SITANSISK KOLUSUWAKON

October 29 to November 11, 2021

Thank You to All Who Participated in the Annual Community Moose Hunt and Congratulations to Our Winners!

Want something in the newsletter? Email newsletter@smfn.ca

The Pine Tree Pub is Hosting a Photo (with Story) Contest

The Pine Tree Pub is undergoing a dining room renovation in the next two months.

As part of this renovation, there will be several dining booths added along the perimeter of the restaurant.

In each of these booths, we want to display a historical indigenous-related image and a brief story.

For this contest, we're accepting and inviting submissions of a photo with an accompanying story. Photos must be of a reasonably good quality (at least 72 DPI.)

Those selected to be placed in the booth will receive a $150 gift card usable at St. Mary's Entertainment Centre.

All submissions must be sent to kylepaul@stmec.com or delivered to SMEC addressed (or handed to) Kyle Paul no later than November 22, 2021.

St Mary's First Nation

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October 19, 2021

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Chief and Council Meeting Minutes and Summary, October 26, 2021

Chief and Council held a meeting at Maqiyahtimok on October 26, 2021. The agenda covered a variety of topics, including adjustments to the employee policies for security workers and their use of Cannabis (Permitting off-duty use, as this continues to cause issues with recruitment of new personnel), a hiring process for an Athletics director, cannabis dispensary signage and enforcement, housing selection, HR Policy adjustments to increase the potential pool of candidates for any given position, land purchase agreements for river access near Eqpahak, Christmas break for band entities as well as a number of personal requests from members for Chief and Council to review.

Motions Made:

- **Motion 1:** To conduct a blind draw for the two units currently available on the grounds these units remain empty and as an emergency measure to allocate homes while the housing policy continues to be drafted. **Motion Passed.**
- **Motion 2:** To accept the total of $1000 as a Christmas royalty distribution to the community, less any advancements. **Motion Passed.**
- **Motion 3:** To release Christmas royalties on dates agreed by council. **Motion Passed.**
- **Motion 4:** To accept the short-term amendment to the hiring policy for band-owned entities, as proposed by HR (Effective October 6, 2021 to June 22, 2022.) **Motion Passed.**
- **Motion 5:** To sign a BCR to offer a service contract for up to three months to Sandra Polchies to act as a membership assistant (Part-time basis, Tuesdays 5-8 and Fridays 9-1), as presented in a briefing note from HR. **Motion Passed.**

Summary:

Discussion was held around ongoing need for a housing policy, with two drafted concepts being presented to Chief and Council. Noted as not being viable to be rolled out in the coming days, so a motion was made for an emergency allocation of the currently available units (See: Motion 1). Long-term goals for housing include the development and construction of a seniors' home, youth centre and an apartment complex. Discussions around all of these are ongoing, with budget constraints being the hindrance on immediate rollout.

The RCMP has experienced some staffing changes and there are concerns from some members that they will begin targeting on-reserve dispensaries. This has led to some discussions around the need to tone down the signage on reserve, but this will need to be discussed in length with dispensary owners. Comprehensive cannabis policy to be devised, perhaps using Kahnawake's policy as a baseline.

Language class was discussed as an issue; some pushback on the COVID-19 policy implemented by HR, so they've been temporarily relocated to an area with no contact outside of the class and a private entrance. This will allow the classes to continue as planned, albeit in a different location. Unsure what to do with the language program space at the new building for the time being, considered for use as a youth centre until the situation changes.

Adjustments to how indigenous youth are processed in the Justice system rose as a topic; with requests to evaluate funding for a program that operates adjacent to the services rendered by Legal Aid. This would provide legal assistance to individuals who need it. Previously raised as an idea, but never developed fully; WNNB is now looking into it alongside the Department of Justice.

Conclusion:

Chief and Council remain committed to keep our community safe and healthy. Community members are encouraged to report any illicit activity to the appropriate authorities.

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, feel free to contact band administration or a member of Chief and Council at the band office by calling +1 (506) 458-9511 or toll-free at +1 (888) 445-6644 during regular business hours.

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YOUTH COUNCIL START UP MEETING

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2021 @ 6:30

Seeking community members ages 17-29 to join and get things started to work towards building a Youth Council for our community

LOCATION: MAQIYAHTIMOK CENTRE

Host: Katelyn Nash
Contact Number: 506-292-2992
Email: katenash@live.ca

COMMUNITY PLANNING EVENTS

BEADING POPPIES

When: November 2nd @ 6:30PM
Where: Maqiyahtimok Center

REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2021

Please call Community Planning at 506-458-9511 or comment on the post that will be open for comments on Monday morning. If we have a large interest then we will be drawing names no later than 1PM on Monday, November 1st, 2021.
Please Note: Limited seating due to Covid-19 restrictions (20 Seats)

SAVE THE DATES

ST. MARY'S FIRST NATION'S REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY
NOVEMBER 8TH, 2021

CHRISTMAS PHOTO MINIS WITH LUCENDA
NOVEMBER 19TH, 20TH, 21ST

PAINTING IKEA PILLOWS WITH THE OROMOCTO GALLERIA
TENTATIVE DATE: NOVEMBER 23RD/24TH

SENIOR'S 60+
PAINTING IKEA PILLOWS WITH THE OROMOCTO GALLERIA
TENTATIVE DATE: NOVEMBER 30TH

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE
DECEMBER 1ST, 2021

SENIOR'S 60+
SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS DINNER
DECEMBER 6TH, 2021

CHRISTMAS HAMPER'S
TENTATIVE DATE: DECEMBER 9TH, 2021

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR
DECEMBER 11TH, 2021

SENIOR'S 60+
SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS BINGO
DECEMBER 12TH, 2021

CONGRATULATIONS

To the winner of our Conserve Energy Contest for the month of October, Leroy Paul.

WELIWON TO EVERYONE THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE CONSERVE ENERGY CONTEST.

We would also like to thank the sponsors for donating to the monthly prizes:

St. Mary's Child & Family
St. Mary's Entertainment Center
St. Mary's Health Center
St. Mary's Retail Sales

SMFN ENERGY

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR!

Contest will run from October 2021 to March 2022.

Monthly prizes can be won! Ways to enter:

Call the Social department each month to see how much your power bill is

OR

Be the household with the lowest bill

(506) 447-1256
OR (506) 304-0201

ENERGY CONSERVATION TIPS

FANS
Use desk and ceiling fans in rooms to cool them down.

CURTAINS
Close blinds & curtains to reduce loss of heat.

HEAT
Turn down heat in rooms when not in use.

WASHING
Wash clothes in cold water only.

LIGHTS
Turn off lights and electronics when not in use. E.g. Microwaves, charging cords.

SHOWERS
A seven-minute shower with a 2.5-gallon-per-minute showerhead uses less water and heat than a full bath.

Remembrance Day

MONDAY

8 NOVEMBER

We welcome our Community Members to come join us for a day of remembrance in honoring our Veterans and those who continue to serve.
National Indigenous Veterans Day

JOIN US AT 10:45 AM
AT THE MAQIYAHTIMOK CENTER
7 WOLASTOQ WAY. BY THE BALLFIELD

A LIGHT MEAL WILL BE SERVED ALONG WITH COFFEE & TEA AFTER THE SERVICES.

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ATLANTIC POLICY CONGRESS
OF FIRST NATIONS CHIEFS SECRETARIAT

APC Is Hiring the Following Position:

Director, Atlantic Indigenous Economic Development Integrated Research Program (AIEDIRP)

Full-Time Position Until March 31, 2022 (Extension Possible)

Contact: hr@apcfnc.ca

For more details, visit: stmarysfirstnation.com/job-opportunities/

SMFN Social Development has relocated and is without office phones for a short period. In the meantime, we can be reached via cell phone.

Keara McCoy will be the new social administrative assistant and people can contract her for appliance repairs, exterminators, and purchase orders for baby formula. Her number is +1 (506) 429-6175

If you need help with EI, to apply for social assistance, or one-time off-reserve assistance, contact our social development assistant, John Brooks +1 (506) 476-9401 or case worker, Kirsten Paul +1 (506) 304-0201

If needed, you may also contact Paulette Orr, Director of Social Development at: +1 (506) 447-1256

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SMFN Social Development Staff

DO YOU NEED HELP WRITING RESUMES? WE CAN HELP!

St. Marys First Nation

RESUME CLINIC

Wednesday, November 03 at 8:30 am to 4:30pm
Thursday, November 04 at 8:30 am to 4:30pm
300 St. Marys Street
Fredericton, NB

As part of the promotion for the upcoming Job fair that St. Mary's is hosting on November 25, 2021 at the Maqiyahtimok Center, we will be offering assistance with RESUME WRITING. We will have 2 Resume Writing Clinics.
The Clinic will take place at the Fredericton Regional Provincial Center with the help of PETL(Post-Secondary Education and Training Labor Force) , located at 300 St. Mary's St.

DO YOU NEED HELP WRITING RESUMES? WE CAN HELP!

WOLASTOQEY TRIBAL COUNCIL INC.

JOIN US FOR A

CAREER FAIR

DELTA HOTEL, FREDERICTON

NOVEMBER **16** 9AM-5PM

For more information, please contact your community ETO or admin@wolastoqey.ca

St. Mary's First Nation
Retail Sales

ST. MARY'S FIRST NATION

WE WANT YOU!! (Ages 14 and older)

St. Mary's First Nation, St. Mary's Retail Sales, St. Mary's Supermarket, St. Mary's Smoke Shop, Two Nations One Stop, St. Mary's Gas bar, Wolastoq Wharf, Sacred Arts, Earth Medicine, St. Mary's Veterans Memorial Health Center, St. Mary's Community Public Works, St. Mary's Entertainment Center, CHSMES/ Turtle tots, Gabriel Electric, Wolastoqey Tribal Council, JEDI, Fredericton City Police, NB Power, First in Trades, City of Fredericton, PETL

November 25, 2021; 9:00am to3:00pm

Maqiyahtimok Center, 7 Wolastoq Way, Fredericton, NB

www.stmarysfirstnation.com

Contact: christinacraig30@hotmail.com

St. Mary's First Nation

Job Competition

Part-time Membership Assistant

Under the general supervision of the St. Mary's First Nation Director of Operations the St. Mary's First Nation is seeking a Part time Membership Assistant.

Qualifications:

1) Strong knowledge of Email, Internet and Social Media
2) Strong Computer skills; MS Word and Excel
3) Must be willing to take training for Membership
4) Must be a St. Mary's First Nation Band Member

Skilled in:

5) Time Management/multitasked
6) Excellent People Skills.
7) Planning and organizational skills.
8) Oral and written communications.
9) Must be willing to work flexible hours. Normal Hours will be Monday to Friday weekly 20-24 hours/week.

Applications should be forwarded by no later than **November 10th, 2021 at 4:30 pm**

Jan Rouse

Human Resources

ATLANTIC HIV STIGMA INDEX

LOOKING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Call for Participants:

The HIV Stigma Index is a research and community-building tool used in more than 100 countries worldwide. It is now being implemented in Atlantic Canada by a diverse team of community-based representatives, service providers, and academics.

Purpose of the Study:

To collect information about the experiences of people living with HIV related to stigma, discrimination and human rights. In order to help inform best-practices with the healthcare system for engaging with people living with HIV, aid in the development of progressive policies, and empower participants.

All participants will be given a $50 honorarium.

Research Process:

The HIV Stigma Index is a peer-driven project: It has been developed and implemented by people living with HIV, which means that another person living with HIV will ask the Index questions. The Index is carried out either in person, through secure video conferencing software or over the phone, and takes between 1 and 2 hours to complete.

Benefits of Participating:

In addition to helping inform the wider community about experiences of stigma for people living with HIV, the process of implementing the Stigma Index is empowering.

To participate contact Arthur Dave Miller at **1-877-347-1175** or **Arthur.miller@unityhealth.to**.

ST. MICHAEL'S UNITY HEALTH TORONTO reachnexus MAP Centre for Urban Health Solutions

Atlantic HIV Stigma Index Poster
Date: 10May2021

ST. MARY'S FIRST NATION

Christmas Craft Fair

ENTRY WITH A NON-PERISHABLE ITEM

ON DEC 11TH, 2021
AT 9AM - 5PM
4 WOLASTOQ WAY/HIGHLAND AVE

Our Event Includes:

HOMEMADE CRAFTS
INDIGENOUS CRAFTS
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
BAKE GOODS
& MORE!

SEEKING VENDORS , TABLES $25
ALL MONIES GOING TOWARDS OUR
OUR HEALING HOUSE.

CRAFT FAIR ORGANIZATION (COMMUNITY PLANNING)
FOR MORE INFO CALL (506) 458-9511
ASK FOR BECKY/NICOLE

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NEW GUIDELINES

St. Mary's First Nation Home Heating Supplement Program

Purpose: To assist registered St. Mary's Band Members living off reserve with the increasing power costs.

Definition: "Applicant" means a **registered** St. Mary's First Nation Band Member 18 years of age and older applying for supplement. This does not include those who have pending applications under custom adoption and/or McIvor. These individuals are not eligible for the Program.

"Program" means St. Mary's First Nation Home Heating Supplement Program.

Eligibility: Applicants residing off-reserve must annually provide an **electric bill, gas bill or firewood proof of purchase, along with their application** for the month of October or later (NB Power or their extra provincial equivalent) in their name. For greater certainty, the bill submitted must be in the name of a registered Band Member 18 years of age or older; the name of a spouse or common law spouse will not be acceptable. There will be no exception to this rule.

For registered Band members who pay heat included in the price of their rent, they now will be eligible for this Program. In order to be eligible, you must provide a copy of your lease along with your application.

Term: Applications will be accepted November 1st, 2021- December 15th, 2021. No applications or bills will be accepted or processed, after December 15th, 2021. There will be **NO** exceptions to this deadline.

Process: An application must be received by the Social Department, as well as a copy of a power bill, gas bill or firewood proof of purchase by December 15th, 2021. A cheque in the amount of $700.00 will be processed and sent directly to your hydro company, gas company or firewood supplier by January 31st, 2022. The application and bill are to be submitted to Paulette Orr, either in person, via fax at 472-1365 or email, pauletteorr@smfn.ca . Please note, it may take up to 30 days for payment to be processed.

Rules: Only registered St. Mary's First Nation Band Members 18 years of age and older are eligible to apply for this Program.

Where 2 registered St. Mary's Band members are on the same account for the same location, only one supplement will be issued. For greater certainty, there is one supplement issued per address and/or household.

Supplements will only be issued for the primary residence of the Applicant. In other words, supplements will not be provided to secondary residences such as camps or cottages.

Applicants living off reserve, who have been allocated a home on reserve and/or have a Certificate of Possession to a home on reserve, are not eligible for this Program.

For registered Band members who pay heat included in the price of their rent, they now will be eligible for this Program. In order to be eligible, you must provide a copy of your lease along with your application.

Reimbursements will be issued in Canadian funds only.

Authority: The Director of Operations will be responsible for the oversight of the Program.

However, the Program will be administered through the Social Department.

HOME HEATING SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name: _____Band Number: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Hydro/Gas Company Name: _____

Hydro/Gas Company (Payment) Address: _____

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- **Note it is very important that we receive the correct payment address in order to avoid any delays.**

Account #: _____

OR

I have attached one of the following required documents with this application:

☐ Copy of leasing/rental agreement ☐ Firewood proof of purchase

Please be advised that by enrolling into this Program, you are under an obligation to inform the St. Mary's First Nation when and if you move to a different address and/or if you move on reserve. Failure to provide accurate and up to date information may result in your suspension from the Program

_____ _____

Signature of Applicant Date

For Internal Use Only:

Off Reserve residence confirmed (yes or no):_____

Is the applicant eligible for the Program (yes or no):_____

Valid bill/proof of purchase submitted (yes or no):_____

Has the Applicant been disqualified from the Program for any reason? If so, why?

_____

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SOBRIETY DANCE & KARAOKE

November 27th-Maqiyahtimok-7pm

door prizes

karaoke

appetizers

and lots of fun

so dont come alone

bring a friend or two

St. Mary's Supermarket

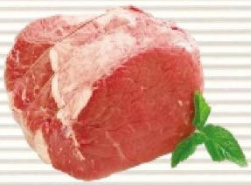
EVERYONE WELCOME!

BONELESS PORK SIRLOIN VALUE PACK
$5.47KG
$2.48 LB

"LOCAL" CORTLAND APPLES
5LB BAG
$4.48

10PC CHICKEN ONLY
$13.98

BECEL MARGARINE
680-907G
$4.48



OUTSIDE ROUND MARINATING STEAK OR ROAST
$8.77KG
$3.98 LB

PARFAITS
$2.98

SWEET POTATOES
$1.72KG
78¢ LB

6 WINGS & FRIES
$5.98

IN STORE BAKED APPLE OR CHERRY STRUDELS
4PK
$1.98

8" SINGLE LAYER WHITE/CHOCOLATE CAKE
$5.98

SUNRISE BOLOGNA LOG
2KG
$8.98

SWEET BELL PEPPERS
4PK
$2.98

COMPLIMENTS JAMS
500ML
$2.98

40 FATHOMS BREADED HADDOCK
815G
$7.98

MRS. FRIDAY CRAB CAKES
510G
$7.98

GRANT MOODY'S CHICKEN HADDIE
397G
$5.98

DR. OETKER ASSORTED PIZZA
320-720G
$3.98

GENERAL MILLS CEREAL
300-354G
$3.48

STOUFFER FROZEN DINNER
244-273G
$2.98

NESCAFÉ COFFEE
100-250G
$4.98

COMPLIMENTS FROZEN FRUIT
400-600G
$3.98

CHEF BOYARDEE ASSORTED PASTA
418-425G
$1.18

Seniors' Day
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St. Mary's Supermarket Only!
Don't Forget to cash in your Gas Bar Bucks!!

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Check Out our Website @: www.stmarysretail.com
PRICE IN EFFECT FROM WED. OCTOBER 27 TO TUES. NOVEMBER 2, 2021

CARRY OUT GROCERIES TO YOUR CAR
TAXES & BOTTLE DEPOSIT WHERE APPLICABLE