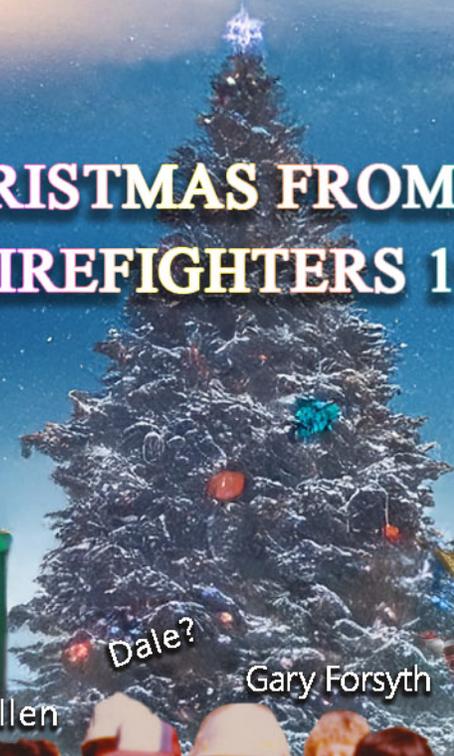




NO BAND MEETING FOR DEC



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE NK'MIP FIREFIGHTERS 1983



Char Baptiste

Pat Allen

Dale?

Gary Forsyth

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Instructor
Ken Ryan

JR Baptiste

Tony Baptiste

Joe Louie

Melvin George

(Bud)

Robert Baptiste

Max McNeil

Billy Allen

Pat Gallagher

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BIRTHDAYS

Ken Bryson

Crystal Anderson

Amanda Louie

Lucy Louie

Sam Baptiste

Banjo Linkevic

Gloria Baptiste

Joanne McGinnis

Myles Wilber

Robert Etienne

Mary Louise Louie

Ricky Hall

Sandra Falkus

Patty Bower

Alex Louie

Pam Teichrib

Tahnee Chief

Kristi Baptiste

Darlene George

Naomi Hall

Waylon Bent

Abigail Chapman

Hayden Stelkia

Russell Baptiste

Lynnea Holmstrom

Dexter Makortoff

Jessica Stelkia

Lena Stelkia

Giovonna Baptiste

Crispin Ortiz, Jr.

Shayleen Titus

Melissa Letendre

Sarah Titus

Stormie Tomma

Aiden Deneault

Devon Porter

Blaine Louie

Kax^wtikn Hall-Andrew

Natisha Santoyo

Jayden Louie

Kaynen Foster

Royal Louie

Dakota Bell-Antoine

Dream Beauclair

Grayson George

Trenton Manossa-Gabriel

Hayley Louie

Alexis Sanders

Shawn Bisson

Joshua Wilson

Billy Louie

Daniel Kruger

Amanda Cooper

Diana Roxo

Sapphire LeCamp

Adrian James

Christine Casimer

Yudivian Baptiste

Dave Martin

Vincent Orantes-Tribble

Cikq^wilx Hall-Andrew

Bentley Van Ingen

Decker Land

Atheina Singer

Hayley Louie

Rory Thew

Elissa Wilander

Odessa Paul

Lilly Tanner

Finn Baptiste



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MINOR TRUST DISTRIBUTION 2024

Osoyoos Indian Band, Chief and Council, has been in consultation with OIB's Lawyers, regarding, Per-Capita Distribution for registered OIB members who are MINORS (18 and younger).

1. Chief and Council has decided (with legal advice), that it is in the best interest of all OIB Member Minor's, to place 100% of the Minors share of Distributions, Per Capita's into their Minors Trust Fund, which is what most Bands do.
2. The Council is giving all OIB parents/Guardians a ten (10) month notice, that starting December 2024, in the best interest of each OIB member Minor that OIB will place 100% of each child's portion in their Minor's Trust Account.
3. All Parents and Guardians will still be able to request a form (approved by Council) to withdraw funds, but, for specific purposes and limits only by doing the following.

Filling out an Application, fully and completely and handing it to any Council member or Joanne McGinnis (accounting department). All withdrawal applications, will be presented and approved at a regular Council Meeting.

The reasons for parents and guardians to request monies from the member child Trust Account, will be limited to Education, Medical and Sports.

If payments are approved, they will be paid directly to the provider of the service.

ELECTION

OIB Chief and Council Election 2025

**NOMINATIONS WILL BE AT
OIB COMMUNITY HALL
JANUARY 9, 2025 6PM-9PM**

**ELECTION/VOTING DAY
WILL BE AT OIB COMMUNITY HALL
FEBRUARY 20, 2025 9AM-8PM**



Canada Post Strike & OIB Distribution Chq's

Because of the Canada Post Strike, we are unable to mail distribution chq's. Please contact the Band Office and speak to Joanne McGinnis or Sammy Louie.

If you provide (by email or text) a copy of your Void Chq or a 'Bank account verification' from your bank institute, we can Direct Deposit.

Deadline is Dec 5th 12pm (Pacific Time)

Contacts:

Joanne McGinnis 250-498-3444 ext.3017 jmcginnis@oib.ca

Sammy Louie 250-689-1167 (cell) sjlouie@oib.ca

Members in the USA - we will mail your Chq's from Oroville, WA to avoid postal delay.

Notice to Band Members

2024 Travel Allowance



Source of Funds

- 1) 10% of gross lease revenue
- 2) OIBDC Businesses Profits

	2022	2023	593	
	RESULT	RESULT	TOTAL RESULT	PER MEMBER
	\$486,484.00	\$4,224,732.19	\$422,473.22	\$712.43
	\$560,068.00	\$8,814,508.80	\$930,599.96	\$1,569.31
			\$1,353,073.18	\$2,281.74

Per Member 2024 **\$2,281.74**

Dear Members,

Effective in 2016, the Annual Distribution to Band Members will be:

- 1) 10% of gross lease revenues;
- 2) 10% of the Operating income of the OIBDC businesses, including investments in other partnerships;
- 3) 50% of the estimated Profit Share

This year we are reporting our results to include all the companies that are under the OIBDC portfolio to improve our accountability and transparency to you, the members of the Osoyoos Indian Band. This new reporting method includes the overall results of the companies regardless if that company made a profit or a loss, and this amount is consolidated to give a clear indication on how the companies did overall. **The total allowance is \$2,281.74**

Our land leases continue to be OIB's major source of income. That is why leases are so important, and in the future as more business leases are done at the Senkulmen Business Park, the Band will receive more direct income. Remember, Band businesses will have ups and downs and a majority of their income, (where there is a profit), must be kept to not only pay back past losses and debt but also a majority of the profit must be retained to operate in future years.

Chief and Council have decided (with legal advice) that it is in the best interest of all OIB Minor Members to place 100% of the Minor's share of per capita distribution into their Minor Trust Fund, which is what most bands do.

For members who owe the band money (rent, loan, store account, daycare etc.) will have the money owed deducted from their allowance and directed to their debt.

An important fact to remember and plan for is the yearly increases in Band membership. This year our membership is now at 593 members up from 589 last year, 4 new members. With more people comes more costs and increased responsibility.

On behalf of the Chief and Council, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chief Clarence Louie

NOTE: The cheques can be picked up at the **Band Office between 9am and 4pm on December 13, 2024**

2024 Business Profit Contribution

2024 Contribution is based on the 2023 Audited Financial Statements

2023 is last years contributions to the distribuion and profit and losses of the businesses

	2024 Contributions	2023 Profit Loss	2023 Contributions	2022 Profit/Loss
Nk'Mip Holdings LLP - Leases	\$426,631.89	\$2,472,459.00	\$467,247.34	\$2,465,736.00
Nk Mip Forestry LLP	\$325,114.23	\$2,336,989.00	\$157,518.58	\$1,024,739.00
Nk Mip Campground and R.V. Park LLP	\$213,918.43	\$1,416,332.00	\$245,444.95	\$1,529,065.00
OIBDLLP - (Management Fee)	\$141,968.31	\$1,006,774.00	\$44,813.72	\$303,938.00
Senkulmen Utilities Ltd.(Sewage Plant)	\$61,858.80	\$238,182.00	\$42,773.83	\$107,947.00
Nk'Mip Desert Canyon Golf Course LLP	\$52,569.40	\$194,928.00	\$76,240.89	\$351,667.00
Nk Mip Utilities Ltd. (Water System Osoyoos)	\$35,016.65	\$169,787.00	\$21,969.64	\$118,050.00
Nk'Mip Convenience Store Osoyoos	\$42,545.90	\$213,592.00	\$53,103.36	\$289,947.00
Desert Valley Cannabis (NOTE.1)	\$29,871.30	-\$27,231.00	\$16,500.00	
NkMip Cellar (NOTE .2)	\$19,277.89	\$379,970.00	\$38,053.00	\$270,043.00
Nk Mip Desert Cultural Centre L.P.	\$4,300.40	\$6,850.00	\$0.00	-\$79,255.00
Nk'Mip Convenience Store Oliver	\$0.00	-\$332,270.00	\$21,419.07	\$110,317.00
NK'Mip Vineyard LLP (NOTE.3)	\$0.00	-\$476,846.00	\$196,360.95	\$1,250,464.00
Oliver Read Mix	\$0.00	-\$500,982.00	\$0.00	-\$532,966.00
Total Distribution	\$1,353,073.19	\$7,098,534.00	\$1,381,445.33	\$7,209,692.00

NOTE 1: The Cannabis Store's contribution is not based on profits, it is based on the 5% of all non-status sales.

NOTE 2: NK'Mip Cellars contribuion is based on 10% of 51% of profits as we are 51% owners

NOTE 3 : The Vineyard's loss in 2023 was due to the December Freeze that all vineyards in BC suffered

BAND OFFICE & NK'MIP HEALTH CENTRE

DECEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 HALF DAY	21
22	23 BAND OFFICE	24 CLOSED	25 BAND OFFICE	26 CLOSED	27 CLOSED	28
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Homemade

UNHOOK YOUR HOSES

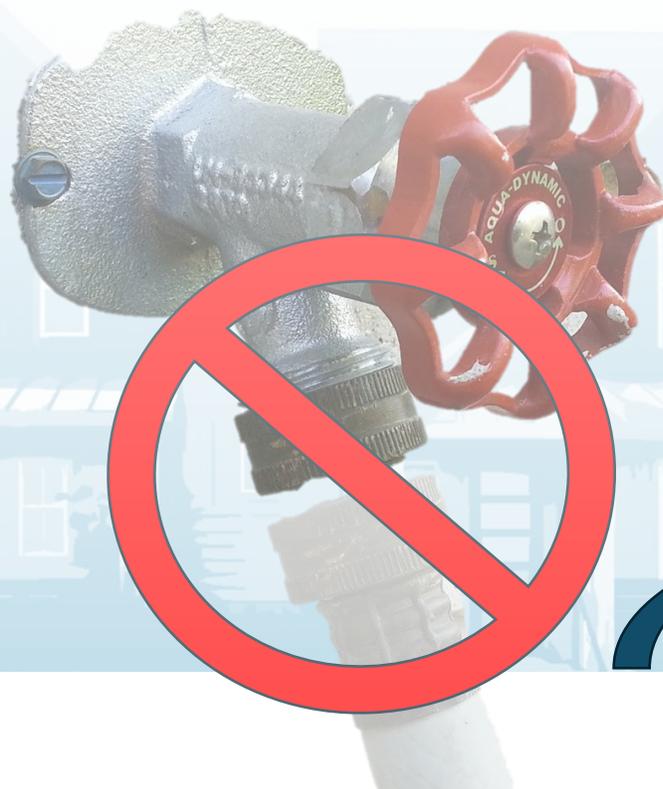
Hoses Unhooked during the winter.

It is that time of the year that the hoses on your outside hose bibs need to be unhooked.

If you do not unhook your hoses from the tap and there is water in the hose it can freeze back into the house and break and cause extensive flood damage inside the house.

So, please unhook your hoses from your outside taps which are usually at the front and back of the house. Hope everyone has a good winter.

Maintenance Dept.





ELDERS, YOU ARE INVITED TO



CHRISTMAS

ELDERS
LUNCH

DECEMBER 17 AT 12:00 PM

OIB Community Hall

Osoyoos Indian Band

YOUTH HOLIDAY LUNCH

Shan's cooking!

- Deer Roast, Salmon + More!
- Cookie decorating, assembling gingerbread houses (to take home)
- Hot chocolate, desserts and GIFTS!

DEC 23

2024

LUNCH AT 1PM

At the Hall

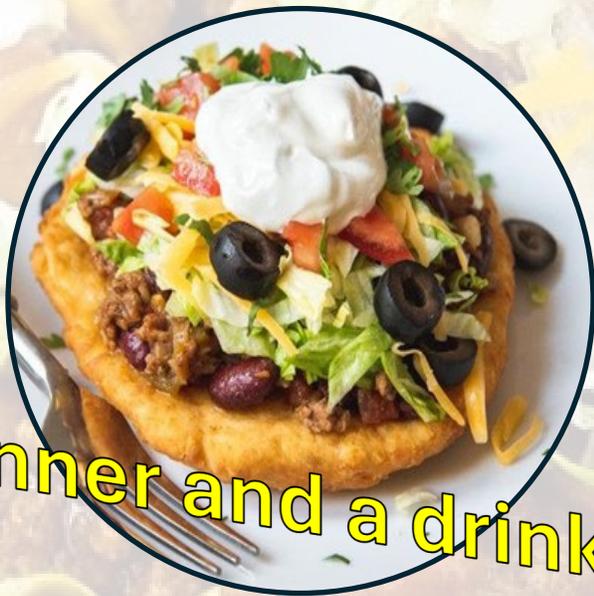
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For More information
contact Shan @ 250689-9894
or @ speltier@gmail.com



SD53 Pow Wow
Frybread Taco and
Loonie Auction Fundraiser
@ SESS Cafeteria

Dec. 12 @ 5:00pm



Dinner and a drink!



Loonie Auction!

\$12 per person or \$40 per family of 5 or more!

Same household

*** \$1.00 for pop ***

50/50 Draw

**All proceeds go to our SD# 53 Annual Powwow event held this April 25th &
26th 2025 at Similkameen Elementary/Secondary School
Organized by the SD# 53 Indigenous Advocate Powwow Committee**



YOU ARE INVITED TO

OIB Christmas Party

PIZZA, SANTA, KIDS
GIFTS, BOUNCY
CASTLES, ADULT
DOOR PRIZES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

STARTS AT 5:00 PM | SANTA AT 6:00 PM

SEN POK CHIN GYMNASIUM





Christmas Dinner



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19 AT 5:00 PM
OIB COMMUNITY HALL

We will be serving a
traditional Christmas dinner
with turkey, mashed potatoes,
stuffing and more!

Hosted by Nk'mip
Resource Centre



OIB YOUTH CENTER/GYM DECEMBER SCHEDULE 2024

Sunday		Closed
Monday	Right to Play (RTP)	3:00PM-5:00PM
	Archery (Ages 7-12)	3:30PM-4:30PM
	(Ages 13 – 100)	4:30PM-5:30PM
Tuesday	Right to Play (RTP)	3:00PM-5:00PM
	Youth Center	5:00PM-8:00PM
Wednesday	Right to Play (RTP)	3:00PM-5:00PM
	Youth Center/Gym	5:00PM-8:00PM
Thursday	Right to Play (RTP)	3:00PM-5:00PM
	Youth Center/Gym	5:00PM-8:00PM
Friday	Right to Play (RTP)	3:00PM-5:00PM
	Youth Center/Gym	5:00PM-8:00PM
Saturday	Youth Center/Gym	12:00PM-8:00PM

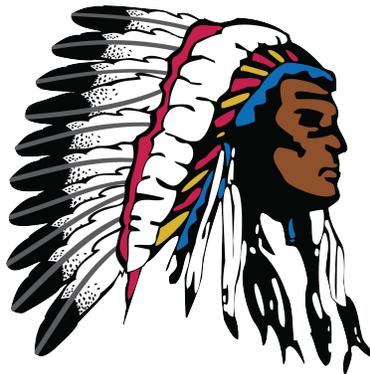
Youth Center is closed during stat-holiday's & community gatherings

(Unless otherwise stated)

*Will post changes to 'SCHEDULE' via Facebook and OIB group e-mail

***YOUTH CENTRE/GYM** (EVENINGS & SATURDAYS) **OPEN TO AGES 10+**

***YOUTH CENTRE & GYM CLOSED DECEMBER 22 – JANUARY 1**



Right to Play
After-School Program
September 2024 – June 2024

It was brought to my attention from the **OIB/SD 53 meeting on November 13, 2024**; could the Right To Play (RTP) after-school program at Sen-Pok-Chin (SPC) Elementary possibly start at 2:40pm instead of 3:00pm. The Tuc-El-Nuit (TEN) and Oliver Elementary schools get dismissed at 2:30pm as compared to SPC 3pm.

As in the past, kids who are attending TEN or Oliver Elementary can be dropped off at the OIB youth centre (connected to SPC) and wait (play games, watch Netflix, jump on the computer, etc.) with Marvin Louie (OIB youth coordinator/RTP supervisor) and/or Seth Baptiste (OIB/RTP youth worker) until the RTP program starts after 3pm.

The kids that will be participating in the RTP program will need to have a **RTP registration form** filled out which can be picked up at the SPC office or OIB youth centre. I (Marvin Louie) will get some RTP registration forms sent to both TEN & Oliver Elementary (through Helen Gallagher).

The RTP after-school program is in its 10th year and continues to be a strong & fun program for the OIB community. As we say.....”**The more the merrier**”.....It would be great to see some students from TEN & Oliver Elementary start attending RTP.

For any further questions please contact:

Marvin Louie - mlouie@oib.ca or 250-498-6323

For registration information please contact:

Marvin Louie - mlouie@oib.ca or 250-498-6323

Seth Baptiste – 250-689-8299



RIGHT TO PLAY



Want to use drugs? That's your business.
Want to stop using drugs? That's our
business!

Narcotics Anonymous Meeting.
Thursdays, 7:00pm at the old Band Office.

1006 McKinney. Oliver BC.

Attendance is free.
Coffee and snacks will be served.



ENTRY BY DONATION

T H E 2 N D A N N U A L



**O.C.K.
RIZZMAS
FEST**

DECEMBER 11, 2024

5:00 - 7:00

FUN GAMES

RAFFLES START @ 6PM

50/50 DRAW

FOOD BY OLIVER EATS

BAKE SALE

AWESOME PRIZES

S P E C I A L T H A N K S :



RIGHT TO PLAY



**OLIVER
EATS
LTD.**



PIB

Christmas

**TREE
FUNDRAISER**



FAMILY TREE:

\$250 VISA CARD

\$250 WALMART CARD

\$500 GRIMMS MEAT PACKAGE

\$500 CHIEF & COUNCIL DONATION

KIDS TREE

\$250 VISA CARD

\$250 WALMART CARD

\$500 CHIEF & COUNCIL DONATION

\$5.00 DOLLARS PER TICKET

BUY YOUR TICKETS FROM REBECCA KRUGER

you can etransfer to Ldgabriel525@gmail.com

**THE PROCEEDS FROM THE RAFFLE WILL GO TO A PIB
FAMILY(S) IN NEED**

**DRAW DATE: DECEMBER 20, 2024 AT THE PIB STAFF
CHRISTMAS PARTY**



Osoyoos Indian Band

OIB Youth Recognition Dinner

**Please join us in honouring our youth.
Presented by the OIB Youth Programs Staff.
When: Thursday, January 23rd, 2024
Where: OIB HALL
Time: Dinner at 5pm, Ceremony at 5:30pm**



Youth Recognition Nomination Form

Nominations must be in no later than January 3rd. We will not be accepting late submissions.

Criteria:

Community members can nominate youth for sports, academics, community involvement, volunteering, or just something worth sharing.

This year the person nominating can not be an immediate family member of the youth they are nominating (i.e. Parents, guardian, grandparents, siblings).

On the document please include the following:

Name of youth being nominated

Name of the Person who is nominating

Reason for nomination

If you have video or pictures, please submit for the presentation.

There are copies of the form at the health building if needed.

Submissions can be dropped off at the health building to Shannon Peltier or Sonya Jensen or emailed to speltier@oib.ca or sjensen@oib.ca

Senpaq'cin News – A Month in Review



Here are a few pictures to share with the community from our rainy SPC grand opening of the new paved bike path. A huge limlimt to Mia from Spirit North who brought the dream of having a puncture vine-free area for students to bike to us many years ago. We are very grateful to SPC Parent's Club for funding the majority cost of the pavement around the ball diamond and to OIB Chief and Council for helping us put our dream into action!

Grade 5 students opened the celebration with the Okanagan song and drummed the students and guests around the first lap of the track.



Fire Friday News Update

With the change in weather, our Fire Friday Program has moved into our winter cooking space in the garden area. This month, we've enjoyed preparing delicious dishes like oatmeal with siya syrup, nooch popcorn, hot apple cider, fresh breadsticks, pumpkin soup, and apple crisp. Thanks to funding from ISPARC's Food Systems Program, we were able to renovate our learning area and purchase new equipment to enhance the program. It's been a busy and rewarding time as



we cook up a storm and prepare our wintering site. A big thank-you to everyone involved—many hands truly make light work!

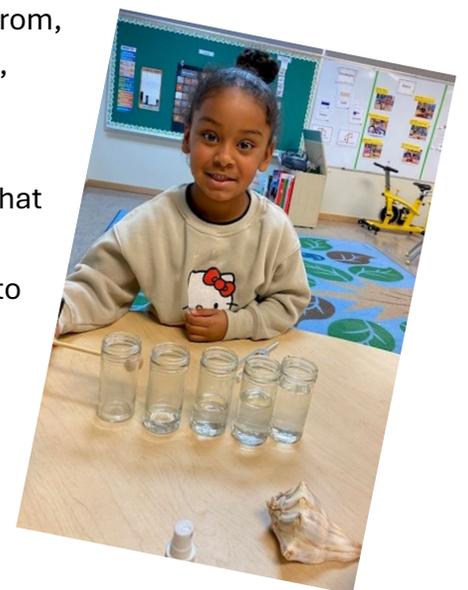


Grade 1 News:



Grade 1 students are diving into the wonders of light and sound. Through hands-on experiments and observations, we're discovering where light and sound come from, their unique properties, and how they help us

experience the world. The children were fascinated to see what happens when a tuning fork is struck and produces sound waves that cause the water to move. They also used elastic bands to create sound by stretching and releasing them, which caused the bands to vibrate.



Grade 5-6 News:

The month of November was a busy and enjoyable one. There were so many wonderful events. We are always learning but new skills in Literacy, Math, and PSPE shone in this often-dreary month.

In literacy we explored rhyming couplets and stanzas. I hope you will enjoy the included selections. We enjoyed creating and sharing them.

In our maths study we used a Hallowe'en theme as inspiration to problem-solve a "Monster Zoo". Here students were

The Treat

I went to buy my favourite *Treat*.
At the shops maybe we will meet?
Caramels - "oh the sweet buttery *Brick*."
Can't get enough of them, so be quick!

I'm bringing the gold stash to my *House*.
Come over, but there is a big mouse.
I feed it everyday with bread *Crumbs*.
If the mouse eats too much, he will numb!

Spiwen Colin Hall



challenged to work with specified area dimensions to provide the perfect living spaces for their creatures.

Finally, Spirit North provided orienteering experience as a basis for outdoor confidence. The grade 5/6 students practiced attributes of Inquirers, Thinkers, Risk-Takers and Communicators ...just to name a few!

Upcoming Events:

- December 11: Grade 4-7 Science World Visit
- December 17-18: Christmas Shop
- December 20: Early Dismissal for Winter Break

- January 6: School Reopens

