

Chippewas of Nawash Newsletter

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June 30, 2022

Neyaashiinigmiing

By: Jenny Abell

UPDATE: Newsletter Naming Contest

Thank you everyone! We received many submissions for The Newsletter Naming Contest and we are excited to start the voting process. VOTING WILL COMMENCE AT THE END OF NEXT WEEK. Look for a ballot in next week's newsletter. There will also be an option to vote online. Voting will be open to all Band Members on & off the reserve and will close at the end of July.

The winning name will be determined by the highest number of votes, and the winner will be announced in August and will receive an Amazon Gift Card worth \$50 CDN.



COVID-19 Updates

In Neyaashiinigmiing:

June 28, 2022

New confirmed cases:	0
Active cases:	0
Resolved cases since Jan 1, 2022:	142

FRIDAY, JULY 1 IS A STATUTORY HOLIDAY

Band Programs &
Buildings will be
closed.



Important phone numbers:

- Health Centre main line: 519-534-0373
- Health Centre cell phone: 519-375-0288
- SpringDawn (RPN) cell: 519-378-6028
- Medical Transportation: 519-375-0288 call during business hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30.

Construction Updates

30 JUNE 2022

REDUCE SPEEDS IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES



Construction on Sydney Bay Rd. has moved up to Park Rd - and will last until mid-July approximately.



Water service construction has wrapped up on Nayaushing Rd and construction has started on Farm Rd.



PRECONSTRUCTION SURVEY NOTICE APPOINTMENTS:

If you received a Preconstruction Survey notice, **please book an appointment** with

- Maira Castro of Englobe: 1-519-741-1313 ext. 171104
- or email Booking.SWO@englobecorp.com
- Quote Chippewas of Nawash – 2201441.



PRECONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS

Helena, from Englobe, will continue to be in Nawash performing the pre-construction property inspections. Performance of preconstruction survey is currently for houses on: Dockside Road | Chicks Road | Maadookii Subdivision Road | Port Elgin Road | Maadookii Crescent



QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROJECT?

Please call Alper Ozer at 437-247-9870 or Marcel Sanchez at 365-228-3365. They are working on behalf of Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation.

FUNDS RAISED FOR CHILDREN SERVICES AT NEYAASHIINIGMIING:



Left to Right: Gimaa Kwe, Teresa Nesci and Sahand Amiri

Last summer, husband and wife team Teresa Nesci and Sahand Amiri, owners of the Friendly Owl Bed and Breakfast in Lion's Head wanted to do something to honour the First Nation's children and at the same time build community awareness. They decided to organize a swim event at Sandy Beach on August 29, 2021 to raise funds for Children's Services in Neyaashiinigmiing. Sahand, an avid swimmer, stated, "Swimming one mile is a challenge that hopefully motivates the community to come together. This swim could be a place to channel emotions, uplift individuals and strengthen group unity."

The swimming course was a one mile stretch starting at Sandy Beach finishing at Old Woman Island and back. Volunteers including life guards, paramedics and medical personnel were present to ensure the safety of all swimmers.

On Monday, June 20th, Teresa and Sahand presented Gimaa and Council with a cheque in the amount of \$6,476.25 as well as a gift of seeds with a brief history and instructions included on each of the packages.

More information about the One Mile Swim To Raise Funds For Children Services At Neyaashiinigmiing in the Bruce Peninsula Press from August 2021 can be found here:

<https://brucepeninsulapress.com/2021/08/18/one-mile-swim-to-raise-funds-for-children-services-at-neyaashiinigmiing/>

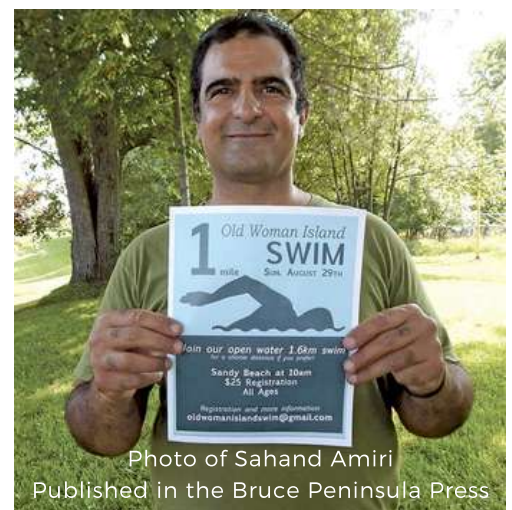


Photo of Sahand Amiri
Published in the Bruce Peninsula Press



News Update



Grade 8 Grads

Highlights:

- * 8 Graduates
- * Graduation: July 5th
- * Last day of school: July 7th
- * Total of Gr. 8's next year: 6

Secondary Grads

Highlights:

- * 11 Graduates
- * Graduation Dates:
 - SMHS June 29 Bayshore
 - PSDS June 29

Post Secondary Grads

Highlights:

- * Received 133 applications
- Sponsoring: 17 P1's ; 3 conditional offers
- * 63 P2's; 25 conditional offers
- * 26 Graduates

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

The Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Board of Education would like to congratulate all the graduates of 2022. Your accomplishments and successes have just begun – now is the time to move on to your next steps. As you explore your individual journey's, embrace the opportunities before you. Acknowledge that there may be obstacles, but don't let them hold you back and never let fear stand in your way.

As Anishinaabe, you have the 7 Grandfather Teachings to help you, to guide you and to protect you:

- To exercise **humility** is to know patience while knowing your worth and the worth of others
- To be **brave** is to do what is right, even when the road is difficult
- To live in **truth** is to act without regret
- To **respect** all living things is to value all life and all creation
- To embrace **honesty** is to live correctly and with virtue
- To accept **wisdom** as the knowledge and experience you've gained and to seek life-long learning
- To **love** and be kind and compassionate to yourself and to others; to know love is to know peace.

Best wishes!

KIKENDAASOGAMIG ELEMENTARY GRADUATES

Dear Graduates and Parents,

Another year is coming to a close and we wish our Grade 8 students all the best as they move on to secondary school. Here is a little message to think about:

Do not dismiss your dreams.
To be without dreams
Is to be without hope;
To be without hope
Is to be without purpose.
Do not run through life
So fast that you forget
Not only where you have been,
But also, where you are going.
Life is not a race,
But a journey to be savored... each step of the way.

So, to the graduates of Kikendaasogamig Elementary School, start your journey, make a difference in the world. Enjoy and prosper each day.

Mr. B. Tichenoff - Principal

Congratulations to our Grade 8 graduates:

Tanness Eby	Ashton Jones
Joseph Keeshig	Luke Keeshig
Tristan King	Zoe Millar
Jorja Wilson	Lillian Pedoniquotte

MESSAGE CONTINUED

SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATES

Congratulations to Peninsula Shores District School Graduates:

Taylor Chegahno Ty-Keegan Eby
Treyton Jones Jasmine Hopkinson
Falyn Jones Creedence Jones
Savannah Saunders

Congratulations to St. Mary's High School Graduates:

CJ Dubuque Edwin Keeshig
Kiniw Migwans Nahanni Shoefly

POST SECONDARY GRADUATES

Congratulations to 2021-22 Graduates:

V. Staves - Practical Nursing - Durham College
J. Westwood - Renewable Energy Techniques -
Conestoga College
T. Chegahno - Business Administration &
Management - Conestoga College
F. Abell - Business Accounting - Niagara College
L. Christensen - Occupational & Physiotherapist
Assistant - Loyalist College
C. Nadjiwon-Foster - Advanced Police Studies -
Mohawk College
K. Hills - BSc Nursing - McMaster University
M. Jackson - Chemical Production & Power
Engineering Technology - Lambton College
B. Johnston - Business Administration Human
Resources - Georgian College
H. Johnston - Honours Justice Studies -
University of Guelph/Humber
L. Johnston - BA Liberal Sciences - Laurentian
University
K. Johnston-Palmer - Early Childhood Education-
Seneca College
B. Jones - Fine Arts - Georgian College
J. Moreau - MA Clinical Psychology - Queen's
University
R. Nadjiwon - Honours Bachelor of Arts -
University of Toronto
H. Nevin - CICE - Georgian College
J. Nicholas - Social Science BA - University of
Victoria
K. Sartor - Indigenous Environmental Science -
Trent University
E. Tobias - MA Nursing - University of British
Columbia
M. Proulx-Vanevery - Game Development -
Niagara College
D. Westwood - Indigenous Environmental
Science - Trent
University
J. Westwood - Electrical Technician Industrial -
Conestoga College

Congratulations

UPDATES FROM: COUNCILLOR NORMA TOBEY



Norma with her 3 grandchildren, Giizis, Jack and Lyla.

Portfolios

- Housing, Lands and Membership
- Communications
- SON – Parks Canada
- SON – Fisheries
- Nawash Investment Interim Board
- Food Bank Ad Hoc Committee

Alternate on:

- Native Child Welfare/Youth Mental Health

Fisheries Updates

The committee recently met to discuss actions coming out of the community meeting held last December to address declines in lake whitefish. The following potential actions are undergoing further discussion

1. Workshop between SON knowledge holders and scientists.
2. Paying SON fishers to NOT fish lake whitefish in the fall on a voluntary basis
3. The relationship between Fish Stocking by sports clubs and MNRF and how this is affecting lake whitefish
4. Stocking lake whitefish
5. Continuing research collaboration on declines in lake whitefish.

Fisheries has been working with the SON Environment Office and Coastal Waters staff this past May with tagging Sturgeons as part of the Telemetry program work. This work is being done to help with research on how the proposed pumped energy storage project in Meaford will affect the fisheries.

The fisheries committee and staff continue to explore ways to share the results and experiences learned from the research projects with a broader audience, as well as learn new information that can be applied for the betterment of the SON Fishery. The staff has been accepted to attend and present at several conferences over the past few months.

Canadian Conference for Fishers Research and Society for Canadian Limnologist Conference: February

In collaboration with Parks Canada and the NDMNRF, and fisheries staff presented virtually at the “Indigenous management systems: Leadership, collaboration, and agency” session with a focus on sharing the resulting lessons from the Together with Giigoonyag research initiative.

COUNCILLOR NORMA TOBEY CONTINUED

2022 Joint Aquatic Science Meeting: May

Fisheries staff were accepted to virtually present their in-works paper “Building Trust through the “Two-eyed Seeing Approach to Joint Fisher Research – SON and NRF Case Study”, which shared their experience with the use of the Two-Eyed Seeing approach in research and allowed advocacy for the inclusion of Indigenous Nations in research development from the ground up.

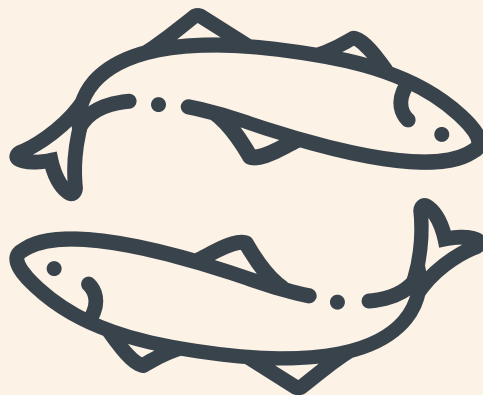
4th World Small Fisheries Congress North America (4WSFC) – Getting IT Right Update

Ryan Lauzon and Alex Duncan authored two book chapters on SON fisheries and were invited by the book editor to present at this conference called the 4th world small fishery conference. See the website 4th World Small-Scale Fisheries Congress | 4WSFC (4wsfcongress.com). Ryan was also invited by Dr. Kristen Lowitt and Barbara Boraks to discuss basic income and fisheries.

The fisheries staff along with myself and Nick Saunders, as council liaisons, also attended this conference held in St. John's Newfoundland. The Conference was called “Getting it Right for Small Fisheries”. The theme of the conference was to discuss prospects, innovative ideas and strategies needed to address pressing issues for North America's small scale fisheries and ocean sustainability set with current challenges.

The staff prepared a presentation on the history of the SON fishery and SON's unique path to achieve self-governance and reconciliation via research.

The conference presented some challenges but overall the staff and council liaisons gained a voice, knowledge and understanding of where more education is required to support our small fisheries.



FISHERIES ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (FAP)

Newsletter / June 2022

For more information contact: Ryan Lauzon (nawash.fisheries@gmail.com)



GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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4th World Small-Scale Fisheries Congress: North America (4WSFC) June

FAP is scheduled to attend the 4WSFC conference in-person in St. John's, Newfoundland. Staff and Councilors were accepted to present a session based on a book chapter written by FAP staff concerning the history of the SON fishery and SON's unique path to achieve self-governance and reconciliation via research.



THE NAWASH STAFF

Hello Chippewas of Nawash Community,

My name is Michael Earl, I have been the Senior Administrative Officer for the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation since August 2021. I am a married father of three young boys and a resident of Georgian Bluffs with family ties to the Grey-Bruce area. While I am originally from Ontario, I spent almost a decade living in Dawson City, Yukon.

During my years in the Yukon, I worked closely with the First Nation community. My experiences in the far north and my studies at Trent University have led me to become a passionate advocate of First Nation sovereignty and self-determination.

As the Executive Director for the Tr'ondek Hwech'in Self-Governing First Nation located in Dawson City, Yukon I was responsible to the Chief and Council and entrusted with overseeing the Administration of the government.

As the Senior Administrative Officer for the Chippewas of Nawash, I am working hard to ensure that your government programs and services are delivered professionally in an accountable and fiscally responsible manner.

MICHAEL EARL



SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
STARTED IN AUGUST 2021



*"I am truly grateful for
the opportunity to
serve your
community."*