- Keep water pump(s) running and water flowing to the drill
- Help driller in drilling cycle by emptying core tubes, properly labelling and putting core in boxes
- Pulling rods, Organizing tools, General labour help

Qualifications:

- Candidates having Surface Diamond Driller (Helper Level) common core module(s) will be given preference.
- Candidates MUST have a clean criminal record. Be able and willing to participate in a drug & alcohol-free workplace that includes random testing.
- Be physical fit with no health restrictions. (Subject to Medical and reviewed by site Doctors)
- A valid driver's license is an asset
- A valid First aid (Standard with level C AED is an asset)
- A TDG/OHSA/WHMIS Certificate (Safety Training & Awareness) is an advantage but is not mandatory.
- Workplace Violence & Harassment certification is an advantage but is not mandatory.
- Previous experience in an exploration operation would be an asset.
- The individual should demonstrate a high level of energy, self motivation and strong organizational skills.
- Highly organized with exceptional attention to detail, able to manage competing priorities in a fast-paced, growing work environment.

This position is based on a 24 hours per day operation and as such entails working days and nights, 12hrs per day up to 28 days. Accommodation settings vary from mine camps, to exploration tent camps, and to hotels.

Applicants should forward their Resumes to George Demers, President Vital Drilling Services. g.demers@vitaldrilling.ca

We thank all candidates for their interest however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Vital Drilling is an equal opportunity employer.



AZ Truck Driver MELT (Mandatory Entry Level Training)

Program Code: 9719



Overview

Become a First-Class Truck Driver, Earn Better Pay

In Thunder Bay and across Canada, transport drivers are in high demand, earning above average incomes. The trucking industry has changed significantly with greater emphasis on safety, health and accountability.

The career itself involves the operation of heavy trucks to transport goods and materials over urban, provincial and international routes. Long-haul transport truck drivers primarily operate tractor-trailers to transport goods and materials over long distances. This type of work involves planning trip logistics, preparing documentation, vehicle inspection, securing cargo as per safety requirements and obtaining permits for international routes. It also involves recording cargo information, hours of service, distance travelled and fuel consumption.

This program meets and exceeds all mandatory objectives set forth in the Ministry of Transportation's Commercial Truck Driver Training Standard that was released in July 2017.



Top Highlights

- Courses follow industry standards and practices so you are ready for the job market
- Classroom and practical training, including driving, yard, pre-trip and observation
- Hands-on training in the yard and on the road using a tractor-trailer, while under the instruction of a qualified trainer
- Drive time includes real world scenarios and trips on highways, city streets and back roads
- Strong emphasis on defensive driving



Confederation College is partnering with the Northern Academy of Transportation Training (NATT) for instructional delivery and learning assessments. NATT is a specialist in transportation, industrial and safety training. With 25 years, NATT has been registered as a Private Career College, under PCCA2005a.

AZ Truck Driver (MELT)

Admission Requirements

Applicants to this program must be 18 years of age or older, have a minimum Grade 10 English or TTSAO Admission Testing, hold a Valid Ontario full Class G License and pass a Ministry of Transport Ontario (MTO) medical examination that meets the vision, hearing and medical requirements for a class A license. A driver's abstract is also required.

Apprenticeship

Students in this program will be registered with the Ontario Apprenticeship program as a Tractor-Trailer Commercial Driver 638A. Once the Professional Driver has completed the required 3,000 hours with a Registered Employer they qualify for a \$2,000 completion payment.

Employment Opportunities

Upon graduation you will possess the necessary skill set to seek employment as a truck driver for a variety of vehicles. These include long haul, dump truck, tractor-trailer, bulk goods, fuel hauler, flatbed, shunt, moving vans, logging and tow truck driver.

Employment Services

Free employment services for all students through Northwest Employment Works (NEW). Services include connecting job-seekers to employers and offering one-on-one career advising, resume assistance and interview preparation and techniques.

Potential Employers

The following companies have hired entry-level drivers:

- Arnone Transport Ltd.
- Bison Transport
- Erb Transport Ltd.
- Manitoulin Transport
- McKeivitt Trucking Ltd.

Topics Covered in the Program

Air Brake

Basic Driving Techniques

Cargo Securement

Documents, Paperwork and Regulatory Requirements

Employment in the Commercial Vehicle Industry

Fuel Efficiency

Handling Emergencies

Hours of Service Compliance

Operating Drive Time

Professional Driving Habits

Real World Scenarios

Recruiting/Employment Preparation

Tractor-Trailer Off-Road Tasks and Manoeuvres

Transportation Review

Vehicle Components & Systems

Vehicle Inspection Activities

For information, please contact:

Owen Smith

(807) 624-3356 | owsmith@confederationcollege.ca

MCFN Membership

Card Renewals. The MCFN office can only handle in-person appointments. If you are unable to come in person to the band Office, you can get your card renewed at a local First Nation or consider obtaining a Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS). You can request the Band Office to mail you the required forms. Deb Clement will be handling card renewals on an appointment basis.

Appointments for Card Renewals. Please call to make an appointment and to ensure you have all the required information before you come to your appointment.

Until further notice, Indian Status Card renewals will not be accepted from non-band members.

Updating Addresses. Members, please keep your

address up-to-date so you don't miss out on pertinent information regarding band business. Please use the form below and mail or fax it to Missanabie Cree First Nation. You may also call the Band Office or email June Markie at jmarkie@missanabiecree.com.

PLEASE NOTE: A CHANGE OF ADDRESS CAN ONLY BE PROCESSED WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED. NOT FROM ANYONE ELSE.

Names of deceased members are not removed from the band voter's list unless the information is provided to Aboriginal Affairs. Anyone with funeral information (i.e. name of funeral home/location), date of death, a death certificate, or anyone who can be contacted for this information, please call or leave a message with Shereena or Louise at the MCFN Band Office.



MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM -- For Band Members

SURNAME	
First Name and 2 nd Name	
ALIAS/BAND #	
DATE RECEIVED	
NEW ADDRESS	
CITY/PROVINCE	
POSTAL CODE	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE #	
SIGNATURE	

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VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

We are the Anishnabe of the Missanabie Cree First Nation whose vision is to have a united and self-governing body that will determine our destiny guided by the seven laws.

We have a vision of a leadership that is open, honest, trustworthy; a leadership with conviction, accessible to the people; a leadership that is progressive yet respectful of our traditions, values and beliefs; a leadership with confidence, always watchful and assertive in protecting and preserving the treaty and aboriginal rights of our people; a leadership that is directed by our people and with exclusive accountability to our people and our people alone.

We have a vision of our community re-established on the traditional lands that were once the homeland of our ancestors where institutions of our government, economy and education can once again thrive.

We have a vision of a people where individuals and families can stand strong and find healing through tradition and spirituality; individuals and families who are loving and compassionate.

We have a vision of a people who are bi-cultural and bi-lingual; a people who can walk in both worlds contributing to our well-being, the well-being of our brother and sister First Nations; contributing and competing globally.

We have a vision of a Nation of people who respect the dignity of all; a people who find balance through equality of all ages, male and female alike.

We have a vision of people who respect the environment, harvesting and reaping the resources of the land in a sustainable manner as responsible stewards for the use of future generations.

We are the Anishnabe of the Missanabie Cree First Nation whose vision it is to regain and restore our rightful place and through the strength of our people, never again be denied our place in society.

September 20, 1998