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October 2023 Edition

Why Me Orange Orange

LONG BEFORE THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT REWARDED THEMSELVES WITH A HOLIDAY, WE BEGAN TO WEAR ORANGE AND HERE'S THE STORY WHY.

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Why We Wear Orange

Over the last several years, orange shirts emblazoned with term "Every Child Matters" have become a rallying cry for First Nations Communities. It is a powerful symbol of a growing movement and the world is starting to take notice.



~ Every year the leaves turn orange in solidarity with the "Every Child Matters" display at the English Bay Treaty Grounds.

Orange Shirt Day, observed on September 30th, started with a story from Phyllis Webstad. When she was six, her cherished orange shirt was taken from her upon her arrival at a residential school. This day is now about remembering the suffering of our Indigenous children who were forced into these schools and honoring their resilience.

Why is Orange Shirt Day important?

Honoring Survivors and

Victims: It's a tribute to survivors and those who never returned home from residential schools.

Education and Awareness: It's a chance for all Canadians to learn about the dark history of these schools, fostering understanding.

Reconciliation: It's a call to work together to heal the wounds of the past and build better relationships with Indigenous communities. Cultural Preservation: It reminds us to celebrate and protect Indigenous cultures and traditions.

Community and Solidarity: It brings Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians together, promoting unity for a more just society.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: Acknowledging the Past

This day, also on September 30th, is rooted in the Truth and

Why We Wear Orange (cont)



~ Students proudly display the "Every Child Matters" flag during the Reconciliation Walk.

Reconciliation Commission (TRC), which investigated the tragic legacy of the Indian Residential School System from 2008 to 2015.

Why is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation important?

Survivors Honorina and Victims: It pays respect to those who survived the residential schools and those who didn't.

Education and Awareness: It encourages learning about the history and legacy of these schools, so we can understand the past.

Reconciliation: lt's commitment to making things right, bridging gaps, and healing.

Cultural Preservation: lt emphasizes preserving and celebratina Indigenous cultures.

Community and Solidarity: It unites Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians in a shared journey toward a more inclusive society.

Commemorating Both Days

On these days, people wear orange shirts for Orange Shirt

Day and take part in various events. Schools, businesses, and organizations often hold educational programs ceremonies to show their support for reconciliation.

Wearing an orange shirt symbolizes that every child matters and signifies commitment to acknowledging the past. These days remind us that reconciliation requires effort, understanding, unity. By coming together to honor the resilience of Indigenous peoples, we believe in a brighter future where we can heal and reconcile as one community.

Le Goff School Officially Renamed

Language preservation is essential part of reconciliation, restoring what was taken by the credential school system. For his work at the former Le Goff School, in there preservation of the Dene language, John N.A Janvier has been memorialized as the school he once taught at now bares his namesake.



~ A recent photo of the late John N.A. Janvier

In a profound and symbolic move, the Le Goff School has undergone a transformation, emerging as the newly named John N. A. Janvier Sekwi Honelten Kóę (School). This change carries deep cultural significance for our community and represents a powerful step towards reclaiming and preserving Déné heritage.

The renaming of the school pays tribute to a prominent figure in our community, John N A Janvier. Mr. Janvier was a dedicated

advocate for education and the preservation of the Déné language. His unwavering commitment to both these causes left an indelible mark on the community, making him a natural choice as the school's namesake.

The renaming of the school is not merely a change in nomenclature; it is a reflection of our community's determination to reconnect with its Déné heritage. By honoring John N A Janvier, a man who worked tirelessly

to ensure the continuation of Déné traditions and language, the school takes a significant step towards preserving and celebrating its cultural roots.

For the community, the John N. A. Janvier Sekwi Honelten Kóę is more than just an educational institution. It is a symbol of identity, a reminder of the rich Déné heritage that has been passed down through generations. The school's new name serves as an inspiration for students to embrace our cultural background and take

Le Goff School Officially Renamed (cont)



 \sim The John N.A. Janvier Renaming Ceremony and orange shirt give away. .

pride in our Déné identity.

While the name has changed, the commitment educational excellence remains unwavering. The John N. A. Janvier Sekwi Honelten Kóę continues to provide a nurturing environment for students to learn, grow, and thrive. It remains dedicated to fostering a sense of cultural awareness and appreciation while offering a high-quality education.

The renaming of the school has sparked a sense of unity and pride within the

community. It is a testament to our community's resilience its determination and ensure that the Déné heritage is not forgotten but cherished passed on to future

generations.

The renaming of the Legoff School to John N. A. Janvier Sekwi Honelten Kóe is a powerful symbol of the community's commitment to reclaiming its Dene heritage. It honors the legacy of John N A Janvier, celebrates the richness of Dene culture. and inspires the community to embrace its identity with pride. This change represents not only a new name but also a renewed sense of purpose and cultural preservation, ensuring that the Dene heritage continues to flourish in the heart of the community.



~ The crowd at the John N.A. Janvier Renaming Ceremony wearing orange in support of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

New Skate Park Almost Ready To Open



~ A CLFNS family proudly dons their competition regalia.

In a significant development for the youth and skateboarding enthusiasts of Cold Lake First Nations, a highly anticipated skate park is soon to make its debut, bringing a wave of excitement to the community.

Located at the heart of the Cold Lake First Nations, this state-of-the-art skate park is all set to become a central hub for skaters of all levels, offering a safe and vibrant space for both locals and visitors. This remarkable project, which has been in the works for several years, underscores our community's dedication to providing engaging and healthy recreational opportunities for our youth.

The skate park offers a wide range of world-class features suitable for skaters of all skill levels. Whether you're a beginner testing your skills or an experienced skater performing impressive tricks, this park has something for everyone. It features various ramps, rails, and obstacles designed to challenge and inspire skaters of all ages.

Safety remains a top priority, and the skate park has been constructed with this in mind. Top-notch protective gear, including helmets and pads, will be available through the Youth Center to ensure that skaters can enjoy their passion safely.

The skate park's opening is expected to have a profoundly positive impact on our community. It provides a constructive outlet for our youth, encouraging physical activity and fostering a sense of camaraderie. Additionally, it offers an alternative to negative influences, helping young minds grow into confident, healthy, and responsible individuals.

Chief Kelsey Jacko of Cold Lake First Nations expressed his excitement about the skate park, stating, "This project underscores our commitment to our youth's well-being. We believe that offering them positive recreational opportunities will aid in their growth and development."

The anticipation and excitement surrounding Cold Lake First Nations' new skate park are undeniable. This state-of-theart facility not only promises an exhilarating recreational experience but also embodies unity, cultural appreciation, and positive community growth. As the skate park opens its doors, it heralds a new era in Cold Lake First Nations, characterized by excitement, togetherness, and endless possibilities.

Medical Services

Do you need appointment?

15 minutes (non-complex)

Primary Care Evening Clinic 4-7pm

Please call after Noon to book Same day bookings



(780)594-2473



COLD LAKE FIRST NATIONS **HEALTH CENTER**

Available October 10th, 24th



Youth And Family Calendar



Please call youth center to register for any programs 780-594-7111

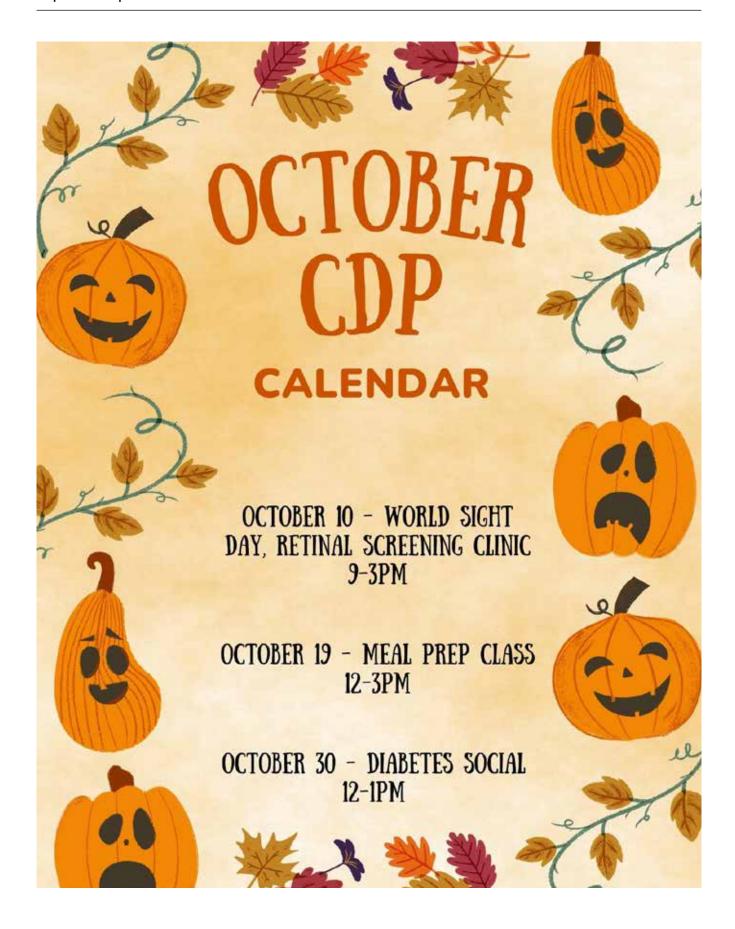
Youth 12 and under need to be accompanied by parent guardian.



Health Department Update

All Health Services Staff will be in training on October 17-18 for the Accuro EMR. This training is essential to the Health Services team to assist with appointment bookings, statistic collection and continued follow-up with clients. To ensure all staff, including our fill-in receptionists, are fully trained our phones will be off. Just to clarify we will not be open for services, including Nurse Practitioner appointments, for these two days.

Messages will be checked, and phone calls will be returned when staff are available.



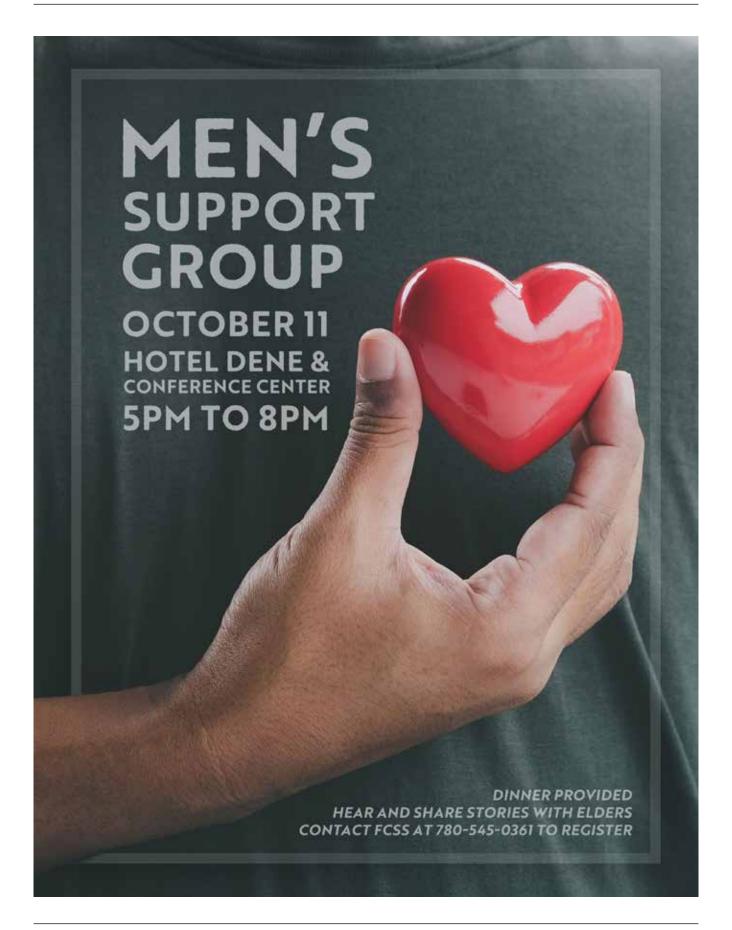
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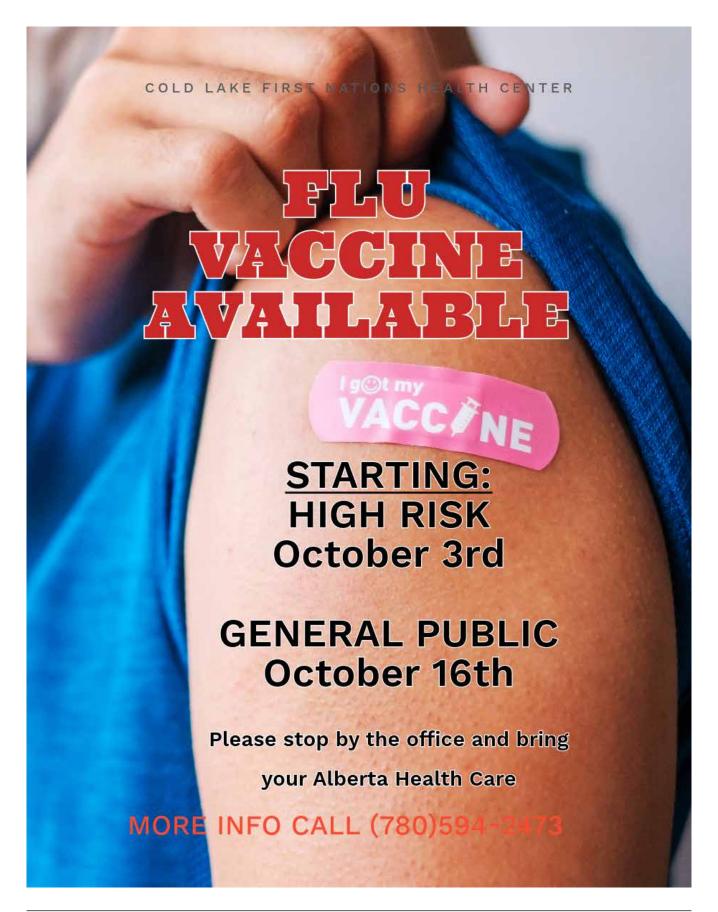
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 & 27

BEGINS AT 10AM CLFNS COMMUNITY HALL





COLD LAKE FIRST NATIONS HEALTH CENTER October 17th & 24th 4:00 - 6:30 PM Please bring your Alberta Health Care FOR MORE INFO CALL (780)594-2473





Dene Wellness Presents:

Pathways to Healing

Weekly Harm-Reduction Facilitated Circle: A Safe Space for Understanding and Support

Navigating the challenges of substance use and abuse can often feel isolating and overwhelming. Dene Wellness is committed to creating a community where everyone has the opportunity to heal and grow.

When: Every Thursday Time: 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM Where: Dene Wellness Centre

What to Expect:

- ❖ A judgment-free, confidential space for sharing and listening
- Empowering discussions about strategies for reducing harm and improving well-being
- Resources, tools, and community support
- Refreshments and a comfortable, welcoming atmosphere

Registration & Fees:

This circle is **FREE** for all Cold Lake First Nations community members and friends. Due to the sensitive nature of the discussions and to maintain a safe space, the number of participants is limited. Early registration is strongly recommended. Please contact Lisa @ Dene Wellness to reserve your spot.

Who is this for?

- Anyone who is directly engaging in substance use and looking for harm-reduction techniques
- Family and friends impacted by a loved one's substance use
- Community members seeking to better understand the complexities surrounding substance use and abuse
- Healthcare providers, educators, and advocates interested in harm reduction within the community

In this circle, we acknowledge each other's paths and challenges, providing collective wisdom and individual support. Whether you're seeking harm-reduction strategies or you're a family member looking for guidance, this facilitated circle aims to uplift, inform, and empower.

For more information and to reserve your spot, please contact:

1 780-594-1471

ifthelps@gmail.com

₹Your journey to healing starts with understanding and community. Let's walk this path together. ₹



Dene Wellness Presents: Your Journey to Well-Being

Weekly Mental Health & Wellness Topics: Transform Your Life, One Tuesday at a Time

Are you looking to strengthen your emotional well-being? Want to better understand how to maintain a balanced mental health lifestyle in today's fast-paced world? Cold Lake First Nations is thrilled to bring you a weekly series focused on Mental Health and Wellness.

When: Every Tuesday Time: 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Where: Dene Wellness Centre

Topics Include But Are Not Limited

To:

- Trauma and its Effects
- Understanding Anxiety
- Stress Management
- Navigating Relationship Challenges
- Cultivating Resilience & Inner Strength
- The Importance of Mindfulness
- Emotional Intelligence
- Healthy Communication
- Substance Abuse & Recovery Paths
- Balancing Work, Family, and Self
- Coping with Grief & Loss

Registration & Fees:

This program is **FREE** for all Cold Lake First Nations community members and friends of members. Limited seats are available, so early registration is recommended. Please contact Lisa@ Dene Wellness to secure your spot.

What To Expect:

- ❖ 30+ Expert-led sessions with unique topics covering a broad spectrum of mental health and wellness issues
- Q&A sessions, interactive activities, and take-home resources
- A supportive, confidential environment to share and grow

Your mental health is an important part of your overall wellness. Take the first step in your journey to a more balanced life by joining us every Tuesday. This is not just an event but a community initiative aimed at nurturing the soul and elevating the spirit.

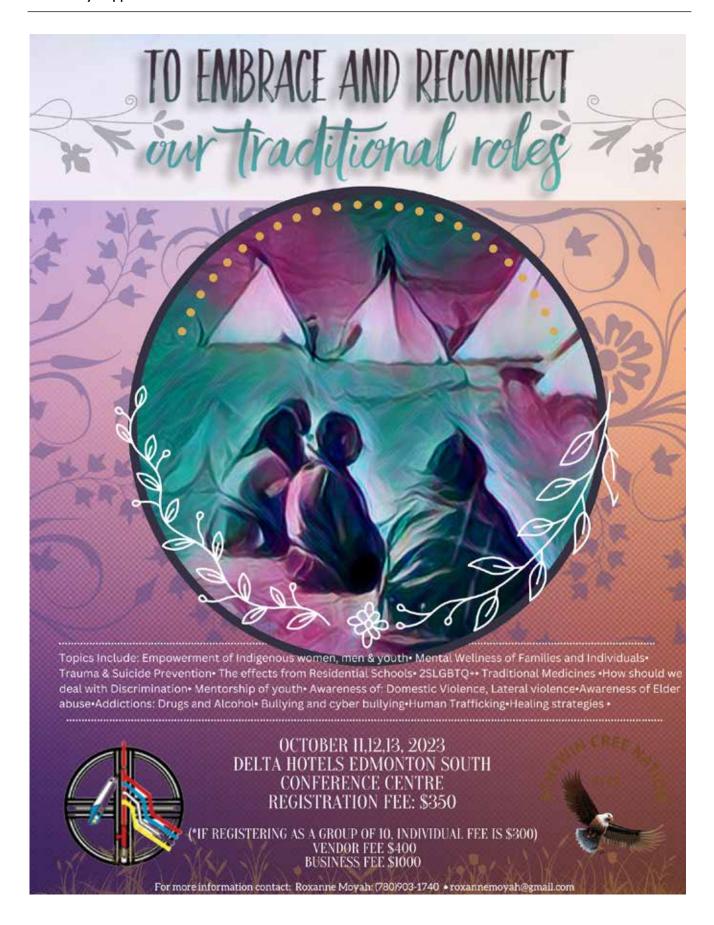
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💫 Healing is a journey, and you don't have to walk it alone. Join us! 💫





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AT TC ENERGY, WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS ON THE TRANSITION TO CLEANER ENERGY -

WHILE GROWING MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIPS NOW AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

We're a team of 7,000+ energy problem solvers working to move, generate and store the energy North America relies on. Today, we're taking action to make that energy more sustainable and more secure. We're innovating and modernizing to reduce emissions from our business. And, we're delivering new energy solutions - from natural gas and renewables to carbon capture and hydrogen - to help other businesses and industries decarbonize too.

DID YOU KNOW?

TC Energy provides Indigenous Legacy scholarships in support of Indigenous students pursuing a full-time, post-secondary education program. Check to see if you pre-qualify now at TCEnergy.com/community-giving/ scholarships.

Empowering students across North America Our scholarships are an easy way to get financial support for school. Now with 800 scholarships available across Canada, the U.S. and Mexico, you could receive a scholarship valued at up to \$5,000!

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JOIN OUR TEAM OF ENERGY PROBLEM SOLVERS

We need diverse, open, curious minds to help us look at problems differently and contribute unique solutions through their work. Sound like you? Our energy problems solvers:

- Take on exciting, innovative and challenging projects
- Enjoy competitive compensation and benefits
- Make a positive difference in the communities we serve
- Help create cleaner energy solutions for a better shared future

APPLY TODAY

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY, WE INVITE YOU TO VISIT:





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POLICE EMERGENCY CALL 911

HEALTH LINK

DIAL 811

Cold Lake R.C.M.P.

24 Hours 780-594-3301 Office Hours 780-594-3302

Victims Services

Dave Zimmerman 780-594-3302 ext.3

Cold Lake Ambulance Authority

780-594-6674

Cold Lake Healthcare Centre

780-639-3322

Bonnyville Health Centre

780-826-3311

CLFN Emergency Management

780-594-7184

CLFN Health Centre

780-594-2473

Dene Wellness

780-594-1471

FCSS

780-594-7186

Youth Center

780-594-7111

Le Goff School

780-594-3733

Integrated Services

780-594-8723

Public Works

780-594-1073

Dangerous Goods

24 Hours 1-800-272-9600

Poison Centre 24 Hours

1-800-332-1414

CANADA SUICIDE PREVENTION

1-833-456-4566 OR TEXT 45645

Power Outages Atco Electric

1-800-668-5506

Gas Emergencies Northeast Gas

780-826-4002

Alberta One-Call

1-800-242-3447

Petro Canada Station

780-594-1661