

# Enkamgak



## Daatkaagmini Giizis (Blackberry Moon) | August 2024

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### Inaugural Meeting of the 2024-2027 Chief and Council



**August 6, 2024**  
**5 - 8 p.m.**  
**Garden Village**

This event will not be livestreamed due to traditional protocols. Part of the event will occur at the teaching lodge in the Holy Spirit Church Courtyard, followed by a traditional feast, catered and hosted in the Garden Village Gym.

All NFN members are invited. No agenda items will be accepted for this meeting.

### Elder's Profile: Fred & Leda McLeod

*Previously published* - Fred and Leda's life together has been anything but quiet.

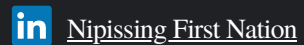
Leda Couchie was born to John Couchie Sr. and Edna Laronde in Duchesnay on February 19, 1917. She has three brother and six sisters.



Her family stayed in Duchesnay. She attended the residential school in Spanish and considers it a privilege to have attended the school. The walk to school in the winter was three miles one way. Leda fondly remembers playing baseball with her dad almost every night with other children in the village.

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The Portal gives exclusive access for NFN members to:

- **View confidential documents** (Robinson Huron Treaty Past Annuities Settlement, Chief & Council)
- Sign up to **receive Enkamgak / Newsletter** and/or **Job Postings by email.**
- **Student registration**

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 code:



## Electoral Officer's Report

1. Name of First Nation : Nipissing First Nation
2. Date of Election: July 5, 2024
3. Type of election (General or By-election): General
4. Date of last general election : July 9, 2021
5. Total number of electors 2,749
6. The band council is composed of one (1) chief and seven (7) councillors.
7. The *Notice of Nomination Meeting* was posted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 20 24 at the following locations:

Nipissing First Nation Administration offices, Lands Office, Health Office, Daycare; Duchesnay Store, Day Care, Eagles Nest, Necessities, How Convenient, North Shore convenience, Up Hill Variety, Log Cabin Store, Charles Gas Bar, Northern Convenience, Tim's Convenience, Wolf's Den, Gen 7. Posted on the Nipissing First Nation web site/portal and Nipissing First Nation facebook page and social media and mailed to all eligible voters that we have addresses for.

8. The nomination meeting was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 20 24,  
at Garden Village Community Centre, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m..  
(Location)
9. The *Notice of Vote* was posted on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 20 24,  
at the following locations:  
  
Nipissing First Nation Facebook page and portal,  
Nipissing First Nation Community Centre, Garden Village  
Nipissing Secondary School, Duchesnay Village  
Duchesnay Store, North Shore Convenience, Necessities,  
Eagle's Nest, How Convenience, Gen 7, 17 Hour,  
Wolf's Den, Northern Convenience. Mailed to all eligible voters to those voters we  
had addresses for.
10. The advance poll was held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 20 24, at the  
Nipissing First Nation Community Centre. The regular poll was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
July, 20 24 at the Nipissing First Nation Garden Village Administration Office and at  
Duchesnay Village Community Centre.

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**11. Mail-in Ballots**

A)	Total number of mail-in ballot packages sent	2,749
B)	Total number of mail-in ballots deposited in the ballot box	142

**12 Electronic voting**

A)	Total number of electronic ballots cast	976
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**13. In Person voting**

A)	Total number of ballots cast	359
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**13. Totals**

A)	Number of valid ballots cast	1,477
B)	Number of ballots cast and rejected	1

**14. Results for Chief**

Name of Candidate for Chief	Total Votes Received
Cathy Bellefeuille	391
Rodney Commanda	105
Marianna Couchie	234
Darlene Gingras	118

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Thomas Lambert	269
Scott McLeod	354

## 15. Results for Council

Name of Candidate for Councillor	Total Votes Received
<b>Yvette Bellefeuille</b>	<b>694</b>
<b>Brian Couchie</b>	<b>796</b>
<b>Corey Gingras</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Priscilla Goulais</b>	<b>693</b>
<b>Roland Granger</b>	<b>196</b>
<b>Anthony Laforge</b>	<b>436</b>
<b>Jason Laronde</b>	<b>659</b>
<b>Michael McColman</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Ron Penasse</b>	<b>622</b>
<b>Mary JoAnne Picard</b>	<b>233</b>
<b>Joan McLeod Shabogesic</b>	<b>736</b>
<b>Eric Rick Stevens</b>	<b>743</b>

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<b>Samantha Stevens</b>	<b>693</b>
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16. The following candidates have been publicly declared elected:

(a) **To the Office of Chief: Cathy Bellefeuille**

(b) **To the Office of Councillor:**

Name: **Brian Couchie**

Name: **Eric Rick Stevens**

Name: **Joan McLeod Shabogesic**

Name: **Yvette Bellefeuille**

Name: **Samantha Stevens**

Name: **Priscilla Goulais**

Name: **Jason Laronde**

17. The term of office commences on the     1<sup>st</sup>     day of     August    , 20  24   .

18. **Declaration**

I, Fred Bellefeuille, appointed to the position of Electoral Officer for Nipissing First Nation, declare that I have correctly counted the votes cast for each candidate and have performed all other duties required of me by the *Nipissing First Nation Custom Election Regulations*.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Date:     July 6, 2024

## Elder Profile: Fred & Leda McLeod (con't)

Fred McLeod Sr. was born January 15, 1910, to Peter McLeod and Nancy Dechesno in Garden Village. He has three brother and three sisters. Fred's favourite sport was boxing.

Fred and Leda married in Beaucage and have had a good life. They have always lived in Garden Village except for the short time they spent in Meadowside at the beginning of their marriage. Setting up their home in Garden Village back then, they remember their neighbours as: Joe and Maggie Beaucage; William and Marian McLeod; Norman McLeod; Alex Goulais; and Peter McLeod. There was no hydro and no roads for school bus to pick up the children.

Fred has always been self-employed. At first, building and working lumbercamps was his work and later logging year round. During his days in the lumbercamps, Leda would prepare the meals for the 42 men that worked there. Good practice for the amount of children they were later to have.

For years, the McLeod's were known for their large vegetable gardens and farming. There was a fairly large pasure that helf the 13 horses they had at one time. There were also cows and chickens. Leda says, "now all we have is little skipper for a pet - our little dog."

Fred and Leda raised 18 children together. Leda says, "You take it one day at a time and depend a lot on the Lord."

Education has always been their main goal and they have managed to put almost all of their children through high school.

Leda ran a small confectionary from her home to pay for figure skating lessons for her two youngest daughters. She finally had to close up shop because she lovingly remarks that her young grandchildren started to help themselves to all the goodies.

Leda has been one of the most involved community members Nipissing Reserve has ever known. She is



known for her strong input into the Separate school board and their bid to have a native trustee on board' her continuous encouragement to see paved roads to Garden Village and to build the new church that stands there today.

She has always been a member of the local Homemaker's club and was once the president of the Northern Ontario Homemaker's Club. She also served two terms as a band councillor, to name but a few.

Her efforts have not gone unnoticed. In both 1979 and 1986, she received two awards from the Nipissing Band for her community spirit and dedication to community life; the Centennial medal on Canada's 100th birthday in recognition of her valuable service to the nation; and in 1982 received a silver medal from Bishop Carter for leadership in the diocese. Leda stresses, "if my hearing was good, would I ever have a dandy time in politics. That's the only thing holding me back."

Life, they feel, is certainly easier. People do not have to carry water to wash the children before school. But, raising children is tougher now than it was then. Children used to obey when they were told - now they have their own minds made up earlier.

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**Elder Profile: Fred & Leda McLeod (con't)**

Children do not experience enough religion and have a hard time knowing the difference between right and wrong.

Leda’s favourite hobbies are quilting and babysitting and Fred enjoys playing pool, making wood crafts and furniture and loves to watch news and politics on TV. They have spent a lot of time over the past 20 years watching their grandsons play hockey and did a lot of travelling to enjoy this sport.

Needless to day, the family continues to grow at a steady rate. There are now 48 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren [and more, since the time this profile was originally published].

**NFN Environment Department Awarded Grant for Invasive Species Management**



*Japanese knotweed, emerging in the spring from its bamboo-like stem.*

The Nipissing First Nation (NFN) Environment Department is excited to announce the receipt of a new grant aimed at tackling invasive species within our community, with a particular focus on Japanese knotweed. This project builds upon our previous successful efforts in eradicating phragmites and emphasizes the importance of strategic planning in managing invasive species.

**Project Goals and Objectives**

**1. Development of an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM)**

The primary goal is to develop an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) specifically targeting Japanese Knotweed. Leveraging our previous experiences and advanced technologies such as UAV mapping and GIS, we aim to:

- Estimate the size and location of infestations.
- Assess site accessibility and the potential for spread.
- Evaluate environmental, economic, and social impacts.

The IPM will incorporate considerations of site-specific conditions, native plant diversity, wildlife usage, and water table fluctuations.

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**Long-Term Care at Cassellholme**

In addition to the new Elders’ Lodges in Garden Village and Duchesnay, Nipissing First Nation partnered with Cassellholme to secure designated First Nation beds, with a priority to NFN members. We would like to prepare in advance of opening to ensure easy transition for our members.

This is part of the new build, with 16 private rooms located within a designated unit named *Cedar*.

Those 55+ who are currently on a waiting list for long-term care or who reside in a long-term care facility away from NFN are encouraged to contact the Lawrence Commanda Health Centre to discuss the Cassellholme project.

Lawrence Commanda Health Centre 1983  
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Home and Community Care  
**705-753-5063**      [lrc@nfn.ca](mailto:lrc@nfn.ca)

## NFN Environment Department Awarded Grant for Invasive Species Management (con't)

By focusing on preventing satellite infestations, we aim to curb the spread of Japanese knotweed and protect our local biodiversity and economy. The IPM is expected to be completed after the 2024 field season.

### 2. Summer Field Program and Youth Engagement

Our project will utilize the department's Summer Field Program to:

- Raise awareness about invasive species within a First Nation context.
- Inspire Indigenous youth to pursue careers in Natural Sciences and Environmental Fields.

Summer students will assist in mapping sites, learning about field equipment, UAV operations, and eradication techniques. They will participate in small-scale eradication efforts and contribute to data collection for the IPM. The fieldwork will take place from July to August 2024. Media from the summer program will be showcased on the Environment Department's website for outreach and educational purposes.

### 3. Community Awareness and Education

To raise awareness among NFN members and the public, we will:

- Mark significant areas of infection with signage to indicate "zones" of prevalent infestations.
- Prevent further spread through soil or rhizomatous transfer.
- Install specific signage for Japanese knotweed and other invasive species uncovered during field trips.

### Conclusion

The NFN Environment Department is committed to protecting our community's natural resources and biodiversity. This new grant enables us to expand our efforts in managing invasive species, utilizing innovative technologies, and engaging our youth in environmental stewardship. Together, we can ensure a healthier and more sustainable environment for future generations.



*Japanese knotweed, flowering.*

For more information, visit our website or contact the NFN Environment Department.

**Nipissing First Nation Environment Department**  
**Curtis Avery**  
**Manager of Environment**



## Village Marketplace

### Craft Show

**Saturday, November 2, 2024**  
**Garden Village Gym**  
 36 Semo Rd. Garden Village, ON P2B 3K2  
**10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**  
 Vendor set-up begins at 7:30 a.m.

Village Marketplace  
Craft Show **Vendor**  
**Registration Form**



**VENDORS: Register with your cell phone**

- ✓ Open the camera setting
- ✓ Scan the QR code
- ✓ Easily register your table request online

**Questions? Contact:**  
 Jessica Cormier  
[jessc@fn.ca](mailto:jessc@fn.ca) | 705-753-6972

All proceeds support the NFN Food Bank and the Ojibway Women's Lodge (OWL)



**K-12 Students: Report Cards and Incentives**

Visit [NFN.ca/education](https://nfn.ca/education) to see full details on incentives

**Register In-Person and Pick Up Start-up Allowance and Incentives**

**Education Department  
Garden Village**  
Wednesday, August 14  
9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Nbisiing Secondary  
Duchesnay**  
Thursday, August 15  
2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

If you have registered and are unable to pick up your start-up allowance on these dates, contact the Education Department: 705-753-6995.

**Report Cards and Incentives**

Register with the Education Department to be eligible for incentives!

- On-reserve NFN students: academic, attendance, and graduation awards
- Off-reserve NFN secondary students: academic and graduation awards

**Start-Up Allowance**

NFN students living on-reserve and registered with the Education Department are eligible to receive start-up allowance at the beginning of the school year:

- Elementary students: \$40
- Secondary students: \$50 gift card to office supply store

If you have a JK student, please complete the registration form to receive their start-up allowance.

**2024-2025 Education Department and Bussing Registration**



**Why should you register with the NFN Education Department every year?**

- To take Nbisiing Bus Lines (registration required)
- To be eligible for start-up allowance, incentives, and awards!

*Registration must be completed every year and updated as information (new school, address, contact numbers) changes.*

**There are many ways to register - Complete your child's registration now:**

**Submit online:** [NFN Membership Portal](#) ("Students" tab)

\*Registration is made easy through the Portal. You will receive notifications to update the following year and will only be required to review if information from the previous year has changed.

**Download the form and submit to the Education Department:** [NFN.ca/education](https://nfn.ca/education)

**Contact the Education Department/Nbisiing Bus Lines for a form:**

☎ 705-753-6995

✉ carolinel@nfn.ca | jeffh@nfn.ca

📍 70 Semo Road, Garden Village ON P2B 3K2

**SCHOOL BUS**

**NFN Walking Alongside Services: July at a Glance**

In July, the NFN Walking Alongside Services held the following events:

**Family Events**

- Leisure Farms
- Family BBQ
- Family Fun Day
- Pizza in the Park (Yellek)
- Canoe Building

**Kids Events**

- Cooking with Lily
- Northern Tikes Trip
- Kids Fun Day at Yellek Park
- Kid's Drop-In

**Tween Events**

- Movies
- Dance
- Chief Commanda and Shabogesic Beach
- Sewing

**Youth (13-29)**

- Duchesnay Drop-In Wednesdays
- Garden Village Drop-In Thursdays
- Sweat Lodge Ceremony
- Teaching Lodge Fire

**Youth Events (13-24)**

- Golfing
- Science North
- Chief Commanda
- Movie Day at North Bay Cineplex
- Community Clean-Up
- Mario Kart Tournament



See upcoming August child, youth, and family events on page 19!

# Müigwech to our Sponsors!

Thank you, to all teams, sponsors, and everyone at Osprey Links Golf Course, for your contributions to a fun day of golf and your support to the NFN Foodbank and Fire Department Victim Relief Fund.

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## Food Bank Donations

- Monthly donation from *Patrick and Samantha Stevens*
- Monthly donation from *Mnogin Greenhouse* (herbs and lettuce)
- Les Couchie
- Shannon Michaud

Thank you!

## NIPISSING FIRST NATION KENDAASWIN / LIBRARY

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Joshua C. Goulais

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for Apple and Android Devices

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## Employment Opportunities

As per Nipissing First Nation hiring procedures, the following steps are used for screening and recruitment processes:

- 1st Round: Open to all NFN members.
- 2nd Round: Open to registered members of other First Nations and spouses and children of registered NFN members.
- 3rd Round: Open to all applicants (status and non-status).

Nipissing First Nation members are encouraged to apply to all rounds of employment postings. As per Section 24(1)(a) of the Ontario Human Rights Code, Nipissing First Nation gives preference to First Nation applicants for any employment opportunities.

### **True Self Outreach Peer Worker** | Full-Time / Permanent

1st Round Closes Friday, August 2, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
2nd Round Closes Friday, August 9, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
3rd Round Closes Friday, August 16, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

### **Teacher - English** | Full-Time / Permanent

1st Round Closes Friday, August 2, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
2nd Round Closes Friday, August 9, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
3rd Round Closes Friday, August 16, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

### **Manager, Public Works** | Full-Time / Permanent

1st Round Closes Friday, July 26, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
2nd Round Closes Friday, August 2, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.  
3rd Round Closes Friday, August 9, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

## **Open to all qualified applicants until filled**

### **OWL - Frontline Worker**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Director of Administration**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Science Teacher**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Registered Early Childhood Education**

Full-Time / Contract

### **Outreach Worker**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Family Support Worker**

Full-Time / Permanent

Open to Round 1 and 2 applicants only

### **Child and Youth Program Facilitator**

Full-Time / Permanent

*Open to Round 1 and 2 applicants only*

### **Finance Administrator**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Post-Majority Support Worker**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Traditional Counsellor**

Full-Time / Permanent

*Open to Round 1 and 2 applicants only*

### **First Nation Representative**

Full-Time / Permanent

### **Child and Youth Mental Health and Addictions Counsellor**

Full-Time / Contract

### **Family Support Event Planner**

Full-Time / Permanent

## APPLY TODAY!

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Fourth Thursday of each month

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.



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Come out and enjoy a good meal

All are welcome!

Upcoming:

**August 22**  
Duchesnay Hall

**September 26**  
GV Gym

**N7N**  
**DINER'S CLUB**  
*Seniors 55+*

**Wednesday**  
**August 14**

**Garden Village Gym**  
Noon - 1 p.m.

**For more information:**  
**705-753-3312**

## Community Garden Stand

Pick up **FREE** fresh vegetables!  
Stands are open from **Noon to 3 p.m.** or until supplies last!  
Bring your own bags if possible.

**Friday, August 9**  
Nbiising Secondary School Parking Lot

**Friday, August 16**  
Yellek Playground

**Friday, August 23**  
Holy Spirit Church Parking Lot

**Friday, August 30**  
Nbiising Secondary School Parking Lot

*Dates may change due to weather.*  
For updates, check **NFN Administration** on Facebook, or contact the **Health Centre:**  
705-753-3312.

See NFN August Events calendars on last page of Enkamgak!



Children/Family Outing

# SANTA'S VILLAGE

## Tuesday, August 27



**Free Entry Ticket and  
Transportation on Bus**

Depart Garden Village:	7:30 a.m.
Leave Santa's Village:	3:00 p.m.
Expected to Return to GV:	5:45 p.m.

**\* LIMITED SPACE \***

**Registration opens Tuesday, August 6, at 8:30 a.m.**

**Call Kelsey McNeill: 705-753-6995 ext. 1261**



# CASINO RAMA RESORT

## SENIORS / ADULT TRIP

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Departing Garden Village at  
**Noon on September 12**  
Pick up in Duchesnay

Departing Hotel  
**Noon on September 13**

### Staying overnight (Shared Accommodations)

Individuals may register for themselves and one other person (spouse or NFN member) who will share a room with them. Singles will be assigned a 'roommate'.

**Entertainment:**  
Jeff Dunham  
**Showtime:**  
8 p.m.



Registration opens **Monday, August 19, at 8:30 a.m.** and  
closes **August 21 at noon**

To register, Call Jon Watson: 705-753-6971

Draw will happen **Wednesday, August 21** and we will select **25 names**  
(25 people and their +1s)

Note: Priority is given to those who did not attend the Blue Jays Trip

# August DRUM SOCIAL NIGHTS



**Every Thursday in August  
6 - 8 p.m.**

*Have you ever wanted to learn a pow wow song?  
Come join our social to learn from local, experienced singers.*

**Duchesnay Hall**



**August 1 & 15**

**Garden Village**

**Administration Building (north reception)**



**August 8 & 22**

*Subs and beverages will be provided to participants.*

**For more information, please contact:  
Brady Penasse, Culture & Language Coordinator  
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# NIPISSING WARRIOR DAYS

## August 16 - 18, 2024

**3 PITCH TOURNAMENT**  
**BEER GARDEN**  
**TEXAS HORSE SHOE TOURNAMENT**

**FOOD VENDORS** **LIVE MUSIC**

**Garden Village Outdoor Rink & Ball Field**

**TO REGISTER A BALL TEAM, EMAIL RANDY PENASSE AT RANDYP@NFN.CA**

# Walking Alongside Child, Youth and Family Events



## Daatkaagmini Giizis (Blackberry Moon) | August 2024

Namegiizhgd Sunday	Nokiigiizhgd Monday	Niizhgiizhgd Tuesday	Aabtaawse Wednesday	Shpinganwang Thursday	Jiibiiatgogiizhgd Friday	Maaniigiizhgd Saturday		
<b>Family</b> <b>Ages 0 to 5:</b> Register with Samantha ( <a href="mailto:samm@nfn.ca">samm@nfn.ca</a> ) <b>Ages 0 to 12:</b> Register with Victoria ( <a href="mailto:victorial@nfn.ca">victorial@nfn.ca</a> ) <b>Ages 13 to 24:</b> Register with Katie ( <a href="mailto:katiel@nfn.ca">katiel@nfn.ca</a> ) <b>Ages 13 to 24:</b> Register with Ian ( <a href="mailto:ianc@nfn.ca">ianc@nfn.ca</a> )				1 <b>Art Day</b> Duchesnay Hall 1-3 p.m.	2 <b>Fraud Prevention Info Session</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	3 <b>Duchesnay Falls Hike</b> 2-5 p.m.		
4	5 <b>Family Breakfast</b> GV Gym 9 a.m. - Noon	6 <b>Great Wolf Lodge Trip</b>		7 <b>Duchesnay Drop-In Regalia Belt Making</b> Duchesnay Hall 6-9 p.m.	8 <b>Garden Village Drop-In Regalia Belt Making</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	9 <b>Soccer/Baseball Game</b> GV Ball Field 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. <b>Youth BBQ</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	10 <b>Sweat Lodge Ceremony</b> 65 Juniper 5-9 p.m.	
11	12 <b>Art Day</b> GV Library 1-4 p.m.	13 <b>Baby Group</b> Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. <b>Youth Spa Day #1</b> Sudbury 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.	14 <b>Youth Spa Day #2</b> Sudbury 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. <b>Kids Bouncy House Day</b> GV Park / Gazebo 1-4 p.m. <b>Duchesnay Drop-In Regalia Hair Tie Making</b> Duchesnay Hall 6-9 p.m.	15 <b>Garden Village Drop-In Regalia Hair Tie Making</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	16 <b>Fire &amp; Stories</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	17 <b>Powwow Teachings</b> 65 Juniper 1-5 p.m.		
18	19 <b>Youth Gathering Prep - No Programming</b>			20 <b>Baby Group</b> Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	21	22 <b>Youth Gathering</b>	23	24
25 <b>Youth Gathering</b>	26 <b>Family Movie Day @ North Bay Cineplex</b>	27 <b>Baby Group</b> Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	28 <b>Powwow Prep</b> Duchesnay Hall 6-9 p.m.	29 <b>Powwow Prep</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	30 <b>Powwow Prep</b> 65 Juniper 6-9 p.m.	31		

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# Community Events

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 See newsletter for registration info <b>Mukwa Miikan Landfill Hours:</b> Saturday - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed during statutory holidays				1 <b>Drum Social Night</b> Duchesnay Hall 6-8 p.m.	2	3
4	5 <i>Civic Holiday</i>	6 <b>Inaugural 2024-2027 Chief &amp; Council</b> Garden Village 5-8 p.m. 	7 <b>Food Bank access day</b> 	8 <b>Drum Social Night</b> GV Admin Building (north reception) 6-8 p.m.	9 <b>Community Garden Stand</b> Nbisiing Secondary School Noon - 3 p.m.	10
11	12 	13	14 <b>Diner's Club</b> <b>K-12 Registration &amp; Incentives Pick-Up</b> Education Dept. Garden Village 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	15 <b>K-12 Registration &amp; Incentives Pick-Up</b> Nbisiing Secondary 2-6 p.m. <b>Drum Social Night</b> Duchesnay Hall 6-8 p.m.	16 <b>Community Garden Stand</b> Yellek Playground Noon - 3 p.m.	17
18 	19  	20	21 <b>Food Bank access day</b> 	22 <b>Bi Mino Wiisin</b> Duchesnay Hall 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. <b>Drum Social Night</b> GV Admin Building (north reception) 6-8 p.m.	23 <b>Community Garden Stand</b> Holy Spirit Church Noon - 3 p.m.	24
25 	26	27 <b>Santa's Village Trip</b> 	28	29	30 <b>Community Garden Stand</b> Nbisiing Secondary School Noon - 3 p.m.	31

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