

tedheyati zá
(December) 2024

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Trailblazing

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Merry Christmas

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

What a whirlwind this year has been. As we head towards the holiday season, we are reflecting on all the amazing accomplishments of the part year and eagerly looking forward to the year ahead.

In late November and early December we celebrated the holidays with ACFN Members at the annual Members Christmas Parties in Fort McMurray, Edmonton, Fort Chipewyan and Fort Smith! As always, it was so much fun to gather as a Nation to connect and celebrate!

The elves on the ACFN Events team have been busy all season with the parties, youth events like the recent North Pole Party, and virtual contests! If you are looking for more information on how to participate in these events, please make sure to join the ACFN Facebook group or download our new app (instructions at the end of this letter)

In January, ACFN DLRM will host the annual Elders New Year Celebration in Fort Chipewyan. The theme this year is "Celebrating Indigenous Harvesting". The event includes a traditional food cooking contest and Elders are invited to wear their best camo or trapping gear to participate in the Best Dressed Contest. Mark your calendars for January 15!

Santa came a bit early for ACFN Members as the December PCD was completed on December 10! If you have any questions about the PCD please contact info@acfn.com.

Progress is being made towards the opening of the winter road, and we encourage you to check our Facebook group and/or the RMWB's social media and website to stay informed on the opening date as well as road conditions over the winter months.



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Greetings from Chief and Council - Continued

On a more reflective note, in early December the community of Fort Chipewyan gathered for the first gathering of Together in Truth as we come together to connect, heal, and honour those who have been impacted by residential schools. During the holiday season, many of us will find our thoughts turning to those we have lost. As your Chief and Council, we are here to support you in this healing journey and keep you and all of those touched by residential schools in our hearts.

In closing, we want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We hope you have a holiday season filled with family, friends and fun!

Chief Allan Adam

Councillor Flossie Cyprean

Councillor Hazel Mercredi

Councillor Mike Mercredi

Councillor Teri Villebrun



*Merry
Christmas*
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Important Dates & Upcoming Events

December and January

ACFN and DLRM offices Closed

December 19 - January 3

Elders New Year Celebration

January 15

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Charlie Voyageur Conference Centre



Connect with us at
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HAPPY
NEW YEAR

OPPORTUNITIES



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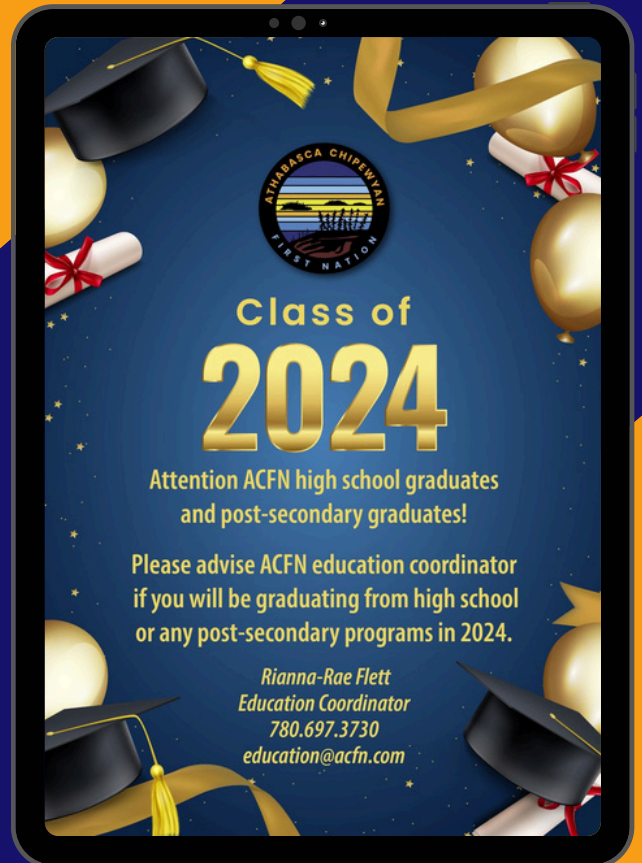
HAVE YOU MOVED?

We encourage all Members to ensure their current address is up-to-date with ACFN. You can update your address by emailing info@acfn.com, or by calling the ACFN Band Office (780-697-3730) during business hours.

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Find more information
on opportunities,
upcoming events, and
important dates at
www.acfn.com



ACFN AND COMMUNITY NEWS

- Remember to let the Education Coordinator know **if you graduated in 2024**: education@acfn.com
- If you have moved, please **update your address** by emailing info@acfn.com or calling 780-697-3730 during business hours!
- The ACFN and DLRM offices in all locations will close at noon on December 19 and reopen on Monday January 6

Join our ACFN Facebook community at
www.facebook.com/groups/athabascachipewyan



ACFN INTRODUCES NEW MOBILE APP

We are excited to announce the launch of a new mobile app for ACFN Members!

ACFN has worked with Hawk Solutions, which was created by Nautsa mawt Tribal Council, a non-profit society supporting ten Coast Salish Nations, and a technology provider specializing in secure, customized solutions, to customize and app for ACFN Members. *This app has been designed by First Nations for First Nations!*

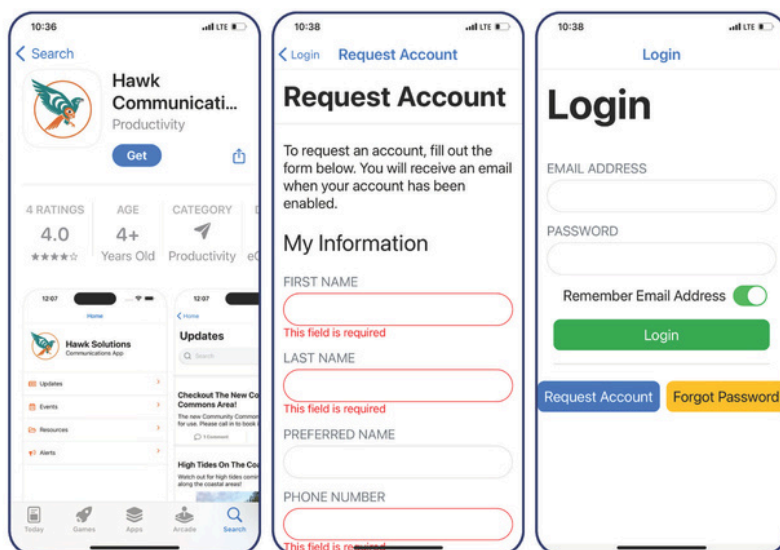


The new app provides easy access to information on resources, events, updates and alerts for Members, as well as an emergency management function that can be quickly deployed in emergency situations.

Below you will find the steps to download the app and connect with ACFN in an entirely new way!

HOW TO INSTALL ACFN MOBILE APP

1. Install the Hawk Communications app from your **Google Play Store (Android)** or **App Store (Apple)**.
2. Launch the app and choose your permission settings. You will then be directed to the login page. Click the **Request Account** button.
3. You will be directed to a page to fill out your basic personal information. Fill out all required fields and under **My Account Request** select "**Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation**". Click **Submit**.
4. After your account request has been approved by the admin, you will receive an email notification that your account has been approved. Click the link in the email to activate your account. Make sure to check your spam and junk folders for an email from "**noreply@einsight.net**".
5. Start exploring the app!



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**You can also email michelle.carroll@acfn.com
or candace.voyageur@acfn.com to enter!**



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- Winners will be announced on the 1st of each month.



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