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BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION

MONTHLY MAIL OUT

Welcome to Batchewana First Nation's monthly Newsletter!

Greetings!

Please take notice to the upcoming events listed throughout this months newsletter. If you have any questions or suggestions please let us know!

Meegwetch,

communications

@batchewana.ca

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 all BFN administrative offices will be CLOSED on April 2, 2018 for Easter Monday.

Community Meeting

April 24, 2018

Sault Ste. Marie

Delta Waterfront
Community Meeting 7:30pm

AGENDA:

- BluEarth Presentation
- Goulais Wharf Project
- Lake Superior Provincial Park Visitor Experience
- RHT Annuities Update
- New Staff Introductions
- Member Requests

BLUE HERON
INDUSTRIAL PARK

BBIL Board of Directors

VACANCIES

BBIL is currently seeking applications for the

BBIL Board of Directors

Interested Applicants:

Should submit their **resume outlining their**

qualifications/education and experience relating to BBIL mandate;

along with **3 references** in a sealed envelope to the following:

BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION BAND OFFICE
C/O BBIL SELECTION COMMITTEE
236 FRONTENAC ST.
BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION, ON P6A 6Z1

Please Note:

All submissions must be **stamped received** by BFN Reception on or before **April 5th, 2018**

No Late Submissions will be accepted

Thank you
BBIL Management

JOB & CAREER FAIR

Batchewana First Nation and Garden River First Nation in partnership with the City of Sault Ste. Marie are organizing a Job Fair to bring together employers, experienced professionals and Industry under one roof!

Rankin Arena (main arena floor)
(17 Batchewana Street, P6A 6Z1)
Saturday May 5, 2018
12:00pm – 5:00pm

Meet over 20 employers eager to hire part/full time employees. Same day interviews. Stop by the Rankin Arena and you might just leave with your future career,

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR RESUME!

Batchewana and Garden River First Nation's
CAREER JOB FAIR DAY
Registration Form

Please complete this form and return to Marlene Hewson, Economic Development
E-mail: marlene@batchewana.ca
Tel: 705-759-0914, Ext. #224

Deadline:
REGISTRATION IS REQUESTED BY FRIDAY, April 20th, 2018

Organization & Contact Information

Organization Name:

Address:

City, Postal Code:

*** Your Name:**

*** Title:**

*** E-mail Address:**

Phone Number: **Website:**

*** Please note – this information will NOT appear in any promotional material.**

Please indicate the following:

Will require an electrical outlet	☐	Note: electrical/extension cords are **NOT** provided
Will be bringing a display	☐	Please provide measurements:

Organization Representatives

Please indicate the names and titles of organization's representatives who will attend the Career Fair Day.

Name	Title	

Booth Information

We will equip each booth with the following:

- 1 table and 2 chairs
- electrical outlet (if requested)
- table cloth

BFN Live Streaming

Regular working Council meetings are now available through live streaming!

Just visit: Live.batchewana.ca

Username: member

Password: bfnlive17

Regular Meeting Schedule: **April 5, 2018, April 19, 2018, May 3, 2018**

Starting at 7:00pm

Questions or comments can be emailed to: communications@batchewana.ca

TACO TUESDAYS

FREE APPETIZER!

Rankin Arena
Thunderbird Room

STARTS MARCH 6TH
4pm-8pm

INDIAN TACOS

CASH BAR

$10

PAINT PARTIES
RANKIN ARENA
THUNDERBIRD
ROOM
CASH BAR
&
APPETIZERS!
APRIL 4TH & APRIL 18TH
Runs Bi-Weekly
REGISTER AT RANKIN ARENA OR LILY CREEK
PHOTOGRAPHY & ART STUDIO $35 each

BATCHEWANA ATTACK LNHL 2018

Batchewana First Nation was proud to represent seven teams in this years LNHL 2018 tournament!! We started off the week with our Tyke showcase and man did they impress us!! It was nice to see our future hockey stars take the ice!! The Atom Rec team who took home the C final, congrats to the boys, girls and coaching staff on the win. Our Pee Wee girls made their first appearance in a few years. They played hard and fought against some real competition. We had two Pee Wee mixed teams, rec and competitive. The rec team battled in all their games to also play in a final game!! These kids get stronger each year. Our competitive Pee Wee team came home with the GOLD Way to go Guys!! It was a great week by everyone on this team. Congratulations to all players and coaching staff. Finally, our competitive midget boys who had a couple of tough overtime losses to bring them to a different bracket. What a great week of hockey and fun for each family that attended LNHL!! We hope to get the ball rolling for next year in the next few months, so we can make our trip that much stronger and get some gear!!

Miigwetch to each of our players, managers, coaching staff, Chief & Council for their continuing support and anyone else who helped us make this years LNHL successful!!

Joey Sewell

Batchewana First Nation

Post Secondary Information Session

Open to All Grade 12 Graduates & New Mature Students

Wednesday April 18th, 2018
Or
Wednesday May 9th, 2018
(Need to attend just one session)

5:30pm – 7:30pm
Batchewana Learning Centre
15 Jean Street
(Manitou Park area)

Agenda:

- **Application & Policy.**
- **Residence Information.**
- **Essays and Direct Deposit Information.**
- **Scholarship Information.**

Please R.S.V.P. to Christine Sayers.

If you have any questions contact:

Christine Sayers @ 705-759-7285 Ext. 214 or csayers@bfnedu.com

Deadline Date for Post Secondary Funding is May 15th, 2018

Batchewana First Nation Education Department

& Learning Center (15 Jean St)

EXCERSICE EQUIPMENT is available from 8:30 am to 9:00 pm

COMPUTERS are available from 8:30 am to 9:00 pm

Yoga-Beginner Classes every Wednesday 7-8 pm.

To All Community Members, Chief & Council, Staff, Family & Friends

Well after almost thirty seven years of service I have decided to retire. I would like to share a few words of appreciation....

I have truly enjoyed working in Education for these many years. I have been a part of the community, the families, the schools and school boards and numerous other organizations for so many years it is very difficult to sum this up!

Most notably is the involvement that I have been able to be a part of with so many families and their children. After thirty seven years of working I have been able to work with three generations of students and parents. I truly appreciate all of the relationships I was able to develop and be a part of over the years.

I have been blessed with the opportunity to watch children grow and move on through the education system becoming successful young adults and who are now raising a new generation of little ones! Over the years I have developed strong relationships with numerous parents, students, caregivers and support workers, as well, all the co-workers and overall Band Office Staff. I have had the opportunity to be a part of the growth and development of the Education Department from a staff of two, to a staff of 15. From the Band Office to the Batchewana Learning Center, private school. I have truly enjoyed working with so many passionate people in the Education field throughout Ontario. Throughout the thirty seven years that I have worked in education I have attend numerous graduations...watching our students cross the stage to grab on to that diploma and witness the pride of our parents and community members. This year will be the 40th Education Celebration. Forty years of celebrating Batchewana graduates!!

Throughout the years I have traveled with students and parents on various field trips. I have so many very beautiful memories.

Of course there were the years of chasing around Boarding students....and learning so much about our brothers and sisters in the north and the important work that is so needed and is still ongoing. I had the opportunity to travel to the some of the northern First Nation Reserves, we truly need to appreciate all that we have here.

Being able to offer and deliver various student workshops, events, field trips, dances, info sessions, gym nights, tutoring, career fairs, ski days, etc. I have to mention, all those cheques and more cheques, paylists and of course monthly newsletter submissions.

Within those thirty seven years I have worked for 18 Chief & Councils ☺

Chi Miigwech, to the Education Department, Band office Administration Staff and Program Staff, and Boarding Home Parents. To my family, for your continuous support and love, demonstrated by your understanding and acceptance of my work responsibilities and commitments over the years, from evening programming, emergency call outs, student trips and work related travel and training!

Chi Miigwech & Baa ma pii, Kaa Waabmin Miinwaa

Colleen McCabe

Colleen's Retirement

COME & GO

Come say Ahnii, Miigwech & Baamaapii to Colleen on her way to retirement after 37 years of dedicated service!

When: Friday April 13th, 2018

Where: Batchewana Learning Centre

Time: 2:30PM-6:30PM

SAVE THE DATE

Get Ready to Celebrate Batchewana Education 40th Annual Banquet!

Looking for Talent to perform, volunteers to help!

Pictures of Community members in the past Banquets are asked to submit to education so we can feature them!

Call 705-759-7285 EXT 209 Angel

Join us **June 5th at 4 P.M.** at the
Rankin Arena on the Rink Floor

ALL WELCOME!

Business & Professional Woman's Award Recipient

On Thursday March 8th 2018 the Business and Professional Woman's Association held their annual Woman's Week dinner with chosen honourees.

One of the 2018 honourees was our very own Elaine McDonagh. Elaine and fellow recipients were honored at a ceremony held at the Grand Gardens. The evening featured guest speakers Mayor Provenzano and Melissa Kargiannakis, Founder & CEO CEO of skritswap on 'The Future is Female'.

Elaine was nominated by Colleen McCabe, Sharon Syrette, and Marlene Hewson (nomination letter attached).

Each female honouree was featured in the program of events and received a full day of recognition. Elaine was selected as Wednesday's Business and Professional Woman and her biography was as follows;

Elaine McDonagh - A Director of Education and Principal of Batchewana Learning Centre for Batchewana Education Department. Trustee for Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board (HSCDSB) since 2009, on North Shore Tribal Council Education Directors Working Group, Aboriginal Education Committee on HSCDSB and Algoma District School Board. Honoured as 'Counsellor of the Year Award 2015' by Ontario Native Education Counsellor Association. First Early Childhood Education worker for Ranking Day Care as it opened in 1977. Batchewana Education Department is holding its 40th Education Celebration honouring all graduates and this year the community will honour over 100 graduates.

We are extremely proud of Elaine for all that she has accomplished as well as the hard work and dedication she continues to put forth for our First Nation.

Congratulations Elaine, we wish you continued success!

Photo - Seated Elaine McDonagh, Jennifer Sarlo, Alysia Mitchell;
Standing Dr. Sarah White, Mayor Christian Provenzano, Donna Mansfield

Business and Professional Women (BPW)

Letter of Nomination:

We wish to nominate a very special woman in our community of Batchewana First Nation. Her name is Elaine McDonagh and she has strength beyond belief.

Through her own personal trauma from the death of her husband and both of her sons, she has managed to keep on going and will go above and beyond to help others. She lost her husband to suicide, four years later her oldest son followed his Dad, and four years later her youngest son died as a result of an ATV accident.

Elaine is number six in a family of ten siblings. Within her family she is the go to person for any and all situations. She most recently was instrumental in securing travel and medical arrangements to have her older brother (71) return to the community of Batchewana to live out his remaining days with family and friends. Edward had been diagnosed with terminal brain cancer. As a result of the biopsy, Edward was completely paralyzed on his right side requiring him to have fulltime hospital care. He had lived for the past 38 years in San Francisco. Elaine flew to be with him on June 11th, 2017. She worked diligently to secure his return home which proved to be tumultuous at times as she navigated both the United States and the Ontario medical systems. She secured transportation through the federal government and 'Wings of Hope' which transported both Elaine and Edward from San Francisco to Sault Ste. Marie on September 10th, 2017. Elaine did not leave his side. He was placed in the home of her younger sister for home care, as he was declined health care by OHIP. Elaine secured compassionate leave and worked with the PSW's from North Shore Tribal Council to care for Ed up to his passing on December 16th, 2017. When he initially arrived the Doctor did not give him much time. The medical team was truly surprised that he made it to December. Edward seemed to flourish once he was back home and in care of his family. The family and friends truly appreciated all that Elaine did in order for all to enjoy a fabulous fall season with him. Words cannot express the importance and the value of having Edward home and cared for by all. Both for himself, our entire family and friends.

As you will note on her resume, Elaine has an extensive education background. She began her career as the first ECE worker when the Rankin Day Care opened its' doors in 1977. From there Elaine transitioned over to the BFN (Batchewana First Nation) Education department as a counsellor and front line worker for BFN students and families, as well, the BFN boarding home program. The boarding home program back in the 80's would see as much as 60 -70 students from isolated northern reserves coming to Sault Ste. Marie for secondary education. This is a very diverse group of students with many and various issues. Elaine was instrumental in the success of this program over the years addressing many issues and concerns from homesickness, suicide, grief and loss, fear, self-esteem, abuse... just being so far removed from their everyday life.

In response to the unique needs of the northern native students, Elaine worked in conjunction with the Principal of Mount Ste. Joseph, Anna Cosgrove to secure a school program opening the doors of the Batchewana Learning Centre (1994). The original intent of the BLC was to provide 'alternative education' to students at the grade nine level in order to ease their transition to mainstream high schools thus increasing the success rate for our students Over the years, the BLC has addressed and enhanced the educational experiences for many of our students. The BLC received private school status in 1998 with the Ministry of Education. In 1999 the BFN Education Department, under Elaine's leadership along with Chief & Council's support, purchased David C. Thorpe School from the Catholic School Board. Today this is the site of the Batchewana Learning Centre and the Education Department staff. As the numbers grew with BFN students, the staffing increased and Elaine became the Director of the BFN Education Department Elaine added to her title as Director of Education, as she is also the Principal for the BLC. Currently, Elaine is responsible for a staff of eleven , in the Education Department and four staff in the BLC, for a total of fifteen staff. Elaine has served as a trustee with Huron Superior District Catholic School Board since 2009 to date. She sits on SEAC, North Shore Tribal Council Education Directors Working Group, Aboriginal Education Committee HSCDSB and ADSB. She is a life time member of ONECA, Ontario Native Education Counsellors Association. This Association honored Elaine with 'Counsellor of the Year Award (2015).

This year Batchewana Education Department will be celebrating its 40th Education Celebration honoring our graduates in Senior Kindergarten, Grade Eight, Grade 12 and College & University. This is one of Elaine's earliest initiatives and this continues to be one of our biggest community events! This year we will be honoring well over 100 graduates!

Elaine resides with her daughter and her four grandchildren. She has a very happy and busy home. This year she is very proud of the four graduates in her family. Three of her grandchildren will graduate this year; Andrew, a grade eight graduate at St. Paul's and Kathleen and Riley, two grade 12 grads at St. Mary's College! As well her daughter, Erin Miller has completed her Ontario Teaching Certificate and is currently on contract with ADSB as a teacher of Anishinaabemowin.

We are all so very proud of all the positive influences that she has, and continues to have within her family and her communities of Batchewana, the North Shore and basically the Algoma District.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration of our submission on behalf of this wonderful lady, Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Aunt, Cousin, Friend, Coworker and Mentor.

Colleen McCabe Sharon Syrette Marlene Hewson

Batchewana First Nation 2018 Graduates

Senior Kindergarten	*Grade Eight*
Destin Agawa	Lyle Barber
Brennan Agawa	Adrian Blackbird
Landyn Agawa	Keiara Bond
Macey Boissoneau	Joshua James Boyer
Garette Boyer	Taylor Boyer
Nolden Boyer	Nick Carter
Tatiana Cugan-Maxwell	Aiden Cleminson
Ava Daynard	Matthew Cousino
Alex Elie	Samuel Cousino
Isabella Grawbarger	Chance Daigle
Layla Jones	Janell Desjardins
Ella Lato	Jaylin Edwards
Kayden LeSage Hhakuik	Shanelle Edwards
Lyla McCormick	Melissa Flamand
Kiara Neveau	Landon Gingras
Nilahna Neveau	Mya Hodgson
Aliisha Owl	Andrew Miller
Braden Meyers	Eva McCormick
Grace Morrow	Kadance McPhail
Mya Sewell	Jaylee Reil
River Southwind	Chris Roach
Skarlett Syrette	Abigail Robinson
Selesi Syrette	Katarie Sewell
Brianna Tegosh	Kadence Syrette

Did we miss you? Please contact the Education Department for additions or corrections! 705-759-7285

Grade Twelve	
Keirsten Agawa	Karlee Meshell
Toryance Blanchard	Jackson McCormick
Riley Bisson Miller	Kathleen McDonagh
Cassidy Boissoneau	Kayla McCoy
Kenessa Boissoneau	Quinn McCoy-Sayers
Dawson Boissoneau	Dustin McKay
Corey Boyer	Orlando Nahwegahbow
Kaleigh Boyer	Elijah Nielsen
Nora Boyer	Ty Petingalo
Christina Collins	Kelsey Rankin
Keesha Corbiere	Miles Riel
Megan Corbiere	Avery Roach
Nicole Elie	Dakota Robinson
Mikoshanoon Eshkakogan	Reece Robinson
Chantelle Fournier	Cameron Sayers
Kameron Grawarger	Tyler Sayers
Walker Gregoire	Dylan Sewell
Avery Hendry	Tristian Sexton
Iesha Horner	Jarrid Smith
Haley Hunt	Desni Syrette
Haven Jenson	Dawn Taylor
Kaysha Kennedy	Grace Tegosh
Ashley Leishman	Alisha Tegosh-Gagnon
Cameron Madigan	Kassidy Wigwas
Devon Marenger-Weatherbee	

Did we miss you? Please contact the Education Department for additions or corrections! 705-759-7285

Ahnii kina gwiiya! (Hello everyone)

Niin N'diznakaaz Angel Agawa and I am from Batchewana First Nation with my roots in Rankin Reserve. I have graduated from Sault College 2 year Business Diploma Program and the recipient of the Francis Pegahmagahbow Scholarship in my graduating year of 2016.

I have been brought on to the Batchewana Education Division as the *Education Events & Special Projects Coordinator*. What that means is that I am tasked to put out culturally relevant & appropriate programs & services for our community. While having a focus for engagement with our language and our cultural teachings for us to learn and enjoy!

In the coming weeks, there is a program night called "Anishnabemowin Cultural Nights." We will make a small craft for the evening and receive some teachings on what we are making, and we will be encouraged to use the language all during the program night. We expect it to be a lot of fun & "ka-minwendaagozimi" (We will have fun). It will be an incredible learning experience for all those who attend.

Please see the flyer in the monthly mail out. The first date is April 11, 2018 @ 5-8PM and will run every two weeks until the end of June.

Hope to see you out! Baa maa eshtode! (See you there)

I look forward to the many great things in the future and that we can expect to see some great programming and interactive learning & participation from the community!

Baa maa pii kwaa baa min

Angel Agawa
Education Events & Special Project Coordinator

Aanii Frist Nation Community Members

My name is Esstin I have been recently recruited by N'Mninoeyaa Aboriginal Health Access Center to provide Indigenous Healing services and practices for First Nation communities along the North Shore area. These services include Anishinaabe Healing practices using Medicinal Plant remedies, ceremonial healing methods, (sweat lodge, naming ceremonies, smudging remedies) and one on one consultations initiating prevention and intervention techniques/strategies when dealing with grief, anxiety, or physical symptoms related to Diabetes.

For the past 16 years my work experience includes Healing Services as Healer for Southern Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Center, promoting Traditional Healing/Plant therapy workshops and providing ceremonial healing consultations. My goal is to actively promote Anishinaabe Healing services from a Wholistic perspective that can help to create balance for Clients within the Primary health care system.

I look forward to providing these services to the communities along the North Shore Area please feel free to drop in at the Batchewana First Nation Health Center if you would like to know more about these services. I will be situated within the Health Center one day per month on a Thursday under the N'mninoeyaa Traditional Health Program. If you would like to schedule an appointment call the center for dates and time.

Miigwetch in the Spirit of Healing and Health

Esstin - Traditional Medicine Practitioner

Aanii

Baate aankwat ndizhnikaaz, waabizhenshi ndoodem, odawa anishnaabe kwe ndow. Bawaating ndoonjibaa miinwa Wikwemikoong nshkoonagooning!

My name is Gail Pitawnakwat, born and raised here in the Sault Ste. Marie Area with my roots coming from Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Territory. I am the new Family Wellness Worker for Batchewana First Nation, Non Dway Gamig. With me, I bring experience in working with urban Anishnaabe children aged 7-12. I bring with me knowledge of dynamics within a family and community setting and ability to gain and maintain trust with community members, as well as in the workplace. I have experience advocating within the Algoma District School Board as well as other mainstream community partners. I have the experience in developing and implementing programs on a needs basis. I have been trained in Mental Health First Aid, "Children Who Witness Violence", "Trauma Informed" and "Cultural Competency". I am a facilitator of Walking the Path Curriculum based Program.

I look forward to meeting with each and all community members of BFN and will strive to bring positive relationships and healthy role modelling to our BFN Community.

Miigwech!

APRIL 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
****ALL PROGRAMMING IN OBADJIWAN AND GOULAIS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IF THE WEATHER DOES NOT PERMIT FOR SAFE TRAVEL FOR STAFF AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS.**						1 **Easter Sunday**
2 **CLOSED** **Easter Monday**	3	4 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Obad. 11-5pm	5 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Goulais 11-5pm	6 **Health Centre Admininstraition Day** Staff Meeting - services are limited in the afternoon	7	8
9 **HBHC Drop-In Day** @BLC 11-2pm **Beading** 6-9pm **SNP** 10-5pm ****Footcare Clinic**	10 **Elder's Committee Pancake & Maple Syrup @ St. Joseph's Island**	11 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Obad. 11-5pm	12 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Goulais 11-5pm	13 **Health Centre Admininstraition Day**	14	15
16 **HBHC Drop-In Day @** BLC 11-2pm **Beading** 6-9pm **SNP** 10-5pm **Community Social 5-8pm**	17	18 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Obad. 11-5pm	19 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Goulais 11-5pm	20 **Health Centre Admininstraition Day**	21 **Spring Social** @ Rankin Arena Thunderbird Room 5pm-8pm	22
23 **HBHC Drop-In Day @** BLC 11-2pm **Beading** 6-9pm **SNP** 10-5pm	24	25 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Obad. 11-5pm	26 **Health Centre Drop-In Day** Goulais 11-5pm	27 **Health Centre Admininstraition Day**	28	29
30 **HBHC Drop-In Day** @BLC 11-2pm **Beading** 6-9pm **SNP** 10-5pm		****Footcare Clinic is for REGISTERED Clients ONLY! You will be contacted with your appointment.** **Health Centre Admininstration Days - Fridays - NO PROGRAMMING** Drop-In Days Obadjiwan @ Obadjiwan Community Centre** Drop-In Days Goulais @ Goulais Complex** Drop-In Days Rankin @ Elder's Complex**				

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ANISHINAABEMOWIN

LANGUAGE & CULTURAL

Family Night / N'Dodimaaginak Dibikat

Teachings / Kinomaagewin

Crafts Food Fun and Learning

Every Wednesday beginning April 11th and 25th, 2018 at the Batchewana Learning Center from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Youth & Family Oriented

And Anishinaabemowin Kinomaageikwe

If you are travelling in from Goulais or Batchewana for Programming you can qualify for a Gas Card to participate in the Programming.

Contact: Angel Agawa at the Batchewana Learning Centre at (705) 759-7285 ext. 203

Batchewana First Nation
Elder's Social Committee

Invites Senior's 55+ to Pancake Breakfast & Tour
Gilbertson's Pancake House
R.R. #1, 3090 Huron Line, Richards Landing,

Date: April 10, 2018
Arrival for 9:30 am and Departure 12:00 pm

Please arrive to the Non Dway Gamig Health Centre for 8:00 am
with Charter Bus departure for 8:30 am

Bus is limited to 40 people – please register to ensure your spot
With **Rainbow Agawa (x150)** or Gayle **Pitawanakwat (x151)**

Non Dway Gamig Batchewana Health Centre
210A Gran Street, Batchewana First Nation
Ph|705-254-7827

Batchewana First Nation - Elder's Social Committee

Grandmother's Dinner and Bake Sale Fundraiser

Saturday May 12, 2018

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Rankin Arena – Thunderbird Room

To pre-register contact:

Rainbow Agawa | Ext. 150 or **Gayle Pitawanakwat | Ext. 151**

Non Dway Gamig Health Centre 705-254-7827

INVITATION

High School

Students & Parents

You're invited to a Dinner and a Discussion!!

Topic: Navigating High School Life
Graduation-Where to go

Wednesday March 28th 2018

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Batchewana Learning Centre
15 Jean Ave
Dinner served @ 6:00 pm

Please bring all your questions

RSVP TO: 705 759-7285 Ext 209 Angel Agawa
Text 705-206-3973 Lana Jones

MovieTime HD

PA DAY April 20th, 2018 @ the Batchewana Learning Centre GYM

Free popcorn & juice/water!

11AM-1PM for 5-9yr olds {movie to be determined} **Parents must accompany children**

1PM-3PM 10- 12yr olds {movie to be determined}

For more info call Angel @ the BLC 759-7285 Ext 209

Non Dway Gamig & BFN Education Department

COMMUNITY LANGUAGE BOOK

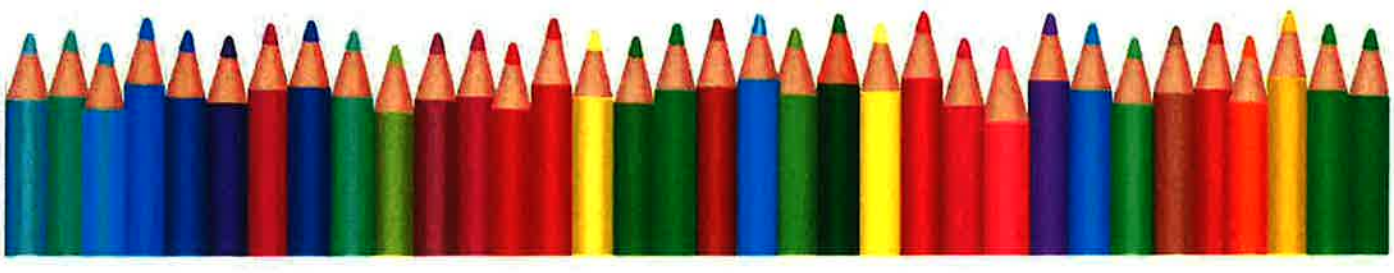
APRIL 14 FROM 1-4PM

ELDERS COMPLEX

Batchewana will be creating our own Language Book that features "What my community means to me"

We are looking for 20 Elders and 20 Children/Youth to attend and contribute to this Language initiative.

Please Register with one of the following:
Angel Agawa @(705)759-7285 Ext 209
Gail Pitawanakwat @ (705)254-7827 Ext 153
Rainbow Agawa @ (705)254-7827 Ext 150



NON DWAY GAMIG
BATCHEWANA HEALTH
SPRING SOCIAL

SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2018
5PM-8PM

RANKIN ARENA, THUNDERBIRD ROOM

Join us in Rankin for a social evening with a live band, open mic, dinner and refreshments.

Batchewana Non Dway Gamig

GDAA BIZHAAM! YOU (s) SHOULD COME!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: RAINBOW AGAWA @ 705-254-7827 EXT 150 OR GAIL PITAWANAKWAT EXT 153

ATTENTION

Attention **ALL** Batchewana First Nation members our communities who need to access assistance for Medical Travel out-of-town.

It is asked that you please see the guidelines for notification of appointment(s) requiring funding and the information required by Non-Insured Health Benefits.

1. "All applications need to be submitted at least 10 days prior to the scheduled appointment, but preferable within two weeks of appointments."

2. Required information:
   - Full Name (first, middle & last name)
   - Status #
   - Date of Birth
   - Client's Phone Number
   - Address
   - Doctors Note with:
     - ✓ *Appointment Date, Time, Address,*
     - ✓ *Type of appointment*
     - ✓ *Specialists Contact Information*
   - Escort Notes if needed
   - Referral Information as needed
   - Notice of appointment and copy of referral if required
   - If a post confirmation of attendance must be attached

If you have any questions, please call the Batchewana Health Centre

210A Gran Street, Batchewana First Nation, ON. P6A 0C4

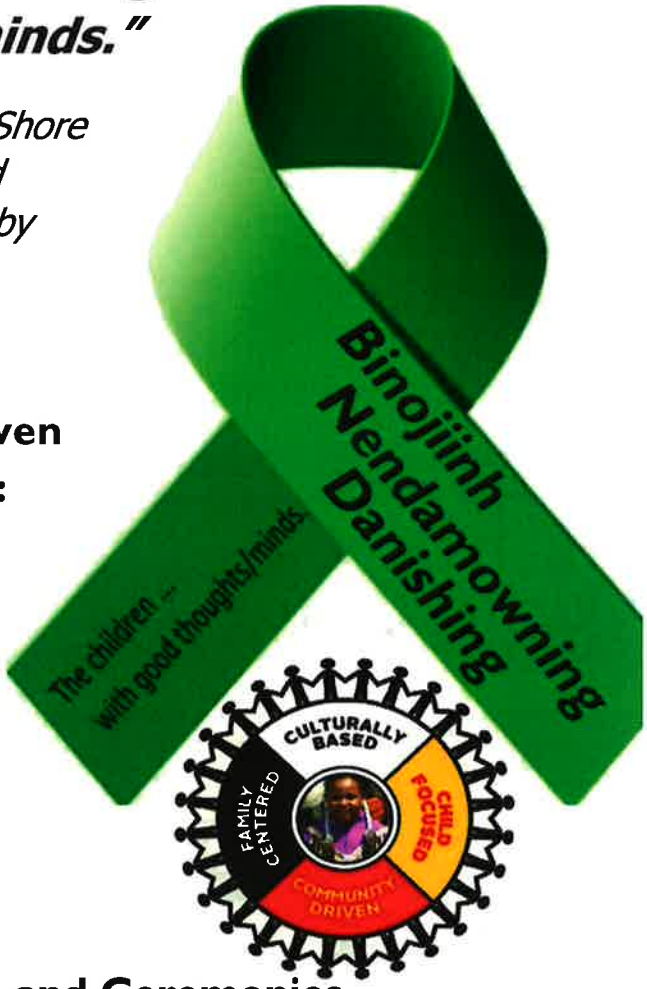
705-254-7827

Updated: March 14, 2018

Binojiinh Nendamowning Danishing

"The children, with good thoughts/minds."

Children's mental wellness services helping the North Shore First Nations members to strengthen their families and communities for the safety and well-being of children by providing community-based services grounded in Anishnawbek values.



Services provided free to members of the Seven North Shore First Nations on and off reserve:

- **Counselling - children aged 4 to 18**
- **Individual and Group Therapies**
- **Art and Play Therapies**
- **Counselling Support to Parents and Caregivers of children 0 to 18**
- **Assessment and Referral**
- **Access to Psychiatric Services**
- **Cultural Services, Traditional Medicines, and Ceremonies**

Clinic Days and Hours

Sault Ste. Marie	Sudbury	Serpent River
• 123 March Street, Third Floor • 8:30 to 4:30 Monday – Friday • Walk-in Clinic weekly on Wednesdays Noon to 8:00pm	• 1855 LaSalle 8:30 to 4:30 Monday – Friday • Walk-in Clinic first and third Wednesday of each month from Noon to 8:00pm	• 473 Hwy 17 Building "C" Cutler, ON P0P 1B0 • 8:30 to 4:30 Monday – Friday • Walk-in Clinic first Wednesdays of the month Noon to 8:00pm

Please note that our last walk-in appointment is taken at 6:30 p.m.

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Walk in Clinic for 7 First Nations Members

What is the Walk-In Counselling Clinic?

The Clinic provides quick access to therapy for families with children and for youth. If offers:

- An opportunity to see a trained therapist in your moment of need
- Immediate opportunity for therapeutic conversation and problem solving
- Connection to other services if needed. For many, a single session is all that is needed, but you can come more than once. You decide.

Who Can Attend the Clinic?

- Families with children ages 0-18 years
- Youth 12 years and older can come on their own and/or with support people
- We encourage your entire family and/or important support people to attend the therapy session with you
- Parents and Caregivers who are seeking support for their children

What Can you Expect?

- The focus for the therapy session is based on what the family members or person wants from the conversation
- We will focus on your needs and strengths
- We will work hard with you to find solutions and to leave with a plan

What if we are in Crisis?

- If you are having a Mental Health Emergency call the police or go to your local hospital.
- If your family / child is in a Crisis Situation you can contact:

Crisis Intervention at Sault Area Hospital Phone 705-759-3398 Toll-Free 800-721-0077
750 Great Northern Road Sault Ste. Marie

Crisis Intervention Services – Sudbury Phone: 705 675 4760 toll free 1 877 841 1101

Algoma East Counseling Services Phone: (705) 759-6684
Out-patient counselling to individuals and families experiencing mental health issues. Service offered in East Algoma (Thessalon and Richard's Landing) once per week (usually Wednesday or Thursday). Preference given to clients with severe mental illnesses 18 years of age and over.

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Nimkii Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter

Schedule of Events & Activities:

Nimkii Empowerment Program Outreach: Educational Programming

Topics Include: Domestic Violence, Addictions, Grieving, Anger Management, Character & Self Esteem, Body Self Health and Parenting. Every Tuesday: Just call the shelter at (705) 941-9054 or Barbara Day work cell (705) 297-0241 to Book One on One & Outreach. TUESDAY's Only possible Fridays, if we need to book in Groups we can arrange to do that.

Tackle This Topic Goulais: Honouring the Family

Thursday April 12th and Thursday 26th from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

In Collaboration with the Batchewana Health Center Health Drop In Days

Tackle This Topic Obadjiwan Batchewana Bay: Honouring the Family

Wednesday April 18th and Wednesday May 02, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

In Collaboration with the Batchewana Health Center Health Drop In Days

SACRED CIRCLE: WOMEN's SHARING CIRCLE

Thursday April 19th at 6:00 pm at the Nimkii Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter

Are you a Survivor of Abuse or Violence? We have a Safe Space and Place for you to Come and begin a Healing Journey. Come Gather with Women who have had similar experiences:

Share, Release, Heal and Move Forward: Completely Confidential

FULL MOON CEREMONY: NAMEBIN GIIZIS / SUCKER MOON

Monday April 30th at 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Nimkii Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter, outside in the Nimkii Teaching Lodge, please dress warm and bring your shakers, a blanket, drums, yellow cloth. If you don't have any of these, just bring yourself. Sacred Fire, snack and Coffee.

Helping Families to Become Stronger

MINO ODEWEWIN (GOOD HEART WAY of LIFE: Kindness)

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

NIMKII-NAABKAWAGAN Family Crisis Shelter

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Honoring the Family: Building our Fire

For all ages, keeping the circle strong

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BATCHEWANA FIRST NATION

SPRING CLEAN-UP

2018

GOULAIS BAY RESERVE → May 14

RANKIN RESERVE → May 17 (1 day only)

Includes Old Garden River Road/Case Road/& Third Line

OBADJIWAN RESERVE → May 16

Includes Lands Held In Trust on Superior Street

No burnt or waterlogged mattresses
No Tires, Fridges, Freezers, Air Conditioners
Paint products, Car Parts or Automobiles
ALL GARBAGE MUST BE BAGGED OR BOXED

For free Old Car Pick Up or Appliance Pick up contact Greg Long at 705-257-1846

Please have your Spring Clean-up garbage out no later then 12 noon on pick up dates

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO DISPOSE OF ANY UNSAFE & OTHER HAZARDOUS REFUSE ETC.

If you have any questions please contact Agnes Lidstone @ 759-0914 ext. 236

Spring Maintenance Tips

With Spring fast approaching here are some home maintenanee tips to take into consideration:

* Examine roof shingles to see if any were lost or damaged
* Inspect foundation for signs of cracks
* Check gutters to see if any are loose or leaky. Improper damage can lead to water in basement/crawl space
*Replace all filters including water, range hoods and air vent filters. You should replace these filters every 3-6 months depending on the type you have.
* Test smoke alarms and CO detectors, and change out batteries if needed
*Make sure sump pump is properly working as it will prevent flooding as the snow melts

The Housing Department is also suggesting that Home Owners look into aquiring Content insurance which will pay for any damage or loss of possessions due to floods or fires.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Housing Manager at 759.0914 Ext 254

Thank you

Lisa McCormick
Housing Manager

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NIMKII-NAABKAWAGAN FAMILY CRISIS SHELTER

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

One (1) Crisis Worker Positions – RELIEF

Function: TO PROVIDE DIRECT SUPPORT TO THE CLIENTELE OF THE SHELTER AND TO THE COMMUNITY WITH KINDNESS AND WITHOUT JUDGEMENT.

CLIENT SUPPORT SERVICES:

1. Receive and admit clients according to designated intake procedures.
2. Maintain an effective communication tool and record of client activities to ensure effective service delivery by documenting information/observations which may affect client's goals and/or health and safety.
3. Communicate effectively with clients including active listening and problem-solving around barriers and/or recommend to the appropriate community resources to address clients' needs.
4. Assist women in identifying their needs, exploring options and resources; educating women on the issue of abuse and providing support to make decisions and formulate plans.
5. Provide in-house orientation with new residents and oversee communal living requirements as well as facilitate meetings to assist residents with conflict resolution and clarification of house guidelines.
6. Assesses and assists with clients' primary and personal needs (medical attention, hygiene, food, clothing, etc.).
7. Offer clients emotional support and empathy while maintaining professional boundaries.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

1. Performs security checks.
2. Clean all areas as assigned on a regular basis as well as upon client discharge.
3. Assist with inventory control.
4. Report any necessary maintenance.
5. Perform other duties as assigned.

HEALTH AND SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Report all health and safety concerns as required.
2. Take every reasonable precaution to ensure the safety and well-being of clients.
3. Work in a healthy and safe manner. Provide First-Aid when needed.
4. Practice self-care.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

1. **Available to work scheduled 12.25 hour shifts which include day shifts from 7:45am to 8pm and night shifts 7:45pm to 8am throughout the week. MUST BE WILLING TO PROVIDE COVERAGE ON SHORT NOTICE.**
2. Must be willing to undertake regular training and attend staff meetings.

SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Post Secondary Education in Social Work or related field and at least 2 years direct service experience, preferably with families and groups OR equivalent combinations of education and experience; as well as extensive knowledge of violence against women issues and working with abused women and children.
2. Ability to handle a crisis, work as part of a team, carry out independent decision making and handle several tasks simultaneously.
3. Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with residents, staff, community agencies and the public.
4. Knowledge of various community service providers to effectively service clients.
5. Willingness to learn and acquire new skills to maintain competency on the job, including skills related to office tasks, client care and professional development.
6. Proficient verbal and written communication skills. Proficient advocacy skills an asset.
7. Possesses consistency and the ability to follow guidelines for documentation, such as those related to daily shift end reports, client notes and files.
8. Previous experience with life skills such as cooking and cleaning is desirable.
9. Knowledgeable about the culture and the significant characteristics of the social structure and relevant human services needs of Batchewana First Nation.
10. Knowledgeable of the range of both contemporary and traditional methods of intervention, support and healing that are effective in promoting community, family and individual well-being.
11. Familiar with common feminine health issues and is sensitive to cultural and ethnic teachings related to gender. Awareness of men's issues and their role in the family.
12. Previous experience or willingness to learn to implement and deliver programming related to clients' needs on a one-to-one basis or in a group setting.
13. Understanding of what confidentiality is as it pertains to a small community.
14. Required to possess and maintain a moderate level of physical fitness.
15. Valid Class G driver's license.
16. Batchewana First Nation member, however ALL APPLICATIONS will be considered.

NOTE: The successful applicant will be required to job shadow for a two week orientation period, at which time they will be provided with additional information and training regarding more detailed job duties with respect to client care, health and safety and employee standards. Contact the band office for a complete job description.

Please forward your cover letter, resume, current CPIC and at least (3) professional/work related reference letters in a sealed envelope, marked:

"Confidential"
Attention: Crisis Worker Hiring Committee
Batchewana First Nation
236 Frontenac Street
Batchewana First Nation, P6A 6Z1

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Friday, April 13, 2018 AT 4:30 PM.

Facsimiles will not be accepted. Only those granted an interview will be contacted.

Batchewana First Nation Education Department
and Batchewana Learning Center

Position :	Education Student Wellness Worker
Reports to:	Education Director

General Accountability:

The Education Student Wellness Worker is responsible for the delivery, planning and evaluation of culturally appropriate mental health services for Students and Families registered with the BFN Education Department. As part of the Education team the EMH worker will plan, deliver and evaluate services in consultation and cooperation with other team members, program staff, and other community based and external agencies/programs.

Requirements of Position:

Basic Mandatory Requirements:

The Successful applicant:

- Will have a University Degree or a College Diploma in the social services field
- Experience working with families, students, groups or equivalent combinations of education and work experience
- The successful applicant will have obtained or willingness to obtain registration with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Services Workers
- Valid Licence and vehicle
- Current Vulnerable Police Records Check

Knowledge Requirements:

The successful applicant:

- Will be knowledgeable of current legislation, regulations and/or guidelines relevant to the delivery of Mental Health Services
- Will be knowledgeable of mental health services within the Education sector and specifically to First Nation Students and Families
- Will be knowledgeable of traditional and contemporary methods of intervention, support and resources that are effective in promoting family and student wellbeing
- Will be familiar with a range of special education needs, resources and programs of students within the Education system
- Will be familiar with resources, practices and procedures of Batchewana First Nation

Batchewana First Nation Education Department and Batchewana Learning Center

Ability Requirements:

The successful applicant:

- Will take a holistic approach to mental health services for students and families
- Will be able to relate to people from a wide range of backgrounds
- Will be able to initiate mediation and negotiation skills when needed
- Will have the ability to provide emergency response skills
- Will have the ability to prioritise situations
- Will have excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Will be able to effectively plan, implement, monitor and evaluate community programming, group work and interventions with families and/or individuals
- Will be able to work flexible hours

Please resume, cover letter, CPIC and three working references, marked CONFIDENTIAL:

Attn: Education Student Wellness Worker Hiring Committee
236 Frontenac Street
Batchewana First Nation, Ont. P6A 6Z1

Deadline for application: April 15**, 2018 @ 4:00pm**

BATCHEWANA 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
ADMINISTRATION / FINANCE		
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
Keesha Corbiere	Administrative Assistant	216
Rhonda M. Lesage	Finance Manager	209
Jessica Cleminson	Human Resource Manager	213
BINGO & GAMING		
Kristen Roach	Manager Bingo & Gaming	705-759-2297
CAPITAL PROJECTS		
Edmund Dubois	Capital Projects Coordinator	206
CHIEF/COUNCIL		
Dean Sayers	Chief	202
Sandra Kenny	Council Secretary	201
COMMUNICATIONS		
Alexandra Syrette	Communications Coordinator	247
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Marlene Hewson	Economic Development Officer	224
EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING		
Jessica Boyer	Manager	227
Sharon Boissoneau	Assistant Manager	257
Lands/Community Planning Manager		
Vacant		
HOUSING		
Deeanna Hewson	Data Entry	230
Lisa R. McCormick	Housing Manager	254
705-255-1870		
Ken Boyer	Project Manager	228
MEMBERSHIP / Estates/ Licensing		
Lisa A. McCormick	Band Clerk	205
NATURAL RESOURCES		
Dan Sayers, Jr.	Manager	223
Dave Sewell	Field Technician	251
Vic Bolduc	Mining & Aggregate Technician	246
Leeann Sayers	Administration	222
NIIGAANIIN		
Rhonda A. Lesage	Manager	220
Rachel Boissoneau	Intake Worker	219
Lacey Dalton	Caseworker	218
Charlotte Zack	Caseworker	221
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE		
Agnes Lidstone	Operations & Maintenance Manager	236
Kandyce Porter	Assistant Manager	234
Donald Jordan	Maintenance	237
Ken Virta	Maintenance	237
RANKIN ARENA		
Kris Bain	Arena Manager	705-759-1444
	Canteen	705-759-4127
RANKIN DAYCARE		
Linda Hubert	Supervisor	705-759-0330
Janelle Boissoneau	Bookkeeper	
CRISIS SHELTER	**Toll Free #** 1-866-266-1466	705- 941-9054
Jennifer Syrette	Executive Director	202

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
Obadjiwan Conference & Convention Centre	Vacant	

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
Elizabeth Sayers	Community Health Nurse	140
Bernadette (Bernie) Agawa	Home/Community Care Coordinator	142
Vacant	Mental Health	130
Holly Syrette	Child Welfare Team Lead/Band Rep.	148
Vacant	NNADAP – Addictions Counsellor/Worker	138
Trevor Sayers	Community Health Rep.	107
Harold Robinson (705-971-4027)	Medical Van	145
Rachelle Lambert	Healthy Babies/ Healthy Children Educator	135
Janine Gibbs	Community Mental Wellness Worker	136
Stephenie Twardzik	Human Services Clerk	108
Carolyn Ainslie	NIHB Medical Clerk	132
Cheri Boyer, RPN	Booking Clerk NP & MD	131
Vacanat	Child Welfare Band Rep.	151
Vacant	Band Rep.	133
Lisa Boissoneau	Child Welfare Team Assistant	146
Mark McCoy	Child Welfare Band Rep.	134
Rainbow Agawa	Community Support Worker	150
Sandra Dewing	Child Welfare Band Rep.	152
Teala Nadjiwon	Director of Human Services	139
Vacant	Maintenance	147
Tom Tegosh	Teen Centre	705-942-5869
Joe Sewell	Recreation Activator	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
Jenny Sayers	Secretary/Receptionist	201
Lana Jones	Boarding Home Program	215
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