



# Community Newsletter

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## Wachay! Fox Lake Ney-hwee-nee-no-wuk! O KI MA'S REPORT

Just as many of the animals prepare for Mother Earth to take a well earned winter rest by building up their food stores, the Chapleau Cree First Nation leadership is gearing up for a hard autumn push to move our community forward before taking a break over the holiday season.

In July, we completed a three-day canoe journey following the path our ancestors took from Chapleau to Racine Camp. This was an important way to show younger generations our way of life. We felt the presence of our ancestors throughout the entire trip.

Our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Pow Wow, pictured above, was a great success and I would like to thank everyone who came together to make it possible. The weather was cooperative and it was great to see so many youth participating in traditional dancing and teachings. Next year will be a milestone as we gather for the 25<sup>th</sup> year and celebrate our traditions together.

July 2017: Chief Keeter and Patty Ann Owl paddling on the Nebeskwashi River at the start of the three-day journey to Racine Camp. Chief Keeter was the only one on the trip who had previously completed the canoe route.



### *Chief's Report – Cont'd*

In August, Chapleau Cree came to an agreement with Dr. Doris Mitchell to build a clinic in our community. It will be located across the road from the Health Centre, which is why the playground equipment was moved to be closer to the outdoor rink. Our nation will be well served by having more medical services available in our community. This is also a business arrangement that will give Chapleau Cree ownership of the new building at no cost to the community.

I also attended the Treaty 1-12 Gathering in Taykwa Tagamou Nation. It was a wonderful gathering with many good speakers and Creefest entertainment. These meetings reminded me of the importance of never forgetting the substance of the Treaties and to keep in mind that Treaties are internationally defined as legally binding agreements between two nations.

I have been meeting with Goldcorp in our negotiations for benefits from the Borden Gold project. I have insisted we meet regularly, roughly every six weeks, to make steady progress. We hope to reach an agreement soon, which will need ratification from membership.

The Supplementary Treaty Land Entitlement process is moving forward. In the Settlement Agreement last year, the Government of Canada missed four date-of-treaty members that should have been included in our calculations. If they had been included, the loss-of-use payment would have been higher. When this came to light, Canada offered to make a supplementary TLE payment for the missing amount. We expect to receive Canada's official offer letter shortly, after which there will be a vote on whether we will accept this supplementary settlement. This is money that should have been included in the original settlement, so all the same information, processes and considerations will apply. More information will be provided when it becomes available.

“A single twig breaks, but the bundle of twigs is strong.” –Tecumseh



August 2017:

Left to Right: Regional Chief of Ontario Isadore Day, CCFN Chief Keeter Corston, and Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation David Zimmer meeting at the CCFN Band Office.

In September, I met with the Ontario Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation David Zimmer and Regional Chief Isadore Day at the Band Office. We talked about the Ontario government’s claim of working on a new relationship with First Nations. They recognize First Nation issues, such as water quality, and are looking to bridge the gap. I expressed the need for meaningful input – drafting and creating the policies that impact our people.

As we know, our native rights to trap and hunt for sustenance come with a responsibility to ensure animal populations are healthy. I humbly and respectfully ask members to refrain from shooting cow and calf moose to prevent further damage to the ecosystem. Enjoy your hunt and be safe.

Meegwetch,

*Chief Corston*

Chief Corston and Brad Mercier (Contractor) at the final inspection of the two new houses on September 12<sup>th</sup>.





# Racine Lake Canoe Trip

*From Chapleau to Racine Camp*

July  
2017



**“We are one with nature,  
with all that the Creator had  
made around us. We have  
lived here since time  
immemorial, at peace with  
the land, the lakes and the  
rivers, the animals, the fish,  
the birds and all of nature.”  
-Nishnawbe-Aski Nation**









## *Band Administrator Report*

*Sending everyone a warm hello to welcome the upcoming chill of winter.*

Administration has been very busy working alongside the various departments, government agencies and funders to ensure the services and activities we provide are meeting the needs of our members.

Administration has been working on our Housing and Administration Policy these past few months. This process is taking longer than anticipated as we are taking the necessary steps to ensure members and employees have an opportunity to share their concerns for consideration prior to accepting the new policies. Our housing policy will be made available on our website in the next coming weeks for those who would like to review and perhaps make some suggestions.

We are currently in the process of changing our application forms to a digital format. As these forms are completed we will upload them to our website for band members convenience. These documents are made available to our registered members only and you must have an account to access them. Please visit our website [www.chapleaucree.ca](http://www.chapleaucree.ca) for further information.

Our Public Works department has been busy with the regular maintenance and upkeep of all of our buildings and lands. The Public Works department works hand in hand with all of the departments to ensure their programs are running smoothly performing any manual labour when the need arises.

The Health Centre has had some major renovations completed this past summer. All of the work is complete and Maamwesying is now open to serving interested members. The Health Centre continues with programming and services for all our band members and their families. Please see the monthly community calendar if interested in participating in any of their events.

Our Education department was busy with recent graduates from Elementary, Secondary and Post-Secondary programming in addition to getting our students ready for another academic school year. Congratulations to all of our members who have graduated and good luck to those students who are continuing on with their education.

Economic Development continues to meet with our members monthly keeping them informed on current and future projects. Our Economic Development Officer, Patty Ann Owl, is currently on a modified work schedule and is available at Chapleau Cree First Nation on Mondays only.



Patty Ann Owl will return to her regular schedule work week the second week of December. Stephen Lee, Communications will assist with any projects requiring attention while Patty Ann is away on approved leave.

Our businesses, Pimii Kamik Gas Bar, Chapleau Cree Auto/Truck and Chapleau Cree Small Engines continue to operate during their regular business hours. Chi Bannoch has closed for the season, sadly a sure sign winter is on its way soon.

Administration continues to hold monthly meetings with our Managers and Staff. Information shared during these meetings allows us to better serve our employees and members of our First Nation. We have also installed suggestion boxes at various departments and encourage employees and members of Chapleau Cree First Nation to submit their concerns and ideas to administration in a confidential manner. Suggestion boxes are secure and are checked on a monthly basis.

Our summer student job training positions are now complete. We would like to thank all of our employees who joined us for the summer. We hoped you enjoyed working with our First Nation and wish you all good luck in your future career goals.

We welcome Kimberly Ruffo as she has recently joined our team. Ms. Ruffo's position is funded through Mushkegowuk Employment and Training. Welcome aboard Kimberly. We all look forward to working with you and making your training a rewarding and truly enjoyable experience.

Employee of the Month is in place to celebrate a co-worker who has gone above and beyond the scope of their job duties in the workplace. The following are the past winners, which are proudly posted on our website:

**June 2017:** Allan Dupuis, Manager – Public Works Department

**July 2017:** Amanda Domingue, Receptionist – Administration

**August 2017:** Lorelei Moreau, Finance Clerk – Administration

**September 2017:** Albert Lapierre, Mechanic – Chapleau Cree Auto/Truck

As required by the Ministry of Labour, we now have an active Joint Health and Safety Committee. The Committee meets once a month to ensure employees are safe and are following Ministry of Labour requirements. The Committee continues to do great work in ensuring all of our staff have the necessary training required to keep all employees protected and safe on the job.

Ontario First Nation Technical Service Corporation has been providing the necessary training for four participants in the area of Emergency Response Planning. This training is of great importance when it comes to Emergency Preparedness. With the recent natural disasters and extended power outages, the need for an up to date Emergency plan for our First Nation exists.

Our two homes are now complete and are ready for occupancy. Our new tenants Cheryl Cachagee, and Joshua Raposo are officially moving in on October 1, 2017. I would like to wish them and their families a warm welcome to our community.

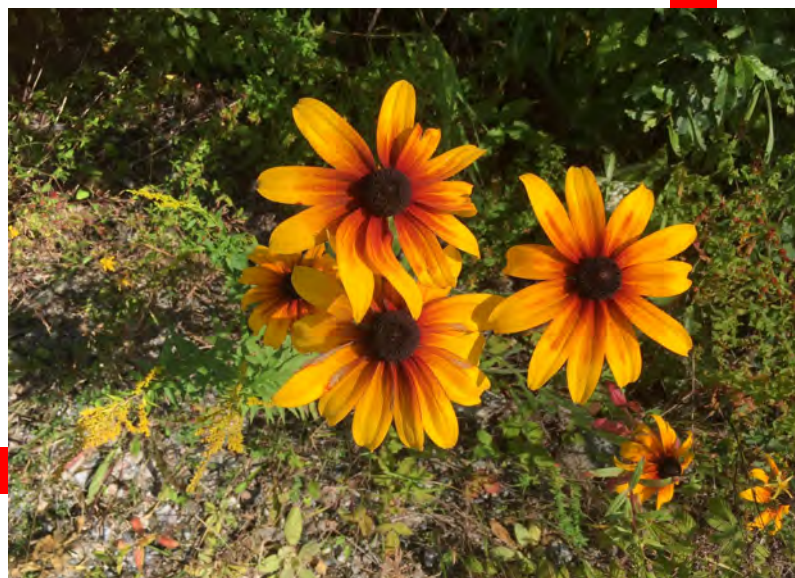
Mukeso House currently has a one-bedroom apartment available for rent. Rent is currently set as \$300.00 monthly plus hydro and satellite fees. Any band member interested in applying, please call the office for further information.

Construction for a new medical clinic has begun on Fox Lake Road. Dr. Doris Mitchell will be leasing the new building and has signed a lease with Chapleau Cree First Nation. We are also working on a joint venture with Dr. Doris Mitchell to use a portion of the new building as an exercise facility. Kristopher's Adventureland has been relocated to Cachagee Road and is conveniently located next to the outdoor rink.

Demolition plans for Kathy's Kitchen/Golden Route location is still in the works. We have submitted an application to cover the costs and are currently waiting for approval. Our second annual harvest is scheduled for October 12 – 15, 2017 at Racine Lake. Chief and Council continue to support this initiative to promote our cultural heritage with many of our teachings being facilitated by our own members and staff. This event is open to all of our members. Please feel free to drop in and join us in our activities. Once activities are finalized a schedule will be available on our website for interested members.

We are looking for volunteer members to sit on our newly developed "Social Committee". Anyone interested in sitting on this committee to help plan and coordinate social evenings, cultural harvest, Pow Wow and welcoming events, please call the office and leave your name with our receptionist.

*Edith Larocque*  
*Band Administrator*







**CONGRATS  
EMMA  
MORRISON**



**Miss Teenage  
Canada 2017**





## *Public Works Department & Water Treatment Plant*

Greetings everyone!

Winter is around the corner once again and it's time to finish up our summer projects and begin getting ready for the cold season. Our summer was busy and productive with many different projects. We recently said goodbye to our summer-time helper Hope Tangie-McWatch. She did a great job and we wish her the best in the future.

We also had another member join the team this summer; Tim Raposo. Tim has a contract position and is currently with us at Public Works. It's great to see young people interested in serving their community and I hope in the future more young people apply for these positions. These opportunities are a great way for our younger generations to not only help contribute to our First Nation but also learn new skills, receive important training and prepare themselves in a safe environment to one day enter the workforce with experience. I hope next year we see even more applicants for these positions and I encourage everyone to apply.

This summer we were involved with many community events. In June we had Aboriginal Day, July was the kids cultural camp and in August we hosted the annual Chapleau Cree First Nation Pow Wow. All of our events were a success and all staff, departments, and community members should be proud of the work that was

completed over the summer. There was a lot of work by many different people to make these events successful and I believe the results speak for themselves. Year after year our goal will be to build on these successes and create and host bigger and better events as a community.







Some of the other projects Public Works has been involved with this summer included installing new flag poles for our Chapleau Cree First Nation flags around the community, setting up the new community dock at Racine camp, laying topsoil at the new homes, building maintenance projects, helping to facilitate the remodel at the Health Centre, lawn maintenance and home health care projects. We have also received a lot of training and certifications. Some of the training we've taken includes Propane Safety courses, Chainsaw Safety courses, Competent Supervisor training, Water certifications, Fire Safety as well as various other Health and Safety training. We have been working hard

to ensure our employees are certified and trained for the work they are completing and focused on ensuring that work is being completed in a safe manner.

While there is still a lot of work that must be completed before the snow begins to fly I look forward to the fall and winter ahead. The seasons are changing just like the colours of the leaves. Fall is my favorite time of the year, cooler days and not so many bugs; a perfect time to be outdoors. The fall harvest is right around the corner and people are excited to fish, net, hunt and trap. I hope everyone takes the time to get out and enjoy the upcoming season before we're all stuck inside for another long winter dreaming about the first thing we'll do once spring is back.

I look forward to the next newsletter!

*Allan Dupuis*

*Public Works Manager  
Water Plant Operator*



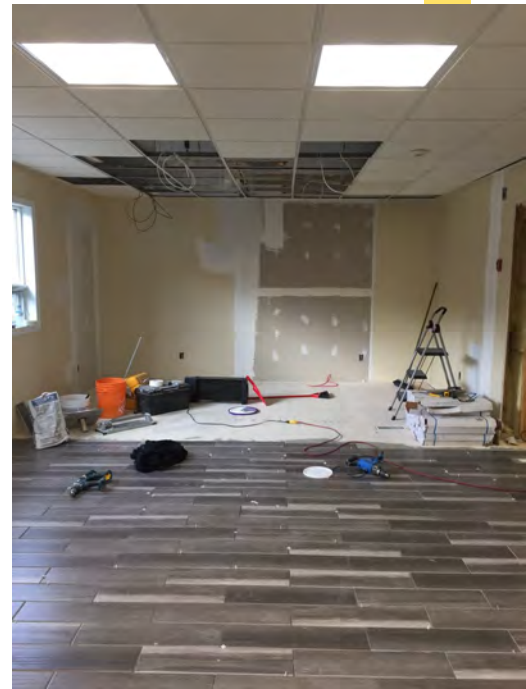
## *Health Department*

Greetings Band members,

As fall approaches we will see the temperatures drop, days become shorter and schedules become the mainstay of most of our lives. We are also busy with our fall scheduling and planning. Watch your mail for new and innovative programming coming in the upcoming months as well as many of our old favourites.

Renovations and updates to the health centre are nearing completion and although we have not had an official open house to date, we will be looking at having one to introduce the changes to the health centre officially in the coming months. However, if you are in the area please feel free to drop in and see the changes for yourself.

Our foot care program which has been very successful; had been put on hold over the course of the summer, since our Foot Care Nurse, Kellie has relocated and is no longer available. We anticipate this valuable program re-starting within the month of October and clients will be contacted with scheduled appointments. If you are not currently a client and require this service, please contact us to book an appointment.





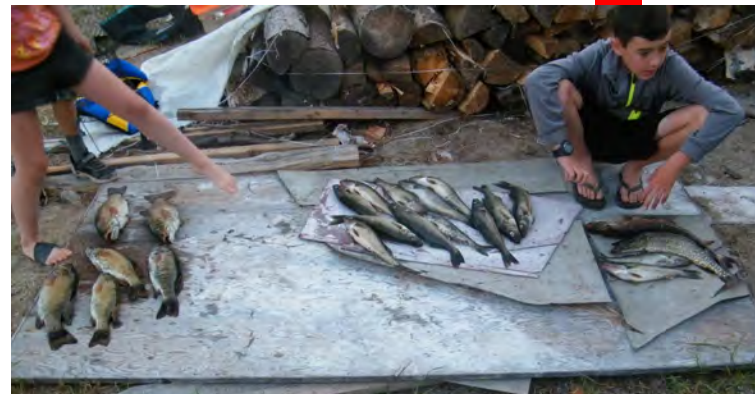
As we bid farewell to Kellie, Foot Care Nurse due to her relocation and Nicki, Custodian due to restructuring; we wish them the best in all their future endeavors and thank them for their dedication to our clients and staff.

The Youth Cultural Camp was well attended and a good time was had by all participants, we look forward to 2018. Stay tuned for some exciting changes to the format of this activity for the upcoming year.

We are also expanding the primary health care services, such as Nurse Practitioners, Dietician, Diabetic Nurse Educator, Behaviourist/Mental Health Worker, etc. available at the health centre in partnership with Maamwesying North Shore Community Health Services Inc. Drop in or call for more information on the services available under this partnership.

As a reminder if you require funding assistance under the First Nation Inuit Health Branch's (FNIHB) long distance medical transportation program; they will require a minimum of two weeks for application processing. For members within the Chapleau and surrounding area, please submit your requests directly to the Health Centre. For members outside our catchment area, please contact FNIHB, Ontario Region directly at 1-800-331-3921 for assistance.

*Peggy Domingue*  
Health Care Coordinator





# Youth Cultural Camp at Racine Lake

July  
2017



*Drumming with Phil Jones*



*Randi & Phil*



*Sandra Ruffo*



*Peyton Domingue*



*Maxim Thibeault*



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*Ryen Dupuis*



*Peggy Domingue*



*Simon Barsalou*





*Hallee Moreau*



*Little Anishnawbe-Kwe Singers*



*Ellia & Martina*



*Noah Raposo*



*Grant Lewis*



*Mark Raposo*



*Keenan Domingue*



*Martina Raposo*



*Ryen & Peyton*



*Maxim & Tanner*



*Evan Lewis*



## *Economic Development Report*

The Chapleau Cree Community Economic Development Officer is responsible for planning, managing and providing oversight for the activities and operations of Chapleau Cree First Nation Economic Development Program. The Economic Business initiatives include business retention, promotion, marketing and expansion. Responsibilities include the coordination of assigned activities with all other departments and outside agencies.

### **Economic Development Monthly Activity**

Prepare monthly reports, continue with administrative functions of Housing, Lands, Community Planning, Assist with ATR lands treaty settlement implementation team environmental monitoring and the development of Chapleau Cree Lodge eco-tourism planning initiatives.

### **Economic Development Activity/ Initiatives**

- Chapleau Cree Land Code Development; meeting preparation
- Chapleau Cree First Nation partnership Discussion with Milman Industries
- Chapleau Cree Traditional Canoe Trip Preparation and Participation
- ATR - Addition To Reserve Conference Call
- Attended Managers Meetings
- Mushkegowuk Economic Development Corporations Meeting - Timmins
- Chapleau Cree Lands follow up / meeting kit preparations
- Chapeau Cree Economic Community Dinners
- Chapleau Cree Lands Committee Meetings
- Land Use Planning Toolkit Training Toronto
- Chapleau Cree First Nation Treaty Implementation Meeting
- Chapleau Cree Lands Meeting – review of Land Code 1-22



## Current Files / Pending Approval and Approved

Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) - 840K pending

Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAC) - 450K pending (CORP /LEDSP)

Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern and Rural Ontario

(FEDNOR) - 900K pending

MAA - 100K (Marketing)

Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) - 200K Continued

Cultural relevancy

Jordan Principle - 60k cultural relevancy

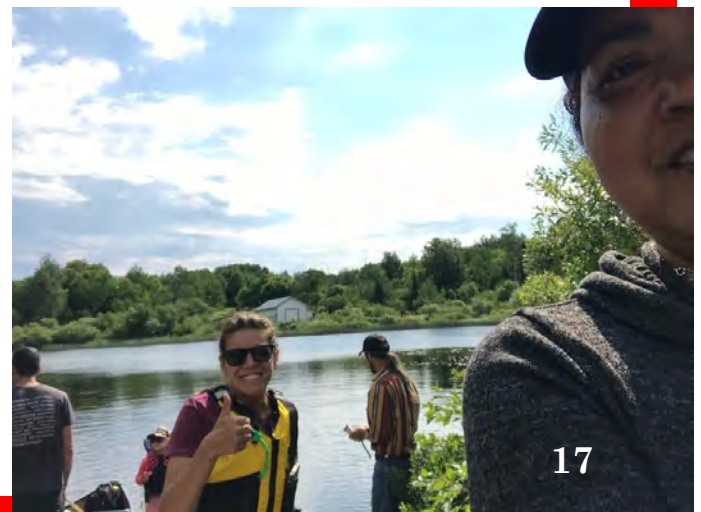
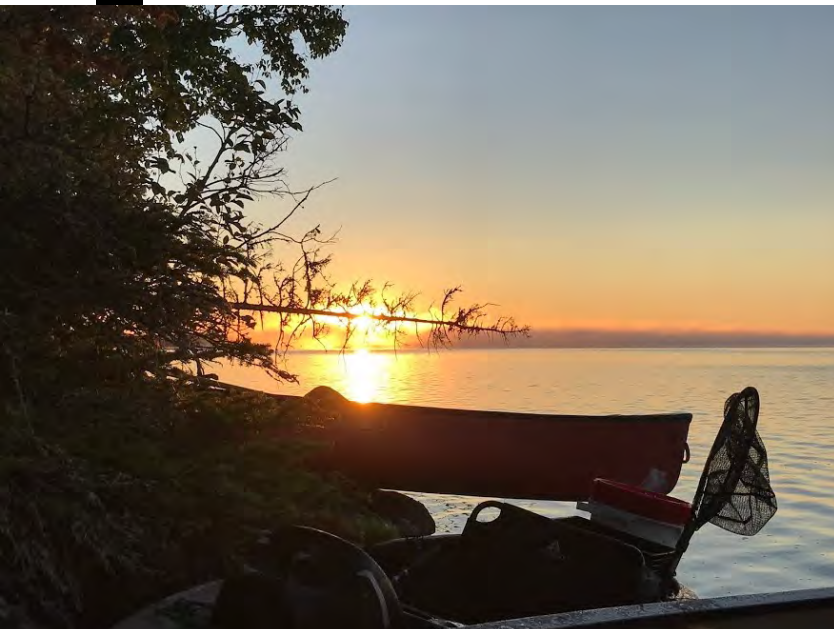
CCWW - 100K approved for community water planning

First Nations Market Housing Fund (FNHMF) - 60K - Housing policy amendment

First Nations Land Management (FNLM) - 75 K - Lands code Development

*Patty Ann Owl*

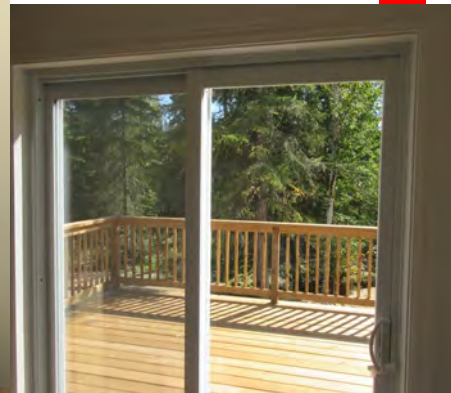
*Economic Development Officer*



# The Houses Are Complete!



New tenants Cheryl Cachagee, Josh Raposo and Hope Tangie-McWatch





**September 2017:**

Goldcorp releases water into the Borden Creek. Representatives of Chapleau Cree were on-hand observing the release.



# *You're Invited*

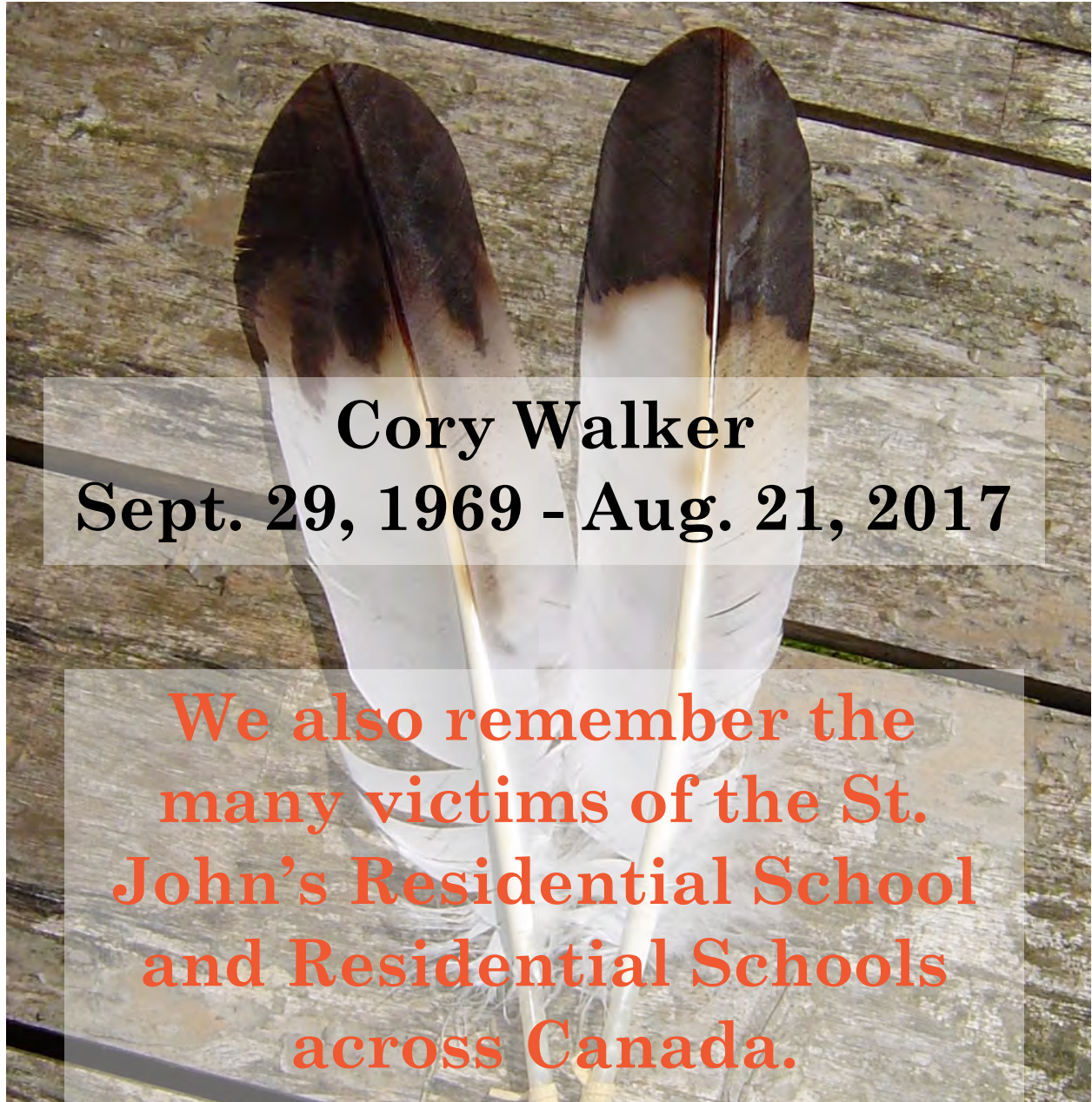
CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION  
WOULD LIKE TO FORMALLY  
INVITE YOU  
TO OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

DECEMBER 16, 2017 at 6:00 PM  
AT THE BAND COMPLEX  
SEMI FORMAL ATTIRE

*Please confirm attendance with Amanda Domingue at  
[reception@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:reception@chapleaucree.ca) or 705-864-0784*



# *To Honour Those We Lost*



**Cory Walker**  
**Sept. 29, 1969 - Aug. 21, 2017**

**We also remember the  
many victims of the St.  
John's Residential School  
and Residential Schools  
across Canada.**







**Chapleau Cree First Nation  
Annual General Meeting  
Saturday, November 4, 2017  
at the Band Office  
10:00 AM with lunch to follow**

# Kunuwanimano Community BBQ

August  
2017



Left to Right: Dakota Souliere, Kyle Corston, Patty Ann Owl, Chief Keeter Corston, Trudy Caldwell



24th Annual  
Traditional Gathering & Pow Wow

August  
2017



*Comedian  
Dustin Hollings*



*Members of the Domingue Family and  
Carol Hughes after Keenan and Peyton's  
coming out ceremony.*



*Little Anishinaabe-kwe &  
4 Eagle Whistle Women Singers*



*Potato Dance*



*Jingle Dress Dancers*





*Two-step dance*



*The giveaway*





# Education Programs



*We've Moved!*



**September 2017:**  
"Kristopher's Adventureland"  
has moved to a new location  
beside the outdoor rink.

This will help keep kids  
together as they play  
and will also make  
way for a new doctor's  
office at the former  
playground location.





## *Education – Stephanie Scott*

The new school year has begun; it is a busy here in the office. This year we are funding 15 full-time students for post-secondary studies.

Several projects have been funded under Indigenous & Northern Affairs Canada including; Reading Hour, After-School Homework Club (with tutor), Turtle Lodge Teachings, Youth Movie Night and Youth Bingo. Also, for the past few years the Education Department has given away free books to children from birth to 18 yrs old to promote literacy in the home.

Band Members can access Mushkegowuk Employment & Training Services (METS) which provides funding for individuals through a combination of programs and services with the goal of improving the applicants' employment skills to facilitate their entry into the labour market. Applications for funding are available at my office or via Clara Wheesk, Community Development Officer at 705-268-1150 or email [clarawheesk@mushkegowuk.ca](mailto:clarawheesk@mushkegowuk.ca).

METS provides funding for:

- \* Programs, courses and training opportunity of one year or less;
- \* Programs, courses and training that provide direct entry into the labour force;
- \* Course costs & materials, books & supplies, income support, travel, accommodations;
- \* Pre-Employment Support such as travel costs for interviews;
- \* Mobility – relocation costs for employment;
- \* Licences, certificates etc. needed for employment.

It is important to note that funding is limited and that the process may take six to eight weeks depending on the amount of funds requested. Applications are submitted directly to METS and not to my office. I work hand in hand with METS Community Development Officer to aid CCFN applicants in accessing funding for education and training purposes, often sharing the cost between METS and CCFN's RAMA Education Program (must apply to CCFN for this program) and Ontario Works (if applicable).

For those who would like a career in the trades, information on apprenticeship programs is available at [www.tcu.gov.on.ca](http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca). Apprenticeship funding for CCFN Band Members is coordinated between CCFN, METS, MTCU and Ontario Works (if applicable) to ensure that the applicant receives the best possible funding available.

*Stephanie Scott*  
Education Counsellor

### **Request:**

If you were funded through CCFN and have graduated, please forward a copy of your diploma to Stephanie at the Band Office by mail, fax or email.

# Info for Band Members on Nuclear Waste

Nuclear waste is left over when electricity is produced at nuclear power plants. This radioactive waste is hazardous for thousands of years.

The Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) is a non-profit corporation funded by Canadian energy companies to manage Canada's nuclear waste.

The NWMO is currently trying to choose between several locations for storing nuclear waste. The locations are Blind River, Elliot Lake area; Hornepayne area; Huron-Kinloss; Ignace area; Manitouwadge area; and South Bruce, Ontario.



When NAN reviewed the NWMO process in 2005 they found it went against the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) which says: “States shall take effective measures to ensure that no storage or disposal of hazardous materials shall take place in the lands or territories of indigenous peoples without their free, prior and informed consent.”

In response, Chiefs of the Nishnawbe-Aski Nation (NAN) passed Resolution 05/57 declaring NAN a Nuclear Waste Free Zone.

In 2016, Chapleau Cree First Nation requested and accepted funds from NWMO that will be used to inform band members about nuclear waste. Chief and Council also prioritized using these funds to promote cultural renewal through traditional activities and being on the land.



## *Membership Report – Stephanie Scott*

Bill S-3 went through its third reading with the Senate on June 21<sup>st</sup>, unfortunately the House of Commons did not vote in favor. The bill was sent back to the Senate with revisions. The Senate has since requested yet another extension and was denied by the original presiding Judge. It was appealed and granted a 5-month extension by a Quebec court giving them until December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

For those of you who have not been in Chapleau to collect your Treaty Annuity Payments, you may do so by completing the Treaty Annuity Payment form found online on the AANDC website <http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca> under “Benefits and Rights”. Scroll down and select “Forms”; the Treaty Annuity Payment form is the very last one listed. Send the completed form, along with a photocopy of your status card (front and back) to the Ontario-North Lands and Trust Services in Thunder Bay. The full address is listed on the form. It is important to note that you must submit this form every year to receive your payment. If you have not received a payment in a few years, they will issue you payment for previous years!

*What is the difference between the Registry List and the Band Membership List?*

<b>Registry List</b>	<b>Band Membership List</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Administered by AANDC;</li><li>* Added to Registry List when registered as a Status Indian;</li><li>* Entitled to all rights as defined under the Indian Act.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Administered by Chapleau Cree;</li><li>* Must apply to Chapleau Cree for acceptance into Membership if not registered at birth;</li><li>* Entitled to all rights as defined under the Indian Act;</li><li>* Eligible to vote in Chief and Council Elections;</li><li>* Eligible to vote in Referendums;</li><li>* Receive information packages, Newsletters etc from Chapleau Cree;</li><li>* Entitled to live/build on the Reserve.</li></ul>

If you have any questions on Membership issues, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Band Office.

*Stephanie Scott*

Indian Registry Administration



## *From the Archives*



1997 Bike Rally:

Left to right: Sarah Bernier, Stephanie Scott, Justin Ruffo, Amanda Ruffo, Becky Caldwell, Gordon Scott, Steve Domingue, Kevin Domingue, Glen Wesley

2nd Annual

# FALL HARVEST

at Racine Lake

OCTOBER 12-15, 2017



September is the launch of **Phase II of the Natural Resource Skilled Workers Survey**

- \* targeting 14 year olds and older to build a strategic database
- \* identify existing trained and ready for hire members
- \* identify what train to employ initiatives are needed to improve success for new hires.

**Website Launch** - [www.wahkohtowin.com](http://www.wahkohtowin.com)

The site remains under construction and feedback is welcomed.

**Moose Recovery Strategy - NSRCF**

The leadership of your Northeast Superior Regional Chiefs Forum have supported the ongoing development and implementation of the strategy for the Chapleau Crown Game Preserve.

Key drivers to maintain the population is applying the main principles of take only what you need and avoid harvesting cows. Chapleau Cree FN, Missanabie Cree FN and Brunswick House FN have all agreed not to issue any sheltering letters to individuals for harvesting Moose in the Chapleau Crown Game Preserve.

If you have any questions, please call David Flood at 705 622 9581.

*David Flood*

General Manager





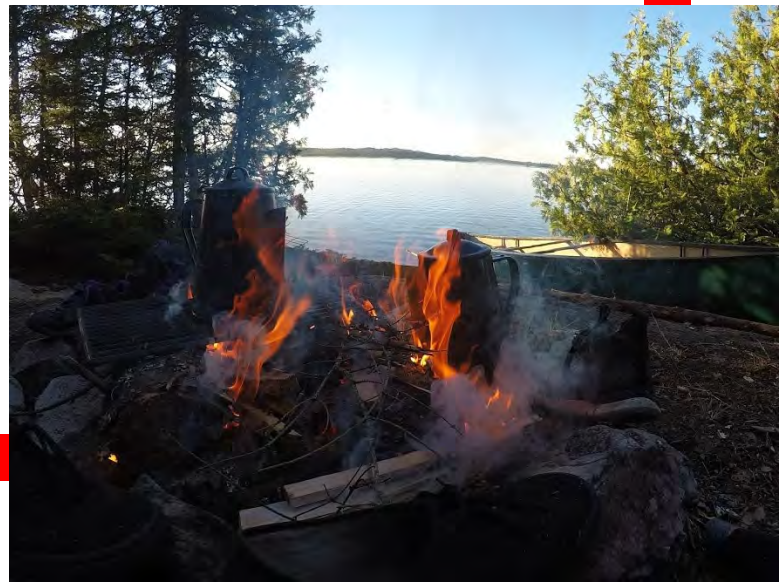
## *Culture and Family Well-Being*

Whachay whachay!

This is Kyle Corston with the CCFN culture update this October, or Rutting/Freezing Moon. As summer comes to an end, we transition into harvest season and get ready for the coming winter months. We had what seemed to be a short summer, with lots of rain and cloudy days; but it's been good for the Tree and Plant Nations, and for the Medicines out on the land. At present, we are getting ready for the second annual Community Fall Harvest, which will be held at the Racine Lake campground from October 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. The geese are flying, moose are getting ready to rut, and everyone is excited for the hunt! We hope to see as many community members attend as possible, with workshops and events planned throughout the 4 days and country foods out on the land as our ancestors enjoyed.

We had an eventful past few months, which started off with a renewal of the Turtle Lodge in the spring-time. Martin Millen assisted with the fasting and feasting of the Turtle Lodge bundle, as well as assisting Cheryl Cachagee who performed a water ceremony on Borden Lake. We were instructed prior to this, in an Ancestry Feast with Jules Tapas, that the ancestors were requiring us to perform a ceremony on Borden on a site where our ancestors used to camp a long, long time ago. Cheryl, with the help of Martin Millen, Dustin Van Horne, and Kyle Corston, made an offering to the lake which included tobacco and a copper vessel. Martin Millen also helped put together written protocols for the Turtle Lodge that are being reviewed by CCFN staff.

In July, we ventured out on our first annual community canoe trip. A group of 16 of us departed from the back river (Nebeskwasheshing River) in Chapleau near the "Indian Bridge", and canoed 35 kms to the Racine Lake campground. The resulting 3 days was an amazing and unforgettable experience for all who attended. As a result, we have since purchased 8 canoes and plan on a second trip for early next summer. The next journey will take us from the Racine Lake campground, back to the Chapleau River, and up to the Schewabik where we will have a cultural camp. Hopefully this will be an annual event, that will grow in attendance each year. We hope to see you all there!



Our powwow was a success this year, and I want to say “chi miigwetch” to all who helped and attended. Also in August, we held another Ancestry Feast, this time recognizing the summer season. This was a really great ceremony, which was attended by not only members of Chapleau Cree, but a couple staff members of Maamwesying, and a couple members from Brunswick House First Nation, which was really beautiful to see. Also, Malcolm McCormick of Maamwesying received a Spirit Name from Jules Tapas in a sweat ceremony. Congratulations Malcolm!

And finally, now that the cold season is returning, we will be returning with our regularly scheduled ‘Indigenous Movie Nights’ and Youth Drumming practices, that took a short break over the summer months. Please see the monthly calendar for schedules. Also, feel free to contact me at the band office at any time for any questions, concerns, or suggestions for upcoming cultural events.

Miigwetch, and good hunting to you all!

*Kyle Corston*

Cultural Coordinator



## How to Use the Members Only Webpage

**1**

go to  
[www.chapleaucree.ca](http://www.chapleaucree.ca)

**2**

click on 'Members Only'

**3**

fill out the  
'New User Registration'

**4**

Watch your emails for  
confirmation of your  
account

**5**

Log in on the 'Members  
Only' page using the  
password sent to your  
email

This part of the website will be used for sharing financial information, news, and forms with Chapleau Cree Band Members.



## **Dates to Remember**

**Community Fall Harvest**  
October 12-15, 2017 at Racine Camp

**Chief and Council Meeting**  
October 16, 2016 at 6 PM

**Community Dinner**  
October 25, 2017 at 5:30 PM

**Annual General Meeting**  
November 4, 2017 at 10 AM

**Remembrance Day**  
November 11, 2017

**Christmas Dinner**  
December 16, 2017 at 5:30 PM

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