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Over 150 Packed into the Salish Centre for the Launch of Elsie's Book

Written as I Remember It, Teachings (ʔəms taʔaw) from the Life of a Sliammon Elder

By Marlane Christensen

Sliammon Elder Elsie Paul's new book, *Written as I Remember It, Teachings (ʔəms taʔaw) from the Life of a Sliammon Elder* (2014), was six years in the making – but what lies between the pages spans a much longer period of time. On Saturday, May 24, 2014, over 150 people packed into the Salish Centre for the launch of Elsie's book.

The book is Elsie's life story, combined with the knowledge and teachings of the Sliammon people. "I've been wanting to write this book for a long time," Elsie told *Powell River Living*. "I also wanted to have a history of our people, the culture, how our people lived as industrious, hard-working people who lived off the land, who looked after one another, who took care of their own and who provided for people who needed help. I am proud of my culture, I am proud of where I come from – a hardworking Nation of people who have existed for years working together."

Elsie has lived the loss of many Elders that she grew up with and is concerned that without Elders to pass on the language and their teachings, the culture will be in jeopardy. Elsie believes that a lot of young people are aware of how things were from their own teachings from their own grandparents, however, it has never been recorded, but that we are also losing those teachings and stories. She felt compelled to document what she remembered in order to keep those teachings alive. She also wanted to be able to share with the young people and families and the rest of the people, not only with the Tla'amin Nation, but also with the Powell River region and beyond. Elsie was born in 1931 and she lived with and was raised by her grandparents, Molly and Lasa Timothy, who took her with them on their seasonal travels. The book is written in their memory. It is also dedicated to other Sliammon, Klahoose and Homalco Elders.

In the book, Elsie talks about the Sliammon methods of salmon fishing, techniques for basket weaving, her experience in attending residential school, racial segregation at pubs and movie theatres, raising a large family as a young widow and being the first woman elected as a band councillor in Sliammon. She also shares the teachings of Tla'amin as people she remembers them. Elsie wanted to be sure that the traditional values and teachings about self-care ran throughout the entire book. She talks about growing up as



Sliammon Elder Elsie Paul was very busy kindly doing autographs at her book launch

a small child and watching elders who are gone now, but who kept themselves well by honouring yourself, mentally, physically, emotionally and spiritually.

The book also contains a number of legends part of the traditional "classroom" of the Tla'amin people. As a child, there were teachings in the legends about how to behave, and what the consequences were for misbehaving.

This book is narrated mostly in English but it also includes bilingual sections in Tla'amin. Linguist Honoré Watanabe offers an introduction to the Sliammon language at the beginning of the book. Honoré has been visiting the elders in Sliammon and Homalco for 23 years and interviewing them.

Along with the book, an online open access database is being developed that will interconnect the text of the narrative with the audio/video, transcripts of interviews with Elsie in both English and Tla'amin, and an interactive map. Please contact a member Elsie's family if you would like to order a copy of the book. Paperback copies are available.

Sliammon Career Fair

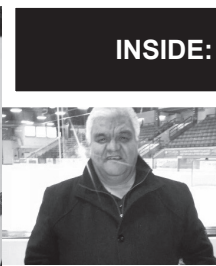


Wednesday June 4th
10:00 am
Salish Centre

Join us at the Salish Centre for some interesting presentations and information on careers. There will be some great door prizes, network cafe, and a silent auction.

Don't miss this opportunity
Please come join us

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Message from the Chief

Plan a safe 2014 graduation celebration



The spring season was officially welcomed in by the traditional Mayday celebrations at James Thompson School, and it was an honour and a pleasure to be asked to share a few words with our students. It is very rewarding to see how our Sliammon Culture has been respectfully added to the celebrations and is shared with the entire school.

4th Annual Education Celebration

– This year was another great success and we are really hoping that this event will carry on over the years and be an event that our elementary and high school students really look forward to. The students are rewarded for their grades and attendance as we want to recognize and honour them for their great work. So far we have been very fortunate to have previous Post Secondary students sharing some words of wisdom with the students; this year Jessie Peters, Mary Peters and Cindy Pallen provided the students with some great words of encouragement. Thank you ladies!

Also at this year's celebration we had two great performances that I wanted to acknowledge; first I wanted to mention and say thank you to the James Thompson choir for doing the Coast Salish anthem and also the Love Story song composed by Drew Blaney, both songs were done incredibly well. Secondly, I wanted mention the amazing vocal solo that Cheyenne Domnick performed for us, it was great to see you share your talent with all that were in attendance. I sure hope that you follow your dreams and continue to develop your natural talent well into the future.

Grad 2014 - will see one of our larger Sliammon grad classes in many years; last I heard we had 20 students graduating this year. On behalf of Chief and Council we would say Congratulations and we would like to wish each and every student the best, and please remember that this is only the beginning of the road as we want to see you continue on with your studies! A friendly reminder to all! **Please be safe in your celebrations and look out for one another.**

Kathamixw International Choir – this year's festival will be held from July 1st – 5th. First prize for this year's festival will be a Sliammon First Nation Totem Pole carved by Craig Galligos. Whichever country places first will have a traditional totem pole raising ceremony held in their home country with the artist; this is a very unique opportunity for Powell River and Sliammon to share our culture and the spirit of our relationship with the world. FYI On June 16th we will be putting the totem pole on display at City Hall, please feel free to join us at the Westview wharf at 2pm on the 16th as we will carry the pole up to City hall from the Westview wharf.

Seafair – we will be attempting to enter a float into the Seafair parade, we welcome everyone's and anyone's participation. We are open to ideas or themes and are seeking participation of any interested individuals. Please contact Pam Wilson @ (604) 483-9696

Food fish – So far, this year the forecast is for great numbers of Sockeye. We have been making arrangements with a fishing vessel to try and insure that we receive our full allocation this year as last year was quite disappointing. We will do our best to keep you updated on the developments as the season gets closer.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me, office # (604) 483-9696 ext 223 or via email clint.williams@sliammon.bc.ca



Nation Administration Matters

Lands Department

Erik Blaney



The Sliammon Lands Department has been working hard to keep garbage out of our backwoods and reduce the amount of wood being poached from our lands. We purchased two hidden cameras that are being moved around to different hot spots where illegal poaching and garbage dumping has been going on. We have been in contact with some people regarding illegal dumping on our lands and have a draft anti dumping bylaw that will allow us to charge people who are dumping garbage on our lands. The Lands Department has also been working on finishing up the seawall project which has just been seeded and was flagged off to keep peo-

ple from destroying the seed planted a few weeks ago. We will be installing doggy bags so that people can pickup after their pets and will have 6 new garbage cans to dispose of waste properly.

I would like to remind people that the sea wall is a project that is for the benefit of all Sliammon members and is not just a beautification project but a very important piece of protection given the sea level rise and climate change that is effecting our landscape. This sea wall will provide much needed protection to our infrastructure should we receive "the big one" or significant storm surge.



Tla'amin Convenience Store Opening Doors in June

Hello to the Community of Sliammon. We are very proud to announce that we will be opening our doors to the Tla'amin Convenience store in June and are shooting for the date of June 13th. There are still many things that need to be done over the next two weeks so our opening date may be pushed back due to a number of factors. We have heard you all loud and clear and will be having as your top choice SCREAMERS!! We will also be having local produce, meats and other items from within a 20km radius. Our coffee is all roasted within 100km radius and is going to be prepared in three different ways which will blow your mind along with our many home cooked items from our brand new commercial kitchen. From Bannock and Waffles to a full array of gluten free items our kitchen aims to please the taste buds.

I would like to thank everyone for the support during the construction phase, you all know who you are, and would also like to thank the community for all the thumbs up and horn honking while you drive by.

My Hands are raised and we are anxious to be serving you soon.

The Blaney Family

Blessing of the Pole on June 16th

Craig Galligos carved a pole which will be awarded to the winning choir of Kauthamixw 2014. The pole will be delivered to the winning country. There is an official blessing of the pole on June 16 at the ferry terminal - 2:00 p.m. After the blessing the pole will be walked up to the municipal hall for public viewing. Everyone is invited to come and participate and walk with craig. The pole will also be recognized on the first nite of the choir festival. Again, people are invited to attend.

Chief Negotiators Message

Working on a concept of a Sliammon Trust for growth and management



This article is written to report to the Sliammon Community about some recent developments in our preparations for Effective Date. Previous reports have focussed on law development, and community working group progress in our overall preparations. The theme for this report is a little different.

In the lead up to our community vote to approve the Tla'amin Final Agreement, there was a lot of work focused on explaining the Financial Components of the treaty. The treaty has since been approved, and the financial benefits of the treaty will begin to flow to Sliammon on Effective Date.

There was a pamphlet circulated in our community entitled "Financial Benefits of Treaty". The pamphlet identified some the financial highlights as; a 29 million dollar Capital Transfer Fund, a Resource Revenue Sharing Fund of \$660,000 per year for a fifty years, an Economic Development Fund of \$6.9 million dollars, a Fish Fund of a million dollars, and a Culture and Heritage Fund of \$750,000.00.

In our consultations with the community our team understood clearly that long term security for the funds was extremely important. The funds are intended not only for us today, but for the benefit of generations to come. Our team also heard clearly that funds need to be available for shorter term needs as well. Some very good work has gone into building a plan that addresses both short and long term needs.

Our teams are working on the concept of a Sliammon Trust. A trust would be a fund governed by a set of trustees appointed by Sliammon. The trustees would be responsible for the growth and management of the fund. Accounts within the trust are being considered and developed to accommodate shorter term, as well as longer term needs.

The beneficiaries of the trust will be our Sliammon community members. Community information sessions will be held in the upcoming months to explain the concept of the trusts, to discuss the role and qualifications of the trustees, to discuss the reporting requirements, and to discuss performance of similar trusts currently in operation for First Nations throughout the country.

A small delegation from Sliammon recently attended a conference sponsored by the National Association of Trust Officers in Vancouver. A good amount of information was gained there. For example, there is an accredited program for fund trustees that can be completed on-line. There is a good resource pool of experienced lawyers that have drafted trust documents that set out the details for how a trust is to be managed. There are a huge range of professional investment managers competing for the trust management roles. There is a good deal of information available on the performance of the trust funds currently under management by First Nations across the country.

We encourage everyone who is interested in the concept of trust fund management to participate in upcoming information sessions. We will be announcing dates in the upcoming months.

**The Sliammon Band
Office, Health & Sliammon
Treaty Society will be closed
on Monday June 23rd for
Aboriginal Day.**

Update from the Finance CWG

Who are we?

This group was established to lead the development of the laws that will pertain to the financial aspects of the Tla'amin Nation under the Final Agreement. The Finance CWG members are as follows: Grace Adams, Walter Paul, Leonard Bob, Steve Hunter (CFO), Pauline Paul, Cathy Paul, Dillon Johnson, Nancy Morgan (Legal counsel), Roy Francis and Chief Clint Williams.

What have we been doing?

The list below provides a picture of what we have done so far:

- We prepared the Sliammon Financial Administration Law 2013 (FAL 2013), which was approved by Council in December 2013
- We prepared the Conflict of Interest Policy, which was also approved by Council in December 2013
- We led the work that was required to enable the Sliammon First Nation to be certified by the First Nations Financial Management Board (FMB)
- We have prepared 6 other volumes of policy that have been approved by Council
- We have prepared 7 updates to the community, including articles, newsletters and notices
- We have made 3 presentations to the Sliammon community

Where are we now?

We have recently been focused on the following areas:

1. Implementing the FAL 2013 through ongoing policy development
2. Taking the first steps in developing the Tla'amin Financial Administration Law 2016 (FAL 2016) which would come into force on the effective date of the treaty
3. Planning for the development of other laws that may be assigned to the Finance CWG
4. Taking the first steps in developing the Tla'amin Financial Asset Strategy.

Where are we going?

We will be carrying on with drafting the FAL 2016, which will build on the FAL 2013 by incorporating elements of the Tla'amin Final Agreement and side agreements. We will likely be tasked with leading the potential development of laws in a number of other areas, including:

1. Economic Development
2. Education
3. Health
4. Social Development
5. Children and Families

We have not yet determined whether all of these areas will require laws, or whether some of these areas will be more effectively addressed and managed through policy alone. We are just beginning to approach these issues and will be able to provide more information following research and consideration over the coming months. However, with these added responsibilities, the Finance CWG will likely have its name changed to the "Finance & Programs CWG." We will also be

looking to engage additional expertise and community members with an interest in these areas to join our group discussions on these topics. If you would like to be involved in the discussion of these topics, please contact the Sliammon Treaty Office.

As mentioned above, we are beginning work on developing a Tla'amin Financial Asset Strategy. This involves coming up with a plan for structuring and managing the Capital Transfer and other funds that will be transferred to the Tla'amin Nation after the Effective Date. These funds include:

1. Capital Transfer: \$30 million (less treaty loan payments) over 10 years
2. Resource Revenue Sharing: \$663,000/year for 50 years
3. Economic Development Fund: \$7 million
4. Fish Fund and other fisheries funds: \$3 million
5. Culture and language funding: \$800,000

Section 87 of the Tla'amin Constitution requires the Tla'amin Government to establish one or more settlement trusts to preserve and protect the Capital Transfer and the Resource Revenue Sharing amounts. In consideration of this requirement, the Finance CWG made a Request for Proposals and conducted interviews to select a lawyer to provide advice on how to best structure and manage the funds. Daryn Leas was selected to provide this advice. Daryn is a First Nations lawyer from the Yukon who has extensive experience in establishing and operating First Nations trusts.

Opportunities for community input

The Finance CWG is currently working with Daryn Leas to develop options and materials for Council and the Sliammon community to consider. Over the next few months, the Finance CWG will put forward recommendations for the structuring and managing of the treaty funds. However, first we need to conduct further research and hold community information sessions to discuss and get feedback on options. Four upcoming community information sessions are scheduled for:

1. **May 31st - Holiday Inn Express, Vancouver 4pm to 7pm**
2. **June 1st - Victoria, BC - Sandman Inn, Victoria - noon to 3pm**
3. **June 16th - Sliammon Salish Centre 4pm to 7pm**
4. **July 10th - Sliammon Salish Centre 4pm to 7pm**

We will also be having a contest to name the Tla'amin settlement trust. Details to follow.

The Finance CWG Chair is Grace Adams. Please do not hesitate to contact her at gadams@sliammontreaty.com or the Sliammon Treaty Office if you have any questions or concerns. You can also contact Dillon Johnson at djohnson@temixw.com. We hope to see you at the upcoming information sessions.

Understanding the Certificate of Possession Process

What is a Certificate of Possession?

A Certificate of Possession is also called a CP. It is a concept invented under the Indian Act. Until there is a Treaty in place, the Crown owns all the land under Indian Reserves. Because it is not possible with Indian Reserves to grant a member an actual title to land, the CP system was created.

A CP is an official piece of paper that shows a member has lawful possession of a parcel of Reserve Lands under the Indian Act. The Crown/Government of Canada still holds title to the land. However, a CP gives the CP holder the right to transfer, sell or will these lands. Any proposed development on CP Land requires an agreement with the CP holders. However, CP holders are still subject to zoning and other laws and can never sell, transfer or will their CP to non-Sliammon members.

How did people get CPs/Certificates of Possession?

Under the Indian Act, the Chief and Council of the day could pass a BCR to give an allotment of land to a member. The Minister of Indian Affairs would then decide whether or not to convert the allotment into a CP. If the Minister granted the CP, it was registered in the Indian Lands Registry in Ottawa. Under the Indian Act, registered CPs are the only recognized form of legal interest. Historically, there were likely family and political issues with past Councils and some members received CPs and some did not. When Sliammon moves into Treaty, we have an opportunity to set up a fair and transparent system to create new land interests for members.

What is changing?

The Tla'amin Nation approved and ratified the Tla'amin Final Agreement (the Treaty). The Treaty has now also been ratified by BC and Canada and we expect that Effective Date (when the Treaty comes into effect) will be April 2016.

We will no longer be living on Federal Indian Reserve Lands that Canada owns –our First Nation will own all of our Tla'amin Treaty Lands. The Indian Act and the system for creating CPs will disappear. If we did nothing to replace the present CPs, they would disappear under the Indian Act.

What is the plan to replace CPs so Members do not lose anything?

In our Treaty we agreed to a requirement for Tla'amin Nation to issue a new Title document to each CP Holder to replace the old Indian Act CP. This needs to be done before effective Date (April 2016). In order to issue a new document to the individuals or families, we need to deal with any encroachments. Encroachments are boundary issues. For example, if someone's fence is over their property line, or someone's shed

or roadway is encroaching on a CP, or if the CP is encroaching onto Band land or a neighbour's CP.

This will require meeting with the families, explaining the encroachments, trying to come up with agreements, documenting these agreements, and then surveying the property. Once all of this is done, the individual or family holding the CP will receive a new document that shows who owns the CP, where the property lines are, etc. We will pay for the new survey. We will also assist the family with creating new wills to spell out what you want to do with your property from here on.

When our Treaty comes into effect, these replacement CPs will be able to be registered in the Provincial Land Title office as actual titles, not just CPs under the Indian Act. These new legal titles will create a more solid legal interest for our members and will hopefully open up opportunities to get mortgages and create wealth.

What if I don't agree? Or don't want to do anything?

The Tla'amin Nation cannot force you to do anything you are not comfortable with. We will make best efforts to work with the families to explain the process and help you through it. We can help arrange family meetings and to try to reach agreements. Many of these issues and encroachments have been around for many years and we are now trying to clean them up and sort them out so that moving forward everyone is clear about their property rights. We will provide the opportunity now to help come up with a new agreement.

If an individual or family chooses not to do anything now, we will simply replace the CP the way it is and register as much of it as we can in the Provincial Land Title Office the day the Treaty comes into effect. The Provincial Land Title office is much stricter than the Indian Lands Registry system for Reserves. The Provincial system gives full ownership, rather than just CPs, and they do not allow unresolved overlapping boundaries or encroachments to be registered. If individuals and families want to work with us to resolve boundary and encroachment issues and to get surveys and agreements in place, we can register everything in the Land Title office. If not, we will just register what we can.

Unfortunately, we only have access to survey and legal funding from the Federal government for the next two years as part of preparing for Treaty. If any CP holders decide they don't want to work with us to resolve the issues now, they will have to pay their own survey, legal and Land Title office registration fees on their own in the future.

Who is leading up this work?

Erik Blaney, Interim Tla'amin Lands Manager, and Serena Barnes are the leads on this work. If you are a CP holder and have any questions, or would like to set up a meeting, please contact Erik or Serena at the Band office at (604) 483-9646. Thank You.

Finding Summer Work Workshop

*Wednesday June 11, 2014
1-3pm @ Ahms Tah Ow School*

For the inside scoop on how to find seasonal work, join Career Link Job Developer, Rob Hughes for a dynamic session on finding a summer job.



We will be talking about where to look, who to talk to and who's hiring. We will also discuss available funding for youth and students, tips, tricks and inside information on how to find that summer job you have been searching for.

Contact Jason Rae at Ahms Tah Ow to reserve your spot for this first of many workshops by Career Link. Call 483-9646 local 232 or stop in.

Ahms Tah Ow in partnership with Career Link are excited to offer the following workshop.

Devin Pielle is the new Language Coordinator at CJMP Radio

Ahjetchxwut. My name is Devin Pielle. I am the second oldest daughter of Rose Adams and Vern Pielle. I am writing to my community to inform you all that I am very honoured to be the new Language Coordinator at our local radio station, CJMP. Our radio station is 1 of 3 working on the same type of programming. The other stations include Salmon Arm and Cortez Island. The goals of my new position are to teach our Tla'amin language, and to share our legends and teachings with everyone listening. I would like to include as many people from our community as possible. Part of my goal is to have a "word of the day" on air. I would like to include the voices of our young children in this segment. I would love to hear from anyone in our community about our teachings and our legends. I would also like to teach in my position; if anyone would like to learn about recording, editing audio on a program called audacity, interview skills, or listen with me to the legends and teachings I will be collecting, I would love to hear from you! I can be reached by email at dpielle@gmail.com.

I look forward to working with you all and hope to hear from you very soon!
Emote. Devin

Drew Charlie

Brooks First Nation Leadership Group

This will be the last article for this year written by students in the Brooks First Nation Leadership Group. Thanks to Maureen Adams and the Sliammon Social Development Committee for sponsoring this worthwhile initiative.

Gerry Brach-Head Teacher Ahms Tah Ow School/Counsellor at Brooks Secondary

Drew Charlie Reports From Brooks School

My name is Drew Charlie and I am 15 years old. I was born in Port Hardy but raised in Powell River. My grandfather is the current chief of the Quatsino First Nation. My culture is as important to me as it can be, considering I live so far away from it. I still have fond memories and other people's memories of my potluck when I was born. I still have a blanket from that potluck that was given to me from the old Chief's wife. This blanket is very special to me as I have great respect for my culture.

I am currently in Grade 10 and I am finishing my second year at Brooks Secondary School. I went into High School

having been told that this was going to be the worst four years of my life, and it has been everything from the worst to the best so far.

I have had very supportive and understanding teachers such as Ms. Dupuis and Ms. Hollingsworth. I got off to a rocky start in high school and Ms. Dupuis was very understanding and helped me through the stressful times and always stood up for me.

At Brooks, I like and appreciate all the opportunities for expanding my knowledge and growing as a person.

I am looking forward to going to the University of Manitoba in May as part of the Verna J Kirkness Education Program and hope that I have a beneficial learning experience.

I am a people person and like "hands-on tasks". I am undecided about my future plans but am happy that Brooks allows me to keep my options open

This summer I plan to take my National Life Guard Certification Course on Vancouver Island and hope to get a life guard job at the Complex.

My advice to younger students entering Brooks is to stick to the right hand side of the hallway and remember that you are in the big leagues now so work hard and "mind your own".



Drew Charlie with Roseanne Dupuis

Ryan Pielle

Brooks First Nation Leadership Group

In the May Editin of the Neh Motl the article submitted for Ryan Pielle was incorrect. Here is how it should have read

This is the sixth in a series of articles written by students in the Brooks First Nation Leadership Group

"Leadership training equips students with transferable skills to build confidence and inspire their peers. Brooks leadership students are currently interviewing a leader in their school or community to find out how they became a leader and what makes them a leader. Students will present their findings to the leadership group."

*Gerry Brach – Brooks Secondary School Counsellor
Head Teacher Ahms Tah Ow School*

Ryan Pielle reports from Brooks School

Hi my name is Ryan Pielle and I am in Grade 12 at Brooks Secondary. This is my 4th year at Brooks and I am looking forward to graduating this year

I have enjoyed my time at Brooks mostly because of the different school activities like soccer, the Leadership Group, having a wide range of courses to choose from and friendly teachers. I like all my teachers because they like to teach and they

are teaching because they like to help students.

I have especially liked Ms. Leach as a teacher as she is such a happy, good natured person. She makes everyone feel wanted and appreciated for who you are and doesn't judge you.

Highlights of my time at Brooks so far include: a

trip to Germany in the summer of grade 9, travelling to Ottawa to participate in the Rotary sponsored Adventure in Citizenship Program, and doing research in a University of Manitoba lab as part of the Verna J. Kirkness Science Program.

This summer my plans are still undecided but I would like to participate in some soccer tournaments on the Island and in Sliammon. I would also like to travel to Victoria to start getting ready for my first year of college. This September I have conditionally been accepted to Camosun College where I will be studying Indigenous Business Leadership. I would eventually like to return to Sliammon and apply my business skills to help my community. Right now I am enjoying Accounting but I am not really sure where that will take me.

My Sliammon culture is very important to me. I feel that culture is not something that you just do for part of a day and put it away. You live and breathe it all day, every day. Drumming is like a medicine for me, that moves the spirit. A lot of my cultural teachings have been a big support to me when I have gone through some difficult times.

My advice to new students entering Brooks next year is to push your limits to the max by trying some new activities. For example when I was in Grade 7 I never would have dreamed that I would have participated in a German exchange or have had a supporting role in a Brooks musical production.



Ryan Pielle and his favorite teacher Kim Leach

**Last day of classes
for Brooks
June 18th**

Exams June 19-26

Converging Visions

June 14th, 1:00 p.m. @ the Salish Center

People who live in both Powell River and Tla'amin have expressed interest in having more occasions to come together informally. At 1:00 pm on June 14th, there will be a wonderful opportunity at the Salish Centre in Tla'amin. Everyone – of every age - is invited to attend, with entry by donation. The event is called *Converging visions: Listening, learning, understanding*.

"This is an opportunity for members of both communities to come together and consider our ever-changing relationships with this place," says event co-organizer, Megan Dulcie-Dill. "We've got some incredible artists in the region, and their work that explores place will be featured at this event along with some of the amazing film and other creative works generated by local people, including filmmaker Claudia Medina. The intention is for all of us to have time to mingle with each other, reflect on these visual artefacts, and consider our relationships to the land and each other. It's going to be a very experiential and interactive afternoon."

In addition to multi-media art, there will be a short panel of inter-generational speakers, information shared by archeologist Colleen Parsley about her significant findings regarding First Nations land use, music by the Tla'amin singers and drummers, and refreshments.

The event is co-hosted by Powell River Voices and the Tla'amin Nation, with support from various partners, including the Malaspina Arts Society. School District 47 is providing buses and drivers that will offer free transportation (limited capacity) starting at the Town Centre Mall in Westview at 12:30pm, stopping at the Hub in Town-site and the Top of the Hill store in Wildwood. The reverse route will be available at the end of the event as well.

As the Tla'amin Nation prepares for self-government, it is becoming increasingly important for all of us who live in the region to get to know each other better and "learn about Tla'amin's past, present, future, and how we can all work together" says Devin Pielle, another co-organizer of the *Converging Visions* event. "This event is one piece of that much bigger process."

For more information, please contact janet.newbury@gmail.com.

Dr. Evan Tesla II Adams Receives 2014 Indspire Award

Congratulations to our son Evan Tesla Adams on his 2014 Indspire Award. You have made us so proud and humbled with your most recent award. We cried tears of joy when you received this and we want our friends and family to know how much you are loved. What a gift it is to all of us to have you in our lives. Love you always, mom and dad, sisters, Hab loving brother, nieces and nephews.

Celebrating its 21st anniversary in 2014 the Indspire Awards represent the highest honour the Indigenous community bestows upon its own people.

The Indspire Awards recognize Indigenous professionals and youth who demonstrate outstanding achievement and serve as invaluable role models for all indigenous peoples.

Each year, recipients are selected by a national jury for their outstanding accomplishments in various disciplines, including specific recognition of three outstanding youth plus a lifetime achiever. Recipients are honoured at a gala ceremony, which is later televised nationally on the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network and on Global.

"Having a role model is important, but I think finding your own individual journey is critical."

Dr. Evan Tesla II Adams has had a significant and broad medical career, focusing on family medicine and health promotion, medical education, and cancer control. He is currently the Deputy Provincial Health Officer with responsibility for Indigenous health for the Province of British Columbia. In this role since 2012, Dr. Adams supports the First Nations Health Authority and reports on the health of Indigenous peoples in the province.

From Sliammon First Nation in British Columbia, Dr. Adams has made extensive contributions to the well-being of Indigenous peoples and has supported First Nations health programs, including HIV/AIDS education and substance abuse treatment. Dr. Adams was the first president of Healing Our Spirit: British Columbia First Nations AIDS Society, which delivers health promotion for Indigenous people in both urban and rural communities.

In 1986, Dr. Adams was selected as a role model by the National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program and facilitated life-skills workshops for Indigenous youth across Canada. He is the past President of the Indigenous Physicians' Association of Canada and former Director of the Division of Aboriginal Peoples' Health, University of British Columbia Department of Family Practice.

Also an established actor, Dr. Adams has appeared in numerous television series, movies, and stage productions, including the Emmy-winning TV-movie *Lost in the Barrens* and the Sundance Film Festival award-winning film *Smoke Signals*. He has won acting awards from the American Indian Film Festival, First Americans in the Arts, the LA Out-Fest, and the Independent Spirit Awards. He also won a Gemini Award for co-hosting the 2011 National Aboriginal Achievement Awards with Adam Beach.

Dr. Adams received the name "Tesla II" by his family and band elders, the first time in fifty years that such an honour has been given. He also received the name "Kit ta ladzi" (Big Fire) from the Kwakwaka'wakw people of Alert Bay, two of his proudest achievements.

Honours & Accomplishments

- Medical Doctorate, University of Calgary, 2002
- Resident Leadership Award, College of Family Physicians of Canada 2005
- Murray Stalker Award, College of Family Physicians of Canada Research and Education Foundation, 2005
- Masters of Public Health, John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 2009
- University of Calgary Faculty of Medicine Alumnus of Distinction Award, 2012

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TLA'AMIN HEALTH

Maggie and Yvonne at Mothers Day Luncheon



Healthy Happenings

Healthy Happenings is a regular update by Cynthia Jamieson, Executive Director of Tla'Amin Health

Men's Health Matters

Men's health issues do not just matter to men, they matter to us all. The wellness of one is the wellness of all. Plus we kind of like having you around. So when we bug you about going to the doctor, or getting some exercise, or eating healthy, it's not because we are trying to ruin your fun. It is because your health matters to us. So, please don't get offended.

Also, remember about your holistic health needs, about your social, emotional and spiritual health, in addition to your physical health.

Are your Boots Made for Walking ? Walk the Talk and Maybe Win a Prize!

Some of the staff members here envisioned the *Walk the Talk* activity as a fun way to get more exercise and to socialize. From June 1 to September 31st, if you walk with a Health staff member, they will enter your name for a monthly draw – leading to a final grand draw in September. Come out, come out, wherever you are and walk with us! We will try to walk more too to give you more opportunities to do that! We can all win when there is fun, walking and prizes!

Emote!

Father's Day Run/Walk 3 KM, 5 KM, or 10 KM

For children, youth, adults, Elders, and moms or dads with babies

Sunday, June 15, 2014

9:00 AM at Health Centre

BBQ at 11:30 AM

Routes to be determined

Door Prizes

Must register to receive a Tee Shirt

Deadline for Registration by June 6, 2014

Sponsored by Sports Med BC. Health Services Programs



Men's Wellness Week Because Men's Health Matters

Health Services is hosting wellness activities for any and all men in our community for the week of June 10th -15th

Please call reception at 604-483-3009 to book in for the following activities:

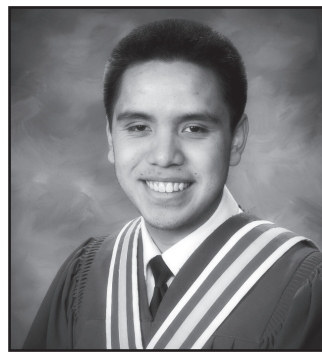
1. *Tuesday, June 10th - Traditional foods luncheon 11:30 AM*
2. *Tuesday June 10th - "Clean bill of Health" – screening for men with David, Nurse Practitioner, from 5:00 - 8:00 PM*
3. *Wednesday, June 11th Reiki with Phil ONLY 4 sessions available start @ 9:00 a.m.*
4. *Thursday, June 12th Haircut with Andrea- 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM*
5. *Friday, June 13th horse shoe –throwing game 11:00 a.m.*
6. *Enter your name for a draw for a \$25 Canadian tire gift certificate*
7. *Sunday, June 15th Fathers day run/walk & BBQ 9:30 AM -12:30 PM, T-shirts and door prizes away*

Graduating

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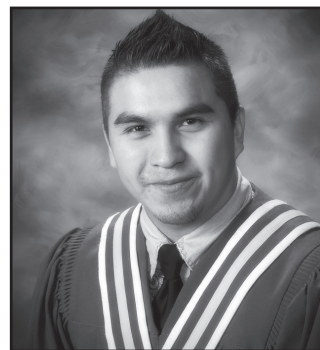
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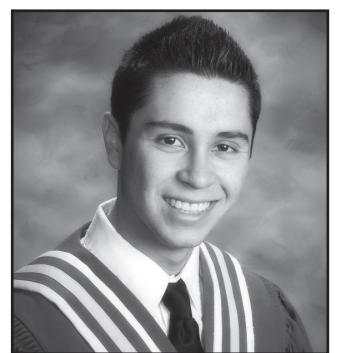
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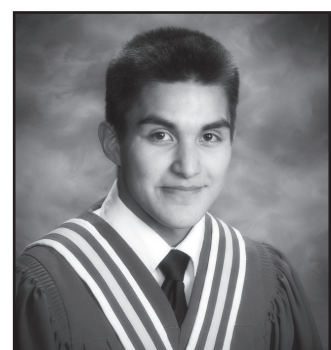
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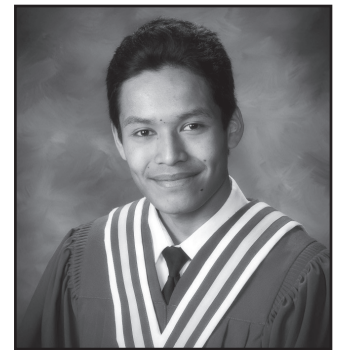
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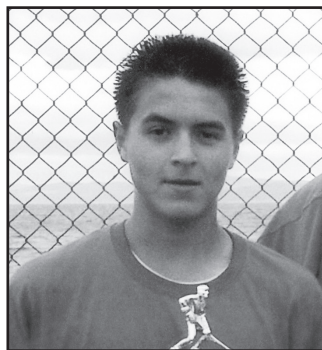
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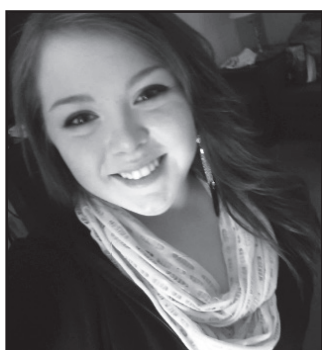
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BLAKE HARRY



CYNTHIA HACKETT



CAITLYNN SMITH



ZOE HARRY



Benefits of Roots of Empathy

*Brenda Pielle
Early Childhood Development Outreach Worker*

It is hard to believe June is already here and soon the school year will be over. I'm wishing for more sunshine and a wonderful Father's Day for all of our families in the community. The love and nurturing from a mother and father sets the stage for healthy development for our babies. There is a program delivered in our schools that bases its message on the loving relationship between parents and babies. "Roots of Empathy" is a classroom - based program that teaches young children the skills of expressing their feelings, and understanding the feelings of others. The "Roots of Empathy" program was created in Canada by a woman named Mary Gordon.

This program involves bringing a baby and one or both parents in to the classroom and having the children learn from observing the baby. The baby becomes the teacher for the session, and the students learn about infant development, and about how to nurture and care for a baby. By watching the interactions between the baby and the parents, children learn about the special bond of love that encircles an infant. The baby is unable to speak, but the children learn what parents do to try to understand what the baby is communicating by the baby's actions, sounds, and facial expressions. The students learn to "tune in" to the baby's cues just as the baby's parents are tuned in to what the baby's needs are. Through these lessons, the students then learn to pay attention to the non verbal communication from their friends and family members. The children learn the skills of empathy and being sensitive to others. Just the way the love and understanding we receive from our own parents helps us to give the same to other people in our lives.

This year it has been my pleasure to have parents Devin Pielle and Gary Gonzales share their baby, Amaya with the kindergarten class at James Thomson, and to have Ayla August and Brandon Warren share their baby, Logan, with the grade seven students at Henderson School. Both of these families have given their time and have allowed the students to get to know their beautiful babies. The students have learned about keeping babies safe and have talked a lot together about different feelings.

The benefits of the Roots of Empathy program have been studied by a researcher at UBC. The program has been found to be effective in reducing bullying in schools. To me it speaks to the importance of teaching kindness and love to our children. Many of our traditional teachings are based on this same concept of respect for others.

Roots of Empathy started in Powell River in 2005 so the first students who received the program in their kindergarten year are now in grade eight. In order to be part of the program, babies need to be born in June, July, or August so that the baby is two, three, or four months old when the visits to the classroom start in the fall. Over the years many families from Sliammon have participated in this program, and I'm thankful to each and every one.



Regional and PR Community meetings were held today and yesterday evening to discuss the survey results and the next step will be seeing if funding can be used at a regional level to "bridge the gap". Issues that Sliammon discussed yesterday were "rez dogs", expansion of sea walk, tight roads, no sidewalks, no disability access, drug dealers, etc.....

Brenda moves to Child, Youth and Family Advocate *Thank you for trusting me with your children*

By Brenda Pielle

Parents:

I am writing to let you know that I have made a change in my job. I am now going to be filling the position of Child, Youth, and Family Advocate at Tla'Amin Community Health Services. I have moved from the Sliammon Child Development Centre over to the Health Centre.

I would like to express my appreciation to Tla'Amin Community Health and to all of the community for giving me the opportunity to work as the Early Childhood Development Outreach Worker for the past eleven years. I have enjoyed this position so much. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who have participated in the various activities we have done together. Thank you to all the parents who have trusted me with working with your children either providing rides to daycare or preschool, applying fluoride varnish on your little ones' teeth, or interacting with your children at the

gym, the swimming pool, the playground at the waterfront, the preschool, the school, or the Child Development Centre. It has been such a pleasure and privilege to work with our families who have had children between zero to six years of age. I'm glad I will still be in the community to continue to enjoy watching your children grow and develop over the years.

I'm very pleased to be continuing to work for TCHS in a supportive role with children, youth, and families. My position will involve helping families who have children requiring some extra supports or special needs. For now I am learning about all that this job entails and I will keep you updated in future newsletters as to activities or workshops that will be planned over the coming months.

Best wishes to everyone in the community for a wonderful Father's Day on June 15th, and a great Aboriginal Day on June 21st.



WALK THE TALK

Health Promo 2014

From June 1st 2014– September 30th 2014

Come participate in our walk the talk community event & walk with a band entity staff member for your chance to be entered in the draws

All Sliammon members & residents who walk with any Tla'amin Community Health Staff members at any time for any distance will be entered into a monthly draw for a \$50.00 Gift card, at the end of each month, leading up to a grand prize at the end of the program for a \$100.00 Gift card.

Come one, come all! Get your walkin boots ready! Let's get together for a strong community!! Walk with the staff & children at CDRD, walk with Sandra who is always walking– let's face it, walk with John on his morning walk and wave to his pet bear

Let's walk together for a healthier future!!

PERMANENT FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Job Title: Early Childhood Development Outreach Worker

Job Summary: The Early Childhood Development (ECD) Outreach Worker's role is to increase the awareness and knowledge of health education and promotion for children from ages 0 – 6 years, and to increase family and community capacity to nurture children for optimal health in a holistic culturally appropriate manner.

Reports to: Executive Director or designate

Key Duties & Responsibilities:

1. Identifying, assessing and engaging hard to reach high risk families of children 0 to 6 years of age and connecting them to existing programs and services for this age group.
2. Offering ECD –related workshops in the areas of parenting and child development.
3. Outreach – direct contact initiated with children, youth, families or communities for the purpose of engaging in one or more services.
4. Intervention - activities provided to maintain or prompt a planned change in the behaviour, condition or functioning of children, youth and/or families/ caregivers.
5. Training and/or education – range of strategies for imparting knowledge, improving skills and building awareness of resources.
6. Mutual Aid – provision of means whereby youth or caregivers with common concerns connect for the purpose of supporting each other
7. Maintains accurate reports, documents and records and work related documentation
8. Performs other related duties as required.

Job Skills and Abilities:

- Well developed communication, oral and written communication skills
- Knowledge of child development an asset
- Knowledge and understanding of Sliammon First Nation cultural practises related to child rearing
- good organization, time and general management skills
- knowledge of group process and facilitation techniques
- thorough knowledge of the community and its resources
- work well independently and as a team player

Qualifications:

- Completion of a certificate/diploma in Early Childhood Development, Child & Youth Care degree, Social work or related fields
- Equivalent education and experience will be considered
- BC Drivers License & Annual Driver's Abstract
- Successful Criminal Record Check
- Recent TB Test
- First Aid & CPR certification

Additional Information:

This position may be required to work outside normal office hours depending on the needs of the families. Home visits, training and some travel maybe required. This position is a part of the BCGEU collective agreement therefore requires BCGEU membership. This position is open to male and female qualified candidates.

If you are interested in this position, please send a cover letter, resume to the Executive Director, by Friday June 6th, 2014 at noon to:

By email: cynthia.j@taaminhealth.com or
 fax to: 604 – 483 – 2466 Attention Cynthia Jamieson or
 mail to: 4895 Salish Drive, Powell River, BC V8A 0B7 Attention Cynthia Jamieson



Recycling practises have changed. Talk with Wes George about what's in and what's not



PROGRAMS & SERVICES

A Re-union of sorts

Thursday, June 19th

Time: 5:00 – 7:30 pm

Place: Sliammon Salish Centre

By Gail Blaney

Please join us for a light dinner followed by a presentation by SFU Professor Dana Lepofsky and Kassia Zimmerman. Dana will present the results of many years of work that she and Mark Wunsch worked on, resulting in the release of the Hakai Herring School web site.

The website www.Pacificherring.org addresses teachings from knowledge holders from Alaska to Washington, about the cultural and ecological importance of this wee fish.

Kassia would like to present the findings on her Sliammon hunting dog study.



Celebration of Success Thank You's!

The 4th annual Celebration of Success has come and gone and I am pleased to say that many of our students are faring well in their academics. Bravo to all the students who received an award this year. I look forward to seeing you again at next year's event. Just to re-cap, the awards were given using the following criteria:

1. A mark of 'A' or 'B' in science, social studies, language arts, math and Sliammon language.
2. Best Attendance at elementary and high school
3. Highest Sliammon Language mark in primary, intermediate, Jr. High school and Sr. high school
4. Highest average in social responsibility section of report cards in primary grades.

The awards were calculated for each reporting period from September to May!

As stated at the ceremony, there is a noticeable link to higher grades from those students with good attendance. Fostering good attendance at the younger years creates a routine where students don't even question the idea of going to school every day. It is difficult to see kids who are away consistently attempt to catch up with work they have missed. It causes unnecessary stress and even if they do complete the work, they will never get the instructional time back that was provided on the days they were not there.

Congratulations to our Elementary attendance winner who missed 0 days this year!

I would also like to mention the names of a few great citizens who took it upon themselves to help out with the clean up after the Celebration. Even though we had hired a group to do the clean-up, only one member showed up to do the work. Luckily, a young family stepped in and offered to help. A huge Thank you to Tyrone, Tina, Alyssa, Matthew and Madison! You saw what needed to be done and without question, proceeded to help. Thank you also to Kevin Blaney who stayed to help as well. Kind deeds do not go unnoticed!

Story to Song

Quote: "We change the world, one story at a time."

—Richard Wagamese

For all of human history there has been storytelling. It is the most effective and powerful way we humans have of sharing, teaching, and communicating. All tribes, all cultures, and all people tell stories. The old people say there was a time when there were no humans, but before humans there was storytelling.

At one time we all knew our stories. All Sliammon people knew the same stories. All Homalco people knew the same stories. All Klahoose people knew the same stories. And because we all knew our stories, we understood the world through these common stories. The stories taught and guided us and healed us. And, the stories are still there waiting to do their work for those who will listen, sent to us by our ancestors who knew we would need these stories so we could live in a good way.

"The true power of storytelling comes when the moisture of the teller's breath gives life and power to the story." – Roger Fernandez

Many thanks to all who came out to participate in this event! What an amazing 2 days that was! Thank you to all who shared, cooked, wove, drummed, danced, made drums, canoed, hiked, laughed, cried... It was a great 2 days spent hearing the stories and teachings of the land, waters and ancestors. I learned so much from the beautiful story keepers that came. The event was attended by members of Sliammon, Homalco, Qualicum and SD#47. The kids and youth were awesome, well behaved ... the kids enjoyed being kids in nature... And to top it off, we had some students receive 2 school credits and others fulfill their graduation transition hours.

Thank you to those who came and shared story and language. We had many inquisitive young minds asking questions about history, tricksters, plants and medicines, canoe protocol And you enlightened us all in a good way! Karen Galligos, Elsie Paul, Randy Timothy, John Louie, Bev Louie, Erik Blaney. Thank you for your beautiful teachings!

Tla'Amin Community Health Services

Activities Calendar for June

Elders Program

Tuesdays June 3, 17, 24
Time: 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
Contact Jean Daly/HCC staff

Prenatal Program

June 4, 18, 25 10:00 AM -12:00 PM
June 11 Good Food Box pick up
Contact Shelley Clements

Dental Clinic with Dr Machin

June 20 – Call front desk to book an appointment

Adult Immunization Clinic

June 19- Call Shelley to book an appointment

Community Kitchen

Tuesday, June 24 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Contact Jasmine Brown

Girls Group

Tuesdays Girls Group 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM
Contact Shirley

Boys Group

Every Wednesday 3:30 PM -5:30 PM
Contact Shirley

Sweat Lodge (Last One for Two Months)

June 6- Men
June 13 – Women
June 20 – Youth
June 27 – Open (Call to Schedule, John at 604-483-3009)

Primary Care Clinic with NP David

Mondays to Fridays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Tuesday evenings until 8:00 PM – By Appointment Only!



The Culture programs such as basket weaving, carving, and language instruction will start up again in September 2014. We thank you for coming out and participating and hope to see you in September. Have safe and fun summer.

Safety Fair



GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
BRA	ESP	COL	URU
CRO	NED	GRE	CRC
MEX	CHI	CIV	ENG
CMR	AUS	JPN	ITA
GROUP E	GROUP F	GROUP G	GROUP H
SUI	ARG	GER	BEL
ECU	BIH	POR	ALG
FRA	IRN	GHA	RUS
HON	NGA	USA	KOR

World Cup Start on June 12 - July 13th



Ben Gallagher (left) will be in Richmond Virginia from June 12 to 16 to play in the Warrior NSCLA National Cup Field Lacrosse Tournament. Good luck!



Sliammon womans team won third place in their tournament in Duncan

James Thomson May Day Festival



Congratulations to our preschoolers who completed five rounds of swimming lessons



40 Years of Soccer Memories

MLS franchise honoured the 1974 squad on Saturday May 3rd

Vancouver Province, May 1, 2014

Jim Easton was the first coach of the Whitecaps and now lives in North Vancouver on April 29, 2014.

Photograph by: Wayne Leidenfrost, PNG

Jim Easton remembers his first board meeting as coach of the fledgling Vancouver Whitecaps in 1974.

He was in a room with the late Herb Capozzi and “all these high rollers from the city” when the talk turned to tactics.

“How many players do you expect to play in midfield?” someone asked him, as Easton related the tale this week at a coffee shop in North Vancouver.

“I thought, Oh, maybe some of these guys know something.

“They said, ‘You’re only allowed two — your centre forward and your centre half. That’s the way it’s played.’”

Their idea of midfield, it seemed, went back to front, not left to right.

“I thought, ‘God, what am I in for?’” said Easton.

He still loves telling that story in his Scottish brogue.

And the one about the road trip to New York to play the Cosmos, when Bruce Twamley scored an own goal and one of the travelling Caps directors leaped off the bench to yell, “Yaaaaa!”

“It was priceless. I won’t say who it was,” said Easton, who never left Lynn Valley after arriving a few weeks before the Caps’ inaugural season.

He’s looking fit at 73, though he’s just “getting back to normal” after a workplace accident two years ago left him with nine staples in his head, ending his four decades in sales for Team Skyline Sports.

On Saturday, the Caps will honour Easton and the 1974 squad as the club celebrates its 40th anniversary.

The Caps (2-2-4) are hosting the San Jose Earthquakes (1-2-3), the same team they played in their first-ever NASL match, a 2-1 San Jose win at Empire Stadium.

Easton’s looking forward to catching up with old friends. A dozen or so players are expected to attend.

He calls those early days “just a blur now,” but a few things stick out, like his first meeting with Denny Veitch, the late Whitecaps general manager.

Easton came to the West Coast after a playing career with Hibernian and Dundee in Scotland, and then a stint in Miami, playing for the NASL’s Toros. An ex-Hibs teammate had coaxed him across the pond, and then Veitch lured Easton to Vancouver.

“Denny was a good guy,” said Easton. “The first day I met him, he said, ‘I’ll give you a piece of advice about business in North America.’

“He had a left arm, but he didn’t have a right arm. He lost it as a kid. And he said, ‘Always keep your personal credit card in this (right) pocket, and your company credit card in this (left) pocket.’

“It took me a while to get it.”

Easton had the job, no office, a \$50,000 budget including travel, one player signed (Vancouver’s Glen Johnson), and about six weeks to assemble a squad.

The first local game he scouted was Columbus against the North Shore Paul’s, who were so named for Paul Minichiello, the legendary Lonsdale tailor who made the Caps’ suits for the first season.

“I thought, ‘Some of these boys can play,’” said Easton, and that inaugural team was made up mostly of B.C. players, with a sprinkling of Scottish imports, including captain Willie Stevenson, who’d won Liverpool’s first FA Cup, and Bermudan goalkeeper Sam Nusum.

The Caps went 5-11-4 and didn’t qualify for the playoffs,



Our very own Larry Louie was part of the Vancouver Whitecaps dynasty (4th from right)

but Easton enjoyed the challenge — and the company.

“The main thing about it was they were all great kids,” said Easton. “I never had a problem with one of them. Some of the coaches nowadays, dealing with some of these super-stars, it’s horrendous.

“They would have done it for nothing. That was the kind of group we had.”

Easton told a story about his first Christmas in town with his wife, Rae, and their three young boys, two of whom are now firefighters in North Vancouver.

There was a knock on their door and it was one of his players, the late Brian Budd.

“He was dressed as Santa Claus and he had a bunch of presents for the kids,” said Easton. “It’s the first year we were here and we didn’t know anyone. It was just such a beautiful thing to do.”

The Caps’ first coach lasted just two seasons. The team went .500 in 1975 but missed the playoffs again and the club brought in German coach Eckhard Krautzun.

“Like everyone else, you’re hired to be fired,” said Easton, who’d planned on taking a job in San Diego until his oldest son protested.

So they bought a townhouse in Lynn Valley, got their immigration sorted, and Easton, an engineer by trade, started with Team Skyline, who’d launched their clubs and team division.

He’s stayed connected to the game over the years, through his work and through a bit of coaching.

He helped start the junior varsity program at SFU, which he called “a brilliant time.”

A decade ago, Easton ran clinics for 30 kids from the Lil’wat First Nation, also known as the Mount Currie Indian Band.

After they’d raised enough money, he took them to the U.K., where they trained with Hibs, visited the sites, and watched Manchester United practice. Sir Alex himself gave them a grand tour of United’s museum and Old Trafford.

Easton had played with Ferguson as young teenagers with Drumchapel Amateur. They keep in touch.

Serendipitously, Bob Buchan, a local coach who was walking by the interview this week, came over to tell Easton that he’d just met a Mount Currie Band councillor at a soccer clinic.

“You’re a hero in his eyes, I tell you,” said Buchan. “He never stopped talking about you all weekend.”

Buchan had actually tried out for that original Caps squad, but didn’t make the cut.

“It’s nice you still have people who never made the team but are still friends,” said Easton.

Easton and his sons are season-ticket holders. They make it to most games. He likes English-Irish centre back Andy O’Brien for his smart, steady approach.

The younger players “are tremendous, but they’ve got a ways to go,” he said.

He wanted to know what’s wrong with Nigel Reo-Coker.

Easton proudly noted that Caps’ co-owner Jeff Mallett, as a kid, slept in his basement.

Mallett played with Easton’s son, Jim Jr., who went on to play for the 86ers and now lives in the Bay Area, where he’s friendly with Earthquakes coach Mark Watson, another Vancouverite.

Jim Jr. recently had twins, and Easton and wife Rae have just returned from grandparent duties in California, which he happily has time for.

Easton still played until five years ago with an old-timers team — “We’d play anyone who’d play us,” he said — but those days are over. A girls team took over the field at Boulevard Park in North Van, which has since been repurposed and renamed.

“That did us in completely,” he said.

Now he’s content to watch, local games or on TV. He follows his old teams, Hibs and Dundee. He keeps up on the modern game.

He brought up Barcelona defender Dani Alves, who on Sunday responded to having a banana thrown at him by peeling and eating it on the field.

“What a great answer,” said Easton. “Fabulous. He handled it so well.”

Reflecting on 40 years ago, he had only one regret: that he couldn’t convince the board to sign Charlie Cooke, the longtime Chelsea winger who’d played with Easton at Dundee and wanted to come to Vancouver.

Cooke signed with the L.A. Aztecs instead.

“Him and George Best came up here and beat the Whitecaps on their own,” said Easton.

But there are only good memories of those early days, he said. It was a learning curve for him, too.

“It was absolutely enjoyable, and sometimes you don’t get a chance to say thanks to everyone that was involved.

“And we’re glad we stayed.”

In Loving Memory of Adam Dwayne Louie

*Every day in some small way
Memories of you come our way.
Though absent, you are always near
still missed, loved and always dear.
Your presence we miss,
Your memory we treasure,
Loving you always,
Forgetting you never.
No farewell words were spoken,
No time to say goodbye,
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God can tell us why.
Your life was a blessing
your memory a treasure...
You are loved beyond words
and missed beyond measure...
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by we miss you more,
Until we meet again dear brother Adam Star*



Part of Us ...

We thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday and the day before that too.

We think of you in silence. We often say your name.
But all we have are memories and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake, with which we'll never part.
Our Creator has you in His keeping. We have you in our hearts.

We shed tears for what might have been. A million times we've cried.
If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died.

In life we loved you dearly. In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place, no one can ever fill.

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you, the day our Creator took you home.



*Makara Joann Gallagher
April 24 - June 20, 2012*

Congratulations to the Grads of 2014

I would like to congratulate all of the Sliammon Grads of 2014. Well done on reaching your Grade 12 milestone and good luck in your future studies and employment. Enjoy this time. Be safe. Also kudos to the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and family who have supported the fine young people. Would also like to acknowledge any and all of our post secondary students (university, college and trade) that have completed your studies this year. Congratulations.

Councillor Denise Smith

2014 World Cup Starts June 12th



DJ Hanson Band

June 6 & 7th
10:00 pm - 2:00 am

Saturday Afternoon Jam

Westview Hotel
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Fernando Fundraising Continues for Hockey Registration

- 50/50 Draw winner was Marlane Christensen \$125.00, Thank you to all supported Fernando.
- Any donations for beer bottle drive are still welcome!! Early hockey registration is in mid June, i would like to start fundraising again thanks, (mom)
- Any one who would like to have their car/truck, boat washed, yard work etc, call Fernando
- 414-0936
- There's some very good hockey camps out there in BC, I would like to start fundraising for his trips & hockey camps yet to come, any suggestion's donations are welcome, emote..

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Mermaids and starfish float through the beautiful sea to celebrate the birthday of a 4-year old that's super special to me!

Tia Francis May 30th Stacey Francis May 31st
Love Sheena Rossi

Happy Birthday to Sofia Marie Blaney who turns 5 on June 15th

Love Dad, Mom, Leo, Naya and Hunny

Happy 4th Birthday!
Kendall Love Dad, Mom & Big Bro Braedyn



Happy 21st birthday Travis

Life has just truly begun.
Hope and wish your dreams
come true along the way,

Love mom & dad, Blake, Brad and family



Aboriginal Day
June 21st
"Unleash your Kaymixw"

Happy Fathers Day
June 15th



Happy Birthday Nanny Glo ♥

Wishing you a day filled with Love, Laughter and Happiness on June 20th

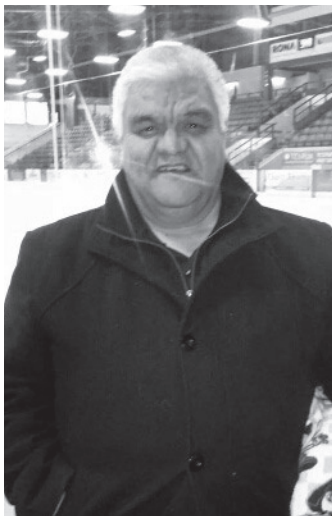
Love, Silas, Kiara, Trinidi & Cecil



Happy Birthday Auntie Marina

June 1st

Love your Bros, Jodie, Stacia, Jacob, My Sweet Baboo and Maximus Handsomest



*Dad You Mean the World to Me
There's No One Else on Earth
Like a Dad!
One that gives so quietly,
and loves so deeply!
Thank you for being there for me
and my children!
Thank you for playing such a BIG ROLE
in your grandchildren's day to day lives!!!*

Any man can be a Father but it takes a real man to be a Dad!!

Happy Birthday Dad on June 19th & a Very Happy Father's Day!

Love, Belinda, Silas, Kiara, Trinidi and Cecil



Happy 9th Birthday Kiara on May 19th!

Hope your birthday was everything you hoped it would be!!

Love Mom

I would like to wish my brothers Lee (June 20) and Roy (June 14) and my sister Delana (June 13) a very happy birthday and Happy Anniversary to my husband Wayne (June 27th and 24 years).

Love Denise

Happy 27th birthday Chris & happy 25th birthday William on June 9th also happy 20th birthday Austin on June 19th, words cannot explain how proud we are of our find young men you became.

Lots of love Teresa Laurie & family