



# CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION NEWSLETTER

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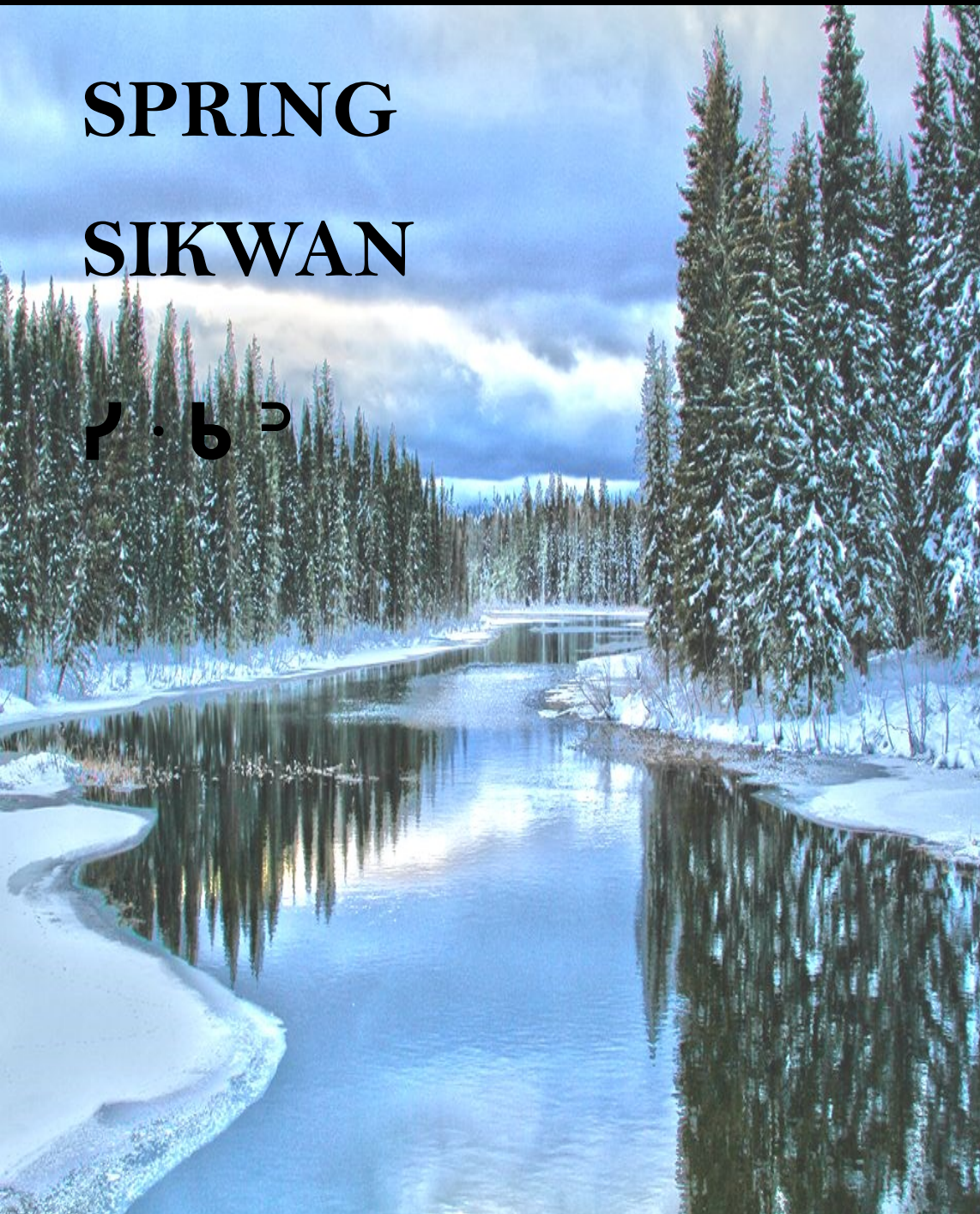
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*Wachay Fox Lake Neyhweeneenowuk!*

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# *Chiefs Report—Keeter Corston*

## **Wachay!**

Chapleau Cree stands tall and works together with their leadership and administration to functionally make decisions in regards to governance, resources management, the homelands, and the surrounding issues. Chief and Council work diligently in implementing and supporting community projects and development. I have been with the ultimate due diligence that I provide you with an update in this newsletter.

Once again, I would like to apologize for the timing of this newsletter. It is important to us all that we provide our membership with quarterly updates. However, it has been very busy these past few months with some changes in the administration office. As we move forward into the New Year we will get back to our regular schedule.

All six seasons (spring, blooming of the earth, summer, autumn, Freezing Up, and winter) bring different significances into our Cree culture. With spring, we are privileged to witness the rebirth of Mother Earth. During this time of year our ancestors would travel from their winter hunting/trapping camps to their spring camp. This is when the men would hunt Canada geese from their blinds, and the women would watch over the young and prepare the geese.

As you know, Chapleau Cree First Nations treaty land entitlement (TLE) claim reached settlement in 2016, and was ratified by CCFN membership on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. CCFN received a total of 9,884 acres of land that was owed to CCFN under the treaty from Ontario, and the money was approximately \$21.5M from Canada to compensate for the loss of use of land that CCFN should have had all along.

Shortly after the settlement agreement was ratified by CCFN (but before Canada's minister had signed it), Canada's negotiator informed CCFN that because of changes in policy, an additional four members were not accounted for. Due to the agreement already ratified, CCFN asked to address the possibility of additional compensation through a separate agreement. Canada agreed with the request. We have been working diligently, and continuously make progress at each negotiation. We hope to have everything finalized by the end of summer.

Chapleau Cree First Nation has partnered up with The CCS Group to provide us with access to funding for business planning, operations and business support. This funding will be used for development and construction for a variety of initiatives including development and renovations. We are looking forward to working with The CCSGroup in planning for the future.

Chapleau Cree F.N, Netamisakomik Anishinabek (Pic Mobert) First Nation, and Missanabie Cree F.N together own 30 percent of the Hornepayne dimensional lumber mill and co-generation plant. This business venture is a great opportunity for us to be able to manage the resources within our territories, and to ensure the integrity of our forests. We are investing here as an investment in our people, our communities, our lands, and our future.

This past fall, we had our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cultural Harvest. The turnout of this gathering was very successful. It is important for us to be consistent with our vision to get back on the land, and most importantly to get the youth involved. We must pass on the teachings we have gained throughout our years as the whole purpose of this harvest is to teach the youth.





We must show them how to respect mother earth, the land, the animals, and to only take what you need. Without the help of the volunteers, and those who attended to participate the harvest would not have been as successful. I would like to thank each one of you for your support! Meegwetch.

Mushkegowuk Councils main focus has been the Resource Revenue Sharing (RRS) project. Over the past two decades a 2 percent cap on funding (which amounts to a loss of \$30 billion to First Nation communities) has resulted in a very big hole of poverty and despair.

Our goal is to receive some of the revenues that Ontario collects from resource extraction or use. It is time for us First Nations people to be recognized as a government. We have been treated like second-class citizens for some time now. We must work together to recolonize and promote indigenous self-determination and self-government.

In closing, these past few months have been very active. These points provide only a snapshot of all the hard work being achieved. We continually work as a team for the benefit of our membership. As we plan for the future, the goals we are working towards reflect our values while moving our community towards sustainability.

I would like to wish everyone a happy spring season. It is a beautiful time of year, go out and enjoy mother earth.

Chi Meegwetch

*Chief Keder Corston*



# *Band Administrator Report - Edith Larocque*

*Spring, a season for new beginnings. May all of your blessings bloom!*

Chapleau Cree First Nation continually meet with various areas of governments, businesses and agencies to promote and advance the prosperity of our members while protecting their inherent rights and interest. As we move forward in day to day activities, our priority is to do our very best to serve and meet the needs of our membership.

I am very pleased to announce, commencing January 2018, our monthly Chief and Council minutes are available online for all of our members through our website. Please visit our website to register as this information is for membership only. For up to date information on daily, weekly and newsworthy information, please feel free to visit our website at [www.chapleaucree.ca](http://www.chapleaucree.ca).

Our personnel department has seen a few changes recently with Patty Ann Owl, Economic Development Officer, Stephen Lee, Communications, and Carole Lafreniere, Health Receptionist leaving Chapleau Cree First Nation. We wish them the very best in their future endeavors. Cheryl Dupuis has joined our team as our new receptionist at the Health Centre. I look forward to working with Cheryl and wish her success in her new position.

Training continues at Chapleau Cree First Nation in many areas. We are coming to the end of our training sponsored by Mushkegowuk Tribal Council and Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada for four of our employees. We have enjoyed working alongside our trainees and value their commitment and contribution to Chapleau Cree First Nation. CMHC has provided valuable training held at Brunswick House First Nation to our Public Works department Four employees have completed the Emergency Response training sponsored through Ontario First Nations Technical Services. Work has begun on updating our current plan. All of our employees continue to participate in monthly training making every effort to ensure our employee are working in a healthy and safe environment. Our Joint Health & Safety Committee consists of two manager representatives and two worker representatives.

Employee of the month is nominated by their colleagues and acknowledges those employees who go above and beyond the scope of their job duties. The following are past winners:

***October 2017: Lorraine Desormiers, Financial Programmer***

***November 2017: Connie Martin, Finance Clerk***

***January 2018: Allan Dupuis, Manager, Public Works Department***

***February 2018: Stephen Lee, Communications***



Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Traditional Harvest was held last fall with over 70 participants in attendance. Our harvest continues in the practice of our own band members sharing their knowledge and customs as well as inviting members from Mushkegowuk Tribal Council communities. Some of the activities included cooking a goose in our teepee, filleting fish, skinning a lynx and hunting partridge with our youth while teaching the safe handling of firearms. Our Traditional Harvest enjoyed hearty delicious meals prepared by Peggy Domingue.



Mushkegowuk Tribal Council was in attendance at an Economic Development dinner providing information on services being delivered for Chapleau Cree First Nation. Community Development Officer, Clara Wheesk explained training is available to all of our members and their families and further explained employer's offering training do not have to be a First Nation. Roxanne Metlin, Mineral Developer Advisor, explained the process and activities in mining exploration. Roxanne also provided information on the importance of making application to Ministry of Northern Development and Mines to identify areas of Cultural Significance for Chapleau Cree First Nation and members. Dakota Souliere, Environmental Steward, shared information on the activities and work being completed through her department. Dakota shared current environmental issues we are being faced with in our region and the negative impacts on our land and environment. Please see information included in this newsletter for further information.

We continue in the process of developing a governance manual for Chapleau Cree First Nation. Our personnel policy has been reviewed in depth by all of our employees and Chief and Council. Further work is required to ensure we have a comprehensive policy with the inclusion of all documents related to our personnel policy including job descriptions, confidential policy and all health and safety policy and procedures. Scott Flammand, Flammand Services, formerly Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, will be reviewing the recommendations and changes made in the housing policy with Chief and Council and the housing committee within the next few months. Once complete, a final draft housing policy will be presented to members to share their comments and/or suggestions.

Brian Ritchie has been hired as a consultant to assist in the development of an Investment Vehicle Terms of Reference policy in the management of our Resource Revenues. This policy will clearly define the process of disbursement and investment of revenues earned through natural resources, Joint Ventures and Impact Benefits Agreements and other revenue sources as identified in the policy. Upon completion the policy will be going out to members for ratification.

*Band Administrator Report—Cont'd*

Chapleau Cree First Nation is currently working on the Youth Cultural Camp, 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Pow Wow and 3<sup>rd</sup> Traditional Harvest this year. Please join us for these wonderful events. For further information, please see attached poster.

Dr. Doris Mitchell has officially opened her clinic on Fox Lake Reserve. The Sacred Tree Wellness Centre offers services to the Chapleau and community members on and off reserve. We welcome Dr. Mitchell to our community and wish her continued success.

Chapleau Cree Auto/Truck, Chapleau Cree Small Engines, Pimii Kamik and Chi Bannoch businesses continue to improve and generate business. Please feel free to drop by and visit our businesses at any time.

If you have any ideas of suggestions on changes or additions to our Newsletter, please feel free to contact me. For further information on any one of our projects, policies, or First Nation business I can be reached by email at [bandadmin@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:bandadmin@chapleaucree.ca) or telephone (705) 864-0784 ext. 226.

Respectfully Yours

*Edith Larocque*

*“The achievement of an organization is the combined efforts of each individual.”*

*Vince Lombardi*



## **CHI MEEGWETCH!**

*We would like to thank all the volunteers who participated in Zamboni Training. The time and effort put into maintaining the rink is greatly appreciated by families, friends, and most importantly our youth! We hope many memories were made this winter season*

*Thank you all!*

- *Allan Dupuis*
- *Robert Moreau*
- *Wade Cachagee*
- *Joshua Raposo*
- *Brandon Ruffo*



## The Twelve Moons

The Cree calendar did not start in January, a word we did not know. The new year began in the spring. We named the months (or moons) according to the annual cycle of life. The Cycle of Life is based on the cyclical cycles of nature that influences the lives of the Omushkego people. Each moon is named according to seasonal changes of the land and the activities of the animals on which the life of the Omushkego people is centered. The names of the lunar months illustrate nature's activity beginning from the Eagle Moon (new year) as it progresses into six seasonal changes and climaxing into the Great Moon (end of year). Traditionally, life of the Omushkego people was and still is engraved by the cycles of nature. This is best reflected in the Omushkego language. The Cycle of Life model outlines Omushkego history, kinship, geography, ecology, science, technology, and social organization. The new year of the Omushkego culture begins in the Eagle Moon. The weather turns and water begins to run from the muskeg to the rivers: a new cycle of life and renewal begins with seasonal occurrences on the land with the people. This cycle is completed in a month of the Great Moon only to begin into a new cycle.

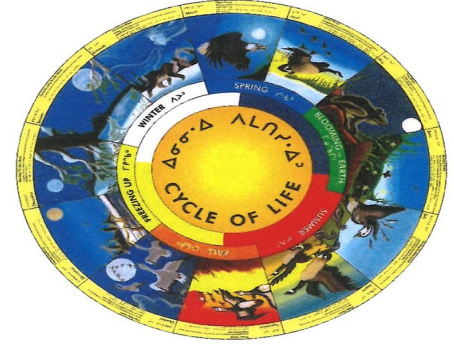
Living together in such small kin-based groups, we respected one another, helped one another, and trusted one another. This was our law. It was an ideal way to raise a child, who learned in an intimate, personal multi-generational extended family. It was experiential learning. It was learning through observation and story-telling. Sometimes there were challenges, but most of the time we experienced

**milo-pimaatsiwin / mino-pimaatsiwin**  
a good, satisfying life.

We lived this way for thousands of years, speaking our ancestral language and easily communicating with our neighbours, the Anishinaabeg to the south, the Eeyouch to the east. We had treaty relationships with our neighbours. Our word for treaty is naskumituwin (an oral agreement). A person's word, or promise, was considered sacred. We were part of a vast North American trading network, with certain goods being exchanged from neighbour to neighbour to neighbour. [http://www.mushkegowuk.com/?page\\_id=4008](http://www.mushkegowuk.com/?page_id=4008)

The Omushkego Cycle of Life model was illustrated by the renowned artist Richard Kamalatisit (1959 – 2008).

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May	Frog Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Aliiki-piisim or Amiiki-piisim
June	Budding Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Saakpaakaw-i-piisim
July	Moulting Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Opaskow-i-piisim
August	Flying-up Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Ohpahowi-piisim
September	Blue Goose Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Wehwew-i-piisim
October	Migrating Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Opimahaamow-i-piisim
November	Freeze-up Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Kashatiniw-i-piisim
December	Little Scattering Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Paapiwaachakinishish-piisim
January	Great Scattered-about Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Kishe-paapiiwaatakin-i-piisim
February	Great Moon	ᑭᑭᑭᑭ ᑭᑭᑭᑭ	Kishe-piisim



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O mushkego are the original inhabitants of the Omushkegowuk territory in northern Ontario. Their language and culture continues to exist in spite of increasing contacts with the larger North American society. The traditional hunting, fishing, trapping, and gathering way of life based on seasonal patterns of resource availability has been significantly replaced by a village economy. In addition, many of the problems facing Canadian society are becoming increasingly prevalent in the Omushkegowuk territory. The language and culture of the Omushkego serves to strengthen Omushkego identity, impart traditional values, and affirm Omushkego ways of knowing. These in turn lead to a greater awareness of the Omushkego individual's and community's role in Native and Canadian society.

The Omushkego Cycle of Life reinforces Omushkego cultural identity, who we are and where we come from, and the interconnection to the seasonal life cycles of the Omushkego people and communities. These life cycles are based on the six Omushkego seasons and how they affect the land, rivers, birds, animals, and plants that are indigenous to the Omushkego people. This model reflects our uniqueness and origin of the Omushkego culture, traditions, and activities, its historical development, family principles, and values.

### The Six Seasons

Unlike the four astronomical seasons, these six Omushkego seasons are not clearly defined by months but by seasonal changes in the environment. Consequently, the months recommended for each of the Omushkego seasons should be used as a guide only. Seasonal cultural activities are interactive processes best developed by responding to the cultural and language experiences of the students. Because values are usually transmitted in social and cultural contexts, integrating values with the six seasons enhances the cultural concepts and skills associated with them. These culture expectations, suggested as a guide for teachers, should be refined at the First Nation community level.

### SIKWAN Spring ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Spring brought warmer weather and longer periods of daylight. Sometimes spring lasted longer if the cold weather persisted. In spite of occasional periods of starvation and the potential for snow blindness, the arrival of spring provided much excitement for the Omushkegowuk. During this time of the year, the people moved from their winter hunting and trapping camps to their spring camps. Moose migrated inland to forested areas and caribou travelled to their breeding grounds. Men hunted Canada geese from their blinds. Women watched over the children, trapped muskrat, snared rabbits, and prepared geese. They prepared geese in many ways: roasted, smoked, salted, boiled, and stored in fat. Many children were born at this time of the year. Through cautionary stories or tales, children were warned about dangerous conditions present during spring and the blooming of the earth.

### MILOSKAMIN Blooming of the Earth ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

The blooming of the earth brought waterfowl nesting and laying eggs, the birth of moose, the sound of frogs, and the blossoming of plants and trees. Those families living inland trapped muskrat, beaver, and otter. In addition, families continued preserving meat and drying pelts. After the ice and snow melted, canoes became the primary mode of transportation on rivers and along lakes and bays. Men and women helped each other making canoes. One canoe carried a family and all of its possessions to their communities or summer fishing camps. The blooming of the earth was time to clean up, store winter tools and equipment, and begin preparations for summer.

### NIPIN Summer ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Summer brought a brief period of rest and relaxation in the coastal communities or at summer fishing camps along the bay. This was also a spiritual time of prayer and retreats consisting of Christian and traditional spiritual gatherings, sweat lodges, and drumming. Many social activities such as marriages, baptisms, feasts, dancing, and elections of leaders took place during summer. Shapotawans or teaching lodges were set up for telling stories. The most commonly eaten foods gathered during the summer were whitefish and trout caught in nets and geese preserved from the spring hunt. In late summer, men and boys would camp along the coast and hunt ducks. Women and children would collect low bush cranberries, blue berries, black berries, and moose berries during the summer and early fall.

### TAKWAKIN Autumn ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Fall brought frost and preparations for the winter hunting and trapping camps. For the Omushkegowuk, fall was a time of excitement in anticipation of future harvesting activities on the land. Waterfowl, owl, loon, spruce grouse, sharp-tailed grouse,

ruffed grouse, and willow ptarmigan were shot for food in the fall. Men and women caught fish in traps built along inland rivers, streams, and lakes. Caribou and moose provided other sources of food during this time. Women preserved food and prepared hides for winter clothing required for the long months ahead. Tools and utensils manufactured by men and women came from the environment around them. Once preparations were complete, families travelled to their winter camps or hunting and trapping areas before freeze-up.

### MIKISHAW Freezing Up ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Freezing up brought shorter periods of daylight. Travel was limited and would not resume until the rivers and streams were solidly frozen. During freeze-up, fish traps placed along rivers and streams caught fish returning from their spawning areas. Men began searching for beaver at this time. Trappers set nets for beaver in open water near dams or in smaller streams. In addition, the Omushkegowuk trapped small game animals, snared rabbits and foxes, and cut and hauled wood from the surrounding area. The preparation and preservation of food continued during freeze-up. Men and women constructed snowshoes for the coming winter.

### PIPON Winter ᑭᑭᑭᑭ

Winter brought extremely cold weather combined with heavy snowstorms and blizzards. During wintertime, the Omushkegowuk migrated inland to the shelter of forested areas near their hunting and trapping areas. Families trapped beaver and muskrat besides small fur bearing animals such as mink, otter, marten, weasel, lynx, and fisher. Trapped beaver and muskrat served as a source of food sources as well as a source of furs. Moose and caribou provided other sources of food. Ice fishing by angling or by netting was a common winter activity. Throughout the winter, women contributed to the food supply by snaring rabbits close to the camp. Periods of starvation occurred when game became scarce. Snowshoes supplied the primary means of travelling in the winter. Men and women wearing snowshoes pulled toboggans with hauling traces as they moved from camp to camp or checked their traps and snares. Life slowed for the Omushkegowuk and the animals on the land. Moose remained in one place; caribou and even fish reduced their movements at this time. Consequently, the Omushkegowuk often moved from camp to camp when the nearby resources were depleted or when a large game animal was killed far from camp. Winter was a time for teaching children and grandchildren the things they needed to know for survival. Increased activity by the Omushkegowuk and animals would resume with the return of spring.

~ The Omushkego Language and Culture Curriculum



# Chapleau Cree Frist Nation Annual Cultural Harvest 2017









## *Health Coordinator Report– Peggy Domingue*

Greetings to all band members. Spring as arrived in our area on the calendar only, as we are still experiencing some very cold mornings; however, these days beautiful blue skies are a common sight and one which is warmly welcomed.

We offer a variety of holistic wellness programs to focus on various populations. Everyone is invited to actively participate with a goal of improving their health by becoming involved in the wellness programs offered in our community. We urge everyone to get out and get active during the spring and summer months, which can have a multitude of positive health benefits.

Within the last fiscal year, we have hosted many activities to meet our mandate of holistic health which focuses on the mental, physical, spiritual and emotional needs of our band and community members. Our core funding from Health Canada and Local Integrated Health Network and Nishnawbe-Aski Nation fund program specific initiatives and services based on submitted program plans and work plans. Many other programs offered through the Health Centre are funded through proposal driven initiatives from various agencies, such as Nishnawbe-Aski Nation, Goldcorp, Nuclear Waste Management Organization, Health Canada, and the Ministry of Child and Youth Services.

As part of our transition from the Health Canada flexible funding model to the block funding model, we will be bringing in a third-party consultant to commence an asset mapping exercise and a needs assessment within our community. We will provide additional information on this activity as we commence this process.

A couple of notable activities we would like to highlight are the First Nations Student Nutrition Support Program (FNSSNP) and the Girls at Bat Suicide Prevention program. The FNSSNP provides a healthy lunch and snacks to our youth every school day throughout the year. Parent volunteers and Health staff partner up to purchase and prepare the lunch/snack bags for the on-reserve youth and help ensure this program remains a success in our community. This program is well received by the youth and families. The other program to highlight is the Girls at Bat Suicide Prevention program which is designed to empower the female youth in various First Nation communities along James Bay by providing training on hosting activities for all youth in their communities. The idea of the program is to provide mentors at the community level, national level and from the Jays Care organization to support and encourage the community youth to run healthy programming for all youth within the communities. Thus far this has been a very successful program, with many programs offered to hundreds of youth. Our youth participant, Amara Ruffo was selected by Jays Care to represent the program by making the first pitch during the Blue Jays game on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and offered an opportunity to record her traditional singing and drumming.





We have expanded and renovated the Health Centre to include an office area to welcome a new Primary Health Care Team from Maamwesying North Shore Health Services. They are available to our community on a weekly basis. On staff currently is a Nurse Practitioner, Case Manager, Behaviourist/Mental Health Worker, Diabetic Nurse Educator and Registered Dietician. We, Chapleau Cree Health Services partner with them on many occasions to provide specific wellness programs to our community members. We encourage everyone to come meet and participate in our combined programming. We are excited to be able to offer our community these services in conjunction with a referral process which can greatly enhance our programming.

With the new constructed medical clinic across the street from the Health Centre by Dr. Doris Mitchell; we are excited about the potential partnership opportunities to enhance health care within the community. This is an exciting and welcome addition to our community.

As a reminder if you require funding assistance under the First Nation Inuit Health Branch's (FNIHB) long distance medication transportation program; they will require a minimum of two weeks for application processing. For members within Chapleau and catchment areas of Timmins, Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury, requests can be submitted directly to the Chapleau Cree Health Centre. For members outside our catchment area, please contact FNIHB, Ontario Region directly at 1-800-331-3921 for assistance. Also included in the newsletter is the after-hours toll-free number for any medical transportation required outside of our service hours, as emergencies and medical travel are not always predictable.

As always, we enjoy seeing our clients at our activities, so come on out and participate and get involved in your community. Should you have any suggestions for future workshops or programming, please contact us, as we welcome your input.

*Peggy Dominique*







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# MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

ONTARIO REGION NON-INSURED HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM

To: Sioux Lookout Nursing Stations/Health Centers  
Chiefs and Councils/Health Directors  
Department of Indigenous Services Partners and Stakeholder

From: Cynthia Lucier – A/Senior Manager, Programs  
Sioux Lookout

Date: March 9, 2018

## Afterhours Toll Free Number 1-833-MED-TRAV (1-833-633-8728)

Effective March 9, 2018 the Sioux Lookout First Nation Health Authority will be providing Afterhours Support Services.

The Afterhours toll free number is available for clients requiring assistance with their NIHB Medical Transportation after the working hours of Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Saturday & Sunday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The available services include Accommodations (coverage/extension until discharge travel is arranged), meal vouchers, and ground transportation (taxi) to attend medical services.

To access the toll free number please call 1-833-MED-TRAV (1-833-633-8728).

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm Regards,

Cynthia Lucier,

A/Senior Manager, Programs

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**Please note:**  
Students must ensure to bring their medication with them. Camp staff will not administer medication to the students. In the event of an anaphylactic shock, the student will administer his/her own prescribed medication. Staff will immediately contact Security Services Emergency Line at Laurentian University or Lakehead University. Parents will be notified of any occurrence.

**Protection of Personal Information:**

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine protects your privacy and your personal information. The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of the Letters Patent of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine dated November 15, 2002, and in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of the Privacy Act. Personal information collected by the School is used for the purposes of determining eligibility and qualifications for the CampMed as well as to comply with funding and reporting requirements. Users of this information are the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and applicable funding agencies. Please direct any questions about this collection to Director, Admissions and Learner Recruitment, Northern Ontario School of Medicine, 955 Oliver Rd., Thunder Bay, Ontario, P3E 2G6, and Telephone: 1-800-461-8777.

Please note that the activities of CampMed are delivered in English. However, our bilingual staff and learners encourage a Francophone friendly environment.

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(Street) (Town/City) (Province) (Postal Code)

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (optional field):  Male  Female  Other

Languages spoken:  English  French

Self-identified Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, or Inuit)?  Yes  No

Preferred Location:  Laurentian University, Sudbury  Lakehead University, Thunder Bay

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

School Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to NOSM's Health Sciences Summer Camp in previous years?  Yes  No

Have you attended the NOSM's Health Sciences Summer Camp previously?  Yes  No

*\*Please note that preference will be given to students who have not previously attended NOSM's Health Sciences Summer Camp.*

Would you like to be considered for possible funding opportunities to cover your registration fee, accommodation, and/or travel costs?  Yes  No

Please outline any health, dietary or accessibility needs below, including allergies (environmental/food): \_\_\_\_\_



**Section II**

Name of Parent/Guardian (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Alternate Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Emergency Contact Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give permission for the named youth to attend CampMed at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your completed application form to:

Northern Ontario School of Medicine  
CampMed Coordinator  
Toll Free: 1-800-461-8777 ext. 7198  
Tel: 705-662-7198  
Fax: 807-766-7368  
Email: [campmed@nosm.ca](mailto:campmed@nosm.ca)

**Please note:**

Students must ensure to bring their medication with them. Camp staff will not administer medication to the students. In the event of an anaphylactic shock, the student will administer his/her own prescribed medication. Staff will immediately contact Security Services Emergency Line at Laurentian University or Lakehead University. Parents will be notified of any occurrence.

**Protection of Personal Information:**

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine protects your privacy and your personal information. The personal information requested on this form is collected under the authority of the Letters Patent of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine dated November 15, 2002, and in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of the Privacy Act. Personal information collected by the School is used for the purposes of determining eligibility and qualifications for the CampMed as well as to comply with funding and reporting requirements. Users of this information are the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and applicable funding agencies. Please direct any questions about this collection to Director, Admissions and Learner Recruitment, Northern Ontario School of Medicine, 955 Oliver Rd., Thunder Bay, Ontario, P3E 2G6, and Telephone: 1-800-461-8777.

**Section III**

Due to our limited enrolment, please tell us why you should be selected to attend CampMed by answering all of the following questions:

1. In 250 words please list two activities that you spend time doing outside of school and why participate in those activities.
2. In 250 words, please explain why you are interested in Health Sciences?
3. In 250 words please describe the two most important/interesting things that someone should know about you?

Please attach the essay to your application.

**Section IV**

Please ask your education director, teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or a member of the community/organization in which you are an active member (coach, music teacher, supervisor of volunteer activity, etc.) to submit a reference letter. Ensure that your reference provides comments on why you should be considered for one of the limited spots at NOSM's CampMed.

Reference Information:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number (daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

Please include the reference letter with your application.



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## *Cultural Coordinator Report—Kyle Corston*

Whachay Chapleau Cree!

First of all, I am happy to report to everyone that it seems that winter is finally coming to an end. Believe it or not. This year had seen some frigid temperatures, and I have absolutely no doubt that everyone is eager to see the warmer and longer days arrive.

We ended the fall season last year with a successful community harvest out at Racine Lake. Our second annual community harvest, we had great weather, excellent food thanks to Peggy Domingue, and lots of activities for all ages. The highlight though, no doubt, was having Tamara Weeks' granny show us how to pluck and prepare a goose, sigabon-style in the teepee! Slow roasted on a string over a fire with the goose fat dripping into a pan, sigabon is absolutely amazing and is literally making my mouth water just thinking about it right now. Our ancestors truly ate well. Kitchi-miigwetch Tamara and Kookum for the teachings!



Over the winter, we also held several sweats and other ceremonies. The first Sun Dance meeting for the Loon Lodge Sun Dance, run by Sun Dance chief Martin Millen, was held at our Turtle Lodge in January. We had approximately 25 attendees attend this ceremony mostly from up the James Bay Coast. Many dancers were there to pledge their commitment to the Sun Dance Lodge over the next four years, as Sun Dancers. Among them was Canadian writer Joseph Boyden and his family, who was very impressed with the Turtle Lodge and our little community. Also in January, we had elder Cheryl Little-tent (wife of late Kirby Little-tent from Saskatchewan) conduct sweats and teachings on traditional parenting and women's roles. We had several members from Brunswick House attend these ceremonies, and it was really good to see our cousins from up the road join us in the Turtle Lodge.

With winter coming to an end, and spring approaching, so does the renewal of new life. For Cree people, the transition into the new season is greeted with the return of the goose, or niska, to our territories. I was speaking to Counsellor Jim Fletcher the other day, and we both think it would be a great idea to once again try and organize a spring goose hunt, possibly near Sideburned Lake, in the very near future. The spring and fall goose hunts are huge events in Cree country, and although we don't live in ideal 'goose country', we will try our luck this year at trying to call them in and we encourage any members who are interested in helping or joining in to contact me at the band office as soon as possible.

Other events we are anticipating are the second annual canoe trip, which this year will take us from Racine Lake to Schewabik Lake. We will be continuing our voyage up the Kebashwashishing River, approximately 35km's from Racine to Schewabik, over four days while harvesting and telling stories on the land. Last year we purchased eight kevlar canoes and camping gear to facilitate this year's trip, and we hope to fill each of those canoes (and possibly more) with participants this year, so please call the band office to register as soon as possible! We will be leaving Racine Lake Campground the morning of July 3<sup>rd</sup> and will be picked up at Schewabik Lake on July 6<sup>th</sup>.





And finally, this year we will be hosting our 25<sup>th</sup> annual powwow. We want this year to be BIG, and are hoping to get as many vendors and dancers as possible. Posters and calls for vendors have already been sent out, with more incentives and larger prizes this year to draw a larger crowd. Also, vendor fees will be waived this year. If any community members have ideas for this year's powwow, or if they would like to sign up to volunteer and help out, feel free to contact me at any time.

And as always, I am available to questions, concerns and comments about how we can run this 'cultural renewal' program together into the future. Feel free to drop in at anytime, or to send suggestions to [culture@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:culture@chapleaucree.ca) or by phone at 705-864-0784.

Miigwetch!

*Kyle Corston*





# **CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL COMMUNITY CANOE TRIP**

**“Reclaiming the Paths of Our Ancestors”**

## **July 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**From Racine Lake to Schewabik Lake, this year’s canoe trip will continue our voyage up the Kebesquashishing River. We will begin from our camp on Racine Lake and make a four-day voyage to the Schewabik (approx. 35kms), with storytelling and traditional harvesting along the way, retracing our ancestor’s waterways. Please contact Kyle Corston or Dakota Souliere at 705-864-0784, or by email at [culture@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:culture@chapleaucree.ca) or [dsouliere@mushkegowuk.ca](mailto:dsouliere@mushkegowuk.ca), for information and to register.**







**Chapleau Cree First Nation  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pow Wow  
August 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**CALLING ALL FOOD AND CRAFT  
VENDORS!!!**

**\*No Registration Fee!!!\***

**\*First 10 out-of-town vendors to register  
will receive two free nights accommodation!\***

Contact: Kyle Corston, Cultural Coordinator, at 705-864-0784 or [culture@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:culture@chapleaucree.ca)





# *Water Treatment Plant & Public Works Department*

## *Report - Allan Dupuis*

### *Hello everyone!*

We are nearing the end of another winter in the north and the spring season is right around the corner. The snow seems to always keeps us busy and this year has been no different. Our time is spent over the season doing snow removal, maintaining the roads and businesses, clearing parking lots, driveways, and aiding in the home health care services for elders. We have also been completing maintenance duties and repairs throughout the season and helping out all departments with various events and programs. We even helped get Santa to the Chapleau Cree Christmas Party! The fishing derby was also a great event with tons of participation and we look forward to being a part of all the great festivities planned for 2018.

The water plant has been running well with only a few minor mechanical issues over the winter. Our upgrade project has been pushing forward. A new well was drilled and tested in November. We expect to use this well as our main production well once the upgrade is complete and our current well will be used as our backup well. I look forward to sharing more project updates in the next newsletter!

Our upcoming challenges include dealing with the snow melt and cleanup. The sand pit will require some organization and attention after hauling sand out of it all winter. We have an upcoming spring cleanup for the residents of Chapleau Cree First Nation. We will also be working on maintenance issues that could not be completed over the winter months.

It's almost time to put the snow season behind us and I'm looking forward to the warmer sun, the longer days and the freedom that spring brings us. It's almost time for camping and fishing and being back out in the woods. Lots of us will be cutting firewood and making fires, being on boats and ATVs. Spring is a great time to be outside so let's all get out there and enjoy it. Be safe everyone! I look forward to the next newsletter.

Public Works / Water Plant Manager

*Allan Dupuis*





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Fox

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Niska - "Neis Kah"



Rabbit

Wabush - "Wah bush"



# *Chapleau Cree F.N. Annual Kids Fish Derby*

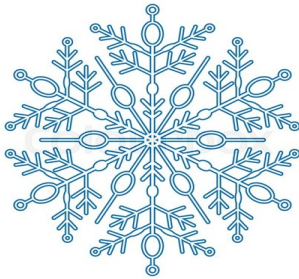
Chapleau Cree First Nation's 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Fish Derby was another fun-filled success with the help of many volunteers, generous sponsors, and 60 enthusiastic youngsters! Children from Chapleau Cree and surrounding communities gathered on Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> and fished with friends and family on Fox Lake.



Everyone enjoyed the sunny skies, hotdogs and chili, hot chocolate, and laughs around the fire. As always, each participant left with a prize thanks to our generous sponsors. Without the generous support of sponsors and the involvement of the community this event would not be possible. Next year Chapleau Cree First Nations 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Fish Derby. We hope to see you again next year!



*Janelle Moreau with her 15 1/4 inches prize winning Pike!*







*Gracie Sanchioni holding her 2nd place 13 1/4 inches northern pike!*





## *Education Report - Stephanie Scott*

This year we are funding sixteen full-time students for post-secondary studies. Post-Secondary Student Support Program (PSSSP) has increased the funding for First Nations and will be continuing looking at better ways to help our scholars achieve their goals. The guidelines for PSSSP have also been revised for the new fiscal year 2018/19;

- Expanding eligible expenditures to include transcript and application fees.
- Allowing students more time to complete their programs of study, by removing or adjusting limitations on duration of financial assistance.
- Providing greater flexibility for students who wish to pursue more than one certificate or degree program.

These changes will make a huge difference in helping members that wish to pursue a second career and/or enhance their current field of education.

Ministry of Education revised the curriculum of Social Studies/History as part of the Truth and Reconciliation calls to action 62 and 63. Starting September 2018, teachers will not have the option, it will be mandatory to include Indigenous History in the classroom for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students. Grade 4 will cover Before Common Era (BCE) with each grade covering an era all the way to present day in Grade 10.

During the March break, Education and Health partnered for a Youth Trip to Cochrane and Timmins. The youth visited the Polar Bear Habitat in Cochrane where they learned about conservation and the importance of taking care of the land to keep not just our self and the land safe but also our 4-legged friends. During the trip the youth also went swimming at Tim Horton's arena, tubing at Kamiskotia Ski Hill, bowling, laser tag and took in a movie during one of the evenings. The youth look forward to these trips every year, getting out of town and spending time with their friends in the community and of course always learning something new.

A 17 week Underground Hard Rock Common Core training program has started in Chapleau at the Borden Gold Mine site. There are five intakes total this year the 2nd intake is now full for the end of April. There are now accepting applicants for the 3rd intake, which will begin early June. If any band members are interested please contact myself at the band office or Clara Wheesk at Mushkegowuk Council in Timmins for possible funding grants.

As a friendly reminder to all of our graduates funded through our Education program, please forward a copy of your diploma(s) to this office (via mail, fax or email).

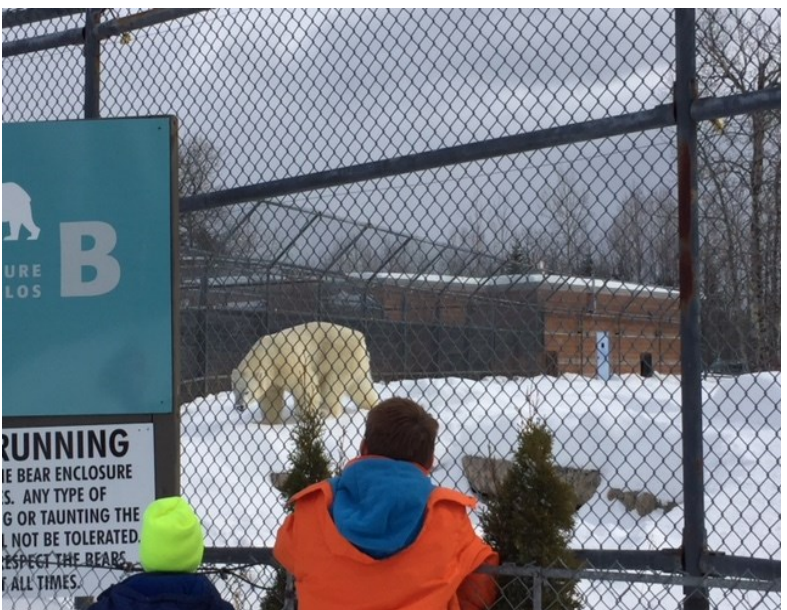
*Stephanie Scott*

[education@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:education@chapleaucree.ca)

Ph: (705)864-0784

Fax: (705) 864-1760







## *Membership Clerk—Stephanie Scott*

Registration under Bill S-3 now has its own application on the INAC website, <https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1517234884318/1517234905525> . I will have applications available in my office and will be contacting members with children may be fit the criteria for registration.

You may be eligible if:

- your direct female ancestor (mother, grandmother, great-grandmother; not aunt) lost Indian status when she married a non-Indian before April 17, 1985 or
  - you have a direct female ancestor, born out of wedlock between September 4, 1951, and April 16, 1985, to an Indian man and a non-Indian woman or
  - your direct ancestor lost Indian status as the result of their mother's marriage to a non-Indian man between September 4, 1951, and April 16, 1985 or
- your direct ancestor lost Indian status as the result of a successful protest of their status due to their non-Indian parentage between September 4, 1951 and April 16, 1985

The Bill has also included,

The Minister must, within six months after the day on which this Act receives royal assent, initiate consultations with First Nations and other interested parties in order to address, in collaboration with those First Nations and other parties, issues raised by the provisions of the Indian Act related to registration and band membership, including consultations on

- (a) issues relating to adoption;
- (b) the 1951 cut-off date for entitlement to registration;
- (c) the second-generation cut-off rule;
- (d) unknown or unstated paternity;
- (e) enfranchisement;
- (f) the continued federal government role in determining Indian status and band membership; and
- (g) First Nations' authorities to determine band membership.

The Minister will be required to submit a report on the progress of consultation within 12 months and within 3 years after the Bill. Minister must also review the provisions of Bill S-3 to determine if any sex-based inequities still exist.

### **Reminder**

Members are reminded to call or email in their change of address as soon as they are able. If a return notice is sent by the Post Office, your mailing address will be removed until the office receives the updated address. Please contact the band office 705-864-0784 ext 227 with your change of address or email me at

[education@chapleaucree.ca](mailto:education@chapleaucree.ca).



### **Treaty Payment Day**

Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> ~ 12:30 to 1:30 ~ Chapleau Cree Band Office

Please bring your Status Card.

Third Party pickups are no longer permitted although a spouse can collect for a spouse and parents can collect for their children under 18 years of age and still living at home.

### **Out of Town Band Members**

Out of town Band Members can collect their Treaty Payments through the mail by completing The Treaty Annuity Payment Request Form which is available on the Chapleau Cree website [www.chapleaucree.ca](http://www.chapleaucree.ca) or the AANDC website [www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca](http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca). Send your completed form, along with a photocopy of your Status Card (front and back) to the Ontario-North office in Thunder Bay.

Ministry of Finance proposed regulatory changes of Ontario's Gas Card Program. The province is looking to discontinue the Ontario Gas Card and have the **Federal Issued** Status Cards used as proof of entitlement for gas exemption. The old laminate style status cards will not be eligible for gas exemption. These changes are being proposed to take effect in 2019, Chapleau Cree will keep you informed via website and through newsletters.

Indian Registry Administrator,

*Stephanie Scott*



# SUMMER HOURS

*CCFN summer hours will begin on May 7th, 2018 through to October 5th, 2018*

**Office hours:**

**Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 5 pm**

**Friday: 8 am - NOON**



## CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION Economic Development Information Dinner February 26, 2018



Roxanne Metlin – Mineral Development Advisor

### Mineral Development Advisor – AKA Mining Exploration Advisor

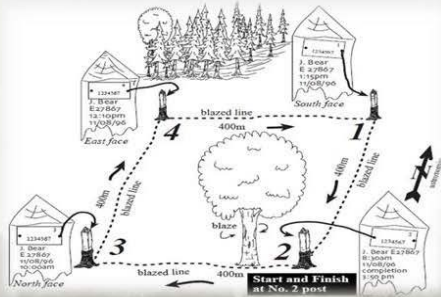
#### Roles and Responsibilities

- ❖ To assist the member communities in processes of the Mining Act
- ❖ Support capacity needs in Mining Act consultation and related processes
- ❖ To liaise with MNDM and industry proponents
- ❖ Receive and review notices of proposed early exploration activities (claims, plans, permits)
- ❖ Communicates community response on potential impacts the proposed activities may have on Aboriginal or treaty rights
- ❖ Regulated timeframes does not coincide with the time frames required by the First Nations. **(15 day response – 30 day Plan – 50 day Permit)**



# MINING ACT MODERNIZATION

## MINING LANDS ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM (MLAS)



### BENEFITS

- Eliminates physical staking; limited field work prior to exploration plan or permit
- No boots on the ground until consultation has occurred and a plan or permit issued
- Reduces potential issues arising from explorationist's on the land without community engagement

### NOTIFICATION

- Immediate notification to potentially impacted First Nation community of new mining **claim registration**
- **Opportunity** to begin engagement and consultation before exploration activities
- Chance for First Nation to provide comments/concerns to Ministry in advance of exploration activities

## Conversion of existing mining claims to cell claims and boundary claims

**LEGACY CLAIMS**—existing mining claims under current staking process.

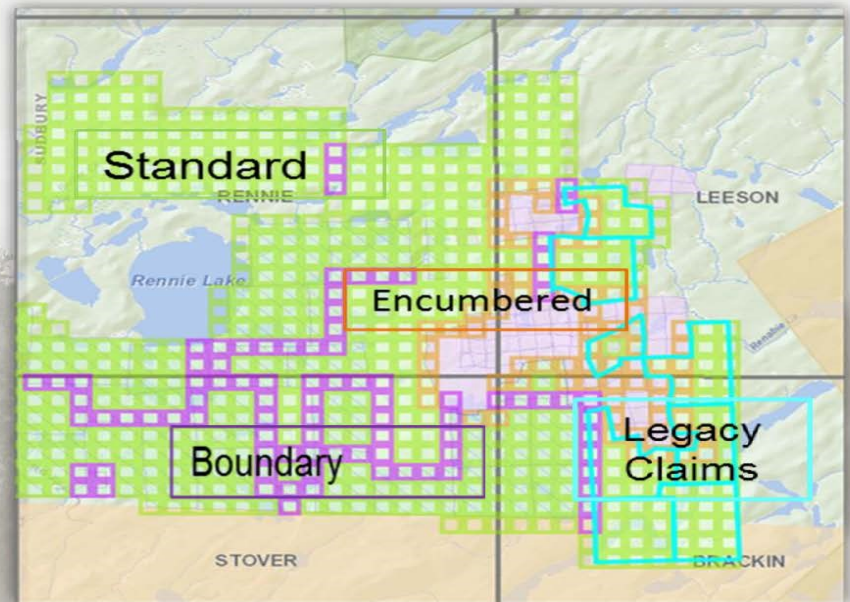
ALL active legacy claims will be automatically converted into the cell based claims

**BOUNDARY CELL**— a cell on the provincial grid, which as a result of legacy claims, contains one or more boundary claims

**BOUNDARY CLAIM**— two or more legacy claims held by different claim holders convert and are located in the same cell. The legacy claims within this cell become boundary claims and the cell becomes a boundary cell.

**ENCUMBERED CELL**— not fully available due to other restrictions on the land, such as:

- ◆ First Nation Reserve
- ◆ Provincial Park
- ◆ Mining Rights ONLY Leases, Surface and Mining Rights Leases
- ◆ Mining rights ONLY Patents, Surface and Mining Rights



Online Staking  
Mining Lands Administration System - MLAS

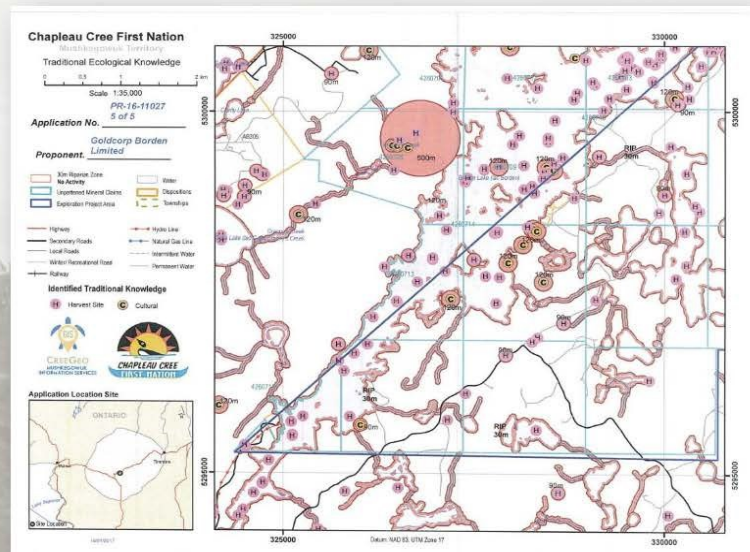


## CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION TEK VALUES MAPPING

Recommendations are not considered until exploration has reached the PERMIT STAGE.

It is important that MNDM and proponents consider TEK values as early as claim staking stage and meet with First Nations to better understand the protection boundaries/buffers recommended

A meeting should take place between the First Nation and proponent to clarify what the community's expectation is for TEK protection.



**It is recommended that Proponents meet with First Nations as early as possible for ALL Activity.**

### Recommendations which should be stated on the Granted PERMIT

- ❖ The project sites are within hunting grounds for membership, therefore, NO ACTIVITY should take place from September 1- November 30 (spring hunt)
- \*There are concerns of reactions from local wildlife ranging from enhanced vigilance, panicked flight and possible death.
- ❖ Because this is a high use area of members and has great potential for cultural value, it is important that the proponent replace and re-contour any areas of overburden that have been disturbed to promote natural vegetation in a timely manner
- ❖ That there is NO ACTIVITY in the 30m Riparian zone (except when the ground is frozen)
- \*A 30m protection be surrounding all riparian
- ❖ How will the proponent access the site?
- ❖ Will there be a report to ensure the proponent has done minimal damage to the land in the area of activity/concern?
- ❖ Will there be a site visit to ensure the proponent is compliant.
- \*Requests that the MDA be informed and invited to site visits.
- ❖ The Proponent shall notify the community and Mushkegowuk Council MDA two weeks in advance of start up and one week in advance of completion
- ❖ A suitable buffer needs to be in place and agreed upon by the First Nations for the identified cultural area
- \*CreeGeo has recommended minimal protection buffers surrounding all TEK.
- ❖ PLANS and PERMITS being submitted at the same time; recommendations and holds can only be considered at the PERMIT stage. If there are concerns, (and timelines play a factor) the PLAN moves ahead resulting in affects on the land in anticipation of a granted PERMIT.



# APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER WITHDRAWING A SITE OF ABORIGINAL CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Applications need to be submitted BEFORE a claim is made

If not...

Work can be performed by the proponent

CLAIM–proponent can work on the land as per claim


PLAN – 30 day response;

proponent moves forward with work (2 YEARS)

PERMIT- 30 day response up to 50

days if there are concerns that can be discussed and conditions implemented. Permit granted (3

YEARS)



## Application for an Order Withdrawing a Site of Aboriginal Cultural Significance

for the purposes of Mining Act, Section 35

**General Purpose**  
Lands that meet the criteria prescribed in regulations to the Mining Act as a site of Aboriginal cultural significance are eligible to be considered for withdrawal to protect them from prospecting, staking, sale or lease. Communities who wish to have lands considered for withdrawal should consult the applicable regulations and Policy and complete this Form, including all required information and documentation.

**Part 1 – Aboriginal Community Information**

Aboriginal Community Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Band/Reserve Number (if Applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information** (Please provide name and address of the person that MNDM will directly communicate with for the purpose of this application)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address  
Unit No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Street No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rural Route: \_\_\_\_\_

PO Box: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town/Reserve: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: ON Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number (if available): \_\_\_\_\_ Email (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2 – Size and Geographic Description of the Site**

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ hectares (Only sites which are not larger than 25 Hectares are considered for the purposes of this application.)

Filed Location (Please ensure that a map or GPS coordinates of the site containing sufficient information to plot a polygon on CLAMaps for withdrawal is attached to this application.)

Have you attached info of the site as described above?  Yes  No

GPS Coordinates: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 3 – Nature of the Site**

Please provide a detailed description of the lands for which the community is seeking a withdrawal order, particularly as it relates to how the site is associated with the community for social, cultural, sacred or ceremonial reasons or because of its traditional use by that community, according to Aboriginal traditions, customs, practices or beliefs. The Ministry is seeking information both with regard to the size and significance of the lands to the community but also the process by which the community has identified these particular lands. (Attach any written submissions.)

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**Supporting Documentation** (Please indicate any documentation you are submitting in support of this application.)

Testimonials (written or audio/video recorded) as to uses and significance to the community collected from elders, land users or other community knowledge holders.  Historic references in secondary materials to the site and its uses and significance.

Transcripts of oral history and stories pertaining to the area identified.  Photographs of the site and particular features.

Existing reports or land use studies that document the site.  Surveys, current or historic, of the site and its features, and

Documentation created for other purposes (land claims, mapping projects, archaeological studies, etc.).  Other ministry or agency designations or protections afforded to the same site.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please ensure that a copy of the supporting document(s) indicated above is included with this application.

**Part 4 – Community Support** (Applications must be supported by the community as a whole, as evidenced by appropriate documentation. Please indicate supporting documentation attached to this application.)

Band Council Resolution  Community Council Resolution  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Please ensure that the Band Council Resolution or the Community Council Resolution indicated above contains the following acknowledgement:

"The community understands that:

- an application is being made requesting the withdrawal of certain lands as a 'site of Aboriginal cultural significance' under the Mining Act, and the community has reviewed and approves of the application and information being submitted in support of the application;
- the application may be subject to disclosure request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA), RSC 1980;
- An order issued withdrawing the site shall be made available for public inspection under subsection 35(2) of the Mining Act."

**Part 5 – Confirmation**

Personal information collected on this form is obtained under the authority of sections 35 and 178.2 (1) of the Mining Act. This information will be used for the purposes of processing the application and to communicate with the aboriginal communities and/or the named Contact Person in that regard. Any information on this form is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA), RSC 1980. Questions about this collection should be directed to the Aboriginal Relations Branch, Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 553 Ramsey Lake Road, Sudbury, Ontario P3E 0B9, telephone 1 888 415-9845.

I confirm that the above information and attached documents are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Community Contact  
Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (yyyy/mm/dd): \_\_\_\_\_

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Please visit us at [chapleaucree.ca](http://chapleaucree.ca) for Roxanne Metlin– Mineral Development Advisors full presentation.

## Chapleau Cree First Nation Soar into the Mushkegowuk Cup



The 11th Annual Mushkegowuk Cup Hockey tournament took place in Timmins the weekend of February 16<sup>th</sup>, and the Chapleau Cree Ravens made their inaugural entry for the Pee wee Competitive division. When parents from the Fox Lake Reserve could not find teams for their children to play on as pick up players, a last-minute effort was made to pull together a team of their own. With the support of Chapleau Cree First Nation, and commitment by players and parents, they had their little team of 10 skaters and 2 goalies, with the furthest pick up player secured from Whapmagoostui in Quebec. The odds were against them early on as they ended up with a schedule of 3 games on Friday and lost one player to the flu and another one was injured during the first game. With a majority of first-year Pee wee players, they persevered and ended up in 2nd place after the round robin. After an intense semi-final game win against the Moose Cree Scrappers they were off to the finals. The Ravens ended the weekend off with a flawless team performance and a 4-2 victory over the Waskaganish Wings to bring home the Gold. Congrats Chapleau Cree Ravens! We are proud of your performance and a special thanks to the community who supported the team's fundraising efforts.



*Photo (left to right): Jaxon Cachagee, R J Knapaysweet, Colten Lane, Lacey Pilon, Robert Moreau, Martina Raposo, Noah Raposo, William Chewanish, Clay Lane, Hallee Moreau, Evan Crawford, Michele Martineau, Riley Bernier, Justin Martineau, Wade Cachagee*





*To Honour Those We Lost*

*Alexander Shawanda*

*June 20th, 1938 – October 28th, 2017*

*Stephen Garfield Mercier Sr.*

*May 31st, 1975 – October 22, 2017*

*Richard Joseph Potts*

*July 27th, 1952 – January 18th, 2018*

# *Economic Development Update*

## **Golden Route**

The deadline to submit a Phase 2 application to NOHFC (NOHFC File No: 8410592) has been extended to May 28, 2018. Details of what must be developed for the application are attached.

An application was submitted to the Trillium Foundation looking for Seed funding to work with community members to develop the plan for Golden Route. A decision on the funding is expected June 22, 2018.

## **Clean Water and Wastewater Fund**

The agreement for this funding (\$78,861.00 + CCFN Contribution) has been amended for all participating communities to extend the deadline for spending the grant until March 31, 2020. Chapleau Cree is working with Peter Luce and Lisa Johnson of S. Burnett & Associates on this project. The plan was to create a community development strategy however a work plan needs to be developed and presented to council for approval.

## **Addition to Reserve (ATR) Implementation Committee**

Meeting of the ATR Implementation Committee (INAC, MNRF, CCFN, OKT) are ongoing.

## **Aboriginal Community Energy Plan**

Peter Luce and Sarah Luce visited our community in February to discuss the draft Energy Plan to Deputy Chief Jim Fletcher, Councilor Brad Corston, and staff. Chapleau Cree is providing additional information on our energy usage and planning to have a more final draft presented to the community in April 2018.

## **Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)**

Chapleau Cree has requested to be on the list of communities that receive funding for a housing internship. Details will only be available after April 1, 2018. If Chapleau Cree is interested in building additional Section 95 homes and Expression of Interest must be submitted in early April.

## **New Relationship Fund-Core**

Chapleau Cree has been working with the Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (MIRR) to secure \$90,000 in core capacity dollars. Schedule A and B require approval by Council. The intention is to use the funding to hire a Lands Planning Director who can oversee lands issues, government and industry liaison, and land projects (ie Sideburned Lake property).

## **Housing Innovation**

Chapleau Cree will use the remainder of these funds to set up housing software that will make housing files easier to manage.

## **First Nation Land Management Act (FNLMA)**

A meeting of the Lands Committee is being planned for late March or early April to review the draft Land Code e at OKT. Having a Land Code in place is a requirement to having increased control of reserve land and the FNLMA funding for a lands department.



### Market Housing

Chapleau Cree is working with Scott Flamand to move through the process of being able to build market-based homes on reserve. Chief and Council's approval of Schedule C and the loan policies will be required.

### Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO)

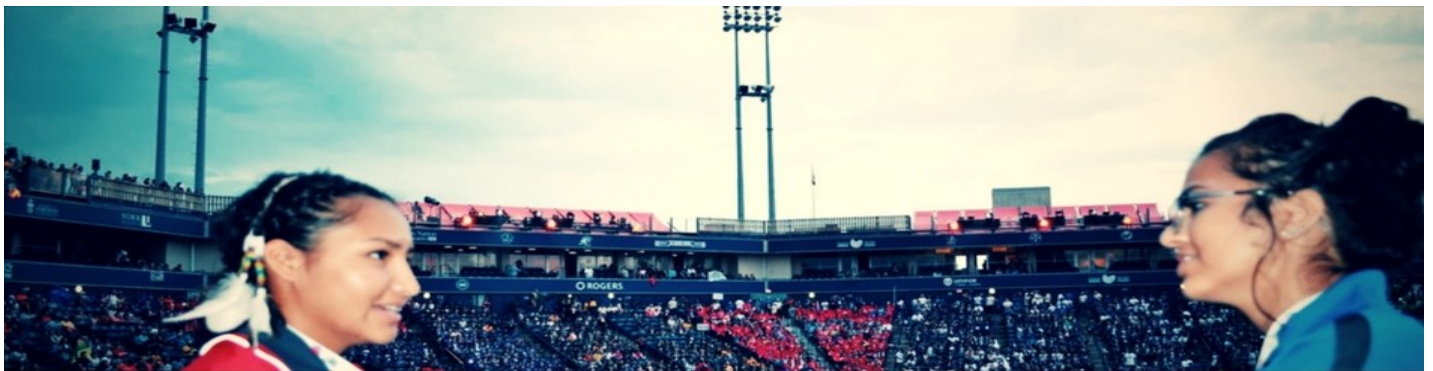
An application to NWMO's Aboriginal Partnership Program was submitted on March 7, 2018. Chapleau Cree requested \$200,000 to fund increasing awareness of nuclear waste and priority projects at Racine Camp.

### Broadband Project

First Nations and municipalities in the area are studying broadband in an effort to increase access to high-speed internet. An initial letter of support and up to \$4,000 will be needed to be included in the first stage of the project.

### Mining

The Economic Development Dinner in February featured a presentation by Roxanne Metlin of Mushkegowuk Tribal Council. She explained the new online system that will be used to stake mining claims all across Ontario. If there are lands that Chapleau Cree would want excluded from mining activity they must be identified before they are claimed by submitting a request to the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.



### Katia Paypompee

In summer 2017 Katia participated in Northern Aboriginal Indigenous Games (NAIG). She made top 6 in 400 m and 800 m, and 4th in the 4x400 relay in Track and field.

### Congratulations Katia!



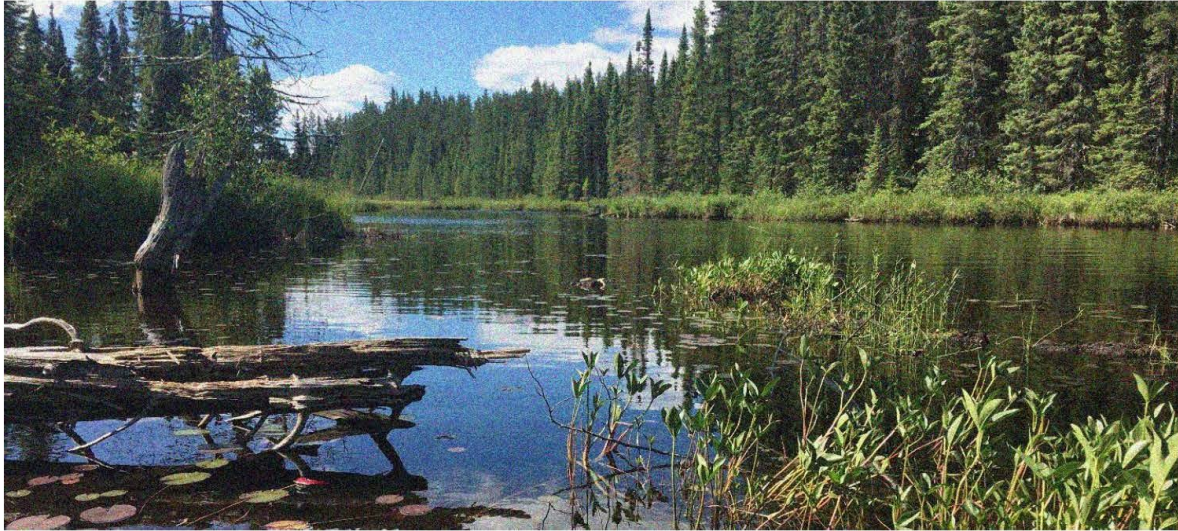


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## CHAPLEAU CREE FIRST NATION

# Climate Change Community Engagement



### Presenting:

Dakota Souliere, Ontario Climate Change Action Plan & Ontario's Cap and Trade Program  
Natasha Martin, Available Funding through Climate Change programs  
Dr. David Pearson from Laurentian University, Climate Change Impacts and adapting to Climate Change  
Barb Duffin, Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Western Science  
Jennifer & Jack, Ontario Geological Survey and the Proposed Airborne Geophysical Survey  
Ed, from Ministry of Northern Development and Mines

David Flood, The duty to consult is a legal requirement that arises when the Crown contemplates action or decision regarding Natural Resource Extraction (mining, forestry, etc.) that may affect Indigenous Treaty Rights. (Dinner Presentation 5:30)

Date: April 16<sup>th</sup> 2018

Time: 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

Place: Chapleau Cree Band Office (downstairs) 828 Fox Lake Road

Lunch will be provided and booths will be set up, for you to explore.



For further Information please contact Dakota Souliere,  
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# *Upcoming Events*

**May 14th - 18th, 2018:** Audit Week

**June 20th, 2018:** Treaty Payment Day

**June 21st, 2018:** National Aboriginal Day

**July 3rd - 6th, 2018:** Chapleau Cree First Nations 2nd Annual  
Community Canoe Trip

**July 9th - 13th, 2018:** Youth Cultural Camp

**August 15th -16th, 2018:** Keewaywin Conference

**August 10th - 12th, 2018:** Chapleau Cree First Nations  
25th Anniversary Pow Wow

**October 15th - 21st, 2018:** 3rd Annual Cultural Harvest  
(Tentative Dates)

**For more information on upcoming events, visit us at [chapleaucree.ca](http://chapleaucree.ca)**

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