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- **FALL HARVEST RETREAT FOR CITIZENS – September 22-24, Hellaby Hall (4th & Elliot St)**
TKC will be holding a special indoor fall canning event on September 22-24 for Citizens at Hellaby Hall in Whitehorse. Due to COVID-19 space restrictions and weather, the event, which is normally held at Helen's Fish Camp, will take place at the Hellaby Hall meeting room of the Anglican Church at 4th Avenue and Elliot Street starting at 9:30am daily. Space will be limited due to the event being held indoors. For more information please contact TKC's Heritage Programs Coordinator Roberta Behn at 668-3613 ext. 403 or TKC's Health and Wellness Coordinator Roberta Auston at 668-3613 ext. 407.
- **ORANGE SHIRT DAY– September 30**
On September 30th, communities across Canada will come together in the spirit of reconciliation and wear orange shirts in honour of Residential School survivors. Beginning in 2013, September 30th was selected as a day to honour Indigenous children who were historically taken from their homes to attend residential schools. Everyone is encouraged to wear an orange shirt that day to reflect and honour survivors.
- **MORNING SUPPORT FOR PORTER CREEK STUDENTS - 8am to 9:40am, Room 166**
Hello students of Porter Creek Secondary School and parents! Starting September 21, Ben Monkman, along with three other Community Education Liaison Coordinators (CELC's), will be holding a morning support block for students from 8:00am to 9:40am in Room 166 (across from the office). Students are welcome to drop in for one-on-one help, some morning breakfast food or to simply just drop by before heading to classes for the day. There will be a staff schedule posted to show which CELC's are in the class each morning, and TKC students are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions please contact TKC's Youth Outreach Support Worker Ben Monkman at (867) 334-8306 or email youthsupport@taan.ca.
- **ADVANCED FOOT CARE TO BE PROVIDED – By Appointment Only**
TKC is offering the services of a new footcare clinician for Elders and Citizens requiring therapeutic foot care. WalkOn Foot Care is an advanced foot care clinic that offers nourishing therapeutic foot care and reflexology in Whitehorse. Appointments are well spaced and private. Prior to the appointment an assessment will be done via telephone to ensure your needs can be met. The clinic, located at 117 Silver Road, is accessible for all and offers a ramp for easy access. To make an appointment call (867) 689-7191. Transportation will be provided by TKC if needed and can be arranged by calling Roberta Auston, TKC's Health and Wellness Coordinator at 668-3613 ext. 407 or email healthandwellness@taan.ca.
- **TKC MEASURES FOR COVID-19 TO PROTECT STAFF AND CITIZENS - Ongoing**
TKC is encouraging Citizens to continue to practice the Safe 6 Guidelines to help ensure the safety of our community as the government of Yukon continues with Phase 3 of lifting COVID-19 restrictions. On September 9, 2020, Yukon Government extended its State of Emergency under the *Civil Emergency Measures Act* (CEMA) which will allow the territory-wide ministerial orders issued under CEMA to continue. These orders include emergency measures set to protect Yukoners and ensure strict measures remain in place for incoming visitors and those travelling as well as extending economic benefits and protections including those related to landlord and tenant protections. The state of emergency also enables the government to adapt and respond rapidly to the pandemic should an influx of cases suddenly come to the Yukon. TKC's Chief and Council continue to receive regular briefings by the Chief Medical Officer of Health's Office and will continue to keep Citizens updated.

- MUNDESSA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION-New Board Elected**

Members of Mundessa Development Corporation (MDC) met on August 11, 2020 to elect a new Board. Charlene Burns (Chief Jim Boss family), Coralee Johns (Maggie Broeren family), and Corey Pope (Jenny Dawson family) are the new Board members of MDC. The Board is open to one member from each of the five traditional families. It is anticipated that a further Members Meeting will be held this Fall.
- FALL WOMEN'S RETREAT - October 14-16, 2020**

TKC's Health and Wellness Department is finalizing plans for an upcoming Fall Women's Retreat. Set for October 14-16 at Hellaby Hall (4th Ave. and Elliot St.). The retreat will offer manicures, traditional sewing and much more. Activities will be held daily beginning at 9:30am and meals will be provided. Space is limited so early registration is recommended. To sign up, please contact Roberta Behn, TKC's Heritage Programs Coordinator at 668-3613 ext. 403 or Thalia Hare, TKC's Income and Social Support Worker at 668-3613 ext. 406 or email income.assistance@taan.ca.
- NEW COMMUNITY WELLNESS FUND POLICY INTRODUCED – In effect from April 1, 2020**

TKC has approved a new Community Wellness Fund Policy that will both incorporate earlier funding opportunities for Citizens in Yukon under the previous Physical Activity Fund Policy and add new support to Citizens interested in pursuing cultural activities. The main changes are increasing the expense limit to \$600 from \$540 per year, as well as offering reimbursements (up to \$600) for sports, recreation, and cultural activities. The Community Wellness Fund Policy will be backdated to April 1, 2020, which means that any Citizens who have applied for funding since that date and the expense was more than \$540 can receive up to an additional \$60. It also means that if you have bought something since April 1, you can still bring in the receipt to be reimbursed. The application form has been updated and it along with the new policy are available on the TKC website at www.taan.ca. Citizens can also get a copy directly from TKC. For more information please contact Roberta Auston, TKC's Health and Wellness Coordinator at 668-3613 ext. 407 or email healthandwellness@taan.ca.
- PUBLIC CONSULTATION PLANNED – SHALLOW BAY ZONING REGULATIONS – Fall 2020**

TKC's Lands, Resources and Heritage (LRH) Department and Yukon Government's Land Planning Branch have been working together on zoning regulations for the Shallow Bay area. As the Shallow Bay Zoning Committee process nears completion, Yukon Government will be holding public consultation in the Fall of 2020. TKC's LRH Department will also be organizing a Citizen-specific consultation on this file. Dates and locations will be determined, and Citizens will be informed as soon as information is available. For more information please contact Natalie Leclerc, Land Use Planning Coordinator at 668-3613 ext. 604 or email nleclerc@taan.ca.
- FIRESMART PROGRAM RECRUITING CREW MEMBERS FOR FALL ACTIVITIES**

TKC's Lands, Resources and Heritage Department is looking to recruit TKC Citizens interested in signing up for this fall's FireSmart Program. FireSmart uses a combination of preventative measures to increase forest spacing and prune low-lying tree limbs, deadwood, and reduce surface debris. If you are interested in casual work for four to six weeks in duration please submit your resume to TKC Human Resources Advisor Bobbie Kufeldt at humanresources@taan.ca. If you feel your home or property may benefit from FireSmart attention or if you have questions regarding FireSmart please contact 668-3613 ext. 602 or email resources@taan.ca.

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Take Care and Stay Safe!