



ATIKAMEKSHENG  
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**JULY 2020**

Monthly Newsletter

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Hannah Morningstar,  
Photo supplied by  
Jennifer Petahtegoose



## Gimaa & Council

**GIMAA MIINWAASH EGIIGIDOOWIJIG**

### **GIMAA VALERIE RICHER**

Aanii Kina Wiya,

It has been a pleasure and an honour to serve as Gimaa for Atikameksheng for the last two years. I look back and see the incredible amount of work that we have accomplished as a Council and I am so thankful to have worked with such a dedicated group of people. It wasn't always easy, and we didn't always agree but we held respect for each other and always maintained our commitment to do what we thought was best for our community. I have such deep respect for each of the Councillors that I have served with and will always be proud of the work that we did together. I truly believe that at the heart of every decision we made, was for the benefit of our community.

I also know that none of this work would have happened without a dedicated team of people behind us in our administration. None of the ideas that Council brought forward would have ever seen the light of day without our staff to carry it out. When I first took office, Directors, who were already over-worked were trying to function as a management team but much of their work was suffering and there was no coordinated front without a (Chief Executive Officer) CEO to lead the way. In addition, some of the central services, like our finances, were operating unchecked and we suffered the consequences of this. Our Finance Department was so dysfunctional that we had to bring in an external team to try to trace what had happened in order to meet our reporting requirements. Unfortunately, we also found theft and this charge is still being pursued through the criminal justice system.

In addition, despite best efforts by staff, communication to the community was sporadic and only happened when necessary and as a result the community was suspicious about what work was happening. While I know all of our problems have not disappeared, we have made great strides and I am happy to report this is no longer the case. Our Communications has vastly improved and we now have monthly newsletters, social media sites and a member's only portal where we live stream band meetings and post band minutes. We also have a new process whereby community members are asked to update their own contact information on our website through the Member's Portal.

We have also turned our Finance Department around and built a strong team of professionals and we are now in a position to know exactly what is happening with our finances and can forecast and plan based on priorities as a government should be doing. We have a finance committee that operates according to our Financial Administration Law and they regularly report to the Directors and to Council.







## Gimaa & Council

**GIMAA MIINWAASH EGIIGIDOOWIJIG**

And to save the best for last, none of this would ever be possible without the support and love of our community to guide and direct us forward. The success highlighted in these pages is really attributed to all of you and our successes should be shared equally because we have all had a role in moving us forward.

One of the best decisions our Council made, was to hire Brendan Huston as our CEO. He has worked tirelessly for our community and it is through his dedication and long hours that these good practices have been put in place and are now being followed. However, I know he didn't do this alone. I want to thank him and his team for all of their hard work and dedication to our community. It wasn't an easy job but somehow, we turned this ship around and we did this together!

As a result of having a strong administrative government, we can and should continue to separate the work between political and administrative functions. Council should be setting the direction, but they should not be interfering in how this work gets carried out unless there is just cause to interfere. This separation between political and administrative functions also means that the only employees of Council are currently the CEO and the Executive Assistant to the Political Office. In our current structure, all other employees report to the CEO. In separating our political and administrative functions, our government can grow and flourish and Council can focus on our political front and their roles as leaders. I believe we now have a good, strong and stable bureaucracy that needs to be supported. Under a 4-year term as specified in our new election code, we are well on our way!

I want to thank each and every person who works for Atikameksheng for all that you do for our community. It is this team of people that work day after day to help make our community a better place. Without you, we would not be able to carry out our plans and our dreams would never be realized.

Miigwech Atikameksheng and I can't wait to see what the next 4 years brings!





## Department Updates EZHWEBAK

### Education & Social Services

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The Education and Social Services Department would like to say Chi-Miigwetch to Jennifer Petahtegoose, Portfolio Counsellor for your continued dedication, support, guidance and leadership that you have provided our department over the past 2 years.

An update on the Child & Youth Program Centre is anticipated to be completed around October 20, 2020. A Groundbreaking Ceremony will to be scheduled in the next month or two, this will after the clearing of the site.

#### Mijiim Support Program Update

Since we've started this program on April 1, 2020, the program has provided 355 food box requests. The intent of this program is to ensure that our families and member has access to food safely while reducing risk of contact.

On May 18, 2020 the Mijiim Support Program had a visit with Eric White from CBC Radio which aired on Friday May 19, 2020. The link is below is you wish to find it and have a listen.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/atikameksheng-food-program-pandemic-1.5618683>



### NOTICE TO ALL VISITORS AND RETURNING RESIDENTS

If you are traveling from outside North Eastern Ontario, you need to isolate for 14 days before visiting with family and friends in Atikameksheng. This includes people that travel outside the area for work.

Outside of North East Ontario is: East of Mattawa, South of Parry Sound, West of Thunder Bay

If you would prefer, you can get a COVID-19 test (2 or 4 days to get results). 48 hours after negative test and being symptom free you can visit with family and friends.

If you are planning to return to the community after being outside of North Eastern Ontario please contact our COVID Coordinator Julia at [covid@wfn.com](mailto:covid@wfn.com) or 705 918 6752.

**Be responsible. Spread the word and share the knowledge. We want to keep the community safe.**





# Department Updates

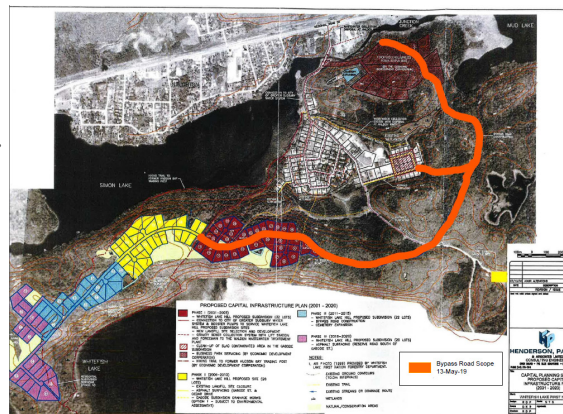
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## Planning & Infrastructure

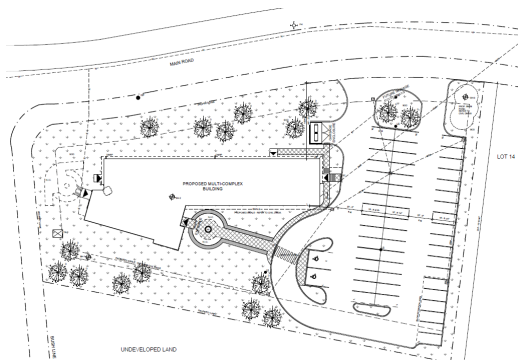
### NIIGAAN-NAABIING

The Planning & Infrastructure Department has some updates to share with the community:

- The border control at the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek bridge has been dismantled as of June 20, 2020. This situation will be evaluated regularly, and the border can easily be restored in the event of an increase in health risks to the community or COVID-19 transmission rates in the Greater Sudbury area.
- On June 23, 2020, Gimaa and Council lifted the restriction on the hours of operation of the stores and have allowed the retailers to resume regular operations after July 1, 2020.
- The Chalet and Reserve Camp will be available to rent as of July 13, 2020. Renters must follow the COVID-19 protocols that have been put in place for each building.
- Atikameksheng Anishnawbek was approved for funding in the amount of approximately \$4.9 Million through the Investing Canada Infrastructure Program – Rural & Indigenous Stream. This funding will allow us to construct a by-pass road around the community and connect the Business Park to Reserve Road and the Hill Street subdivision. This project was one of the key elements in the 20-year Capital Plan (2001) and Community Comprehensive Plan (2013). Community Engagement Sessions are currently being planned and they will be held as soon as the COVID-19 situation normalizes.
- Four (4) tenders were received for the construction of the Child & Youth Centre and they were opened on June 25, 2020. Construction is expected to begin by the end of July 2020.
- The tender for the construction of the Multi-Complex Office Building at the Business Park closed on Wednesday, June 10, 2020. Six (6) tenders were received and were opened on June 15th and 18th. We are currently waiting for our consultant, 3rd Line Studio Inc., to recommend the award of work.
- A Request for Proposal for the Capital Planning Study Update was floated and two (2) bids were received. S. Brunett and Associates have been awarded the contract to update Atikameksheng Anishnawbek's Capital Planning Study.
- The construction drawings for the construction of six (6) houses in the Hill Street subdivision are currently being updated by Lapointe Architects.
- The Lands Division is currently working with Tulloch Engineering for a feasibility/topographic study for lots located on Nora Road. The report will provide us with information as to the development in this area.



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## Department Updates EZHWEBAK

### Health and Community Wellness

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Happy July 2020. June was quite the busy month for the Health & Community Wellness Team. The Director of Health & Community Wellness continues to attend meetings in house and with Public Health, Indigenous Services Canada and the Ontario Health North to keep up to date on the COVID-19 developments.

Gimaa and Council have extended the order to the end of July and decreased restrictions. The Reopening of the Community Plan was approved at the last Band Meeting of June 23, 2020. The Plan is located on the website if you would like to read it. The plan looked at;

- Summary of decisions (orders by Council or Government, etc.)
- Best Practices: Protecting Yourself and Others
- Precautionary measures in the office
- Reintegration of Employees in Office (Health considerations, responsibility, type of work, etc.)
- Framework for reopening the community – Stage 1, 2, 3
- Costs and Policy development

Health programs and services and meetings will continue to be provided virtually. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

The Summer Student Employment Program begins on July 6, 2020 where students will be trained on how to ensure they practise all precautionary measures set out in the plan. With that in mind, the Summer Day Camp program will operate virtually for the month of July with the hopes to go face to face in August. This will be continuously monitored and assessed as move forward.

With regards to the Elders Lodge/Nursing Home Application, Chief and Council have approved a request from the Director of Health & Community Wellness to obtain a third party to complete the financial portion of the application (construction and operating costs) and an engineer for drawings. We look forward to working with the 2 groups and the completion of the application.

In closing, I hope you enjoy your summer, get out and enjoy our beautiful land and a reminder, start your social group of 10 or less, always wash your hands (water and soap is the best for you) and cough/sneeze into your elbow or in a Kleenex. Baamaapii.







Miigwetch to the community for all your work in helping to flatten the curve! The Housing Division will continue to monitor developments around the COVID-19 outbreak so we can evaluate all measures taken to provide necessary housing support where needed throughout this difficult period. We would like to inform you that the following application processes will remain the same:

- Annual Housing List: Band members must complete and submit a new letter of interest to be added to the Housing List after January 1st of each year. Please note that an applicant with rental arrears and/or outstanding accounts (money owing) to the band will not be eligible, as per the Housing Rental Policy.
- The Residential Rehabilitation Assist Program (RRAP) and Repairs and Home Adaptations for Senior's Independence (HASI) is provided by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Letters of interest are required every year after January 1st in order to be considered. Assistance shall be granted to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis to the maximum of funding available.
- Funding is available through the On-Reserve Immediate Needs Housing Renovations Guidelines to an Atikameksheng homeowner – until all funds are disbursed. The eligibility criteria are as follows:
  1. The applicant shall demonstrate that they hold a Certificate of Possession on the home
  2. The home must be at least fifteen (15) years old; and
  3. The home must be in need of major repairs in one of the following areas: heating, structural, electrical, plumbing and fire safety
  4. Funding is available to an applicant (one-time funding) and the applicant must continue to own and occupy the home for at least six (6) months after the work is done

The Housing Renovation Guidelines and application is available upon request – please contact the Housing Assistant, Michelle Elliott at 249-878-3958 or email [melliott@wlfn.com](mailto:melliott@wlfn.com) for more information.

Restrictions and access to rental units are as follows: Limit calls to emergency calls such as plumbing leaks, sanitation/septic, and other emergency issues. If work is done on the perimeter, this will not be required, and the practice of physical distancing will be applied.



**REMINDER: RENT IS TO BE PAID  
BEFORE OR ON THE FIRST OF  
EVERY MONTH. DON'T GET  
BEHIND!**



## Medical Transportation PROGRAM REMINDER

# UPDATES

1. Medical appointments should be booked between:
  - 9:00 to 3:30 pm Monday through Thursday only; and
  - 8:30 to 3:00 pm Fridays. (As per Patient Transportation Policy)
2. Call the Health Centre at least one business day prior to appointment to schedule transportation.
3. Remember, if you call the day of the appointment; you will be squeezed into the driver's existing schedule and may not be able to leave at your desired time. (Transportation may be early or late. Please ensure that you contact your physician and notify him/her that you will be late if needed).
4. The Health Services Clerk has the right to verify any appointment with the medical practitioner prior to providing medical transportation and after to confirm your attendance.
5. The Health Services Clerk will determine your departure time according to the driver's schedule.
6. Services will not be provided for non-urgent trips before 9:00 am or in the evening hours. It is expected that if you are using the Medical Transportation Services you will schedule your appointment during Medical Van Hours of Operation, special circumstances excepted.
7. Only medically required escorts will be permitted to accompany clients in the Health Van.
  - Patient is elderly or a minor under the age of 16 years
  - Patient requires translation



### URGENT/AFTER HOURS TRANSPORTATION

Please contact the following people in this order for approval, of all Urgent/After Hours Trips:

Darlene Geauvreau 705.698.6818

Amanda Wabegijig-Jourdain 249.879.1459

You will receive a Confirmation of Attendance form from the medical driver. The confirmation form must be returned to the medical driver upon your return trip.

**IN A TRUE EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 911**





## Education Support

### ESW UPDATE

Tutoring sessions are still available during the Summer, if interested in continuing on-line sessions please email Jessie or Tim for arrangements.



## CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020!

Please join us in celebration of all Atikameksheng's 2020 Graduates July 16th at 6pm in the Ball Field.

Social distancing measures in place, formal invitations to come for all graduates and family. Spectators are asked to observe from a distance in the parking lot.



Don't forget to pre-register your NEW 20/21 JK student! All new students will receive a special Kindergarten School package. Please send child's name/birthdate and school attending in September deadline July 15th to register

Feel free to email Tim or Jessie for any submissions  
[Tsaikkonen@wlfm.com](mailto:Tsaikkonen@wlfm.com) or [Jlee@wlfm.com](mailto:Jlee@wlfm.com)





## What's Happening

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# UPDATES

### Indigenous Peoples Day

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT PARTICIPATED IN  
THE EVENTS AND TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!







## What's Happening

### ENKAAMIGAT

# UPDATES

## It's Turtle Time!

### LET'S HELP OUR REPTILE FRIENDS

Turtle surveys will be taking place in July by both the Natural Resources Coordinator and Lands Management Technician.

That time year again for us to take part and assist nature, especially our little reptile friends

Turtles are out and crossing the roads and will be ready to nest their eggs.

In Ontario, turtle nesting season can begin as early as May and can last until mid-July, depending on the year and location. Female turtles select nesting sites based on numerous factors, including: soil characteristics (sites with loose, sandy substrate) and exposure to the sun.

Let's help them out and clear the roadway and be careful while driving.

The Lands team will be out within the community to be placing protective nest cages to help save turtle nests from predators, please do not disturb the turtle protective nest cages.

Happy Herping!

## Turtles everywhere!

### THANK YOU RUBINA FOR THE SUBMISSION





## Jordan's Principle

HELPING FIRST NATIONS CHILDREN

# UPDATES

Jordan's Principle is a child-first principle named in memory of Jordan River Anderson. Jordan was a First Nation's child from Norway House Cree Nation in Manitoba. Born with complex medical needs, Jordan spent more than two years unnecessarily in hospital while the Province of Manitoba and the federal government argued over who should pay for his home care. Jordan died in the hospital at the age of five years old, never having spent a day in his family home.



Jordan's Principle ensures that First Nations children can access all public services when they need them. Services need to be culturally based and take into full account the historical disadvantage that many First Nations children live with. The government of first contact pays for the service and resolves jurisdictional/payment disputes later.

## Jordan's Principle

### WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

Examples include, but are not limited to:

#### HEALTH

- o Mobile aids
- o Wheelchair ramps
- o Services from Elders
- o Assessments and Screenings
- o Medical supplies and equipment
- o Mental health services

#### SOCIAL

- o Social Worker
- o Land-based activities
- o Respite care (Individual or group)
- o Specialized programs based on cultural beliefs and practices

#### EDUCATION:

- o School supplies
- o Tutoring services
- o Teaching assistants
- o Psycho-educational assessments
- o Assistive technology and electronics

To learn more about Jordan's Principle visit [www.jordansprinciple.ca](http://www.jordansprinciple.ca) or contact:

Rose Messina  
Case Manager/  
Systems Navigator  
Jordan's Principle

705 849 6496

[RMessina@wfn.com](mailto:RMessina@wfn.com)

Perry Ashawasegai  
Case Manager/  
Systems Navigator  
Jordan's Principle

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## What's Happening

### ENKAAMIGAT

### SUMMER KICK OFF ACTIVITIES

FAMILIES MUST REGISTER

NO TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR OFF RESERVE ACTIVITIES.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT: TERESA MCGREGOR AT [TMCGREOR@WLFN.COM](mailto:TMCGREOR@WLFN.COM)

JESSIE GORMAN AT [JLEE@WLFN.COM](mailto:JLEE@WLFN.COM)

THIS IS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE FAMILY WELL BEING, FAMILY SUPPORT, EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT AND CHILD AND YOUTH WORKER PROGRAMS



Have you always wanted to dance but didn't know what style to choose or wanted to receive teachings first? Here is your chance!

July 7th - Traditional Men's & Women's  
@ 1:00 pm  
with Bryden Kiwenzie & Alanna Trudeau

July 9th - Fancy Men's & Women's @ 1:00 pm  
with Wes & Tracy Cleland

July 14th - Grass & Jingle @ 1:00 pm  
with Chop Waindubence & Liz Eskibok

July 16th - Chicken & Woodland @ 1:00 pm  
with Hayden Recollet & Lee Benson

Please Contact: Teresa McGregor at [tmcgregor@wlfm.com](mailto:tmcgregor@wlfm.com) for your zoom link.

In collaboration with Family Well Being and Journey Together Program

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## KICK OFF TO SUMMER

### FAMILY FUN

July 7th - Beach Day  
July 8th - Strawberry Picking  
July 9th - Outdoor Movie  
July 10th - Chill'n & Tubing

**FAMILIES MUST REGISTER**

Please make we note that we cannot provide any transportation at this time for off reserve activities.

**Deadline for Tubing is July 3rd**

For more information and to register please contact:  
Teresa McGregor @ [tmcgregor@wlfm.com](mailto:tmcgregor@wlfm.com)  
or Jessie Gorman at [jlee@wlfm.com](mailto:jlee@wlfm.com)

This is in collaboration with Family Well Being, Family Support, Educational Support and Child and Youth Worker Programs

### POW WOW DANCE DEMONSTRATIONS

AVAILABLE ON ZOOM AT 1:00PM

ZOOM LINK WILL BE SET UP AND POSTED.

JULY 7TH TRADITIONAL DANCE MEN AND WOMEN

JULY 9TH – FANCY DANCE MEN AND WOMEN

JULY 14TH – GRASS AND JINGLE DRESS

JULY 16TH – WOODLAND AND CHICKEN

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: TERESA MCGREGOR AT [TMCGREOR@WLFN.COM](mailto:TMCGREOR@WLFN.COM)

THIS IS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE FAMILY WELL BEING AND JOURNEY TOGETHER PROGRAM



# Healthy Babies Healthy Children

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“NEW”

## Prenatal Care Basket

Register with Healthy Babies Healthy Children  
Call: Beverly Belanger at 705-690-7503 or email  
bbelanger@wfn.com



A 9-month journey for your prenatal care.  
Lovely items for you from bump to birth.

LOVE ME

### HB/HC 0-6 YRS. PROGRAM

Note: Beverly Belanger will be away on holidays will be off week of July 6-17, 2020.

Note: CPNP registration call Thursday, July 2, 2020 to receive your monthly food voucher. Call Beverly 705-690-7503

Girls Ribbon Skirts Home Kits Register July 20th 705-690-7503. Delivery Friday, July 24, 2020

Boys Ribbon Vests Home Kits Register July 27th 705-690-7503. Delivery Friday, July 31, 2020



**BE SAFE AND ENJOY THE SUMMER SUNSHINE**





## Community Notices

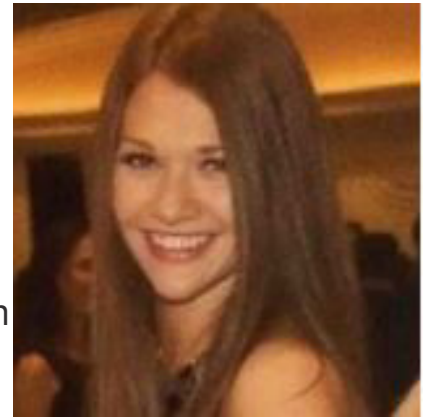
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# INFO

### EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Good day everyone!

My name is Jamie Stevens and I am very excited to announce that I've joined the team as your new HR Manager. I am a Certified Human Resources Professional. I obtained my 3-year advanced diploma in Business Administration for Human Resources from Fanshawe College in 2014. I am firm believer in continuous learning and am currently in pursuit of my degree in Human Resources and Labour Relations through Athabasca University.



I have 5 years of progressive experience within the Human Resources field. My professional experience has been predominantly with First Nation organizations. I am member of Moose Cree First Nation so I am familiar with the James Bay Coastal communities but am very excited to learn more about Atikameksheng Anishnawbek. From a personal lens, I have an adventurous spirit. I love to travel and experience new cultures. In the winter months, I enjoy snowboarding and in the summer months, I enjoy kayaking, and jet skiing.

I have an open-door policy so please pop in and introduce yourselves. I look forward to getting to know you all and working together to honour our mission.

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## CALL OUT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM



In January 2020, the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek started developing a Restorative Justice program(RJ). Part of this development includes recruiting Knowledge Keepers and Elders who have an interest in Justice to participate in the RJ project development and implementation.

If you know someone or you have an interest in Justice development please contact:

John Vallely at 705 692 3651(Ext 233) or  
[jvallely@wlfm.com](mailto:jvallely@wlfm.com)





## July 2020

For More information. Please Contact: Allyssa Soucy-Leroux

Phone: 705-690-7513

Email: ASoucy2@wfn.com

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Canada's Day	2	3 Craft Night: Little Peg Woman MMIW *Sign-up Required*	4
5	6 Summer Programming Kick-off BBQ and Registration 3-6PM	7 Family Beach Day *Sign Up with Jesse-Lee Gorman Or Teresa McGregor*	8 Strawberry Picking *Sign Up with Jesse-Lee Gorman Or Teresa McGregor*	9 Outdoor Movie *Sign Up with Jesse-Lee Gorman Or Teresa McGregor*	10 Chillin' and Tubing *Sign Up with Jesse-Lee Gorman Or Teresa McGregor*	11
12	13 AOG Zoom Meeting 5:00PM Sign-up Required Dinner Provided	14 Celebrate Your Success Contest!	15	16 Graduation Night	17	18
19	20 Water Balloon Parenting Begins	21	22 Healthy Snack Cook Off! First Come First serve	23	24 Water Balloon Parenting Ends	25
26	27 AOG Zoom Meeting 5:00PM Sign-up Required Dinner Provided	28 Create Your Own Meme Challenge	29	30 Share Your Adventure Due Today	31	





In the Month of June had all kinds of activities and prizes.

We made Leather Headbands, which was a fun craft activity. We gave away over 60 plants including, Tomatoes, Squash, Cucumber, Lettuce, and Peppers. We expect lots of salads in our future!

We had Winners all Month! Jaxon Nootchtai displayed his Master Fishing Skills. Cadence Groulx & other participants won \$50.00 Gift Cards in Elder & Youth Dance Contest! Young Riley won with her Culture Tic Toc Challenge! Congrats to all!

Zoom Meetings and Question of the Week are still ongoing every week.

Summer Program this year looks forward to kicking off online and at a BBQ in the Tennis Courts. Everyone in the community is welcome to come and enjoy a free hot dog or hamburger and learn about the events planned for the Summer.

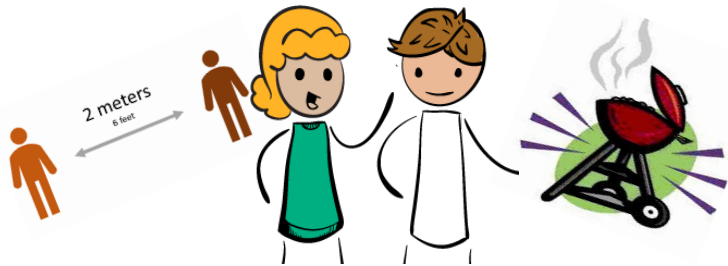
Please remember to social distance yourself and stay 6ft away from one another.



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In Collaboration with the Summer Kick Off Week! See Summer Kick off Week Flyer for more details

## **SUMMER PROGRAMMING KICK OFF BBQ**



Come out and Enjoy a Hot Dog or Hamburger on us! Learn about the programs in the community that are offered for you. Make your say matter in future programming for the community by completing an evaluation. Register your Child Aged 5-12yrs. For the Summer Program. Enter your Chance for your chance to win a Door Prize! Don't forget to social Distance.

**WHERE:**

ATIKAMEKSHENG BASKETBALL COURTS

**WHO:**

THIS EVENTS ENCOURAGES PARTICIPATION FROM EVERYONE

**WHEN:**

**JULY 6TH, 2020**

MORNING SESSION 11-1PM

EVENING SESSION 3-6PM

For more information about this Event Please Contact Allyssa Soucy-Leroux, Child & Youth Worker @  
Phone : 705-690-7513 or Email: ASoucy2@wln.com





**Youth Centre**  
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# INFO



CALLING ALL YOUTH AGE 10-30YEAR!

## AOG MEETINGS



Give your input and make a difference! Let your voice be known at the  
Atikameksheng Oshkiniijig Ga-Maanjidiyan Zoom Meetings this Month!

Dinner Provided Delivery!

**! DATES ARE:**

**JULY 13, 2020**

**JULY 27, 2020**

Where:

**FOOD DELIVERIES 4:00-4:45PM**

**ONLINE SESSIONS@ 5:00PM**

For More information about this Initiative or to Sign up,

Please Contact Child & Youth Worker, Allyssa Soucy-Leroux

**Phone:** 705-690-7513 or **Email:** ASoucy2@WLFN.com

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Youth Centre



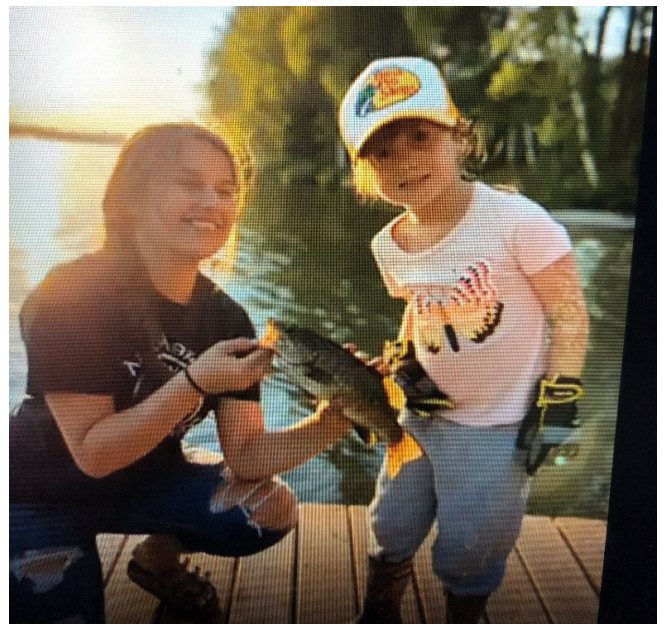
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YOUTH CENTRE

# *Celebrate Your Success*

**Share a Photo of You Celebrating Success you have achieved since the Covid-19 Pandemic has started. This can be something you made, a book you finished reading, a mountain you climbed; Something you feel you have Accomplished! include a photo with a brief description & receive a \$25 Walmart gift Card! Have your Submission in by July 14, 2020**

**Ages 13-21yrs**

FOR MORE INFO OR MAKE A SUBMISSION+.CONTACT  
ALLYSSA SOUCY-LEROUX  
PHONE 705-690-7513  
EMAIL: ASOUCY2@WLFN.COM

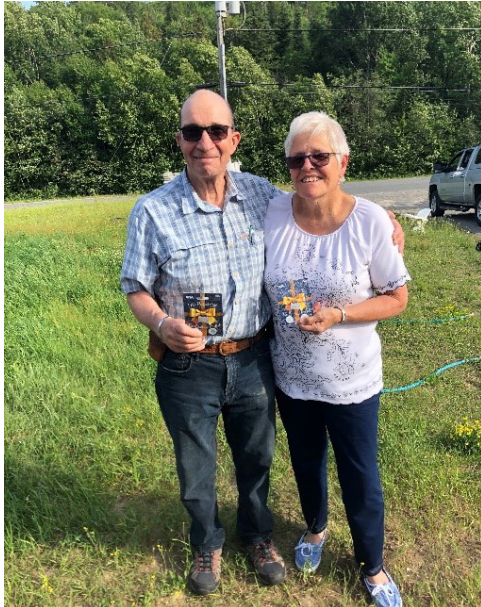






**Youth Centre**  
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YOUTH CENTRE

## WATER BALLOON PARENTING CHALLENGE

Ages 13-21yrs  
Registration Deadline  
July 17, 2020

TO SIGN UP FOR THIS CALL  
ALLYSSA SOUCY-LEROUX,  
CHILD & YOUTH WORKER @  
705-690-7513 OR EMAIL: ASOUCY2@WLFN.COM

**This is a week long Parenting Challenge. Participants receive a water balloon baby and need to keep it alive for a whole week. Winners will receive a Gift Card!**

Participants will receive 3 items from The Ingredient list. They must Create a healthy snack and share it online. Get your parents to Judge.

The ingredient list will slowly run out of ingredients as participants Sign up!

**Deadline to Sign up: July 17th, 2020**  
**Cook Off Evening: July 22, 2020**

FIRST COME FIRST  
SERVE

## Healthy Snack Cook off!

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## Boating Safety EZHWEBAK

# NOTICES

Along with your Pleasure Craft Operator Card, you are required by law to carry marine safety equipment. At a bare minimum, you should always have with you:

- Canadian-approved flotation device or lifejacket of appropriate size for each passenger on board
- Buoyant line at least 15 metres in length
- Watertight flashlight OR Canadian approved flares
- Sound-signaling device
- Manual propelling device (i.e. paddle) OR an anchor with a rope, chain or cable
- Bailer OR manual water pump
- Class 5 BC fire extinguisher



In addition to the safety equipment listed above, we highly recommend that you carry the following items – enough for everyone on board: First Aid Kit, Drinking water, Sun-screen, Hat, Sunglasses, dry clothing (i.e. long-sleeved shirt), Snacks, Waterproof matches, Knife.

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW GIMAA AND COUNCIL!

On June 27 Atikameksheng Anishnnawbek held their Gimaa and Council election. Past Gimaa Valerie Richer opted not to run this year and several candidates stepped up to run for the position. Atikameksheng is pleased to extend its congratulations to Gimaa Craig Nootchtai.

The theme of the online campaign was “Our Election. Our Way.” – a means of raising awareness of this historic election – the first under the new custom election code. This new law, Gimaakeng Naaknigewin, governs the process and conduct of the Gimaa and Council election. The new code allowed for online voting as well as in person and mail in ballots. Gimaa and Council are appointed for a four-year term.

Atikameksheng had a record voter turnout of 381 voters which is 36% of the eligible voters. That is 99 more votes than were cast in the 2018 election for Gimaa and Council.

Serving alongside Gimaa Craig Nootchtai is Councillors Jennifer Petahtegoose, Lesley MacNeil, Vance Nootchtai, Harvey Petahtegoose and Art Petahtegoose.

