



Batchewana First Nation



June Newsletter

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



June Newsletter Chief Dean Sayers

Ahniin, on behalf of council I wanted to bring you a few updates,

After a couple of years of operating under a pandemic we are starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel. BFN Chief and Council want to thank all of our staff here at the First Nation, in particular those individuals who took on an essential role to ensure the continuance of operations and services. We would also like to acknowledge our BFN Pandemic Team who provided excellent professional advice, researched daily covid updates and contributed immensely to the difficult decisions that needed to be made. We are not out of the woods yet and we will continue to adhere to Covid protocols in the best interest of our membership.

Our new Water Treatment Facility in Goulais is now complete. There is currently a Precautionary Boil Water Advisory issued for Goulais due to the Turbidity Levels which are common this time of year. We expect to lift this advisory very soon. If you require bottled water, please contact the First Nation.

We are continuing to work towards the opening of our Treatment Centre in Obdjiwan at the former Salzburger Hof. The pandemic created many barriers to the development process of this project but we are looking forward to fast tracking a number of fronts in this area. In the meantime, we have been hosting numerous land-based withdrawal management programs at the site on an interim basis through an agreement with North Shore Tribal Council and Niigaaniin.

We are also continuing with our GIS Mapping Project that outlines where we identify our hunting places, sacred sites, moose trails, fishing sites, legends, stories and other land use markers. We are seeking knowledge from our community members and need your help with this project. Please contact our Natural Resource department for more information.

Our administration is working diligently to make sure that you receive the best quality programs and services in each of our communities. When a program is offered in one community you can expect to see similar programs in the other communities. This is a foundational expectation that your leadership have heard and have implemented. There are some new and very exciting programs and events coming up, I hope you have the chance to attend.

We look forward to seeing you at the many programs and events that are planned throughout the summer and until our paths cross, be well and safe.

- Chief Dean Sayers



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION OF OJIBWAYS

June Newsletter **Administration**

Kim Lambert, CEO

Oversees the operations of Batchewana First Nation acting as the main point of communication between the Chief and Council and corporate operations.

Klambert@batchewana.ca

705-759-0914 ext. 210



Lorri Madigan, CEO Executive Assistant

Assists the CEO with tasks such as scheduling; reviewing, prioritizing and responding to emails; answering and returning phone calls; organizing documents; maintaining records; taking notes at meetings and any other administrative tasks.

Lorri@batchewana.ca

705-759-0914 ext. 217



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION PRESENTS....

NATIONAL ANISHINAABE DAY

JUNE 21, 2022

ST. MARY'S ISLAND

- 11AM -3PM FAMILY ACTIVITIES
- 12PM-3PM POW WOW
- 1PM FEAST
- 8PM POLITICAL DISCUSSION
- 9PM FILM SCREENING
- 10PM FIREWORKS!

VENDORS

CONTACT: ALEX@BATCHEWANA.CA





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**RANKIN RESERVE 15D
GOULAIS BAY RESERVE 15A
OBADJIWAN RESERVE 15E
WHITEFISH ISLAND 15**

Chief and Council Contact Information

The contact information, including emails and portfolios, for Batchewana First Nation Chief and Council is attached. First and foremost, please reach out to the appropriate department with any inquiries; concerns or issues.

Linda Robinson is the Batchewana Community Liaison. The role of the Community Liaison is to assist membership in navigating within the departments of BFN.

Here is how to reach Linda either directly or confidentially:

Batchewana First Nation of Ojibways



**Community
Liaison**

Linda Robinson
Community Liaison

Head Office:

236 Frontenac Street

Rankin Reserve 15D, ON P6A 6Z1

Main Reception: (705) 759-0914 Ext. 224

Direct Confidential Tel: (705) 759-0139

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Email: communityliaison@batchewana.ca



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WHITEFISH ISLAND 15

Chief and Council - Contact Information

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STAFF		
Ashley Richards	<i>Executive Assistant to Chief and Council</i>	arichards@batchewana.ca
Linda Robinson	<i>Community Liaison</i>	communityliaison@batchewana.ca

JUNE COMMUNITY SOCIAL

Boozhoo, I am Linda Robinson the
Community Liaison. I help the
community members navigate with
the departments.

You can reach me at
705-759-0914 ext 224

OBADJIWAN

Monday June 6, 2022
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Obadjiwan Community Centre

GOULAIS

Tuesday June 7, 2022
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Goulais Community Centre

RANKIN

Thursday June 9, 2022
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Thunder Bird Room (Upstairs Rankin
Arena)

You invited to meet:

Community Liaison

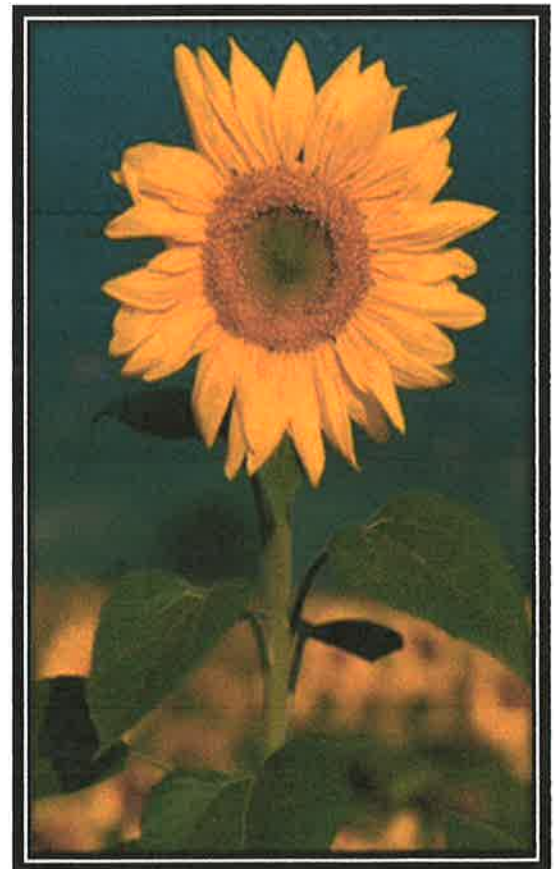
Lands

Community Wellness

Family Wellness

Community Health Representative
Nimkii Naabkawagan Woman Crisis
Shelter

Jordan's Principal



Must Wear Masks

Newsletter



Meet our staff:

Crisis Staff: Tracy Waboose-Pine, Aleisha Desjardins, Leanne Ignace, Tanya Jordan, Linda Jordan, Loah Souliere, Christina Bailey, Morgan Boissoneau-Boyer, Emily Begin, Junelle Reuben, Chelsea Meawasige-Reader, Shilo Waboose, Allison Boissoneau
Program Support Worker: April Pine
Administrative Assistant: Jenny Robinson
Traditional Nutrition and Preparation: Melinda Syrette
Building Superintendent: Vernon Desjardins
Executive Director: Jennifer Syrette

We offer:

- * Safe, temporary shelter for those leaving abusive homes
- * Safety planning
- * Transitional planning and assistance
- * Assistance with applications, and securing safe housing
- * Support, referrals and advocacy to counseling, resources, cultural services and wellness services
- * and more!

We also provide community programming to promote health, safety and the prevalence of family violence.

Watch for updates and posters from April! April also provides one to one sessions for a variety of topics. Contact April for more information.

705-941-9054
Toll Free -
1-866-266-1466

Provides assistance to Anishinaabe, non-Anishinaabe and transgendered women, and their children, who are living in an abusive relationship, have experienced a violent incident or have been threatened with violence.



Family Crisis Shelter



NIMKII-NAABKAWAGAN FAMILY CRISIS SHELTER

Phone # 705-941-9054 & Fax 705-941-9055

TOLL FREE 1-866-266-1466



EXT 202	Jennifer Syrette	Executive Director	705-206-0129	jennifer.syrette@shaw.ca
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	Junelle Reuben	Relief Crisis Worker		junelle.reuben@nimkii.ca
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	Loah Souliere	Relief Crisis Worker		loah.souliere@nimkii.ca
	Morgan Boissoneau-Boyer	Relief Crisis Worker		morg@nimkii.ca
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Natural Resources Department

The Batchewana First Nation Natural Resources Department manages the lands and natural resources within Batchewana First Nation and original reserve lands in a matter that reflects our responsibilities as Anishinaabe.

Meet the Team, we have a few new members on board!

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Email</i>
Danny Sayers Jr.	Director of Lands and Economic Development	705-316-0436 Ext.216	dannysayersjr@batchewana.ca
Jenilee Neveau	Lands Manager	705-316-0436 Ext. 7	Jenilee.neveau@batchewana.ca
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Ken Virta	Field Supervisor	705-316-0436 Ext. 218	Ken.virta@batchewana.ca
Juliana Lesage	Fish and Wildlife Supervisor	705-316-0436 Ext. 219	Juliana.lesage-corbriere@batchewana.ca

**New Address: 130A Metig Street, Batchewana First Nation
P6A 0C4**

Phone: 705- 316-0436

Please follow the prompts to access direct employee line



Boozhoo Aaniin,

Nindizhinikaaz Jenilee Neveau,
However, I go by Jen most of the time.

I am a member of Batchewana First Nation, reside
in Goulais River. I am the daughter of late Verna
Neveau and granddaughter of Arnold Neveau.

I am the new **BFN Lands Manager**.

As a Lands Manager I am responsible for
management and administration of the lands
department in many aspects.

I am here for the members of BFN. This role is
important to all of us. I ensure that community
lands, a spiritual and economic base are sustained
for future generations.

If you require assistance, please ensure you reach
out to me.

Contact Information :

Jenilee Neveau
Lands Manager 
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P: (705) 908-3784 – Dial 7
E: jenilee.neveau@batchewana.ca

Miigwech, Jenilee Neveau



*"We do not inherit the land from our
ancestors, we borrow it from our children."*

Education Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Graduation Celebration Banquet

Date: June 16

Time: 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Location: Rankin Arena

Honouring SK, Grade 8, Grade 12,
College, and University Graduates

Summer Camp

More details about summer camp, including dates, times, registration, to follow!

Back to School BBQ

More details including dates, times, registration, to follow!

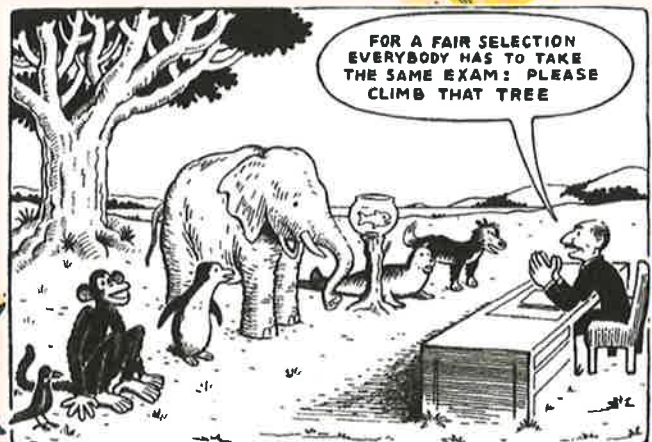
School Dates

Last Day for the 2022 School Year

- Glen Oak program – June 22, 2022
- ADSB & HSCDSB – June 30, 2022

First Day for the 2023 School Year

- Glen Oak program – September 6, 2022
- ADSB & HSCDSB – September 6, 2022



Batchewana Education Contact Information

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Toll Free 1-866-339-3370; Fax 705-759-9982

Position	Employee	Office	Email
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High School Counsellor	Lana Jones	705-759-7285 ext 215	ljones@bfnedu.com
Post Secondary Counsellor	Christine Sayers	705-759-7285 ext 204	csayers@bfnedu.com
Special Education Manager	Rachelle Lambert	705-759-7285 ext 209	rlambert@bfnedu.com
Behaviour Lead	Meredith Sewell	705-759-7285 ext 221	msewell@bfnedu.com
Special Education Admin Assistant	Kyla Sewell	705-759-7285 ext 220	ksewell@bfnedu.com
Driver			driver1@bfnedu.com
BLC Principal	Wayne Greco	705-759-7285 ext 204	principal@bfnedu.com
BLC Teacher	Anna Canduro	705-759-7285 ext 217	teacher@bfnedu.com
BLC Classroom Support	Penny Boyer	705-759-7285 ext 217	blcsupport@bfnedu.com
Finance Clerk	Brenda Sayers	705-759-7285 ext 202	bsayers@bfnedu.com
Education Director	Shelly Pewapsconias	705-759-7285 ext 213	spewapsconias@bfnedu.com
Building Superintendent	Kevin Weatherbee	705-759-7285 ext 210	kweatherbee@bfnedu.com

"NO ACT OF KINDNESS,
NO MATTER HOW SMALL,
IS EVER WASTED."

-AESOP-



Batchewana Learning Centre - BLC Programs



BLC Goal

The overarching goal of the Alternative Education program is to prepare the student for successful reintegration into their community school, of either Huron Superior or ADSB.

BLC Programs

- Alternative Education Program: Age 15-19
- 18 Plus Program

**Contact us for more information on the
Alternative Education programs.**

Wayne Greco, Principal, principal@bfnedu.com
Anna Canduro, Teacher, teacher@bfnedu.com
Lana Jones, Secondary Liaison, ljones@bfnedu.com

Introducing The Community Health Team Of Batchewana Don Dway Gamig Batchewana Health Centre

Health Director – Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad (Ext. 139)

Aanii-booohoo, Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad miinawa Nanoshkaus ndizhinikaaz, jijaack ndodem, Baawaating didaa, Wikwemikong ndoonjibaa.

I am honored to introduce myself as the Director of Health and Human Services. I am feeling really thankful for the opportunity to lead the health team, over this last year we have worked with HR to fill our team to capacity and thank all who have supported us in the process. In our newsletter contribution; I take great honor to introduce you to the health team, sharing with you, we are all committed to delivering supportive and caring services; through programs and events that are planned with each season in mind, each community in mind and will engage your feedback when you participate, to help us ensure we are bringing you opportunities for learning, fun, awareness, education and support. We welcome you, your family, and friends to join us in our best offerings in the community over the next while. Please feel free to reach out, should you require any support and if we can't assist you, we will be sure to point you in the right direction for supports.

Health Director – Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad (Ext. 139)

Office Coordinator – Stephanie Swanson (Ext. 108)

Member of Batchewana First Nation, and reside within our community. Also studied Business Accounting at Sault College, and continues education with the Human Resources field.

Non-Insured Health Benefits Medical Clerk – Carolyn Ainsley (Ext. 132)

Responsible for providing financial, administrative and clerical services to ensure effective, efficient, and accurate NIHB claims

FAMILY WELLNESS TEAM

Aaniin;

Welcome to the Batchewana First Nation Family Wellness Team. Our Spirit Name is Gaagige 'Gizhik which means "Forever Sky". Our team has been directed to assist families in finding their way to a more traditional way of life which includes traditional childrearing practices with the entire family involved. Our traditional healers have told our families to look to the Sky for help from their ancestors, and our team is here to support this process.

MISSION

Working together as Gaagige'Gizhik (Forever Sky), a preventative, strength-based team to advocate and assist our community and families of Batchewana First Nation to build capacity, connections, and overall family wellness. The goal of Gaagige'Gizhik is to keep families together and support reunification of families. We recognize that, inherently, through our history, culture, language and traditions the best practices for helping come from within the First Nation. We continue to maintain the 7 Grandfather teachings at the core of our work.

VISION

Healthy Anishnawbek Families and Community working together to support each other in reaching their full human potential.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Band Representatives - Darlene Corbiere (705) 257-5840 & Shelby Maione (705) 989-4093
Band Representatives oversee and monitor child protection matters; complete legal documents; ensure a cultural disposition in child protection proceedings, referrals for internal and external services.

Family Advocate - Don Dufresne (705) 257-5831

The Family Advocate is responsible to provide support/advocacy for families, understand and address issues, increase awareness, and access to internal and external resources.

In-Home Support - Sonya Young (705) 989-6013

The In-Home/Care Support Worker will work with the Team and Families to provide in-home based support to. In-Home support worker will also complete programming individually and as a group. Programming to follow.

Grandmas and Aunties - Kathy Jones Pine (705) 989-5882

The Grandmas and Aunties Worker is responsible for planning, coordinating, and delivering events and services to community members in a caring and supportive role, offering one-on-one, and group-based, programming; identifying and addressing individual, family, and community needs to promote connection and belonging, community pride, and improved health and wellness.

Team Manager - Kaitlyn Neveu (705) 989-5214

Team Lead - Shelly Pascall (705) 989-5596

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Grandmas and Aunties Programming

1. Community Gardens – you can be a part of building community gardens for all the communities in Batchewana First Nation. Community Garden Working Group Meetings are usually held on most Tuesdays from 6pm to 7:30pm. We look forward to the community garden being built this spring/summer. Please contact Shelly Pascall for more information at 705-989-5596

COMMUNITY GARDEN PROGRAMMING IN THE COMMUNITIES

Goulais - Tuesday's from 1-2 at the Annex

Obadjiwan - Thursday's from 1-2:30 at the Obadjiwan Community Centre

2. PARENT AND CHILDREN'S BOOK CLUB
Goulais Tuesday's 11-12 Annex
Rankin Wednesday's 11-12 Bingo Hall (upstairs)
Obadjiwan Thursday's 11-12 Obadjiwan Community Centre
3. TEA & TALK
Goulais Tuesday's 12-1 Annex
Rankin Wednesday's 12-1 Bingo Hall (upstairs)
Obadjiwan Thursday's 12-1 Obadjiwan Community Centre
4. ONE ON ONE
Goulais Tuesday's 10-11 Annex
Rankin Wednesday's 10-11 Bingo Hall (up Stairs)
Obadjiwan Thursday's 10-11 Obadjiwan Community Centre

COMMUNITY WELLNESS TEAM

The Community Wellness Team (CWT) supports Batchewana First Nation community members wanting to improve their mental health and wellbeing. CWT operates from the Sweetgrass Community Wellness Model to address the unique health needs of the people in culturally appropriate way. Hidden within the sweetgrass is the key to a balanced healthy and happy life. Our work brings to focus the importance of mind, body, and spirit. All programs operate from a trauma-informed lens and practice harm reduction whenever possible. All program can and will be offered on the land. Please see below some of the key components of the CWT and contact information.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

Counselling: The counselling team continues to offer individual counselling to BFN members ages 12 and over. Our two counsellors have experience providing cognitive-behavioral therapy, dialectical behavioral therapy, narrative therapy, solution-focused brief therapy and motivational interviewing. We operate from a trauma-informed lens ensuring safety, choice, collaboration, trustworthiness and empowerment. We are happy to provide counselling on the land and in each community. Please contact Tyler Robinson at the Health Centre Extension 158 or by email at trobenson@batchewana.ca. Program is for ages 13+.

NNADAP: The National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (NNADAP) helps set up and operate treatment programs to reduce and prevent problematic substance use in communities such as BFN. The program's goal is to help fund First Nations and Inuit-run initiatives. If you are someone you know is interested in attending a treatment program or centre, please connect with the NNADAP worker to learn more. Program is for ages 18+.

Community Wellness (Adult): Community Wellness Workers will support, advocate and consult with individuals and families to assist with client's abilities to overcome crisis situations and identify methods to cope with the situation. This program offers intensive case management to help individuals navigate social services and systems. Program is for ages 20+.

Youth Wellness: Youth Wellness will support our youth with basic need, mental health and peer support. Our youth workers offer cannabis education and awareness, coping strategies and various land-based activities by way of case management and peer support. Program is for ages 13-19.

MEET THE TEAM:

Community Wellness Manager – Patty Lesage (Ext. 160)

Role to provide supervision, program planning, curriculum development and project management. The liaison between North Shore Community Health, Nogdawindamin, the Ministry Health and the Ministry of Children Services. Overall goal is to ensure that culturally appropriate methods of service delivery are incorporated into the individual, family, and community services for band membership.

Community Wellness Mental Health Clinician – Tyler Robinson (Ext. 158)

As the Mental Health Clinician, it is my privilege to offer counselling support to my community. I operate from a client-centered and culturally sensitive lens. Our journeys toward healing and wholistic wellness are unique and my counselling approach respects that fully and completely. If you are interested in participating in counselling, please feel free to reach out and learn more! I am happy to come out to Goulais Bay and Batchewana to meet your needs.

Community Mental Wellness Worker – Jazlyn Sewell (Ext. 138)

is an absolute pleasure being a part of the Community Wellness Team; I am here to support adults 19 & up. My focus as a Mental Wellness Worker is to meet community members where they are at, create a safe space, incorporate land-based activities and ultimately work towards-creating positive connections between community members and Batchewana First Nation supports and services

NNADAP Worker – Robert Allard (Ext. 133)

responsible for the delivery of services pertaining to Addiction and Mental Wellness. Some of these services include, but are not limited to: Prevention services, intervention services, and aftercare services. I work collaboratively with clients and provide them with the tools, resources and treatment options that will in turn help them flourish on their journey. My goal is to develop and maintain positive working relationships with Community Members that reflect their individual needs as well as provide the most effective services possible, while respecting culture, traditions and overall wellbeing.

Community Outreach Worker – Michelle Aubrey (Ext. 159)

Role to make connections with band and community members, community organizations, encourage referrals, supporting community events, event planning, working collaboratively with other team members, community partners and external resources. My experiences working with First Nation communities for over seven years has given me an overall sense of fulfillment while empowering and learning from indigenous peoples.

Youth Wellness Worker – Kylie Sharpe (Ext. 130)

support the youth in guiding them to getting on the path of wellbeing by incorporating wholistic methods and teachings in facilitating small group sessional programming, one on one supportive counselling and working alongside the Family Wellness Team and Niiganin to develop-

-appropriate and wholistic wellness plans, programs and set goals with youth who may be experiencing or at-risk of mental health and addictions

Community Wellness Councilor – Christine Frenette (Ext. 163)

(CWC) provides intakes screening for mental health counselling, support and intervention services to BFN members and community. The CWC is part of the Wellness team and helps alleviate trauma and its effects on individuals, families and community. The CWC provides one on one counselling to clients regarding mental health issues and the effects of alcohol and drugs.

COMMUNITY HEALTH TEAM

Integrated Community Health Nurse Manager – Renee Rouselle (Ext. 140)

Co-ordinates and implements Public Health programs including communicable disease prevention and healthy lifestyle promotion. Navigates and advocates for members within the health care system. Also has experience in providing nursing services in the home and worked as a nurse specialist for wound and ostomy care at Sault Area Hospital for 10 years

Home and Community Care Nurse – Erin Robinson (Ext. 155)

Collaborates with health care providers and oversees the in-home services for on reserve band members who receive PSW and/or homemaking supports. Services are holistic, individualized., client/family centered and culturally sensitive.

Home and Community Care Coordinator – Veronique Godbout (Ext. 142)

Home and Community Care Coordinator

Supervises PSWs and homemakers within the home and community care programs. Schedules and co-ordinates services to assist clients with activities of daily living.

Healthy Child Development Nurse Educator – Sabrina Danby (Ext. 135)

Offers programs and services to young families (Mothers and Fathers) from the pre-natal period up to children that are 6 years of age. The focus of the program is healthy lifestyle promotion for families to assist in healthy child development.

Booking Clerk NP & MD – Stacy McFarling (Ext. 131)

Although employed by Maamwesying, Stacy is at the health Centre 5 days per week. She assists membership in accessing health care services at Non-Dway Gamig and also supports the coordination of services available in Sault Ste. Marie and area.

Community Health Representative – Regis Polin (Ext. 107)

Assists membership by coordinating programs related to safety and environmental health. Assists the community health team by implementing programs for health promotion

Nursing Team Assistant – Carissa Jaeger (Ext. 144)

Assists the nursing team with scheduling appointments and the coordination of services within the health centre.

SUPERINTENDENT AND TEAM

Derek McCoy (Ext. 147) building's Superintendent. I have been part of the team for approximately 3-1/2 years. I take care of the overall maintenance, cleaning, grounds, and contracting within our building. In my department I have two Custodians, Debbie McCoy and Diana McCoy both of whom have 10+ years working for Batchewana First Nation. The Custodians maintain a clean and healthy environment for both staff and clients here at the Batchewana Health Center.

We would like to say welcome to the new Chief and Council, and we look forward to working with you. Should you require anything, our office is located at A-112, Batchewana Health Center.

MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

Medical Van Team Lead – Bonna Dalton (Ext. 162)

Permanent full-time Medical Van driver for over 5 years, as well as our **call-in medical van driver**, Tiana Casey. Currently you will see us driving within the community or out on the highways to Batchewana and Goulais. Working within the Batchewana Health Centre - Non Dway Gamig is a great pleasure - the experience of meeting and socializing with the community and general public is always self-rewarding. Miigwetch!!

Medical Team

To book an appointment with our medical team below, call Stacy at (Ext. 131)

Doctor – Dr. Quon

Works between virtual/in-person appointments between Health Center, and the Indian Friendship Center, Garden River.

Nurse Practitioner(s) – Shirley Morley & Debbie Roach

Both have extended class license, is able to assess diagnosis, and treating people of all age.

Nick Peters – Physio Therapist

Provides guidance and treatment for optimal physical conditioning.

Blair Headrick – PT/OT Assistant

Provides cliental follow up and support for OT/PT recommendations.

Genevieve London – Diabetes Nurse Educator

RN specializes in supporting clients on their diabetic journey, consulting with proper yet comfortable eating habits and healthy life styles

Beverly Humphry's – Registered Dietitian

Promotes Healthy Eating Habits, and provides recommendations for various dietary health reasons

Mara Roy – Occupational Therapist

Helps maintain highest independent functional abilities possible with adaptations for safety

Kobe Amoah – Registered Practical Nurse

Provides footcare services to those eligible

Cynthia McCutcheon – Health Educator

Patricia Toulouse – Traditional Health Healer/Traditional Medicine Practitioner

A graduate in human services, practices Earth medicines and treats ailments by individual symptoms. Works with the communities of North Shore which includes, Thessalon, Sault Indian Friendship Center, Garden River, Batchewana, Missisauqui, Serpant River, Sagamok, and Attikmeksheng First Nations to provide a traditional approach to medicine for Community Members.



We are excited to announce that we are OPEN

Rankin EarlyON Center

Child and family program provides families, caregivers, and children to interact with each other as they engage in play-based learning in a safe and stimulating environment

Come and Join us

Everyone is Welcome

99 Gran St

Batchewana Bingo Hall-Upstairs

Drop-in

Monday 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Tuesday-Friday

9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-3:00pm

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Email: cyarankin@batchewana.ca





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**BATCHEWANA
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JUNE 2022



Batchewana Health Centre Community Health Program Calendar

For more information, please call the Health
Centre at 705-254-7827



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		Vaccine Clinic 1 10-3pm @health center MOM & BABY YOGA @EARLY ON RANKIN 10:30 - 12:30pm	Family Fit Rankin @ the BLC 6-7:30pm		CLOSED	CLOSED
6	7 Healthy Babies Healthy Children Presents: "Let's Cook"	Vaccine Clinic 8 10-3pm @health center MOM & BABY YOGA @EARLY ON RANKIN 10:30 - 12:30pm	Family Fit Rankin @ the BLC 6-7:30pm	10 	11 RIBBON SKIRT MAKING @ THE BLC 10 - 3PM CLOSED	12 RIBBON SKIRT MAKING @ THE BLC 10 - 3PM CLOSED
13 	14	Vaccine Clinic 15 10-3pm @health center MOM & BABY YOGA @EARLY ON RANKIN 10:30 - 12:30pm	16 Family Fit Rankin @ the BLC 6-7:30pm	17	18 CLOSED	19 CLOSED
20	21 	Vaccine Clinic 22 10-3pm @health center MOM & BABY YOGA @EARLY ON RANKIN 10:30 - 12:30pm	23 Family Fit Rankin @ the BLC 6-7:30pm	24	25 CLOSED	26 CLOSED
27	28	Vaccine Clinic 29 10-3pm @health center MOM & BABY YOGA @EARLY ON RANKIN 10:30 - 12:30pm	30 Family Fit Rankin @ the BLC 6-7:30pm			 BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION

Batchewana First Nation Health Centre Non Dway Gamig Work Plan 2022-2027 Community Survey – WINNERS!!



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Batchewana Health Centre would like to thank our membership and community for their input and completion of the survey. Your feedback is valued and will be used to help develop future programming and events with the Batchewana Health Centre.

Congratulations to our three winners, Darryl Hill, Chrissy Boyer & Brandon Sandie who have completed the survey for the Batchewana First Nation Health Centre Non Dway Gaming Work Plan 2022-2027 Community Survey.



Package 1 – Camping Kit

Coleman Cooler

Coleman Queen High Air Mattress with Pump

Coleman Dome Tent – 4 person

Woods Double Burner Stove

Woods Selkirk Anodized Camping Cook Set

Winner: Darryl Hill

Package 2 – Beach Kit

10x10 Pop up Gazebo

Sun

Coleman Hand Wheeled Cooler

Wine Vera

X2 Outbound Directors Chairs

Gatorade

Grocery Gift Card

Beach Towels



Winner: Chrissy Boyer

Package 3 – Maple Sugar Bush Kit

Maple Tapping Bit

Maple Sap Collecting Kits (x10 pales/lids/taps)

X2 5 Gallon Pals (for collecting sap)

Wool & Fine Filters

Hydrotherm & Measuring Cup & Candy Thermometer

X2 Plastic Mason Jars (250ml & 500ml)

X2 Stock Pots

Silicone Oven Mitts

Stainless Steel Canning Funnel, Ladle, & Mixing Bowl Set

Cooling Rack

Book on Maple Syrup



Winner: Brandon Sandie



BATCHEWANA HEALTH CENTRE EXTENSION LISTING

Health Centre Phone # 705-254-7827 & Fax 705-759-8716

TOLL FREE 1-855-816-9590



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updated April 11, 2022

Hello, from the Housing Department.

It has been a very long uncertain few years and now that we are getting back to a normal routine in the Housing Department, we have some reminders and updates to share with our fellow Batchewana First Nation Community.

Please take note of the **Emergency Housing Line** and ensure to save it for future reference.

HOUSING STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION

DAN MCKAY

Maintenance

DARREN SAYERS

Elders Complex Maintenance

** to reach the maintenance staff, please feel free to

Leave a message with any of the administration staff listed below

JORDAN SAYERS

Housing Assistant

jordan@batchewana.ca | extension 601

AGNES LIDSTONE

Interim Housing Maintenance Coordinator

housingmaint@batchewana.ca | extension 230

DEE-ANNA HEWSON

Housing Manager

dee-anna@batchewana.ca | extension 203

Please call the Administration office @ 705-759-0914

EMERGENCY HOUSING LINE - 705-943-7728

****AFTER HOURS AND WEEKENDS****

Emergencies are considered but not limited to;

- Flooding/sump pump failure
- Unexplained power outage
- Electrical issues
- No water/hot water

Please note; when making calls to this line during the evening or on weekends, the response time to receive a return call is 1-2 hours.

REMINDERS ...

HOUSING APPLICATIONS

- housing applications are available for pick up at the administration office during office hours. If you wish to be emailed a copy, please feel free to reach out to any of the administrative housing staff
- all applicants are reminded to update your housing application annually to ensure your application remains active.
- update forms are available at the administration office or by requesting the form via email.

Please note; applications will not be updated over the phone.

RENT AND MORTGAGE PAYMENTS

Batchewana First Nation provides the following payment options

- Email money transfer (EMT) ar-efit@batchewana.ca
- Cash (exact change only)
- Debit
- Cheque or money order

ALL HOUSING PAYMENTS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST OF EVERY MONTH

2022-2023 CMHC Renovations

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR FOR THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS.

HASI – Home Adaptations for Seniors Independence

A First Nation or First Nation member living on reserve may receive assistance. However, the senior occupant must meet the following criteria:

- **Be 55 or older and have difficulties with daily activities due to age.**
- The household income must be at or below the established limit based where the community is located.
- The home must be a permanent residence.

RRAP – Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program

You can apply for financial support if you're the owner (or landlord) of on-reserve affordable housing units. However, the following criteria apply:

- **The property isn't owned by a First Nation. You must hold the CP for your property.**
- Your tenants' household income must be at or below the established limit which is based on the location of the community.
- The rents you charge, both before and after the repairs, are at or below our established limits.

You are not related to your tenants.

RRAP D – Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program for Persons with Disabilities

First Nations and First Nation members can apply for support for modifications to make the home accessible in relation to the occupant's disability. The following criteria must be met:

- The total household income must be at or below the established limit based on the location of the community.
- The home must meet minimum health and safety standards.
- The home must be located on-reserve.
- **You must hold the CP for your property.**

ERP – Emergency Renovation Program

A First Nation or First Nation member living on reserve may apply for financial support. However, the household income must be at or below the established limit which is based on the location of the community. You must also hold the CP for your property.

What emergency repairs are covered by this program?

Financial support is available only for emergency repairs to your home that are needed immediately. Several kinds of emergency repairs are covered by our program. For example, we can help you:

- repair or replace a broken heating system
- repair structural damage to your foundation, roof or exterior walls
- repair plumbing problems preventing potable water from getting to your home
- repair wiring and electrical systems to address health and safety hazards
- repair or replace damaged flooring that be a safety hazard

Important: Have you done any of these repairs before getting your application approved in writing? If so, they won't be eligible for funding under this program. Once you get approval, all work must start within 30 days and be completed within 90 days.

**RENOVATIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED UPON SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION.
PLEASE CALL DEE-ANNA HEWSON FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ...

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

Starting in the summer of 2022 annual inspections will be conducted on all units managed by the BFN housing department. These include;

- Rent to Own homes
- Apartments
- Elders complex
- Townhouses

Inspections are mandatory as per the signed lease/rent to own agreements and the housing policies.

INSPECTIONS FOR PRIVATE HOME OWNERS.

If you own your home and are considering renovations or may have areas of concern in your home, please feel free to reach out to Housing Administration to request an inspection on your home. This service is free of charge and is conducted by a qualified building inspector.

HOME MAINTENANCE

The Housing Department will be hosting a home maintenance workshop in the coming months.

All community members are encouraged to attend for the opportunity to learn more about your Furnace, HRV and most importantly, preventative maintenance on your home.

Day and Evening sessions will be scheduled to accommodate everyone.

Please watch the monthly newsletter and Facebook for upcoming dates.



BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

The Operations & Maintenance Department manages the daily operations of the Public Works Department. Batchewana First Nation encompasses four reserves: Goulais Bay Reserve, Rankin Reserve, Obadjiwan Reserve and Whitefish Island Reserve; and due to our composition all of the Reserves are serviced through varied arrangements.



Main Contacts

(705) 759-0914



Operations Lead

Mike McDonald [ext. 235]

Administrative Assistant

Raven Lesage [ext. 234]





BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION POLICE

Staff contact 705-759-5066 & voicemail:

(For non-emergency inquiries only)

Sergeant Melanie ROACH
Mary RYAN-Admin Asst

Press 1
Press 0



PRESS 2 To leave a message for:

Constable Denny LAMBERT
Constable Christopher MACKNIGHT
Constable Quinton BOISSONEAU
Constable Benjamin BEITZ

Press 1
Press 2
Press 3
Press 4

If you are requesting police assistance, you **MUST** call the 1-888# or 911 for any police to attend your location. If no BFN Police Officer is working, OPP must attend.

Our Police Officers are dispatched via OPP Communication Centre.

YOU MUST call:

1-888-310-1122
Or 911.



OUR Bike Rodeo is back!!
June 11, 2022 @ Rankin Arena from 12
pm – 2 pm

**BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION
EXTENSION LISTINGS**

200	DOLLY - FRONT DESK	224	LINDA (Community Liaison)
201	ASHLEY RICHARDS – Council Secretary	225	
202	CHIEF DEAN SAYERS	226	
203	DEEANNA (Housing Director)	227	JESSICA B.B. (Employment & Training)
205	LISA (Membership)	228	
206	EDMUND (Project Coordinator)	229	TANYA – Business & Enterprises
207	NATALIE ATKINSON (COO)	230	AGNES - Tenant Liaison Officer
208	TAMMY DESJARDIN (Payroll)	231	
209	RHONDA MAE (Community Fund)	233	RESOURCE ROOM/FOOD BANK
210	KIM LAMBERT (CEO)	234	RAVEN LESAGE O & M Assistant
211	KEESHA CORBIERE (Finance - A/P)	236	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE
212	ANGELINE (Kit) (Finance - A/R)	240	
213	H.R. DIRECTOR - VACANT	242	
214	RYAN REFCIO (Information Technology)	243	
217	LORRI MADIGAN (Executive Assistant)	246	
218	LACEY DALTON (Niigaaniin Worker)	247	ALEX - COMMUNICATIONS
219	RACHEL Boissoneau (Niigaaniin Worker)	254	
220	RHONDA A. – NIIGAANIIN ADMIN.	257	SHARON B. (Employment & Training)
221	ANDREA MITCHELL (Niigaaniin Worker)	259	ELIAS KEESHIG – Finance
222		601	JORDAN – Housing Finance
223		602	FINANCE DIRECTOR - VACANT

Day Care ~ 759-0330

Arena ~ 759-1444 Canteen ~ 759-4127

BFN Police ~ 759-9706 / 1-888-310-1122

Com Centre 759-5066 / Fax # 759-6660

Garden River First Nation ~ 946-6300

Crisis Centre ~ 941-9054 / 1-866-266-1466

Learning Centre ~ 759-7285 / 1-866-339-3370

Baawaating Family Health ~ 575-7191

Goulais Annex ~ 649-0743

Obadjiwan Convention Centre ~ 882-1414

- Joyce Senecal – Director ~ 206-2381

Teen Centre ~ 942-5869

Batchewana Fire Hall ~ 882-2002

Health Center ~ 254-7827 /

1-855-816-9590

Bingo Hall – 759-2297