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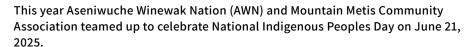
ASENIWUCHE STORIES

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AWN & MOUNTAIN METIS CELEBRATE NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY







The aroma of burgers filled the air as AWN Staff and Helpers served the community bannock burgers, hotdogs and refreshments. We also had a craft market with local artists Tom McDonald (Eagle Child Images), Brenda Young (Roc Creations) & Kimberly Thibeault (Holistic Habits).

It was a celebration of shared Unity, Cultural Pride and Community Strength with a vibrant line up of cultural entertainment featuring Savanna & the Youth Connections Jiggers, Penny Anderson who performed the Red River Jig, the music of Darla Daniels, our AWN Youth Jingle Dress & Fancy Shawl Dancers, the Red Rose Thunder Drum Group and to end it off we had a mini Round Dance with the James Gang Drummers. We hope everyone had fun as much as we had!

We would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to the Event Planners, Mountain Metis Community Association President Josh Hallock & Staff, AWN President David MacPhee & AWN/Tawow Staff, ADC Crew, AEC, Louis Delorme Memorial Committee, Marko, Kris Beis from Big Horn Grill, Country Pumpout, New Horizon Coop, TC Energy, and all the Volunteers and everyone who helped in any way to make the event successful, we couldn't have done it without you!







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MORE INDIGENOUS DAY SHAP SHOTS









GRANDE CACHE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATES INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY









On June 5 Grande Cache Community High School celebrated National Indigenous History Month, our local Jingle Dress dancers and Fancy Shawl dancers put on a show for all to enjoy, with the sounds of the James Gang Drummers and the Red Rose Thunder Drum Group echoing throughout the mountains, following with a round dance.

Curtis Hallock (Indian Trail Adventures) also brought out his horses, Aseniwuche Group of Companies staff volunteered their time to BBQ for the crowd.

It was a good day of celebrating our Indigenous Peoples and community and culture.



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Wildfire Emergency Preparedness



HAVE A PLAN

Does your Co-op or Enterprise have their own plan? Does your household have it's own plan?



Build an Emergency Kit



Build a Vehicle Emergency Kit



Stay Informed



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Wildfire Preparedness

https://www.alberta.ca/wildfire-preparedness

Download the Voyent Alert for Greenview Residents https://mdgreenview.ab.ca/voyent-alert-for-greenview-residents/



WILDFIRE EVACUATION CHECKLIST

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW

REMEMBER THE 8 P'S IN CASE IMMEDIATE EVACUATION IS REQUIRED:

- People
- Pets
- Personal Computer
- Prescriptions
- Paperwork (important documents)
- Pictures
- Phone (cellphone)
- Plastic (credit/bank cards)

VEHICLE PREPARATION

- Place vehicles outside the garage pointing out.
- Keep vehicle fuel tank above half full during fire season
- · Roll up the windows to keep smoke out and ash
- · Close the garage door, but leave it unlocked
- Place essential items in the car
- If you do not drive, make other arrangements for transportation in advance.

NOTE: Emergency responders may be able to provide transportation while completing their evacuation notifications.

PREPARING THE HOUSE:

- Close all exterior doors and windows
- Turn off all pilot lights
- Place combustible patio furniture or other items in the house or garage
- Shut off propane or gas tanks
- Make sure that all garden hoses are connected to faucets and attach nozzles set on "spray"
- Turn on outside lights
- If you have an emergency water source (pool, pond, etc) and/or portable pump, clearly mark its availability so it can be seen from the street or place a note on your door.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION KIT GRAB & GO BAG

- 1 liter of water for each person
- Favorite high energy snacks
- Medications and a copy of prescriptions
- Spare eyeglasses
- Hearing aids and batteries
- Small first aid kit
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Soap and/or hand sanitizer
- Comb and/or brush
- Toilet paper
- Feminine hygiene products
- Identification
- Family emergency contact list
- Copy of care card number(s)
- Insurance papers and add pictures of your house and contents
- Passport number(s)
- Spare keys for house/car
- Baby food
- Bottles
- Medications
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Kennel, Water, Medications, Leash, collar, ID tag food & treats

This kits should be placed at the door you use the most to exit your home, so you don't have to look elsewhere for it. If Greenview declares an evacuation zone for your area, be prepared to leave NOW.

Take your Grab & Go bag and cell phone with you.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

LAC STE ANNE PILGRIMAGE 2025 July 19-24

SATURDAY JULY 19

1:00pm: Pipe Ceremony and Flag Raising- Alexis **Nakota Sioux Nation**

6:30pm: Mass -Lac Ste Anne Parish

8:30pm: Gospel Music-Cursillo Commuity

SUNDAY JULY 20

9:00am: Rosary-**Pilgrims**

10:30am- Mass-Alexis & Paul First **Nations**

3:00pm- Mass and Blessing of the lake-St.Theresa Point, MB

6:30pm: Mass- Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Parish, Maskwacis AB

8:30pm- Movie Night at the shrine- Fr. Les & Pilgrims

MONDAY JULY 21

9:00am: Rosary-**Pilgrims**

10:30am: Mass-Cursillo Community

3:00pm: Mass-Tlicho First Nation, NWT

6:30pm: Mass-Pelican Narrows & Sandy Bay, Sk

8:30pm: Movie Night at the shrine-Fr. Les & Pilgrims

TUESDAY JULY 22

9am: Rosary-**Pilgrims**

10:30am: Mass-St.Paul Diocese, AB

3:00pm: Mass-**Dene Nations of** Saskatchewan

6:30pm: Mass-**Metis Nation Of** Alberta

8:30pm: Seven Step Healing Prayer/Sobriety Pledge - Cursillo Community

WEDNESDAY JULY 23

9am: Rosary-**Pilgrims**

10:30am: Mass-Sacred Heart Parish of the First Peoples, **Edmonton AB**

12 noon- 2:00pm: **Healing Prayers-**Fr.Mark and William **Smiley Team**

3:00pm: Mass-Blackfoot Confederacy, **Kainai Nation**

6:30pm: Mass-**Enoch and Alexander First** Nations, AB

THURSDAY JULY 24

10:00 am- Mass



ADC IS SEEKING GENERAL LABOURERS

The incumbent performs a wide range of duties independently or as part of a work crew for all ADC divisions. Labour activities performed may include but is not limited to: maintenance, heavy lifting and labour intensive activities, operation of small tools and equipment, construction and cleaning.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE

HTTPS://WWW.ASENIWUCHE.CA/OPPORTUNITIES/GENERAL-LABOURERS/ IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING, EMAIL YOUR RESUME TO HR@ADCALBERTA.COM



TIZENSHIP UPDATE

Eligibility to vote in elections deadline is approaching!



Deadline to submit your application in order to vote this year is at the end of July due to elections happening in the fall.

Applications and info packages are available for pickup at

Tawow Centre and at the main AWN building 10003 99 st.

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You can also request and send applications via email at citizenshipclerk@aseniwuche.com

✓ Make sure all documents are ready and complete!

Questions? Email the citizenship clerk or call the office at (780) 827-5510

AWN JOB OPPORTUNITY

LAND & RESOURCE MANAGER

Position Overview:

The Land and Resource Manager is responsible for the successful implementation of the consultation process, project planning and management, and establishing and maintaining sound working relationships and partnerships with industry and the government to improve the social and economic well-being of Nation members.

AWN will rely on the Land and Resource Manager to innovate the Land and Resource department by being familiar with Section 35 rights and current or previous court cases.

> Visit https://www.aseniwuche.ca/opportunities/land-and-resource-manager/ Apply to hr@adcalberta.com

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CARIBOU PATROL Contributed by Stephanie Leonard



FROM THE PROGRAM

Caribou Patrol has been made aware of vandalism to one of our signs near Muskeg. Besides being incredibly frustrating to have to clean or replace our signs as a grant funded organization, this kind of vandalism and the misinformation it contains will only hurt everyone in the long run.

Over the years that we have been running Caribou Patrol, we occasionally have people share that they don't want to send us their caribou pictures or report their sightings because they are concerned that we will then be able to close the landscape to industry and recreational users. My usual response is to joke that we wish we had that power. I want to go further in depth here, because we don't wish we the power to close the landscape to people, we don't actually want to close the landscape at all. To be clear, the only organization with that power is the Government of Canada, and to date, they have proven that they are unwilling to close access to the land as a result of declining caribou populations. There is no evidence signifying a change in mindset or policy.

The Aseniwuche Winewak Nation (AWN) and by extension, Caribou Patrol, advocate for responsible and balanced access to the land so that everything has the ability to thrive. AWN doesn't want to see people removed from the landscape, they continue to access the land for traditional, cultural and historic purposes. AWN recognizes that we live in an industrial world that currently has the need for readily available oil, gas and wood products. AWN also has members who have jobs that rely on those industries, and they want to see their members thrive. But AWN also wants to see the caribou populations return to stable numbers, and that we will require a little more land left natural without easy access for other prey animals and the predators that follow them. That does not mean that people can't access or utilize these areas, just that there needs to be fewer roads, pipelines, trails and industry in some intact, vital landscapes.

So, in clear language, reporting when and where you see caribou will not allow anyone to remove access to the land. We use your reports to help us know when we need our crews out patrolling Highway 40 and where they need to be. We use your reports as a metric to tell how well our program is reaching you, the public and if we need to change our approach. We use your reports to give us an idea of where the caribou are at which time of the year, so we can adjust our program as needed. We DO NOT send any details of your report to any other agency. The only details that are ever reported outside of Caribou Patrol are how many public reports we received in any given year- no names, locations or anything else. We have recently started sharing the photos you submitted with your reports in the newsletter, but I only credit your image with initials to preserve some anonymity. If you don't want us to share your picture, add that information to your report and we won't.

If you have any questions about Caribou Patrol, how we operate and what we do with the data we collect, please ask us. We are very happy to share, but please stop

sharing misinformation and please stop vandalizing our stuff!

Thank you for supporting our program and for caring about caribou.

CARIBOU PATROL

Caribou Patrol is an Indigenous-led stewardship program, run by Aseniwuche Winewak Nation (AWN) that promotes caribou conservation within AWN's traditional territory. This grass roots program was started in 2012 in response to west-central Alberta's declining caribou herd populations. The objectives of this program are to:

- Reduce the potential of vehicle collisions with woodland caribou on area roadways through road patrols.
- Increase the public safety by providing the public with wildlife road sharing information and tips.
- Enhance awareness of caribou management and wildlife road sharing through education and outreach initiatives for three specific user groups: the public, industry.
- Collect data on wildlife sightings.



RECENT ACTIVITIES

Caribou Patrol had a fantastic time attending Grande Prairie's Indian Relay Racing Event at Evergreen Park on June 7th and 8th. For both of us who attended, it was our first time at such an event and it was truly an expression of Indigenous pride and skill. I urge anyone who hasn't seen one of those events to go check it out. As an Indigenous-led program, Caribou Patrol was proud to be part of the fun. Thank you to everyone who came and checked us out. Our new Scat & Track boards were a great success with people of all ages testing their knowledge on "which ungulate made what". Thank you for the fun.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

In Spring 2022, Caribou Patrol started a partnership with the Calgary Zoo where we gather a group of youth to help collect the lichen that would be used as enrichment and added nutrients for the zoo's resident caribou. It was a great time for the AWN youth and adult volunteers who attended, and we always wanted to do it again, but unfortunately time got away from us.

Planning talks with Calgary Zoo started again early this year, and we excited to announce that we are planning a second Lichen Pick and Zoo trip for September 2025, this time with a few adjustments. This year, we want to give all Grande Cache area youth aged 12-15 the chance to join us. As I'm aware that there are A LOT of youth in that age range in the Grande Cache area, we are having a bit of competition.



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On July 18, 2025, Caribou Patrol will be hosting 3 information sessions at the AWN Land and Resources Department Building (the former Tawow- 10008 99st) at 10:00am, 12:30pm and 2:30pm. Any youth who wants to join us for the trip must attend one information session to learn a little about caribou and Caribou Patrol Program.

At the information session, they will be given a form asking why they want to be part of the experience. We aren't looking for essays, but the youth with us will be chosen based on their answer, so we are asking for thoughtful responses. All the youth chosen to attend will also be asked to attend a day collecting lichen for the Calgary Zoo. We will have experts from the Zoo as well as biologists form fRi Research Caribou Program to teach all the participants more about the lichen that caribou need to survive. Lunch and transportation to the collection site will be provided.

We are hoping to bring 20 youth, but the actual amount will depend on the number of adults who volunteer to help chaperone. So, if you are an adult who thinks this might be a good opportunity, whether you have children who want to attend or not, please reach out to Caribou Patrol or attend one of the information sessions. An older teenager (17-18) who has experience working with youth (references required describing experience) can inquire about attending as a chaperone. All volunteers are required to provide proof of their criminal record (including the Vulnerable Sector) checks.

The trip to Calgary will be September 27th to 29th and will require all attendees to miss one day of school. We don't have a set day for the lichen collection, but it will also be in September, likely on a weekend.

All travel, dorm-style hostel accommodations, and basic food expenses will be covered, as well as entry to the zoo on Sunday, September 28th.

THE CARIBOU

While caribou are still occasionally being seen near Highway 40, and will continue to be all summer, it seems that migration is well and truly over for the season. Unfortunately, that means you will be seeing a lot less of Caribou Patrol on the road until the fall migration. The program fell short on our grant funding this year, and as a result, the road patrol aspect of the program will be paused until the start of the fall migration.

We still hope that you will continue to report any caribou you see and if an emergency situation arises, we will still be able to get someone out. Hopefully, the program will be back, bigger and better, for next year.

CARIBOU TIDBIT: THREATS

Boreal woodland caribou may be extinct before the year 2100 if the rate of range loss continues. Caribou are running out of suitable territory as development pushes further into their habitat. They are also facing low birth rates coupled with high calf mortality rates, meaning that herds are barely replacing themselves, if not outright declining.

HABITAT DEGRADATION

The main threat to boreal caribou is habitat damage or loss caused by human activities and natural causes, such as fire. Industrial developments are cutting into forests, opening networks of roads and seismic lines that penetrate the isolated habitat of the caribou and Alberta continues to rely mostly on land-use guidelines at an individual industrial project level instead of managing cumulative landscape impacts to caribou habitat.

ALTERNATE PREY AND PREDATION

Regenerating linear corridors and cut blocks attract Elk, deer, and Moose, which prefer the tender shoots of young trees and grasses that grow in disturbed areas. These areas also create travel corridors which, along with the increase in prey species, allowing more abundant predator populations to access caribou habitat, resulting in higher caribou predation. This is called Apparent Competition. Apparent Competition also applies inside Jasper National Park and Banff National Park. Inside the parks, artificially high elk populations were encouraged when many predators were removed, and roads and trails were built into some key caribou areas. This greatly increased caribou predation once predator management was reduced, beyond levels they could tolerate. The Banff National Park population was allowed to decrease until the few remaining caribou were killed in a March 2009 avalanche.

CLIMATE CHANGE

The northern climate is changing at almost twice the global average. Warmer temperatures are causing more rain in the winter. The rain forms ice over the ground that blocks caribou from reaching the food they need to make it to spring. Changes in climate can also negatively affect the growth of lichen, are a source of more extreme weather events, increased wildfire and avalanche frequencies, and allow the expansion of forest pests such as the mountain pine beetle. These changes can kill caribou outright or reduce the amount of available habitat available for them.

VEHICLE COLLISION

Vehicle collisions are a threat specific to caribou herds that frequently cross major roadways. The A La Peche caribou traditionally migrate across Highway 40 in both the spring and fall to travel between their winter and summer ranges. While crossing the road, caribou risk being hit and killed in motor-vehicle collisions.

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JULY 2025 SCHEDULE



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		CANADA DAY TAWOW BUILDING CLOSED	DROP IN DAY 10:00AM-2:00PM NW FASD FOUNDATIONS PRESENTATIONS 1:00PM-3:00PM	03	05	06
07	08	09	DROP IN DAY 10:00AM- 2:00PM	11	12	13
14	15	16	DROP IN DAY 10:00AM- 2:00PM NORTHREACH STI & VACCINATION CLINIC 11:00AM- 3:00PM	18	19	20
21	22	23	DROP IN DAY 10:00AM- 2:00PM	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 DROP IN DAY 10:00AM- 2:00PM			



STAFF UPDATE

Sharon Moberly Crisis Management Coordinator

Hello Community,

For those who don't know me, my name is Sharon Moberly and I live at beautiful Joachim Enterprise with my husband Rueben Moberly.

I've worked with Tawow Community Centre for almost 1 ½ years now, and I've just accepted the newly developed role of Crisis Management Coordinator for the Tawow Community Centre. this 2 year contract my direction is to work with AWN Board, Community Members, Coop Boards and Enterprise Managers to identify and create an action plan for a comprehensive and rapid response when our community is in crisis'm currently working on an information gathering questionnaire and plan to come out to community and meet with folks and the various community boards/presidents to discuss some of the issues that face, especially those who live outside the townsite. Topics will range from Wildfire to Domestic Violence to Civic Numbering systems in community. If you have any ideas about what priorities you have please stop by and see me at Tawow, my door is always open?

Looking forward to showing the resilience of our community, see you all soon!

Sorry We're CLOSED

THE TAWOW CENTRE
WILL BE CLOSED ON
CANADA DAY
JULY 1, 2025