

## ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWBEK

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

### Waawaaskone giizis (Flowering moon/May)



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## Lands and Economic Development ezhwebak

#### Lands & Economic Development Department

The Lands & Economic Development Department has some updates to share with the community:

Ø The Community Centre is now open for rentals with a capacity of 150 people. Please note that a new pricing guide has been put in place for all rentals moving forward. Please contact our Community Centre Coordinator at cc.coordinator@wlfn.com for bookings and more information!

Ø The Chalet and Reserve Camp will be reopening for rentals on May 9th. Please contact our Lands & Economic Development Administrative Assistant at admin.lands-ecdev@wlfn.com for bookings and more information!

Ø We will be posting for an Economic Development Intern in the next few weeks. If you are interested in applying for this position, the job posting can be accessed through our official website once it is posted (https://atikamekshenganishnawbek.ca).

Ø The LifePath Program will be accepting applications for Cohort 2 throughout the month of May. The new cohort will begin in mid-June and run until March 2023, with a three (3) month placement. If you have any questions or would like to apply, please contact our LifePath Program Coordinator at lifepath.coordinator@wlfn.com.

Ø We are looking to create a bank of candidates seeking employment. If you would like to submit your resume or need assistance building a resume, please contact our Economic Development Officer at ecdev@wlfn.com.

Ø Our second Job Fair was held at the Community Centre on April 19th. 16 businesses and 59 members had attended, and we received overwhelmingly positive reviews from both!

Ø The new micro-hatchery equipment has been set up in the department office. There is also a new and upgraded micro-hatchery installed and running at the Youth Centre. We are currently observing the walleye spawn and will be obtaining walleye eggs in April or May 2022 (whenever conditions are right for walleye to spawn).

Ø The Turtle Project field work will begin at the end of May and continue into July. It is expected that the turtle incubators will be at full capacity this year.

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Every Child Matters



# Finance and Administration Update zhooniyaa enaagidenijig (keepers of the money)

#### Joint Venture Summary As of April 27, 2022

Currently, Atikameksheng has two Joint Ventures/Corporations, Bagone'an and Eshkaa Niibiish. These companies are held by an AA fully owned holding company, 1988183 Ontario Limited. A summary, of the holding company and the joint ventures is provided below.

#### 1988183 Ontario Limited

This company is a holding company and is 100% owned by Atikameksheng Anishnawbek (AA). AA uses this company when negotiating Partnerships and Joint Ventures.Board Members of this AA corporation are Gimaa Craig Nootchtai, Councillor Harvey Petahtegoose and there is one vacant position open to a community member.



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The main reason for using a holding company is to protect the assets of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Nation. If something goes awry, in the operating companies, our Nation's assets are kept safe from creditors. AA's risk becomes limited and would not become a burden to the Nation.

1988183 Ontario Inc. makes its money from the profits or losses or dividends of Joint Ventures and the Partnerships as per their respective agreements.

#### Bagone'an – JS Drilling Inc.

Bagone'an – JS Drilling Inc. (herein after called Bagone'an) is a Joint Venture (joint ventures are a commercial enterprise undertaken jointly by two or more parties which otherwise retain their distinct identities) between 1988183 Ontario Limited and Jacob and Samuel Drilling. The Joint Venture ownership is split 51% for 1988183 Ontario Limited (AA's company) and 49% Jacob and Samuel Drilling. Bagone'an was incorporated on January 4, 2019. Bagone'an is in the surface mining drilling industry business.

The Board Members for this Joint Venture are Gimaa Craig Nootchtai and Councillor Harvey Petahtegoose along with two members from JS Drilling Inc.

Over the course of the three years of operations Bagone'an has been drilling with KGHM (an international mining company based in Poland) on the Victoria Mine Project, Kirkwood Property (Garson), Levack Mine and Vale from 2019-2021. The total of all drilling contracts since the incorporation date of July 2019 is \$7.8 million with a net profit after expenses \$260,779.83. 1988183 Ontario Limited's share of this equity is \$132,997.71. The board of Bagone'an has not declared a dividend or authorized a draw from Bagone'an but has instead left the money in the company for reinvestment. Profits/losses are included in the annual audit of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek.

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Bagone'an has created opportunities for employment and training. Since inception, Bagone'an saw nine community members successfully complete Surface and Underground Diamond Drilling Common Core #770200 training.Participants from this program are now considered Assistant Diamond Drillers, and with continued work and training in this field are eligible to become full fledged Diamond Drillers.

In early 2022, Bagone'an was verbally made aware that they were successful in bidding for more work with Vale and the agreement is being drawn up presently.

#### Eshkaa Niibiish – Day Group Inc

Eshkaa Niibiish – Day Group Inc. (herein after called Eshkaa Niibiish) is a Joint Venture between 1988183 Ontario Limited (AA's company) and Day Group. 1988183 Ontario Limited owns 51% and Day Group owns 49%. Eshkaa Niibiish was incorporated April 10, 2019 and is operating as a general contractor in the mining industry.

The Board Members for this Joint Venture are Councillor Vance Nootchtai and Councillor Harvey Petahtegoose along with two members from Day Group.

A joint venture agreement was signed in September of 2017 with the intent to jointly bid and execute contracts primarily through the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM), but Eshkaa Niibiish can bid on other work as well.

Gimaa and Council negotiated an agreement that sees 5% of the gross value of all contracts awarded to Eshkaa Niibiish being paid directly to Atikameksheng. Council decided to move towards a profit-sharing model to maximize and stabilize our returns.

## Planning and Infrastructure Update niigaan-naabiing (having vision, looking ahead) Earth Day

Every year we gather together to celebrate Earth Day. The theme of Earth Day 2022 was "Invest in Our Planet".

We had an overwhelming amount of over thirty (30) participants. Together we picked up litter and recycling that accumulated over the winter in the playground, Memorial Park and in the neighbourhoods. Bags, gloves, and trash pickers were provided to assist in a safe clean up. A total of nine (9) truck loads of garbage was picked up.

In appreciation of the hard work of the participants, we joined together and enjoyed a well-deserved barbeque. At this time gifts and Tim Horton gift cards were distributed to the volunteers.

We would like to thank the volunteers & participants who helped make this event a success. Remember, a more sustainable community starts with all of us to ensure the environment is a better place for everyone.



## Planning and Infrastructure Update niigaan-naabiing (having vision, looking ahead)

Ten Simple Things You Can Do to Help Protect the Earth

- 1. Reduce, reuse, and recycle. Cut down on what you throw away. Follow the three "R" to conserve natural resources & landfill space.
- 2. Volunteer. Volunteer for cleanups in your community.
- 3. Educate.
- 4. Conserve water. The less water you use. The less runoff & wastewater.
- 5. Choose sustainable.
- 6. Shop wisely. Buy less plastic & bring a reusable shopping bag.
- 7. Use long-lasting light bulbs. Energy-efficient light bulbs reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Remember to flip the light switch off when you leave the room.
- 8. Plant a tree. They help save energy, clean the air, & help combat climate change.
- 9. Choose non-toxic chemicals in the home & office.
- 10. Bike more & drive less.



## Education and Social Services Update akinoomaagewin miinwaa zhawenjigeng (education and community service)

Effective April 1, 2022, the Education and Social Services Department were split into two (2) departments. We will now have an Education Department and a Social Services Department. Below is a table of the departments and which programs are in each department.

Director of Social Services (Darlene Shawbonquit) Social Services Administrative Assistant				
(Brandy Wabegijig)				
Child & Family Services Manager	Community Well-Being Manager	Family Advocacy Manager	Cultural Services Manager (Proposal Based)	
Family Support Worker	Child Well-Being Worker	Band Representative	Elder in Residence	
Family Support Worker	Youth Well-Being Worker	Band Representative	Oshkaabewis (Helper)	
Family Support Worker	Child/Youth Well-Being Worker	Band Representative	Nokomis Kidwaa Worker	
	Family Well-Being Worker	Case Aid Worker		
		Administrative/Support Clerk		

Director of Education (Hiring Process)				
Education Administrative Assistant (Hiring Process)				
Education Services Manager	Child & Youth Programs Manager	Day Care Manager (In Development)		
Education Support Worker	Child & Youth Worker	ECE		
Education Support Worker	Child & Youth Worker	ECE		
Education Support Worker	Healthy Babies/Healthy Children	Cook		
Librarian/Language				

Continue to watch for updates as we make this exciting transition, and the recruitment process is completed.



**Chantal Powers** 

Hi! My name is Chantal Powers. I grew up on Manitoulin Island and in Espanola, just an hour or two west of Sudbury. I am a practicing registered massage therapist. As well, I completed a Bachelor of Physical and Health Education in Health Promotion from Laurentian University and a Master of Public Health specializing in Indigenous and Northern Health from Lakehead University. I am very excited to be invited to join your community virtually!

#### Learning Objectives:

•Understanding of the Indigenous culture

·Introduction to Indigenous activities and crafts

Introduction to Indigenous languages
 Understanding an Indigenous way of life

·Introduction to Indigenous community medicine



**Mackenzie Senior** 

Hello! My name is Mackenzie Senior. I am originally from North Bay but I have lived in a few different parts of the province. Before I came to NOSM, I worked as a Registered Nurse in the Emergency Department in North Bay and have worked in home care and long-term care as well. Very excited to be a part of this experience and learn anything and everything that I can.

#### Learning Objectives:

Gain an understanding of the local
Indigenous culture in Atikameksheng
Observe Indigenous practices and
rituals to gain an appreciation for the
practices and a deeper understanding
Understanding my role in Indigenous
people's health and health practices to
a greater degree



**Chloe Smith** 

Aanii Boozoo! I am a first-year student at NOSM. I am from Moose Deer Point First Nation, south of Parry Sound on Georgian Bay. We are a Pottawatomi/ Ojibway community. I have a BSc in Global Health from York University. During my time there, I was able to do a lot of research with the Global One Health Network. We looked at how Indigenous knowledge is integrated into the surveillance of infectious disease in the arctic and sub-arctic. I also hold a board position with Chiefs of Ontario on the Data Governance Committee. I enjoy all things on the Bay, especially boating and swimming. I also enjoy getting out on the land to hike and camp. I am a big animal lover and have two pet cats at home named Arlo and Finley. I am currently considering family medicine or emergency medicine.

During my time at the 106 placement, I hope to learn more about the community and culture, mainly how it differs from my community. I specifically wish to learn more about Indigenous holistic views of health and how they are integrated into care here. I hope to be able to build connections and network with the HCP in the area. Additionally, I would like the opportunity to apply the skills I have learned in a clinical setting.



#### **Emily Dawes**

I live in McKellar ON, a small town just outside of Parry Sound. When not at school I enjoy spending time with my husband and three children taking in the outdoors. Prior to beginning at NOSM I worked as a Physiotherapist largely in Hospital for approximately 9 years. My areas of interest include rural family medicine/general medicine, obstetrics, and emergency medicine.

#### Learning Objectives:

To me this placement is an opportunity to learn from the community, and I am grateful for any knowledge that they wish to share. My hope is that I make meaningful connections and that this experience informs my practice as a future physician. I have a specific interest in learning more about traditional medicines as they contribute to wellness.



**Konnor Kennedy** 

I was born and raised in Thunder Bay, Ontario and am attending the East Campus. I did all of my schooling in Sudbury, completing an advanced diploma in Medical Radiation Technology (where I worked for 7 years in CT/X-ray across the country) and a BSc and MSc in Medical Physics. I love all things outdoors, but in particular keep myself busy during the summer golfing, and camping with friends.

#### **Learning Objectives**

-I want a deeper understanding of cultural care tailored to the peoples of Atikameksheng, and learn and understand the underpinning's of how the community and community members function.



**Ryan Boudreau** 

A product of Northern Ontario; born in Timmins, and raised in Sudbury, Ontario. Like many northerners, I grew up with a passion for hockey, and eventually took a liking in almost any activity considered to be a sport. The spring prior to being to starting at NOSM, I finished my degree in Nursing, through the French program at Laurentian University, providing me the opportunity to work the summer as a registered nurse . During my undergrad, I spent my three summers working as a fire ranger for the Ministry of Natural Resources in the beautiful community of Sioux Lookout, Ontario.

#### Learning Objectives:

-Acquire a better sense on how to communicate and care in a culturally sensitive manner for the residents of Atikameksheng.

-Appreciate the structure and function of the community.

-Recognize the roles of various community members.

## **Child and Youth Program Calendar**



#### WAAWAASKONE GIIZIS (FLOWER MOON) - MAY

The fifth moon of Creation is Flower Moon, where all plants display their spirit sides for all the world to see. This life giving energy is one of the most powerful healing medicines on Mother Earth. During this moon, we are encouraged to explore our Spiritual essences.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Melissa Ross, Chi	ld & Youth Worke	r, 705-690-7513, <u>cl</u>	79-1459, <u>healthpro</u> hildyouth.health2@ 5, childyouth.healtl	<u>Pwlfn.com</u>	n.com	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Mental Health Week Education Week Grow With Us Program	Movement Monday Culture Class (13-21yrs) <b>6-7pm</b>	Basketball Program (7-12yrs) <b>4-6:30pm</b>	Youth Craft Night (13- 21yrs) <b>5-6pm</b>	Children's Craft Night (7-12yrs.) YC <b>4:30-5:30pm</b>	Basketball Program (13-21yrs) <b>4-7pm</b> Youth Centre Spark <b>4-6pm</b>	National Child & Youth Mental Health Day - Community Centre 1-2pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Movement Monday Culture Class (13-21yrs) <b>6-7pm</b>	Basketball Program (7-12yrs) <b>4-6:30pm</b>	Outdoor Activities (7-12yrs) <b>4-5pm</b> Family Health Night 6-8pm	Anti-Bullying Session (7-21yrs) <b>5-6pm</b>	Basketball Program (13-21yrs) <b>4-7pm</b>	Culture Class (13-21yrs) Ribbon Skirt/Shirt Making <b>2-6pm</b>
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Culture Class (13-21yrs) Ribbon Skirt/ Shirt Making <b>2-6pm</b>	Movement Monday	Basketball Program (7-12yrs) <b>4-6:30pm</b>	Urban Air Outing <b>6pm-8pm</b>	Screens Off/ Minds Open YC Book Club <b>4:30-5:30pm</b>	Basketball Program (13-21yrs) <b>4-7pm</b>	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	VICTORIA DAY	Basketball Program (7-12yrs) <b>4-6:30pm</b>	Self Initiated Challenge (13-21yrs)		Basketball Program (13-21yrs) 4-7pm Youth Wellness Weekend Trip	Screens Off/Minds Open YC Book Club 4:30-5:30pm Youth Wellness Weekend Trip
29	30	31	REGISTER FOR:			
Youth Wellness Weekend Trip		Bicycle Safety Session <b>4:30-6pm</b>	YOUTH WELLNESS WEEKEND! May 6 deadline URBAN AIR OUTING!			

## Healthy Babies Program Calendar



#### May 2022

Healthy Babies Healthy Children 0-6 years

Sarah Shawbonquit 705-677-9971 healthybabies.children2@wlfn.com

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3	4 Starter Bean Garden 4-7pm	5	6 Mother's Day Brunch TBD	7
8	9 Canadian Hearing Society Presentation 2-3pm Regalia Sewing 4-8pm	10 соні 1-7рт	11 соні 9-11ат	12	13 Home Visits	14 Walking Out Ceremony - Community Lodge
15	16 Regalia Sewing 1-4pm	17 Family Cooking – Fiddle Heads TBD	18	19	20 Home Visits	21
22	23 Victoria Day	24 соні 1-7рт	25 соні 9-11am	26	27 Home Visits	28
29 Naming, Color and Feast Appointments with DJ McGregor	30 Regalia Sewing 4-8pm	31	Our Home Visiting program is open to all families and caregivers who have children aged 0-6. The Home Visiting Program offers parental and child developmental supports. Take advantage of this opportunity and book your appointment. Fridays are Home Visiting Days!			

Are you Pregnant and/or breastfeeding your baby who is under the age of one? If so, call Marina McComber to become a recipient of the monthly CPNP. Your nutrition is important for healthy baby development. Call 705-692-3651 today.

- Notes
- \* There will be dates added for Language Sessions with Jeanne for this month.
- \* Book your Prenatal Dental Screening or your child's appointment with Sarah to see our Hygienist, Carla Blanchard from Maamwesying.

## **New Speed Limit**



**Community Safety Page** 



Please be reminded that all members and visitors must follow the speed limit in the community. There has been reports of members driving too fast in the community.

# Speed Limit 30 km

As a member, we ask that when you observe speeding, to contact the FN Constables to report this or any other infractions to:

## 705-692-1382

(direct number to the communication centre to report)

With everyone's assistance, we can make our community a safe one for all of our members.

Miigwetch for your cooperation.

## Nogdawindamin Golf Tournament





JUNE 20, 2022 I PM SHOTGUN \$200 PER PLAYER OR \$800 PER TEAM All funds raised will support alternative care families



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entry fee includes 18 holes with cart. Lunch, dinner & Gift Register online or email golf@nog.ca

OFFICIAL HOTEL PARTNER: HILTON GARDEN INN, SUDBURY USE CODE "TEE-OFF" WHEN BOOKING