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"...the care of the Earth
is our most ancient and most worthy
and, after all,
our most pleasing responsibility.
To cherish what remains of it, and
to foster its renewal,
is our only legitimate hope."

~Wendell Berry,

The Art of the Commonplace: The Agrarian Essays

## Events/Gatherings:

#### **Diversity Procurement Fair**

April 14-15, 2015 Toronto, ON https://www.camsc.ca/events?event\_id=135

#### Water Ceremony - Taking Care of the Water

April 19, 2015 Sault College, Sault Ste. Marie, ON

#### **Greater Sudbury Earth Day Festival**

April 25, 2015 Sudbury, ON www.rethinkgreen.ca/greater-sudbury-earth-day-festival

#### Thunder Bay Environmental Film Festival

May 6-10, 2015 Thunder Bay, ON https://tbefilmf.wordpress.com/

#### Aboriginal Nurses Day - May 11, 2015

Indigenous Nursing: Healing Relationships http://anac.on.ca/

#### **Outside Looking In 8th Annual Performance**

May 15, 2015 Toronto, ON http://www.olishow.com/events/

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## Message from the Chief

#### Watchay,

This month has been bitter-sweet with some staffing changes. I am happy to welcome all of the new employees and wish the best to those who have chosen to move on to other endeavours.

I am happy to see more work within the resource development file and look forward to some upcoming community consultation sessions. The Comprehensive Community Planning sub-committees have been populated and approved, the Missanabie Cree Development Corporation has met and all work that has been done recently is moving along efficiently.

I have been working hard on finding the gathering funding and pursuing economic development both regionally and internally. I hope all is well, and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Jason Gauthier, Chief, MCFN



Chief Jason Gauthier and
AFN National Chief Perry Bellegarde

## Messages from Council



Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario and Les Nolan, Councillor, MCFN

To all my family, extended family, friends and acquaintances of Missanabie Cree First Nation:

March winds have come and gone with more snow than we needed. Here's hoping April showers bring May flowers.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>: I attended a meeting with Northern Superior Regional Chiefs Forum (NSRCF) hosted by Chapleau Cree, where we had a meeting with Ministry of National Resources (MNR) from Wawa, Chapleau and Timmins. This meeting was very positive on unity, relationship building, to see how we can work together and to be consulted prior to any forestry and/or mining endeavors on our traditional territory. Eco Trust Canada gave a report on our traditional land where there is a real concern in regards to Chapleau Game Preserve. If the industry keeps going the way they are now, there will be nothing left for the protection of our fur bearing animals. NSRCF gave a very thought provoking presentation in regards to our traditional lands, what has to be done to move forward and that we must incorporate and follow our 7 grandfathers teachings.

March 9th: Telephone conference with Doug Price on updates on

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land transfer implementation reporting. Everything is moving forward positively. The next meeting is scheduled for April 9th for a report on the ongoing process.

March 23rd - 27th: Attended another meeting with NSRCF hosted again by Chapleau Cree which was held in Sault Ste. Marie. We were updated on a 5 year progress, where we would see very positive results and what has to be done in the coming years. NSRCF Elders drafted a report from Michipicoten, Chapleau Cree and Missanabie Cree First Nations on strengthening internal relationships and unity. NSRCF and MNR forestry relationship continue to build toward positive talks. Tembec and Rentech representatives spoke on ongoing relationships and updates. Also, had talks in regards to joint ventures and moving forward in the future.

March 28th: Open Band Meeting: I would like to thank all the members that participated and also thank members in Thunder Bay, Sault Ste. Marie and Toronto for their hospitality.

Members, if you having any question and/or concerns please do not hesitate to call or email myself or any other member of Chief and Council.

In spirit of Community,

Councilor Les (Gee) Nolan aka Red Bear.

### From the Desk of:

#### BAND MANAGER'S FAREWELL

Good Day one and all, 😃



First of all, I would like to congratulate Cathy Clement who is the new band manager for the Missanabie Cree First Nation. Welcome on board, Cathy! I am sure you will be a great asset to this organization!

As most of you are aware, my last official day of work was March 31st in my former capacity of Band Manager. During the next few months, I am committed to working for Missanabie Cree to assist with the new Band Manager's transition and orientation. And provide support and assistance to Chief and Council as requested.

It has been an honour and pleasure to work with the Missanabie Cree First Nation - Chief Jason Gauthier (my bro), Councillors Victoria Pezzo, Bobbi Fletcher-Decorte, Les Nolan, Isabell Souliere, and Cory McLeod. As well, I have become quite attached to many of the staff who I will miss when I leave here on a permanent basis; however, I have an invite to drop in to visit occasionally. And that I will do!

During my tenure, I got to meet a lot of very nice people, most of whom are Missanabie Cree band members.

Thank you for your friendship and support – it was much appreciated.

On another note, some of the members have been asking why the council do not financially support all Casino Rama requests for those in need. The answer is quite simple. Missanabie Cree does not have the funds. Although we receive approximately \$38,000 - \$42,000 per month from Ontario First Nation Limited Partnership, \$28,000 is committed to covering the mortgages and operating expenses for the Multi-Purpose Facility in Missanable and the Maple Leaf Building in Echo Bay. The remaining funds are used to subsidize the office administration and cover member's requests to cover minor (and occasionally major) medical expenses, and funerals expenses (maximum \$500 per request). I hope this answers your questions about the Casino Rama Funds.

This is my last report to the membership. All future Band Manager Reports will be coming from Cathy Clement.

Farewell...

Jean

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#### BAND MANAGER

Wachay:

As of April 1, 2015, I assumed the duties of the Band Manager for MCFN. It's good to be back! Jean will be staying on for a couple of months (3 hrs. per day) helping me with the transition of duties. Thank you, Jean.

As it is our year end, a lot of staff are leaving as their contracts have ended or they have pursued other employment. Good luck in your endeavours!

I now have an email address if you want to contact me: cclement@missanabiecree.com

I have been busy the past two days getting acquainted with the ongoing business of MCFN and hopefully next month I'll have more to write.

Cathy Clement

#### COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

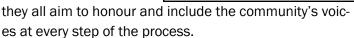
Your Economic Business Development team, meaning Scott and I, recently attended the Nishnawbe Aski Development Funds' Community Comprehensive Planning (CCP) Workshop in Thunder Bay. We are certainly grateful for the opportunity as it showcased a number of Community Development tools to implement a Community Comprehensive Plan ("A Model for Success") and bring additional value to the MCFN Prosperity Committee that we have been appointed to!

We acquired a number of resources for the Community in terms of Best Practices, CCP examples, Information and Stories, and Toolkits and Handbooks.

The Best Practices has three resources that were supported by the New Relationship Trust. The Three resources provide best practices on land use planning, governance, and most importantly CCP. The CCP resource includes tips and tricks to support you!

The CCP includes seven examples of different CCPs completed by First Nations across Canada, including two in Ontario. You will see that each CCP looks and feels different. It reflects the First Nation and their culture and

traditions. Hopefully though, you will see that



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DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Information and Stories is a bit of a catch all. It includes a variety of different resources related to CCP. including reports on stories of successful CCPs, an overview of the CCP, and a resource for monitoring and evaluation.

The Toolkits and Handbooks include lots of resources that will help with the step by step process of completing a CCP. It gives you an idea of what is involved. It includes two CCP Handbooks from British Columbia that were created in a partnership between First Nations communities and Aboriginal Affairs. The First Nation Communication Toolkit and the Promoting of Local Economic Development resources are not specific to CCP but they provide lots of great tools that can still be used to support the CCP process.

Engaging in a CCP with the community takes time and effort but the outcomes are powerful!

Miigwetch, Janet Esquimaux

#### RECEPTION

Hi Family, Friends and Relations:

I would like to say Congrats to our new Band Manager, Cathy Clement. Welcome aboard, Cathy.

Also, I'm very sad to see Jean and Glad leave but I wish them Luck in their new Adventure.

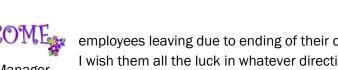
In the next few months we will also be seeing a few more

employees leaving due to ending of their contracts. I wish them all the luck in whatever direction they decide to go.

May the Creator be with you.

We will miss all of you.

June Markie



#### COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLANNING COORDINATOR

Wachey,

I am excited to announce that we have completely populated the Missanabie Resettlement and Social and Cultural Development Sub-Committees. Not to worry though, if you were still interested in being a part of our Comprehensive Community Planning process there is still space for you. We are accepting letters for interest for the following sub-committees:

**Prosperity and Economic Development** – covering economic development, environmental management, own-source income (OSI) for the Band and improving economic outcomes for Missanabie families.

#### Governance and Public Sector Management -

covering governance and financial codes, legislative development and management of Missanabie Cree operations. Also the establishment of a Missanabie Cree First Nation Constitution.

If you feel your skills and experiences would make you an asset to these sub-committees please submit your letter of interest to myself at

cparayko@missanabiecree.com. This opportunity is the chance to take control of our future as a First Nation!

All four of the sub-committees will be gathering for a two day workshop in April to develop the action plan for each

of the sectors with the guidance of Four Worlds.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above information, <u>or the call-out below</u>, please feel free to contact me by email cparayko@missanabiecree.com or by phone at 705-254-2702 ext. 234.

All my relations, Chelsie Parayko

#### **CALL OUT FOR CATERERS**

During the two day sub-committee workshop, which is taking place in Sault Ste. Marie, we will need the assistance of a caterer to provide morning snacks, lunch and afternoon snacks for both days (current proposed dates are either April 18 & 19 or April 25 & 26).

If you are interested in providing this service please submit a proposal to myself at cparayko@missanabiecree.com.

Please include a meal plan that considers most dietary restrictions and that is health conscious (ie. Diabetes & Vegetarian), as well as a budgetary outline. Deadline for proposals is **April 15**.

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## Community News and Notes

Congratulations to Natasha Jeffries

For achieving

Canadian Certified Horticulture Technician

**Humber College** 



Love, Mom and Family

Happy Birthday
to my Niece
Bonnie Wiebe
Love, Auntie June

Happy Carth Pay!

A very Special 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wish To my Sister, Fran Love, Sis June

A very Special Happy Birthday to my son, Corey Pine Love you so much, Son Love, Mom



Sending a Birthday Wish
To my Niece,
Lorraine Wilson
Happy Birthday, Lorraine
Love, Auntie June

Sending a Happy Birthday Wish to my Nephew Murray Fletcher Happy Birthday Murray Love, Auntie June Page 6 BEAR FAX APRIL 2015 Niska Peesim

## Community News and Notes

ALGOMA UNIVERSITY IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT SHIRLEY HORN HAS BEEN NAMED CHANCELLOR OF THE POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION.

"I am delighted that Shirley Horn will be returning to Algoma University, on the site of the former Shingwauk School, as our first-ever Chancellor," said Dr. Richard Myers, President of Algoma U.

"Shirley has a terrific amount of talent and expertise, and has kept in close contact with Algoma University since graduating, including in her role with the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association. She brings national experience and connections, and has deep roots in the Anishinaabe communities of Northern Ontario."

Horn is from Chapleau, Ontario, and at the age of five was sent to St. Johns Indian Residential School. She was then transferred to the Shingwauk Indian Residential School at the age of seven, where she remained for six years.

In 1981, she helped found the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association, a constructive organization that has been a leader at the national level on the residential school issue. She remained in a leadership position with the organization for 34 years.

In 2005, Horn returned to the Shingwauk School site – now the home of Algoma University – to enroll in the Bachelor of Fine Arts program.

As a rare graduate of both the Residential School and the University, she received a standing ovation at Convocation in 2009. Horn has been Chief of her own community, the Missanabie Cree First Nation for 10 years, and has also been a member of the Missanabie Cree Elders' Council. Horn is also co-founder of the Echoes of the World Drum Festival, a former member of the Shingwauk Education Trust, and an accomplished artist. Her piece, Project of the Heart, is on permanent display outside of the Doc Brown Lounge at Algoma U.

"I've spent so many years here, I have a relationship with Algoma University from the time I was seven years old to today," said Horn. "I'm still on the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association executive today, so it's been a long



journey. It's an honour to represent Algoma University."

Algoma U's Chancellor serves as the titular head of the institution. The Chancellor participates in major ceremonies and events, including the annual September Induction as well as Convocation. The Chancellor confers all degrees. By acting as an ambassador of Algoma U, the Chancellor also helps to raise the profile of the University as well as assist in both relationship-building and fundraising initiatives.

The Chancellor provides support to the University President, as requested, and promotes the University's special mission in regards to Anishinaabe education. Algoma University's Charter includes provisions for the appointment of a Chancellor.

The Board of Governors determined that the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the post-secondary institution as an opportune time to appoint the first Chancellor. Horn will be sworn in officially at the University's annual Convocation ceremony, slated for Saturday, June 13, at which time she will begin her four-year term.

(Algoma University press release retrieved from Sootoday website, March 27, 2015 at www.sootoday.com/content/news/details.asp?c=88867)

## MCFN Events Calendar

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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R I	5 Easter	6 Easter Monday Office closed.	7 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM	8	9 Healthy Snacks After 1:30	10	11	
L 2	12	13	14 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM Craft Class 1:30 Echo Bay	15 Elder Teachings: Spring 10 am Elders Tea 12 pm Echo Bay	16	17 Sewing Class 10 am Echo Bay	18	
_ _ _ 1	19	20	21 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM	22 Earth Day earth day	23	24	25	
5	26	27	28 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM Craft Class 1:30 Echo Bay	29	30	Language classes in MCFN Boardroom, All other activities in Echo Bay. If a ride is needed, please call Lesley at Ext. 226.		
	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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Y	3	4	5 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM	6 Bustle Making 1-4 pm Echo Bay	7 Healthy Snacks After 1:30	8	9	
2	10 Mother's Day	11	12 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM	13 Elders Tea 12 pm Bustle Making 1-4 pm Echo Bay	14	15 Sewing Class 10 am Echo Bay	16	
1 5	17	18 Victoria Day	19 Language Class 9:30 am - Online on USTREAM	<b>20 Bustle Making</b> 1-4 pm Echo Bay	21	22	23	
	24/31	25	26	27 Bustle Making 1-4 pm Echo Bay	28	29 Elizabeth's Birthday	30	

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### News Items

#### AFN CHIEF SAYS APPEAL OF CINDY GLADUE CASE A NECESSARY FIRST STEP

April 2, 2015 (Ottawa, ON) – Assembly of First Nations (AFN) National Chief Perry Bellegarde and AFN Alberta Regional Chief Cameron Alexis will attend two separate gatherings today in support of justice for Cindy Gladue who was found dead in Edmonton in June 2011. Following a month long trial, Bradley Barton was found not guilty.

"I am outraged by the original decision. First Nations people from across Canada are outraged by the original decision. And while the appeal announced today is a necessary step, this stands as one too many examples of systemic discrimination towards First Nations people," said AFN National Chief Perry Bellegarde who will attend a support rally in Saskatoon this afternoon.

A number of rallies are taking place across the country today calling for justice in the case of Cindy Gladue and to honour her life and memory. Gatherings are being held in Calgary, Lethbridge, St. Paul, Ottawa, Toronto, Regina, St. John's and in a number of other areas.

"We are far too often underrepresented on juries and overrepresented in jails. Decisions like this send a devastating message to Indigenous women: 'It says Cindy Gladue and other indigenous women, your lives don't matter'," said National Chief Bellegarde. "We need fundamental change so that the justice system is accessible, respectful of the victims of violence and their families. We are simply seeing too many of our people coming into harm and to that we say 'enough.' First Nations want to work toward First Nation-controlled justice sys-

tems based on respect for human rights and Indigenous rights. This is part of our work toward real reconciliation."

AFN Executive Committee members are attending events as possible across the country. AFN Alberta Regional Chief Cameron Alexis, who oversees justice issues and action on missing and murdered Indigenous women for the AFN, is attending a demonstration in Edmonton this afternoon.

"Violence against Indigenous women is not just a First Nations issue, it is a Canadian issue," said Regional Chief Alexis. "It a national tragedy and that requires urgent action. Our work will continue at the national level to seek a National Inquiry on root causes of violence and to develop coordinated action across all jurisdictions, including implementing commitments of the recent National Roundtable on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls."

For more information on work toward an action plan to end violence and support for a National Public Inquiry please visit: http://www.afn.ca/index.php/en/policyareas/i-pledge.-end-violence.

The Assembly of First Nations is the national organization representing First Nations citizens in Canada. Follow AFN on Twitter @AFN\_Comms, @AFN\_Updates.

Contact information:

Jenna Young Castro, AFN Communications Officer, 613-241-6789, ext 401; 613-314-8157 or <a href="mailto:jyoung@afn.ca">jyoung@afn.ca</a>

Healthy Living Challenge Registration Form
Name:
Address:
Email:
Phone:
List of your family members participating and age if under 18

## Healthy Living Challenge 2015

The Healthy Living Challenge Registration Form can be found on page 18.

**April** 2015

SATURDAY 4	Sliding Saturday	11	Family fishing day, be creative if you can't find a lake	18	Swimming Saturday	25	Make a healthy family breakfast together.			
FRIDAY 3	Healthy snack night	10	Your choice of family activity	17	Yoga stretches	24	Your choice of family activity			
THURSDAY 2	Throw back Thursday Get grooving	6	Throw back Thursday Get grooving	16	Family game night	23	Dance the day away 15 minutes	30	Elder Teaching day	
WEDNESDAY 1	April Fool's! Laugh the day away	8	Family game night	15	Wicked Wednesday explore new flavors in your food	22	Family game night	29	Walk away Wednes- day 15 minutes	
TUESDAY		7	Family craft day	14	Your choice of family activity	21	Paint a picture Tues- day	28	Your choice of family activity	
MONDAY		9	Jumping Jacks! It's Monday	13	Dance the day away	20	Read a family story Monday	27	Munchie Monday Healthy Snacks	
SUNDAY		2	Sunday Snowman	12	Make a healthy des- sert with your family	19	Try a new recipe with your family	26	Write a family story	

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May 2015

SATURDAY	2	Family planting day (sprouting seeds, veggies, yum yum)	6	Creative art day	16	Stretchy Saturday yoga	23	Families, Plant your garden day	30	Saving Saturday Learn to budget for the future		
FRIDAY	1	Family activity of your own choice	8	Dance away the day	15	Munchie Munch Friday Healthy snack activity	22	Family Activity of your own choice	29	Family Activity of your choice		
THURSDAY			7	Throw back Thursday Get grooving	14	Dance the night away	21	Throw back Thursday Get grooving	28	Read a book with your family Thursday		Please refer to the next news letter for the following months
WEDNESDAY			9	Walk away Wednes- day 15 minutes	13	Family board game night	20	Making healthy snacks	27	Walk away Wednes- day		All exercise activities are 15 minutes in time
TUESDAY			5	Making healthy snacks	12	Family activity of your own choice	19	Family activity of your choice	26	Family craft day		
MONDAY			4	Walk away the day Monday	11	Jumping Jacks! It's Monday	18	Walk away Monday	25	Healthy snack making		
SUNDAY			3	Help your family make a healthy din- ner, Family dinner time	10	Swimming Sunday	17	Sight seeing Sunday	24	Family Activity of your choice	31	Elder Teaching Day



## April Birthday Greetings

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#### APRIL 4



Murray David Fletcher Cory MacDonald

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#### APRIL 6



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Kenneth George Bain

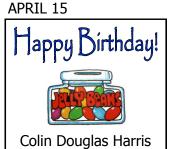
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Mark Joseph Golden

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APRIL 16



Patrick Bergeron Kaleb Jeffries Brooke Phillips Luka Starcevic

APRIL 17



Cheryle Helen Kaplun Trica-Lynn Louttit

APRIL 21



APRIL 22



David-John Fletcher Bonnie Wiebe Dominick Macumber Dakota Nolan

APRIL 24



Stephen D'Arcy Fletcher

APRIL 25



APRIL 26



APRIL 27



APRIL 28



Jackson Fletcher-Decorte April Wesley

#### APRIL 29



APRIL 30



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## Employment Opportunities

#### Post-Secondary Funding Officer/Gathering Coordinator

Closing Date: April 30, 2015 Term: Full time

Salary: to be determined

Start: asap

#### **Position Summary**

Under the supervision of the Band Manager, the Post-Secondary Funding Officer/Gathering Coordinator shall manage and administer the post-secondary funds of the First Nation and keep full and accurate records of all assets, liabilities, receipts and disbursement in the books of the First Nation. The officer will provide administrative support by assisting in the preparation of financial reports, budgets, records and monthly variance reports. Also, the Post-Secondary Funding Officer/Gathering Coordinator will be responsible for the coordination of the MCFN Annual Gatherings.

#### Post-Secondary Duties and Responsibilities

- Accounts Payables/Receivables relating to Education
- Fulfill all post-secondary requirements for students
- · Complete reports as required
- Prepare draft budgets for review by Chief and Council
- Monthly variance reports to ensure programs are within budget
- Year End Reports
- Other related duties as required

#### Gathering Duties and Responsibilities

- Coordinating, planning, and organizing the Missanabie Cree First Nation Annual Gatherings
- Recording the registration of members for attendance for the gathering
- Making the most economical arrangements for the catering service, accommodations, and transportation for the participants.
- · Developing agenda and gathering activities.
- Responding to members questions regarding gathering
- Researching and applying for potential funding opportunities to assist with the costs of the gathering
- Preparing final reports for submission to funding agency
- Any other duties as required

#### **Qualifications:**

- Post-Secondary degree and/or diploma in related field
- Ability to develop budgets
- Computer literacy/proficiency
- Organization skills
- · Strong oral and written skills
- · Experience in coordination in events would be an asset
- Must be willing to travel.
- A Class "G" Driver's License is an asset.
- Must be able to work under minimum supervision
- Must will willing to work in Missanabie, Ontario during the Gatherings.

## Employment Opportunities

Please provide resume and covering letter with three work related references and mail to the following address:

Attention: Cathy Clement Missanabie Cree First Nation

174B Hwy 17B Garden River ON P6A 6Z1

#### Or email to cclement@missanabiecree.com or fax to 705-254-3292

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cathy Clement, Band Manager at 705-254-2702.

A complete job description is available.

#### **Job Opportunity**

Position Title: Events Coordinator Band Manager Echo Bay, ON

Start Date: May 1, 2015 (pending funding 26 weeks)

Wage Rate: 12.00 per hour

#### SUMMARY OF POSITION:

Under the direct supervision of the Post Secondary Funding Officer, the Events Coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating events such as MCFN Gathering, Circle of Creative Arts as well as some of the program events for MCFN.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Researching funding applications
- Organizing transportation, accommodations, meals, as well as activities/ business agendas
- Seeking volunteers to assist with the Gathering activities
- Learning to budget for the Gathering in order not to go over
- Completing all reports for the Gathering
- Reporting to the committee as well as band manager the progress of the events that take place
- Keeping track of sales of any art work at the art centre.
- Assisting in monitoring summer students

#### Qualifications:

- An equivalent combination of education and/or work experience in this field may be considered
- Must have a driver's license class "G" and access to a vehicle.
- Must have good working knowledge of computers and programs such as Microsoft word, Excel, Word, Internet, Outlook, etc.
- Supervisory skills and ability to work under minimal supervision
- Must be Mushkegowuk Member or descendent

Closing Date: April 17, 2014 @ 4 pm

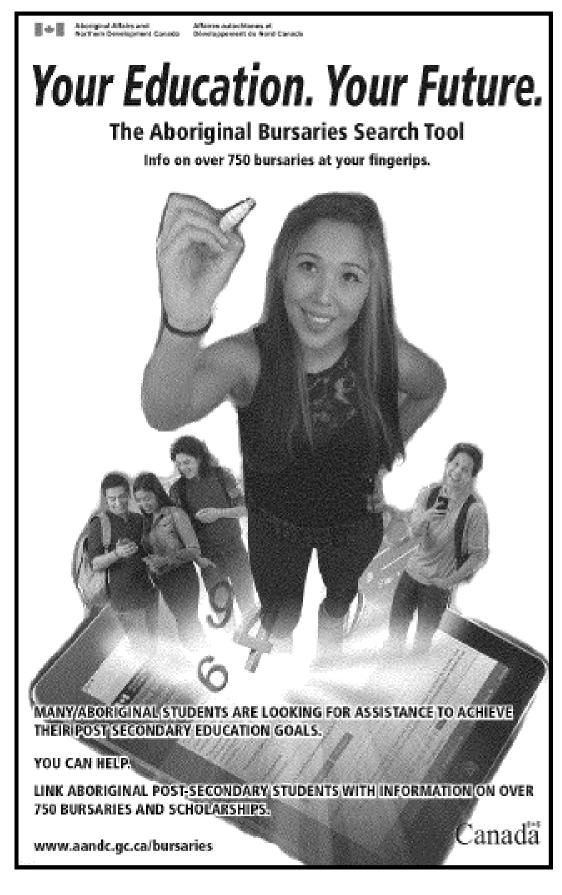
#### Please provide a cover letter, resume and references to the following address:

Missanabie Cree First Nation 174B Hwy 17B Garden River, ON P6A 6Z1

Or email to <a href="mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com">jmarkie@missanabiecree.com</a> or fax 705-254-3292

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Lesley Gagnon, Program Development Officer at 705 254 2702 ext. 226

## Opportunities



### **Membership Feedback Form**

#### Wachay, MCFN Members:

The purpose of this feedback form is to give membership an opportunity to provide comments, suggestions, and/or recommendations in a constructive manner for consideration by Chief and Council.

DATE: TOPIC/ISSUE:	
SUGGESTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:	
If more space is needed please feel free to attach extra sheets.	
NAME: ADDRESS/EMAIL:	
SIGNATURE:	

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## MCFN Membership

Our mailing list for the Bear Fax newsletter is being revised so that only one newsletter is sent to one address, and is part of an effort to reduce costs. However, if you wish to receive your own personal copy of Bear Fax, and you are part of another household, please send me a request and I will add your name to the mailing list.

Office Hours: Tuesdays/Wednesdays, 9 am to 5 pm.

Indian Status Card renewals will now be accepted from non-band members. A fee will be charged upfront for this service. Notices will be forwarded to local native organizations.

Members, please keep your address up-to-date, by filling out the change of address form below so you don't miss out on pertinent information regarding band business.

PLEASE NOTE: <u>I CANNOT RECEIVE ANY</u>
CHANGE OF ADDRESS FROM ANYONE ELSE;
ONLY FROM THE PERSON INVOLVED, the reason being, anyone can call in and report an address change without their knowledge. Please use the change of address form <u>below</u> and mail or fax it to Missanabie Cree First Nation or call or email Ted Ouellet.

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 Ted Ouellet at the MCFN Band Office.

Miigwech., Ted Ouellet



## MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM - - For Band Members

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

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#### CONTACT AND OTHER INFORMATION

#### MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION

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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.