



Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

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Monthly Bulletin – November 2021

- **TKC ELECTION RESULTS – October 18, 2021**

TKC Citizen Amanda Leas began her three-year term of Chief following a swearing in ceremony held on October 20th with Elders Council. Amanda is a member of the Maggie Broeren Traditional Family and has spent the last five years serving as TKC's Office Manager. She was elected with 77 of the 195 ballots cast, defeating candidates Christina Peters (36 votes), Doris Anderson (32 votes) and incumbent Chief Kristina Kane (45 votes) at the October 18, 2021, election. The election planned for TKC Deputy Chief was postponed due to a lack of nominations for the position. A process to fill the Deputy Chief position will be determined at a future date. Chief Leas can be reached at (867) 668-3613 ext. 101 or email chief@taan.ca.

- **IMMEDIATE VACANCIES – TKC seats on School Councils available**

Have you ever considered sitting on School Council? Did you know that TKC has guaranteed seats on School Council for both Elijah Smith Elementary School and Porter Creek Secondary School? These seats are currently vacant with a term until May 1, 2022, so we are looking for a parent, grandparent or Citizen interested in being a representative for Ta'an students to sit on one or both of these School Councils. Please contact Development Manager, Jessica Bryant, at 867-668-3613 ext. 408 or email developmentmanager@taan.ca for more information about this exciting opportunity.

- **PUMPKIN CARVING KITS AVAILABLE – October 28-29, 2021**

It's not too late to reserve your special Pumpkin Carving Kits available to be picked up from the TKC Wellness Building on Thursday, October 28th from 1pm-7pm or Friday October 29th from 10am to 4pm. To reserve your kit, contact Debbie Anderson, TKC Community Education Liaison Coordinator at (867) 668-3613 ext. 413 or email CELC@taan.ca. Plans for a Halloween Costume Contest are also underway. Stay tuned for details, which will be posted to www.taan.ca and TKC's Facebook page.

- **LAST CALL FOR POST-SECONDARY STUDENT FUNDING – Deadline: November 15, 2021**

The Post-Secondary Student Support Program funding application deadline for January 2022 studies is November 15th. Application forms are available at www.taan.ca. There are also several scholarships and grants available. If you need any assistance with applications or programs, contact TKC's Education Support Worker at (867) 668-3613 ext. 401 or email educationsupport@taan.ca.

- **WALKING WITH SALMON AND CARIBOU EVENT – Carcross, November 17, 2021**

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council, Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Carcross/Tagish First Nation are hosting an engagement event to get feedback on the Draft Southern Lakes Salmon Plan. There will also be an update on the Southern Lakes Caribou Plan. The event will be held on November 17 in Carcross. Honoraria and travel expenses will be provided. Please RSVP, because space is limited. Feedback on the plan is also welcome from those not able to attend. For more information, or to participate, contact Fish and Wildlife

Coordinator Kristina Beckmann at (867) 668-3613 ext. 603 or email fishandwildlife@taan.ca.

- **PARKA MAKING WORKSHOP – November 18-20, 2021**

The Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre is hosting a Parka Making Workshop from November 18th-20th. TKC has been offered five seats for this workshop. Seats will be filled on a first come, first served basis. TKC will cover costs for registration (\$25) and materials (\$400) for TKC participants. If interested, contact Barb Crawford, Education and Employment Training Coordinator, at (867) 668-3613 ext. 410 or email training@taan.ca.

- **ELDERS TEA/INTERACTIVE FOOTCARE WORKSHOP - November 25, 2021**

Two sessions are now open for registration for a special Care of Active Feet Workshop and Elders Tea scheduled for November 25, 2021, at the Walk on Foot Care Clinic at 114 Silver Road (Marwell). This interactive workshop will teach you lower limb and foot health for active living! Space is limited for the two sessions scheduled for 10am to 12pm and 1pm to 3pm. Registration is required. COVID-19 Protocols will be in place. A waitlist will also be created for future workshops. To register contact Charlene Burns, TKC Wellness Coordinator, at (867) 668-3613 ext. 407 or email healthandwellness@taan.ca.

- **RECYCLING PROJECT FOR TKC SETTLEMENT LANDS – Ongoing**

TKC's Lands, Resources and Heritage (LRH) Department has launched a recycling project aimed at helping clear abandoned vehicles and other debris from TKC Settlement Lands. LRH entered a partnership with Raven Recycling and Urban Recycling to clear these items from Settlement Lands and have them taken to recycling depots in Whitehorse. Citizens have been hired to assist with the project. If you have salvageable items to be removed from your properties contact Andre Eckert-Maret at aeckertmaret@taan.ca or Shawna Tizya at monitor1@taan.ca or leave a message at (867) 668-3613 ext. 611.

- **CREATIVE CHALLENGE – CHRISTMAS ART CONTEST – Deadline November 29, 2021**

TKC is offering all students and any Citizens who would like to share their artistic works in the form of drawing, painting, photography or graphic design a chance to take part in a special Christmas Creative Challenge. Each submission will be added to a submission category (based on age) and the winner's art will be featured in TKC's newsletter as well as recognition through coverage on Facebook and TKC's website. All entrants will receive a gift card. Citizens of all ages should feel free to be as creative as possible. Please submit your entries to Ben Monkman, Youth Outreach & Support Worker at (867) 334-8306 or email youthsupport@taan.ca, or Janet Smellie, Communications Officer at (867) 334-5298 or email communicationsoffice@taan.ca.

- **ARCTIC SPORTS FALL PROGRAMMING NOW OPEN – Registration now open**

The Yukon Aboriginal Sport Circle's (YASC) Arctic Sports Fall Programming is now open for programs starting Nov 8, 2021. YASC is the Yukon sport governing body for Arctic Sports, Dene Games and Archery. Programming is available for ages 5-12. Families interested in finding out more about programming or to register can go to www.yasc.ca, or contact Eric Porter, Arctic Sports Instructor at 668-2840 or email eric@yasc.ca.

Take Care and Stay Safe!

Watch our website and Facebook for updates.

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