

Anishnabeg Outreach Newsletter



Summer/Fall 2009

"Working towards employment, training and educational goals"

A new location for Anishnabeg Outreach Kitchener

In the last couple of weeks the atmosphere at Anishnabeg Outreach Kitchener has been uplifted and beautified. We are now operating from our new location at 151 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Suite 501.

It is bright, sunny, spacious and still filled with all the helpful resources previously offered at the Charles Street location. However, we now have a more spacious environment with large windows that overlook Frederick Street and its surrounding trees and municipal and provincial buildings.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the move. We always need volunteers for things such as this so please give our office a call if you would like to get involved. Lastly, thank you for all the compliments you have given us. We truly appreciate them.

Highlights from this issue:

- **New Kitchener location**
- **New students**
- **Upcoming dates and events**
- **National Aboriginal Day photos**
- **Community Visioning Group**

Report



National Aboriginal Day 2009



Host Drum: K-Town Singers

National Aboriginal Day was a bright and beautiful day at Victoria Park. Children were laughing and dancing to the beat of the drum. Everyone was involved with the many ceremonies and dances; it was great to see. We look forward to the same enthusiasm and success next year!



Co-Host Drum:
Walking Eagle



Talented
Head Dancer
Scott Norton
doing his
fancy dance
with many
interested
fans
watching

Many children got involved with activities such as the many dances during both days.



Very cute and talented young ladies singing and beating the drum during the Children's Drumming circle directed by Jan Sherman after her workshop which ran both days

Announcements

New Employees

**Brittany Hauck
Kitchener
Event
Coordinator**



Hi, my name is Brittany Hauck and I am the Summer Student Event Coordinator. I am currently entering my first year of Nursing at McMaster/ Conestoga College and hope that this position will help me in my future career as a nurse. With regards to events I will be posting many posters and sending out emails. Please feel free to contact the office with any inquires as to upcoming events for all age groups. I look forward to meeting many of you at the office or at special events.

Email: anishnabegoutreachevents@gmail.com

**Ally Stoett
Guelph
Literacy
Coordinator**



Hi, my name is Ally Stoett and I am the new Summer Student in the Guelph Office. I am filling the position of the Family Literacy Coordinator/ Research Assistant over the summer. I will be entering into my second year at McMaster University completing a combined major in Indigenous Studies and History. I have hopes to work within social services, be a teacher or attend law school. Working with Anishnabeg Outreach is directly related to my field of study. I have already felt very welcome at this job and I am excited to learn and gain new skills and experiences.

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Community News

Congratulations Shannon Holloran

On June 30th, 2009 at 5:47pm Shannon welcomed a baby boy named Nodin Atticus Holloran weighing in at 6 pounds. Best of luck from the staff at Anishnabeg Outreach and the Board of Directors

Women's Sharing Circle will be starting up in the fall once again. Contact Lois MacDonald at 519-763-5292 if you would like more information.

facebook

Message

Want to know more about Anishnabeg Outreach, what we offer or any up-coming events? Check out the new Anishnabeg Outreach facebook page. Search "Anishnabeg Outreach" in the facebook search engine and become a fan.

The **Guelph Women's Drum** meets every third Tuesday of the month. The time is 6:30 and the location is determined by the weather. Contact the Guelph office

Community Vision

Since December 2008, meetings have been taking place with representatives from the K-W Urban Native Wigwam Project, Anishnabeg Outreach, Weejeendimin and Healing of the Seven Generations to discuss the possibility of building and owning an Aboriginal Community Centre. It has been felt and believed by many people for some time that this area needs a place large enough where the Aboriginal community can come together; whether for business, social, employment or leaning endeavours. Several members in the community are committed to making this centre a reality. Members have spent time visioning the meaning of having an Aboriginal owned centre, what this centre would include; in addition to housing the four organizations. Discussions are still in the early stages with regard to determining responsibilities, roles, and next steps. Within the next few months, the meetings will be opened up to invite all interested community members. We will be needing community input with regard to what people believe this community centre needs to include. Community help will also be needed in creating a meaningful name for this centre. This name is very important as it defines our identity. It will serve to help bring the community together and encourage the community to stand behind this vision; seeing it through to the end. Help is needed from community members on a number of levels such as idea development, volunteer responsibilities, meetings, and bringing forth your skills and talents.

Stay Tuned



Upcoming Events



Come out on **September 11 2009** for Anishnabeg Outreach Kitchener's grand opening at its new location.
Potluck Style Lunch
151 Frederick St. Kitchener
Unit 501
EVERYONE WELCOME
Time: 10am- 2pm

6th Annual UW Pow Wow

When: **September 26, 2009**
Time: 6am- 6pm
Where: St. Paul's College
190 Westmount Rd. N, Waterloo ON
Sunrise ceremony starts at 6am.
Grand Entry starts at noon. Come out and enjoy the entertainment and fun. \$5 entrance fee, or show UW, WLU or Conestoga student card and get in with a food donation.
Contact: Kristen Shoemaker
kshoemak@artsservices.uwaterloo.ca
UW Aboriginal Services 519-885-1460
X 4107 to Register as a Drum Group, Dancer, Craft Vendor, or Food Vendor

AGM

Anishnabeg Outreach will be having an Annual General Meeting in the near future.

It is time to renew your membership:

Please fill out a 2009 membership form by September 30, 2009 in order to be eligible to vote. If you require a form we can fax/email it to you. *Please contact Nancy at the Kitchener location or Donna at the Guelph location.*

Hallowe'en Party



Children 12 and under can join the Kitchener location on **Oct 29, 2009** in celebrating Hallowe'en. Dress up and enjoy snacks, refreshments and games. *Prizes for best costume, Volunteers welcome.*
Location: 151 Frederick St. Unit 501 Kitchener
Time: **5:30pm- 7:30pm**

Christmas Party



Guelph:

Tentative Date of December 12th from 1pm- 3pm
Location TBA contact the office in the next few weeks

Kitchener:

December 5th from 1pm- 3pm at Forest Heights Community Centre 1700 Queens Blvd next to the Superstore Plaza

This is a Christmas party for children; however we encourage adults to join in with the festive fun. Enjoy good food, great fun, and the Christmas Spirit. Christmas gifts will be given to the children during the event.

Registration for children will be available in the early fall. Please note: every child attending must be registered.

The 2010 Olympic Torch Relay

The 45,000 km journey of the Olympic Torch will be coming to Waterloo Region on **Dec 27, 2009**, with a scheduled stop in downtown Kitchener.

The Flame is scheduled to visit 119 Aboriginal communities across Canada and over 300 Aboriginal youth, elders and athletes will get the opportunity to be involved with the ceremony. For more information contact:

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Programs and Services

Anishnabeg Outreach offers a wide range of services. We offer a well equipped office to study, research or work on a resume. Within our services we offer internet, telephone and resource access. We also have knowledgeable staff that will help you with your career, employment or training goals. Our services are not only provided for Aboriginal people but also for the general public.

Kitchener and Guelph Programs and Services

Kitchener and Guelph Pre-Employment Workshops for clients will begin in the fall.

Programs offered include:

- Career Decision Making
- Labour Market Research Workshop
- Resume Writing Workshop
- Cover Letter Writing Workshop
- Job Search Skills Workshop
- Interview Skills Workshop

Contact the offices for more information

After School Social Program or Aboriginal Family Literacy Program

Any families that are interested in attending the After School Tutoring Program or the Aboriginal Family Literacy Program should contact Lois MacDonald for more information.

Guelph Office: 519-763-5292



O-GI Programs

O-GI is a unique partnership between the Ontario Federation of Indian Friendship Centres and Grand River Employment and Training Initiative. Since 1999 they have been administering employment services for urban Aboriginal people in Ontario.

Some supports offered include:

- Employment Supports
 - Self- Employment Assistance
 - Job Creation Partnerships
 - Targeted Wage Subsidy
 - Skills Enhancement
 - Youth Stay-in School Initiatives
 - Training Purchase
 - Mobility/Relocation Assistance
- And many more

Who is eligible:

- Status/non-status out of province Aboriginal Individuals
- Metis- CMC, OMAA, MNO
- Inuit

If you need career, education or employment advice please contact our office. One of our counsellors will be more than happy to provide you with these services.
Everyone welcome

Acknowledgements

Thank you to all our sponsors from Multicultural Day and National Aboriginal Day on June 20th and 21st 2009.

Thank you:

Celebrate Canada! Program, Heritage Canada, Tapestry, the City of Kitchener, Metro Karges, Piller's Sausage, Greg Hertzberger, Com Dev, Kathleen Lannigan-Metis Nation of Ontario, Canadian Union Postal Workers (CUPW) local 560, Glenbriar Water, Towne Bowl, Dover Flour, Kava Beans Commons, Ontario Glove, Central Fresh Market, Victoria Bowl, Bingemans Park, Chicopee Ski and Summer Resort, Wings of Paradise The Butterfly Conservatory, Crystal Clear Water Centre, St. Jacobs Market, CKWR Community Radio, KW Art Gallery, CHYM FM, Stratford Festival, River Run Theatre, and Brunswick Lanes.

Thank you to John Somosi, Elder Dan Smoke, Mayor Brenda Halloran, Councillor Berry Vrbanovic and Mayor Doug Craig for speaking at the event.

Also, thank you to President Emerance Baker for speaking about the history of National Aboriginal Day.

If there is something you would like to see in the next newsletter please let us know.

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Thank you to all the volunteers for your continuous support. Miigwetch

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Hours of Operation:

Summer Months:
8am- 4pm Monday to Friday

Fall Hours starting September 8th, 2009:
9am- 5pm Monday to Friday

Website: www.anishnabegoutreach.org