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# FORT MCKAY AND SUNCOR SIGN PURCHASE AGREEMENT



On September 6th, Fort McKay First Nation and Suncor publicly announced the official signing and agreement of Fort McKay’s purchase into Suncor’s East Tank Farm Development.

The \$1 billion storage facility is currently under construction and is part of a \$13.5 billion oils sands project that is expected to start its production sometime late next year. The tank will be a storing facility for bitumen from Suncor’s Fort Hills Oilsands project. Once operational, Suncor will be the operator of the East Tank Farm Development. Fort McKay has agreed to pay \$350 million once the storage

tank becomes functional with an expected 34 percent investment return.

“I’m extremely proud that Suncor and Fort McKay have partnered on this historic and progressive deal,” said Mark Little, executive vice president, Upstream, Suncor. “This agreement demonstrates a very positive evolution in our long-term relationship and a new way that we will work together.”

Chief Jim Boucher explained that, “Fort McKay First Nation has been engaged in the oil sands business for over 30 years, and the investment we make today is an investment that will endure

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for the long-term benefit of our community.”

# FORT MCKAY'S COMMUNITY CELEBRATION 2016

Last month, a Community Celebration was organized holding various exciting events planned for the entire community and promising many reasons for all to rejoice.

Events began on Thursday with a golf tournament hosted by the Fort McKay Group of Companies. Thursday was also the start of the annual Bull Memorial slow-pitch

## FMFN LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Raymond Powder, Councillor  
Crystal McDonald, Councillor  
Gerald Gladue, Councillor  
Peggy Lacorde, Councillor

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tournament. Friday kicked off with a variety of events including the official opening of the new Youth Centre and ribbon cutting ceremony. There was also an opportunity to acknowledge many of our brave and amazing community members and industry that helped Fort McKay during the wild fire evacuation during a recognition ceremony.

The weekend continued with a variety of fun-filled activities that had many laughing and enjoying time with family and friends!

These included hand games, kids activities, bingo, entertainment, a community dinner and more! Evening entertainment over the weekend was a hit with the Magoo Crew on Friday night and the Dene Tea dance on Saturday night, Councillor Raymond Powder was asked to join in and sing the last song and was gifted a dene drum by one of the elder drummers.

Elder Joe Tambour, a Dene Drummer, honored the crowd with a closing prayer, and dance to end the night. A big thanks to Joe Tambour and his drummers who rocked the house with their traditional dene songs.

Winners of the Hand Games tournament were: Young guns who took home \$1500 for first place, Hott Shotts who won \$900 for second place, and Old Guns who received \$600 for third place.

We would like to thank all our sponsors for their generous contributions and all of the wonderful volunteers that helped make this celebration a success! It was a great weekend; a weekend that celebrated our community's continuing accomplishments and successes as well as our hamlet's many traditions.

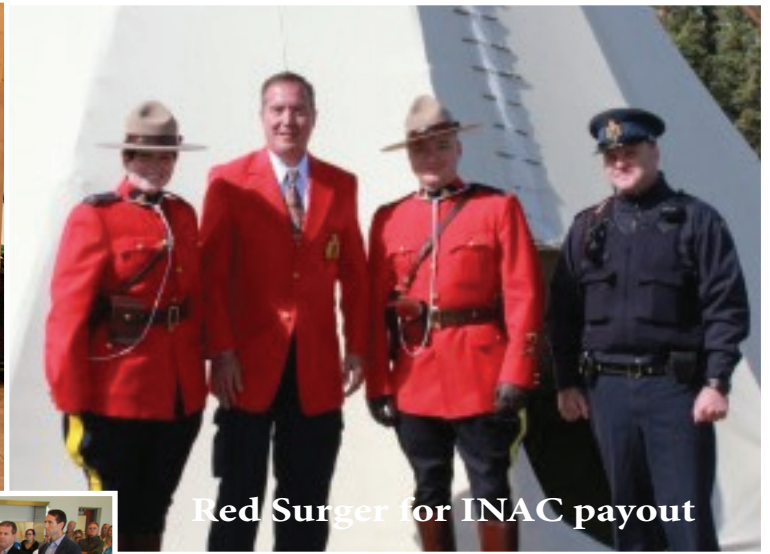


Dene Tea Dance





3rd place winners- hand games



Red Surger for INAC payout



Youth Centre Grand Opening



Magoo Crew Entertainment



Dene Koa sponsored supper



Water & ice was supplied by Culligan



ESS Point Catering



Fort McKay Enterprises: standby EMT service



kids activities



# PROVINCE, FORT MCKAY FIRST NATION AND INDUSTRY RESPOND TO AIR QUALITY CONCERNS



The Government of Alberta, Fort McKay First Nation and industry partners are taking action on a new report that addresses longstanding air quality and odour concerns in Fort McKay.

In response to recurring complaints from Fort McKay residents, the Alberta Energy Regulator and Alberta Health worked closely with the community and industry to study air quality and odours in the region. “The release of this report is a key first step in responding to Fort McKay’s long-standing concerns about air quality and odours. Thanks to the efforts of many partners, including Fort McKay First Nation, we have a better understanding of the community’s concerns, and what works needs to be done to address them.” - Sarah Hoffman, Minister of Health

The report, which included significant stakeholder participation, examined complaint and investigation history in the region related to air quality and odours, industry performance monitoring data and regulatory requirements, ambient air quality monitoring data, and air quality and odour thresholds.

All partners will be working together to address the report’s 17 recommendations, including implementing better air quality monitoring, gaining a better

understanding of emission sources, and further investigating the potential long-term health impacts of emissions.

“Fort McKay is a strong advocate for responsible and sustainable development which includes the protection of air and watersheds. Poor air quality and odours have been a chronic issue that community members have reported for years with little response from Industry and government until now. Fort McKay expects that through the commitment to and implementation of these 17 recommendations, poor air quality and odour events will become an exception and not the norm of our daily experiences.” - Chief Jim Boucher, Fort McKay First Nation

“Over the past year and a half, the AER worked closely with Alberta Health, Fort McKay First Nation, the oil sands industry, Alberta Environment and Parks and Environment and Climate Change Canada to integrate and analyze over one million data points for this assessment. This report marks an important step forward to help address the concerns of the Fort McKay community and industry, but it’s only the beginning. The AER looks forward to establishing a task force to continue to work with our partners to ensure the recommendations are

implemented.” - Dr. Monique Dubé, Chief Environmental Scientist, Alberta Energy Regulator

“CAPP and its oil sands members operating close to Fort McKay have been working jointly with all partners during this assessment and are fully committed to supporting the implementation of all recommendations. Our goal is continuous improvement in the areas of health, safety, social responsibility and the environment – and we plan to do just that.” - Terry Abel, Executive Vice President, CAPP

The report makes 17 recommendations, including: improving consistency in industrial and ambient air quality monitoring, assessing the long-term and cumulative health effects of emissions, developing a better understanding of the link between industry emissions and air quality and odours in Fort McKay, and improving response and communication protocols for odour complaints between the AER, Health Canada, Alberta Health Services, industry and the community of Fort McKay.

Government, the AER, Fort McKay First Nation, industry and other partners will continue working together to address these recommendations.





# 3RD ANNUAL LAWRENCE BULL POWDER SLOW PITCH MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT



Home-run Derby winner



Bulls 1st Place winners

Our third annual Lawrence Bull Powder Memorial was yet another hit and a great weekend to remember by all who participated! In total, five Aboriginal teams entered the tournament and many fans came out to cheer for their teams. During the games, certified umpires watched closely and ensured all players played fair

and safe by the rules of the game. The first two days consisted of a round-robin tournament where each team played all other teams in turn. Despite the cold and wet weather, the play-offs continued on Sunday.

We would like to congratulate all winning teams: 1st place: Bulls

(\$3,000) 2nd place: Fort Chip nightmares (\$2,000), 3rd place: Anzac Coyotes (\$1,000). We would also like to recognize James Hunter from the Royal-teze team, this year's home-run winner. Congratulations to Skyler, winner of the 50/50 draw and to Jesse Rodriguez raffle ticket winner (backpack & bat) .



**Congratulations to Kandis Boucher and Tyron Courtorielle for completing the 10km run at the Fort McMurray Half Marathon and to Mandy Morris for completing the 5km!**





# EDUCATION IN FORT MCKAY IS A PRIORITY

On Thursday, September 8th, the Fort McKay Group of Companies LP (FMGOC) held its 10th annual golf tournament at the Miskanaw Golf and Country Club in Fort McMurray. Eager golfers from Industry quickly filled up the course and set out for what turned out to be a beautiful sunny September day.

As golfers set out, some with a mission to win, some with a mission to hit the ball, their overall goal was to support and help raise funds for the Fort McKay education program.

The Fort McKay Education Department includes a number of programs that are offered directly within the community with a strong cultural focus. The

Fort McKay School houses kindergarten to grade six students. High school students wishing to remain in the community can attend the E-Learning Centre. Credits are earned as students work under the guidance of a mentor in a classroom environment. They can either participate in online classes or complete modules through Alberta Distance Learning. Keyano College has a satellite campus which is a fully functioning classroom, to assist adults obtain their grade 12 equivalency.

The FMGOC was founded in 1986 and started with a single janitorial contract. Solely owned by the Fort McKay First Nation, the FMGOC is one of the

largest oilfield construction and service companies in Northern Alberta. "Education gives confidence, options and a sense of direction." says Adam King, CEO, "With this, students can further develop with certainty."

The support of our sponsors for the FMGOC golf tournament over the years has been exemplary and demonstrates their commitment to ensuring that students, young and old, of Fort McKay have access to proper education. Looking forward, this allows students the opportunity for success and advancement for future generations.

From everyone in Fort McKay, THANK YOU to our dedicated sponsors!



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# YOUTH CENTRE IS NOW OPEN!

The Youth Centre is officially open ! Our youth now have a beautiful new building to spend time with friends and family to enjoy a variety of recreational, sport, art and music activities. Or, perhaps a place to chill and play some bubble hockey, air hockey and shoot a game of pool.



Ribbon cutting ceremony

## SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 2016

The 2016 Summer Student Employment Program (SSEP) was designed to involve youth in community enhancement projects, and to assist the students in gaining important life and employment skills that would aid them in obtaining future work opportunities.

The SSEP program ensured that students were active and busy in the summer months while not in school. The type of work for the students was diverse depending on their experience and desire. The program ran from July 18, 2016 to August 25, 2016 and employed 27 students; ages 13 -18 years old.

Students proved to be dedicated as they worked a variety of jobs during the 2016 SSEP, including: lawn mowing, weed whacking, raking, garbage pick-up and general clean up. Students also

beautified Elders' yards, cleaned ditches around the community and cut the grass around the Air Monitoring Station. Their efforts continued while they weeded and cleaned up the cemetery, mowed the lawn around the school as well as in the upper Arbour area.

This year the program reached out to nearby companies for summer student work placement opportunities. Brion was able to accommodate two students for two weeks. This program provided a structured work environment and offered students with some administrative experience.

The SSEP program held a year end banquet reception on August 25, 2016 at the arena for the students and all those who assisted with the success of the program. The morning of the festivity consisted of a cultural

activity and the afternoon was filled with free time to play on bouncy inflatables.

This year the SSEP 2016 offered four different types of bonuses that reflected the students' commitment such as attendance, performance, general, and course attendance.

Students that qualified for all four bonuses were able to receive an extra \$1,000. Special thanks to everyone who helped make this Summer Student Employment Program a total success; all the staff from the Sustainability Department, Capital Projects, Brion and Community Services. Big thanks to Gail Matchullis and Bori Arrobo.

*Submitted by: SSEP Coordinator,  
Mariana Raven-stein*



# AUTHOR VISITS FORT MCKAY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Illustrator and Author Mike Boldt visited ECS, grade 1 and grade 2 students at Fort McKay School on Wednesday, September 14th! He read students his new book "I Don't Want To Be Big" and gave them each a copy before it's official release in October! He also educated students how he draws characters for his books while using a flip chart in the classroom. Thank you to First Book Canada, TD Bank, Penguin Random House and Wood Buffalo Regional Library for making this visit possible!



Mike reading his new book "I Don't Want To Be Big" to students



ECS and grade students with Illustrator and Author Mike Boldt



Grade 1 and 2 students with Illustrator and Author Mike Boldt

*Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!*

The Wellness Center would like to Send out a HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers who came out on August 24th and 25th to help with our casino! It means the world to us to have so many willing to help out, especially with the late night!!

A big thank you goes out to: Tye Bietz (Sunshine Oilsands), Laurie Wilson-Temple (Sunshine Oilsands), Melinda Stewart, Stefany Guillen-Garces, Ryan Grandjambe, Natalie Orr, Janice Richards, Deanna Simard, Sheldon Shott, Shari Green, Krystaline Kas-kamin , Logan Bingley, Richelle Clift, and Kory Torraville.

*Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!*



# HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY



**On Saturday, October 29th, 2016  
the Wellness Center will be hosting a  
Muchmusic Video Halloween Dance Party!  
Everyone is welcome!**



## GOING FROM FORT MCKAY TO A BRITISH COLOMBIA AVIATOR



The skies the limit for one Fort McKay man. His success, as he describes, is partially because of his ability to focus solely on education: “For those choosing to go to school, being funded provides a unique opportunity to focus solely on academics. The majority of students need to work while attending university and this negatively impacts their studies.” – Charles L’Hommecourt of Fort McKay First Nation.

Charles began his final studies this September to complete his “Business Administration in Aviation Honours Degree” at Fraser Valley University. He began his journey in Aviation in North Bay Ontario after leaving his first nation community with

his sights set on the sky. After he completes this year he will have a diploma, a honours degree and a Professional Flight Instructor certification. He hopes to own his own helicopter company and states that his education has not only given him the experience but also the confidence to do so. Currently he lives as a motivated single father in Abbotsford British Columbia.

Athabasca Tribal Council’s (ATC) Education Department is proud to sponsor over 52 students on their post-secondary journey. ATC feels it is a privilege to offer this type of support to its member nations youth as well it is a gift to see how the students grow as they realize and achieve their aspirations. The Athabasca



Tribal Council Education Department’s vision is to: “...contribute to a quality education where students are knowledgeable and proud of their culture and highly successful in academics.”





**SATURDAY OCTOBER  
15TH, 2016**

RAMADA CONFERENCE CENTER

7th Annual

# **ANTI-BULLY SHOW**

HOSTED BY ICEIS RAIN



**Supporting:**

**The Bissell Centre - IHuman Youth Society - Boys and Girls Club  
Alberta Health Services - Office of the Child and Youth Advocate  
Aboriginal murdered and missing women (Stolen Sisters Awareness)**

**Performances by:**

**ICEIS rain - Rellick - Tammy Quinn-Reid  
Will Belcourt and the Hollywood Indians - And many more.**

Ramada Conference Center 11834 Kingsway NW, Edmonton, AB T5G 3J5



# FORT MCKAY RUNNERS RAISE FUNDS FOR HUES FOR HUMANITY



On August 28th, some Fort McKay Runners participated in Hues for Humanity and ran 5kms after fundraising \$420 for the Canadian Humanitarian Association. Runners included Kandis Boucher, Natalie Orr and Mandy Morris. Hues for Humanity raises money for children in Africa by providing them with educational programs to help break the cycle of poverty. 100% of all profits from each race are used to support these programs in Ethiopia and Malawi. Way to go girls!!

## COULD YOUR CHILD HAVE LICE?

Head lice have been around for centuries. They continue to be a pest despite modern treatment and prevention programs. They do not spread any diseases, but are a concern to parents and their children.

Head lice can be spread anytime children are in groups such as daycare, schools, playgrounds, summer camps, and families where 1 person has lice.

### QUICK FACTS:

- Head lice are small greyish insects the size of a grain of salt (1–2 mm).
  - They do not jump or fly, but they move quickly.
  - The nits (about 1 mm long) can be seen firmly attached to hair (do not confuse with dandruff, which is easily brushed off).
  - Lice are usually found around the temple, above and behind the ears, and at the back of the neck.
- After using a head lice product:
- At any one time, 10% of elementary school

children can have head lice.

- If 1 person has head lice, all family members should be carefully examined for lice as well. Treat only those family members who have lice.
- Anyone can get head lice—there is no connection between head lice and how clean you are or your social status.
- Constant itching of the scalp is often a sign of lice. Treat head lice with anti-lice shampoo or lotions. Common treatment products are Nix®, R & C, Kwellada-P®, Pronto®, and Resultz®.
- If no lice are seen, re-treat with the same product 7 to 10 days after the first treatment. The second treatment kills nits that may have been missed the first time.
- Uncommon ways of spreading head lice are sharing hairbrushes, combs, hats, headgear, scarves, coats, or contact with pillowcases, blankets, and stuffed toys of people with head lice.



# COMMUNITY SAFETY INITIATIVE

SAFETY TIPS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE NATIONS SAFETY DEPARTMENT

GOT QUESTIONS?? CONCERNS?? CONTACTS US LETS HELP 780-370-7319

Let's make sure kids get to and from school safely this year



Drivers play a key role in back-to-school safety. Be alert and extra cautious in and around school zones and playgrounds as well as near school buses.

**Young students should remember these safety tips:**

- If you can't see the driver, the driver can't see you either.
- Be alert at intersections and always look for danger when crossing the street.
- Arrive early at your bus stop and stand back on the sidewalk until the bus stops.

**Back to school facts**

- Nearly 50 per cent of the drivers involved in collisions with school buses committed an error. The most common error was following too closely.
- On average each year, approximately 238 children under 15 are killed or injured as pedestrians or cyclists (2010-2014).
- School buses in Alberta travel an estimated 450,000 kilometres a day - that's more than 10 times around the earth!
- The penalty for failing to stop for a school bus with its alternating flashing red lights activated is \$543 and six demerit points.
- 70 per cent of casualty collisions and nearly 90 per cent of property damage collisions involving a school bus occurred in urban areas.





# PUBLIC SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

Disaster can occur anywhere, at anytime. It is your responsibility to ensure you are prepared if a disaster occurs. Alberta Emergency Alerts are issued to assist you—providing you with critical information about an immediate disaster, where it is occurring and what action you need to take.

Alerts are distributed to the public through various outlets including: Radio and Television, Internet, RSS Feed, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.), Road Signage, and through the Alberta Emergency Alert App. When disaster strikes, get more information and take appropriate action to protect yourself and your family.

## STOP. LISTEN. RESPOND.

**ALBERTA'S EMERGENCY PUBLIC WARNING SYSTEM**  
The government of Alberta developed a public warning system as a result of the 1987 tornado that struck Edmonton and the surrounding area. This system, called Alberta's Emergency Public Warning System (EPWS) was created in 1992. This system warned the public of imminent danger. The EPWS was the first rapid warning system of its kind to use media outlets to broadcast critical life-saving information directly to the public.

**NEW SYSTEM : ALBERTA EMERGENCY ALERT**  
In 2011, EPWS was upgraded and renamed "Alberta Emergency Alert". Alberta Emergency Alert was developed to address the changes in technology as radio and television moved from analogue to digital.

Alberta Emergency Alert is a model of effective co-operation between government and broadcasters. Its availability to local government emergency management officials and key agencies in order to issue warnings is highly regarded within the emergency management community.

An Alberta Emergency Alert can be issued by individuals who have been designated by their community, organization, or department. These individuals are called Authorized Users and may include: Emergency Managers, Municipal Officials, First Nation Representatives, Provincial Government Departments (Alberta Emergency Management Agency, Alberta Environment), and the Federal Government Departments (Environment Canada).

Alberta Police Services are also authorized to issue AMBER Alerts, which notify the public if a child or an adult with a proven mental or physical disability has been abducted.

**MEDIA PARTNERS:** The success of Alberta's alert system is possible with the support and assistance of Alberta broadcasters who distribute alerts to the public through radio and television.

### THERE ARE 3 TYPES OF ALBERTA EMERGENCY ALERTS:

**CRITICAL INFORMATIONAL AND TEST**

**WHAT'S AN EMERGENCY?** The simple definition of emergency is: - an unexpected and usually dangerous situation that calls for immediate action.

Emergency alerts in our area could include the following: winter storm, rainfall, thunderstorm, wind alert, wind chill, freezing rain, wildfire, urban fire, industrial fire, tornado, terrorism, temperature, school lockdown, infectious disease, flood, freeze, dangerous animal, road closure, missing person, health alert, heat wave, etc.

If an emergency develops, you should follow the safety instructions provided by the Alberta Emergency Alert System to protect yourself and your family. An effective warning system like Alberta Emergency Alert will help reduce the number of injuries and deaths that may occur because of a disaster.

### YOU CAN BE PREPARED.

Ensure you and your family are ready for an emergency should it arise. Prepare a 72- hour emergency kit and be ready to stop, listen and respond. Visit [emergencyalert.alberta.ca](http://emergencyalert.alberta.ca) to find out more. Ensure that you follow Alberta Emergency Alert on Twitter and like Alberta Emergency Alert on Facebook. If you have any more questions, contact Cort Gallup, Emergency Services Manager, 780-838-6061. In the event of an emergency tune into Fort McKay Radio, 106.3 FM.

For more information please go to:  
[www.emergencyalert.alberta.ca/](http://www.emergencyalert.alberta.ca/)





# FORT MCKAY SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT GENERAL UPDATE

**WHO ARE WE?** The Sustainability Department (FMSD) is here in your community to ensure that existing and planned industrial development around Fort McKay's Traditional Territory is done in the most sustainable way possible. The staff at the FMSD work in many different areas such as; Community Engagement, Trapper Relations, Environment and Regulatory, Government Relations, and Long Term Agreements. These areas work together to make sure that development applications are reviewed and assessed, and that community members are engaged so we can properly reflect their concerns to industry and government. We work to facilitate ongoing consultation within the community so residents know how their traditional lands are being affected.

**WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?** The summer months have been a busy time for the FMSD and we want to give you updates on some of the things we have been working on. We have worked on addressing the recurrent odour complaints with the Alberta Energy Regulator and AB Health, a long term agreement with Suncor which was just signed, we are starting the development of a Park Ranger program, and we are continuing to work on the Moose Lake Access Management Plan with the government. In particular, this issue is an update of the work being done in our community advisory groups; in the next issues coming up we will give an update on these other items.

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUPS

For a number of years, community members have participated in Community Advisory Groups (known as CAG). The purpose of a CAG is to ensure a consistent group of community members stays involved with the same company for many years. The purpose for doing this is so that the people participating can get to know the particular company and its representatives well, feel more comfortable over time expressing their concerns, and develop a better understanding of a project, its impacts over time and proposed mitigation. Occasionally the FMSD needs to change the membership at CAGs, but for the most part we try to keep the same people with the same company for a long period of time.

There are many companies that have held CAG meetings over the past couple of months, or will be meeting soon. These companies include Sunshine, Suncor, Shell, Brion, Enbridge, Imperial, Syncrude, Teck and Hammerstone. Most often, a company will come to the FMSD to present project updates, or ask questions to their related CAG group. About once a year, the CAG will go on a tour of the company's site. All these companies are at different stages of project application and planning, construction, development and reclamation. The objective is that the CAG members take what they learn about the companies, and then share this information with family and other community members so that the whole community is informed about the different development projects happening in the Fort McKay Traditional Territory.

## SUNSHINE UPDATE:

Sunshine is a STEAM Assisted Gravity Drainage (SAGD) company that has been meeting with the FMSD for many years; however, this was the company's first CAG meeting. The company has been in contact with the local trappers to discuss their use of the areas, and has reviewed previous Traditional Land Use studies of the areas that have been done. Community members commented that they wanted to know who from Fort McKay had been involved to make sure that Fort McKay was well represented in those studies. There were also requests that the company would bring information related to community employment to the next meeting. Concern was also expressed that the trappers were not being compensated fairly, and there was much discussion around this topic. The company will follow up on a number of requests from community members for the next meeting to provide more information about cutlines, groundwater, employment, Moose Lake concerns and many other issues.



### **SUNCOR UPDATE:**

Suncor held a tour as well as a follow up CAG meeting with the participants over the past couple of months. Suncor's project involves open pit mining. The tour took the CAG members to view the base mine site tailings management facilities. They discussed the Nikanotee Fen and the reclamation going on. Suncor is changing their tailings plan and adding new ponds and improving technology. The new pond is planned to be filling one of their existing mine pits, which will help them avoid building another pond above ground. Suncor has worked with other groups in the community throughout the summer. They supported Fort McKay to host a 2-day traditional plant workshop that 20 community members participated in.

### **SHELL UPDATE:**

Shell held a tour of their Albian Sands Jackpine Mine location. On the tour they discussed the programs for reclamation that had been started and the CAG members were taken to Mrs. T's compensation lake, which community members had helped to name. Community members were able to talk about the wildlife in the area, and to see the native plants that have grown around the lake. CAG members seemed to appreciate the information Shell shared with them. Shell also discussed a research project that University of Alberta students are also helping with to do a study on the best ways to plant seeds for reclamation. Shells also held a Life of Mine Closure Plan meeting, where 3 community members had an opportunity to understand some of the plans for the final landscape of Shell Muskeg River Mine and were able to contribute valuable requests.

### **BRION UPDATE:**

Brion is another Steam Assisted Gravity Drainage (SAGD) project. Brion held a tour at the MRCP location and a CAG meeting the day after for the participants. Brion's site location is still under construction and is not yet in operation. The tour showed CAG members the reclamation, field facilities and wildlife crossings over pipes that had been talked about in previous CAG meetings. Brion showed areas where reclamation had started, and in the meeting they talked about their future plans for development and exploration. Brion explained how they are able to recycle about 90% of their water for reuse. The construction phase is almost over and they expect to be up and running some time in December. Brion had two summer students from Fort McKay working for them, and also involved a community member to help survey the footprint of their development to identify areas that needed more reclamation.

### **ENBRIDGE UPDATE:**

Enbridgemet with the CAG group to discuss a pipeline that carries a product called diluent from Stonefell to Suncor East Tank Farm. Some of the construction was just starting in May 2016 in the Fort McMurray South Facility, with the final phases of construction planned for the fall and winter of 2016 and 2017. This project began in 2013 and Enbridge has communicated with the FMSD since then. Working with the FMSD they developed an environmental schedule and protocols that the FMSD approved. The CAG members expressed their concern with pipelines going underneath the river. Enbridge explained their process, and the work they did to ensure that the water was protected and that no rock was cracked underground during construction. Enbridge will bring more information to their next meeting that will talk about the pipes, and how the connections are welded together and how they work with Trappers in the pipeline areas.

### **PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUPS**

At every CAG meeting, someone from the FMSD takes notes and keeps track of the participants' concerns. It is important that these concerns are documented so the FMSD can properly express what the community feels is important when it comes to developing plans and negotiating for these projects. If you have any questions related to a specific project, or you would like more information about what is going on around your community, the Sustainability Department is always happy to discuss these projects in more detail. If you would like to be part of a community advisory group, please call the Sustainability Department and we will work with you to see if there is room to join a group. Throughout the year many companies will have CAG meetings and as they happen, we will be sure to provide more information to the community.





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

## WELLNESS CENTER 780-828-2412

### **Mondays:**

After-school Activities 3:15-5  
Supper Program 5-6 pm  
Young Engineers (ages 10+)  
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Home Economics (ages 8-9)  
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

### **Tuesdays:**

After-school Activities 3:15-5  
Supper Program 5-6 pm  
Basketball (ages 10+)  
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Homework Help (ages 6-9)  
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

### **Wednesdays:**

After-school Activities 3:15-5  
Supper Program 5-6 pm  
Closed at 6 PM  
Hiking on Birchwood Trails (Age 10+)  
\*Permission slip required  
Bus leaves at 5:00 pm  
Bus returns at 9:00 pm

### **Thursday**

After-school Activities 3:15-5  
Supper Program 5-6 pm  
Kids Fun Fitness (ages 10+)  
6:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Cultural Arts n' Crafts (ages 6-9)  
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

### **Friday October 7th**

After-school Activities 3:15-4:30 pm  
Supper Program 4:30-5:30 pm  
Teen Night  
\*Permission slip required  
Ages 10-17  
Bus leaves at 5:30  
Bus Returns at 10:00 PM

### **Friday October 14th & 28th**

After-school Activities 3:15-4:30 pm  
Supper Program 4:30-5:30 pm  
Pre- Teen Night  
\*Permission slip required  
Ages 8-11  
Bus leaves at 5:30  
Bus Returns at 10:00 PM

### **Friday October 21st**

open 9-5pm (no trip)

## FAMILY SUPPORT CENTRE - 780-828-4650

Oct. 4 Healthy Communication – 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 6 Anger Management – 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 11 Family Dynamics- 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 13 Emotional Awareness – 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 18 Grief & Loss - 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 20 Defining Abuse – 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 25 Responsibilities – 1:00-3:00pm  
Oct. 27 Self Esteem – 1:00-3:00pm

Every Wednesday, Mental Health comes to the family Support building from 10 AM to about 2 PM.

## GET INTO SPORTS!

**Youth Crochet:** Tuesdays at the Youth Centre from 5-6pm

**Family hiking at Birchwood Trails** every Wed in Oct. (Transportation available)

**Adult volleyball** is Back! Wednesdays from 7-9pm @ the school gym. A Fort McKay adult volleyball team is registered at the Macisland league and we are looking for players; games could be anytime between 8pm-11pm on Mondays only (transportation is not available)

For more info about any other programs or to register contact Stefany at 780-714-7094. For recreation updates join us on Facebook at Fort Mckay Rec Club.

## FORT MCKAY CULTURAL PROGRAM

*Audrey Redcrow and Ona Fiddler-Berteig are excited to offer a sewing class at the Youth Centre every Tuesday and Wednesdays 6-9pm, starting October 4th*

*Class size will be limited to 10 students ages 18+ We will begin with regalia and ribbon skirts More classes will be offered ongoing to youth and adults for different arts and crafts throughout the year. Check the monthly newsletter for updates on the upcoming classes.*

*\$50 fee To Register, contact Audrey Redcrow 780.215.2384 for more details or come to the band office to sign up!*

