

HBMI NEWSLETTER

45th annual Metaksonekiyiak Community Days

The 45th annual Metaksonekiyiak Community Days celebration, held Sept. 6-7, was another extremely successful event for the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, despite the second straight year of rainy weather.

About 550 people attended this year's celebration, held at the Recognition Day Field on Bell Road. A new, massive 40-foot by 80-foot canopy was erected this year to replace the aging arbor that had to be torn down. The large covered space proved to be extremely beneficial as heavy rains happened periodically throughout the day Saturday. All of our dancers and drummers were able to fit comfortably under the new canopy, along with many spectators.

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Community Days

On Sunday, Sept. 7, the day began with a free community breakfast that was very well attended before the focus shifted back to the Recognition Day field for a second day of drumming, singing and dancing. The nicer weather allowed for the corn hole competition to be held, while scores of children were able to enjoy the bounce house.

The Boys and Girls Club of Maliseets kept our youth busy with a number of cultural activities and games on Sunday, while Alan St. Jean and Chris Phillips provided an ash pounding demonstration for the public.

Ideas are already being considered for next year's event, with an opportunity for members of the community to assist in the planning. Committee work will begin in early 2026.









Tournament Champions



Congratulations Marie "Chico" Polchies for winning our 2025 Cribbage Tournament during the 45th annual Metaksonekiyak Community Days!



The winners of our 2025 Corn Hole The winner of our 2025 Tournament during the 45th annual Horse Shoe Tourney during Metaksonekiyak Community Days were the Joseph Nason, left, and Lee Suitter. Metaksonekiyak Congratulations!



45th annual Community Days was Karsten Pedersen. Congratulations Karsten!





30TH OCTOBER 6:00PM -8:00PM

Maliseet Community Center

Costume Contest, Trunk Contest & Games!

To register your trunk and to be put in for a chance to win a gift card please contact Megan Anderson at Boys & Girls Club 207-521-5898 manderson@maliseets.com



Universal Wellness All the same Fun and Prizes! lasses will have a limit of 25 and will fill up early!! Hurry and Register ASAP.

Time for Bingocize Signups!!! 10 weeks and 20 sessions

Classes will start October 6th, 7th, 14th, 15th, 20, 21st, 27th and 28th. November 3rd, 4th 10th 12th, 17th, 18th, 24th, 25th. December 1st, 2nd, 8th and last day the 9th. Please contact Krystal Caron at (207) 532-2240 ext.150 or by email at kcaron@maliseets.com

To be considered a completer or qualify for any incentives (if we have one) you must attend 16 of the 20 sessions.



Elders' Calendar

October 2025

Elder Center phone # -- 532-7780 Elder Coordinator -- Danya Boyce Cook -- Mark Lewis

All regular meals begin at 11 a.m.



| | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|----|--------|---|--|-----------|---|-----------------|----------|
| 28 | 3 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 Pork Chops Mashed Potatoes Stove Top Stuffing Stewed Tomatoes Rolls Ice Cream | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | | 6 | 7 Taco Tuesday! All the Fixings Cook's Choice Dessert | 8 | All Tribal Offices Closed for Federal Recognition Day No Meal | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | | All Tribal Offices Closed for Indigenous Peoples Day Thanksgiving (Canada) | 14 Chicken Tenders Oven Fries Rolls Green Beans Cake | 15 | Baked Beans Hot Dogs Potato Salad Sadies Rolls Jello w/Cool Whip | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | | 20 | Chop Suey Crescent Rolls Broccoli Fruit Salad | 22 | BINGO Soup N' Sandwich Soup of the Day Assorted Fixings Cupcakes | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 5 | 27 | Boiled Dinner! Ham w/cabbage, carrots & potatoes Whole Grain Bread Cook's Choice Dessert | 29 | Meatloaf w/gravy Potatoes Corn Rolls Brownies | HAPPY HALLOWEEN | 1 |



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New Maliseet Tenant Committee to be formed

The Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians are looking to start a new Tenant Committee for the Maliseet Riverside Village.

We want to hear from our tenants about what works well and what progress can be made to better serve our tenants. This committee is completely voluntary and would help benefit your Household, Community, and Tenants residing at our Maliseet Riverside Village.

"We all believe that better communication is the key to understanding each other so let's get together and start planning a committee," said Krystal Caron, a member of the Board of Commissioners. "If you feel that you can be a positive impact and work as a team then this may be the opportunity for you."

To join, please email krystalgirl12@gmail.com or call or text (207) 538-8252 to let Caron know if you may be interested. A meeting will be scheduled in the near future to start planning. You must be on a lease of the Maliseet Riverside Village; you can not be an employee of the Maliseet Housing Authority, and must be at least 18 years of age to join.





We are offering a

Living Well with Chronic Pain

Workshop. These classes will be offered over the phone

Wednesdays from 5pm to 6pm.

This workshop has a total of 6 sessions. They will be October 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, November 5th, and 12th.

To Register you can call me Krystal Caron at (207) 532-2240 ext. 150 or email me at kcaron@maliseets.com All materials for the workshop will be delivered before the workshop

begins.













BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OCTOBER 2025

to Do

- Let staff know by 2:00pm every Monday if your child will be attending for the week.
- We have designated time for homework time each day. Staff will encourage all youth to complete their homework.
- If your child chooses not to do their homework, they will read for the designated homework time.
- As nonprofit organization, BGC runs on grant funding that supports important programs.
 Participation in these programs are required by all youth to meet our grant objectives.
- Ensure your child has appropriate attire for the weather.
- *SIGN UP Required*

Subject to change without notice

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|---|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 TRAIL W/ COMMUNITY HEALTH EDU. | 8 WABANAKI WEDNESDAY W/ DOLORES | 9 RSU 29 EARLY RELEASE HBMI Closed | RSU 29 TEACHER WORKSHOP HBMI Closed | 11 |
| 12 | 13 HBMI Closed INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY | 14 WALK A TRAIL W/ COMMUNITY HEALTH EDU | 15 WABANAKI WEDNESDAY W/ DOLORES | 16 ART CLUB* | 17 | *HAUNTED HAY RIDE* |
| 19 | 20 | 21 TRAIL W/ COMMUNITY HEALTH EDU | 22 WABANAKI WEDNESDAY W/ DOLORES | 23 ART CLUB* | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | PUMPKINS W/ WPHW | 29 WABANAKI WEDNESDAY W/ DOLORES | 30 PD Day-NO CLUB TRUNK OR TREAT 6p-8p | 31 | BYS A SPINS CLUB |



Rose Tomah (left) presented a check to Danya Boyce on Tuesday in the amount of \$347 to go toward the Elders program. The proceeds were raised through Rose's quilt raffle at our Community Days weekend celebration. Thank you Rose!

Did you know?

Big changes are coming to our Boys & Girls Club next year! Ground has been broken on the future teen space at the Clubhouse on 618 Foxcroft Road. The major addition to the building will provide a dedicated space to expand the teen program.

In addition a new garage will give the Club the extra storage it needs to keep growing and serving our youth.









