



B.I. BLAST



Miskomin Giizis– Raspberry Moon- July 2014



***Celebrating
Tom Saville-
Dancing on his
95 Years Young
Birthday***

Kwe Kwe! July -Miskomin Giizis, Raspberry Moon- is here.

Hopefully summer weather is finally kicking in. It was a damp and cool June. There's lots to keep the kids busy this summer: Art Camp runs from July 6 to 10th; Culture Career Camp and swimming lessons follows for 3 days a week from July 14 to August 13.

And of course there's the **Pow Wow... July 10 and 11!**

Duane Paul's language page will be back in the September issue. Duane and Marie and the family are really busy working at the **Hub Café** for the summer. We're looking forward to the goodies from the fryer and the grill, and the ice cream! :)



The Blast will be on holiday for the month of August.

The Blast wishes everyone a great summer filled with sunshine, friends, family, berries, fish, days on the water, and days in the hammock. Days of excitement, days of craziness, days of just hanging out. Peace. :)

Notice

Results of the Second and Final Vote on Resolutions from the May 30th and 31st Community Meeting are available on the nDakimenan Forum , available on the TFN website. TFN members and TAA citizens who do not have a username and password to access the site can register by contacting Daisy at communication@temagamifirstnation.ca or 705-237-8943 / 888-737-9884 .

Non-computer users are welcome to request a paper copy by phone.

***Hey! Did you know...? Temagami First Nation is on Facebook!
Keep up with news and announcements by "Liking" the page.***

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Temagami-First-Nation/845864025436369>



Cylas Paul is Home and Getting Better by the Day.

After breaking his leg, Cylas went to Ottawa for surgery. Cylas would like to thank everyone for the good wishes, and would also like to thank:

-Ethan Paul, Justin Barriault, Spencer Corbiere -

These boys were with Cylas when he had his accident, helped him, and then later visited Cylas in the hospital in Ottawa.

-Paul Presseault, Cheyanne Presseault, and Paige Becker - Came to Betty's to inform us about Cylas's accident.

-Bear Island Emergency First Response Team (EFR)

-Chief Arnold Paul - On the scene when EFR arrived at the accident site.

-Temagami Ambulance Service - On the scene with Ornge.

-Ornge (formerly Ontario Air Ambulance)

-Vanessa Turner (aunt) - Travelled with Cylas to the hospitals after he had his accident (Bear Island to Sudbury in Ornge helicopter, Sudbury to Ottawa in Ornge plane).

-Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)

-Health Sciences North Staff (Sudbury)

-Tracy Paul - Came and waited with Cylas in Sudbury before he was transferred to Ottawa.

-Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) Staff (Ottawa) - Where Cylas had his surgery for his broken femur. Also, **Dr. McGuffin** and **Dr. Jarvis** - Cylas's surgeon.

-Jody Becker, Christine Friday, and Family - For hosting the family when we got to Ottawa.

-Betty Turner (grandmother & guardian) - Stayed with Cylas in Ottawa June 4-17/15 and continuing care.

-Amanda Paul (aunt) - Amanda drove Betty and Mariah to Ottawa the day after Cylas's accident, then drove Vanessa and Mariah back home.

-Dorothy Paul (mother) - Stayed with Cylas in Ottawa June 8-17/15 and after he returned home.

-Hilary LeFrancois, Marie, and Duane Paul (The Hub Cafe) - Hosted a spaghetti fundraiser on June 11 for Cylas while he was in Ottawa.

-The Community of Bear Island - For attending the fundraiser for Cylas.

-Tom Friday - for holding down the fort while everyone was away, haha, and for continuing care.

-Brodie Turner - For holding down the fort as well and making Cylas's room "crutches friendly."

-Joe Katt- Drove to Ottawa and brought home Cylas, Betty, and Dorothy.



We're so glad you're on the mend, Cylas! Love to you and the family!

Niimwag Nongonhsag

The Dancing Stars Traditional Pow Wow

Bear Island Ball Field



Saturday, July 11:

Sunrise Ceremony and Lighting of Sacred Fire

11:30 am "sharp" --Grand Entry

2:00 pm --Honouring successful Enrichment Funds applicants for Pow Wow Regalia

3:00 pm --Aleria McKay Dance Performance

4:30 pm --Day 1 of Pow Wow closes

5:00 pm --Feast- Rec Centre

Sunday, July 12:

11:30 am "sharp"—Grand Entry

1:00 pm --Aleria McKay Dance Performance

3:00 pm—Honouring successful Enrichment Funds applicants for Pow Wow Regalia

4:30 pm—Close of Pow Wow and Giveaway

Shuttle from the Mine Road Landing Will be Available— Times TBA.

Niimwag Nongonhsag

The Dancing Stars Traditional Pow Wow

Bear Island Ball Field



Call for Vendors:

Open to all TAA / TFN Members

We are looking for Vendors for:

- Breakfast Lunch, Suppers, and Snacks
- Crafts, Arts. *-No "Made in China" stuff please- authentic Indigenous work only.*

*Please contact Pow Wow Coordinator Marty Pridham
to book a Vendor spot:*

marty.pridham@temagamifirstnation.ca

(705) 237-8450

Lands and Resources News

Latchford Dam Replacement Project

Work started on Latchford Dam

The contractor has now moved on to the site and has begun their work on the Latchford Dam Replacement. Department of Fisheries Canada (DFO) reviewed issued an authorization for the work to begin after coming to the Bear Island community and listening to the concerns expressed. The authorization issued by DFO has several conditions and safeguards include to reduce impacts on fish and fish habitat and ensure impacts are avoided, mitigated and offset so that the productivity of the fisheries in the area are sustained. Such conditions include only working in the water at the site between June and December. The dam will take two seasons to build, building half this season and the other half next season, thus ensuring that the water will continue to move.

Top 2 pictures show the coffer dam being installed upstream from the old dam. Below, MP Jay Aspin at the FEDNOR funding announcement.

Hydro Development Project at Latchford Dam:

The four communities of Temagami First Nation, Timiskaming First Nation, Latchford and Coleman Township have received funding in the amount of \$48,000 from FEDNOR to develop a conceptual design and review the feasibility of producing hydro power at the Latchford Dam. There is an opportunity for the four communities to develop some long term benefits from the project.

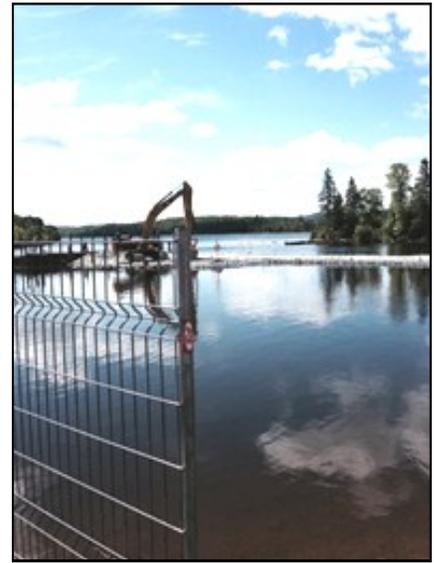
MP Jay Aspin was in Latchford on June 12 to announce the funding approval. The press conference was attended by Chief Arnold Paul, Chief Terry McBride, Mayor George Lefebvre, and Reeve Dan Cleroux.

If any community members -TAA/TFN- have any issues or concerns regarding the Latchford Dam, do not hesitate to contact me and I will raise them with to contractor or Public Works Canada.

Doug Mckenzie

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Lands and Resources Information Session

Wednesday, July 15

Lunch 12:15

Presentations 1:30 pm

Presentations by:

Au Rico Gold



And

MTO (Ontario Ministry of Transportation)



All Community Members Welcome

Temagami First Nation Land Code Development

Hello from the Land Code Development team! In July's issue of the BI Blast we are highlighting some important changes that would be of benefit to Temagami First Nation under our own Land Code versus remaining under the Indian Act.

Temagami First Nation Land code developed and drafted by Temagami FN Members for Temagami FN Members	Indian Act written and interpreted by Canada
Temagami FN Land Code unique to Temagami FN	Indian Act is one size fits all
Temagami FN Land Code can be amended by a vote of eligible voters	Indian Act can only be amended by Canada
Council and members are in the driver's seat	Indian Act authorizes the Minister of Indian Affairs to have sole discretion and decision making
Temagami First Nation will receive approximately \$204,536 in on-going year to year operational funding (exact amount will be determined & listed in the Individual Agreement); and \$150,000 of transitional funding over 2 years, once the Temagami First Nation Land Code is in effect	Currently, Temagami First Nation receives no funding for land management
Temagami First Nation will have self-government authority for all reserve (and any addition to reserve) lands and resource matters.	Temagami First Nation has no lands administration role
Temagami First Nation will govern all reserve lands and resources except oil & gas, uranium or radioactive minerals, fisheries, endangered species or migratory birds.	Canada manages all lands for Temagami First Nation.
Temagami First Nation will collect any and all revenue moneys except for oil & gas.	Canada manages any and all revenue moneys for Temagami First Nation
Temagami will enforce terms and condition of any land agreements including arrears if applicable	Canada has a poor history of collecting arrears and ensuring compliance to lease terms and conditions
Temagami First negotiates any and all leases and permits	Canada negotiates the terms and conditions of third party agreements.
Temagami First Nation is the Landlord and approves or denies leases or permits pertaining to First Nation land.	Although Temagami First Nation is a final signatory, we would not have the lead.
Temagami First Nation will manage the revenue account and seek justification from its members for any expenditures of revenue account	Temagami must first justify and seek approval from AANDC when requesting \$\$ from the revenue account
Temagami First Nation will adhere to the Land Code rules regarding authority for approval or denials of land management issues	Canada has final decision making authority for approval or denials of all land management issues

I am pleased to announce Jamie Friday was the randomly drawn winner in the Land Code Development Website Photo Contest!

CHEESE!



**Congratulations
Jamie!**

Thank you to everyone who participated. All submitted photos will be on the Land Code Development website that will be launched before the end of July!

It is also our goal to have the first draft of the Land Code on the website towards the end of August. This draft would then be presented at a community consultation meeting sometime early September. However, the purpose of making it available prior the information consultation session is to give members time to process the information and formulate any questions/comments and suggested revisions. Upon its completion, if you would like to receive a copy via email please contact me at Lori.Stanger@temagamifirstnation.ca or perhaps you would prefer a paper copy? Give me a call and I will ensure you receive one.

Until then, remember, if you have any questions or would like to look at examples of other community land codes or examples of Community Ratification Process (voting process) documents, you can either drop me an email and I will send a couple to you or you can go online to the LABRC website at:

<http://labrc.com/member-communities/>

Are you an out of town/province TFN member? Make sure you update your contact information with Michelle Lalonde-Barriault.

Give her a call at the Band Office 705-237-8943 or 1-888-737-9884

:) HAVE A WONDERFUL JULY! :)

Lori Anne Stanger – Land Code Development Coordinator

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Celebrating Tom Saville– TFN’s Oldest Member

(In Years, Anyway).

Tom Saville, Sr.

There is no way to encompass this man’s life and knowledge in a few short pages. To visit with Tom Saville is to realize right away that you want to come back and visit some more. At 95 years old, he has experience and stories to share that need a huge book or many days to appreciate. His mind is sharp as a tack and he has wit to match.

So, where do you start with a man who has lived such a varied and interesting life?

At the beginning....

Tom was born June 20, 1920 to Tom Saville and Liza Neveau. Liza had survived the Spanish Flu epidemic by being hospitalized in Sudbury, and that was where Tom was born.

Tom’s father had come to Canada by ship from England at the age of 14, working his way across the Maritimes into Ontario. He came up the Ottawa River to the Temagami area and met Liza.

Dad Tom worked as a prospector around the area and was instrumental in staking claims that lead to the silver boom in Cobalt. He and Liza had 6 children: Norman, Stewart, Esther, Chris, Belle, and Tom.

They spent summers on Bear Island and winters in Shining Tree. There was guiding work in the summer and trapping in the winter. When asked about his experience with the Great Depression, Tom says, “We didn’t notice it too much. We had moose, rabbits, fish, potatoes... if we needed meat, dad and I would go 15 to 20 miles into the bush, set up a tent or a wigwam, and knock over a moose. Fur prices were low, but we managed.”

Tom recalls that the family used techniques such as freezing a whole washtub full of whitefish in the winter; when you wanted to eat one, you could simply take one from the washtub and get cooking. They also had a root cellar to keep the potatoes and things in.



Tom as a little guy. The gun was a real 38! (Not loaded.)



The family homestead in Shining Tree. Root cellar at lower left.



Toms' Dad Tom Sr. and Mom Liza on their wedding day

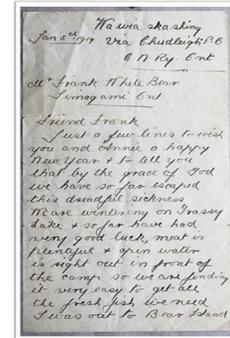


Liza Neveau Saville

Tom earned money around age 12 by delivering mail by dog team to the mines in Shining Tree. At 16, he jumped on a freight train and headed west. He went all the way to BC twice by riding the rails. He would stop to find work here and there, but he said that often the farmers who employed him had a hard time coming up with pay as it was difficult to sell their crops. He recalls that after a month's work for one farmer, he was paid with a razor sharpener because that was all the farmer had to offer. He felt for the man as he had a family to feed.

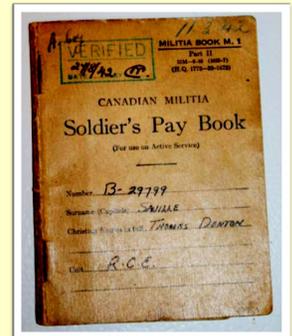
Tom has many fascinating artefacts in his collection, including the first page of this letter. It reads:

Jan 5th 1914
 Wa wiaskashing
 Via Chudleigh P.O.
 ? Ont.
 Frank White Bear
 Timagami, Ont
 Friend Frank



Just a few lines to wish you and Annie a happy new year & to tell you that by the grace of God we have so far escaped this dreadful sickness. We are wintering on Grassy Lake & so far have had very good luck, meat is plentiful & open water is right out in front of the camp so we are finding it very easy to find all the fresh fish we need. I was out to Bear Island- (end.)

Tom enlisted to fight in World War 2 in 1941, at 21 years old. He remained overseas until the end of the war. He has an impressive collection of medals that attest to his bravery and combat experience. After the war's end, Tom and Georgie Becker were discharged in Sudbury. After making their way to Sturgeon Falls, they walked to Obabika Lake. They spent the winter there until spring breakup, then trapped on their way back to Bear Island.





Above: This is a more recently awarded medal, commemorating Tom's service as an Aboriginal Soldier. Below, Tom's military profile.

Tom Saville

Regimental Number B29799

Orders, Decorations and Medals:

The 1939-1945 Star, the France and Germany defense Medal, the Voluntary Service Medal, the 1939-1945 Thank You Canada Medal, and the 1945 Holland King of England Medal

-Tom was born to Tom Saville Sr. and Lisa Neveau on June 21, 1920. Tom enlisted into the Armed Forces in January of 1941, at the age of 21 years old.

Tom Served in the First and Second World Wars. He was in the Royal Canadian Engineers Force, and was stationed in New Market, Petawawa. He served in Engineering in England, France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany in the Second World War. While in the Military, Tom met some other Aboriginal men from nearby communities Raymond, George, and Walter Becker.

He was discharged in 1946. Tom's Brother Norman also served about the same time with the Royal Canadian Engineers. Tom's wife Kathleen Turner served in Canada from 1942-1946 in a military office in Ottawa. Her father, John Turner was a World War I Veteran from the Bear Island reserve. He passed away in 2001. Tom and Kathleen had three children Jack, Mike, Virginia, and Cathy.



Tom started working for John Turner as a carpenter in 1946. John and Maggie's daughter Katie became his wife. They had 4 children: Jack, Mike, Virginia, and Cathy. (Katie passed away in 2000.) He continued to work for John until 1953. Tom has great memories of the weekly square dances that were held at the Turner's Lakeview House; he recalls that the Americans who came to dance had a different style than the Canadians, and they had a lot of fun with that.



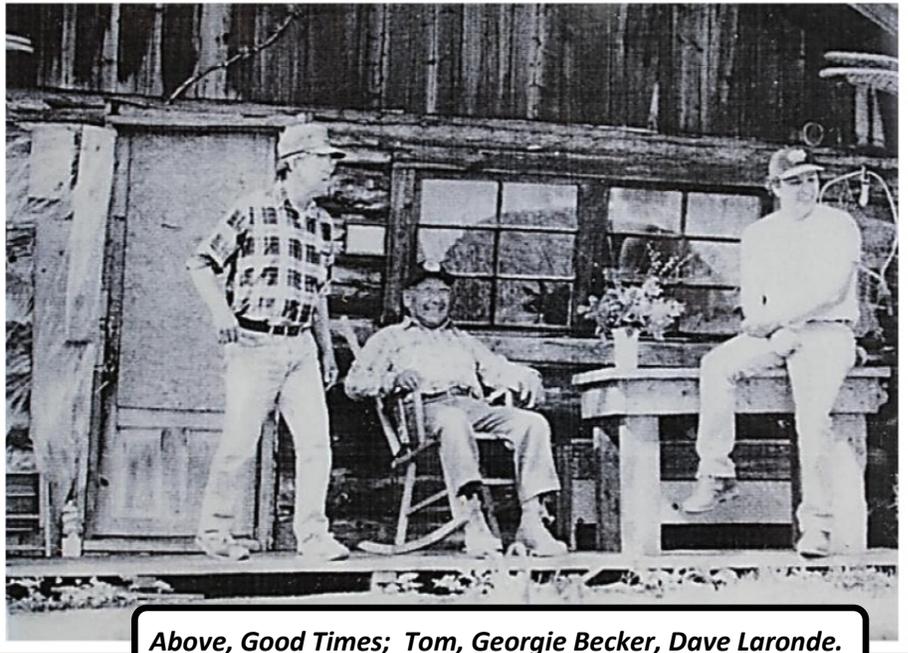
Katie Turner Saville.

Tom spent 9 years working for Ontario Hydro, and prospected at the same time. He went on to be a full time prospector, eventually owning 3 drills and 3 trucks. He still has active claims. He has a very good copper claim, he says, and he would still like to see it developed. It's evident that this is a man who knows geology inside out, and it fascinates him to this day. When the topic of a property with mineral rights came up in the conversation, it took Tom no time at all to pull out his tattered geological survey map and find the location. He suggested that he come up with his homemade "Witch" and have a look.





Above, Tom demonstrates the use of his home-made "Witch", made from a coat hanger. He can determine the presence of sulphides that indicate certain minerals. It works like a water witch; the rods bend according to the makeup of the rocks. Here, the copper rock on the floor causes the bending of the rod.



Above, Good Times; Tom, Georgie Becker, Dave Laronde.

When asked what advice he has for those who hope to live as vigorous and long life as he has, Tom says, "Take care of your health. Don't smoke." He says his main goal these days is to stay in shape. It's a goal that he seems to be handily attaining- it's easy to think of many people who are half his age and much less active.

When asked what he considers his greatest accomplishment, Tom answers, "My family. I'm very proud of them and I think they all turned out very well."



We think they must be very proud of you too, Tom.

These stories just barely scratch the surface of what this remarkable man has to share.

Somebody has to write a book about this guy.



Tom and Anne.

Today, Tom lives in North Bay with his sweet wife of 10 years, Anne. They take it pretty easy, enjoying each other's company and visits from friends and family.



News, Accomplishments, and Random Good Stuff from the Community



Look who came to visit Patsy, Gladys, and Millie after the show!

Looks like Gladys wanted him all to herself. But where's Maria? Lol!



Congratulations to Robyn Rowe,

Michelle Barriault's daughter! Robyn has just graduated from Laurentian University with a 4 year Honours BA in Psychology with a minor in Sociology. Next, she is going into the Masters of



Indigenous Relations program in September. Robyn managed to complete her studies while raising 2 young girls- Michelle's grandbabies!

You go, Robyn!
Awesome.

The Blast needs help to solve a mystery.

On Saturday, June 20th, CBC radio program "Definitely Not the Opera" - also known as "DNTO"- did a special on Aboriginal Day.

The host interviewed a First Nation lady at the very beginning of the program. She didn't say her name, but she said she was from Bear Island, Lake Temagami!

The Blast has tried with no luck to find out who this was.

You can listen to the show here:

<http://www.cbc.ca/radio/podcasts/arts-culture/the-best-of-dnto/>

-Just look for the June 20th show download. Our mystery lady is at the very beginning, and she has some great remarks.

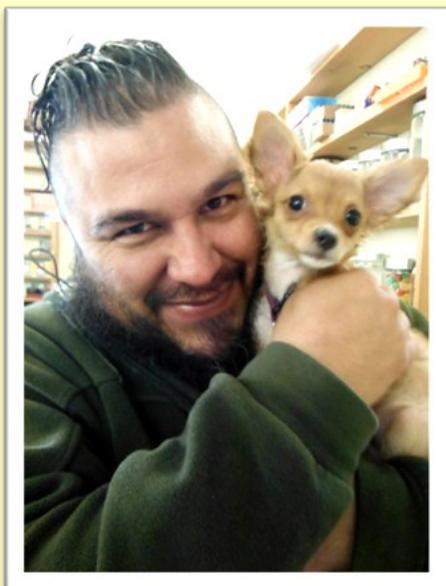
If you know who this is, please contact the Blast!communication@temagamifirstnation.ca

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Meet **Squirt**, Annie's new baby. Aww, ever cute!

Everybody loves Squirt, right **Marty**?



Willow Laronde continues to climb the ranks in the world of women's college volleyball. The star athlete recently signed a contract with the Seneca Sting. Here she is signing, with coach Jessica Chiu.



3 other colleges competed in hope of having her for play for them: Humber, Fanshawe, and George Brown.

She practiced with each team before making her decision. She

went with Seneca because she liked the atmosphere, the coach and the team players.

In addition, Seneca Sting has one of the best teams: they are in the top 3 in Ontario and top 5 nationally.

Woot woot!



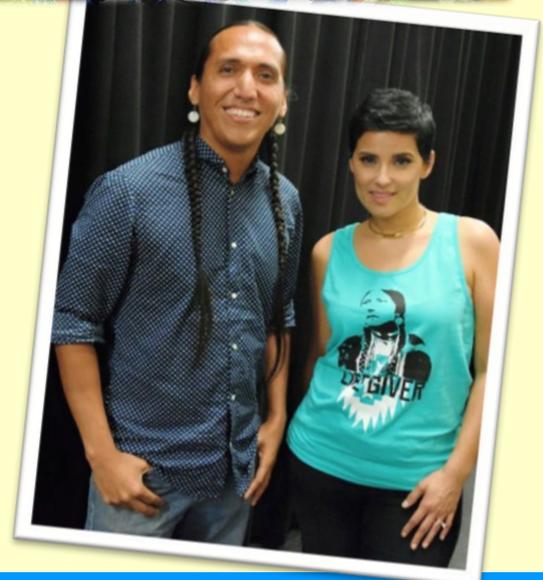
News, Accomplishments, and Random Good Stuff from the Community, Continued



Deanne Hupfield has a lot of exciting stuff going on these days. The Toronto based TFN member is currently in Vienna, Austria. She's there with 6 Nations "Tribal Visions Dance Troupe" to perform for Canada Day at the Canadian Embassy. Deanne dances Fancy Shawl and her husband John (from Wausauksing) is a Grass Dancer. When they return to Canada, Deanne and John will hit the Pow Wow Trail in Alberta.

Deanne, who is trained in fashion design, is launching a clothing company called "Nate". She says the company's goal is to make clothes that "empower Indigenous people". She plans to have a blog on Nate's soon-to-be-active website "that talks about Aboriginal issues and highlights people doing cool things."

Deanne's buddy Tony Duncan gave one of the Nate t-shirt designs to some singer chick named Nelly Furtado, maybe some of you have heard of her. Lol. Wow!!!! The Blast will have a link to the Nate website when it comes online. Right, Deanne? Keep us in the loop please! :)



Steve and Bonnie Turner celebrated 27 years of



marriage on June 25th. Steve says, "No need for any pics....we look the same now as then." Well, here are some pics... and yes, we can't tell which is the older.

Wink.
Looking good, kids!



Dan Couchie is busy teaching the art of birch bark canoe building at Pic River First Nation. Pic River is hosting a course called "Pic River Traditional Land Use and Healthy Living", and Dan's work is part of that. Dan is proud that his daughter **Bonnie Couchie** has taken it upon herself to be his apprentice. Cool, eh? Congratulations to Dan and Bonnie and everyone involved- the canoe is looking great. More photos are available on the course's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/325487617661223/photos/>



Misty Paul has been volunteering her time to help with a project to create a memorial to her activist friend Shannen Koostachin.

Among other tasks, Misty is collecting donations for the funding of the project. If you would like to support Misty and this great cause, you can contact Misty at

misty.paul@temagamifirstnation.ca

More info at this link:

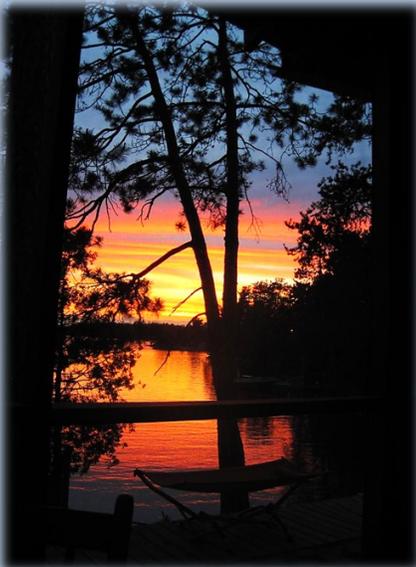
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TDSS Pow Wow

June 5, 2015





Chi Miigwetch to Barb MacInnis for sharing these beautiful photos she took at Northview on B.I.

You can see bigger versions on TFN's facebook page.



LMLC Bike Rodeo

On June 3rd, LMLC held a Bike Rodeo to give the students an opportunity to learn how to ride safely while having fun. LMLC initiated the event, FHWC funded it, and OPP Officers Dan Senf, Renee Taylor, Bear Island Police Officers Brad Kerr and Tom Saville all pitched in to run it. Dan's wife Desi also helped out. LMLC resource teacher Denise Lalonde says, "please highlight the immense amount of work that Dan and Desi did on putting this together. They truly were the leaders on this. Dan came to me when he heard the school was planning this and offered his assistance. He came with ideas that far exceeded anything the school was planning. He not only came with ideas, he implemented them with much success. When the Sport Chek representative was unable to come, Dan, Tom, and Brad also stepped in as mechanics, checking bikes for students." It was a great afternoon. Chi Miigwetch to LMLC, FHWC, Dan and Desi, Tom, Brad, Renee, and the LMLC kids!





Graduation 2015



On June 24th, the Bear Island community celebrated the graduation of the LMLC students. The evening started with a great

feast at the Rec Centre, followed by a ceremony at LMLC. Special recognition was given to grade 8 grads Noah Saville and Spencer Corbiere, and SK grads Kazia Pladzyk, Cheyanne Rpesseault, and Zachary Senf. Awards and Certificates were given out to students in recognition of their achievements. *Congratulations to everyone on a great year!*







Chi Miigwetch to (IL to R) Patsy, Mrs. B, Denise, Mr. B, Lynn, Amanda, Tashina Ms. R., and Theresa for a great year at LMLC. We love you!

Off-Island Grade 8 Grads!

Here are just a few of TFN's family who graduated off-island this year.

Right, Kiiwedín Laronde and Uncle Dave, cousin Katie, and Aunt Carolyn; next, with Mom Lesha. LOVE those shoes, Kii!



Left: Jamie Friday's daughter Emily with Brianna and Adonis, and with Mom below that. Emily received a "Most Improved Student" award and an Athletics award which also recognized her positive attitude and involvement in extracurricular activities. Emily plays 5 different sports!



Below: Tammy Cole with Sierra; Sierra at right. Beautiful!!!

