

SPLATSIN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

February 2017, ISSUE 71



16 Feathers represent the other Secwepemc Bands

3 bottom feathers represent the Reserves:
I.R. # 1 (Salmon River); I.R. # 2 (Enderby); I.R. #3 (Sicamous)

5 Arrows represent Kukpi7 & Tkwimpla7
(Chief & Council)

Mission Statement: Working Together
Towards Independence

Splatsin – Enderby

Sek'emaws – Sicamous

Splmiwa7s – Shuswap River

Sk'a7tis – Fortune Creek/Steppney

Chahal – Salmon River



Pink Shirt Day

February 2017 at Shihya School

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to Joan Nicholas
March 22

From, Monica and Robert Eneas



PINK SHIRT DAY PHOTO'S -SHIHIYA SCHOOL



Mrs. Kopp Class



Mrs. Sayenchuck Class



Mrs. Miller Class



Alicia Killman, CEA
Constance Christian, Cook
Selena fletcher, Secretary
Emil Prevost, Bus Driver



CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP CODE

NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP

Are you changing your Band membership in the near future?

Do you have a lawful possession of reserve land (i.e. Certificate of Possession or other evidence of title) with your current First Nation?

IF SO: Read this important information about the operation of Section 25 of the *Indian Act*.

25(1) "An Indian who ceases to be entitled to reside on a reserve may, within six months or such further period as the Minister may direct, transfer to the band or another member of the band the right to possession of any lands in the reserve of which he was lawfully in possession."

25(2) "Where an Indian does not dispose of his right of possession in accordance with Subsection (1), the right to possession of the land reverts to the band, subject to the to the payment to the Indian who was lawfully in possession of the land, from the funds of the band, of such compensation for permanent improvements as the Minister may determine."

If you are changing Band membership and are affected by Section 25 of the *Indian Act*, you need to complete a Transfer form (transfer of land in an Indian reserve), and submit the transfer to indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) within 6 months of changing your of membership. You will also need to provide the documentation required under the *Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act*. These forms may be available at your Band office, or can be provided by INAC upon request.

Any extension to the 6-month period, as noted in Section 25(2), needs to be requested in writing prior to the end of the 6-month period. A lawful possession which is not transferred within the 6-month period will revert to the Band.

For further information about the operation of Section 25 of the *Indian Act* contact INAC as indicated below:

Toll free: 1-800-665-9320 or email BCLandRegistry@aandc.gc.ca

NEW STAFF INTRODUCTION

My name is Robyn Giffen and I am a new researcher in the Title and Rights Department. I'm originally from Calgary, Alberta but have been living in Kelowna for eight years. I have a Master's degree in linguistic anthropology and have spent the last two years teaching linguistic courses at UBC Okanagan. In my new position with the department I will be working closely with Ray and Trina to oversee Cultural Heritage Assessments. When I'm not working, I like to spend my time baking and dancing. I'm very excited to have joined the Splatsin Title and Rights Department and look forward to getting to know many of you as I settle in.



NOTICE REGARDING CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARD STOCK

The following was received on
November 21, 2016:

>>> Aileen Lau 11/21/2016
3:36 PM >>>
Hello everyone,

** Please share this e-mail
with your back ups and
supervisor **



You have all been very patient while we wait for CIS stock from HQ. We have been approved for 750 cards today. This means we have to update our procedures for issuing stock to IRAs.

Our records show some of you have between 1 and 200 cards that have yet to be reported to us as issued, missing, or voided.

UNTIL YOUR PREVIOUS ORDERS ARE FULLY REPORTED, WE WILL NOT BE ISSUING ADDITIONAL STOCK.

Our office will be contacting you in writing with information about the cards that have not been fully reported, if any. In the meantime, please continue to submit all of your logs and applications ASAP.

Thank you,

Aileen Lau
Manager, Indian Registration and Band Lists
BC Region

Then this was received on November 21, 2016:

Fri 11/25/2016 1:11 PM

** Please share this e-mail with your back ups and supervisor **

Further to my November 21, 2016 e-mail (below), BC Region will now be receiving 1000 cards. As you know, this is a small fraction of what we typically receive. We have also been informed that further stock will not be coming unless all previously shipped cards are accounted for. To enable us to be able to order more cards from HQ in the future, please note the following:

- New card stock will only be shipped to IRAs when all previous stock has been accounted for. Cards need to be reported to BC Region as issued, missing, voided, other. Lori will contact IRAs about cards that have been not been reported yet.
- Due to the amount of cards expected, IRBL will not be able to ship at the volume you are all used to. We will be cutting orders for everyone so that all IRAs will be able to get some cards.
- IRBL will not be able to consider special large orders for IRAs planning to visit community members.
- Please do not prepare a card for issuance unless the applicant has all required documentation. There should not be any partially prepared cards left in "pending" status because this means the card cannot be reported. If you have any pending cards at this time, please mark them as void and return them to us immediately.

Sincerely,

Aileen

Manager, Indian Registration and Band Lists
BC Region

Due to this new policy, there will be interruptions in service for issuing Certificate of Indian status cards.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, until Vancouver Region can satisfactorily account for their previous order the number of cards they receive will be severely restricted.

When the issue is resolved or there is an update another notice will be issued.

We encourage you to call the Band Office prior to making application for renewal or replacement Certificate of Indian Status Card. The number to call is (250) 838-6496 ext. 221

Hours of Operation 8:30 am to 11:00 am and 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm on Wednesday and Thursday.

Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Regards,

Elizabeth Jean Brown
Splatsin 600
Indian Registry Administrator



JOB OPPORTUNITY

ASSISTANT MOUNTAIN CARIBOU SHEPHERD

JOB OVERVIEW

Reporting to the Lead Mountain Caribou Shepherd (“Lead Shepherd”) and to the Pen Operations Manager or designated alternate (“Pen Manager”), Assistant Mountain Caribou Shepherds will provide essential care, monitoring, and protection for captive mountain caribou and their calves during the maternity penning period. They will ensure the health, well-being and security of the penned mountain caribou and their calves at all times.

This project requires the presence of shepherds 24 hours/day at the pen facility during the penning period, which typically runs from the end of March to the beginning of July. Monitoring of the pen facility and captive animals is required during daylight hours, however, increased vigilance will be necessary during calving or if predators are in the area.

Assistant shepherds will receive capacity building and training and be expected to take part in caribou husbandry, shepherding, surveillance, field monitoring and data collection, field data compilation, and predator aversion and hazing. Assistant shepherds may also be involved in education and outreach activities, such as lichen collection, live feed of video to internet sites, sharing of data or video on websites and working with regional school boards and the local community.

The Maternity Pen is in a remote location. For much of the work shift, Lead and Assistant Shepherds will be working without direct interaction with the Pen Manager. Lead and Assistant Shepherds are expected to work as an independent and resourceful team, cooperatively accomplishing duties and practicing good interpersonal communication/dispute resolution skills.

Annual employment is approximately 4-5 months, (roughly from March –July in a remote location), based on a day rate of an average of 8 hours/day during the work shift, with housing and cost of food provided when on site.

ACCOUNTABILITIES

Required:

- Report major pen or animal health issues as they arise and work as a coordinated team with Lead Shepherd to resolve them.
- Implement and fully understand established protocols. Attend training sessions. Provide recommendations on changes to protocols, and facilities based on experiences gained at the maternity pen.
- Assist with capture operations as required.
- Transport feed and equipment as required to and from pen site using own vehicle.

- Ensure the day-to-day welfare of penned mountain caribou and their calves, with particular attention to animal as well as worker health and safety. Work safely and report any safety issues immediately.
- Ensure that penned caribou are monitored and cared for, including staggering shifts with Lead Shepherd to maximize coverage. Manage work shifts to ensure an average of 8 hrs/day over the work shift.
- Provide basic animal husbandry, including provision of food and water. Record amount of food supplied and discarded each day. Ensure that feed and water troughs are clean. Maintain animal scale and associated cameras as requested.
- Capture and handle calves following established protocols and as directed.
- Conduct at least twice daily enumeration of captive animals. Ensure that disturbance and human interaction with caribou is minimized. Assess and document daily general health, body condition, weight and feeding in animal health records.
- Recommend based on training and protocols, when Veterinarian care may be required working as a coordinated team to initiate and assist Veterinarian response. Operate camera and video recording equipment to document animal health and transmit info to Veterinarian promptly.
- Document observations, daily activities and/or other actions related to animal health and safety in a digital daily activity log.
- Conduct patrols of the maternity pen facility and periphery to assess structural integrity, animal safety and evidence of predator presence. Test and record electric fence function and performance two times per day.
- Assist in programming, deploying and downloading data from remote sensing cameras to project computer as required.
- Take action to deter predators, and lethal action where necessary as outlined in protocols to ensure safety of penned caribou. Use good judgement and ensure adequate communication regarding actions taken.
- Perform maintenance and repair of the maternity pen and associated facilities and equipment. Inventory supplies and communicate deficiencies and/or needs.
- Ensure that radio telemetry/GPS collars are working on a daily basis.
- Implement during daylight hours, hand held radio communications ensuring that the pen can be contacted on the "Birch" (153.230) channel for non-sensitive communications and that sensitive communications (dealing with predators or animal health issues) exclusively use the NRO "Gold" channel (163.830) or as otherwise instructed.
- Promote good working relationships with internal and external partners and stakeholders. Facilitate approved visits to the pen (funders, scientists, and media) and strictly apply visitation guidelines.
- Conduct grocery shopping for shifts. Ensure housing facilities are kept tidy, clean and in good working order.
- Participate in as required, education and outreach activities, such as lichen collection, live feed of video to internet sites, sharing of data or video, and working with the school board on caribou

based education programs and engage in community-based discussion meetings regarding the project.

- Perform other tasks and/or responsibilities as provided.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Proficient in the use of firearms and/or other forms of deterrents such as hazing, pepper spray, etc;
- Valid firearm Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL) or is qualified to receive a PAL;
- Ability to identify animals by tracks, scat, or other indicators;
- Interest in animal husbandry, ability to observe patiently for long periods, and to record data regularly and accurately;
- Willingness to share experiences and participate in education and outreach activities as required;
- Willingness and ability to work outdoors in inclement weather at a remote location on a rotational shift basis;
- Valid B.C. driver's licence;
- Meet safety standards of Work Safe BC and hold a valid Level 1 First Aid certificate at a minimum;
- Operation of a variety of equipment, including boats, snowmobiles, and ORVs;
- Valid Canadian Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC);
- Ability to carry equipment and supplies in difficult terrain;
- Good physical condition;
- Basic operation of a personal computer (i.e. Word, Excel, etc). Data entry skills, proficient with email, Google drive and digital cameras;
- Willingness to report to the Pen Manager and Lead Shepherd regularly and as requested;
- Mechanically inclined and able to conduct basic equipment maintenance and repairs. Familiarity with basic carpentry tools and techniques; and
- Committed to follow established procedures and protocols.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact our office 250 838 0775 ext. 113. Posting closes 4:30pm March 3, 2017

CANADA CHILD TAX BENEFIT

The Canada Child Benefit

Tammy and Brad will get

\$18,200 per year

Net Family Income: \$30,000
2 children under 6 and 1 over 6

How much money will your family get?
Check out our calculator:
canada.ca/canada-child-benefit



Canada

Introducing the Canada Child Benefit

The Government of Canada introduced the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) to replace previous child benefits, including the Universal Child Care Benefit, the Canada Child Tax Benefit and the National Child Benefit Supplement. The CCB is a tax-free monthly payment for eligible families to help them with the cost of raising children under 18 years of age.

Although the Canada Child Tax Benefit and the Universal Child Care Benefit are no longer being issued, you can still request an adjustment for previous years, if you were eligible.

The CCB is:

- **simpler** – most families will receive a single payment every month
- **tax-free** – families will not have to pay taxes on payments received when they file their tax returns
- **better targeted to those who need it most** – low- and middle-income families will get higher payments, and those with the highest incomes (generally over \$150,000) will receive less than under the previous system
- **much more generous** – families benefiting will see an average increase of almost \$2,300 in the 2016–17 benefit year

How much will you get?

There are two main factors that determine how much you will get:

- the number of children in your care and their ages
- your adjusted family net income

You can get annual payments of up to:

- \$6,400 for each child under the age of 6
- \$5,400 for each child aged 6 through 17

Families with less than \$30,000 in net income will get the maximum benefit. As your income increases over \$30,000, the payment will be reduced until it reaches zero.

Are you eligible?

To be eligible for the CCB, you must be the primary person responsible for the care and upbringing of the child. Go to [Canada child benefit – Before you apply](#) for more information on eligibility.

How do you apply?

If you already get child benefits and have filed your 2015 taxes, you will have started receiving the new CCB automatically as of July 2016.

If you do not currently receive child benefits and you have a child under 18, you can apply for the CCB using one of the following options:

- the [Automated Benefits Application](#) for newborns
- the online service "Apply for Child Benefits" on [My Account](#)
- Fill out [Form RC66, Canada Child Benefits Application](#) and mail it to the Canada Revenue Agency.

To apply, you will need:

- Your Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- Your 2015 income tax assessment

For more information on SINs, to get an application or to find out if you are eligible to apply for a SIN by mail, go to [Social Insurance Number – Overview](#).

You can access the general income tax and benefit package for 2015 [here](#).

For general information on any federal government program or service, please visit [Canada.ca](#) or call 1 800 O-CANADA (1-800-622-6232).

Canada Child Benefit

Get the benefits and credits you are entitled to receive by filing your income tax and benefit return, **even if you did not receive income in the year or if your income was tax exempt.**

What is the Canada Child Benefit?

The Canada Child Benefit (CCB) is a tax-free monthly payment made to eligible families.

You may get **up to:**

\$6,400 per year	for each child under the age of 6
\$5,400 per year	for each child aged 6 to 17



To be eligible to receive the CCB, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- You must live with the child, and the child must be under 18 years of age.
- You must be primarily responsible for the care and upbringing of the child.
- You must be a resident of Canada for tax purposes.

To receive the CCB

- 1) You need to have a Social Insurance Number (SIN).
 - If you don't have one, you can apply for one at a Service Canada office. To find your nearest Service Canada office visit servicecanada.gc.ca or call 1-800-622-6232.
 - If you live over 100 km from a Service Canada office or in certain other cases, you may be able to apply by mail. For more information, go to esdc.gc.ca/en/sin/apply.page.
 - Service Canada staff can visit and help people in getting SINs at the request of the community.
- 2) You need to file your income tax and benefit return every year.
 - Income tax and benefit returns can be filed online or by mail.
- 3) You need to apply for child benefits in one of the following ways:
 - Use the Automated Benefits Application at cra-arc.gc.ca/bnfts/tmtd-eng.html when you fill out your newborn's birth registration form;
 - Use "Apply for child benefits" in My Account at cra.gc.ca/myaccount; or
 - Fill out Form RC66, Canada Child Benefits Application and mail it to the Canada Revenue Agency.

Applying for the CCB will automatically register your child for related provincial or territorial programs.

In addition, you may also be eligible for other benefits such as the Child Disability Benefit, the Canada Learning Bond, Employment Insurance, the Canada Pension Plan, or Old Age Security. Information on how to apply for these benefits is available at servicecanada.gc.ca.



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du Canada

Government
of Canada

Canada

FOR MORE INFORMATION**Service Canada Services and Information:**

Government of Canada	Canada.ca
General Information	1 800 O CANADA (1-800-622-6232)

Canada Child Benefit Information:

Child and Family Benefits	cra.gc.ca/benefits
Benefit Enquiries Line	1-800-387-1193
Family Benefits Calculator	cra.gc.ca/benefits-calculator
MyBenefits CRA App	cra.gc.ca/mobileapps

Tax benefits and requirements for Indigenous Peoples:

Aboriginal Peoples Webpage	cra.gc.ca/aboriginalpeoples
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CRA Online Services:

My Account	cra.gc.ca/myaccount
CVITP Webpage	cra.gc.ca/volunteer



EVENTS

WARRIORS

Everyone is welcome

WARRIORS

MONDAYS 1030 AM -130PM



WE MAKE CRAFTS, HAVE LUNCH RIDES AVAILABLE
COFFEE IS ON LOTS OF LAUGHS ☺



@ SPLATSIN TSM7AKSALTN
EAGELS ROOM DOWN STAIRS

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT PROGRAM: PLEASE CALL OR
INBOX FB @ 778-212-6407 SALENA. WEBB
KIA7AS ALWAYS WELCOME AS WELL

MEET AND GREET - EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

SPLATSIN EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

*MEET AND GREET EVENT
EVERYONE WELCOME!*

DATE: THURS. MARCH 2, 2017

TIME: 10:00AM – 3:00PM

LOCATION: SDC BOARD ROOM
(UPSTAIRS AT ESSO STATION)

COME ON OUT AND MEET MJ,
EMPLOYMENT COUNSELLOR FOR SPLATSIN.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR YOUR DREAM JOB OR PURPOSE?
DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF WORK SUITS YOU?
TIRED OF FEELING STUCK WHERE YOU ARE?
DO YOU WANT TO INCREASE YOUR INCOME AND EARNING POTENTIAL?
DO YOU NEED HELP WITH WHERE TO START?

*COME AND SEE WHAT SERVICES ARE
AVAILABLE AND HOW I CAN HELP!*



*COFFEE/TEA SNACKS
INFORMATION
DOOR PRIZES!*



OKANAGAN COLLEGE – ABORIGINAL DAY

13TH ANNUAL

Aboriginal Day

Honoring Diversity and student success
through fashion, dance and songs.

VERNON CAMPUS

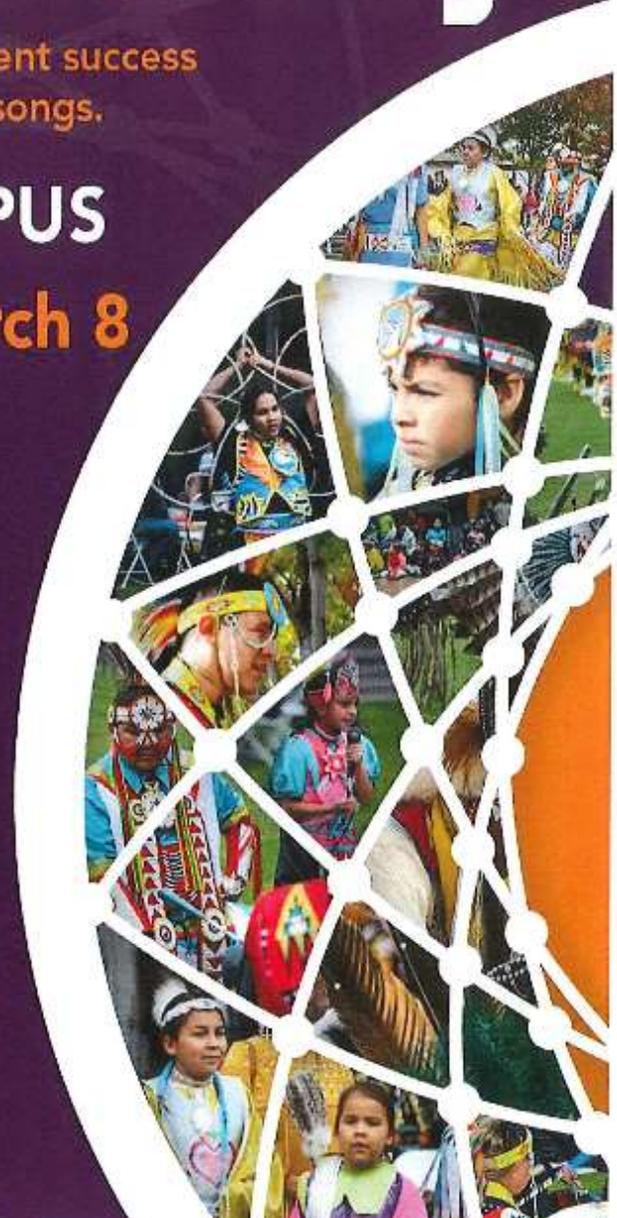
Wednesday, March 8

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Drum Group and Dancers: The Cliffs
Emcee: Jacquelyn Rose

Honoring Diversity through Fashion
Emcee and organizers of Fashion Show:
Kim O'Neil and Cynthia Roufousse

Entertainment:
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(OKIB Cultural Immersion School)



For more information contact
Marilyn Alexis – 250 545 7291 ext 2284

LAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE & DROP - IN SESSIONS

2017 SPLATSIN LAND NEWS

LAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE & MONTHLY DROP-IN SESSIONS

The lands department will now be taking applications to sit on a new Lands Advisory Committee. We are looking for 8 Splatsin members from a variety of backgrounds to help with the Land Code development as well as general support on other issues such as land use planning.

**DROP - IN
TITLE & RIGHTS
PORTABLE
STARTING MARCH 08, 2017
WEDNESDAYS
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM**

Please submit your name to Cindy Couch in the Lands department before March 17th.

Meetings will be monthly between 5-7pm with dinner served and a \$40 honorarium paid to each committee member. Please speak with us if you have any questions.

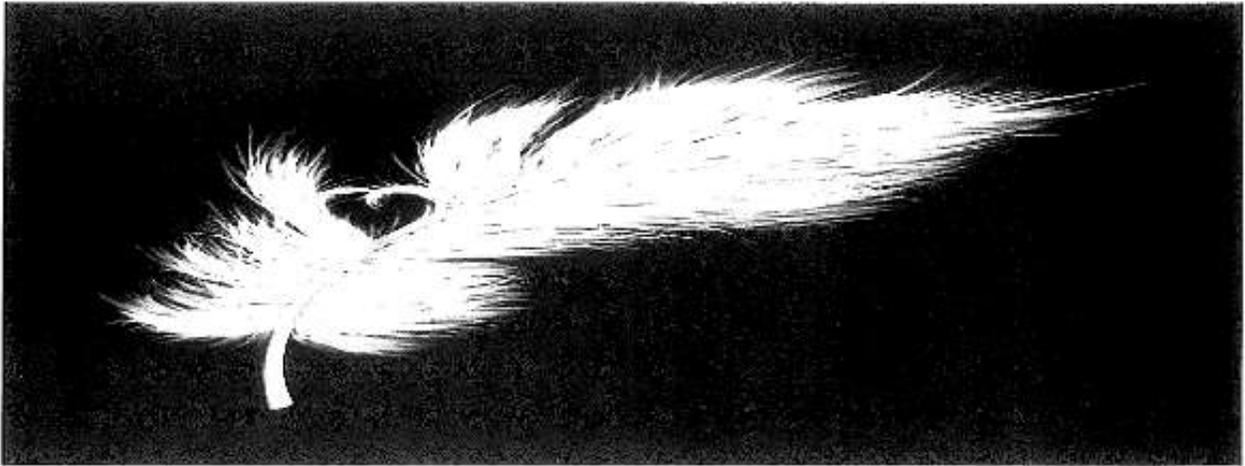
We will also be beginning a weekly Lands coffee drop-in at the Title and Rights portable every Wednesday from 9 until 10:30am. This will be an opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback, look at new mapping tools and generally help shape land use planning for Splatsin.

This drop-in will begin Wednesday March 8th and continue every Wednesday after that.

(250) 838-6496
Mike Fotheringham, Land Director Ext: 235
Cindy Couch, Land Use Officer Ext: 227

5775 Old Vernon Road Enderby B.C.

TIPS AND TALES



Tips and Tales

March, 15 ,2017 11am to 1 pm.

At Splatsin Health Centre.

This is a informal gathering that we can share information and socialize with friends. Come on out and enjoy the day. Rides upon request. Looking forward to seeing you all of you there.

Open to all community .

Please call Adeline at 250-838-9538 ext 303

TUPPERWARE BINGO

Tupperware Bingo

March 16, 2017

Quilakwa Centre upstairs Boardroom

5655 Hwy 97A

Above Tim Hortons

Doors open at 5:30pm

Games start at 6:15pm

Ends at 8:00 pm

- Buy a Tupperware item for \$10.00 get a free card.
- Bonus games \$1.00 item; \$2.00 item, \$3.00 item or \$5.00 item

The Tupperware event page is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TupperwareEvents/>

join to get updates of events throughout the Shuswap/Okanagan Valley

Seating is limited, pre-registration is recommended.

Earn extra cards (max 6 cards in total):

- Bring a drink or snack in a Tupperware container
- Bring a new player
- Bring a Tupperware bag
- Bump the Buy and Sell ad
- Book at table of 4 or more
- Sending an R.S.V.P. 2 days before event

For More Information contact Elizabeth Jean Brown at (250)309-1389

JOB FAIR



If you are interested in attending the Vernon Job Fair please contact MJ (ext. 214 or at the Education portable) if you would like further information or if you would need a ride to this event. There will be 20 – 30 local employers looking to hire people at this Fair. Check out www.vernonjobfair.ca

Tips To Get The Most Out Of A Job Fair

Getting Ready For The Fair

- Know the employers that will be at the fair and research the ones that interest you.
- Bring a number of updated resumé for each of your job choices. You may also find it helpful to bring electronic copies of your resumé saved on a USB stick.
 - Practice a 30 second sales pitch of your background for when you meet with employers. Your pitch should answer these questions:
 - Who am I? (Education, experience, skills, hobbies)
 - Why do I want to work for you? (Goals and why you are interested in the company)
 - Why should you hire me? (Highlight skills and experience)



- Dress professionally for the job you want. Be neat and tidy.
- Prepare for on-the-spot interviews and be ready to fill out job applications at the fair.
- Decide which employers are most important for you, so you can visit them first on the day of the fair.

Attending the Fair

- Arrive at the job fair early.
- Meet employers on your own rather than with your friends.
- Make a good first impression. Be calm, confident, smile and shake hands with the employers.
- Share only positive comments about past employers or jobs.
- Make notes about conversations that you have with employers.
- Collect their business cards so that you can follow up with them after the fair.
- Network with other job seekers to learn from their experiences.

BC ELDERS' GATHERING – CAMPBELL RIVER, BC

BC ELDERS GATHERING

CAMPBELL RIVER

JULY 11-13, 2017

By request of the BC Elders Committee

NO CHILDREN ALLOWED

REGISTRATION CUT-OFF

MAY 13, 2017

NO LATE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED

BRING ALL MEDICATION THAT IS REQUIRED

FOR THOSE THAT HAVE GIVEN YOUR NAME TO ATTEND THIS EVENT

PLEASE CALL BEV THOMAS TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE.

CONFIRMATION IS A MUST

CONTACT

Bev Thomas

250 838 7036



HEALTH

THE RED ROAD TO WELLBRIETY MEETINGS



“BALANCED BEING”

Most people associate Wellbriety with addictions but Wellbriety is about much more. It means being a balanced person. Wellbriety can also support you with issues such as:

- Conflict and disharmony in relationships
- Impacts of abuse and violence
- Grief

The first Wednesday of every month will include an informational session about a Wellbriety theme or topic and a meal.



Meets every
Wednesday from
7pm-9pm

Splatsin Health
Services
Flex Room

Come learn about
healing, hope,
unity and
forgiveness.

For more info
contact Stewart:
250-838-9538

SPLATSIN HEALTH SERVICES

PO Box 460
5771 Old Vernon Rd.
Enderby, BC
VOE 1V0

250-838-9538

FOOT CARE CLINIC**The Second Thursday of the month**

Open to all persons living with diabetes and elders in the Community. Call Adeline, Splatsin Health to book appointments. (250) 838-9538

SPLATSIN PRENATAL PROGRAM

Are you Pregnant? Or know someone Pregnant?

Come & Register for the prenatal Program!



- Prenatal nutrition
- Prenatal Classes Available. Topics include: growth & development, nutrition, labor & delivery, breastfeeding, infant care. (Lessons can be taught individually or in a group depending on need)
- Infant Car seats available
- Breastfeeding Support, Breast pump loans
- Prenatal Support, Information, Books, resources and more!

Contact Melanie Marchand at the Splatsin Health Centre
250-838-9538



COHI

DOES YOUR CHILD NEED VARNISH?



Children's Oral Health Initiative (COHI)

Does Your Child Need Fluoride Varnish?

Your dental professional will tell you how many fluoride varnish (FV) applications your child needs, based on what they see in your child's mouth and your child's risk for cavities.



Low Risk = 2 fluoride varnishes per year.

- No cavities.
- No fillings.
- Teeth cleaned twice daily by parent(s).
- Sugary foods and drinks are limited.
- Regular visits to a dental professional.



High Risk = 4 fluoride varnishes per year

- Cavities and/or fillings.
- New cavities starting (white spots).
- Teeth not cleaned by parent(s).
- Sugary foods and drink between meals (i.e. a bottle or a sippy cup containing anything other than water between meals or feedings).
- Family does not visit or have access to a dental professional regularly.
- Parent/caregivers have cavities.
- Child has special health care needs.



If your child is 'high risk,' by changing only one or two behaviours you can reduce the risk of new decay!

Congratulations if your child is already in the 'low risk' category!

What is Fluoride?

- It is found naturally in some well water, and can be added to water systems to help prevent tooth decay.
- It helps to harden tooth enamel (the outside surface of teeth) and make teeth stronger.
- FV can even help to prevent small cavities from getting bigger.
- It only takes a few seconds to apply FV with a small brush.
- Your dental professional will recommend twice daily brushing with fluoride toothpaste in addition to FV.

HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS

CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Jackpine water system is underway! This will be an 18 month project which will result in our own Level 2 water treatment plant and improvements to the water quality for all homes on the canyon water system.



HOUSING

ERP's (Emergency Repair Program) and RRAP'S (Residential Repair Assistance Program) are finishing up. Dunwoodie Elders Lodge Siding, roof and windows will be complete in one week!





INCOME VERIFICATION



Income verification is due by March 31. If you do not complete your income verification your rent for April 1 2017 will be at max payable amount. Please prepare all of your T4's, or, Notice of Assessment, or last 4 paystubs to submit to Housing ASAP. You are welcome to drop of a copy of all of these papers in a sealed envelope to the attention of Michele Niles. Michele will call you for an appointment time to sign paperwork.

HOUSING POLICY

The new housing policy was presented on Feb 22 at the community Assembly. Copies will be delivered with this newsletter, available at the office, or by email. The following dates will be the time for community input and questions. Please submit any questions to hpadmin@splatsin.ca to be addressed at future meetings. After the may 10 meeting a final draft will be presented and submitted to council.



- March 8
- April 12
- May 10
 - 6-8 PM
 - Refreshments will be provided

IF YOU REQUIRE CHILD CARE FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 8, PLEASE CONTACT [HPADMIN@SPLATSIN.CA](mailto:hpadmin@splatsin.ca) THE WEEK BEFORE THE MEETING AND WE WILL SEE IF WE CAN ACCOMMODATE YOUR NEEDS. CHILDCARE FOR CHILDREN 8 AND UP WILL BE PROVIDED.

Michele Niles

Director of Housing, Capital Infrastructure, and Public Works

Splatsin Indian Band

250-838-6496 ext 224

250-540-4049 Cell

michele_niles@splatsin.ca

LANDS

NOW OPEN TO SERVE SPLATSIN

The Lands Department is now open and operating. Mike Fotheringham Lands Manager & Cindy Couch, Land Use Officer are happy to provide services to Splatsin Members in regards to any questions, land transactions and Land related topics. Splatsin has made a historic step to move beyond the Indian Act by choosing to assume direct control over our reserve lands and resources and has made application for Splatsin to enter in the First Nations Land Management Regime- otherwise known as Land Code.

Recently the Land Advisory board has notified C&C that we have been accepted to become a signatory to the FNLMA - which allows Splatsin to begin the 2-year process of community engagement resulting in a community wide vote. We look forward to working with the community on this historic step.

- Protect our lands for future generations.
- Facilitate economic development
- Generate revenues & jobs for the community etc.

SPLATSIN LAND DEPARTMENT

Open for Drop-in Weekly Sessions 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Splatsin Land Department Portable
5775 Old Vernon Road

Mike Fotheringham (250) 838- 6496 Ext:235

mailto:mike_fotheringham@splatsin.ca

Cindy Couch (205) 838-6496 Ext: 227

mailto:cindy_couch@splatsin.ca

WHAT IS LAND USE PLANNING?

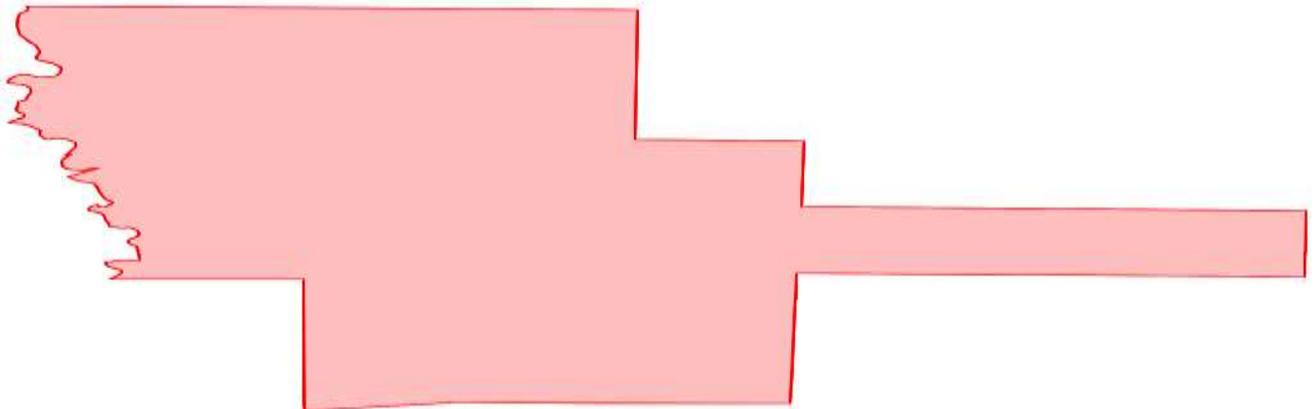
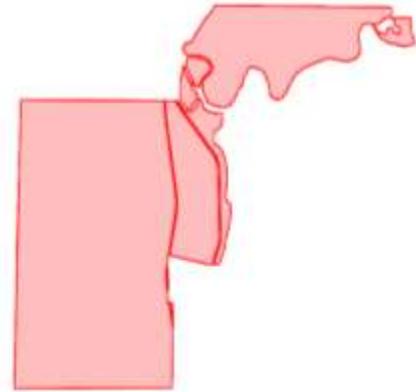
Land use planning affects almost every aspect of life.

It helps decide where in our communities, homes & infrastructure should be built; where parks & schools should be located; & where roads, sewers & other essential services should be provided.

Land use planning means managing our land & resources.

It helps each community to set goals about how it will grow & develop & work out ways of reaching those goals while keeping important social, economic & environmental concerns in mind. It balances the interests of individual property owners with the wider interests & objectives of the whole community.

Good planning leads to orderly growth & the efficient provision of services. Land Use Planning touches all of us & helps us to have the kind of community we want.



Splatsin will begin the task of inserting rights and title by developing land use policies. The Land Use Policies and resources activities occurring in Splatsin's traditional territory include: water, fisheries, wildlife, cultural heritage, Mining, forestry, and parks. These policies will be developed through community consultation, and reflect the values of Splatsin Community Members while making land and resource decisions.

TITLE & RIGHTS

Waytkp to the people of Splatsin;

Now that we are about to leave winter behind us, it's time for Title & Rights to spring into action.

Title & Rights is thinking about some of the annual events, for example the Cooke Creek fish-camp in August, Splulk'w Golf Classic & Cultural Event in July, and BC Hydro Protocol Signing in May.

Normally, we try to coordinate these events on our own but as we begin to discuss these events, we always come back to how nice it would be to have participation from the people of Splatsin.

We know, there are people out there that are willing to represent Splatsin and understand the urgency to keep our culture alive and thriving. We would like to know who these people are, and if they would be willing to volunteer some of their time to help coordinate, cook, drum and sing, story-telling and lahal. Vendors and artisans would be more than welcome to showcase their talents at these events. It would be a nice way to share our culture, as well as offer people a place to sell their wares.



*Does anybody recognize
this little girl?*

Everybody has a gift or talent the Creator has blessed us with; we would like to give an opportunity to help showcase yours.

If this is something you think you may be willing or wanting to do, please call the Title & Rights Department and leave your name and contact information to help with preservation of our lineage.

For more information, please feel free to call or drop in the Title & Rights Office located in the first portable next to the Splatsin Administration Building.

Kukstsamc,

Trina Antoine

Cultural Coordinator

250 838 6496 ext. 212

“We must all become caretakers of the Earth”

Haida Gwaii- Traditional Circle of Elders



DATES TO REMEMBER

All meetings are scheduled but due to unforeseen circumstances they may be changed

Month	Administration Reporting	Community Assembly	Newsletter Deadline	Income Assistance Cheque Issue
March	Mar 8	Mar 29	21	1
April	Apr 12	Apr 26	18	March 31
May	May 10	May 31	23	1
June	Jun 14	Jun 28	20	1
July	Jul 12	Jul 26	18	June 30
August	No Session	No Session	22	1
September	Sep 13	Sep 27	19	1
October	Oct 11	Oct 25	24	Sep 29
November	Nov 8	Nov 29	21	1
December	No Session	No Session	5	1



MEETING NOTICE

March 8 ,2017

Information Session

Agenda: Housing Policy Review

March 29, 2017

Community General Assembly

Held at: Splatsin Community Centre

Agenda topic: Custom Election Code

Supper served at 5:00 PM

Meeting begins 6:00 PM

Meeting Adjourns 8:00 PM



**MEETING
NOTICE!**

INDIAN REGISTRY ADMINISTRATOR

To clearly define the administration fee charged for issuing status cards.

At a Duly Convened meeting of Splitsin Chief & Council held on February 21, 2017 at Splitsin I.R. #2.

The following motion was moved, seconded and passed.

Paper Laminate Certificate of Indian Status Cards issued to Splitsin Band members will be charged \$10.00 and Non-Splitsin members will be charged \$45.00.

For all cards issued, this includes 'Renewal', 'First Card', 'Lost Card', 'Stolen Card', and 'Replacement'.

Secure Certificate of Indian Status Card applications will be charged as follows:

Splitsin Band members \$10.00 and Non-Splitsin members \$65.00.

If you require further information please feel free to contact Elizabeth Jean Brown, Indian Registry Administrator at (250)838-6496 ext. 221.

