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Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

Message from Chief and Deputy Chief

Dännch’a! As we settle into the long days of winter, we would like to extend our warmest wishes to TKC citizens and their families. The holiday season is a time of joy, thankfulness, and reflection. We would like to acknowledge and extend our deepest condolences to the families who have lost loved ones this past year. It has been tough for our community, but we have also shown our strength and have come together in these hard times to support each other and bring unity to our Nation. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families who are grieving.

On October 15th, TKC held an election for Chief and Deputy Chief. We would like to thank all candidates who ran and would like to thank all citizens who voted in this important part of self-government.

Education is an important priority for Ta’an Kwäch’än Council. TKC Chief and Council have supported the Yukon First Nations Chiefs Committee on Education to proceed with negotiations with Yukon Government and the Government of Canada to move forward with developing a Yukon First Nation-controlled education system. There have also been important discussions at the CYFN Leadership, Yukon and Federal government tables related to child welfare, Indigenous language, housing, and treaty loan forgiveness.

We have been very pleased with the community efforts to strengthen and build community unity. In August and September, we held two community meetings, which were opportunities to hear from citizens about areas of concern and priority, and ideas on how to address them. We look forward to more meetings in the early new year, to continue to build on this work.

New cultural revitalization efforts have also started and it is very encouraging to see many citizens come out to the TKC Traditional Dance Group and for weekly Southern Tutchone Language classes at the Yukon Native Language Centre. Please stay tuned for upcoming community unity and cultural events that will be posted on our website, Facebook, and in monthly bulletins.

We would like to wish everyone a safe holiday season and a Happy New Year!

In unity,

Chief Kristina Kane & Deputy Chief Christina Peters



Swearing In Ceremony

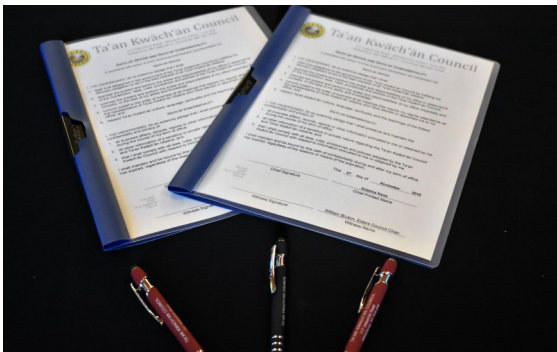
On October 15, 2018, Chief Kristina Kane was re-elected as Chief of the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council. This is Chief Kane's third term. Christina Peters was elected Deputy Chief. Deputy Chief Peters is from the Jenny Dawson family and a member of the Crow Clan. On November 05th, the Swearing In Ceremony took place at the Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre. The cooks put together an incredible prime rib feast, and we shared a beautiful cake!



Deputy Chief Christina Peters, Chief Kristina Kane, and CYFN Grand Chief Peter Johnson



Delicious celebratory cake!



Our cooks preparing a fine meal!



Swearing In Ceremony at KDCC



Chief Kane, Elders Council Chair Bill Bruton, and Deputy Chief Christina Peters.

Council News

Following a brief hiatus, Chief and Council went full throttle and dealt with a significant number of items in recent months.

Councilor Coralee Johns accepted employment with TKC, and as such resigned from Council and was replaced by Jackie Williams for the Maggie Broeren Traditional family. Former Deputy Chief Michelle Telep replaced current-Deputy Chief Christina Peters on her seat as Councilor for the Jenny Dawson Traditional Family. John Bunbury accepted employment with TKC, and as such resigned from the seat he held for the Maggie Broeren Traditional Family. This seat remains vacant at this time.

Chief and Council decided to support moving forward with the Yukon First Nation School agreement negotiations with the territorial and federal government, which aims to establish a Yukon First Nation-controlled education system that incorporates culture and language and better fits the needs of First Nations students. Chief Kane is the Co-Chair of the CYFN Chiefs Committee on Education.

Following the fire disaster that struck the Telegraph Creek area, TKC donated \$10,000 for relief. In time for the Christmas season, Council donated \$1000 to the Whitehorse Food Bank and \$1000 to the Salvation Army - Centre of Hope.

A motion was passed to establish a Lands and Resources Committee. TKC is cooperating with the City and YG in developing a plan for the settlement land parcel in the Whistle Bend area. LRH was also instructed to advance an agreement regarding trapline management with neighboring First Nations to include Yukon Government. The contract to continue water sampling, monitoring and analysis of several places but mainly along M̃àn T̃l̃àt (Shallow Bay) and M̃bay Älür Chu (Horse Creek) was also renewed.

TKC Council decided to purchase special safety bins to prevent bears from exploring the garbage bins at Ta'an village.



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TKC Elders Council Chair, Bill Bruton, tells Council Clerk Elisha Sidoun about the button blankets in the Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre Multi Purpose Room.

Elders Council

During the fall months, the Elders Council met three times and discussed several items.

On November 5th, 2018 the Elders Council recommended that Ta'an Kwäch'än Council withdraw as participants from the Southern Lakes Indigenous Land Use Planning Initiative, but remain as an observer. Also discussed at this meeting was appropriate signage at the Healing Totem at the Waterfront. Important points in the wording were fixed following input from Elders, such as the emphasis on recognizing that our children were never "lost" but were taken away.

Natalie Leclerc, Land Use Coordinator, announced that all TKC Elders are now able to access the Takhini Hot Springs free of charge when showing their TKC Card. Further items addressed at the November 5th meeting included the Elders Council exercising their power to amend the Rules of Procedure regarding abstentions. A decision was reached that an Elder who abstains shall be deemed to have not voted. Lastly, the Elders Council are gearing up for a joint meeting with Chief and Council and are currently prioritizing items that they want to discuss during this meeting.



Ta'an Kwäch'än Council Elders Council

Youth Council

The Youth Council met for its first meeting on November 26th, 2018. During this meeting the Youth Councilors reviewed their roles and responsibilities as set out in the legislation. The Youth Council dealt with their Rules of Procedure and will be in a position to move to accept them at the next meeting. Sarrah Telep was appointed to sit as the Youth representative on Chief and Council with Jocelyn Cletheroe appointed as alternate. Jocelyn was also appointed to sit as the Youth representative on the newly formed Cultural and Heritage Committee led by Anne Marie Miller. Kadin Hare was appointed to sit on the Judicial Council as an observer, and he was appointed the Chair of the Youth Council. The Youth Council decided to meet again towards the end of January 2019.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our future leaders for their service.



Scenes from winters past.

Virginia Slim circa 1930s



TKC has completed another successful FireSmart season. We now have green 4ft. Spruce and Pine trees available for TKC Citizens and there personal fuel wood. You can contact the LRH Office for directions. Be safe out there! Thank you from the Lands, Resources and Heritage Department.

Count On It!

One: lîch'ĭ

Two: lèki

Three: tadäch'e

Four: länin ch'e

Five: kwälak'üü

One: l'ich'I

Two: ɬèki

Three: tadäch'e

Four: länin ch'e

Five: kwälak'üü



Southern Tutchone Tribal Council Update

The Southern Tutchone Tribal Council hosted two Sausage Making Workshops in the basement of the Skookum Jim Friendship Center on November 17th and 18th. The workshop was facilitated by the 2018 Farmer of the Year, Scott Dickson and Elder Charlie Burns. TKC Heritage staff, Roberta Behn and STTC Executive Director, Shannon Walker, coordinated this great weekend.

A lot was learned and many laughs were had. Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Language Coordinator, Luke Campbell, joined us one afternoon and shared some Southern Tutchone language lessons around the workshop topic.

STTC would like to give a huge thank you to TKC for donating moose meat, it was very much

appreciated! It always feels so good to get together as Southern Tutchone people and no matter what we are working on, we do it well and we enjoy being together.

In Solidarity,
STTC Executive Director,
Shannon Walker



Participants having fun and making sausage!



Deputy Chief Christina Peters making sausage at the Southern Tutchone Tribal Council sausage making workshop

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Dän jenntthə'a?

"Dzenu shäkwathän.

Äyinji John Bunbury üúye, Ägunda ich'e. Taà'an Män kwats'än ich'e. Kwanlin nìnje. Äma, Ta'an Män. Kwats'än ach'e, Äma Kwanlin

Nonj'e. Äsua Irene Adamson ach'e ye äsia John Adamson ach'e.

Adunena léki dache / athiia Hazel Rose ooye, aiyeah John Wesley Darrin ooyae, äts'an Gladys ooyae."

John Bunbury introduces himself in the Ta'an dialect of Southern Tutchone. He says where he is from and who he is from. This is Dun k'e, The Way of the People. John is the Southern Tutchone Language coordinator at the Yukon Native Language Center (YNLC).

Part of the work at YNLC is to create tools that will aid in the revitalization of language and use of the Ta'an Kwäch'än dialect of Southern Tutchone.

John references the few Elders who are often tapped for language resources and talks about the pressing and immediate concern that our fluent language speakers are dying, and few people are prepared to carry on the work. "TKC has very few speakers left. On staff, as citizens, anywhere. We have a couple of students [at YNLC] who are taking some First Nations language right now."

If language revitalization is going to happen, the time is now. John is looking for ways to make this happen, and to make it stick.

"I was doing some research on how other First Nations around the world have worked on language revitalization. One link popped up where the Maori people from New Zealand went through a dramatic quest with how they revitalized their language. They created fluent speakers, even those who are not of Maori decent."

John describes how the Maori accomplished this feat with modern communication tools: "They created



John Bunbury at the Yukon Native Language Centre at Ayamdigut Campus in Whitehorse

this short, animated video with several partners with basic introductions for beginners, and as soon as I saw it, I knew it was exactly what I was looking for." He shows off the story board he has created to build his own version of this animated video. "Honestly, I think if it weren't for the technology available today, it would be close to impossible to revitalize an [endangered] language, like the Ta'an dialect." There are translation books available at the language centre and at First Nation Government offices in the Yukon, that have been helpful in getting started in language, but over the years that they have been available, we are still behind on language fluency. Part of this, John believes, involves styles of learning. "Not everyone learns by reading a piece of paper that has words on it. It's not easy to learn that way. Especially as you get older, it's a lot harder to learn the written language. Some people learn through feel, touch, sight... they need to see the action. I thought then I would try something a little different." It is modern information technology that will help us to retain the language, not just for preservation, but for day-to-day use. "The crossroads of what we need and what we already have is here."

But these are just tools, and tools are only useful if someone is able to use them. "What we really need is more time with our speakers, to sit in a room and just talk," John says.

While it is important to ensure the retention of Southern Tutchone as a language, it is just as important to learn the dialect. “Like most languages in the world, we have different dialects. The Ta’an dialect is an indicator of who we are and where we are from. Learning another dialect in place mis-identifies who we are.”

John encourages language learning with his own family. “I and Elder Speaker Nakhela try to expose my children to the language as much as possible. It’s going to be a lot easier for someone of that age to catch on to the language than for an adult. As adults, we overthink things, we over generalize, we over correct. We’re like a smart phone. It doesn’t do what we want it to do, but it thinks it’s doing it the right way. With kids, it happens so naturally. They are so open.”

For John, like many Indigenous men and women, language and cultural teachings are a part of something much bigger than academic interest.

“I was getting into a lot of trouble when I was younger. I came back [to Whitehorse] and I picked up photography to cope. It started to change who I was. I look at our language and culture the exact same way. I’m going out on the land and doing things I never would have done before. And it is changing me completely. I think more strongly and proudly of who I am. That is our right. We should be proud of who we are. We shouldn’t be ashamed of being First Nations.”

John looks at the future of language use with cautious hope.

“I’m a little optimistic, and I’m a little fearful. If we don’t get this going now, we are going to be too late. We are going to lose our fluent speakers.”

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White: dek’äl

Black: jenä`ch’ür

Red: det’äl

Blue: detl’ür

Green: jenntl’ür



The Ta’an Kwach’an Council Staff commemorating Orange Shirt Day on September 28th, 2018.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis’ story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

Orange Shirt day is an opportunity for governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

(www.orangeshirtday.org)





Family Christmas Dinner

Salmon and the People

Salmon has been a food source for Yukon First Nation people for as long as we've been walking with the land and water. Fish Camp Culture is an integral part of the First Nation narrative and declining numbers are impacting how we are able to celebrate and live as Ta'an Kwäch'än.

Deb Fulmer is the Fish and Wildlife Program Coordinator with TKC. In November, she attended the Yukon Salmon Resiliency Conference hosted by the Pacific Salmon Foundation. The conference goal was to "get together, share information and collaborate in order to support the rebuilding of Yukon's Chinook Salmon in a period of low productivity."

In conversation with Deb Fulmer, we learn about the scientific nature of the salmon life cycle, the decline, and restoration efforts.

"In one of the presentations at the Salmon Resiliency Conference, Michael Mueller, Regional Business Leader with Hemmera, has done some very interesting stuff with eDNA where you can take a water sample of the stream and determine the presence of salmon. It stays in the stream for about ten days and tells you the presence of salmon. We can then actually, in a very cost-effective way, determine which of our streams have salmon in them".

"We have seen major declines in Chinook Salmon. These salmon are throughout the Yukon River Watershed, but with Chinook, it is the only salmon we get in the Whitehorse region. For instance, Dawson will get Chum Salmon, but they only come so far up the river".

"The salmon in our waters come in from the Bering Sea at the mouth of the Yukon River. They are fished in the oceans and are a by-product of the pollock industry (the fish used to make imitation crab meat). There is high seas illegal fishing. Alaska is beginning to really monitor and enforce regulation to combat this in the Gulf of Alaska, so in our area, where our

salmon are, there is not a lot of illegal fishing. But in the open seas, illegal fishers will set nets that are nine kilometers long and one kilometer deep. They are drift nets, and they will just leave those, and if they can't get back to them, those nets just continue to drift. And kill".

This is a huge problem that must be addressed, but it is only one of several issues. Climate change and warming ocean waters are bringing extreme changes.

With the Pacific Salmon Treaty there is a spawning escapement between 42,000 and 53,000 fish. That's only one fish for each Yukoner. That treaty was signed between Canada and the United States. Each river has a chapter, and the Yukon River is Chapter Eight of the treaty. Through this treaty, there is an obligation to meet the minimum, 42,000. The US has to allow that number of salmon come into Canada. In some years, they have not met that. Some years, it has been as low as 20,000 fish coming into Canada. This happened with no repercussions. However, in the last few years they have been increasing escapement numbers thanks to increasing pressure from Canada, allowing between 60,000 and 80,000 [salmon] through in the last three years. So, we've seen an increase in salmon in Canada, on the Yukon side of the border. That's allowing a little more subsistence fishing on the Canadian side.

"Some Yukon First Nations have a complete moratorium against harvesting salmon and they are not fishing at all. Some First Nations are doing minimal harvesting. Probably one of the biggest fisheries is Selkirk First Nation. They are fishing just on the Pelly River where there is still a fairly healthy salmon run. They aren't really affecting anyone else upstream. They have a sonar on the river now. They are managing that stock themselves."

It may seem that working to abstain from subsistence harvesting at the most upstream

communities would not have much of an impact, but it is not just the numbers that we are protecting. As Deb says, “Actions that make a big dent in protecting the local genetics. That’s our key concern. The fish are genetically designed to make it to their spawning grounds. They have the fat and the protein [to make the journey.] Canadian fish are much fatter than American Fish. They are genetically engineered to make this 2200 km journey to their spawning ground. If we lose those genetics, they are gone. We are not going to replace them. So, all these small restoration projects, all the moratoriums that we are putting on, the reduction in fishing, are extremely important”.

Here, in Canada, subsistence fishing is First Nation fishing. In Alaska, it includes the entire population. And each household can set a net, so they are not going out to the river with a fishing pole. They are setting nets and they only have limits on when they can set the nets, but not on the number of fish they harvest.

Another management strategy that Fisheries on both sides of the border are doing, is reducing the net size. The larger fish are generally female, they are older, and they have more eggs.

“These are recommendations we’ve been encouraging here as well. To use the smaller net size, to only take what you need, and to release any females. The resounding thing from this conference is that the best way that we are going to lobby to save the fish and to increase the productivity and to increase the population numbers, is for First Nations on both sides of the border to start negotiating and coming together as a unified voice to speak to the political heads of both the United States and Canada. It’s going to take the First Nations to make the difference.”



The lake in early December. An unusually warm season has left the lake open.

Remembrance Day 2018



Deputy Chief Christina Peters paying respects to our veterans at the Remembrance Day Ceremonies, 2018



KDFN Councillor Sean Smith, Shirley Adamson, TKC Deputy Chief Christina Peters, and James Miller

ConGRADulations!

In November, 2018 Chantal Genier was awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Justice Studies from Royal Roads University in Victoria, BC. Chantal's education, compliments the traditional cultural values with which she approaches her work; advocating for the rights and responsibilities of Indigenous People dealing with the Canadian justice system.

Chantal currently works with the Government of Yukon as the Senior Advisor for the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. "It is an important and complex issue that involves many areas of the Canadian Justice system," Chantal says. "My education provides the technical knowledge require to understand the issues and work towards finding solutions, while considering culturally relevant alternatives and restorative approaches."

Chantal is a Wolf Clan member of the Maggie Broeren Family.



Will graduated with a Diploma in Writing and Publishing from Okanagan College. He will be continuing studies at UBC Okanagan.

Congratulations, Will! We look forward to following your endeavors!



Glenda Jones at the Native Recognition Ceremony at Okanagan College, March 17, 2018. Glenda received her Associate of Arts degree. She will be continuing her studies at UBC Okanagan.

"The Ta'an Kwäch'än Council is committed to providing holistic educational programming to citizens that promotes life-long learning. Programming will be sustainable and complemented through partnerships. Our vision is that citizens are successful in the navigation of two worlds — achieving learning goals and honouring our Southern Tutchone language, culture, and heritage."

Education Vision Statement

Our Place Names



Tatsàn Chùà (McIntyre Creek) ("Copper Creek")

This creek flows from Fish Lake to the Yukon River and was a well-travelled traditional route for thousands of years. The name Tatsàn Chùà came from copper that was found along the Creek and used for making knives and tools. Elders also referred to the Creek as *Luzhel Chù*, due to Fish Lake at the headwaters.



Tsawadenji Chù (Boswell River)

This name translates into "expecting someone" and refers to people that would meet in this area where the confluence of the Boswell River and the Teslin River occurs. Tagish Kwan and Tlingit people traditionally travelled down the Teslin River for harvesting fish and to hunt. During the early 1900's, prospecting for gold took place along the Boswell River and its tributary creeks. Many First Nations people also had cabins along the Boswell River.

Jordan's Principle ensures First Nation children receive the public services they need.

Does your child need health and medical support? Examples of eligible funded services are: speech language therapy, occupational therapy, specialized medical equipment, parental FASD training, and sensory toys. Please call CYFN at 1-833-393-9200 and speak to one of our staff.

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Sixties Scoop Support for TKC Citizens

Survivors of the “Sixties Scoop” sued the Federal Government of Canada. The courts have approved a settlement between the survivors and Canada that provides compensation for loss of cultural identity for certain survivors of the Sixties Scoop.

If you know of any Ta’an Kwäch’än citizens who may have been impacted by this, please inform them of their opportunity to make a claim.

Eligibility:

This lawsuit applies to all Indigenous Canadians (registered Indians as defined in the *Indian Act* and Inuit persons or people eligible to be registered Indians or Inuit) **Who were removed from their homes in Canada between January 1, 1951 and December 31, 1991 and placed in the care of non-Indigenous foster or adoptive parents.**

Eligible individuals must have been alive on Feb 20th, 2009 to be eligible for the settlement.

The lawsuit claims that children who were victims of the Sixties Scoop lost their cultural identity and suffered psychologically, emotionally, spiritually and physically. They were also deprived of their Status, aboriginal and treaty rights, and monetary benefits to which they were entitled pursuant to the *Indian Act*, RSC 1985, c I-5 and related legislation and policies.

Make a Claim for Money:

You may be eligible for a financial claim. To do so, you must complete a ***Claim Form*** and send it to the Claims Administrator by August 30, 2019.

You may access support to assist you with the claim: 1-(844)-2874270 with questions, or visit www.sixtiesscoopsettlement.info; or email sixtiesscoop@collectiva.ca.

For More Information, Contact:

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Save the Date!
January 25—26, 2019



Door Prizes!
Community dinner
with Moose Meat
and Salmon!!!

You are invited to the Lands, Resources and Heritage Gathering at Mount McIntyre!

The Lands, Resources and Heritage Department will be hosting a Community Gathering and all TKC citizens are invited to participate. The Community Gathering will be facilitated by LRH. Resources and Heritage. The main three objectives are:

- To share LRH successes regarding past and on ongoing department initiatives
- To seek citizen input to improve service delivery and identify needs to develop new projects for the upcoming year
- To maintain and grow relationships between citizens and the staff that serve them

There will be a mix of presentations, interactive “workshops”, a Trade Show, and panel discussions. It all takes place in the Grey Mountain Room at Mount McIntyre Recreation Center.

January 25th 1:00 pm-4:00 pm:

Trade Show and Meet and Greet with LRH staff and one-on-one discussions to learn more about our projects!

5:30pm: Community dinner and door prizes!

January 26th: 9:00 am to 10:00 am: Breakfast!!

10:00 am to 4:00 pm: Presentations and discussion with your Lands, Resources and Heritage department in the **Grey Mountain Room** at the **Mount McIntyre Recreation Centre**

Transportation will be available for those who need a ride. Please contact TKC at 668-3613

Honouraria will be provided to Citizens who attend.

For more information about the gathering, contact Natalie at 668-3613, ext. 604

Welcome to the Team!

Coralee Johns Natural Resources Technician

We are pleased to announce that the TKC Lands, Resources and Heritage department has selected Coralee Johns as the new Natural Resources Technician. Coralee is from the Maggie Broeren family line; her great grandmother Alice Sam, her Grandmother Lena Johns (Sam) and her mother Darlene Johns. Coralee grew up at Lake Laberge, gaining much respect and a deep passion for our lands, waters and all that it provides in and around Lake Laberge. As a small child, she helped saw and chop wood, set and collect small game snares, set fish nets and help with harvesting berries for the winter. Coralee has always loved the outdoors and getting out on the lake from time to time, and especially loves family gatherings whether it is for holiday's, down at Helen's Fish Camp and or family barbeques, it's always great to see and or meet new family members.



Coralee is a proud mother of two amazing boys: Brandon and Nathan Smith. Coralee and her family love getting out on the land, hunting, fishing and harvesting. Coralee continues to teach her sons everything she knows about conservation, preservation and protection of our lands, water and animals, and most importantly, learning from our Elders, our Traditions and Culture. Please join us in welcoming Coralee back to the Ta'an Team!!

Contact Coralee by email at: resources@taan.ca, or at extension #602

Anne-Marie Miller Heritage Technician

Anne-Marie, born and raised in Whitehorse is a proud member of the Wolf Clan from the Maggie Broeren traditional family of Ta'an Kwäch'än Council. She is a single parent who has raised three children and has two granddaughters.



Throughout the years Anne-Marie pursued and received her degree in social work yet remained committed to her heritage and preservation of the Ta'an traditional language. She was grateful to have the teachings of her late mother, Sophie Miller, who was a fluent speaker of the Lake Laberge dialect. Anne-Marie worked on the Elders Documentation Project with CYFN and had the honour and privilege of travelling to all the Yukon communities recording, documenting and transcribing oral history from the Elders about the development and changes to the Yukon. Anne-Marie believes strongly in community development and constructive change. She shares life experiences and knowledge in positive and meaningful ways. She is passionate about the preservation of Ta'an heritage and culture and looks forward to the challenges of her new position.

Please join us in welcoming Anne-Marie to the Ta'an Team!!

You can reach Anne-Marie at: heritage@taan.ca or extension # 608.

Ben Monkman
Youth Outreach Support Worker

Ben, originally from Manitoba, heard the call of the North and he and his wife answered it! Ben has worked in many sectors of education in the Whitehorse community. This has varied between working with the superintendent of Education, Yukon College, Gadzoosdaa Residence, Employment and Training Services, LDAY, and Yukon Learn.



Ben understands the importance of educating young people, and the power of education. He also understands the disconnect between our young people and the education system. There is no greater accomplishment then seeing a young person claim their right to education and become successful. Ben knows how to recognize problems and work with young people to overcome these challenges.

“Thank you all for welcoming me into this great organization. I am very happy to take on the of the Youth Outreach Support Worker and bring something new to the position. Working with young people is my passion, and I understand the importance of creating positive situations for our youth. I value teamwork and look forward to working together to help build a strong community. Hope to meet you all in the next few weeks!”

Please join us in welcoming Ben to the Ta'an Team!!

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information, citizen news and
upcoming events.

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Chief Kane gave remarks at the opening of the Seniors Residence at Whistle Bend.



Chief Kristina Kane with Yukon Premier Sandy Silver at the Whistle Bend Senior Residence grand opening.

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