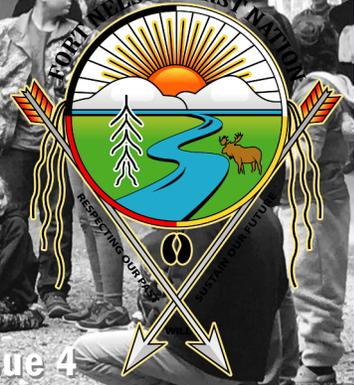


# July 2017

## Go-steh-nehee / Newsletter

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### School is out and summer is on!



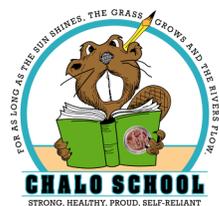
Chalo School's Preschool 3 & 4 classes along with their teachers Roberta and Hilda celebrated the end of another year at the Art Fraser Memorial Park and Spray Park. Some of these little guys and girls will be off to Kindergarten in September. Have a great summer, kids and teachers! Photo by Kendra McMillan.



## Congratulations Graduates!

From Chief, Council, Administration and the FNFN Education Department

See our list of graduates on page 5



*"For as long as the sun shines, the grass grows and the rivers flow."*

## Editor's Page



Congratulations graduates and way to go, students, on another year completed! You're one step closer to making all your dreams a reality.

I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and that you're enjoying the summer so far. As of the date of this entry (June 19) we've had some wonky weather; I've found myself cold enough that I contemplated turning the furnace on. I continue to be optimistic that

summer IS coming. By the time you get this, July will be right around the corner, so I'm hopeful. Old man winter showed up in Fort Liard not too long ago so nothing surprises me with our weather.

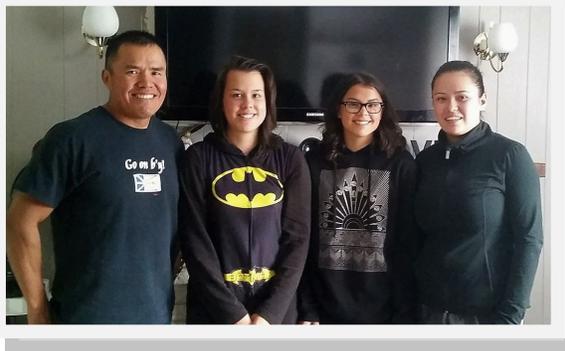
The first month back has been busy and I love it. Routine is nice. I missed my job, as I mentioned, and love that everyday I get to be creative and have more fun than most staff doing what I love to do. I've had some changes to my job, though, but all good changes. I am now located in the Lands building, still under the Administration department, and my role has reverted back to solely the communications and media stuff. Thank you to the Lands staff for accommodating the move and welcoming me to their space - it's so quiet and I love my fresh, new office. Thank you to the Administration building staff for still making me feel part of their team and not like I abandon them (or like you guys threw me out, haha!), I miss you guys, I promise. I especially miss my hallway conversations with Erin.

So what is everyone's plans for the summer? Want to share some photos or milestones? You can. Text them to me at 250.500.4778 or add my work Facebook (Renee Fnfn) to your friends list and tag me in them. I only accept FNFN members or community members to this Facebook account and often share information that you get quicker access to. Sometimes the FNFN Facebook page posts don't show up till much later (which is beyond my control). I recently shared a wedding announcement of our member Brendan Youb and his wife, Jessica and those are more of the things I hope to share. If you want to share your wedding milestone, send us a wedding photo and the date of your marriage and where you got married and text your photo to 250.500.4778 or email to [renee.lomen@fnnation.ca](mailto:renee.lomen@fnnation.ca).

Happy July, FNFN. See you out and about.

**Renee Lomen**  
Communications & Media Coordinator

One resident, one traveler ~ our members in Newfoundland! These are the fun things about my job. Encouraging photos from our members who meet up on the opposite side of the country! Hi John, Joey and Avery, Stella, too (the photographer)!



No Rez Trivia during the summer months. Rez Trivia resumes September 5, 2017. Always the 1st Tuesday of the month.

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## CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR DIRECTORS

### FORT NELSON FIRST NATION BOARD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This is a two year term position and required to be filled by a non-FNFN member.

The directors are responsible for the effective management of the FNFN Economic Development Board which oversees all the business entities owned by the FNFN.

The directors are required to act in the best interest of the FNFN and will have fiduciary responsibilities to both the shareholders and the limited partners.

#### Skills and Knowledge Required:

- Business acumen
- Setting and understanding vision and mission
  - Strategic planning
  - Measuring company performance
- Directing and evaluation of senior personnel
  - Financial management
- Development and monitoring of policies
- Regular reporting and communication to shareholders
- Ability to lead the corporation and meet its objectives

Please submit your expression of interest along with your resume to:

**ATTN: FNFN Board of Directors**  
**RR1 Mile 295 Alaska Highway**  
**Fort Nelson BC V0C 1R0**  
**E-Mail: madeline.burke@fnnation.ca**

**Deadline for Submissions: July 31, 2017**

Council Attendance May 21-June 20			
Name	Present	Absent	Total
Chief, Liz Logan	0	4	4
Councillor, Harvey Behn	4	0	4
Councillor, Cynthia Burke	4	0	4
Councillor, Patricia Capot-Blanc	3	1	4
Councillor, Harrison Dickie	1	3	4
Councillor, Theresa Fincaryk	4	0	4
Acting Chief, Sharleen Gale	4	0	4

2 Council Meetings, 2 Community Meetings



FNFN Council and the Education Department would like to say 'Mussi cho!' to the **Horn River Producers Group** for their generous donation to Chalo School's new playground equipment!

On June 20, Brock Kaluznick, attended morning circle to make the presentation with a cheque totaling \$4214.93! Thank you, Horn River Producers Group!

## Administration



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# MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE

WEDNESDAY, July 26, 2017

5:00PM – 7:00PM

CHALO SCHOOL GYM

9 APPLICATIONS TO BE PRESENTED AT THIS MEETING

APPLICANT	PARENT (BAND MEMBER)	COUNCIL REVIEWED APPLICATION	END OF 6 MONTH POSTING
BERREAU, Layne (Minor)	Cheyenne Berreault	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
CAPOT-BLANC, Margaret (Adult-Transfer)	Mary Dettieh	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
TREVORS, Kimberley (Adult)	Marguerite Harrold	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
DUNTRA, Blaze (Minor)	Jonas Bailie	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
ASHDOWN, Leah (Minor)	Melissa Kotchea / Bryden Ashdown	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
CAPOT-BLANC, Trevor (Minor)	Ross Capot-Blanc	December 20, 2016	June 20, 2017
MICHEL, River (Minor)	Daryll Michel	January 10, 2017	July 10, 2017
MCISAAC, Hailey (Minor)	Alicia Corris	January 24, 2017	July 24, 2017
DICKIE, Hailey-Mae (Minor)	Harrison Dickie	January 24, 2017	July 24, 2017

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

The following applications will go to a Membership Meeting AFTER the end of 6 month posting date as per Membership Code.

### NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING - TO BE ANNOUNCED

APPLICANT	PARENT (BAND MEMBER)	COUNCIL REVIEWED APPLICATION	END OF 6 MONTH POSTING
CAINES, Casey (Adult)	Edward Harrold	May 4, 2017	November 4, 2017
BAGSHAW, Bristol (Minor)	Bianca Myers	May 4, 2017	November 4, 2017
BERREAU-T-SAIAH, Landon (Minor)	Sheldon Berreault	May 4, 2017	November 4, 2017
CAMPBELL, Lex (Adult)	Donna Campbell	May 4, 2017	November 4, 2017
DICKIE, Alexander (Minor)	Jordan Dickie	May 4, 2017	November 4, 2017
HARDY, William Coty (Adult)	Germaine Harrold	May 18, 2017	November 18, 2017
TURNER, Kelvin (Adult)	Caroll Elaine Behn	May 18, 2017	November 18, 2017
CARSON, Charlie (Minor)	Darci Carson / Mark Whitehead	May 18, 2017	November 18, 2017
MCLEOD, Caleb (Minor)	Virginia Badine McLeod	June 13, 2017	December 13, 2017

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CAROLYN BURKE, FNFN MEMBERSHIP CLERK AT 250.774.7257

*"For as long as the sun shines, the grass grows and the rivers flow."*

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Administration cont'd.

Congratulations to our first-ever **Online Traditional Arts Contest** winners! We had 20 entries in total with the photos reaching over 15,000 people! That's amazing. FNFN has many talented artists. Thank you to everyone who participated and put their beautiful artwork forward.

**1st Place**

**Crystal Behn-Dettieh**

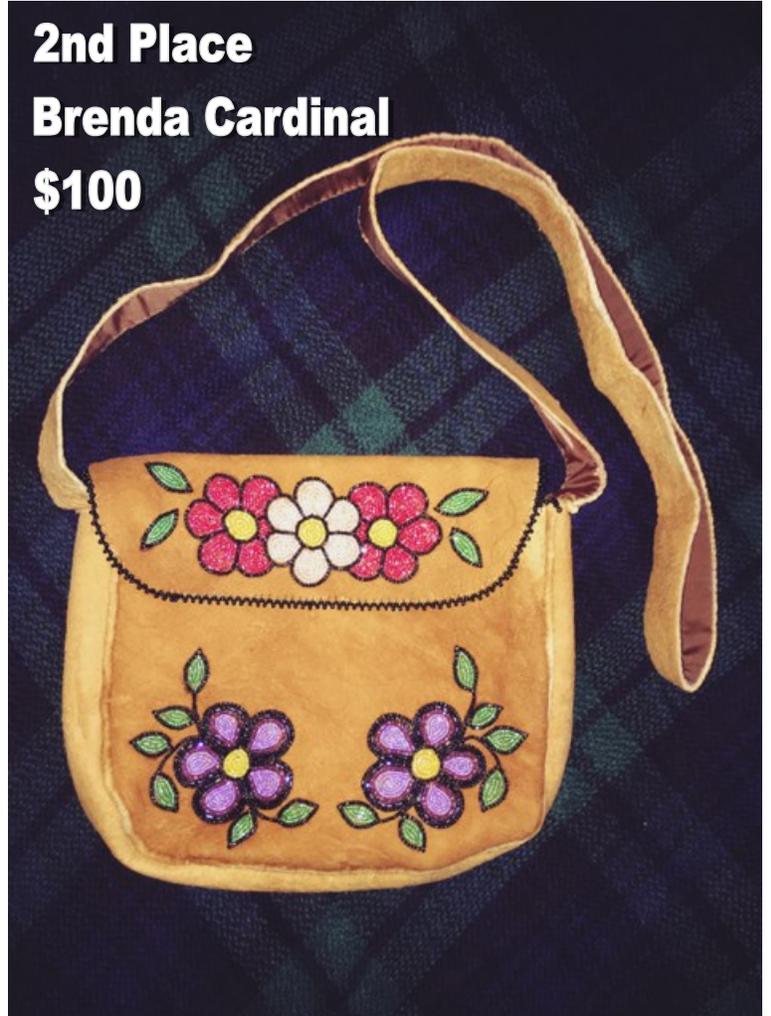
**\$200**



**2nd Place**

**Brenda Cardinal**

**\$100**



**Congratulations!**



**3rd Place**

**Tiffany Dettieh**

**\$50**

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## Dehzona & Headstart

Hello Summer! We are so excited for the next few months of sunshine, Spray park outings and fun. In June, we welcomed two new employees. Taylor Tsakoza, who was a previous center visitor while she was completing her first ECE course back in March. The children were excited and we look forward to having her with us for the next few weeks. Second, Abigail Kosmyinka, who along with our other staff member, Kayli, completed her practicum here in previous months and has her first year of Early Childhood Education certificate obtained here at the Northern Lights College. She was welcomed back by the children and we look forward to also having her here for the summer until she continues her education in completing the ECE program in the fall as well.

The children have planted a few vegetables in a garden box and they have started growing which is exciting for the children to see. We have tried a few new menu items such as homemade sweet potato fries, pulled pork sandwiches and mango/ pineapple smoothies, all of which the children loved.

We have received an assortment of cultural themed posters and puzzles which brighten up our center as you can see here with the smudging prayer and birthday wheel.

During National Aboriginal week, June 19 – 23, the staff and children were able to attend the moose camp. They enjoyed moose stew, bannock and watching how moose meat is cut up. They picked flowers along the way. We love when we can join in on celebrations and look forward to next month's Annual treaty celebrations.

This month, the themes we will be focusing on are: Canada day, The world, The Letters A-D, Summer and Weather

July birthdays we will be celebrating: Austin who turns 5.

Field trips will be scheduled during the summer, depending on the weather. To ensure that your child is prepared for these, please be sure to be weather prepared. Please send with your child the following:

- Sunscreen
- Hats and proper shoes for outside play
- Towel
- Bathing suit
- Water bottle, if they don't already have one at the center.

This past month in Headstart, attendance in the weekly program for swimming, family friendly meals and the lunch program have been great. It's nice to see these programs utilized and new people come out to enjoy them.

You will notice in the calendar, that these will continue. I am also adding a day trip to the library every second Tuesday. Their annual summer reading program has begun and there are many great prizes to be won. If you are interested in knowing more, please stop by at the library.



*"Play is the beginning of knowledge."*  
-George Dorsey



**Bannock!  
And flowers!  
It's summer, oh my!!**

# Congratulations!

## Class of 2017

THE BEST VIEW

comes after

THE HARDEST

climb

### Fort Nelson Secondary School

Damien Badine  
Tyrell Dendys  
Savannah Dennis  
Cheyenne Kotchea  
Evelyn Matilpi  
Isaiah Needlay

### Chalo School

Frank Capot Blanc  
Darylyn Christman  
Nathaniel Hewlett  
Madison Irvine  
Tyson McLeod  
Kane Michel  
Nina Michel  
Darren Neveu

### Chalo School – Adult Dogwood

Wesley Behn  
Tracy Berreault  
Kay-Tanna Burke  
Orlanda Clement  
Fred McLachlan

### Northern Lights College

Lovey Behn - Health Care Assistant  
Jordan Burke - Welding - Red Seal Journeyman  
Shania Capot Blanc - Professional Cook Level 1  
Curtis Dan - Professional Cook Level 1  
Nicole Davis - Professional Cook Level 1  
Tyrell Dendys - Welding Levels 1 & 2  
Rylyn Dettieh - Aircraft Maintenance Engineering  
Jesse McDermott - Professional Cook Level 1  
Jennifer McLeod - Professional Cook Level 1  
Robbie-Lynn Youb - Applied Business Technology

### Post-Secondary

Gregory Behn - Training Through Trust Horsemanship Apprentice  
Jennie Capot Blanc - Heavy Equipment Operator  
Micheal Dettieh - Industrial Warehousing Certificate  
Tiffany Dettieh - Early Learning and Childcare  
Curtis Dickie - Carpentry - Level 3  
Brandon Markin - Culinary Arts - Level 2  
Jackson McDermott - Bachelor of Arts  
Jennifer Needlay - Administration Assistant and Business Fundamentals

**“Take action.** Every story you've ever connected with, every leader you've ever admired, every puny little thing that you've ever accomplished is the result of taking action. You have a choice. You can either be a passive victim of circumstance or you can be the active hero of your own life.”

Health & Community Services

TRANSPORTATION  
AVAILABLE  
250.500.1078

for the kids

Tuesday, July 11  
7:00-9:00PM  
Health Centre  
10-15 Years  
Register by July 7

Thank  
You!

A big thank you to  
**Glenna Behn** and  
**Carol Resener** for always  
giving items/prizes to the  
Language Bingo prize  
stash throughout the year.  
It is very much  
appreciated.

Thank you, too, to the  
**Recreation Dept.** for the  
donation of toys.



Paint Night

with Dawn Gullackson

for the adults

Monday, July 7  
7:00-9:00PM  
Health Centre  
16+  
Register by July 17

Happy July,  
FNFN!

CALL SHAWNA IF YOU  
HAVE QUESTIONS,  
250.500.1078



Photos by Chief Gale from the  
Youth Forum Community  
Meeting held on June 20 at  
Moose Camp.



Health & Community Services cont'd.

Father's Day Breakfast

June 18

Health Centre

My Dad is the  
BEST.  
DAD.  
EVER.  
Period End of  
Story.



HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
Day!



My Dad  
is my  
best  
Buddy.



Photos by Renee Lomen

*"For as long as the sun shines, the grass grows and the rivers flow."*

## *Health & Community Services cont'd.*

Summer is here! **Recreation** has been busy preparing for our Summer Program activities and let me tell you, to offer programs to the community of all ages is always a challenge but worth it at the end. This year we have scheduled our programming a bit different, we will not be offering full day program due to our capacity level, we do not want to overload our Summer Students and Staff which could result in program cancellations. This will allow us time for preparation, organization along with coaching our Summer Students.

There are 8 themed weeks throughout July and August and we look forward to all the fun. Some reminders to keep in mind:

- Send your child dressed for the weather, this will allow us to be more outdoors.
- We will provide a healthy snack in the middle of program and have a fruit/veggie bowl accessible at any time.
- Transportation is only offered to FNFN Community, town drop offs will only take place when program is located in town.
- Transportation times may vary due to the number of participants or location of program each day.
- Keep your child at home if he/she is ill or sick this will limit the spread of germs.
- In the event your child bring a personal items to program, it will be the responsibility of that child to keep it.

We do have other programs:

- We will be attending the BRFN Culture Camp with Youth 10+.
- Monday's will consist of a Group Activity in the afternoon.
- Motocross Races for 10+ youth. Give Janelle a call to sign up.
- We will be joining Family Service staff to offer Paint Nights and Cake Decorating.
- Adult Swimming twice a month on Thursday's, passes can be picked up at Meyosin that afternoon. Note that will only be providing transportation and passes to 18+.
- Mini Junior Hockey Tournament is scheduled, more details to come.

The Recreation Team is excited to offer some great summer activities for everyone!



Photo by Renee Lomen



Good day everyone;

My name is Heather Gaidner; I would like to say Mussi Cho to FNFN Lands Department for hiring me as the "Community Forestry & Wildfire Coordinator"

My role at the Lands Department will be to assist in the development and implementation of community-based programs, activities and initiatives intended to communicate, promote, and implement local forestry and wildfire protection for the Fort Nelson First Nation reserve lands, and the territory at large.

I will be responsible for community forestry and wildfire program planning, communication, and outreach activities, and related implementations; this will include community engagement, education, and recruitment and training to equip FNFN crews for participation in community wildfire protection programs. This position will have me interface with the Capital Works and Lands department, as well as with consultants, FNFN trappers, community members, NRRM and other stakeholders.

My main focus at this time is to get myself familiar with FNFN Lands and other departments, review all correspondence in regards to this position, and merge into working with FNFN Forestry team in completing the application for the "Community Forest Agreement". During this process we will be having Community engagement and information meetings, to keep you up to date as we move forward.

So again Mussi, I look forward to working with all of you and being a good spokesperson for our FNFN community on Reserve or in our Traditional areas.

Feel free to come into the Lands Office if you have any questions, if I do not have the answer you are looking for I can refer you to someone who can assist you.

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# Welcome, Heather!

## Goals of the Community Forest Program

This form of tenure is intended to provide new opportunities for community management of Crown forest land.

By providing communities with greater flexibility to manage local forests, government seeks to:

- provide long-term opportunities for achieving a range of community objectives, values and priorities
- diversify the use of and benefits derived from the **Community Forest Agreement** area
- provide social and economic benefits to British Columbia
- undertake community forestry consistent with sound principles of environmental stewardship that reflect a broad spectrum of values
- promote community involvement and participation
- promote communication and strengthen relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities and persons
- foster innovation



A community forest can be described as any forestry operation managed by a local government, community group, First Nation or community-held corporation for the benefit of the entire community. Community forestry involves the three pillars of sustainable development: social, ecological, and economic sustainability. At its core, community forestry is about local control over and enjoyment of the monetary and non-monetary benefits offered by local forest resources.

As of June 2017, there are 60 community organizations, representing nearly



100 individual communities, involved at some stage of planning or operating a Community Forest Agreement. Collectively, community forests represent approximately 2% of the provincial annual harvest.

**Local forests,  
local people, local decisions.**

*Lands & Resources cont'd.***MEMORANDUM****June 20, 2017****SUBJECT: Feral swine in the area of the Liard River Hotspings Provincial Park**

Please be advised that BC Parks Area Supervisor for the Liard Area found a feral swine dead in the bush close to the Liard River Hotspings Provincial Park. The pig appeared to have been killed by a bear.

For your information pigs in the wild are classified as "Schedule C" wildlife. This means that there is no close season and you are within your rights to kill a pig on sight. The rationale behind this is that pigs, in the wild, reproduce quickly and can become entrenched in an ecosystem. They cause damage to the environment and may aid in ecosystem shifts. It would be greatly appreciated if you would help in the initiative to ensure that no pig populations are able to establish themselves in the Northeast. The meat is edible.

If you sight any pigs in the wild, and are able to kill it please do. In all pig sighting cases please contact us to report the details and location of the sighting or kill.

Thank you for your support,

**Katelyn White**

**First Nations and Stakeholder Engagement Specialist | Fish and Wildlife Section**  
 Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations  
 Suite 400, 10003-110<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort St. John, BC, V1J 6M7  
 Ph: 250-787-3496



**The SYD Snake River Cabin** is for use by the FNFN Community as families or weekend stay. This facility can be accessed by signing a cabin use and waiver form. The document is available at the FNFN Lands Department.

**Cabin Supply Suggestion List:**

If you're headed out to the cabin, you may want to bring some of these items with you as the cabin is not equipped with these or other essentials.

- Foam mattress/mattress
- pillows
- Sleeping bags
- Clean drinking water
- Your food
- Cooking utensils/dishes
- Wash basin - for personal hygiene
- Dish cloths/soap
- Dress for the weather
- Flashlight (there is one at the cabin but a flashlight/lamp would be good)
- Reading material
- Games, etc.



- Fishing rod and gear

The cabin has some emergency supplies, such as an axe, swede saw, fire extinguisher, coffee pot and a few dishes, first aid kit, bucket for water from the creek for dishes etc., emergency candles and wood (please replenish if you can).

*Please enjoy your stay at the cabin and ensure that you keep it in good shape for others.*

*Lands & Resources cont'd.***Fort Nelson First Nation | Department of Lands & Resources**

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**Fort Nelson First Nation Community Cabin Use Agreement & Waiver**

Arrival Date:	Departure Date:
Registered Guest 1:	Registered Guest 2:
Phone Number:	Phone Number:
Emergency Contact Name:	Emergency Contact Number:

The FNFN Cabin and surrounding day use area has been created and maintained for the use of FNFN members. We ask that all parties using the site respect the land and facilities provided. If you see any damage upon arrival, please document via photo with time/day stamp and report back to FNFN upon your return.

**RULES FOR CABIN USE:**

- Smoking is not allowed inside the cabin
- Drug or alcohol use is not permitted at this site
- Keep the cabin clean.
- Do not deface the cabin by writing or carving on the walls, tables, etc. Please sign the Log Book.
- Welcome and make room for everyone who visits the cabin. Work together to have an enjoyable stay. At night, respect others who wish to sleep!
- Close all windows and door, when leaving cabin.
- A fire extinguisher has been provided for emergencies. Be sure the fire has burned out before leaving the cabin (do not use water to put the fire out).

**UPON DEPARTURE**

- Clean-up cabin, outhouse and other areas used – leave the site as you found it, including emergency supplies and grub box rations.
- Leave kindling and a small amount of wood in the cabins to help the next group get started.
- Do not leave food behind in cabins. Only non-perishable items should be left in the grub box.
- Pack out all garbage and recyclables.
- Return keys immediately and report any problems you may have noticed or experienced to Marilyn Norby at 250-774-6313 (office), or 250-500-1087 (cell) or via email [Marilyn.norby@fnnation.ca](mailto:Marilyn.norby@fnnation.ca)

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT MARILYN NORBY: 250-500-1087 or RCMP: 250-774-2777**

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*Lands & Resources cont'd.*

- 1) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ KEYS: A **\$50.00 deposit will be required to access the cabin.** The deposit will be paid when the Registered Guest picks up the key. The deposit will be refunded when the key is returned to the Fort Nelson First Nation Lands Department. Cabin guest(s) are responsible for cost of re-keying if locksmith is required to come out due to lost or non-returned keys.
- 2) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ CABIN DAMAGE: The Registered Guest acknowledges and understands that he/she is financially responsible for any and all damage that may occur during the stated usage period which can reasonably be attributed to the registered party's negligence or abuse.
- 3) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ SMOKING: **This is a non-smoking cabin.** If it is found that the Registered Party, or guest of the registered party, has smoked inside the cabin. Future use of the cabin will be restricted and a **\$250.00 cleaning fee will be charged to the Registered Guest.**
- 4) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ WILDLIFE: Parties are likely to encounter wildlife (deer, bears, wolves, moose and bugs of various types, including wasps and/or hornets, etc...). Fort Nelson First Nation will not accept responsibility for any injury caused by wildlife. Please be respectful of all wildlife, including ensuring that your camp is clean and does not create attractants to bears and other wildlife.
- 5) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ HOLD HARMLESS: The Registered Guest acknowledges and understands that each and every guest, or guardian, is solely responsible for any accident or injury to any person while in-residence, and that the Fort Nelson First Nation accepts NO legal or financial responsibility. Cabin guests, and guardians, assume all risk of injury or other loss resulting from any recreational activity and will hold the Fort Nelson First Nation harmless with respect thereto. Registered Guest(s) hereby agrees to indemnify and the Fort Nelson First Nation harmless from any and all claims, including those of third parties, arising out of or in any way a result of the cabin guests use of the premises or items therein.
- 6) Initial \_\_\_\_\_ AGES: Registered Guest confirms that at least one guest, who will be at the cabin throughout the use period, is at least 18 years of age, or older.

This agreement constitutes a contract between the Registered Guest(s) and the Fort Nelson First Nation. The guest acknowledges and understands that by signing this agreement, he/she states that he/she has read and understands the written policies provided within and agrees with all statements included herein.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed by authorized FNFN Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed by Registered Guest

Print Name:

Print Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date:

*Lands & Resources cont'd.*

**SATURDAY, JULY 15  
9:00AM - 3:00PM  
MOOSE CAMP**

For more information, contact  
Katherine at 250.774.6313

**LANDS DEPARTMENT  
COMMUNITY MEETING**

**GETTING INFORMED IS A CHOICE.**

**Agenda:**

- Liard Basin Monitoring Initiative
- Guardian Program
- Community Forestry Agreement

**Lunch provided  
Open to all members**

**REMINDER: THE HARVESTER SUPPORT AND SEWING SUBSIDY APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 30, 2017 AT 4:30PM. APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE LANDS DEPARTMENT.**

**THURSDAY, JULY 6  
5:00 - 7:00PM  
MOOSE CAMP**

For more information, contact  
Marilyn at 250.774.6313

**LANDS DEPARTMENT  
COMMUNITY MEETING**

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**Agenda:**

- Harvester Support Application Selection

**Lunch provided  
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## Land Code

Indian Reserves are “lands reserved for Indians” under section 91 (24) of the Constitution Act, 1982. The Government of Canada has exclusive jurisdiction (authority and responsibility) of the development and management of Reserve Lands. Under the Indian Act, Indian Reserves are vested in Her Majesty and are held “for the use and benefit” of an Indian Band. Canada must approve any use of reserve lands. The Minister must approve permits under section 28(2) and the Cabinet must approve designations under section 38(2).

The **First Nations Land Management Act** (FNLMA) passed in 1999. This was initiated by a group of First Nations that were frustrated with all the administrative INAC red tape that slowed development of their reserve lands. The FNLMA enables First Nations, with the support of their membership, to take over administration and control of their reserve lands from Canada. About 34 sections of the Indian Act will no longer apply to that First Nation. This is administration and control, not ownership as the reserve lands remain reserve lands. The First Nation creates its own **Land Code** that defines how activities on reserve lands will be administered and managed. The Land Code must be approved by the Membership. Canada then transfers the administration and control of reserve lands through the **Individual Agreement**. The Individual Agreement describes the reserve lands to be transferred and the terms and conditions of the transfer.

Here are some differences between the Indian Act and a Land Code:

UNDER THE INDIAN ACT	UNDER A FIRST NATION LAND CODE
<p><b>CONFLICT OF INTEREST:</b></p> <p>There is nothing in the Indian Act about Conflict of Interest.</p>	<p><b>CONFLICT OF INTEREST:</b></p> <p>The First Nation creates its own Conflict of Interest rules that apply to Council, Employees, Committee Members, and Contractors.</p>
<p><b>ACCOUNTABILITY TO MEMBERSHIP:</b></p> <p>Councils are accountable only to the Minister of Indigenous Affairs.</p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY</b></p> <p>A First Nation must report annually to its Members on its land management activities. The Land Code will also set out rules on financial accountability for its management of lands, resources and revenues.</p> <p>The Council is legally responsible for managing the reserve lands and resources for the benefit of the Members.</p>
<p><b>DISPUTE MECHANISM:</b></p> <p>There is nothing in the Indian Act for members to appeal Council decisions.</p>	<p><b>DISPUTE PROCESS</b></p> <p>The First Nation creates its own process on how disputes are handled, including an Appeal process.</p>
<p><b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</b></p> <p>There are no specific provisions for environmental protection and First Nations can't make bylaws for environmental protection. There is no comprehensive legislation for identification and remediation of contaminated sites.</p>	<p><b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION</b></p> <p>First Nations may pass laws respecting development, conservation, protection, management, use and possession of Reserve lands. The environmental standards must meet or beat the provincial environmental standards.</p>

The Land Code and the Individual Agreement must be voted on by a formal ratification vote. **Every Elector has the right to vote.** The vote for the Fort Nelson First Nation Land Code and Individual Agreement is set for **March 27-29, 2018**.

**Electors: We need your contact information.** Please contact Cynthia Burke at 250-774-6313 or email [Cynthia.burke@fnation.ca](mailto:Cynthia.burke@fnation.ca).

## Upcoming Events

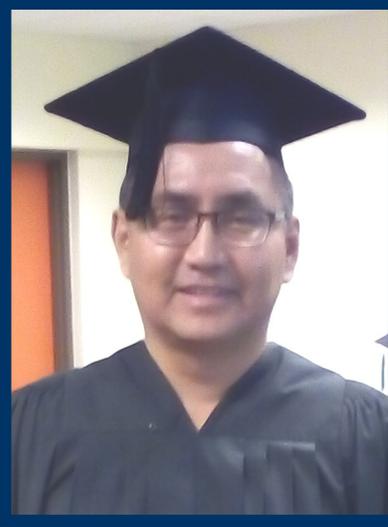
## Mark Your Calendars

**All-Party Meeting** (INAC, LABRC, Verifier, FNFN) open to **FNFN MEMBERS ONLY** on Monday July 10<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Location TBD.

**Community Land Code Working Sessions** on Financial Management, Law Making Process, and Process to enact Matrimonial Law. Dates and Locations: TBD

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## Congratulations



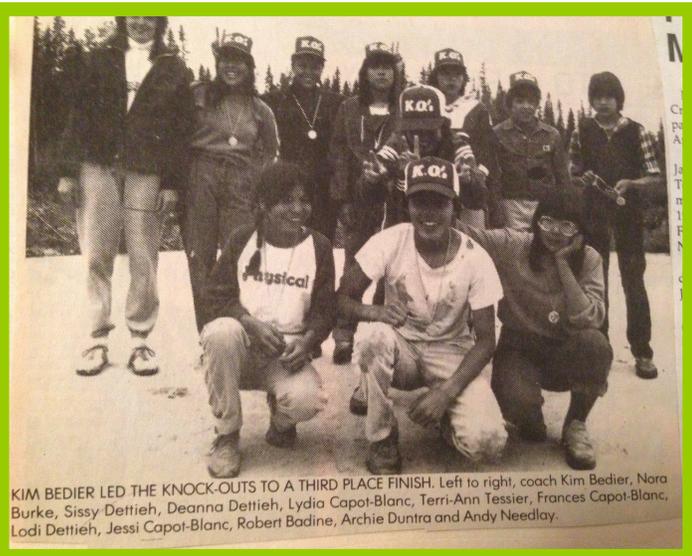
Chad graduated on June 14, 2017 from the University of Victoria with a Diploma in Humanities.

He'll be entering the Health and Community Services in Public Health and Social Policy Bachelor Program in the fall with two years credit towards this degree.

Way to go, Chad!  
We're all very proud of you.

If you have old photos to share, we'd love to see them!  
You can text them to 250.500.4778 or bring them in to  
Renee Lomen at the Lands office.

Photo below shows sisters, Rosa & Marian Michel. Rosa is Betty (Parson) Wilk's mom. Photo submitted by Kathi Dickie.



KIM BEDIER LED THE KNOCK-OUTS TO A THIRD PLACE FINISH. Left to right, coach Kim Bedier, Nora Burke, Sissy Dettieh, Deanna Dettieh, Lydia Capot-Blanc, Terri-Ann Tessier, Frances Capot-Blanc, Lodi Dettieh, Jessi Capot-Blanc, Robert Badine, Archie Duntra and Andy Needlay.



Some old photos used in past Rez Trivia online. Good memories!

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Annual Celebration

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**FORT NELSON FIRST NATION**



**ANNUAL CELEBRATION**

*Celebrating our Dene and Cree cultures and traditions.*

**AUGUST 11 - 13, 2017**

You're invited to help us celebrate and honour our Dene and Cree cultures and traditions at Fort Nelson First Nation's Annual Celebration. Join us for 3 days of events, food, fun and socializing.

*Drum Dances  
Workshops  
Bingo  
Competitions  
Handgames  
Moose Camp*

**5001 Dene Etene Road  
Mile 295 Alaska Highway  
FNFN Arbour Grounds**

*Community Feast  
Kid's Activities  
Craft Showcase  
Vendors  
Entertainment  
Door Prizes*

This is a drug and alcohol free event.

More detailed information to come as the date nears. Stay tuned to the Fort Nelson First Nation Facebook page for the most up to date and current information!

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

For more information contact Glenn Saganace, Executive Director of Administration, at 250.774.7257 or 250.500.5226

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July 2017 Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Have a great July, FNFN!</p> <p>Be sun safe and bear safe, too!</p>	<p><b>J</b></p>	<p><b>U</b></p>	<p><b>L</b></p>	<p><b>Y</b></p>		<p>1 Canada Day</p> 
<p>2</p> 	<p>3 STAT - In lieu of Canada Day. FNFN Closed.</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 8:00pm C-Park</p> 	<p>4 BRFN Culture Camp Travel Day</p> <p>Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4:00PM M</p> <p>Healing Picnic (Open) 5-7PM Old Rez</p>	<p>5 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>Elder's Social 1-4PM HWC</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4:00PM M</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 8:00pm R-Park</p>	<p>6 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4:00pm M</p> <p><b>Comm'ty Mtg 5-7PM Moose Camp</b></p> <p>Public Swim (Families) 6-8pm NRRM</p>	<p>7 BRFN Culture Camp Return</p> <p>Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4:00pm M</p>	<p>8 Community Kitchen 1-4PM HWC</p> <p>Motocross Races (10+) 12:00-4:00pm</p> 
<p>9</p>	<p>10 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Group Activity (Open) 1-4PM, Meet at Meyosin</p> <p><b>Comm'ty Mtg: Land Code 5PM TBA</b></p> <p>Beading (15+) 6-9 PM HWC</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 6:30pm C-Park</p>	<p>11 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Public Library Visit (Families) 1:30-2:30pm HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4:00pm M</p> <p>Healing Picnic (Open) 5-7 PM Old Rez</p>	<p>12 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Beading (15+) 6-9PM HWC</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 6:30pm C-Park</p>	<p>13 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Family Friendly Meals (Families) 5:30-7:30pm HS</p> <p>Adult Swim (18+) 7:00-9:00pm Town</p>	<p>14 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Parenting Circle (Parents &amp; 0-6) 11a-1pm HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p>	<p>15 Comm'ty Mtg 9AM-3PM Moose Camp</p> <p>Drop-In (10+) 2-4PM M</p> 
<p>16</p> 	<p>17 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Group Activity (Open) 1-4PM M</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 6:30pm C-Park</p>	<p>18 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Healing Picnic (Open) 5-7PM Old Rez</p> 	<p>19 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Elder's Social 1-4PM HWC</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Public Swim (Families) 6-8pm NRRM</p>	<p>20 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12:00pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p>	<p>21 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Parenting Circle (Parents &amp; 0-6) 11am—1pm HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> 	<p>22 Community Kitchen 1-4PM HWC</p> <p>Drop In (10+) 2-4PM M</p> 
<p>23</p> <p>Check the FNFN Facebook page for the daily "Today at FNFN" posts that lists all daily updated activities!</p> 	<p>24 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Group Swim (Open) 1-4pm, Meet at Meyosin</p> <p>Beading (15+) 6-9PM HWC</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 8pm C-Park</p>	<p>25 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Public Library Visit (Families) 1:30-2:30pm HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>FN Tribe Game 6:30pm R-Park</p> <p>Language Bingo 5-7 PM HWC</p>	<p>26 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Beading (15+) 6-9PM HWC</p> <p>Mini Hockey Tournament **watch for flyer</p>	<p>27 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Elders Lunch 11-4PM HWC</p> <p><b>Comm'ty Mtg: 5-7PM CH Gym Agenda: 1st Quarter Finance Update</b></p> <p>Family Friendly Meals (Families) 5:30—7:30 pm HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Adult Swim (18+) 7-9pm Town</p>	<p>28 Super Kids (5-9) 9:30-12pm M</p> <p>Parenting Circle (Parents &amp; 0-6) 11AM-1PM HS</p> <p>YLP (10+) 1:30-4pm M</p> <p>Mini Hockey Tournament **watch for flyer</p>	<p>29 Slo-Pitch Year End Tournament, come cheer on our Members</p> 
<p>30</p>	<p>31 MOW Delivery</p> <p>Old Fort Picnic (Open) 1-4pm Weather permitting</p> 	<p><b>COMMUNITY MEETINGS IN JULY:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ July 6 5-7PM Moose Camp</li> <li>⇒ July 10 5PM Location TBA</li> <li>⇒ July 15 5-7PM Moose Camp</li> <li>⇒ July 27 5-7PM Chalo Gym</li> </ul> <p><i>Getting informed is a choice!</i></p>			<p><b>FNFN Culture Camp is June 22 – Aug 7 at Old Fort.</b></p> <p><b>Contact Cyndi for more information at 250.774.7257.</b></p>	