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Clench Fraud Trust

Newsletter Fall 2014

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MEET RAMONA SAULT, CFT'S NEW GM - September 2014

It a pleasure that I introduce myself Ramona Sault, as the new General Manager for the Clench Fraud Trust. I grew up in Sagamok Anishnawbek FN and I am a member of Chippewa of the Thames FN but my family is from New Credit FN of Mohawk descent. As my mom would say we started our own tribe called the Ojibachippehawks! I have four beautiful children and currently we live in Windsor. My entire career has been working with various organizations that support First Nation families and children. Most recently I was working for Ska:na Family Learning Centre with Early Years initiatives. It is my desire to provide excellent service to the community of Chippewa. As I get to know my role, I will work diligently to ensure that I retain the vision of the members and Trustees. I am excited to meet everyone and bring valuable input to COTTEN community. Please stop in anytime between the hours of 8:30-4:30, I look forward to your visit!

BEST WISHES TO LORNA CHRYSLER - August 2014

Lorna Chrysler, the CFT general manager, will be taking a three year leave of absence beginning August 31, 2014 to pursue Business Administration Studies at St. Clair College. CFT is pleased to support Chippewa staff seeking to build their capacity to manage First Nation trusts.

ANNUAL AGM – JULY 9

28 community members attended the AGM this year at the Antler River Seniors Complex on July 9, 2014. Trustees shared the 3 year strategic plan to address youth and education; support to new and existing entrepreneurs; and, supports for sub-standard housing. A poll by a show of hands showed that 19 of 28 present were in favour of continuing the Xmas Gesture. 16 of 28 want to see more funds put into housing. 19 were in favour of \$5,000 - \$10,000 per reno, while 0 wanted \$10,000 or more provided. None were in favour of targeting specific housing renovations such as roofing projects. The members wanted flexibility to decide for themselves what needed to be done.

24 Cash Prizes ranging from \$20 to \$100 were given out. The 2013 Audit, Financial Investment outlook for 2014 and past performance for 2013 were covered. Go to www.clenchfraudtrust.ca to download the Annual Report, audit and PowerPoint presentation shared that day.



Up Coming Events

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1. Xmas Gesture Applications

DEADLINE DATE is November 21, 2014

Applications are being accepted beginning October 1, 2014 to November 21, 2014. Applications are available for download at www.clenchfraudtrust.ca

2. Xmas Gesture Early Bird Registration Cash Prize Draws

Get your application in EARLY by October 31, 2014

If submitted EARLY on or before October 31, 2014, you become eligible for ten cash draws worth \$150 each draw.

Send applications to x-masgesture@clenchfraudtrust.ca

3. Trust Information Session & Amendment Vote

INFORMATION SESSION is November 1, 2014

Community Centre 10 am & Atlohsa 4pm Dinner provided

& VOTE DATE is December 6, 2014

@ COTTFN Community Centre

Information on Nov.1/14 to inform members of upcoming vote. Trust Agreement needs changing & this require 50% of members voting and 50% of those voting to vote YES.

Approximately 900 members must cast a ballot.

Vote for increased accountability, stability in yearly distribution resources and clearer and more effective practices for trust management. Please note however this vote is not for another single cash payment per member.

Ballots will be mailed out in late October. Download the revised trust agreement at www.clenchfraudtrust.ca or we will mail a copy upon request. Please vote in-person on December 6 or by mail-in ballot.

Strategic Planning

We Need Your Feedback – Should the trust funds be used to build a new trust office and additional offices for small businesses?

STRATEGIC PLANNING - NEXT STEPS #6 Improving Physical Space

The trust has begun to plan for initiatives to meet the goals of the 3 Year strategic plan. Goal #6 Improving Physical Space concerns the current office space for the CFT.

The trust office is currently renting an office from the nation in the building formerly known as the Veteran's/Seniors building on Jubilee Rd. The office is small and does not have a board room/ meeting space or storage and is in need of attention.

The trustees are proposing to build a new office building that will include a board room/community room, land claim trust office space, CFT office space and possibly additional office spaces to be rented to small businesses. A more detailed plan will be made available on the website for members to view.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The trustees request your feedback as per Trust Agreement section 7.1 e) which requires the trustees to inform members and seek their advice when proposing to undertake projects valued at \$200,000 or more.

SEND YOUR VIEWS BY EMAIL TO INFO@CLENCHFRAUDTRUST.CA OR BY MAIL OR IN-PERSON AT THE CFT OFFICE.

1. Benevolent Focus Area:
Youth and Education Strategy →

2. Housing Focus Area:
Existing Substandard Housing Strategy →

3. Economic Development Focus Area:
New and Existing Entrepreneurship →



← 4. Governance

← 5. Outreach & Communications

← 6. Improving Physical Space

← 7. Investment Strategy

Your Trust Agreement Changes

We Need Your Vote – We want to improve the Trust Agreement

Come Out and Vote **Yes** or **No** to the changes on Saturday, Dec.6, 2014

Original CFT Trust Agreement	Proposed Change	Section in Amended Agreement
Core principle – “to provide benefits over the long term to the FN and members”	No Change, will stay the same	See Section 4.1 – 4.2
The role and appointment of the Trustees Sect.9	No Change	See Section 5.0 and Section 6.0
The Purposes of the Trust and use of Trust Property (income and capital);	No Change, they are still Economic Development, Housing, Benevolent Purposes, Member Payments	Section 8.0
The ability to fund projects proposed by Council and members and limits requiring community consultation	No Change	Section 10.0 Section 10.3
Trust Name – “Clench Fraud Trust”	Change to one of the following depending on results of popular vote: <i>Thunderbird Trust</i> <i>Antler River Trust</i> <i>Deshkan Ziiibiing Trust</i>	Section 1.1
Residency of Trustees	Change to ensure majority of trustees reside on reserve to further strengthen factors seen by CRA to ensure Trust remains tax exempt	Section 5.2
Duties & Qualifications of Trustees	Change to duties (increased transparency and accountability measures) disqualification parameters (missed meetings, failing to identify conflict of interest) and qualification additions (must take NATOA training in first year)	Section 5 & 6 Section 17
Procedures for Amendments to Trust	Changed to have three levels of amendments; administrative, important, and substantive all requiring a different voter approval	Section 20
Duration and Termination of the Trust	Changed to allow the CFT trust to be transferred into a new trust	Section 18
Special Purposes: Housing	Changed to simplify, allow for greater flexibility in approaches to housing	Section 8.10
Special Purpose: Economic Development	Changed to simplify and make beneficiary owned businesses a focus	Section 8.9
Consultation and other Protective Measures	Changed to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improved Consultation requirement (Article 2) • enhanced reporting to Members (Article 6) • requirement for policies and procedures for filing and consideration of applications for funding (Article 10) • requirement to provide orientation to newly elected and appointed Trustees and to make it available to Council after each general election (Article 6) 	

See the full list of changes at www.clenchfraudtrust.ca

VOTE IN PERSON DECEMBER 6/14 OR MAIL BALLOT IN BY VOTE DAY
Your opinion matters to us!

The revised trust agreement can be mailed upon request or downloaded from website.



Supporting Community:

COTFN SECONDARY STUDENTS GO TO COSTA RICA July 2014



"It's a once in a lifetime kind of trip to explore the outside world in different aspects from geography to culture!"

"A highlight of the trip was that we met new people, saw cool things that some people only see on TV."



Manuel Antonio National Park

"Costa Rica was a once in a lifetime trip that I am very glad to have been a part of! It opened my eyes to how diverse and beautiful the world is. I can't wait to venture back to the country on my own in the future. Pura Vida!!"

Costa Rica, June 2014 –Our trip to Costa Rica began on June 29th from Pearson International Airport. We flew to San Salvador and then to San Jose, Costa Rica. We arrived in Costa Rica around 11 pm. We were greeted by our Tour Director Jose who spent the entire trip with us.

This EF trip entailed a lot of adventure and picturesque natural scenery!! There are very few words to describe the country...it truly has to be experienced first-hand to understand the beauty of it!! The seven students that participated in the trip were amazing travel companions. Rarely did they complain (although the long bus rides to the next city was the biggest complaint), but they were awake early in the morning all set for the days excursions.

Photos and story

Courtesy of Jody Joseph



Sarapiquí Rio – White Water

Local school visit

Post-Secondary Application Deadline:

May 31 each year for Fall enrolment **in the same year**

Looking for Members - Help us Find Them

We are working to locate these members or confirm dates of death as they have not received the original PCD payment. We have not had contact with some members who have simply moved away or are deceased. We are reaching out to you. If you have any information on the following member's people, please let us know.

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE of BIRTH</u>
1.	Albert, Mildred	1918
2.	Anderson, Mrs. Thomas (Hilda May Colbert)	1910
3.	Boden, Rosemary Joan	1946
4.	Brant, Dixie Lee (Simms)	1927
5.	Deleary, Karen Louise	1957
6.	Deleary, Ruth Ann	1942
7.	Deleary, Stanley Gordon	1951
8.	Earhart, Edward D J	1953
9.	Fox, Joseph Noah (son of James Fox)	1922
10.	French, Bernice	1914
11.	French, Betty Violet *	1936
12.	French, Charles Isaac	1955
13.	French, Dale Zena	1961
14.	French, Patricia Anne	1951
15.	French, Paul Vincent	1961
16.	French, Terrance Stanley *	1974
17.	French, Verna Elizabeth	1950
18.	Grosbeck, Wilma Irene	1941
19.	Henry, Dorothy M L*	1913
20.	Henry, Mildred *	1900
21.	Henry, Patricia Ann	1951
22.	Henry, Theodore *	1909
23.	Iemma, Margaret Diana Lynn	1971
24.	Kecheogo, Cynthia Lee	1962
25.	Kent, Diana Lynn	1971
26.	Kilbourne, Daniel A	1953
27.	Lewis, Rodney Victor	1950
28.	Mussell-Baker, Margaret A	1961
29.	Noble, Angela Marie	1961
30.	Riley, Kathleen Jean	1959
31.	Riley, Rosemarie	1948
32.	Seneca, Anita Joyce	1962
33.	Seneca, Mildred Rose	1956
34.	Simon, Edith	1922
35.	Simon, Elaine Marie	1948
36.	Simon, Rachel *	1900
37.	Simon, Roderick Alva	1941
38.	Sipos, Rebecca Shannon	1968
39.	Smithers, Francis Helen	1952
40.	Sturgeon, Isaac Jos J	1940
41.	Walker, Edward John	1946
42.	Walker, Valerie Arlene	1947
43.	Walterhouse, Tammy E	1965
44.	Ward, Robert George	1910
45.	Waucaush, Edwin *	1924
46.	Waucaush, Ethel May *	1910
47.	Waucaush, Francis *	1922
48.	Waucaush, Joyce Ann	1940
49.	Waucaush, Percy Berton *	1951
50.	Waucaush, Philip Nelson	1951
51.	Weekes, Elaine V T	1959
52.	Weekes, Michael W C	1958
53.	Weekes, Patricia Dorothy	1945
54.	Weeks, Franklin Raymond	1944
55.	Weeks, Rosalind Joyce	1950
56.	Wilson, Jannae Rochelle	1986
57.	Wilson, Robert John M	1945
58.	Wright, Julia Floretta	1921
59.	Youna. Olivia Jean	1930

CFT News & Announcements

20 BENEVOLENT PROJECTS APPROVED – August

The Clench Fraud Trust received 43 project proposals this year. 17 individual applications requesting health and education supports as well as 25 community projects requesting sport, recreation, social programs and community development activities. 1 was Ec. Dev. Call for Proposal Funding was allocated to *Benevolent Purposes* of CFT Agreement.

Community

Annual Firefighters Competition
Chippewa Social Initiatives Group
St. Andrews Elevator
Thunderbird Radio
COTT Yoga Chippewa Seniors Social Group
Thunderbird Sundance Lodge
Chippewa Culture Committee

Individual

Sabrina's Smile
Health Prescription Assistance
Health Prescription Supplement
Education Support for Doctoral Studies
Child and Play Therapy
Education Continuation Athabasca University

Total \$188,926

Legacy Projects

Healing Journey, Ec.Dev, Lil NHL, Vets

Total \$63,000

Xmas Gesture

Total \$150,000

CONSENT FORM ATTACHED

Please fill in the consent form and send to or drop off at the office. We want you and all voting members in your home to receive a voter's package.