

# SKIDEGATE NEWSLETTER

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## Skidegate Band Council Update:

To Skidegate Band Members who put kitty/cat litter in your garbage, please put it in small double bags so it isn't hard to manage by our workers. Thank you!

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## Skidegate Days Raffle

*Congratulation to Captain Stewart-Burton*

*Winner of Garner Moody's Eagle Plaque*



# **SKIDEGATE DAYS 2013**

## **Auction, draw and raffle winners**

- Gerri Moody-Crab cooker from Meegans
- Debbie Wilson- place mat, coasters, chop sticks from Meegans
- Shellene Vanderbeke—Brunch for 2 people at Captains table at the Highliner
- J. Mulvany- 6 adult walk on voucher for Alliford Bay Ferry from BC Ferries
- Upsy Moody-3x\$25.00 Gift Certificates from Surper Valu
- Terri Russ-Cedar Hat with Pink for Cancer from Skidegate Health Centre
- Kathy Williams-\$100.00 Gift certificate from Coastal Propane
- Gerri Moody-2 hand bags with raven design from School Dist. 50
- Richard Hans-2 water bottles from School Dist. 50
- Ev Hansen- 3 jump drives from School Dist. 50
- Lori Corea-10 books for School Dist. 50
- Gary Schindel/B. Jones-2 Gift Certificated of 1 hour from Kims Massage
- Kathy Williams-4 travel vouchers from Eagle Transit
- Sharon Williams-2 polar fleece blankets from the RCMP
- Gary Schindel-\$50.00 gift certificate for dinner from Haida House
- Gerri Moody-\$50.00 gift certificate for dinner at the Crest Hotel
- Laurie Husband-\$50.00 gift certificate for dinner at the Crest hotel
- Shallene Peddermill-processed 40 pounds of vac-pack halibut from the CHN
- Lauren Brown-seafood pack of assorted seafood from Albion
- Pete Thompson-\$100.00 gift certificate from Rockys Equip.
- John Smith- elk bull call from AMS
- D. Russ-toque & Haida Gwaii Watchmen t-shirt from Haida Gwaii Watchmen
- Karen Moody-dog & cat toys from the Ranch feed
- Pete Thompson- twin mattress for SBC
- Madeline Pollard-\$100.00 & leather womens wallet from Long House

- Richard Hans-t-shirt & safety boating equip. from Highlander
- D. Russ-youth bike from Fast Fuels
- D.Russ-\$250 gift certificate for Skidegate Inlet Construction
- Rene Pineault-bike from Fast Fuels
- Lisa Pinealt- 20 minute flight for 5 people from Heli Jet
- Natalie Pearson winner of the 50-50 draw for \$341.50

### WINNERS OF THE RAFFLES:

- Brenda Russ-trip for 1 to Vancouver on Pacific Coastal with 2 nights at the River Rock and \$500 spending money
- Mallory Collinson-trip for 2 to Vancouver on Air Canada with 2 nights at the Hampton Inn and \$500 spending money

### SEAFOOD RAFFLE:

- 1st place- Vanessa & Bobby, 80 lbs vacpac halibut donated by CHN  
 2nd place-Halibut Cody Gold, 40 lbs vac pac halibut donated by CHN  
 3rd place-Hedda, 30 lbs whole cooked crab donated by CBI fisheries

### Jewellrey Raffle:

- 1st place: Jayme Peternil -Silver bracelet  
 2nd place: Hayley Mills—silver pendant  
 3rd place: Wilfred Stevens- silver earrings

### Money Raffle:

- 1st place: Vi Husband-\$500  
 2nd place: Upsy Moody-\$300  
 3rd place: Gladys Gladstone-\$200

- iPad Raffle-Stevie Wesley Jr.
- Bike raffle winners: Wilfred Steven, Duane Alsop, Vi Husband and Kaysen Collison

## **HOUSE INSURANCE – PROTECT YOUR HOME!**

*Your home is your livelihood. It is where your family lives, it is where you go for refuge from the world, it may very well be the only piece of property you'll ever own. Bad things can happen to houses, from fire, theft or vandalism to natural damage. Wouldn't you want a guarantee on something as important as your house? Home owners insurance can assure the safety of your house so you never have to worry about losing your most valuable asset.*

**\*IT IS IN SECTION 10 AGREEMENTS THAT IT IS MANDATORY FOR ALL SKIDEGATE BAND MEMBERS WITH A SECTION 10 or RBC/BMO MORTGAGE TO PURCHASE AND MAINTAIN HOME OWNERS INSURANCE, HOMEOWNERS ARE TO BRING PROOF OF HOUSE INSURANCE TO THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT ON A YEARLY BASIS, AS THE SBC HAS CO-SIGNED FOR THESE MORTGAGES\***

*Home Insurance is available from Key West Insurance. Contact Lee-Al Nelson 250 559 8426*

### **SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE TIPS**

- Check pressure gauge on all fire extinguishers; recharge or replace when necessary.
- Check smoke, carbon monoxide and security alarms, and replace batteries.
- Clean leaves from eaves troughs and roof, and test downspouts to ensure proper drainage from the roof!
- Clean or replace furnace air filters, fuel filters
- Clean Chimneys!
- Vacuum Bathroom fan grille, vents and refrigerator vent.
- Clean drains in dishwasher, sinks, bathtub and shower stalls.
- Check for and replace damaged caulking and weatherstripping around windows and doors.
- Disconnect dryer duct and clean, ensure outside vent is clean and working!

### **SALE OF PRIVATE HOUSING**

- Certificate of Possession (CP) must be in the seller's name
- Skidegate Reserve Housing can only be sold to another Skidegate Band Member.
- Band members need a Sale Agreement copies for lender and Skidegate Band Council
- SBC arrears will be recovered prior to fund transfers
- Land Transfer forms must be completed prior to fund transfer
- All loans are transferred to the Band then the applicant.
- Insurance must be maintained for all housing with an outstanding mortgage, section 10 loan. Units without insurance are in default of their loan and the lender can request the loan be paid out.
- All units should have insurance!

### **LAND IDENTIFICATION & TRANSFERS**

- Any Band Members not sure if they have a Certificate of Possession can check with our office.
- Joint Tenancy between band members ensures the lot stays in the partners name if anything should happen.
- Trent Moraes and Bonita Jones are Commissioner for Taking Affidavits so forms are done at no cost in the Housing Department.
- Land transfers generally take approximately three to six months from Lands and Economic Development.
- Maps can be printed in our office for your specific lot if needed.
- Lot markers can be located with Maintenance/Housing if a dispute arises.
- It is illegal to remove or move a lot marker.

### **INVASIVE SPECIES - KNOTWEED**

- Band Members should not cut down knotweed, they need to be treated. Band is currently working with Ministry of Forest to create a plan. Knotweed can easily be spread if the cut down debris is moved around.

### **HOUSING DEPARTMENT**

- No Housing staff will be available from September 3<sup>rd</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

## SKIDEGATE BAND COUNCIL HOUSING COMMITTEE OPEN FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The Skidegate Band Council & Housing Department thanks the previous Committee for their generous time, and services. We encourage each member to reapply for the new posting.

We are looking for (8) community members in good financial standings with the Skidegate Band. Eligible individuals will be requested to write a letter of interest to the Housing Coordinator and Skidegate Band Council, stating why they are interested, their relevant experience and why they believe they should sit as voting members of the Committee. The Housing Committee will meet on the first Tuesday of each month.

Deadline for applications is September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

### Skidegate Housing Committee Members:

Judson Brown

Carol Crosby

James Cowpar

Ernie Gladstone

Shelly Gladstone

Duane Alsop

Robert Williams

Remi Levesque

The Housing Committee will meet on the first Tuesday of each month. 2 year term. Any concerns or request should be written to the Skidegate Housing Committee as a whole. Letters can be mailed to the Committee at:

**Skidegate Band Housing Committee BOX 1301 #848 Highway 16 Skidegate, B.C. V0T 1S1**

Or emailed to: [housing@skidegate.ca](mailto:housing@skidegate.ca) "subject line - SKIDEGATE HOUSING COMMITTEE"

The committee's first task is to update the Housing Policy which will be brought to a public forum. Issues are currently open:

- Housing Policy and Procedure – review and update
- Mortgages & DefaultsE
- Housing Occupancy
- Unfinished Housing
- Elders Emergency Fund
- Rent to Own Housing in default
- Housing Maintenance & Repair Education



**Aboriginal Artists: Carving Residency Opportunity:**  
**Vancouver Park Board :**

**Call for applications for Aboriginal Carver in Residence  
Program located at the Britannia Centre from  
September – December 2013**

**Deadline for Proposals: Tues. August 6, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Please email application information to: [lisa.walker@vancouver.ca](mailto:lisa.walker@vancouver.ca)**

**Total Artist Fee: \$2000**

***Aboriginal Carver in Residence Program: September – December 2013:***

***Honoring the Year of Reconciliation***

The City has proclaimed June 21, 2013 to June 20, 2014 as a Year of Reconciliation in Vancouver. As part of this city-wide initiative, Reconciliation is the theme for the 2013 Carving Residency located at Britannia Community Services Centre. This project aims to increase community participation and awareness of Reconciliation throughout Vancouver.

“To promote reconciliation by engaging Canadians in dialogue that revitalizes the relationships between Aboriginal peoples and all Canadians in order to build resilience.” - From the Reconciliation website (<http://reconciliationcanada.ca/about/vision-purpose-values/>)

The artist will work in the Grandview-Woodlands Community to enhance understanding of First Nations carving techniques, both traditional and contemporary. Reconciliation is offered as a broad theme with the intent that the work will relate to healing, resilience, and inter-cultural dialogue. Reconciliation can also be present through involving diverse members of the community in the teaching process, and by sharing stories and carving techniques.

**Residency Characteristics:**

- Involve people by posing and responding to questions from the community
- Have open studio observation time and actively use the site at least 3

## Cont-Aboriginal Artists: Carving Residency Opportunity

- Inform and include the community partners (VSB, VPL and BCSCS) on site in any public events
- To provide leadership to the school and youth by doing one presentation a month to classes
- Use locally sourced wood from fallen trees or tree stumps
- To animate the carving pavilion by creating an experiential space for sharing understanding of carving practices of Aboriginal People
- To bring Aboriginal Carvers, school teachers, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal youth and community together to create better understanding of Aboriginal carving practices, traditions, history and culture as a living force within today's community
- To create an inclusive space, for people of all walks and abilities to come together
- Potential for the artwork created during the residency to be installed onsite

### How to apply:

Please email the following items to [lisa.walker@vancouver.ca](mailto:lisa.walker@vancouver.ca) and put *Aboriginal Carver in Residence: Britannia - Application* in the subject line.

### Please Include:

1. Current CV that demonstrates experience in your carving practice, as well as community engagement methods. Word or PDF documents will be accepted. Please include contact information.
2. Please also send an outline of the carving project you will work on, as well as ways you'd like to engage community, keeping in mind this means children-seniors.
3. If available, a blog or website that displays your work
4. References of previous organizations or people with whom you have worked

Only those applicants shortlisted will be notified. We thank all applicants for their interest.

*Supported by the Arts Culture and Environment Department of the Vancouver Park Board.*

*A partnership project between Britannia Community Services Centre, Vancouver School Board, and the Vancouver Park Board.*

**Skidegate Band Council  
2013/14 School Supply Form**

**Eligible students include all status students living in Skidegate with a  
Skidegate Band number and attending school:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Skidegate Band Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Skidegate Band Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Skidegate Band Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop the form off at the Band Office or fax to 250-559-8247. Cheques will be issued every Thursday. Forms must be in by Wednesday. School supply allowance is \$75 for high school students, and \$50 for students in grades 4-7 @ Sk'aadga Nuay, children in K-3 will get a school supply package from Sk'aadga Nuay.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY IS SEPTEMBER 13, 2013**



## **Community Outreach Worker – Haida Health Hub**

A qualified applicant is being sought to fill the position of Community Outreach Worker for the Haida Health Hub in Skidegate. This position is 21 hours a week, part-time position, commencing mid-September and ending March 31, 2014, with the possibility of renewal.

### **Job Summary:**

The Haida Health Hub is a Community Engagement Hub formed between the communities of Old Massett and Skidegate. Our mission is to act as a cultural K'yuu, supporting each Haida Community in reaching their highest potential through the development and implementation of a Community Wellness Plan that is grounded in culture and tradition. The successful applicant will:

Through communication, planning and collaboration, manage and implement a Wellness Work Plan for Skidegate, based on the top five priorities of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan and the work of the Hub to date

Actively participate in Regional and Provincial gatherings of the Tripartite First Nations Health Plan process, the umbrella under which the Haida Health Hub serves

### **Key Qualifications**

A combination of education, training and experience in Community Engagement

Knowledge of the community of Skidegate

Knowledge of Haida Culture

Self-motivated and able to work independently

Resourceful, creative, sound judgment and problem solving skills

Proven ability to effectively apply MS Office software, specifically Word and Excel

Proven ability to successfully manage multiple priorities and meet project deliverables

Strong leadership, planning, collaboration and communications skills (verbal and written)

Effective facilitation and coordination skills. Preference will be given to those comfortable with public speaking

Budgetary administration skills

High professional and ethical standards

Expectations of work hours include flexibility and willingness to work on evenings and weekends as required

Valid Class 5 BC Driver's License and use of a vehicle

Successful completion of a Criminal Records Check

Ability to work from a home office a plus. A laptop and printer will be provided

Closing date is by 4 p.m., August 23, 2013. Only those applicants who are granted an interview will be contacted. Please send resume and cover letter to:

Skidegate Community Outreach Worker – Lauren Brown

[lauren@skidegatehc.ca](mailto:lauren@skidegatehc.ca) For further questions please contact Patricia Greer - [patricia-greer\\_17@hotmail.com](mailto:patricia-greer_17@hotmail.com)

## **Nurse Practitioner to Join Health Team at Skidegate Health Centre**

The Skidegate Health Centre is currently recruiting and hiring a Nurse Practitioner. This process is a joint effort between the Skidegate health Centre, The Queen Charlotte Islands General Hospital/Medical Clinic and Northern Health Authority.

### **What is a Nurse Practitioner?**

Nurse practitioners are registered nurses who have additional education and nursing experience. They are health-care professionals who treat the whole person: addressing needs relating to their physical and mental health, gathering their medical history, focusing on how their illness affects their lives and their family, and offering ways for people to lead a healthy life and teaching them how to manage chronic illness. Nurse practitioners are educators and researchers who can be consulted by other health-care team members.

### **Nurse practitioners:**

diagnose and treat illnesses

order tests

prescribe medications

### **What will the Nurse Practitioner Do?**

The operational plan for the Skidegate Health Centre outlines that the Nurse Practitioner will work at the Centre on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. She/he will hold clinic from 9-12 on those days. Visits to the Health Centre clinic will be by appointment. The Nurse Practitioner will perform medical histories and exams and will prescribe medications and lab tests. The Nurse Practitioners will refer to physicians at the Medical Clinic or to off-islands specialists as needed.

The NP will participate in monthly half day pap clinics.

The NP will participate in monthly well baby clinics that include immunization in conjunction with the Community Health Nurse and the Maternal Child Health Program staff.

The NP will conduct research and collect statistics to track her own performance and to assess how addition of and NP to the Health Care team will effect the delivery of health care in Skidegate.

### **Where do We go from here?**

We hope to have the Nurse Practitioner on islands in the near future. Further updates will be posted as the process continues. If you wish further information you may contact Lauren Brown at the Skidegate Health Centre 250 559 4610.



# Skidegate Nursery School Application/Registration Day

**Tuesday, September 3, 2013  
9 am-noon & 1-3 pm**

**Children must be 4 years old as of  
December 31st 2013**

**Please call the Skidegate Band Education  
Department at 250-559-4496 for more  
information**

Drop by the school visit the staff and  
fill out the application forms.





**NOTICE;** I will not be in the office from September 3 -6<sup>th</sup>, will return on Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Sorry for any inconvenience.

**CIS (Certificate of Indian Status) cards:**

**Identification:**

**Absolutely no certified/photocopied ID or SIN cards are accepted.**

**Applicants for a CIS must provide proof of their identity along with their completed application form before a CIS can be issued to them.**

<p>CATEGORY 1 Primary I.D.</p>	<p>Category 2 Secondary I.D. One with digitized photo</p>
<p>valid Canadian Passport Plastic CIS issued after July 2008</p>	<p>certificate of birth certificate of marriage/divorce certificate of legal name change provincial health card provincial identification card driver's license employee I.D. with digitized photo student I.D. with digitized photo firearms license CIS card (cannot be expired by more than 6 months)</p>

**YES,** I am doing status cards at this time; please just call ahead to let me know that you are coming. Band Office phone number is 250-559-4496. **HOURS:** 8:00am-11:30am & 1:00pm-4:00pm. My email address is [ira@skidegate.ca](mailto:ira@skidegate.ca)

**STATUS CARDS:** If your status card expired *less than six months* ago; then I can issue a new card without any other identification. If it has expired more than six months; I must have a picture ID and another ID to do a new card. I personally do not make up the rules for issuing a new card, so please come in as soon as your card has expired or is just about to expire. **NOTE;** I can't use expired identification; thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**16 YEARS OF AGE & OLDER:**

One piece of primary ID (from category 1) or

Two pieces of secondary ID, one of which must have a digitized photo (from category 2)

**15 years of age & under:**

An application must be accompanied by:

## **PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN**

One piece of primary ID (from Category 1 ) or

Two pieces of secondary ID, one of which must have a digitized photo (from category 2)

If applicable, a copy of the legal guardianship order naming the guardian, if the legal guardian is applying on behalf of the child.

**AND**

## **CHILD**

One piece of ID from either category 1 or 2 (birth certificate *or* health card)

**FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN 12 AND 15 YEARS OLD:** applying for a *renewal* or *replacement* only,

One piece of primary ID (from category 1) or

Two pieces of secondary ID, one of which must have a digitized photo (from category 2)  
(*First* CIS must be applied by parents or guardians)

### **CIS Renewal Date:**

15 years of age and under: 3 years from issue date

16 years of age and over: 5 years from issue date

### **PHOTOGRAPH**

Every application for a CIS shall be accompanied by a recent (taken within the last 6 months) full face and shoulders picture of the applicant which shall be affixed to the CIS. No headgear, sunglasses or similar apparel shall be worn in the picture.

### **SIGNATURE:**

Applicants must sign the CIS in the presence of the issuing officer

### **ADOPTED PERSONS**

CIS requests from persons whose adoptions are not recorded in the Indian Register shall be referred to the Adoption Unit at AANDC HQ in Ottawa. 1-800-567-9604.

### **FREQUENCY OF ISSUE**

A maximum of two (2) CIS shall be issued to a Registered Indian within any 12 month period.

### **REFUSAL TO ISSUE A CIS**

The issuing officer may refuse to issue a CIS where:

The applicant has not met certain policy requirements

There is reason to believe that the CIS may be used for fraudulent purposes

The Indian Registrar has directed the issuing officer(s) to refuse to issue a CIS to the identified registered Indian

The applicant is intellectually impaired and unaccompanied by a reliable resource; or

The applicant's name is in the process of being removed from the Indian Register.

### **SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS (SCIS)** (the new ones that look like a BC ID card)

The Vancouver office is NOT doing the regular status cards anymore; but they are taking applications for the new Secure Certificate of Indian Status cards (SCIS) There office in Vancouver is located at 601-1138 Melville Street. You will need to call for an appointment. They are open from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Call ahead to confirm identification requirements.

All applicants must bring in 2 passport sized photos which must be dated & stamped on the back by the photographer. Photos must not be more than 1 year old.

Any applicants 16 years of age and older must present the following:



### Part 3 of CIS

- Original birth certificate
- Valid government issued photo ID (ie, BCID, BCDL, CIS card which hasn't expired for more than 6 months, or Passport)
- Provincial health card (ie: BC Care Card, BC Services Card)
- Any name linking documents (ie: marriage certificate, legal name change documents, divorce papers, etc)

For applicants 15 years of age and under or dependant adult must present the following;

- Child's original birth certificate listing parents' names:
  - Parent's valid government issued photo ID (ie BCID, BCDL, CIS card which hasn't expired for more than 6 months, passport)
  - Any custody papers
  - Any name linking documents (ie: legal name change)
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Council of the Haida Nation

## 2013 Summer Session



**September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Old Massett Community Hall**  
**9:00 am to 4:30pm**

**LUNCH PROVIDED**

**As Per 2009 HOA Resolution**

**Please Bring Your Own: Cup, Bowl, Plate & Cutlery**



## BC First Nation's Health Authority Update

**"I'm really excited and proud of the work that's been done because in a lot of ways we're moving beyond colonization and we're moving to a place where First Nations are once again taking a role in being self-determining and making decisions about our future for ourselves." - Lydia Hwitsum, Chair, First Nations Health Authority**

**"We as BC First Nations are taking steps to change our world and achieving our shared vision of Healthy, Self-Determining, and Vibrant BC First Nations Children, Families, and Communities.**

**We are pleased to provide you with this Transition Update... and the progress to achieve a phased transfer of the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Pacific Region of Health Canada to the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA).**

**While this transfer is a very complex exercise, the strong governance displayed by our leadership has kept us on track. We have been guided and grounded by the standards and expectations that BC First Nations leaders implemented for this process.**

**The transfer began on July 2, 2013 – in this initial phase of the transfer, the FNHA assumes responsibility for management and administrative functions and policy and program leadership roles previously under Health Canada headquarters... By October 1, 2013, the plan calls for the conclusion of the transfer which will include all FNIHB-BC Region functions being assumed by the FNHA – such as primary care, public health, environmental and community health programs, along with funding agreements and regional FNIHB staff.**



**Minister Aglukkaq and representatives of the BC First Nations Health Authority meet to commemorate the signing of the Canada Funding Agreement.**

A very unique element of our made-in-BC First Nations health governance process is the strong health partnership we have developed with federal and provincial governments (the Tripartite Committee). This strong partnership ensures that this is not a “dump and run” administrative arrangement – it is an arrangement that recognizes that BC First Nations are best positioned to make decisions about the health and wellness of their people, supported and funded by the Government of Canada. The commitments outlined in both the Framework Agreement and Health Partnership Accord will ensure that Health Canada will continue to play a strong role in making this new health governance arrangement work.



The Tripartite Committee is a key component of the ongoing First Nations, federal and provincial partnership

The health partnership with the Province of BC also continues to strengthen and develop.

### **Building Blocks for Transformation**

The work to transform the federal programs, services, systems and policies that we are inheriting from FNIHB is a long-term transformative agenda, but one we are starting to plan for now. As per the stages of work adopted by BC First Nations, we must get through the Transition stage first – taking over FNIHB-BC Region, getting used to operating that system, and upholding the direction of BC First Nations to bring everyone along with this process, to manage change carefully and at a comfortable pace, and to do so sustainably and affordably – establishing the building blocks for transformation first, and then achieving health systems transformation over time.

As we prepare for this momentous transfer we are reminded of how far we have come and how well we have worked together as BC First Nations. This lays a strong foundation for the work in the coming years to accomplish our collective vision.”

**Note:** The above are excerpts taken from ‘Transition Update: A JOINT FIRST NATIONS HEALTH COUNCIL AND FIRST NATIONS HEALTH AUTHORITY NEWSLETTER 2013 | VOL 01 | N0 04 – A Message from the First Nations Health Council.’ For a more in-depth update on the progress and proceedings of the First Nation Health Authority, please visit the First Nation Health Council website at [www.fnhc.ca](http://www.fnhc.ca)





## HAIDA HEALTH HUB - Promoting UNITY through Health

The **COUNTDOWN** is on! By October 1, 2013, the federal government will have completed the transfer of the planning, design, management and delivery of First Nations health programs to the newly established BC First Nations Health Authority. The opportunity that this very exciting process at the Provincial level offers for the First Nation communities of Haida Gwaii is for Self Determination in health and wellness.

The Haida Health Hub is a Community Engagement Hub formed between the communities of Old Massett and Skidegate. Our contribution to the vision for Self Determination in health and wellness for the Haida Nation is outlined in the following Haida Health Hub Workplan Objectives for 2013-14. These Workplan Objectives are based on the Top Five Priorities of the Haida Health Hub's Community Wellness Plan, created from the results of a Community Questionnaire distributed in 2011.

We will be hiring a Community Outreach Worker for Old Massett and a Community Outreach Worker for Skidegate to implement the Workplan.

### **Objective #1: Empower Our Elders**

The health and wellness of our Elders is the foundation of the Haida Nations Health and Wellness. Their teachings of core values, cultural and traditional ways and the guidance and wisdom they offer, facilitate a continual culture and a strong sense of identity.

**Action: A Medical Travel Position Paper to address the #1 Top Priority of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan – A Culturally Appropriate Medical Travel Program**

It is our intention to record the oral stories of the Elders, women travelling down island and off-island to give birth, and community members, on how medical travel did not meet their needs. The Position Paper will put forth what is problematic and the feasible ways for adopting the Program so that it is responsive to our communities' needs.



**Action:** An All-island Elders Wellness Council, as well as Elder Wellness Councils in each community, to address the **#2 Top Priority of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan - Elders Reclaiming Traditional Roles in the Community**

With the Elder's endorsement, the Elder Wellness Councils in each community will choose 'a focus' as to what they wish to address in their community

With the Elder's endorsement, the Elder Wellness Councils for each community will meet three to four times a year to share their successes

**Action:** Enhancement of our Elders Well-Being to address the **#3 Top Priority of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan - Empowering Elders to live at home**

Working with and through the Health Centre Home Support Programs to ask the Elders, 'What else can we do to enhance your well-being?'

**Objective #2: Promote and Transform our Health Centres**

**Actions:** To address the **#4 Top Priority of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan - An on-Island Healing/ Wellness Centre**

Skidegate Health Centre Newsletter to promote and expand awareness with regards to the choices available to reclaim Health and Wellness

Grant Proposal Writing to obtain sustainable funding to expand the Haida Health Centre's Child and Maternal Health Program and enhance 'Wellness Services' for our children 0 to 5

**Objective #3: Empower our Youth**



Haida Gwaii Youth Councilors - March 2012

**Action:** Haida Gwaii Youth Society to address the **#5 Top Priority of the Haida Health Hub Community Wellness Plan - Youth Wellness Initiatives**

To build Haida Gwaii Youth Capacity to a level where youth are supported and actively involved in the decision making regarding the use of their resources

To have a Board Structure to oversee all-island and provincial Youth Services

**Promotion for Haida Health Hub - Role Model Contest**

This year we will be facilitating a Role Model Contest in each community. So be thinking about 'Who' in your community has exemplified in their daily living the core values



# **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

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## **PATRICK QUINN**

**(LISA BELLIS' FIANCÉ)**



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013**

**SKIDEGATE COMMUNITY HALL**

**2 P.M.**

**TEA TO FOLLOW**

**Call out list for:**  
**Skidegate Volunteer Fire Department**

Fire Emergency: **250-559-8300** Non-Emergency: 250-559-7700

Ambulance: **1-800-461-9911**

Poison Centre: 1-800-567-8911 Dial-A-Nurse: 811

RCMP: 250-559-4421

QC Fire: 250-559-4488

Tlell Fire: 250-557-8585

Skidegate Band Office 250-559-4496

<b><u>Member Days Available</u></b>		<b><u>Phone 1</u></b>	<b><u>Phone 2</u></b>
Chief John Wesley	Everyday	250-559-4466	250-559-4633
Deputy Roy (Kinkles) Jones	Everyday	250-559-7897	778-840-7897
<b><u>Captains</u></b>			
Richard Kennedy	Everyday	250-559-8297	250-559-8297
Kyle Marshal	Everyday	250-559-4577	250-617-7502 EMR
Garrett Russ	Everyday	250-559-4581	250-637-1653
<b><u>MVA</u></b>			
Michael Mayr	Everyday	250-637-1056	
Jay Murphy	Everyday	250-559-7793	
Kyle Yaroshuk	Everyday	778-908-7917	778-908-7917
Ernie Bellamy	Everyday	250-559-8996	250-559-8996
Sherry Williams	Everyday	250-559-1701	250-637-7750
Gary Schindel	Everyday	778-886-6503	778-886-6503 EMR

In the event you cannot get the fire department please call the Emergency Services members on the list or **you can be assisted by the Skidegate Band Office during business hours.**

**8 am to 4:30 weekdays! 250-559-4496**

**Please be clear as to the Nature of your Emergency and your address or location**