

Dakwäni

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING



Mayor Eckervogt, Elder Councillor Joe, MP Bagnell, Minister Strieker, Councillor McLaren, Chief Smith and President Ron Bonnycastle during the project launch event Sep 25, 2020.

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CHAMPAGNE AND AISHIHIK FIRST NATIONS

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DAKWÄKÄDA SUBDIVISION EXPANSION

Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) is laying the ground for growth of our subdivision at Dakwäkäda with the expansion of municipal infrastructure to connect to the Marshall Creek Road (the old Alaska Highway).

"This addition to our subdivision in Dakwäkäda helps Champagne and Aishihik First Nations realize our vision of creating opportunities for our Citizens to come home. We are

grateful for the significant investment by the governments of Canada and Yukon in the growth of Dakwäkäda," stated Kaaxnox, Dän nätthe äda (Chief Steve Smith). "And we are excited about our partnership with the Village of Haines Junction to connect green municipal services. This shows that when we work together, it creates big opportunities for the growth of Haines Junction."

The Government of Canada is providing \$6.975 million for the

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project funded through the Green Infrastructure fund of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP). The Government of Yukon is contributing \$1.89 million and the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations is investing \$500,000.

“The Government of Canada will continue working to ensure a safe and sustainable economic recovery, while focusing on the health and well-being of all Yukoners. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, this infrastructure project in Haines Junction and Champagne and Aishihik First Nations is essential. It not only helps to ensure the speedy recovery of our economy and provide needed jobs, it also helps to protect the well-being of our communities, and our environment, now and into the future,” stated Member of Parliament for Yukon Larry Bagnell on behalf of Minister of Infrastructure and Communities Catherine McKenna.

The extension of water and sewer services from the Village of Haines Junction into the subdivision will provide services for 38 or more future homes for CAFN Citizens and also improve services for some Citizens already living in the area.

Initial grubbing and clearing of the area around Johnson Street has been completed and the construction of underground water and sewer lines has begun. A lift station will also be added to meet future needs. The subdivision expansion project is expected to be complete in fall 2021.

CAFN is completing the project through a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Government of Yukon.

“We are very pleased to partner

with the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations on the expansion of municipal services to the Marshall Creek subdivision. It highlights the Government of Yukon, the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations and the Village of Haines Junction all working together for the whole community. We recognize the economic growth opportunities such projects provide and look forward to future opportunities to partner with First Nations and provide dedicated support to help them develop their lands for their citizens,” stated Minister of Community Services John Streicker.

As well, CAFN has updated our water and sewer agreement with the Village of Haines Junction to include service for the new lots and lift station in the subdivision expansion. This will bring the regional system together while the new agreement provides an equal fee structure for equal service between the municipality and CAFN lots.

“The Village of Haines Junction is excited to see new housing opportunities in the Dakwākāda area. This project is one of many partnering opportunities between governments to make Haines Junction the place to move to. The Village of Haines Junction looks forward to strengthening these ties in the coming years,” stated Village of Haines Junction Mayor Thomas Eckervogt.

The contract to complete the project was tendered through a Request for Proposals, and Castle Rock Enterprises was the successful proponent.

President Ron Bonnycastle said “Castle Rock Enterprises is pleased to see the Marshall Creek residential expansion project going ahead this year and is very excited to be working on the traditional territory of the Champagne and Aishihik

First Nations. It will be great to build a presence within the community of our shareholders and offer some employment and training opportunities back to the Citizens of CAFN. We are pleased to note for the month of August we had 29% of Citizens working on the project and currently in September we are nearing 50%. The 38 lots being developed will make room for new home construction for the Citizens future growth and sustainability.”

On September 25, CAFN Dän nātthe äda Kaaxnox, Member of Parliament for Yukon Larry Bagnell on behalf of the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, Catherine McKenna Yukon Highways and Public Works, Minister Richard Mostyn, Village of Haines Junction Mayor Thomas Eckervogt, and Castle Rock President Ron Bonnycastle met to mark the project launch with a ceremonial ground breaking on Johnson Street where the new subdivision expansion begins.

Construction of water and sewer infrastructure into the Marshall Creek subdivision includes:

- 2,000 metres of water pipes and mains to extend drinking water to current and future residents;
- 1,500 metres of sanitary wastewater pipes and mains to provide sewage facilities for the subdivision;
- extension of water and sewer mains from the Village of Haines Junction;
- a new one kilometer extension of Johnson Street to connect to the Marshall Creek Road; and
- a lift station to pump wastewater from the new sanitary sewer system into the lagoon.



DÄN NÄTTHE ÄDA DÄKWÄL

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

Dänách'é.

I wish a good shakat to you all this fall harvesting season. I hope that everyone was successful in your harvesting. A special shout out to Erin Pauls for harvesting her first moose. It is good to see our young people carrying on our traditions.

As we continue to navigate the pandemic and go into the colder months this winter, it is important to be prepared.

2020 Nłāshējel (We Gather Together)

Gunałchish to all our CAFN Citizens who participated in the 2020 Nłāshējel or General Assembly (GA) this August. It was a new challenge to hold a virtual and in-person assembly in order to ensure high standards for COVID-19 safety. During the GA, Citizens passed 13 resolutions. Council has reviewed the Resolutions and tasked staff with creating a plan with budget implementation for each, which will be considered by Council for direction on next steps this fall. Council moved to immediately implement Resolution 2020-03, regarding the closure of fishing at Village Creek.

Family Shakat

Thank you to Deputy Chief Rose Kushniruk for carrying out the role of Acting Chief this August. It was an important opportunity for me to recover and recharge in preparation for a busy winter to come, and I appreciate that our government was in good hands during my leave.

Fall Leadership Gathering

I joined other Yukon First Nations leaders on the land this September for a COVID-safe gathering at Helen's Fish Camp near Lake Laberge. We talked about shared priorities including: protecting our communities from COVID-19, internet access for our Citizens, Yukon salmon, the Yukon

First Nations Education Directorate, and the current legal case, Dickson v. VGFN, which is significant to all Self-Governing Yukon First Nations.

Economic Opportunities

CAFN continues to work to create economic opportunities for self-reliance. We are pleased to have a new economic development manager on staff, Heather Bell Callaghan. We are engaged in Yukon's plans for our economic recovery from COVID-19, as well as development of the Yukon government's new First Nation procurement policy.

Strong Language and Culture

We are happy to report that our first class of Southern Tutchone immersion students, Dän Nākŵākhèl (trail blazers), have returned for in-person physically distant classes this September on the land and in the main hall at Da Kų. This is a welcome change after spending the final months of the spring semester in class by videoconference.

Champagne and Aishihik Chief and Council are fully committed to the long-term support of rebuilding Dákwānjē (Southern Tutchone) and are investing in a stand-alone learning space that will show our students, both present and future, that we are committed to supporting them and our language.

Salmon

CAFN Citizens and Council are extremely concerned with the devastatingly low numbers of salmon returning to our waters this year. With guidance from our CAFN Salmon Standing Committee, we are implementing a comprehensive salmon strategy, as called for at the 2019

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

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General Assembly. We look forward to updating Citizens on this important work.

On behalf of Dän nätthe dätth'l (CAFN Council), Gunalchish to dän shawthän, all our people, for your strength, patience and vigilance as we continue to move through the pandemic together.

COVID-19 Planning and Recovery

CAFN is taking a cautious, proactive approach to reduce the risk of COVID-19 in our Traditional Territory. The health and safety of our dän (people), especially our Elders and most vulnerable, is still our top priority. We must be calm, cautious and kind. We must respect and support each other as we go through this pandemic together. We are moving forward with our planning for a potential second wave of the pandemic and are ready to make decisions to ensure the safety of our Citizens. Again, we ask that each of you take care of each other and look out for our community, only together will we get through this challenging time.

Dúch'j Shj - We are always going to be prepared to do what we must do to ensure the safety of our people. We must remain vigilant, safe and smart. CAFN is following the science and cooperating strongly with Yukon and Canada. We urge you, our Citizens, to do the same.

We ask everyone to practice Yukon's Safe Six to stay safe and prevent the spread of COVID-19: yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/6-steps-staying-safe-covid-19. All CAFN dän must still be on guard, so that all of our people come out of this pandemic safely.

Though our offices remain closed to the public, we are far from shut down. CAFN continues to run our government in the "new normal" environment of COVID-19. Our COVID-19 recovery strategy, the Kwätsi Dän (We Work), is in place for the months to come. We are currently in step 3, which will continue until a vaccine is in place or the pandemic is no longer a threat.

**Gunalchish,
Kaaxnox, Dän nätthe äda
Chief Steve Smith**

Our Council Vision for 2018 through 2022:

Dän Shäwthan ghàách'e, who speak for the nation, the land and water, and for each other.

We are Dän Shäwthan, responsible for:

- **The Nation (through better governance);**
- **Each Other (through connection and self reliance); and**
- **The Land and the Water.**

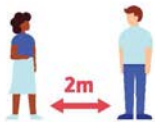
Our Priorities are:

- 1. Healthy Citizens and Communities**
- 2. A Strong Culture and Language**
- 3. Economic Opportunities**
- 4. Stewardship of the Land, Water and Animals**
- 5. Good Governance**

PLANNING AND RECOVERY

COVID-19 UPDATE

Practise the Safe 6



1

Maintain physical distancing – keep 2 metres away from everyone who's not a member of your social bubble



2

Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol



3

Stay home if you're feeling sick



4

Follow the social and organized gathering guidelines and respect the limitations on group size



5

Limit travel to rural communities, and be respectful when you're there



6

Self-isolate if you've returned to Yukon and have been outside of BC, Nunavut or the NWT in the last 14 days, or if you've been in contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19

Visit yukon.ca/safe-6 for more information

Yukon

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Southern Tutchone Encouragement Phrases

Translations by Luke Campbell



ákù yena uda shì

I will stay close to my home.

Nkù yena ndà jè

You stay close to your house.

nłàts'àn nàts'uji

We all help each other.



Däk'anųtà jè

Take care of yourself.

dàts'àn nànji nk'ats'adli-do

Help us to love one another.



Dágha ndàsedäye uk'èkųjē jè

Bless those that work for us.

Dánān kay ts'àn k'àkwädinje

Bless our land.

łàki ntān datü dųyà jè

May you have good luck.

Nlà k'anintsäl uts'ā yè

Wash your hands with soap.



äjù n-nį kay k'adínjì

Do not touch your face.

Kwajänàda Kwänì

They say that there is a sickness around.

Dän dínku ujädàkhį, äjù uyenda

Do not be around people that are sick.



2020 NĹASHĚJEL (WE GATHER TOGETHER) GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE



Chief Steve Smith getting his temperature taken at the 2020 General Assembly.

Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) hosted our annual NĹashĚjel or General Assembly (GA) August 1 and 2, 2020.

The GA was modified to adapt to the new challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. We hosted a combined virtual and in-person GA that followed the Safe Six protocols; this year we could not gather in large numbers.

"The General Assembly was extremely challenging this year. Being unable to gather in-person with our families and community members was heartbreaking, but we must all adjust to protect our loved ones," said Kaaxnox, DĄn nĄtthe Ąda (Chief Smith). "A big thank you to everyone who participated online and in-person. It was good to see that our nation is being led by DĄn ShĄwthĄn.

Citizens gathered in small groups at Da Kų Cultural Centre in a tent and in the hall, and another small group gathered in KwĄnlin (Whitehorse) at the Gold Rush Inn. Fifty or fewer people were allowed in each location to keep within Yukon's gathering sizes

guidelines. All in-person participants were screened daily for fevers and any other COVID-related symptoms. All other Citizens were invited to attend online.

Citizens' health and safety was our top priority during the GA. The CAFN Council considered a cancellation or postponement of the 2020 General Assembly, but CAFN decided to go ahead with the COVID-19 safety precautions. The GA is an important part of our government process, and an opportunity for Citizens to remain involved and updated.

The 2020 GA was a big learning experience on COVID-19 safety practices, how we meet with Citizens online, and how we connect with each other in a positive way, despite the limitations of in-person gatherings during the pandemic.

KwĄnischiss – thank you - to all of the Citizens, CAFN employees and staff who participated and helped with the organisation the GA; there were many new challenges to work through.

We appreciate everyone's patience as we learn together. We also thank GĄnta Business (Blair Hogan and Jessie Stephen) for their support with hosting the event and the online platform.

Resolutions passed at the 2020 General Assembly:

1. Garbage at Road, Klukshu Village
2. Elders Senate Roles and Responsibilities
3. Salmon Harvest at Village Creek (Neskataheen)
4. Elders Benefits (Grandfathering) Hunting in the CAFN Traditional Territory
5. Withdrawn
6. Takhini Subdivision
7. Cell Towers
8. Inclusive Elder Participation in CAFN Government
9. COVID-19 Response
10. Removal of Boat Dock
11. CAFN Judicial System
12. Environment
13. Constitutional Convention GA

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DÄN NÄTTHE DÄTTH'I DEK'I

CHIEF AND COUNCIL UPDATE

The following are summaries of decisions made by Chief and Council during their April, May, June, July and September 2020 meetings.

CAFN COVID-19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND EMERGENCY POWERS

Council passed resolutions:

- declaring COVID-19 an emergency in the CAFN Traditional Territory, which was effective for 60 days beginning April 6, 2020; and
- putting in place emergency powers to protect the health and safety of CAFN Citizens for the duration of the CAFN emergency declaration.

Note: These measures have now expired and are no longer in effect.

Deputy Chief Appointment

Council appointed Councillor Marie McLaren as Deputy Chief from October 31, 2020 to October 31, 2021.

Self-Government Agreement Amendment

Dän nätthe dätth'i (Council) approved amendments to our Self-Government Agreement to include the option to register CAFN Settlement Lands in the Yukon Land Titles Office.

Council also approved amendments to allow CAFN to claim the GST credit for fee simple lands or real estate purchased by CAFN for government

purposes, and to allow income from registered pension plans to be tax exempt.

Note: These amendments will not come into effect until Canada also approves them. Please watch for more details.

COVID-19 Financial Policy

Council approved a COVID-19 emergency plan financial policy and procedures in order to track incremental costs to CAFN due to the pandemic.

General Assembly

Council approved the dates of August 1-2, 2020 for the CAFN annual General Assembly.

The CAFN Council accepted amendments to the "Schedule" under Section 2.4 of the Policy for the Administration of the General Assembly.

Capital Projects

Council approved a list of capital projects with a total value of \$8,709,000 through March 31, 2023.

New Rental Housing Construction

Council approved construction of two (2) three-bedroom homes

in Takhini River Subdivision with up to \$1,000,000 in First Nation Infrastructure Investment Plan Funding from Canada. Council approved allocation of Takhini River Subdivision Lot 26 for this purpose.

Council approved construction of four (4) two bedroom homes and four (4) three bedroom homes in Dakwäkäda (Haines Junction) with up to \$2,000,000 in funding and financing through GAP funding, Good Energy Program funds, the Housing Initiative Fund, and a mortgage.

Reserve Spending for Renovations

Council approved spending of \$550,000 from the CMHC rental reserve from 2020 through 2023 for renovations of CAFN-owned rental units.

Heavy Equipment Purchase

The CAFN Council approved spending up to \$400,000 to purchase used heavy equipment through an auction process or online.

Internet Fees

Council approved reimbursement of internet fees paid by employees required to work from home during the pandemic. The CAFN Telework Policy and Procedures was also revised to reflect this reimbursement.

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Special Emergency Leave Policy

Council approved a revised Special Emergency Leave Policy effective May 28, 2020, which allowed employees with school or daycare-aged children to take leave to care for their children at home from the date of the Yukon public school closure on March 18, 2020. This policy is still in effect. The main intent behind updating our leave policy during the pandemic is to ensure we remain safe in the office, by supporting staff to stay home when they or their family members are sick.

Emergency Planning with Village of Haines Junction

Chief and Council approved signing a Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Haines Junction and CAFN with respect to emergency management in areas of common interest on Municipal and Self-Governing First Nation Settlement Lands.

Essential Services

Council approved an Incentive Pay Program for employees deemed to have been at highest risk during the 60-day CAFN State of Emergency (which expired June 5, 2020). The one-time benefit was for one week (37.5 hours) "time in lieu".

Capital Assets

The Finance Policy and Procedures capitalization threshold for capital assets was increased from \$1,000 to \$5,000, effective April 1, 2019.



Läch'I Tān Ga Ts'ū Jäl – People Together As One

Cultural and Traditional Living Strategy

The CAFN Council accepted the 2014 "Läch'I Tān Ga Ts'ū Jäl - People Together as One" CAFN Cultural and Traditional Living Strategy report as presented.

Māt'ātāna Steering Committee

Council extended the term of all members of the Māt'ātāna Steering Committee until March 31, 2021, and required presentation of the Committee workplan to the Executive Committee of the Whole (ECW) July 9, 2020.

Sekulmun Lake Interim Land Withdrawal

In keeping with 2019 GA Resolution 2019-09, Council passed a resolution to withdraw designated lands at Sekulmun Lake for any construction of permanent dwellings. This

measure is for an interim basis until the Dána n (CAFN Settlement Land

Use Plan for the Traditional Territory) is completed and approved.

Southern Lakes Caribou Steering Committee

Council approved a contribution of \$5,000 to the Southern Lakes Caribou Steering Committee, and required provision of the completed Southern Lakes Management Plan.

Tower Bay Fishery Closure at Dezadeash Lake

In keeping with the 2019 GA resolution, Council passed a regulation to prevent overfishing in the Tower Bay area of Dezadeash Lake and closing the area to fishing from July 1 to August 15 every year. The new regulation was implemented in coordination with the Government of Yukon and took effect July 1, 2020.

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COVID-19 Coordinator

Council approved a budget for \$50,000 to hire a CAFN COVID-19 coordinator.

Dän Nätthe Dätth'i On Call

Council confirmed that they (Dän nätthe dätth'i) be recognized as being on call from the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic until the end of CAFN's State of Emergency (March 6 to June 30, 2020), and be paid accordingly for their on-call status during this timeframe, consistent with the Government Administration Act.

Board and Committee Appointments:

- Council appointed employees Tom Buzzell, Krista Reid, and Sheila Greer to the Heritage Working Group, which was established through the Yukon First Nations/Yukon Government MOU on Collaboration in Heritage Management.
- Council appointed Heritage, Lands and Resources Director Tom Buzzell to the Tatshenshini Alsek Park Management Board.
- Council appointed Colin E. Long as a representative to the CAFN Lands Committee for a term to March 31, 2023.
- Council reappointed Gary Darbyshire as an Elder representative to the Southern Lakes Caribou Steering Committee for term to July 31, 2021.

- Council reappointed Paula Pawlovich and Boyd Campbell as board members to the Champagne and Aishihik Community Corporation (CACC) for a term to July 31, 2021, and appointed Sharmane Jones to the CACC board for a term to July 31, 2023.

2019-20 Financial Statements

Council accepted and approved the following financial statements as presented for the 2019-2020 fiscal year (April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020): the CAFN Financial Statements, the Canada Mortgage Housing Commission post-96 Financial Statements, and the Canada Mortgage Housing Commission pre-97 Financial Statements, and the Da Kų Cultural Centre Statement of Operations and Maintenance Expenditures. All statements were prepared by CAFN and reviewed by Crowe MacKay LLP.

Klukshu Cabin Use Policy

Council approved the CAFN Cabin Use Policy for Klukshu Cabin dated July 15, 2020, and approved developing a liability waiver to be required for use of the Klukshu cabin. This is in keeping with Council's policy decision to allow Citizens to utilize CAFN cabins in our Traditional Territory.

CAFN Intervention in Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation Case

Council agreed to support an intervention to the Yukon Court of Appeal and to contribute funding for collective Yukon First Nation costs. The decision being appealed, Dickson v. Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation 2020 YKSC 22, does not recognize the prior and continued existence of Indigenous law, and therefore undermines the inherent right of Yukon First Nations to self-government.

CAFN Strategic Priorities Workplan

The CAFN Council approved the 2018-2022 CAFN Strategic Priorities Workplan as presented.

Emergency Repair to Aishihik Road

The Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Council approved an emergency allocation of \$98,960 to repair the washout at 65 mile Aishihik.

2020 General Assembly Resolutions

As per section 2.4 of the Policy for the Administration of the General Assembly, the CAFN Council accepted the 2020 General Assembly Resolutions as presented. The resolutions are now undergoing analysis and review for next steps by departments and Council.

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Supplemental Budget

Council approved the 2020-2121 supplemental budget requests for the fiscal year April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

Human Resources Manual

The CAFN Council approved revisions to the Human Resources Manual effective October 15, 2020.

First Nation School Board

Council endorsed the CAFN Education Department's work towards turning our local school council(s) into a First Nation School Board.

Kluane National Park and Reserve Protocol

Chief and Council endorsed a Cooperation Protocol for Kluane National Park and Reserve, and appointed Executive Director Fran Asp and Senior Director of Nation Services Jennifer Lee to the Kluane National Park and Reserve Cooperation Protocol Committee.



Government Administration Act Amendment

Council approved the third and final reading of amendments to CAFN's Government Administration Act (GAA) on November 12, 2020. Council work to amend the GAA has been ongoing over the last twenty (20) months. The GAA was originally enacted in 2007 and amended in 2012. The Act is in place to make sure that the First Nations Council administers its duties under the Constitution in a way that reflects the values of good governance and transparency. Citizens were invited to provide input on the amendments this September and October.

The GAA provides for: the establishment of government departments under the leadership of directors/senior directors, hiring of staff, procurement of expert services, and the formation of boards, committees or councils.

The Act also addresses matters such as the delegation of powers and duties, and remuneration to members of the First Nations Council (including the Chief). The specifics about Council Remuneration are outlined in a regulation which will be passed under the Act. Other regulations are also passed under the Act including the Election Regulations, the Conflict of Interest Regulations and others (which are in development).

NEXT CHIEF AND COUNCIL

DECEMBER 10, 2020

NEW STAFF



SAMII FRANKLIN
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Samii has lived in HJ for about 4.5 years. She loves fishing, cooking and travelling. Samii is excited to work for CAFN at the Da Kų Cultural Center and have the opportunity to meet new people while she learns about First Nations culture and tradition.

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ROBERTA NAKOOCHEE
HERTIAGE MANAGER

Mushkegowuk (East Swampy Cree) of the Bear clan, Roberta's family has called the coasts of the James Bay and Hudson Bay home since time immemorial. She completed her MA in Geography in 2018 after studying the impact of the Healing Broken Connections project on CAFN and KFN citizens' relationship with land in Kluane National Park and Reserve.

She is a storyteller, proud auntie, and beader with a passion for advocating the value of Traditional Knowledge, especially in conservation and First Nations health.



DYLAN-LEE JIM PAULS
RECEPTIONIST

Dylan-lee has started her new job in July as a Receptionist/Admin/Retail Assistant Trainee. She is happy to be back at the Da Kų Cultural Centre and have the opportunity to work with all of the people she worked with from previous summers.

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MELINA HOUGEN
FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGER

Melina Hougen is part of the Dickson/Chambers family from Champagne. Her grandparents were Frank and Mary Chambers, and her parents are Heather and Kelly Hougen. She grew up in a hunting and trapping family.

From a young age she has been taught the importance of protecting and respecting the land and its inhabitants. Her interest in the environment has led her to complete a degree in Northern Environmental and Conservation Sciences. She has been working in various roles for CAFN over the past couple of years and is excited to officially join the HLR team as the Fish and Wildlife Manager!

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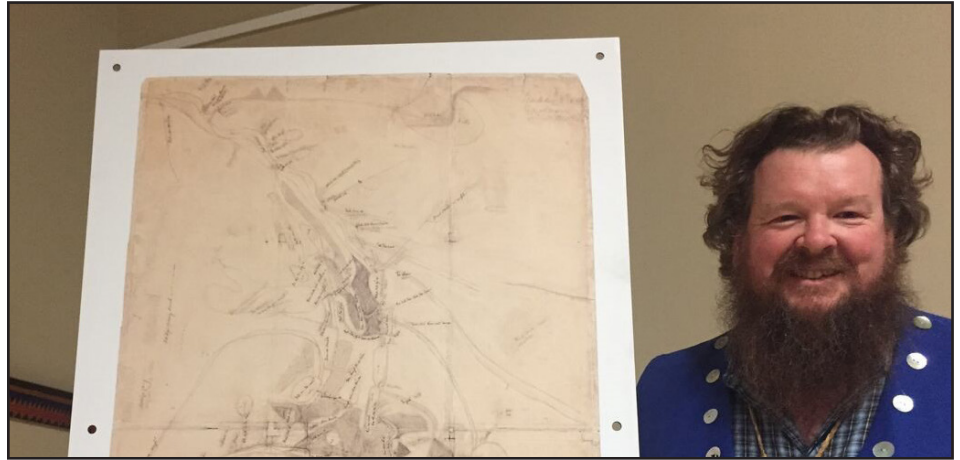
**JENNA HENDERSON
COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER**

Jenna is the new Communications Officer in the Governance Department. She is certified from Yukon University in Multimedia Communications and continues to study Business Management and Marketing with Thompson Rivers University. Jenna has recently been employed with Parks Canada Yukon in External Relations and in 2019/2020 she was employed at Yukon University in Marketing and Admissions.

Jenna is passionate about First Nations governance, culture, tradition and spirituality. Working with CAFN in communications has allowed for a dream to become reality. She was born and raised in Whitehorse and has strong connections to the Territory. This September she moved to the beautiful Village of Haines Junction.

When it is safe to do so, or in a physically distanced way, she looks forward to meeting her co-workers and other community members.

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**TOM BUZZELL
DIRECTOR OF HERITAGE, LANDS AND RESOURCES**

Tom is the new Director of Heritage, Lands and Resources with CAFN. His name, Kaalaxch' or Whale House person, is from the Raven Clan. His grandparents are David and Hazel Hume from Shāwshe. He carries this name with his uncles, Chuck Hume and Charlie Clayton.

Tom has lived in Haines Junction since 1995 and spent his childhood summers in Klukshu. His career started with Kluane National Park and Reserve as a Warden, stationed at Dezedeah and Mush Lakes. In his 15-year Parks Canada career, he worked in many locations from the Chillkoot Trail to Old Crow. He spent years as a Project Manager for national historic sites within Yukon and Northern BC. More recently he served as the First Nations Liaison Officer for Kluane National Park.

In his personal time he is a trapper, fisherman, hunter, Canadian Ranger and Uncle Pokey to kids in town. On weekends you'll find Tom and his wife out on the boat or snow machines.

They keep a large garden, raise chickens and hang out with their dogs.

It has been interesting and challenging taking on this new role with CAFN. Tom feels it took a lifetime of experience to be ready for this next step in his career and has always worked to look after our land and will continue to do so. He looks forward to working with everyone. Please contact him to discuss heritage, lands and resources.

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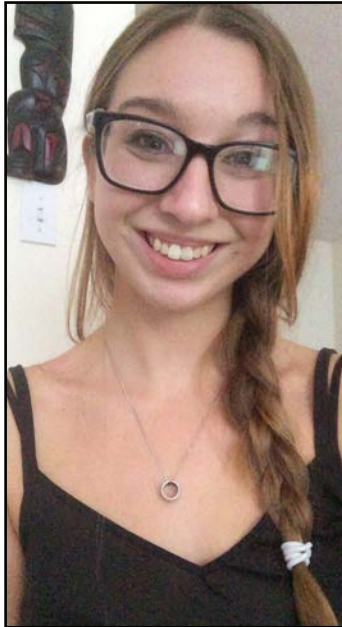


KENNY JOE ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE OFFICER

Kenny Joe, son of the late Howard Joe and Minnie Joe (Frost), is a member of the Crow clan and was brought up traditionally by his Father, Mother, Grandmother Jessie Joe, Grandfather Harry Joe and Francis Joe in the Klukshu and Braeburn areas. His formal education took place in Whitehorse and continued in Kamloops B.C., at Thompson Rivers University where he attained a Bachelor of Arts in Geography with a minor in Archaeology.

He has lived in Merritt B.C. for the last 29 years working within cultural resource management throughout Southern B.C. He is very happy to be back in Yukon working for his people and building a strong team, not only within the Lands and Renewable Resource department, but also with other departments throughout CAFN.

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EMILY HUME STUDENT COORDINATOR

Danche! Emily Hume (Chushara) of the Wolf Clan was the 2020 Summer Student Coordinator,

She graduated from Vancouver Island University in Liberal Studies and was excited to bring her education and knowledge home to Haines Junction.

She had the privilege of being able to travel (pre-COVID), and can honestly say that there is no place like the Kluane region that has such untouched beauty, a close knit community, with an enriched culture. She looks forward to being more involved with CAFN and laying down her roots in the future. Shaw ni than.

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GLORIA MACELHERON DAYCARE COOK

Gloria is excited to work at the Daycare as their cook. She has many years of experience and is pleased to start her new journey at the daycare!



ANYA JIM DAYCARE STAFF

Anya Jim is 18 years old and part of the Crow Clan. She recently started work with the Shawkunlee Daycare and loves her job! She is excited to start studying this fall with Yukon University as she begins her classes in Early Learning and Childcare Development and works toward her level 3 certification.



**GURJIT SINGH
DAYCARE STAFF**

Gurjit Singh is from India. He has been living in Yukon for almost 3 years. Recently he graduated from Yukon University with an Early Learning and Childcare diploma. He has been in the childcare field for 2 years and looks forward to meeting people in Haines Junction. He is excited to start his new journey at the Shawkwunlee Learning Centre.

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Her close family ties motivate her to be a better person, both personally and professionally – to continuously advocate for mental health and overall wellbeing. Working at Champagne and Aishihik First Nations has given her a platform to continuously act on things that she

Crystal Shimoon has recently joined CAFN as the Manager of Education. She is honoured to be working with Champagne & Aishihik First Nations and working to foster and develop health and success for our citizens.

Originally from Peace River, AB, she has had wonderful opportunities to travel and study across Canada. Her professional background is in program development and management for several community based organizations, with a focus on health and wellness. It is her passion and purpose to help others find inspiration and motivation to live their best lives.

She is also passionate about all things outdoors; paddling, hiking, biking and spending time exploring the beautiful land with her three wonderful dogs!



believes in and for that, she will be forever honored and grateful.

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She looks very forward to working together with her coworkers and wishes everyone positive health and happiness!

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DÄN TÄN GÀ DĪJÄL

WE ALL WALK ALONG THE DÄN K'E TRAIL

Illustration of the Star Man (also known as Star Husband) Kwandür, as told by Kitty Smith (1890-1989); watercolour done by Yataya van Kampen, summer 2019.

Two sisters joke about marrying two stars, each picking out the one she would marry. The next morning, they find themselves in an unfamiliar world with two men who identify themselves as those same stars. Although the same husbands are good providers the girls are lonesome for their family and plan to escape. They tan leggings and mitts and babiche for their journey then dig through the sky and lower themselves back to earth by climbing down a babiche and rope they have attached to a rock. (story summary by Brittney Brown, summer 2019).



We are using the term Dän Shāwthän, which means “good people”. That is what we are trying to do: walk as good CAFN people by being caring, taking care of each other, mindful of our rules, caring and speaking for our four-legged and winged creatures, and caring for the land water and air.

Within the Dän Tän Gà DĪjäl initiative, we are working to further define what it means to be Dän Shawthän (good people), and what our key values are that can be used to guide us as a community on our continued journey towards self-reliance .

We believe that the best way to do this work is to look back at the teachings of our ancestors and translate these teachings to guide us both today and for generations to come. We started engaging the community in small

Kwädāy Kwandür (story) circles last fall and winter and were excited about the conversations that were sparked.

We know that the experiential knowledge and living history of Kwädāy Kwandür comprise part of the core teachings that CAFN families transmit to future generations. Kwädāy Kwandür embody lived values that are fundamental to teaching our families and communities who we are and how to govern ourselves on this land.

We are looking for Elders that want to get involved with our Kwädāy Kwandür work, to help guide us as we look to expand our community based work over the winter months.

Please contact Krista Reid, Director of Language and Culture at 867-634-3300 or kreid@cafn.ca.

DO YOU LIKE TO SPEND TIME WITH KIDS?



Respite Caregivers and/or after-hours Caretakers needed for our Youth

REQUIREMENTS:

- **Enjoy spending time with children**
- **Enjoy spending a couple hours minimum, per month sharing your time with our future Leaders**
- **Able to obtain a 'Vulnerable Sector' clearance (assistance provided)**

These are paid positions.

For more information please call Janet Van Bibber

(867) 335-9309 or

(867) 634-4200 Ext. 211

(Leave your name & number for Janet)

LANDS AND RESOURCES



Melina Hougen, Levi Graham, Tom Buzzell and Mat Trotter checking out grayling spots and spaced a caribou apart.

FISH NEWS FROM THE PARK

Sachäl (kokanee salmon) have been trying to recover from a decade-long slump in Kluane National Park and Reserve. In 2009, they reached an all-time low of 20 spawners. Since then numbers have gradually improved. However, the low numbers may have reduced the resilience of sachäl. Recent work by scientists at the University of British Columbia found that the kokanee went through a genetic bottleneck, meaning that there is not as much genetic variation left to deal with what the future might bring. Parks Canada is also looking at whether turbidity and certain dissolved metals in the water could have caused the decline in sachäl. What we learn could help us understand more about kokanee's ocean-going cousin, sambay (sockeye salmon). The Park protects the only wild population of sachäl in Yukon, so Parks Canada and CAFN is asking the co-operation of all to release all kokanee.

Despite COVID-19 limiting our field season, we were able to get out for a day on Kathleen Lake with CAFN's Heritage, Lands and Resources staff. We are both concerned about the health of t'à wa (Arctic grayling) and discussed ways we could monitor t'à wa. The current idea is to use traditional harvest techniques, like willow fish traps, and youth camps to see if we can monitor t'à wa from year to year. Stay tuned as this exciting projects develops.

Carmen Wong

Ecologist, Parks Canada, Kluane National Park and Reserve



Parks Canada, CAFN and KFN look forward to welcoming you to the renewed Thechàl Dhàl' Visitor Centre in 2021! These colourful new exhibits incorporate Dàkwānjè (Southern Tutchone language) and local art work, and show how Dań, for millennia, have lived in this dynamic glaciated landscape, hunting sheep and gophers, gathering plants, and respectfully coexisting with Big Grandfather, grizzly bear.

Parks Canada collaborated closely with Kluane First Nation and Champagne and Aishihik First Nations to make this happen, and on August 20, a small gathering of those who contributed celebrated a milestone at the Centre.

DAKWAKADA CAPITAL INVESTMENTS



Dakwakada
CAPITAL INVESTMENTS LP

Dakwākāda Capital Investments would like to congratulate the success of the CAFN Virtual General Assembly held last August 1-2. Congratulations to all the winners of the major prizes, and we hope you enjoy it!

Dakwākāda and its group of companies express our gratitude to CAFN and the community at large for your continuous support. Stay healthy and be safe!

Mac Plastics Integration

The acquisition of Mac Plastics is proceeding very well. The new General Manager, hired to replace the previous owner, has been working with DCI to implement procedural efficiencies and build a team to successfully ramp up the business.

The team will work with the previous owner until year-end to ensure a smooth transfer of ownership. To that end, a new office administrator has come on board who brings a wealth of accounting and general office experience. Additionally, an estimator has been hired to assume the design and technical responsibilities. Our Director of Finance, Randy Coley has worked with the team to consolidate accounting activities and move them into the cloud. This will aid in more timely reporting and eliminate repeated order entries (quote, scheduling and invoicing).

COVID's positive effect on Mac Plastics

Since the start of COVID, Mac has sold screens to Sobeys, Ikea, Booster Juice, professional offices and other buildings open to the public, significantly increasing our plastics sales. We believe this will provide an opportunity to expand Mac's custom plastics business as we have seen a marked increase in inquiries for plastic manufacturing since the

Mac Plastics branded screens were introduced to public areas.

RAB Energy Inc. (Northerm)

"Results are better than we expected"

COVID-19 took the world by surprise and the economic effect on the Yukon is still unknown. Northerm is currently able to weather this storm with minimal effect to date.

Teams were either working from home, on a reduced work week or operating with reduced members. All members of the organization have been able to step up and deploy their best efforts to help the Company through these uncertain times.

The Overhead Door division is doing very well and has signed projects with the City of Whitehorse, Canada Post and Manitoulin Transport. The Commercial Aluminum division is busy and currently has opportunities for glazier and other positions <http://www.northerm.yk.ca/northerm/careers/> due to up and coming projects. The PVC, Glass and Coating divisions are working hard delivering products on time for Yukon and Alaska customers.

RAB Alaska Inc. (Capitol Glass)

COVID-19 affected Alaska more than the Yukon, with more cases creating a larger economic effect. Our ability to manufacture glass products and still being able to supply our Northerm Windows, when most other manufacturers were shuttered, has allowed us to weather the COVID storm.

Being the only manufacturer open put us above our competition. Our continued work on maintaining and



building new relationships during these times is resulting in increased demand for our products.

Fortunately, our customer's buying habits are not slowing, despite the state of the economy and continued virus-related setbacks.

Castle Rock Enterprises (CRE)

- Whistle Bend Phase 5 in completion phase.
- Alaska Highway Water & Storm Sewer Installation
- Francophone School Site works in final stages for Asphalt
- Carcross Lagoon Expansion and Upgrades
- Fourth Avenue Crosswalk Upgrade
- Marshall Creek Residential Expansion Project

The Marshall Creek Expansion Project will be starting immediately in Haines Junction. Castle Rock plans to hire 3-4 CAFN Citizens for labor positions with additional training opportunities.

We will be in the community beginning August 19, 2020 to October 2021, with a winter break and a spring 2021 start up. Qualified applicants will be contacted via the hiring agent, interviewed and orientated in Haines Junction.

It will be great to be in Haines Junction and we look forward to building solid relationships within the Community.

Resumes may be forwarded to apply@castlerockent.com.
No phone calls please.

DÄN TS'ÄNÄNÄN PROGRAM UPDATE



DÄN TS'ÄNÄNÄN

The Dän Ts'änänän (A Blessing for Certain Skills) program offers a variety of opportunities to individuals who want to further their education, find employment and get on the job training.

The COVID-19 pandemic had a direct impact on our program and our students. Like many other governments and organisations, CAFN had to suspend some courses and programs to keep our Citizens, staff and students safe and healthy.

However, not all was lost. We did manage to accomplish many things within this "new normal".

DAKWA' KA' DA AND TAKHINI GREENHOUSE PROJECTS

CAFN was well organized for our greenhouse projects in both Dakwäkäda and Takhini this year. We had bought the majority of supplies we needed by January 2020. Thankfully, we could use Mun Ku as the location for our nursery while our starts grew. Dän Ts'änänän staff were able to look after the plants while CAFN's offices were closed to ensure that we had a good start to our growing season.

In short, our greenhouses were plentiful, and we were able to have people work and receive training in the greenhouses while practicing the Safe 6. Five people were hired in both Dakwäkäda and Takhini.

We also did some much-needed repairs on the greenhouse in Dakwäkäda. We replaced the plastic that surrounds the greenhouses, built garden beds and expanded

our outdoor area of the greenhouse in Dakwäkäda. We also hosted a Community Market every Wednesday afternoon to sell veggies and flowers as soon as they were ready to pick! We really appreciated having your support and your visits this summer.

The Takhini Greenhouse is now the Takhini Greenhouse and Gardens! Sophie and the greenhouse crew have created a great growing space this year. Each year it gets better and better, but this year's changes have been considerable. We were grateful to have Elder Earl Darbyshire come and talk and teach Southern Tutchone during this summer.

It was a very successful season! Thank you to participants, staff and our supporters!



DÄN DÁKEYI UYENJÌ (THAT PERSON KNOWS OUR COUNTRY)

We are happy to announce that the Dän Dákeyi Uyenjì (Interpretive Guiding course) is resuming in September 2020 in Dakwäkäda. Initially, it had started on February 26, 2020 but had to be suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At that time, eleven individuals were enrolled in this course. These same students have been invited to continue their program at Yukon University. We appreciate our students' resilience and patience while they waited for the program to start again. We look forward to great experiences in learning while respecting the Chief Medical Officer of Health's guidelines on COVID-19 and the Safe 6.

Graduates of the program will be equipped with skills and certification to enter the wilderness guides and interpreters field, and move toward land-based, culturally focused employment on their traditional lands.

COMMUNITY CREW

In partnership with CAFN Property Services, we hired 10 individuals to be part of our community clean-up crew. You may have seen the crew in Champagne, Canyon, Takhini and Haines Junction changing out the

"Stop" signs for Southern Tutchone ones. The crews was also busy landscaping and doing general clean-up such as brush clearing, grubbing, painting, putting up fences for the Greenhouses and helping out wherever needed.

Thank you to the crew for freshening up our communities! You have worked hard and it is noticed!

CALL OUT FOR SKILLS!!

Are you an Elder who would like to spend time with our trainees? Trainees often request more time with CAFN Elders. If you would like to assist and be part of training our participants, we would like to hear from you!

We are also looking for Citizens who speak Southern Tutchone, can teach others to sew, and can help others learn bush craft or life skills.

If you would like to assist with the Dän Ts'anānān program on a casual basis, please contact Barb Allen at 867-634-4200 ext. 284

Dän Ts'anānān ('A Blessing for Certain Skills') is a training-to-employment program that supports CAFN Citizens and community members to secure and maintain stable, long-term employment through personalized skills development, training, education and work experience programming.

The Dän Ts'anānān program is a four-year \$7.5 million project and is funded through the Government of Canada's Skills and Partnership Fund, which supports projects to help Indigenous workers get the skills they need for long-term employment.

If you need assistance in developing your resumé; need support in find employment; or want more information, please contact us by calling or emailing:

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Deanna Lee Mazur
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DA KŪ CULTURAL CENTRE UPDATES

Da Kū Cultural Centre has not been open the public over the 2020 Visitor season to ensure we keep our staff and community safe however we have been busy behind the scenes working with our Youth to develop some online videos and skits for our Facebook page.

We are also in process of developing a Da Kū Website and an online store. Please watch for updates on our facebook page.

The Da Kū Archives, is always open to receiving valuable papers and images from citizens. Please contact our Reception to book an appointment. Our Archivist Nancy Vanden-Eykel will be happy to assist you.

Language

Dànách'è,

Kwäjänäda kwäni and because of this we shifted to on-line learning via ZOOM. From April - June daily classes were hosted on ZOOM for an hour and 15 minutes with a minimum of 1 hour in Dän K'è. We had between 1 - 25 participants join each day. All classes were drop in and open to everyone.

Classes were stopped because of shakāt and dän were starting to get out and enjoy dásia keyi.

If you are interested in learning dän K'è please contact **Luke Campbell at lcampbell@cafn.ca**.

Also check out the free resources available on these websites:

<http://www.dakwanje.com>

<http://www.ynlc.ca>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/weareourlanguage>

Summer students dän k'è exposure day camps

From August 3 - 10 daily land based learning outings were hosted by the dän K'è kwänje ajasädla

Each day we spent being on the land, hearing dän K'è being spoken, and participating in a physical activity. We were very happy to have guests;

- K'amba Ghra Johnson
- Kooklux Hume
- Khâ Sha
- Jane Vincent
- Nułata Long
- Levi Graham



CONTEST TIME!

Properly translate one or all of the following sentence(s), guch'än k'è, and get entered for a chance to win one of kejän gift cards valued at \$100.00. dän will get their name entered for each sentence they PROPERLY translate. You can send a photo or e-mail of your translation to lcampbell@cafn.ca. All entries must be received by Friday November 30, 2020.

Shakāt ndāy kwāshāw shā nj shā. Dási kèyi kwà dlà t.

Mäddhj shāw ná nt'ay ni hā, uyè nízhat

A tsuq, Kwäda y kwändür ándal kwindür

Äyet aghajel Kanday dekhj

Dek'an yè uts'än di kezhu r kwän mbāy

Àghāy, dän k'è kwíshe. Dän k'è á ts'a n kwijnje



2020 CAFN summer students went paddling during on-the-land learning.

Please be advised that the Da Ku Chu'ena (Hall) will not be available for use for any internal meetings, programming or activities, or community events from Monday August 24 – October 30, 2020. To accommodate COVID-19 safety requirements of Physical distancing of minimum 2 metres, our Immersion Program Staff and Students will need to occupy a larger space to meet their program goals.

The Dän K'e Kwänjē Ghäkenīdän (Adult Immersion Program) had been officially transferred to the CAFN Education Department.

Please contact Erin Pauls, Director of Education for further information.

Upcoming Cultural Programs

We are working on the best ways to continue our Cultural programs in a safe way. Events to look forwards to this fall include:

- September, moose hide tanning, possible leather working workshop, or knife making
- October moose sausage making, wood camping/ grub box workshop, possibly a moose meat butchering workshop
- November cedar hat and cedar paddle carving programs

EDUCATION UPDATE



Language immersion students harvesting fish and learning on-the-land during the fall of 2019.

CAFN IMMERSION PROGRAM UPDATE APPROVED FOR A 3RD YEAR

The 2-year Southern Tutchone Immersion Program that began in September of 2018 was scheduled to end this June 2020. We want to let the citizens and the public know that the Immersion Program has been approved for a 3rd year with this class. The 3rd year 2020-2021 will be for those continuing on with their diploma in language proficiency. Please be advised the new class start date is August 31st, 2021.

**Are you interested
in being part of
the next Language
Immersion class
starting August
30th, 2021?**

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**Let us know by
emailing**

cshimoon@cafn.ca

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**Update that
the 2018-2020
class has been
approved for a
3rd year and
Graduating
June 2021!**

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William Hume with the new sign he created.

SUMMER STUDENT UPDATE

We had 30 Summer Students this year! Due to COVID we didn't have as many big gatherings or camps as we would have liked but we managed to gather some students to go on several hikes, a town clean up; a few adventures to Klukshu/ Champagne to tidy up the halls; a informative lateral kindness workshop, and Kyra Chambers and Luke Campbell organized a cultural immersion trip for students that taught some students Southern Tutchone and canoeing. Overall it was a pretty busy year and all the students were pretty great at accommodating the changes that happened as a result of COVID. Students at Dakų focused on some creative endeavours such as making videos to educate others on our culture, and students at the office were learning practical skills and doing activities that were focused on supporting the community. Thank-you Summer Students for adding enrichment to CAFN! We wish you success in school this year!

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Erin Pauls or Crystal Shimoon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to Indyanna Jamieson, Emma Nassiopoulos and Grace Anderson as they graduate from Kindergarten and move onto Grade 1 !



CONGRATULATIONS!

To my daughter Amy Hannon-Beattie on successfully graduating as a registered nurse (BScN)! You have made us so proud of you!

From Denise Beattie



Congratulations to Whitehorse Grade 12 graduates:

Kenneth Hubbard, Sean Barnaby, Erin Jim, Anya Jim, Graham Macdonald, Eddie Jim

Congratulations to Whitehorse Kindergarten graduates:

Emily Boss, Cameron Gatensby, Sativa Lewis, Jett Michael Rudyk, Rylan Long

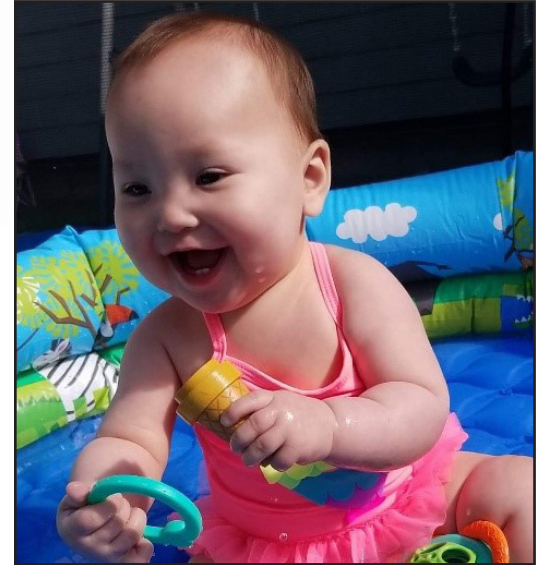
Congratulations to Dakwākāda's six First Nations grads of 2020!

Douglas McKinnon, Mya Kinney, Tiara Kinney-Johns, Cara McCuaig, Nevada Joe, Amber Kirk.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jaylia Rose Frances, born May 1st, 2020. Nick and Shania want to proudly announce the arrival of their baby girl!



APRIL 29 - HAPPY 3RD BIRTHDAY TO MY GRANDSON ANTHONY STEVEN RUSSELL ANDRE!

MAY 16 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FIRST LADY OF CHAMPAGNE AND AISHIHIK, MY WIFE KAYLA SMITH!

JULY 7 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CALEB SMITH!

AUGUST 15 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO KIRSTEN SMITH!

NOVEMBER 25TH - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CODY SMITH!

FROM CHIEF SMITH

September 14, 2020 - Elizabeth Gladue would like to wish Ella-Mae a Happy 1st Birthday with many more to come!

Lots of love from your Dad, Grandma, Auntie's, and Uncle.

AUGUST

2 – Luke Campbell, Jimmy Allen

15 – Rose Kushniruk

16 – Hunter Vance-Hagwood (4 years old!)

17 – Mickey Beattie, Savannah Griffith

19 – Michelle Dawson- Beattie (Happy 30th!)

20th – Happy Anniversary Glenna Southwick and Jimmy Allen

20th – Glen Kane

BIRTHDAYS WISHES FROM THE WABISCA, TELEP AND BRATT FAMILIES

22 – Ray (Porky) Hassard

23 – Cherryl Chambers

24 – Tina Grant

25 – Alexander Loblaw

29 – Rachele Campbell

30 – Bradi Magnusson

SEPTEMBER

1 – Amy McKinnon

5 – Fran Asp

6 – Sue Knight

7 – Roy (Bucky) Wabisca Jr.

13 – Chelsey MacElheron

13 – Darrell Bouvier

15 – Diane Strand

16 – Jayden Pawlowski

25 – Ron and Dave Cook (60!!)

SPECIAL GREETINGS



A big happy 13th Birthday to Koltun John for May 9th!

Love your mom, dad, Ervin, Grandma Mary Jane and in Alaska grandma n grandpa, Christine and Ervin Sr.

Happy birthday to Sylvia Kolak for June 28th! From Sharol Smith

Happy Birthday to our Great Grandchildren:

Zariyah Joe for August 11
Dreydyn Joe for August 23rd

and our grandchildren:

Shyann Williams for Sept 13th
Nikki-Lee Williams Patchett for Sept 26th

Love Grandma Vera and Grandpa John

Nevada recently won the Yukon First Nations Grad Award for "Top Yukon Male Athlete of the Year"! He also recieved a Minor Hockey Award! Congratulations! From Millie

Congratulations to CAFN Citizen Stephanie Joe for receiving the Silver 2020 | Emerging Writer Award from the Alberta Magazine Publishers Association!

Stephanie's story "Full Circle" shows an evolution in the unique and long-term relationship between the Calgary Stampede and Indigenous people. You can read the full article at this link:

<https://indigenousvoicesawards.org/home-page>

Please send your special greetings to:

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CAFN CALENDAR

NOV 10: VIRTUAL CITIZEN UPDATE ON AISHIHIK DAM RELICENSING

NOV 10: DÄN NĒLASHÄNADA'L LAUNCH

NOV 11: REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY (CAFN OFFICES CLOSED)

NOV 12: CHIEF & COUNCIL

NOV 12: VIRTUAL CITIZEN UPDATE ON AISHIHIK DAM RELICENSING

DEC 05: CHIEF & COUNCIL

DEC 25: CHRISTMAS DAY (CAFN OFFICES CLOSED)

DEC 26: BOXING DAY (CAFN OFFICES CLOSED)

For more event dates and details, please visit [CAFN.ca/events](https://www.cafn.ca/events) or like Champagne and Aishihik First Nations on Facebook.

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Please send your submissions to: almckinnon@cafn.ca

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