We said Yes to AES!

On July 26, 2017, a second ratification vote was held in WRFN to let our member’s voices be heard on the future of Anishnabek Education. The vote was carried by a simple majority and it passed in WRFN with 99 Yes votes, 31 No Votes and 1 spoiled ballot. Council will now begin the work in August with our partners in the AES on the next steps toward control of our education system.

Thank you to everyone that shared their opinions and voted on the AES.

Please note that the deadline for submissions for the next issue is Wednesday August 16, 2017 at noon. Miigwetch!
rezoundeditor@whitefishriver.ca
### August 2017

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**WRFN Health Centre Visiting Health Professionals**

*unless otherwise indicated visiting Health Professionals will be in all day*
FALL FASTING CEREMONIES

SEPTEMBER 20TH – 24TH, 2017

Who? Open to Everyone
What? Fasting Ceremonies
Where? At Dreamers Rock Area

SAVE THE DATE
ANISHINAABE KWE SKIRT MAKING

With Laurie Shabogesic-Mcleod

Who? Women 18+ (LIMITED 8 SPOTS)
When? Wed, September 27th, 2017
Time? 9:30am – 5:00pm
Where? WRFN Community Centre
What? Materials Provided

Fun Social Interaction
Lunch and Refreshments Provided
Skirt Teachings and sharing
Materials Provided
First Come First Serve

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SHKAKAMIK KWE HEALTH CENTRE
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT CANDICE ASSINIWE, COMMUNITY WELLNESS WORKER AT WRFN HEALTH CENTRE AT PH: 705-285-4354

Candice Assinewe - Community Wellness Worker

The weigh in top winner on August 16th, 2017 will receive a Nutri Ninja Blender valued at $140.00, and the 2nd place winner will receive a $50.00 gift card. All other participants who come and weigh in will be entered into a draw to win a Nutri Ninja, plus additional prizes. Therefore, I encourage you to mark it on your calendars and don’t forget, on our final weigh in we will have the top prizes of the Home Gym and the New Sudbury Shopping Centre Spree!!!!

All Community Wellness programs try to encompass both adult and elder participation. I encourage you all to come out and attend. If you’re unsure about it, come out and try something new. Please keep an eye out for upcoming programs in the near future.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding upcoming programs and services provided through the Community Wellness Program, please feel free to contact me at the WRFN Health Centre at 705-285-4354 or via email at candicea@whitefishriver.ca.
Aanii Whitefish River Community!

This summer has been full of fun and adventures. We kicked off summer with Painted Turtle Camp; thanks to Right to Play, the youth had the opportunity to enjoy a week of arts & crafts and learning new Hip Hop dance moves. Chi Migwetch to all the parents and community members that came out to the youth’s showcase at the end of the camp.

This was my first year interacting with the Day Star camp and it was phenomenal to see the high level in attendance. Day Star provided both younger and older youth with many fun activities for the week. In partnership with both Day Star and the UCCM Police, we put on a summer safety workshop for the youth. This workshop aimed to raise awareness to youth around substance and alcohol use within the community, and also discussed safety around boating and swimming as well as other recreational summer activities.

This year was the second year of Guardian Art Camp. It was impressive to see just how dedicated the youth were to their training. The youth that participated in the Guardian Art Camp were pushed both mentally and physically to grow and develop their skills.

Summer is not over yet!

If you have not yet registered for the Traditional Journey, KICK Camp, or Science Camp there is still plenty of time!

Please Contact Amber Zona or Crystal McGregor for more information on the summer camps through the Whitefish River Health Centre at 705-285-4354 or via email at; amberz@whitefishriver.ca
FUNDRAISING ALERT!!

Come Out and Support the WRFN Elders! 
50/50 Draw 
Prize Payout Currently at $400.00

Tickets can be purchased from the Elders Group. 
For more info call Brian @ 705-285-4335

DRAW DATE: September 2, 2017
WHERE: Community Centre Bingo
TIME: 8:30 pm

Proceeds go directly toward the Elders Trip to Niagara Falls and other events!

Watch for our Upcoming Fundraising Events in the coming months!

Autumn Shawanda plays her part in the Painted Turtle Youth Showcase.
**2017 WRFN Summer Student Hall of Fame**

**Name: Carson Pitawanakwat**  Title: Housing Assistant  
Motto: It is what it is.

**Name: Montana McGregor**  Title: Asset Management  
Motto: Always do what you love, no matter what gets thrown at you.

**Name: Sebastian Shawanda**  Title: Public Works/Maintenance  
Motto: Self Development, not Self Destruction.

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Motto: Be as kind as you possibly can.

**Name: Wesley Anwhatin**  Title: BICC Administrative Assistant  
Pet Peeve: Paper Cuts  
Motto: My Man!

**Name: Migwans Pitawanakwat**  Title: Student Liaison  
Pet Peeve: Impatient People  
Motto: You’re never too important to be nice.

**Name: Hunter Shawanda**  Title: Community Garden Assistant  
Motto: Trust the process.

**Name: Anthony McGregor**  Title: Day Care Assistant  
Pet Peeve: Dog hair  
Motto: Kwansue.

**Name: Mike Megwanabe**  Title: Public Works  
PP: Keep on, keeping on!

**Name: Wynona Visitor**  Title: Community Garden Assistant  
PP: Being Broke.

**Name: Sydney Migwanabi**  Title: Health Assistant  
PP: Not having money.  
Motto: “You gotta’ keep livin’ man, L-I-V-I-N”

**Name: Cheyanne Pitawanakwat**  Title: Lead Gardener  
PP: Debbie Downers!  
Motto: You gotta risks it, to get the scone!

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MAAMWE KENDAASING CHILD CARE CENTRE SUPERVISOR

*REVISED*
Permanent, Full-time

Maame Kendaasing Child Care Centre facilitates learning opportunities for the children in a culturally supportive environment and incorporates a holistic approach in teaching and guiding our children.

POSITION SUMMARY
The Supervisor will ensure the delivery of a comprehensive community-based, culturally appropriate learning and education program. The Supervisor is responsible for planning and supervising and implementing the policies and procedures of the Child Care Centre. Responsibilities also include financial duties, directing staff, acting as a liaison between staff, parents and Education Committee. The Supervisor reports to the Education Director.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
- Facilitates the achievement of goals and objectives of the Child Care Centre as outlined by the Ministry of Education.
- Planning, coordinating, evaluating and supervising all programs being implemented by staff.
- Observing the needs of the children and planning accordingly.
- Develop and implement an evaluation process for programming.
- Assist staff with arrangements of special events for parents and community in accordance with policies.
- Assist staff with arrangements of special programs such as field trips.

PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT
- Co-ordinate and assist with hiring of programs and support staff.
- Responsible for co-ordinating volunteer duties and students.
- Develop and maintain good working relationships amongst staff.
- Ensure that the Child Care & Early Years Act, Policies and Procedures are adhered to by staff in all aspects of programming.
- Ensure that all staff are adhering to the Whitefish River First Nation Policies and Procedures and Maamwe Kendaasing Child Care Centre Policies and Procedures.
- Plan and conduct regular staff meetings.
- Plan and conduct orientation for staff, students, volunteers and parents.
- Provide resources for staff development and training.
- Support for ongoing training.
- Evaluate performance of staff annually.
- Encourage and respond to feedback and recommendations from staff.
- Assign the appropriate designate to assume supervisory duties when necessary.
- Act as a liaison between staff, parents and children.

TEACHING
- Assumes various roles such as Head Educator, Educator Assistant.
- Being familiar with and keeping up to date with the Child Care & Early Years Act.
- Plan and implement themes accordingly to enhance requirements of the Child Care & Early Years Act.

OFFICE/FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION
- Financial administration, maintain receipts, record expenditures and prepare monthly budgets based on the funding. Process time sheets, purchase orders and expenditures for the Child Care Centre.
- Review menu plans.
- Ensuring that medication is administered as authorized.
- Order equipment and supplies.
- Authorizes purchase orders.
- Attend meetings as requested.
- Maintain records of staff attendance and enrollment of children.

PUBLIC RELATIONS
- Investigate and utilize community and social resources.
- Be aware of and sensitive to community needs and developments.
- Understanding and recognizing differing family lifestyles. Being sensitive to the different values, beliefs and lifestyles.
- Interpret Child Care Centre Policies and Procedures to the community when requested.
- Represent Child Care Centre on community or government committees when requested.
- Interview and meet with parents.

QUALIFICATIONS
- Diploma or Certificate in Early Childhood Education or Native Early Childhood Education from an accredited Ontario College of Applied Arts and Technology or equivalent from a University.
- Standard First Aid and CPR Training.
- Applicant MUST be in good standing with the College of Early Childhood Educators, and has at least two years of experience providing licensed Child Care.
- Anishinaabemowin fluency or knowledge would be a definite asset.
- Access to a reliable vehicle.
- CPIC – Vulnerable Sector Clearance Report.
- Ability to work with various software packages (Microsoft Office, Internet).

SALARY RANGE to be determined based on qualifications and experience.

INTERESTED APPLICANTS
Please submit your resume, cover letter, three (3) work related references to the attention of:

Band Manager
Whitefish River First Nation
17A Rainbow Ridge Rd.
Birch Island, ON P0P 1A0
OR Fax: (705) 285-4532

Deadline for applications is Friday, August 18, 2017 at 4:30 pm.

Rosalyn McGregor - Education Director

Ahnee Whitefish River! I hope everyone is enjoying their summer thus far. I have recently been hired as the Education Director/Manager position for Whitefish River. Although it is a new field of work, I am excited about the new journey that I have begun.

Let me start with some of the qualifications that I have. First and foremost, I am a proud and blessed mother of three beautiful children. For my education achievements, I have successfully obtained a college diploma in Native Community Care: Counselling & Development – Mental Health Stream through Cambrian College. I then proceeded to obtain my Honours Bachelor Social Worker degree through Laurentian University successfully.

I have learned that education is a process and despite struggles it also has many rewards. I have overcome many obstacles to get to this point in my life and I am proud to say that I continue to walk my journey proudly. I am hoping that my work and life experiences will assist and support the students of Whitefish River First Nation to achieve their goals. It is my hope that you all enjoy your summer break as we will begin gearing up for another school year soon.

My door is always open if you have any questions or if you just want to come and visit the Education Office. Feel free to contact me at the WRFN Administration Office at 705-285-4335 or via email at rmgregor@whitefishriver.ca.

*Registration Notice for 2017/2018 School Year at Shawanosowe School*

All 2017/2018 Shawanosowe School registration packages can be obtained at the Administration Office beginning Monday July 17, 2017.

NOTE: Parents/Guardians
Please ensure that all required school documentation is added to your child’s registration package prior to submitting it to the school for the 2017-2018 school year. It is imperative that the school is provided with a copy of your child’s updated status card as per funding agreement and a copy of your child’s updated health card as per school regulations. Without such documentation prior to school beginning, your child may not be eligible to register at Shawanosowe School.

2017-2018 Shawanosowe School Registration will be held the week of August 21-25th, 2017 at the school for those late registrations.

Please ensure you have all your required documentation with you upon registration. Refreshments will be provided.

Have a wonderful summer!!

Miigwetch,
Cheryl Miller-Martin
School Principal

Shawanosowe
Bobcats
VERMICOMPOSTING & BOKASHI COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

Bokashi is a new and revolutionary way of fermenting (pickling) your kitchen waste. The method was developed in Japan and when done properly, breaks down the scrap material with many micro-organisms (lactobacilli, yeasts and phototropic microbes) all working together. It’s easy to do once you have the right equipment; an anaerobic process that relies on inoculated bran to ferment kitchen waste, including meat and dairy, in to a safe soil builder and nutrient-rich tea for your plants.

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All sessions will be at the WRFN Community Centre. All sessions are the same content.
Friend or Foe

Weeds...the bane of gardening. Most, but not all plants that are considered weeds are introduced species. They were brought over either with livestock feed but were also brought as food and medicine. These introduced plants are opportunistic and are very efficient at taking over barren soil. They all can be broken down into two groups.

**Annuals;** are plants that only last the growing season and reproduce by seeds. They are the easiest to remove due to their shallow root system and usually die after the top has been removed. A tiny piece of root left in the ground can produce a new plant.

**Perennials;** are plants that come back year after year from the same root. They are the harder ones to get rid of once they’ve established because of their long tap root. One challenge when you start plants outside from seed is knowing what is the desired plant? And what is a weed? They often sprout all at once. I think every new gardener has weeded out the desired plant at some point. When establishing a new garden bed all the perennial weeds need to be removed before planting. It can be very frustrating to have to dig around your new plants to remove a dandelion that seems to keep growing from the same spot. The easiest way to keep on top of weeds is to not let them go to seed. Some seeds can stay viable in the soil for decades. Pull them when they are young that is when the root system is very fragile at this point and will save a lot of time in the end.

We can also look to nature for answers, in the forest if it is undisturbed you will not find many weeds. This is because of the mulch on the ground bed. Nature does not like barren soil and will quickly establish plants so if you place mulch down you will be less likely to be taken over by weeds. Tilling can remove weeds but it also brings all those seeds closer to the surface to sprout. One trick I like to use around my perennial plants is to put down some cornmeal. Cornmeal has inhibitors in it that stop seeds from sprouting so it is not wise to use around an area you want seeds to sprout.

Lastly if you don’t like weeding; gardening is likely not a hobby for you. Weeding will always be part of the joy of gardening!!

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**Bee Prayer**

Winged Spirit of Sweetness, I call on you. Teach me the ways of Transformation and Fertilization, The path from pollen to sweetest honey Teach me to taste the essence of each place I alight Carrying the essence with me To continue creation’s cycle. Teach me the ways of Hope, Reminding me that what seems impossible May yet be achieved. Flitting tears of the gods.

Draw me ever closer to the wisdom Hidden within beauty. Give me flight and sunlight, Passion and productivity, Cooperation with those around me And sharpened strength to defend my home. May I ever spiral out from my heart, Searching for what I need. And return there once again To turn those lessons into nourishment. Bee Spirit, I call to you.
Rick, Joe, Leslie & Troy were the catering crew for the Community Fish Fry. The Community Fish Fry was enjoyed by all.

Ava and Ethan lend a hand at the Pow Wow Taco Fundraiser.

Crystal Clark-McGregor & Migwans Pitawanakwat, our next generation Fry Bread Queens.

The Community Fish Fry was enjoyed by all!

Felicity gets stage ready for her Youth Showcase performance. Rick, Joe, Leslie & Troy were the catering crew for the Community Fish Fry.
The winning team of the 6th Annual B.I. Nightingales Mixed Tournament - The Brew Jays!

Thousands Migwetches to all the teams, umpires, fans and volunteers who helped make this year’s fundraiser a success!

Back row l-r: Lana, Tania, Amelia, Alex, Dan, Zane, Tammy, Eli
Front row l-r: A.J., Jess, Jayden and Katt

Gana, Kieston, Tina & Daisy enjoy a visit at the AES vote.

Veronica and Debbie prepare delicious and nutritious Meals on Wheels.

Jamie played for Team Emoji at the B.I. Nightingales Mixed Tournament.

Sisters, Doris and Helen share a laugh during the weekly Elder’s Luncheon.

Tahnee and mom, Anita soak up the sunshine at the B.I. Nightingales Mixed Tournament.
Nestled in a quiet area just north of McGregor Bay, Rainbow Lodge provides exceptional quality accommodations and tranquility for tourist and business customers alike.

**MAIN LODGE ACCOMMODATIONS:**
- Two fully furnished bedrooms; 2 queen beds and 1 king size bed
- Fully equipped kitchen complimented by a cozy dining room
- Great room with a floor to ceiling stone fireplace

**CABIN ACCOMMODATIONS:**
- Two double beds & Three piece bathroom
- Kitchenette & Living Area
- Private Deck & BBQ

Rainbow Lodge is a great location to host business meetings and events, small weddings, baby showers and family gatherings.

Rainbow Lodge is a place of peace and serenity to host traditional ceremonies and healing sessions.

**RAINBOW LODGE IS A SEASONAL FACILITY OPEN BETWEEN MAY TO NOVEMBER**

**PROUDLY OWNED AND OPERATED BY WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION**

**Office Hours**
Mon-Fri: 8:30am-4:30pm

For inquiries call: 705-285-4335

-OR-

Rainbow Lodge Manager:
rainbowlodge@whitefishriver.ca
Employment Opportunity
Community Energy Advisor
Full-Time - 18 month Contract

JOB PURPOSE
The Community Energy Advisor will be the staff resource tasked with maintaining the Energy Advisory Committee and implementing the Whitefish River First Nation Community Energy Plan.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES
Project Management
• Responsibilities may include, but are not limited to project planning, scheduling, allocation of personnel and resources, budgeting, and regular communication with members, staff, management and leadership.
• Developing and administering project proposals, work plans, and project costing/budgeting for energy related initiatives in the community.
• Completing action items set out in the WRFN Community Energy Plan.
• Reviewing, updating, modifying and reporting on the Community Energy Plan over time.
• Staff resource for a Community Energy Committee designed to support the energy desires of Whitefish River First Nation.
• Act as an energy education and conservation resource for the community and membership.
• Assist in the research required for non-commercial related energy generation projects.
• Oversee multiple projects simultaneously.
• Prepare and review reports, conduct presentations for multiple stakeholders.

QUALIFICATIONS
• Understanding of First Nations Community and Culture
• Post-secondary education in a science, energy or environment related discipline
• Experience in a First Nation work environment in areas of lands, environment and/or culture considered an asset
• Computer savvy: strong command of MS Office Suite, ability to quickly learn new systems
• Strong composition and communication skills
• Valid driver’s license

WORKING CONDITIONS
• Works a standard work week in the field and in an office environment
• Work a minimum of 35 hours per week; flexible hours
• Will be required to travel from time to time

Interested applicants are invited to submit their applications with 3 written work references by 12:00 noon on August 18, 2017 to the attention of:
Georgina Recollet, Housing Manager
Whitefish River First Nation
17-A Rainbow Ridge Road
Birch Island, Ontario    P0P 1A0
WAWASKINAGA
ANNUAL TRADITIONAL
POW WOW
WE ARE RESILIENT

August 19th & 20th, 2017
Sunshine Alley, below Dreamer’s Rock
Whitefish River First Nation, Birch Island, Ontario

SCHEDULE
Saturday
Sunrise Ceremony: 5:30am
Grand Entry: 1:00pm
Community Feast: 5:00pm
Canoe Races: 6:00pm
Grand Entry: 7:00pm
Sunday
Grand Entry: 12:00pm

WAWASKINAGA PRINCESS PAGEANT
Sunday, August 20th 2017
10:30am
Little Miss Wawaskinaga: (Ages 0–5)
Junior Miss Wawaskinaga: (Ages 6–12)
Miss Wawaskinaga: (Ages 13–17)

Master of Ceremonies: Dan Fox
Host Drum: Genaabajing Jr’s
Co-Host Drum: High Eagle
Drums Welcome, Honorarium Available.
Head Dancers: Chosen Daily

SPECIALS
Team Dance
Potato Dance
Hand Drum
Youth & Tiny Tot
**Subject to change**

DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT: NO PETS.
24 hour security. WRFN is not responsible for lack of travel funds, accidents, thefts, damages or other liabilities related to this event. Please use designated recycling & garbage bins for waste or recyclable products. For information or updates like us on Facebook: Wawaskinaga Annual Traditional Pow Wow or call: Crystal Clark–McGregor (705) 285–4354 or Migwans Pitawanakwat (705) 285–4335

We are encouraging people to bring feast bundles & reusable water bottles. Chi-Migwetch!
Ahniin! This past month I was able to attend a Business Plan Writing workshop at KTEI. This workshop was a short two day review of all the components that are required when writing a business plan. This was a free workshop open to all entrepreneurs from First Nations serviced by Waubetek Business Development Corporation. This was just a two day refresh course designed to cover the more difficult aspects of a business plan.

There were representatives from the Regional Business Centre in Sudbury and they provided free business plan writing guides among other information, which is all free on their website http://www.regionalbusiness.ca/en/. They are a not for profit organization and offer services free of charge! You can also contact them via telephone at 705-688-7582. A representative from the NORDIK Institute (Northern Ontario Research Development and Knowledge) was at the workshop. The NORDIK Institute explained the steps that it takes to be a successful entrepreneur. They provide assistance to businesses, organizations and communities to solve practical issues. NORDIK is an excellent research resource for a potential business. The workshop gave a basic overview of all the components of a business plan. The seven components of a business plan are; Executive Summary, Business Overview, Operational Plan, Market Research, Marketing Plan, Financials, and Appendix. The workshop went into more detail about the more difficult Market Research, Cash Flow Projections, and Business Permitting portions. I have had access to this type of material through books, guidelines, and online resources, but it was different to go through each component with business professionals. When reading about a business plan on paper it doesn’t seem like much, however there is a lot of hard work and research that goes into a proper business plan. I look forward to taking what I’ve learned and applying current business activities in WRFN. Updating existing business plans and creating new ones, and also to look at the possibility of creating social enterprises for WRFN. A social enterprise is basically a business that generates income for the dual purpose of achieving a social, cultural or environmental goal.

In closing, I would like to mention the 2017 Summer Work Experience Program. All the summer students have started their respective positions with WRFN. We have students filling the roles of; Summer Student Liaison, Housing Assistant, Health Assistant, Child Care Assistant, Lead Gardener, Assistant Gardener, Public Work Assistants, and Social Event Planning Assistant. This is a valuable program for WRFN as it allows the students to learn to develop a work ethic, to go through the recruitment process and to gain working knowledge on the various departments of WRFN.

For more information, please contact Keith Nahwegahbow, Economic Development Officer at 705-285-4335 ext. 216 or via email keithn@whitefishriver.ca.
NOTICE

Whitefish River Public Works will be increasing the hours of Landfill operations and curbside pickup effective the week of June 26th, 2017 until September 30th, 2017.

The extra hours of operation are necessary to help assist with keeping bears out of the community.

The increased hours of operation will be on Tuesdays from 8:00am to 6:00 pm. Curb side garbage pickup will also be done on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The extra curbside garbage pickup will have an extra fee to members utilizing the service.

Hours of Operation:
Tuesday 8:00am to 6:00pm
Thursday 8:00am to 6:00pm
Saturday 8:00am to 3:00pm

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Whitefish River Public Works Department

Water First Internship

The Water First Internship is a 16 month paid internship where 14 participants (2 from each of the surrounding 7 First Nations) complete 5 in class training workshops and work in their home Water Treatment Plant with the Operators in between. Alex Nahwegahbow and Amy Waboose are the Water First Interns for Whitefish River First Nation.

The increased hours of operation will be on Tuesdays from 8:00am to 6:00pm.
Curb side garbage pickup will also be done on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The extra curbside garbage pickup will have an extra fee to members utilizing the service.

The interns are learning about Water and Waste-water Treatment, Source Water Protection, Environmental Monitoring, Mapping, Traditional Knowledge and more!

At the end of the program, the successful interns will obtain a Water Quality Analyst Certificate (provincially recognized certificate).

“Look forward to the experience and knowledge the operators have to offer” - Alex

“I am very honoured to be working here in Whitefish River” - Amy

OUTDOOR SMOKE FREE SPACES

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED WITHIN 9 METRES OF PUBLIC BUILDING

Whitefish River By-law No 2021 Whitefish River First Nation
Hello Everyone!

How is everyone doing these days, not much of a summer so far? Kind of wet and cool, especially in the evenings. I have even turned on my furnace sometimes to just warm up and get the dampness away in the house. I was talking to a lady friend in the United States whose daughter and her family had come up for a few weeks holiday at their cottage in the Bay. They decided to cut their vacation short and go back home because of the weather. Anyway, I want to congratulate all the students who have graduated this year. It brings back memories of when I graduated. Now you can go on to do whatever you want or perhaps, continue on to more education. I say go for it!

Well, my kitties are doing fine, as usual. I have a couple of strays who come around for something to eat, and then they’re off on their merry way. I believe they come from down the road. Sometimes, one of the cats will bring me a little present. I usually give them a little praise when they do. If it’s a bird I will try and take it from them if it is still alive and let it go. I feel sorry for doing that to them but they get over it after a while. A nice lady told me she would be interested in taking one or two of my cats, but, I have gotten used to them. They are my babies I would not be able to part with any of them. Even though there are days I feel like doing that.

Some Cat Facts:

• After cats eat, they wash themselves immediately. This is their ancient instincts telling them to get the food scent off, so that predators will not smell the food and come after them. A cat’s scent glands are on the muzzle, temples and at the base of the tail.
• When cats are happy or pleased, they squeeze their eyes shut.
• At birth, kittens cannot see or hear. Cats open their eyes after five days and begin to develop their eyesight and hearing at approximately two weeks. They begin to walk at twenty days.
• Freddie Mercury, lead singer of the group Queen, owned many cats throughout his life. His solo album Mr. Bad Guy is dedicated to Cat Lovers all over the world.

Well that is it for now ‘till next time. Make sure to get your cats and dogs fixed to help keep the pet population down in our community. Remember to visit our elderly and shut-ins and take time to visit with them, I am sure they would enjoy it. So ‘till then take care and enjoy our summer!

She-Pet Elizabeth, Empress Farah and Webby Debby (The girl cats)
Luka, BJ, Tinker, Fabio and Francis (The boy cats)

Dennis L. McGregor
Message from Ogimaa Shining Turtle
Sturgeon Clan, Anishinabek Nation

The Anishinabek Education System (AES)

Whitefish River is a very proud member of the Union of Ontario Indians. The Union of Ontario Indians has been working on the restoration of jurisdiction since 1995. In that year, the Chiefs of the Union of Ontario Indians approved a resolution for negotiations on Education. In 2002, the Chiefs in Assembly approved an agreement in principle for Education. Since 2002, until 2015 the details of the agreement were worked on by Canada and the Anishinabek Nation. In November 2015, the Anishinabek Nation started a process of community approval for the Anishinabek Education System (AES). Chief and Council have supported this process since 1995. Our second vote was held on July 26th, 2017 and on this second vote, the community supported our participation in the AES process with the Union of Ontario Indians. This is terrific news for the community and our local education system.

A final report will be prepared by the Union of Ontario Indians on the AES voting outcomes showing that we had the following results:

- Yes 99
- No 31
- Spoiled 1

The Threshold required was a simple majority of voters.

Council will now begin the work in August with our partners in the AES on the next steps towards our control of our education system.

Thank you to everyone that shared their opinions and voted on the AES.

As everyone knows, there is a lot of pressure on the environment and particularly the water systems. This has been really evident in Standing Rock as they are standing together to try to protect the water systems in their territory. Following up on this the council passed resolution (BCR 3600) calling for the protection of water in our territory.

We resolve, we, the Anishinaabe of Whitefish River First Nation, therefore strongly assert our self-determination right to make decisions about water in our territory. We must be fully involved in all resource water and water shed protection planning and in all decisions about water licenses and access to water for navigation, transportation, industrial use and other purposes. We declare that we will continue to rely on Anishinaabe law and our teachings and ceremonies to respect water, and protect water, the life-giving gift of the Creator.

We currently have two capital projects to update you on;

1. We resubmitted our revised Project Approval Request (PAR) to INAC. We remain optimistic that this revised submission will justify the Project Approval Request (PAR) submission to access construction funding of over $3 Million dollars to build the new Elevated Storage Reservoir in 2018/19 fiscal year. Basically, we are now asking that the project be approved for construction next year as the best part of the construction season is now behind us.

2. We have installed two new generators to provide emergency power in the event of a power outage to our water tower and Shawanosowe School. The money for this work is coming from surplus money left over from the construction of the Water Treatment Plant.

Work is also been completed on renovations to the old water plant to make the facility ready for an exercise room to be used by band members.

This year we are very fortunate to have three band members receive lifetime achievement awards from the Anishinabek Nation. This year’s recipients from Whitefish River are;

1. Irene Castonguay
2. Esther Osche
3. Georgina Recollet

Congratulations to this year’s recipients. This brings to total number of Lifetime Achievement recipients from Whitefish River to 42 citizens. Some of the former recipients include; James McGregor, Barbara Nahwegahbow, Elaine Recollet, Lulubelle Francis, Frances Sanderson, Sylvia Shawanda. For a complete list of recipients please feel free to visit the website at Anishinabek Nation 7th Generation Charity.

August will soon be upon us, as we look forward, we have our Annual Traditional Pow Wow coming and of course, time to start thinking and planning for the return to school. In the meantime please enjoy the beautiful summer weather.

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Chief Shining Turtle
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## Birthday Greetings!

Happy Belated Birthday to our sister Vanessa Walker on July 28th!
Love, Party Marti, Wild Winnie, Mower Man Marcus & Chalk CJ

Birthday wishes going out to my hubby Aaron on August 3rd! Another year older, another year wiser. Cheers to many more sunrises and sunsets together.
Love ya, Leslie

Happy Birthday to my dad Aaron. Remember that moment when we are out on the boat, you caught that big one! Well, too many to pick from.
Love, your co-captain Jackson!

Happy 5th Birthday to our nephew Austin on Aug 5th
XOXO Auntie Katt & Craig, Pat, Tracy & Cal

Happy Birthday to my Godfather Aaron on Aug 3rd
XOXO K.C.

Happy 5th Birthday to Austin (3:16) on Aug 5th
XOXO Sydney, K.C., Quintin, Aurora, Leo (300), Braxton, Braelyn, Nicole, & Mike

Happy Birthday to:
- Aaron on Aug 3rd
- Taylor on Aug 11th,
- Sista Pat on Aug 19th
XOXO Katt, Craig, Syd n K.C.

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