

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

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Monthly Bulletin – December 2021

• BY-ELECTION FOR DEPUTY CHIEF – January 17, 2022; Nominations close December 3, 2021

A by-election for Deputy Chief of the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council is set to take place on January 17th. A copy of the Election Writ and nomination forms are available at www.taan.ca. Inquiries are to be made to the Chief Returning Officer (CRO), Colleen Craft at (867) 689-1071 or email tkcelection.2021@gmail.com. All nomination forms must be submitted to the CRO by close of nominations, December 3rd at 4pm. The TKC Election Office is located at Suite 201, Elite Hotel, 206 Jarvis Street, Whitehorse, Yukon. Nomination office hours are 10am-2pm (Monday through Friday) and on December 3rd from 10am-5pm. The preliminary voters list will be posted on December 4th. Please verify you are on the list. Watch for notices and further election updates on TKC's website.}

CHRISTMAS MOCCASIN AND STOCKING WORKSHOPS - November-December 2021

TKC is offering two Christmas craft workshops. A Moccasin Wrap-Around Workshop is set for November 26-28. It will take place at TKC's office at 9042 Quartz Road (Griffiths Heating) daily from 9:30am - 4:00pm daily. Registration (and a foot size) is required. This workshop is limited to 10 participants and priority will be given to those who have yet to take part in a moccasin workshop. A Christmas Stocking Workshop is set for December 13-15th. It will take place daily between 12:00pm and 1:00pm (location to be determined). All participants must have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. To register contact Thalia Hare at (867) 668-3613 ext. 406, or Debbie Burns at (867) 668-3613 ext. 403. COVID-19 protocols will be in place for all activities.

• UPCOMING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES – CHRISTMAS DRIVE-THRU - December 20-21 (4:00pm-7:00pm) It's that time of year again! This year, with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, TKC will be offering a variety of fun and festive activities a little differently. Similar to last year, there will be a "12-days of Christmas" Draw for all Citizens. This draw will be live on Facebook, so stay tuned for more details! TKC will also be hosting a special "Christmas Drive-Thru" for Citizens in Whitehorse, held on both December 20 and 21 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at TKC's Main Administration Building. Santa and his Elves will have something special for everyone! When you drop by, families can pick up children's gifts, a choice of a turkey or ham, and more! TKC's Wellness & Development staff are also busy preparing family Christmas craft kits, which will also be given out during the Christmas Drive-Thru on a first-come, first-serve basis to children. Watch for more updates on TKC's website at www.taan.ca and TKC's Facebook page in the days to come. For more information and to register your children for gifts, contact Teresa Jacobs at (867) 668-3613 ext. 304.

• TKC ELDERS COUNCIL -Tuesday, December 7th, 2021

The TKC Elders Council will be having their last meeting of 2021 on Tuesday, December 7th at the Gold Rush Inn (Town Hall). A new Chair of the Elders Council will be selected at this meeting. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are limited to 25 attendees, and everyone must have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. Please confirm your attendance with Katelyn Friendship at (867) 668-3613 ext. 205 or email executiveassist@taan.ca.

• FAMILY COOKING PROGRAM LAUNCHED – Biweekly on Wednesdays

TKC is offering a biweekly cooking program for families! *Cooking with Atsua* is a way for all ages to learn the basics of the kitchen, and teaches introductory cooking skills, kitchen safety, and recipe design, including the use of traditional foods. At each session, families prepare a delicious meal. The upcoming menu includes BBQ Beef Pots (November 24) and homemade Chicken Pot Pie (December 8). A full menu is available at www.taan.ca. Space is limited for the program and registration is required. COVID-19

restrictions and everyone over the age of 12 must have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. To register, please contact Debbie Anderson at (867) 668-3613 ext. 413 or email <u>CELC@taan.ca</u>.

• COVID-19 UPDATES AVAILABLE - Ongoing

TKC Citizens can get all the latest updates on the COVID-19 situation, including new proof of vaccine designated areas, vaccine clinics, and up-to-date case numbers at wukon.ca. We will also keep Citizens updated on the TKC website. A State of Emergency was declared on November 13th, reintroducing mandatory masking in public spaces, limits on personal gatherings and organized events, and proof of vaccination at designated sites. TKC's Wellness staff are available to assist Citizens who require further information or assistance with testing or registering for vaccine clinics. Contact Natalie Hare at (867) 668-3613 ext. 402 or email adminassist@taan.ca.

• "CITIZENS ON THE LAND" NEW YEAR'S EVENTS PLANNED – January/February 2022

Lands, Resources & Heritage staff are offering Citizens a chance to take part in two bison hunts in 2022. The first trip, scheduled for the week of January 17 will be open to adult Citizens, 18 and older, and be on a first-come, first-serve basis. A second 'women-specific' "Citizens on the Land" trip will take place starting February 8. The groups will be travelling by snowmobile, overnighting in winterized tents, and learning onthe-land hunting traditions and survival skills. No experience is necessary to participate. LRH has winter clothing available if needed, just let us know what items you require. Registration is required for both trips. If you are interested in participating or want to learn more, please contact Dawn Hansen at (867) 668-3613 ext. 602 or email resources@taan.ca.

TKC Office Closure for Christmas: December 23rd through January 3rd, 2022.

We will reopen Tuesday, January 4th at 8:30am.

A list of staff who are available to assist over the holidays will be posted on our website and at the TKC Office.



Watch our website and Facebook for updates

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