



# National Indigenous History **Month**

**#NIHM2025**



**Community Newsletter**  
June 2025 • Waabgonii Giizis Blooming Moon



Wahnapi'tae First Nation



# ELECTION VOTING DATE

**SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025**

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 10am - 8pm  
259 Taighwenini Trail Rd., Capreol ON

\*Mail-in ballots or in person voting only.

All election information and notices can be found online at:

[www.wahnapi'taefirstnation.com/members-login](http://www.wahnapi'taefirstnation.com/members-login)





# WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Wahnapiatae First Nation will hold an Election on **June 21, 2025**, in accordance with the *Band Custom Election Code (2020)* for the purpose of electing four (4) candidates to the Office of Councillor, for the ensuing term of office. The position for Chief has been filled by acclamation.

### ACCLAIMED TO THE OFFICE OF CHIEF

**ROQUE, LARRY**

### VOTE IN PERSON

**JUNE 21, 2025**

**10:00 AM to 8:00 PM**

**CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE**

**259 TAIGHWENINI TRAIL ROAD, CAPREOL, ON**

**COUNTING OF THE VOTES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE POLL ON JUNE 21, 2025**

### VOTE BY MAIL-IN BALLOT

Mail-in ballot packages will automatically be mailed to all electors for whom a current address has been provided. Any elector may request a mail-in ballot package from the Electoral Officer before the deadline on June 11, 2025. To request a mail-in ballot, please contact the Electoral Officer using the information at the bottom of this notice.

Any member of the Wahnapiatae First Nation who is at least 18 years of age on the day on which the Election is held is entitled to vote in person OR by mail-in ballot. A copy of the Voters List can be viewed at the Band Administration Building or by visiting: [www.onefeather.ca/nations/wahnapiatae](http://www.onefeather.ca/nations/wahnapiatae)

*Dated this 13 day of May, 2025.*

#### **For more information or assistance please contact:**

Electoral Officer: **Brett Bilyk** | Email: [voterhelp@onefeather.ca](mailto:voterhelp@onefeather.ca) | Toll Free: **1-855-923-3006**

*Phone support is available weekdays from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Pacific Time*

209-852 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C., V8W 1H8

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# WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION

## NOMINATION MEETING REPORT NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that the Wahnapiatae First Nation held a Nomination Meeting on **May 10, 2025**, in accordance with the *Band Custom Election Code (2020)*, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Offices of one (1) Chief and four (4) Councillors for the next ensuing term of office.

The Wahnapiatae First nation will hold an Election on the **June 21, 2025**, in accordance with the *Band Custom Election Code (2020)*, for the purpose of electing four (4) Councillors for the ensuing term of office. The position for Chief has been filled by acclamation.

**In the matter of the 2025 Wahnapiatae First Nation General Election, the following candidate is declared elected by acclamation:**

ACCLAIMED TO THE OFFICE OF CHIEF		
ROQUE, LARRY	ROBERT (BOB) PITFIELD	SHAWN PITFIELD

The above-named candidate was duly nominated and seconded at the Nomination Meeting. As the only nominee to complete the requirements for candidacy, they are hereby declared elected to the Office of Chief.

**See next pages for Councillor Candidates**

**For more information or assistance please contact:**

Email: [nominations@onefeather.ca](mailto:nominations@onefeather.ca) | Toll Free: 1-855-923-3006

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# WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION NOMINATION MEETING REPORT NOTICE

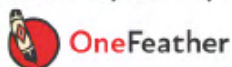
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Voting will take place for the position of Councillor on June 21, 2025

CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR - FOUR (4) TO BE ELECTED		
CANDIDATE	NOMINATOR	SECONDER
ANDERSON, MARNIE	ZOE DUHAIME	ROSANNE (ROSE) DUHAIME
BOUCHER, MAUREEN (MOLLY)	LEE ANN MARGARET WILLIAMS	EVELYN WILLIAMS
DUHAIME, ZOE	ASHLEY PICHETTE	MARNIE ANDERSON
PITFIELD, ROBERT (BOB)	LARRY ROQUE	SHAWN PITFIELD
ROQUE, JAMIE	JENNIFER JOLY	ASHLEY PICHETTE
ROQUE, RAYMOND (TERRY)	THOMAS BOUCHER	MAUREEN ELIZABETH BOUCHER
ROQUE, WILLIAM ALLEN (BILL)	THEODORE (TED) ANTHONY ROQUE	JAMIE ROQUE
TEDDY, MICHAEL (MIKE)	CRAIG TYSON	TROY TEDDY
TEDDY, TROY	HELEN BURKE	ROCHELLE TYSON
TULLOCH, JONATHAN ANDREW (ZHAABADIISH)	EVELYN WILLIAMS	LEE ANN MARGARET WILLIAMS
TYSON, CRAIG	HELEN BURKE	ROCHELLE TYSON

Dated May 11, 2025  
*Brett Bilyk, Electoral Officer*

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## History and Ideas to Celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day

National Indigenous Peoples Day has been celebrated annually in Canada since 1996. The Canadian celebration is meant to honor First Nations, Inuit, Métis, and other indigenous cultures across the country. It occurs on the summer solstice, which is a day with spiritual significance for many indigenous communities, according to Smithsonian. The contributions of indigenous peoples in Canada can be celebrated in many different ways.

### Listen to music

Listen to music by indigenous artists at home or while traveling. This is one way for individuals to connect with their own cultures, or for those outside of them to enjoy these creative works. Musician Tom Jackson, who is Métis, entertained audiences across Canada at festivals and coffee houses in the 1960s and 1970s and used his music as a platform for social activism.

### Learn and grow

Visit a nearby museum or take a virtual tour of museums devoted to indigenous culture. The Canadian Museum of History offers a First Peoples Hall that celebrates the creativity, reposefulness and endurance of indigenous people through displays of thousands of historical and contemporary objects.

### Read a book

Delve into the pages of a book written by an indigenous author. Tom Highway is Cree and worked as a social worker in indigenous communities. He began his writing career as a playwright, but also authored novels, children's books and songs. His works speak bluntly about the tragedies endured by indigenous peoples.

### Purchase handmade decor

Many indigenous artists make livings selling their wares, both in person or on sites like Etsy. These pieces can bring beauty and touches of culture to homes and workplaces.

### Dine on good food

Seek out indigenous restaurants to enjoy native cuisine. Bison long has been a significant resource for indigenous peoples in Northern Canada. Enjoying bison burgers or a hearty bison stew can be a treat. Also try bannock, a biscuit-type bread that is a speciality of indigenous cooks throughout North America.

Celebrating and honoring indigenous peoples is easier than one may think. There are plenty of resources to expand your knowledge of various peoples and embrace their cultures.

Find your next book to read with Indigenous Reflections. Whether you're looking for a board book, a picture book or an activity workbook, our online catalogue showcases more than 200 titles for young readers, including the Drumbeat Decodable Series.

We specialize in the Seven Teachings, Traditional Knowledge, Land-Based Learning, Language Resources, Teaching Guides and more.

Browse today and Celebrate National Indigenous History Month (June) with Indigenous Reflections!

<https://indigenousreflections.ca/collections/books>





# FATHER'S DAY EVENT

Outdoor games, door prizes,  
swag bags, and more!

**Saturday, June 7**

📍 **Maan Doosh Gamig** 🕒 **10am-3pm**

Please RSVP by Wednesday, June 4:

✉ **Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com** ☎ **(705) 858-7700**





CONGRATULATIONS

2025  
Class of



NORMAN RECOLLET MEMORIAL BURSARY DEADLINE TO APPLY: JULY 15, 2025



GRADE 8 APPLICATION



GRADE 12 APPLICATION



## Call for Elders & Knowledge Keepers

Wahnapiatae First Nation is looking to compile a list of members who can facilitate and assist with traditional ceremonies and teachings.

Should you know of someone who would be a good fit for these roles, please contact:

✉ [communications@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:communications@wahnapiataefn.com) ☎ (705) 858-0610

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# TWO SPIRIT POW WOW

## Sunday, June 22

📍 **Wanabitibing Sacred Grounds** 🕒 **12-2pm**

For questions or more information please contact:

✉ [Lori.Corbieri@wahnapitaefn.com](mailto:Lori.Corbieri@wahnapitaefn.com) ✉ [Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com](mailto:Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com)

📞 (705) 858-7700





## Biindigen New Summer Team Members!

Hi! My name is Mia, and I'm a 19-year-old Indigenous social work student. I enjoy connecting with kids and supporting their growth. I love spending time outdoors, whether it's hunting or fishing, relaxing by the water, or just getting some fresh air. I'm looking forward to getting to know the youth of WFN. I'm more than excited to have a fun, safe and unforgettable summer!



Hi! My name is Alyssa, and I'm so excited to be back for another amazing summer at summer camp with the kids! This will be my third year working here, and I've loved being part of this community. I'm 21 years old and will be attending school in September to study Indigenous Social Work. I'm

looking forward to making more great memories with the kids and helping create a fun, safe, and unforgettable summer!



## Senior Activity Kits JUNE

**DREAMCATCHERS**

**Sign-up by June 2.  
Delivery by June 19.**



✉ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ (705) 858-7700

\*Must be a senior and signed up to receive kits.



**Cancer Screenings**  
with NRHC NP Rebecca Foresheew  
**Wednesday, June 4**  
☉ Maan Doosh Gamig ⌚ 1-2 pm  
☎ (705) 858-7700

**NORMAN RECOLLET  
HEALTH CENTRE**



# Diabetic Snacks

PICK UP TAKE HOME KITS

**Wednesday, June 25**


📍 Maan Doosh Gamig ⌚ 3-5pm

Must be diabetic and RSVP by Thursday, June 19.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:

✉ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com

☎ (705) 858-7700





## Mammogram Screenings

Tuesday, June 3

📍 Health Sciences North, Sudbury

Limit of 6 seats, transportation provided.  
Please call to register.

☎ (705) 858-7700



## Teen Talk

Games and fun with snacks and refreshments!


**Friday, June 6**

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig ⌚ 6-8pm

RSVP by Tuesday, June 3.

✉ heather.roy@wahnapietaefn.com

☎ (705) 858-7700



## Transform Tuesdays

Exercise Activities with Heather & Alison

**June 3, 10, 17 & 24**

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig ⌚ 11:00 AM

Exercises can be modified for mobility needs.

For questions or more information please contact:

✉ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com

✉ Alison.Sabzali@wahnapietaefn.com

☎ (705) 858-7700



Waasmoowin Energy Inc. 

North Shore Link

and Northeast Powerline Projects

## EARLY CONTRACTOR INVOLVEMENT (ECI) PHASE

**AECON**

 **Valard**

## COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

**EASTERN FIRST NATION PARTNERS**

The Community Open House will provide opportunity for each FN partner community to share their story, project priorities and input on the procurement planning while receiving an overview of the ECIs commitments to First Nation procurement participation. It will also serve as a good opportunity to discuss employment and training interests in the project from a labour force perspective.



**Monday, June 9 & Tuesday, June 10**

### Day 1 • 5-8pm

- Opening Prayer & Dinner
- Waasmoowin Energy Inc. & Hydro One  
Introduction to ECI Process
- FN Partner Presentation - Our Culture,  
priorities and expectations
- ECI - Aecon Introduction & Q&A
- Break
- ECI - Valard Introduction & Q&A
- Closing Prayer

### Day 2 • 9am-3pm

- One-on-One Business Meetings

**PROCUREMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**

**EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING  
OPPORTUNITIES**

**ONE-ON-ONE BUSINESS  
MEETING**

### Book Appointments:

[elizabeth.houle@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:elizabeth.houle@wahnapiataefn.com)  
705-858-0610 x. 240

[lilli.doughty@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:lilli.doughty@wahnapiataefn.com)  
705-858-0610 x. 213

**VIRTUAL OPTION** for day 1 for each First Nation  
PLEASE EMAIL



[info@waasmoowin.com](mailto:info@waasmoowin.com)



# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN POLICING?



## It's Turtle Nesting Season!

From May to July, turtles are on the move looking for places to lay their eggs. You're more likely to see them crossing the roads, especially near wetlands, lakes, or rivers.

### How You Can Help:

- Slow down and stay alert in turtle crossing areas.
- Help snapping turtles cross the road with a car mat or by gently lifting them from the back of the shell (never the sides or tail).
- Always move them in the direction they were heading.
- Report injured or deceased turtles to the Lands and Resources Department.



Snapping turtles can live up to *100 years* but take *15+* years to mature. Fewer than *1%* reach adulthood. They belong to one of the oldest reptile families, dating back *eighty million years*.

### Did You Know?

Snapping turtle eggs look like *ping-pong balls* and painted turtle eggs are smaller and oval. If you find a nest, it's best to leave it undisturbed.

Both painted and snapping turtles have temperature-dependent sex determination – which means the number of male and female hatchlings depends on the *temperature of the nest*.





Social Services

# BBQ Meet & Greet

Monday, June 16

🕒 4-8 PM 📍 Family Wellness Centre  
178 Loonway Rd.

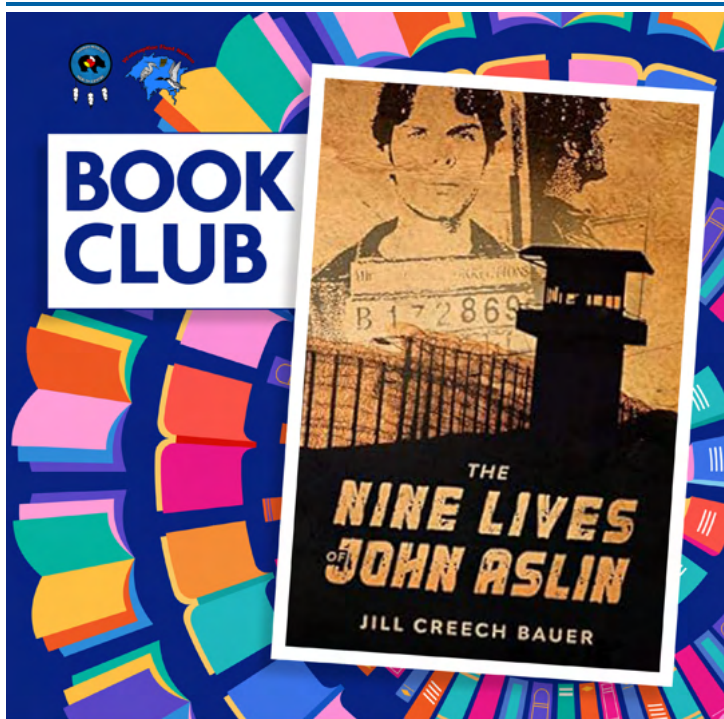
Join us for fun games, a bouncy castle,  
dinner and more! This event is weather dependent.

For more information please contact:

✉️ [Natalie.Goring@wahnapiitaefn.com](mailto:Natalie.Goring@wahnapiitaefn.com) ☎️ (705) 920-9106







DISCUSSION: **THURSDAY, JUNE 26**

📍Elder's Lounge 🕒 3:30pm

Sign-up with Heather by Monday, June 2.

✉️ heather.roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎️ (705) 858-7700

## Nutrition BINGO

**Thursday, June 19**  
 📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM

Dinner served at 5:00 PM followed by Bingo at 5:30 PM.

For questions or more information please contact:  
 ✉️ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎️ (705) 858-7700

**RSVP: June 11**  
**Pick-up: June 18**

Bring your bags to MDG from 4-6pm.

To RSVP and for more information:  
 ✉️ Rochelle.Tyson@wahnapietaefn.com  
 ✉️ Line.Baillargeon@wahnapietaefn.com  
 ☎️ (705) 858-7700

## CHAIR YOGA

**June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30**

📍 Metamorphosis Yoga Studio, Capreol 🕒 2:00PM  
 Rides and passes provided, depart 1:30 PM from  
 Centre of Excellence. Please RSVP to:  
 ✉️ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎️ (705) 858-7700



# Seniors

## T.L.C.

# Tuesdays

### June 3, 10, 17 & 24

📍 Centre of Excellence - Elders Lounge 🕒 3:00 PM  
Cards, snacks and refreshments provided.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:

✉ Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700



## Healthy Snacks Pick Up Dates

### Tuesday, June 10

### Tuesday, July 8

*\*No bins available due to low returns.  
Please bring bags to pick up.*

📍 Family Wellness Centre (178 Loonway Road)  
🕒 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

For questions and more information please contact:

✉ April.Cardinal@wahnapietaefn.com 📞 (705) 770-2477



## Stay in the know. Sign up for email alerts.



**[www.tinyurl.com/wfn-email](http://www.tinyurl.com/wfn-email)**



**For questions or more information please contact:  
[communications@wahnapietaefn.com](mailto:communications@wahnapietaefn.com)**





# Identifying Elder Abuse

INFO SESSION

**Thursday, June 19**

📍 **Maan Doosh Gamig** ⌚ **10 am**

For questions or more information please contact:

✉ [Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com)

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## Healing with the Ojibwe Spirit Horses

We would like to extend a heartfelt miigwech to Lauren and the team at Shkagamik-Kwe Health Centre for inviting us to participate in the Healing with Ojibwe Spirit Horses event. It was an unforgettable experience that left a lasting impression on everyone who attended.

In celebration of Mental Health Week, we gathered to connect with culture, community, and wellness through a unique healing session with the sacred Ojibwe Spirit Horses. The impact was immediate and deeply felt—elders expressed a sense of peace and relaxation as we departed, and smiles were shared all around.

This experience was not only uplifting, but also a powerful reminder of the therapeutic value of horses. Connecting with these gentle animals can positively influence mental health by reducing anxiety, enhancing emotional regulation, and nurturing empathy and trust. Under the guidance of a mental health professional, participants engage in meaningful interactions such as grooming, feeding, and leading the horses. These activities promote self-confidence, responsibility, and emotional resilience.

In every sense, this session recharged our minds and spirits. We are grateful for the opportunity and look forward to more moments of healing, connection, and cultural celebration. — *The NRHC Wellness Team*





# Notice:

## Rental Units Available

To apply or for more information  
please contact:

✉ [housingcoordinator@wahnapietaefn.com](mailto:housingcoordinator@wahnapietaefn.com)  
☎ (705) 858-0610 ext. 210



## Online Job Board

Employment, Education and Training

[WWW.WAHNAPIAEFIRSTNATION.COM](http://WWW.WAHNAPIAEFIRSTNATION.COM)

# Community Eagle Staff

## MEMBERS CALL FOR DESIGN TEAM

To volunteer or for more information please contact:

✉ [Lori.Corbiere@wahnapietaefn.com](mailto:Lori.Corbiere@wahnapietaefn.com) ☎ (705) 858-0610







*Chi miigwech to those who helped with making of traditional medicines and teas. Your time and efforts are deeply appreciated.*



# Traditional Medicines & Teachings for Members



**Liquid Smudge** • A smokeless alternative to burning medicines when you are in situations, such as an office or building where burning is not permissible or desirable.

**Minagin Salve** • provides fast relief and promotes healing for cuts, rashes, infections, eczema, and sore joints. Safe for all ages — even pets — it's your go-to natural remedy whenever you need quick, effective care.

**Five Thieves Oil** • Supports immune system, clear nasal and sinus congestion, and promotes respiratory and heart health — all while boosting energy and lifting your mood naturally.

**Lavender Salve** • A natural anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, antifungal, and antioxidant remedy that soothes pain, supports skin repair, speeds up wound healing, and encourages deep relaxation and calm.

**Cedar Oil** • Remedy to reduce inflammation, combat harmful bacteria, and relieve pain, this blend also supports nervous system balance by enhancing relaxation, easing stress, and improving sleep quality.

**Bath & Foot Soaks** • Natural ingredients and epsom salts warm your bones, calm stress, release toxins, promote relaxation and soothe skin irritations.

**Indian Aspirin** • Helps to soothe aches and pains as well as cold and flu symptoms.

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**Available FREE for pick up at the NRHC Office,  
stop by to visit Line or Lori today.**

✉ [line.baillargeon@wahnapiitaeFN.com](mailto:line.baillargeon@wahnapiitaeFN.com) ✉ [lori.corbiere@wahnapiitaeFN.com](mailto:lori.corbiere@wahnapiitaeFN.com)

☎ **(705) 858-7700**



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## **Information Management Law Timeline and Next Steps**



Wahnapitae First Nation's Governance staff is hard at work to ensure that members' wishes for a strong, new Information Management Law are still being respected. Please see the snapshot below of what's been done so far, and what is being looked at for the future.

### **February 2020 • Wahnapitae First Nation members vote for the Anishinabek Nation Governance Agreement (ANGA)**

Wahnapitae First Nation becomes one of the first Anishinabek Nation communities to ratify the Governance Agreement.

### **June 2022 • Canada passes ANGA into law**

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### **April 2023 • Law-making begins**

Once the ANGA took effect and Wahnapitae First Nation gathered its legal tools, work began on the Information Management Law at the direction of members.

### **Summer 2024 • Engagement sessions for the draft Information Management Law**

Wahnapitae First Nation members participated in various community engagement sessions to provide their feedback on the draft law.

### **Fall 2024 • Legal review of the Law**

All member-recommended changes were made by WFN legal team and reviewed before the ratification vote.

### **Winter/Spring 2025 • Ratification Vote**

The community voted 86% in favour of the Information Management Law but were 24 votes short of meeting the ISC threshold.

### **What is the ISC Threshold?**

According to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), the minimum number of people who must vote for the results to count is 25% of the eligible voting population + 1. This is a colonial system imposed on First Nations that can deny the will of its people. It also runs counter to the inherent freedoms spelled out in the ANGA, and results in costly re-voting.

### **Next Steps**

The Governance team will be working with Chief and Council to determine whether members want to change WFN policies so that the ISC threshold isn't required for future votes, and to plan a second vote on Information Management Law in the near future.

### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions or thoughts about this law or this process, please contact Taylor Bertrim, Governance Research Specialist, at:

✉ [taylor.bertrim@wahnapitaefn.com](mailto:taylor.bertrim@wahnapitaefn.com)

☎ (705) 858-0610 x. 254





# NOTICE:

## Firewood Available for Purchase

*Please contact the office for delivery.*

The Firewood policy and others can be found  
online at: [www.wahnapitaefirstnation.com/our-community/laws-policies-procedures-more](http://www.wahnapitaefirstnation.com/our-community/laws-policies-procedures-more).




## Diabetes

Prevention programs, supports,  
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## Anishinaabemowin Language Sessions

Co-Facilitated by Debbie Recollet  
& Debbie Plain-McGregor

**Tuesdays • June 3, 10, 17 & 24**

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:30-7:30 pm

Open to all, light snacks and refreshments provided.

For more information please contact:

✉ [Lori.Corbieri@wahnapitaefn.com](mailto:Lori.Corbieri@wahnapitaefn.com) 📞 (705) 858-7700







# WASTE DIVERSION IN JUNE

# RESELL

Hosting a yard or garage sale is a great way to declutter while keeping items out of the landfill by helping your unwanted items find a new home.

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Here are a few things to keep in mind:

## PLAN AHEAD

Choose a weekend with good weather and advertise your yard/garage sale ahead of time on platforms like Facebook or Kijiji.

## ORGANIZE

Sort items by type (e.g. kitchenware, clothes, or tools) and add prices.

## DAY OF

Keep change on hand or consider accepting e-transfers.  
Use tables, tarps, or bins to sort items and keep them off the ground.





## Niizhwaaswi Gmishoomsinaa (Seven Grandfathers)

*Land-based Monthly Traditional Drumming Song*  
*Dewe'gan N'gamwinan*

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin  
Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin

Niizhwaaswi Gmishoomsinaa  
Niizhwaaswi Gmishoomsinaa

Nbwaakaawin Oomiinshinaa

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin

Zaagidiwin Oomiinshinaa  
Zaagidiwin Oomiinshinaa

Mnaadendiwin Oomiinshinaa

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin

Aakde'he'win Oomiinshinaa  
Aakde'he'win Oomiinshinaa

Gwekwaadziwin Oomiinshinaa

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin

Dbasendizwin Oomiinshinaa  
Dbasendizwin Oomiinshinaa

Debwewin Oomiinshinaa

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin

Miigwech Gdigoom Gmishoomsinaa  
Miigwech Gdigoom Gmishoomsinaa

Miigwech Gdigoom Kina Gegoo

Miigwech, Miigwech, Kina Gdigoom  
Miigwech, Miigwech, Kina Gdigoom

Miigwech, Miigwech, Bemaadziwin



# Wellness Wednesdays


**June 4** ⌚ 10 am 📍 MDG  
*Sexual Violence Awareness*

**June 11** ⌚ 10 am 📍 MDG  
*HIV Testing Importance*

**June 18** ⌚ 1 pm 📍 MDG  
*Northern Drug Epidemic with Reseau Access*

**June 25** ⌚ 10 am 📍 MDG  
*Vaping Awareness*

**Information sessions with light snacks and refreshments.**  
**For more information and to RSVP please contact:**  
✉ [Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com](mailto:Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com) 📞 (705) 858-7700







I have a tail but never swim,  
I hold a hook, but not a limb.  
I vanish deep without a trace,  
Yet help you win the fishing race.



**Send your answer to: [communications@wahnapietaefn.com](mailto:communications@wahnapietaefn.com)  
by Monday, June 23 to be entered to win.**

Father's  
day!

**PLEASE BE COURTEOUS  
NOTIFY YOUR NEIGHBOURS**

**Before setting off fireworks this season, please notify your neighbours so they can prepare any pets or loved ones.**







# Stay Informed and Safe with the Emergency Alert Program

## *Dear Wahnapiatae First Nation,*

The Emergency Alert Program is an initiative aimed at increasing the safety and well-being of Wahnapiatae First Nation members and its community, whether residing on- or off- reserve.

This program is facilitated by the Emergency Management Coordinator, utilizing the well-established application, Everbridge, to streamline communication during critical times and ensure that every community member is kept informed and safe during emergencies.

## *Who is it for?*

This program is tailored to Wahnapiatae First Nation members and community members, including those living off-reserve. Its sole purpose is to alert members and community promptly in the event of emergencies.

## *Who is managing it?*

The Emergency Alert System is managed by WFN administration, leveraging the advanced functionalities of the Everbridge application to ensure seamless communication during emergency events.

## *Why should you sign up?*

A significant part of the overall plan to enhance safety and foster better communication during emergency events, this program is a step towards safeguarding our community members. It comes with an assurance of timely and efficient notification, helping everyone to stay informed of necessary actions and precautions during emergencies.

## *What triggers an alert?*

An alert will be triggered under circumstances that require immediate attention and collective action from the community, such as natural disasters, severe weather conditions, evacuations, or other emergency situations that warrant community alertness and responsiveness.

## *How does it work?*

Emergency alerts can be sent/received as electronic calls, texts, or emails. When you sign up for the program, you will be able to select the communication method that works best for you. This feature ensures that everyone gets emergency alerts at the same time in their preferred format.

## *Register here:*

[cutt.ly/WFN\\_EmergencyAlertSystem\\_SignUp](http://cutt.ly/WFN_EmergencyAlertSystem_SignUp) , and we encourage everyone to actively participate and help foster a community where everyone is alert, informed, connected and safe.





*Aanii, boozhoo,*

*As we welcome the month of June, we give thanks to the land, the water, the winds, and the fires that sustain us. This is a sacred time of renewal. The medicines grow strong, the sun stays longer with us, and our spirits are lifted by the warmth of summer and the strength of our traditions.*

*Chi miigwech to each and every one of you for the honour of serving another term as Chief. I am deeply humbled and filled with gratitude. I carry this responsibility with care and respect, and I remain committed to listening with an open heart—walking alongside this community and clearing a path for healing, growth, and unity for all our people.*

*This month brings many opportunities to gather and strengthen our circle. On June 4, the NRHC will be offering cancer screenings—please take this step for yourself or support a loved one. On June 21, we honour National Indigenous Peoples Day. Let's remember to honor and celebrate the rich cultural heritage, resilience, and contributions of our people. It's a time to deepen our understanding of our history and an opportunity to amplify Indigenous voices, support Indigenous-led initiatives, and work towards a future of mutual respect, understanding, and justice for all.*

*That same day, June 21, we will also hold our councillor elections at MDG. Voting will be available both in person and online, to ensure every voice can be heard and every vote can count. On June 22, we gather for our Two-Spirit Pow Wow—a celebration of love, identity, and belonging that welcomes all. And on July 5, we will present departmental reports to membership, continuing our work in transparency and accountability.*

*With the many celebrations and events coming up, please be sure to let know of fireworks, so that we can share it with the community out of respect for noise. People must be able to prepare their children, pets and even themselves.*

*Chi miigwech, from my heart to yours, for the continued trust you've placed in me. Together, we move forward in strength.*

*Gimaa Larry Roque*

**Wahnapitae First Nation  
Centre of Excellence**

259 Taighwenini Trail Rd. Capreol, ON P0M 1H0  
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**Hours:**

**Monday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM**  
**Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM**  
Closed Fridays and Statutory Holidays

**For the most up to date  
community information, notices,  
events and updates, visit [www.  
wahnapitaeirstnation.com](http://www.wahnapitaeirstnation.com)**

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**☎ (705) 858-0610 Ext: 234**

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# Chief & Council

## REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, June 24

📍 **ELDER'S LOUNGE & ZOOM** ⌚ **6:00 PM**

*Members wishing to attend via Zoom can find the link to register at*

🌐 **[wahnapiataefirstnation.com/members-login](https://wahnapiataefirstnation.com/members-login)**

- The deadline to register for the web version of this meeting is June 17.
- Registration is only open to WFN members who are over 18. Virtual attendees must use their legal name when joining the meeting.
- Once registered, prior to meeting, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the Zoom Meeting.



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## Waabgonii Giizis Horoscope

### Woodpecker And Cancer

People born at this time have a sensitive and protective streak to their nature. Their roots can be of prime importance in their lives. These individuals will understand the meaning of nurturing. They can turn their nurturing skills to support anything they love, whether it is their garden or their own child. For these individuals however, their caring nature can be both a virtue and a vice. On the one hand their ability to cherish and cultivate what they love give them the ability to support others and help them blossom; In Native American tradition the woodpecker, who lies in the south on the medicine wheel, is renowned for its ability to create the perfect nest for its offspring. On the other hand these individuals can find it hard to let go and in worse case scenarios they may smother that which is so dear to them. Again like the woodpecker that is compelled to peck away and may find it hard to stop. The woodpecker individual can gain great insights from the snow goose who lies directly opposite, in the north, on the medicine wheel.

Source: <https://twofeathers.co.uk/pages/native-american-astrology?srltid=AfmBOorKKTEC2oCt07oju-LHU49HG5j3meprDk6v-3OEW-OJ0Ncg6vYs#red-hawk-and-aries>



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WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
THE SHKAGAMIK-KWE HEALTH CENTRE, PRESENTS THE

# PAL GUN SAFETY COURSE

Sunday, July 6, 2025

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SKHC Community Centre

105 Elm Street, Suite E4

Sudbury ON

- ✓ Participants must be 18+.
- ✓ Please bring government photo ID.
- ✓ On-site application photos available.

RSVP by Thursday, July 3, 2025,  
by contacting Lori Corbiere at  
[lori.corbiere@wahnapietaefn.com](mailto:lori.corbiere@wahnapietaefn.com)  
or 705-858-7700.



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To purchase or for more information please contact:  
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ (705) 858-7700  
📧 Betty-Kay.Hill@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ (705) 822-5690

**Work on it**  
*Wednesday*

Looking to start a new project or  
have unfinished beadwork at home?  
Join us for dinner and crafting!

**Wednesday, June 11**

🕒 5-8 PM 📍 Maan Doosh Gamig

Please RSVP by Monday, June 9:  
📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapietaefn.com  
☎ (705) 920-9106

A collection of colorful beads in a tray, a pair of pliers, and a wooden drum, set against a light blue background.

**FAMILY**  
Beading & Drumming

**Monday, June 23**  
📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 4-7pm  
Snacks and refreshments provided.  
Bring unfinished projects or start new ones!

For questions or more information please contact:  
📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ (705) 920-9106

A small logo of a blue map of Ontario with a red and white feather.

**CONGREGATE  
DINING**  
ELDERS 55+

**JUNE 5**  
RSVP BY MAY 29

**JULY 3**  
RSVP BY JUNE 26

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM  
*In person or pick-up only. Seniors are welcome to  
socialize afterward with a game of cards or chatting.*

To RSVP or for more information:  
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ 705-858-7700





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**TRAILER SCHEDULE:**  
WAHNAPITAE FIRST NATION



**June 12 & July 3**

🕒 3-7 PM 📍 Elders Lounge  
259 Taighwenini Trail Road

Contact: [info@niigaaniin.com](mailto:info@niigaaniin.com)

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**COMMUNITY MEMBERS!**  
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Resume/Cover Letter  
 June 17 @ 10:00 a.m.

Programs & Services  
 June 25 @ 10:45 a.m.

Interview Skills  
 June 24 @ 10:00 a.m.

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 June 25 @ 10:00 a.m.



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## Separate Beds: A History of Indian Hospitals in Canada

A conversation with author Dr. Maureen Lux hosted by Dr. David Gratzner in honour of National Indigenous History Month.

Tuesday, June 3

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Bell Gateway Building  
 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Sacred Space  
 100 Stokes St.  
 Virtual: link in bio



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## NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY POW WOW

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025

BELL PARK AMPHITHEATRE GROUNDS

GRAND ENTRY AT 11 A.M. & COMMUNITY GIVEAWAY AT 3:15 P.M.

HOST DRUM CHIGEEZIS SINGERS

CO-HOST IS SPIRIT BEAR SINGERS

INVITED DRUM GIIGIDOO NIMKII (ROLLING THUNDER)

Everyone is welcome. See you there!

Laurentian University  
 Université Laurentienne



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# June 2025

## AFTER SCHOOL & YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<b>ASP &amp; YLP</b> Whinnying in Life Outing <b>Summer Camp registration opens!</b>	<b>YLP</b> Making Suncatchers	<b>ASP</b> Making Bird feeders			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	<b>ASP</b> Yoga at Metamorphosis Capreol	<b>YLP</b> Geo Caching Nature Walk	<b>ASP &amp; YLP</b> Whinnying in Life Outing			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	<b>ASP</b>  STEM Butterfly Gardens	<b>YLP</b>  Year End Celebration	<b>ASP</b>  Year End Celebration	<b>Summer Camp Registration Deadline</b>		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	<b>No Programming</b> <b>Staff preparing for Summer Camp!</b>					
29	30					

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**ASP (Ages 4-11) 3:30-5:30PM Monday and Wednesday**

**YLP (Ages 12-17) 3:00-5:30PM on Tuesday**

### UPDATES

- Summer Camp registration opens Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>! Please ensure registrations are complete by Thursday June 19. Registration forms can be picked up at Band Office or Gazebo.
- Please ensure your child comes to program prepared for the weather (Hat, Sunglasses etc.).
- **\*\*All scheduled activities are subject to change due to weather, or unforeseen circumstances. Parental responsibility to have other arrangements in place if childcare is required.**

**Contact Nancy or Cinnamon for more information**

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# Wahnapi'tae First Nation

## June 2025 • Waabgonii Giizis Blooming Moon Community Events



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> • Chair Yoga - 2pm	<b>3</b> • NRHC Mammogram Scrngs. Trip • Trsfrm. Tue. -11am • TLC Tue. - 3pm • Anishinaabemowin - Session 5:30pm	<b>4</b> • Wellness Wed. - 10am • Cancer Scrngs.- 1-2pm	<b>5</b> • Congregate Dining - 5pm	<b>6</b> • Teen Talk - 6pm	<b>7</b> • Father's Day Games -10am
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> • Chair Yoga - 2pm	<b>10</b> • Trsfrm. Tue. -3pm • TLC Tue. - 3pm • Healthy Snacks Pick Up - 3pm • Anishinaabemowin Session - 5:30pm	<b>11</b> • Wellness Wed. - 10am • Work on it Wednesday - 5pm	<b>12</b> • Niigaaniin Service Ontario Mobile Office Visit - 3pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> • Chair Yoga - 2pm • BBQ Meet & Greet - 4pm	<b>17</b> • Trsfrm. Tue. -11am • TLC Tue. - 3pm • Anishinaabemowin Session - 5:30pm	<b>18</b> • Wellness Wed. - 1pm • Healthy Recipe OTM Pick-up - 4pm	<b>19</b> • Identifying Elder Abuse Info Session - 10am • Nutrition Bingo - 5pm • Senior Activity Kits Pick-Up	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> • <b>Council Election Voting, Elder's Lounge 10am-8pm</b>  NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY 
<b>22</b> • Two Spirit Pow Wow - 12pm	<b>23</b> • Chair Yoga - 2pm • Family Beading & Drumming - 4pm	<b>24</b> • Trsfrm. Tue. -11am • TLC Tue. - 3pm • Anishinaabemowin Session - 5:30pm • Chief & Council Regular Mtg. - 6pm	<b>25</b> • Wellness Wed. - 10am • Diabetic Snacks - 3pm	<b>26</b> • Book Club Mtg. - 3:30pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> • Chair Yoga - 2pm	<b>1</b> OFFICES CLOSED	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> • Congregate Dining - 5pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> • PAL Gun Safety Course - 9am to 5pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> • Trsfrm. Tue. -11am • TLC Tue. - 3pm • Healthy Snacks Pick-up - 3pm • Anishinaabemowin Session - 5:30pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>

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