

Shuswap Band Newsletter

CHIEF & COUNCIL

If you would like to book an appointment to see Chief and Council, please contact Lorena at 250-341-3678 Ext. 1013

Cheques are issued and will be available every Thursday.

AUGUST 2017

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NEWS:

- General contractor has been hired to build the two 2-bedroom and two 3-bedroom duplexes units to start soon, we look forward to providing you updates with pictures in each newsletter to come.

- There are two computers that band members are able to access at the Shuswap Band Office. These computers are available for you to do resumes, check emails, use the printer, etc.

Kicking Horse Resort
Monday July 24, 2017

In Attendance: Barbara Cote, Diana Cote, Rosalita Pascal, Tim Eugene, Rob Hutton, John Shea, Mike Rubenstein.

The Shuswap Band Chief and Council met with Mr. John Shea, President & Chief Resorts Officer for the Resorts of the Canadian Rockies organization and his colleague Mr. Mike Rubenstein, area manager for the Kicking Horse Mountain resort.

The meeting was pretty much informal with the mutual understanding that we needed to revisit the agreement that Kicking Horse Mountain resort has with the Shuswap Indian Band. We shared concerns over many items but what really stood out in the discussions involved previous Archaeology reports, Employment and Business opportunities, and how we can work together in the future. We committed to work together ensuring opportunities will benefit both the resort and the Shuswap Band in future discussions. We shared our contact information and plan on working together, a statement made in the meeting was, "Start today by hitting the reset button on the previous agreement so that we can work together in the future".

The Province of British Columbia and Kicking Horse Resort's new ownership understand the need to revisit the agreement. We look forward to keeping you updated on this project.

The Shuswap Band Chief and Council has signed an (MOU), Memorandum of understanding, with the Little Shuswap Indian Band this is the second of two MOU's that Chief and Council have approved. The first was with The Splitsin Indian Band. What this means is that the Shuswap Band, Splitsin Indian Band, and Little Shuswap Indian Band are now formally working on all aspects of Governance that can affect each community. The letters are an agreement to help in providing support and recommendations to one another to see that we can govern our communities for the betterment of the people. We are also showing support amongst the Secwepemc communities that our greater goal is to assist each other for achieving success.

We regret to inform you of the passing of Lisa Capilo. Condolences to Hanna & siblings Ian and Clarine.

Columbia River Treaty

Shuswap Band Chief and Council attended the Columbia River Treaty meeting held in Spokane Washington. We are working to assert our title and rights in the Columbia River Treaty negotiations. When the original Treaty was signed in 1961 there was no Indigenous peoples needs or concerns brought forth by the Government of Canada.

All benefits were created solely to the Province of British Columbia. The only benefit that Shuswap Band has had is the funding from the Columbia Basin trust.

At the meeting were the majority of the leaders of all of the affected Indigenous Peoples, and Tribes that have traditional, cultural, and historical ties to the Columbia River water system.

Chief Wayne Christian of the Splitsin Indian Band and representing The Shuswap Nation Tribal Council as the Secwepemc Tribal Chief along with his Council, and work with the Secwepemc Governance has been instrumental in assisting the Nation to guide the Treaty process to where we are now. The Shuswap Band has no shortage of work ahead to modernize the current Treaty that upholds the moral standards of us as a Secwepemc people.

The Spokane meeting was one of many meetings to come. We will continue to work with the other three Nations, The Ktunaxa, Okanagan, and Canada to see that the treaty reflects a better understanding of how to work with the Secwepemc Nation. We are committed to working together. The Southern tribes are willing to communicate and work with the Canadian Nations to show of how we can make the treaty process address Indigenous and Tribes more effectively. All leaders agreed that we work together and to take a "One river", "One voice" unity approach. It was an exciting time to be a leader at this International table. We look forward to reporting more on this.

St. Eugene Golf Resort and Casino

Shuswap Indian Band is pleased to announce that as of June 20th, 2017 the St. Eugene Golf Resort and Casino is once again solely owned by the five local First Nation communities including Shuswap Indian Band, ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation, ʔaq̓am, ʔakinkumʔasnuq̓iʔit (Tobacco Plains), yaqan nukiy (Lower Kootenay), represented by the St. Eugene Mission Holdings Ltd. (SHL) Board of Directors.

The St. Eugene Mission operated as a residential school from 1912 to 1970. During this time, over 5000 children from across British Columbia and Alberta attended the school. After the facility was closed in 1970, it came into disrepair and was vandalised repeatedly.

The St. Eugene Golf course opened in 2000 followed by the Casino of the Rockies in 2002 and the St. Eugene Hotel in 2003. In 2004, two partners were brought on board, Samson Cree Nation from Alberta and Rama First Nation from Ontario.

“This acquisition was a massive undertaking and would not have been possible without the hard work of the Directors of St. Eugene Mission Holdings Limited and the executive and management teams at St. Eugene Resort,” said Corrie Walkley, SHL President. “The St. Eugene Resort is certainly unique, from its dark legacy to today’s thriving operations that includes the only casino operated on First Nation’s reserve land in British Columbia. We are proud of what we have built and look forward to continuing to provide a world-class cultural and resort experience.”

July 28, 2017

Parks Canada

Edna Felix

George Dennis, Art Manual Nesconlith, Shelley Widski, Dave Nordquist, Tim Eugene Wayne Choquette, Nola Markie, Dale Tomma Councillor, Rob Hutton, Brian Findlay, Parks Canada Lands Management coordinator, Terry Mcguire, Noelle Summers Parks Canada, On the phone, Reg Sylliboy, Parks Canada National headquarters and Diana Cote.

Nation to Nation

The Secwepemc have strived for a meaningful and respectful engagement with Parks Canada, driven by the leadership of Parks Canada and all Chiefs and Councils involved within the territory. This has not happened, yet there are huge land disturbances and work being done within Parks Canada. Parks Canada needed to know that the Secwepemc are completely frustrated with the lack of engagement.

1. Parks Canada will establish a higher table with Leadership to establish a Government-to-Government exercise.
2. We will not move further allowing work within the territory, until Parks Canada does meaningful and respectful consultation with the Secwepemc. All major work going on within Parks Canada infrastructure has to stop, this includes work in Yoho, Kicking Horse, Rogers Pass, and Glacier National Park as a show of good faith.
3. Currently there is not a respectful and meaningful consultation process.
4. The Secwepemc request a List of all projects that Parks Canada have done to consult with the Secwepemc. A suggested timeline is 2 weeks for the creation of the meeting.
5. The Parks Canada minister must meet on the 31st of August at the next Secwepemc Leadership meeting, or any time prior to have a meaningful consultation with the Secwepemc leaders.

A letter will be created from the Secwepemc Leadership to go out to Parks Canada. Chief and Council will keep everyone up to date on this in the next newsletter.

SUMMER PROGRAM

Shuswap Band's Summer Program started on July 11th and the activities we have done so far are:

- Nature Walk/Hunt by Eagle Ranch Golf Course
- Fairmont Hot Springs Bouncy Castles & Pools – Kids also got airbrush tattoos
- Culture Day: Learned how to make Pine Needle Baskets
- Ozzie's Amusement Park Mini Golfing and Windermere Beach
- Fish Hatchery near Fort Steele
- Culture Day: Learned how to make Medicine Pouches and learned about Secwepemc language

Trinda, Wallace and Morgan are having a great time running the program
and the participants are having a blast each day!

For more information, please contact Morgan Floesser
(250) 341-3678 Ext. 1009 or mfloesser@shuswapband.net
HEALTH CENTRE UPDATE

DR MANNHEIMER – GENERAL PHYSICIAN He continues to provide medical outreach at the Shuswap Band Health Centre. He is available to see any Shuswap Band Members for doctor services. His services are by appointment or drop-in basis – appointments are preferred.

In August he will be here: August 8th
Please contact Shauna for an appointment.

HEALTHY FOOD BOXES – Due to several food boxes not picked up, we will be changing food box to every 3 weeks for the next while. The next food box date is August 17th. Healthy Food Boxes are now going to be at the Shuswap Band Community Hall for pickup from 12-3. Reminder, if you forgot to pick up a food box that you ordered, your name has been taken off the list.

Next Food Box: August 17th

SEABIRD ISLAND DIABETES TEAM: The Mobile Diabetes Clinic will be visiting Shuswap Band on **September 12, 13, 14.** They will help you screen and learn more about Diabetes, how to reduce its risks and complications, and how to live healthy and fight Diabetes. This service compliments your already existing health services. What you can expect at a visit: Visit with diabetes trained nurse, blood testing, recommendations for your diabetes, eye technician and physical exam. Please contact Shauna to book your appointment.

FOOT CARE – August 10th

For any information about Health Services please contact our Health Professionals:

**Health Coordinator, Shauna Cameron (250) 341-3678 ext 1015 or
health@shuswapband.net**

**Community Support Worker, Morgan Floesser (250) 341-3678 ext 1009 or
mfloesser@shuswapband.net**

LANDS AND RESOURCES

IF YOU HAVE ANY TICKETS FOR CHAINSAW SAFETY, FIRST AID, OR FIRE FIGHTING (S-100 ETC.) AND ARE INTERESTED AND PHYSICALLY ABLE TO WORK, PLEASE LET US KNOW at (250) 341-3678 or by email to landclerk@shuswapband.net

Civic Address- NEW INFO

If you have a 911 Emergency, please use your new civic address. This will cut down on response time. Notices were sent to all members regarding civic addresses. If you did not receive a notice, please contact Sierra Stump at (250) 341-3678 or by email to landclerk@shuswapband.net

CP Lands

CP lands are subject to the Land Code and any questions about development of CP lands should be directed to the Lands Office. Please note that CP lands are private lands and should not be accessed or used for any purpose whatsoever **INCLUDING AND ESPECIALLY HUNTING** without the permission of the CP holder.

Wills Program – NEW INFO

We have received funding for this fiscal year to continue our Estates Management Program. In addition to Wills this year, we will also offer Power of Attorney (A **power of attorney** is a legal document that gives another person the power to take care of your financial and legal matters for you) and Personal Representation Agreements (A Representation Agreement is the only way you can appoint someone to assist you or to act on your behalf for health care and personal care matters. It can also cover routine financial affairs). **SPACES ARE LIMITED**, please contact Sierra Stump at (250) 341-3678 or by email to landclerk@shuswapband.net to add your name to the list for estate planning documents.

Land Committee – NEW INFO

Chief and Council have selected an Electoral Officer to conduct of the Land Committee election. We are currently working on a service contract and then the Electoral Officer will call a nomination meeting to receive nominations to sit on this committee.

Species at Risk – NEW INFO

The Species at Risk project is being managed by Bob Jamieson and Brad Munroe reporting to the Lands Department. Band Members have been working on the Species at Risk project which involves the identification of and spraying of invasive weeds on reserve and doing some wildlife surveys for species at risk. These Band Members received training in the spraying earlier in the year and worked with a certified herbicide sprayer to complete the work that budget allowed for. We are currently in discussions to secure funding to complete the spraying of the Reserve for Noxious Weeds. Most of the Reserve has been treated but there are some remaining lands left. Wildlife surveys will be completed over the next couple of months as well. CP holders will be contacted prior to surveying being done on their lands.

Not all CP lands were sprayed for invasive weeds as some CP holders advised that they did not want their lands sprayed. If you have changed your mind and would like your CP Lands sprayed, please contact Sierra Stump at (250) 341-3678 or by email to landclerk@shuswapband.net

Shuswap Creek – NEW INFO

An Environmental Flow Needs assessment of Shuswap Creek has begun, with the assistance of FLNRO. Survey spots have been selected and monitoring starts soon by two SIB members. There will also be a Cultural Heritage Study of the Shuswap Creek watershed, please contact Pauline Eugene at heritage@shuswapband.net if you or a family member is interested in providing information on the history of Shuswap Creek.

Section 35 Highway Widening

There is some additional work being done on the appraisal of the lands needed for the highway widening and a follow up meeting will be scheduled once that work is completed. Lambert Rd. is set to be surveyed and we will let membership and CP holders know when this is scheduled to take place.

COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLAN

Hello Everyone!

I hope everyone is having a great summer so far.

Just a reminder that Summer Camp on Thursday's are open to everyone of all ages. Children the ages of 4 and under need to be accompanied by an adult. Come on out and learn something new. To date we have done Pine Needle baskets, medicine pouches and learned about some medicinal traditional plants to put in our pouches.

Summer Camp goes from 10-3pm and lunch is provided on our cultural days.

Next CCP session will be Aug 30, 2017 @ 5PM Dinner Provided. Topics of discussion will be Health and -Wellness and the first steps to starting our Family Tree.

For any more information regarding Comprehensive Community Plan please contact
 Suzie Thomas 778-526-8115 or sthomas@shuswapband.net

TERRITORIAL LANDS MANAGEMENT August

- **Salmon Festival Planning**

The Shuswap Band in Partnership with the Ktunaxa Dance Troupe will be organizing a Feast and Pow Wow on **September 9th**. The Event will be held at the White Tent and will be a full day of activities. We will be providing a full agenda in the next two weeks. We are looking for Volunteers to assist with the event. If you would like to be a part of the Salmon Festival Planning Committee, please contact me at 778-526-8116

- **Recreation Access Management Plan Columbia Valley**

A meeting is scheduled for July 31st and we will have Territorial Representation at the planning table and will be requesting input from the Community. I will be attending and will be stressing our concerns over the protection of our Cultural Values.

- **Kicking Horse Mountain Resort:**

Attended an introduction meeting with Kicking Horse Mountain Resort. We will be working with the Resort to develop an MOU. We discussed the need to work together. We called to attention Shuswap Band has Title and Rights within the Resort Tenure. We emphasized our Cultural Heritage Values, economic opportunities, Cultural inclusion at the Resort, employment opportunities and support for ongoing community events.

- **Emergency protocol:**

Committee for Shuswap Band. In light of the extreme fire hazard we identified the need to have an Emergency Preparedness Plan developed for on Reserve.

- **Toby Creek Adventures;**

Have been developing a MOU for Toby Creek Adventures. We have proposed early September for our site tour of his area of operations. Scott Barsby would like to tour our Members to areas of high cultural values and also the proposed development. He can accommodate 4 Elders and 12 Members to participate. This will be a full day on Quads. He has side by side to transport Elders. Please give me a call if you are interested in attending.

- **RFA/NRTC:**

Unable to attend this month meeting due to all the Wild fires in the Cariboo Region.

- **CBT:**

Developing a proposal to Columbia Basin Trust to fund the noxious weed program

- **Social Grant Representative:**

- The Columbia Basin Trust is requesting a representative to sit on the Social Advisory Committee. This position would require approx. 7 days per year of your time to review and recommend the Proposal for the Social Grants. The criteria is a person who is connected within the Basin and has knowledge of Critical Social Issues affecting our Communities. Please let me know if you are interested.

- **Canfor Forest Products:** Working on development of an MOU with Canfor Forest Products. We will be reviewing the 5-year Forest Stewardship Plan and we encourage all interested Members to join us to provide comments and concerns. I will be putting out the information and date scheduled for 2nd or 3rd week in August.

- **Jobs, Tourism and Skills and Training:**

We have had an ongoing dialogue with Gerry Brightwell from Skills and training and have identified the need for training programs for our Community. We will be meeting with College of the Rockies to coordinate and explore needs and funding options.

Drop in and have a cup of coffee.

**For any more information regarding Territorial Lands Management please contact
Diana Cote, Territorial Lands Management Coordinator 778-526-8110 Ext. 107 or
dcote@shuswapband.net**

EMPLOYMENT

DEPARTMENT: SHUSWAP INDIAN BAND
SUPERVISOR: CHIEF & COUNCIL
POSITION: COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LANDS MANAGER
TERMS: FULL-TIME

The CED AND LANDS MANAGER will oversee the development and implementation of the Shuswap Indian Band Community Economic Development Strategy as well as oversee the Shuswap Indian Band Resource Office in the administration of the Shuswap Indian Band Land Code.

Applicants will possess excellent interpersonal communication and negotiation skills.

YOUR SKILLS:

- Bachelor's or Master's degree in business, community planning, economic development or a related discipline with a minimum of 4 years related experience;
- A good understanding of financial statements, reports, budgets, cash flow projections, general accounting procedures;
- Successful experience working with First Nations communities, governments, organizations or businesses;
- Experience in strategic planning in a community development context;
- Experience in community servicing agreements, infrastructure planning and maintenance;
- Develop and review land interest agreements, leases, right-of-way and permits;
- Implementing the Shuswap Indian Band Code;
- Managing communications with Land Code Committee, Band members and the public;
- Monitoring and authorizing expenditures within approved budgets;
- Represent the Shuswap Indian Band Land and Resources Office in meetings, workshops and communications;
- Report to Council and Committees as required;
- Play the lead role in the development of land administration and resource related policies, procedures, bylaws and laws.

Preference will be given to persons who have been actively involved in leading successful economic development and planning projects other community business initiatives and the proven ability to oversee and manage capital projects in addition to implementing the Shuswap Indian Band Land Code.

Please forward your resume no later than August 15, 2017 outlining your qualifications to:

Attention: Lorena Tegart
Shuswap Indian Band
Box 2847, Invermere, BC V0A 1K2
ea@shuswapband.net

DEPARTMENT: SHUSWAP INDIAN BAND
SUPERVISOR: DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
POSITION: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
TERMS: FULL-TIME

This position is ideally suited to someone with proven experience as Director of Finance or similar role with solid knowledge of financial analysis and forecasting. You will have an in-depth knowledge of corporate finance and accounting principles, laws and best practices.

YOUR SKILLS:

- Successful experience working with First Nations community;
- Have an analytical mind with a strategic ability;
- Experience in budgeting and finance;
- Sound judgement and excellent decision-making skills;
- A sincere interest in leading, mentoring and working with others throughout the organization;
- Excellent organizational and leadership skills;
- CPA or relevant qualification;

KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ensure all financial and accounting records are current, accurate, and recorded and filed in a manner that reflects professional and acceptable accounting practices;
- Coordinate and participate in the development, review and management of the Shuswap Indian Band's Annual Financial Plan, budgets and reports;
- Coordinate the preparation for the year-end audit and assist the Auditor in the collection and compilation of information required for the annual financial statements;
- Ensure compliance with all financial reporting requirements;
- Identify short and long term financial issues, strengths and concerns and assist in the development and recommendation of financial solutions, plans and strategies;
- Monthly financial reports to Council at regularly scheduled Council meetings and provide other financial reports required by INAC and other funding sources;
- Provide up-to-date financial information to the Band Administrator and Department Managers in the development of proposals for funding, reporting requirements and budget monitoring and maintenance;
- Supervise all employees in the Finance Department and evaluate their performance annually;
- Manage accounting software programs(s) including entering, storage, backup and retrieval of all financial accounting information;
- Administer the SIB Employee Benefits programs and performs the responsibilities of the Plan Administrator.

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Job Posting: Full-Time Education and Employment Coordinator

This position is responsible to oversee all aspects of the Shuswap Indian Band's Education and Employment programming. In addition, duties will include the provision of culturally based learning activities and providing ongoing support to students and band members. Key Areas of Responsibility of the Education and Employment Coordinator's duties include the following:

- Administer the AANDC Education program (elementary to post-secondary) and ensure compliance to all the program terms and conditions.
- Deliver cultural awareness training, advice and other initiatives to administration, school staff, students and partners with the objective of increasing their understanding of Secwepemc aboriginal culture and traditions, with an emphasis on land-based activities.
- To serve as an advocate for Shuswap Band learners, in particular those who are members of the Shuswap Indian Band.
- Work closely with the Aboriginal Education Workers and school guidance staff to ensure students have the appropriate prerequisite qualifications to pursue post-secondary education in the most appropriate career path for long term success.
- Facilitate an increase in Shuswap Band learners' participation in sports, outdoor activities, drama and other extracurricular activities.
- Facilitate opportunities for Shuswap learners
- Grow existing and new partnerships to develop a long term funding pool that supports scholarships, bursaries, living and travel allowances, and other needs that directly contribute to advancing learning, job readiness, retention and advancement.
- Communicate the numerous scholarship and bursary programs available for Shuswap Band learners, assist with making applications and monitor learners to ensure they take advantage of these opportunities.
- Assist Adult members of the Band in pursuing education to assist in employment.
- Work with youth and parents to identify educational opportunities for strengthening families and encouraging life-long learning.
- Work with prospective employers, mentors and trades training partners to build (i) employability skills and job readiness; (ii) increase employment opportunities across a diverse range of sectors; and (iii) enhance job retention and opportunities for promotion within organizations.
- Work with agencies and the business sector to advance interest and capacity for entrepreneurial initiative by Shuswap Band members.
- Conduct other duties as directed to advance the Shuswap Band's objectives for education, employment and entrepreneurship.

Please forward your resume no later than August 15, 2017 outlining your qualifications to:

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CULTURE & HERITAGE

Traditional Dye/textile Research Project

The community has been approached by Seathra Bell, who lives in the West Kootenays. She has received funding to complete a research project around natural dye and textiles, and is interested in coming to our community to conduct interviews and possibly do some hands on practice with people who are interested and have information. Here is some information I received from Seathra regarding what she is looking for:

“-plants that were traditionally used for making textiles or dyes. I am interested in all stories, knowledge, and application of the dyes for any purpose. This could also include skins/hides and tanning techniques.

-I am interested in any and all dye recipes, techniques, uses, mordants (how the dye is set into the fabric), stories, hands on learning/knowledge sharing, and any samples of traditional textile work.

-names/identification of dye plants or textile making plants, textile making techniques (weaving, knitting etc) harvesting techniques and times of year, folklore/ stories /myths surrounding the plants to techniques used in any textile or dye applications.

I am hoping to conduct some interviews in person or via skype if necessary, get some hands on practice in identifying/harvesting/using traditional natural dye plans and textile making plants. I am hoping to record interviews, take pictures, and work with Knowledge Keepers/Artists/Craftpeople to learn as many aspects of traditional textile making and dye techniques. Any story, memory, practice or artifact is important...so many times a small remembering leads to a larger find with this sort of research! No story is too small.”

Please contact Pauline Eugene if you have information you'd like to share, or have questions regarding this research.

Shuswap Creek Historical Uses

If you or your family have used Shuswap Creek in the past, please contact Sierra Stump or Pauline Eugene to describe or to schedule a brief interview.

Knowledge Keepers Council

For those interested in attending the Secwepemc Gathering on **August 18th-20th**, we are going to have a bus take people down. This is for our Elders/Knowledge Keepers Council! Please contact Suzie Thomas or Pauline Eugene ASAP if you are interested in attending. We will be camping at the gathering site.

The next Knowledge Keepers Council meeting will be in September!

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THAT ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST! From the Shuswap Band Calendar located in the band office:

August 6th – Laverna Stevens
 August 8th – Eric Thomas
 August 9th – Cecelia Nokelby, Betty Burgoyne and Shayne Johnson
 August 14th – Keith Stevens
 August 16th – Clarine Capilo
 August 18th – Jill Nicholas
 August 19th – Lavonne Johnson
 August 20th – Shawn Belcher and Stephanie Eugene
 August 22nd – Joe Thomas
 August 23rd – Frank Sam JR
 August 24th – Julia Thomas
 August 25th – Pauline Eugene
 August 28th – Alex & Eric Eugene



SHUSWAP BAND CALENDAR

- AUGUST 2017 -

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Massage in Health Centre	3	4	5
6	7 OFFICE CLOSED: Civic Holiday	8 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre	9 Massage in Health Centre	10 Foot Care in Health Centre	11	12
13	14	15	16 Massage in Health Centre	17 Food Box Pickup 12-3	18 Secwepemc Gathering	19 Secwepemc Gathering
20 Secwepemc Gathering	21	22	23 Massage in Health Centre	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 CCP Meeting 5PM Massage in Health Centre	31		

- SEPTEMBER 2017 -

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 OFFICE CLOSED: Labour Day	5	6 Massage in Health Centre	7 Food Box Pickup 12-3	8 Water Conference	9 Salmon Festival Water Conference
10 Water Conference	11	12 Seabird Diabetes Team Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre	13 Seabird Diabetes Team Massage in Health Centre	14 Seabird Diabetes Team	15	16
17	18	19	20 Social Assistance Payment Massage in Health Centre	21	22	23
24	25	26 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre	27 Massage in Health Centre	28 Food Box Pickup 12-3	29	30

September's calendar is tentative, please see updates on website calendar or in September newsletter.



Cultural Internship Training

August 11, 12, 13 & 14, 2017

St. Eugene Golf Resort and Casino

**Potential for employment immediately
following training**

The training will include tipi making, cultural activities, facilitation strategies, and customer service. Up to four participants will be offered employment with TKL at the SEM Tipi Camp at the completion of the training.

Deadline for applications July 28, 2017 for additional information contact Jared Teneese at 250.489.2464 extension 3099

The KNC Traditional Knowledge and Language Sector
Tipi Camp is a collaborative effort with
KNC Economic and Investment and Education & Employment
Sectors





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Email: info@shuswapband.net

EMERGENCY EVACUATION CONTACT LIST

MEETING PLACE: TERRITORIAL OFFICE, BASEMENT

- 1) DIANE COTE- 250-342-1677 (CELL)
- 2) PAULINE EUGENE- 250-421-0970 (CELL)
- 3) SUZIE THOMAS- 250-341-7039 (CELL)
- 4) LAVONNE JOHNSON- 250-341-7198 (CELL)
- 5) DOLORES NICHOLAS- 250-688-0452 (CELL)
- 6) KATHERINE STEVENS- 250-341-8565 (CELL)

**TO REPORT FIRES, SMOKE COLUMNS AND
VIOLATIONS OF WILDFIRE REGULATIONS
IMMEDIATELY CALL 1-800-663-5555 TOLL FREE, OR
*5555 ON A CELL PHONE.**

2017 FIRE SEASON: PREPARE & BE AWARE

A Regional District of East Kootenay Emergency Management Program Preparedness Guide

Here in the East Kootenay we've gone from spring flood season to wildfire season. This seasonal preparedness bulletin will help provide information on how you can prepare before and during an emergency. It is important to take the time to be prepared and informed before a crisis happens; and, to have - and practice - an emergency plan.

Please be smart, prepared and safe this summer.

Preparing for Emergencies

There are steps you can take now to help you and your family be ready in the event an emergency happens. You should have at all times:

- **An emergency plan that every household member knows.** The plan should include information on how to shut off electrical power and natural gas sources, safe meeting places, an out-of-province contact, plans for pets/livestock, and a neighbourhood safety plan that identifies people who may need extra help.
- **An emergency supply kit that contains:** food, water, necessary medications, flashlights with extra batteries, personal toiletries, identification for each family member, some cash, insurance papers and any important family documents, and a change of clothes. Be prepared to be on your own for at least 72 hours, possibly longer.
- **A battery-powered or wind-up radio or portable charger** that allows you to access weather warnings, updates and instructions from local media.
- **A full gas tank in your vehicle.**
- **A plan for protecting your home** including the tools and items you may need to do so (sprinklers set up ready to turn on and leave, gas turned off, propane or fuel sources moved away from home, shut windows and doors, etc).

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

These are the numbers to call to report wide scale events (like forest fires or floods).

These are 24 hour Provincial numbers that alert local emergency officials.

If you see smoke or fire, please report it.

FOREST OR WILDLAND FIRES

- Cellphone: *5555
- Toll Free: 1-800-663-5555

FLOODING

- 1-800-663-3456

OTHER (spills, airplane crashes, landslides, avalanche)

- 1-800-663-3456

The Stages of Evacuation

As the authority to order an evacuation can rest with different levels of government (local, provincial, or federal), a three stage evacuation process has been developed and accepted by all levels of government. The process includes:

1 STAGE 1 - Evacuation Alert
Residents are advised of the potential need for evacuation. The alert highlights the nature of the danger and that evacuation may be required at any time. Information will be provided at that time on where to go if the evacuation is ordered. Residents should prepare to evacuate and gather personal supplies necessary for several days.

2 STAGE 2 - Evacuation Order
All persons in the affected area are ordered to leave the area and are provided again with the information required. Once evacuated you are not permitted to return until the order has been rescinded. If an evacuation order is issued, please get out.

3 STAGE 3 - Evacuation Rescind
All persons in the affected area are advised that the emergency is under control and the area has been declared habitable and the evacuation order has been rescinded.

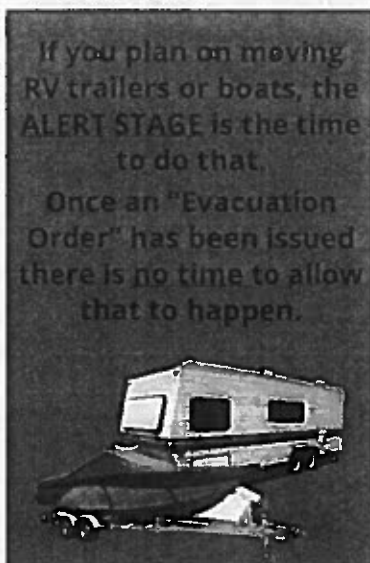
In the event of imminent danger to property or life, the emergency responders may go straight to an "Evacuation Order" without an alert. This is called a "Tactical Evacuation".

Once you are evacuated from your property you will not be able to re-enter until the evacuation order is rescinded. Security will be provided to the evacuation area to ensure no one re-enters until the order is rescinded.

Evacuation Notice

Various methods will be used to advise residents in the event of issued evacuation alerts or orders.

- "Door to Door" - door to door canvassing will be performed by emergency personnel. These may be local firefighters, RCMP, or Search and Rescue.
- "Radio" - local radio stations will broadcast alerts or orders.
- "Social Media" - the RDEK Facebook page will be used to give information to the public. To like our page, visit www.facebook.com/eastkootenay.
- "E-mail" - the RDEK provides ongoing emergency information to everyone who has signed up for our e-mail list. To join, e-mail Loree Ducek at lducek@rdek.bc.ca and put your community in the subject line.



If you plan on moving RV trailers or boats, the ALERT STAGE is the time to do that.

Once an "Evacuation Order" has been issued there is no time to allow that to happen.

Stay Informed

Being aware and informed about what is going on in your area can help you be better prepared and ready to act in an emergency.

When emergencies happen, it is CRITICALLY important that you trust only verified information sources.

In emergency situations, residents should follow the local media and instructions of local emergency and transportation officials. While Provincial or National media may report on local emergencies, the local media live in our communities and should be your source of media information.

Emergency personnel work tirelessly behind the scenes and the task of getting information out to the public becomes so much more difficult when people start relying on and sharing information that is not verified or from a trusted source. In an emergency, the rumour mill can put lives at risk.

If you want to share information, please be smart in what you share.

Resources for Information

In an emergency situation, it is important to stay calm. Having good information is key not only to calm us, but also so that we can stay aware and be prepared. Here are some great resources for you to bookmark and rely on during emergencies.

- **Wildfire Information:** www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status
- **Facebook Wildfire Info:** www.facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo/
- **Road Conditions/Closures:** www.drivebc.ca
- **General Emergency Info:** www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/
- **Air Quality:** www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/air
- **Parks Closures:** <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/>



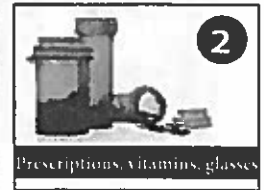
It is CRITICAL that the public stay out of - and away from - emergency zones.

Responders are highly trained and need room to do their work and protect lives and property. Not only could you be jeopardizing the emergency response, you could be putting your life at risk.

6 Things to Remember



People and Pets



Prescriptions, vitamins, glasses



Plastics (card, debit & Cash)



Photos and Memorabilia



Computer, hard drive & discs



Important Papers, Phone #s

Checklist to Prepare for an Evacuation

An "Evacuation Alert" has been delivered for an approaching Wildfire! How are you going to prepare?

If time allows this is a good checklist to follow to prepare you and your home for an impending wildfire.

INSIDE THE HOUSE:

- Shut all windows and doors, leaving them unlocked.
- Remove flammable window shades, curtains, and close metal shutters.
- Remove light weight curtains.
- Move flammable furniture to the centre of the room, away from windows and doors.
- Shut off your gas meter or propane. Turn off pilot lights.
- Leave your lights on so fire fighters can see your house under smokey conditions.
- Shut off the Air Conditioning.

OUTSIDE THE HOUSE:

- Gather up flammable items from the exterior of the house and bring them inside (furniture, toys, door mats, trash cans, etc.).
- Turn off propane tanks.
- Move BBQ appliances away from structures.
- Connect garden hoses to outside water valves or spigots for use by firefighters. Fill water buckets and place them around the house.
- Leave exterior lights on so your home is visible to firefighters in heavy smoke conditions or the darkness of night.
- Put an emergency supply kit in your vehicle.
- Back your car into your driveway with the vehicle loaded and all doors and windows closed. Carry your keys with you.
- Have a ladder available and place it at the corner of the house for firefighters to quickly access your roof.
- Seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood or commercial seals.
- Patrol your property if you feel threatened.
- Check on neighbours and make sure they are preparing to leave.

ANIMALS:

- Locate your pets and keep them nearby.
- Prepare farm animals for transport and think about moving them to a safe location early.

Ways to get Emergency Information

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1. LOCAL MEDIA
2. RDEK FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/eastkootenay
3. RDEK EMAIL GROUP - email lduczek@rdek.bc.ca to join
4. RDEK WEBSITE: www.rdek.bc.ca



What is a Reception Centre?

A Reception Centre is a designated site to receive evacuees.

- They register evacuees. This is critical even if you intend to leave the area. This gives us accurate information of numbers evacuated and serves as a point of contact for friends and family if they are trying to locate you. It also gives them information to contact you if required. Please register if you are evacuated.
- They can give you information on lodging options. If you are evacuated from your primary residence you may be eligible for up to 72 hours paid lodging.
- They may provide urgent supplies to evacuees.
- They work with the Information Officer to provide up-to-date information to the evacuees concerning the status of the event.

Emergency Social Services

Emergency Social Services (ESS) is a local volunteer based emergency response program, providing basic needs to people affected by an emergency or disaster.

When people are forced from their homes due to an emergency (like fires or flooding) ESS volunteers step in to provide basic needs, such as food, clothing or shelter.

ESS is available for 72 hours immediately following the emergency, allowing affected residents the time to make more long-term arrangements and begin the recovery process.

Depending on the situation / emergency, ESS can also be extended.

For large scale responses, in addition to providing basic needs, ESS may also assist with family reunification, emotional support, and transportation.

The goal of ESS is to help people re-establish themselves as quickly as possible following a disaster.

ESS volunteers provide a critical support service during emergencies and we are so grateful to all those volunteers on our ESS teams around the East Kootenay.





EMERGENCY EVACUATION KIT GRAB & GO BAG

Before an evacuation you should have this bag completed. When you are requested to leave your home and go to an Emergency Social Services Reception Centre, a Grab & Go Bag should be small enough for you to carry but sustain you and your family for 6-12 hours. The following are some items that are recommended for this bag:

<p>FOOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4 litre of water for each person ✓ favorite high energy snack ✓ non-perishable food for 3 days 	<p>MEDICAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ medications a copy of prescriptions ✓ spare eyeglasses ✓ hearing aids and batteries ✓ small first aid kit 	<p>TOILETRIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ toothbrush and toothpaste ✓ soap and/or hand sanitizer ✓ comb and/or brush ✓ toilet paper ✓ feminine hygiene products
<p>IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS</p>	<p>OTHER</p>	<p>COMFORT ITEMS</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ identification ✓ family emergency contact list ✓ copy of care card numbers ✓ insurance paper and add pictures of your house and contents ✓ passport numbers ✓ spare keys for house/car 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ cell phone chargers ✓ hand-crank flashlight ✓ radio (with batteries) ✓ orange garage bag (could be used as a poncho or for garbage) ✓ emergency blanket for each member ✓ small hoodie or jacket ✓ a good whistle ✓ cash-coins and small bills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ some family pictures small games or stuffy for children ✓ clothing for 3 days
<p>SPECIALTY ITEMS</p>		
<p>Baby care</p>		<p>Pet care</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ baby food ✓ bottles ✓ medication ✓ diapers ✓ wipes 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ leash, collar and ID tag ✓ food and treats

This kit should be placed at the door you use the most to exit your home so you don't have to go looking elsewhere for it. If local authorities call for an evacuation, be prepared to leave NOW. Take your Grab & Go Bag and cell phone with you.



WILDFIRE EVACUATION CHECKLIST

TAKE GRAB & GO BAG

FAMILY MEMBER/PETS/LIVESTOCK:

- If possible evacuate all family members not essential to preparing the house for wildfire
- Plan several evacuation routes from your home
- Designate a safe meeting place and "out of area" contact person
- Relay your plans to the contact person
- Evacuate pets and livestock whenever possible, AND never turn animals loose

VEHICLE PREPARATION:

- Place vehicles outside the garage pointing out
- Keep vehicle fuel tank above half-full during fire season
- Roll the windows to keep out smoke and ash
- Close the garage door, but leave unlocked
- Place essential items in the car
- **If you do not drive, make other arrangements for transportation in advance**

PREPARING THE HOUSE:

- Close all exterior doors and windows
- Turn off all pilot lights
- Place combustible patio furniture or other items in the house or garage
- Shut off propane or gas tanks
- Make sure that all garden hoses are connected to faucets and attach nozzles set on "spray"
- Turn on outside lights
- If you have an emergency water source (pool, pond, etc.) and/or portable pump, clearly mark its availability so it can be seen from the street or place a note on your front door