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President's Message



On behalf of Nisga'a Lisims Government and the Executive, I would like to take this time to extend our condolences to the grieving families within the Nisga'a Nation, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Nisga'a Lisims Government continues to move forward in an effort to meet the objectives of the various projects to achieve successful outcomes. The revitalization and restoration of the Nisga'a Language, and Culture is in its infancy stages and continues to progress.

Thank you to the citizens who attended and participated in the Special General Meeting of the Nisga'a Valley Health Authority on June 29, 2017 in Laxgalts'ap. The vote was unanimous to give Nisga'a Lisims Government control over health services in accordance with the Nisga'a Treaty.

Young ambassadors of the Nisga'a Nation are making headlines and travelling the world to sports tournaments – congratulations! Keep up the great work, and continue to train hard. We continue to stand behind you in all that you do, and be sure to bring your story home to inspire the upcoming generations.

Si'aamhl Wilsim!

Nisga'a Lisims Government donates to the Dr. REM Lee Hospital Foundation



On June 20, 2017, Nisga'a Lisims Government donated \$10,000 to the Dr. REM Lee Hospital Foundation. The Foundation was established in 1988 with a Board of Directors who seek support from corporations, business, groups and individuals to help fund upgrading of existing equipment and introduce new technology for Mills Memorial Hospital and Terrace View Lodge. Improving the ease and efficiency of patient care and increasing our ability to attract health care professionals to Mills Memorial Hospital and Terraceview Lodge.

Medical services in Terrace BC has played a major role serving people in the the Northwest including the Nisga'a Nation. We will continue to work together to ensure the services are there and the support of technology enhancements.

Nisga'a Lisims Government contributes to the Terrace Splash Park



On June 20, 2017, Nisga'a Lisims Government was proud to have contributed to addition of the Terrace Spray park currently being built at George Little Park in Terrace, BC. The \$250,000 project has been underway since March 20th, 2017 and is scheduled to reopen in the coming months. Upgrades include a splash park, new equipment, surface refurbishings of the fitness section and Kin Tot Playground section. About the fundraising for the splash park and how it came to be.

Rotary Splash Park started with the vision of one person- Kelly Gingles. He had seen similar facilities in other communities, some smaller than Terrace, and wondered why Terrace didn't have one. He started lobbying both clubs in 2014/2015 and a joint committee was formed. Fundraising for the Rotary Splash Park started in mid 2015. The goal was \$250,000. The Rotary Club of Terrace and the Rotary

Club of Terrace-Skeena Valley kicked in seed capital of \$55,000 and TransCanada (Coastal Gaslink) got on board early with a \$50,000 donation (spring 2016). Fundraising stalled with only a few smaller donations trickling in. The Rotary Clubs added another \$25,000 (including a \$10,000 Rotary District 5040 grant) in March of this year but we still had a large funding shortfall and construction was scheduled to start in May.

They were not sure they would be able to raise what they needed in time. Rotary appealed to the business community in Terrace and First Nation neighbours and have been overwhelmed by the response. In a few short months they went from a large shortfall to a significant surplus that Rotary can use to cover possible overruns and enhance the Splash Park.

Public Notice - Food Fishery Remains Open - Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department



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PUBLIC NOTICE

To: Citizens of the NISGA'A NATION
From: Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department
Date: July 6, 2017

RE: FOOD FISHERY REMAINS OPEN

The Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department has been monitoring salmon returns to the Nass River with a combination of catch monitoring in each village, and fish wheel catches in Gitwinksihlkw and above Grease Harbour. To date, an estimated 30 percent of the Sockeye run has now passed by the fish wheels at Gitwinksihlkw, giving our biologists the information necessary to produce in-season run size estimates. The current estimate projects a Total Return to Canada (TRTC) of **less than 250,000** Sockeye, down from a long-term average of 580,000. This forecast prompted the Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department to issue its June 28 notice, postponing any Nisga'a **individual sale** fisheries until further notice.

Please note that the Nisga'a **food fishery** remains **open**. The closures which have been announced by DFO for the conservation of the Kwinageese stock, are for commercial and sale fisheries only.

Sincerely,

Harry Nyce Sr.
Director of Fisheries and Wildlife

Public Notice - Sockeye Salmon Return - Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department



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To: Citizens of the **NISGA'A NATION**
From: Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department
Date: June 28, 2017

The Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department (NFWD) has been monitoring salmon returns to the Nass River with a combination of catch monitoring in each village, and fish wheel catches in Gitwinksihlkw and Grease Harbour. To date, an estimated 15 percent of the Sockeye run has now passed by the fish wheels at Gitwinksihlkw, giving our biologists the information necessary to produce in-season run size estimates.

Unfortunately, the current outlook for Sockeye Salmon returning to the Nass River in 2017 looks poor when compared to historical averages to date. The poor returns were forecasted due to poor ocean survival conditions over the past two years; but current trends are indicating poorer survival than predicted. The first in-season estimate projects a **Total Return to Canada (TRTC) of less than 250,000 Sockeye, down from a pre-season estimate of 454,000** (range of forecast: 408,000 [90% prob.] to 505,000 [10% prob.]). The return of Chinook Salmon to date has been poor as well, while it is too early to estimate run sizes for Pink, Chum, and Coho. Similar poor return trends for Sockeye and Chinook are being observed on the Skeena River and poor forecasts are predicted for the Fraser River salmon returns too.

The NFWD program carefully tracks the runs each year to ensure adequate numbers of salmon reach their spawning grounds (escapement). Using the projected TRTC of less than 250,000 Sockeye, there are no surplus Sockeye available for commercial or individual sale fisheries (IS). **The NFWD regrets to announce that we must postpone any Nass River sale fisheries until further notice, in support of reaching escapement and domestic fishery goals.**

Sincerely,

Harry Nyce Sr.
Director of Fisheries and Wildlife

Congratulations to the NESS Class of 2017!



On Saturday, June 24, 2017 - Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School (NESS) concluded its Class of 2017 Commencement Ceremony. There were a total of 16 NESS Graduates amongst the class of 2017 that participated in this important milestone.

The commencement ceremony was MC-ed by Derek Azak, grad introductions were done by Charity Peal, opening/closing prayer was done by Alvin Azak, opening remarks was done by NESS Principal Martha Swinn, grads were addressed by NLG President Eva Clayton, grad also addressed by School District No. 92(Nisga'a) Board Member Tabitha Munroe, NESS Class of 2017 Valdictorian Shaina Stephens addressed her fellow graduates, closing remarks were done by the NESS Vice-Principal Dave Crawley and the grads did their Grande Exit.

The Nisga'a Lisims Government and Nisga'a Nation would like to congratulate the NESS Class of 2017:

- Nathan Temple - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Donovan Porter - Laxgalts'ap
- Selina Watts - Laxgalts'ap
- Tori Azak - Gitwinksihlkw
- Bailey Azak - Gitwinksihlkw

- Samuel Burger - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Cynthia Derrick - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Samuel Dyer - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Michelle Laboucane - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Kayla Munroe - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Tristan Nyce - Gitwinksihlkw
- Emma Robinson - Gitlaxt'aamiks
- Yvonne Stanley - Gingolx
- Shaina Stephens - Laxgalts'ap
- Raven Stevens - Gingolx
- Sabrina Stevens - Gitlaxt'aamiks

Two of the graduates who were Michelle Laboucane and Samuel Burger presented the NESS Highschool Teachers with small gifts as tokens of their appreciation in their graduate success which was an impecible display of gratitude and respect.

Si'aamhl Wilsim' NESS Class of 2017, the sky is the limit!

Photos of the entire commencement ceremony could be found here: <http://nisgaanation.zenfolio.com/p125492330>

Shanika's Burgers and Bites receive assistance from Nisga'a Business Development Fund!



On June 23, 2017 the Nisga'a Business Development Fund assisted Frank and Gail Tait with the building improvements and operations start-up expenses for their local business - Shanika's Burgers and Bites. The diner style cafe' is located right on the main strip (Skateen Ave) in Gitlaxt'aamiks and they specialize in homemade burgers, sandwiches, chicken strips, fish-n-chips and much more!

Shanika's is the third eat-in establishment in Gitlaxt'aamiks and will primarily serve burgers and diner style food not found on their competitors menu's. They will cater to local residents year round and to tourists during peak fishing and vacation periods.

The catering activities of Shanika's will be maintained at their current level with a slight increase in sales as a result of opening. Scheduling for Shanika's must be considered at all times, all catering will be prepared at the diner and delivered by Frank Tait.

More information could be found on their facebook site <https://www.facebook.com/pg/Shanikas-Restaurant-552274911479178/posts/> or call 250-975-0713.

Si'aamhl Wilin Shanika's Burgers and Bites and Congratulations!

Happy National Indigenous Peoples Day!



The Nisga'a Lisims Government would like to extend our warm wishes of Happy National Indigenous Peoples Day to all indigenous people far and wide and especially to the citizens of the Nisga'a Nation!

What is National Indigenous Peoples Day?

National Indigenous Peoples Day is a day recognising and celebrating the cultures and contributions of the First Nations, Inuit and Metis Indigenous peoples in Canada. The day was first celebrated in 1996, after it was proclaimed that year by then Governor General of Canada Romeo LeBlanc, to be celebrated on 21 June annually.

On June 21, 2017 - Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau released a statement pledging to rename the event National Indigenous Peoples Day. Assembly of First Nations National Chief Perry Bellegarde supported the proposed change, called it an 'important step,' citing the terminology used in the landmark United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

On June 16, 2017 - the Gitlaxt'aamiks Elders hosted an early Aboriginal Day celebration in the Nisga'a Village of Gitlaxt'aamiks which was a great successful event! The event kicked off with a parade that is continuously growing every year. The NCFS Family Support Service Department entered a float and represented Nisga'a Lisims Government. The theme of the Gitlaxt'aamiks Aboriginal Day celebration was 'Rock-N-Roll of all ages' and even had the Ultimate Brian Elvis Simpson

Impersonator in attendance and who also performed later in the evening. All day events included inflatables for the children and competition events included: jail-n-bail, dunk tank, sumo wrestling, bull riding, moccasin mile, moose call, wheel and stick race, 3 on 3 basketball, arm wrestling and tug of war. There was an impressive spread of BBQ food, various local vendors and a smoke house raffle. Si'aamhl Wilsim' Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government Staff, Elders and Community!

NLG NCFS Family Support Service Department Aboriginal Day Parade Float

The winners of the Gitlaxt'aamiks Aboriginal Day Parade Floats were:

- 1st Place - Nisga'a Village of Gitwinksihlkw
- 2nd Place - Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School
- 3rd Place - Lisims Nass Valley RCMP

The Programs and Services Department collaborated with Terrace/Kitamat Crime Stoppers to host a 'Jail-n-Bail' at the Aboriginal Day event which is a fun way to raise funds to put anyone in 'jail' for a bail of minimum \$20 and all proceeds went to the Terrace/Kitamat Crime Stopper chapter. This was a great initiative and the Programs and Services was pleased to collaborate. Even President Eva Clayton and Chairperson Brian Tait were put in jail!

Happy National Indigenous Peoples Day from the Nisga'a Nation!

Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Individual Sales Permit Office



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NISGA'A FISHERIES & WILDLIFE INDIVIDUAL SALES PERMIT OFFICE

Individual Sale Permits are on sale now! Permits will be sold from the
Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife office in Gitlaxt'aamiks & from the
Gitmaxmak'ay Society office in Prince Rupert.

As in previous years, these are the following requirements for obtaining a permit:

- Minimum age for application is 16 years.
- A **valid** Nisga'a Fishing Licence.
- Administration fee of \$30.00 payable in **cash only**.

Please allow for 15-20 minutes to complete the application.

Staff will be available to sell Individual Sale permits as follows:

Nisga'a Fish & Wildlife Office:
9:00AM to 5:00PM Monday to Friday

Gitmaxmak'ay Society Office:
8:30AM to 4:30PM Monday to Friday

PLEASE NOTE: If you do not have a valid Nisga'a Fishing Licence it can be obtained from the Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife office in Gitlaxt'aamiks.

***Permit Sales @ Gingolx Administration Office
on June 21st, 2017 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (1 day only)**

Friends of ESS Quarterly Newsletter



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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK EVENTS

May 2nd to 10th 2017 marked Emergency Preparedness Week and COG NRCOG helped to relay messages of Personal and Family Preparedness through local TV and community events.

Naomi Gaurley brought Owen Connors, Head, Robert Pridley to Save On Foods in Terrace to show for emergency supplies and show people how easy it is to build a 72 Hour Personal or Family Preparedness kit using local resources.

ESS also participated in the Nisga'a (NGLS) Government Emergency Preparedness Health and Safety Week event held in the village of Gwaka. ESS participated in the Reception Centre (RC) and provided food and resources used in RC activation and management. The Nisga'a Emergency Health and Safety Week was held in the village of Gwaka. ESS participated in the Reception Centre (RC) and provided food and resources used in RC activation and management.

Congratulations to Anthony Moore on a successful event. We were honored to be a part of the line-up.



The Terraced Stikine Community Relief Fund has provided a grant for food and supplies.



Checking out the ESS booth.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Event	Date
Local Food Meeting	June 15
Local Food Meeting	June 22
Local Food Meeting	June 29
Local Food Meeting	July 6
Local Food Meeting	July 13
Local Food Meeting	July 20
Local Food Meeting	July 27
Local Food Meeting	August 3
Local Food Meeting	August 10
Local Food Meeting	August 17
Local Food Meeting	August 24
Local Food Meeting	August 31

NESST WEEKEND COMING TO TERRACE IN 2018

Emergency Planning for People with Disabilities, Leadership and Communication and Level One Response Skills and knowledge were put to work in the functional Reception Centre exercise on Sunday.

Terrace and Hazelton will host the 4th Annual NESST on April 13th - 15th, 2018. We are excited to showcase our communities, local businesses and support organizations to raise your standards, as well as, generate awareness for ESS in our region and encourage more people to get involved.

This is an exciting time to be a part of and if you would like to get on board the Organizing Committee, WE WANT YOU! This is also a wonderful opportunity for businesses and organizations to get involved as a sponsor. There are many options to get involved as a sponsor, support local and receive recognition.

Contact Naomi Gaurley naomi.gaurley@essbc.ca for more information on NESST 2018.



Local Food Meeting: Emergency Preparedness Week

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:

SUSAN & DANNY VIVEIROS

Susan and Danny Viveiros joined the Stikine Valley ESS team in October of 2016 and have since been very active. Together, in that short period of time, they have amassed 230 hours of service. This month, Susan and Danny Viveiros are acknowledged for their efforts and teamwork as an integral part of the team. Please enjoy this brief interview.

What first interested you about volunteering with ESS?
 Volunteering was a way to give back and support our community.

How your work in personal life influenced you as volunteers?
 Having seen such as speaking a second language, being able to be organized, good at trouble shooting, being friendly, willing to do what is needed and have helped as feel more confident as volunteers and more confident as helpers in a larger team.

Has volunteering together brought you closer together as a couple?
 Yes.

Volunteering together has given us an opportunity to grow and learn as a couple. It has allowed us to be supporting partners in a richer way and provided opportunities to see and value the strengths each of us have.

What does volunteering give you as volunteers?
 We were looking for a way to give back to our community. What we discovered through this is that we have become part of a team, welcoming team of helpers.

What positive efforts have volunteering had for you?
 We've had multiple opportunities for new learning both locally and regionally, and through these opportunities we have gotten to know and interact with teams in neighboring communities.

Volunteering has given us a place to both give and receive support from a network of caring and compassionate people.

Do you have any long-term volunteering goals?
 We would like to continue to learn and develop our skills in all aspects of the work of ESS and maybe one day be part of a stable unit.



Susan and Danny Viveiros

On November 1st, 2016, we were the Stikine Valley Volunteer Spotlight. Please email naomi.gaurley@essbc.ca

REASONS TO VOLUNTEER

1. Make more in times of need
2. Volunteer opportunities for people through training and experience
3. Connect with others
4. Make a difference in your community

ESS 2016 2017 2018 2019
2016: 1000+ volunteer hours for training and response
2017: 1000+ volunteer hours for training and response
2018: 1000+ volunteer hours for training and response
2019: 1000+ volunteer hours for training and response

FAREWELLS IN THE STIKINE



Dawn Tomkins and Naomi Gaurley

Over the course of our short years, Dawn Tomkins has worked hard to create awareness for the ESS Program and create volunteers to build an ESS team in the Stikine Region. What started as one dedicated individual grew to several dedicated volunteers, interested in learning and developing a passion to help people in the event of an emergency situation.

Like all great leaders, Dawn will be moving away to take on new challenges in another part of the province. While this is sad news for us we are extremely grateful for the incredible amount of work she poured into her team and community.

We would also like to welcome her and Dawn, who and Mary Viveiros for their commitment and service in ESS over the past year. While they are not leaving the area, they are stepping back but will always be there to help in a large-scale situation.

Thank you to the members of the Stikine team and especially Dawn for all you have done. We wish you much success and happiness in your new endeavor.

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ESS (Emergency Support Services), a service to the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine's Emergency Support Services Quarterly Newsletter. Here they will share ESS news, special interest stories, volunteer spotlights and other noteworthy bits from ESS teams throughout the RDKS and beyond into other areas of the province. Their aim is to keep ESS Partners, First Responders and Community Leaders informed of our activities, plans and accomplishments.

Please refer to the activities specifically pertaining to the work of Anthony Moore who is the Emergency Health and Safety Coordinator of Nisga'a Lisims Government.

Si'aamhl Wilin Anthony!

Raven Prints expands to central location in Terrace!



On June 2, 2017 the Nisga'a Business Development Fund assisted Nikki Villeneuve with the expansion of her business - Raven Prints. The shop is in a central area located at 4615 Lazelle Ave in Terrace which is right along a string of local businesses that receive great support from the Terrace and area.

Raven Prints is a screen printing business that has been operating in Terrace, BC since 2014-2015. Nikki initially started the business as a part-time hobby but the demand for services has grown increasingly year after year. To respond to the growing demand, Raven Prints have relocated their home-based operation to a physical storefront where they will be able to

expand their service hours and customer reach. The business currently provides an array of printing services that encompasses different application methods that can be applied to customize a variety of products including apparel. Raven Print's mission is to provide customers high quality personalized services and products quickly and inexpensively.

More information on Raven Prints and information on its products could be found via Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/ravenprints/>

Si'aamhl Wilin Raven Prints and Congratulations on your growth!

Public Notice - NLG NCFS - C6 Protection Services in the Nass Valley

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Nisga'a Lisims Government

Nisga'a Child and Family Services Department

C6 Child Protection Services in the Nass Valley

Effective May 1, 2017, the Nisga'a Child and Family Services (NCFS) department of Nisga'a Lisims Government has achieved full child protection services status and will be conducting the work of child safety in the Nass Valley for the four communities of Gitlaxt'aamiks, Gitwinksihlkw, Laxgalts'ap and Gingolx.

The work will be carried out in compliance with the provincial *Child, Family and Community Services Act* (CFCSA) and *Child, Family and Community Services Act Regulations* until Section 89 of the Nisga'a Treaty is achieved and implemented.

The C6 Delegation process is outlined in a matrix that covers the areas of services under the C6 level, which include C3 and C4, as well as child protection:

- Receiving, assessing and, as required, investigating reports of child abuse and neglect;
- Deciding the most appropriate course of action if a child is deemed in need of protection;
- Where necessary, removing the child and placing the child in care; and
- Obtaining court orders or taking other measures to ensure the ongoing safety and well-being of the child.

Four delegated child protection workers and one Team Leader ensure that the safety and well-being of children are the utmost priority. NCFS uses a community based approach with a strength based model, which allows NCFS to work at addressing issues in a manner that is sensitive to the historical impacts on families without minimizing children's safety. The work will continue from a "Nisga'a Lens" incorporating an approach of the Ayuuk, where the Nation's strength is utilized to address child protection concerns as they are identified under the *Child, Family and Community Services Act*.

For additional information on the full child protection services status please contact Agnes Taylor, Director of Practice, Nisga'a Child and Family Services Department at 250-633-2603 or agnest@niscgaa.net.



Kevin Febril awarded winner of ThriveNorth's 3rd Annual Business Challenge



Chef Kevin Febril was born in Terrace B.C., and has been working in many different areas of the culinary industry since 2008. He is experienced in all aspects of food preparations and techniques. Kevin has worked for years in many high-end restaurants and as a sous chef for three years. He also completed a three-year culinary arts program in Kamloops and one-year specializing in butchering/curing. Kevin's very diverse culinary background, which includes being an accomplished butcher, allows him to create from scratch sauces and cured-smoked meats as well as unique specialty dishes.

Kevin was the winner of ThriveNorth's 3rd annual Business Challenge - Best New Business 18-29 year category! Kevin pitched his idea to a local panel of judges in Prince Rupert on May 18th, 2017. That same evening at the formal Business Challenge community event at the North Coast Convention Centre in Prince

Rupert, he also pitched to the audience along with the other ThriveNorth Business Challenge finalists. That same evening, it was announced that Kevin won the \$10,000 prize to invest in his business, Wandering Bear Concession and Catering.

Congratulations Kevin!

Above is also a picture of Kevin with the other 3rd annual ThriveNorth Business Challenge prize winners: From left to right:

- Kevin Febril, Wandering Bear, (\$10,000), 18-29 years old, Terrace
- Bryan Last & Aleksa Havelaar, White Goat Coffee (\$10,000), 29-39 years old, Terrace
- Marcie LeBlanc, LeBLANC Boutique, Best Growth Opportunity (\$10,000), Prince Rupert
- Andréa Harmel & Kory Yamashita, Butter Hair Salon, Audience Award (\$5000), Terrace

Irene Doris Stevens makes Team BC!

Congratulations to
Irene Doris Stevens
of Gitlaxt'aamiks for
making Team BC.

Wilps Ksim Xsaan

Ganada Tribe of
the Nisga'a Nation.



Irene Doris Stevens from the house of Ksim Xsaan of the Ganada tribe in the Nisga'a Nation, has made Team BC and will compete at the North American Indigenous games in Toronto from July 16 - 23, 2017.

Irene's success has grown by playing school basketball and club volleyball on the same days from 3:00pm to 8:30pm. This involved running, drills, and scrimmages for 5-1/2 hours in the gym during week days. She traveled for tournaments and play days on the weekends and this helped to get Irene into really good shape to compete for a spot on the North American Indigenous games volleyball team u-16. Irene attended first NAIG volleyball try outs in Prince George 2016 and was asked to attend final NAIG selection camp in Kelowna March 2017.

Irene is fully supported by her dad who pays for her school sports fees all year and financially funds all of her school trips for school basketball, school volleyball and club volleyball. Irene thanks her dad, her band, her nation and her family for supporting her and believing in her.

Si'aamhl wilin Irene!

Congratulations to the 2017 WWNI Graduates!



Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute (WWNI) hosted its annual convocation ceremonies in the Nisga'a Village of Gitwinksihlkw today. Madam President Eva Clayton and other members of the NLG Executive were among many political and educational dignitaries including Justice Thomas Burger as a guest speaker was also in attendance to witness the conferring of degree and certificates to the guests of honour.

Nisga'a Lisims Government congratulates the individuals for their academic achievements that were celebrated today!

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts:

Constance Azak - Gitwinksihlkw, Canada Tribe - Wilps Ksim Xsaan
Pauline Stewart - Laxgalts'ap, Laxgibuu Tribe, Wilps Duuk'

Certificate in Nisga'a Studies:

Christina Bolton - Gitwinksihlkw, Laxgibuu Tribe - Wilps Baxk'ap

Certificate in General First Nations Studies:

Sammy Azak - Gitwinksihlkw, Canada Tribe, Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda

Marianne Guno - Gitlaxt'aamiks, Laxgibuu Tribe, Wilps Duuk'

First Nations Language - Nisga'a:

Damian Azak - Gitwinksihlkw, Canada Tribe, Wilps Ksim Xsaan

Christina Bolton - Gitwinksihlkw, Laxgibuu Tribe, Wilps Baxk'ap

Pauline Stewart - Laxgalts'ap, Laxgibuu Tribe, Wilps Duuk'

Congratulations to the WWNI Class of 2017!

Walking Together in a KindNESS March to commemorate Nisga'a Day



In celebration of the 17th Anniversary since the effective date (May 11, 2000) of the Nisga'a Treaty, the Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School (NESS) and Gitwinksihlkw Elementary School (GES) marched from NESS to Nisga'a Lisims Government to commemorate Nisga'a Day by 'Walking Together' in a KindNESS March. There were a total of 200+ Students and Staff of NESS and GES that participated, all wore pink shirts and the NLG Staff color coordinated and also wore pink shirts.

The NESS and GES Students and Staff were welcomed by the Nisga'a Lisims Government Staff in open doors and presented with flags, pins and fruit/water bags. NESS and GES Teachers and Staff were presented with Txeemsim mugs.

The agenda was short and sweet as the students had to be back in class. The event was opened by Mr. Harry Nyce, Director of Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department, MC-ed by Mr. Brian Tait, Chairperson of the Nisga'a Nation and the Welcome Address/Closing Prayer was done by Mr. Willard Martin, Chairperson of the Council of Elders.

The Nisga'a Lisims Government and Staff were very pleased to welcome the Nisga'a Children and Youth as they are our future leaders. Happy Nisga'a Day Everyone!

Walking Together in Sayt K'il'im Coot - One Heart, One Path, One Nation!

NLG proudly supports BC Children's Hospital Jeans Day campaign



Nisga'a Lisims Government is once again a proud supporter for the BC Children's Hospital "Jeans Day" campaign.

Below is an excerpt from the BC's Children's Hospital's website that explains the purpose of the campaign:

BUY A BUTTON. WEAR YOUR JEANS. HELP BC'S KIDS.

Funds raised by Jeans Day™ 2014 help support the Excellence in Child Health Fund.

Contributions to the Excellence in Child Health Fund will go to the areas of greatest need, providing the essential services, critical research and advanced technology necessary to make leading pediatric care

accessible to our province's one million children. Through a continued investment in research, education and care we are making progress in our mission to improve the lives of BC's kids.

The Excellence in Child Health Fund supports the health care needs at BC Children's Hospital, Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children, and the Child & Family Research Institute. The three main areas supported by the fund are:

- Childhood disease research
- The purchase of and/or upgrading to state-of-the-art medical equipment
- Sunny Hill's specialized services

For more about Jeans Day, visit www.jeansday.ca

Public Notice - Holter Monitoring - Nisga'a Valley Health Authority



Nisga'a Valley Health Authority
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New Aiyansh, BC V0J 1A0
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June 21, 2017

Holter Monitoring

Holter monitoring is a service that can be completed in the Nass Valley. A referral from a physician is required. Please contact the front reception at the New Aiyansh Health Centre to book an appointment.

Patients have the option of acquiring this service outside of the Nass Valley, however, patient travel is not covered. Patients would be responsible for their own travel cost.

Thank you.

Employment Opportunities

Director of Lands and Resources

About the Opportunity

Currently, Nisga'a Lisims Government has an exciting new position for a Director of Lands and Resources to join the group in Gitlaxt'aamiks (also known as New Aiyansh) in beautiful British Columbia.

Under the direction of the Chief Executive Officer, you will oversee, manage, and be responsible for the establishment, development, and operation of the Lands and Resources Directorate of Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG) according to the Nisga'a Final Agreement (Treaty), the Constitution of the Nisga'a Nation, and the applicable Nisga'a Legislation.

More specifically, on regular basis you will have the following responsibilities:

- Implementing, administering and ensuring compliance with the Nisga'a Final Agreement, the Constitution of Nisga'a Nation, and other applicable legislation in respect of the lands and resources of the Nisga'a Nation to ensure that the rights and interests of the Nisga'a Nation are protected and preserved (this responsibility excludes the fish and wildlife resource and described in the Treaty)
- Overseeing the administration and management of the natural resources of the Nisga'a Nation including those natural and physical resources as outlined in Chapter 3,4,5,6 & 7 of the Nisga'a Final Agreement
- Overseeing the development and management of the NLG lands department including the land registry system, Nisga'a Lands in accordance with Nisga'a Legislation, and land use planning on lands belonging to the Nisga'a Nation
- Overseeing the development, management, and administration of the NLG forest resources department, in accordance with Nisga'a Legislation
- Actively participating, through presentation of reports and responses to inquiries, in monthly Executive meeting, and where required, attending on Wilp Si'ayuuḱhl Nisga'a meetings
- Dealing with outside governments and other organizations to ensure that the rights and interests of the Nisga'a Nation are protected and preserved
- Liaising with the Nisga'a Village Governments and other Nisga'a Institutions
- Other related duties as may be assigned

We invite you to apply if you have 7-10 years of experience with a multi-resource agency or in a mid to senior government role. Our ideal candidate will also have previous land management experience and a strong understanding of land tenure systems and contracts.

Candidates with a Bachelor's Degree in Resource Management or a related discipline will be highly regarded (but is not required).

You will also possess:

- The ability to present in front of large groups
- Previous experience with writing reports
- Previous project management experience (asset)
- An understanding of legal language and the legal requirements included in land tenure systems and contracts
- Previous experience managing budgets and with managing a team

Along with the ability work well under pressure, you will be an excellent communicator, both in written and verbal situations. You will also have an understanding of the bigger picture and have the ability to deal with multiple stakeholders.

Above all, it is crucial that you have strong organizational and time management skills. Lastly, you will need to be proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook as required. Please note that some travel to Vancouver, and throughout BC will be required.

This is an exciting time to join NLG! Utilize your strong leadership skills with a caring organization and set a change in motion to make a lasting impact on families within the area.

If you're looking for a leadership position that is guaranteed to provide you with satisfaction - Apply Now!

Please refer to this link to retrieve full access to the posting and to apply:
<http://jobs.applyfirst.ca/jobs/89919-director-of-lands-and-resources>

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JOB POSTING

POSTED: July 5, 2017

CLOSES: July 19, 2017

POSITION: Janitor

SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with Experience and Qualifications

SUPERVISOR: Capital Projects Manager

HOURS: 32.5 hours per week

TERM: Full-Time Permanent

LOCATION: Gitaxdaamiks, BC

JOB SUMMARY: Provide Janitorial and light maintenance duties for the Nisga'a Lisims Government Offices. The Janitor worker must follow proper procedures to safely use, handle and store cleaning and maintenance materials and equipment, and maintain adequate inventory of janitorial / maintenance supplies.

DUTIES:

- Clean office spaces, restrooms, common areas and meeting rooms. Cleaning detail includes:
 - Sweeping
 - Mopping/washing floors
 - Washing walls
 - Dusting railings, furniture, artwork
 - Vacuuming carpeted areas
 - Restocking dispensers
 - Emptying trash containers
 - Window washing as necessary
 - Stripping and resealing floors as required
 - Monitor cleaning product inventory for replenishing when/as required
 - Other minor building maintenance related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Building Service Worker Certificate Level 1 training or willingness to obtain, is required;
- Previous related work experience is an asset but not necessary;
- WHMIS training or willingness to obtain, is an asset;
- Ability to work safely and effectively in a team or independently with minimal supervision is required;
- Valid Class 5 Drivers License and Drivers Abstract is required;
- Ability to follow instruction and understand safety policies and procedures;
- Must be physically able to perform duties as assigned with care and attention to detail.

OTHER:

- 3 recent work related references will be required

Applicants are required to submit resume with cover letter describing their qualifications and experience as soon as possible and not later than 5:00 pm on **Wednesday, July 19, 2017**. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please be advised that social media checks are part of the recruitment process.

ALL RESUME PACKAGES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

Nisga'a Lisims Government Attention: Human Resource Department

P.O. BOX 231, NEW AIYANSH, B.C., V0J 1A0

Fax Number: 250-633-2367 Email: hrdept@nisga.net



NLG June 2017 Executive Resolutions

Resolution 2017/39/ June 27, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT the term of trusteeship for the trustee appointed by the Nisga'a Nation (the "Nisga'a Nation Trustee") to the Lisims Fisheries Conservation Trust (the "Trust") will expired on May 31, 2017;

section 47(b) of the Trust requires the Nisga'a Nation to appoint a replacement Nisga'a Nation Trustee within 30 days of the Nisga'a Nation Trustee ceasing to be a trustee;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive reappoint Allan Gould as the Nisga'a Nation Trustee to the Trust, for a term commencing June 1, 2017 and expiring May 31, 2020.

Resolution 2017/42/ June 27, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT having received a report from the Council of Elders in respect of the misuse of a Nisga'a traditional song in the Louis Riel Opera, the NLG Executive supports the recommendation made by the Council of Elders in its May 17, 2017 resolution (the "Resolution").

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NLG Executive authorizes and directs the drafting of a letter to the Canadian Opera Company and the National Arts Centre directing the removal of the Nisga'a lirn x lim'ooy' from the Louis Riel Opera, and that such a letter be signed by the President.

Resolution 2017/40/ June 27, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT

By motion dated May 24, 2017, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") approved a form of indemnity (the "Approved Indemnity") to the current directors and officers of the Nisga'a Valley Health Authority ("NVHA");

Following this motion, NVHA requested certain changes to the Approved Indemnity to clarify the effective date and applicable provisions of the NVHA's bylaws on which any indemnity would be based, which amendments are included in the form of indemnity attached to this motion (the "Amended Indemnity"); and

The Executive has received and considered the Amended Indemnity; MOVED THAT the Executive, on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation:

1. Withdraw its approval of the Approved Indemnity;
2. Approve the Amended Indemnity; and
3. Authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government, on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation, to execute the Amended Indemnity with each current director and officer of NVHA.

NLG June 2017 Executive Resolutions

Resolution 2017/43/ June 28, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT Lax̱ Da'oots'ip is identified as a Heritage Preservation Zone under the Nisga'a Lisims Government Land Use Plan (2002);

AND CONSIDERING THAT a management plan was prepared for Lax̱ Da'oots'ip dated March 18, 2014 (the "Management Plan") which recognizes both !be cultural important of Lax̱ Da'oots'ip and the desire to develop Lax̱ Da'oots'ip in a responsible and sensitive manner;

AND CONSIDERING THAT Eric Clayton has requested the issuance of licence of occupation over Lot#19 of Lax̱ Da'oots'ip issued under section 17 of the Nisga'a Land Act to develop a fish camp (the "Application");

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT Eric Clayton has provided support evidencing his claim to Lot#19;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive:

1. refer the Application and letters of support provided by Eric Clayton to the Council of Elders; and
2. postpone the issuance of the licence of occupation until such time that the Council of Elders has met and the Chair of the Council of Elders has reported back to the Executive regarding the validity of the Application.

Resolution 2017/44/ June 28, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT WindRiver Power Corporation ("Windriver") has requested consent for assessment field work issued to conduct non-invasive environmental assessments on lands owned by the Nisga'a Nation in fee simple and registered in the provincial land title office;

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act states that the Executive is responsible for the oversight, management and control of the property of the Nisga'a Nation and may dispose of property in the name of the Nisga'a Nation;

MOVED THAT under section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive grant access to its fee simple property to WindRiver on the terms and conditions set out in the agreement for assessment field work substantially in the form as attached to this motion as Appendix "A";

1. the Director of Lands and Resources (the "Director"), on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver to WindRiver, for execution and return, the agreement for assessment field work substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" or with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Director in consultation with legal counsel; and
2. upon the execution by an authorized representative of WindRiver and return to the Director of the agreement for assessment field work delivered under paragraph (1) along with the security and the other fees requested under the terms of the agreement for assessment field work, the Director be authorized to date and execute the agreement for assessment field work on behalf of the Executive.

NLG May 2017 Executive Resolutions

Resolution 2017/ 31/ May 24, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT:

section 23(1) of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Act (the "Act") requires the administrative review officer to make a written report to the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") on an annual basis;

the administrative review officer of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board has prepared an annual report for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, which report is attached as Appendix A to this motion (the "ARO Annual Report");

MOVED THAT the Executive

1. receive the ARO Annual Report;
2. take the necessary steps to lay the ARO Annual Report before Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, as required by section 23(2) of the Act,
3. recommend to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the ARO Annual Report be forwarded to Nisga'a Lisims Government Committees, Nisga'a Village Governments, Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, and Nisga'a Urban Local Offices, to review the ARO Annual Report and act on those areas within their respective jurisdictions.

Resolution 2017/33/ May 25, 2017

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive nominate Mr. William Moore to hold the position of director on the Board of Directors of the Northern Native Fishing Corporation ("NNFC") for the term 2017 to 2019, which nomination will be communicated with the General Manager of NNFC forthwith.

Resolution 2017/34/ May 25, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT the transition to C-6 Child Protection Services has made it necessary to provide for call out pay in respect of child protection workers at Nisga'a Child and Family Services;

MOVED THAT the Executive adopt Bulletin PA-00007 re Special Rates of Pay- Nisga'a Child and Family Services (NCFS) Call Out Pay, attached to this motion as Appendix "A."

Resolution 2017/35/ May 25, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT:

the members of the Enrolment Committee (the "Committee") are appointed on a bi-annual basis for a two-year term;

1. section 15(1) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Act requires that the Committee consist of one voting member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes and one alternate member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes;
2. section 2(3) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Regulation permits the reappointment of Committee members; and
3. the Citizenship Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Manager") has made certain recommendations in respect of who should be appointed as members and alternates to the Committee for the 2017-2019 term;

MOVED THAT:

1. the Executive appoint the following four regular members to the Committee:
Kathleen Clayton of Gitlaxt'aamiks (Laxgibuu)
Oliver McNeil of Gitwinksihlkw (Canada)
Dianna Rai of Laxgalts'ap (Gisk'aast)
Lavinia Clayton of Gingolx (Laxsgiik)
2. the Executive appoint the following alternate members to the Committee:
Heather Stephens of Gingolx (Canada)
Deborah Azak of Gitwinksihlkw (Laxsgiik)
Dorcas Stewart of Laxgalts'ap (Laxgibuu)
Eric Grandison of Gitlaxt'aamiks (Gisk'aast)

NLG May 2017 Executive Resolutions

Resolution 2017/36/May 25, 2017

CONSIDERING THAT under the Nisga'a Home Owner Grant Act (the "Act"), the Executive has enacted, and may from time to time amend, the Nisga'a Home Owner Grant Regulation (the "Grant Regulation");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Executive considers it desirable to raise the threshold amount set under the Grant Regulation;

MOVED THAT:

1. under the Act, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact the Nisga'a Home Owner Grant Amendment Regulation, 2017 attached to this motion as Appendix "A"(the "Amendment Regulation");
2. the Amendment Regulation come into force on the date it is signed by the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Chairperson"); and
3. the Chairperson be authorized:
 - (a) to sign this Resolution; and
 - (b) to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.



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