

# TULITA DECEMBER NEWS

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## TULITA NEWSLETTER WOULD LIKE YOU TO HAVE A GREAT DAY.

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## NEW TO TULITA OR JUST BORED?

We have news for you! This newsletter is out for the people of Tulita and its newcomers who just want to know what is going on in the community or need something to read to pass the time. Have vital information that you want in the next newsletter? Want a correction? Call us at the office at (867) 588 3734 or email [tlf.2018@hotmail.com](mailto:tlf.2018@hotmail.com).

## Events and Announcements:

**December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023:** Christmas Bazaar. 1pm to 4pm at the school gym.

**December 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>, 2023:** TFLC AGM at the arena at 1pm.

**December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023:** TLC Office closed until Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023:** Christmas Day!

**Every Tuesdays Evening, 7pm:** Alcohol Anonymous at the Preschool.

**Every Thursday Evening, 7-9pm:** Sewing Circle at the Preschool.

**Elders Day** is every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:30pm at the Preschool. Lunch and having fun with the preschools!

**Every Tuesday and Fridays at the Band Chambers from 7-9pm,** sewing little crafts for Christmas with Judy Menacho, boys and girls under 17.

## COMMUNITY HOURS:

**Fire: 588-2222**

**Health Centre: 588:4251**

**RCMP: 588-1111**

**Arena:** Mon-Sat. 1pm-9pm.

**Aurora College (588-4313):** Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-5pm.

**BJs Market & Take Out:** Check Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade on FB, or contact Leah on FB.

**Chief Albert Wright School (588-4361):** Mon-Fri. 8am-4pm. Closed for summer months.

**Cornerstone Oilfield Services Inc. (588-3001):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**ECC (Environment and Climate Change)** (588-3441): Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Fort Norman Metis Land Corp (588-3201):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Gas Station (588-3044):** Mon-Fri. 11am-12pm, 2pm-4pm. Sat. 11am-12pm. 1pm-2pm

**Government Service Office (588-3002):** Mon-Fri. 1pm-5pm.

**Hamlet of Tulita (588-4471):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Harriet Gladue Health Centre (588-4251, or after hours, 374-0004):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Income Support (588-3211):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**IPCA (Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas) (588-3053):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Mackay Range (588-3051):** Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**MYB (588-3048):** Mon-Sat. 8am-5pm.

**Northern Store (588-4331):** Mon-Sat. 10am-6pm.

**NWT Power Corp (588-4291):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Parks Canada (588-4884):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Pentecostal Mission (374-0451):** Sun. at 11am at the Cultural Centre.

**Post Office (588-4331):** Mon-Fri. 1:30-5:30pm.

**Preschool (588-3401):** Mon-Fri. 1pm-3:45pm. Closed for summer months.

**RCMP (588-1111):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**RRC (Renewable Resource Council) (588-4724):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**SRRB (Sahtu Renewable Resources Board) (374-4040):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**St. Therese of Avila Church (588-4241):** Sunday at 11am.

**Two Rivers Hotel (588-3320):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Airport (588-4555):** Mon-Fri. 8:30am-10:30am, 4pm-5:30pm.

**Tulita CARS Station (588-3191):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Dene Band (588-3341):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Housing (588-4011):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Tulita Land Corp (588-3734):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Wellness Center (588-4271):** Mon-Fri. 9am-5pm.

**Wright's Convenience (588-4927):** 7pm-11pm or check Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade on FB.

## RECREATIONAL TIMES (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

**Fitness Hours:** Mon. to Sat. from 1pm to 9pm at the arena.

**Crib and card games:** Mon. and Wed. at 7pm at the Arena. In the summer, casual card games are at the arbor on clear weather days.

**Bingos** are usually Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday, depending on organization and funds needed. It would be posted at the Northern Store or on-line on Facebook's Tulita Buy, Sell, Trade.



## 🎂💖 Birthday/Anniversary Messages 💖🎂

🎂 Felicia Bavard and family would like to say Happy Birthday to Uncle **Harold** for their day, December 1<sup>st</sup>. From us, families n friends.

🎂 Betty Hardisty and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Gerald** for their day, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

🎂 Stacey Naedzo and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Robert** for their day, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

🎂 The Horassi family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Robert** for their day, December 4<sup>th</sup>. From all your grandchildren.

🎂 Amelia and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Bella** for their day, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy your day, love you! From Amelia, Junior and kids.


🎂 Tina Echinelle and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Eric** for their day, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Happy Birthday to our Uncle, love your nieces and nephews.


🎂 Karen Horassi and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Eric** for their day, December 6<sup>th</sup>.


🎂 Felicia Bavard and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Elyssia** for their day, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

🎂 Britney MacCauley and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Zoey** for their day, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Love from Auntie Brit. Evelyn MacCauley, and James Horassi.


🎂 Felicia Bavard and family would like to say Happy Birthday to Auntie **Jeannie** for their day, December 7<sup>th</sup>.


 Allan Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to his sis, **Brenda** for their day, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Coming from Al, Carter, Carries and baby Nash.

 Seanna Menacho and family would like to say Happiest Birthday to our Grandpa **Wilbert** for their day, December 10<sup>th</sup>. We love you always, Levi and Paisley.

 Maria Codzi and family would like to say Happy Birthday to her dad **Wilbert** for their day, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Wishing you many more, lots of love from babies and I.

 Reanna Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to her dad **Wilbert** for their day, December 10<sup>th</sup>.


 Cathie Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to their brother/son **Wilbert** for their day, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Love from mom, brothers, and sisters.

 Maria Codzi and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Ivan** for their day, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Lots of love from Maria and family.


 Cecilia McPherson and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kerri** for their day December 12<sup>th</sup>.

 Cheryl McPherson and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kerri** for their day, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

 Stacey would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kerri** for their day, December 12<sup>th</sup>.


 Bradley Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to his partner-in-crime **Kara** for their day, December 13<sup>th</sup>.


 Melinda MacCauley and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Xavier** for their day, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Love Melinda, Emerson, Zaida, and Tucker.

 Jessica MacCauley would like say Happy Birthday to **Xavier** for their day, December 14<sup>th</sup>. A happy 8<sup>th</sup> birthday, have fun on your special day. We love you lots coming from mom, dad, and your sister Linnea.

 Bradley Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Karley** for their day, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

 Marie Natasha and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Nevaeh** for their day, December 16<sup>th</sup>. From Mom, Uncles, and family.

 Melinda MacCauley and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Sherry** for their day, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Love Melinda, Emerson, Zaida, and Tucker.

 Kerri McPherson and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Mary Therese** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

 Cecilia McPherson and her family would like to say Happy Birthday to her sister, **Mary Therese** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>.


 Kimberly Stewart and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Connor** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

 Tina Etchinelle and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Adele** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>. From Mom, Dad, your sisters and brothers.

 Stacey Naedzo and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Adele** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>.


 Lee-Ann McPherson and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kane** for their day, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

 Shelly Widow and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Tianna** for their day, December 19<sup>th</sup>.

 Dana Bird and family would like to say Happy Birthday to her brother **Joe** for their day, December 20<sup>th</sup>.

 Shelly Widow and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Preston** for their day, December 20<sup>th</sup>.

 Stacey Naedzo and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Shauna** for their day, December 22<sup>th</sup>.

 Reanna Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Shauna** for their day, December 22<sup>th</sup>.

 Tina Etchinelle and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Shauna** for their day, December 22<sup>th</sup>. From Mom, Dad, your sisters and brothers.


 Mandi Peter and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Sylvia** for their day, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Love always the Peter and Clement Family in HL.

 Amelia and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Sylvia** for their day, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. From their family and friends!

 Rose Mary Andrew and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kristanna** for their day, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Love you lots.

 Reanna Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kristanna** for their day, December 24<sup>th</sup>.

 Seanna Menacho and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kristanna** for their day, December 24<sup>th</sup>.

 Stacey Naedzo and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **William** (Squirrley) for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>.

 Rose Mary Andrew and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kristen** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>. Love you lots!

 Dana Bird would like to say Happy Birthday to **William** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>.


 Helen Squirrel and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **William** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>.

 Reanna Menacho would like to say Happy Birthday to her grandma **Marie** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>. Love and miss you always grandma.


 Betty Hardisty and family would like to say Happy Birthday to their mother **Marie** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>. From all her kids, grandchildren, and great grandchildren and great great grandkids. 5 generations!

 Stacey Naedzo and family would like to say Happy Birthday to Uncle **David** for their day, December 25<sup>th</sup>.


 Rose Mary Andrew and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Kyle** for their day, December 27<sup>th</sup>. Love you lots!

 Nicole Andrew and family would like to say Happy Birthday to their son **Kingston** for their day, December 27<sup>th</sup>. We are so proud of you and love you very much. Enjoy your special day! From mom, dad, Sienna, and Zaul.


 Rebecca Robin and their family would like to say Happy Birthday to her daughter **Kixen** for their day, December 27<sup>th</sup>. Love Momma Rebecca.

 Rose Mary Andrew and family would like to say Happy Birthday to her grandson **Kingston** for their day, December 27<sup>th</sup>. Love you lots! As well as all my nieces in December, you know who you are, love you all lots!

 Lydia would like to say Happy Birthday to **Jessica** for their day, December 29<sup>th</sup>. Happiest Birthday to my bestie Jessie, you old bag! We love you so much. Love Lyd and Ez. ❤️

 Allan Menacho and family would like to say Happiest Birthday to **Madison** for their day, December 29<sup>th</sup>.

 Britney MacCauley and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Jessica** for their day, December 29<sup>th</sup>. From Britney. Enjoy ur day!

 Melinda MacCauley and family would like to say Happy Birthday to **Jessica** for their school, December 29<sup>th</sup>. Love Melinda, Emerson, Zaida, and Tucker.

# Map of Tulita for newcomers!



There is many places to walk or visit to talk to people. You can walk along the Two Rivers Trail located past the Parks Canada Trailer Building. You can walk through the town, as well as towards Plane Lake Dr to the airport and from Water Intake to the Gas Station. You can walk along the shore, all the way to the bank where the boats load off and where the Barge stops.



# Funny Stories

## **Jail**

An old Italian gentleman lived alone in New Jersey. He wanted to plant his annual tomato garden, but it was very difficult work, as the ground was hard. His only son, Vincent, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament: *Dear Vincent, I am feeling pretty sad because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here my troubles would be over. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me, like in the old days. Love, Papa.* A few days later he received a letter from his son. *Dear Papa, Don't dig up that garden. That's where the bodies are buried. Love, Vinnie.* At 4am, the next morning, FBI agents and local police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left. That same day the old man received another letter from his son. *Dear Papa, Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances. Love you, Vinnie.*

## **Museum**

Many years ago, my boss was working at this museum and they had these original Winston Churchill documents on display. These

documents are worth millions of dollars ... The only thing separating the public from these documents was a sheet of glass secured with 4 Philips head screws. Seriously. No security guards in the room, no cameras, just an easily removable piece of glass. My boss pointed out the security concern, but she wasn't taken seriously, so she took matters into her own hands. She bought a ticket and pretended to be a guest. She entered through the main entrance with a huge drill clearly visible on her belt, went straight to the documents and opened the case with the drill. While wearing gloves, she removed the documents, put them in a folder, reattached the glass, and walked out the main exit. Literally no one questioned her. She immediately went around to the back of the museum, entered using the staff entrance and went straight to her boss's office. She dropped the folder on his desk and said "I just stole these in 15 minutes." Once he was done being mad at her, he listened and museum increased security.

## **Shut Up**

I told my kids that we are no longer saying "shut up" because it sounds mean and can hurt people's feelings. So my kids are getting creative with their use of words. My 9-year-old daughter was talking and talking, and my 6-year-old son



couldn't take it anymore and said, "SILENCE YOU PEASANT!"

## **Woods**

So one time when I was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, my school went on camping trip at this camp and at night we all went around the campfire and told stories. One of the instructors pointed up at the hill where a bunch of deer had gathered. He explained that baby deer make a certain noises to call their mothers over. He said if we were really quiet, we could hear them but suddenly this huge black guy came out from the forest and yelled "YO MAMA, WHERE YOU AT?!"

## **Fart**

Today in 1<sup>st</sup> grade, one of my Deaf students farted loudly in class and other students turned to look at them. The following is a snippet of a 15 minute conversation that happened entirely in American Sign Language among the group of Deaf students and I. *Kid 1*: Why are they looking at me? *Me*: Because they heard you fart. *Kid 1*: WHAT DO YOU MEAN?! *Me*: Hearing people can hear farts. *Kid 2*: (totally horrified) WAIT, THEY CAN ALL HEAR FARTS??! *Me*: Well no, not all farts but come of them yes. *Kid 3*: How do you know which farts they can hear and which farts they can't? *Me*: Hmm, you know how sometimes you can feel your butt move when you fart? A lot of those they can hear. But if your butt doesn't move it's more likely they didn't hear it. *Kid 1*: TELL THEM TO STOP LISTENING TO

MY FARTS! THAT IS NOT NICE! *Me*: Hearing kids can't stop hearing farts, it just happens. *Kid 2*: I just will stop farting then. *Me*: Everyone farts, it is healthy. You can't stop. *Kid 3*: Wait. Everyone? Even my mom? *Me*: Yep. *Kid 2*: My dad? *Me*: Yep. *Kid 1*: ...you? *Me*: Yep. (all the kids laugh hysterically) *Kid 1*: ...so you can hear and smell farts? *Me*: Some of the farts yes. Not all of them. *Kid 2*: Can hearing people see farts? *Kid 3*: Yeah. Green smoke comes out of their butt, I saw it on TV. *Me*: That doesn't happen in real life. *Kid 1*: What?! Ugh. I don't understand farts. (later) I went to college for 8 years to have these conversations.

## **Hospital**

A sweet old lady telephoned St. Joseph's Hospital. She timidly asked, "Is it possible to speak to someone who can tell me how a patient is doing?" The operator said, "I can, what's the name and room number?" The old lady in her weak voice said, "Norma Findly, Room 302." The operator replied, "Let me place you on hold while I check with her nurse." After a few minutes the operator returned to the phone and said, "Oh, I have good news, her nurse just told me that Norma is doing very well. Her blood pressure is fine; her blood work just came back as normal and her physician, Dr. Cohen, has scheduled her to be discharged on Tuesday." The old lady said, "Thank you. That's wonderful! I was so worried! God bless you!" The operator replied, "You're more than welcome. Is Norma

your daughter?" The grandmother said, "No, I'm Norma Findlay in 302. No one tells me sh\*t!"

## Robbery

(A teen approaches my cash register very slowly)  
*Me*: "Can I help you?" *Customer*: "Gimme all the freaking medicine!" (The teen pulls out an airsoft pistol with a orange tip still glued to the front)

*Me*: "The pharmacy is in the back of the store."

*Customer*: "Oh ... okay." (He holsters the air-soft gun in his belt and darts down the aisles to the back of the store. My manager comes out of the back room because of the commotion.) *Manager*: "Who is that?" *Me*: "Some kid looking for drugs. He went back to the pharmacy." *Manager*: "Why didn't you call the police?" (The teen runs screaming from the back of the store out of the front door followed closely by a pharmacy technician, a 35-year-old boxer built like a fridge.) *Me*: Doug started working today.

## Vaccine

4<sup>th</sup> year med student reporting in. Had a rotation with a pediatrician where we ended up in the classic encounter with an anti-vaccination parent. This lady was a conspiracy theory magnet. She casually mentioned everything from 9/11 to chemtrails. Of course she loved the idea of the vaccine conspiracy as well, opting to not protect

her one year old to stick it to big pharma. I relayed all of this to my attending after my exam where I would see the patient first, gather history and do my exam to present to my attending physician. He got this sort of lazy smirk on his face that screamed "watch this." We go back into the exam room and we cover all of the important bits of a well-child encounter. Growth charts, behavioral milestones, nutrition, sleep. And then we get to vaccines. She lists approximately 15 reasons why vaccines are more dangerous than the disease they protect against in addition to the various evils of the pharmaceutical industry. My attending listens quietly until she's done with her soapbox about one eternity later, and then he interjects with, "Have you considered the possibility that anti-vaccine propaganda could be an attempt by the Russians and the Chinese to weaken the health of the United States population?" In a moment of catastrophic cognitive dissonance, I swear I heard a strange popping noise as her brain misfired. It actually broke her. The allure of the increasingly ridiculous conspiracy theory was just too strong. She ended up agreeing to a modified vaccine schedule. I was flabbergasted. My attending just grinned at me in response. To this day, I'm not sure the medical ethics of the situation are totally palatable, but goddamn the result was amazing.

Slavey Words to Learn for Kids or Beginners (as taken from Shúhtaqt'ine Gokæde book)

Bugs



Bugs – T'ehtsá

Bulldog (fly) – Náoredí

Bumble Bee – P'ilahnq



Butterfly – Golére

Caterpillar – Gudehxóne



Dragonfly – Tekap'ie



Grasshopper – Yárek'éa



Lice – Zhá



Maggot – Yídá

Mosquitoes – P'í



Sandfly – P'ilahgha

Spider – Gohtsée



Wasp – P'ilahnq





# Chief Albert Wright News



Tulita has several athletes who have been fundraising to attend Arctic Winter Games tryouts.

We are happy to report that Destiny, Emma, Mason were selected to be part of the NWT Arctic Winter Games team. Seventeen girls and guys were selected and early in January the athletes will find out who will be the traveling team and who will be the five alternates. Emerson also had an excellent tryout and we were very happy that the two coaches spent time with the athletes who were not selected for the team to further develop their skills.

Emma, Destiny and Mason will have to work on their skills over the next few weeks AND fundraising. All three have been asked to:

- attend practices in YK between Christmas and New Years.
- join their respective teams in February to compete in the NWT Territorial Competitions
- go to YK the week prior to AWG to practice with the team (Sport North covers this travel).

Later in December Colby Modeste, Wyatt Bernarde and Aiden Widow will be traveling to hockey tryouts for the NWT AWG teams. The fundraising continues!

Mahsi cho to all who have supported the AWG fundraising; the Tulita Land and Financial Corporation who is providing accounting services, The Hamlet of Tulita and Bobby Lennie's Hockey Fundraising Program in Norman Wells.



# SSI AGM 2023

From November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 the Annual General Meeting for the Sahtu Secretariat Incorporated had happened in Tulita, NT. Everyone from other communities such as Norman Wells, Deline, Fort Good Hope, and Colville Lake had come in to talk and greet everyone involved as well as their families and friends. Each Land Corporation presented their audited financial statements, their notes, and their greetings to the beneficiary members and the people they had invited to the meeting such as the



Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada and the Regional Health, who also gave their presentations about Addictions and Mental Health. The Tulita Land Corporation had helped by managing meals and rentals, such as vehicles, places to stay, and events to keep the people entertained. There were talent shows, drum dances, bingos, and raffles for people to win prizes and gifts.

Many words were said during the meetings, such the opening words from SSI Chairperson, Charles McNeely, Host community Tulita Land Corp President David Menacho and Fort Norman Metis President Lindsay Norwegian. The newly elected MLA Danny McNeely was able to make a presentation by Zoom to the SSI AGM. He apologized for not being able to attend but was able list his priorities, Swearing in, and presentations of Premiers for next week. Many have asked McNeely about his priorities and his promises of working towards education, medical travel, housing, cost of living, and addictions towards drugs and alcohol. Many responded hoping that education would be funded, especially for those who want to be pilots but SFA had denied. As well as for drug and alcohol prevention where presentations and posters be put up because the people are sick of being *reactors*. Which meant that the people would only react when something had already happened, like someone got hurt, react. Someone's kids got taken away, react. *We need to prevent, not react*. The youth is our biggest priority and need to help their education so it would help them focus on themselves and their identity and hopefully take over for us in the future. We want to make them proud of our history, all the work we have done, and continue the work to help future generations. To do this, we need to open ways for funding towards school, courses, programs, and conferences. Medical Travel was another big issue that



was discussed. Getting to appointments were hard, getting medical equipment was hard, such as oxygen tanks, and detoxing. It should be said to everyone that when someone tries to get help and goes to treatment, they should not be judged. It takes a lot to make that decision and when they come back and if they ever fall off the wagon, please do not judge. It may take a few times for treatment to stick. Help them by offering coffee/tea at your/their home and listen to them. Sometimes it takes a good conversation to help stay with their treatment. Other issues that came up as well was dental help, housing help for elders and those with disabilities, and getting the younger generations on the land and learning about their history from the elders. Getting Indigenous workers in our communities and not from the south, who often go through culture shock and isolation. There is open jobs for dental and mental health but it is hard to find the people and keep them, especially those who are from the NT. We need a treatment center in the NT, maybe on the land healing, and someone to help those who get overwhelmed when it comes to looking for help, especially when they do not understand which department and which application to work on. After these discussions, audits were talked about with the SSI which was about their



finance and what fundings they put it towards, which land corporation got what, and what they invested in. Audits were done for every land corporation, which means that everyone is looked over, all the receipts, visa statements, staff/vendors pay, and how the money is managed.

Everything is visible to the auditors and shown at the AGMs so that everyone understands how the money is

used and funded. If you would want to see it, check the reports and audits of previous years or call your land corp for information. Another issue was brought up on the last day. A letter of criticism was written to the Prime Minister and towards SSI on the wrongs that they perceived. How the SSI does not help or listen to them, but it was noted from the land corps that they should have called or contacted them instead to answer their questions or concerns. Such negative criticism is not needed, especially when it is written on social media where friends and family can see and feel the hurt as well as the workers who try their best to help their people. Instead of spreading negativity and teaching the youth to stay away from future jobs for fear of this type of criticism, learn to communicate positively by calling the SSI and your land corps on information needed and how to access applications and information.



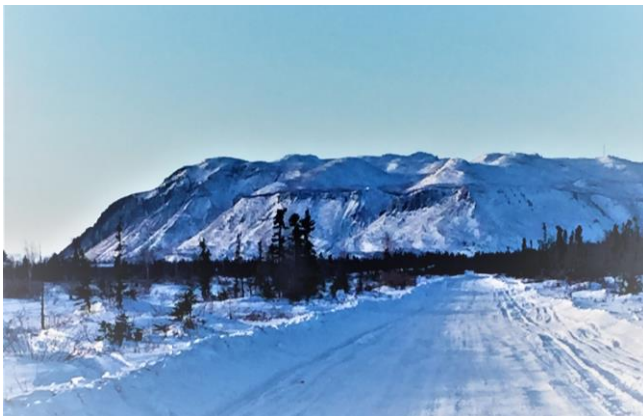
# WINTER ROAD TIPS

Don't forget that this winter, we will have extra traffic from big trucks bringing in materials, food, and large items to the smaller communities of the North that are connected by the winter road. This means that the road will diminish faster than normal and the road conditions will depend on the weather, overflows, and accidents. Please be safe by having a LADD 1 radio in your



vehicle, a safety box or container of emergency winter supplies, and to notify family and friends when you left or arrived in a new area. With the decrease on the number of barges that came in during the summer 2023 due to low water levels and the extreme fire season, a lot of vehicles are going to be on the winter road. Even the residents of the North will be driving down south for their grocery haul to make up for the lack of foods in the small communities. Make sure

that you make plans as well ahead of time before the road deteriorates over the winter season. Barges will come in less, it is not guaranteed, so please make sure you get your grocery haul in the south. Partner with friends who have vehicles and plan ahead to get your food and items.



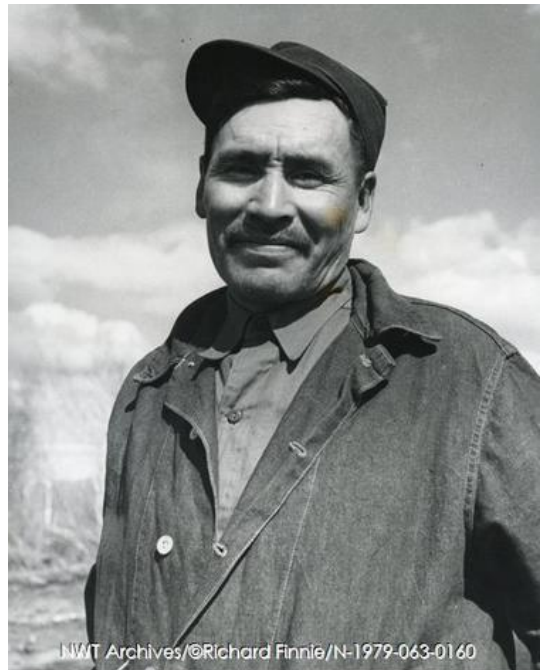
# Old Photos of Fort Norman



Fort Norman 1981. Leon Neyelle steering last 3-4 hours before Fort Norman on last mooseskin boat project. Photo by Bill Stewart.



Fort Norman, 1943. Fred Andrew. Photo by Richard Finnie.







Fort Norman, 1949. Harriet Gladue.

Fort Norman, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1968. Handgames played during Canada Day. Cecile Ayah, Fred Andrew, Gabe Etchinelle, Mary McPherson, Stella Mendo, Therese Etchinelle, Joe Bernarde, Victor Menacho, David Yallee, Leon Neyelle, John Mendo, Douglas, Caroline D, Rosie Andrew. Photo by Rene Fumoleau. Photo below.



## Cap Day at the Ballpark

By David Helton



Can you find these  
**Hidden Pictures®**



fish



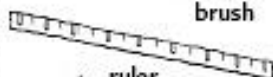
comb



sock



artist's  
brush



ruler



sailboat



kite



book



spatula



wedge of lemon



drinking glass



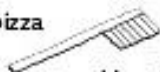
banana



bowl



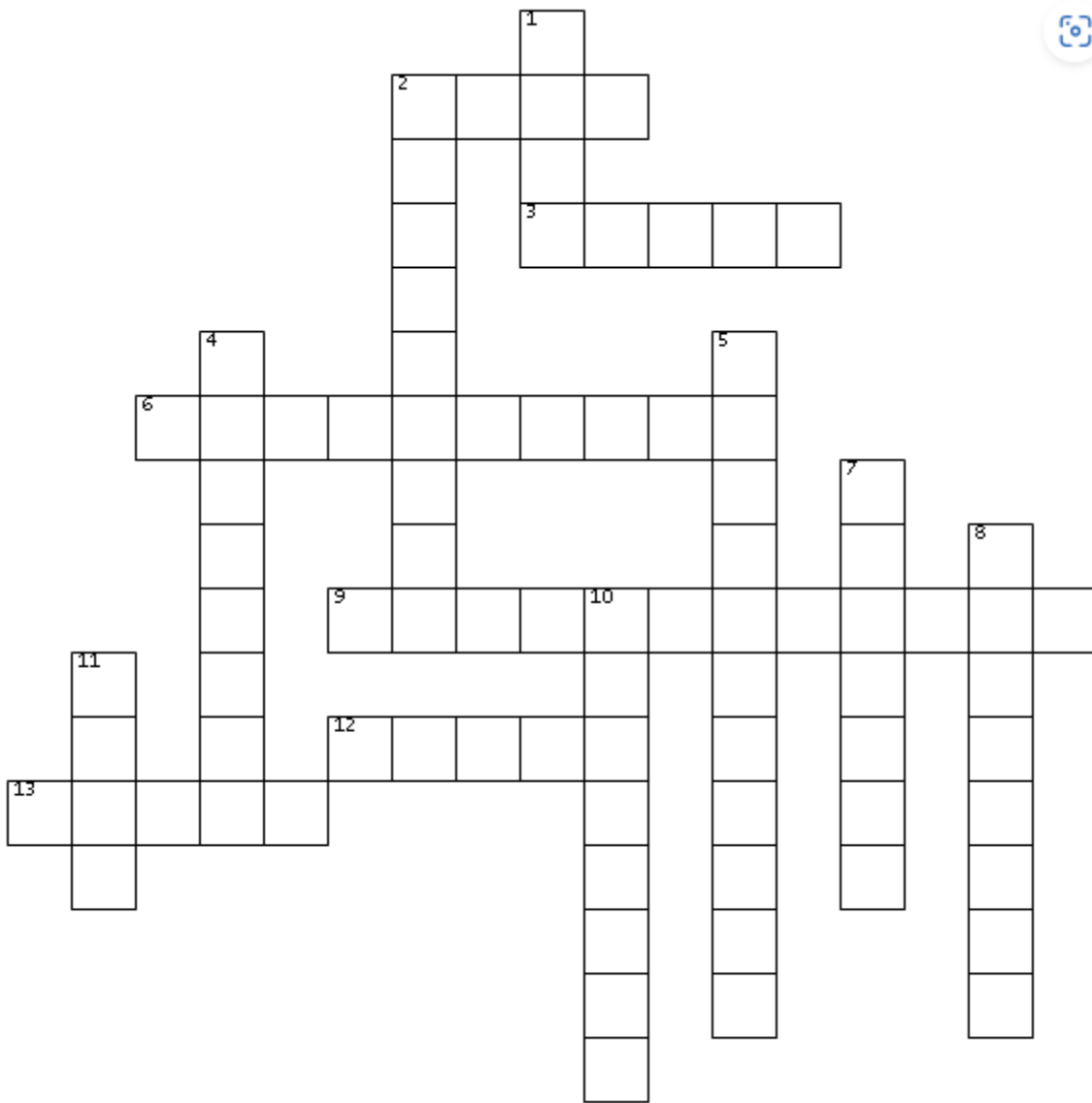
slice of pizza



toothbrush

**BONUS!**

Can you also find the  
wristwatch, golf club,  
bell, and envelope?



ACROSS

- 2. Animal that haunts the dump.
- 3. Our big coats in the winter.
- 6. Bugs in the summer, makes you jump and scream.
- 9. Where Bert and Ernie stay, lol.
- 12. Used in sewing and needed in many colours and sizes.
- 13. Animals to hunt.

DOWN

- 1. Bugs in the summer, stings badly.
- 2. Bugs in the summer, loves flowers.
- 4. Bugs in summer, annoying when lots together and gets in eyes and noses.
- 5. Bugs in the summer, makes noise and jumps high.
- 7. Animals to hunt.
- 8. Our mountain.
- 10. Bugs in the summer, annoying especially at night.
- 11. Lives in swamps and kids hunt them.



## *Dene Laws*



*~Share what you have~*

*~Help each other~*

*~Love each other as much as possible~*

*~Be respectful of elders and everything around you~*

*~Pass on the teachings~*

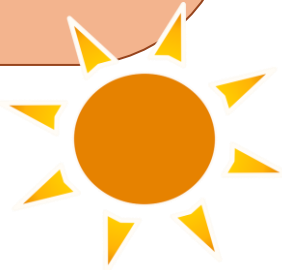
*~Be happy at all times~*

*~Sleep at night and work during the day~*

*~Be polite and don't argue with anyone~*

*~Young boys and girls should behave respectfully~*

**Thank you for reading!**  
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