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Samson Registry Office

Chief Vernon Saddleback, Councilors Kurt Buffalo, Louise Omeasoo, Katherine Swampy. **Ministers Rick Wilson & Dale Nally**

Words by Guide

April 3, 2023

Vernon Saddleback: discussion for a Registry Office came up last Fall. We had a meeting with the Registry staff and they asked us why does the Samson Cree Nation want a Today is that day we get to announce Registry Office?

You could say all the stock answers like I want to register my car, the license plate and my license but for me it was a way a lot of our people in the town site who can't get their IDs. They have problems with getting bank accounts. So for me to get a Registry Office in our community it was about providing a basic service for everybody.

contacted Minister Rick Wilson, Minister Dale Nally and we talked for The months about this. We brought Samson Councilor Ryan Lightning on board from **Economic Development along with Paul** Johnson and his amazing team.

that the deal is done. We appreciate the Ministers for being here and I want to thank your staff that came with you. Thank you to the media and the Samson Cree Nation people for being here as to get your ID (identification). We have well. I want to thank Delorna Makinaw and her team for setting this up and our Elder for the prayer this morning. I want to bring up Minister Rick Wilson now.

> Rick Wilson, Alberta Minister of Indigenous Relations: Tansi and good morning everyone. It's such an honour to

Registry





2023

be here with you today on Treaty 6 Territory. be the model that will be done in other Thank you for starting this in a good way communities. with the prayer. I always appreciate the First Nations way of starting their events. It When you have two Ministers from really means a lot to me.

Chief Saddleback, he is relentless and he announcement, that is saying we take this gives me no mercy (Laughter). He said seriously and that we want to improve the to me, "I want a Registry Office. Make it lives of First Nations people. That is our happen."

Minister Dale Nally on being relentless and pushing this forward to make this our Pilot Project. This would be the first in Alberta Corporation). That is a billion dollar fund. So and that is amazing.

We talk a lot about reconciliation and all the Metis communities. We have done some Ministers got on side with that. Minister Nally especially. He wanted this to happen to this 1.4 billion dollars was our last public project community. I cannot thank him enough for bringing it forward and making it a reality. involved in a pipeline consortium. We are There are other First Nations looking at going to have some good projects come to this as well. Tsuu Tina is looking forward this area in the future. to this project being on their territory. So always asks me, "What is your reconcileaction?"

Wilton never lets up. That's why you see a lot of projects happening from our government. I have seen so many good things happen when we work together: True partnerships. everybody else who came out today. These partnerships are based on equal access to programs for health care, financial support and even Registries. People do not understand that Wetaskiwin maybe only 15 kilometers away but to some transportation Minister Wilson wants something he will is a barrier. If we can make life easier for the people of Maskwacis then we will. I am really excited to be here and get the ball represent your community. rolling. We will navigate the challenges with

the Crown come out and make this goal. It's right in my mandate and I take (Laughter). So we worked on it. Thanks to that seriously. We have been a lot of hard work across the province like the AIOC program (Alberta Indigenous Opportunities far to day, it is going to produce 31 million dollars in revenue for First Nations and of the biggest energy projects in the world. up north to get Indigenous communities

this would be our opportunity to contribute. With this Registry Office pilot project, it to reconciliation. Chief Wilton Littlechild will employ a few people. It also gives an opportunity to train the people for that employment.

> So thank you again Dale Nally for coming out, thank you Chief and Council and

> Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction: I've gotten far too much credit for this. The reality is when get it. So that is why we are here today because of the hard work we've done to

the Chiefs of Maskwacis. We are hoping It is an honour to be here today. I am that your Registry can serve us. This will pleased to here today on traditional Treaty 6

Territory. Thank you for inviting me to attend on our territory. We do pave the way in this special event. I want to acknowledge such circumstances and I want to thank the visionary leadership of the Samson our Okema Chief Vernon Saddleback for Cree Nation. You have recognized in your planning such a good project for Samson. community that transportation in your He's all about economic growth and community has been a barrier in accessing creating opportunities for our people. Being the people to access important documents. CEDO Manager of Samson Economic These documents are important for people Development, Paul really helped along with to navigate their daily lives. Drivers the process because he understood the licenses will help get employment. This will process and he has a good team behind further economic opportunity for you and him as well. The committee consists of the surrounding community. This is truly Marvin Yellowbird, Holly Johnson and partners in prosperity.

I want everyone gathered here today to know that the Government of Alberta supports your role in increasing opportunities for far. Working collectively gets things done your people and fostering economic growth faster. Thank you for being here today, I in your communities. We are committed know it is cold but it shows we are going to to working in partnership with you as you have partnerships for a long time to come. start this exciting endeavour. We will work Hai Hai Thank you. closely with your community to address the unique needs and challenges of your MC Brian Johnson: Please welcome community and help you achieve your goal. Katherine Swampy with the We are proud to be your partners and look remarks. forward to future opportunities to further your economic development and growth. Samson Councilor Katherine Swampy: This will be the first Registry Office on a First Nation Territory. Once again I want to today. We have been separated by federal thank you for inviting me to join you today for this big step in bringing vital registry services to your community and I look see the province and First Nations working forward to seeing your progress.

first). First and foremost I want to thank our wonderful Creator or God for giving us

Registry services. You saw that having a the Economic Development Chairperson Registry Agent closer to home would allow I work with Paul Johnson who is the Laurie Buffalo who worked hard on this. As long as we continue to work together, that is how things get done. If you try to do things individually you can only go so

(Cree first). Thank you all for joining us here and provincial boundaries. It is good to see those barriers come down. It is good to together. It is good to see the people come out and show support. I know today is just Samson Councilor Ryan Lightning: (Cree the announcement and the Registry Office grand opening will be this Summer. It will be good to see our driver's tests being this opportunity to come together. I want done on our roads. I want to thank you all to thank our Ministers Rick Wilson and very much and I know it has been a cold Dale Nally for giving us this opportunity to morning and I don't want to keep you out one of the first to have a Registry Office here too long so thank you all for joining us

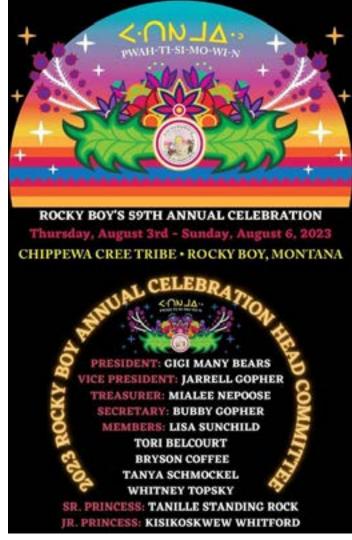
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Hai!

MCBrian Johnson: We want to acknowledge and that concludes the announcement. some people in the crowd: Councilors Kurt

today for this special announcement. Hai Buffalo and Louise Omeasoo. We are now going to have a media scrum inside the building. Hai Hai thank you all for coming





Нарру Administrative Professionals Day







2023 ELECTION SAMSON CREE NATION

The Samson Cree Nation Elections for Chief and Council will be held according to the Samson Cree Nation Election Law - Nipisihkopahk Whasowevin dated February 27, 2013. There is one (1) position for Chief and twelve (12) positions for Councillor. The dates of nominations and



Nominations for Chief: May 02, 2023 Election for Chief: May 09, 2023

Nominations for Councillors: May 16, 2023 **Election for Councillors:** May 23, 2023

The nominations for Chief will be held on May 02, 2023, and for Councilloes on May 16, 2023, at the Howard Buffalo Memorial Centre commencing at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m.

Samson Cree Nation will not hold any advance polls. The polling stations on Samson Reserve #137 and Pigeon Lake Reserve #138 will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. Any other polling stations set up for the elections will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.



March 28, 2023



FNTRY FORM

ENTRY DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

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Okimawak







MCC Okimawak Chiefs Fundraiser Hockey Game @ Four Nation Arena in Samson



April 3, 2023

Okimawak-Chiefs Fundraiser Hockey **Game:** The game took place at the Samson Four Nations Arena and the game ended represented Montana Chief Leonard with the Chiefs 7 and the Guests 7. The Standing On The Road, Chief of Louis Bull game was for a fundraiser for the Maskwacis Desmond Bull had Kaedon Wolfe play for Cultural College (MCC) students. Chiefs him. (Source: Fran P. Ermineskin, "Chief came in from Treaties 6, 7 & 8.

Chiefs in attendance were: Randy Ermineskin-Ermineskin, Greg Desjarlais-Beaverbones-Frog Lake, Douglas

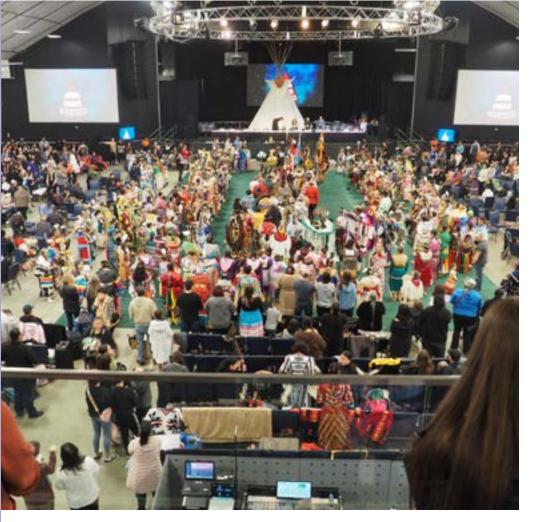
O'Chiese, Cody Thomas-Enoch. Some Chiefs had representatives at the game for them like: Tyler Cutknife for T'Suu T'ina Chief Roy Whitney and Carson Whitney Hockey Game," Samson Cree Nation facebook page).

Enoch Cree Nation Traditional Pow Wow

2023

April 7-9, 2023
There was a traditional pow wow at the River Cree Casino and there were a lot of people in attendance. The MCs were Hal Eagletail and Elmer Rattlesnake. There were dancers and drum groups from Maskwacis.

Pe Miyowatamok (Come & Enjoy) Pwatisimowin (Pow Wow Dancing)







April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Driving To Success Class 7 MEC Deadline 585-4450 Registry Office Ribbon Cut 10 AM	4	5	6	7 SCN Family Fun Water Park HBMC 585-3012	8
9	10 Easter Monday	11 Kehtehayak Miyo Macihowin Kisikaw Elder Wellness Day 9AM	12 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM	13	14 Acimowin Autism Family Event 2 PM	15
16	17	18	19 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM	20 Kakiyaw Ehotinikeyahk Water Our Shared Gift HBMC 1PM	21	22 Guitarfest Jonas Applegarth theatre 5 PM
23	24	25 Enoch Career Fair-Casino.	26 Administrative Professionals Day Basketball Camp 4-6 PM		28 Acimowin	29

May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Communications Meeting All Departments Welcome	2 Chief Nomination Day	3 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM	4	5	6
7	8	9 Chief Voting Day	10 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM	11	12 Acimowin Esquao Awards River Cree	13
14 Mothers Day	15	16 Councilor Nomination Day.	17	18	19	20
21	22 Victoria Day	23 Councilor Voting Day.	24 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM	25	26 <mark>Acimowin</mark> Ermineskin Pow Wow	27
28	29 Provincial Vote	30	31 Basketball Camp 4-6 PM			







MISSING / DISPARU(E)



Christopher Crier

Age / Åge: 16 Hair / Cheveux: Black

Weight / Poids: 180 lbs / livres Height / Taille: 5 ft / pieds 7 in / pouces

Last Seen / Vu(e) la dernière fois 2022-10-01 in / à:

Please contact the Maskwacis RCMP Detachment at 780-585-4600

Appelez le détachement de la GRC de Maskwacis au 780-585-4600

CRIME

1-800-222-TIPS

www.p3tips.com

Election Tip Sheet and Checklist for Individuals Seeking Candidacy

Dates: Chief:

Chief Nomination Day

May 2, 2023 May 9, 2023

Councillor:

Chief Election (Voting) Day Councillor Nomination Day

May 16, 2023

Councillor Election (Voting) Day

May 23, 2023

CHECKLIST

To be eligible, you must:

- Be 21 years of age or older
- Obtain a criminal record check (see below and refer to Schedule "E" of the Election Law)
- Complete Schedule "E" Affidavit of Nominated Candidate.
- to be attached to Schedule "F" Identification Form.
- Complete Schedule "F" Identification Form. Take this Schedule, your notarized photo (required for posting) and your government photo ID to the Membership Department and have it completed and sworn.
- Complete Schedule "G" Residency Form. You must be a resident on or within a 100 km radius of the boundaries of the Samson Cree Nation Indian Reserve #137 or Pigeon Lake Indian Reserve # 138A for a period of not less than 6 months immediately preceding the election.
- Obtain a notarized (current) photograph for posting during the election (this does not have to be a passport photo) and
- Submit payment of the election fee (cash, certified cheque, money order or bank draft). \$ 1,000 for the office of the Chief and \$ 500 for the office of Councillor.

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK INFORMATION (see s. 3.1 of the Election Law)

- 1. If you know you have a criminal record, go to the local RCMP Detachment because you will need to get your fingerprints done and obtain a certified criminal record. The cost is \$ 25. Bring a money order payable to the Receiver General. You will need to provide this certified criminal record to the Electoral Officer. IT TAKES TWO WEEKS TO ONE YEAR TO GET THE RESULTS, SO DON'T DELAY. Next you need to go to the courthouse where the charges arose and get a copy of the conviction and provide this ALONG with your statement verifying that "the information is true and current as of the application for candidacy".*
- 2. If you don't have a criminal record, go to your local RCMP Detachment and request the record check Monday-Friday. Ask the Detachment when you can expect the results of the Criminal Record Check because the times and costs may vary. There is no cost for the Maskwacis RCMP criminal record check for local residents. Provide this information ALONG with your statement verifying that "the information is true and current as of the application for candidacy and does not disclose a criminal record". PLEASE NOTE: If the criminal record check comes back with a result that indicates you may or may not have a criminal record then you must obtain a certified criminal record with fingerprints (see step 1 above).

*The criminal record check without a fingerprint record will only provide very limited information. This record check does not indicate the type of criminal convictions or dates or the information required by the Electoral Officer if you have a criminal record.

You are ineligible to run as a candidate if you have been convicted of a non-hybrid indictable offence (unless you have obtained a pardon). DO NOT WAIT AS ALL FORMS MUST BE IN ON NOMINATION DAY BY NO LATER THAN 4 P.M.

Any questions please call: the Band Administrator – Allison Adams-Bull at 780-585-3793

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Febrauary mikisô pîsim **Bald Eagle Month** Lby y's

June paskáweh pîsim **Hatching Moon**

August ôhpaho pîsim Flying Up Moon ÞII<IÞ ÀZC

September ônocihto/wasēpakaw pisim Moose Fighting/Mating Month プング・マント くらしゅく

March niski pîsim **Goose Month** $\sigma^{\rho} \dot{\Lambda} V$

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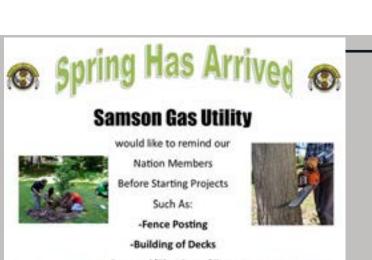
April ayîki pîsim Frog Month マトク ハイ

May Pinawew Pîsim **Egg Laying Month** ۸۹۵۰۰ ۱۲

July ôpasko pîsim **Moulting Moon** アヘッマット

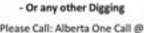
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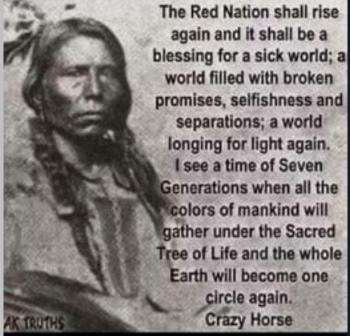
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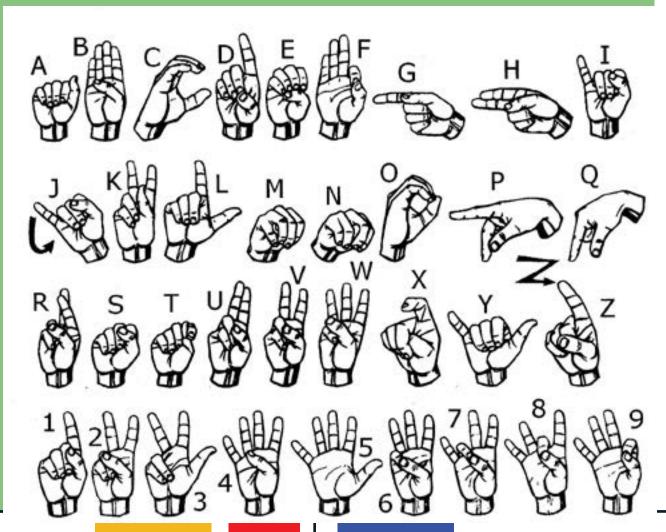














Kehtehayak

Kehtehayak Miyo Macihowin Kisikaw

April 11, 2023
The Elders & Assisted Living
Department and Community
Wellness had an Elder Wellness
Day at the HBMC. There was foot
care, haircuts and massages.
Photos by Ashley Lightning.

Presented by: Indigenous Services Canada-Indian Residential Schools







Maskwacis

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

*April 3-30, 2023. **Men's Healing Workshop** by Community Wellness. Camp Wohelo. Register 780-585-3634.

*April 11: **Kehtehayak Miyo Macihowin Kisikaw** (Elder Wellness Day). Self care and socializing. Presented by Elders & Assisted Living department & Community Wellness. Call the Elders & Assisted Living Department at 780-585-3793 ext 105.

*April 19 & 26: **Youth Wellness Basketball Camps.** HBMC 4 PM to 6 PM. Call 780-585-3634. Email: Klevlinc@gmail.com

*April 18-20, **Grief & Loss Wellness Session** by Samson Community Wellness. Location: Willowview building. Time: 10 AM to 3 PM. Register Online www.scwprograms.com or Call 780-585-3634. 15 Spots available.

*April 20: Kakiyaw Nipiy Ehotinikeyahk, Water

Our Shared Gift (water conference). HBMC 1 PM to 8 PM. Contact: Chad Simon 780-394-7211.

*April 22: **Guitarfest** at the Jonas Applegarth theatre 6 PM. Food bank donation to get in. Call Vinnie Saddleback at 780-360-3384 for more information.

May

*Womens Healing Camp by Samson Community Wellness. Location: Camp Wohelo. Register Online: www.scwprograms.com OR Call 780-585-3634.

August

*August 11-13, 2023: **Samson Cree Nation Pow Wow**. Host Drum: Sharp Shooter. For more information please call the Pow Wow Chairperson at 780-585-3793.

*August 3-6, 2023: Rocky Boy's 59th Annual Celebration.



Vision Statement

Samson Cree Nation is a healthy, educated, knowledgeable and industrious community.

Mission Statement

Samson Cree Nation is a Sovereign Nation that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for all our People by maximizing our Human Resources and respecting our Cree Language and Traditions of our Peoples.

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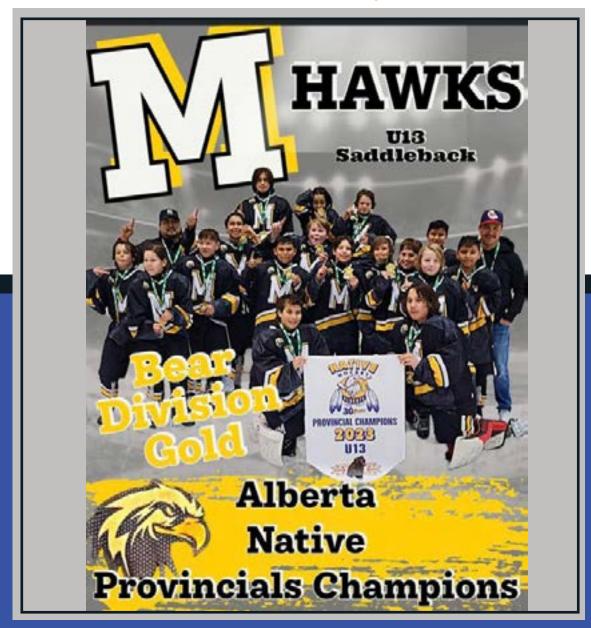


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