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Summer 2017 Newsletter

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Message from the Chief and Deputy Chief

Danchea!

TKC hosted a celebration for TKC's 15th year of Self-Government at the Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre in April. It was great to see so many citizens come out for this event and join in on the celebration. TKC continues to move forward and build a stronger government for the benefit of all citizens with each passing year.

As you know, TKC Council has been working with Strategy North to develop a five-year strategic plan to guide TKC on priorities for community development. This is a valuable tool to stay focused and get input from the community on how they would like to see their community and government

evolve over the next five years. We thank all those who have assisted during this process and you can look forward to the completed Strategic Plan by August 2017.

The second gathering of the 2017 Yukon Forum was held May 26. This meeting included representatives from the Yukon

Government and Cabinet and Yukon First Nation Chiefs and leadership.

The Yukon Forum was developed to affirm a political commitment between YG and YFN to work together in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration for all Yukoners. These commitments include participation in four meetings a year, frank and respectful discussions, and the creation of a joint five-year action plan for implementation. The main principles of the Forum focus on effective bilateral and trilateral collaborations, reconciliation through Final and Self-Government Agreements, strong, healthy communities, and closing socio-economic gaps. Based on these four themes, the following priorities were determined: fiscal relations, development of bi-



Chief Kristina Kane speaks at the second gathering of the 2017 Yukon Forum, held on May 26th at the Coast High Country Inn.



Chief Kane, left, attended the Walrus Talks national tour event when it stopped in Whitehorse on March 1st.

lateral and tri-lateral processes, land claim and self-government implementation, and legislative agendas that include YFN priorities. These were developed in consultation with YFN implementation officials and included TKC input. First Nations stressed the need to address treaty responsibilities and the inclusion of Indigenous values within YG procedure. In addition, there was a dedication to building safer communities for all Yukoners.

The next meeting will be held on September 27, 2017.

TKC Council and senior staff participated in the first Intergovernmental Forum with the City of Whitehorse on April 7th and included discussions regarding key issues of common interest and how we can continue to build formal partnerships. We look forward to more of these forums and working together on key initiatives for the benefit of our community and Whitehorse as a whole. One such initiative will include showcasing the work of TKC artists displayed on the transit busses. Please watch for this coming in Fall 2017.

Work continues on the Safe at Home Action Plan to End and Prevent Homelessness. In partnership with the City of Whitehorse, Kwanlin Dun First Nation and Yukon Government,

we have been developing this community based action plan. As many of you have experienced, our community has a housing crisis, which leaves many people homeless or at risk of homelessness. The plan is now in its final stages and we hope to see the plan released this summer. This plan has been getting national and international recognition for a one-of-a-kind partnership between three levels of government, including First Nations.

We hope you will have plenty of opportunities to get out and spend time with family and friends on this beautiful land of ours. TKC is hosting a series of day camps for TKC children ages 6-10 with a variety of fun activities planned. For more information on activities and how to register please contact

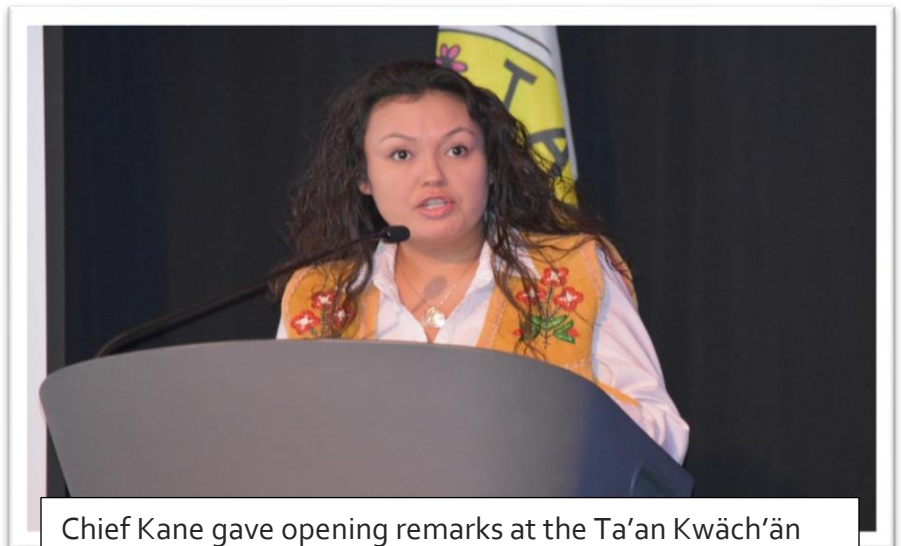
TKC's Health Department or visit our website, www.taan.ca.

TKC Council continues to work on creating policy and legislation for our Nation including the Lands Act for TKC Lands. Please watch for information in the next few months on how you can get involved and provide your input into the development of this piece of Legislation that will help to govern our Lands.

We wish you a safe and enjoyable summer and hope to see you out at community events or even just to stop in to the office for a cup of coffee.

Respectfully,

Chief Kristina Kane and
Deputy Chief Michelle Telep



Chief Kane gave opening remarks at the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council's 15-year anniversary celebration at the Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre on April 1.

Job Search Booklet



- ✓ Community Programs & Services
- ✓ Job Search Resources
- ✓ Personal Job Search Plan
- ✓ Cover Letter & Résumé Templates

New Resource for Citizens looking for employment

TKC's Capacity Development Working Group has created a "Job Search Booklet" to guide Citizens who are looking for employment.

This booklet contains information regarding the resources available at TKC, as well as in the greater Whitehorse area, that can help you find a job. Also included are tools to help with your job search and job application. This booklet is available from the Health and Education department at TKC, as well as on the TKC website at www.taan.ca

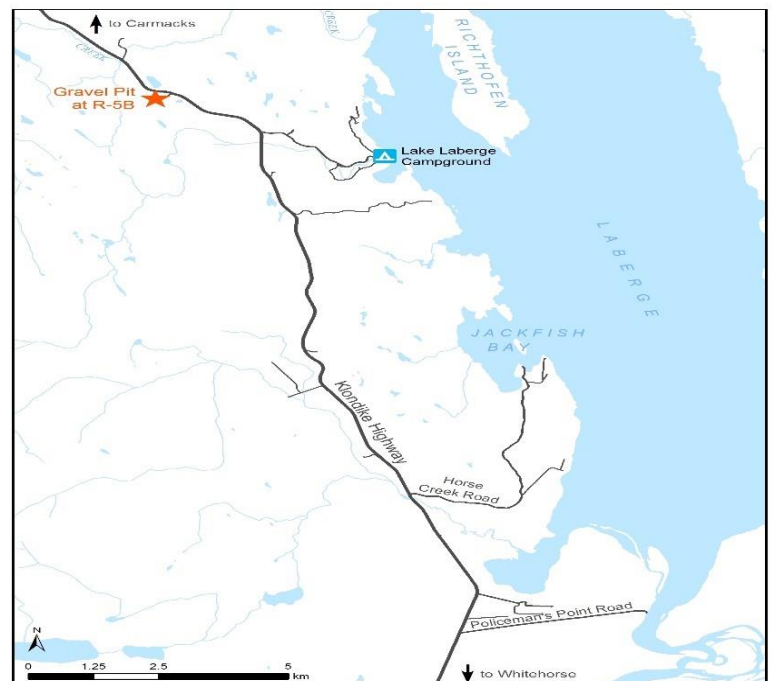
Inside you'll find:

- Job search websites
- Information about the Education and Employment Training Program
- Information about Yukon College courses
- A personal job search plan
- Common interview questions
- Checklist for before, during and after the interview
- Sample cover letter
- Sample resume template

Please contact Heather Griffiths (hgriffiths@taan.ca) for further assistance related to employment and training

Illegal dumping at the R-5B gravel pit

The LRH department will be placing a gate on the access to the R – 5B gravel pit. Over the past couple of years we have removed garbage, discarded vehicles, old building sheds, old oil tanks, old campers, boards and other items from this site. Gravel is an issue there as well, as each year it has been removed without authorization. We have put signs up to prevent people from using it as a landfill but we continue having problems with dumping and gravel removal from the pit. The gate will be locked and if any Ta'an citizens need to access the site for any reason please contact the LRH department for assistance, Testloa Smith, 668-3613, ext. 605.



On May 19th, Nicole Smith and Felicia Gordon proudly walked the stage at the Yukon Arts Centre. Nicole Smith graduated with a Language Certificate in Southern Tutchone while Felicia Gordon graduated from the Office Administration Program. See their complete statements on

www.taan.ca

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I'm not going to lie and say it was easy for me because it was not. This goal had many challenges for me given my difficult upbringing and state of wellbeing at the time but I thought to myself, "if I wait any longer for a good time, it may never come." So, with a leap of faith and all of my supports backing me, I went for it and hit each challenge head on.

– Felicia Gordon

“ ”

I have now completed my certificate for this program but I will not stop there. This fall I will be going forward with my training to receive my diploma. For me the point of all my learning is to be a keeper of our language and education to bring to our future generations. Shaw Nithan to my First Nation and family for assisting me with all my educational life goals.

– Nicole Smith (*Tu shat k'e*)

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Nicole Smith and Felicia Gordon pose with their happy mothers following the ceremony at the Yukon Arts Centre.



Nicole Smith smiles as she receives her certificate from CYFN Grand Chief Peter Johnston



Ta'an Kwäch'än elder Julia Broeren gives her opening remarks during the ceremony at the Yukon Arts Centre



2017 Spring Camp Family Bison Hunt

In March, TKC's Lands, Resources and Heritage department hosted the annual Spring Camp. This year we did things differently and held a family bison hunt out at Airport Lake. We had 12 youth and their families participate in the overnight camp, the highest turn out we've had for camp participants! The youth were taught winter survival skills in addition to the bison hunt. Unfortunately, only bison tracks were seen but the camp was a success nonetheless as the youth did not want to return back to Whitehorse at the end of the week. Camp activities included hand games and everyone participated in maintaining the camp by gathering and chopping firewood. Everyone had a chance to get out on the land via snow mobiles to hunt bison. We would like to thank Bill Bruton (our camp chef) for providing nutritious meals, Joe Jack (elder advisor), and the Little Salmon Carmacks First Nations for providing an in-kind contribution for the full use of their facilities at Airport Lake. Thank you to the LRH dept. and TKC staff for the coordination and facilitation of the bison hunt. This camp was funded by Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada through the National Child Benefit Reinvestment Fund. Please stay tuned for future Camps, next one will be in August of 2017.





An important intergovernmental forum between the City of Whitehorse and Ta'an Kwäch'än First Nation was held on Friday April 7th at City Hall.

City of Whitehorse Mayor Dan Curtis and Council met with Ta'an Kwäch'än Council Chief Kristina Kane, Council and senior management from both governments. This meeting was an opportunity to discuss common issues facing both governments and to collaborate on future initiatives.

This meeting reviewed land management processes and future opportunities for collaboration and recognition of language and culture.

This was the first intergovernmental meeting between the current Councils. The governments have agreed to meet annually.

"The City of Whitehorse is an important partner for the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council. We hope that by working closely with the City we can continue to improve this mutually beneficial partnership."

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council Chief Kristina Kane

"This is an important opportunity for our governments to come together and learn from each other. Partnerships between our two governments benefit the entire community and I look forward to strengthening our relationship with the Ta'an Kwäch'än First Nation."

Whitehorse Mayor Dan Curtis

Dennis Broeren

(Uncle Denny)

February 7, 1932 - August 19, 2016



Your family and friends miss you!

New councilor Coralee Johns



A familiar face around TKC, Coralee Johns was sworn in as a new councilor on May 24th.

She replaces outgoing councilor Tiffany Eckert-Maret. Thanks for all your hard work, Tiffany!

Coralee's four-year term will expire on May 24, 2021.

Welcome aboard Coralee!

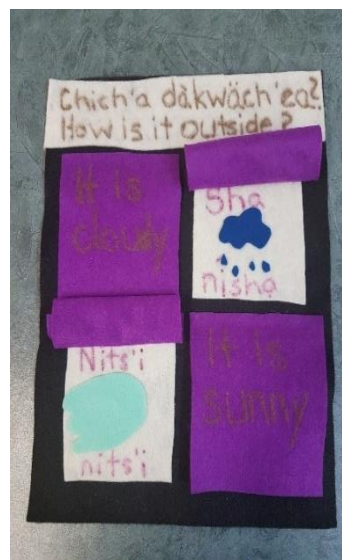
Congratulations, John Bunbury!

Thirteen graduates completed a five-week course on Friday, May 5th, 2017 and were awarded *Associate Certificates in Community Safety* from the Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC). The course was designed and delivered collaboratively between the JIBC and Kwanlin Dün Department of Justice. During the five weeks of training the participants developed skills and knowledge in conflict resolution, restorative justice, intergenerational trauma, addictions, suicide prevention, report writing and first aid. At a ceremony at Nàkwät'à Kù graduates and their families were congratulated by Councillor Sean Smith, Justice Minister McPhee,

MLA for Mountain View Minister Dendys, RCMP Inspector Archie Thompson and Director Kent Highnam from the JIBC. The Community Safety Program is about the community taking responsibility for its safety and well-being. The community safety officers will be visible in the community, a point-of-contact for citizens and a referral agent for the other enforcement agencies like the RCMP and Bylaw. (from the Kwanlin Dun website)

Äsųą k'e (Grandmother's Ways)

Nicole Smith and her mother Linda Harvey are facilitators for the Äsųą k'e (Grandmother's Ways) program coordinated by Family Support Worker Reanna Mohamed and Heritage Coordinator Chantelle Blackjack. The program has been running weekly since February 14th. This program is unique in many ways. It combines traditional stories, songs, crafts and Southern Tutchone phrases. The program is a partnership between Kwanlin Dün First Nation Dusk'a Learning Centre and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council's Health, Education and Heritage Departments. Every Monday from 4:30-6:00 pm, parents and their children gather at Dusk'a Learning Centre to eat a healthy homecooked meal. After dinner, parents work on a craft with their children while being guided through a Southern Tutchone lesson. The intent of Äsųą k'e is to encourage parents to use the phrases and songs with their children at home. Every week, parents create a new page in a 'quiet book' (see picture). When the program is finished on June 19th, participants will have a book to take home with them so that they can continue to practice the language with their kids. Äsųą k'e will continue in the fall. If you would like to know more about the program, please contact Reanna, the Family Support Worker.



Dzenù shăkwathän!

July						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 /	3 Stat holiday – Office closed	4 Summer Day Camp Week 2	5 Trad. sewing group 5-8 pm	6	7	1 /
9	10	11 Nature walk & BBQ (call Reanna)	12 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	13	14	15
16 Fox Creek fry release 2 p.m.	17 Summer Day Camp Week 3	18	19 Trad. sewing group 5-8 pm	20	21	22
23	24 Summer Day Camp Week 4	25 Carcross beach day & picnic (call Reanna)	26 Trad. sewing group 5-8 pm	27	28	29

August						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31 Summer Day Camp Week 5	1	2 Trad. sewing group 5-8 pm	3	4	5
6	7 Culture Camp week	8 Berry picking & picnic (call Reanna)	9 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	17	18	19
20	21 Discovery Day – Office closed	22 Berry picking & picnic (call Reanna)	23 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	31	1	2

September						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5	6 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	7	1 8	2 9
10	11 National Gathering of Elders - Edmonton	12	13 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Traditional sewing group 5-8 pm	28	29	30

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

SUMMER

DAY CAMPS 2017

Ages 6-10**8:30AM – 3:00PM**

- Snacks
- Games
- Crafts
- Field Trips
- And Much More!
- Register Now for
A Summer of FUN!

June 26 - 30: Nature Week Week 1**July 4 - 7: Cultural Week** Week 2**July 17 - 21: Fun and Fitness Week** Week 3**July 24 - 28: Wildlife Week** Week 4**July 31 - Aug 4: Once Upon a Time Week** Week 5

Please pack a
bagged lunch for your
child each day!

**Registration Cost: FREE****To Register****Phone: 668-3613 ext. 407****Email: education.student@taan.ca**



A beautiful Mother's Day cake in celebration of all the mothers in attendance



Heritage Technician Derek Cooke cooked up some delicious steaks, hamburgers and hot dogs

Mother's Day BBQ at Shipyard's Park



Education Support Worker Jessica Bryant helped set up a crafts table for kids



Roseanne Broeren gets ready to enjoy her food



Teresa Jacobs and Charlotte Kane prepared lemonade for thirsty citizens



Renewable Resources Technician Phil Emerson feeds his son Bennett

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council's 15-year celebration



Clockwise from top right: TKC Hereditary Chief Glenn Grady; Chief Kane and Deputy Chief Telep with Whitehorse city councilors Betty Irwin, Roslyn Woodcock, Jocelyn Curteanu, Mayor Dan Curtis, CYFN Grand Chief Peter Johnston, and MP Larry Bagnell; Chief Kane receiving a gift from Mayor Curtis; Annie Bernard, Edith Maloney and Charlotte Kane; the Rising Sun Singers perform a song for the audience.



Illegal Dumping at C-23B

The Lands, Resources and Heritage department has been dealing with illegal dumping and other mischievous conduct at TKC's settlement land parcel C-23B, the "subdivision" located on the Mayo Rd near the Takhini bridge. This year seems to be worse than any other year, which prompted the Lands department to meet with the City of Whitehorse By-law Services in May 2017.

The TKC Self-Government Agreement section 13.5.0 states "Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, all Laws of General Application shall continue to apply to the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council, its Citizens and Settlement Land." This means that the City of Whitehorse can enforce by-laws on Settlement Land. Most of the infractions, such as illegal dumping and excessive noise, fall under the City's Maintenance By-law. Should By-law Officers encounter violations under the Liquor Act (underage drinking) or the Motor Vehicles Act (drag racing and derbying), they will notify the RCMP. It is evident that people are having bonfires at the end of the road on the cul-de-sac, and there are remnants of fireworks packaging. Burning open fires within City limits without a permit is illegal, and given the dry spring that the Yukon is having, it is also very dangerous.

In order to curb misuse at the parcel, we will be installing a temporary barrier and signage at the entrance of C-23B. Citizens are not prohibited from using the parcel.

Our department's goal is to protect the land, and we would like to thank the citizens and members of the general public for notifying us of suspicious activity. Community members are our eyes and ears on the ground, and we encourage the public to continue to notify us.

If anyone sees suspicious activity, please do not hesitate to contact Testloa Smith at (867) 668-3613 ext. 605 or via email at tsmith@taan.ca or our Wildlife Monitors at ext. 611 or via email at aeckertmaret@taan.ca.

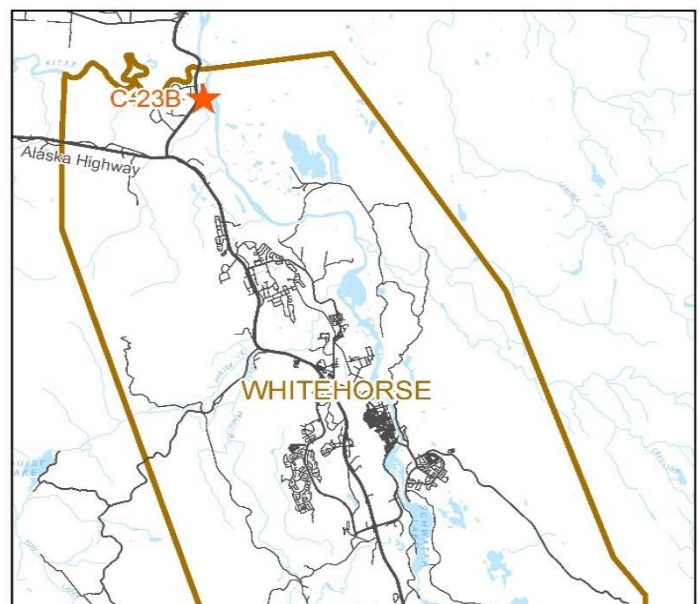
The City of Whitehorse By-Law Services can also be reached at (867) 667-2111.



TKC staff installed concrete barriers in early June



Close-up of the skid marks and damaged pavement



More from the Lands, Resources and Heritage department

Abandoned cars

In an effort to clean up settlement lands the TKC lands department is currently compiling a list of broken and or abandoned vehicles on TKC land. As funding becomes available these vehicles will be removed throughout the 2017 field season. As vehicles are removed they will be brought to Sale Salvage for proper disposal. If citizens know of areas where there are abandoned vehicles on settlement land please contact the LRH department for assistance, Phil Emerson, 668-3613, ext. 602.

Preparation for Land Use Planning

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council is working collaboratively with Carcross/Tagish First Nation and Kwanlin Dün First Nation to start preparing for a first nation lead conservation design in land use planning. Although there has been data collected in the past, it is the intent of this project to give people an opportunity to speak openly about what is important to them and what they would ultimately like to see in a land use plan. We started off the process with an elders gathering hosted by TKC at Helen's Fish Camp and it was a huge success.

It was clear from this meeting that elders would like everyone to work together to protect land and move forward in positive ways for the community. As we wait for political sign off for this project to move forward; the steering committee is working on compiling information gathered from all previous projects. This will feed into this process giving presentations to both Elders' Council and Chief and Council in order to ensure that everyone is aware of the importance of this project.



Congratulations!

The TKC Education Department and the Education Commission would like to congratulate William Jones on making the Dean's List for the Winter 2017 semester. His academic achievement in this past semester (87.8 GPA) distinguishes him as one of the top scholars in the Associate of Arts Degree Program at Okanagan College.

Da Daghay Development Corp. update

Message from the CEO, Ben Asquith

Since the last newsletter:

Construction of River Bend is now 70% complete. Building 1 is now going through interior finishing and exterior siding and is on schedule for November 2017 occupancy. Building 2 is being prepared for drywall, while building 3 is receiving a mechanical rough in. The paving of roadways and parking stalls will begin in the next couple months.



Da Daghay successfully hosted its 4th annual "Beat the Heat" boot camp in April 2017. This year we saw a record number of attendees, trained over 20 new Initial Attack wildland fire fighters; all of which received employment for the season.

ATTENTION ALL TKC CITIZENS INTERESTED IN HOUSING

Availability for River Bend occupancy will begin November 2017. We will be formally accepting applications August 1st, 2017. Applications will be available in the near future through our website or in our office located on the second floor of the Horwood's Mall in Unit A8. Citizens who have expressed interest and left contact information will be followed up with once applications become available.

If anyone has any questions regarding the application process, you may contact us at the following:

Ph: 867-667-6609

Email: admindadaghay@northwestel.net or dadaghay@northwestel.net

2017 Ta'an Kwäch'än Council Summer Students



Caroline Grady



Dean Smarch



Alysha Kufeldt



Jenna Duncan

Caroline Grady is the TKC Justice/Governance summer student working closely with both Stephanie and Cindy over the summer for a total of 12 weeks employment. Caroline, who is a member of the Indigenous Law Student Association hopes her minor in Indigenous Studies will prove fruitful throughout her time here at TKC.

Dean Smarch is the Finance and Administration summer student working closely with both Gloria and Amanda. Dean hopes to expand on his accpac accounting methods as part of his experience here. He's excited to be completing his 4th year in Business Administration this fall and will take the administrative skills he continues to gain in his 12 weeks with us to see him down the home stretch to the diploma he's worked so hard to gain.

Alysha Kufeldt is the Health & Education summer student working closely with the staff over the next 12 weeks to coordinate a Summer Children's Day Camp. This camp includes literacy based activities, recreational and culturally relevant skills/experiences for TKC youth aged 6 to 10 years old. Going into her 4th year as a major in English, Alysha's wish is to get her teaching degree back home in the Yukon.

Jenna Duncan is the LRH Fish and Wildlife Field Student working closely with the lands and resources staff, picking up where she left off last summer. As a 3rd year Biology major, Jenna couldn't be more excited than to gear up in her hip-waiters and be out on the land. With Jenna taking Indigenous Studies as a minor, the next 12 weeks gives her the opportunity to reconnect with our lands.

Please join me in welcoming all these hard working students and wish them a pleasant work experience here at Ta'an Kwäch'än Council.



Felicia Gordon
Enrolment Coordinator / Administrative Assistant
Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

Felicia is a Wolf clan descendent and member of the Maggie Broeren family. Working permanently for TKC has been a dream of hers for the past four years and as a new college graduate we know her passion for getting it done right.

"Each day from now until completion I will be combing through all the files until we ensure all citizenship filings and data are up to date."

Felicia's long term goal would be to work with the genealogy charts to make the Ta'an Traditional Family history available for all the citizens to view and be proud of where they come from.

Please join me in congratulating Felicia on her focus and dedication to her goals. Welcome aboard!!



James Cummings
Housing and Infrastructure Manager
Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

We are pleased to introduce James Cummings as our new Housing and Infrastructure Manager, starting May 15, 2017.

James has called Yukon his home since 2015, and the north his home since 1992. James has over 15 years of management experience within the Nunavut and Northwest Territories Governments, working closely with aboriginal boards, councils and organizations. Within that time, James brings over 10 years of experience in the fields of housing and infrastructure, gained through working with the both the Northwest Territories and Nunavut Housing Corporations.

James is enthusiastic to begin his new role and looks forward to drawing on his experience to serve and benefit TKC Citizens.

e-mail: Housing.Manager@taan.ca

Please join me in welcoming James Cummings to the Ta'an Team!



Dakota Eckert-Maret
Youth Coordinator Trainee
Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

Building Capacity at Ta'an just got more exciting!! We're pleased to announce that Dakota Eckert-Maret has taken on the Youth Coordinator Trainee role for TKC.

Over the next little while Dakota will be involved not only by engaging in youth driven programs but with learning all about the constitutional and governance responsibilities this position carries. This opportunity will serve her well as her continuing education is geared around early childhood and youth development. Seeing the position from her lens will provide TKC with yet another way to re-engage the Youth, TKC's future leaders.

Dakota is very excited to take on this role and sees nothing but positives resulting from this experience.

You can contact her at: youthcoord@taan.ca

Please join me in welcoming Dakota to the TKC team, as our new Youth Coordinator Trainee for the TKC Youth Council.



Ashley Fewer
Income Assistance Worker
Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

Ashley is stepping into the role of Income Assistance Worker while Gail is away. She's excited to get to know everyone and help contribute to a healthy and positive work environment. "I have a large passion for working with people, especially those who may require daily support and strives to be a strong advocate for individuals who believe they are often not heard." Some of her work experience includes facilitating the Employ Abilities Skill Program having mentored more than 40 participants, Employment Program Coordinator for the Ready Willing and Able Program (a national initiative), Job Coaching for Adults with disabilities, and Camp Director for LDAY's Winter Camp Raven. Through this experience, she has gained a solid local network of clients, employers, NGO's and program suppliers. Ashley considers herself to be approachable, understanding, and encouraging. Her goal is to make sure the client feels the same way. She looks forward to seeing you around the office!

Please join me in welcoming Ashley to the TKC Team!!



Brent carefully picks spruce tips from a tree



Teamwork! Barbara, Deb and Rose pour the hot Spruce Tip jelly into jars

How to extract juice from spruce trees

1. Gather at least 9 cups of spruce tips. Spruce tips are the new, soft, bright green growth on the tips of spruce branches.
2. Place the cleaned spruce tips in a large saucepan. Fill pan with water to within two inches below the top. You should be able to see the water, but it should not cover the spruce tips.
3. Simply heat the water and allow the spruce tips to simmer, covered, for about 30 minutes. The extension service book says, "Bring to a boil in a covered saucepan and boil for 1 hour; reduce heat and simmer for 3 hours." I think that's overkill.
4. Drain through a colander, and then strain the juice through a jelly bag or several layers of cheesecloth

Spruce tip jelly

Yield: about 5 cups

3 cups spruce tip juice

4 cups granulated sugar

1 package powdered pectin (1 ¾ ounces)

1. Sterilize canning jars and prepare lids
2. Measure sugar and set aside
3. Measure spruce tip juice into a large saucepan
4. Add pectin and stir until dissolved
5. Place on high heat; stir constantly and bring to a full rolling boil that cannot be stirred down
6. At once stir in sugar
7. Bring to a full rolling boil; boil hard for 1 minute, stirring constantly.
8. Remove from heat and quickly skim off foam. (Note: adding ½ tsp butter to the juice helps reduce foaming)
9. Immediately pour jelly into hot canning jars, leaving ¼ inch head space
10. Wipe jar rims and add prepared two-piece lids
11. Process 5 minutes in a boiling water bath canner

TKC Strategic Planning Community Event

The Ta'an Kwäch'än Council would like to thank all citizens for coming out to the Strategic Planning Community Event that was held at the Mount McIntyre Rec Centre on Saturday, June 10th.

Chief and Council have been working with StrategyNorth to identify a strategic vision and direction for the future of our First Nation.

Why a 2017-2022 Strategic Plan?

A strategic plan is needed for good governance:

- community participation in decision-making about TKC's future and what 'matters'
- transparency (about what the government plans to do and how decisions are made) and being responsive to the community's needs
- working from differing personal/family interests to reaching broader consensus on what is in the whole community's interest
- effectiveness and efficiency – balancing TKC's resources for current and future generations
- accountability for decisions and resources spent
- ensuring TKC's strategic direction is grounded in TKC's Constitution, values, culture, traditions, history

Background:

- TKC has created two strategic plans (1997 and 2012) over the past 20 years.
- In 2017, given changing circumstances and new opportunities, it was important to develop a new direction to reflect the input and needs of Ta'an Kwäch'än citizens.
- While Council has a governance duty to set out the strategic direction for TKC, it's important that all Citizens – including Elders and youth – can provide input and express ideas.
- Why? The 'best' strategic plan is one that is relevant and meaningful to all Citizens in terms of their needs and future aspirations as citizens of a proud, self-governing First Nation.

What has been done to date:

- Started in January with 15 pre-planning interviews with a sample of Elders, Council members, TKC Managers.
- Reviewed TKC documents, such as:
 - 1997 Strategic Plan
 - 2012 Strategic Plan
 - 2016 Da Daghay Strategic Plan
 - TKC Constitution and Agreements
 - 2016 TKC Community Unity Workshop
- Prepared a strategic planning 'guidebook' for Council – reflected interviews and research, as well as impact-based strategic planning methodology.
- Four strategic planning meetings were held with Council since January.
- Council requested we engage with citizens, Elders, youth and staff:
 - January to May: Council Planning Meetings
 - March 11: Community Open House held at Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre (report available)
 - April 11: Staff session held at Helen's Fish Camp (report available)
 - May 18: Elder meeting held at TKC – another one scheduled for June 20
 - June 10 community event at Mount McIntyre Rec Centre
 - Youth Council pizza lunch being scheduled
- **Next step: June 10th feedback will be presented to Council and a draft Strategic Plan will be developed in July for further consideration**

TUESDAY OUTINGS AT TA'AN

10 AM TIL 3 PM (OR SO)

EVERY SECOND TUESDAY THROUGH JULY AND AUGUST



JULY 11– NATURE WALK AND BBQ

JULY 25—CARCROSS BEACH DAY AND
PICNIC

AUGUST 8—BERRY PICKING AND
PICNIC

AUGUST 22—BERRY PICKING AND
PICNIC

PLEASE CALL REANNA AT
668-3613 EXT 405
TO SIGN UP



SPACE IS LIMITED

2017 Chinook Salmon Fry Release



- Sunday July 16, 2017 at 2:00 pm
- Meet at the Fox Creek Bridge
- Join the effort to Restore Chinook Salmon Stocks in Fox Creek

Special Thanks to:

Yukon Energy Corporation (YEC): for supplying the eggs for the program since 2009.

Whitehorse Hatchery (WH): for the brood stock collection, fertilization and rearing eggs to the eyed stage.

Yukon College (YC): for their technical advice and management of McIntyre Hatchery.

McIntyre Hatchery (MH): for receiving the eyed eggs and rearing them to the fry stage.

Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO): for their technical support.

Yukon Salmon Sub Committee: for technical and admin support.

Pacific Salmon Commission: for funding the program.

TKC's spring cleanup on May 2nd



Derek Cooke (left) and Damian Kenny (right) take part in the spring cleanup by sprucing up the TKC parking lot on May 2nd