



# Wahnapi'tae First Nations

Miinan Giizis  
"Berries Ripening Moon"  
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# **Chief And Council's Corner**

**Next Council Meeting August 9th @ 6PM**

**Dear members,**

**As you know, there will be the Anishinabek Education Agreement vote that will take place on November 28th-29th in Urban Centers and November 30<sup>th</sup> - December 2<sup>nd</sup> on the Reserve.**

**If you wish to receive your voter information package, or the mail-in ballot, please ensure that your mailing address and contact information is up to date at the Band Office.**

**Please Contact Leila @ 705-858-0616 x 200**

# TYKES & TENTS

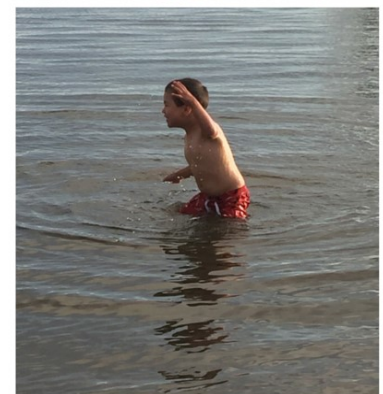
WFN's Sustainability Superheroes Program will be hosting an overnight camping trip for our youth and their parents with fun activities and cultural teachings to keep everyone well engaged.

It will take place on August 3rd and 4th at the Wahnapiatae Powwow Grounds.

We will be focusing on water and the importance it plays in our lives and in our culture.

Remember to bring your Sustainability Superhero shirt and cape!

To sign up or for more information contact Dakota Recollet at 705-858-0610 or [dakota.recollet@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:dakota.recollet@wahnapiataefn.com)



WFN POWWOW GROUNDS  
AUGUST 3RD - 4TH



# WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION HEALTHY KIDS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

Sustainability Superheroes  
"Water Does Wonders"



The Water Keepers Journey was a ceremonial canoe journey that has brought much needed attention to the importance that water plays in our lives and within our culture.

The launch of the journey was held on June 26th in Wahnapiatae First Nation on the Powwow Grounds. This was the first of several activities and teachings that Wahnapiatae will be hosting in order to educate our youth on the importance of water and how much it means to our culture and how we must truly make our best efforts to protect it





Wahnapiatae First Nation with support from Shkagamik-Kwe's Healthy Kids Community Challenge, will be developing their Sustainability Superheroes Program. This program will focus on the youth and how they can play a very important role in sustaining for our future generations.

We will be developing a variety of activities and teachings that will focus on the water and the importance of being outside and staying active. Traditional teachings and knowledge will be incorporated into these activities for the youth to allow them to stay in touch with their culture while maintaining a healthy lifestyle

# Blue-green Algae

- Samples from July 8<sup>th</sup> revealed that a toxin-producing species of blue-green algae was present in Lake Wahnapitae
- The small bloom was located along the shoreline of Massey Bay



## What is blue-green algae

- Blue-green algae are tiny plant-like organisms normally present in all lakes, rivers and streams in small quantities
- It is only when they rapidly increase to form a mass or a 'bloom' that they become visible and potentially harmful
- The causes of these blooms are still uncertain, but is usually attributed to nutrients (phosphorus, nitrogen) and changing weather conditions (hot weather, wind).



## What to look for

- Dense blooms may look like **green pea soup** or **turquoise paint**.
- As a bloom becomes more dense, it can form solid-looking clumps
- A fresh bloom may smell like newly mown grass, while an older bloom may smell like rotting garbage



# What if I see a bloom?

If a bloom is visible on your shoreline:

- Contact Jaimée Bergeron—Environmental Coordinator at the WFN Band Office (705-858-0610 x204)
  - The Health Unit will be notified and the suspected bloom will be sampled to confirm it is blue-green algae
- **Avoid** using the water for **drinking, cooking, bathing,** or recreational purposes
- **Do not chemically** treat the water as this usually releases

akes,

# How can I prevent future blooms?

- Avoid using fertilizers on lawns, especially if they contain phosphorus(P)
  - The numbers on your fertilizer bag indicates the proportion of nutrients
  - N-P-K (nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium)
- Maintain a natural shoreline on waterfront properties
- Check septic systems to ensure they are up to code and not leaking into the lake





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**INTEGRATED NICKEL**  
OPERATIONS  
A GLENCORE COMPANY

### **Wahnapiatae First Nations & Sudbury INO Post-Secondary Scholarship Fund**

Both Wahnapiatae First Nations (WFN) and Sudbury Integrated Nickel Operations (Sudbury INO), a Glencore Company, believe in the importance of a good education for Community members for the betterment of both Wahnapiatae First Nation and operations in the Sudbury area. Sudbury INO, through a formal agreement with WFN in 2008, has sponsored an annual scholarship fund to support post-secondary education and training programs. The scholarship fund is aimed at assisting community members of WFN to pursue careers in the mining related and mineral processing related fields.

Both WFN & Sudbury INO have established a joint Human Resources Working group to develop the criteria and mechanisms to select candidates and to administer this scholarship fund.

#### **Scholarship details:**

- The Human Resources Working group will be responsible for determining the eligible candidates.
- The annual scholarship is awarded annually to up to three (3) successful students, up to a maximum of \$10,000 per candidate per year.
- Past scholarship recipients must RE-APPLY ANNUALLY to receive an annual scholarship.
- Should not all scholarship funds be distributed, applicants in other fields of studies related to mining support services may be considered.
- Awards are determined in fall of each year and each applicant is notified of results of application.

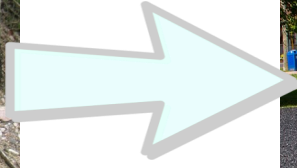
#### **Eligibility requirements:** Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- In order to be eligible for a scholarship, you must be a registered WFN member, the spouse or child of a band member on reserve - must provide proof
- Submit proof of acceptance letter showing full-time enrollment at an approved post-secondary institution (College or University) in a program related to mineral processing or mining field.
- Submit a letter to Human Resources Working Group requesting the scholarship along with a brief description of your education program with a one page essay on your career aspirations. It is imperative that you include your complete home address, contact telephone number and e-mail address in case we need to contact you.
- Provide a letter of reference from a current teacher/professor, Elder or Mentor.
- Provide proof of Academic Record (transcripts from previous year)
- All requirements/documentation must be submitted together no later than September 15, 2016 to be considered in the upcoming semester & year scholarship (2016-2017).

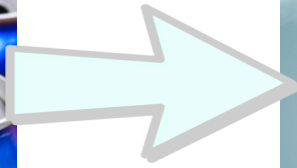
Send applications to:

**marilyn.nicholls@wahnapiataefn.com or by mail to:**  
**Marilyn Nicholls, WFN Economic Development Officer**  
**259 Taighwenini Trail Road, Capreol, ON P0M 1H0**  
**Phone: (705) 858-0610 ext. 211 or FAX: (705) 858-5570**

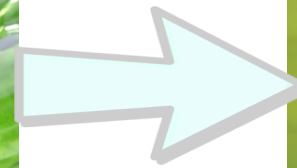




Recycled tires can be reused in playgrounds. They can be turned into mulch for the ground or as actual pieces in the equipment.



Aluminum can be recycled into airplane parts, aluminum bats, or even made into new cans.



Glass can be recycled endlessly into new bottles or containers, or even used as glass sand to purify water. In places that don't recycle glass, its used as an aggregate in roads.

## Election Officer's Timeline for Wahnapiatae First Nation By-Election 2016

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| <p>84 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION DAY</p> <p>DATE: JULY 9TH/2016</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• appoint deputy electoral officers (s 2.1)</li> <li>• The Wahnapiatae First Nation has its own bad election code. Obtain eligible voter's list from WFN membership department</li> <li>• Obtain the names and last known addresses of members not residing on the reserve.</li> <li>• Arrange for accommodations for the nomination meeting and polling station</li> </ul> |
| <p>79 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION DAY OR 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE NOMINATION MEETING</p> <p>DATE: JULY 28TH/2016</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• post the Notice of Nomination Meeting (2.6) and prepare the voters list pursuant to WFN band election code S.1.</li> <li>• Send Notice of Nomination to all electors residing off-reserve (2.3)</li> </ul>  |
| <p>49 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION DAY</p> <p>DATE: AUGUST 27TH/2016</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• hold nomination meeting</li> <li>• Oversee completion nomination forms for each candidate nominated</li> <li>• Obtain the addresses and contact information of all candidates who have agreed to let their name stand in the election</li> <li>• Distribute candidate packages to valid</li> </ul>  |
| <p>AT LEAST 29 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION</p> <p>DATE: SEPTEMBER 16TH/2016</p>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last day to receive applications from registration and mail-in ballot requests. 6pm cut off (S1S5)</li> </ul>   |

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| <p>AT LEAST 22 DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION<br/>DATE: SEPTEMBER 23RD/2016</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On approval of registration and mail in ballot prepare and send mail-in ballot packages (S1, S8)</li> </ul>   |
| <p>AT LEAST 1 DAY PRIOR TO ELECTION<br/>DATE: OCTOBER 14TH/2016</p>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• accept and receive certificate envelopes until 6PM. Friday immediately preceding voting day (S1, S12)</li> </ul>  |
| <p>ELECTION DAY<br/>DATE: OCTOBER 15TH/2016</p>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrive at the polling station at least one hour prior to opening to set things up.</li> <li>• Open the poll at 9am and close it at 8pm (section 8)</li> </ul>   |
| <p>AT THE TIME DEIGNATED FOR COUNTING<br/>DATE: OCTOBER 15TH/2016</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• verify voter did not vote in person</li> <li>• Verify certificate envelope and completion</li> <li>• Open valid certificate envelopes</li> <li>• Place accepted mail-in ballot box and count the ballots</li> <li>• Prepare and distribute the statement of the votes</li> <li>• Prepare final election report .</li> </ul> |

# COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN

## UPDATE (JULY 2016)



In the spring of 2016, Wahnapiatae First Nation initiated the development of its first ever Community Energy Plan. The purpose of the Community Energy Plan is to support the community's exploration of different renewable energy opportunities that could support a number of key community goals, including:

- creating new employment opportunities
- establishing new revenue sources
- reducing energy costs for the Nation and members
- supporting a more environmentally sustainable future

In May, sessions were held with the community, staff and Elders. The input collected has been used to help refine the scope of the Community Energy Plan, which continues to progress well.

For example, our project team has completed an analysis of solar power project opportunities within Wahnapiatae. This includes an assessment of a roof and ground mounted solar project at our Centre of Excellence. Based on the assessment we could install approximately 80 solar panels (24 kilowatts) on the roof to produce approximately 30% of the building's energy needs, which has financial value of over \$8,200 of electricity per year! Alternatively we could use the open fields in front of the office to install an 85 kilowatt ground mounted (290 panels) to produce enough electricity for the entire building! Both projects are considered to be economically feasible; having a payback period of approximately 10.5 years.

Moving forward we will continue the exploration of the community's solar energy project opportunities and complete an assessment for wind power, solar thermal, and alternative heating technologies. We hope to have this completed by the fall, which will be followed by a community session to report on our findings and collect more input and direction.

REMINDER – if you haven't provided your energy bill information to Marilyn, please do so, as it will help us develop a more accurate profile of community energy use.

# Please Join us in a Feast to Honour Stefanie & Josie



Tuesday August 2nd  
5pm - 7pm

Centre of Excellence  
Maan Dosh Gamig

You are cordially invited to a community feast in honour of our Water Keepers - Stefanie & Josie. Stefanie and Josie have recently finished the Water Keepers Journey, which was a 19 day long canoe trip that followed the ancestral water routes from Wahnapitae First Nation and ending in Garden River at the Great Lakes Water Gathering on July 14th.

This journey has brought some much needed awareness to the importance of honouring, respecting, and protecting our waters, we would like to show our appreciation, respect, love, and honour to the Anishinabe Kwe in honouring their role as Water Keepers and their dedication to the water.

We will be hosting a community pot-luck at the Centre of Excellence in Wahnapitae First Nation on August 2nd, 2016 from 5pm - 7pm. Come one Come all!

For more information contact Dakota Recollet or Lori Corbriere at 705-858-0610



# Honouring Our Leaders

## Mnaa-jaa-daa Eniijaazjik

# 21st Annual Traditional Pow Wow

**Wahnapiatae First Nations Powwow Grounds**

**Registration Daily:** 11am—12:30pm

**Grand Entries:** Saturday 1pm & 7pm, Sunday 1pm

**Sunrise Ceremonies Daily at 5:30am:**

August 18th - 21st

**Admission:** Free and all are welcome to attend!

### **HEAD STAFF**

**HOST DRUM:** Shidaaki

**CO-HOST DRUM:** Young Thunder Birds

**HEAD MALE:** Adrian Trudeau

**HEAD LADY:** Brittany Shki-Giizis

**MCs:** Chris Pheasant & Gerard Sagassige

**ARENA DIRECTOR:** Robert Stoneypoint

**HEAD ELDER:** Ray & Lyla Kinoshameg



Head female Brittany Shki-Giizis will be holding a special for Men's and Women's Fancy Combined 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes.

Rough Camping Available © Absolutely no drugs, alcohol, or pets allowed.

Also, stay tuned to our FB page for committee specials info: WFN POWWOW

For more information, contact WFN Cultural Coordinator, Lori Corbiere at 705-858-0610 ext. 220 or email at [cultural@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:cultural@wahnapiataefn.com)



# Wahnapiitae First Nation Medical Transportation Services

## Who Can Access Medical Transportation Benefits?

- Wahnapiitae First Nation provides medical transportation to all registered band members regardless of their band affiliation living on Wahnapiitae First Nation
- All Medical Transportation must be prior approved

## How Do You Access Medical Transportation Benefits?

- Eligible clients register at the health office
- Schedule your medical appointment
- Call the WFN Health Office to request approval and provide personal, travel and medical appointment information
- Wait for a call to receive your pick-up time/or approval for private mileage to drive yourself

## What Is Covered?

- Travel to a medical appointment as far as Sudbury and return
- May include a meal if medically required and/or on longer trips

## How Is Transportation Provided?

- Wahnapiitae First Nation Medical Transportation Driver
- Private mileage self-driven – flat rates per trip

## What Type of Medical Appointments are Covered?

- Physician; Hospital; Diagnostic/X-Ray; Optometrist; Alcohol/Drug Treatment/Detox; Specialist
- Sudbury bus-depot with specialist referral to travel outside Sudbury
- Exceptional basis if a medical need is demonstrated and recommended by on-site health professional

## Requests Referred to Non-Insured Health Benefits

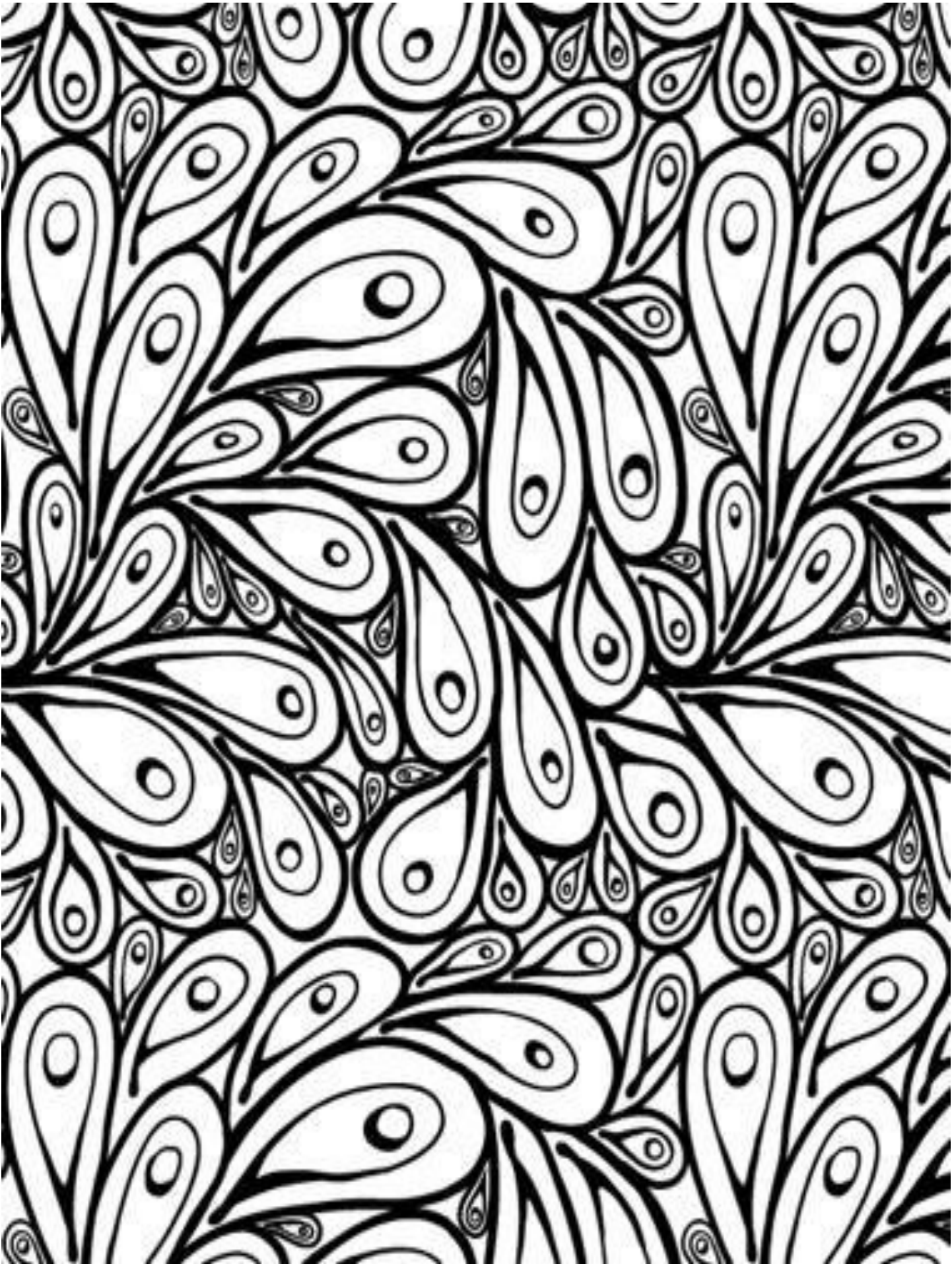
- Travel outside Sudbury area; travel outside Canada
- Ambulance services
- Dialysis, chemotherapy, radiation and methadone treatment will be prior approved by FNIHB

## If Your Transportation Request Is Denied, Can You Make an Appeal?

- Yes. Call the WFN Health office and request an appeal.
- WFN Health Office: Tel: 858-0610 Wendy or Lynn to register or for more information







# August 2016

| Sun              | Mon  | Tue   | Wed                                 | Thu   | Fri                                | Sat   |
|------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|
|                  | 1<br>Band Office<br>Closed Civil Holi-<br>day      | 2<br>Soups On!<br>Community Feast<br>5-7 PM | 3<br>TLC 1:00-3:00<br>Tykes & Tents | 4<br>Youth outing<br>8:30—2:45<br>Regalia               | 5                                  | 6   |
| 7                | 8<br>Youth fundraiser<br>BBQ 11:30-1:00<br>Regalia | 9<br>Soups On!<br>Chief & Council<br>6PM    | 10<br>TLC 1:00-3:00<br>PM           | 11<br>Regalia   | 12                                 | 13  |
| 14               | 15<br>BBQ Fundraiser<br>11:30—1:00 PM<br>Regalia   | 16<br>Soups On!                             | 17<br>TLC 1:00-3:00                 | 18<br>Sunrise Ceremo-<br>ny 5:30AM<br>Tentative Regalia | 19<br>Sunrise Ceremo-<br>ny 5:30AM | 20<br>Sunrise Ceremony<br>5:30AM<br>POW WOW |
| 21<br>POW<br>WOW | 22<br>BBQ Fundraiser<br>11:30-1:00                 | 23  | 24<br>TLC 1:00-3:00                 | 25  | 26                                 | 27<br>Nomination<br>Meeting 9AM@<br>MDG     |
| 28               | 29   | 30  | 31<br>TLC                           |   |                                    |   |