

Shuswap Band

Newsletter

CHIEF AND COUNCIL

Chief and Council meets every Wednesday. If you would like to make an appointment to meet with them please call to book at (250) 341-3678

Cheques are issued and will be available every Thursday.

THE BAND OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED EVERY DAY FOR LUNCH BETWEEN 12-12:30 (except Tuesdays when Dr. Mannheimer is here).

The Shuswap Band Chief and Council are working with 4 Secwepemc communities, Neskonlith, Little Shuswap Lake, Adams lake and Splatsin, all historically part of the Sexqelkemoc (Lakes Division) on creating a better working relationship with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and BC Hydro to secure more direct award contracts, employment and jurisdiction in our traditional territory. There will be a celebration ceremony on the signing of the corridor wide agreement in June.

We will also be signing a protocol agreement to create long-term commitment from BC Hydro to work with all bands in the Shuswap Nation. BC Hydro recognizes the importance of continuing to work with us and other communities to identify our needs as we move forward not only with the Revelstoke 6 generation installation but into the future with all of their projects on our territory.

We hosted an Eagle Staff ceremony with other Lakes Division Bands on April 21, 2016 to build a more unified approach and working relationships.

Chief and Council are working on a restructuring of the organization to better serve the people. Look forward to positive changes in the Development Corporation that will be membership driven.

Shuswap Band had several meetings that included The Columbia River Treaty, The Ktunaxa Treaty, local government, BC Hydro and Ministry of Transportation. These are aimed at improving our

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relationships with other governments, having a say in the future of our water and our fisheries and protecting our rights as the Shuswap Band.

We are starting to go over our historic records on traditional use - how we used and occupied the land before the settlers arrived. We will be creating an electronic system for storing these records so they will never be lost. In the upcoming weeks and months, you will get progress reports on this exciting project and announcements as to how you can become involved.

We are starting to develop a plan for examining our archaeological resources, so that the true story of the role of the Shuswap Band in our territory will be developed. This will involve our Elders, youth and anyone in the community that wants to be involved. This will be only part of our work in reviving our culture and our place as the proper title holders of the land and resources.

Shuswap Band Members - Please note that neither you nor your guest should be using someone else's CP lands for your own use without the permission of the CP holder. Do not drive or trespass on someone else's CP lands without their permission.

SUMMER PROGRAM

Shuswap Band will be having another summer program for the summer of 2016! The summer program will run every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10:00am-3:00pm for 6 weeks starting on July 12th and ending with a celebration on August 18th.

Registration packages are due on June 24th, so please get them in to Morgan ASAP!

Please contact Morgan for a Registration Package, including a schedule of events by seeing her at the office or emailing at modland@shuswapband.net

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY

An early reminder that we are at the Planning Stage of National Aboriginal Day 2016. It will be held on June 18th, 2016 at Lakeshore Campground from 9am-2pm.

9am-11am - Pancake Breakfast, 11:00am - Grand Entry

Other activities include: Little badger children play stations, mini teepee making station and magic show. We are looking for: Drummers, dancers, arts & craft and food vendors.

**If you have any ideas or would like to participate please contact
Debra Fisher (250) 341-3678 ext 1014, education@shuswapband.net or
Dolores Varga (250) 341-3678 ext 1011, dvarga@shuswapband.net**

REFERRALS

The Shuswap Band is asking members, community members or family members who may be interested in working in the Forestry Industry to please send resumes to info@shuswapband.net

LANDS

The electoral officer for the land committee election has now been selected and further information regarding nominations for the lands committee will be forthcoming shortly. The lands department continues to seek expressions of interest from Band Members to sit on the Lands Committee as well as the Matrimonial Property Law Committee. These roles provide an opportunity for band members to be involved in the implementation of laws and policies with respect to the Land Code. Being on the committee will involve a regular commitment to attend meetings, review documents and make recommendations. It is an opportunity to direct the development of Shuswap laws for the future.

The Matrimonial Real Property Law Committee does not require an election, so at this time, we are simply getting a list together of who is interested. Creating a matrimonial real property law for the Shuswap community is important work that will serve to protect children. Community involvement is critical to ensuring that the law reflects Shuswap values and culture.

We intend to coordinate the votes for the Lands Committee with the vote to approve the final Land Use Plan.

The Lands Office has estate planning booklets for those who are interested. Stop by the office Monday through Wednesday and ask for one from Kerri-Anne.

(RISC) ARCHAEOLOGICAL TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION

MAY 16th - May 20th from 9am-5pm at Shuswap Band Hall

(RISC) Resources Information Standards is the committee which administers a number of similar courses for various natural and cultural resource industries. The course we're discussing is archeology-specific, and is designed to train people in the basic skills required to be an archeological field technician.

The curriculum includes good background information on archaeology in general, and the types of sites likely to be encountered within British Columbia in particular. There is also significant skills development in map reading, compass and GPS use, etc. The course is a good mix of classroom and field-based practical experience.

The course is graded on attendance, skill demonstration, and a final quiz, and results in a pass or fail grade. Upon successful completion, students will receive a RISC Archaeological Technician Certification, which should assist them with finding work in archeological consulting, or a related field (e.g. forestry layout, timber cruising, etc.).

**Please Contact Sierra Stump at the Shuswap Band Office for more information
(250) 341-3678 ext 1008 or info@shuswapband.net**

HEALTH CENTRE UPDATE

DR. MANNHEIMER:

He continues to provide medical outreach at the Shuswap Band Health Centre. He is available to see any Shuswap Band member for doctor services on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 12:00. His services are by appointment or on a drop-in basis - appointments are preferred.

In May the dates he will be here are as follows:

Tuesday May 10th and Tuesday May 24th starting at 12:00

Please contact Shauna to make an appointment with him or drop-in to see him.

HEALTHY FOOD BOXES:

****REMINDER** - Food box pickup is between 12-3 on food box day. If you do not pick up before 3pm your box will be re-distributed. If you do not pick your food box up, we will assume that you are not interested in the food boxes and your name will not be on the list until you contact Morgan or Shauna to order again.

May 5th and May 19th are the next food box pickup dates

SPEECH THERAPY:

Kayle Towsley is a new Speech Therapist who is able to offer consultation or therapy for any family that has concerns about their pre-school child's communication, speech sounds, language or feeding. A doctor's referral is not needed. Kayle typically offers therapy out of the Invermere Health Centre, however she is sometimes able to offer therapy at home, or in day cares as well, for families that aren't able to make it into the centre. Kayle is open to offering parent workshops to the Shuswap Band Members on what to expect with children's early speech and language development and strategies to facilitate children's language through play. Please contact Morgan or Shauna at the Band Office if you are interested in these services.

LIVING LIFE TO THE FULL COURSE:

This course will be run every Tuesday from 12-4 for 4 weeks starting on June 8th! This course is for adults over the age of 18 who want to learn new ways of dealing with everyday life issues. It is designed to help people understand feelings, thoughts, and behaviours and help you to know what to do about them. LUNCH PROVIDED, and there is no cost.

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID :

An interest list has been started for the Shuswap Band to host a Mental Health First Aid course for its community members. We need 10 people to express interest in order to book. Please contact Morgan at the band office to express your interest.

SCREENING MAMMOGRAPHY:

The Shuswap Band is pleased to host the mobile screening mammography on May 18th. Appointments start at 9:30am in the morning. Please call Shauna at the Shuswap Band Office to book your mammogram.

For any information about the services above please contact our Health Professionals:

Health Coordinator Shauna Cameron at

(250) 341-3678 ext. 1015 or health@shuswapband.net

Community Support Worker Morgan Odland at

(250) 341-3678 ext. 1009, modland@shuswapband.net

EDUCATION

Post Secondary School 2016-2017 Returnee's and/or new applicants - Please request an interview and application package as soon as possible! We have limited funds and is a first come first served process. Please contact Debra at the Band Office to set up an appointment.

School Supplies for 2016-2017 - If you would like the school supplies that EMP-JAL-Windermere and Edgewater purchase please contact Debra. DTSS students and parents will be surveyed in June as to what they prefer to purchase themselves or group purchase like last year.

**For any information about Education please contact Debra Fisher at the Band Office
(250) 341-3678 ext 1014 or cell (250) 688-5096**

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Mother's Day 2016 is approaching fast and the Shuswap Band is having a Mother's Day Brunch!
May 8th, 2016 at the Shuswap Band Hall starting at 11:00am.

There will be brunch, hanging baskets, and card making!



ELDERS GATHERING

Elders that are interested in attending the 40th Annual Elders Gathering on July 11 at the Williams Lake Stampede Grounds or July 12th-14th at Cariboo Memorial Recreation Complex, Elder's Care Area at Thompson Rivers University, please notify Dolores at the band office. All those who are interested in participating please be prepared to do some fundraising.

**Please Contact Dolores Varga at the Band Office with your interest
(250) 341-3678 ext 1011 or dvarga@shuswapband.net**

EMPLOYMENT

There are currently 4 job postings within the Shuswap Band described below:

Job Posting: **Cultural Heritage Program Coordinator**

Start Date: June 1st, 2016

Salary: To be determined

Term: Full-time (32.5 hours/week)

Oversees: N/A

Reporting to the Director of Operations, the CHP Coordinator will oversee the development and implementation of the Shuswap Indian Band Cultural Heritage Program. This person is expected to attend internal/external meetings within Shuswap Indian Band territory, including training sessions and field trips, and provide ongoing reporting to Chief and Council and Band membership.

The CHP Coordinator will have a good understanding of the following:

- Use of Microsoft Office Word, Excel, Outlook and primary social media tools;
- Office administration procedures, including filing, reviewing reports and other technical papers, preparing memos, letters, reports and other correspondence; and
- Shuswap Indian Band community, culture and values.

The CHP Coordinator will exhibit good interpersonal and communication skills, an ability to work effectively with community members, Band staff and consultants.

The successful candidate will possess a valid BC Driver's Licence and be willing to travel extensively within the Shuswap Indian Band territory.

Please submit a resume, cover letter and references to Terry Babin, dops@shuswapband.net by May 13th, 2016.

Preference will be given to Shuswap Band Members. We thank all for applying, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Job Posting: **Senior Summer Camp Leader**

Term: June 12th - August 18th

Salary: To be determined

Shuswap Band will once again hold a Summer Camp for kids aged 5-12 starting July 12th and ending August 18th. We are looking for 1 Senior Summer Camp Leader. Hours of work will depend on activities.

Responsibilities:

- In consultation with the Social Development Coordinator, delivers a safe, fun summer at Camp Shuswap. Is responsible for all summer camp operations. Ensures the camp is running smoothly. Anticipates and deals proactively with problems.
- Implements all safety procedures. Monitors safety at Camp and recommend changes.
- Fosters a positive and nurturing camp environment for all staff and participants.

Qualifications:

- First Aid
- Experience and enjoy working with children
- Enjoy working outdoors and ability to be crafty
- Drivers license
- This job requires a Criminal Record Check

Please submit a resume, cover letter and references to Morgan Odland, modland@shuswapband.net by May 24th, 2016.

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Job Posting: **Junior Summer Camp Leader** (Two available positions)

Term: June 12th-August 18th

Salary: To be determined

Shuswap Band will once again hold a Summer Camp for kids aged 5-12 starting July 12th and ending August 18th. We are looking for 2 Junior Summer Camp Leaders aged 14-18. Hours of work will depend on activities.

Responsibilities:

- Assists Senior Summer Camp Leaders with summer camp operations including but not limited to day-to-day planning, set-up and clean-up.
- Assists Senior Summer Camp Leader with leading young participants on a fun learning adventure including field trips out of town.

Qualifications:

- First Aid or willingness to obtain
- Enjoy working with children
- Some experience working or supervising children
- Enjoy working outdoors and ability to be crafty
- Drivers licence would be helpful but is not mandatory
- Ability to provide Social Insurance Number
- This job requires a Criminal Record Check

Please submit a resume, cover letter and references to Morgan Odland, modland@shuswapband.net by May 24th, 2016.

Preference will be given to Shuswap Band Members. We thank all for applying, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Job Posting: **Executive Assistant**

The Executive Assistant position will provide administrative and executive secretarial support. The ideal Candidate for this position must be proficient in oral and written communications and demonstrate a willingness and interest to become knowledgeable about Secwepemc customs and traditions. The incumbent will be familiar with legal cases around Title and Rights.

The incumbent reports to the Director of Operations.

Responsibilities:

- Reviews and amends the Chief and Councillor daily itinerary to provide supporting documentation and conduct follow-ups for upcoming meetings and events including reviewing minutes of meetings attended by them;
- Arranges meetings, agendas and minutes and provides follow-up information requested at the meeting;
- Co-ordinates all aspects of various political or social events/functions;
- Assists Chief and/or Councillors with their inter-governmental relations; prepares briefing notes, opening letters and speeches, writing scripts, greetings and press-releases; Chief and Councillor News letter contributions
- Stays alert of current First Nations matters and new developments regarding FN Title and Rights;
- Maintains strong and healthy relationships with BC and Federal Ministries and First Nations organizations.
- Other office duties including filing, researching, creating and editing PowerPoint presentations, making reservations and registrations for seminars, assist the Band Administration with Community meetings and open houses and other community projects and events as requires;
- Works within a framework provided by the Band policies, procedures and general objectives.

- Provides general administrative support to Band administration as needed.

Educations/Experience/Skills Training

- 2 years or more experience in a senior secretarial position or a political office, or related.
- Successful experience working with a First Nations community.
- Experience including strategic planning; communications, policy development, issues managements, briefing, government and media relations.
- Proficiency in basic applications of Microsoft Office (Word/Excel/PowerPoint)
- Highly organized and able to multitask successfully

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Terry Babin., Director of Operations at dops@shuswapband.net or Unit 3A 492 Arrow Road Invermere, BC VoA rKo by May 20th.

Preference will be given to Shuswap Band members. We thank all those applying, but only those shortlisted will be contacted.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THAT ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN MAY!

From the Shuswap Band calendar located in the office:

May 12th - Sierra Stump

May 25th - Belinda Eugene

May 26th - Brandon Sam

May 29th - Mary Joseph



Happy Anniversary to Laverna & Basil on May 27th!

Our apologies to anyone that we may have missed!
There is a birthday calendar at the Band Office if you wish to submit birthdays to the newsletter.



SHUSWAP BAND CALENDAR

~ MAY 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Naturopath Dr. Baker in Health Centre	3	4 Massage in Health Centre	5 Food Box Pickup Day 12-3pm	6	7
8 MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH 11AM @ Band Hall	9	10 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre at 12:00: drop- in or by appointment	11 Massage in Health Centre	12 Food Box Orders Due	13	14
15	16 (RISK) Certification 9am-5pm @ Band Hall Naturopath Dr. Baker in Health Centre	17 (RISK) Certification 9am-5pm @ Band Hall	18 (RISK) Certification 9am-5pm @ Band Hall 9:30-12 Mobile Screening Mammography Massage in Health Centre	19 (RISK) Certification 9am-5pm @ Band Hall Food Box Pickup Day 12-3pm	20 (RISK) Certification 9am-5pm @ Band Hall	21
22	23 VICTORIA DAY OFFICE CLOSED	24 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre at 12:00: drop- in or by appointment	25 Social Assistance Payment Massage in Health Centre	26 Food Box Orders Due	27	28
29	30 9-11:30 Dietician & Kinesiologist in Health Centre Naturopath Dr. Baker in Health Centre	31				

~ JUNE 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Massage in Health Centre	2 Food Box Pickup Day 12-3pm	3	4
5	6	7 10am-3:30pm Celebrating Beauty Day! Hair, Makeup, Reflexology & Professional Bra Fittings!	8 12:00- Living Life to the Full (lunch provided) Massage in Health Centre	9 Food Box Orders Due Foot Care in Health Centre	10	11
12	13 Naturopath Dr. Baker in Health Centre	14 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre at 12:00: drop-in or by appointment	15 12:00- Living Life to the Full (lunch provided) Massage in Health Centre	16 Food Box Pickup Day 12-3pm	17	18 National Aboriginal Day @ Lakeshore Campground
19	20	21	22 12:00- Living Life to the Full (lunch provided) Social Assistance Payment Massage in Health Centre	23 Food Box Orders Due	24 Summer Program Registration Due	25
26	27 Naturopath Dr. Baker in Health Centre	28 Dr. Mannheimer in Health Centre at 12:00: drop-in or by appointment	29 12:00- Living Life to the Full (lunch provided) Massage in Health Centre	30 Food Box Pickup Day 12-3pm Foot Care in Health Centre		

More event details for June will be in the newsletter on June 6th.