



# **LOWER NICOLA TINDIAN BAND February 2019** N?e?iyk Spíləxm

# In This Issue

Schedule Of Chief & Council Meetings	P.2
Community Meeting - Pipeline Information	P.3
Community Meeting - Kingsvale Transmission	P.4
Community Meeting - Solid Waste Managemen	it P.5
Nicola Valley Junior Native Hockey Tournament	P.6
Councillor Leona Antoine	P.7
Executive Director	P.8
Letter Of Understanding Interior Health	P.10
Memorandum Of Understanding BC Housing	P.12
Lands & Economic Development	P.13
Education Department	P.16
LNIB School Calendar	P.24
Reclaiming Our Stories	P.26
Elders' Program	P.27
Culture Revival	P.31
Ribbon Skirts	P.32
Traditional Sweat	P.33
Beaded Moccasins	P.34
Class 1 Driver Training	P.36
Shulus Garden	P.37
Talent Show At NVIT	P.39
Sharon Mcivor - Legal Victory For Women	P.40
Recreation	P.42
Feel The Beat	P.43
50th Annual Moccasin Hockey	P.44
Family Activities	P.45

	BC Indigenous Youth Challenge	P.46
.2	Community Pot Luck Dinner	P.47
.3	Membership	P.48
.4	Bill S-3 & Sex Based Discrimination	P.49
.5	Sixties Scoop	P.50
.6	Shulus Forest Enterprises	P.52
.7	Recycling - New Program	P.52
.8	Employment Opportunities	P.53
.0	Fundraisers & Other Community Events	P.61
.2	Valentine Craft & Bake Sale	P.62
.3	Member Owned Business Directory	P.63
.6	Greetings	P.65
24	From The Editor	P.66



Photo of hoar frost by Joe Shuter

# **SCHEDULE OF CHIEF & COUNCIL MEETINGS**







Schedule of Chief and Council Meetings for 2019 This schedule doesn't include Special Council Meetings

Tuesday, December 18, 2018 @5:30pm Tuesday, January 8, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, January 22, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, February 5, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, February 19, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, March 5, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, March 19, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, April 2 16, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, April 16, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, May 7, 2019@ 5:30pm Tuesday, May 21, 2019@ 5:30pm Tuesday, June 4, 2019@ 5:30pm Tuesday, June 18, 2019@ 5:30pm Tuesday, June 18, 2019@ 5:30pm

Schedule of Band General Meetings for 2019

Monday, January 28, 2019 @ 6:00pm Monday, March 25, 2019 @ 6:00pm Monday, May 27, 2019 @ 6:00pm Monday, July 29, 2019 @6:00pm Monday, September 30, 2018 @ 6:00pm Monday, November 25, 2018 @ 6:00pm Tuesday, July 16, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, August 6, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, August 20, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, September 3, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, September 17, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, October 1, 2019 @5:30pm **Saturday, October 5, 2019 ELECTIONS Tuesday, October 8, 2018 Sign Oath of Office** Tuesday, October 15, 2019 @5:30pm Tuesday, November 5, 2019 @ 5:30pm Tuesday, November 19, 2019 @ 5:30pm Tuesday, December 3, 2019 @ 5:30pm

\*Note –Band General Meeting would be superseded by the Annual General Assembly

Brrr.... Once the wind chill makes the temperature feel like –28 or colder, exposed skin can freeze in under 30 minutes. When it drops to –40, frostbite can occur in less than 10 minutes. Take it to –55, and you're in danger within two minutes. Anything colder than that and Environment Canada warns you shouldn't go outside at all.

Your body doesn't appreciate being exposed to the cold for too long, so it takes protective action. It puts most of its energy into keeping your core — where your internal organs are located — as warm as possible. Unfortunately, your toes, fingers, cheeks and ears may pay a steep price for keeping the rest of your body toasty. - cbc.ca

# **COMMUNITY MEETING - PIPELINE INFORMATION**



# **Pipeline Information Session**

Wednesday February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Shulus Band Hall

Supper at 6:00pm

Information session to follow

# Information Session will Cover these Topics:

- Project overview
- Project positions
- Pipeline construction overview
  - Duration of the proposed pipeline
  - Safety courses needed to work on the proposed pipeline
  - Length of a shift and work day
- Career opportunities available in pipeline construction
- How to apply

If you have any questions, please call Steve Wilks @ 250-378-5157 or email steve.wilks@lnib.net



## **COMMUNITY MEETING - KINGSVALE TRANSMISSION**



# **Community Meeting: Kingsvale Transmission Project**

### Thursday, February 7, 2019

ELDERS COMMUNITY Where: Shulus Hall Where: Shulus Hall Time: 5:00 pm Time: 12:00 pm Lunch will be provided

Dinner will be provided

You are invited to come to this community meeting to be updated on the Kingsvale Transmission Project - an important project for LNIB!



email Monica.Charters@LNIB.net

## **COMMUNITY MEETING - SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**



# **LNIB Solid Waste Management**

# Monday, February 11, 2019

Where:	Shulu	s Hall
--------	-------	--------

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm



So what do we do with your solid waste? What can we do better?

Community members are invited to hear an overview of LNIB's current waste management process.

We want to get your feedback on how LNIB manages garbage and recycling on LNIB lands.

Œ

If you have any questions please call Brand O'Flynn at 250-378-5157 or email brandi.oflynn@lnib.net

February 2019

## NICOLA VALLEY JUNIOR NATIVE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Nicola Valley Junior Native Hockey Association PO Box 1294, Merritt, BC V1K 1B8 Fax: (250) 378-2025 - Phone: (250) 378-4905 Email: billbose2012@yahoo.com



\* Initiation \* Atom\* PeeWee \* Bantam\* Midget/Juvenile



In the Beautiful Nicola Valley at Merritt Arena & Shulus Arena

# March 21, 22, 23, & 24, 2019

Daily Admission \$5.00 per person Children Under 12 and Seniors Free Admission

## **COUNCILLOR LEONA ANTOINE**



Hentl'

Happy New Year to all! 2019 has had me busy in with family, work, and personal growth. Perhaps it had something to do with the Red Wolf Eclipse or just being a New Year to reflect past and future endeavours.

The focus is still very much on stewardship of our Tmix which encompasses everything that defines who we are as Nlaka'pamux people. The Water Pilot Project is requiring a lot of work with Nicola 5 Chiefs to ensure the process

of government to government framework for management of water is developed to ensure our values are protected. The Provincial funds provided capacity for 3 full time staff for leadership to carry out work needed. Due to constraints of where direct funds goto individual band, we had to have run through the NTA with close monitoring from all bands.

The Trans Mountain twinning of pipeline being owned by the Federal government has added concern for us in that the government is now also the proponent and the regulator. Our team is busy reevaluating our Mutual Benefit Agreement that has been extended to mid February also securing opportunities when and if project goes through. (Correction: the deadline is February 28, 2019)

The Lands Department has had implementation of the Land Code and requiring more mechanisms to ensure proper process is happening with CP s and proposals. With LNIB governing our reserve lands is responsible for licensing, leases, stewardship, resource extraction, designation of residential, industrial, and agriculture. A community comprehensive plan is much needed to identify what community wants.

Four Directions have provided an extensive report out with engagement sessions provided to the community. Additions will be added with presentation of Members Guide In January to the community.

The Highland Valley Agreement is being reviewed at the Implementation Committee to ensure all commitments being met. Contract Procurement is maximized by knowing what upcoming projects are being tendered out and if we do not have capacity that Economic Development /Development Corp team explore Joint Ventures. If any grievances by members that work with the Union and not being addressed with their reps please share with Leesa Mike,Kari Reilander or myself and we will bring forward at the committee.

The Shulus Garden is shaping out with huge opportunities to build out marketing of produce, show case food security, managing of invasive plants on reserve and our fee simple parcels, joint education with NVIT, providing produce for culinary program, participate with Regional joint efforts for management of agriculture sector.

I must say LNIB has become very reputable and respected on a lot of fronts that I attend. Proud to be LNIB and all its innovation that previous leadership and community has endeavoured.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



Dear LNIB Members,

I am pleased to present our monthly report for January 2019. We are proud to share some of the stories, events and highlights of the programs and services that we delivered to Lower Nicola Indian Band members in the past month.

The Band Office continues to be a busy place and there are always many things on the go, many people visiting to discuss their issues.

Here are some of the things we are working on:

Community Plan: The proposed Community Plan was presented at a community meeting on January 19, 2019 and supported by those in attendance. The next step will be to have Council approve the plan so the implementation process can begin.

Proposals: I have worked on submitting a proposal to Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The submission went in on January 23, 2019. If LNIB is successful, this project will be Phase 1 of 2 Phases starting with the Community Recreation Center. This venue will provide meeting spaces for approximately 1,000 people.

Website: As many of you are aware, LNIB has been experiencing problems with our website. Communications has been working on improving the website and the Members Only section and we are happy to report that the problems have been fixed (fingers crossed).

Financial Administration Law: As we have communicated in the past couple of newsletters, LNIB has applied to Indigenous Services Canada to be a recipient of a new funding initiative called the 10-year Grant. We are very pleased to report that we just received a letter indicating that we have been successful with our application. The 10 Year Grant requires strict implementation of the LNIB Financial Administration Law. LNIB is now implementing sections of the FAL that will bring us into compliance as required by the First Nations Financial Management Board (FMB). LNIB will need to be fully compliant by March 2020.

Custom Election Rules: LNIB Council is starting the process of amending these rules to bring the election process to present election process. This will give all membership an opportunity to attend some community engagement sessions in preparation for revisions to the CER. Please keep a look out for when we announce dates.

Committees and Liaisons: Lands Management Advisory Committee is currently recruiting one member. Trena Tom has submitted her letter of resignation to the LMAC. We would like to thank Trena for her dedication to this committee and wish her well in her future endeavors. Finance and Audit Committee is also seeking a member. If you know anyone that has strong financial experience

please encourage them to send a resume to the attention of Lloyd Loveday, Human Resource Manager. LNIB School Board is also needing a member and is requesting an application from those who are interested.

Support to Chief and Council: Chief and Council met January 8, 2019 and January 22, 2019. The Band General that was scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2019 was postponed by Chief and Council and we will announce a new dated as soon as we are provided one by Chief and Council. Should you require anything be on the agenda please contact Sondra Tom or me.



Getting a first look at the Community Plan

Valentines' Day - February 14th

For many people this is a "fake" holiday meant to profit card sellers, florists and chocolate makers.

But Valentines' Day is a good day to add a touch of love to your sweetie's day - leave a candy or chocolate bar on the pillow; one flower will do; stick a loving post-it note in their lunch; make a favourite meal; do something unexpected it for them

It will make you both feel loved and great!

# LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING INTERIOR HEALTH





On January 17, a number of Chiefs gathered at the Nlaka'pamux Health office in Merritt to sign a Letter of Understanding which will further enhance the relationship between Interior Health and the Nlaka'pamux nation.

Not all of the Chiefs were present for the signing ceremony, but they are partners to this LOU.

and the second second second		S Interior Health
100		
	LETTER OF UNDERS	TANDING
	Between	
	Nlaka'pamux N	
	and	
	Interior Health A	uthority
	(seed a "fairs" and references	The Asses 'S
Addata parties contents parapter creating within a district recting within a district recting within the function of the second district recting of the function of the within the district recting of the second district recting of the second district distribution of the approximation of the second distri- age and distribution of the second distribution of the distribution of the distribution of the second distribution of the second distribution of th	and a subscription released to Provide control of the deal of the billow partners technicary. System the health autoentic for theory and the billow partners to the technic water is a dealer of the technic technic technic technic and the technicality of the technical and in map represent other regarded groups of a technic technical technical technical and the technical technical technical and technical and technical technical and technical and technical technical and quantitative mathematic with the work to a presenter of health with the context of a and quantitative mathematical balance of a so of qualitative and quantitative data collect and quantitative and quantitative data collect and the factors with the respectiful. In originative prime to considerate and the second data and the second and quantitative and technic data and the second second and qualitative and quantitative data and the second second second and quantitative and quantitative data and the second second second and quantitative and quantitative data and the second	A, openness, economiability and transporters; will be the explosioned under this Latter of Understanding, or of all Aberigned people Aberigned people, provided there are formal emitter are, and unions including presential expansion to vehicle of explorability, sustainability, efficiency and effectivements along on vehiculates, including perfectivements along ensure containers, including perfectivements along ensure containers, including perfectivements along ensure () notice for measurement) perfective and incorporal. sust athentive and incorporal.
AMENDMENT	ling may be amended by the Parties at any	time by mutual consent of both Parties in writing.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu	uary, 2019	
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by:	uary, 2019	Anterior Health
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu	WHY, 2019	Anterner Health
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by:	Nicomen Bidian Band	sateriar Health
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by Alleke'persur Netion	GNU	5.Bm
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by Alleke'persur Netion	GNU	S.B.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by Nieke'pomus Nation Asheraft Indian Band	Nicorren Britan Band	5.Bm
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Jame Signed by Nieke'persus Netion Ashereft Indian Band <u>The Packar</u> Coldwater Indian Band <u>Coldwater Indian Band</u>	Nicomen Indian Band	S.B.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by Nieke'pomus Nation Asheraft Indian Band	Nicorren Britan Band	S.B.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by: Nieke'permus Netion Ashereft Indian Band Coldwater Indian Band Coldwater Indian Band Decks Ferry Indian Band	Noositch Indian Band	S.B.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Janu Signed by: Nieka pamus Nation Ashereft Indian Band Coldwater Indian Band Coldwater Indian Band Dooks Ferry Indian Band	Nicomen Indian Band	S.B.
Dated on the 17 <sup>th</sup> day of Jame Signed by Nieke'persus Netion Ashereft Indian Band <u>The Packar</u> Coldwater Indian Band <u>Coldwater Indian Band</u>	Noositch Indian Band	S.B.

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BC HOUSING**





The Nicola Chiefs met in January with the Chief Executive of the BC Housing Management Commission and signed a Memorandum of Understanding.

This MOU outlines an agreement between the Nicola Bands and BC Housing for developing and sharing best practices in residential asset management.

This collaboration reflects a commitment from the Province of British Columbia, through BC Housing, and the Nicola Bands to strengthen their relationship in accordance with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). This MOU acknowledges evolving jurisdictional and fiduciary responsibilities

and will be implemented in a manner that seeks to remove impediments to progress by establishing new working relationships.

The parties to this MOU also acknowledge the importance of First Nation's governance in supporting healthy communities.

(A copy of the MOU is available on the LNIB website.)

## LANDS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### Lower Nicola Indian Band

#### Lands Management Advisory Committee Vacancy

Term:	6 months (ends September 5, 2019)
Department:	Lands and Economic Development
Hours:	Evening hours required

#### Summary of responsibilities

We are looking for dedicated and engaged LMAC Committee members who can bring different skill sets to the new land management regime at Lower Nicola Indian Band, such as interpreting and understanding survey work; dispute resolution; land use planning; environmental protection; policy and law development; financial literacy; research and writing; and/or community engagement.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Any LNIB Member, whether resident on or off LNIB Land, 18 years or older;
- <u>Cannot</u> be convicted of an offence that was prosecuted by way of indictment except for a conviction for an offense where the person was involved in the support or defense of an aboriginal right or title;
- Cannot have any undischarged bankrupt or owe money to LNIB; and
- <u>Cannot</u> be convicted of a corrupt practice in connection with an election, including but not limited to, accepting a bribe, dishonesty or wrongful conduct.
- Obtain Criminal Record Check

#### Deadline to apply: February 15, 2019

Apply To: Lower Nicola Indian Band 181 Nawishaskin Lane Merritt, BC V1K 0A7 E-mail: <u>hr@Inib.net</u>

Interested members, please submit a resume and cover letter that highlight your relevant lands knowledge and experience including three references.

As per section 33.4 of the LNIB Land Code, members of the Lands Management Advisory Committee shall be appointed by Council so as to ensure a broad representation of the LNIB membership.

Thanks to all who apply.



Happy New Year, and warm regards -

Starting in February we will be beginning a new Traditional Land Use Study for the Kingsvale Transmission project. If would like to volunteer to be interviewed or have information on how you or your family used this area for traditional uses such as hunting fishing gathering, recreation, or spiritual, please call Robert Sterling or Crystal Wallace at 250-378-5157. Thank you.



Employment & Training Steve A Wilks Employment Coordinator

Congratulations to the 11 members that successfully completed the Basic Security Training that ran from January 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> at the Band Hall. Instructor Ferdinand Soriano was impressed by the final exam marks achieved by the class. The class did their online exam in a computer lab at NVIT. The last step is a criminal record check that the students will have to have done before they receive their Security Worker Certification. This licensing will allow them to seek employment with companies like Securiguard to work in a variety of situations ranging from rock concerts to guarding equipment and property where necessary. Way to go team.



From left to right, Garrett Mike, Sharon Shuter, Loren Basil, Keith Shuter, Jason Sterling, Rosaline Bent, Ferdinand Soriano, Breanne Pinyon, Brittani Pinyon, Andrea Mountain Chief, Winona Swakum and America Moses.

### **EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Lower Nicola Indian Band

February 2019

# **EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

# K-12/Post-Secondary/Career-Development

# **Director's Report**

#### Hello Lower Nicola Indian Band Membership!

I hope everyone had a productive start to 2019 and that the remaining 11 months of the year will be equally great for all LNIB Members no matter where you are located. January is one of those months when "stress" is a common factor with both Post-Secondary and High-School students as one group is starting a new semester and the other group is wrapping one up. This is not to say those in the elementary/middle schools are not feeling overwhelmed too; however a shift towards the final half of the school year in most cases is less evident at these levels for children and families...maybe not?

#### **Department Staff**

Director of Education Shane Coutlee

Education Manager Sharon Parsons

Education Coordinator Gail LaRochelle

Front-Line/Admin Support Rhonda Dunn

January was a very productive month for programs and services...here are just a few to share:

- We were successful with our "Afterschool Academic Enrichment Program" application for funding that will sustain our "Homework Club" for the rest of this school year. Sharon will be overseeing this program slated to start in February (snacks and supplies included). Our proposal also included one or two presentations/trips that target both Math and Science.
- I attended a First Nations Education Steering Committee meeting a couple of weeks ago and as a result it is exciting to share we will be accessing numerous secondary and third level services to increase our successes at LNIB School next school year coaches, technology, culture & language, policy development, counselling, special education, school growth plans, assessments, and more! We look forward to these services that will increase student success!
- Our proactive communication strategy with both parents and schools has been very rewarding this month. As a result of both initiating conversations and asking the right questions we where able to implement immediate supports to students. Members should never have to ask us for assistance; we will continue to reach out and be the ones to offer it!

Here are few of the initiatives we have ahead of us for the month of February: (1) review current policies/applications/forms; (2) Meet with Grade 12 Parents to discuss transition from K-12 Public Education; and (3) Find/Create Summer Employment opportunities for Students at LNIB.

As always please reach out at anytime to discuss LNIB Needs - let's attain the same goals together. I can be reached at 236.575.2135 or Shane.Coutlee@lnib.net



**LNIB Education** 

February 2019

#### Lower Nicola Indian Band

#### Provincial Tuition Waiver Program

In 2017 the BC Government announced to the Province they created a new program that would provide tuition free Post-Secondary Education to individuals who are former youth in care between age 19 up to their 27th birthday. As there were a few members who had questions about the program this month we have included the Provincial Information in our newsletter below. Please note this BC Program has no influence on LNIB's commitment to support our members in Post-Secondary Education; however, it is a program that everyone has the right to access, including LNIB members if they so choose, as was announced by the BC Government to the Province back in 2017.

#### Summer Employment

Are you a current student attending High-School or Post-Secondary Institute? Are you wanting to be employed over the summer at LNIB in an area that actually interests you and/or is relevant to your future career? Do you want to secure a position before the end of the semester? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions please call Sharon Parsons at 236-575-2105 before February 28th as we want to make every effort to create these opportunities for you.

#### **LNIB Education**

#### Education does not say "NO" to any Member!

If you reach out to our department asking for assistance you will not hear "no" as a response from anyone in our sector. While there are of course policy limitations and guidelines that must be both met and followed appropriately with the processes we take involving funding purposes we will always advocate to provide LNIB members with part or all of the needed resources to be successful in Education, Training, and Career environments.

In addition, due to Federal guidelines there are certain Education/Training supports that can only be accessed by members living on-reserve; however, please note that if you live outside one of our reserves we will still provide you with the same level of service and advocacy when it is requested of us...again, we do not say "no" to any LNIB member when they are requesting our assistance.

There are many levels of support our Sector can provide to LNIB Members...too many to list but here are a few:

- Advocacy at all levels of K-12 School Systems and at any location (Public, Private, Independent). Ensuring Superintendents, School Boards, Principals, and Teachers are adhering to all District Education Agreements to ensure they are meeting your child's need. If anyone from any school district has said "no" to you or your child's need please call...we can help;
- We provide access to, and/or make arrangements for, tutors, resources, and second/third level services that require specialized funds for immediate support to all students no matter what level of education;
- If there is a specialized program or unique training opportunity that will provide members with an opportunity to earn an income or increase the capacity of their resume to pursue further education we can create a plan with you & help find funds for it.

Our primary goal is to provide LNIB Members with the best service possible...Eliminating "no" from initial conversations is a great start to meeting our Member's needs. We will advocate and exhaust all avenues with you!

#### Lower Nicola Indian Band

#### February 2019

#### **Qualified Bus Drivers**

LNIB is in short demand of qualified drivers to operate LNIB's air-brake vehicles and regular passenger vans. There will be opportunities over the next 12 months where LNIB will need qualified people for transporting children, elders, and other members to various events.

If you are interested in obtaining this qualification we will pay all program costs and arrange to have you enrolled (including road test) so that you will have your needed class of licence in hand when we require drivers. We want our members to both have first opportunity to our transportation needs and be equipped to drive similar vehicles anywhere that will provide employment.

We can get you into training programs right way...please contact Sharon Parsons or Shane Coutlee and we will ensure you have everything you need to be successful.

Sharon - 236-575-2105

Shane - 236-575-2135

#### **Fiscal Ending Soon**

Just a friendly reminder there is only 2 months left in this year's fiscal budget. We still have certain funds available for K-12/Post-Sec/Training. Come down to the office to receive more information!

#### **LNIB Education**

#### SHARON PARSONS EDUCATION PROGRAMS MANAGER

#### henle?

Education staff continue to work with post-secondary students and assist those seeking training and employment services. Our goal is to assist anyone who walks through our door.

We are currently gathering contact information from band members to ensure each of you is aware of available services and supports. These services are also available to LNIB band members living off reserve.

Whether you are seeking services for yourself or are a parent with an LNIB child in Kindergarten to grade 12, call our office to confirm or update your contact information.

Each day in the Education office is different and filled with interesting opportunities to assist and enhance community band members, collaborate with Education staff, and support students of all ages.

A day in the Education office includes the following:

- Talking with parents about supports for their grade K-12 student.
- Connecting with parents of grade 8 students transitioning into high school next September.
- Review of high school report cards going home on February 1/19.
- Assisting post secondary students starting a new semester.
- Assisting band members with post secondary planning.
- Responding to enquiries about training and employment.
- Reviewing monthly budgets.
- Preparing and submitting payables weekly.
- Posting training, educational and job opportunities.
- Meetings with parents, school district, and students.

For more information call or drop into the Education Office.

Wishing each of you, health and happiness.

Sharon Parsons, Education Programs Manager

Lower Nicola Indian Band

February 2019

### GAIL LAROCELLE POST-SECONDARY/EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING COORDINATOR

Hello everyone,

I have settled into the additional roll of Trades, Training and Employment and have become familiar with all the procedures. Along with being the Education Coordinator, I am here to help all members with planning their education and help with training to achieve the skills to find gainful employment.

Some things I have been working on:

- Going through Training & Employment client files
- familiarizing myself with Training and Employment Agencies
- Getting to know more band members
- Compiling spreadsheets with contact information for Institutions and Employment and training facilities
- Assisting students applying to short-term courses
- Following up with PSE students to ensure their success
- Updating PSE student files
- In regular contact with PSE Institutions and training agencies

Stop by or call the office anytime for information.

kwukwscemxw

Gail La Rochelle

Post-Secondary /Trades, Training and Employment Coordinator

LNIB Education

4

Lower Nicola Indian Band

February 2019

#### RHONDA DUNN FRONTLINE ADMININSTRATIVE SUPPORT

Hello All,

I have now worked for the LNIB Education Department for one month, and I am becoming more familiar with my role and responsibilities as Frontline Administrative Support. With this new role I am looking at LNIB membership in a whole new capacity and am excited to see our membership explore and enhance their education. I look forward in continuing to work with the Education Department team and supporting LNIB vision and growth.

Some things I have been working on and include:

- Office administrative duties
- Meet and Greet
- Incoming calls
- Updating LNIB Membership Contact Information
- Notifying membership of upcoming educational events
- Updating Bulletin Board: Community News, Scholarships, Youth Opportunities, Employment, Trades and Education Programs
- Help clients filling out forms
- And much more......

Please call me to verify your contact information.

Education Matters,

# Rhonda Dunn,

Frontline Administrative Support

LNIB Education





# **Off-Reserve Supports**

Do you live off-reserve and/or live outside the Nicola Valley?

Do you have child(ren) at a public/private/independent school in Kindergarten to grade 12?

Is your child(ren) a registered Lower Nicola Band member?

If you answered "Yes" to these questions we would like to connect with you and share what we have to offer you and your child.

#### A few examples include:

- o assistance towards tutoring
- o advocating for additional supports and resources at your child's school
- $\circ~$  accessing targeted dollars from District Aboriginal Programs
- o high-school transition planning
- $\circ$  and more.

For more information please contact Sharon Parsons at 250 378 5157 or email to sharon.parsons@lnib.net.

Contact Rhonda Dunn at 236-575-2100 or email rhonda.dunn@lnib.net to update your current contact information.



181 Nawishaskin Lane, Merritt, BC V1K 0A7 Phone: 250-378-0915/Fax: 250-378-6188/website: http://lnib.net/



# **PROVINCIAL TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM**

Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training

#### WHAT IS THE PROVINCIAL TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM?

- The program waives tuition and mandatory fees for B.C. students who are former youth in care between the ages of 19 and up to their 27th birthday.
- The program applies to full-time and part-time certificates, diplomas and undergraduate degrees at 25 public postsecondary institutions, Native Education College and 10 Union Institutes.
- Currently, 687 former youth in care are benefiting compared to about 189 former youth in care in 2016-17.
- Students are enrolled in all types of programs—social work, academic arts, nursing, pre-medical studies, trades, business administration and graphic design.

#### **Quick Facts:**

- About 2,200 students in the post-secondary education system may be eligible.
- Top three schools with the most students receiving the waiver are VIU (83), Camosun College (76) and TRU (55).
- \$2.6 million paid in tuition and fees to 24 public postsecondary institutions for 687 students as of November 2018.

#### **Quotes:**

- "People should keep in mind that youth in care come from very traumatizing pasts. Communication is something that a lot of youth in care really struggle with because they are moving around so much or are isolated." Rose, Selkirk College
- "Overall, it's been a big stress reliever and allowed me to focus on my studies." Kyle, SFU
- "Now, my narrative is more than my past. I identify as a university student, professional and activist." Ruby, VIU

#### Timeline:

- Pre-September 2017: A voluntary patchwork of bursaries and grants at 11 public post-secondary institutions
- September 1st, 2017: Expansion to all 25 public post-secondary institutions
- Budget 2018: \$2 million annually for the provincial tuition waiver program
- Budget 2018: Expansion of the Ministry of Children and Family Development's Agreements with Young Adults
- June 2018: Announced \$250,000 contribution to the Youth Futures Education fund for additional wrap around supports
- July 1, 2018: expanded to 10 union-based training providers

#### WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA?

- from British Columbia;
- aged between 19 to 26 years; and
- have been in care for a minimum total of 24 months.
- attend a B.C. public post-secondary institution, Native Education College or one of 10 union trades training schools.
- Care is defined as:
  - Continuing Custody Order
  - Temporary Custody Order
  - Special Needs Agreement
  - Voluntary Care Agreement
  - Youth Agreement
  - Adoption

#### HOW DO I APPLY?

- Want to learn more? Visit gov.bc.ca/tuitionwaiver
- Got a question? Email *tuitionwaiver@gov.bc.ca*
- Current students can visit the institution's financial aid office and complete a consent form to validate your eligibility.



HONOURABLE MELANIE MARK Hli Haykwhl Ŵii <u>X</u>sgaak MINISTER OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING

MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING | December 2018

- Extended Family Program
- Permanent Transfer of Custody Order
- Temporary Transfer of Custody
- Interim Custody Order
- Child in Home of Relative

1

# Lower Nicola Indian Band N?e?iyk Spíləxm



MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING December 2018

# LNIB SCHOOL CALENDAR

elv NO	Butter
Absolut	and NO Peanut
0	2
	-
0	20
-	2
1	2
t	5
2	2
6	n
ļ	T
Ľ	T

Mon	Iue	Wed	Inu	Fri
**				I Meatball subs
Chicken noodle soup	5 Broccoli & peas Súr fry	6 Egg bunwiches	7 Mac & cheese Casserole	8 Pizza
Hamburger Veggie soup	12 Chicken broccoli & Rice casserole	13 Tuna casserole	14 Mini Plina Bine Rol Day VALENTINES DAY	15 Taco salad
NO SCHOOL FAMILY DAY	19 Chicken wraps	20 Corn chowder soup	21 Hamburger sliders	22 PRODDAY NO SCHOOL
Broccoli & bacon Soup	26 Perogy & sausage Casserole	27 Chicken Caesar Wrap	28 Cabbage roll Casserole	Pink T-shirt Day Will be in March

Students at the Band School were challenged to design and make arcade games. We have some truly imaginative and talented people in this generation!



# **RECLAIMING OUR STORIES**



### **ELDERS' PROGRAM**

February 2019 – Newsletter Submission

Hello everyone;

# Elder's Luncheon February 14, 2019 12:00 – Tropico Spice

# For this special luncheon you need to be signed up. Call the Health Centre and leave your name and phone #

If anyone is interested in going to the National Elder's Gathering 2019 We will be meeting February  $11^{th} - 1:00$  pm at the Health Centre

My direct phone number at my desk is (236) 575-2103 or you can call my cell phone (250) 280-1975

For programs happening I have my dates and times on the calendar in the newsletter. If you are interested in doing any projects or gathering don't hesitate to contact me.

The office will be CLOSED February 18, 2019 for Family Day

Wenona Mike – Elder's Cooridnator

# Lower Nicola Indian Band N?e?iyk Spíləxm

# February 2019







Elder's Christmas Luncheon 2018 & Wreath Making

















ZMÉŃM LANGUAGE NEST INVITES YOU



Please join us for a shared meal

FEB 5, 2018 | 11AM - 1PM SCW'EXMX CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES 2975 CLAPPERTON AVE

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT EMMA OR JUANITA AT 250-378-2771





BORIGINAL

ED

Invitation

To attend

2019 "Honouring our Elder's" Luncheon At Thompson Rivers University -Kamloops Campus

DATE:	Tuesday, February 26, 2019
Time:	11:00am - 2:00pm
Location:	Grand Hall, Campus Activity Centre Thompson Rivers University – Kamloops Campus 900 McGill Road, Kamloops, BC

Aboriginal Education at Thompson Rivers University – Kamloops campus is please to host the 2019 "Honouring our Elder's" Luncheon.

We look forward to having you join us!!!

For more information and to <u>RSVP (by Thursday, February 21, 2019)</u> contact:

> Misty Antoine, Divisional Assistant Aboriginal Education, Thompson Rivers University Phone: (250) 828-5227 Email: mantoine@tru.ca

NOTE: Parking Passes are available for this event. Please let Misty know if you require one.

# **CULTURE REVIVAL**

# February2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 2
3	4 Nkseytkn Lytton	5	6 Ribbon Skirts 2pm-8pm	7 Ribbon Skirts 2pm-8pm	Men's Sweat 10am	8 9
10	11 Rocky Pines Community Center Pine Needle Baskets 10am-2pm	12 Shulus Hall Genealogy 10am-?	13 Woman's Sweat 10am	14 Valentine's Day	1 Tupperware Display	5 16
17	18 Family Day Office Closure	19 Janice-Moc's 10am	20 Lip Balm making 3pm	21	2 Men's Sweat 10am	22 23
24	25 Rocky Pines Center Beading	26	27 Woman's Sweat 10am	28 Game Night 5:30pm-8pm		

Want to stay on top of events? Text reminders are sent out to subscribers but you have to be on the list. Send an email to <u>Ruth.Tolerton@Inib.net</u> and let me know your mobile/cell number and what category of events you are interested in: - Culture, Community Events, Elders, Health, Lands/Ec Dev meetings

# **RIBBON SKIRTS**



# Make your own Ribbon Skirt

and, with ti also used to comes fror tipi (Dakota the women their prese	skirts - "Older skirts were made from hide and decorated with pigment, he introduction of European trade goods, cotton calico and ribbons were to carry on the meanings and teachings. The silhouette of the skirt itself m a sacred place, and it follows the outline of the mikiiwaap (Cree), or a). The bottom of the skirts would touch the earth's medicines, and as in walked, "Mother Earth would always know who it was that was making ence felt on her back" and the prayers were answered accordingly." - Myra boroginal Elder/Traditional Knowledge Keeper, Winnipeg School Division
When:	Wednesday, February 6, 2019 and/or Thursday, February 7, 2019
From:	2 pm to 8 pm (note your don't have to be there the whole time)
Where:	Culture Centre, 211 Nawishaskin Lane
	s: 2-3 metres cotton, ribbon, elastic, thread
Material	

If you have any questions please call Carole Basil @ 250-315-9158 or Sharon Antoine @ 250-315-5910

### **TRADITIONAL SWEAT**



# Ever Participate in a Traditional Sweat?

### The LNIB Culture Revival team invites you to experience this cleansing and rejuvenating ritual.

#### Women:

- Wear a skirt and t-shirt, dress, or long nightie
- Bring a towel
- Bring a water bottle
- Do not participate when you are on your moon (monthly)
- Potluck lunch to follow
- No drugs or alcohol

#### When:

Wednesday, Feb 13, from 10 am - 2 pm Wednesday, Feb 27 from 10 am - 2 pm

Where: 255 Coldwater Road (Coldwater Reserve - look for balloon)

#### Men

- Wear shorts and t-shirt
- Bring 2 towels
- Bring a water bottle
- No drugs or alcohol
- Soup at Culture Centre after

#### When:

Friday, Jan 25, from 10 am - 2 pm Friday, Feb 8, from 10 am - 2 pm Friday, Feb 22 from 10 am to 2 pm

Where: Behind 318 E, Highway 8 Park by sweat and please close gate behind you.

If you have any questions please call Sharon Antoine @ 250-315-5910 or Hank Yamelst 250-280-2365

# **BEADED MOCCASINS**

In January, one of the classes at the Culture Centre was on how to make fully beaded moccasins. I took some photos of the works in progress and am in awe of the patience and artistry!





THERE IS ANOTHER CLASS ON FEBRUARY 19TH AT THE CULTURE CENTRE. RELEASE YOUR INNER ARTIST AND BE PROUD OF YOUR HERITAGE!

# Lower Nicola Indian Band N?e?iyk Spíləxm







## **CLASS 1 DRIVER TRAINING**


# **SHULUS GARDEN**

Shulus Community Garden News Report for February 2019

**Thanks to all** who made the 2018 growing season a smashing success. A big thanks to the LNIB leadership and all the staff and Departments who helped in every way to administer the garden program.

Thanks to all the community members who volunteered and who worked all summer to plan, maintain, harvest and deliver fresh vegetables throughout the LNIB communities. I would like to wish everybody a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Even though the garden itself has been resting, I have been busy to keep the ball rolling: Finalizing garden reports and attending a few agriculture meetings and conferences; networking and checking out other vegetable farms. Gathering Agricultural information and figuring out how we can improve our current garden site and find ways to address Shulus Community Garden's strategic plan. Gathering resources to implement positive changes for our vegetable garden program that will benefit our membership through our Sustainable Food Security Initiative.

**The Shulus Community Garden Club** have meetings at the **Soup Kitchen, starting at 10 a.m.** followed by a great lunch. Subjects talked about include:

- shared gardening ideas and formulating plans for the 2019 garden season.

- talk about family garden plots and how our families used to have huge vegetable farms and hay fields

- how our ancestors used to trade food with one another and help each other produce and share food.

- Invasive weed management planning

- we made a list of workshops we want to host this year and are accepting more requests from everyone.

**Shulus Garden Workshops** are being planned for **February 19, at Shulus Hall. 9 to 4 pm**. Posters will be sent out next week or so and your all welcome to help organize this event. For more information please call Lorna at 250-936-8365 or 378-5157. I will be working out of the band office until further notice.

**Invasive Weed Management Campaign**: this campaign stated in 2017, as the garden crew are always removing invasive weeds from the garden area, we thought it would be good for all community members to become knowledgeable about the serious problem we are having through out all band lands with the invasive weed infestation. Weed management is not new to LNIB companies and departments, as they have been doing whatever means they must to control invasive weeds.

The Shulus Garden Club Group just started to have **meetings at Rocky Pines Community Centre** and we will continue to meet to learn more about identifying the invasive weeds like the Hoary Alyssum, Blue Weed, knap weed, etc. We are now working with a Range Agrologist who has been work with us to identify and help us create a community weed management plan for a 2 to 3-year period. For example, we must cut, mow or pull the weeds before they go to seed.

Everyone is invited to come to our meetings and get involved in this important endeavor to eradicate the invasive weeds that are spreading widely in our territories.

Proud to be LNIB

Lorna Shuter

Hoary Allysum





Blueweed



Knapweed

NEXT GARDEN CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEB 6 10am to 11:30am with lunch to follow at Soup Kitchen/Activities Trailer Everyone welcome!

# TALENT SHOW AT NVIT

# WHAT IS YOUR TALENT?







If YOU can SHOW OFF your Syilx/Nłe?kepmxcin





We are looking for YOU!

# *Our Second* **Talent Show** *Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019* Nicola Valley Institute of Technology (NVIT) 7:00 – 8:30 pm

For more information please call: 250-378-1864 ask for Mary



# **SHARON MCIVOR - LEGAL VICTORY FOR WOMEN**



Sharon McIvor has won yet another landmark legal victory for First Nations women – this time at the United Nations Human Rights Committee (UNHRC). On January 14, 2019, the UNHRC released their decision which found that Canada still discriminates against "Indian" women and their descendants in the registration provisions of the Indian Act. Despite the fact that Sharon had already proven her discrimination case at trial and on appeal here in Canada, the federal government refused to eliminate all the remaining sex discrimination from the Act. This meant that Sharon and her descendants still have

lesser or no Indian status as compared to her brother and his descendants – simply based on sex. Sharon was therefore forced to bring a human rights claim to the UNHRC under the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR). The UNHRC found Canada had violated Sharon's human rights and directed Canada to provide an effective remedy for Sharon McIvor, her descendants, and others who have suffered the same discrimination.

It is important to note that Canada is bound by this decision. The ICCPR came into force for Canada on August 19, 1976 and Canada has agreed to be bound by the jurisdiction of the UNHRC to make decisions on matters coming before it. This means that Canada has chosen to be bound by the rights contained within this Covenant for the benefits of all those in Canada. In this case, the UNHRC found that Canada had violated Sharon's human rights under articles 3 and 26, read in conjunction with article 27 of the ICCPR.

Article 3 guarantees the equal right of men and women to enjoy the rights contained in the ICCPR. Article 26 provides that all people are equal under the law and specifically prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, sex, birth or other status. These two articles were considered in conjunction with article 27 which provides that ethnic minorities within States shall not be denied their right to enjoy their culture in community with other members of their group. The UNHRC found that Canada had violated Sharon's rights under all three articles and directed Canada to do make "full reparation" to Sharon, her descendants and others in her position. Canada was directed to:

(1) Register all those like Sharon and her descendants, under section 6(1)(a) of the Indian Act;

(2) Take steps to clean up any residual discrimination within First Nation communities arising from sex discrimination in the Indian Act; and

(3) Take any additional steps necessary to avoid similar violations in the future.

The federal government has been given a 180 days to inform the UNHRC about how it will implement this decision. The good news is that the federal government has the capacity to comply with the first part of the decision this month. The federal government already drafted amendments to the Indian Act's registration provisions in Bill S-3 that would remove the remaining sex discrimination raised by Sharon McIvor's case. The problem is that Parliament didn't enact those provisions into force. While all the other amendments contained within Bill S-3 were brought into force in 2018, they purposely left our remedy for sex equality for "someday" – a hypothetical right that we can only hope is fulfilled someday. First Nations women deserve better than this.

While the Indian Act's registration provisions have a long, complicated history, and the various amendments made over time, including Bills C-31, C-3 and the most recent S-3 have created a complex mess of criteria almost impossible to understand; the core issue is simple. Indian women who married non-Indians and their descendants have lesser or no status compared to Indian men who married non-Indians and their descendants. Sex discrimination in federal legislation, like the Indian Act, is against Canadian law as well as international human rights laws to which Canada has agreed to be bound. There is simply no legal justification for continuing to deny the basic right of sex equality to First Nation women and children. To do so makes the federal government an outlaw – both in Canada and internationally.

The question now is whether the self-professed "feminist" Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his Liberal government will abide by the UNHRC decision or continue to violate the core human rights of First Nations women and children. Reconciliation with First Nations demands immediate implementation of this decision, but the Liberal (and Conservative) record is very poor when it comes to respecting the human rights of First Nations women. They have the power to do it – but it always has been, and always will be, a matter of political will.

Sharon has sacrificed more than 33 years to this battle to protect the rights of First Nation women and our children. It is because of Sharon that I have a political voice as a First Nations woman. Implementing this decision will not only mean that my children will finally be able to be registered and included as members of my First Nation, but Sharon and I, and thousands of others like us, will finally be treated equally with our First Nation brothers.

Canada cannot claim to stand as a champion of human rights in the global context while continuing to deny First Nations women and children basic human rights. Reconciliation requires shedding the hypocritical rhetoric and taking action to do what is morally right and legally required. The world is watching Canada.

(Web blog article by Pam Palmater - in photo with Sharon McIver at United Nations in Geneva)

# RECREATION

Yoga Passes available @ community service office to affend AKAS yoga studio for sessions. Must sign up. Refer to calendars/newsletter or on line for more information		Contact Persons Family and Youth Services : Christie & Marilynne Recreation Coordinators : Cilf & Chelsea Elders Coordinator : Wenona Culture : Sharao Carola & Juny	legend - <mark>yellow community event</mark> -l <mark>ight blue eiders</mark>	EVENTS
Support Group 9:30am <mark>Elders Group Bingo © Italier 10am-12pm</mark> Skills share @RPCC 2:00-4:00pm	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 28 ASP REC. swim 2:30-5pm <mark>Eders Rec. Tia Chi &amp; RPCC 10:00am Valley Ball LNIBS 7:00pm Culture Games Night 5:30-8:00pm</mark>	Pink Shit Dayli 27 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Community Walk 11:00am RPCC Culture Women's Sweat 10:00 am Filness 6:00-7:00pm	26 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Elders Rec. Bowling 10:30cm Fomily Activities Drop In & Dinner 3:30- 5:30pm	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 25 ASP REC, swim 2:30-5pm Finess 6:00-7:00pm Culture Pine Needle Baskets @ RPCC 10:00cm -2:00pm
22 Support Group 9:30am Elders Group Bingo © Irailer 10am-12pm Culture Men's Sweat 10:00am Skills share @RPCC 2:00-4:00pm	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 21 ASP REC. swim 2:30-5pm Parents and Babes @RPCC 12:00-2:00pm Volley Ball LNIBS 7:00pm	Soup kitchen day 20 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Community Walk 11:00am RPCC Filness 6:00-7:00pm	19 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm <mark>Elders Group Movie 12:30pm @ trailer</mark> Family Activities Games & Dinner RPCC 3:30-5:30	18 Closed for family day! No programs.
15 Support Group 9:30am Elders Group Bingo © Irailer 10am-12pm Skills share @RPCC 2:00-4:00pm	Hoppy Volentine's Day < 14 ASP REC. swim 2:30-5pm Edens Group lunchean ©12pm Volley Ball LNIBS 7:00pm	Soup kitchen day13 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Community Walk 11:00am RPCC Culture Women's Sweet 10:00 am Pot Luck Dinner @ RPCC 5pm all community Ellness 6:00-7:00pm	12 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm <mark>Elders Rec. bowling 10:30am</mark> Family Activities Karaoke & Dinner RPCC 3:30-5:30 Genealogy © Shulus Hall 10:00am	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 11 ASP REC. swim 2:30-5pm Elders meeting 1:00pm Finess 6:00-7:00pm Culture beading @ RPCC 10:00am- 2:00pm Health Beat screening 4:30-7:00pm @ UNBS gym
8 Support Group 9:30am <mark>Edets Group Bingo Biraler 10am-12pm Culture Ments Sweat 1000am Skills share ©RPCC 2:00-4:00pm</mark>	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 7 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Parents and Babes @RPCC 12:00-2:00pm Colliure Ribbon Skirf Making 2:00pm Stopm Valley Ball LNIBS 7:00pm	Soup kitchen day 6 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Rec. GYM instruction day 10:00am Community Walk 11:00am RPCC Culture Ribbon Skirt Making 2:00pm- 3:00pm Biness 6:00-7:00pm	5 ASP REC. 2:30-5pm Elders Group Juncheon Sowexmx child & family Activities Crafts & Dinner RPCC 3:30-5:30pm	Gym/Swim Aquatic center 4 ASP REC. swim 2:30-5pm Elders Rec. Tha Chi @ RPCC 10:00am Finess 6:00-7:30pm
Support Group 9:30am Elders Group Bingo © Italier 10am-12pm Skills share @RPCC 2:00-4:00pm	Every Thursday Gym/Swim at the Merritt Aquatic center sign in front desk.	Every Wednesday is Soup Kitchen Day @ shulus community Trailer		Every Monday Gym/Swim at the Merritt Aquatic center sign in front desk.
Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
iry 201 <mark>9</mark>	February			

Elders Coordinator : Wenona Culture : Sharron, Carole & Hank 250-378-5157

Refer to calend information. /sinn on line ē

# FEEL THE BEAT

# February 2019 ~ Cultural Events

For More Information Please call Charlene Joe, Cultural Program Coordinator

(250) 378-2771 or email feelthebeat@scwexmx.com

Cultural Events - 2975 Clapperton Ave Everyone Welcome ~ 4:00-8:00 PM. - Potluck Dinner 6 PM

#### Guidelines & Values

- Drug & Alcohol Free
- Be Respectful to Self and
- Others
- No Violence
- Family Events
- There will be sign-up sheets for certain events
- Bring Clean Runners for <u>Tuesday Nights</u>



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	0
		Fit Nation		Drumming		
		Buzz Manuel		Paul Joe		
		4:00-8:00 PM		4:00-8:00 PM		
10	11	12	13	14	15	1
		Fit Nation		Cookie Baking		
		Buzz Manuel		Valentine's Day		
		4:00-8:00 PM		4:00-8:00 PM		
17	18	19	20	21	22	2
	Family Day	Fit Nation		Pow Wow Dancing Demo		
	Office Closed	Buzz Manuel		_		
		4:00-8:00 PM		4:00-8:00 PM		
24	25	26	27	28		
		Fit Nation		Pow Wow Dancing Demo		
		Buzz Manuel				
		4:00-8:00 PM		4:00-8:00 PM		
		1	1	om potluck and reusable wa	I	

Feel the Beat is a Cultural Revitalization program, our main focus is the restoration of the protocols and values rooted in the Culture of the Nlaka'pamux and Syilx peoples in the way of seasonal teachings. Feel the Beat is always an open invitation to all heritage and all peoples to participate in a safe environment to learn and grow in Culture. We aim to provide leadership and opportunity to connect to our Cultural Identity.

# **50TH ANNUAL MOCCASIN HOCKEY**



# **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

Happy Valentines!

# Family Activities

# February 2019

Sun.	Моп.	Tue.	wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Support Group 9:30 Skill Share 2-4	2
3	4 Fitness 6-7	<b>5</b> Craft & Dinner 3:30-5:30	G Community Walk 11-12 Fitness G-7 Cents game 7	<b>7</b> Parent & Babes 12-2	8 Support Group 9:30 Skill Share 2-4	9
10	<b>11</b> Fitness 6-7	12 Karaoke & Dinner 3:30-5:30	13 GFB Community Potluck 5pm Fitness 6-7	14 Office Day	<b>15</b> Support Group 9:30 Skill Share 2-4	<b>16</b> Cents Game 7
17	18 Family Day!!! Office Closed	<b>19</b> Games & Dinner 3:30-5:30	20 Community Walk 11-12 Fitness 6-7	2.1 Parent & Babes 12-2 COHI	<b>2.2.</b> Office Day	<b>23</b> Cents Game 7
24	25 Fitness 6-7	<b>26</b> Drop-in & Dinner 3:30-5:30	2.7 Pink Shirt Daylll Community Walk 11-12 Fitness 6-7	28 co#I		

\*For More information please contact Christie or Marilynne a (250)378-4089. Please note that events, activities or locations may change due to unplanned events or circumstances.

\*Family Activity Programs located  $\otimes$  Rocky Pines Community Centre.

\*Parents & Babes is geared towards prenatal to Preschool ages. Each family who attends the entire program each week will be given a \$10 gift card & a block of cheese. Located  $\otimes$  Rocky Pines Community Centre.

Notes

\*Support Group takes place  $\eth$  the Community Services Building.

\*Anyone who can come in on Friday to the Community Services Building to share your "skill" with us we will give a \$25 gift card. Please call ahead so we can arrange a date. Beading, knitting, cooking etc..... \*COHI- Children's Oral Health Initiative.

\* Fitness Work-Out will take place @ the LNIB Band school.

\* Contact Clif or Chelsea for cent tickets

# **BC INDIGENOUS YOUTH CHALLENGE**



# COMMUNITY POT LUCK DINNER



# Community Pot Luck



When: February 13, 2019

Time: 5:00pm start

Where: Rocky Pines Community Center

What: BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE WITH OUR COMMUNITY

For more information or rides please contact

Christie Hill 250-315-3661

or

Chelsea Spahan 2 250-315-3379 PROUD TO BE

# **MEMBERSHIP**



# HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT STATUS CARDS:

Indian status does not expire but the status card does. If your First Nation or band office continues to issue Certificates of Indian Status (status cards), contact your First Nation or band office to find out how to renew your status card.

The secure status card is valid for 10 years for adults (16 or older) and five years for children (15 or younger) and dependent adults.

The renewal process is the same as when first applying for a secure status card. Fill out the same application form and check "Renewal" under "Reason for application".

You can renew your current secure status card up to six months before the renewal date or up to one year after the "Renew before" date on your card.

If you are applying a year after the date indicated on your secure status card, fill out the same application form as when first applying for a secure status card and check "Replacement (lost, stolen, damaged SCIS)" under "Reason for application".

All forms are available on-line at <a href="https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1462806841047/1462806896945#chp1">https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1462806841047/1462806896945#chp1</a>

# What to do if your status card is lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed?

If you have lost your Secure Certificate of Indian Status (secure status card) or it has been stolen, damaged or destroyed, you must report it by calling INAC Public Enquiries right away. The call agent will:

- cancel the lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed card
- issue, on request, a Temporary Confirmation of Registration Document

The replacement process is the same as when first applying for a secure status card. Fill out the same application form and check "Replacement (lost, stolen, damaged SCIS)" under "Reason for application".

If you have lost your Certificate of Indian Status (status card) or it has been stolen, damaged or destroyed, contact your First Nation or band office to apply for a replacement card.

# Membership and status card issues - please call for an appointment - 250-378-5157 or Geraldine.Bangahm@Inib.net All membership issues are dealt with on Wednesday and <u>by appointment only</u>

# **BILL S-3 & SEX BASED DISCRIMINATION**



# Sex-Based Discrimination & Bill S-3 Women's Dialogue Session

Coast Kamloops Hotel & Conference Centre 1250 Rogers Way

#### DAY ONE – February 2nd

7:30 am - 10:00 am Brushing off 8:00 am - 9:30 am Breakfast & registration 10:00 am START TIME 11:00 am Keynote Speaker TBD 12:00 pm Lunch 1:00 pm Women's Dialogue 4:30 pm End of Day One (on your own for dinner)

## DAY TWO – February 3rd

8:00 am – 9:30 am Breakfast & registration 9:30 am START TIME 10:00 am Women's Dialogue 12:00 pm Lunch & Wrap up

#### TRAVEL:

If you register by Wednesday, January 30th at 4:00 pm and attend the full 1.5 days you will qualify for travel stipend. We cannot issue travel stipends if you do not register by January 30th.

Km's (one way)	Travel Stipend	# of stipends available
40 - 99 km	\$50 gas card	30
100-599 km	\$200	15
600 + km	\$500	15

The following formula is based on KM's travelled ONE WAY.

#### \$50 gas cards may be available for those who register after the deadline based on availability.

#### CHILDMINDING

Please register for childminding by Wednesday, January 30th at 4:00 pm.

#### HOTEL RATES

Please quote BCNWA to receive a special rate of \$ We are unable to cover hotel costs.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Indigenous women, individuals impacted by S-3 and descendants, band registration and membership experts, leadership, off-reserve individuals, youth, non-status individuals, etc.

#### REGISTRATION

If registering for this 1.5-day event, please do your best to attend for the full 1.5- days as these are very important discussions. We will have prayers, acknowledgement, protocols and selfcare to set the tone for the dialogue session. Good governance and decision making requires all participants to have the same information which requires full attendance by all participants.

For more info or registration contact: Elaine Alec at elaine.alec@gmail.com or 250-462-6349

# SIXTIES SCOOP

#### CALENDAR OF INFORMATION SESSIONS - CALENDRIER DES SESSIONS D'INFORMATION

#### ALL SESSIONS ARE FROM 9:30 TO 4:00 PM - TOUTES LES SESSIONS ONT LIEU DE 9H30 À 16H

NOTE: The dates of the information sessions are subject to change, please visit <u>http://www.sixtiesscoopsettlement.info</u> for regular updates.

NOTE : Les dates des sessions d'information sont sujettes à changement Visitez <u>http://www.sixtiesscoopsettlement.info</u> pour la mise à jour régulière.

January 26, 2019	Timmins	The Hampton Inn by Hilton Timmins	
26 janvier 2019		848 Riverside Dr	
		Timmins, ON P4N 3W1	
February 4, 2019	Whitehorse	Mt McIntyre Recreation Centre	
4 février 2019		Grey Mountain Room	
		1 Sumanik Drive	
		Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 6J6	
February 9, 2019	Orillia	Quality Inn and Conference Centre	
9 février 2019		201 Woodside Drive	
		Orillia ON L3V 6T4	
February 12, 2019	Saskatoon	Saskatoon Indian & Metis Friendship	
12 février 2019		Centre	
		168 Wall Street	
		Saskatoon SK S7K 1N4	
February 13, 2019	Regina	Mâmawêyatitân Centre	
13 février 2019		3355 6th Ave	
		Regina, SK S4T 3H7	
February 19, 2019	Kamloops	To be confirmed	
19 février 2019		À venir	
March 4, 2019	Calgary	To be confirmed	
4 mars 2019		À venir	
March 13, 2019	St-John's	Delta Hotel St.John's Conference Centre	
13 mars 2019		120 New Gower St.	
		St. John's, NL A1C 6K4	
March 18, 2019	Yellowknife	To be confirmed	
18 mars 2019		À venir	
To be confirmed	Thomson	To be confirmed	
À confirmer		À venir	
April 2019	Kenora	To be confirmed	1
Avril 2019		À venir	
April 8, 2019	Iqaluit	Frobisher Inn	
8 avril 2019		Astro Hill Complex	
		Iqaluit, Nunavut XOA 0H0	

MONTRÉAL, Nov. 27, 2018 /CNW Telbec/ - The Sixties Scoop Class Action has been Settled. To be eligible, you must be a registered Indian, or, a person eligible to be registered, or, an Inuit person, who was adopted or made a permanent ward and was placed in the care of non-Indigenous foster or adoptive parents in Canada between January 1, 1951 and December 31, 1991, which resulted in the loss of cultural identity.

Eligible class members will receive compensation between \$25,000 and \$50,000 depending on the overall number of eligible members.

Collectiva, the Claims Administrator, along with its First Nations' partners, will be travelling across the country beginning in December 2018 to provide information to class members. They will hold 21 information sessions in 21 different cities across Canada where class members will receive support and guidance in preparing their claim forms and attend presentations on financial literacy provided by AFOA Canada. A qualified staff member from Collectiva along with other First Nations' professionals will be on hand to answer class members' questions.

# If you are a Sixties Scoop class member To make a claim for compensation, you must complete a claim form and send it to the Claims Administrator, Collectiva, no later than August 30, 2019.

To receive more information or assistance you may:

Visit the Settlement website: <u>https://sixtiesscoopsettlement.info</u> Call 1 844 287-4270 Send an e-mail request to sixtiesscoop@collectiva.ca. SOURCE Collectiva Class Action Services

For further information: Mélanie Vincent, Cell / SMS: (418) 580-4442, melanievincent21@yahoo.ca>

# Note to LNIB Members: Copes of the Claim form are available at the Band Office and at the Lands Office.

# SHULUS FOREST ENTERPRISES

Shulus Forest Enterprises LP purchased a new 2018 John Deere 2154G Road Builder excavator. The new machine was delivered on January 17th and went to work on January 21st for Weyerhauser Company in the Princeton-Hedley area. This new John Deere replaces SFE's 2005 Hitachi 200 and will help to secure more work opportunities with our clients (bridge installations, larger culvert crossings, install larger road systems, site preparation etc).



# **RECYCLING - NEW PROGRAM**

We will be implementing a change to our recycling collection.

Starting in February, we will be delivering a second recycling bin to all households. This bin will be a different colour from the existing blue bin. It is a grey colour bin and will be for paper and cardboard items. This collection will take place on Thursday. The blue bin will be used for clean containers, both metal and plastic, and will be collected on Wednesday.

The bins will be marked with what can go in them. Do your part for timx.

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Lower Nicola Indian Band

Job Posting

Position Title: Social Development Coordinator Department: Human Services Hours: 35 hours per week Start Date: ASAP Wage: Depends on experience, \$23 to \$27 per hour Reports to: Director of Human Services



#### Summary of responsibilities

• Performing the duties and responsibilities assigned to the administering authority in the social development policy and procedures manual. Liaises with other divisions and departments within the organization for the benefit of the clients-Education, Economic Development, Housing, Career Development, Health and Counselling.

#### Required knowledge, skills and abilities

- Bachelor of Social Work degree with 2 years relevant experience in a First Nation setting providing direct services and financial management. A combination of experience and other related education will be considered.
- Proven ability to lead and work well with other individuals in a team environment to ensure high quality program delivery
- Solid analytical skills required to design and evaluate programs and projects
- Strong oral and written communications
- Strong reporting and writing skills
- Understanding of socio-economic issues that contribute to the social assistance dependency cycle
- Computer literacy, including effective working skills of MS Word, Excel and e-mail required
- Good time management skills
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality regarding client information
- Willing to take training as needed
- Able to deal with people sensitively, tactfully, diplomatically, and professionally at all times
- Passing of criminal background check required
- Valid drivers' license and reliable transportation
- Ability to speak or willingness to learn the Nlaka' pamux language

#### Deadline to apply: Posting will remain open until a qualified candidate is found

Apply to: Lower Nicola Indian Band 181 Nawishaskin Lane Merritt, BC V1K 0A7 E-mail: <u>hr@Inib.net</u> Fax: 250-378-6188

Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter complete with references, specifying the position you are applying for. Complete Job Description can be obtained by contacting the Lower Nicola Indian Band.

Thanks to all who apply, only qualified candidates will be considered.



# February 2019





January 23, 2019

### Position: Forestry Summer Students

Company: Shulus Forest Enterprises LP Location: Merritt, BC Reports to: Forestry Manager Deadline: Open

Basic Responsibilities:

Assist with all aspects of technical forestry & vegetation management work including:

- Timber Cruising
- Cut Block Boundary and Road Layout
- Site Plan data collection and write ups
- Riparian Assessments
- GPS Traversing
- Invasive Species Control

The successful candidate will:

- Ideally be working towards an education in forestry or natural resource
- be willing to work out of town (hotel or camps)
- be willing to work outside in adverse weather conditions
- have a valid Class 5 driver's licence
- have a firm commitment to safety
- have excellent written and oral communication skills
- have excellent computer skills

Please forward all cover letters, resumes and supporting documents to SFE Manager, Don Gossoo via email: don.gossoo@Inibdc.com

P.O. Box 1849, Merritt, BC, V1K 1B8



Scw'exmx Child & Family Services Society Our Children Our Responsibility

> Job Posting Full-time Social Worker Salary \$33.77 per hour Comprehensive Benefit Package

Our vision is that we are all somebody's 7<sup>th</sup> generation. We are working collaboratively to facilitate opportunities for our children, families and communities to achieve their full potential and realize a healthy quality of life through the implementation of our laws, jurisdiction, and our ancestral beliefs, values and teachings. Scw'exmx Child and Family Services Society (SCFSS) has been providing child protection and support services to the Nicola Valley (Merritt, B.C.) since 1994.

Please learn more about us www.scwexmx.com and Merritt, B.C. www.merritt.ca

#### The Opportunity:

Scw'exmx Child and Family Services Society (SCFSS) is seeking a highly motivated and dynamic individual to join our team as a Social Worker. As an integral member of a multi-disciplinary team, the Social Worker will provide culturally appropriate services and information which enhance the relationships and wellness of children and families who are experiencing significant challenges, in the Merritt area.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Demonstrated proactive approaches to problem-solving with strong decision-making capability
- Highly resourceful team-player, with the ability to also be extremely effective independently
- Ability to handle crisis and crisis intervention
- Ability to handle unpleasant and emotionally charged situations
- Demonstrated ability to achieve high performance goals and meet deadlines in a fastpaced environment
- Strong understanding of social, economic, political and historical concerns in Aboriginal communities
- Ability to communicate in an appropriate manner orally and in writing
- Ability to effectively use standard computer applications
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills

#### **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

- Bachelor's Degree in social work or similar field is preferred
- Must have, or be eligible for, C6 delegation
- Minimum one-year social work experience preferred however encourage new graduates to apply or
- Minimum one-year experience with First Nations families, youth, children and families
- Ability to interpret and apply Federal and Provincial legislation and standards of practice
- Experience working with Aboriginal communities
- A valid BC class 5 driver's license and criminal record check are mandatory

Pursuant to Section 41 of the BC Human Rights Code, preference may be given to qualified applicants of Aboriginal ancestry.

Your interest in contributing as part of our team at a great organization begins with submitting your cover letter and resume as one document saved as (your last name resume SW February 2019) before February 7, 2019 with the email or fax subject line as **"Applying to SW February 2019"** to: <u>opportunities@scwexmx.com</u>

Attn: Yvonne Hare, Executive Director 2975 Clapperton Ave. Merritt, B.C. V1K 1G2 Tel: (250) 378-2771 • Fax: (250) 378-2799

Scw'exmx Child & Family Services Society thanks all those who apply, however, only candidates selected to interview will be contacted.



Joe Shuter was splitting some wood gathered in the forest and came upon a bonanza find. Inside the wood were woodworms

?'ixic make excellent fishing bait!



### Mental Health and Addiction Counsellor - Nlaka'pamux Nation

#### **Objective:**

As part of the Nlaka'pamux Nation Mental Health Team, the Mental Health and Addiction Counsellor is responsible for providing confidential mental health and addiction counselling, education and support to individuals and families within the Nlaka'pamux Nation. This position operates from a holistic and trauma-informed perspective, is sensitive to the Nlaka'pamux tradition and culture, and provides services required to assist community members in attaining and maintaining the highest level of wellness possible. This is a demographic-specific posting, priority will be given to Indigenous applicants with a master's degree in counselling psychology or human services related field. Salary to commensurate with experience; benefit package offered.

#### **Key Accountabilities:**

- Provides direct counselling services such as intake, assessment, and holistic treatment planning as appropriate; consultation/liaison with community agencies, schools, hospitals, and other community services within the Nation.
- Conducts individual counselling from a trauma-informed perspective.
- Maintains basic knowledge of psycho-tropic medications as prescribed by a physician, maintaining and awareness of the effects of such medications.
- Maintains appropriate client documentation.
- Promotes and maintains effective working relationships with clients and families, physicians, schools and hospitals to coordinate services, secure input, cooperation, improve client outcomes and provide community support.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Minimum Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Social Work, or other Human Services related field. Preference will be given to applicants with a Master's Degree in Clinical Counselling, Psychology or Human Services field from an accredited university and registered with a professional licensing body.
- 2 years (recent) direct counselling experience; experience in community development, family support work, group facilitation and/or advocacy is an asset.
- Proficient knowledge of, and demonstrated working experience in, the comprehensive issues relating to colonization, intergenerational and residential school trauma, substance and process addictions, mental health issues, concurrent disorders, grief/loss, suicide ideation/intent, family violence and FN specific issues.
- Demonstrated capacity to develop, implement and evaluate programs and psychoeducational information.

#### Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required:

- Strong assessment skills relevant to the context of local Indigenous history, beliefs and practices.
- Knowledge of or willingness to learn Nlaka' pamux tradition and culture.
- Recent experience working with First Nation clients in rural, remote and on-reserve communities.
- Familiarity with both abstinence and harm reduction model.
- Ability to promote healthy lifestyles and healthy choices through personal role-modelling with resources/agencies and other stakeholders.
- Ensure provision of services to clients is completed in a safe environment regardless of location (i.e., home visit, band hall, satellite stations or main offices).
- Strong written and verbal communications skills, which includes correspondence, case notes and report writing.
- Ability to work independently and in a multi-disciplinary team.
- Demonstrates strong interpersonal, organizational and time management skills.
- Functional in Microsoft Office: MSWord, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Publisher.
- Ability to work flexible hours that may include some evenings/weekends. All travel is within a 50 km of main office.
- Hold a valid drivers' license with a clean drivers' abstract.
- This is a designated position of trust working directly with vulnerable persons. Consent to a comprehensive criminal record check with clearance is required. **Personal and professional references are required.**
- Please note travel is involved to communities

#### Application Submission Process must include the following:

**Resume:** providing detailed information about your education and employment history that clearly demonstrates your ability to the required job qualifications.

**Cover Letter:** outlining your understanding of the position and how you're your education/experience would contribute to the success of the position, the organization and to the communities served.

This is a demographic-specific posting where preference will be given to qualified First Nation applicants.

Want to know more about our agency? Scw'exmx Community Health Services Society http://schss.com/ https://www.facebook.com/schsswellness/

Apply by Mail or email to:

Nlaka'pamux Health Services Tamara George, Manager Box 3090 Merritt, BC V1K 1B8 Email: <u>George.t@nlxfn.com</u> Application Deadline: until Position is filled.



#### **Job Posting**

#### **UNB Resource Development Project Manager**

The Upper Nicola Band (UNB) is seeking an experienced individual with a background in Crown/First Nations Consultation, Cultural Heritage or Natural Resources management to fulfil this new 2-year role as Resource Development Project Manager.

Reporting to the Director of External Relations, the successful candidate will have responsibility to ensure proponents of major developments (such as BC Hydro, Kinder Morgan), their consultants and Crown regulatory agencies within UNB territory, comply with UNB protocols, Suxwtxem Consultation/Cultural Heritage policies and federal/provincial regulations regarding the protection of cultural heritage, archaeological or environmental resources (e.g. Heritage Conservation Act, Environmental Assessment Certification, BCEAO, CEAA, National Energy Board etc.).

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 1. Manage referrals responses, field studies, etc., to ensure all deliverables are met and that projects are in compliance with all protocols, legislation and regulations.
- Contribute to UNB Environmental Assessments, Environmental Management Plans and the development of high level strategic environmental monitoring processes.
- 3. Manage the participation of UNB environmental/cultural heritage monitoring personnel on projects.
- 4. Process referrals related to projects (Kinder Morgan, National Energy Board, Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, the BC Oil and Gas Commission, BC Utilities Commission and the Indigenous Advisory Monitoring Committee (IAMC)) and other proponents, through the Upper Nicola Bands' CKK database; undertake analysis, draft response letters and undertake tracking.
- 5. Provide a conduit between UNB, the Okanagan Nation Alliance, Crown Regulatory agencies, federal and provincial departments/ministries, proponents and the IAMC.

#### Skills, Qualifications and Experience:

- 1. Bachelor's degree in anthropology, geography, forestry, archaeology, or other appropriate cultural or natural resource management discipline.
- 2. Extensive experience in the area of cultural heritage resources (minimum of five years).
- 3. Experience working in the context of syllx culture, history title and rights.
- 4. Knowledge of applicable legislation and regulations including the Crown's obligation to consult and accommodate First Nations.
- 5. Experience in managing cultural research projects and budgets, adhering to methodology, development of workplans and schedules, and report writing.
- 6. An understanding of the importance of cultural heritage resources information in Land Use Planning, Title and Rights issues, etc.

Total Compensation: Compensation is in alignment with UNB's wage grid and benefits package.

Please send résumé and cover letter by January 28, 2019 at 12 Noon via e-mail to:

UNB Receptionist Upper Nicola Band Reception@uppernicola.com

UNB wishes to thank all applicants, but only those contacted for an interview will receive a reply.

PO Box 3700 Merritt, BC V1K 1B8 T 250.350.3342

F 250.350.3311 www.uppernicola.com

Page 59

# 2019 BC Parks Student Ranger Program

Want to be a 2019 BC Parks Student Ranger?

Now is your chance! We are hiring for the 2019 summer season.

Take part in meaningful projects and activities related to conservation, recreation, Indigenous relations and public outreach and education.

48 Student Ranger positions are available across 12 crew locations this season. Each crew will consist of 1 Crew Lead and 3 Crew Members.

# Where?

Crews will be based out of Victoria, Black Creek, North Vancouver, Sechelt, Manning Park, Kamloops, Cranbrook, Bella Coola, Williams Lake, Terrace, Fort St. John and Prince George.

# When?

- Crew Lead positions will be from May 13<sup>th</sup> to August 30<sup>th</sup>
- Crew Member positions will be from May 26<sup>th</sup> to August 30<sup>th</sup>
- All Crew Leads and Members will be expected to attend a program training event from May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>

# Are you...?

- a Canadian Citizen, permanent resident or individual granted refugee status in Canada;
- between 18 and 30 years old;
- a fulltime student;
- inspired to conserve BC's parks and protected areas; and
- able to work outdoors and camp overnight with a diverse team... then this could be the job for you!

For more information, and to apply, visit *gov.bc.ca/bcparks-student-rangers*.



# **FUNDRAISERS & OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS**



# **VALENTINE CRAFT & BAKE SALE**



# MEMBER OWNED BUSINESS DIRECTORY

#### **Aly Moon-Pierre**

Online Life Coaching Business. www.-inclusivecoach.com Aly Moon-Pierre, SW Dipl. BSW Spirituality Coach | Inclusive Coach www.Inclusive-Coach.com aly@inclusive-coach.com

Angie Bain angiebain@shaw.ca 604-802-9709 Over 20 years experience in providing training, research & research analysis services

Bonnie Bent Micoblading (250) 280-0430 or (778) 800-7878

Donna Bent 250-378-4396 Donna Bent Artifacts

**Brandon Joe** 250-525-0443 (text only) Commercial Embroidery and Jewellry

Shannon Kilroy skilroy09@yahoo.com Earthline Contemporary Aboriginal Designs and Accessories

Odd Job Joe Handy Man Service & Solutions 24/7 (250) 378-7945

**Ryan Mann** Hoodoo Ranch and Pipe Fitter Inspectionrmann\_20@hotmail.com Fresh Produce - You pick, already picked, or order delivery. Like us on Facebook 9730 Highway 8, Spence's Bridge (250) 819-5764

## **Mostly Glass**

Mostly Glass Creations: Stained glass, mosaics, mosaic lamps, stepping stones, beads, crystals, prisms, window charms, bracelets Email: mostlyglasscreations@gmail.com

Sharon McIvor 250-378-3300 Lawyer, Instructor and Legal Advisor

James McNaney nomadhauling@gmail.com Trucking, Hauling

Earl Michel emichel@live.ca Wolf Pac Construction

Focus iN Consulting Business development and housing gaildjoe@gmail.com

Lorne Mike paulinehenry2011@hotmail.com Fitness Instructor and Rough Stock Horses

Gene Moses Fencing Gene Moses 250-378-2801

Vivian and Arnie Narcisse Mountainchief Catering 250-315-0584 Catering MC and coordination of Cultural Events

**Growing Garlic/Nicola Valley Produce** Jerrod Peterson growinggarlic.ca growinggarlic.ca@gmail.com

Gwayne Point 250-378-9167 Northwest Indian Art

# Lower Nicola Indian Band N?e?iyk Spílaxm

### JP Edwards Contracting

250-936-8737 Moses Edwards Landscaping, ditching, site prep, maintenance

## Loren Sahara Consulting

Counselling & Leadership Development 778-676-7844 info@lornesahara.com http://lornesahara.com https://www.facebook.com/lorensaharamony

## JW Forest Contracting Ltd.

250-378-5468 250-378-1556 (cell) Warren Smith/Janet Sterling, Principals Logging contractors, road builders, land clearing Established 1998 Certified Safe Company 11 employees, 80% First Nations Equipment: Faller/Buncher, Grapple Skidders, Log Processors, Excavators, Cat Crawler Tractors

Maggie's Bannock Maggie Shuter 250-378-6579

Millco Safety Services www.millcosafety.com PO Box 4154 Lower Nicola, B.C. 250-378-2221 Patrick Miller/Angela Garcia, Principals Construction safety, construction security, First Aid, Traffic Control, fully certified personnel

S&D Muir Inc sd.muirinc@gmail.com 250-378-1964 Shane Muir, Mining and Survey Equipment

SCS Diamond Drilling www.scsdrilling.com 1436 Sun Rivers Drive Kamloops 250.572-2615 250-314-4864 (fax) Spence Coutlee, Principal SCS DIAMOND DRILLING has built a strong and lasting reputation providing safe , productive and cost effective drilling services, drill support services including general mine and energy related services within Western Canada. Operating as a 100% owned and operated First Nations Company. Recipient of BC FN Aboriginal Award

## **Alison Sterling**

ajsterling67@gmail.com Jacona Sports, Behavior Intervention, and Bubble Tea,

## **Robert Sterling**

robert\_sterling@hotmail.com Archaeology, Anthropologist, traditional land use studies

## Rona Sterling Consulting Inc. and Godey Creek Paintball Rona Sterling-Collins info@ronasterlingconsulting.com

**Godey Creek Consulting** Sue Sterling suesterling75@gmail.com

## T Sterling Construction Ltd.

Ted Sterling ted17@telus.net

## **Glenn Stirling**

Stirling Instrumentation Maintenance, Calibration & Electrical (403) 971-6432 gqstirling@gmail.com

Shawn Swakum s.swakum@yahoo.com Business administration and Consultant Molly Toodlican

Independent Watkins Consultant #830411 250-280-2012 mollytoodlican61@gmail.com

Penny Toodlican pcctoodlican@gmail.com Catering

Victor York victoryork@hughes.net Gourmet coffee supply and distribution

# GREETINGS



We want to wish our number #1 Dad and Uncle a very Happy 40th Birthday!!! We love you all the way to Yellowknife and back!! Love Terri, Sophie, Megan, Domanic, Evan and the Kato Baby!



Happy 97th birthday to my Grandma Hellen! love Flora



Wishing our beautiful daughter Sophie Beckett a very special happy 16th birthday on February 16 We love you all the way to Yellowknife and back! love, Mom, Dad, Megan, Domanic, Evan, and we cannot forget about Kato Potato!

# FROM THE EDITOR

Did you see the photos of the beading on the moccasins some LNIB members are making? I am in absolute awe with the skill and patience that goes into this work.

I am very honoured by the gift of the beaded hummingbird presented to me by Sharon Antoine on my birthday. I'm afraid my photos don't do it justice -



When I think of the ridiculous prices some people charge for shoes that are mass made - have a walk through Neiman Marcus sometime - I sincerely hope that owners of the regalia moccasins truly appreciate the time and work that goes into these hand-stitched items. Janice Sheena sometimes makes and sells moccasins for regalia and I think her prices just barely reflect the work that goes into them

There's all kinds of beading - you've seen pins and earrings, and pendants (like my lovely ṕəṣk'e?) Hank Yamelst teaches Peyote Beading. He's a very creative man and the beading work he has done on rattles is incredible. He's a very patient teacher (believe it or not) and I love to torture him and try his patience. He looked absolutely incredulous when I told him my plan was to finish my beading project by September - he even offered to work on it for me to help speed things along!

My point about these crafts is that the turnout for the classes continues to be low. The Culture Revival team wants to know from members what they can do to make the programs more accessible. I hope that the children are learning these crafts and what better way to spend time with your child or grandchild than to work together on a project. Those skills and memories will live forever.

Also, you should know that when some classes are scheduled for, say 2 pm - 8 pm, it doesn't mean that you have to be there from start to finish. Those are just the times that the instructors are there to help you with your project.

Take a chance and learning something new. Perfectly clueless people welcome! I should know - just ask Hank about me!

Ruth Tolerton, Communications Coordinator