

Coldwater Indian Band Newsletter

JULY 2016

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Coldwater Indian Band Mission Statement

To enhance and sustain our quality of life through wellness and culture and preserve all our resources for now and the future generations.



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Council Updates

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I have been pretty busy this year. I attended a lot of powwows local and out of Canada and represented our band to the best of my ability. This is my sixth term and I am really enjoying the learning experience, as councilor. I sit on numerous boards and life is pretty busy. I am the nꞤeꞤkepmxc•n teacher at the Lower Nicola Band School. I sit on the Finance Committee, the NVISSA Board, and I am a representative for Eshkenm. I also am part of the Referral team for Eshkenm I have attended a lot of leadership training. I have been to Banff for negotiation and leadership training and received a certificate. I have also attended Language Conferences in Vancouver during the summer and also attended the Immersion Conference in Albuquerque New Mexico. I learned a lot during these sessions and I use them in my day to day activities. I am fluent in nꞤeꞤkepmxc•n and use it whenever I am called upon to speak at gatherings and to introduce myself. I am honored to have been elected as councilor. I wish you all the best gather lots of berries and medicines and most of all enjoy the summer.

June 27, 2016

Annie Rose Major

Administrator Updates

Chief and Council do not approve donations, administrative requests or financial assistance requests or address administrative concerns. There are still membership forwarding administrative communication to the Chief and Council. All administrative issues should be brought forth to the Band Administrator or the Program Manager depending on the nature of the request or concern. Please if it is a Social Assistance request see or give Shawn Bob a call at 250-378-6168. If it has to do with housing please see or call Donald Kraus at 250-378-6174. Please put the request in writing, Social Assistance Department has forms for requests. If it has to do with donations or other requests that staff can't assist you with please come see me or give me a call at 250-378-6174.

Thanks.

Coldwater Indian Band

Laura Antoine – Band Administrator

Education Updates

Friends and Families of Krisalena Antoine Extend a Heartfelt THANK YOU

On the night of May 27, 2016 an electrical fire had started in the walls of my home; we had plugged a radio in an outlet we've never used and there was a blue spark that came from it. We thought nothing of it; as this was a common occurrence. Later on that night; I went to lay down and had noticed a bright orange colour from the loft, my music was on... and had decided later I will go up and turn my lamps off in the loft, and another ten minutes that bright light started to get brighter, I found that odd, I went to the bedroom door and saw flame crawling all across the ceiling.

I ran up half way up the stair case and saw flame and everything was ablaze; the walls, the couches, the rug everything. That fire was so fast and furious; I could not put it out on my own, feeling immobilized and scared. I ran down put my jacket on; then my boots, by the second boot; I felt this huge heat wave on my back I crawled out and ran to next door. At that time I saw someone run in to the house hollering to see if there was any one in there; I ran back to let him know I was ok and we both stood there watching the house burn; the rest, a blur.

Everything I have ever worked for; everything I was given out of honour, respect and love, everything that made me..ME.. all the tools I had accumulated for use at the turn of the seasons as a hunter/gatherer, my ceremonial regalia's my ceremonial objects, drums; feathers, rattles, medicine. All of the food supply I had gathered throughout the last year, my art portfolios, carvings, paintings, tools, passport, identity cards, music ...everything *gone*. As you know; this was the home of our grandmother the late Elsie August; which was then given to her granddaughter Sonia; who then opened it up to me and since I've called home. A wonderful home it was; I am grateful. Because of this unfortunate event; I've learned to move forward, and have made efforts in starting over. I could not have done so without the help of my friends and families who stepped forward and held me up throughout this loss. We had a fundraiser and the outcome of that seriously helped me get the necessities needed; donations throughout came in many forms; material objects; gift cards; money; support letters, emotional support and many other ways. For that I am very grateful. It was enough to help me get what I needed and move forward. I give a heartfelt thanks to the following who have eased my burdens in the ways that they did;

First Nations Emergency Response – Dave McCauley
Coldwater Transition House
Coldwater Indian Band
Lower Nicola Indian Band
\$100 donors \$500+ Donors
City Furniture
Leona Antoine
Andrea Sterling-Shintah
Hand drummers of our Nicola Valley
Scwexemx Community Health- Patrick Lamour
Spiritual Guides/Knowledge Keepers
NVIT Elders Council

Coldwater Fire Department
Nicola Tribal Association
Friends of the Nicola Valley
Trevor Collins (1st on scene)
Walmart
Sue Sterling-Bur
My Big Tall Greek Uncle George & Mary
Liz Gilchrist
Lillooet / Mt Currie Hand drummers
Bear Dancers
Save On More Foods

Without your support; I do not think I could have handled this on my own. I pray that you will be surrounded with love and honour, that you will be blessed with comfort and peace forever.

On behalf of my families and friends; I say Thank you so much for your assistance throughout this difficult time I am forever grateful.

Néx^wm k^wuk^wscéyp ʔes kncémx^w, (really big huge thank you to the people for helping me)
Krisalena Antoine

Housing Updates

Coldwater Indian Band

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Coldwater Membership,

RE: BE FIRE SAFE

As you may already be aware, there have been two house fires on the Coldwater Indian Band in the last two years.

Fortunately, both houses had full insurance coverage and there were no injuries to the home occupants. **Check with Coldwater Housing to make sure that you are fully covered.**

However, this has resulted in an increase in the premium as well as the policy deductible.

Please take the time to do what you can to make sure that your home is fire safe.

- Check your smoke detectors and make sure that they are operating properly.
- Clean your dryer lint trap – a build-up of lint can cause a fire.
- Report any faulty wiring to the housing department.
- Never over-plug an electrical outlet.
- Turn off power bars when not in use.
- Electronic devices can over-heat if left plugged-in/ in use too long and never store your electronic device on flammable materials (i.e. bed, clothes, etc)
- Clean around your house and yard of any combustible materials (i.e. wood piles, weeds, garbage etc.)
- Have a fire extinguisher handy and know how to operate.
- Clean chimneys and woodstoves and have the proper heat-shield in place.
- Keep flammable materials away from space heaters, hot water tanks, furnaces and woodstoves.
- Make sure gas stove are completely off after use and do not put flammables on the elements
- If using gasoline-powered devices, store gasoline in a locked location away from the house.

Fire safety is a concern for the entire community.

Take care and stay safe,

Donald Kraus
Coldwater Housing Department

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Indian Registry Administrator Updates

To all Members

I know we all have families that live out of Merritt area. Please ask your family to provided their current mailing address to the band offices are toll free numbers are

Coldwater Administration Office is; 1-855-378-6100

Coldwater Band Office is; 1-866-378-6174



Thank you

Jessie Aljam

Please read the Transfer Policy and let me know if there changes made you can phone me at 250-378-6168. Thank you Jessie

Coldwater Indian Band

BAND TRANSFER POLICY

Coldwater Indian Band will consider an application for band transfer from a registered Indian from another Band providing that the applicant has a family link to Coldwater Indian Band.

"Family Link" is defined as spouse, mother, father, sister, brother, grandmother, grandfather, aunt or uncle.

"Spouse" is defined (for the purpose of this policy) as two people living together in a common-law relationship for at least one year.

All band transfer applications, except a minor child, shall be decided upon by secret ballot at a duly convened Coldwater General Band Meeting. **There must be a minimum of 18 eligible voters present at that General Band meeting to vote on the band transfer application.**

"Eligible Voters" is defined as a registered Coldwater Band member who is eighteen years or older.

"Minor Child" is defined as a child who is under the age of 18 years old.

A minor child of a registered band member shall be automatically accepted into Coldwater Band upon application by the parents. The child's parents must both consent to the child being transferred to Coldwater Indian Band by signing a *Statement of Consent* form and providing a large birth certificate. Where one parent has legal custody of child, then only that parent's consent is required. Upon receipt of the consent form, the Coldwater Indian Registry Administrator ("Coldwater IRA") shall prepare a Band Council Resolution for Band Council's signature. The Band Council Resolution shall be brought forth at the next duly convened Band Council meeting for approval.

BC Centre for Elder Advocacy and Support

SAIL

SENIORS ABUSE & INFORMATION LINE

604 437-1940

Metro Vancouver

1 866 437-1940

Toll Free

8 a.m. - 8 p.m. daily (Except holidays)

Language Interpretation:

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday - Friday

TTY: (Home device required)

604 428-3359 or 1 855 306-1443

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday - Friday

SENIORS ABUSE & INFORMATION LINE (SAIL)

SAIL is a safe place for older adults to talk to someone about situations where they are being abused or mistreated, or to receive information about elder abuse prevention.

LEGAL PROGRAMS

Provide legal advice, advocacy and representation to people aged 55+ on legal issues involving tenancy, debt, government benefits, guardianship/capacity, abuse and neglect, discrimination.

VICTIM SERVICE PROGRAM

Provides information, support and referrals to people aged 50+ who are victims of abuse.

EDUCATION & WORKSHOPS

Offer public education on financial literacy and elder abuse prevention to community groups.



www.bcceas.ca

Coldwater Store: Hours

Monday - Friday

7am - 8pm

Weekends **CLOSED** till
further notice.

*Thank you,
Rejeana & Jenna*

Job Opportunity

Aboriginal Skills & Employment Training Strategy ASETS - Merritt, BC – Phone 250-378-0126 Job Bulletin - Monday - June 27, 2016



JOB POSTINGS

Sagebrush Golf Course QUILCHENA, BC

- Sous Chef
- Guest Service Attendant
- Lead Server and Server
- Greenkeeper
- Beverage Cart Attendant
- Snack Bar Attendant

Apply online. Full job descriptions posted on Merritt ASETS Job board.

Starbucks (MERRITT, BC) - Shift Supervisor Apply online.

Shell Canada (MERRITT, BC)

Retail Trades Supervisor / Cashier / Store Manager.

Apply by email: shellgasca16@yahoo.com or fax:

877-275-6880. Deadline: September 13, 2016

Marks Work Warehouse (MERRITT, BC)

- Sales Associate Full time
- Sales Associate Part Time

Deadline: July 2, 2016

Firestorm Seasonal On Call Fire Crew –

- Seasonal on call Crew Leaders
- Supervisors
- Danger Tree Assessors
- First Aid Level 1 with Transportation
- Endorsement
- First Aid Level 3
- Certified Chain Saw Operators
- Pump Operators – Fire fighters
- Crew members – Structure Protection
- Structural Firefighters.

Details posted on Merritt ASETS job board. Apply by Email only: joel.firestorm@shaw.ca & nsmolin-ski.firestorm@shaw.ca

Bee Clean Building Maintenance – Requires a Light duty Cleaner. Details on ASETS job board. Deadline June 30, 2016.

Coquihalla Gillis House – Casual Cleaner, Merritt, BC (details on our job board). Apply online: careers@interiorhealth.ca

EMCON – HR Assistant. Submit resume and drivers abstract to tsmyth@emconservice.ca or fax to: 250-378-4106

Save on Foods, MERRITT, BC

- Grocery Clerk
- General Clerk

Posted on ASETS Job Board. Apply online: www.bcjobs.ca

Aspen Planers, Merritt, BC

- Silviculture Forester
- Certified Millwright

*Apply online. Details on ASETS job board

Canada Post (Merritt, BC)

- Requires a Postal Clerk.

Apply online. Deadline, August 7, 2016. Details on ASETS Job Board.

Veolia North America – Merritt, BC (bio-mass facility {sawmill and logging waste} plant currently under construction)

- Administrative Assistant
- Assistant Shift Engineer
- Assistant Plant Engineer

ONGOING applications accepted. Apply online. *No deadline at this time. See ASETS job board.

Canonbie Contracting Ltd (An Aecon Company), Merritt, BC - (Industrial site currently under construction).

- Construction Labourers
- Earthwork Labourers
- Heavy Equipment Operators
- Carpenter Concrete apprentice and journeyman

Ongoing applications accepted. Details on ASETS job board.

Prime Quality Construction MERRITT, BC (First Nation owned and operated) Requires Steel Building Cladders Ongoing applications accepted. Apply online. Details on ASETS job board.

Purity Feed (MERRITT, BC) Customer service representative Open – apply online.



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Merritt ASETS Administration Assistant: Eva Tom Email: merrittadmin@asets.org

Corrina Manuel

Independant Scentsy

Consultant

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