

Garden River First Nation

The Creator's Garden

Community Newsletter

CU-23-60699744-2000

Court File No.

ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE

BETWEEN:

CHIEF ANDY RICKARD and GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION

Plaintiffs

and

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO and THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CANADA

Defendants

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

TO THE DEFENDANTS

A LEGAL PROCEEDING HAS BEEN COMMENCED AGAINST YOU by the Plaintiffs. The Claim made against you is set out in the following pages.

IF YOU WISH TO DEFEND THIS PROCEEDING, you or an Ontario lawyer acting for you must prepare a Statement of Defence in Form 18A prescribed by the *Rules of Civil Procedure*, serve it on the Plaintiff's lawyer or, where the Plaintiff does not have a lawyer, serve it on the Plaintiff, and file it, with proof of service in this court office, WITHIN TWENTY DAYS after this Statement of Claim is served on you, if you are served in Ontario.

If you are served in another province or territory of Canada or in the United States of America, the period for serving and filing your Statement of Defence is forty days. If you are served outside Canada and the United States of America, the period is sixty days.

Instead of serving and filing a Statement of Defence, you may serve and file a Notice of Intent to Defend in Form 18B prescribed by the Rules of Civil Procedure. This will entitle you to ten more days within which to serve and file your Statement of Defence.

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IF YOU FAIL TO DEFEND THIS PROCEEDING, JUDGMENT MAY BE GIVEN AGAINST YOU IN YOUR ABSENCE AND WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE TO YOU. IF YOU WISH TO DEFEND THIS PROCEEDING BUT ARE UNABLE TO PAY LEGAL FEES, LEGAL AID MAY BE AVAILABLE TO YOU BY CONTACTING A LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE.

TAKE NOTICE: THIS ACTION WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DISMISSED if it has not been set down for trial or terminated by any means within five years after the action was commenced unless otherwise ordered by the court.

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TO:

HIS MAJESTY THE KING IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

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AND TO:

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CANADA

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Pennefeather

On Thursday, May 18, 2023; the historic launch of the Pennefeather land claim lawsuit; that was witnessed by Elders, youths, community members and GRFN staff, both in person and on live streaming services; included the return of Chief Shingwaukonse's 200 year old tomahawk pipe.

The entire court document has been included in the June issue for the community.

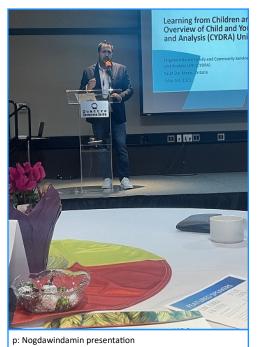
~ Irene





Aanii/Boozhoo Elders, Youth and fellow citizens!

May has come and gone and with that brings warmer weather. I am hoping that you and your families enjoy the month of May as we inch closer to the summer months. It has been a hot and dry time over the last week with several out-of-control fires plaguing the region. Our emergency services team has issued a ban on any fires within the community as precautionary to the conditions we are experiencing. I am hopeful that we do not experience the same challenges with fires in our community as much as the other regions are experiencing and send prayers to those areas affected.



Nogdawindamin - Chief Coroner - I had the opportunity to share a few words during the Nogdawindamin presentation on Child Deaths in Care, with the Chief Coroner of Ontario. I spoke about the need for more ongoing meaningful conversations to improve the systematic challenges our people and communities face. It was important for Dr. Dirk Huyer to hear that we as communities require allies in those spaces to ensure we have justice for our people and to lend a voice those that been have lost. Systematically our people have been forgotten about and have experienced racism in relation to the challenges, however we will continue to pressure those that occupy those spaces to Words from the Chief...

recognize and incorporate meaningful participation. It was an important session to be a part of with hopes that we continue establish a good relationship with him and his colleagues.



p: Legal Clinic

Legal Clinic of Sault Ste. Marie - I was invited by the committee to share a few words on behalf of our community. With so many of our people having to go through the justice system, it was an opportunity to challenge the organization to look at the TRC's calls to action and commit to achieving fulfilling some of those areas. Prisons are filled with our people, and it requires commitment and a willingness to change the way legal system as it pertains to Indigenous peoples. Transitional supports at the community level are also important so that we play a role in reintegrating our people. Ongoing cultural competency and awareness is critical to make fundamental changes in the court rooms. I also had an opportunity to commend and congratulate them on the funding they received from the province to establish much needed space for their programs and services.

Hydro One Partnership — we are currently working with communities along the North Shore about a potential opportunity with Hydro One. If successful, this will be a unique partnership with 7 of the First Nation communities including Wahnapitae in the energy sector. Our team travelled to Rama, Ontario to meet with the other leadership to discuss potential projects and identify a plan moving forward. The details are limited at this point; however, we will announce the progress once we are able to.

We are positioning Garden River to capitalize

renewed relationship with the city has also opened a few doors to some exciting possibilities. All and all, we are quite excited to embark on projects that will create generational wealth for Garden River First Nation.

on the energy needs of within this

region. The need for energy is critical for

this region and we are actively meeting

with potential partners that will help

provide the necessary resources. Our

Indian Residential School Project -Garden River welcomed archaeologist Dr. Scott Hamilton who offered a lot of insight into technology at is being used to recover, identify, and assist with unmarked graves and burials. Hamilton has spent much of his life, researching, and looking the various IRS projects and the challenges they have faced with the different methods. He was able to provide the project team with many things to consider as it pertains to our own IRS project. The main take away from his work and his message, is that this process will take many years for this work to be done correctly. He stressed the importance of exercising patience and caution as it is very important and impactful work. We hope to add additional capacity to the project as we move forward with this important work.

Staff Appreciation Day – May 12, 2023, was an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of our staff to the community. We held the gathering at Ojibway Park, where our staff took park in a bit of fun and relaxation. We also held draws throughout the morning and enjoyed a meal together. It is important



p: Staff Appreciation Day

to acknowledge the efforts of the people who work for our community, and we are hoping to build off these moments to offer more events that hopefully inspire and enhance the moral within the organization. We recognize that not all staff were able to join us, so we had made arrangements to ensure that they felt included.

Pennefather Treaty Claim - the week of May 15th was a very impactful time for our community. On May 16th, 2023, I was invited by the Royal Ontario Museum who wanted to discuss and show our team the historical and special items of Chief Shingwauk. It was a very surreal moment for many of us, as we had an opportunity to spend time with his items. His traditional pipe, headdress, medicine bag, knife and a few other items were available. We held a ceremony for his sacred items and was able to feast and honour his life. It was important for our members to ensure that we looked after his belongings in a ceremonial way. It was emotional,



p: Pennefeather Production

impactful and an honour to be in the same room. I also had an opportunity to discuss repatriation of his items back to Garden River. There was a sense of loss and abandonment as we left the Museum, however, we are more than determined to bring these items back to Garden River where they belong.

The following day most of the Council participated in a production piece that will highlight the journey of the Pennefather treaty claim. We participated in interviews which will be incorporated into the production, which will also include interviews with other elders and members of our community. I am quite excited to begin this process as we hope to capture the memory but also highlight the significance of this work. It will be important for our children and our grandchildren to experience through the stories of our people.



p: presentation to MPP Sol Mamakwa

On May 18th, 2023, is the day that we as Garden River First Nation assembled at Queen's Park to notify the provincial and federal governments of our statement of claim on the Pennefather Treaty. We

started the morning off with ceremony with leadership including a few of the MPP's from the NDP party. MPP Sol Mamakawa was instrumental in assisting our team in accessing the legislature, including security detail and walking side by side in the halls of Queens Park. We presented Sol with an eagle feather for his support and for the work he does on behalf of our people.



p: Queens Park Question Period

I had opportunity to address the media prior to entrance into the Legislature. With the Drum behind us, our eagle staffs in front of us and our leadership and some of our elders in tow, we began to dance in the halls and into the Chamber. We were warned by security that we might not be able to wear our headdresses, nor carry our staffs into the chamber, we proceeded regardless and were met with no resistance. It was a very powerful moment to hear our drum and our songs in the halls of Queens Park while Question Period was beginning. It was emotional, powerful, and significant in reclaiming these spaces and launching our claim that will hopefully see Garden River get back what is owed to us. We made our way to the legislature to witness question period which was also an opportunity for Garden River leadership and members to be welcomed. A question was asked by MPP Sol Mamakwa in relation to the Treaty and challenging the governing party to work in good faith in resolving this long-standing matter. We assembled shortly after Question Period, into the NDP chamber to acknowledge leadership, our elders and members who made the journey, including our staff who helped coordinate the event. We had a special surprise for our members, we negotiated with the ROM to bring Shingwauks pipe into the NDP chamber for a special viewing.

It was an opportunity for our members to witness this important piece. Interviews







followed throughout the day which allowed us to inform and raise the significance of the Pennefather Treaty. It was a memorable moment for Garden River, a moment in time which I will never forget. Milgwetch to our staff, our leadership, Deputy Grand Chief Travis Boissoneau, MPP Sol Mamakwa and to the many members of Garden River who was able to make the journey.

Annuities – Court Proceedings in the 1850

Robinson Huron Treaty annuities case have been further adjourned to allow the Robinson Treaty Litigation Fund (RHTLF) leadership and the Government of Canada and Ontario to continue to negotiations. The group is making good progress in conversation with the Crowns to try to find a resolution that is in the best interest of our communities outside of the courts. RHTLF leadership is working with Canada and Ontario to map the way forward toward a negotiated resolution as soon as possible. True Reconciliation can never be achieved in a courtroom. The RHT communities welcome the opportunity to come together with the Crowns to negotiate an out of court settlement in the spirit of cooperation and reconciliation. RHT communities know that Treaty beneficiaries and members of our communities are interested in the progress of the case and have been waiting for the annuities to be increased for a long time. RHT leadership will work to make sure information is shared. You will hear directly from the RHTLF when they are able to provide updates on the case. The negotiations continue to be confidential. The completion of a negotiated settlement will generally be made public through their social media feeds and websites.

RHTLF has also appointed Honourable Harry S. LaForme to lead the Office of Mizhinawe for the Robinson Huron Treaty First Nation in the ongoing annuities litigation. Justice LaForme is Anishinaabe from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Ontario. In the role of Mizhinawe, Justice LaForme will examine issues and engage in consultations with the members

and communities of the Robinson Anishinabek. Huron Treaty Mizhinawe, in collaboration with the Robinson Huron Treaty leadership, will engage in information sessions about the Restoule case and any possible settlement that may arise from the ongoing negotiations with Canada and Ontario. The information sessions will ensure that RHT beneficiaries are aware of the governing structure of the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund, formulas for distributing global damages awarded through litigation or settlement amount agreed to through and additional negotiations, information regarding settlement of the litigation, if settlement is achieved. We hope to have Justice LaForme in our community in the next month or SO.

North Shore Tribal Council - the quarterly meeting was held Atikameksheng where we were presented updates from the programs and services within the Tribal Council. It was an opportunity to hear the latest initiatives including some of the challenges of the Tribal Council. We were allotted time discuss amongst the community's opportunities to work together but also share best practices in the various areas within our First Nation. seems to be an opportunity for our communities to come together and offer solutions and assist with some of the challenges we face within

communities. A lot of good work is happening in our communities, and we are thankful for our historical relationships.

Garden River has been selected Week host Treaty September 2023 for the Robinson Huron Treaty Secretariat. Planning is under way to host the 21 communities here in Garden River which is poised to be a big event. We are hosting most of our activities at the Teaching Lodge, along with the Community Centre and a large tent to be erected outside the Centre. There will be many things happening during the day of the treaty gathering and we are quite excited for the opportunity. We will notify the membership of the agenda, including some of the events to be held here in Garden River.

Anishinabek Health Summit / ONECA Conference - I was asked to provide some opening remarks at both the Anishnabek Health Summit and the ONECA conference being held in Sault Ste. Marie. It was nice to acknowledge the people who work within their fields as they

continue to play a critical role in our communities. It was also good to see our staff participate in those opportunities.

May was a busy month much like the previous months of my term. Very impactful and memorable moments which I will never forget. I appreciate our people especially those leaders who have paved the way and contributed so much to our Nation. I look forward to the rest of my term with hopes that we continue with achieving good things for our people. I wish you and your families a good start to the month of June and acknowledge all our students who are near the finish line in their studies. Prayers to those that need them, and I want to offer our thoughts to those who we have lost along the way.

Miigwetch, Chief Andy Rickard, Namay Dodem Garden River First Nation



Happy 19th birthday Avery!

Love Sisters, Dad, Ryder, Gram and everyone else!

We love you!



Happy SWEET SIXTEEN to our daughter **JOURNEY**

We love you so much!! Where does the time go? Our first born, born on father's day 🤎

Love Mom, Dad, Jacob, Kionna, Langston & Misko

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Happy 17th birthday to Grace Musgrove on June 2nd. Have the best day!! Love your family who love you so much!

Happy 30 birthday to Jared Musgrove on June 18th. Have the best day!! Love your family who love you so much!

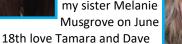
Happy Birthday to my Sister Cora Lee Jones

Happy Birthday to my Bestest Friend, Lorrie Barry



Happy Birthday to my sister Stacey Musgrove on June 8th love Tamara and Dave

Happy Birthday to my sister Melanie Musgrove on June





Happy Birthday to our daughter Charlotte Boissoneau on June 6th love mom and dad

Happy Birthday to Shasta Musgrove on June 26th love mom and Dave

Happy Birthday to Jared Musgrove on June 18th love Auntie Tamara

and Uncle Dave





Look at this June Bug who Turns Sweet 16













Garden River Powwow NIIGAAN ZHAADAA

Let's Go Forward

August 2023
Garden River Ball Fields

19th GRAND 12pm & 7pm 20th GRAND 1pm

MC: Howard Copenance Host Drum: Ottawa River Co-host Drum: Bear Creek Arena Director: Kevin Syrette Head Veteran: Ray Cadotte

Head Male Dancer: Raymond Deleary Head Female Dancer: Sarah McGregor

Head Female Youth: Nevaeh Pine

Head Male Youth: TBD

Dance Categories

Women's Traditional Women's Fancy Women's Jingle 1st - \$1000 2nd - \$750 3rd - \$400 Men's Traditional Men's Fancy Men's Grass 1st - \$1000 2nd - \$750 3rd - \$400 Mens & Women Golden Age 55+ 1st - \$1000 2nd - \$750 3rd - \$400

Junior Girls & Boys Teen Girls & Boys 1st - \$100 2nd - \$50 3rd - \$25

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G GRFN 2023 Powwow

Registration

Youth - \$5 Adult - \$10



Human Resources



Please join me in welcoming and congratulating the following individuals on their recent hiring at the Garden River First Nation!

Congratulations!

It is with great pleasure that we congratulate Brandon Boissoneau, GRFN Entities, A/Business Manager who was selected by the Sault Ste. Marie Community Development Corporation as a CDC board member.

Brandon was born and raised in Sault Ste. Marie, On. He graduated from Algoma University with a Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in 2018. He completed the Canadian Securities Course in 2019. He worked 5 years at Community First Credit Union, was an Investment Advisor for two years from Jan 2020 to March 2022. In April 2022, Brandon joined the Garden River Business Entities as the Assistant Manager and assumed the A/Manager role in August 2022.

Best wishes for continued success!

Also, I'm pleased to announce that Deanna Trudeau will join us as the Garden River Child Care Administration/Clerk. She began her journey with us on April 26, 2023.

Deanna Trudeau comes to us with many years of experience working in the administration field. She is a graduate of Sault College's Health Office Administration Program. She has previous experience working in a child care setting and enjoys working with our youth. She is a community member here in Garden River and excited for this new adventure.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Deanna Trudeau as she starts her journey at Garden River First Nation.

Here are a few words from Olivia Gray, newly hired Ojibway Park Supervisor:

Hello!

My name is Olivia Gray, I am a Garden River Band Member who has always loved nature and everything Mother Earth has to offer. I am very family orientated and often like to go on adventures with my partner and kids. I come from a long line of artists and very creative individuals. Growing up I would always have a plan A, B, C, & so on. Still to this day, I can almost always figure out a plan for anything.

I enjoy being in a job position where I am around people ex. Customer service & hospitality. I was a server at a few restaurants, which I thought I loved, it wasn't until I came to Ojibway Park that it definitely became my number one favorite place to work. In 2022, I was hired for the gatehouse attendant position. I honestly loved it. I enjoy being at the park and in the environment the park has to offer. It's truly the best of both worlds to me. I can have nature around me and interact with customers/campers.

This year I have moved up to the supervisor position. I saw the job posting and knew I had to go for it. Ojibway Park has so much to offer, and I want to be able to help show everyone that. It's a gorgeous campground that truly has a part of my heart. I am beyond excited for this new journey and am even more grateful for being a part of Garden River First Nation (Home). Miigwetch! Olivia

I'm pleased to announce that Steven A.Nolan will join us at the Garden River First Nation as A/Housing Manager beginning June 5, 2023.

Steven comes to us with a wealth of experience in various management roles, economic development project management within First Nations' and community colleges. He holds an Undergraduate Degree from Laurentian University focusing on business and law. Recently completed a Graduate Project Management program through the Sault College School of Business and is studying for Project Management Professional certification through the Project Management Institute. He has taken numerous courses in economic development over the years. Most recently Steven was the Coordinator for National Indigenous Labor Market initiative gathering valuable data through surveys which will have an enormous impact on our community's growth.

Steven and his son Alan dedicate their time and effort to coach youth in hockey and baseball. Their motto is to make sure the kids have fun, want to come to the rink and ballfield, learn some valuable life lessons

while learning skills in both sports.

Finally, we are happy to announce that we have many new additions to the team:

Steve Nolan, Acting Housing Manager Stephanie Seymour, Lands and Resources Manager Jennifer Solomon, NIHB Clerk Connie Traves, Education Manager Tracy Solomon, PSW Sylvia Pine, Custodian Wesley Pine, Labourer Registry Samantha Solomon, Indian Assistant Administrator Deanna Trudeau, Garden River Child Care Administration/ Clerk Adora-Lee Nawagesic, DPHLC Olivia Gray, Ojibway Park Katelyn Lewis, Jordan Principle Administrative Assistant Jordan Lee Thibault - Community Health Representative (Youth) John Grawbarger, Landfill Site Attendant Logan Perreault, Community Representative (Adult) Tanya Perreault, Child Care Centre Supervisor Aaron Farm Solomon, Labourer

Please join us in welcoming each one of them and assist in any way you can.

We know that starting a new job can be challenging, so we want all our new employees to know that we're here to support you.

Welcome everyone, we know you will do great things and we wish you the best in your new roles!

Human Resources

Curt Cress Sr. Labourer



Garden River Education Unit Presents...

Class of 2023

Parade

DEPARTING THE REC CENTRE AT 5 PM!

Help us celebrate our graduates!

Make some noise while we parade around the rez!

Listen for the music! Way to go graduates, we're so proud of you all!



Pennefeather Court



Please note: the court document has been slightly reformatted to be included with in the June newsletter (the wording has not been changed).

CLAIM

- The Plaintiffs, Chief Andy Rickard and the Garden River First Nation claim:
 - A declaration that the lands reserved by the Garden River First Nation from surrender to the Crown under the Robinson Huron Treaty in 1850 (the "Reserved Lands") are and remain reserved for the sole use and benefit of the Garden River First Nation;
 - A declaration that the Defendants, His Majesty the King in right of Ontario ("Ontario") and/or the Attorney General of Canada ("Canada"), have encroached upon or permitted third parties to encroach upon the Reserved Lands;
 - An order of possession by Garden River of the Reserved Lands that remain in the possession of Canada and Ontario;
 - d) Where portions of the Reserved Lands cannot be returned, an order for damages or equitable compensation to Garden River for lost opportunity and/ or trespass against Canada and Ontario in an amount to be particularized in advance of trial;
 - e) An order requiring Canada and Ontario to account for and disgorge to Garden River all monies received by the Crown from the sale, lease or use of lands comprising the Reserved Lands (including rights and interests in respect of resources on and under the Reserved Lands);
 - f) Damages or equitable compensation to Garden River for breach of the Robinson Huron Treaty in an amount to be particularized in advance of trial;
 - g) Damages or equitable compensation to Garden River for breach of fiduciary duty and/or breach of duties flowing from the Honour of the Crown in an amount to be particularized in advance of trial;
 - h) Pre-judgement and post-judgement interest pursuant to the *Courts of Justice Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.43, as amended; and
 - i) Such other and further relief as this Honourable Court may allow.

The Parties

- 2. The Plaintiff, Chief Andy Rickard, is an Indian within the meaning of s. 2(1) of the *Indian Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5, and a beneficiary of the Robinson Huron Treaty. Chief Rickard brings this action on his own behalf and on behalf of all the Garden River First Nation beneficiaries of the Robinson Huron Treaty.
- 3. The Plaintiff, Garden River First Nation ("Garden River"), is an Aboriginal group and a Band within the meaning of the *Indian Act*. Garden River occupies Reservation 14 (alternatively called the Garden River Reservation), located on the North Shore of the St. Mary's River, to the east of the City of Sault Ste. Marie, in the Province of Ontario.
- 4. The modern-day Garden River First Nation is the continuation of and successor to the Band of Ojibways represented by Chief Shingwaukonse (alternatively spelled Shingwaucouse), as it existed in 1850 at the time of the Robinson Huron Treaty in what is now Ontario. Garden River forms part of the Anishinaabe people.
- 5. The Defendant, the Attorney General of Canada, is the person designated for proceedings against the Federal Crown pursuant to the *Crown Liability and Proceedings Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c C-50. and is legally responsible for the acts and omissions of the preceding governments of His Majesty the King in Canada, including the acts and omissions of the pre-confederation governments of Canada West.
- 6. The Defendant, His Majesty the King in right of Ontario, is the person designated for proceedings against the Province of Ontario pursuant to the *Crown Liability and Proceedings Act*, 2019, S.O. 2019, c7, Sch 17. Crown land in the provinces of Ontario belongs to Ontario by the terms of the *Constitution Act*, 1867.

Historic Crown-Ojibway Relations

- The Covenant Chain Alliance, the 1763
 Royal Proclamation, and the 1764
 Council at Niagara are among the legal
 instruments govern the relationship
 between Garden River and the Crown.
- 8. The Covenant Chain Alliance was

- originally formed between the British and Haudenosaunee Confederacy in the 17th century, but was extended by the British to the Ojibway of the upper Great Lakes to gain their military alliance or neutrality.
- The Covenant Chain Alliance was recorded in the Covenant Chain Wampum, and occurred prior to the signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty.
- 10. The Royal Proclamation of 1763 created rules for the purchase of Indian Lands. It provides, among other things, that:
 - . . . the several Nations or Tribes of Indians with whom We are connected, and who live under our Protection, should not be molested or disturbed in the Possession of such Parts of Our Dominions and Territories as, not having been ceded to or purchased by Us, are reserved to them, or any of them, as their Hunting Grounds.
- 11. After the Royal Proclamation of 1763, a Council was held at Niagara in 1764 between the Crown and Indigenous peoples which included representatives of the Ojibway. At the 1764 Council of Niagara, the Great Covenant Chain Wampum was exchanged.
- 12. Through the Royal Proclamation and the Council of Niagara, the Crown promised the Ojibways of the upper Great Lakes that their autonomy and the title to their lands would be maintained and protected.
- 13. Chief Shingwaukonse and other members of Garden River fought alongside the British in the War of 1812. Chief Shingwaukonse was awarded a medal for his service in the War of 1812.
- 14. The Indian land protections found in the Royal Proclamation of 1763, and communicated to the Ojibway by the Crown at the 1764 Council of Niagara, were continued in a series of statues and regulations, including but not limited to the Dorchester Regulation of 1794 and the 1850 Act for the Protection of the Indians in Upper Canada from Imposition, and

the Property Occupied or Enjoyed by them from Trespass and injury, 13 & 14 Vic., c.74.

Events Prior to the Robinson Huron Treaty

- 15. Prior to the signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty, the Ojibway people of the upper Great Lakes were organized into Aboriginal groups occupying discrete territories.
- 16. In 1849, a commission (the "Vidal-Anderson Commission") was struck to investigate "the Indians of the North shores of Lakes Huron and Superior, for the purpose of investigating their claims to the territory bordering on those lakes . . . with a view to the final action of the Government on the subject. . .". The Vidal-Anderson Commission found, among other things, that:
 - i. "the claim of the present occupants of this tract derived from their forefathers, who have from time immemorial hunted upon it";
 - ii. the lands in question were divided among several bands, each independent from one another;
 - iii. these lands had little potential for agriculture, and that the main monetary value of the land stemmed from mining and
 - iv. the Ojibway peoples living on these lands were experiencing "hunger in many places".
- 17. Following the release of the Vidal-Anderson Commission's final report, the Crown exerted pressure on Garden River for the use and taking of their lands. For example, prior to the signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty, the Crown issued mining licenses on unsurrendered Garden River territory, including on what would become the Reserved Lands.
- 18. In 1849, Chief Shingwaukonse and other Ojibway peoples forcibly occupied a mining location at Mica Bay, Lake Superior, to protest the encroachments upon their territories.
- 19. As a result of the Mica Bay occupation, Chief Shingwaukonse was arrested and a military unit was dispatched by the Crown to the region.

Robinson Huron Treaty

20. Treaty negotiations took place late in the summer of 1850. The lead Crown negotiator was William B. Robinson.

- 21. In the leadup to and including the negotiation of the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850, Chief Shingwaukonse and other chief men of Garden River told the Crown's representatives that Garden River was intent upon protecting and preserving its right to the exclusive occupation and use of their lands including control of mining, lumbering, and other resource developments and related activities.
- 22. The terms of the 1850 Robinson Huron Treaty recognized the lands described below as unsurrendered lands belonging to Garden River (the "Reserved Lands"):

Fourteenth: For Shingwaukonse and his Band, a tract of land extending from Maskinonge Bay, inclusive, to Partridge Point, above Garden River on the front, and inland ten miles, throughout the whole distance; and also Squirrel Island.

- A depiction of the first survey of the Reserved Lands, for illustration only, is shown in the plan of survey at **Appendix**A.
- 24. Under the terms of the Robinson Huron Treaty, mining locations within the Reserved Lands granted prior to the signing of the Robinson Huron treaty could be perfected if the holder fulfilled certain conditions:

. . . The parties of the second part also agree, that in case the Government of this Province should before the date of this agreement have sold, or bargained to sell, any mining locations, or other property, on the portions of the Territory hereby reserved for their use; then and in that case such sale, or promise of sale, shall be perfected by the Government, if the parties claiming it shall have fulfilled all the conditions upon which such locations were made, and the amount accruing therefrom shall be paid to the Tribe to whom the Reservation belongs.

- 25. The conditions of the mining locations within the Reserved Lands granted prior to the signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty were not met by the holders.
- 26. Under the terms of the Robinson Huron Treaty, if Garden River wished to surrender or lease portions of their reservation, this would be done by the

Superintendent General of Indian Affairs for Garden River's sole benefit and to their best advantage:

And should the said Chiefs and their respective Tribes at any time desire to dispose of any part of such reservations, or of any mineral or other valuable productions thereon, the same will be sold or leased at their request by the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs for the time being, or other officer having authority so to do, for their sole benefit, and to the best advantage.

Purported "Surrenders" of the Reserved Lands Following the Robinson Huron Treaty

- 27. In the years after the signing of the Robinson Huron Treaty, Garden River experienced famine and economic hardships. Garden River also continued to be put under pressure from the Crown to surrender all or portions of their Reserved Lands. It resisted such pressure and never lawfully surrendered any portion of the Reserved Lands.
- 28. In 1858, Richard Pennefeather, then Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, prepared a report into the state of Indian affairs in Canada. This report recommended, among other things, that "in cases where the Indians obstinately refuse to accede to any terms of surrender . . . Gentle means of coercion might be without prejudice applied their real interests". It also recommended "defraying the expenses [sic] connected with the management of the Department out of the reserves of the tribes under its charge".
- 29. The Crown coerced purported surrenders from Garden River's Reserved Lands, and applied the proceeds from the sale of these purported surrenders to the Indian Department's expenses.
- 30. To Garden River's knowledge, these purported surrenders include (but are not limited to):
 - (a) Treaty 91B, dated July 28, 1859;
 - (b) Treaty 110, dated July 9, 1867;

- (c) Treaty 111, dated July 9, 1867;
- (d) Treaty 130, dated May 20, 1873;
- (e) Treaty 140, dated November 25, 1874;
- (f) Treaty 165, dated April 17, 1872;
- (g) Treaty 166, dated November 15, 1877;
- (h) Treaty 196, dated September 6, 1882;
- (i) Treaty 243, dated April 27, 1887.
- 31. While styled as "Treaties", these purported surrenders were coerced, unlawful takings of the Reserved Lands against Garden River's wishes. These takings were contrary to the terms of the Robinson Huron Treaty, as well as the Crown's legal and constitutional obligations, including the Covenant Chain Alliance, the 1763 Royal Proclamation, and the 1764 Council at Niagara.
- 32. Garden River continues to have a Treaty interest under s. 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 in the entirety of the Reserved Lands unless the Crown can establish a valid surrender of any part of these lands, which it cannot.

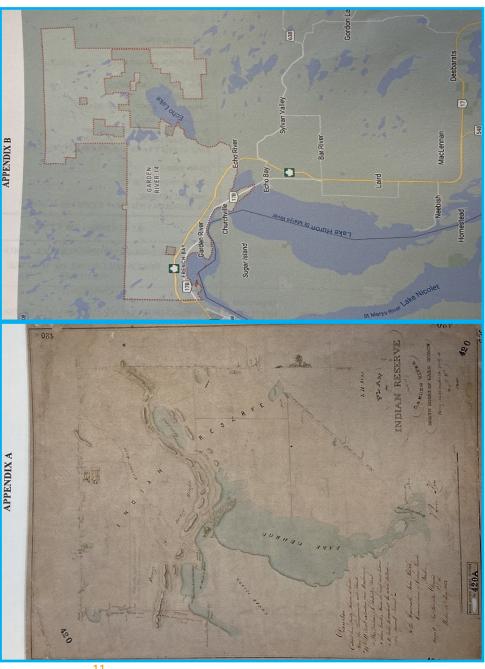
<u>Claim for Damages and Equitable</u> <u>Compensation</u>

- 33. By reason of these invalid "surrenders", Garden River was and remains deprived of the use and occupation of these lands and their social, cultural, economic and spiritual value. In some cases, these lands have been sold by the Crown to third parties, who have benefited significantly for the value of these lands to the exclusions of Garden River. In other cases, the Crown has retained such lands for its own benefit. In either event, generations of Garden River members have lost the opportunity to use the land.
- 34. For well over one century, Garden River protested against encroachments on the Reserved Lands, including the lands over which purported surrenders were given.
- 35. The Crown as variously represented by Canada and Ontario and their predecessors, have owed and continue to owe Garden River fiduciary duties and duties flowing from the Honour of the Crown.
- 36. The Crown breached these fiduciary duties and duties flowing from the Honour of the Crown by (among other things):
 - (a) unlawfully taking and disposing of the Reserved Lands by purported surrenders, none of which comply with the terms of the Robinson Huron Treaty and the Crown's legal and

- constitutional obligations to Garden River;
- (b) allowing and encouraging non-Garden River interests on the Reserved Lands to the exclusion of Garden River; and
- (c) Not defending Garden River's interests over the Reserved Lands.
- 37. As a consequence of the breach of duties owed by Canada and Ontario to Garden River, and as a consequence of the loss of use of portions of the Reserved Lands, Garden River has suffered substantial injury and loss.
- 38. The Crown benefitted from the unlawful taking of Garden River's Reserved Lands, generating substantial revenues from the sale of these lands and resources on these lands. These monies have not been credited to the

- benefit or best advantage of Garden River and/or not been properly accounted fore, in further breach of the Crown's fiduciary duties, duties flowing from the Honour of the Crown, and obligations under the Robinson Huron Treaty.
- 39. The Reserved Lands have been significantly diminished as a result of the Crown's acts and omissions in breach of its duties. The lands currently in the possession of Garden River are shown in the map at **Appendix B**, which Garden provides in this pleading for illustrative purposes only.
- 40. The Plaintiffs propose that this action be tried in Toronto.

Date of issue: May 18, 2023





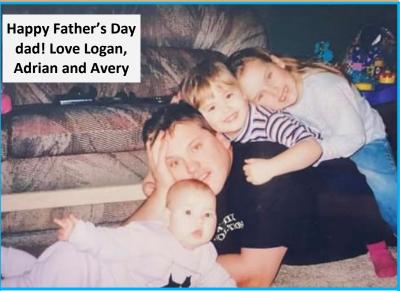
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Congrats!





Happy Uncle's Day to my three most special and greatest uncles in the world! Love you all and miss you Uncle Alex. Love Monty

Congratulations to my sister Stacey Musgrove-Marchand on her Graduation from the Indigenous Social Service Worker program from Sault College on her birthday!

Love Tamara!



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Odemin





Recipe

No—Bake Strawberry Cheesecake Jars



ODEMIN GIIZIS / Strawberry Moon / JUNE

Welcome to JUNE it is the month of the HEART BERRY: Ode / Heart Min / Berry.

June has been designated as Indigenous History Month. It is a good time to learn about our Culture, our History and to look to the Future.

The Odemin is a sacred berry, as it is the first food that Mother Earth gives the people. It is the Heart Berry. The heart is very significant to the Ojibway People, it is everything.

The Odemin is also the sacred special food for the women, as it reminds us of our sacred connection to Shgaakmikwe / Mother Earth. Women are the

life givers, we are intricately connected to Mother Earth, so much that the word Kwe, refers to that sacred connection, which means of Mother Earth and to be like Mother Earth. As well, the Odemin has runners, that spread its' nourishment, which is also linked to kindness, as it nurtures good life and wellness.

In this full moon, as Kwewok we connect to Odemin and to Shgaakmikwe, to strengthen our awareness to the natural cycles: cycle upon cycle so many natural cycles, also connection to natural cycles of Nokomis Giizis / Grandmother Moon.

Submitted by Gramma Misko Asin / Red Stone / Barbara Day



Ingredients:

- 2 8 ounce packages of cream cheese, softened at room temperature
- 1 pound strawberries washed & stems removed
- 3-4 tablespoons sugar
- Fresh mint to garnish

Instructions

- beat the cream cheese until creamy. Dice half of the strawberries and add to mixer, mix over medium-speed until the strawberries are pureed into the cream cheese.
- Slowly add in the sugar and mix. Taste and add more sweetener if needed.
- 3. Using jars, add the cream cheese mixture to the
 - bottom, add a couple of strawberries, then follow with another layer of cream cheese mixture. Repeat till jars are full. Garnish with strawberries and mint.
- Refrigerate for least an hour before enjoying.





GR Trust





Ph: 705-206-7525

Email: grfntrust@gmail.com

c/o 6 Shingwauk Street Garden River, ON P6A 6Z5

"1994 - 2022: Celebrating Community Engagement: Garden River Membership Approved - Trust Funded!"

NOTICE OF VACANCIES & PRIORITY LIST -- OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Are you:

A) trustworthy and honest?

B) over the age of 30 years on commencement of term as Trustee?

Can you make: C) time commitment of a minimum of 5 hours per month?

E) sound judgments?

Would you:

F) help others in your role as a Trustee?

G) maintain loyalty to the Trustees, AND a higher loyalty to the Garden River First Nation (GRFN) Band members (beneficiaries), both present and future

generations?

If you have answered YES to all of the above, Garden River band members should submit your resume and cover letter to the address below. Interviews will be scheduled for those applicants who meet the qualifications. Successful candidates would be entered onto a priority list for vacancies that occur within the Garden River First Nation Community Trust, whose purpose is:

"...the Trustees...will manage the Trust Property in a wise and prudent manner, and that the management of the Trust Property may include...investing and expending the Trust Property in ways that are to the greatest benefit to the people of GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION, both those alive at the time this Trust Agreement is made and the future generations."

Interested Garden River Band members are invited to submit a letter and resume to::

Alanna Jones, Trust Manager Garden River First Nation Community Trust c/o 6 Shingwauk Street Garden River, ON P6A 6Z5 Email: grfntrust@gmail.com

NOTES:

- Meeting criteria within Trust Agreement and interview process, appointments as Garden River Trustees are conditional upon submission of:
 - a. clear Criminal Reference Check
 - b. clear/negative bankruptcy/credit check
 - c. signed Code of Conduct
 - d. Three (3) forms as required corporate trustee

For more information, please call Alanna at (705) 206-7525, or email grfntrust@gmail.com.

Posted June14, 2022



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JUNE 2023 TRAILER CALENDAR

П	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Batchawana Bay 10:30-2:30	Atikameksheng 11:00-3:00
	Mississauga FN 10:30-3:30	Batchewana FN in Rankin 11:00-4:00	Garden River FN 10:30-4:00	Goulais 10:30-2:30	9 Sagamok FN 10:00-4:00
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Ojibway Park





Follow our new Facebook page for updates on the park "Ojibway Park The Sun Sets Here".

The Gatehouse hours are 8:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. everyday!! Hope to see you this summer!

~ Ojibway Park Staff



Housing



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Building Officials make sure that each new affordable housing unit is safe, sustainable and built to the standards of the Ontario Building Code. Here are elements they look for when doing inspections:

- Making sure the walls of each unit are built properly so fires don't spread quickly from unit to unit.
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- Ensuring plumbing and septic systems are installed properly.
- Ensure heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) requirements have been met to ensure a healthy space to live.

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Community



Nimkii Aanakwat (Thunder Cloud) Drum and Singers (part 2)

The Drum was Built in Garden River by an Elder and Knowledge Keeper of Keteegaanziibii, Jeff Biron. The drum was originally intended for firemen of the GRFN Department to assist them both spiritually and emotionally through events and situations they may have



witnessed and experienced while being firemen and EMS front line workers. Former Chief and founder of the Garden River Fire Department, the late Rick Nolan baa, had a vision to have a big drum in the community, both for the Fire Fighters and as a way to move through, heal and to stay healthy dealing with these traumatic events and situations, which we now know can cause PTSD. This was an Important and powerful vision that Rick Nolan Sr had, and his son Steve Nolan who is his eldest son put it into action and had a drum constructed. The Grandfather Drum sat dormant for several years after the making of the drum. It was suggested to my son, Steven Day-Nolan to take the Grandfather Drum home, and to begin caring for the drum and start drumming and bringing the drum out into the community. Steven jumped on the opportunity right away, he was on a mission from his Grandpa, and answered the call of the drum, he only 8 years old at the time: he felt the call from the Grandfather Drum and felt he needed to rescue and put the drum into action. I was not sure if we could do this, as I knew we needed a man to help



who had this knowledge and gift to be the keeper and to guide and teach them, both how to care for the drum, and to manage, to teach them how to sit, give them the teachings, how to sing, why they are singing, how to carry and care for the Chi'Odewe'igan / Big Drum. But I quickly figured, well we have my partner Rene, Steven's dad, all the dads and the fire guys, between all of us, we can do this. Steven was so super excited and insistent, that he was meant to do this, so both him and I went and Gathered Up the Mishomis Chi' Odewe'igan / Grandfather drum. And we began this journey and adventure, of caring for NIMKII AANAKWAT / Thunder Cloud, as Steven knew right off the hop that the drum was called NIMKII AANAKWAT. Steven Day-Nolan being the son of Steve Nolan, and the grandson of the late Rick Nolan, it is only fitting that Steven be the Keeper of NIMKII AANAKWAT.



Over the years I (Barbara Day) have been an active grandmother / Nokomis to the drum and to the Eshkinigiiwak / young fellas from the time when we picked the drum up in Garden River. I help with keeping these young fellas in Line: how to take care of the drum and how to manage around the drum. It is actually an old practice to have a Grandmother to over see a drum, and I am honoured to have been doing this since the inception. My Partner (Rene Ojeebah) as well, has been an active Mishoomis / Grandfather to the Drum Nimkii Aanakwat and to the Ehkinigiiwak / young fellas . The Grandfather

Drum will assist and bring them into becoming responsible adults, and around the drum will be a place and sacred space, a platform if you will, to both teach them cultural values and valuable life skills. Our wonderful Ojibway ways, both culturally and spiritually, help to set the tone for their life learning and future. I believe in this whole heartedly, and I have been willing to



sacrifice, along with our other parents and put in a lot of hours, assisting the boys to get drumming opportunities and practices over the years, simply because we believe the drum and it's power to help these young fellas to stay on a good path, and the potential the drum has to teach them. Our drum: Nimkii Aanakwat, is not a "Powwow Drum", but is a "Community Drum" helping our community of Baawaating by providing that heart beat for the community. To assist in the healing and wellness of our people, and assisting in maintaining healing and wellness. Not to say that they cannot drum at pow wows, and they have drummed at pow wows, and they have helped to fortify and keep events moving along, because sometimes they were maybe the only other drum in attendance or sometimes the only drum. There are only a few drums in our territory of Baawaating, and it would be a beneficial for our First Nations to have a drum present in our home of Garden River and Baawaating.

If anyone would like to request the boys to sing, you can contact me, or mention it to one of the Boys:

Nimkii Aanakwat Drum and Singers

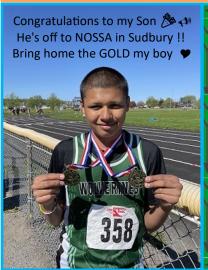
Steven Day-Nolan Nahoba Moore William Sayers Wayne Jones-Reid Arthur Vincent Owen Lariviere Jace Pine Jaheim Dedier-Perreault Jacob Day Jr Lawrence Solomon Kumani Dedier Perreault Quinn Syrette Kelvin Boissoneau

Submitted by Gramma Misko Asin / Red Stone / Barbara Day



Community Sports









<u>Garden River Athletes Medal at National Aboriginal Hockey (NACH)</u> <u>Tournament</u>

Congratulations to Deven Jones McDonald a member of Team Ontario boys who captured the silver medal. Deven was selected as the MVP in the semi-final game against Team British Columbia. He scored the game winning goal to move the team into the championship game against Team Manitoba. Regrettably this was his last game in the tournament. He had to leave Winnipeg prior to the championship game and fly back to Ontario in order to attend an OHL camp. This amazingly talented athlete was selected in this 2023 year's Ontario Hockey League draft selection by the Oshawa Generals.

Congratulations to Aliya Rowe and Gracie Cadeau both members of Team Ontario girls who captured the gold medal. This was Aliya's second year at this prestigious tournament. Both athletes proved invaluable to the team and worked hard each and every shift. Each presented themselves as young respectable well-mannered female athletes both on and off ice. Talent, determination, and true team affiliation shone as they selflessly assisted their team win the gold medal which had been close but elusive for many years.

These athletes attained a pinnacle that not many hockey players will ever accomplish. It's truly commendable on them for attending a tryout and then to make the team. Without your commitment and dedication you would not have been identified as one of the elite Indigenous hockey players to represent your family, First Nation, community, and finally the province of Ontario.

To the parent(s) and family of these athletes; kudos for getting up all those mornings and getting them to early practises or late ones even, travelling with your son or daughter to games across the province, providing advanced athletic opportunities for your child, giving that perpetual support to allow your child to be a high-end athlete, and just being their rock solid backing when they had to struggle through the high and lows of a very competitive sport.



FUND RAISER EVENT: Lets Send

JOURNEY and JACOB to the

NAIG GAMES HALIFAX NOVA SCOTIA

Fundraiser Date: Friday June 16th Time:11:00 am to 2:00 pm Location: Garden River Community Centre Food N Fun

Tickets for Plate: \$15.00 Entry into

Door Prize: Picnic Table made by Dad

JOURNEY DAY JACOB DAY





Selected to Represent:

Garden River First Nation in the NAIG Summer Games 2023 Halifax Nova Scotia July 15 to the 23rd

Karen Bell



Education



Elementary School

Aanii Boozhoo from the Garden River Elementary team! Waawaaskone Giizis (May) has been filled with a bountiful harvest. After a very damp and wet spring we are getting ready for Niibin's warmth. We started off the month with our waterfowl harvest and learning about migratory birds. We continued with celebrating out life-givers at our Mother's Day tea party. Finally we are continuing to examine the growth of new life on the forest floor! We are extremely grateful for the return of all new life. Miigwetch akinagegoo.





Elementary Liaison





Join the Indigenous Transitions Coach to chat about High school!

Let's learn about High school! Each session, we will cover topics about high school! Attendance, Uniforms, Supports, Services, Career Pathways, Parent Involvement, and Much More!

When: Wednesdays- March 1, April 5, May 3, and June 7, 2023 6:00pm-7:30pm

Who: Grade 7 & 8 Students & Parents

Where: Google Meet- Link: https://meet.google.com/cmu-edod-tuj Or dial: +1 289-432-9934 PIN: 698 943 576#



SIGN_ON HERE!

Questions? Contact Hannah Syrette (705) 945-5448 Hannah.Svrette@hscdsb.on.ca



Program, and Career Pathways. April 5, 2023- High school 101: Schedules, Routines, Attendance, Study Strategies, Uniforms, and more. May 3, 2023- SMC Cultural Room, Graduation Coach Program, & Chat with students from the Indigenous Student Council June 7, 2023- SMC Student Life (Parent Involvement, Clubs, Sports), Open Discussion, Questions?

> Each Session will begin with a virtual smudge, a land acknowledgement, and a prayer.
>
> At each session, there will be an attendance draw-\$50 gift card. Certificate of attendance upon completion of each session.

FUTURE

Google Meet- Link: https://meet.google.c om/cmu-edod-tuj





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Our vision

To provide Indigenous-led and land-based, hands-on education opportunities to Indigenous youth in northern Ontario, For youth to:

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What you can look forward to

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- Cultural activities and the sharing of a traditional meal at the School
- Hands-on and land-based art activities and workshops led by Indigenous artists
- Participate in a water walk
- · Tour Confederation College
- Make new friends



The HSCDSB is offering a number of courses in its Summer School Program for students entering high school and those already in high school.

Classes begin July 4th and run through July 31st from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In-Person learning is being offered for Grade 9 courses and virtual learning for all other grade courses being offered.

COURSES OFFERED

Grade 9 Reach-Ahead In-Person Learning at St. Mary's College

NAC10 – Expressions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Cultures

PAF10F – Personal Fitness Activities (French Immersion)

E-Learning Courses via LMS

CHV2/GLC20 – Grade 10 Civics and Career Studies (Open)

HRT3M – Grade 11 Faith and Culture: World Religions (College/University)

HRE40 – Grade 12 Church and Culture (Open)

ENG4C - Grade 12 College English

ENG4U - Grade 12 University English

Please note that the above courses will only be offered based on sufficient enrollment so early registration is recommended.

REGISTRATION

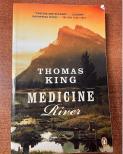
Registration deadline is Monday, June 26. If you have any questions call 705-945-5685.

Below is the registration link.

https://forms.hscdsb.on.ca/PresentationServer/Form.aspx/Play/ rAAggII?f= rAAggII



GRFN Public Library aka Resource Centre



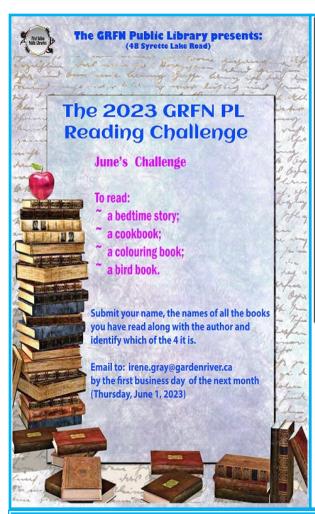
June's Featured Books

Medicine River, Thomas King. When Will returns to Medicine River, he thinks he is simply attending his mother's funeral. He doesn't count on Harlen Bigbear and his unique brand of community planning. Harlen tries to sell Will on the idea of returning to Medicine River to open shop as the town's only Native photographer. Somehow, that's exactly what happens. Through Will's gentle and humourous narrative, we come to know Medicine River, a small Albertan town bordering a Blackfoot reserve. . .

Permanent Astonishment, *Tomson Highway*. Tomsom Highway was born in a snowbank on an island in the sub-Artic, the eleventh of twelve children in a nomadic, caribou-hunting Cree

family. Growing up in a land of ten thousand lakes and islands, Tomson relished being pulled by dogsled beneath a night sky alive with starts, sucking the juices from roasted muskrat tails, and singing country music songs with his impossibly beautiful older sister and her teenage friends. Surrounded by the love of his family and the vast, spellbinding landscape they called home, his was in many ways and idyllic far-north childhood.

Both of these books and many more are available for borrowing at the Library for FREE!!!



Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden $\rightarrow \Psi$ and \mathbf{U} .

BEZHIG - one MDAASWI - ten MDAASWISHIBEZHIG - eleven MDAASWISHINAANAN - fifteen NIISHWAASWI - seven MDAASWISHINIIWIN - fourteen MDAASWISHINIIZH - twelve

MDAASWISHINSWI - thirteen NIIZHTANA - twenty NAANAN - five NGODWAASWI-six

NIIWIN - four NIIZH - three

NSHWAASWI - eight NSWI three ZHAANGSWI -nine

The Garden River Resource Centre/Public Library's

Services include:

- Book lending
- Printing services (free for students)
- Reading; craft; kids programs
- **GRFN Archives**
- Home of the GRFN Community Monthly Newsletter

Additional Info:

- The VR Console/Computer has approx. 30 games availa-
- Ontario Parks Permit—2 parking passes that can be
- Free Wifi Available to students & community members
- 3D Printer—small single colour requests can be printed
- · Printing, blinding, laminating is available.

Appointments:

can be set up for library usage after regular hours — for homework, VR games, printing, wifi — must be scheduled at least 2 days in advance.

Email: irene.gray@gardenriver.ca Or Call: 705-946-3933 ext. 210

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Recreation



GARDEN RIVER SLO-PITCH Tournament





JULY 14–16
GARDEN RIVER BALL FIELDS

S500/TEAM

1ST PLACE: \$1500 2ND PLACE: \$750 3RD PLACE: \$500

CO-ED RECREATION TOURNAMENT 5X5 FORMAT \$125 DEPOSIT DUE

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Wellness Centre





Brett Corbiere CHN: 705-946-5710 ex. 207 Garden River Wellness Centre – 23 Shingwauk Street, Garden River Ontario, P6A 7B2

Be Tick Smart

A blacklegged tick (also called a deer tick) is a tiny bug, about the size of a sesame seed, which feeds on blood. Blacklegged ticks are commonly found in woodlands, tall grasses and bushes. They cannot fly. They move about the ground slowly and settle on tall grasses and bushes until they attach themselves to a person or animal passing by. Ticks are most active in spring and summer.

- Perform a careful self-inspection for ticks after being in the woods or tall grass. Pay special attention to areas such as your scalp, ankles, armpits, groin, naval and behind your ears and knees.
- Use a mirror to check the back of your body or have someone else check it for you.
- YouTube: Enjoy the outdoors, without a tick https://youtu.be/jhq6ap09CPE



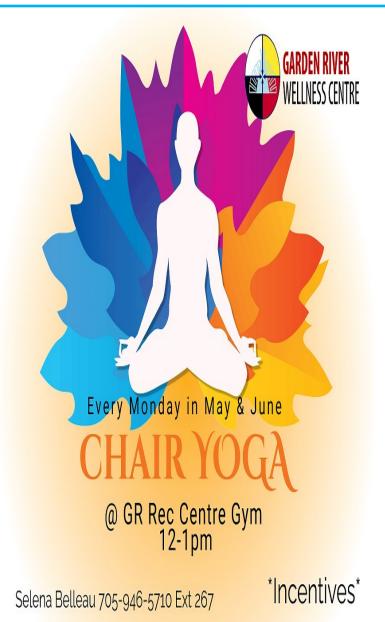
Name Addition Addition

Tick Submitting and Identification GRWC

- 1. Put the tick in a secure container.
- Bring the tick to the GRWC for identification. If the tick cannot be brought to the office within one week of removal, the tick may be placed in a freezer until drop off.
- 3. Complete a Tick Submission Form at GRWC office

Tick Removal

- If the tick is attached, use fine-tipped tweezers or tick removal tool to grasp the tick as close to your skin as possible. Do not use your fingers.
- Pull the tick straight out, gently but firmly making sure to remove the entire tick (including the head). Don't squeeze it – avoid crushing the tick's body.
- Thoroughly clean the bite site with rubbing alcohol and/or soap and water.





Lisa Clark @ (705) 946-5710 ext 242

G'Naadmaagoom

Now has it's own Facebook page!!

Check out the latest and most up to date activities!!

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089863964795

(Garden River Child and Family Services)

To continue practicing safe social distancing - Most programs will be on a virtual platform.

Off reserve band members are encouraged to participate!

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM

Please email or call Staff running the program to register! Join by phone, cellphone, tablet, or computer!!

PLEASE REGISTER ONE DAY IN ADVANCE AS SPACES ARE LIMITED

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INCENTIVES/DRAWS

PROGRAMS – Participants will receive an incentive for every program they attend.

FAMILY CHALLENGES – Every family that participates will receive an incentive.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES (LA) – Each family that participates in the Learning Activities will receive an incentive

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G'NAADMAAGOOM Garden River Child and Family Services <u>VIRTUAL</u> Program Calendar

June 2023 Phone: (705) 450-5071

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/ Sunday
Please Note: Virtual prog (LA= Learning Activity)	Please Note: Virtual program participants will not be let in to Zoom more than 5 minutes after program start time. (LA= Learning Activity)	than 5 minutes after program start time.	1 BC/KM—LA: Anishinaabemowin: Giizis Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB-Healthy Meals 4:30 Youth 13-24 KH/SN-Lunch & Learn 10-noon (In Person) * must call to register	2 KH-LA: Family Fun Chal- lenge * due by noon	3/4
5 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge *sign up by 4:30	6 BC/KM—Roll, Toss, Catch 4:30 Parents/ Caregivers & Children 0-6 KH/MP—Work/Life Balance (Hybrid) 6 pm Parents/Caregivers of Children 0-12 HB—Nutrition Talk Tuesdays 4:30 Youth 7-12 yr	BC/KM—Story & Song 4:30 Parents/ Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB—Workout Wednesday 4:30 Youth 7- 12 SN-Bami'aagan Support Group 5:30 Virtual Caregivers of Children w Special Needs	8 BC/KM-LA: Anishinaabemowin: Bingwi Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB- Peace & Balance 4:30 Youth 13-24 KH/SN-Lunch & Learn 10 (In Person) * must call to register	9 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge * due by noon	10/11
12 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge *sign up by 4:30	13 BC/KM- Rock Painting 4:30 Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 KH/MP- Good Sleep Habits (Hybrid) 6 pm Parents/Caregivers of Children 0-12 HB-Nutrition Talk Tuesday 4:30 Youth 7-12	14 STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY	15 BC/KM-LA: Anishinaabemowin-Asin Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB-Motivational Mindset 4:30 Youth 13-24 KH/SN-Lunch & Learn 10 (In Person) * must call to register	16 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge * due by noon	17/18
19 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge *Sign up by 4:30	20 BC/KM— Summer Yoga 4:30 Parents/ Caregivers & Children 0-6 KH/MP- Self Trust (Hybrid) 6 pm Parents/ Caregivers of children 0-12 HB- Nutrition Talk Tuesday 4:30 Youth 7-12	OFFICE CLOSED National National PEOPLES Day	22 BC/KM-LA: Anishinaabemowin: Niibin Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB- Co-Dependent Relationships 4:30 Youth 13-24 KH/SN-Lunch & Learn 10 In Person) *must call to register	23 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge * due by noon	24/25
26 KH-LA: Family Fun Challenge *sign up by 4:30	27 BC/KM—Butterfly Creations 4:30 Parents/ Caregivers & Children 0-6 KH/MP-Cultural Teaching (Hybrid) 6 pm Parents/Caregivers of children 0-12 HB-Nutrition Talk Tuesday 4:30 Youth 7-12	28 BC/KM-Story & Song 4:30 Parents/ Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB-Workout Wednesday 4:30 Youth 7- 12 SN-Family Culture Night 5:30 Virtual	BC/KM-LA: Anishinaabemowin: Memegwaa Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-6 HB— Understanding Anger 4:30 Youth 13-24 KH/SN-Lunch & Learn 10 In Person) *must call to register	30 KH-LA: Family Fun Chal- lenge * due by noon	

BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN



√ Safe Space

Support

√ Snacks

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Youth Group

Join us in-person on the third Friday of every month for a drop-in group Ages 12-17 6:00-7:30pm GR Child & Family Services Building (7A Shingwauk Street) Information sessions
Discussion
Incentive offered
to those who attend



Contact Lana Grawbarger for information or to register 705-450-5071 x226 lgrawbarger@arcfs.ca







		D	an Pine Healing	Lodge		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NATIONAL ABORGINAL DAY				1	2	3 Traditional Health with Gerrard Sagassige
4 Traditional Health with Gerrard Sagassi- ge	5	6	7 Circle of Learning with Carol Nadjiwon – Our Ojibway Stories, History and Treaties 5:30-8 Laurie 228	8	9	10
11	12 STAFF TRAINING	13 STAFF TRAINING	14 STAFF TRAINING	15 STAFF TRAINING	16 STAFF TRAINING	17
18	19 STAFF TRAINING	20 STAFF TRAINING	HOLIDAY NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY	22 STAFF TRAINING	23 STAFF TRAIN- ING	24 Traditional Health with Patricia Toulouse
25 Traditional Health with Patricia Tou- louse	Zoom Super WOW (Work On Whatever) 1 – 3 Kimberly	27	Traditional Health with Patricia Toulouse JOURNEY OF GRIEF Aftercare Wellness Circle 5:30-8 (for past participants only)	Zoom Tea & Talk 1-3 Kimberly BEAUTY FROM ASHES (BFA) Aftercare Wellness Circle 5:30-8 (for past participants only)	30	31

CIRCLE OF LEARNING

Our Ojibway Stories, History and Treaties Workshops for 2022-23

Facilitator: Carol Nadjiwon, BA, BEd, MA in American Indigenous Studies. Odawa, member of Batchewana First Nation. Rooted in learning from Elders and ceremonial life.

You are invited to learn and participate in our Circle of Learning Workshops about our Ojibway stories, history and treaties to be held once a month on a Wednesday from October 2022 to December 2023 at the Dan Pine Sr. Healing Lodge from 5:30 to 8:00 pm with supper included.

Indigenous Peoples have experienced life before contact and after contact. Colonization and racism of control created powerlessness. This included forced assimilation of the residential schools systems, denial of history, culture and economic social co-development. Learning about our past, present and visions for the future are important to our sense of identity, good health and good life.

> CONTACT LAURIE 705-946-5710 EXT 228 TO REGISTER

# Date		Subject	
9	June 7	Mid Evaluation and Discussion	
10	Aug 2	Decolonization Historical Timeline, Petitions for Justice, Opposition to White Paper, 1980 Declaration of First Nations, 1982 Constitutional Reform., 1850 Treaty Annuities Court Decision in 2018	
11	Sept 13	1991 to 1996 Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples and Report submitted in 1996, 2008 to 2015 Truth and Reconciliation Commission and 94 Calls For Action	
12	Oct 4	Human Rights – International Rights of Indigenous People	
13	Nov 1	Stories. Dreams and Feast for our Relations	
14	Dec 6	Overall Evaluation, Feast and Circle	

DAN PINE HEALING LODGE 200 ANISHINABE POINT ROAD, GARDEN RIVER, ON POS 1CO

TELEPHONE: 705-946-5710

Laurie ext. 228 Terry ext. 212 Kimberly ext. 215 Adora ext. 208

www.grwc.ca/dan-pine-healing-lodge/







GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT – SECURITY GUARD TRAINING





Garden River First Na®on Employment and Skills Development in partnership with Migizi Security Services and Ontario Security Hub offered Security Guard Training on May 8-11, 2023

6 Participants successfully completed the Security Guard Training -

Jason Jones Tahneal Lothrop Rachel Solomon Jennifer Solomon Amanda Solomon Shayla Pine

On behalf of the GRFN Employment and Skills Development Team – we Congratulate you on your hard work and we wish you all the best in your future endeavours!

Wanita Jones – ISET Supervisor Darryl Williams Jones – Youth Employment Counsellor Lee Ann Gamble



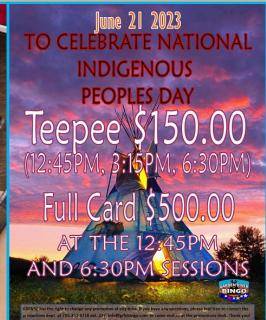






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WIN CASH PRIZE 50/50 SPLIT

August 7, 2023

WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT OUR MEGA MONSTER BINGO

20 SYRETTE LAKE ROAD, GARDEN RIVER

FOR MORE INFO: 705-253-8718 EXT 227 OR VISIT: WWW.GARDENRIVERBINGO.COM





GRFN Notice





JUNE 22, 2023 to SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

MON to THURS - 8:30AM to 4:30PM FRI - 8:30AM to 12:00PM

These hours do not apply to essential workers or business enterprises.



Miijim Gaamig



Great things to donate to GRFN-MIIJIJM GAAMIG-Food Bank

Peanut Butter & Jam

Pasta (dry or canned)

Pasta Sauce

Can tomatoes

Tuna or Salmon (Other canned meats: chicken, ham or turkey flakes)

Kraft Dinner, Sidekicks, Mr. Noodles

Hot & Cold Cereal

Canned Soup

Rice/Flour/Oatmeal

Coffee (Instant or Ground)

Tea

Juice Boxes

Donations can be dropped off @ Miijim Gaamig- Food Bank located at the GRFN Band Office

For further information please contact,

Michelle @ 705-946-6300 Ext. 227



MIIGWETCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT



MIIJIM GAAMIG

GRFN Miijim Gaamig Garden River First Nation



Hours of Operation

Food House

Monday—9 am—4 pm Tuesday -CLOSED Wednesday—9 am—4 pm Thursday—CLOSED Friday—9am—4 pm

PLEASE NOTE: CLOSED (12-1pm)

Food bank access is limited to one visit per month

Further information, please contact Michelle @ MIIJIM GAAMIG (705-946-6300 ext 227)

*Food and Monetary Donations are always greatly appreciated



Membership





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MEMBERSHIP OFFICE UPDATES April, 2023

GARDEN RIVER FIRST NATION





Updates

THE MEMBERSHIP OFFICE IS NOW LOCATED AT:

Garden River First Nation Administration Building 7 Shingwauk Street Garden River First Nation P6A 6Z8

Please contact Terri Tice, IRA
Telephone 705-946-6300 ext. 246
Cell 705-989-2041
Email ttice@gardenriver.org

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p..m. closed from 12-1

PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

The GRFN Transfer Station located at 216 Noonday Drive is OPEN



TUESDAY, 9 am—5 pm WEDNESDAY, 9 am—5 pm THURSDAY, 9 am—5 pm FRIDAY, 9 am—5 pm SATURDAY, 9 am—5 pm

CLOSED SUNDAY AND MONDAYS & CLOSED FOR LUNCH EACH DAY (12-1)







Newsletter FYI



Garden River Community Newsletter Submission Deadlines for 2023

July Newsletter—Friday, June23

- August Newsletter—Friday, July28
- September Newsletter—Friday, August 25
- October Newsletter—Friday, September 22
- November Newsletter—Friday, October 27
- December Newsletter—Friday, November
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Email submissions to: irene.gray@gardenriver.ca

What can be submitted for the newsletter:

- Program Updates
- Upcoming programs
- Anniversaries/Weddings
- Birthday announcements
- Shout Outs—acknowledge our band/community members for accomplishing their goals
- Congratulations to those who did well
- Community based photos—old-time photo sharing, 'seen here'
- Community Welcomes—new hires, new members, returning members
- Miigwetch's, chi Miigwetch's
- Pet photos
- Inspirational words to share
- Remember when's—elders please share stories of when you were young
- Public acknowledgement for grants received (dreamcatcher)
- Short stories, poetry

And as always—email to Irene.gray@gardenriver.ca

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Garden River First Nation Mission Statement

In the spirit of our ancestors and our Treaty, we endeavour to conduct ourselves in a manner that is consistent with the Seven Grandfather Teachings given to us by the Creator. We envision a harmonious community that is built on mutual respect that maintains a healthy balance through prosperity and well-being. Through these actions we intend to create a self-sustaining community that fulfills the emotional, physical, mental and spiritual well-being of all members.

N'bwaakaawin- Wisdom

Zaagidwin—Love

Mnaadendmowin-Respect

Aakdehewin—Bravery

Gwekwadziwin—Honesty

Dbaadendizin—Humility

Debwewin—Truth

Chief Andy Rickard	Community Trust, NSTC, Robinson Huron Treaty Trustee
Councilors	Portfolio
Tim Johns Jr.	Community Safety, Educational Programs, Infrastructure, Social Services
Darwin Belleau	Administration, Business, Infrastructure, Lands & Resources
Brandi Nolan	Administration, Business, KGPI, Lands & Resources, Nogdawindamin
Cindy Belleau-Jones	Business, Governance, Infrastructure, Membership, Nationhood, NSTC, APS
Dan Tice	Community Safety, Governance, Social Services, KGPI, Business
Trevor Solomon	Community Safety, Administration, Lands & Resources
Chris Thibodeau	Business, Lands & Resources, Social Services
Tyler Pine	Education, Governance, Nationhood
Kassidy Armstrong	Community Safety, Governance, Indigenous Women Anti-Violence Task Force, Nationhood
Chester Langille	Community Safety, Education, Nationhood
Albert Williams	Administration, Infrastructure, Social Service
Karen Bell	Educational Programs, Infrastructure, Nationhood, Environmental Committee

GRFN Chief & Council Portfolio Holders

GRFN Community Newsletter Contact Information

Irene M. Gray, Resource Centre Coordinator
GR Education/Recreation Centre 48 Syrette Lake Road, G.R., ON P6A 7A1
Phone: 705-946-3933 Ext 210, Fax: 705-946-0413
Email: irene.gray@gardenriver.ca Website: https://urlis.net/xvdb0

July 2023 Newsletter Submission Deadline: June 23, 2023

Please call **1-888-310-1122** when you need to make a report with your local APS detachment.

Avoid using the local administrative lines unless it is for Criminal Records Checks or to reach our Court Administrators.

Our offices are not staffed 24/7. Officers are on the road and unable to check voice messages.

When you call the dispatcher they will automatically create an occurrence report and it will be given to an APS officer.

Remember that dispatchers are not from the community and will ask you questions, please be patient as it is their job, and it is for everyone's safety.

Miigwetch for your understanding.

Anishinabek Police Service 1-888-310-1122

