

Bear Fax



A o paoo Peesim

Birds Start to Fly Moon

September 2023

Missanabie Cree First Nation

www.missanabiecreefn.com

September 30



HONOURING

NATIONAL DAY FOR

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION

Inside this Issue:

Chief Jason Gauthier

Band Administrator Report

MCFN Report

MCBC Report

Family Services Supervisor Report

Thunder Bay Hub

Family Well-Being Program Overview

Membership - Card Renewals

Best Practices for Status Cards

September Community News & Notes

September Birthdays

Contacts Part 1

Contacts Part 2

Vision Statement



**CHIEF OF MISSANABIE
CREE FIRST NATION**

Jason Gauthier, BA (Hons)

Waciye,

Last month has been busy with our community gathering and following up with all of our projects. We have been waiting for word on our provincial settlement, but it takes time for judges to make a determination on our case. We hope to begin negotiations soon after.

Also, we are happy to report that we are nearing the completion of our Alamos agreement and hope to report on it next month. We will be getting significantly more from Alamos than we had previously. We are also pushing all of our companies to provide more employment, better environmental standards and more business and educational opportunities.

We will be visiting the hubs soon to discuss all of our business ventures in the upcoming

months. I look forward to seeing you all.

In the spirit of community.

Band Administrator

Shereena Campbell

Greeting,

It was great to see everyone that attended the Annual Gathering last month. We hope everyone had a chance to enjoy some of the activities.

We had some technical difficulties with printing while there this year and that caused some delay with status card processing. We will rectify for next year.

Reminder staff are off the week after the gathering.

Staff are back in the office now and catching up on emails and tasks which can take some time to get to all the requests, call and emails. Please bear with us as we work to get caught up.

This is an exciting month for our students with the back to school rush. Wishing each and every one of you a successful academic year.

In the coming months administration and the teams will be working to refine processes and

procedures for departmental and program development. We will share these with the community once the documents have been finalized.

**BAND ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT**

Amber Lacrosse

I hope everyone who attended the Annual Gathering had a great time. The fundraising table was very popular again this year – nearly all the new shirts sold, and the sweatpants and sweatshirts sold out! As I reflect, the Karaoke & Open mic nights were standout activities for me as there was a lot of talent shared and fun to be had. Overall what an effort from the staff, and afterward the time off is much needed and appreciated.

Reminder that September 4th is Labour Day & September 30th is National Day for Truth & Reconciliation which are statutory holidays.

Enjoy the last few weeks of summer!

**LANDS & RESOURCES
DIRECTOR**

**Tess Sullivan, MPA, BA, BEd,
Provisional Forester**

Last fall, the Lands and Resources Department facilitated drone training for interested members and Lands Staff. After a week-long training, we successfully licensed 10 people (including 6 band



(Continued from page 2)

members and 3 members of Brunswick House FN). Since then, we purchased a DJI Maverick Drone for the department using First Nation Adapt funding awarded for Flood and Fire Risk Mapping. Using the same fund, we were able to get CEStrategies Drone Expert Pilot, Liam Kent out to Missanabie to provide us with practical field training using the drone. David Easton, Steve Fletcher, Ryan Wesley and I were able to attend to fly the Maverick, nick named 'Migizii'. Liam also spent an entire day flying the 'big drone', a gas-powered drone that has a six foot wingspan. This drone was equipped with a Lidar camera, a remote sensing method that uses the pulse from a laser to create a 3D representation of a surveyed environment or object with a high level of accuracy. The main components of a LiDAR instrument are a laser, a scanner, and a specialized GPS receiver. Liam Kent used the 'big drone' to fly the reserve boundary adjacent to Dog Lake in the northwest corner to provide flood risk mapping data. This information will be used to develop engineer approved flood risk maps that will inform land use planning in the future.

An update on Reserve Creation, is that gravelling, ditching and



crowning of the new Nolan Road is scheduled to start this month. Superior Aggregates is currently moving slash and overburden piles from the site. The roadside timber is being moved to a site off Renabie Road. Steve Fletcher has been awarded a CORDA grant to startup his business, the Missanabie Cree Firewood Enterprise. As well construction of a 2-bedroom duplex, and three, 3- bedroom single units is about to be awarded. The goal is to have construction of these turn-key housing units fully underway this summer.



In the last week of May 2023 temperatures have soared above 25 C each day. This has led to extremely dry forest conditions and a heightened risk of forest fire.

As of May 30, 2023 there are 2 forest fires in the Wawa district that are out of control, both of which are over 100 hectares in size.



Wawa 3 Fire in Kakakiwibik Esker Nth of Hwy 17, over 800 hectares as of May 29, 2023

This is a situation of concern for us all. A fire ban is imminent, and everyone should exercise tremendous caution while working or playing in the bush at this time. Our Emergency Task Team is convening June 13th at Missanabie to spend a full field day practicum using the forest fire suppression equipment in order to be prepared to respond CBA reports and keeping up-to-date on all future opportunities. This gives us

to a potential forest fire.

Let's all pray for a little rain.

Chi-meegwetch. Mikwec, and Happy Summer Solstice!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to anyone of us in the department if you have any questions or comments.

Kind regards,

Tess

on behalf of the Lands & Resources Department (Ty Hourtovenko, Stephen Hawkins, Brie Nemeth, and Ryan Wesley)!

CBA COORDINATOR

Hannah Caicco

“Hello Missanabie Members, I hope everyone is doing well as we come into the fall season!

This month we have been working on planning for the RUSH 2023 event. As a team, we have been working on sending out graphics and information to our partners and the mines. As well we have created a sponsorship package to help support the event and we are collecting sponsorships from many partners and the mines. Each month I have been keeping up with the mine sites and creating follow-up



MCBC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Brittany Maclean

Bonjour MCFN Community members!

It was great seeing everyone at the annual gathering business day! We had such a large interest from partners and Lands and Resources contacts, we added several tables to the outdoor tent. Congratulations to the lucky prize winners from the Passport game!

I was grateful for the opportunity to create another big Paint by Numbers. I made a smaller one this year and used a picture of dog lake for the image. I have attached a few photos from people working on it.

Chief Gauthier and MCBC General Manager Joseph Sayers will be visiting each MCFN hub this fall. I am working with leadership and the hub coordinators to communicate details - keep an eye out for more info!

an opportunity to discuss employment opportunities, upcoming RFPs, community events, and joint venture partnerships.

Finally, I have been working closely with the team on wellness activities and community engagement projects and collaborating with our partners to increase opportunities!

Kind Regards,
CBA Coordinator - Hannah Caicco



We are in the process of planning our 4th annual RUSH business networking event. An event that encourages stronger connections and communication between the JV and mining partners.

In Mid September, I will be heading to Toronto for the Firehood Girls Summit! The goal of the summit is to provide an opportunity for girls to learn about the tech sector from established women in tech. We have a few missanabie members coming to the event & plan to have many more in the future. Thank you to Vanessa - the Toronto hub coordinator for helping lead this initiative.

MCBC Executive Assistant
Brittany MacLean

Post-Secondary Education Facilitator

Gloria Harris

School is about to begin in a matter of days, and we have 22 students on the education file. The list is diverse and spread across the country again from BC to Nova Scotia and in between.

The graduates this year included: Melissa Boileau from Cambrian College in Protection, Security & Investigation – on the President's Honor Roll.

Micaela Lawrie from St Michaels

College of University of Toronto in the Arts & Sciences with a focus on Criminology and Sociology.

Julianne Schuh from Northern College in Office Administration General.

The above 3 were awarded Incentive Awards for achieving high marks. There were students who received recognition and awards from their schools:

Neil Golden, Sault College Award for Equity, Respect & Strive for Academic Excellence.

Neal Ruth University of Alberta received Indigenous Careers Award, and U of A Opportunities Award in Law.

Lauren Harris Confederation College General Arts & Sciences Incentive Award for high marks and perfect attendance.

Lloyd Nolan Fanshawe College Power Motive Mechanic Incentive Award for high marks and perfect attendance.

Val Nolan, daughter of Michael Nolan graduated from Progressive Training College of Business specializing in Human Resources & Office Administration.

Natasha Bergeron Northern Academy of Transport Training

Heavy Equipment Operation and AZ Program.

Grade 12 graduates included:

Makenzie Nolan who received a \$70,000 scholarship. She was one of 5 in all of Canada to receive this. She is attending Dalhousie University.

Jackson Fletcher-Decorte was on the honor roll and is now working for Fort William First Nation.

Takeo Hibi graduated in 2022 and won the Tim Horton's Hanmer Scholarship Award.

Miriam Bergerson graduated from Sudbury Secondary Adult Education.

Adam Nolan graduated from Grade 8 with all "A's".

A huge congratulations to all and many thanks to Missanabie Cree Business Corporation for providing awards and recognition to the graduates.

BAND COUNCILOR**Les Nolan**

Wachay, Aaniin and Bozhoo.

Greetings to all Missanabie Cree membership.

Summer is coming to an end and I am hoping everyone had a wonderful summer. I actively participated in the Youth, Culture and Gathering Camps. Where I would like believed all had an exciting time meeting old and new family and friends.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank MCFN's staff and the Hubs for their ongoing support for the members and all they contributed to this year's Gathering.

July and August were busy months with MCFN's activities. I attended meetings with Kunuwanimano Child and Family Services. Where we welcomed the new Executive Director, Kristen Murray and the new Director of Services, Margaret Fuller. Attend Band Rep meeting with Bonnie Wiebe in Timmins. I also met with ESS Catering and Argonaught Mines to secure a gathering for the site in Dubrieville. I will also continue to attend all chief and Council meetings. I am looking forward to the upcoming year and all its old and new endeavors.

Please, if any members have any concerns or explanations for my travel and or meetings, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. By email, Lnolan@missanabiecree.com, cell 416-919-9895 or home 705-949-3854.

In the spirit of community and unity.

MCBC BOOKKEEPER**Tanya Maitland**

Good Morning MCFN Community Members!

I was able to attend the MCFN Annual Gathering and had a great time & it was an awesome experience to get to meet some of the community members as well as some of the Partners. And I am looking forward to the next one!

I am currently working on the Tradeshow & Vendor Fair for RUSH 2023! I was able to reach out to a few local Indigenous crafters have expressed an interest in having a table at the event, so far I have got 8 local crafters that do everything from glass art, ribbon skirts & shirts, leather work, bead work, quill work, wood working etc. So far all the crafters are donating some of their products for prizes during the event. I am excited to see what they all have to sell that day & hope some will stop by to support the local crafters! We still have a few tables left to fill so if anyone has interest in participating please let me know and I can reach out to

everyone once the plans for RUSH are finalized!

I have been working on several Bookkeeping projects as well to help keep everything organized, a little easier to keep track of and make everything run a little smoother on my end!

Have a great long weekend and please be safe whatever you do to celebrate this weekend!

MCFN BOOKKEEPER**Louise Campbell**

The community garden has been in effect since 2008 with only two years of no production due to unforeseen circumstances.

This year's harvest was good for and "root" vegetables and for the green peppers which managed to produce twice.

The first crop went to the cooks at the gathering, but there was still quite a few on the vine.

Tomatoes were very slow starting and I actually lost the two first plants (do not know the reason).

The cooler weather was not helpful in getting the replacement plants going so there is very little production for tomatoes, but! they are tasty none the less.

This will be my last year doing the garden as I find that the timeline for members to take an interest is not good.

There are so many things happening in the First Nation over our very short summer, that staff is not available to pitch in

(Continued on page 7)

(Continued from page 6)

either.

This is would really be a project for a retired member who has the time to watch over the gardens during the day.

Anyway, please feel free to take any of the vegetables downstairs in Family Services as it would be shame for them to go to waste.

Respectfully

Waciyé!



CLIMATE CHANGE SOLUTIONS COORDINATOR

Adrian Perrault

I had a great time attending my first annual gathering a few weeks ago and am very glad I got to meet so many of you. My booth at the business day went extremely well, even though many people feared the sea lamprey on display. If you didn't see my booth on business day or missed Ryan and I down at the IVC/Dog Lake Campground beach, we are doing community outreach regarding invasive species within Dog Lake. MCFN's Lands and Resources Department have been awarded funding through the Invasive Species Action Fund, provided by the Invasive Species Centre and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. We are looking for community and visitor input to inform us on the extent of invasives within Dog Lake, specifically Sea Lamprey, Rusty

Crayfish, and Zebra Mussels.

This outreach will help us to bring education and awareness of the importance of invasive species mitigation, help us to monitor the presence of invasive species within Dog Lake, and allow members to be guardians of the traditional territories.

If you would like to reach out to me regarding any species you have seen or heard about, I am available to chat through email.

Miigwech for reading.



Water Guardian**Ryan Wesley**

Wâciye Missanabie Cree,

As my summer is ending, I wanted to send a final update of the data I gathered and the accomplishments I made as the Water Guardian. Throughout the summer I was able to gather 3 water sample observations of the 5 selected locations and had the opportunity to facilitate outreach at the multiple camps that took place during the summer.

If you came to my booth during business day at the annual gathering, you would have learned what data I have been collecting and how I collect it. Conductivity is the measurement of how conductive electricity can be in the water this collected using a conductivity meter. At all 5 locations the results for conductivity came out as normal readings (see the Figure 1). Normal readings for conductivity are between 0 and 200 ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$). Dissolved Oxygen is another piece of data that has been

collected, this is the amount of oxygen in the water at the location of the observations. Dissolved oxygen is measured in mg/L and the results can be seen in Figure 2. Other data collected includes pH, alkalinity, chlorine, hardness and the temperature of the air and water. These results are below in Table 1. Acidity of the water is measured by pH while alkalinity is measured by how much the water body can neutralize acids that may become present in the water. Chlorine and hardness were not detected in the waters since there weren't water treatment plants for drinking close by to the observation sites. All the results for this data came back with normal readings with pH being balanced and Alkalinity being on



the lower end of the normal readings for a lake and river.

BEAR TRAIN MANAGER
INTERN (done)**Johnathan Lalonde**

Greetings,

As the Summer season changes to Fall, I too am in a season of change. It has been three years working with MCBC, helping with the Bear Train Initiative. I will no longer be the Bear Train Manager Intern as I am moving for my new position as an Economic Development Officer. Maskwa Transportation Association Inc. is ready to do a study with CPCS to update the financial information for the Bear Train. By next year they should be ready to look for funding.

It was great to take part in the annual gathering this year. Always nice to go up and be in the wilderness. It was nice to see many familiar faces and meet new ones. The Bear Train Chocolate Fundraiser raised \$500.00 towards the Bear Train Initiative. It was a fun experience creating the partnership with Sweet Change Chocolate to make and supply the chocolate trains.

It has been great collaborating with MCFN and MCBC on different projects over the last three years. Hope to keep in touch and I will see you again. Good Bye for now. Johnathan Lalonde

MINERAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR

Ty Hourtovenko

Wace ni-wa-kama-kanuk (my relations),

Firstly, I'd like to say Miigwetch for all who attended this year's annual gathering. I had an enjoyable time reconnecting with friends and family. It is always a pleasure to watch and share this exchange of experiences after not seeing on another for a year, and sometimes much longer. As everyone ages, it becomes apparent that a new generation is emerging with an abundance of skills and new perspectives to share, and it is always a privilege getting to know the future of our membership. I am already eager for next years gathering, but wanted to remind all our members that I am always available by email or phone call. Please feel free to contact me with questions related to mining or even just to chat. I want to remain connected with our members!

During the Gathering's "Business Day", I was responsible for hosting members of the Ontario Geological Survey (OGS). Project lead, Leanne and

her co-op students, were situated at a table under the white tent just outside the Keekinaw Building. They were there to inform our community about their non-invasive project taking place in the Missanabie Area, as well as share knowledge about the geology that is present on our territory. Their exhibit consisted of a rock collection which demonstrated the local geology, as well as a variety of mineral samples which speak to practical uses in our everyday lives by way of technology.

Furthermore, they were able to answer questions related to the Ontario "Critical Mineral Strategy". Speaking of critical mineral ...

This month's choice for "Critical Minerals" found in Ontario is **Beryllium**. I chose this mineral due to its applications in space

technologies. Ontario, being a source for the technologies that allows us to explore the stars and beyond.

Beryllium is a relatively rare element in the universe, usually occurring as a product of the spallation of larger atomic nuclei that have collided with cosmic rays. Within the cores of stars, beryllium is depleted as it is fused into heavier elements. Beryllium constitutes about 0.0004 percent by mass of Earth's crust. The world's annual beryllium production of 220 tons is usually manufactured by extraction from the mineral beryl, a difficult process because beryllium bonds strongly to oxygen.

While Beryllium is rare and difficult to extract for processing,

(Continued on page 10)

Be **BERYLLIUM**

Beryllium – is a steel-grey, strong, brittle and lightweight alkaline-earth metal. Beryllium is primarily used in aerospace and defence applications because of its light weight, stiffness and resistance to a wide temperature range. Beryllium occurs in Ontario as both primary and secondary commodities.

Geological Environment and Sources: In Ontario, beryllium occurs mainly in rare-element pegmatites.

Host Minerals: Beryllium is found in Ontario mainly as beryl.

Total World Production 2021: Worldwide production of beryllium in 2021 was approximately 260 tonnes.

Notable Ontario Localities: Quadeville (Beryl pit and Rose quartz quarries).

Beryl is a beryllium aluminum cyclosilicate and is the main source of beryllium.

(Continued from page 9)

its qualities are sought by scientists and engineers in the creation of aerospace technologies due to its structural characteristics. The combination of high flexural rigidity, thermal stability, thermal conductivity, and low density (1.85 times that of water) make beryllium metal a desirable aerospace material for aircraft components, missiles, spacecraft, and satellites. Furthermore, Beryllium is relatively transparent to X-rays and other forms of ionizing radiation; therefore, it is the most common window material for X-ray equipment and components of particle detectors.



This year’s annual gathering also consisted of an opportunity called the “Archaeological Boat Tour”, whereby interested members were provided a Pontoon Boat Tour on the waters of Dog Lake, to explore the archaeological history of Dog Lake. The trip on Thursday was cancelled due to weather conditions, but the Friday trip proved to be successful. Dr. William Weaver (Amateur Archaeologist) was both the driver and host for this presentation, and I have heard great feedback from the members that attended. Although this experience was limited in its availability, the importance of sharing this information with our membership was important. I feel that it is important to extend this opportunity to all our membership in due time, as the relevance of our historical occupation in this area serves to strengthen our identity and



Wachay Elders of MCFN

While Elders are often seniors, this is not always the case. Not all Indigenous seniors are Elders, and not all Elders are Elderly. An Elder is recognized as such by their Indigenous community.

Let me introduce myself, my name is Marion Nolan, I am a senior and wife to Councilor Les Nolan. I've presently started a fund raising for the Elder's of MCFN. We have currently raised over \$1200.00 this past summer and I am requesting MCFN, MCBC, and ISN to match that amount. The idea for this Group is for MCFN's Elder's to possibly travel, participate in other community Elder events etc. As an Elder/Senior who would like to be part of the Elder's Group, please send me your info (Name and phone#) and what you would like to see done within this group. Marion Nolan @

fatladysings_4@yahoo.ca, cell 416-427-4269 or home 705-949-3854.

I am excited to hear from those who wish to embark on this new endeavour.

In the Spirit of community and unity.

Marion Nolan, Current Group Rep

ThunderBay Hub

Deb Ewing

Now that the summer is almost over and the students are getting ready to go back to school, it is time to get back to regular business in the office. This year's Annual Gathering was a huge success. There seem to be more families attending. I was excited and happy that we had such a great turn out from our Thunder Bay Hub. I would like to mention the Elders who attended the gathering from Nipigon and Red Rock. This was their first time at our Gathering and their first time in Missanabie. As far as I can tell they really enjoyed themselves.

Our extra-curricular activities will continue. Please refer to the September Calendar as events and times may change.

I am looking forward to another year of great times and many memories being created in our Hub.

Back To School, September 5, 2023. REMEMBER TO WATCH FOR CHILDREN RETURNING TO SCHOOL AND THE SCHOOL BUSES.

Healthy Snack Gift Cards will be available September 5 & 6.

Elder's Tea – September 13.
1:00 to 3:30 pm.
Refreshments will be served.

Youth Drop In – September

20. 7:00 to 9:00 pm.
Refreshments will be served.

Cree Classes will continue. Matthew Wesley will continue as our facilitator. Please look for the September calendar for dates and times.

MCFN Thunder Bay Hub Annual Picnic, September 9. Place and time TBD.

SOIL – School of Indigenous Learning – September 24. We will be spending the day out at Little Pigeon Bay Road. This is a day of learning our culture. Registration is required.

I am trying to find an Elder to teach us about the Medicine Wheel. Unfortunately, due to reasons beyond our control Chuck Wesley is unavailable.

The Ribbon Skirt Making class has been rescheduled to October. I need to reconnect with Lily to set up a date and time.

Hello!

Here are the numbers for the gifts not picked up at the Gathering: **#328908 and #328940**. If you have any of these numbers, please contact Debbie at the Thunder Bay Hub Office: (807) 623-8330. We made \$160.00 for the Diabetic Association. Jackson has made almost \$2,000 for the Diabetes Association in the 10 years he has been selling tickets.

(Continued on page 12)

(Continued from page 11)

We made \$120.00 for the sale of Mr. Fletcher's CD recordings. This money is being donated to Grace Place. Grace Place helps the homeless with food, shelter, clothing and housewares. Mr. Fletcher has been donating here for a long time.

We wish to thank everyone who supported both these charities with our fundraising.

Jackson Fletcher-Decorte and Hazel Fletcher.

This was their very first gathering at 81 and 82 years old
 Left Carolyn Legacy (Snookie)
 Right Marilyn Kerbrat
 They are the youngest daughters of Emma Ruth, (Wesley)
 They both reside in Nipigon Ontario



JOB POSTING

COMMUNITY HUB WORKER

Deadline: Until Filled

REPORTS TO: FAMILY SERVICES SUPERVISOR

PART-TIME/CONTRACT

SUMMARY:

Missanabie Cree First Nation is looking for a **Community Hub Worker** in Sudbury, Ontario. The Community Hub Worker will be providing support services to the Missanabie Cree living in the Sudbury area. The Part-Time Hub Worker will also be responsible for working in conjunction with the Family Services team to develop and implement programs and activities and will be responsible for a variety of administrative tasks.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Preferred diploma in Social Services or equivalent, or experience in community outreach, program delivery and coordination of events and activities.

The successful candidate should possess the following skills and criteria:

- Knowledge and understanding of the unique demographics of Missanabie Cree community
- Able to work remotely
- Able to create monthly workplans
- Able to manage budgets and submit receipts
- Flexibility to work occasional evenings and weekends
- Be knowledgeable of Microsoft programs such as outlook, excel, Microsoft word, Publisher and Microsoft Teams
- Be willing to provide a CPIC with VSC
- Class "G" Drivers' License

DUTIES/REQUIREMENTS:

- Manage monthly/annual budgets program funding
- Keep demographic lists of community members, with updated contact information
- Advocate, connect, guide and refer families and individuals to community-based internal and external support services
- Create digital event posters
- Answer phone calls, respond to emails, scan documents, and provide regular updates to the Family Services Supervisor
- Organize, facilitate, and deliver programming, such as:
 - healthy living education
 - cultural programming
 - land-based activities
 - prevention programs
 - anti-violence prevention program
 - program that promote family unity
 - healthy snack program
- Develop a list of local resources for support services in hub areas

- Other duties as required

To apply for this position, please drop off your cover letter, resume and three (3) references:

By email to: jmarkie@missanabiecree.com

By Fax: 705-254-3292 (Attention: June Markie)

ELDER'S CARE FUNDING

Purpose:

Missanabie Cree First Nation's Family Services Team has set out the following guidelines based on funding available from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. Requests that fall outside of this scope of funding are to be submitted as a RAMA request which is subject to Chief and Council approval.

Due to the amount of funding provided, Missanabie Cree has set limits on amounts that can be applied to this funding specifically to ensure we are able to make services available for all elders.

Elders of Missanabie Cree First Nation are able to apply for services and reimbursements of eligible costs by completing the Family Services Intake form.

If the request does not meet the funding criteria, or are over and above the limits set below, the remainder of the request is then submitted to Chief and Council to be considered under the RAMA Health category.

The Ministry of Long Term Care (MOHLTC) provides funding to First Nation communities to cover expenses in the following categories (A, B, and C). Under these categories we are providing the services listed below by way of direct pay to providers or reimbursement to the individual making the request:

A) Community Support Services

- a. Meal Services
- b. Transportation
- c. Caregiver Support Services
- d. Adult Day Programs **(1-2 days per week)**
- e. Home maintenance and repair
 - i. Maintenance includes: snow removal, mowing
 - ii. Repairs include: leaking roof/water damage, and any damage or repair required that significantly affects the state of being able to remain living in the home safely
 - iii. Accessibility modifications (renting vs home ownership may have different eligibility)
- f. Emergency Response Services
- g. Foot Care

B) Homemaking/Personal Support Services **(4 hours per week)**

- a. Housecleaning
- b. Laundry
- c. Shopping
- d. Preparing Meals
- e. Assisting a person with personal hygiene or routine activities of living

ELDER'S CARE FUNDING

C) Professional Services (Must provide receipts for reimbursement)

- a. Occupational therapy and assistive devices
- b. Physiotherapy
- c. Speech-language pathology Services
- d. Dietetic services
- e. Diagnostic and laboratory services
- f. Medical Supplies and treatment equipment
- g. Pharmacy Services
- h. Respiratory Therapy Services

Missanabie Cree First Nation under the funder's requirements are expected to:

- Assess the person's requirement for community services
- Determine the eligibility for community services
- Develop a plan of service for each eligible person
- Set out the amount of each service provided to the person
- Review the person's requirement regularly and revise plan of services as necessary when changes are required

Additional Emergency Services provided not under MOHLTC related:

1. Rental Assistance for arrears (1 month paid, once per elder)
2. Last month's Rental assistance (Once per elder)
3. Dental care and denture (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)
4. Prescription glasses (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)
5. Diabetic needs (special circumstance) (costs over and above NIHB coverage/other insurances may be eligible)

ELDER'S CARE FUNDING

Steps for processing and approval

Step 1 - application

Contact the Family Well-Being Worker via phone 705-254-2702 ext. 206 or email at jharris@missanabiecree.com.

Request to complete the Family Services Intake form. You will be asked to provide information and documentation for back up.

Information needed to complete the form:

- Personal Information (Contact, mailing address, status number, date of birth)
- Details for the request (situational details)
- Quotes/Service Fees/detailed bill
- Doctors note (nature of the need, duration, frequency)
- Letter of support from organizations (if applicable)
- Letter of denial (if applicable from NIHB, insurance, other entities)

All applicants must sign the release of Information section which enables staff from Missanabie Cree First Nation to contact medical professionals (i.e. Doctor's, PSW's, Organizations involved in the request) when it pertains to health.

Collection of this information allows staff to ensure information is available if needed to confirm the request. All information collected remains confidential.

Step 2 - Review

The Family Well-Being worker may ask that any missing information is obtained by the individual prior to file review and approval process.

Once documentation is received by the Family Well Being Worker, the file will be reviewed and possibly reviewed by other Family Services Staff, if required to access all available resources.

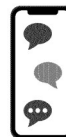
STEP 3 – Approval Process

The Family Well-Being Worker will within 7 days inform the applicant that the information has been reviewed and will be able to identify if it has been approved under MOHLTC funding or if the file required Council review under the RAMA process.

If the file requires Council review, the Family Well-Being Worker will advise the applicant of the next Chief and Council meeting date.

Within 3 days of the next Council meeting an update will be provided to the applicant on the status or review/approval.

NAN HOPE



Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health and Addictions Support Access Program

We're here for you 24/7

1-844-NAN-HOPE
(1-844-626-4673)

The Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health Wellness Support Access Program (NAN Hope) provides community-driven, culturally appropriate and timely mental health and addictions support to members of the 49 First Nations communities in Nishnawbe Aski region.

This First Nation-led program is in response to the specific mental health needs of community members in northern Ontario, offering a central access point to mental health and addictions support.

Program Services:



Navigation to mental health and addictions support services



Rapid access to clinical and mental health counselling



24/7 toll-free rapid access to confidential crisis services

Phone | Text* | Chat*

www.nanhope.ca

*Text and Live Chat support are available Monday through Friday: 8:00am - 12:00am ET and Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am - 11:00pm ET.

Need a Helpline?

Toll Free Helplines for Northern Ontario

- Children
- Youth
- Adults



Nishnawbe Aski Nation
ᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎ ᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎ

Support & Information Lines

- Kids Help Phone
☎ 1.800.668.6868
🕒 24 Hours
- Operation Come Home
☎ 1.800.668.4663
🕒 8am - 4pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- MissingKids.ca
☎ 1.800.KID.TIPS
☎ 1.800.543.8477
- Assaulted Women's Helpline
☎ 1.866.863.7868
TTY
☎ 1.866.863.7868
- Victim Support Line
☎ 1.888.579.2888
🕒 24 Hours
- Senior Safety Line
☎ 1.866.299.1011
- Good2Talk (Post Secondary Helpline)
☎ 1.866.925.5454
- LGBT Youth Line
☎ 1.800.268.9688

211

When you don't know where to turn

Connects you to health, community, government & social services.
🕒 24 Hours

Mental Health & Addictions

- First Nations & Inuit Hope for Wellness Line
☎ 1.855.242.3310
🕒 24 Hours
- Mental Health Service Information Ontario
☎ 1.866.531.2600
🕒 24 Hours
- Drug & Alcohol Information Line
☎ 1.800.565.8603
🕒 24 Hours
- Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline
☎ 1.888.230.3505
🕒 24 Hours
- Al-Anon - Alateen
☎ 1.888.425.2666
🕒 8am - 6pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- Talk4Healing
☎ 1.855.554.HEAL (4325)

Health

- AIDS & Sexual Health Information Line
☎ 1.800.668.2437
🕒 10am - 10:30am EST (Mon-Fri)
🕒 11am - 3pm EST (Sat & Sun)
- Telehealth Ontario (Health Information Line)
☎ 1.866.797.0000
🕒 24 Hours

Toll Free | Confidential | Anonymous

Community News, Notes, & Stories

Happy Birthday to my Niece Glad
Love auntie
June



Happy 56th Birthday to my oldest son Richard.
Happy Birthday my boy, love you to the moon and back.
Love MOM

Happy Birthday to my Grandson Cody
Love you always
Nanny



Happy Birthday to Paul Fletcher, love the family



Happy Birthday too all who are celebrating July Birthdays



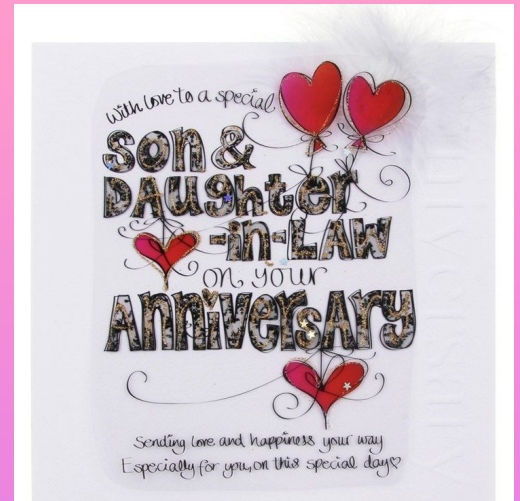
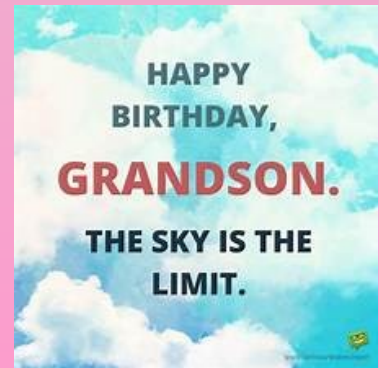
From the desk of June Markie/MCFN

Happy Birthday to my Granddaughter Jessica
Love you always, Nanny



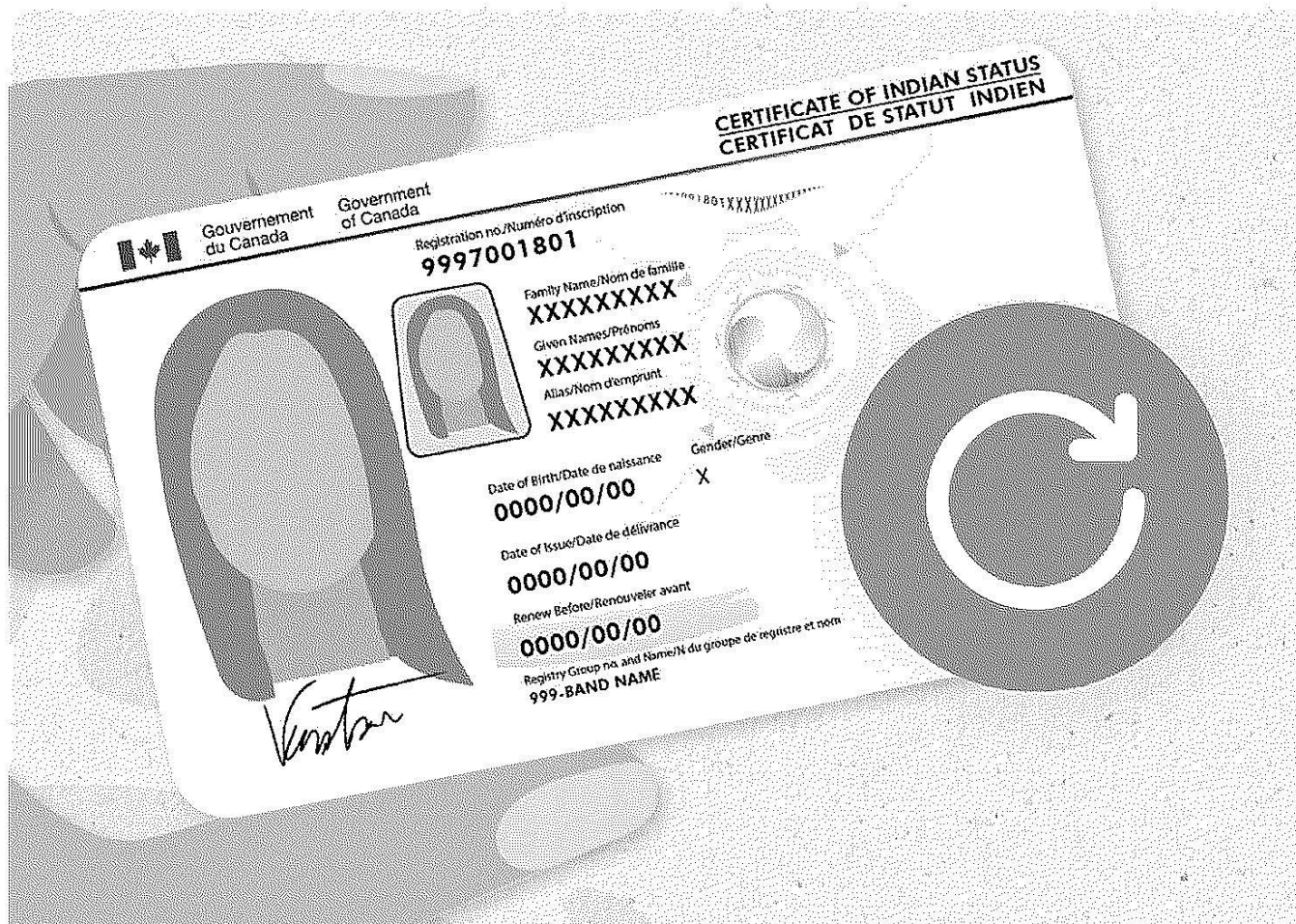
I would like to wish my Granddaughter Jessica and her Husband to be a Very Very Happy Wedding Day Sept. 23/23.

Love you both
Nanny



Share Your
Stories &
Accomplishments

Status Card Renewal



Has your status card expired? Looking to renew?

Renewing your status card makes it easier to access programs and services.

Take your own photo when applying for a status card and submit it straight from your smart phone free of charge using the SCIS Photo App. Submit your application through the mail, or by visiting any regional or First Nation office.

Renewal processing take 8-12 weeks, so don't delay, renew today!

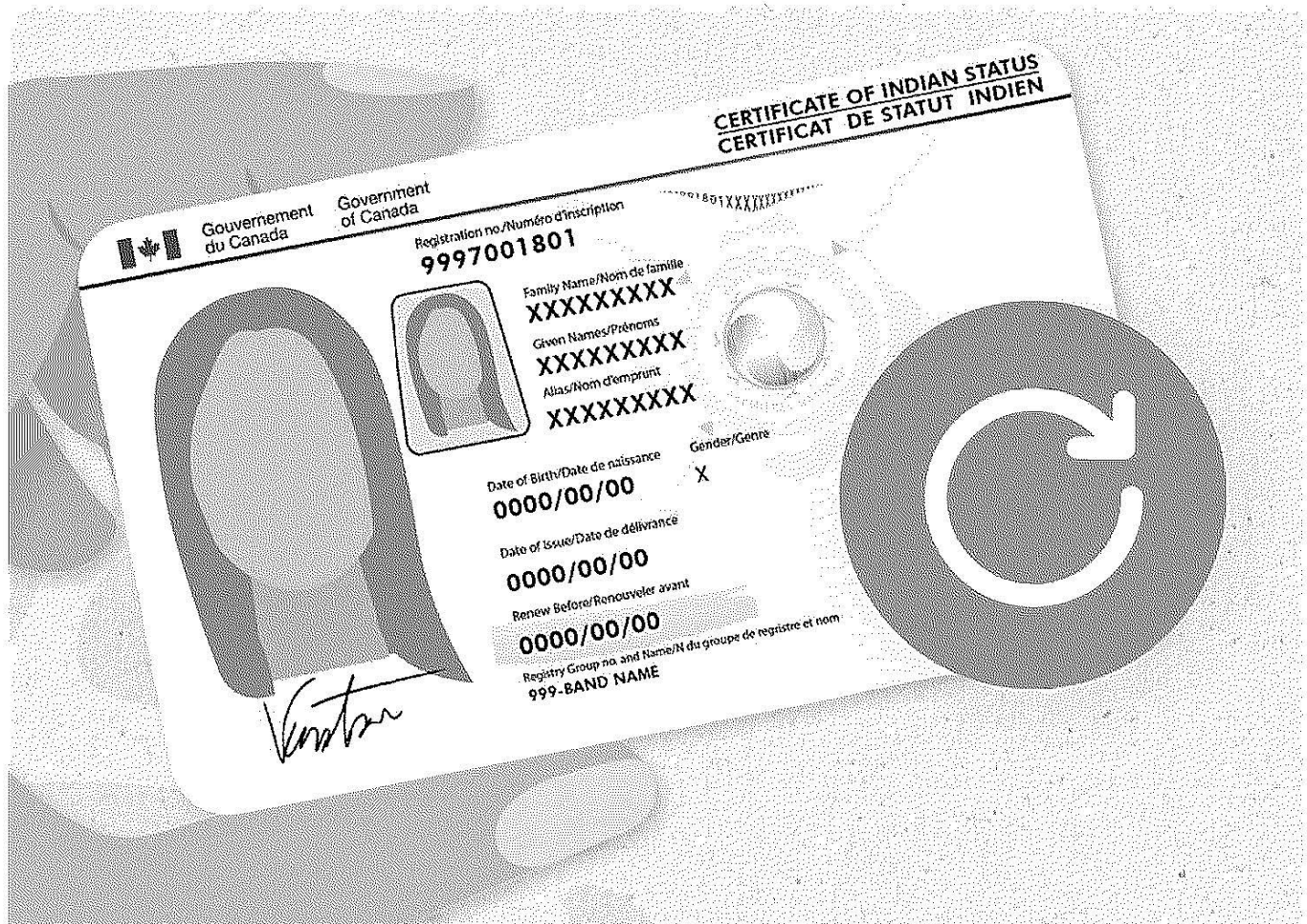
Learn how.

For more information, we invite you to visit:

GotoInfo.ca/Status-Card



Renouveler de la carte de statut



Votre carte de statut a expiré ? Vous cherchez à la renouveler ?

Le renouvellement de votre carte de statut vous permet d'accéder plus facilement aux programmes et services.

Prenez votre propre photo lorsque vous demandez une carte de statut et soumettez-la directement à partir de votre téléphone intelligent, gratuitement, en utilisant l'application photo du CSSI. Soumettez votre demande par la poste ou en vous rendant dans n'importe quel bureau régional ou des Premières nations.

Le traitement du renouvellement prend 8 à 12 semaines, alors ne tardez pas, renouvelez dès aujourd'hui !

Apprenez comment.

Pour plus d'informations, nous vous invitons à visiter le site :
obtenezinfo-enligne.ca/carte-statut



MCFN Membership - Card Renewals

In Office Card Renewals: *For Members only and will be by appointment only. Please call ahead and book through June - In house photos are available for laminated cards only.*

If your card is expired and you need a temporary confirmation of status, you can call (1) 844-280-5011 to make this request. INAC offices have posted the following :

Secure Certificate of Indian Status Application Centre:

COVID-19-related office closure: All Indigenous Services Canada offices for Indian status and secure status card applications will be closed until further notice due to circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

To support national efforts to contain the COVID-19 pandemic, the Public Enquiries Contact Centre is temporarily providing services via e-mail only. An agent will respond to your request as soon as possible. We are prioritizing requests based on their urgency. Updates on the status of an application for Indian Status cannot be provided at this time.

Email: InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca

Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

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.


Deceased Members: 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.



September Birthday Greetings





Happy Birthday!



Hunter
Adam
Jennifer

Happy Birthday




Lorrie

Happy Birthday!




Glad
Maggie
Darlene

Happy Birthday!



George
Faye

Happy Birthday




Richard
Rayna

Happy Birthday



Natasha

Happy Birthday!



Wallace
Génier

Happy Birthday!




Kyle

Happy Birthday




Tetyron
Verna

Happy Birthday...




Chandler
Chyla

Happy Birthday!



Edward
Sam
Cody

Happy Birthday!



Dakota

Happy Birthday




Logan
Jason

Happy Birthday

Adam
Jordon
Jeremy
Cynthia




Happy Birthday!




Neil

Happy Birthday!




Vanessa
Drake

Happy Birthday!




Roy

Happy Birthday!




David

Happy Birthday!




Wendy

Happy Birthday!




Julianne
Brandon
Barbara

Happy Birthday!




Maynard

Happy Birthday!



William

Happy Birthday!



Harley

CONTACTS AND OTHER INFORMATION (Page 1 of 2)

Missanabie Cree First Nation Chief & Council

Chief	Jason Gauthier	jgauthier@missanabiecree.com
Deputy Chief	Jutta Horn	jhorn@missanabiecree.com
Councillor	Lois MacDonald	lmacdonald@missanabiecree.com
Councillor	Leslie Nolan	lnolan@missanabiecree.com
Councillor	Joanne Pezzo	jpezzo@missanabiecree.com
Councillor	Dakota Souliere	dsouliere@missanabiecree.com
Elder Liaison	Lori Rainville	elderliaison@missanabiecree.com
Alternate Elder Liaison	Glad Hawkins	elderliaison@missanabiecree.com

Administration Department

Band Administrator	Shereena Campbell	scampbell@missanabiecree.com
Reception	June Markie	jmarkie@missanabiecree.com
Program Development	Lesley Gagnon	lgagnon@missanabiecree.com
Band Administrative Assistant	Amber Lacrosse	alacrosse@missanabiecree.com
Governance Coordinator	Natalie Gauthier	ngauthier@missanabiecree.com
Executive Assistant	Lisa Souliere	lsouliere@missanabiecree.com
Post-Secondary Education	Gloria Harris	education@missanabiecree.com
Communication Assistant	Japhet H. John	bearfax@missanabiecree.com
Cultural Language Facilitator	Matthew Wesley	mwesley@missanabiecree.com

Finance Department

Financial Officer	Nelson Grant	ngrant@missanabiecree.com
Bookkeeper	Louise Campbell	lcampbell@missanabiecree.com
Jr. Bookkeeper	Ashleigh Bodin	abodin@missanabiecree.com
Finance Clerk	Doreen Boissoneau	financeclerk@missanabiecree.com

Lands & Resources Department

Lands & Resources Director	Tess Sullivan	tsullivan@missanabiecree.com
Mineral Development Advisor	Tetyron Hourtovenko	thourtovenko@missanabiecree.com
Energy Planner	Steve Hawkins	shawkins@missanabiecree.com
Administrative Assistant	Brie Nemeth	bnemeth@missanabiecree.com
Water Guardian	Ryan Wesley	rwesley@missanabiecree.com
Climate Change Solution Coordinator	Adrian Perreault	aperrault@missanabiecree.com

CON-

Missanabie Cree First Nation Hubs

Location

Wawa/Missanabie/Outreach	Brad Nolan	missanabie@missanabiecree.com
Thunder Bay	Deb Ewing	thunderbay@missanabiecree.com
Sudbury	Julien Bergeron	sudbury@missanabiecree.com
Toronto	Vanessa Mahan	toronto@missanabiecree.com
London	Karen Phillips	london@missanabiecree.com
Timmins	Vacant	

Family Services Department

Family Services Supervisor	Bonnie Wiebe	bwiebe@missanabiecree.com
Family Well-being Worker	Jana Harris	jharris@missanabiecree.com
Choose Life Coordinator	April Wesley	awesley@missanabiecree.com
Mental Health & Addictions	Danica Boyer	dboyer@missanabiecree.com
Family Support Worker	Vacant	
Nurse	Vacant	

Business Corporation (MCBC)

General Manager - Joseph Sayers	gm_mcbc@missanabiecree.com
Executive Assistant - Brittany MacLean	bmaclean@missanabiecree.com
CBA Coordinator - Hannah Caicco	cba_mcbc@missanabiecree.com
NOHFC Bear Train Manager Intern - Johnathon Lalonde	beartrain@missanabiecree.com
MCBC Bookkeeper - Tanya Maitland	Bookkeeper_mcbc@missanabiecree.com

Island View Camp

Camp Manager - Rod Duhaime	hello@islandviewcamp.com
----------------------------	--

Dog Lake Camp Ground

Contact - Rod Duhaime

VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

We are the Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;
whose vision is to have a united and self-governing body
that will determine our destiny guided by the Seven Grandfather Teachings.

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 other Indigenous Peoples; 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.

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 Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;
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.