

Delaware Nation ~ Newsletter

Bi-Weekly DATE: May 3rd, 2017

Volume 5 issue 1



Please hand in your news items on Monday May 15th, 2017 by 4:00pm

The next Delaware Nation Bi-Weekly Newsletter will be distributed on Wednesday May 17th, 2017



NOTICE—ANNOUNCEMENT

In celebration of Moraviantown's 225th Birthday and Annual Children's Celebration, the Council has declared May 8th an OFFICIAL HOLIDAY and all buildings are closed.

Special Thanks



Les Timothy Memorial Golf
Tournament ~ June 16, 2017

50 / 50 Tickets
For sale \$1.00 ea.

Available from all Staff

A special thanks to Delaware Nation Chief and Council who generously contributed to the Moravian United Church.

A group from Thamesville held a bible camp last summer on very hot days. The children cooled off in front of fans. So the congregation decided to use the monetary gift for new air conditioning which will cost \$3,888.00

Rev. Golden and Congregation.



For more news and information check out our website

www.delawarenation.on.ca

Delaware Nation Administration Office: 519-692-3936

DELAWARE NATION

Canada 150

May 8th, 2017, marks 225 years since our community relocated from our homelands to our current site. To celebrate this day Council has declared this day a Lenape holiday and as part of this celebration, one activity planned is to solicit Lenape names to replace Moravian of the Thames -- the name given to us by Indian Affairs alongside *Reserve #47*. **May 8th** is the start of our celebration and will culminate on Saturday, July 1st, 2017 by collectively reclaiming our community identity!

We have much to acknowledge beginning with our great grandparents, grandparents, parents, our families, our children and each other. Even after Canada's attempt to separate us through the status system, their forced removal of members of our families and placing them in Indian Residential Schools, only to repeat this removal through the 60's Scoop, illegally appropriating our lands, we have resisted and are still here.

Our Nations have occupied Turtle Island for a millennium, tens of thousand of years, so to be invited by Canada in 2017 to celebrate in their 150 years as a country is not an option. Council has made a conscious decision not to apply for 150 funds nor to participate in their festivities, parades, walks or any other Canada150 activities.

Our focus is the reaffirmation of a Lenape nation and to solidify our future. We invite all community members to come out on Saturday, May 27th to continue the dialogue from the April 29th session.

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| May 8, 2017 | Details posted in this week's Delaware Newsletter. |
| May 27, 2017 | 8 am - Breakfast (hosted by the Health Centre); and
9 am - Community Session @ Community Centre. |

“Our vision is a community where people can depend on each other, are respectful, and has the courage to shape our own future.”



225th Birthday Celebration

**Come and join us for the festivities on
Monday May 08, 2017 in honour of
our Community's 225th Birthday.**

11:00 a.m.

Community centre

**Singing, drumming followed by lunch
and birthday cake.**

**Delaware Nation COMMUNITY SURVEY
NAME CHANGE**

The Legal INAC Name: Delaware Nation Council, Moravian of the Thames Band

Name currently used: Delaware Nation
Delaware Nation – Moravian of the Thames
Moravian of the Thames
Moraviantown

Most commonly used: Delaware Nation – Moravian of the Thames

Suggested Names Provided by The Language and Culture Department:

Akwaanumhátiing – where they fish with the dip net

Eelūnaapéewi Lahkéewiit – Delaware Nation

Yáapee – along the bank, close to the river

Do you agree with a name change?

YES

If **YES**, please provide a suggested name (English or Lunáapeew) or pick one from the suggested names.

NO

If **NO**, please explain why.

Name: _____

911 Address: _____

Anúshiik for your participation, your survey will be entered into a prize draw.

2017 DELAWARE NATION ELECTIONS

ONE CHIEF AND FIVE COUNCILLORS

NOMINATIONS:

Date: Thursday, May 18, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Place: Delaware Nation Community Centre

QUALIFYING:

Date: Thursday, May 25, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Place: Delaware Nation Community Centre

Candidates *must* attend Qualifying Night in order to Declare Candidacy.

ELECTION DAY:

Date: Thursday, June 01, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Place: Delaware Nation Community Centre

Only registered members of the Delaware Nation who are eighteen (18) years of age or older are eligible to vote.

Voters may be required to produce identification at the discretion of the Deputy Returning Officer.

Deputy Returning Officer (DRO) – Denean Hopkins
Poll Clerk (PC) – Cathy Stonefish



Job Summary

Location:
Delaware Nation
Administration Office
14760 School House Line
R. R. #3
Thamesville, Ontario
N0P 2K0

Industry
Public Works
Recreation and
Maintenance

Job Status:
Contract
20 weeks
35 hours per week

Salary:
TBD

Closing Date:

**Tuesday,
May 09, 2017
4:00 p.m.**

DELAWARE NATION JOB POSTING

Recreation Grounds Worker(s)

The Delaware Nation Council is currently accepting applications for a Recreation Grounds Worker, two (2) positions within the Delaware Nation organization.

SUPERVISION

The Recreation Grounds Worker shall be under the supervision of the Public Works Manager and/or the Director of Operations.

EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS

Contract position - 20 weeks, 35 hours per week, based on funding availability.

SCOPE

The Recreation Grounds Worker will be responsible for the recreation grounds and facility scheduling and maintenance in coordination with Public Works where applicable.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES (to include but not be limited to the following):

- Ensure recreation grounds are maintained and community needs are met (i.e. diamond lights are turned off and on; washrooms are opened and closed in relevance to ground use, etc.)
- Ensuring access to recreation ground washroom facilities.
- Maintenance of recreation ground washroom facilities.
- Monitor operation and maintenance of food booth.
- Advise administration of supply needs bi-weekly for facilities.
- Coordinate use of recreation grounds facilities, in coordination with Community Support Worker and baseball diamond scheduling.
- Ensure diamonds are prepared for scheduled games (i.e. dragging and lining diamonds)

OTHER DUTIES:

- May be required to assist with other programs, services or projects as time permits (i.e. cemetery, cenotaph, ground maintenance, housing, etc.)

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Familiarity with the Delaware Nation community
- Experience in working in recreation, parks and planning.
- Time management and organizational skills.
- Good communication skills.
- Valid driver's license and access to reliable transportation an asset.
- Must provide a copy of recent criminal reference check (CPIC)
- Must be willing to work flexible hours (nights, days, weekends) as required

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

Interested candidates please submit a **Cover Letter, Résumé, and 3 current letters of reference (2 work related and 1 character) to:**

Director of Operations
Delaware Nation Administration Office
14760 School House Line, R. R. #3 Thamesville, Ontario N0P 2K0

BY: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.

Thank You to All That Apply, however,
Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

DELAWARE NATION BAND MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



DELAWARE NATION JOB POSTING

POW WOW COORDINATOR

Project Description

SUPERVISION

The Pow Wow Coordinator shall be under the supervision of the Director of Operations and, under the advice of the Language & Culture Centre.

SCOPE

The Pow Wow Coordinator will be responsible for the planning, development, management, and evaluation of this year's Annual Delaware Nation Pow Wow on September 2nd and September 3rd, 2017.

SERVICE CONTRACT

A short-term contract position up to maximum of 16 weeks - June 2017 (21 hours per week); July 2017 (21 hours per week); August 2017 (35 hours per week); and September 2017 (35 hours per week) – flexible hours.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES (to include but not be limited to the following):

- Oversee the planning, delivery, and evaluation of the Annual Delaware Nation Pow Wow
- Coordinate and oversee fundraising to offset the cost of the powwow
Coordinate fundraising initiatives
- Coordinate and manage event scheduling and details including vendors, dancers, volunteers, drum groups, prizes/honoraria, security, special guests, meals, maintenance, clean-up and give away
- Coordinate & supervise community volunteers to assist with all aspects of the event
- Coordinate and supervise the Miss Moraviantown pageant and/or Youth Ambassador program
- Develop and distribute event advertisements
- Coordinate the purchase or rental of equipment, materials and supplies needed for the event
- Coordinate maintenance of the powwow grounds to ensure the venue is clean and safe
- Produce a final report for presentation to Chief and Council and the community at the annual Gaming Revenue meeting.

ADMINISTRATION

- Develop a comprehensive project work plan and budget
- Responsible for maintaining an organized filing system including but not limited to, activity log book, purchases/receipts, event information
- Report to the Director of Operations on a weekly basis to provide updates

Job Summary

Location:
Delaware Nation
Administration
14760 School House Line
R. R. #3
Thamesville, Ontario
N0P 2K0

Job Status:
Contract,
June – September 2017

Hours of Work:
Flexible hours
will be required

Salary:
TBA

Closing Date:

Tuesday
May 23, 2017
@ 4:00pm

QUALIFICATIONS

- Familiar with the Delaware Nation community and Annual Pow Wow
- Experience in event planning
- Ability to develop and monitor a budget
- Good communication skills
- Working knowledge of computers, including Microsoft Office
- Must possess a valid driver's license and have access to reliable transportation

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

Interested candidates, please submit a "Letter of Interest"
3 current letters of reference
(1 work related and 2 characters) to:

Director of Operations
Delaware Nation Administration Office
14760 School House Line, R. R. #3 Thamesville, Ontario N0P 2K0

Marked: CONFIDENTIAL "Pow Wow Coordinator"

BY: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Successful applicant will be required to provide a current CPIC and consent to a background reference check.

Must be hand-delivered or mailed
E-mails will not be accepted.

DELAWARE NATION BAND MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



MORAVIAN UNITED CHURCH

Rev. Joan can be reached on her cell number 519-495-9383 at her home 289-1574 if you wish to schedule a home visit or to meet at the church. Joan will be at the church Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

The Moravian United Church Community of Faith wishes to thank everyone who came to the Dinner and a Movie evening. We are planning another Dinner and a Movie evening Friday June 23, 2017.

May 7th @ 9:30 Worship Service Fourth Sunday of Easter
Jesus: The Good Shepherd

May 14th @ 9:30 Worship Service Mother's and Family Day!!

May 21 @ 9:30 Worship Service Jesus reassures His followers
"The Advocate, the Spirit,
will be with you"

June 23rd @ 5:30 DINNER AND A MOVIE EVENING
Movie will begin around 6:30

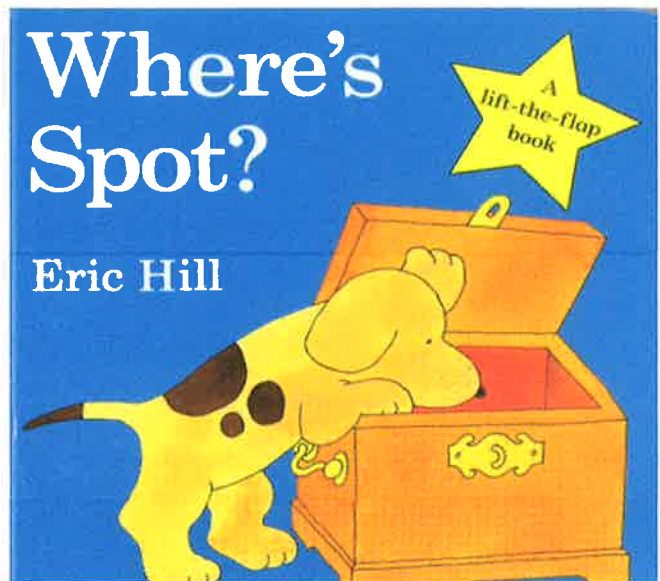
Please bring a lawn



chair, if you wish

Please join us – Everyone is always welcomed.

Lunáapeew Language Class



May 18th 2017
May 25th 2017
5:00pm-6:30pm
Everyone
Welcomed!

Come out and learn the story book
Where's Spot? By Eric Hill in the
Lunáapeew Language at the
Early Learning Centre

Facilitator: Kaylene Noah
Supper Provided
Drug and Alcohol Free



MOTHER'S DAY

PAY-WHAT-U-CAN BREAKFAST

DATE: Sunday May 14th, 2017

TIME: 9:00 – Noon

WHERE: Delaware Nation Community Centre

MENU: Scrambled and hard-boiled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, oatmeal, home fries, toast, coffee, tea, juice

Plus – every mom will receive a small gift

EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Sponsored by Lunaapeew Heritage Circle to raise funds for Cultural Events in the community



SPRING FEAST AND SOCIAL

DATE: Friday May 19th, 2017

TIME: 5:00- 9:00 p.m.

PLACE: Delaware Nation Community Centre

Potluck Feast to give thanks for the change in Season.
Bring your favourite dish of food to share with everyone

Social Dancing to follow featuring stomp Dance and Lunaapeew Stick Dance.

Event sponsored by Lunaapeew Heritage Circle

EVERYONE WELCOME



Volunteer Board Members Wanted

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the volunteer board for the Lenape Community Radio Society, please send a resume and cover letter outlining your reasons for wanting to get involved to: Sherry Huff, sherry@huffmedia.ca.

Hard copies of your resume and cover letter can also be dropped off at the Delaware Nation Administration Office, in a sealed envelope addressed to Sherry Huff.

The new radio station board will determine the future direction of the radio station, develop radio station policies and procedures, establish radio bingo and create a strategy to expand

community programming. In addition to your volunteer support of the radio station, you will be expected to attend regular board meetings. Standard rates apply for meeting attendance (\$75 half day/\$150 full day).

Consider applying if you have an interest in:

- community engagement
- knowledge sharing
- cultural awareness
- fundraising


Experience in policy development, non-profit corporations, bingo operations, social media and (PC or Mac) computers is a definite asset.



The Delaware Nation's own community radio station

**The
Buck
CKBK, 104.3 FM**

Call us at 519-692-4056
thebuck104.3@gmail.com

 Find us on FaceBook

The Lenape Community Radio Society is non-profit corporation, owned by the Delaware Nation.

Atom & Squirt Fastball Teams

Atom (2009,2008 & 2007)

Squirt (2006 & 2005)



If your child(ren) are interested in playing in the league this year on either team, please contact Amanda Logan @ 226-229-2443. Rosters are limited to 20 kids max. Atom home nights will be Friday & Squirt home nights are Tuesday





A Film Presentation: *We Are Still Here*

Ridgetown Branch

Tuesday, May 16, 6:00 pm

Wallaceburg Branch

Thursday, May 25, 6:00 pm

Chatham Branch

Monday, May 29, 6:30 pm

This moving 40-minute documentary, by Sarnia filmmaker Dwayne Cloes, tells the dark history of Canada's residential schools through the voices of three survivors from Aamjiwnaang and Walpole Island First Nations.



Native Youth Olympics 2017



Track & Field



Hosted by Walpole Island

First 3 boys and girls to sign up per age category will be accepted

3 events per person

Field Events: Ball Throw, Long Jump, Short Jump

7-8 Years: 50M, 100M, 200M + Field Events

9-10 Years: 50M, 100M, 200M, 400M + Field Events

11-12 Years: 100M to 800M + Field Events

13-15 Years: 100M to 800M + Field Events

16-19 Years: 100M to 800M + Field Events

*All participants to bring their own lunches.

*Medals to be presented at Awards Dinner

Date: Saturday, May 27th 2017 (May 28th Rain Date)

Time: Registration starts at 9:00am
Events begin at 9:30am

Location: To Be Determined

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 17th @ 4:00pm

For more information and to register contact Norm Logan @ 519-692-4434

School Board wants your thoughts

On March 20, the Lambton Kent District School Board launched a Thought-exchange for the proposed plan for the Blenheim, Ridgetown, Tilbury, and South Chatham Area phase, asking for community input on the two proposed scenarios. Scenario 1 is to construct a Kindergarten to Grade 12 School on either the Blenheim District High School site or Harwich Raleigh Public School site. This will close and relocate the students from, Harwich Raleigh Public School, W.J. Baird Public School, Ridgetown District High School Grade 7 and 8, Ridgetown District High School and Blenheim District High School. Scenario 2 would be to construct a Grade 9 to Grade 12 Secondary School at a site to be determined and close relocate the secondary students from, Blenheim District High School, John McGregor Secondary School, Ridgetown District High School and Tilbury District High School. This would see the Ridgetown District High School Grade 7 and 8 students sent to Naahii Ridge Public School.

Since they didn't ask our thoughts on the list of over 140 basking on the sunshine list or the two year contract extensions and accompanying raises being negotiated with Premier Wynne effectively putting new discussions after the next election we'll discuss those another day.

To the two questions of 1, close the school or 2 close the school would it be much of a surprise that in East Kent the answer would be neither. Unless the site for the "unknown" scenario is determined to be here in Ridgetown. That's kind of like being asked do want to be whacked in the head with a red hammer or a green hammer, where neither would be the selected answer. Hopefully they are not paying a lot of money for this study when the replies from the east and west ends of the district should be a given.

The School Board claims the province won't provide the needed funds to maintain the schools and the province say they provide everything the school boards require and the decisions are up to them. Neither of the above seems to be getting the job done.

It is time to fight for our community like we have never done before. We have lost way too much over the last number of years. The amalgamation of the schools boards is the same as the amalgamation of the municipality, a failure. We are tired of being neglected and shoved aside. Is there any fight left or is it time to roll over once again, maybe for the last time.

Why not drop in to the meeting tonight (Wednesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. at the Anglican Parish Hall on Church Street) where community residents will be discussing the matter.

RDHS meeting tonight

This is a reminder of the second Ridgetown District High School community meeting that is scheduled for tonight, Wednesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. at the Anglican Parish Hall on Church Street in Ridgetown. This meeting is being held for you to have an opportunity to learn more about how to complete the 'Star' phase, to receive an update on our current efforts to save RDHS from closure, to provide input on future activities, and pick up an "Our Local Schools Matter" sign.

"Ridgetown District High School is not under an accommodation review, but the experiences of other communities have shown that waiting for an ARC to begin is too late to start working on saving a school. Wide community participation will make our efforts more effective over the next year of the process." - Susan Litwin, Co-Chair, RDHS Community Committee

Health Centre

Child Welfare

Saturday May 13, 2017

Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Location: Community Centre

Lunch Provided

Arlene Dodge, Facilitator

Questions contact Desiree or Anais

Salve Making Workshop

Monday May 15, 2017

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00pm

Location: Health Centre

Snacks and refreshments

Limited to 10 participants

Wait list available

Joanne Cheechoo, Facilitator

Questions contact Desiree or
Anais

*Call the Health Centre @ 519-692-3969 to
register*

Flower Arrangement Workshop

Saturday May 13, 2017

Location: Community Centre

Time: 4:00 am to 6:00pm

Beverages and Snacks provided

Limit of 15 participants/wait list available

Questions contact Desiree or Anais

The following is a list of alert, warnings and recalls issued by Health Canada. If you would like more information please come to Health Centre. A binder is available to examine.

1. Longo's brand Ontario Lean Ground Veal, Best Before April 19, 2017
2. Longo's brand various other Ground Meat Products, Best Before Dates April 19-22, 2017
3. Caramia Furniture Ltd. Recalls various dressers, night tables and chests
4. High Liner, High Liner Captain's Crew and Portico Bounty brands of breaded fish and seafood products.
5. Miss Vickie's Brand Jalapeno Kettle Cooked Potato Chips
6. Safeway brand bakery products recalled
7. No name, Great Value, Apple Valley, Western Family brands Recall Various Pie and Tart Shells
8. Related recalls-Variou brands of flour and flour products-Robin Hood brand All Purpose Flour extended recall

Health Centre

Infant Massage

Friday May 19, 2017

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00

Location: Health Centre

Door Prizes & Participant Bags

Jennifer Kennedy, Facilitator

****Call to register****

Register by May 15, 2017

Dream Catcher Making

Tuesday May 30, 2017

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00pm

Location: Health Centre

For youth ages 9 and up

Limited to 10 youth

Wait list available

Ted Snake, Facilitator

Call to register by May 23/17

VON Foot Care

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Thursday May 4, 2017

Time: 9:00 am to 12:00

unless no appointments

booked will end. Call 519-

692-3969 to book an

appointment.

*Call the Health Centre @ 519-692-3969 to
register*

Diabetes Cooking

Friday May 26, 2017

Time: 11:00 am to 1:00pm

Newbury Dietician and

Diabetic nurse

Prenatal Vouchers

Available monthly at Health

Centre from Stacy Timothy

Baby Product Making

Saturday May 20, 2017

Location: Health Centre

Time: 10:00 am to 2:00pm

Spirit Earth Holistic Inc. Facilitator

Register by May 15, 2017

Limit of 12 participants/wait list available



FOOD BANK

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017

9:00AM - 4:00PM

**DELAWARE NATION HEALTH
CENTRE**

PLEASE CALL AT 519-692-3969 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS



COMMUNITY COOKING CLASS

WITH

CAROLINE TOBIAS

-HOMEMADE SALSA-

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017

9:00AM - 12:00PM

DELAWARE NATION HEALTH CENTRE

******CLASS LIMIT IS 10 PERSONS******

*****LUNCH IS SERVED*****

PLEASE CALL 519-692-3969 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT



Fundamentals of Palliative Care...

is being offered in our community.

* Mandatory classes are May 15, June 5, June 19, 2017 5-8pm at the Community Centre.

*Homework in between classes can be done as a group or individually.

*This class is open to all community members - there is no prerequisite. Please register at the health centre by May 11, 2017



Spay & neuter clinic

At Community Centre June 17,2017

\$80.00 per cat \$140.00 per dog

Wellness Checks are \$30.00 which will include a microchip if you wish.

**Must be paid in full by June 9,2017

Please leave your name and number at the Health Centre 519-692-3936

First Nations Men's Group



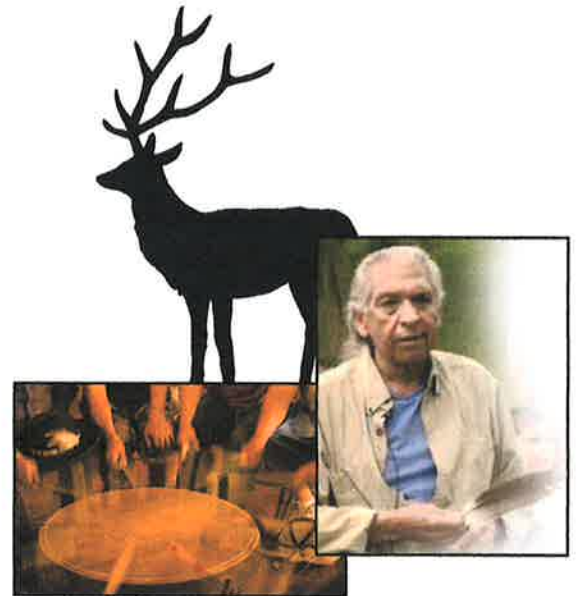
Southwest Ontario
Aboriginal Health
Access Centre

Every other Wednesday from 6-9pm
Beginning Wednesday, April 26, 2017

(Other dates: May 10, 24 and June 7, 21)

Hosted by Elder Bruce Elijah

at SOAHAC - Chippewas of the Thames
77 Anishinaabeg Drive, Muncey, ON N0L 1Y0



We will explore 3 Questions in this Men's Healing Circle:

- Who am I? Spirit name, language, clan and community
- How do I want to be seen? By peers, family, children and community
- What am I doing and What do I need to be a balanced person? Be open to share

No registration required. No cost. Attend as many sessions as you would like.

Contact: Stephanie Trudeau, Shkaabewis Kwe, at 519-289-0352

"YOU ARE FIREKEEPERS, WARRIORS, PROVIDERS AND TEACHERS"

A healthy balanced life through mental, physical, emotional and spiritual well-being



Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre

TRADITIONAL HEALING SERVICE MAY 2017

To schedule an appointments for the London, Chippewa and Outreach Sites. Contact Stephanie T. and Karen E. at 519-289-0352.
 To schedule for Delaware, contact Stephanie W. at 226-474-2787 and to schedule for the Windsor site, contact Stephanie W. at 519-916-1755.
 Please note calendars are subject to change with short notice. Miigwetch/Yaw^ko/Thank you

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SCHEDULING ALL ELDERS/HEALERS: Priority appointments for those supported by proper referral sources from	1 Richard Assinewai Outreach-Sarnia Joanne Cheechoo London	2 Richard Assinewai Outreach-Kettle Point Joanne Cheechoo London	3 Richard Assinewai Chippewa	4 Richard Assinewai London	5	6
	7	8 Joanne Cheechoo Chippewa	9	10	11	12
14	15 Liz Akiwenzie Chippewa	16 Liz Akiwenzie London	17	18 Bruce Elijah Chippewa	19 Bruce Elijah London	20
21	22 STAT Victoria Day	23 Elva Jamieson Chippewa	24 Elva Jamieson London	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	SOAHAC's Traditional Knowledge Helpers and SOAHAC staff where individuals suffer with chronic illness, in need of pain management and the elderly. Please be reminded to bring tobacco with each visit - females are asked to wear long skirts. Our visiting Knowledge Helpers are with us monthly. SOAHAC's onsite Resident Knowledge Helper, Joanne Jackson, London Site. Miigwetch/Yaw^ko/Thank you		

Seniors Centre

Dates to remember



May 3 ----Chatham flea market and 2nd hand store trip. Leave the seniors centre at 10 am. Van seats are limited to 10

May 10 ----Chair massage with Shelly starts at 9:30am

May 13 --- Rummage sale in Oneida and lunch to follow. Van leaves seniors centre at 9am. Van seats limited to 10.

May 17---- Kindergarten at seniors centre for lunch at noon.

May 19 --- Seniors attending yard sale and lunch in Bothwell. Van leaves seniors centre at 10am.

May 24 ---- Community Health Nurse at seniors to check blood pressure.

May 26 ----Seniors trip to Colasanti's Greenhouse trip. Van leaves the seniors centre at 10 am.

May 31 --- Pot luck lunch and Bingo

June 2 --- Yard sale at seniors centre. Food will also be for sale. Sale goes from 10am– 2pm. We will gratefully accept donations of your unwanted items to be included in the sale.

June 9--- Seniors trip to Mt.Clemens Michigan. Van leaves seniors centre at 9:30 am. Van seats are limited to 10.

June 23 --- United Church in Moraviantown is hosting dinner and a movie.

Delaware Nation Library
Open 5-7 Monday to Friday
Please bring back overdue Material



Thanks to the Delaware Nation Council and Staff who put on the wonderful Retirement party for me on Friday April 28, 2017 at the Library and Research Centre at New Fairfied Mission site. The watch, chair, gift cards, shilpel and all the good food and special cake made me feel really good. best to you all and thanks to all the folks who have donated material over the years. It is truly appreciated.

Darryl

The 225th Anniversary is coming up on May 8, 2017. The Chief and Council have declared the day a community holiday.

Delaware Nation Library
22830 center rd.
delawarenationlibrary@hotmail.com
fax 519-692-5522
tel. 519-692-5522
Darryl



200th ANNIVERSARY 1992 - TOP CARRIE SNAKE, NORMA LOGAN KAMI WHITEYE, SYBIL SNAKE, BOTTOM - PETER HOPKINS, CHRIS JACOBS, BOB STONEFISH, HOWARD LOGAN JR., JOHN STONEFISH, KEVIN SNAKE JR., NORMAN LOGAN, May 8, 1992.. "We've been here 200 years and we'll be here another 200 years and then another 200 years... Gord Peters"



The Moraviantown Delaware Nation Council has passed the following motion:

Subject: Delaware Nation Holiday

Moved by: Gord Hopkins

Seconded by: Philip Snake

" That the Delaware Nation Council declare a holiday, " May 8, 1992" as the day for holding the re-enactment commemorating the day when Moraviantown was founded by our ancestors 200 years ago."

200th Anniversary Celebration

The ceremonial fire was lit by Jim Tobias at Fairfield at 6 am on Friday May 8, 1992 to mark Moraviantown's 200th Anniversary. Wood that was donated by Louie Logan and Hazel Andrews was stacked to keep the fire burning the entire day and Jerry Whiteye donated the cedar and tobacco for the ceremony. People stood in a circle that historic morning and offered their prayers in a traditional manner. Evelyn Whiteye brought strawberries and told a story how they were used in a ceremony. A visitor named Bruce Miller who was from the Stockbridge Munsee of the Mohican Tribe of Wisconsin drove all night to arrive in time for the days celebration. Moraviantown students were given the day off and the Delaware Nation Council declared the day a community holiday.

After the prayers coffee was made at the Delaware Nation Community Centre and some was brought over to Fairfield for there was a re-enactment showing how the first Moraviantown Delawares came to Fairfield and this was taking place at 10 am. Back in 1792 the people went by this location where Fairfield was later built so to show this the canoes started upriver and came back to Fairfield. The place they started was upriver about seven miles at the Bothwell Bridge.

Caldwell Chief Larry Johnson provided most of the canoes and some of the canoeists were Jerry Whiteye, Robin Whiteye, Larry Johnson.... The canoeist were to arrive at 1pm so since they were going to be early they stopped for a while on an island near the Moraviantown Bridge that is nicknamed Squirrel Island.

Well anyway the canoes landed at Fairfield and the program started on schedule with master of ceremonies being Ontario Regional Chief Gord Peters. Chief Richard Snake opened the program with a prayer in Delaware and Hazel Andrews read a prayer written by her late brother "Big White Owl" or Jasper Hill. Some of the speakers were Band Councillor Marilyn Huff, Education Worker Curtis Hopkins, Principal Ron Warden from Howard Harwich Moravian School, Mr. Ed Robins from the Kent County Board of Education, Ken

MORAVIANTOWN DELAWARE STORIES

Richmond from Ridgetown District Highschool, Gary McCaan from Boston, Cathryn Wright from the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians, former band member Evelyn Whiteye, and there were other speakers from Oneida, Chippewas of Sarnia, Walpole Island, Chippewas of Saugeen, Chippewas of Sarnia, Chippewas of Kettle Point, and Chippewas of the Thames. Lenox Taylor an Evangelist Minister gave a talk from the bible and also sang a hymn in the Ojibway language. The Oneida marching band also played a couple of their tunes.

The Moraviantown Delaware Nation Drum played for the first time in history and drums from Walpole Island and the Chippewas of Sarnia also came and helped out. Native Dancers were Bob Whiteye, Becky Whiteye, Star Whiteye, Amelia Whiteye, Jaime Lee Whiteye and Kami Whiteye. There were a few craft people from the Delawares of Six Nations and an icecream vendor from Moraviantown.

After the speeches everyone was invited to the Delaware Nation Community Centre for dinner. The dinner was attended by about three hundred people and members of the historical society had many donations for the meal. A huge cake was donated from a local bakery and it was decorated with the Delaware Nation Logo on it. John Peters Jr. sang a beautiful song for the anniversary dinner that had lyrics that told some of the history.

The dinner had venison, roast beef, pickerel, buffalo, turkey, and all kinds of vegetables and desserts and of course the 200th Anniversary cake was also enjoyed. After dinner there was traditional and disc jockey music, a pickup ball game under the lights and fireworks.

Freelance writer Bud Whiteye did an excellent job of getting things out to the media and Darryl Stonefish provided a brief story about Moraviantown's history. The public was invited and many people from surrounding communities attended and there were several area newspapers on hand to cover the event.

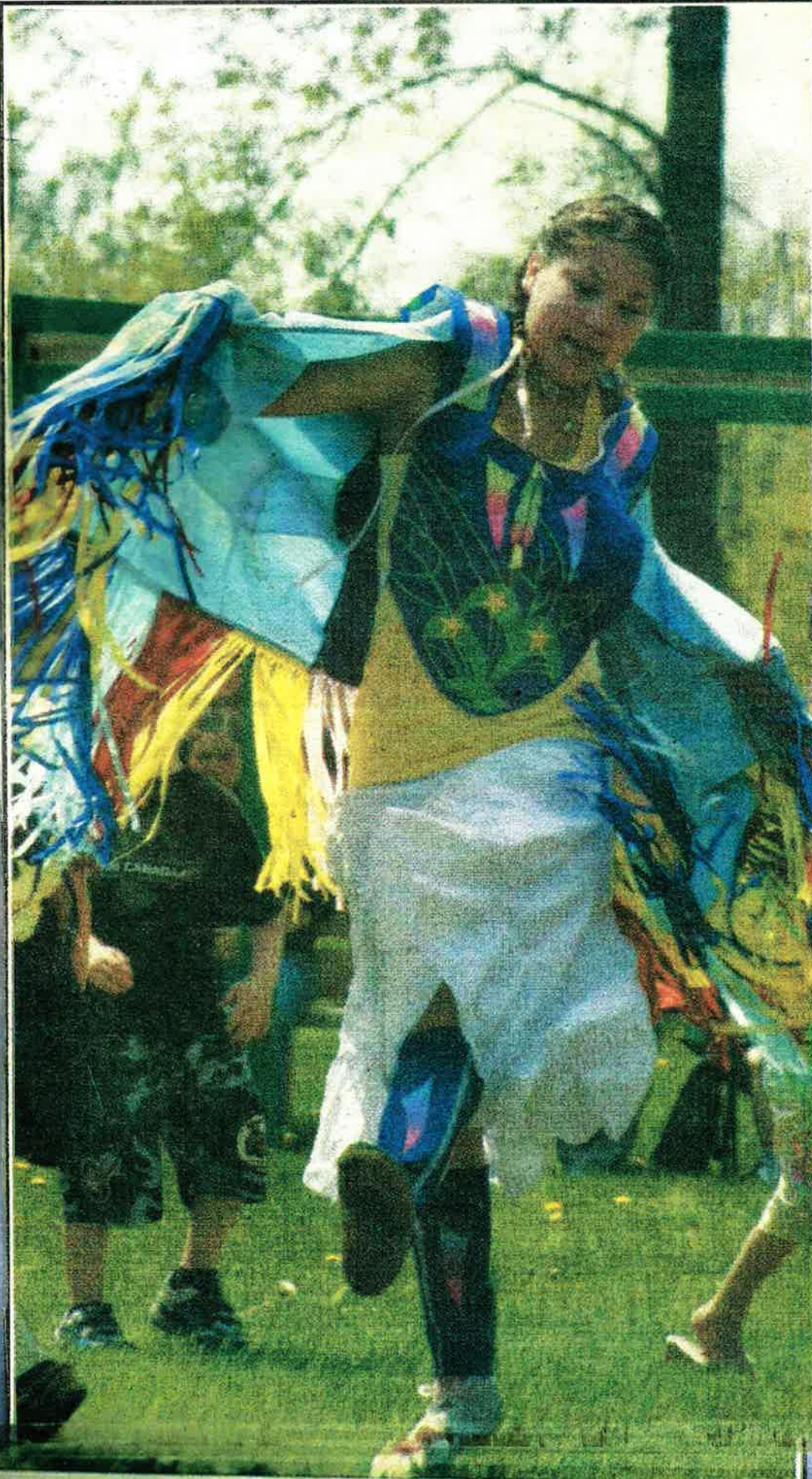
The next day the Community Centre was open and food was put out for anyone wanting to eat, listen to music or just visit.



MORAVIAN
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Wednesday, May 16, 2007



215 years on the Thames River



held at New Fairfield

1986, we complete the renovation of the historic mission house.

The United Church of Canada has received from the Moravian mis-

sionaries and the Delaware Indian Christians a heritage to be preserved. It is one of the finest chapters in North American history.

For 244 years, the Christian Church and the Delaware Indian people have worked together in harmony. May this ever continue.



LARGE TURNOUT -- There was a large group attending the rededication ceremony at the New Fairfield mission house last Sunday.



KEY PRESENTATION -- Participating in the key presentation ceremony last Sunday, June 22nd at New Fairfield mission house were, from left, Rev. Gordon Duncan, Bob Fennell, general contractor; Allan Fenton, project co-ordinator; Pliny Stonefish, trustee; Fenton Cryderman, trustee; and Richard Snake, band chief.







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BUSINESS START UP & EXPANSION PROGRAM

IAPO is accepting applications for the Aboriginal Business Start Up and Expansion Program for the 2017/18 program year. Aiming to ensure access business financing, ABSEP provides business financing and grants to qualified First Nations individuals and businesses.

Who is eligible?

Status Indians, living on or off reserve, First Nations majority owned businesses (51%) and economic development corporations owned by a First Nation which are engaged in for profit business activity in Ontario are eligible.

What businesses/projects are eligible?

Business start-up, business expansion and business acquisition costs. Projects must demonstrate viability, the ability of the business to pay all of its expenses including loan payments and generate a profit for the owner. Applicants must demonstrate the project benefits, their need for financing, financial and managerial capability, and a sound financial plan.

Business, Farm and Agribusinesses

Eligible farms and agribusinesses across Ontario are encouraged to apply. As well, in Central and Eastern Ontario, all First Nations businesses are also welcome to apply.

What types of costs are eligible?

Eligible costs may include, but are not limited to; professional fees, research and development, new product development, and market expansion. Capital to support the growth of the business is eligible if it is to be used to increase production capacity, productivity, profitability, market reach, product development, or for working capital. Acquisition of an existing business with the potential to benefit Aboriginal people is eligible.

What financing is available?

Financing, including term loans and work-

ing capital, is tailored to meet business needs and applications will be considered for full project financing, partial financing or leveraging to complement other financing or funding. Qualified businesses are eligible for financing of up to \$200,000 and grants of up to \$20,000. Generally a minimum of 10% cash equity is required. To qualify, applicants must demonstrate economic viability, as well as, the need for ABSEP funding.

How to Apply & Information

Applications are available by calling 1-800-363-0329 or info@indianag.on.ca. Applications are accepted on an on going basis based on available funding

LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBER

IAPO is seeking applications from interested First Nations candidates possessing a financial background to serve on the Loan Review Committee (LRC). The LRC reviews and renders decisions on all client loan application and submissions.

Working with other committee members, key responsibilities include:

- Review and evaluation of financing applications.
- Loan approval and recommendations to the Board of Directors
- Semi Annual Portfolio Reviews
- Attend semi-annual LRC meetings

Participation on the Loan Review Committee is part time commitment with compensation.

The ideal candidate will have an agricultural and business background including financing.

Interested applicants are asked to send a cover letter and resume to:

Jamie Hall, General Manager
P.O. Box 100, Stirling, K0K 3E0
or jamie@indianag.on.ca

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Agribusiness

OPERATING LOANS FOR YOUR BUSINESS

Farm operating loans or line of credit loans are a financial lifeline to most working farm operations. A farm operating loan or line of credit is revolving debt that can be borrowed to fund the yearly operating costs of farm operations. Typical farm operating expenses include: seed, fertilizer, feed, labor, tillage and harvest. Farm Operating Lines of Credit can help a farm operation manage its working capital and maintain adequate cash on hand and keep the bills paid.

Few lenders will allow new equipment and asset purchases to be expensed on a farm operating line of credit. Equipment loans usually have longer payback times and higher rates of interest. Most operating loans are on an annual renewal basis. The amount of operating capital required can vary significantly on an annual basis due to fluctuating costs of the business' expenses. Annual estimated expense budgets help farm operators determine their estimated input cost based on the plan for the operational year. Operating loans require a good working relationship between lender and farmer.

Importance of Adequate Working Capital

The importance of a farm operation having adequate working capital cannot be understated. Without adequate working capital, a farm operation will not have cash on hand to purchase vital resources such as fertilizer and pesticides during the crucial growth stage of crops. Not having an adequate operating line of credit or adequate working capital is the number one reason for default and bankruptcy for farms. Suppliers may charge high rates of interest on unpaid bills over thirty days unless the farmer has made other repayment arrangements. It is also important that those unexpected expenses such as a tractor repair can be covered. A farmer with adequate working capital has better cost control because of having the ability to shop around for the best price.

Collateral for a Farm Operating Line of Credit Loan

Typically, the collateral for a farm operating line of credit includes the investment in the current crops grown and the accounts receivable associated with harvest of such crops. In addition, most banks will require additional collateral such as livestock, farm machinery / equipment, and any other farm assets owned. Most banks will not finance over 50% of the value of the assets pledged as security for a new farm operating loan. As a positive relationship between lender and farmer develops over several years lenders may increase operating loan limits and require less security.

Operating loan security is often tied directly to the sale of the product produced. Cash from the sale may go directly to the lender until the operating loan is repaid. The farmer assigns this right to the lender who then is able to make arrangements with the agreed upon buyer. In some instances only a portion of each sale is assigned to the lender so that the farmer gets some cash from each sale.

Somewhat uncommon are operating loans secured with farm real estate. These operating loans have significant benefits to most farmers with adequate equity to obtain a loan based on the equity in their farmland. Loan terms are often extended over the typically annual loan renewal terms and can be extended upwards of a period of 10 years. Multi year operating loan terms are common in businesses that take several years to get their product to market. Some business examples where a multiyear operating loan would apply could be blueberries, ginseng or an apple orchard. However the farm operator should be aware of any annual requirements for financial statements. The lender will want to ensure that the development of the new business remains on track and the cost is as proposed.

Farm Operating Line of Credit Rates

Interest rates for most operating lines of credit are adjustable rates with margins based on the banks cost of funds. Banks refer to their base rate of interest as "prime". Farmers can usually negotiate a rate close to prime in addition to paying a yearly fee. The farmer with the best plan and financial history will usually obtain the best rate of interest.

Looking For An Operating Loan

Most lending institutions in Ontario will offer operating loan programs. Some will be more experienced in agricultural lending than others.

Several crop retailers and livestock suppliers partner with agricultural lenders to offer their clients input financing by way of an operating loan. Farm Credit Canada has such a partnership program. These programs are helpful but the operating dollars can only be used to pay for inputs purchased at that particular supplier. Farmers who have sufficient working capital to pay for all other farm expenses may find supplier operating financing sufficient.

Agricultural Credit Corporation (ACC) is a not-for-profit farm organization founded in 1992 by a coalition of farm organizations and is now comprised of 19 producer associations and marketing boards. ACC offers low cost operating loans to producers in 3 provinces, including Ontario, British Columbia and Quebec. Each member of the Board of Directors is a farmer, many of whom represent other commodity boards or associations. The expertise of ACC is built upon experience gained in offering loans, producer credit review, managing large loan accounts, meeting government loan guarantee parameters and collection of loan repayments. ACC is farmer friendly and low cost but repayment of the loan each year must occur to stay in the program.

If you are a First Nation farmer or agribusiness owner in Ontario, the Indian Agricultural Program of Ontario business advisors can assist you. IAPO programs have been developed for First Nation agricultural businesses and can work in partnership with other programs such as ACC. It is never too late to contact the IAPO business advisor near you to develop a plan for 2017.

Market Information

BEEF MARKET WATCH

Prices are courtesy of the Beef Farmers of Ontario Weekly Market Information Report for the week ending Thursday April 13, 2017.



Changes here reflect the difference in prices from the week of February 10, 2017 to the week of April 13, 2017. Weekly reports provide average prices for the week but do not include Friday sale results. This was a shorter week due to the Good Friday holiday.

Prices across all categories are stronger.

Rail grade steers are up \$18 and fed steers and heifers are up \$8 to \$9.

Cull cows are steady to \$2 higher with cull bulls up \$17. Stocker steers are up \$11 to \$32 depending on weight category. Stocker heifers are \$6 to \$15 stronger depending on weight category.

Numbers of cattle offered for sale are down this week due to a shorter week. Graziers are starting to look for good grass cattle increasing the seasonal demand. Market reports noted that fleshy grass cattle were discounted. Carcass weights continue to decline resulting in reduced production per

animal and a reduction in total beef produced. Both factors contribute to stronger prices.

Category	Price Range \$	Ave Price	Top Price	Change
Rail Steers	266-271			+18
Fed steers	146-158	152	171	+8
Fed heifers	140-160	154	174	+9
Cows	66-91	78	140	+2
Bulls	104-126	115	199	+17
Stocker steers				
700 – 799	176-209	193	221	+32
600 – 699	156-214	189	247	+15
500 – 599	165-216	194	243	+11
Stocker heifers				
700 – 799	144-176	164	207	+9
600 – 699	150-187	170	194	+6
500 – 599	157-194	179	202	+15

All prices are on a hundred pound basis (cwt) *JH*

CROP MARKET

Excerpts from *Monthly Market Trends Post – March 31 Special 2017* by Phillip Shaw GFO www.gfo.ca

On March 31 the U.S.D.A. announced that farmers were expected to plant 90 million acres of corn, down 4 million acres from last year. On the other hand, the U.S.D.A. announced that soybean acreage would be up 7% from a year ago coming in at 89.5 million acres. The U.S.D.A. also pegged U.S. wheat acreage at 46.1 million acres, which is the lowest recorded wheat acreage in the United States since they began keeping records in 1919. Clearly, there was a major move toward soybeans in the estimates taking away from other crops.

CORN 90 Million acres is down from last year, but it still represents a lot of corn when there are old crop stocks plentiful on the ground. Demand is very strong at 14.6 billion bushels. That means with an approximate trend line yield of 170 bushel/acre in 2017, corn ending stocks would be down to 1.8 billion bushels. If you went down to

165, we'd be near 1.5 billion bushels.

Clearly, any production hiccup this summer would help corn prices.

Seasonally, the corn market tends to trend down through August. Last year the high was hit in mid-June.

SOYBEANS Soybean acres were the big winners in the U.S.D.A. March 31 report. 89.5 million acres are a lot of soybeans and it would've been even larger if there were not a 12% rise in the number of cotton acres predicted.

Of course the soybean price is down significantly with cash values now in Ontario below \$12 a bushel. The Brazilian soybean crop continues to grow in

size. It is hard to imagine a weather event in April that will reduce the potential crop. However, this is agriculture and anything can happen.

Seasonally the markets five-year index shows the old crop market tends to trend up through late June.

WHEAT In United States farmers are growing the least wheat acres since 1919. This is reflective to some extent of the market share American farmers have lost in the wheat market worldwide.. Wheat stocks remain very onerous even with these reduced acreage projections.

Coming Events

April 30 Deadline AgriStability – Pay fee for 2017 year

May 1 Deadline – Production Insurance for 2017 year

May 24 Wiky Farmer Meeting
6-8:30 pm Wikwemikong

For more info contact jamie@indianag.on.ca, 1-800-363-0329

June 30/17 Deadline AgriStability – Statement A 2016

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Livestock Information

PUTTING LIVESTOCK TO PASTURE

Here are some suggestions to consider before putting livestock to pasture. Livestock includes cattle, sheep, goats etc.

When grass starts to green up we are tempted to open the gates and let them go! For some farmers it was a long winter of chores, birthing etc. with relief in sight. Farm situations are a little different from year to year and farm to farm. Whether you have an "open the gate" method or an intensive management system consider the following to best utilize early and late season growth.

Consider the best time to turn livestock out to pasture for your management. For more traditional pasturing where animals roam the entire area and plants have no scheduled rest periods, give the new growth an opportunity to get started. Plants require leaves to build up root reserves in order to continue sending up new growth after each bite. Early plant harvest by the animal can weaken the plant's future growth potential. Three or four inches of growth is minimum. This means feeding hay in the wintering area during a cold wet spring. If hay is scarce holding livestock back is less attractive.

For a livestock farmer with a pasture rotation system it is important to start early once growth is evident. Under this system livestock are rotated from field to field with rest periods for each field. This allows plant growth time to recover following grazing. The challenge with intensive management is to keep ahead of the growth in the next field. It requires an earlier spring turn out.

Usually in the spring there is lush pasture growth. Moisture and heat is ideal for grass species in particular. While adding fertilizer should be considered let's try to make best use of fertilizer dollars. Grass (but not legumes) responds to applications of nitrogen providing a burst of lush growth with adequate rainfall. Rapid spring growth doesn't require this extra boost. For grass pastures an application of nitrogen in mid to late June when growth is beginning to slow down will give that extra flush. Again assuming there is rainfall. Some farmers follow-up with a second application in late August providing grass growth into the fall. Up to 50 lbs of nitrogen could be applied each time. This split application provides more bang for the buck compared to applying up to 100 lbs at one time. Again keep in mind that a pasture made up of over one-half legumes like trefoil, white and white clover and alfalfa will not have the same growth response. There is less return to the money invested in this situation.

A soil test about every 3 years will provide guidance for fertilizing heavy legume pastures.

Encourage Rotational Grazing with Protein/Mineral Blocks

In 2009 beef farmers at Wikwemikong in partnership with IAPO and Industry used protein and mineral blocks to move grazing cattle from one area to another with-out the use of

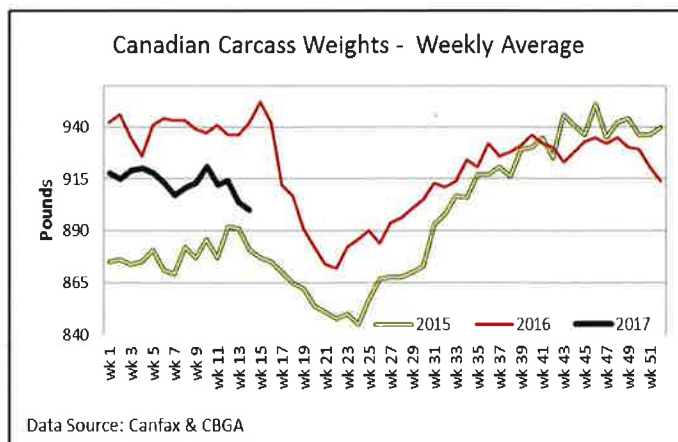
fencing. The project was run on a large community pasture at Wikwemikong. The intent was to rest different grazing areas providing an opportunity to have a second flush of growth before being grazed again. This keeps the roots strong and sending out new growth. Cattle have greater gain and cows produce more milk on fresh growth as compared to mature, coarse plants. Blocks were provided in mid-June after the first flush of growth as a pasture supplement. Cattle are attracted to the molasses included in the block. Blocks are dense, controlling the amount of intake. Large blocks (225 lbs.) were used to attract and keep cattle grazing in a selected area for a period of time. After grazing one area to the desired length, blocks were moved to the next pasture with cattle following.

We learned some things to increase effectiveness. It is important to provide salt. All blocks contain some mineral but no salt. Block consumption is limited when salt is available. Ideally cattle should be introduced to the blocks before going to pasture. Cattle grazing needs to be monitored regularly to make sure the blocks and cattle are moved as growth dictates. It is helpful if there is a water source close by.

We did learn that bears are attracted to the blocks. This can discourage block use depending on bear numbers.

These blocks also provide minerals and protein to supplement the pasture diet during summer months when pasture growth is reduced. This encouraged milk production and increased fertility. Certainly with proper monitoring the blocks are an effective pasture rotation option.

A LOOK AT CARCAS WEIGHTS



Graph courtesy Beef Farmers of Ontario Market Report

Steer carcasses have dropped 58 lbs and heifers 20 lbs in the past year. This indicates that feedlots are moving cattle out as they finish and not pushing for extra lbs to increase the gross return per animal. Increased carcass weights are encouraged by higher stocker purchase price and weaker finished sale price resulting in a high negative price margin. Extra pounds helps improve the margin per animal as there appears to be no discount for heavier carcasses. However more reasonable stocker prices last fall, moderate feed prices and strong finished cattle prices (strong demand) are keeping feedlot marketing current.

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Crop Information

SULPHUR DEFICIENCY IN WINTER WHEAT: PLANNING AHEAD

Source: fieldcropnews.com/2017/03/sulphur-deficiency-in-winter-wheat-planning-ahead/ Author: Joanna Follings, Cereals Specialist

“Field Crop News” is an archive of information dedicated to the production of over 8.5 million acres of field crops in Ontario and a forum for which producers, researchers and industry personnel can share information and ideas. The crop technology team with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), faculty at the University of Guelph and Ontario field crop producers continually work together to find ways to improve field crop production. The key learning and outcomes from these collaborations are captured at “Field Crop News”. from <http://fieldcropnews.com/about/>

Sulphur (S) deficiency was very prevalent in winter wheat last spring, including fields with a history of manure applications. The deficiency seen in many fields may have resulted from a cooler than normal April reducing S mineralization.

Sulphur deficiency can be identified as whole plants that are pale yellow. It can often be found first on slopes and areas with low organic matter.

S applications may not be required every year due to the year to year variation in response which might have you asking the question, why bother with S applications? Well, historically S deficiency in winter wheat was not an issue; however, since sulphur oxide emissions have decreased significantly, there is a need to ensure the crop has an adequate supply of S.

Ontario research has shown there is a variation in yield responses to S applications depending on the year. Years with cool, damp spring conditions showed more of a yield response (Table 1). Interestingly, when the data was analyzed further and separated into responsive and non-responsive sites, yield gains were even more significant on responsive fields (Table 2).

Treatment	2011	2012	2013	2014	Average
Check (No Sulphur)	95.2	101.4	80.2	91.6	91
5 lbs. Sulphur	-	100.9	80.2	96.2	91.7
10 lbs. Sulphur	-	102.6	81.2	96.3	92.7
20 lbs. Sulphur	99.7	102	81.5	95.9	92.6
40 lbs. Sulphur	-	102.2	-	95.7	-

Table 1: Average yield data (bu/ac) of 40 locations across southwestern Ontario (Johnson and McClure 2011-2014).

So, as we start thinking about fertility management this spring, don't forget about sulphur.

Pay close attention to the temperature and if the weather continues cool into the spring as wheat advances an application of S may be needed. Get out and walk your fields and if you are seeing deficiency symptoms consider a tissue analysis

to confirm. Ontario research suggests yield responses for S applications when tissue-S concentrations are below 0.25, while tissue-S concentrations above 0.30 rarely show a response.

Treatment	Yield (bu/ac)	Gain
Check (No Sulphur)	90.3	-
5 lbs. Sulphur	93.1	2.8
10 lbs. Sulphur	94.6	4.4
20 lbs Sulphur	95.2	5

Table 2: Yield Response, 12 Responsive Sites (Johnson and McClure 2011-2014)

Although a tissue test will assist in determining whether you have S deficiency, it may not be as helpful in determining the optimal rate to apply. Ontario research suggests that the optimal rate is 10 lbs./ac. However, some fields may require a higher rate so do some test strips in your fields to compare yields and identify responsive and unresponsive fields. If you are seeing a deficiency, apply S as soon as possible. Once an application of S has been made a response is typically seen in 3-4 days, but as we saw this past season it can take up to 10-14 days.

EXTENDING YOUR XTEND SOYBEANS

Source: *Crop Corner* written by Elliott Armstrong, Sales Agronomist at Clark Agri Service April 3, 2017

With approval last summer, many growers are planning to use new dicamba-tolerant Xtend soybeans this spring. This new technology allows farmers to spray their soybeans with new dicamba herbicides Xtendimax and Engenia, for effective control of glyphosate resistant fleabane.

While the Xtend system is new and exciting it is not the be all and end all in soybean weed control. Annual broadleaves, pigweeds, ragweeds, nightshade are all well controlled by dicamba. Where the herbicide falls short is on grasses and perennials, such as dandelions. Annual grasses are easy enough to touch up with an in-crop application of glyphosate, but dandelions are more difficult to control with glyphosate alone. We need to add another herbicide to the tank if we are to achieve control of dandelion in the spring. If we only use Round-Up and dicamba we will not be controlling all of the problem weeds in our fields. One thing to remember is that we should be adding another mode of action to dicamba or else we could run into resistance issues down the road the same way we have with Round-Up.

Using Xtend also brings along some extra stewardship. Dicamba will injure Round-Up and conventional soybeans. Growers need to be cautious to minimize drift onto neighboring crops. New nozzles may have to be used to produce the “ultra coarse” droplets needed for dicamba. A pre-plant early season application of dicamba will also be the safest for minimizing drift.. Growers need to pay attention to minimize drift.

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Other News

VEGETABLE TRANSPLANTS

Sources: *NC State extension, Growing Vegetable transplants*
U of NH Coop Extension, Starter fertilizer for Vegetable Crops
Producing Vegetable Crops (5th edition) George Ware et al.

Spring has arrived and with it comes the prospect of growing and harvesting fresh market garden vegetables. While many of our vegetable crops can and will be direct seeded, others typically require being managed as transplants.

Vegetables most commonly transplanted include:

Brassica family: Brussel sprouts, broccoli, cabbage, and cauliflower

Cucurbit family: Squash, muskmelon, watermelon and cucumber

Nightshade family: Tomatoes, eggplant and peppers



Tomato Transplanting

When selecting transplants look for those that have a healthy stocky appearance, are medium sized, with a deep green colour and are free from insects and disease. Normally, transplants that are flowering should be avoided as flowers are normally lost shortly after transplanting .

Transplants must be “hardened-off” or toughened up, preparing them for the harsher and less favourable outside environment, prior to planting. The most common methods for hardening-off plants are exposing the plants to cooler temperatures or limiting water (while not allowing plants to wilt excessively) or a combination of both. For example hardening-off can be achieved by setting plants outside in cooler temperatures and partial shade during the day and bringing them in at night. Each day the plants are left out longer while taking precautions to protect them from frost. The entire hardening-off process takes approximately 2 weeks. Once the plants are hardened-off they are ready for planting.

Why use a starter solution?

Transplants have a small root system that can only access the soil nutrients that come into contact with that root system. To help get plants off to a strong start, growers commonly use liquid starters at planting (about 1 cup or 250ml/plant). Nutrients in liquid starter solutions are easily and immediately available to the plant leading to a rapid plant response that minimize “transplant shock”. Plants move from the greenhouse to spring planting conditions such as low soil temperatures & cold nights, which are stressful for the transplant. The recovery of a plant following transplanting is determined largely by its ability to obtain water which is directly related to its ability to generate roots. Phosphorus is essential for root growth and even in soils with high Phosphorous levels, phos-

phorus is not readily available to plants when soil temperatures are less than 15C (60F) which is typical to spring planting conditions. The addition of a liquid starter during transplanting will help to compensate and give plants a boost. A solid start to a vegetable crop will provide benefits throughout the growing season.

What is a starter solution?



A starter solution is a mixture of a soluble fertilizer and water that is used at the time of transplanting to get the plants off to a good start by providing the benefit of early growth while avoiding injury to the transplants. Starter solutions are made from fertilizers specifically designed to be mixed with

warm water and mix easily. Dry fertilizers are seldom used for starting transplants in the field as they can either be out of reach for the transplant’s limited root system or can come directly in contact with the transplant roots and cause serious plant injury (burning). In comparison, liquid starter solutions are specifically formulated to be low in harmful salts so that they can be applied directly to the transplant roots allowing the fragile root system immediate access to the nutrients without risk of harm. It is important to use enough liquid starter solution to drench the entire root system of the transplant, so normally 250mls or 1 cup of starter solution is applied to each transplant at the time of planting. Starter solutions are high in phosphorus which is essential for root growth. Starter solutions normally have 2 to 3 times more phosphorus than nitrogen or potassium. Phosphorus availability in cooler soils is low until soils warm and the soil microbes start to work. Also, small amounts of nitrogen are normally present in liquid starters which improve early seedling vigour.

Examples of starter solutions are:

- 6-24-6,
- 8-32-16
- 10-34-0

For organic growers, options include Liquid Bone Meal 0-12-0, fish emulsion, and seaweed fertilizers at standard dilutions.

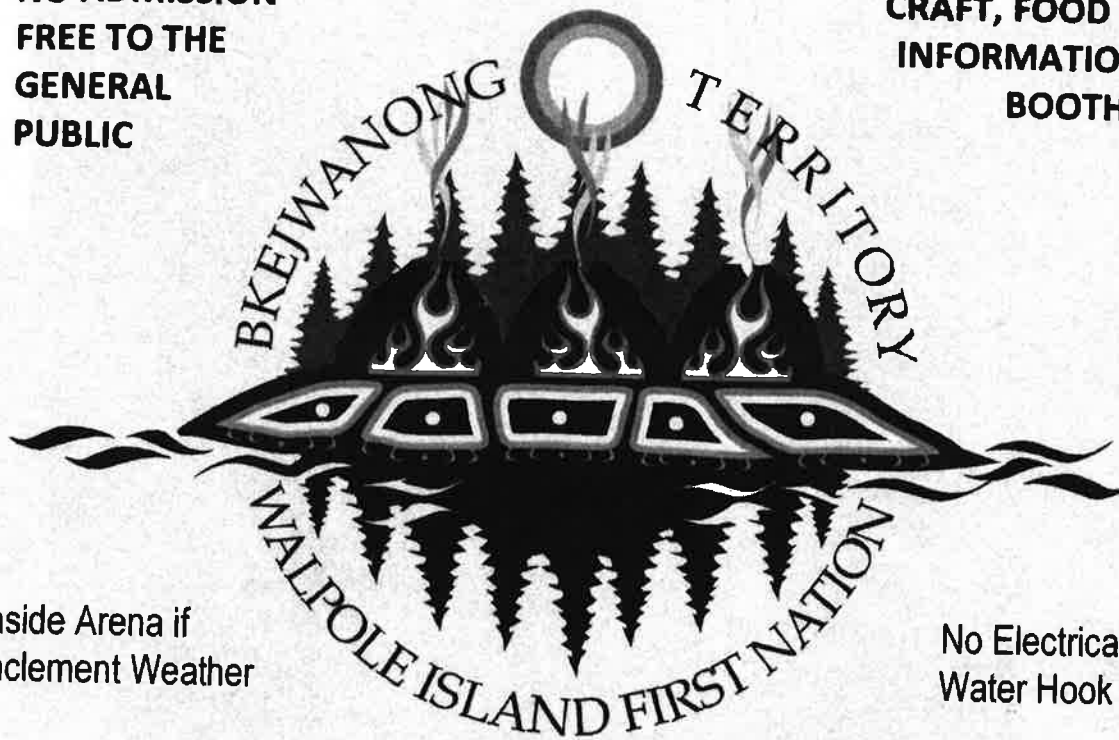


Two Row Transplanter with Starter Tank

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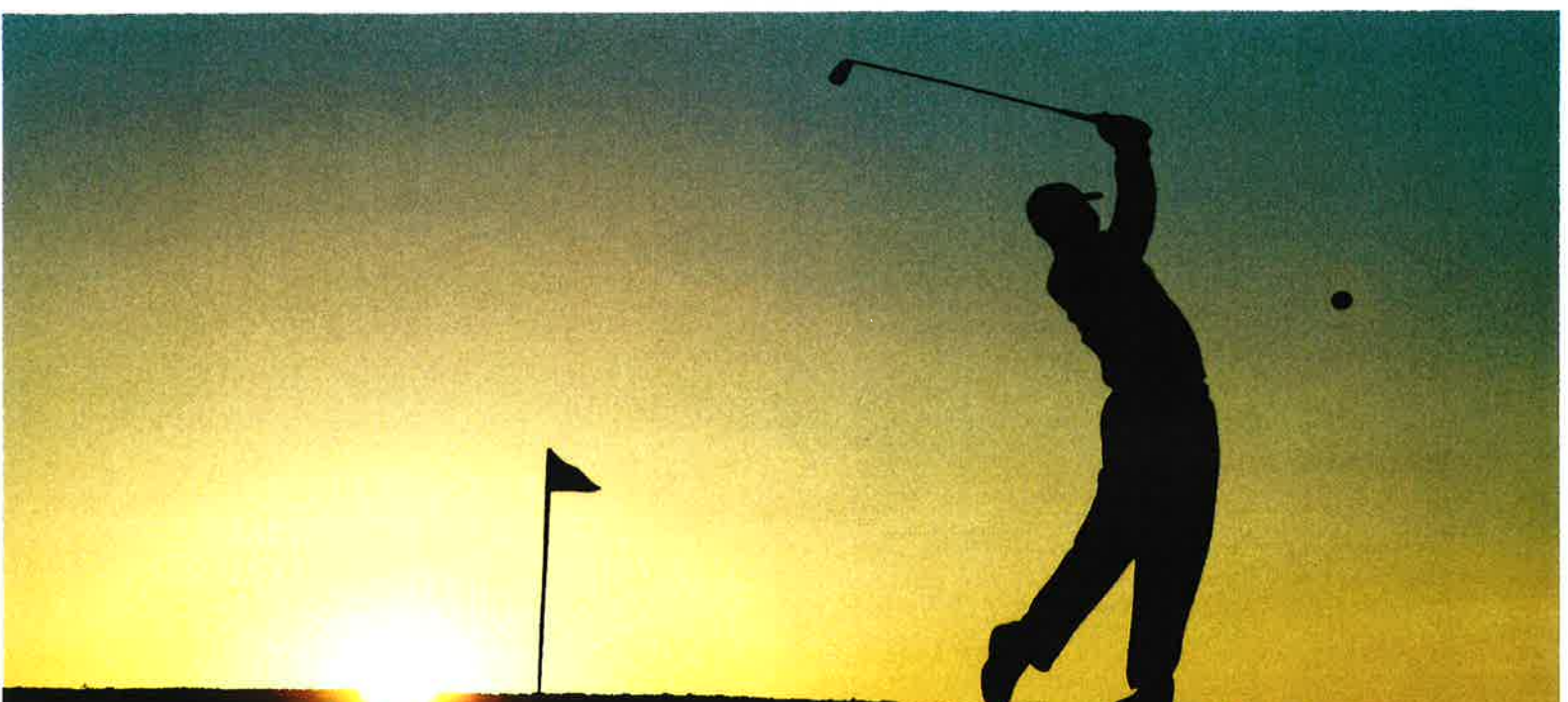
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