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### Boozhoo binoojiinhyok!

Welcome babies born in 2024 on pages 4-8!

#### Donald Couchie Donna donate handmade quilts to NFN Elders' Lodges

In the spirit of generosity and community support, Nipissing First Nation is pleased to share the gracious donation of multiple handmade quilts by Donna and Donald Couchie.

Their donation will profoundly impact residents of the new Elders' Lodges, as each quilt will bring comfort and joy to those who will experience these handmade treasures.

"On behalf of Nipissing First Nation, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for the generous donation of these beautiful quilts," says Chief Cathy Stevens. "They will provide warmth and comfort to our members during the long, cold winters. Miigwech for your generosity and thoughtfulness."



Chief Executive Officer, Brendan Huston; Councillor Rick Stevens; Chief Cathy Stevens: Donna Couchie: and Donald Couchie.

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in <u>Nipissing First Nation</u>

#### **NFN Membership Portal**

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

Register at portal.nfn.ca or scan the QR code:



#### **Elder Profile: Mary Stevens**

Mary was the second child born to Margaret and Tom Stevens on July 7, 1916. Mary's sister, Catherine, died. She and two brothers, Lawrence and Alex, remain. Mary was born in Garden Village. She lived all her life here, just outside the reserve line, where her brother, Alex, still lives today.

Mary fondly remembers her childhood as happy times. She said they had a lot of fun back then. They all liked to dance very much. In fact, she said they danced every night. When asked who put these dances on, she replied, "the old people." They would gather at someone's house and someone played the violin. They had a good time. These were very good times, fun times.

Mary only attended school for about one year. Like many others, Mary was forced to leave school because she didn't belong to the reserve, though she did learn to read and write some. She enjoyed the little time she had at school.

When we talked about changes that happened through the years, Mary said there was no road to Garden Village - at least, not where the road is today. The road was straight to Three Mile Lake Road and they came out by where Stevens Street is on Springer Township.

When shopping was mentioned, Mary remembers that there were more stores to shop at in Sturgeon Falls than there is today. The 15 cent store, Dollar Store, and many others. They would walk to town. She says they would walk up through where Joe Stevens' house was, and up Three Mile Lake Road. Sometimes, they would use the dog to get to town. Lots of people would go to midnight mass at Christmas and walk home afterwards.

In 1933, she married Isadore Lariviere from Sand Bay, a little town near Dokis Bay. Mary told us her husband worked at the dam there. She met him across the lake when they were picking blueberries. He passed away in 1965.

Together, they had ten children: seven boys and three girls. Milda (the oldest), Evelyn, Albert, Lillian, Archie, Paul, Alex, Lawrence, Andrew, and Oliver. They stayed at Sand Bay for about two years, then Fred McLeod rented their house from them for a while, and Vince McQuabie, another year. At that time, they paid \$360 for their house and \$300 for another house they owned.

Today, Mary has 22 grandchildren, is living in Sturgeon Falls, and is doing very well. Thank you, Mary, for sharing your stories with us.

## NFN staff member, Chantal Genereux, graduates from FNSSAC program

In the fall of 2024, Ontario Works Caseworker, Chantal Genereux, graduated from the First Nation Social Services Administrators' Certificate (FNSSAC) program.

Offered by the Ontario Native Welfare Administrators' Association in partnership with Algoma University, the 4-module program grants six university credits and provides participants with the knowledge and tools to administer the Ontario Works program in their respective communities.



FNSSA graduates, Chantal Genereux photographed second to the right. Photo by: Ontario Native Welfare Administrators Association.

## **Mnogin Greenhouse featured in Greenhouse Canada magazine**

Mnogin Greenhouse continues to gain recognition as a successful enterprise. Most recently, it was featured in *Greenhouse Canada*, the country's only national business magazine dedicated exclusively to commercial greenhouse growers. The article highlights Mnogin's innovative approach to local food production, its dedication to food sovereignty, and its positive impact on the Nipissing First Nation community through sustainable farming practices, high-quality produce, and partnerships with local organizations.



Read how Mnogin Greenhouse thrives in Greenhouse Canada by Stephanie Gordon or scan the QR code.

### Nipissing Quarry wins OSSGA Property Enhancement Award

The Nipissing Quarry, owned and operated by the Nipissing Miller partnership, will be awarded the Property Enhancement Award from the Ontario Sand, Stone & Gravel Association (OSSGA) at the 2025 OSSGA Conference in Ottawa on Wednesday, February 26.



The award celebrates aggregate operators who improve the aesthetics and overall appearance of their sites over time in seven key areas: entrance, approach, and perimeter screening; office and scalehouse areas; employee areas; plant appearance; environmental controls; trucks and mobile equipment; and communicative signage.

This is the first time OSSGA recognizes a site operating under a First Nation agreement outside the traditional frameworks of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Aggregate Resources Act.



## Boozhoo binoojiinhyok Welcome, Babies!

WELCOMING BABIES



Oliver (Manoomin) Joseph Waine Jenkins-Commanda

January 14, 2024 9:55 p.m. 8 lbs 4 oz Orillia, Ontario

Parents: Kyra Commanda and Brenden Jenkins

**Sibilings:** Winter Commanda, Ashton Jenkins-Taylors **Grandparents:** Stephanie Commanda and Waine Wing,

Joseph Jenkins and Yvonne Desjarlais

**Great Grandparents:** Ron and Beverly Commanda

Eleanor (Ellie) Laura-Louise Boudreau

January 23, 2024 7 lbs 14 oz North Bay, ON

Parents: Mikayla Panasky and Owen Boudreau

**Grandparents:** Amanda Bellefeuille and Kenn Boudreau,

Andy Panasky and Kim Wright

**Great Grandparents:** Yvette and Brian Bellefeuille, Laura

Panasky, Frederick and Anne Wright





Thomas Parker Stevens
September 25, 2024

2:36 p.m. 6 lbs 8 oz | 19.2 in North Bay, ON

Parents: Thomas and Stephanie Stevens

Siblings: Selina Stevens

Grandparents: Marc and Carol Pellerin, Brian and Rachel

Stevens



### Niklaus Rexford Allan Couchie

February 8, 2024 4:21 a.m. 7 lbs 7 oz | 19.5 inches North Bay, ON

Parents: Robert and Shawna Couchie

Siblings: Uriah, Josiah, Zephaniah, Aviah, Jeremiah

**Grandparents:** George and Carolyn Couchie, Troy and

Anita Crowder

Great Grandparents: The late Ephriam and Barbara Couchie, the late Carr and Edna Irwin, the late Ralph and Marjorie Middlebrook, and the late Norman Crowder, and Wilma Boyes (living)



Luca William Carlos Camara

February 15, 2024 6:13 p.m. 8 lbs 5 oz | 20 in Toronto, ON

Parents: Theresa Stevens and Lucas Camara

Siblings: Jaxon and Zachary

Grandparents: Willie and Maryse Stevens, Gerry and Aline (Deceased) Gilligan, Sharon Stevens (Deceased),

Sandra and Carlos Camara





Braven Ma'iingan Carson Losier

March 13, 2024 3:10 a.m. 8 lbs 13 oz | 58 cm North Bay, ON

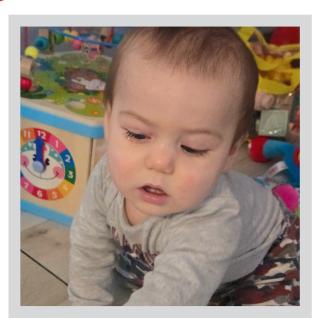
Parents: Presley Young and Brody Losier

Siblings: Peyton Losier

**Grandparents:** Lorie and Brian Young, Isabel Losier and Wayne O'Reilly, Brian Losier and Grace Pruitt **Great Grandparents:** Tinny and Beveryly Restoule, Barbara Young, Isabel Vincent, Roy Smith, Charlie and Estelle Losier







## Ezra Terry Paul McLeod

April 17, 2024 4:46 p.m. 7 lbs 7 oz | 50 cm North Bay, ON

Parents: Brett McLeod-Dolbeck and Deanna Rodgers

Siblings: Connor McLeod

**Grandparents:** Jen McLeod and Valerie Rodgers

Great Grandparents: Evelyn McLeod and Carl McLeod

Ellis Marie W. Sylvester May 5, 2023 1:06 p.m. 7 lbs 1 oz

Parents: Jessica Dokis-Commanda and Trevor

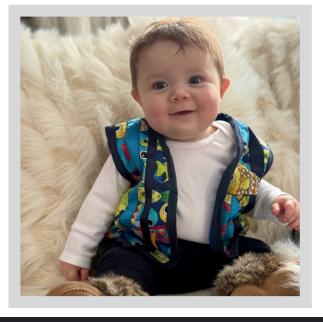
Sylvester

Siblings: Aubrey Paul

**Grandparents:** Rodney Commanda, Julaine Dokis,

Candice Sylvester and Patrick Sylvester





### Reece Madjid James Farrell

July 4, 2024 11:**01** a.m. 6 lbs 10 oz | 20.5 in Montreal, QC

Parents: Niala Bourassa and Riley Farrell

Grandparents: Lacy Farrell (Martin Rivet), Paul Farrell,

Lucie Bourassa and Madjid Homayounfal

**Great Grandparents:** Lilian and Ted Stevens





Thomas Frederick McLeod

July 12, 2024 9:46 a.m. 8 lbs 7 oz | 21 in North Bay, ON

Parents: Janie and Nathaniel McLeod

Grandparents: Jeffrey McLeod, Heather Racicot,

Brigitte and Robert Pépin

**Great Grandparents:** Fred and Kay McLeod, Ed and Linda Racicot, and Jacqueline Paquette and Jean-Claude Beaudry.

Minwaashkaa Zhiibaase Aazhe Couchie-Beaucage

July 14, 2024 11:36 p.m. 8 lbs 4.5 oz| 21 in North Bay, ON

Parents: Animikiikwe Couchie-Waukey and Blair

Beaucage

Grandparents: Penny Couchie, Sid Bobb, Glenna

Beaucage, and Ralph Beaucage

Great Grandparents: Eva Couchie, Dan Couchie,

Kathleen McLeod and Fred McLeod





Nimkii-bineshii Joseph Beaucage

July 16, 2024 11:45 p.m. 9.5 lbs | 23 in North Bay, ON

Parents: Alexus Beaucage and Alexandre Ouellet

**Grandparents:** Jennifer Stevens and Aaron

Beaucage

Great Grandparents: Marie and Patrick Stevens,

Peggy Goulais, Gerry Beaucage



#### Niibaaboonwe Jean-Louis McLeod

July 23, 2024 10:49 a.m. 9 lbs 5 oz | 51 cm North Bay, ON

Parents: Falcon McLeod & Marie Chalykoff

Sibling: Shkodeninj McLeod

**Grandparents:** Noomi Perry, Gookoo Laurie, Noomi Pete, Noomi Chris, Gookoo Monique

Great Grandparents: Ben McLeodban, Vita Young,

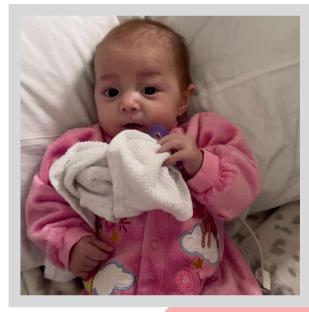
Jean-Louis Beaupreban, Francis Beaupreban



Evelynn Rose Jean Truchon September 11, 2024 7:57 a.m. 4 lbs 7 oz | 42 cm Ottawa, ON

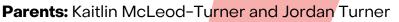
**Parents:** Corbin Truchon and Jasmine Berndt **Grandparents:** Donna Croxon and Kevin Collin

Vincent Berndt and Jennifer Coles



Naomi Leona Grace Turner

September 17, 2024 8:22 a.m. 10 lbs 6 oz 22 in North Bay, ON



Siblings: Lucy and Moira

**Grandparents:** Judy McLeod and Late Louie McLeod, Russell Turner and Evelyn Salt

**Great Grandparents:** Joseph Rickard and Late Juliet Gagnon, Late Leonard McLeod, Joseph and Emily Salt, Roy Turner and Late Bella Linklater-Ross



### **Notice to Vendors: Cigarette Quota**

To access the Cigarette Quota for April 2025 to March 2026, you must submit a Letter of Request by the deadline: February 28, 2025.

Requests can be emailed to <a href="mailed-ema

36 Semo Road, Garden Village ON P2B 3K2

If you have any questions, please contact: Chelsea Birmingham, Finance Manager 705-753-2050 ext. 1255 | <a href="mailto:chelseab@nfn.ca">chelseab@nfn.ca</a>

## **NFN** Membership Portal

Access a variety of protected content, such as Council minutes and Trust updates. Easily update and manage your address and mailing preferences.



portal.nfn.ca

All registered members are added into a monthly draw for a \$50 gift card!

**November 2024 winner**: Jamie Marion **December 2024 winner**: Angela Frawley

### E-GIIGDOWAAD | CHIEF & COUNCIL

**Attend Chief and Council Meetings and Submit Requests** 

Council meetings take place on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. NFN members can attend and keep informed through in-person or virtual attendance.

If you have a request for Council, complete the request form at nfn.ca/chief-council and submit by 4 p.m. the Thursday prior to the meeting. These can be dropped off to the front reception at 36 Semo Rd, Garden Village or emailed to <a href="mailto:kaylal@nfn.ca">kaylal@nfn.ca</a>.

Requests could also be made at the meeting. Due to the number of items for Council to deal with on the agenda, Requests from the Floor are limited to 10 minutes per request and only three will be dealt with at the meeting. It is important to note that depending on the request, the items may need to be deferred to the next meeting if additional information is needed.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact Kayla Lariviere at 705-753-2050 ext. 1223 or <a href="mailto:kaylal@nfn.ca">kaylal@nfn.ca</a>.

February 4 @ 7:30 p.m. Duchesnay

February 18 @ 7:30 p.m. Garden Village

#### **JOIN IN PERSON:**

Confirm your attendance with Kayla Lariviere at <u>kaylal@nfn.ca</u> or 705-753-2050 ext. 1223

#### WATCH THE LIVESTREAM:

NFN Membership Portal at <u>Portal.NFN.ca</u>

Recordings of past meetings are available for 30 days.



Visit <u>nbisiing.com</u> or <u>Nbisiing Secondary School Facebook</u> <u>Page</u> for our calendar of events and other school-related information, or call 705-497-9938.

#### **Ash Basket Making**

Our Grade 9 students had the incredible opportunity to create ash baskets for their personal bundles! Teacher Melanie organized this meaningful day, inviting Kim from Akwesasne to share her knowledge and traditional teachings. Through this hands-on experience, students learned about the sacred teachings of ash basket making, connecting deeply to cultural practices that will guide and inspire them throughout their high school journey. Miigwech to Kim for sharing her wisdom and to everyone who made this day possible.



Great things are happening at Nbisiing Secondary School. We offer our students fantastic learning opportunities. For example, we have experiential programs like co-operative education and apprenticeships. We also offer Dual Credits through a partnership with Canadore College.

Aiden is completing his co-op placement in the kitchen at East Side Marios and is pursuing cook apprenticeship.









## Adult Education Program Get your High School Diploma!

Your diploma may be closer than you think.
Your life experience can make you eligible for maturity or equivalency credits!



To register or for more information, contact: Caroline Labrecque
705-753-6995 | carolinel@nfn.ca

#### **Mnogin Greenhouse**





Enjoy a selection of Mnogin's most popular cultivars for only \$20 per order! Order now and pause or cancel anytime.

Quantities are limited - There are only 30 fresh produce packs available each week! Visit **Mnogin.ca** for details.



**Garden Village Subscription** 



**Duchesnay Subscription** 

#### Pick-up Days

#### **Garden Village Band Office**

Thurs., February 13 | 4-6 p.m. Thurs., February 27 | 4-6 p.m.

#### **Duchesnay Hall**

Thurs., February 6 | 4-6 p.m. Thurs., February 20 | 4-6 p.m.

## Garbage/Recycling 2025

As a reminder of the new garbage and recycling schedule changes as of September 2024, the following communities are classified as east and west end:

#### West End

- Garden Village
- Veteran's Lane
- Jocko Point
- Beaucage

#### East End

- Christine Lane
- Yellek
- Serenity Lane
- Art's Lane
- Little Lakes
- Duchesnay

#### **Magnetic calendars**

All households on reserve should have received a magnetic calendar. If you have any questions about the Garbage/Recycling Calendar reach out to:

Sarah Lafantaisie, Public Works Clerk 705-753-4167 | sarahl@nfn.ca



#### **NFN Waste App**

Check NFN garbage and recycling dates, and landfill hours, quickly and conveniently in the NFN Waste App, available in <u>Google Play</u> and <u>Apple Store</u>.





Download in Apple Store



View the <u>2025</u>
<u>Garbage and</u>
<u>Recycling Calendar</u>





#### **One Water Update**

One Water is a collaboration between Indigenous communities in Mexico and Canada to increase water resilience through rainwater harvesting. In addition to knowledge and technology exchange, resilience is built through relationships. It is a two-year project initiated in June 2023 and funded by the Commission for Environmental Cooperation.

#### What is Rainwater Harvesting?

Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) is the practice of collecting and storing rainwater from rooftops, which can be filtered and used for a variety of purposes.

#### How does it work?

- 1. **Collection:** Rainwater is captured from the roof and directed into a storage tank.
- 2. **Filtration:** The water passes through filters to remove larger particles and impurities.
- 3. **Storage:** The filtered water is stored in a safe, secure tank, ready for community use.

#### **System Installed at Nbisiing Secondary School**

The first rainwater harvesting system was installed at Nbisiing Secondary School in August 2024. This system provides a sustainable water source for the school's garden and serves as a model for future installations. Additional sites, including a nearby outpost and cabin, are scheduled for installations in 2025 to expand access to water across the community.

#### **Project Next Steps**

Over the next few months, we will design a do-it-yourself (DIY) rainwater harvesting system adapted to NFN's context. In June 2025, Mexican First Nations delegates will be visiting Nbising to learn more about water initiatives, exchange insights, and install one of the DIY rainwater harvesting systems. Keep an eye out for this exciting opportunity to connect, exchange knowledge, and collaborate!

### **UPDATES**



The first rainwater harvesting system was installed at Nbisiing Secondary School in August 2024.

#### **Water Monitoring Processs**

One Water, in partnership with the University of Toronto, is developing a regular water monitoring process comprised of professional laboratory testing and DIY testing. This process will be used for the Nbisiing Secondary School system and will aim to be scaled to other systems in the future.



#### Kendaaswin / Library



Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
9 a.m 4 p.m.				

#### Porcupine quill demonstration

Architecture student and NFN member Andrea Goulais demonstrates porcupine quill removal to community members.

This activity is a part of Andrea's research for her thesis; she is exploring land-based workshops and types of spaces required to host these types of events. Andrea is studying at the McEwen School of Architecture in Sudbury, part of Laurentian University.





### Mno Zaagidwin Giizhgad

Happy Valentine's Day







Jiimshin - Kiss me Nwiichkiwen - My friend Wiishinaagzi - You look cute

Pane - Always Gzaagin - I love you



#### **NFN Food Bank Donations**

Donations can be brought to the NFN Front Reception (36 Semo Rd., Garden Village) or to the NFN Food Bank (19 Philip Ave., Garden Village).

In December 2024, the NFN Food Bank received generous donations from the following individuals and organizations:

- Jocko Point Christmas Parade (Rick & Lorrie)
- UFCW Locals 175 & 633 \$3,000
- North Bay Rotary Club \$2,500
- Dave Connell
- Geraldine McLeod
- Brad Long
- Yes Employment

# Miigwech for your donations!



\$2,314.00 was raised for the Food Bank and Amanda Mayhew went home with a 4-foot pre-lit moose covered in scratch tickets and gift cards. Congratulations, Amanda and chi-miigwech to everyone for donating!





## **Increase to overnights through Northern Health Travel Grant**

Ontario is increasing reimbursements for overnight trips through the Northern Health Travel Grant (NHTG) to better reflect people's needs and increased costs.







Call 1-800-640-0642 to see if you qualify for vision care, medical supplies and equipment, dental care and medications. (Note: you will be asked to provide your status number.)

If you have a **medical appointment out of town** you may qualify for mileage, accommodations and meals. If you have additional questions, contact the NIHB Coordinator at <a href="mailto:nihb@nfn.ca">nihb@nfn.ca</a> or 705-753-3312 ext. 2233 to learn more.



## Laurentian Ski Hill passes available to NFN members

NFN members can contact <u>registerlchc@nfn.ca</u> to claim their family pass to Laurentian Ski Hill. Limit 1 pass per family.



Photo: Laurentian Ski Hill (2025), laurentianskihill. com

## Sturgeon Falls Pool passes available to NFN members

NFN members can contact <u>registerlchc@nfn.ca</u> to claim their pass. Limit 1 pass per family.

Family Swim, Public Swim and Aquafit require pre-registration. Booking must take place by the Friday of the week prior to your session. This can be done any time by phone (705-753-0160) or in person at the Recreation Centre (219 O'Hara St., Sturgeon Falls).

Drop-ins are now welcome for Adult Leisure, Open Swim, Open Lap, and Parents & Tots sessions.

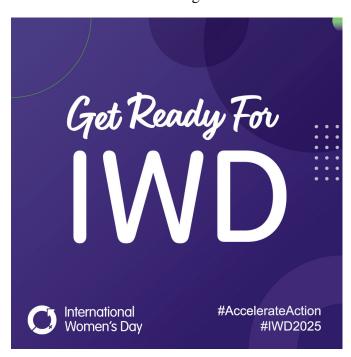
See the Winter 2025 schedule here:



Photo: West Nipissing (2025), westnipissing.ca

## Save the Date: International Women's Day Tea

The International Women's Day Tea, hosted annually by the Ojibway Women's Lodge, will be held on **Thursday, March 6** in Garden Village from noon to 2 p.m. Watch for more details in the March 2025 issue of Enkamgak.



# NFN Walking Alongside Services past events

In December and January, the NFN Walking Alongside Services held the following events:

- Girl's night
- Boy's night
- Self care creating
- Diamond art night
- Gingerbread Houses
- Youth craft
- Leafs & pizza
- Youth Christmas Party
- Baby group
- Drop-ins: Duchesnay







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.

## Full postings and descriptions are available at **nfn.ca/jobs**

## Registered Early Childhood Educator | Full-Time / Permanent

1st Round closes Friday, January 24, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 2nd Round closes Friday. January 31, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 3rd Round closes Friday, February 7, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

#### Mental Health Therapist | Full-Time / Contract

1st Round closes Friday, Jnnuary 24, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 2nd Round closes Friday. January 31, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 3rd Round closes Friday, February 7, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

#### Registered Nurse | Full-Time / Permanent

1st Round closes Friday, January 24, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 2nd Round closes Friday. January 31, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. 3rd Round closes Friday, February 7, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

#### Ongoing, Casual and Relief Opportunities

**Land Law Vote Officer** 

**Early Childhood Educators** 

Administration/Reception

Ojibway Women's Lodge

**Emergency/Relief Van/Bus Drivers** 

**Manual Labour** 

**Various NFN Departments** 

#### Open to all qualified applicants until filled

<u>Community Energy Champion</u> | Full-Time / Contract

<u>Treasury & Account Receivable Officer</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

**Bookkeeper** | Full-Time / Permanent

Elders' Lodge Supervisor | Full-Time / Permanent

Elders' Lodge Caregiver | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Lands and Membership Office Support</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Community Wellness Worker</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Ojibway Women's Lodge Frontline Worker</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Child and Youth Shelter Support</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Family Support Worker</u> | Full-Time / Permanent Open to Round 1 and 2 applicants only

Post Majority Worker | Full-Time / Permanent

<u>Child and Youth Program Facilitator</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

*Open to Round 1 and 2 applicants only* 

<u>First Nation Representative</u> | Full-Time / Permanent

#### **EVENTS**



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Nature's Harmony Ecolodge | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Snow tubing, skating, and more. Transportation provided. Register with <a href="mailto:registerlchc@nfn.ca">registerlchc@nfn.ca</a>. Helmets required.



FEB

2

**LUNCH & MOVIES** 

Galaxy Cinemas (North Bay) | 2 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-24. Register with Katie at <a href="mailto:katiel@nfn.ca">katiel@nfn.ca</a>.



FEB 4, 11,

**BABY GROUP** 

Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For NFN parents and their children aged 0-5. Register with Sam at samm@nfn.ca.



FEB (

18, 25

**BOUNCY HOUSES** 

Nbisiing Gym | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



FEB 4, 8, 11, 14 18, 22

**GARDEN VILLAGE DROP-IN** 

65 Juniper Cres. | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-24. Register with Ian at ianc@nfn.ca.



FEB 5, 12, 19, 26

**DUCHESNAY DROP-IN** 

Duchesnay Community Hall | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-24. Regsiter with Ian at <a href="mailto:ianc@nfn.ca">ianc@nfn.ca</a>.



FEB 6

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**BOYS' NIGHT** 

Church Basement | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



See NFN February 2025 Community Event calendar on last page of Enkamgak! For updates on Walking Alongside Services events, follow <u>f@NFNWAS</u>



FEB

CFW WRESTLING SHOW

Garden Village Gym | 1 - 2:30 p.m.

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Watch a Canadian Wrestling Federation wrestling show. Refreshments provided. Register with <u>registerlchc@nfn.ca</u>.



FEB **(** 

**HEALTHY FUTURES: KNOWLEDGE IS POWER** 

LCHC | 5-7 p.m.

Harm reduction and HIV awareness with North Bay AIDS Committee. Dinner and prizes. Register with <u>donnat@nfn.ca</u>.



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**GRANDMOTHER MOON TEACHING** 

Lodge behind The Right Path | 5:30 - 7 p.m.

For girls and women aged 9-17. Moms, aunties and grandmas may accompany participants. Dinner provided. Register with juliec@nfn.ca.



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**DINER'S CLUB** 

Garden Village Gym | Noon-1 p.m.

For NFN seniors 55+. For more information, contact the LCHC at 705-753-3312.



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**FEB** 

VALENTINE'S CRAFT

Holy Spirit Church Basement | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



FEB

**GIRLS' NIGHT** 

Duchesnay Community Hall | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



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**FAMILY DAY BREAKFAST** 

Garden Village Gym | 9 - 11 a.m.

Open to NFN families.



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**BOUNCY HOUSES** 

Garden Village Gym | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



**GRANDPARENTS & CAREGIVER CIRCLE** 

Lodge behind The Right Path | 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Support and teaching for grandparents and those helping to raise children and youth. Dinner provided. Register with juliec@nfn.ca.



**FEB** 

KIDS' DROP-IN

Garden Village Library | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.



**FFB** 

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TWEEN BOUNCY HOUSES

Garden Village Gym | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 9-12. Register with Victoria at victorial@nfn.ca.



**FFB** 

TRADITIONAL MEDICINE TEACHING- MKWA GIIZIS (FEBRUARY)

Church Basement | 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Build your personal medicine bundle, and make a medicine bear and chest balm with Glenna Beaucage. Register with donnat@nfn.ca.



**FEB** 

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Garden Village Gym | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

MAAMWI WIISNIDAA - LET'S EAT TOGETHER

Join us at Maamwi wiisnidaa, meaning "Let's eat together," for a delicious community meal.



**FEB** 

GRANDPARENTS & CAREGIVER CIRCLE

Duchesnay Hall | 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Support and teaching for grandparents and those helping to raise children and youth. Dinner provided. Register with juliec@nfn.ca.



See NFN February 2025 Community Event calendar on last page of Enkamgak! For updates on Walking Alongside Services events, follow **f**@NFNWAS

### **EVENTS**





## YOUTH GALAXY

Galaxy Cinemas (North Bay) | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-24. Register with Katie at <a href="mailto:katiel@nfn.ca">katiel@nfn.ca</a>.



#### **Recreation Events**

Funded by the Government of Canada



#### **MONDAY**



Circuit Training GV gym | Noon



Yoga Duchesnay Hall | 6:30 p.m.





Drum Fit Duchesnay Hall | 11 a.m.



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#### WEDNESDAY



Zumba Nbisiing S.S. 6:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY** 



GV Gym | 11:15 a.m.



Yoga GV gym | Noon

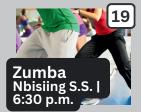














Yoga GV gym | Noon





6:30 p.m.































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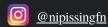


## Mkwa Giizis (Bear Moon) | February 2024

Namegiizhgad Sunday	<b>Nokiigiizhgad</b> Monday	<b>Niizhgiizhgad</b> Tuesday	<b>Aabtawse</b> Wednesday	Shpinganwang Thursday	Jiibiiaatgogiizhgad Friday	<b>Maaniigiizhgad</b> Saturday
Mukwa Miikan Landfill Hours Saturday - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  Closed during statutory holidays  See all NFN community events and programming on pages 17-20			1			
2	<b>3</b>	Chief & Council Duchesnay 7:30 p.m.  East end	Food Bank Access Day	Mnogin Greenhouse Pick-up Duchesnay 4 - 6 p.m.	7	8
9	10 West end	11 East end	Diner's Club GV gym Noon - 1 p.m.	Mnogin Greenhouse Pick-up Garden Village 4 - 6 p.m.	14	15
16	Family Day Family Day Breakfast GV Gym 9 - 11 a.m.	Chief & Council Garden Village 7:30 p.m.	Food Bank Access Day  East end	Mnogin Greenhouse Pick-up Duchesnay 4 - 6 p.m.	21	22
23	24 West end	25 East end	26	Maamwi 27 Wiisnidaa GV Gym 11 a.m 1 p.m. Mnogin Greenhouse Pick-up Garden Village 4 - 6 p.m.	28	

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The Portal gives exclusive access for NFN members to:

- Register at portal.nfn.ca or • View confidential documents (Robinson Huron Treaty Past Annuities Settlement, scan the QR Chief & Council) code:
- Sign up to receive Enkamgak / Newsletter and/or Job Postings by email or mail
- Student registration

