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### Chief's Message



Things are finally starting to slow down a little around the LMG.

"I'm happy with the process which was done with the settlement agreement," said Chief Scott Martin.

The bulk oif PCD payments have been processed so far, and continue on **PAGE 2** 



## Windfarm Groundbreaking

The official groundbreaking ceremony at the Mesgi'g Ugju's'n Wind Farm was on June 22.

Nearby Chiefs and councils were in attendance, along with members of Innergex Renewable Energy, nearby mayors and MLAs, the Assembly of First Nations Regional Chief Ghislain Picard, elders, and the Quebec Minister of Aboriginal Affairs Geoffrey Kelley.

"We did it in an aboriginal way," said Troy Jerome, the Executive Director of the Mi'gmawei Mawiomi Secretariat. "We wanted to make sure the Mi'gmaq were incorporated into it. We had a group of young drummers sing the honor song."

Jerome reported between 150 and 200 people in attendance, with shuttles bringing people from Listuguj, Gesgapegiag, and Gespeg to the site in the Avignon Regional County Municipality.

There were lots of reasons to

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The groundbreaking at the Mesgi'g Ugj's'n Wind Farm on June 22. (CREDIT: Mesgi'g Ugju's'n Wind Farm LP)

### **NEWS**

## Welfare Suspension Resolved

Chief Scott Martin sent an open letter to the Department of Social Development of N.B over potential suspension of "welfare" payments to registered band members who receive Per Capita Distribution payments from the Settlement Agreement.

The matter is expected to be resolved.

In his letter, Martin clearly that withholding benefits is illegal.

Specifically citing Article 2 (2.4 and 2.5) of the Settlement Agreement, which states that no funds paid to Listuguj members "shall be factored into or considered in any negative manner in the determination of any amount of funding for any programs or services of Canada."

Martin said that any attempts to withhold "welfare" payments due to PCD payments will be chal-

lenged legally.

Valerie Kilfoil, the Communications Director with the New Brunswick Department of Social Development said on July 8 that the department was in touch, and the matter would be resolved. A letter confirming this was still in transit at that time.

It is unclear if similar actions will be required with other provinces.

## 2015 Education Directorate Grad Banquet

**Honors and Awards** 





2015 Role Model





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## Windfarm Groundbreaking (cont'd)

celebrate.

Technically, it's the symbolic start of construction. The land has already been cleared, and 28 Mi'gmaq workers are already there daily. But construction of the actual towers are just about to begin.

By the end of the season, 47 bases will be constructed.

"We have to put about 40-50 cement trucks in each of those bases, full of cement," said Je-

The plan is to also burying cables this year. Next year the tow-

ers will be erected, and turbines will be installed.

This year also marks the completion of training - a major priority for the team.

Our guys are recognized to work in Quebec now," said Je-

The Commission de la Construction du Québec prevented many Mi'gmaq works from working in the province, even if they were experienced.

By the partnership with them, we've managed to get people to take the exams, and when they go and write the exams, they're passing," said Jerome. "They're already experienced, they just didn't have the certification in Quebec. Now they're certified.'

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The first thing we want to do is put a time line on the table.'



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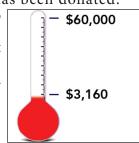
## **Community Park Fundraiser**

The Community Service Department is fundraising for a new playground. So far \$3,160 of the \$60,000 goal has been donated.

The 96 ft by 94 ft park will be built next to the JRM Rink, behind the LMG building.

"The playground will serve as an excellent venue for our community with particular emphasis on our youth and families," said Sheila

Contact her if you have any questions. (418) 788-5544



### Chief's Message (Cont'd)

LMG staff are able to start focusing on other matters.

Martin also said he's happy to see some of the decisions being made within the com-

"The community spent the money wisely by investing some and buying things they needed," he said.

Martin also wanted to congratulate all the recent grads once again. Next up - the Wellness Fair, St. Annes Day, and the Pow Wow.

## **Community Events**



Safe Grad JULY 11 - 12

For all high school grads at Qospen from 1 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.



Lunch and Learn JULY 25

At the Eld Lodge from a.m. to 1 p.m. Elder's



St. Annes Dav JULY 26

The St. Annes Day Celebration will be held outside from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## **Community Listings**

#### LMDC Jobs

The LIstuguj Mi'gmaq Development Centre has posted a list of 27 jobs in the area, and is offering help with writing resumes and cover letters

(418) 788-1347

Jobs

Four jobs are now posted on the LMG's website. They include: "NNADAP Social Worker," "Truck Driver," "Chipping Plant Operator," and "Casual Teacher Assistant.

listuguj.ca/jobs

#### Questions

Any community members with settlement questions or concerns must now contact Jennifer Wysote. All inquiries will be forwarded to her.

> **Jennifer Wysote** (418) 788-2136 jenwysote@listuguj.ca

#### Food Handling

A food handling safety course will be offered. All vendors selling food at the pow wow must have this course.

Date: July 30

Monica (418) 788-2155

### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

This is the third issue of the Nujignua'tegeg - Listuguj's multi media community newsletter. Continue to check out our website and social media accounts for full-length stories, photo galleries, and videos.

We are still always looking for community

events and listings. These are free spots for anything in the community or organized by community members and groups. Events, classes, or relevant messages are welcomed.

Email - or post on Facebook - any information you would like to get out to the community.