



SKIDEGATE NEWSLETTER

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Haala K'aajuu Guu

Come Sing All

**7 weeks program for
Families with children 0-3
October 3rd – November 21st
Thursdays from 10:30 am – 12pm**



Skidegate Health Centre

Haala K'aaju Guu (aka Mother Goose) is a group experience for parents and their babies and young children. The program introduces adults and children to the pleasure and power of using rhymes, songs, and stories together.

Parents gain skills and confidence which can enable them to create positive family patterns during their children's crucial early years. Children benefit from enjoyable, healthy early experiences with language and communication.

<http://nationalpcmgp.ca/>

The MCH Staff will be on hand to answer question, as well as offer weights and measurements.

Questions call Nadine or Michelle at 559-4610



**FUNDRAISING
LUNCHEON &
LOONIE AUCTION**

**For Val Malesku's Medical
Saturday,**

October 19, 2013

Skidegate Community Hall

Starts @ NOON



**QCSS Parent Advisor
Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 5/13 at
6:30 pm in the
QCSS Learning Centre
Info: Sandi 559-8797
EVERYONE WELCOME!**



**Baby Boy Shower for
Kena Russ & Alvin Lewis'
Son**

**Tuesday, October 22, 2013
Skidegate Community Hall
Start at 7 PM
EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Happy Halloween

**Seeking VOLUNTEERS for this Year's
Halloween Party**

**If you would like to VOLUNTEER, please contact
Babs at the Band Office: 250-559-4496**



Haida Gwaii Watchmen Program

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Gwaii Haanas
Haida Heritage Sites

Training Opportunity

Training for the Haida Gwaii Watchmen will begin in January 2014. If there is anybody interested in becoming a Watchmen the requirements needed are:

- **Wilderness First Aid**
- **Small Vessel Operator Proficiency**
- **MED-A3**
- **Radio Operator Certificate-Marine**
- **Chainsaw Safety**
- **Bear Awareness**
- **Food Safe**
- **Cultural Training**

The Cultural Training consists of 2 Modules. Traditional Ecological Knowledge & B.C. Cultural Stewardship. There is no confirmed dates to when the courses start I will inform the public when I have more details to when they start.

Contact: Anita(Upsy)Moody @250-559-8225

Haida Gwaii Watchmen Program

The Deadline for submitting your name is: December 19, 2013.

Fall Update from Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation

Introducing the Gwaalagaa Naay Team!



(L-R) Jessa Williams, Stephanie Pollard, Seraphine Russ-Pryce, Lin Armstrong and Terri Walker. Photographer: Liam Pollard

Location

- ❖ We are located in the Raven Centre, next to the RCMP and Kim Goetzinger.

What we do

- ✓ We now have a Hecate Strait Employment Development Society job board which is updated weekly. Appointments can be made to meet with Laurie from Hecate Strait in our office on Thursday afternoons.
- ✓ For anyone thinking of starting a new business, we have resources available from the Aboriginal Business Service Network (ABSN). We also offer community computer access to work on your resume or develop a business plan.

Fall updates

- Two candidates were shortlisted and interviewed by the GNC Board and the Operations Manager for the Executive Administrative Assistant position. The successful candidate, Jessa Williams, was hired at the end of September.
- There is a unit available for rent this fall for a daily fee at the Eagle Centre, below the Skidegate Band Council office. In the first week of November, Rich with Colour Tattoos will be renting the space in unit 1B. Please keep your eyes open for posters!
- Swing by the GNC office on Thursday October 31st before 4:30pm in your costume for Halloween candy!

Updates from Taaw Naay Enterprises

- There is a fresh new look at Taaw Naay this fall, including a new office, sandwich cooler and Keno corner!
- Congratulations to Skylar Russ and Christina Moody for getting their propane tickets earlier this month!

Skidegate Inlet Adult Day Program Update

Would like to thank all those who have contributed to the ADP through the year, in anyway, with food donations, monetary & craft items.

We are now open 4 days a week-Monday—Thursday.

Watch for us at the Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, November 30, 2013 in the Queen Charlotte Community Hall, where we will be fundraising

UP Thought for the day

Think about what you want, not what you don't want.
Guard your thoughts carefully, because they create your experiences.

Greetings!

Ngystle is still functioning - we have no paid employees, just wonderful volunteers.

We acknowledge the funding that Canada Arts Council provided for the drum making|painting workshops hosted by Ngystle, held in August. April Chapman taught 16 adults how to construct the drums in two night sessions, and Clayton Gladstone instructed the drawing and painting of the drums, which was also completed in two night sessions. The third workshop was held in June for 8 youths.

We received funding from "New Horizons" for a 10 week Cedar Weaving course. We are pleased to have Layla Rorick co-ordinating with the Youth Centre and the Elders during the course taught by April Churchill and her daughter Paula.

This part of the program was "Sharing of Haida Language, Story & Art" that took place at the Youth Centre between April 22 & June 28 for 20 scheduled sessions. This was a partnership with Youth Centre & Swan Bay staff.

April Churchill continued to teach participating youth on a volunteer basis through the summer season. We still hope to follow the success of this weaving course with another in the fall.

In this program, participants completed 3 inch x 3.5 inch red and yellow cedar "Rough Like a Frog Berry Basket" and practiced three techniques for starting to weave Haida items under the instruction of two teachers and one supervisor. Students also learned about the history, stories, meanings, functions and cultural views around weaving.

Each session hosted a senior who taught participants phrases and words in the Haida Language to use while weaving and/or daily life. Some seniors experienced using these language phrases with the students when they encountered them in public at a later date.

Also New Horizons funded for renovations to the Ngystle Building - we have new flooring and all rooms were painted on the main floor. Haawa to the Skidegate Band for helping with the organizing of the quotes and making decisions.

A big Haaw'a to Casey VanderWeide for always coming to our rescue when we need help with computers and printers. All of the high tech stuff!

We are excited to announce!

We received our Charitable Donation number, and we look forward to "doors opening" to access funding for operating costs and whatever else is needed!

The Amethyst Bio mat brings relaxation and peace as one lies on the comfortable bed of 28 pounds of Crystals. The Trinfinity8 machine with the hand held crystals is another. The Trinfinity8 machine is "kept busy" a great way to keep calm and centered.

We invite you to make an appointment to try either or both. These are the tools to help the body mind & spirit stay healthy.

Also come check out our library and sign out books for your convenience.

If you know of anyone that would be interested in any of the services that Ngystle provides, feel free to send them down to have a look, and to get more information for Trinfinity8 or the Amethyst Bio mat.

Ngystle is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 to 4:30. Closed Wednesday.

Don't forget these upcoming events:

Ngystle will be at the Christmas Craft Fair which is held at the Community Hall in Queen Charlotte, November 30th from 10:00 - 4:00 pm.

Ngystle will have their annual Christmas Raffle tickets on sale, which everyone looks forward to!

Upcoming Workshop

"Choose Love" - Oct 19th & 20th, 2013

2 Days of Psychology of Vision Workshop w/ Trainer Babs Stevens

See poster for details

*We are very blessed with the abundance that is coming to our Society.
We are grateful for all the support we receive.*

Haawa!

This workshop is sponsored by the First Nation Fund and Ngystle Society

**Skidegate Elders Group
\$5000 Bingo**

Sunday, October 20, 2013

Skidegate Community Hall

\$50.00 entry

Doors open @ 11 am.

Games start @ 1 pm

CONCESSION AVAILABLE



A HAIDA GWAI GATHERING FOR WOMEN

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

A 2 Day Psychology of Vision Workshop with Trainer Babs Stevens

A gathering of women, who have been affected by Breast Cancer,
Or who have lost a loved one to Breast Cancer and for Women who would
like to be more aware of Breast Cancer.

*What would help Women communicate with each other? – An open
Dialogue.*

At this Gathering of Women, we will discuss and plan an All Island Art
Show for October 2014 Breast Cancer Awareness

Where: Ngystle Society Building
Skidegate, Haida Gwaii
When: October 26 & 27, 2013 (10am start)
Tuition: Free

Please bring your snacks and lunch.

This workshop is sponsored by the First Nation Fund and Ngystle Society
Please register at 250-559-4114

Haida Language Revitalization



Comprehensive Community Planning - OCT 29

CCP - Phase 2

This phase will engage the community in strategic planning, define our visions, goals and priorities for the 2013-2017 Community Plan.

- Be a community -friendly way to put ideas into action.
- 8 Community meetings will take place together with advisory committee meetings.
- Projects: Community Census, Language , Culture, Youth Capacity Plan.

What:

Haida Language Revitalization CCP Meeting

When: October 29, 2013 5:00-7:00

Where: Skidegate Community Hall

(dinner provided)

Other: 250.559.4496 ext 3

ccp@skidegate.ca

Community Open House
November 26, 2013
Sponsored by Skidegate Band Council
George Brown Rec Centre

Open to Skidegate Band Membership and Spouses

Adult 1st Prize:

Trip for 2 to Vancouver, with 2 Nights Hotel & 500.00

Adult 2nd Prize: \$300.00

Adult 3rd Prize: \$250.00

Adult is 19 years of age and older.

YOUTH 1st Prize: \$200.00

YOUTH 2nd Prize: \$150.00

YOUTH 3rd Prize: \$50.00

To Win the prizes you must be present to win

Plus many more Booth Prizes

2013 OPEN HOUSE

- 1. Each booth is responsible for getting their supplies for the booth.**
- 2. Each booth is responsible for setting up and taking down their booth.**
- 3. The George Brown Rec Center will be open for set up on the morning of November 26th. (Open House officially starts at 2:00 p.m.)**
- 4. There will be a prize for "best booth" for the Skidegate Band Council departments, ballots will be available to hand out.**
- 5. One person from each of Skidegate Band Council booths will keep a list of who works in their booth, staff must put in a minimum of four (4) hours to qualify for the staff draw.**
- 6. Only Skidegate Band Council staff that are on the SBC payroll are eligible for the staff draw.**
- 7. Each booth can have their own booth prize, it's up to the booth to get their own prize.**
- 8. If your booth has a door prize it is up to them to do the draw and bring the information to the PA to announce the winners.**

Don't become part of the circuit



Learn how to be safe around power lines at BC Hydro's **Electrical Safety Awareness Training**

Learn the 3 Keys of Electrical Safety!

Find out what to do if a power line falls on the car you are driving.

Learn how to spot electrical hazards and plan your work so
everyone goes home safely.

An experienced instructor will lead
you through:

- the basics of how electricity behaves
- introduction to BC Hydro's power system
- what to do if you need to escape from an energized area
- for police, fire, and medical workers: how to help others without becoming part of the circuit yourself

Electrical Safety for First Responders and Public Works

Thursday October 24, 2013

7:00 pm

Community Club in the Village of
Queen Charlotte

Audience:

Volunteer Fire Fighters, Paramedics, Police
Officers, Forestry Fire Fighters, Public Works
Employees and Contractors – and anyone
who works around electrical hazards

BC Hydro 

Call out list for

Fire Emergency: 250-559-8300

Ambulance: 1-800-461-9911

RCMP: 250-559-4421

QC Fire: 250-559-4488

Tlell Fire: 250-557-8585

Poison Centre: 1-800-567-8911

Dial-A-Nurse: 811

Skidegate Fire Non-Emergency: 250-559-

7700

Member Days Available Phone 1 Phone 2

Colin Richardson	Everyday	778-260-0078 250-559-8786
John Wesley E	Everyday	250-559-4466 250-559-4633
Michael Mayr	Everyday	250-637-1056
Kyle Marshall	Everyday	250-559-4577
Richard Kennedy	Everyday	250-559-8297 250-559-8297
Kyle Yaroshuk	Everyday	778-908-7917 778-908-7917
Gary Schindel	Everyday	778-886-6503 778-886-6503
Jay Murphy	Everyday	250-559-7793

HAICO PUBLIC MEETINGS

Wednesday, October 23, 2013:

Old Massett Community Hall @ 6 pm

Thursday, October 24, 2013:

Skidegate Community Hall @ 6pm

DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED AT BOTH LOCATIONS.

Health Care Assistant (HCA) Certificate

26-Week Full-time Certificate Program

An aging population and a shortage of care workers make graduates of the Health Care Assistant program in **high demand**.

Successful graduates find work as health care assistants in clients' homes, adult day programs, multi-level care facilities, and group homes.

Academic Admission Requirements

- English Grade 11 or equivalent
- Successful completion of English Assessment

Program Requirements

- Occupational First Aid Level 1, CPR C, WHMIS and FoodSafe Level 1
- Current Immunization Records
- Criminal Record Check



Haida Gwaii with Potential Off Island Practicum Placements
January – July, 2014*

*English upgrading
November – December, 2013

Haida Gwaii location will be determined by registrations.

Estimated Expenses

Program Cost	\$ 2,100.00
Textbooks	\$ 350.00
Supplies	\$ 500.00
+ Practicum Expenses (which vary depending on location)	



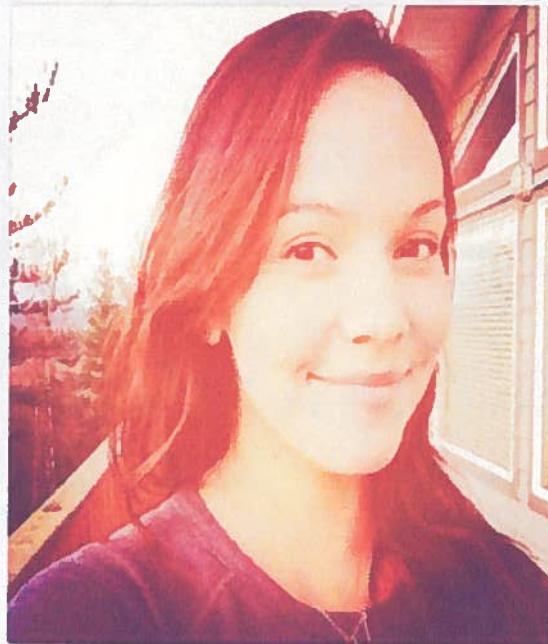
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Policy Planning and Strategic Services is pleased to announce the selection of Nicole Cross as the Regional Director for the Northern Region.

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The Regional Director will be responsible for leadership of a regional team engaged in relationship building, strategic level regional planning and advocacy, community and Nation engagement and collaborative efforts of the regional health system partners. Nicole will provide strategic leadership and technical support to the 55 Nations of the Northern regions, including: regional First Nation engagement, leadership in regional health authority partnership development, administration of regional funding envelop and reporting & monitoring regional activity



COLOUR ME!