



CREE NATION YOUTH COUNCIL (Eeyou Istchee)

CONSEIL DES JEUNES DE LA NATION CRIE (Eeyou Istchee)

February 15, 2011

IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE

Journey Through the Heart of Eeyou Istchee 2011 "Traditional Walk to Beat Cancer"

The Youth of the Cree Nation that are walking by snowshoes departed from Chisasibi on Saturday, February 12, 2011 and will travel through the communities of Wemindji, Eastmain, Waskaganish, Waswanipi, Ouje-bougoumou, Mistissini and with a final destination of Nemaska for March 31, 2011.

The purpose of the "Journey Through the Heart of Eeyou Istchee 2011" is to promote 'Cancer' Awareness; remember the ones that have gone before us and to work toward proactive measures in dealing with the disease in the Cree Nation.

The following is the tentative scheduled visits:

<u>Departure:</u>	Chisasibi	Saturday, February 12, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Wemindji	Thursday, February 17, 2011	53 miles/ 86 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Wemindji	Friday, February 18, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Eastmain	Tuesday, February 22, 2011	54 miles/ 87 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Eastmain	Wednesday, February 23, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Waskaganish	Sunday, February 27, 2011	53 miles/ 86 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Waskaganish	Monday, February 28, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Waswanipi	Sunday, March 13, 2011	174 miles/ 280 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Waswanipi	Monday, March 14, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Ouje-bougoumou	Thursday, March 17, 2011	51 miles/ 82 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Ouje-bougoumou	Friday, March 18, 2011	
<u>Arrival:</u>	Mistissini	Monday, March 21, 2011	55 miles/ 88 km
<u>Departure:</u>	Mistissini	Tuesday, March 22, 2011	
<u>Checkpoint:</u>	KM 170~Route du Nord	Saturday, March 26, 2011	
<u>FINISH:</u>	Nemaska	Thursday, March 31, 2011	140 miles/ 224 km

For more information, Please Contact Stacy Bear, Youth Grand Chief/Chairperson at (819) 895-2223, Jeremy Diamond, Communications Officer at (819) 673-2600, Ext. 334 or Edna L. Neeposh, Special Projects Coordinator at (819) 673-2600, Ext. 327. The Journey Through the Heart of Eeyou Istchee 2011 can be found on facebook also.



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Press Release for Journey Through the Heart of Eeyou Istchee 2011

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

GROUP LEADER:	Abel Jolly, Mistissini
ASSISTANT GROUP LEADER	Isabelle Jolly, Mistissini
	Charlie Iserhoff, Mistissini
	Jamie Moses, Eastmain
CHISASIBI	Sarah Lee Bobbish
	* Jason Ratt
	Raymond Snowboy
	Tyler Trapper
EASTMAIN	Alice Gilpin
	Thyron Whiskeychan
MISTISSINI	Clifford Loon
	Beulah Mattawashish
	Ryan Mattawashish
	Rocky Neeposh
	Patsy Rabbitskin
NEMASKA	Lawrence Jolly
OUJE-BOUGOUMOU	Amelia Dixon
	Nigel Mianscum
WASKAGANISH	Romeo Blackned
WASWANIPI	Jamie Ottereyes
	Mandy Trapper
WEMINDJI	Jessica Swallow
WHAPMAGOOSTUI	Deanna George
	Ryan Shem

- Will join from Wemindji