## **WAGE SUBSIDY SUCCESS STORY 2015**



Peter Zachary Day-Andre

Peter Zachary Day-Andre applied for and was successful in Michipicoten First Nation's recruitment for a "Operator in training" at their Water Treatment Plant. He began is training in January of 2015 working the morning shift at the water treatment plant and the afternoons working with the carpentry crew. As the "operator in training" Peter stated "He has the big responsibility to take care of the community water!" He says both the water treatment and carpentry departments are "up his alley" liking the fact that he is inside in the morning and outside in the afternoons. When he is not busy doing chloride & turbidy residual tests, along with daily checks and readings, he goes upstairs in the plant and studies. In June 2015 Michipicoten First Nation sent Peter for off-the-job training to the Keewaytinook Centre of Excellence accompanied by his Supervisor. He successfully completed the OIT –Water Treatment & Distribution 1-11-111 course and received certification. He was instructed on:

- water sources, charasteristics and the hydrologic cycle
- water treatment processes
- water distribution systems
- support systems
- mathematics for water treatment and distribution system operators
- provincial drinking water regulations, and
- exam writing protocol and practice exams

He wrote his exam in July and successfully passed! Upon completion of the wage subsidy training program on October 10, 2015 Peter was hired full time in his position.