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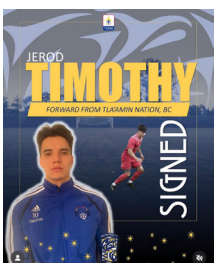
MAY 2023

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Tla'amin Thunder Rumbles Easter Tournament in Victoria



Congratulations to our 10 and under division champions on winning all their games in Victoria defeating Sts'Ailes (Chehalis) in the final.



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Tla'amin Governance House Updates

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VICTORIA DAY

May 22nd

Governance House will be closed

Message from Hegus John Hackett



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April 20th, 2023, the Shíshálh Nation released an update on the Archaeological Research Project including the results of the Ground Penetrating Radar Investigation.

It is news that we have been preparing for since May 2021 when the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc announced that the remains of 215 children were found buried at the site of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School, and work that continues across the country at all former residential school sites.

Our hands are raised to Shíshálh Nation for their commitment and resolve to work through this unimaginable process. As hard as this information is to finally hear being spoken about publicly, it creates space for all of us to begin to reconcile a painful history that continues to impact us as Tla'amin people, families, and our community. Our teachings, our Ta'ow, which give us the tools we need to hold each other up and create healthy connections.

One way of honoring the memory of all the children that did not make it home is to do our best to support the survivors and intergenerational survivors who did. This heartbreaking announcement is almost beyond comprehension and as Tla'amin workers it's critical that we move forward together to help our community heal.

Ti'skwat Specific Claims Reassessment

Tla'amin leadership invited representatives from the Government of Canada for a meeting to discuss the reassessment of Tla'amin's Specific Claim to tisk'wat. We started this meeting with a site visit to tisk'wat that included a brushing, a prayer and background stories of tisk'wat.

The goal of this project is to have Tla'amin's specific claim be accepted by the federal government, and for the federal government to acknowledge and provide compensation for the illegal alienation of our lands at tisk'wat.

This Specific Claim relates to Canada's failure to protect the land and resource interests of the Tla'amin Nation during the reserve allocation process that happened in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

In the late 19th and early 20th century, Canada undertook to set reserves aside for First Nations in British Columbia, to provide them with a land base to meet their populations' requirements, and to protect sites to which they were necessary for their social, cultural and economic well-being. During this period, and in breach of its undertaking, Canada failed to reserve the Tla'amin Nation's tisk'wat lands and the timber resources surrounding the village. As a result of this omission, these lands were purchased unlawfully, and the Tla'amin People were displaced from these lands.

If Canada acknowledges that Tla'amin was displaced unlawfully, we will be able to move the discussion to negotiate an appropriate compensation that will be acceptable to Tla'amin Nation.

MP Rachel Blaney proposes North Island-Powell River be renamed to North Island-Qathet

As you probably know, place names have long been a contentious issue for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in the province, and in many other countries negatively affected by colonialism.

The regional district and the City of Powell River were both named after Israel Powell, BC's first Superintendent of Indian Affairs. In this role, Powell was responsible for advancing oppression and colonialism against Indigenous peoples in BC, including the implementation of residential schools throughout the province. Using Powell in the name of the electoral district is hurtful to our people and is not representative of the region – of the diversity of the region.

Our government has a strong and long-standing relationship with Rachel Blaney's office. We met with Rachel Blaney last September to share an update about our name change project and discuss the possibility of renaming the electoral district.

We appreciate the initiative that Rachel and her office are taking to make positive change in the region and to take advantage of every available opportunity to support reconciliation with our Nation and our sister nations.

Tla'amin Legislative Assembly Approved Important Treaty Amendment – Section 87 Tax Exemption

Special sessions of the Legislative Assembly were called on April 21 and April 28, 2023, to begin the process of amending our treaty to implement a significant and positive change for our Nation.

As many of you would have heard, after years of intense pressure from First Nations with treaties, in July 2022 Canada finally announced a major policy change regarding the extension of the section 87 tax exemption for Tla'amin Citizens and status Indians on residing on former reserve lands. The policy change enables the continuation of the tax exemption under section 87 of the Indian Act in modern treaties. This change impacts on both Nations in treaty negotiations and Nations, like Tla'amin, with concluded treaties.

To implement this policy change, we needed to amend our treaty. These amendments need to be in place before May 2024 to avoid major implementation challenges.

The treaty amendments are set out in an "amending agreement" signed by all parties.

The process for consenting to treaty amendments is a bit different for each party to the treaty:

- Canada must pass an order in council (approved by Cabinet alone).
- BC's Legislative Assembly must pass a resolution (so they must be in session).
- Tla'amin's Legislative Assembly must pass a resolution adopted by a majority of the elected members of Tla'amin Government.

We were recently advised that the BC Government's window for passing a resolution in spring 2023 is very short as the BC Legislative Assembly is only scheduled to sit until May 11. For this reason, we are making every effort to move forward with our approval of the amendments as quickly as we can.

By way of background, other treaty nations like the Tsawwassen First Nation and the five Maa-nulth First Nations have signed similar amending agreements with Canada and BC in recent weeks.

The resolution to amend the treaty and extend the tax exemptions passed on April 28 and will ensure that our tax exemptions continue for future generations.

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council supports proposed electoral boundary change.

Rachel Blaney, elected Member of Parliament for the North Island-Powell River region has proposed an updated name for the North Island-Powell River electoral boundary name to the Boundary Commission, who is responsible for adjusting boundaries every 10 years. The proposed name is "North Island-qathet." The name qathet means "working together." This name was gifted to the regional district in 2017 by Tla'amin Nation Elders.

In a statement to Chek News, MP Blaney shares that "Instead of having a riding that highlights just one community of 11 municipalities and over 20 Indigenous communities, I wanted to see the whole region represented in the name."

"The proposed electoral riding name change is a small and tangible step on our reconciliation pathway, but is one that will have great impact for Tla'amin Nation and our citizens," says Hegus John Hackett. "Israel Wood Powell, for whom the City is named after, has caused deep suffering in our community, which continues to affect us to this day. Tla'amin Nation appreciates MP Rachel Blaney's ongoing support and reconciliatory effort her office shows for our community and our Sister Nations through initiatives like this."

Leaders from the Alliance of BC Modern Treaty Nations meet with Premier Eby

On April 13th, Leaders from the BC Modern Treaty Nations met with Premier Eby, to discuss areas of shared concerns among the modern treaty nations. Topics of discussion included the whole of government approach necessary for the implementation of modern treaties and other related issues to treaty implementation overall. The Premier and his Ministers made commitments to follow up on the concerns of Alliance Leadership. This meeting with the Premier is an annual commitment as outlined in the Shared Priorities Framework, which was committed to in the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act (DRIPA) Action Plan, released March 30th 2022.

The DRIPA Action Plan can be viewed here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/indigenous-people/new-relationship/united-nations-declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples/implementation>

More information on the Alliance of BC Modern Treaty Nations is available here: <https://moderntreatyalliancebc.ca/>



Leaders of the BC Modern Treaty Nations share a photo with Premier Eby in Tsawwassen on April 13, 2023. Hegus John Hackett, Executive Councillor Dillon Johnson, and Executive Councillor Lori Wilson were present to represent Tla'amin Nation at this meeting.

tisk^wat Specific Claims Reassessment



Tla'amin leadership invites representatives from the Federal Government of Canada for reassessment of Tla'amin's Specific Claim.

With the recent closure of the tisk^wat Paper Excellence Mill and the planned sale of the mill site, the Tla'amin Nation, reaffirms our collective title to "Lot 450", including the current site of the tisk^wat Paper Excellence Mill lands.

Tla'amin people were forcibly removed from this site during colonization in the 1800's, and the land known as Lot 450 was set aside for the purposes of resource extraction and economic development by settlers. In 1874, a land speculator named Robert Paterson Rithet purchased Lot 450 without Tla'amin Nation's knowledge or consent. Soon thereafter the river was dammed and the mill was established. Tla'amin Nation has always protested the theft of this land and will continue to press for appropriate restoration of these lands and waters.

For the past 100 years, we have mourned the loss of the sockeye salmon run at tisk^wat

and θaʔyeł (thah-yetl) (Powell Lake). There are still questions surrounding the future of salmon at tisk^wat. The contaminated land, water, and dam make it hard to support the restoration of sockeye at this location, which used to be one of the biggest sockeye runs in the world.

Tla'amin asserts that in the over 100 years of wrongdoing, we have never conceded our claim to this land. We call on our friends, our neighbours and our treaty partners to acknowledge this wrong-doing and acknowledge the necessity for redress and reconciliation at the tisk^wat Mill site.

Our Treaty protects our Nation's right to submit a specific claim to the tisk^wat mill site. We have never given up our claim to this land. We want the world to know that this is our land where our people have thrived for thousands of years, relying on the resources that have now been depleted throughout our territory and will fight to get it back for our people, our Nation, and for the benefit of everyone who lives in our beautiful traditional homelands.

Tla'amin Nation Mourns the Ones Who Never Made it Home.

Shishálh Nation Releases Initial Findings from the Former St. Augustine Residential School Property

Between 1904 and 1975 hundreds of Tla'amin children and youth attended St. Augustine's Indian Residential School and not all of them made it home. This morning, Shishálh Nation released the results of ground penetrating radar investigations at St. Augustine's Indian Residential School.

"This is an important first step in facing the truth, of speaking out loud what our members have known for years," says Hegus John Hackett. "With these findings, our community and families can begin to heal from the traumas experienced and passed down through generations as a result of the St. Augustine's Indian Residential School."

It's important for Tla'amin survivors and their families of St Augustine's to know that you are not alone

Help is available here:

- ʔaj̓met Harm Reduction Circle 604-413-3344
- KUU-US Crisis Line 1-800-588-8717
- Indian Residential School Survivors Society provides access to counselling, cultural and emotional support services to former students of residential and day schools, and their families, regardless of status. Call toll-free 1-800-721-0066 or visit www.irsss.ca

We thank Shishálh Nation for carrying this heavy work according to Shishálh law and protocol. Residential school survivors today still speak of how Shishálh people did their best to care for, feed, and offer their love to Tla'amin kids who were far from home. Your continued care for our children and community is appreciated.

Links:

Results of the shishálh Ground Penetration Radar: <https://shishalh.com/2023/04/20/results-of-the-shishalh-ground-penetration-radar/>

CEDAR WEAVING

At the Culture portable
(next door to Ahms Ta'ow)

No weaving on May 14th or 21st

We are currently working on give aways for Tribal Journey 2023. We will be making small bark baskets, hearts and other items to gift during protocol. community members who are coming on the journey are encouraged to come and help make these items!

For more information contact sosan.blaney@tn-bc.ca or 778 992 0151

Tla'amin Nation Hires New Territorial Stewardship Manager

Connie Graham ətə nən. tawačkʷ Tiohtià:ke. Həł Andy Graham ʔəłə mənoł. Həł Sandy Spencer ʔəłə tən.

My name is Connie Graham. I am originally from Tiohtià:ke (Montreal, Quebec), in the territory of the Haudenosaunee and Kanien'kehaka (Mohawk) peoples. My father is the late Andy Graham, and my mother is Sandy Spencer. My ancestry is Scottish, Irish, English, French, and German (that I know of), so I like to think of myself as a Euro-Canadian Mutt. I also have a very active sense of humour.

I have just started with Tla'amin Nation as the new Territorial stewardship Manager, taking care of referrals that come in for resource use in ʔəms giɣe. I previously worked for the last 5 years for shishalh Nation in the Rights and Title Department handling referrals there as well. I have been involved with many industries in that time, including forestry, mining, docks and moorages, tourism and trails, land use planning, placename restorations, and more. My education is in anthropology and First Nations Studies. I love languages and hope to learn and use as much of ʔayʔajuəms as possible.



I have three teenagers at home (a girl and 2 boys), which keeps me very busy. I also have a cat, a ball python, and a bearded dragon; I love all animals but have a special soft spot for reptiles. We live in Courtenay in the territory of the K'omoks and Tla'amin Nations. I will be commuting by ferry to the offices at Government House for part of each week and working from home for the rest of the time.

I am so grateful to be joining the team here at Tla'amin and to be given such a great opportunity. I look forward to getting to see more of the beautiful giɣe and serving the Tla'amin community. Həhew ʔi mot taə yeəot. Thank you.



TLA'AMIN COMMUNITY CRAFT NIGHT

Thursdays 5pm-7pm
At the Cultural Portable
(next door to Ahms Ta'ow)

We are currently sewing gifts for Tribal Journey 2023. Community members planning on attending Tribal Journey are encouraged to come out and help make gifts and work on their regalia!

Contact sosan.blaney@tn-bc.ca for more information

Canoe Practice Every Sunday

Time Determined by Tide and Weather





FREE MUSIC
GAMES
POTLUCK

Family Language Night

EVERY TUESDAY!
5PM - 7PM

LOCATION:
CULTURE PORTABLE
(BESIDE AHMS TAH OW SCHOOL)

MONTHLY DOOR PRIZES FOR ATTENDANCE

MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT RANDOLPH AT:
RANDOLPH.TIMOTHY@TN-BC.CA



Tla'amin After School Program Presents:

Calm & Cool Program

with Kara Fogwell
Ages 7 -12

Helpful strategies for children who experience anxiety, worry, and difficulty with regulating their body.

Workshops run from 4pm - 5pm

@ The Cousins House

May 16th, May 30th, June 13th, and June 20th

On behalf of Tla'amin Nation we would to acknowledge the following students in completing their educational goal. Raise my hands to these two students!!

1. **Kobe Galligos** Carpentry Level one (VIU Powell River)
2. **James Timothy** Carpentry Level one (VIU Powell River)

Louise Dominick
Tla'amin Nation Post Secondary Coordinator

SPRING JOB FAIR

Come learn about job opportunities in the qathet region

MAY 4TH - 1PM to 3PM

May The WorkForce Be With You

ARC Community Event Centre

7055 Alberni Street



Employers reserve a table today!

Call 604.485.7958 or email rob@liftcommunityservices.org

May 2023

- May 2 Mountain Bike Club starts
- May 5, 12 & 26 Hot lunch
- May 19 Assumption School Feast Day (No School)
- May 21 Confirmation Mass 10am Assumption Church
- May 22 Victoria Day (No School)
- May 23-26 Camp Homewood Trip for grades 7-9
- May 30 K-2 classes visit to Tla'amin Elders' Luncheon



Congratulations to all of our Cross-Country runners in the district meet on April 13th!



Meet Kindergarten Teacher Miss Angela De Vita

Peaceful, inclusive classrooms • Partnering with Tla'amin
Preschool to Grade 9



assumptionpr.ca
604-485-9894



This program is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES



DID YOU KNOW? Tla'amin Nation has other Facebook pages you should see!

Tla'amin Nation Facebook Pages

Tla'amin Nation has two active Facebook pages. One is for **citizens/members only** and one is public. Meeting notices, announcements and important information are often shared through Facebook so please make sure to join the **private page** shown below.

Here is a visual to help you find it:



Search Facebook

Find the "Search Facebook" engine and enter: Tla'amin Nation Membership, click JOIN



Tla'amin Nation Membership

Private group · 552 members

PRIVATE PAGE

+ Invite

Browse

Manage 20+



PUBLIC PAGE



Tla'amin Nation

3.4K likes · 4.4K followers

Some other Nation Facebook pages to follow:



Tla'amin Community Recreation

245 followers · 4 following



Tla'amin Child & Youth Wellness



Tla'amin Fire Department



Tajmet Harm Reduction Circle



Thichum Forest Products LP



Tla'amin Urban Peoples Forum



Tla'amin Healthy Families (Tajews group)



Tla'amin Convenience Store

Health and Wellness

EH KWA'A'NUNS KYE'AMIEUX
 "When the people in our community are well again, all around us will also be well."

Itstartswithme

Head to PRHOSPICE.ORG, scroll down and click the link "Click here to register a team or make a donation to the 2023 Walk for Hospice" then click DONATE NOW and assign donation to team Tla'amin Elders select an amount and enter your details!

WALK, RUN, HIKE OR BIKE
For Hospice

JOIN US VIRTUALLY
MAY 7-14, 2023

This year's event will be taking place virtually. Create a team with your friends or colleagues, or participate by yourself. Walk, run, hike or bike anywhere you like, anytime you like, and collect pledges to help support Four Tides Hospice Society (formerly Powell River Hospice Society)!

The funds raised in the 2023 Hike for Hospice, from March 22 to May 14, will be used solely for the purposes of financing the ongoing operational and programming costs in our 2023/24 fiscal year, starting July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

If you have any questions or need help registering, contact admin@prhospice.org.

Please note that you are also free to make a donation anytime without actually participating in this event. All funds raised go towards sustaining the operations of Four Tides Hospice Society.

PRHOSPICE.ORG



Elders Corner

Tla'amin Elders Coordinator

Doreen Hopkins
 604-483-3009

(leave a message and I will return your call)

Hospice Walk: May 14th, 2023 – 3rd year.

Tla'amin Elders supporting Fundraiser for Powell River Hospice

Please make your pledge to Doreen Hopkins – you can either walk with us or support us by pledging.

Luncheon: May 16th, 2023

Location: Tla'amin Health Building

Time: 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m

Guest: TBD

Luncheon: May 30th, 2023

Location: Gym

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm

Guests: Assumption School – to sing songs in Tla'amin language

Cheh eht Thum Kwa'no meh

Free Tla'amin Swim and Skate at Recreation Complex

These activities is for our Tla'amin members

- The swim is open 7 days a week at the complex.
- This includes, the exercise room, aquacise & skating with skate rentals included.
- These programs are open with the complex hours.

When signing in with these activities, make sure you are signing with family, if you have your child/ren, grandchild, a family member.

This helps to ensure we are cutting down some costs. The sheet has area for all ages, can you make sure you print or write clearly. Please don't let your child sign in.

For information: Dawna Pallen, Health Promotion
604.483.3009 extension 104



čičyε Circle meeting

(28 March 2023)

Present: Chair: Ryan Pielle. Members: John Louie, Alex Point, Doreen Point, Sally Dominick, Gladys Osawamick, Pauline Paul, Brenda. Support: Janet Newbury
Opening Prayer and check ins

Terms of reference (ToR)

- Reviewed and approved revisions
- Discussed orientation process for new members. Include: ToR, work to date, confidentiality, understanding MCFD and changes that are happening, potential Elder-in-residence program, and important priorities in this work (ie. keeping families together; creating cultural connections; protocol; listening; creating comfort and healing; support for the parents, family, and child).

Respectful workplace policy

- Reviewed and discussed Nation-wide policy

łayšetštəm ʔəms čičuy Working Group meeting

(29 March, 2023)

Present: Chair: Ryan Pielle. Members: Tabatha Berggren, Cindy Mitchell, Janet Newbury

Check ins

Path to jurisdiction

While the province still has jurisdiction over child and family services, we are working to improve the experiences of Tla'amin children and families by developing agreements to increase Tla'amin involvement. To this end, we have signed a local protocol agreement with MCFD, and are currently negotiating a provincial agreement. In the meantime, the Tla'amin Nation will continue doing internal work to build up our services and plans for the future to ready us to exercise full jurisdiction.

- The group workshopped particular questions to inform the current provincial agreement negotiations.

Cultural safety

- Discussion around what changes people's minds and ways of working, and format for training that is most effective.

Action items

- Explore the possibility of a visit from the Ombudsperson Pathfinder for Vancouver Coastal region, to inform Tla'amin Nation front line staff about how to make a complaint about provincial or local public services.
- Find out if the Tla'amin cultural awareness orientation videos can be shared with outside agencies.

Next meeting: 25 April, 2023

Interim agreements with MCFD

- Circulated and discussed the updated local protocol agreement, draft 92.1 agreement, and next steps
- Advice was provided to guide negotiation process

Action items

- Email members who were absent from meeting with next meeting date
- Circulate list of existing members at next meeting
- Schedule an orientation session for new members
- Follow up on Elder-in-residence program conversation
- Submit ToR for final approval
- Arrange for photos to be taken and personal bios to be written at the next meeting
- Arrange an honouring ceremony

Next meeting: April 27, 2023

Child and Family Services reform: Community engagement update

While the Tla'amin Nation pursues jurisdiction over child and family services (CFS), we are integrating feedback from Tla'amin people to ensure the process reflects community interests. So far, we have drawn input from the following sources:

- 15 focus groups and 153 survey responses related to the Health and Wellness Plan (2021)
- interviews with people who have lived experience with the child welfare system (2023)
- 14 participants in a čičyε Circle workshop – and a second one is scheduled (2023)
- 13 participants in drop-in staff information sessions (2023)
- In the coming months, we will also be inviting community members to participate in the following:
- Focus groups for parents of young children (June, 2023)
- A community knowledge exchange with Carrier Sekani Family Services (June, 2023)
- A community survey (TBD)

Thank you to everyone who has participated so far. We have learned a lot from those who have participated, and look forward to continued learning and planning. We are excited to share back what we have heard during the community knowledge exchange, and in other ways.



This month's čičyε circle teaching

"I love children. Even though Alex and I had seven children, there seemed to be extra children all the time in our home. That's where they came after school - it was the kids' hang out. I was



cooking for 15 people at dinner time regularly, so it was nothing new: the big family, the huge meals, the bread. It seemed like I was always out of bread!

One boy - he didn't have anywhere to go, so he ended up staying with us until he came of age. He became like family to all the kids. And then over time we added on other relatives who lived with us. We legally adopted several of them, to get them out of the system.

I always taught my children to clean, do dishes, do their laundry, make their beds. If someone is coming in, clean your room as if your best friend is coming. As they got a little older, I wanted them to excel in school, so I would give them 20 dollars and say 'don't tell the other kids.' But little did they know I gave it to each of them too! I called it my incentive money, and everybody felt really special. I was a real stickler about birthdays, too – special days for all the children. That's something we never had at residential school. And I think that's one of the main reasons why birthday parties were so important in our family. Even if I had to put five names on this big cake, I always made sure they got the piece with their name on it. Things like that that brightened their day, brightened their lives. And Alex trained the young boys in a soccer league. He was always there for them. They were good, happy times; it was fun!

And my love for children continued. I worked as a teacher's aid and loved it. Even though I was dealing with alcoholism at the time, these children were like medicine for me. They're like healing medicine that makes you forget why you are upset. So, I loved my job, I loved working there. Then in 1999, I was one of six women who founded the Federation of Aboriginal Foster Parents. I was vocal for the children. It was exciting and challenging, and it made a world of difference.

When I read all the letters I've received from the children over the years, I feel good. And sometimes I get emotional, and that's where my quilt comes in handy. If you were a residential school survivor you could get a quilt that a group of women made. So a lot of the times when I'm upset, I'll wrap myself in that quilt, and do you know? It's almost like somebody's holding me. So that's what I do to make myself feel better."



Doreen Point, Les Pet čičyε circle member

COVID-19 Spring Booster Vaccine

Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Location: Tla'amin Salish Centre

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



A Spring Booster is recommended for those who have had their previous Covid booster 5+ months ago and are:

- 70+ years (Indigenous); 80+ years (Non-Indigenous)
- 18+ years old and immune suppressed (cancer treatment, immunosuppressant therapy, organ transplant etc.)
- 50+ with health conditions such as severe respiratory disorder, cancer, diabetes with insulin treatment etc.
- 50+ Indigenous with no history of having Covid disease.
- 60+ Non-Indigenous with no history of having Covid disease.

BOOKING OPTIONS:

1. Book your own appointment online at: tlaamin-health.janeapp.com
2. Call Health at 604.483.3009 and we can set up an appointment.
3. Family Champion or Lead: A family member gathers names of those in your family who want to be vaccinated. Your lead can either book family appointments online or call Tla'amin Health to book.

qahə mštə m tums qʷ ayəgən. - to lift our spirits

IN HONOUR OF THE MISSING AND MURDERED
INDIGENOUS WOMEN, GIRLS, MEN AND TWO SPIRITED



May 5, 2023

qahəmštəm tums qʷayəgən-Lifting Spirits-Walk & Candle light Vigil
May 5, 2023

Place: Willingdon Beach

Time: Meet 5:30 with signs, start walk 6:00pm Leave City Hall to Willingdon Beach – In support of families impacted ...and to raise awareness on stopping the violence against women world wide.

This event is supported by:



May Class Theme's

titol čičeyiš Little Hands	ʔəʔəmaš jłšjłšən Walking Feet	či čuy Preschool	Afterschool Program Standing Together
Numbers	Bugs and grubs and their life cycles Mothers Day	Mothers Day Baby farm Animals	Bugs Mother's day
	 		 



Education Opportunity as a Dental Therapist

The Bachelor of Science in Dental Therapy [BSc(DT)] program is offered by the USask College of Dentistry in partnership with the Northern Inter-Tribal Health Authority (NITHA), Saskatchewan Polytechnic, and Northlands College. It is also open to BC First Nations.

Quick facts

- Two-year degree
- Full-time program
- You can enter this program directly from high school
- This program is offered at multiple locations

Dental therapists provide operative, pediatric, endodontic, periodontic and oral surgery clinical care, along with preventive treatment and health education. Dental therapists work at different levels including: individual patients when providing dental care, classroom groups when providing health education, and with entire communities when organizing community wellness events.

The BSc(DT) program focuses on dental care for all Canadians. It is offered in six consecutive terms over two years instead of the usual three years of study, allowing students to enter the workforce after the shortest possible time of study. The program uses cutting-edge technology with haptic dental simulators in four campus locations (Saskatoon, La Ronge & Prince Albert)

Admission requirements and deadlines

Both Indigenous and non-Indigenous applicants are welcome to the BSc(DT) degree program. Student selection criteria will focus on Indigenous students. All seats are open to both agency-sponsored and non-agency-sponsored applicants. Priority will be given to Indigenous, agency-sponsored applicants who meet the program's admission requirements.

Deadlines

Start term :Application deadline
 Fall 2023: May 15, 2023
 Documents due: June 1, 2023

Dental clinics are Friday, May 12th, Wednesday May 24th, Friday May 26th and Wednesday May 31st.

Child Development Resource Center & čičuy ?aye Children House Monthly Calenda						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 National Teachers Appreciation Day	3 Anneke Physio services	4	5 Emergency Safety event at Salish center with Jenny freeman	6
	8 Moe the Mouse in čičuy Preschool	9	10 REMINDER Early Closure @ 2:00pm Alyssa Speech and Languages and Language fun story time Nancy - OT Services	11 For staff professional Development	12 for staff professional Development	13
14 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	15 Mothers Day Brunch	16	17 Anneke Physio services	18	19 Chris Lightfoot Speech and language services	20
21	22 Victoria Day statutory holidays	23 Orca Bus @ CDRC parking Lot 10- 11:30	24 Pop up Bike Safety Event * prizes * Alyssa Speech and Languages an Language fun story time Nancy - OT Services	25	26	27
28	29 Parent Tot Swim Lesson* Maximum in class: 10 To sign up please e-mail : gina.francis@tn-bc.ca	30	31			

Family Support & Wellness Program

Tuesdays: Women's Wellness Program 10 – 1pm Education Trailer
 This program provides a safe environment for women to set healthy goals and build new habits.

May 30th – Men's breakfast from 8 30 am – 930 am Education Trailer. Last Tuesday of each month

Wednesdays Support Circle 5 – 7 pm Health Building
 Providing safe space for community members in need of support for their grief, loss or stresses in their lives. Help comes from sharing with peers/Elder guidance, problem solving and coping skills as well as therapeutic activities which include a memorial album, memorial walks, cultural teachings.

Thursdays: Women's Social & Crafts
 Women can come visit with others and learn crafts projects or if you have unfinished projects. Peer support, guest speakers, language/culture, community events.

May 4th -Grandparents Support Group First Thursday of each month 5 – 7pm (light dinner) Tla'amin Health
 The group meets once a month to provide space for grandparents to share and support one another regarding concerns for their grandchildren. Information sharing.


Upcoming Events

May 24 – 26th Women's Wellness Event. Salish Centre from 9 am – 3pm

These days will be focused on women's health and self-care activities. More information will be brought forward once services have been confirmed. **Friday dinner 5 – 7pm will be a Tribute to late Mary Harry**

May 26th Community members sharing their musical talents. 1 – 4 pm Salish Centre

Call Sally for more information on any of these programs 604.483-3009





AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM @ THE COUSINS HOUSE

WHEN?
Monday to Friday
3 - 4:45

WHO?
Children & Youth ages 7 - 12

WHAT?

Youth receive a healthy snack and take part in activities such as soccer, games, tutoring, art, and more.

UPDATES:
Check our Facebook page for updates on programs. "Tla'amin Community Recreation"

REMINDERS:

- Water Bottles Recommended
- Dress for the weather (jacket if it rains)

CITIZENSHIP & MEMBERSHIP

The Citizenship Registrar is updating addresses from the Tla’amin Citizens. Have you moved lately? Changed your phone number or email address? Changed your surname?

To assist the process, we are hoping you can call or email Kylie Paul directly with any new updates regarding:

- Name
- Address
- Phone
- Email



Do you need a new Harvest card or Citizenship card?

Applications are available at the admin front desk area or can be sent to you via email.

I can work with you to create a citizenship card long distance and I can mail completed cards to our citizens who reside not in community.

Please remember to bring in your firearms license in with your application if you have it.

You must have a valid HARVESTING CARD for fishing this summer. Please contact Kylie to renew.

REPORT YOUR CATCH ON THE HARVESTING APP!

Membership

Do you need a new status card?

-Kylie can assist you with filling out the forms for the SCIS (Secure Certificate of Indian Status) card. This card is valid 5 years for children and 10 years for adults.

-The turnaround time for a card is estimated to be a little bit longer than usual. Current estimate of time for receiving a card back is 15 weeks.

-For adults (16+), you will need valid ID to be included with your application. The BC ID card, Service card, or Driver’s license works best.

-For children (15 and under), parents ID is used.

-Kylie uses an iPad and government app for photos for the new status cards in my office.

Please call or email to set up an appointment!

Registration for Babies

Please remember to register your little ones within the first year. Kylie can help you process the registration for Indian status and citizenship.

YOU NO LONGER HAVE TO SEND AWAY ORIGINAL BIRTH DOCUMENTS

Kylie Paul, Citizenship
 CITIZENSHIP@TN-BC.CA
 MEMBERSHIP@TN-BC.CA
 (604) 483-9646
 EXTENSION: 122

All information received by the Tla’amin Government are subject to confidentiality and privacy protection. Data collected by the Tla’amin Government are meant only for the administration of internal programs.

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Let's Talk Trash.ca

WHAT IS WASTE?



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WIPES CLOG PIPES

While it's tempting to send all our undesirables down the toilet, we shouldn't necessarily rush to flush. Filters and pumps at waste water treatment plants get stressed when anything other than human waste and toilet paper are sent their way. With the variety of products on the market and mixed messaging from social conditioning, we may understandably be confused about what goes where.

A growing number of products are flooding the market these days – some with the tempting but false promise of being flushable or compostable. In truth, there are no standards for these types of labels, so many products get lumped into the same category, even though they behave very differently down the drain. Fortunately, many of us are waking up to these tricks and are choosing products and disposal methods that are a better fit.

Here is a quick list of what we should not be flushing:

1. Wipes of any kind (baby, hand, countertop), even if labeled flushable. Instead, opt for a sealable container next to the toilet for disposable wipes, or aim for Zero Waste by using washable wipes made of terry cloth that can be sterilized before reuse.
2. Mop or sweeper head mats are even more of a nuisance than wipes, being similar in make up but even larger and more likely to plug things up.

3. Paper towels. These are perfect for a backyard composters or any municipal composting program, whether they are bleached or not. Many offices are making a separate collection bin for these in their washrooms, labeled 'paper towels only.' Taking these out of the waste stream can reduce garbage at schools and offices by upwards of 25%.

4. Tampons and tampon applicators. Even small tampons have string that can wrap around other flushed items creating a clog. Flushed plastic tampon applicators that make it through the gauntlet of city pipes, can make their way to our shorelines as marine litter.

5. Hair. If you've ever had a clogged shower drain, you may be all too familiar with this no-no. This is fine to add to the compost. If you're cutting a lot off, look into donating hair for wigs, or to a hair salon where it will be used for oil booms to soak up spills. Weird, but true.

6. Dental Floss. Much like hair, it can wrap around other flushed items and become bad news down the line.

7. Condoms. Latex or otherwise, are best suited for the landfill.

8. Food scraps. While garburators help mash them up, even in this form, food scraps are best destined for the compost pile. Beyond straining the drain, in aquatic environments food can create harmful algae blooms.

9. Grease. This acts like glue in municipal pipes and can create 'fatbergs' that have to be seen to be



JAMES THOMSON MAY DAY MAY 19TH

BEAR ATTACK: Are you Prepared to Avoid One?

BE ALERT
MAKE NOISE
CARRY BEAR SPRAY
AVOID HIKING ALONE
DO NOT RUN

- During a surprise encounter - slowly back away
- If the bear charges - stand your ground & use your bear spray
- If the bear attacks during a surprise encounter - play dead
- If the bear persistently stalks you then attacks - fight back
- If a bear attacks you in your tent – fight back

There is no guarantee of your safety in bear country

believed. Small amounts of grease absorbed in a paper towel can go into the compost. Larger amounts can be poured into a can and allowed to cool before placing in the garbage. Wait to put garbage out to the curb until just before pick up to avoid a tempting treat for furry friends.

Some problems can't be flushed away without causing others, think before you send them to the drain. Let's Talk Trash is contracted by the qathet Regional District to deliver its waste reduction education program. Contact them with your waste related questions and inspirations at info@LetsTalkTrash.ca or learn more at LetsTalkTrash.ca.



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Position Summary

Job Type: Full-time, Temporary – One year term

Hours of Work: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm with occasional evenings and weekends

Reporting to: Director of Community Services

Department: Justice Department

Compensation: Commensurate with experience

Closing Date: May 12, 2023

Key Responsibilities

- Provides case and file management by assisting clients and families through legal family matters.
- Provides culturally safe alternative procedures when dealing with legal family matters through mediation, family group conferences and circles.
- Makes appropriate referrals to programs, including cultural resources, to ensure clients and families are receiving the best possible support for their matters.
- Liaises with client's family members and significant others.
- Collaborates with children and youth involved in family and child protection matters.
- Attends and participates in any relevant meetings, conferences, or workshops.
- Raises community awareness about Family Law, the program's services, and the rights of Indigenous people under the *Family Law Act* and other statutes such as the *Child, Family and Community Service Act*.
- Works and collaborates with Indig-

Employment Opportunity

Family Civil Mediator

enous Elders, community partners, family lawyers, court workers, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Parents Legal Centres, Family Justice Counsellors, delegated agencies and other social service organizations in the qathet region.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Demonstrates passion and knowledge of restorative justice and the principles and philosophy of Tla'amin laws and practices.
- Demonstrates ability to take initiative and works independently with limited supervision.
- Demonstrates respect for individuals and groups, with an understanding of the Tla'amin Nation culture.
- Demonstrates emotional intelligence, cultural humility, and trauma-informed practice.
- Maintains confidentiality and security of sensitive information.
- Demonstrates strong interpersonal, listening, and public speaking skills.
- Demonstrates effective written communication skills.
- Experience with organizing events and facilitating meetings and workshops.
- Administrative skills that include report writing, filing, preparation of minutes, etc.
- General knowledge of the family justice system.
- Available to work evenings and weekends as required.

Qualifications

- Relevant post-secondary education and/or equivalent work experience.
- Ability to be registered as a mediator in accordance with the *Family Law Act*.
- Police Information Check deemed satisfactory
- Valid BC driver's license, Driver's Abstract, and reliable vehicle

Working Conditions

Work is performed primarily in an office environment. Occasional travel to attend meetings, workshops and events or training as required.

How to Apply

Please apply online by uploading your resume and cover letter to: <https://tlaaminfirst.bamboohr.com/careers/80>

Or

Drop-off/mail Attention: Human Resources Department, Tla'amin Nation, 4779 Klahanie Rd, Powell River, BC, V8A 0C4

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Position Summary

Job Type: Full-time, permanent

Hours of Work: Monday – Friday, 8:30 – 4:30 (hours may vary based on program needs)

Reporting to: Director of Community Services

Department: Recreation

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

The Recreation Manager coordinates the planning, development, implementation, delivery and administration of comprehensive community recreation, fitness and wellness programs. The Recreation Coordinator will also evaluate all segments of recreation programs for program activity, event and service planning and community development.

Key Responsibilities

Performs all duties and responsibilities in accordance with Tla'amin policies, standards, practices and procedures as directed by the Director of Community Services. Maintains confidentiality as required pertaining to members, clients, employees and general matters of the Nation.

Recreation Program Coordination

- Plans, directs programs, implements, and oversees all facets of wellness, fitness, and culturally related programs and services for the Tla'amin Nation
- Identifies and leads community engagement opportunities for the delivery of community-based recreation programs and services
- Identifies, evaluates and manages the risks associated with the delivery of programs, services and activities
- Supervises the daily activities of the Recreation Assistant, program deliverers and other front-line facility staff. Assists with program delivery as required
- Engages volunteers for appropriate program activities using established volunteer management practices
- Develops and sustains program-based relationships with internal/external stakeholders (e.g. Powell River Library, Recreation Complex, etc.)
- Develops and maintains a program evaluation framework, including a reporting-out process to identify

opportunities, capabilities and community needs

- Provides input and recommendations with regard to existing or proposed programs
- Represents Tla'amin Nation at intra-governmental meetings relating to such initiatives as physical literacy, region-wide events, age-related services and health-related partnership opportunities
- Establishes and maintains excellent relations with a variety of internal and external contacts and promotes and publicizes interest and participation in program activities
- Participates in the advertising and promotion of recreation programs and services
- Assists with special events or other community activities as requested

Administration

- Monitors budgetary income and expenditures and reports actuals and variances to the Director of Community Services on a regular basis (monthly/bimonthly) ensuring that all programs and services operate within approved budgets
- Researches and identifies potential funding sources to support initiatives related to recreation programs. Prepares grant applications for the delivery of programs and services
- Maintains records and activity reports related to programs and events (i.e. participation, feedback from participants, summary of costs etc.)
- Maintains inventory of recreation equipment and supplies and ensures any equipment maintenance requirements are met
- Prepares written reports as required

Other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications

Training, Education, Experience

- Completion of Post-secondary Degree program in Recreation, Kinesiology, or other related field, combined with a minimum of 3-5 years of experience working in recreation management. An equivalent combination of education and experience may also be considered
- Supervisory experience an asset
- Experience working with or within an Indigenous community
- Acceptable Police Information Check with vulnerable sector screen
- Valid certificate in Level 1 First Aid and CPR level C (or willing to obtain within 3 months of hire date)
- Valid B.C. Class 4 Driver's License (or

a Class 5 with willingness and ability to obtain Class 4)

- Acceptable driver's abstract

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Ability to design, deliver and assess effective recreation programming for people of all ages that are culturally aligned
- Strong project coordination and organizational skills
- Physical fitness at a level to lead various recreational activities
- Ability to promote and market programs and events to maximize participation
- Well-developed communication and interpersonal skills with the ability to build trusting relationships with members, partner agencies, volunteers, co-workers etc.
- Professional writing skills including report writing
- Excellent client service skills - Friendly, positive, responsive, professional and helpful
- Ability to provide direction and supervision to front line staff and volunteers
- Able to work independently with minimal day-to-day supervision as well as working within a collaborative team framework
- Strong problem-solving abilities with the ability to adjust priorities and multi-task as needed in a dynamic environment
- Ability to facilitate group activities
- Basic to intermediate computer skills including MS Office.

Working Conditions

- Work is performed in a variety of office and community settings. Evening and weekend work may be required. Occasional travel to attend meetings or training is required.
- Staff is expected to follow the Nation's Covid-19 safety policies and protocols which may be amended from time to time.

How to Apply

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OR

Mail to: HR Department, Tla'amin Nation, 4779 Klahanie Rd, Powell River, BC, V8A 0C4

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Hooktender

Location: **Powell River, BC**

- A chance for an amazing work-life balance with a progressive company
- A fantastic opportunity to grow your career with an industry leader
- Competitive wages and attractive benefits

About Tla'amin Lake Contracting

As Tla'amin Lake Contracting continues to grow and expand, offering customers access to a greater number of services with the same great care. We're still family-oriented and employee-focused, and we're proud of the team we've built over the past.

With our exciting projects in Powell River, Tla'amin Lake Contracting continues to set the standard for reliability and professionalism in harvesting and forestry road construction. We pride ourselves on keeping our commitments, and that's why, no matter the size or scope of a project, we can help every step of the way with expertise, professionalism, and sincerity.

About the Opportunity

Tla'amin Lake Contracting is growing! We are currently looking for a **Hooktender** to join our team!

Your tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Operating assigned equipment as required
- Performing daily maintenance of assigned equipment (including checking engine oil, fuel, etc.)
- Ensuring equipment have enough fuel to complete the tasks
- Following strict safety protocols and best practices
- Attending safety trainings and site meetings
- Maintaining cleanliness and organization of landing areas and logging sites
- Completing daily timecards and completing progress reports

WE ARE HIRING

Hoe Chucker/Log Loader Operator



**Tla'amin Lake
Contracting**

A MERAKI AND THICHUM PARTNERSHIP

What are we looking for?

- A valid class 5 Drivers License
- 2 years of experience Hoe chucking and loading
- Strong sense of teamwork
- Motivated and good problem solving
- Efficient time management skills
- A safety-focused mindset
- Excellent adaptability to varying outdoor elements

Your tasks include but not limited to:

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- Performing daily maintenance of assigned equipment (including checking engine oil, fuel, etc.)
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Apply at

slaaminlake@merakiresources.com

Location: Powell River, BC

Lund Harbour Authority is Hiring

Lund Harbour Authority (LHA) is a federal not-for-profit corporation that manages the Small Craft Harbour in Lund, BC. LHA is made up of staff and a volunteer Board of Directors who work collaboratively to manage the facilities in accordance with the Small Craft Harbours, Fisheries and Oceans Canada mandate to ensure core fishing harbours are kept open and in good repair.

We currently are accepting applications to fill one full-time seasonal position for a youth under the Canada Summer Jobs program (under 30 yrs old) and one part-time seasonal position, both as Harbour Assistants. Successful applicants should be reliable, professional, motivated, positive, and enjoy working outdoors in all weather. The job is fast paced and lots of fun and every day you get to meet interesting people from all over the world.

Key responsibilities include:

- Performs multiple daily foot patrols of all docks and upland facilities to ensure that facilities are safe and functional
- Perform daily boat counts
- Provide customer service to Harbour users and members of the public
- Assist Harbour Management staff in projects and day-to-day tasks, as required
- Collects fees for use of the public boat ramp, moorage, and all other services provided by LHA
- Checking and cleaning bathrooms, showers, on a daily basis
- Cleaning and maintaining litter-free facilities

- Assisting in maintenance projects- painting, small building projects, landscaping, etc.
- Ensures all harbour users comply with all Harbour Authority rules and regulations, and enforces rules and regulations when necessary
- Enforces harbour policies in a professional manner
- Other tasks and duties as required
- Key qualifications include:
- Able to perform extensive foot patrols in all weather conditions and move boats
- Excellent computer skills
- Ability to problem solve and work independently as well as in a team
- Must be available to work evenings, weekends, and holidays as required
- Possess exceptional customer service and conflict resolution skills
- Marine industry experience is an asset
- Restricted Radio Operators Certificate (Maritime) is an asset
- First Aid is an asset

Required language: English

How to Apply: E-mail cover letter, resume and references with "Harbour Assistant" in the subject line to lundharbour@outlook.com or drop it off at the office and say hi.

Employment duration – mid-May or June to September 4th.

Applications accepted until May 12th, 5pm for youth position and until May 31st, 5pm for part time

Job Type: Full-time seasonal or part-time seasonal

Wage: \$18-20 depending on experience

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PILE
MARKET

in Klah ah men (Lund)
FOOD • BEER • WINE
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Monday - Friday:
8 AM - 7 PM
Saturday & Sunday:
10 AM - 6 PM
604-414-0471



Monday - Friday: 8 AM - 3 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 10 AM - 3 PM

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Monday - Friday: 8 AM - 6 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 10 AM - 5 PM

One Heart, One Mind, One Nation.

Tribal Journey 2023 Paddle to Muckleshoot, Honouring our Warriors.

Plans are well underway for Tribal Journey 2023. Canoe practice and skipper training will be taking place in May. We are sending an invite out to all of our people that want to participate. All ages are welcome, although canoe pullers need to be old enough to handle the long, hard days on the water. Information packages are available. Below is the tentative schedule for this year's journey:



July 18th: Tla'amin Host Day
 July 19th: Tla'amin to Shishalh
 July 20th: Shishalh to Ambleside
 July 21st: Ambleside to Tsawwassen
 July 22nd: Tsawwassen to Birch Bay
 July 23rd: Birch Bay to Lummi
 July 24th: Break Day in Lummi

July 25th: Lummi to Samish
 July 26th: Samish to Swinomish
 July 27th: Swinomish to Tulalip
 July 28th: Tulalip to Suquamish
 July 29th: Break Day in Suquamish
 July 30th: Suquamish to Muckleshoot

Wednesday Drop-In Classes @ Salish Centre

Spin & Core
4:45pm-5:45pm

YOGA
6PM-7PM

Everyone welcome! Any questions call 604-414-3231.

Pickle Ball Drop-in @ Salish Centre Mondays 6:00 - 7:30



EVERYONE WELCOME!



**Tla'amin Braves
Semi Finalists**



Congratulations Jerod Timothy on signing with the Nautsa'mawt F.C.



Braedyn Louie awarded Don Smisko Memorial Award.

U18A Rep player who demonstrates Sportsmanship and dedication, all around Hockey ability and academic achievement. P.R.M.H.A 2023- 2023



HAPPY 18TH BIRTHDAY MAY 7TH LOVE MOM, DAD, KENDALL & BREA. CHI CHA AND PAPA!



**Tla'amin Stars
4th place**