

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2022



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(BLOOMING MOON)

BZA SPRING HUNT GATHERING:

The annual Spring Hunt Gathering took place from May 10-12th at the BZA community centre. Various events were hosted by the staff of Rocky Bay First Nation, Spirit Bay School, and Rocky Bay Child & Family Services.



Some of the events included goose calling, blind making, a bannock contest, scavenger hunt, fire making, medicine teachings, pluck a duck, rabbit snare making, and an appearance from Music Mike & his Guitar. Meals, snacks, and children's activities were also provided.



*RBCFS would like to wish a
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
to all the dads and caregivers helping
raise our children in a good way.*

ELDERS' CORNER:

The Elders' Monthly Social was held on May 16th at the satellite



office in Thunder Bay. Elder Mona made her famous Swedish meatballs and her delicious bannock.



An appreciation supper for the Elders' Committee was held in Thunder Bay in May. The Rocky Bay Child and Family Services extends a chi-meegwech to the Elders for the support they provide to the community members and for sharing their knowledge of the culture and teachings to everyone.



Social Repatriation

TUTORING NIGHTS:

Thomas Krawczuk, Social Repatriation worker, has been hosting tutoring nights during the month of May. The students have been working with tutors on subjects such as math and reading skills. Snacks are provided and the session usually ends with a fun game after the students' hard work.



GAME NIGHTS:

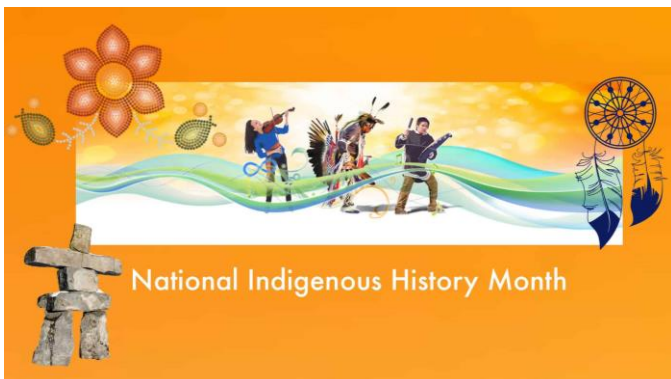
Thomas also began hosting Game Nights which take place every Thursday night from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. To register contact Thomas at tkrawczuk@rockybayfn.ca or by phone at 807-621-4597.



KIDZ KORNER:

The weekly Kids Korner of games, arts & crafts, and much more, takes place on Tuesdays from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Please contact Thomas to register.

June is:



MOTHER' DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Rocky Bay Child and Family Services office in BZA, in conjunction with the Rocky Bay staff, participated in the Mother's Day celebrations in the community. BZA members were treated to bingo, painting stations, lunch, and draws.



The RBCFS office in Thunder Bay office also held a Mother's Day celebration. Due to limited space at the satellite office the festivities were held at the Giinawind Co. located on Victoria Ave. in Thunder Bay. Thunder Bay members were also treated to a lunch and pampered with a pedicure.

Rocky Bay Child and Family Services Community Survey:

For any BZA member who has not yet completed the RBCFS Community Survey, they may do so by contacting either Josee Lynch at 807-885-1697 (main office) or from Jamie Ledger at 807-475-4703 (satellite office).

In order to provide appropriate services to our members their feedback and insight on what they would like to see from RBCFS is important in future planning.

(Please note that the survey draws for BZA and Thunder Bay have been completed).

Traditional Care

The Traditional Care team participated in the Mother's Day celebration pampering members with a shellac pedicure and a pizza lunch.



May is National Foster Care Month with several days throughout the month celebrating foster care. We recognize and celebrate our foster care parents for the essential role they play in the development, healing and success of our children and youth in foster care. Miigwech each and every day.

If you have any inquires or questions on how to become a foster parent contact our office at 807-475-4703 and ask for the Traditional Care Team.

Upcoming for June:

Traditional Care Families please join us in the month of June for some Fun in The Sun! Learn and discuss the topic about staying safe this summer from the sun and heat. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Please check the Rocky Bay Child and Family Services Facebook page for the month of June for event details.

RBCFS COMMUNITY SURVEY EARLY BIRD WINNERS (\$150 Gas Card):

TBAY - Shane Hardy

BZA – Leonard King

GRAND PRIZE DRAW WINNERS (60" TV):

TBAY – John Hardy

BZA – Laurienne Kowtiash

BZA FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM:

ELDERS BINGO & SUPPER:

May's event was well attended. The Elders look forward to this monthly event. They have lots of laughs and good times. To register contact Cynthia Wynne at cwynne@rockybayfn.ca or by phone at 807-631-2778. See you all next month.



RED DRESS WORKSHOP:



In honour of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls the RBCFS main office in BZA held a Red Dress Making workshop. Drumming performed by Pam Hardy.



PARENT VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

MOTHER'S DAY WINNERS

Card made by adults for mom	1 st - Alexandra/Francine
	2 nd - Jewel/Daisy
	3 rd - Lisa/Jean
Card made by kids for mom	1 st - Raquel & kids
	2 nd - Alexandra & kids
	3 rd - Amanda & kids
Pick a flower in honour of mothers who have passed on	1 st - Amanda (rose)
	2 nd - Josee (lily)
	3 rd - Tara (lilies)



We would also like to thank Francine for sponsoring the Penny Auction held at both the BZA and TBay office.

PENNY AUCTION WINNERS - BZA

NAME	PRIZE #
Wanda Thompson	1
Sherri Wynne	2, 8
Jaden Donio	3
Kayla Thompson	4
Francine Nobis	5, 6, 7
Jackie Paquette	9, 12
Desiree Hardy	10
Bart Hardy	11
Brandie Hardy	13
Aiden Esquega	14
Joe Esquega	15
Simonne Wynne	16, 17
Allison Lester	18, 19
Josee Lynch	20



PENNY AUCTION WINNERS - TBAY

NAME	PRIZE #
Kendall (Francine Nobis)	13, 14
Melanie Thompson	7
Amanda Esquega	19
Megan Sault	1
Alexandra Harbinson	2, 9, 12, 16, 17
Abigail De Leon	8
Tommy Nobis	3, 5, 10, 15
Jimmy Mishquart	6
Ashley Baxter	18, 20
Tess Nobis	4, 11



Rocky Bay Child & Family Services would like to thank Francine Nobis for organizing and providing tickets for The Great Benjamin Circus. The BZA families had a great time!

