Rocky Bay Child and Family Services

MONTHLY NEWS

HONOURING OUR
CHILDREN DAY
JULY 24, 2021
BZA POW WOW
GROUNDS

JULY

Traditional Care Recruitment

On June 25th the Traditional Care Team hosted its 1st Annual Recruitment Yard Sale. Fun was had by all in with free lunch and attendance draws for both sites.



Thunder Bay
Attendance Draw
Winners:
Caylon, Jaxson,
Emerson, Jimmy,
Brian
Table Entry: Mel

BZA Attendance Draw Winners: Jayne, River, Rylan, Danny, Sophie, Simon Table Entry: Jayne



"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children." – Sitting Bull

ELDER'S CORNER:

Boozhoo, My name is Diane Hardy. I'm a member of Biinjitiwabik Zaaging Anishinabek (Rocky Bay First Nation) on the shores of Lake Nipigon. I was born and raised in MacDiarmid

Ontario, now known as BZA.

In my early days I was taught commercial fishing, blueberry picking, making nets. I attended Indian Day School there, later transferred to Kilkenny Public



School. Presently I am an Elder for Rocky Bay Child and Family Services here in Thunder Bay.

As an Elder we have weekly meetings to look forward to future and see what we can do to help our off-reserve members and on-reserve members.

In the past we had programs ie. drum teaching, craft night, beading and sewing, and painting. Hopefully in the future when COVID19 ends, and restrictions are lifted we can all get together and provide services to our members. Miigwech.

Welcome to the RBCFS Team!

Latisha Hardy – Social Repatriation Worker

Cheyenne Nobis – Child and Family Service Worker

JULY'S FEATURED STAFF:

Boozhoo,

Aanii Cynthia Wynne Nindizhinikaaz. Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek Ishkonaganig Ninidi Dibendaagoz. My name is Cynthia Wynne and I have accepted the position as the Family Support Worker (Rocky Bay site) with Rocky Bay Child & Family Services. I am grateful to be given the opportunity to work with the families of BZA as I am excited, determined, and motivated. I am also looking forward to being a part of the RBCFS team and gaining valuable knowledge from my peers.

I am a recent graduate from the Social Work – Native Specialization program and a graduate from the Aboriginal Community Service Worker program. I am also currently in pursuant of the Bachelor of Social Work – Indigenous program at Laurentian university. I am a mother to 3 warriors and a Kookum to 3 granddaughters & 2 grandsons. Meegwetch!!!



INDIGENOUS DAY DRAW WINNERS

BZA SITE - Jewel Simmons

TBAY SITE - Mel Bonear

Both won \$30 Gift Cards!

FATHER'S DAY DRAW BBQ WINNERS

> BZA SITE – Kayla Thompson

TBAY SITE – Alexandra Hardy

BUSINESS CORNER:

With COVID Restrictions slowly lifting, we are eagerly awaiting to welcome you to visit our offices.

STAY TUNED for GRAND OPENING DATES!

COMING SOON – 2020/2021 ANNUAL REPORT

STATUS CARD RENEWAL

There will be a Status Card Renewal Clinic at the Thunder Bay Satellite Office on Monday July 12th
11:00 am – 3:00 pm
and
Tuesday July 13th
9:00 am – 2:00 pm.
Please contact Joann Lesperance at <u>ilesperance@rockybayfn.ca</u> or by telephone at 807-935-8406 to book an appointment.

Please bring valid ID and Long Form Birth Certificate

LOOKING FORWARD TO JULY!

*HONOURING OUR CHILDREN DAY JULY
24th

*TEACHINGS with THE ELDERS

*WALKING GROUP

*SOCIAL REPATRIATION SESSION

*TRADITIONAL CARE SESSION

*TEDDY BEAR PICNIC - BZA

*FAMILY BEACH DAY - BZA

*DAY @ THE MARINA – TBAY
AND MUCH MORE!

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