



**Merry
Christmas**



Rankin Reserve 15D
Goulais Bay Reserve 15A
Obadjiwan Reserve 15E
Whitefish Island 15

**Batchewana
First Nation!**

**December
2015**



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**Monthly
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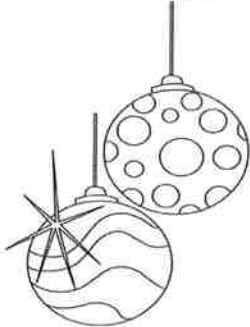
CHRISTMAS MAIL OUT!

**BFN Chief
and Council
would like
to wish you
and yours a
happy and
safe holiday
season!**

**Please take
notice of
BFN's
Christmas
events as
we hope
to see you
there!**

**communications@
batchewana.
ca or call Alex at**

759-0914 ext. 247



**Seasons Greetings Readers!!!
Welcome to the Christmas edition
of BFN's Monthly Newsletter**

Sections...

▪ **News and Events**

Will inform you of what is happening in BFN's communities and surrounding area.

○ **BFN in the News**

Includes news articles pertaining to BFN communities and it's members.

○ **Community Beat**

Updates you on Internal Reminders, BFN sponsored Activities, and Public Notices.

○ **BFN Department Updates**

Provides you with briefings from each of BFN's departments.

▪ **Employment Opportunities**

Will notify you of any job postings through BFN.

▪ **Kids Space**

Is dedicated to entertaining kids with fun activities that incorporate the language.

**Please be advised that the Band Office
will be CLOSED Friday Dec. 18 Noon
Reopened Monday Jan. 4, 2016
BUT**

**OPEN on Dec. 30 from 10am-12pm for
Niigaaniin Cheque pick up & Payments (rent)**

Batchewana First Nation Christmas Closure NOTICE

BFN ADMINISTRATION (Band Office) will be:

Closing on Friday December 18, 2015 at 12 Noon

Reopening on Monday January 4, 2016 at 8:30am

**OPENED on December 30th, 2015 from 10am-12pm
for Niigaaniin cheque pick up, rent payment/ other
payments**

For Housing Emergencies please call:
Trudy Boyer (705) 992-3777

**BATCHEWANA HEALTH CENTRE will be open
for primary health clinic on:**

December 28, 2015 from 9am – 3pm

**Please call the health centre to book your
appointment**

"Non Dway Gamig" Batchewana Health
210 A Gran Street
Batchewana First Nation,
ON P6C 0C4
705-254-7827





BFN CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST!

**An exterior Christmas decorating challenge
will be taking place in each BFN community.**

**Houses will be judged by a group of Elders
and cash prizes will be distributed to the top
3 houses in each community.**

**The challenge is intended to inspire
homeowner pride and boost community
spirit. Judging will take place on the week
of December 14, 2015.**

**Winners will be announced at the Tree
lighting ceremony on Wednesday
December 16, 2015 at 7pm**

Sponsored by





BFN CHRISTMAS PARADE!

December 16, 2015

6:00pm start

BFN Department floats will go around the Rankin community then back to the Health Centre

for 7pm Tree Lighting Ceremony!



*****Please make sure children keep a safe distance away, and do not run up to moving vehicles*****

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!





BFN'S **Memorial Tree Lighting** **Ceremony**

**Batchewana First Nation would like to invite you to
participate in our Sixth Annual
Memorial Tree Lighting Ceremony!**

**Purchase a light for \$5 in memory of a loved one and
proceeds will go towards Community Organizations**

**Join us on December 16th at 7pm after the Parade
at the BFN Health Centre**

**Lights can be purchased at the BFN Band Office, Health
Centre, Learning Centre, and the
Obadjiwan Conference Centre**

**For more information please contact
Alexandra Syrette (705) 759-0914 x 247**





ATTENTION BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION MEMBERS

**ANNUAL CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS PARTY**



SATURDAY DEC. 12TH, 2015



**RANKIN & GOULAIS 3PM
OBADJIWON 4PM**

**RANKIN ARENA THUNDERBIRD ROOM
GOULAIS COMMUNITY CENTRE
BATCHAWANA COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**PLEASE CALL DOLLY AT 705 759-0914 TO REGISTER
YOUR CHILD 12 YEARS OF AGE AND
UNDER BY DEC. 4th**

**YOU MUST BE REGISTERED AND IN ATTENDANCE TO
RECEIVE A GIFT**





**ATTENTION BATCHEWANA FIRST
NATION MEMBERS**

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS
DINNER**



SATURDAY DEC. 12TH, 2015

5 PM

**RANKIN ARENA THUNDERBIRD
ROOM**

**GOULAIS & OBADJIWON
COMMUNITY CENTRES**



**SPONSORED BY BNR
(BATCHEWANA NATURAL RESOURCES)**

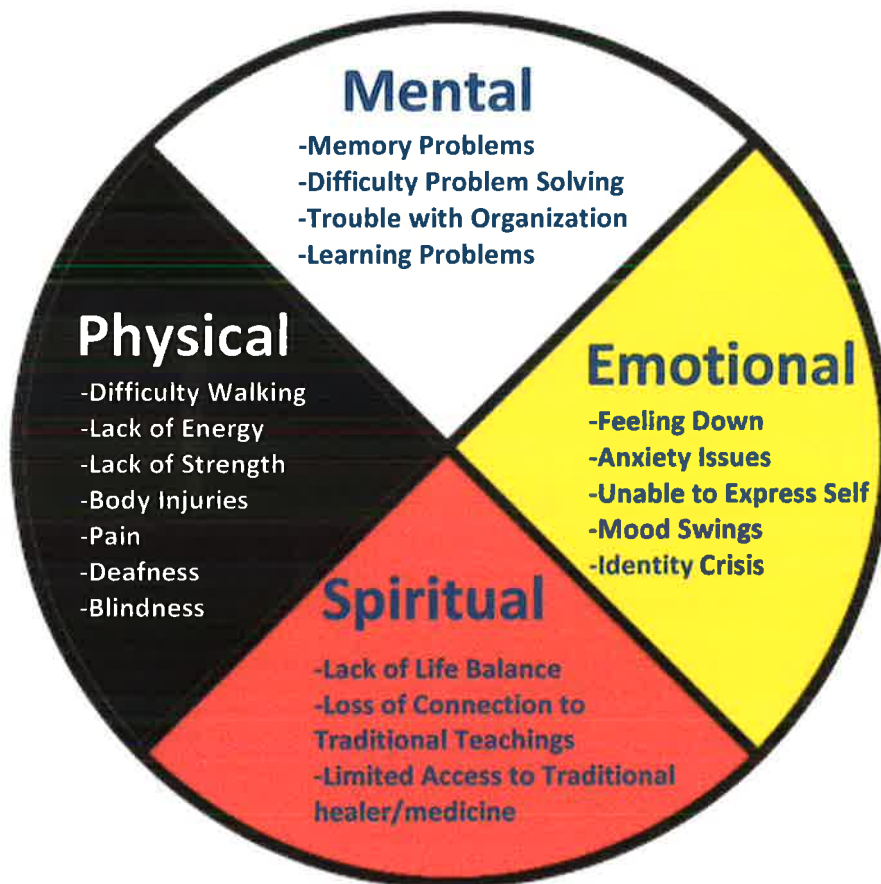


Honouring All Abilities



N'Mninoeyaa Aboriginal Health Access Centre's Community Support Services in partnership with the Batchewana First Nation is hosting Focus Group Discussions about Disabilities in our Community.

We invite community members living with a disability, their caregivers and family members to share your experience. What does "disability" mean to you? What supports and resources are available to support you, what is working well, what is not working well?



Dates: **Tues, Dec 8th, 2015**

Locations: **Elder's Complex**

Wed, Dec 9th, 2015

Goulais Complex

Tues, Dec 15th, 2015

Obadjiwan Community Ctr.

This event will be facilitated by Heidi McLarty, Disabilities Case Manager and Rodney Elie
Please register with Heidi McLarty: Heidi.mclarty@nmninoeyaa.ca

Or call: 705-254-8183

5 – 7 pm - Dinner provided

This project is funded by Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada, Disabilities Initiative; aimed to increase public awareness, and to improve the coordination and accessibility of existing programs and services in First Nation communities.

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Aboriginal People

and

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Patron Saint of the Americas - Feast Day

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2015

8 AM

Sunrise Ceremony

at Batchewana First Nation
Elders Complex, 200 Gran Street

10 AM - 1 PM

Novena and Video and Refreshments

at Batchewana First Nation
Elders Complex, 200 Gran Street

5 PM

Mass

at Precious Blood Cathedral





Walk-In Counselling Service



Session at a Time

Algoma Family Services, Algoma Public Health and the Canadian Mental Health Association are pleased to partner together to make mental health and addictions services more accessible by offering a walk-in counselling service to children, youth, families, adults and couples.

Please call us at **(705) 945-5050** for more information.

Where:

Canadian Mental Health Association
386 Queen Street East, Sault Ste. Marie
(Queen Street Entrance, 1st Floor)

When:

Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m to 7 p.m
(last session at 5:30 p.m)

Who Can Access Services?

Children, youth, adults, couples and families. Please feel free to bring your personal support (friend, family member, support worker, etc.)

What Can I Expect?

You will be provided with information about the service and meet with a counsellor for a single confidential session. Each session can last 1-1½ hours and will address **your** concern.

You may experience a short wait at the office until a counsellor is available.



*Services for Children, Youth and Their
Families are Proudly Supported By*

MEDAVIE
HEALTH FOUNDATION

Please note this is **not** a crisis or emergency service. If you require immediate assistance, please contact the Crisis Helpline at (705) 759-3398 or 1-800-721-0077 or 911 Emergency Services



Algoma
PUBLIC HEALTH
Santé publique Algoma



Algoma Family Services
SERVICES AUX FAMILLES D'ALGOMA



Canadian Mental
Health Association
Sault Ste. Marie Branch
Mental health for all

Season's Greetings !

from the

Bow Lake Wind Project



HOUSING REMINDER



RENT-TO-OWN/RENTAL APPLICANTS

On an annual basis, ***before*** the 1 year anniversary receipt of date of application, it is your responsibility to ensure you call or attend the Band Office to update your application.

Failure to do so will result in your application being considered inactive and subsequently removed from the waiting list and department files.

Attention All Tenants/Homeowners and Loan Holders

Chief and Council are advising any members with mortgage, loans, and rent to pay on or before the first of each month. Those who neglect to follow their agreements/contracts will be subject to Eviction.



ACTIVATOR

December (Manidoonhs Giizis – Little Spirit Moon) Programs



Shkiniigiwak Daminong

Youth Recreation

Chi-Wiikwedong

Wednesdays

from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Goulais Annex

Gichi Aya'aak Anokaajigan

Elders' Craft

Chi-Wiikwedong

Mondays

from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Goulais Annex

Ganawenimdizodaa

Let's Get In Shape

Rankin

Wednesdays & Fridays

from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Batchewana Learning Centre

*Must be at least 16 years old
and sign waiver form to use
B.L.C.'s fitness centre.

Shkiniigiwak Daminong

Youth Recreation

Obadjiwanong

Thursdays

from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Obadjiwan Centre

Gichi Aya'aak Anokaajigan

Elders' Craft

Obadjiwanong

Tuesdays

from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Obadjiwan Centre

Holidays

Activator holidays will begin
on December 18th, 2015.

No programming after this
point until the New Year.

Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year to all!

Monthly Special Events

Anishinaabe Izhichigewin

Anishinaabe Activity

Obadjiwanong Cultural Day

December 12th, (Saturday)

from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meet at Obadjiwan Centre.

All ages encouraged to attend.

Dress warm & bring tobacco.

Inawemaaganak Izhichigewin

Family Activity

Mockingbird Hill Farm

Sleigh Ride & Snow Man Making

December 18th, (Friday)

from 3:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Meet at Youth Centre for hot

dogs, then catch the bus to

Farmer Bob's for the sleigh ride

and snow man making.

Dress warm & bring supplies for
your snow man.

Harley Syrette

Activator

705 759 0914 ext. 254

harley@batchewana.ca



Anishinaabe Cultural Day Obadjiwan Reserve

Community members of all ages are encouraged to attend and participate in our cultural practices.

Throughout the day we will participate in various Anishinaabe way of life activities and receive teachings and stories.

Rodney Elie of Batchewana First Nation will be our facilitator & teacher for the day.

*December 12th, 2015
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

Meet at Obadjiwan Community Centre
in Batchawana Bay

Refreshments will be provided
throughout the day

Lunch will be provided

Bring asemaa (tobacco)
for cultural offerings

Dress warm for the cold weather

Please inform us if you have any
medical conditions or allergies

Ojibwe Tidbit

<i>Obadjiwan</i>	<i>– Batchawana</i>
<i>Gisinaa</i>	<i>– Cold Weather</i>
<i>Anishinaabe Izhichigewin</i>	<i>– Cultural Activity</i>
<i>Aadizookaan</i>	<i>– Sacred Story</i>

<i>Asemaa</i>	<i>– Tobacco</i>
<i>Biboon</i>	<i>– Winter</i>
<i>Gikinoo'amaagoowin</i>	<i>– Teaching</i>
<i>Dibaaajimowin</i>	<i>– Story</i>

If you have any questions, please contact

*Harley Syrette
Recreation Activator
705 759 0914 ext. 254*

*Rodney Elie
Drug and Alcohol Prevention Worker
705 254 7827 ext. 138*

gichi miigwech, baamaapii gwaabamin



Winter Family Event *Mockingbird Hill Farm*

Batchewana First Nation's Activator and Youth Centre invite our families to a fun family event to kick off the winter holidays.

We will meet at the Youth Centre for hot dogs, then we will catch the bus to Farmer Bob's for sleigh rides, snow man making and hot chocolate. Then we will wrap up the event with the snow man contest.

Everyone will walk away with a prize.

December 18th, 2015
3:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Meet at Youth Centre in Rankin Reserve

Dress warm for the cold weather

Parents must attend with children

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|-----------|---|
| 3:30 p.m. | – Hot dogs at Youth Centre |
| 4:30 p.m. | – Bus ride to Farmer Bob's |
| 5:00 p.m. | – Sleigh rides, snow man making and hot chocolate |
| 7:25 p.m. | – Snow man contest judging |
| 7:30 p.m. | – Bus ride to Youth Centre |

Ojibwe Tidbit

<i>Kitigaan</i>	– Farm	<i>Goon</i>	– Snow
<i>Gisinaa</i>	– Cold Weather	<i>Biboon</i>	– Winter
<i>Bebezhigooganzhii</i>	– Horse	<i>Bebezhigooganzhii apa'igowin</i>	– Horse Ride
<i>Inawemaaganak Izhichigewin</i>	– Family Activity	<i>Anishaa</i>	– Fun

If you have any questions, please contact

Harley Syrette
Recreation Activator
 705 759 0914 ext. 254

Terri-Lynn Carter
Youth Coordinator
 705 942 5869

gichi miigwech, baamaapii gwaabamin

DECEMBER 2015 – MANIDOOHNHS GIIZIS (LITTLE SPIRIT MOON) ACTIVATOR CALENDAR					
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 Program Elders – Obadijwan 11:00 am – 1:00 pm	2 Program Youth – Goulais 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Fitness Day – B.L.C. 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	3 Program Youth – Obadijwan 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	4 Program Fitness Day – B.L.C. 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
6	7 Program Elders – Goulais 11:00 am – 1:00 pm	8 Program Elders – Obadijwan 11:00 am – 1:00 pm	9 Program Youth – Goulais 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Fitness Day – B.L.C. 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	10 Program Youth – Obadijwan 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	11 Program Fitness Day – B.L.C. 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
13	14 Program Elders – Goulais 11:00 am – 1:00 pm	15 Program Elders – Obadijwan 11:00 am – 1:00 pm	16 Program Youth – Goulais 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Fitness Day – B.L.C. 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	17 Program Youth – Obadijwan 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	18 Event Family Activity Sleigh Ride 3:30 pm – 8:00 pm
20	21 Holiday Christmas Closure	22 Holiday Christmas Closure	23 Holiday Christmas Closure	24 Holiday Christmas Eve	25 Holiday Christmas Day
27	28 Holiday Christmas Closure	29 Holiday Christmas Closure	30 Holiday Christmas Closure	31 Holiday New Year's Eve	
Anishinaabe Event – Meet at Obadijwan Community Centre. Dress warm and bring asemaa (tobacco). Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Family Event – Meet at Youth Centre for 3:30 pm, bus leaves at 4:30 pm for Mockingbird Hill Farm. Sleigh rides and snow man making at Mockingbird Hill Farm. Youth Program – Activities will vary each week but will consist of recreation, sport and play. Light refreshments will be provided. Elders Program – Craft making and socializing each week. Light refreshments will be provided. Fitness Program – Free gym usage at Batchewana Learning Centre. Participants must be 16 years of age or older and must sign a waiver form.					



IT'S BFN'S 5TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

Batchewana Natural Resource Department is
hosting the 5th Annual Christmas Parade,
December 16, 2014 @ 6 pm

Due to high volume of traffic on Frontenac
Street the route has been changed

Map is attached



Merry Christmas!

BNR Staff

Danny Sayers Jr., BNR Manager
Dave Sewell, BNR Field Supervisor
Vic Bolduc, BNR Mining and Aggregate Tech.
Leeann Sewell, BNR Administration

**To manage, sustain, protect and
fulfill our obligations as
Caretakers of Mother Earth**

FIREWORKS WILL TAKE PLACE @ 8PM at the
Ball Field



Attention Community Members

- ❖ The BNR department will be co-hosting Community Engagement Sessions in 2016 for Mining Projects.
- ❖ All Elk Harvesters please contact the BNR Department to report what you harvested (bull, cow, calf)

The BNR Shop will also be relocating to a
different building in BBI Park. Details to follow



High School Student(s)

Youth NIGHT

Every Wednesday

6:00 - 9:00 pm

BATCHEWANA LEARNING CENTER

Come join the FUN

Bring a Friend

More Information Contact

705-759-7285

High School Student(s)





Skills Link Program

With the Batchewana Learning Centre



The Skills Link Program is a **PAID** Coop Position in a trade of your choice. This is open to all Band Members interested in exploring and enhancing your job skills and credentials.

Come and fill out an application if you:

- Are a Band Member
- Are 29 years old or younger
- Have a possible employer interested
- Are interest in gaining work experience in a trade

There are only 4 positions available so act fast!



Submit your current resume and completed application to Brenda at the Batchewana Learning Centre by **December 10, 2015**.

705.759.7285 ext. 202



RANKIN DAYCARE CENTRE

INFANT ROOM NEWS:

Aaniin,

Hi, from the infant room. Our little ones are enjoying the snow falling outside our windows. We will not be going for our daily walks when it is slippery out. Hopefully, we get several walks before then, if not, we will continue walking again in the spring.

Santa will be at the Daycare on December 16/15 @2:30. Parents and grandparents are welcome. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Enjoy the holidays and be safe!

Faye & Kelci

TODDLER ROOM NEWS:

Aanii,

A chi-miigwetch to the sites we visited for halloweent; Band Office, Arena, Bingo Hall, Crisis Shelter, Police Station, Health Ctr., and Baawaating. The toddlers had a fun day.

The toddlers will be enjoying arts and crafts this month for Christmas decorating. Santa will be making a visit on Wed. Dec. 16/15 @2:30. Parents/grandparents are welcomed to come. Cake and refreshments to follow.

A reminder that the cold weather is upon us, so please ensure your child has appropriate outside clothes for this time of year. Also, please ensure your child has extra clothes in their locker. Our Daycare will be closed for the Christmas holidays from Dec. 18/15 (11:45am) - Jan. 1/16. So see you Jan. 4/16.

From all of us in the toddler room

Minonniibaa Anang

PRE-SCHOOL ROOM NEWS:

Happy Holidays!

Aanii, during the short month of December, we will be doing lots of exciting activities with the children. We will be making lots of decorations for Christmas and our float we will be putting in the parade. Our Christmas party will be held on Dec. 16/15 @2:30. Parents and Grandparents are more than welcome to come. The next day Dec. 17, we will be doing our parade in the evening. That leads us to our Christmas closure Friday, Dec. 18/15 @11:45. Hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a safe New Year. Miigwetch! Michelle, Yolanda and Samantha

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL NEWS:

December is here! The Before and After School Program are excited to celebrate our coming Holidays. We are getting some art work done to place around the centre for the younger children to enjoy. We are pleased that our student helper Heather Marenger, will be bringing in new things for us to do! Just a reminder for parents and children, to bring warm clothing (hats, mittens, warm jacket, boots, etc.) so we can play outside. Chi-Meegwetch!





TIPS FOR SAFETY DURING HOLIDAY SEASON



Vehicle:

- Do not leave parcels and/or packages in plain view in your vehicle
- Lock all valuables in the trunk and keep windows & doors locked

Personal Safety:

- While out shopping, park in a well-lit area
- Carry a minimal amount of cash
- Be cautious when using ATM machines, use machines in heavy populated areas
- Be aware of your surroundings

Home Safety:

- If you will be away for the holidays, leave a light on or have someone stay there
- Test your smoke alarms & carbon monoxide
- Blow out any candles when leaving your home and unplug lights and decorations
 - Do not keep presents wrapped under the tree until necessary (especially if visible through window or door)

Child Safety:

- Make sure your children know their phone number, full name and address
- Teach your children about internet safety and never give out personal information on the computer
- Caution children to never accept a ride home from anyone unless you told them it's okay
- Teach children how to use 911
- Make sure your children know how to reach you at work or on your cell phone.

**MAKE TIME TO TALK ABOUT
CHILD SAFETY...**

IF YOU REQUIRE POLICE.....CALL

1-888-310-1122



Listen. Share. Empower.

Join us as we create a safe and supportive environment for planting seeds of change.

Weekly sessions have been designed to provide information through visual aids and discussions that will guide participants through self-examination and towards empowerment.

Women and men are welcome to attend. Whether you are attending for personal growth, or to gain knowledge as a support for a family member, your life experience and presence will be a positive contribution to the group.

**Tuesday,
January 5,
2016**

**Tuesday,
January 12,
2016**

**Tuesday,
January 19,
2016**

**Tuesday,
January 26,
2016**

9:30 am –
12 pm @
Teen
Centre

**Improving
Parent/Child
Relationships**

Sessions 1 & 2

**Improving
Parent/ Child
Relationships**

Sessions 3 & 4

**Improving
Parent/Child
Relationships**

Sessions 5, 6 & 7

**Make-up
sessions**

1 pm –
3:30 pm
@ Teen
Centre

**Character
and Self-
Esteem**

Sessions 1 & 2

**Character
and Self-
Esteem**

Sessions 3 & 4

**Character
and Self-
Esteem**

Sessions 5 & 6

Feel free to attend for the full day, or only for the topic you are interested in. Topics will change monthly.

A light lunch and refreshments will be available. Nutritional Lunches Provided by the Batchewana Health Centre: Healthy Living Program, Aboriginal Diabetes and the Health Program Planner Annemerrie Roberts.

Transportation or child care is not provided.

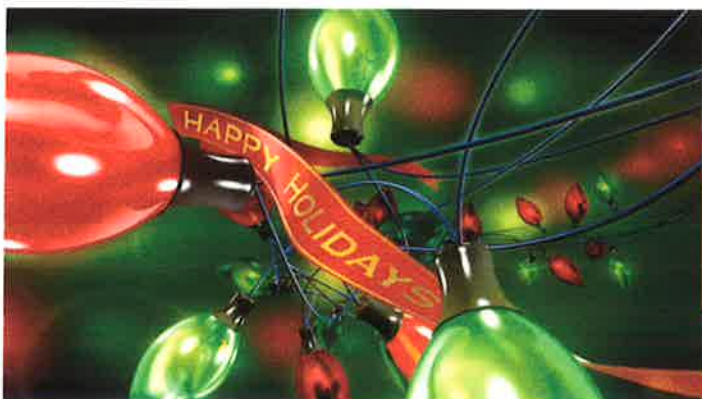
Those who attend all sessions will receive a completion certificate for that topic!

February's session – Walking Through Grief

Pre-registration is not necessary.

Participants are not required to bring anything, except an open mind.

For more information, contact Barb Day @ 705-207-0241



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	Tuesday December 1, 2015	Tuesday, December 8, 2015	Tuesday, December 15, 2015
9:30 am – 12 pm @ Teen Centre	Domestic Violence Sessions 1 & 2	Domestic Violence Sessions 4 & 5	Make Up Sessions
	LUNCH PROVIDED	LUNCH PROVIDED	LUNCH PROVIDED
1 pm – 3:30 pm @ Teen Centre	Session 3	Session 6	Afternoon Session

NOTE: Due to Christmas holidays, only one topic will be offered in December. Topics will change monthly. A light lunch and refreshments will be available.

Transportation or child care is not provided.

Nutritional Lunches Provided by the Batchewana Health Centre: Healthy Living Program,
Aboriginal Diabetes and the Health Program Planner Annemerrie Roberts

Those who attend all sessions will receive a completion certificate for that topic!

Tuesdays: No Program During Christmas Holidays "Wishing All Safe & Happy Holidays"

January's sessions – Improving Parent/Child Relationships and Character, & Self-Esteem

Pre-registration is not necessary.

Participants are not required to bring anything, except an open mind.

For more information, contact Barb Day @ 705-297-0241.

Nimkii Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter

SHKIGWAASO SEWING PROGRAM: Moss Bags & Other Projects of Interest Thursday December 3rd & 10th, then into January 7th, 14th, 21st & the 28th) THURSDAYS location TEEN CENTRE in Rankin. Time: During the Day 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Males welcomed! We eventually would like to offer a Program for the Males.

Two Spirt – LGBTQ

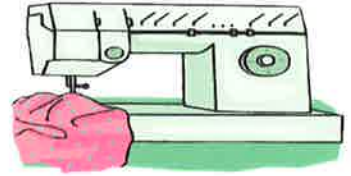
December 14th into January 11th & 25th, 2016

A Safe Space & Support Group for Two Spirited People

Location: Rankin Daycare Centre

5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Snacks / Refreshments



TUESDAY's EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

Listen Share Empower

Tuesdays December 1st, 8th & 15th then into January 2016

Tuesdays January 5th, 12th, 19 & the 26th.

TEEN CENTRE 9:30 to NOON -Lunch 1:00 to 2:30 pm Afternoon Session



Nutritional Lunches Provided by the Batchewana Health Centre: Healthy Living Program, Aboriginal Diabetes,

Health Program Planner Annemerrie Roberts

See more detailed Posters for Topics.

SUPER HERO CLUB: Last Session December 02 until next season, Miigwetch to all the Dads & Families & Guest Speakers

that came out. Your Participation is Valuable and Appreciated. Have GREAT & SAFE HOLIDAYS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to EVERYONE: From the Staff at Nimkii Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter

MINO ODE WEWIN PROGRAMs

Barbara Day / Program Support Worker
Cell: (705) 297-0241

NIMKII-NAABKAWAGAN Family Crisis Shelter

Rankin Reserve 15D
c/o 236 Frontenac Street
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A-5K9
Phone: (705) 941-9054 Fax (705) 941- 9055
Crisis Hotline: 1 (866) 266-1466





Youth and Elders

Christmas Arts and Crafts



What: Art and Craft

Where: Elders Complex

When: December 7/2015

Time: 6-8 pm

Children under 10 yrs old

Must have an adult present



SNACKS & REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

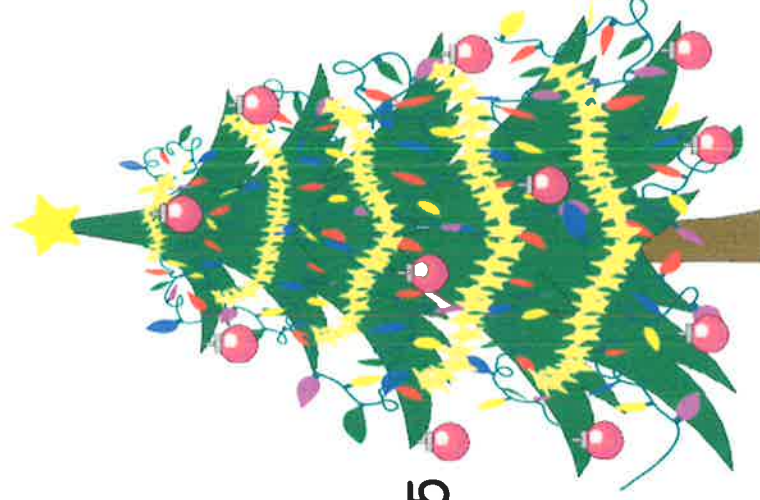
EVERYONE WELCOME!!!

ENTRY AND ADMISSION CANNED GOOD DONATION TO THE

GOOD FOOD CUPBOARD

Elders Christmas lunch and social

MUST BE 55 YRS
OR OLDER TO
ATTEND
LUNCHEON



What: Lunch and Social

Where: To Be Announced

When: December 17/2015

Time: 11:30-2:30 pm

PLEASE RSVP BY DECEMBER 10 @ 430
CALL ANNMERIE HEALTH PROGRAM PLANNER
LEAVE NAME AND NUMBER
705-254-7827 EXT 134 AMROBERTS@BATCHEWANA.CA

Thank
You



YOUTH CENTRE CHRISTMAS CLOSURES



YOUTH CENTRE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE
FOLLOWING DAYS:

- ✓ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24TH
- ✓ FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25TH
- ✓ SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26TH
- ✓ FRIDAY, JANUARY 1ST -2015

EVERY OTHER DAY THE CENTRE WILL BE OPEN
REGULAR CENTRE HOURS 3:00 PM – 10:00 PM



***** REMINDER *****



~~THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST THE CENTRE
WILL BE OPEN AT 1:00 PM AND CLOSE
AT 8:00 PM~~

~ FOR THIS DAY ONLY ~



Christmas Bus Light Tour



Youth and Elder Christmas Bus Light Tour

(2Buses)

What: Christmas Bus Light Tour

Where: Elders Complex

When: December 10/2015

Time: 5:00 - 7:30 pm/ bus comes at 6:00 pm



Cookie

Making

Children under 10 yrs old

Must have an adult present



SNACKS & REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED, BEFORE THE RIDE

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

**ENTRY & ADMISSION FEE IS A CANNED GOOD DONATION TO
THE GOOD FOOD CUPBOARD.**



Christmas Talent Show

(Looking for volunteers)

Where: Batchewana Learning Centre

When: Thursday December 3, 2015

Time: 5:30-8:00 pm

MUST Early Registration 5:00 pm

First Come First Serve

Prizes 7:00 pm

Open Mic 7:15-8 pm



Prizes for Category

1. Traditional
2. Singing
3. Karaoke
4. Dancing Free Style/Break Dancing
5. Comedy

**Snack and refreshments.
Everyone welcome!!!**



**Batchewana First Nation
Health Centre
Non Dway Gaming**

Presenters and information
tables include

**HIV / Aids
FAS
Nutrition
Diabetes
Physical Exercise**





**Prizes Donated from
Mental Health
Addictions
Diabetes
Disability Funding
Aids
Pre-Natal
Child Nutrition
Medial Van Driver
Community Health Nurse
Healthy Babies Healthy
Children
Community Health Rep
FAS**

Please Contact Annmerrie
Roberts Health Program Planner
705-254-7827 ext 134

**Entry & Admission fee is
Canned Good Donation to the Good Food Cupboard**



Youth Programming & Activities for DECEMBER




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Terrilynn Carter, Youth Coordinator 705-942-5869 terrilynn@batchewana.ca		1 Christmas baking & crafts	2 Christmas movie & popcorn night	3 BFN Christmas Talent Show (Refer to flyer)	4 Decorate youth centre for Christmas	5 Fin Hill at 5:00 pm
6 FREE TIME at the youth centre	7 Christmas Craft Night at the Elders Complex	8 Outside Activities	9 Healthy Dinner at the youth centre	10 Christmas Light Bus Tour 6:00 pm	11 Walk to go out and get Christmas tree for the centre	12 Christmas Craft Night
13 Snow shoe fun outside	14 Christmas finger paint crafts	15 Snowman Sculptures outside youth centre	16 BFN Christmas Parade	17 Healthy Dinner at the youth centre	18 Sleigh Ride Farmer Bobs (refer to flyer)	19 Christmas Craft Night
20 Fin Hill at 5:00 pm	21 Christmas baking	22 Christmas baking & crafts	23 Healthy Dinner at the youth centre	24 	25 	26 
27 Snow shoe fun outside	28 Youth choice of activity	29 Movie & Popcorn night	30 Healthy Dinner at the youth centre	31 youth centre open at 1:00 – 8:00 pm ~~~ New year's eve activities & crafts	1----- ~2016~ 	

Youth Programming for Goulais & Batchawana



~~Program may be cancelled throughout the winter months due to inclement weather conditions~~

Activities for the month of DECEMBER for GOULAIS & BATCHAWANA

GOULAIS ON Monday		BATCHAWANA ON Tuesday	
		1 ST	Youth choice of craft/outside of activity
7 TH	Snow sculptures/snowshoe fun (dress accordingly) **Choose Christmas Movie for next week**		8 TH Snow sculptures/snowshoe fun (dress accordingly) **Choose Christmas movie for next week**
14 TH	Christmas Movie Pizza & Popcorn Christmas Baking		15 TH Christmas Movie, Pizza & Popcorn Christmas Baking
January 4 th -2016		January 5 th – 2016	
Gym activities & Outdoor Fun with Snowshoes Hot Chocolate		Outdoor Fun with Snowshoes/toboggans Hot Chocolate	



The Youth Centre Staff would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and the Happiest, Healthiest New Year
Enjoy your Christmas Break and see you back Tuesday January 4th - 2016



CALL OUT FROM THE CULTURAL COMMITTEE

The Cultural Committee is asking interested individuals and groups to submit their name for the following lists.

Elders

Ceremony Conductors

Firekeepers

Pipe Carriers

Drum Groups & Hand Drum Singers

Language Speakers

Traditional Feast Cooks

Firewood Delivery

The Cultural Committee coordinates and facilitates various ceremonies throughout the year for Batchewana First Nation and at times will call upon registered individuals and groups on these lists to participate in the ceremonies.

Contact Dolly at 705 759 0914 or at the band office to submit.

Deadline – January 29th, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

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**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN THE
CONSTRUCTION SECTOR?**

Batchewana Employment & Training

**WILL BE TAKING THE NAMES OF INTERESTED
BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION MEMBERS**

for the

**HEAVY EQUIPMENT TRAINING PROGRAM at Transport
Training Centres of Canada (SSM location)**

**To qualify you must meet BET program requirements
and have a valid driver's license.**

Space is limited to 10 individuals pending funding

Please contact Jessica Boyer at (705) 759-0914 ext. 227



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Temporary Maintenance Worker

Position Summary:

The Operations and Maintenance Worker is responsible for performing a variety of labour activities and community services for the daily operations of the Batchewana First Nation Public Works Department and its Reserves: Goulais Bay, Rankin, and Obadjiwan and Whitefish Island. The Maintenance Worker is expected to work 40 hours per week. The hours will be flexible and include evenings and weekends during seasonal activities.

Reporting Relationships:

The incumbent will report to the Operations and Maintenance Coordinator.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Road maintenance as specified
- Community service maintenance such as water, sanitation, cemeteries, public parks etc.
- Seasonal operations (grass cutting, snow removal etc.)
- Care and maintenance of all Band Assets owned buildings and surrounding grounds as assigned
- Must complete daily detailed timesheets and work orders
- Must perform regular scheduled inspections and maintenance reports
- Maintain an inventory control and report any repairs needed for the buildings
- Carry out job orders in relation to approved minor community repairs as assigned
- Follow specific monthly, seasonal and yearly routines.

Qualifications and Requirements:

- Work experience and Heavy Equipment Operators certification would be an asset
- Previous maintenance experience would be an asset (plumbing, electrical, painting etc)
- Must have a valid class DZ driver's license and a vehicle
- Must provide a driver's abstract

Please submit application with resume to: Hiring Committee
Temporary Maintenance Worker
236 Frontenac St.
Batchewana First Nation, ON

Application Deadline: December 10, 2015

A complete job description is available at 236 Frontenac Street
Only those granted an interview will be contacted. We thank all applicants.



Becoming a Correctional Officer

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services offers a challenging and exciting career to those interested in making a difference in their communities and their province. We are looking for people from all backgrounds to join Ontario's correctional services team.

Basic Requirements

- Minimum 18 years of age
- Eligible to work in Canada
- Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma or equivalent
- Up-to-date certification in Emergency First Aid, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

Selection Process

- Apply online to positions posted on the Ontario Public Service Career Portal – ontario.ca/jobs

Selected applicants must successfully complete each stage of the selection process:

- Ministry administered aptitude, cognitive ability and behavioural tests
- Fitness Test for Ontario Correctional Officer Applicants (FITCO)
- Enhanced security clearance process
- Interview and reference checks
- Pre-employment medical exam
- Correctional Officer Training and Assessment (COTA) program

Correctional Services Recruitment Unit

For more information regarding the correctional officer position and the application process, visit ontario.ca/corrections.

If you require this information in an alternative format, have additional questions, or require further information regarding the recruitment process, please feel free to contact the Correctional Services Recruitment Unit at: CSRU@ontario.ca

Telephone

Toll Free: 1-855-927-2778
Local: 905-548-5541 (Hamilton, ON)



ontario.ca/corrections

BACHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE DIRECTORY

236 Frontenac Street / Rankin Reserve 15D, Batchewana First Nation, Ontario P6A 6Z1
 Phone: 705-759-0914 Toll Free: 1-877-236-2632 Fax: 705-759-9171

Name	Position	Extension
<u>ADMINISTRATION / FINANCE</u>		
Kim Lambert	Chief Executive Officer	210
Sharon (Dolly) Syrette	Reception / Front Desk	200
Angeline (Kit) Syrette	Accounts Receivable	212
Liz Boyer	Accounts Payable	211
Cynthia Constable	Accounting/Cheque Cashing	214
Tammy Desjardins	Payroll / H.R.	208
Lisa Boissoneau	Administrative Assistant	238
Harley Syrette	Recreation Activator	254
<u>BINGO & GAMING</u>		
Rhonda M. Lesage	Manager Bingo & Gaming/ Comm. Fund	209
Kristen Roach	Assistant Manager Bingo & Gaming	705-759-2297
<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u>		
Edmund Dubois	Capital Projects Coordinator	206
<u>CHIEF/COUNCIL</u>		
Dean Sayers	Chief	202
Sandra Kenny	Council Secretary	201
<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>		
Alexandra Syrette	Communications Coordinator	247
<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Marlene Hewson	Economic Development Officer	224
<u>EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING</u>		
Jessica Boyer	Manager	227
Sharon Boissoneau	Assistant Manager	257
<u>Lands/Community Planning Manager</u>		
James Roach	Coordinator	226
<u>HOUSING</u>		
Trudy Boyer (705) 992-3777	Housing Manager	230
Lisa R. McCormick	Housing /Tenant Liaison	256
Ken Boyer	Project Manager	228
Deeanna Hewson	Housing Assistant	203
<u>MEMBERSHIP / Estates/ Licensing</u>		
Lisa A. McCormick	Band Clerk	205
<u>NATURAL RESOURCES</u>		
Dan Sayers, Jr.	Manager	223
Dave Sewell	Field Technician	251
Vic Bolduc	Mining & Aggregate Technician	246
Leeann Sayers	Administration	222
<u>NIIGAANIIN</u>		
Rhonda A. Lesage	Manager	220
Rachel Boissoneau	Intake Worker	219
Lacey Dalton	Caseworker	218
Charlotte Zack	Caseworker	221
<u>OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE</u>		
Agnes Lidstone	Operations & Maintenance Manager	236
Kandyce Porter	Assistant Manager	234
Donald Jordan	Maintenance	237
John G. Jordan	Maintenance	237
Ken Virta	Maintenance	237
<u>OPERATION SPRINGBOARD</u>		
	Beverly Griffin	229
<u>RANKIN ARENA</u>		
Dan Sayers, Sr.	Manager	705-759-1444
Michelle Pitawanakwat	Accounting / Administration	
Ina Shaughnessy	Canteen Manager	705-759-4127
<u>RANKIN DAYCARE</u>		
Linda Hubert	Supervisor	705-759-0330

Janelle Boissoneau	Bookkeeper	
CRISIS SHELTER	Toll Free # 1-877-266-1466	705- 941-9054
Jennifer Syrette	Executive Director	202
Reyna Tijerina	Administrative Assistant	200
Barbara Day	Program Support Worker	201
Vernon Desjardin	Building Superintendent	705-941-9054
BFN POLICE	Toll Free #	1-888-310-1122
Jim Sayers	Sgt.	705-759-5066
Mary Ryan	Administration	
GOULAIS ANNEX		705-649-0743

Obadijwan Conference & Convention Centre Dorothy Ellie 705- 882-1414

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

210 A Gran Street / Rankin Reserve 15D, Batchewana First Nation, Ontario P6C 0C4

Phone: 705-254-7827 Toll Free: 1-855-816-9590 Fax: 705-759-8716 Health Clerk Fax: 705-759-6159

Name	Position	Extension
Vanessa Williams	Director of Human Services	139
Bernadette (Bernie) Agawa	Home/Community Care Coordinator	142
Jennifer MacKnight	Health Secretary – Front Desk	108
Joyce Fournier	Mental Health	130
Holly Syrette	Community Support Service	148
Josie Paquin	Band Rep. / Case Manager	133
Chantelle Syrette	Mental Health Worker	136
Annmerrie Roberts	Health Program Planner	134
Rodney Elie	Drug & Alcohol Prevention Worker	138
Trevor Sayers	Community Health Rep.	135
Harold Robinson	Medical Van	145
Terri-Lynn Carter	Teen Centre	705-942-5869
NOG-DA-WIN-DA-MIN		705-946-3700

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

15 Jean Street, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6B4B1, **Phone: 705-759-7285 Toll Free: 1-866-339-3370**

Fax: 705-759-9982

Name	Position	Extension
Elaine McDonagh	Education Director / Principal	213
Christine Sayers	Post Secondary Counselor	214
Colleen McCabe	High School / Elementary School Counselor	219
Elvin Boyer	Teacher	205
Jenny Sayers	Secretary/Receptionist	201
Lana Jones	Boarding Home Program	215
Trudy Boyer-Jones	Teacher	208
Brenda Sayers	Accounting/Education	202

BATCHEWANA POLICE SERVICES

Detachment location: 52 Nebenaigoching Street, Batchewana First Nation, On P6A 6Z1 **General**

Inquiries Phone: 705-759-5066 or Emergency Phone: 1-888-310-1122 OR 911 Fax (705) 759-6660

BATCHEWANA BAND INDUSTRIES

485B Gran Street, Rankin Reserve 15D, ON Canada, P6A 6Z1 **Telephone: (705) 946-0746**

Toll Free: 1 (877) 370-7612 Fax: (705) 946-0416

Name	Position	Extension
Warren Sayers	Park Administrator	201
Sherri Leishman	Administrative Assistant	202