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## WELCOME

Oki,

This month was filled with a lot of awesome events, and we hope everybody had a very happy Halloween. One main story and event that happened this month was the visits of the 3 Nolans! This included world-renowned hockey coach Ted Nolan and hockey stars Jordan and Brandon Nolan.

All three Nolans showed support by going to the Siksika Chief Old Sun Hockey program and sharing some of their achievements. We also look forward to the coming months and covering stories for the Nation. We deeply appreciate everyone who supports us and reads our content!

# Siksika Nation News



## Public Works Snow Removal and Towing Safety Tips

Siksika Nation Public Works Department would like to share some guidelines about plowing driveways to residential homes and towing vehicles out of the ditch on the Nation. Plowing a Driveway on the Nation: Public Works equipment will not go closer than 50 feet to a home to avoid any potential damages to any underground utilities. The only exception to this rule would be an Elder's home that requires medical transport or re-occurring visits from the health workers for treatment. Below are some examples of some of the underground utilities you may see on the Nation.

### Manholes:



Manholes sometimes sit on risers and are above grade. When hit, they can cause blockages in the sewer system and have the potential for a sewer back-up into someone's home. They are usually located on the side of the road or outside someone's home. In some cases, they are buried underneath the road itself.

### Septic tanks:



Septic tanks are buried underground but also have manholes protruding from the ground for inspection and sludge removal purposes. They are usually located within 30 feet of a residential home and can be hard to see if covered by snowfall. Hitting a septic tank could cause sewer issues in the home, lead to sewer back-ups, and tank replacement which can be costly.

### Sewer Cleanouts:



Sewer cleanouts are usually located within 10 feet of a residential home. They can also be hard to see after recent snowfall. Hitting a septic cleanout could cause sewer issues

and backups in the home.

### Curb stops (Water Valve):



Curb stops are used to shut-off or turn-on water to a home. They are typically located within 10 feet from a home. Hitting one of these can potentially cause a water leak or a water disruption to the home. If you hit or damage any of the above-mentioned utilities, please report the incident immediately to Public Works so the proper actions can be taken to mitigate the issue in a timely fashion.

### Towing a Vehicle out of the Ditch:

Public Works personnel may not assist with requests to pull out vehicles stuck in ditches or tow vehicles due to liability issues. Public Works staff are only able to pull out school buses and other Nation fleet equipment in these situations. Please call tow trucks or family to come and assist with the situation. If you require transport while your vehicle is being removed, please notify Public Safety.

## Land Use Plan Implementation Update

In January 2024, Siksika's Land Use Plan (Siksikawa, Kitaw'hsinnoo, Kit-sokitsihtaninnoo; Blackfoot People, Our Land, Our Good Intentions) was officially approved by Ohkinniinaa & Ninaaks (Chief and Council). This Blackfoot-led plan, grounded in the principles of Two-Eyed Seeing, emphasizes the deep connection between language, land, and water. Now in Phase 3 - implementation, efforts are focused on refining internal processes, updating applications, and building capacity within the Land Management Service Area (LMSA) to ensure the plan's long-term success.

For the community, this plan will bring about changes that will shape future land use in Siksika, including the placement of new amenities,

facilities, and residential areas while ensuring the protection of cultural and sacred sites. The plan also addresses sustainable land use practices, such as leasing, to preserve our lands for future generations. We invite everyone to explore the Land Use Plan Storymap, a digital version of the Plan available online since January 2024. This interactive resource provides maps and insights into Siksika's thirteen land use areas, offering a glimpse into the future of Siksika. Access the Storymap through the link or QR code provided. Additionally, an in-person open house is being planned for East Siksika in the coming months, where further updates will be shared, and community members can ask questions.

Stay tuned for more details. In the meantime, feel free to review the Storymap or reach out to us via the dedicated email [landuseplan@siksikanation.com](mailto:landuseplan@siksikanation.com) for any inquiries or feedback.



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# Elder Advisory Meeting for the Memorial Park Building Project

By Kaylum Red Gun

On October 4, 2024, the Land Management Elder Advisory Group gathered with Hatch representatives and project affiliates to discuss the planned development of the new parish hall on Siksika Nation. This important meeting took place at the Land Management office in Siksika. The Elder Advisory Group consisted of respected members of Siksika Nation: Ronald Doore, Darrel Breaker, Randy Spring Chief, Colin Spring Chief, and Rufus Pretty Young Man.



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# Blackfoot Treaty Commemoration September Recap

Submitted by Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park

From September 18-20, Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park was filled with the spirit of community, learning, and tradition as we hosted our Blackfoot Treaty Commemoration Week. This three-day event brought people together to reflect on the significance of the Blackfoot Treaty (Treaty 7) and to celebrate our culture and history.

September 19 was dedicated to honoring our Elders, the keepers of our knowledge and traditions. It was a day of appreciation for their wisdom and strength, which continues to shape our community. The week concluded on September 20 with an exciting Hand Games competition, where friendly competition and laughter filled the air as participants showcased their skills.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in commemorating the 147th anniversary of the Blackfoot Treaty. Special gratitude goes to our Elders, Dancers, Miss Blackfoot Crossing, participants, volunteers, and staff for making this event unforgettable.

In addition to the week's festivities, we are excited to announce new products at the Soyohpawahko Gift Shop. Our adorable Soyohpawahko Plushies, inspired by the animals of our land, bring warmth and charm to any home. We also proudly feature handcrafted Ribbon Vests by Lee Eagle Rib, showcasing Siksika culture with beautiful craftsmanship. Additionally, our in-house

made Bath Bombs and Candles, available in Elder Berry and Shea Butter & Almond Oil scents, provide the perfect way to relax and support local artisans.

visitors will enhance the overall experience at our park. With their warm hospitality, we know your visit to Blackfoot Crossing will be unforgettable.



We are also thrilled to welcome two new team members to our Gift Shop and Guest Services, Mj Big Eyes and Mikayla McHugh. Their passion for sharing Blackfoot culture with

Come by and explore our new offerings—there's something for everyone!

# Memorial Park Building Project Update

Submitted by Siksika Engineering Services

On October 9<sup>th</sup> Siksika Engineering Services hosted an open house community engagement session at the Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park, which is for the Siksika Nation Memorial Park Building Project. They are giving community members a chance to give feedback on the design of the building. The next community engagement will be on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

If you haven't already, please ensure you complete the online survey about what you would like to see in this new building: <https://forms.office.com/r/HcvbKcBnLh>



*Staff from Hatch present design concepts for the project*



*<Engineering Survey link*

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The Siksika Housing Department wishes to remind all Tenants to please return any heaters they may have borrowed during any previous emergency.

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# CJ CUTTER DOING GREAT STUFF FOR THE COMMUNITY

By Tyrone Sitting Eagle

CJ Cutter is a proud member of Siksika Nation; he is an entrepreneur, skateboarder, and mentor. His parents are Karen and Stanford Three Suns; his grandparents are Margaret and Pius Three Suns, as well as George Studhorse. CJ and his wife Kevyn Cutter are the owners and operators of More Than Bannock, and he is also a part of and founder of Cousins Skateboarding, which is a non-profit organization that focuses on community engagement in the Skateboarding community.

Over at the More Than Bannock concession, CJ and his wife aim to assist the public with their services, such as jobs. Additionally, they also help provide food for many programs on the Nation, such as the Men's Warrior Program, Cousins Skateboarding, and the Youth Nights that take place weekly. CJ also mentioned how having More Than Bannock located at the Deerfoot Sportsplex is giving them a bigger reach in the community, working and partnering with SN7, Parks and Recreation, and Siksika Health Services, which is a great asset for CJ and his wife.

"Our location and partnership with the entities here at the Deerfoot Sportsplex, such as SN7, Parks and Rec, and Health, are helping us assist the community more," said CJ in an interview.

CJ is also the co-founder of Cousins Skateboarding. He told Siksika Media that this was founded in 2020, originating in Treaty 7, and

did not expect the organization to gain so much popularity and is now a non-profit organization that provides youth in Siksika, surrounding Native communities, and non-Native communities a safe place to learn skateboarding. They also set up skate parks in different communities through their partnerships. They are



*Image from cousinskateboarding.com*

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One activity that is currently very popular is their weekly skate nights. Cousins Skateboarding will visit a community and set up a skate park; here they will provide everything, down to pads, boards, skate lessons, and food, at no cost.

"We invite all kids that want to come out; we get them set up with free lessons, and we don't charge the community or the kids; we just try

to help out the best way we can," said CJ.

With the growing popularity of the organization, CJ found himself travelling all over the country through Albuquerque, New Mexico, Fort McMurray, Toronto, and Montreal. They are even partnered with Canada Skateboard, the Olympic Skate Team, as support coaches, and they are also helping them create a coaching curriculum that will be distributed all over Canada.

CJ also exclaimed how doing this started to help bring skateboarding into communities and has evolved to something that is being known nationally. He is very blessed and amazed that the popularity of the organization has risen so much.

"We started this to help bring skateboarding to our communities and is evolving into something more than just communities. We are so blessed and amazed that it happened this way!" said CJ in an interview.

This is very good for the community as it is bringing a lot of youth who don't have the chance to skateboard, who want to skateboard. This is not just apparent in Siksika, but they are giving this chance to youth and others that chance without the extra cost and a chance to learn and be a part of a good, growing community. CJ Cutter, who is a part of and a co-founder, is representing Siksika in a very good way, in turn bringing a lot of fun and knowledge to the scene ●

# Siksika Nation High School Hosts Successful Post-Secondary Fair

Story and photos by Tyrone Sitting Eagle

Siksika Nation High School was the host of a post-secondary institution fair, coordinated by Siksika Education Navigator Darrel Daniels, who works with the “Going All Out Society,” which is sponsored by the Mastercard Foundation. The event aimed to provide high school students with essential resources and guidance for pursuing post-secondary education across Alberta.

Representatives from various schools all over Alberta and Canada came out to share the diverse programs that are offered, giving students the chance to apply and inquire about post-secondary attendance. Doing this event allowed for excitement for many students as they asked about programs, sparking a lot of interest and paving the way for their future.

During the fair, students participated in interacting with the various booths that were set up, such as signing up for school, asking questions about programs, and starting conversations to see if they were interested.

In addition to information about specific institutions, Lethbridge University was there to share the vast amount of programs they offer, with them offering applications to be filled out right on the spot. As well, local peace officers from the Nation were there to help guide and show what they can do to become a peace officer. This was two examples of the various institutions that brought their opportunities.

“Our role as the Going All Our Society is to promote post-secondary programs, whether that be local or Nation-wide,” said Siksika Education

Navigator Darrel Daniels.

The post-secondary institution fair was not just an opportunity to learn about academic programs; it was a big chance to show that there are a



lot of careers and opportunities to be offered. In turn, this is something that is giving the youth of Siksika a chance to be who they are academically.

The success is owed to the amount of community collaboration that the Going All Out Society is doing with local and national institutions to make it possible for youth to chase after their goals ●

## Siksika Board of Education Pow Wow 2024

By Tyrone Sitting Eagle

On October 18-19, the Siksika Board of Education hosted the 35th annual Education Pow-wow and Fair. Both events were a great success, featuring special guests such as Ted Nolan and his sons, Jordan and Brandon Nolan, along with singer Susan Aglukark and actor Cody Lightning.

The turnout was impressive, with

students from every school on the Nation attending. The Piiksapi Memorial Arbour was packed with eager participants excited to see the celebrities.

In addition to the Fair, the Education Pow-wow also thrived, showcasing many dancers from across the region. Staff from outside the Nation

joined in on the intertribal dancing, enriching the experience for all involved.

Overall, this two-day event provided a wonderful opportunity for the youth of Siksika, offering inspiration and motivation from the remarkable presenters who attended.



## Fallen Officer Memorial Marked

“The Siksika Nation Peace Officers attended the Annual Police and Peace Officer Memorial in Edmonton in September 2024. The annual event honours police and peace officers who have died in the line of duty in Alberta since 1876. The ceremony is held on the last Sunday of September each year, and this was the first year that Peace Officers from Siksika attended.”

L-R: Phoenix Running Rabbit, Dustin Daniels, Dion Daniels, Tad Big Snake, Ramsey Jerry.



# Catlin Big Snake's Hockey Journey

By Andrew Breaker

Catlin Big Snake is from the Siksika Nation, his parents are Carlon and Lisa Big Snake, his mother is from Ochapowace. Catlin has two sons with Desiree Big Snake.

Catlin started his hockey journey when he was two years old and when he was about four years old, he played for a team in Siksika. He played with Siksika until U18 midgets. In his last midget hockey year, a scout from the OHL Oshawa Generals attended a game, and Catlin recalls this as his first elite experience. After this year, Catlin tried out for the Strathmore AA team, where he made final cuts and was placed on the B team for Strathmore as they were in tier 2 of CAHL (Central Alberta Hockey League).

Catlin went on to try out for the Siksika Buffalos for some exhibition games and while that was happening, the OCN Blizzard came to watch one of the games, and he was offered the chance to try out for their team. Catlin brought his best friend Kai Waterchief with him to OCN, where they stayed for about a month, until Kai was sent home from the team and Catlin decided to return home as well. Catlin and Kai decided to go play in Ochapowace for the hockey season.

After that season and during the

summer, Catlin took calls from teams across Canada inviting him to play. He decided to go with the Quesnel Millionaires, as they gave him the better offer. Catlin made the final cuts of the team and as they were playing exhibition games, he blew out his MCL and was out indefinitely. Quesnel sent Catlin home to do physio, where he healed up and was ready to play again, but by then Quesnel's roster was full. After that, Catlin and his brother,



Cote Big Snake, went to Saddle Lake to play, and about a week in, Catlin played two games and racked up 50 plus penalty minutes. Right after that, Catlin got a call from Quesnel, who flew him back, and that was where he played until the trade deadline.

Catlin wanted to play in the playoffs and as Quesnel was not in a playoff spot, he asked for a trade. With no teams taking the trade, Catlin decided to go home

and while packing up, he got a call from Coach Dano Mackay from Ochapowace. He took a flight from Quesnel to Regina and later took a call from the La Ronge Ice Wolves, which is how he discovered he hadn't actually been placed on the trade block and that's how he'd missed his opportunity for a trade. Catlin played with the Ice Wolves for the remainder of the season and throughout the playoffs, and they ended up winning the SJHL (Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League) and later made nationals, which would be the RBC Cup. The RBC Cup hosts all the top teams in Canada, and the Ice Wolves placed third in the country, out of 166 teams.

"Hockey became too soft at the time, so I went back to play for the Blackfoot Minors", Catlin said, as he talked about what happened

after that season. He then went on to play for a bunch of different teams throughout his years, with tournaments, championships and league championships as well. Catlin also participated in Ice Wars in Wyoming, with his record being 1-1. Just recently he was offered a contract to play for the Monroe Moccasins in the FPHL (Federal Prospects Hockey League) out of Monroe, Louisiana.

Catlin faced criticism for pursuing

hockey and moving around to play, but for the most part he enjoyed every second of his journey, with having great coaches and billet families. Everyone respected Catlin as a rookie, but he also had status as the tough guy on the team.

“A lot of people know we own the white buffalo, and most people know that the buffalo runs into the storm, and I feel that is how I run my life. I’ve got to check out what is after the storm,” Catlin Big Snake says, as words of encouragement to youth playing hockey ●



“Most people know that the buffalo runs into the storm, and I feel that is how I run my life”

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## The 3 Nolans visit the Chief Old Sun Hockey Program

By Tyrone Sitting Eagle

On October 18<sup>th</sup>, the Chief Old Sun Elementary School hockey program had the great pleasure of having hockey legend Ted Nolan, and his sons Brandon and Jordan, come out and visit during one of their practices. It was very exciting as they were there to sign autographs and give some short motivational talks to the participants in the program.

Ted Nolan is from the Garden River First Nation in northern Ontario and is well known as a world-renowned hockey coach and a professional hockey player with the National

in Garden River First Nation, with Brandon playing hockey in the Ontario Hockey League (OHL), being a two-time OHL All-Star and a consistent top scorer in his three years of being with the Generals. Brandon also played professional hockey and played in various other leagues, including the Manitoba Moose (AHL), Columbia Inferno (ECHL), Vaxjo Lakers (Swedish League), Bridgeport Sound Tigers (AHL), Albany River Rats (AHL), and the Carolina Hurricanes (NHL).

Jordan won the Stanley Cup three



Hockey League (NHL). He played for the Detroit Red Wings and the Pittsburgh Penguins; he also has coached, with the Soo Greyhounds and then for the Buffalo Sabres.

Both of Nolan's sons, Brandon and Jordan, were also very well-versed in the sport of hockey and have a lot of achievements. Brandon and Jordan, like their father, were raised

times, twice with the Los Angeles Kings in 2012 and 2014, and then in 2019 with the St. Louis Blues (2019). Jordan was drafted into the NHL in the 7<sup>th</sup> round in the 2009 draft.

All three have founded the 3NOLANS, an organization where they offer hockey skill development camps for First Nations youth throughout Canada. They aim to

help youth live a healthy lifestyle and put them on the path to success in the future.

This is very good for our community, as there were many youth from the Chief Old Sun Hockey program who were very excited to meet the hockey stars and got very motivated from hearing their success stories ●



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# INTO WINTER

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# TALES FROM THE REZ FOR ANOTHER WIN

By Jasmine Majoros

Trevor Solway on the Red Carpet at the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosie Awards on Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. His recent project "Tales from the Rez" was nominated for nine awards and took home two for "Best screen writer under 30 mins" and "Best production reflecting cultural diversity". Although it was first premiered at Calgary international film festival in September 2023, Tales from the Rez also won one other award for "Audience choice", shortly after its debut.

Solway and his Napi Collective have been a local name that has been making way in the film industry and within indigenous communities. His passion for his work has been an inspiration to many, his role in our community has made such an impact and having worked closely with members of Siksika and other Nations. With his Napi Collective gaining recognition, all those involved deserve a round of applause and acknowledgement for their talents and shared passions for this industry.

Tales from the Rez is a Blackfoot horror anthology television series. Ghost stories and events were used as inspiration in creating the scripts and characters. Starring Joe duck Chief who plays the storyteller, Uncle Randolph. With no prior acting experience Duck Chief took to the role quite naturally and was even nominated for "Best Host" at the 2024 Rosie awards. Also starring some big names in the indigenous film industry such as Eugene Braverock (Eddie- Queens Hotel episode 1), Cody lighting (A giddy



2023.

With its success, Tales from the Rez was also granted the green light for another season and production will begin in April 2025. Where Uncle Randolph will be focused on wellness and trying to improve his life as he explores more Blackfoot characters and even some reoccurring characters while diving deeper into black horror. Casting will be begin in January 2025 and Solway urges the community to look out for their social media as to not miss an opportunity to be a part of this experience.

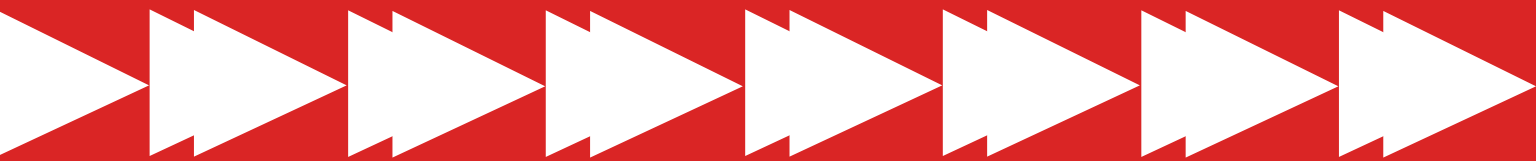
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goat- Goat man episode 3), Michelle Thrush (The Sandhills- episode 6), Shayla Stone Child (Savanah) and Joel Oulette (water spirt) in episode 4.

The project took 4 years of planning including raising funds, writing scripts, pitching the series and was granted the green light from APTN. The overall production took 17 days and with editing another 6 months, it was premiered on Lumi APTN's streaming platform on October 20<sup>th</sup>

He expresses his excitement and gratitude for his overall success, "I appreciate everyone's love, support and encouragement throughout my many years of filmmaking in the community, and I don't take it for granted; I'm a proud Siksika storyteller" ●

# PEOPLE, PLACES AND FACES





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Wednesday, November 13, 2024 Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park

Thursday, November 14, 2024 Marlborough Community Association Calgary AB



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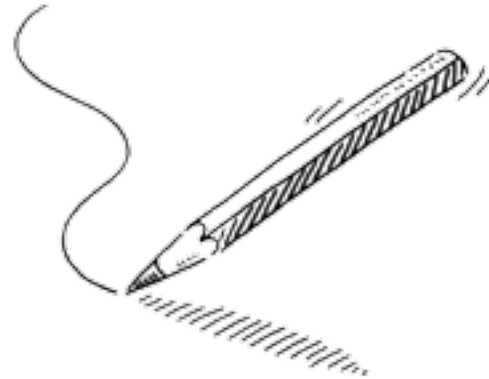
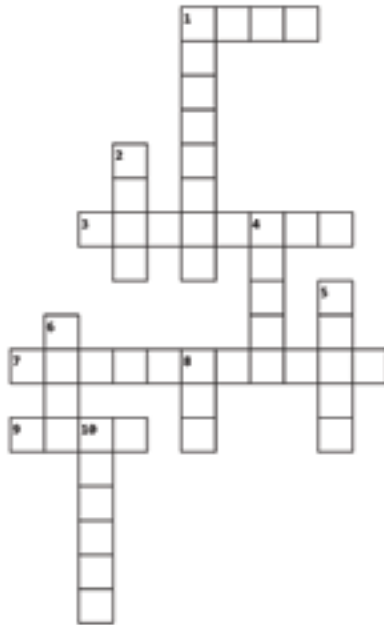
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- 1. type of traditional plant
- 3. Type of traditional footwear
- 7. Womens dance Regalia
- 9. used to smoke tobacco

**Down**

- 1. A place of ceremony
- 2. Black Bird
- 4. Long weapon
- 5. Large Plains mammal
- 6. A traditional place of shelter
- 8. Large Mammal with antlers
- 10. A dancing Event

## Aitsiniki Word Search #10



- SAGE
- REGALIA
- HUNTING
- ELK
- SPEAR
- OLDSUN
- CEREMONY
- BEAR
- FANCYSHAWL
- PRAIRIE
- JINGLEDRESS
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- MOCCASIN
- CROWFOOT
- SWEATLODGE
- BISON

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## RADIO SCHEDULE

# SIKSIKA HOROSCOPES

## MAANSTOYI (JANUARY)

This is your month! It is your time to get goals finished; this could include tasks like starting new fitness goals or starting a project. You may also find that inspiration surrounds you, and you have this sudden drive and motivation. Use this as luck is with you, so do not fret.

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## PIITAIKISOM (FEBRUARY)

Creativity is something to engage in this month. Take nice strolls or drives, and you may find unexpected fun waiting for you. This could quite possibly open a new door, and you may also find that it works into some long-term goals you have been chipping away at.

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## SA'AIKI'SOMM (MARCH)

Financial stability is on the horizon; be sure to consider all your options and make smart decisions. You may find that your tasks and goals will get done easier than you originally thought; sometimes thinking too much stops you, and you just need to adjust and get used to things. This will lay the foundation for your goals.

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## MATSIVIKKAPISAIKI'SOMM (APRIL)

Relationships are particularly important. Be sure to remember those that are close to you; long conversations and bonding are things that you may need. Do not stress too much and do not be afraid to be vulnerable; this could deepen emotional connections with those

you care about the most.

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## IITAINSIMOPI (MAY)

It may feel like your hard work and recognition are going unnoticed; it is the exact opposite. Be sure to get ready, as you may get just what you want. This is also a reminder to trust in your ability to get tasks done, and the constant effort you put into your work will assist you in achieving your goals.

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## IITAWAKOKATSUPI (JUNE)

This is a month; put your health first. Be sure to include new proactive habits to create good daily routines. This could be exercise, meditating, attending ceremonies, or reserving time for yourself each day. This will bring improvement to your wellbeing.

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## SOOTAIKOM (JULY)

You may need some clarity in your life. Be sure to rejuvenate yourself with walks and time to yourself outside. You may feel overwhelmed with the number of tasks that need to be done; there are diverse ways of resting, and taking time to yourself is one of them.

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## IITAPOHKYAKIUPI (AUGUST)

Substantial change has been happening in your life; do not push this away; this is something that you need to embrace as it brings to experiences and adventure. Many

new opportunities may await in the changes that you fear.

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## MO'KAATO'SI (SEPTEMBER)

Relationships in your life may require attention. Be sure to address any unresolved issues that you have with loved ones in your life. Life is too short to have any issues with important people in your life.

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## IITAMIKSITSIKO (OCTOBER)

You may be worried about certain situations in your life; be sure to evaluate your approach to the situation with a good mind and a good heart. Bravery is with you, so do not worry about the challenges you face.

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## IISTATO'SI (NOVEMBER)

It is time to rest; take time to pat yourself on the back and celebrate. Your hard work is paying off, and it is time to put the cup of tea down for a bit. Do not worry; you can always pour yourself another cup.

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## NISTAAIKISOM (DECEMBER)

Cherish the time you have with family; surround yourself with those important to you. Family is something that is important to you; remember that spending time with family is sometimes more important than getting tasks done.

# CLASSIFIEDS

**Fresh Routes market**  
 Every Tuesday 12.00 - 2.00 PM  
 Fresh, healthy and affordable fruits and vegetables and other grocery items  
 For more information: [freshroutes.ca](http://freshroutes.ca)

**Employment Opportunity**  
 CEO (Chief Executive Officer)  
 Siksika Health Services  
 Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
 Reports to: Siksika Health Services Board of Directors  
 The CEO serves as a liaison between the Board, Health Canada, FNIHB, and the community, and the SHS staff including professional services staff.  
 Deadline: Friday, November 15, 2024  
 Position Status Full Time  
 Human Resources Department  
[peterG@siksikanation.com](mailto:peterG@siksikanation.com)

**Skateboarding Sesh with Cousins Skateboarding**  
 Every Tuesday evening from 5-7pm at the Deerfoot Sportsplex for Cousins' youth skateboarding program  
 All skill levels are welcome, and equipment is available on-site.

**Youth Night @ The Plex**  
 Ages 13 - 17  
 Every Friday evening from 5-9pm at the Deerfoot Sportsplex  
 Food and refreshments provided

**Kimmapiiyipitssini Grief Support Group**  
 Every second Tuesday  
 5.00 - 7.00 pm  
 Siksika Health & Wellness Centre MPR  
 Call Home Care at 403.734.5695 to register and request transportation if required

**Career Employment Counselling**  
 Job search, mobility program, skill enhancement, individual funding and more!  
 Book your appointment today and start your journey  
 For more information:  
 403-734-5136  
[employment@siksikafamilyservices.com](mailto:employment@siksikafamilyservices.com)

**Siksika Community Health Prenatal Classes**  
 Multipurpose Room at the Siksika Health Centre  
 Every Wednesday from 5:00 p.m to 7:00 p.m. Supper will be provided, transportation available by request.  
 Please register in advance by calling Kit at 403-734-5650.

**Upcoming Event**  
 Siksika Children's Services  
 Traditional Pow Wow  
 Piiksa'pi Memorial Arbor  
 December 6, 2024

**SIKSIKA HOUSING SERVICE AREA**

**UPDATE**

**ACCEPTS INTERAC E-TRANSFERS**

**RENT / RENTAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

Payments are to be sent to: [shs@iksikahousing.ca](mailto:shs@iksikahousing.ca)

**PLEASE RETURN:**

- ☐ Type of Payment
- ☐ Full Name
- ☐ Unit Number
- ☐ Band Number

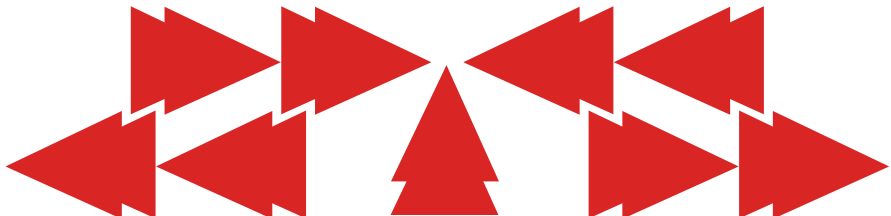
**OR MAILING:**  
 Please call: 403-734-5200

**Authentically Indigenous**  
 9th Annual Holiday Craft Market  
 Handmade arts & crafts by local Indigenous artists  
 Kerby Centre Gym  
 1133 7th Ave. SW Calgary, AB  
 November 30 - December 1, 2024  
[authenticallyindig.com](http://authenticallyindig.com)

**Siksika Housing Service Area**  
 Preparing for the Cold Months

- ◆ Furnace Filter
  - ◆ Change Monthly during Winter Months
- ◆ Leaky Service Taps
  - ◆ Turn Off Valve inside unit
- ◆ Air Intake Vents
  - ◆ Be sure there clear of debris
- ◆ Windows/Doors
  - ◆ Purchase Window Film Insulation and Weather Strip
- ◆ Pipes
  - ◆ Heat Taps
  - ◆ On cold days run water at a minimum to prevent from freezing
- ◆ H2O
  - ◆ Clean and Clean Filters
- ◆ Starting and Down Spout
  - ◆ Be sure it closed and secured
- ◆ Clean & Clear Debris Around Unit
  - ◆ Assist with Service Area and Emergency Services
  - ◆ Rust Prevention
- ◆ Emergency Preparation due to cold weather
  - ◆ Safety Kit
  - ◆ Flashers
  - ◆ Blankets
  - ◆ Candles
  - ◆ Water
  - ◆ Generator
  - ◆ Shovel

**HAVE AN EVENT COMING UP?  
 JOB POSTING YOU'D LIKE TO ADVERTISE?  
 SEND IT TO US  
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