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A new chapter for Blueberry River First Nations

This spring marks a fresh start for Blueberry River First Nations, with newly elected Chief Sherry Dominic stepping into leadership and setting a positive tone for the future.

In a recent interview with Energeticcity, Chief Dominic shared her vision for the community, one rooted in unity, healing, and moving forward together. After serving as a councillor for nearly two decades, she brings both

experience and a deep personal connection to the Nation.

Her decision to run for Chief came at an important time. Following a period of leadership challenges and change, Dominic says her focus is simple but meaningful: ensuring leadership reflects the needs of the entire community, not just a select few. At the heart of her approach is a commitment to listening, rebuilding trust, and strengthening relationships within the Nation. The recent court rulings around governance have also reinforced the importance of transparency and consultation with members, families, and Elders when making key decisions.

Chief Dominic's leadership represents more than a change in title, it signals a renewed focus on collaboration and community-driven progress. As Blueberry River First Nations looks ahead, this new chapter is guided by experience, resilience, and a shared goal of building a stronger future together.

Calendar of Events



For complete event details visit the BRFN website and be sure to visit our Facebook page and App.

Thursday 2	Kids Easter Crafts
Monday 6	Happy EASTER
Tuesday 7	Massages with Anoop
Thursday 9	Massages with Edna
Monday 13	FHNA
Tuesday 14	Massages with Anoop
Saturday 18	BINGO
Monday 20	FHNA
Tuesday 21	Massages with Anoop
Wednesday 22	Reflexology
Wednesday 22	Elders Easter Dinner & Bingo 3:30pm - 7:30pm, BRFN Hall

Thursday 23	Massages with Edna
Thursday 23	BRFN Early Years Playgroup 11am - 1pm, BRFN Hall
Monday 27	FHNA
Tuesday 28	Massages with Anoop



BRFN EARLY YEARS PLAY GROUP 

APRIL 23, 11am - 1pm
BRFN Community Hall

Storytime, Snacks, and Crafts!

Join us for family play time and meaningful connection as we laugh, learn and grow together!

HOSTED BY: MICHELLE LOGAN AND ASHLEY TRUE ISCD WITH NENAN DANE ZAA DEH ZONA

admin@nenan.ca 250.787.2151 www.nenan.ca

For appointments call 250-630-2830

Medical Transport Services every **TUESDAY & THURSDAY** between 10am - 2pm.
Please contact Med Trans 5-7 days in advance.

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\$5000 IN PRIZES TO BE WON!

APRIL 18TH 2026
DOORS OPEN AT 11 AM

GUARANTEED \$1000 #7 AND \$1000 ODD & EVEN

MUST PURCHASE \$40 PACKAGE TO PLAY +
COMES WITH: +
• 1 - 9UP • 4 - #7'S • 4 - ODD & EVEN
• 1 DOOR PRIZE TICKET

CARD PRICES:	#7's \$5 ODD & EVEN \$2.00
3-UP BOOKLET \$10	BINGO DAUBERS & GLUE STICKS FOR SALE!
6-UP BOOKLET \$15	
9-UP BOOKLET \$20	CONCESSION CASH ONLY - NO ATM
#7'S \$5	
ODD & EVEN \$2.00	

19+ ONLY - ABSOLUTELY NO MINORS

BRFN COMMUNITY HALL



HIV Education, Testing & Healing

Hosted by Positive Living North
In partnership with BRFN Health Department

April 15 & 16, 2026
10:00 AM - Both Days

BRFN Health Department

What's Happening:

- HIV 101 Workshops
- HIV Bingo Sessions
- On-site HIV Testing (POC Clinics)
- Sharing Circles & Healing Activities

Why Come:

- Learn in a safe, supportive space
- Reduce stigma through education
- Access testing close to home
- Connect through culture & community

Culturally safe, trauma-informed programming led with respect for community teachings and protocols.

Working together for community wellness

250-785-4261
jboquecosa@positivelivingnorth.org
positivelivingnorth.org



FNHA NUTRITION BINGO

April 20th, 2026
10:30 AM

BRFN Community Hall

Snacks & Refreshments Provided!

- Fun Games!
- Win Prizes!
- Learn About Healthy Nutrition!

Come Out, Have Fun & Support Your Wellness Journey!



BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS LEGACY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Get Your Voice Heard

Completion Draw for \$100, \$50 and \$25

Deadline is April 17th 2026

This survey will help the Trustees create a 3 year workplan for Project Proposals

Priority Areas Survey

This survey is to see what YOU think is most important for the Trust to prioritize

It is important to let us know what you want out of your Trust. Remember the Legacy Development Trust is meant to work for and benefit ALL of us as beneficiaries. What you want matters!

For any question please reach out to our email: trust@blueberryfn.ca

Elder's Corner



Elder's Corner: Earth Day Reminds us to Honour the Land

Earth Day offers us an opportunity to reflect on something our Elders have always known: the land is not just where we live, it is who we are.



For generations, our people have lived in close relationship with the land, guided by respect, balance, and responsibility. The land provided food, medicine, shelter, and in return, it was cared for with intention and gratitude. Nothing was taken without purpose, and nothing was wasted.

Elders often remind us that the land is a teacher. By observing the seasons, the animals, and the changing environment, lessons were passed down about patience, resilience, and respect. Spring, in particular, is a time of renewal and a reminder that life continues, and that we too must care for what is growing around us.

Today, things may look different, but the teachings remain the same. Caring for the land doesn't always require grand gestures. It can be as simple as being mindful of how we use resources, taking only what we need, and ensuring that future generations will be able to enjoy what we have today.

Elders teach us to think not just about ourselves, but about those who will come after us. Every action we take leaves an impact, and it is our shared responsibility to protect and respect the land for the next seven generations.

This Earth Day, we are reminded to slow down, step outside, and reconnect. Listen to the wind, feel the ground beneath your feet, and remember the deep connection we all share with the land.

Because when we take care of the land, it takes care of us.

April Birthdays



April 13 **Henry Apsassin**

April 13 **Alice Pyle**

April 14 **Clarence Apsassin**

April 15 **Elma Jamieson**

April 20 **Killan Fox**

April 29 **William Davis**

Administration & Finance



ABOUT US....

Our office is responsible for administration of finance, human resources, and general office functions. This includes accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, audits, budgeting, human resources, reception, general office tasks, and assisting Chief and Council with other tasks.

To all BRFN Members:

Please be advised that applications for the BRFN Youth Extracurricular Sponsorship must be submitted to the Finance Department as one complete package in a single email. Applications sent in multiple emails will not be processed.

All documents must be properly scanned and legible. If you require assistance with scanning, support is available at the BRFN Reception from Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

If you are in town, you may also receive assistance from the Finance Department at the Town Office (1007 100 Ave) every Friday between 9:00 AM and 4:30 PM.

How to pay for propane, internet & housing maintenance



You may etransfer your payment to etranfer@blueberryfn.ca. Please indicate what the payment is for on your etransfer "Note/Memo". You also need to provide your email or phone number so we can send you a receipt of payment. You may pay in person at Blueberry River First Nation Band office reception.

Finance Staff Contacts:

Arjun Mohan 250-630-2810
amohan@blueberryfn.ca

Finance Manager - for finance-related matters that involve strategic planning, budgeting oversight, financial reporting, or require leadership-level input or decision-making.

Liezl Quintana 250-630-2807
lquintana@blueberryfn.ca

For general finance questions and payroll inquiries

Aurora Carranza 250-630-2822
acarranza@blueberryfn.ca
Propane Services

Shilpa Joseph 250-630-2846
sjoseph@blueberryfn.ca
Internet Services

Agna Francis 250-630-2846
afrancis@blueberryfn.ca
For matters related to Accounts Payable



Are you on the new MEMBER PORTAL?

We've moved from a shared password to individual Member accounts.

To register with your new account, go to:

1. Members Login -

<https://blueberryfn.com/members-login/>

2. Fill out the registration form and wait to be verified.

3. Once verified, you will receive a confirmation email to set up your new password and log in!

You can also follow the steps by scanning the QR CODE:



Check back often for Members-only updates on TLE, TRL, along with other items from Chief and Council.

If you need assistance accessing the portal, please email:

BRFNComms@cmrconsulting.ca and someone will get back to you shortly.

Health & Wellness



WORLD HEALTH DAY

Small Steps, Stronger Communities

Every year on **April 7, World Health Day** is a reminder that good health is the foundation of strong individuals, families, and communities.

Health isn't just about medical care, it's about everyday choices, access to resources, and supporting one another. From staying active and eating well, to prioritizing mental wellness and connection, small actions can make a meaningful difference.

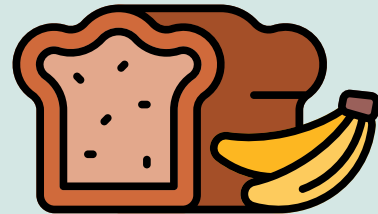
It's also a time to recognize the importance of community support systems. Access to healthcare, wellness programs, and culturally appropriate services, all play a vital role in helping individuals thrive. When communities come together to support health and well-being, everyone benefits.

This World Health Day, take a moment to check in - with yourself, your family, Elders, youth and your neighbours. A simple step today can lead to a healthier tomorrow.



Healthy Banana Bread (Naturally Sweetened)

A comforting classic made a little lighter - great for breakfast, snacks, or sharing with family.



Ingredients

- 3 ripe bananas (mashed)
- 2 eggs
- 1/3 cup melted coconut oil or olive oil
- 1/4 cup honey or maple syrup
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 1/2 cups whole wheat flour (or all-purpose)
- Optional: 1/2 cup walnuts or dark chocolate chips

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C) and grease a loaf pan.
2. In a bowl, mash bananas and mix in eggs, oil, honey, and vanilla.
3. Stir in baking soda, salt, and cinnamon.
4. Add flour and mix until just combined. Fold in any extras if using.
5. Pour into the loaf pan and bake for 50–60 minutes, until a toothpick comes out clean.
6. Let cool before slicing and enjoy!

Education

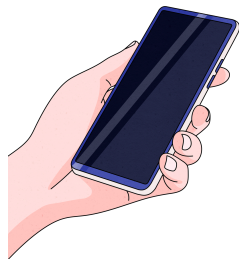


How to make a report to police...



Dial 911

in a life-threatening emergency to reach Police, Fire or Ambulance.



Call 250-787-8100

Fort St. John RCMP to report a non-emergency.



Online Crime Reporting

(No witnesses or police attendance required).
<https://ocre-sielc.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/fortstjohn.en>



**NORTHERN BC
CRIME STOPPERS**

Submit tips anonymously

1-800-222-TIPS (8477)
www.northernbccrimestoppers.ca

Restoration Department



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Restoration Society

BLUEBERRY RIVER
FIRST NATIONS

Elders Easter Dinner

An Evening of Connection, Food, and Community

BINGO

BRFN COMMUNITY HALL
April 22, 2026 from 3:30pm - 7:30pm

Elders are warmly invited to join us for:

- Open conversation on restoration and culture.
- Bingo, with winnings provided by electronic transfer.

In collaboration with:
BRFN Lands - Chris Hager
Grandmothers Greenhouse- Rhanda Adekat
Language Keepers- Lillian & Sandra

Connect with Lynn Harvey 250-224-8824

Submit your banking information to Lynn early to have payment in your account account the following day



We're Looking for BRFN Community Cooks
Food brings people together.

At Nan wuu9 anawuudle every gathering is more than a meeting - it's a chance to come together, share stories, and strengthen our connections as a community.

As we prepare for the upcoming events and meetings we're looking for committed and reliable BRFN members who love to cook.

If you'd like to offer your skills and be part of our events, please contact:
(250) 262.0771 or
info@restorationsociety.ca
Valid Food Safe certificate required.

We invite you to be part of this important work. (250) 262-0771 info@restorationsociety.ca

Stay Connected With Us

We encourage members and community partners to follow, like, and share our social media pages to stay up to date on restoration work, community initiatives, and stories from the land. Your support helps amplify this work and strengthen our shared commitment to caring for the territory.



Facebook QR Code

LinkedIn QR Code



Contact the Restoration Society:
Angela D'Amato van den Hout, CEO
angela@brrsociety.org
250-262-6253

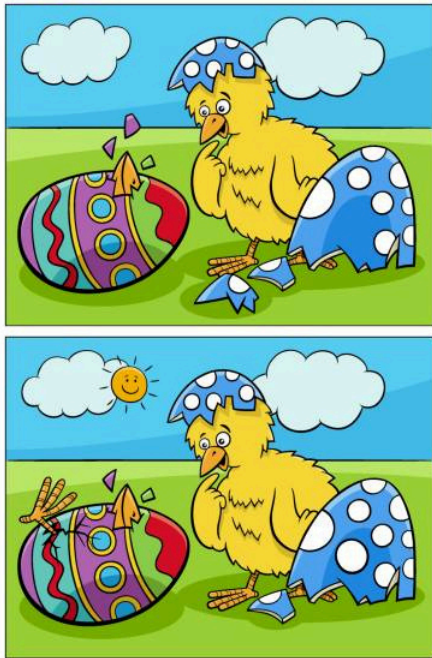
Contact the Restoration Department
Jerri-Lynn Apsassin, Executive Assistant
japsassin@blueberryfn.ca
250-224-2746

Fun page

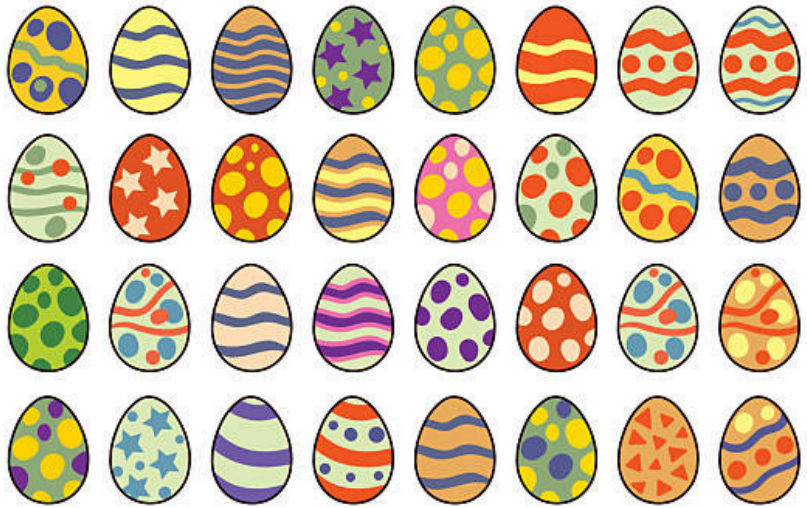


Welcome to our April Fun Page! As we hippity-hop into spring, we hope you enjoy this month's Fun Page created to brighten your day.

Find 5 Differences



Find two identical eggs



<p>Game Help little hare to find the carrot</p>	<p>Game Help little hare to find the carrot</p>	<p>Game Help little hare to find the carrot</p>	<p>Game Help little hare to find the carrot</p>
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