

KITIGAN ZIBI ANISHINABEG

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March 17, 2026

Public Statement from Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Band Council

Dear Band members,

As both leadership and community members, we care deeply about Kitigan Zibi and remain committed to the wellbeing of the community and to ensuring that members have clear, accurate information about how services and governance are carried out.

Programs and services continue to evolve based on what we hear directly from members. Through ongoing engagement, including community gatherings, program participation, feedback, and direct conversations, we listen and respond to identified needs.

This work is carried out through a coordinated relationship between administration and Chief and Council within one governance structure. Administration leads the day-to-day delivery of programs and maintains direct engagement with community members. Chief and Council support this work by ensuring administration has the resources and support needed to respond to community priorities, while providing oversight and strategic direction.

Like many communities, we continue to face human resource challenges, which can impact how quickly services are expanded or delivered. Despite this, services remain in place and continue to evolve, with ongoing efforts to strengthen teams through recruitment, training, and organizational development.

Kitigan Zibi is actively working toward certification under the Financial Administration Law (FAL), which supports strong governance, financial management, and administrative accountability. As part of this work, KZA has established a governance structure that separates political leadership from administration, including the recruitment of a Chief Executive Officer to support clear accountability and effective service delivery.

Achieving FAL certification will allow Kitigan Zibi to access longer term and more flexible funding agreements with Indigenous Services Canada. This supports stronger long-term planning, reduces administrative burden, and allows greater flexibility in how funds are used to better reflect community priorities. These efforts are supported by policies and



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processes that guide hiring, program delivery, and financial management, ensuring fairness, transparency, consistency, and equity.

Kitigan Zibi is grounded in collective care. In times of difficulty, it is how we support one another, look out for one another, and come together that carries us forward. We also recognize that there are members who do not feel supported right now, and that this is something we must continue to address.

The work to strengthen services, improve access, and build capacity is ongoing, and we know there is more to be done. At the same time, the strength of the community is not only in programs and services, but in how we show up for one another every day.

Each person has a role to play in strengthening that care and connection. By continuing to check in on one another, offer support, and stay connected, we can move through challenges together.

Together, this work will continue in a good way.

Mīgwetch,

Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Band Council



Kà-Nàgadawenindamodjig Aki, Nibi ashidj Awesinzag
Land, Water and Animals Advisory Committee
313 Fafard St. Maniwaki Quebec, J9E-3B1
819-449-5170 ext: 1850

March 17, 2026

To All Community Members

The Land, Water and Animals Advisory Committee office will be closed starting
Monday, March 23, 2026, until Tuesday, March 31, 2026.

The Land, Water and Animals Advisory Committee Coordinator will return to the
office on Wednesday, April 1st, 2026.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Land, Water or Animals, or need
cabin application form, feel free to see Nick Ottawa at the Band Office, or reach
Gene Twenish.

Regular Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 8:00am to 12:00pm – 12:45pm to 4:30pm

Friday: 8:00am to 12:00pm



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STOVE WOOD PROJECT 2026

**Due to the spring thaw, the stove wood project
will close on:**

March 30th, 2026

**If you have any questions, please direct them to the on-site supervisor
or to Jonathan Cote at 819-449-5170 ext. 1804**



SOPFEU—Call for Return

TO:

ALL Previously Trained Auxiliary SOPFEU FIREFIGHTERS

It's that time of year again to start the refresher training for this firefighting season!

All interested firefighters who have **previously followed the 32 hour SOPFEU training**, and wish to RETURN to the SOPFEU firefighting project this year, please contact **Jonathan Cote or Amy Morin, at 819-449-5170 by April 3, 2026, in order to put your name on the SOPFEU list.** Please note all firefighters who take the refresher training must be available for the fires this season. Dates for the refresher training will be provided at a later date.

Please note that a mandatory medical certificate, on SOPFEU medical forms, is required before commencing work with SOPFEU. Once you confirm you will be returning to take the refresher course, a SOPFEU medical form package will be sent to you, or can be picked up at the Community Services Administration Office. It is best that you start now to obtain the medical Certificate, by calling your Doctor's office for an appointment. All medical certificates must be received by May 1, 2026.

DEADLINE: April 3, 2026





NEW SOPFEU TRAINING COURSE

TO: All KZA Band Members

There will be a new 32-hour SOPFEU firefighter course, which will be starting April (dates to be determined), 2026.

At this time SOPFEU is interested in training 15 new firefighters. Interviews will not be held. Names will be chosen based on certain criteria, and preference will be given to those who don't hold a guaranteed seasonal position in the community.

. Please note the following criteria:

- ◇ 18 years of age and over
- ◇ Good health condition
- ◇ Good physical shape
- ◇ Availability for fire season—(strict criteria)
- ◇ Previous work history with KZA.

Please note that a mandatory medical certificate, on SOPFEU medical forms, is required to work with SOPFEU.

Those who meet the above criteria and are interested in taking this course are asked to call Amy Morin at 819-449-5170 ext: 1802, by Friday, April 3 at 12:00 p.m. (Please leave a message with your name and phone number for call-back).

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.





*****NOTICE*****

TO: ALL Previously Trained SOPFEU FIREFIGHTERS

It's that time of year again to start the refresher course for this firefighting season! The 8 hour and 16 hour Refresher courses for firefighters who have previously received the 32 hour training within the last two years, will take place during the week of April (dates to be confirmed) 2026.

Therefore, all interested firefighters who have previously followed the 32 hour training course, and wish to take the refresher training, please contact Jonathan Cote 819-449-5170 or Amy Morin at the Forestry office, at 819-449-5170, in order to put your name on the SOPFEU list.

Please note that a mandatory medical certificate, on SOPFEU medical forms, is required before commencing work with SOPFEU.

Once you confirm you will be taking the refresher course, a SOPFEU medical form package will be provided to you, or can be picked up at the FORESTRY OFFICE. It is best that you start now to obtain the medical Certificate, by calling your Doctor's office for an appointment. All medical certificates must be received by **May 1, 2026**



Re: Former Students – Provincial Schools Case

Kwey Kakina,

Notification was received from Me Jean-Marc Lacoursiere, legal representative for the provincial schools' case, that the case was filed in the Superior Court of Quebec on February 3, 2026. What this means is that the case has filed for authorization to move forward as a class action case.

Me Lacoursiere is a partner with the law firm of Trudel Johnston & Lesperance, Barristers and Solicitors. The lawyers for the case have set up a webpage <https://tjl.quebec/en/class-actions/integration-of-indigenous-students-into-the-quebec-education-system/>. You will see that there is a registration form for their mailing list at the bottom of the page. This is simply if you want to be kept informed about the progress of the case.

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KITIGAN ZIBI TRADITIONAL POW WOW 2026 – REQUEST FOR BIDS **Janitorial Services**

We are seeking proposals for **janitorial and site maintenance services** for **Pow Wow 2026**.

Service Requirements

- Event setup support **Friday**
- Garbage collection and site maintenance throughout the weekend
- Final cleanup **Monday, June 1, 2026**
- Vendor responsible for bringing necessary equipment and supplies
- Setup and final cleanup responsibilities included

Payment Terms

Payment will be issued upon satisfactory completion of services and receipt of an invoice, following standard payment processing timelines.

Evaluation Criteria

Selection may consider:

- Experience with similar events
- Service reliability and staffing plan
- Overall value (not necessarily lowest bid)
- References

Submission Requirements

Please include:

- Pricing breakdown and service details
- Staffing plan and equipment provided
- Relevant experience/references
- Company contact information

Submission Deadline: May 1st, 2026

Contact: *Mariette Buckshot*

kzpowwow@gmail.com phone: 819-334-0495

Disclaimer: We reserve the right to accept or reject any proposal and are not obligated to select the lowest bid. Selection will be based on overall value, experience, suitability, and event needs. Thank you for your interest in contributing to **Pow Wow 2026**.



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**KITIGAN ZIBI TRADITIONAL POW WOW 2026 – REQUEST FOR BIDS
Saturday Meal Catering**

We are inviting catering proposals for **Pow Wow 2026** to provide a **Saturday meal for approximately 500 people**.

Service Requirements

- Meal service for approximately 500 attendees
- Vendor responsible for setup, serving, and cleanup of catering area
- Outdoor food service capability required
- Menu proposal with pricing and serving plan

Payment Terms

Payment will be issued upon completion of services and receipt of an invoice, following standard payment processing timelines unless otherwise arranged.

Evaluation Criteria

Selection may consider:

- Menu quality and suitability for event
- Catering experience and reliability
- Overall value (not solely lowest price)
- References and food safety compliance

Submission Requirements

Please include:

- Proposed menu and pricing
- Catering experience/references
- Food safety certification
- Company contact information

Submission Deadline: May 1st, 2026

Contact: *Mariette Buckshot*

kzpowwow@gmail.com phone: 819-334-0495

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We look forward to working together to make **Pow Wow 2026** a success.



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KITIGAN ZIB TRADITIONAL POW WOW 2026 – REQUEST FOR BIDS Sound Services

We are currently accepting proposals for **professional sound services** for **Pow Wow 2026**.

Service Requirements

- Full sound system for Pow Wow weekend
- Setup required **Saturday morning**
- Sound services required through **Sunday until 5:00 PM**
- Vendor responsible for complete setup and tear-down of equipment
- Equipment suitable for outdoor cultural event
- Technical support onsite throughout event

Payment Terms: Payment will be issued upon completion of services and receipt of an invoice, in accordance with standard payment processing timelines unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Evaluation Criteria

Selection may consider:

- Relevant event experience
- Quality and suitability of equipment/services
- Overall value (not solely lowest price)
- Reliability and references

Submission Requirements

Please include:

- Detailed pricing and service description
- Equipment list and setup plan
- Relevant experience/references
- Company contact information

Submission Deadline: May 1st, 2026

Contact: Mariette Buckshot

kzpowwow@gmail.com or phone: 819-334-0495

Disclaimer: We reserve the right to accept or reject any proposal and are not obligated to select the lowest bid. Selection will be based on overall value, experience, suitability, and event needs. We appreciate your interest in supporting **Pow Wow 2026**.

“Come Walk in Our Moccasins”



uOttawa

Faculté de médecine
Faculty of Medicine

Indigenous Mini-Med School

Indigenous Students are invited to the Faculty of Medicine at uOttawa!

When: Saturday, March 28th, 2026 from 9 am to 4 pm.

“Come Walk in Our Moccasins” Mini-Medical School is hosted by the Indigenous Program at the uOttawa Faculty of Medicine. It was initiated in 2010 as a way to inform and inspire First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples to consider a career in medicine.

Our Indigenous medical students will share their personal journeys and will be with you the entire day. Dr. Darlene Kitty, our Indigenous Program Director, will talk about what it’s like to be a physician practicing in the Cree community of Chisasibi.

EXPLORE A CAREER IN MEDICINE

Mini-Med participants will learn how doctors:

- Do a medical history and physical exam
- Put on a cast
- Suture or do stitches
- Optional visit to anatomy lab

LEARN ABOUT MED SCHOOL

We will speak about the application process and the requirements to successfully apply to Ontario Medical Schools. Current student volunteers will also share their application experiences.



REGISTER NOW BEFORE SPOTS FILL UP!

LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS MARCH 20TH AT 4 PM

Location: University of Ottawa Faculty of Medicine, Guindon Building
451 Smyth Rd., Ottawa

Lunch and refreshments provided throughout the day. Participants from outside the region are responsible for their own travel and accommodation.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
LUC BRISEBOIS,
INDIGENOUS PROGRAM COORDINATOR**



mdindig@uottawa.ca

WE'RE HIRING

JOIN OUR TEAM



««« WE'RE LOOKING FOR CERTIFIED »»»

Early Childhood Educators (ECE)
Elementary Teachers (B.Ed)
High School Teachers (B.Ed)
Specialized Teachers (B.Ed)
Pedagogical Advisor
Special Education Support
Education Assistants

PERKS & BENEFITS »»»

- Competitive salary
- 35 hours / week
- PD opportunities
- Land-based learning & mentorship
- Employment Assistance Program
- Learn about Indigenous culture
- ...and so much more!

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(819)449-1798

APPLY NOW!

SEND YOUR CV TO :
HR.advisor@kza.qc.ca

Connect with us for a visit!

ODEAKANBABY
CONGRATULATIONS!



Rowyn Garfield Ominik
Whiteduck &
Rubyn Lloyd Wàshègam
Whiteduck

Proud Parents

Jade Cheechoo
&
Trevor Whiteduck

Born
November 28th, 2025

Rowyn was 7lb 9 oz HT 52.7 cm
and Rubyn was 7lb 10 oz HT 51.1
cm



Language and Culture
present:

#POWWOW360

**MINO BIMADIZOWIN THROUGH
DANCE**

Kwey Kakina, Hello Everyone,

Are you, your child, or your family Interested in
learning about traditional dancing?

And what does it mean to 'dance your style'?

Mariah Miigwans will be hosting dance classes
and sharing some Pow-Wow teachings.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

KZ SCHOOL GYM

Hope to see you there.

Let's prepare for Pow-Wow Season 2026!



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM, PLEASE CONTACT
MARIAH.SMITH-CHABOT@KZA.QC.CA



Let's join together to honor the upcoming Full Moon;

KA-WASÀKOTÒDJ KÌZIS

Sparkling Snow Moon

Wednesday, April 1st, 2026

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

K.Z.E.S Admin Office - 37 Kikinamage Mikan

It is encouraged but not obligated to bring your hand drums and/or rattles, bundles, special items and a ribbon skirt if you have one.

Please dress for the weather.

This event is open for everyone. Please contact Mariah.Smith-Chabot@kza.qc.ca or at 819-598-8247 for more information.



Full Moon Ceremony Schedule



2026

Akakwadjish Kìzis-Saturday January 31st, 2026

Niki Kìzis- Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026

Kà-Wasàkotòdj Kìzis-Wednesday, April 1st, 2026

Wàbigon Kìzis-Friday, May 1st, 2026

Sunday, May 31st, 2026

Odeymin Kìzis-Monday, June 29th, 2026

Miskomin Kìzis-Wednesday, July 29th, 2026

Aditagàgomin Kìzis- Friday, August 28th, 2026

Kàkone Kìzis-Saturday, September 26th, 2026

Namegosi Kìzis- Monday, October 26th, 2026

Adikameg Kizis- Tuesday, November 24th, 2026

Pìdji-Pibòn Kìzis- Wednesday, December 23rd, 2026

These Full Moon ceremonies are open for everyone. For more information, please contact Mariah.Smith-Chabot@kza.qc.ca.





March Grammar Contest



Complete the crossword puzzle below and drop it off at the Cultural Center or email it to odaminowin2021@gmail.com before March 30th.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

\$100 KZ STORE GIFT CARD

RANDOM DRAW

6 _____

7 _____

8 _____

9 _____

10 _____

11 _____

12 _____

Grammar Note

This is in 2nd Person- Past tense and means YOU WERE DOING THAT VERB.

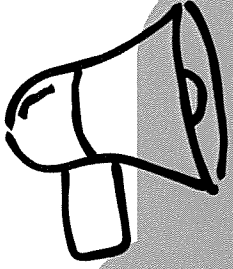
Across

- 1. You played
- 3. You drank
- 6. You ate
- 7. You went
- 9. You chopped wood
- 10. You made fire
- 11. You sat down
- 12. You slept

Down

- 1. You cooked
- 2. You sang
- 3. You walked
- 4. You were tired
- 5. You were sick
- 7. You fished
- 8. You played

kigiminikwe	kiginibà	kigidodamin	kigibimose	kigigigonzke	kigidàkoz
kigidòdamità	kigidijà	kigidayekoz	kigidashkihise	kiginigam	kiginamadab
kigiwisin	kigibodawe	kigichìbakwe			



IMPORTANT NURSING UPDATE

Kwey kakina,

Please note that our Child and Maternal Health services are currently in a transition period.

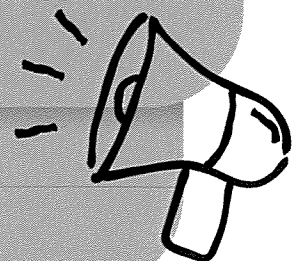
If you had a scheduled appointment related to child health, assessments/vaccines, or pre-/post-natal nursing care and have not yet connected with us, please call 819-449-5593 as soon as you can.

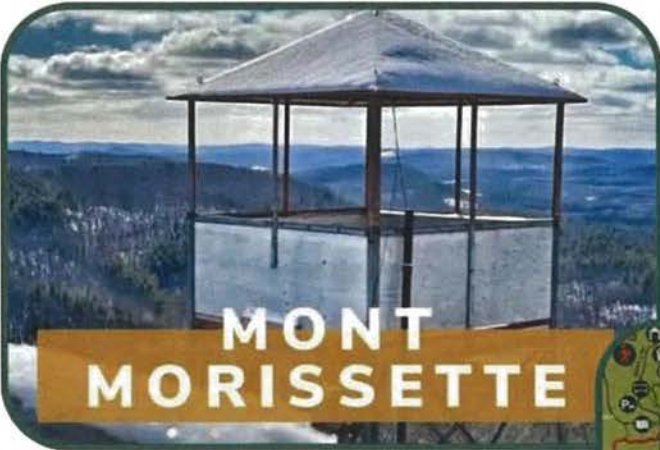
We understand that care for moms + dads, babies, and families is important and personal. We are working to coordinate care during this time and want to ensure that anyone expecting follow-up is aware of this temporary change. Reaching out to us will help us support you appropriately.

We are doing our best to coordinate support. Thank you for your patience, understanding, and kindness as we move through this transition together!

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KZHSS Nursing Team





Recovery Hiking

Body- Mind- Spirit

Join the NNADAP Team for a land-based wellness activity at Mont-Morissette, Blue Sea.


We are coming together to support the physical aspect of recovery.




Date: March 25 th, 2026
Departure: KZHSS at 1:30 pm
Hiking Time: 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm



NNADAP-Physical Aspect PROGRAM

 NNADAP TEAM: Darren McGregor or Patricia Brazeau

 819-449-5593

Contact Us



Everyone is Welcome

- ◀ Snacks and drinks will be provided.
- ◀ Please make sure to bring appropriate shoes and clothing for hiking.
- ◀ Come enjoy the fresh air, good company, and a healthy step forward on your recovery journey.
- ◀ Transportation provided

Family Wellness **Double Workshop**

BABY-LED WEANING

with Nutritionist Marie-Eve Gagne

CHILD/INFANT CPR & CHOKING PREVENTION

with AC First Nation First Aid & CPR
Instructor Andrew Commanda

Tuesday March 24, 2026


5pm to 7pm

Òde Wìdòkàzowin Activity Room

Supper provided + childcare available



Please call to register
with Laurie (Receptionist) at
819-449-2323.



Open Youth Centre

148 Paganakomin Mikan

**FRIDAY
MARCH 27TH,
2026
12PM-4PM**

**AGES: 7-15
** SIGN IN REQUIRED
BY A
PARENT/GUARDIAN****

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED: SOUP & BANNOCK!!

Please bring a pair of indoor shoes/ slippers & skates!! (if weather permits)

**FOR MORE INFO/
ANY QUESTIONS,
PLEASE CONTACT
JAYDEN & ANNIE
819-449-2323
EXT 2804/2807**



POSTPONED

Cooking for Wellness Challenge

Kwey Kakina,

Our COOKING for WELLNESS CHALLENGE is coming up at the Youth Center!

March 9 & March 16

2:00-4:00pm

Put your name in or find a partner and sign up!

Two fun days of cooking, learning, and building confidence together.

Healthy meals. Team spirit. Recovery friendly space.

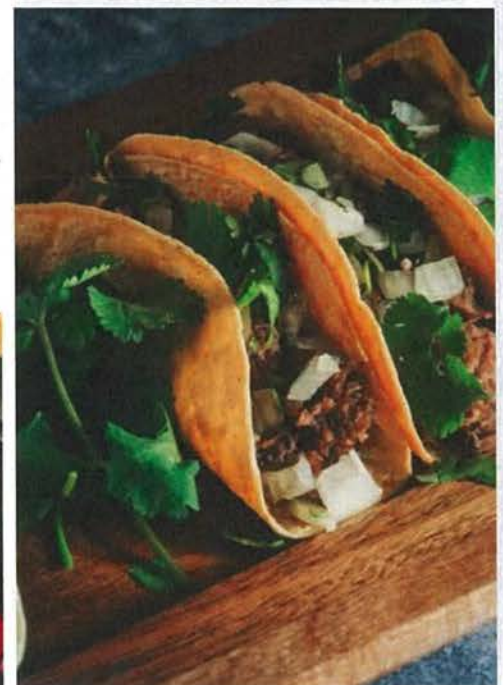
And yes...nice prizes to be won!

Spots are limited, register with the NNADAP team today!

KZHSS: 819-449-5593



in Collaboration with Community dietician: Marie-Eve Gagne



TO MARCH 30th



BINGO!

**PARENT &
CHILD NIGHT
@ THE YOUTH
CENTRE**

**TUESDAY
MARCH 31ST, 2026
6PM-8PM
*OPEN TO ALL
AGES*
DRINKS & SNACKS
PROVIDED**

COME JOIN US FOR AN EVENING
OF A FUN FAMILY BINGO NIGHT!
THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF
EVENT!

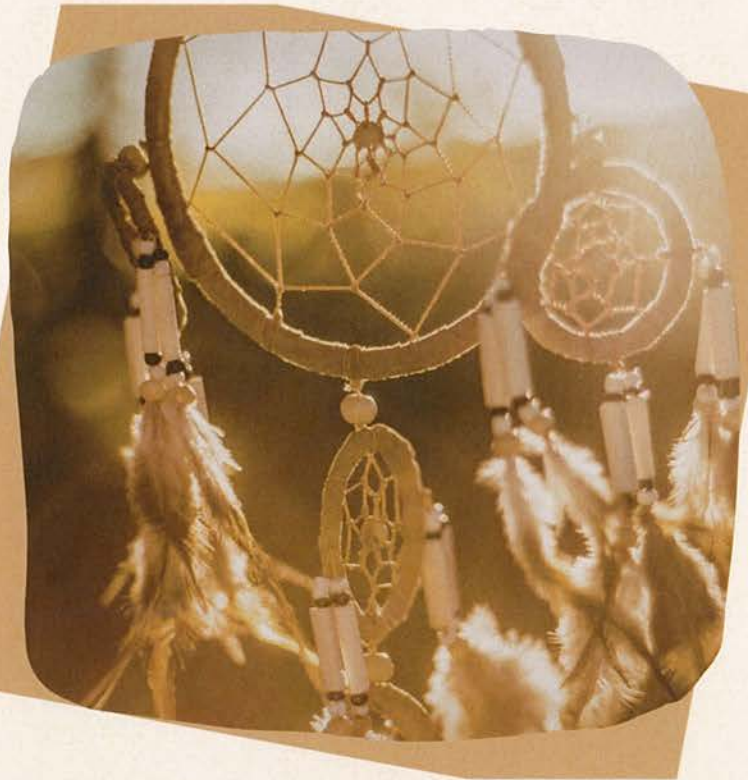


**FOR MORE
INFO:**

Contact Youth Wellness Workers Jayden
& Annie @ 819-449-2323 ext 2804/2807



FAMILY WELLNESS LEATHER DREAMCATCHERS WORKSHOP



MARCH 11th ACTIVITY IS
POSTPONED UNTIL
MARCH 25th

MARCH 11 AND MARCH 18, 2026
6PM TO 8PM
ÒDE WÌDÒKÀZOWIN ACTIVITY ROOM

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE

SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS SERVED

PLEASE CALL LAURIE (ÒDE RECEPTIONIST) AT **819-449-2323**
TO REGISTER.

Òde Wìdòkàzowin



EASTER BASKET MAKING ACTIVITY



Friday April 3rd, 2026

***NOT A DROP OFF
ACTIVITY***

10am to 12pm

Community Hall

Chocolate Bunny Bundle Door Prize!

**Meet the Easter Bunny
Face Painting
Arts & Crafts
Cupcake Decorating
Snacks & Drinks Provided**

NATIONAL
INCREDIBLE
KID DAY!



LIGHT SUPPER - ACTIVITIES

AT THE YOUTH CENTRE

MARCH 19, 2026

4PM - 6PM | DROP OFF EVENT
AGES 6-12

CERTIFICATE FOR BEING
INCREDIBLE!





LACROSSE

Meet & Greet & Try It Session



OTTAWA BLACKBEARS & CERTIFIED THEIR OPPORTUNITY COACHES INVITE FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGES 6+ FOR A LACROSSE LEARNING SESSION.

THE SESSION WILL INCLUDE HANDS-ON BASIC SKILLS:

- CRADLING ● PASSING ● SHOOTING ● BALL CONTROL ● GAME PLAY

MARCH 27, 2026

4:00 PM TO 6:00 PM

KZ SCHOOL GYM

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED;

PLEASE CALL ODE WIDOKAZOWIN AT 819-449-2323 TO LEAVE THE NAMES OF THE YOUTH WHO WILL ATTEND.

THIS LEARNING SESSION IS A LEAD UP EVENT TO THE SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026, OTTAWA BLACKBEARS GAME AT THE CANADIAN TIRE CENTRE. COME LEARN MORE ABOUT "THE CREATORS GAME" WITH US!

FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED.

Òde Widòkàzowin Youth Wellness Activity

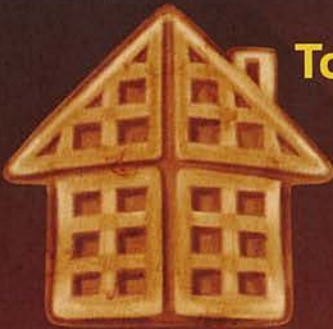
TEEN COOKING NIGHT

WAFFLE NIGHT & WAFFLE HOUSE MAKING

March 25th, 2026 4pm-6pm

@ Youth Centre

To Celebrate NATIONAL WAFFLE DAY



**PRIZES WILL
BE AWARDED
FOR THE
HOUSE
MAKING
CONTEST**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CONTACT JAYDEN & ANNIE
819-449-2323 EXT
2804/2807**





BOWLING

Recovery & Wellness

Quille-O-Rama 105, Maniwaki

**FRIDAY
MARCH, 27**

**3:00 PM
TO 5:00 PM**

AN AFTERNOON OF CONNECTION,
LAUGHTER, AND FELLOWSHIP.
BECAUSE RECOVERY INCLUDES JOY,
COMMUNITY, AND LEARNING TO
LIVE LIFE ONE DAY AT A TIME.



REGISTRATION NEEDED: 819-449-5593
NNADAP: Darren McGregor & Patricia Brazeau



REMINDER

It's TAX time!

DON'T FORGET ABOUT TAX FILING - DEADLINE APRIL 30, 2026

Dear Band Members:

This is to let you know that I do taxes online and other form filing (Old Age Security, QPP, CPP, USA Benefits, Birth Certificates, Passports, etc.).

You can email or bring all your tax slips and papers to me at my house. Please include your hydro bill from Dec. 2025 or an RL-31 slip (renters) or letter from the Band Office for your monthly Solidarity Tax Credit otherwise you may only qualify for it quarterly.

Seniors—\$50/yr./person— Everyone Else—\$80/yr./person

NOTE—This year I *will not* file tax returns after the deadline. So be sure to see me before then. Meegwetch



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KITIGAN ZIBI POLICE FORCE

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Quebec Spring Thaw Load Restrictions for 2026

Ministère reminds users of heavy vehicles and shippers that the authorized load limits are reduced during the thaw period on all public roads. This is done every year to account for the road network's lower bearing capacity during this period.

For the thaw period of 2026, the official dates of the load restriction period for Kitigan Zibi thaw zone are indicated below.

Projected dates for 2026 - Kitigan Zibi - Zone 2

Zone 2: From Monday, March 30 th (00:01) to Friday, May 29 th (23:59)

There will be no hauling of heavy material during this period on Community roads. On the highway, the loads are reduced during the thaw period. Please consult the Ministry of Transport's website for details at [Thaw Period - Transports et Mobilité durable Québec \(gouv.qc.ca\)](https://www.gouv.qc.ca/transport)

Depending on changes in weather conditions, the end of the load restriction period can be moved ahead or postponed.

“Our Children, Our Community, Our Future”