

Lands Luncheon July 12, 2017

12:00pm-1:00pm

Semá:th Tribal Park Initiative: Summary Report and Recommendations from the Tribal Parks Gathering, Tofino (May 6-8, 2017), attended by Chief Silver and Stephen McGlenn



Xóhmet te mekw' stám it kwelát – We must take care of everything that belongs to us.

Call for Artists – First Nations Land Use Planning Handbook

Josie Kelly, your Semá:th Lands & Resources Officer, has been selected to sit on the Indigenous Advisory Committee responsible for the development of this handbook, which will serve as a useful tool for First Nations in BC hoping to conduct Land Use Planning. Congratulations Josie!

Beringia Community Planning and the Naut'sa mawt Tribal Council are putting out a call for British Columbia based Indigenous artists to feature their art or create art for a First Nations Land Use Planning Handbook. The Handbook will draw on community-based knowledge and reflect Indigenous perspectives in land use planning. The goal of the Handbook is to support First Nations to plan for and govern their land. This project is overseen by an Indigenous Advisory Committee representing diverse First Nations land use practitioners within the province.

We are looking for images that use bright colors and celebrate one or more of the following themes:

- Our relationship with the land
- Emotional and spiritual connection to our land
- Gathering knowledge and people together to talk about the land
- Sharing our stories about how we use and relate to the land
- Continuing our cultural way of life, then and now
- Gathering plants and medicines
- Changing seasons
- Moon cycles

Please send in your application form and materials to:

Barb Everdene at beverdene@beringia.ca

Or if you more questions or would like an application form please contact Josie Kelly Lands & Resources Officer at the Sumas Administration Building 2788 Sumas Mountain Road or email josie.kelly@sumasfirstnation.com

Closing date: July 15, 2017

If anyone would like eulachon's please contact Josie Kelly, Sema:th Lands & Resources Officer @ 604-309-8184 or

josie.kelly@sumasfirstnation.com

Josie will be organizing another date for distribution

Lands & Resources Summer Position

We are thrilled to announce Patricia Kelly has been selected as the successful candidate for the Semá:th Lands & Resources Research Assistant summer position. She will be working with us until the end of August.

"I am attending the University of the Fraser Valley and working towards receiving my Bachelor of Arts Degree in History. I am excited to gain more knowledge on the land we live on". Patricia Kelly

Next Lands Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on July 5, 2017

Fish Habitat Restoration Initiative

The Fishery Habitat Restoration Program has been extended and Carrie and the E Team will be working throughout the community for the next four months to identify future salmon restoration projects and improve the natural areas.

Congratulations to the selected four hired to be a part of the E Team – Kelly Sam, Leroy Kelly, Adrian Williams, and Natasha Joe.

In addition to conducting habitat restoration works this summer, the crew will be planting 4,000 shrubs, 200 trees, and 400 cedar saplings in our riparian areas.



Health and Wellness

Qwi:qwelstom Day Treatment Program

When: July 11-
August 17, 2017
Tue, Wed, Thu
10:00am – 2:00pm

Where: Stó:lō
Service Agency
Blg.10-7201 Veddar
Road, Chilliwack

What: All my
relations, Our
Spiritual Journey,
the 12 Stone Steps,
Addiction Cycle,
Process of Change,
Guilt, Anger
Management, and
Grief and Loss

Who: Register with
Darren Charlie @
604-824-3200

Reminder: Elders
Massages every
Tuesday 10:00am-
2:00pm book with
Sandy @ 604-852-
4041 ext.100

How many people here want to take care of themselves or someone else?

Traditional Parenting in a Good Way

Based on the Seven Sacred Teaching

Where: Health and Admin Building

When: July 24,31, August 14, 21, 28, 9:30am-
12:00pm

Childcare provided

Register with Kim Laing 604-852-4041 ext.103

Me: When are things going to get easier?

Old Woman: They already are.

Me: Doesn't feel like it. I keep waiting for
Creator to step in.

Old Woman: She already has. She always will.
Keep faith burning in your heart.

Me: I have. I've been waiting for things to
change.

Old Woman: Faith isn't about waiting for things
to change. Faith is the constant effort to keep
pushing through.

Me: What's on the other side:

Old Woman: You.

Written by Richard Wagemese Embers



Pre & Postnatal

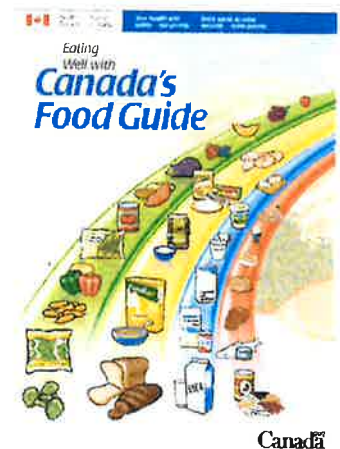
July 25 11:00 – 2:00 @
Health Centre

Immunization Clinic

July 25 2:00 – 3:00 @
Health Centre

Walking Group

Tuesday & Friday 2:00pm
meet at Health Centre



Education

“The best way to predict the future is create it”

Education Recognition Dinner

When: Thursday, July 6, 2017. The dinner begins at 5:30 p.m.

Where: SFN Community Hall

Will be catered by Sto:lo Catering! Please be sure to jot this date down so you are able to join us as we honour our students!!



Dear Sumas:

There have been several award ceremonies held over this past month and I feel so honoured to be able to attend these ceremonies to watch our students accept awards! I get so proud while watching our students be recognized for all their hard work!!

I was able to watch Jodi Silver-Douglas welcome crowds at ceremonies in both English and our Traditional Language, it is a beautiful sight to see our children learning the Halq'emeylem language right in their schools. These past few months have been a true blessing for me and I would like to thank our hard-working students for making Sumas First Nation shine!! Keep up your commitment to further your education, I'm "routin" for you!!!

Jennette Pierre

kw'as ho:y (Thank you)

Busy Bear Preschool is now closed for the summer. Our preschool staff have pulled off another successful year!! The little Busy Bears are going to miss their teachers and classmates, you ladies are amazing!! Have a wonderful SUMMER!



Congrats to our SFN Students

Congratulations on your hard work and dedication to your schooling graduates! Sumas has four students graduating from Secondary School and three students receiving their Post-Secondary Diplomas, thus continuing to work towards their Bachelor's Degree!!

would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our 2017 Graduation students from Secondary School:

Secondary Student

- Dale Ganzeveld
- Jayden Ned
- Jessica Brozozog
- Tyler Silver

and the Post-Secondary Graduates are:

- Deborah Silver, Diploma in Visual Arts
- Joe Kelly, Diploma in Social Services
- Shane Kelly, Diploma in Social Work

Our Diploma students are moving on to their Bachelor Degrees, I am excited to see where your future endeavors bring you!



2017 SUMAS SOLAR POWER

Sumas First Nation

June 2017

Renewable Energy Project

The installation of a 55 kW roof mount photovoltaic system for the new Administration Building is now complete and generating power.

The system consists of 55 polycrystalline solar modular with an output power of 55 kilowatt with appropriate inverters connected to the grid. The panel warranty is for 25 years with life expectancy of approximately 40 years. The system is designed to the highest wind proof standards and conforming to all IEC and NESC regulations

The system was contracted with Edison Power who worked closely with the Team at Britco through planning and designing the system ensuring the ease of installation and commissioning

Net metering program will off set the energy cost to SFN with surplus energy purchased by BC Hydro.

Edison Power Donates to Longhouse Project

Edison Power has generously donated 3 PV panels to the Sumas Longhouse and have provided the specifications to the renovations project manager for installation



"The Creator gave us our spiritual beliefs, languages, culture and a place on S'ólh Téméxw, which provides us with all our needs to sustain ourselves"

• *Sema.th Declaration*

Sumas Administration Building (2017)



2017 SFN RESULTS

Sumas First Nation

June 2017

Extraordinary Meeting took place on June 15, 2017

Polls Opened 9:00am—7:00pm

Results for the Sumas First Nation Election Code Amendment Ratification Vote 2017

Question 1

No of Voters: 215

No. of Ballots: 190

No. of band members that Voted: 41

No. of spoiled ballots: 0

No. of rejected ballots: 1

No. of band members "Yes" votes: 35

No. of band members "No" votes: 5

75% of 41 eligible voters in attendance. 31

Question 2

No. of Voters: 215

No. of Ballots: 190

No. of band members that Voted: 41

No. of spoiled ballots: 0

No. of rejected ballots: 1

No. of band members "Yes" votes: 39

No. of band members "No" votes: 2

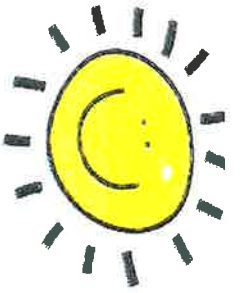
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The Sumas First Nation Election Code Amendment Ratification Vote was passed on June 15, 2017

July

2017



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Summer



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	2 Canada Day Stat (Closed)	3	4 Hall Day Cannes Journey	5	6	7
	8	9 MOVIE DAY	10 STOLO Children's Festival	11 Hall Day	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21 Day Hike	22	23 Playland	24 Camp Jubilee	25
	26	27 DAY HIKE	28	29 WATER DAY	30	31

Notes:

Hall Days/Water Days start at 11:00am

Movie Day – Sign-up sheets due by **July 4th** Meet at front entrance by **12:00pm** (see sheet for details)

Playland- Sign-up sheets are due **July 10th** Meet at front Gate 10am- Gas cards can be picked up the day before.

Day Hikes- Meet at the office at 9:30 am – Sites are TBA -Contact Kimberley Laing
Off Reserve Members can pick up the sign-up sheets from Sandy Silver at the Sumas First Nation Health Office.
Or have them faxed/emailed.

All sign-up sheets are due to Alana James (604)852-4041 ext. 104 – alana.kelly@sumasfirstnation.com

