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WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

The Dakwäkäda Dancers perform on the main stage at Dákı̨ Nän Ts'eddhyet 2019.

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DÁKỤ NÄN TS'ÈDDHYÈT FESTIVAL

"OUR HOUSE IS WAKING UP THE LAND"

We held our Dákı̨ Nän Ts'èddhyèt Festival on June 13 through 16. Many people from across the territory helped us wake up the land and we played host to Indigenous influencers such as Tall Paul, throat singers Lois Suluk and Patricia Kablutsiak, the Pavva Iñupiaq Dancers, New Dawn Drummers, and many more artists from across the North.

The Dakwäkäda Dancers performed beautifully and were ambassadors showcasing the culture, songs, and dance of Champagne and Aishihik First Nations.

The Festival started with a traditional welcome and featured Indigenous performers, a fantastic variety of workshops, youth activities, great food and much more.

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Dákų Nän Ts'èddhyèt Festival

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Throat singers Lois Suluk and Patricia Kablutsiak were guest performers from Ikaluit.

Visiting performers participate in CAFN's traditional welcome as they arrive at Da Ku Cultural Centre. This is the first time the welcome has been practiced in many years.

Our host group, the Dakwäkäda Dancers, dances our new cultural centre exhibit to life on the first day of the festival.

All photos by Alistair Maitland

The Festival was funded by CAFN and through generous contributions from the Canada Council for the Arts, the Government of Yukon and the Government of Canada.

More photos and videos are available on our Facebook page.

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DÄN NÄTTHE ÄDA DÄKWÄL

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

DÀNÁCH'É.

Our Council vision *for 2018 through 2022 is*

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

We are Dän Shäwthan, responsible for

1. *The Nation (through better governance)*
2. *Each Other (through connection and self reliance)*
3. *The Land and the Water.*

We are using the term Dän Shäwthän, 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.

The Nation (through better governance)

In April, CAFN met with Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Minister Carolyn Bennett. We appreciate that she made time to tour our Traditional Territory, meet with our Council, and learn about our language immersion program during her visit to the Yukon.

This June I was honored to sit as an Assembly of First Nations representative at D-Day ceremonies in Normandy. I travelled to Europe to honour my father, Elijah Smith, and his contributions as a soldier fighting in World War II for six years.

While I was away in Europe, many thanks go to Deputy Chief Rose Kushniruk, who took on the role of Acting Chief during a very busy time. She was especially well-suited and knowledgeable in leading our response to the Bear Creek fire just outside Dakwäkäda/Haines Junction.

The CAFN Council is representing our nation at the Council of Yukon First Nations in Dawson City this June.

I am also attending the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs Committee on Economic Development meeting in Vancouver this June.

Each Other (through connection and self-reliance)

Connection

The third Dákų' Nän Ts'èddhyèt (Our House is Waking up the Land) Festival at Da Kų Cultural June 13-16 was the biggest and best so far. This important event brings together our community and is about getting our people strong, healthy and prideful - Dän Shäwthän. We were proud and honoured to host many visiting dance groups and to offer our hospitality to all who attended. We hold our hands up to our event coordinator, Luke Campbell, to our funders, to the volunteers and staff who helped out, and to the entire festival team.

Self-Reliance

The Mät àtäna Resort Steering Committee has completed work on the third-party review of the proposed resort business plan. They have been asked to continue their work with important next steps and will be at the 2019 General Assembly to provide more details.

Council and I attended the St. Elias Corridor Regional Economic Development Conference, Investing in Place, this April. It was an excellent opportunity to collaborate with many other people and organizations based in and beyond Dakwäkäda.

The Land and Water

Many thanks to the many wildland fire crew members who responded to the Bear Creek fire, which started on May 25 and posed a real threat to our community members in and around Dakwäkäda. At the busiest point, more than 100 crew members were actively fighting the fire, including our local wildland fire crew, the Yukon First Nation crew, as well as firefighters from Ontario and aerial support from planes and local helicopter companies. We are also grateful to the Village of Haines Junction and all the local agencies that jumped in to coordinate on a very effective response.

Thank You and Congratulations!

Congratulations to all our 2019 graduates! Please see all their names and accomplishments in this newsletter. Shäw nithän!

We also congratulate Dän Nàkwä'khèl, our first Dákwänjē immersion program students, on successfully completing their first year of classes.

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Kwänischiss - thank you to Colleen Joe-Titus for your leadership as the director of our Education Department. We wish you all the best in your ongoing work with Dákwänjē.

We welcome new Director of Education Erin Pauls and all our 2019 CAFN high school and post-secondary summer students who are working in departments and locations right across our government.

Gunałchish,

Dän nätthe äda Kaaxnox

Chief Steve Smith

Dän nätthe äda Kaaxnox presents the keynote address at the St. Elias Corridor Regional Economic Development Conference this April.

BEAR CREEK FIRE UPDATE

On May 25, 2019, a wildland fire was reported near Bear Creek, just a few kilometres northwest of Dakwäkäda (Haines Junction).

Over the days to come, the fire grew to 604 hectares and more than 100 firefighters worked to contain it in combination with aerial support by planes and helicopters. After the fire was reduced in size, visiting fire crews left. As of this newsletter printing, though the fire is technically considered active, only local fire fighters remain on site.

When the fire was still advancing and due its proximity to the community, a potential evacuation was considered, but only if the fire changed direction and began moving toward town. CAFN Citizens and community members were encouraged to be prepared and ready their 72-hour emergency kits.

Thankfully, the fire crew's response was effective, the wind and weather conditions cooperated, and the fire risk is now significantly reduced.

Throughout the busiest days of the fire response, CAFN worked closely with other governments and agencies to coordinate efforts and participated in daily fire briefings.

We have now signed a memorandum of understanding with the Village of Haines Junction to cooperate on emergency management planning and look forward to finalizing our joint emergency management plan soon.

On June 13, CAFN Chief and Council and Mayor Thomas Eckervogt publicly acknowledged and honoured all of the fire fighters during a community dinner, which coincided with the start of the Dákų Nän Ts'èddhyèt Festival.

DÄN NÄTTHE DÄTTH'I DEK'I
CHIEF AND COUNCIL UPDATE

The following are summaries of decisions made by Chief and Council during their February through May 2019 meetings

Boards and Committees

Chief and Council nominated Michael Beattie, Doris Anderson and Sean Sheardown to the Alaska West Local Area Plan Steering Committee for a two-year term.

Chief and Council appointed Larry Joe as Elder representative to the Lands Committee for a term of three years and appointed Lance Brown as member at large to the Lands Committee for a term of three years.

CAFN Council appointed Carol Buzzell as Elder representative to the Housing Committee for a term of three years and also appointed Kathleen Van Bibber as member at large to the Housing Committee for three years.

The Council extended the Language, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee members' terms for Lena Tutin, James Allen and Natane Primozic to May 31, 2019.

Chief and Council nominated Jason Jim to the Yukon Salmon Sub-Committee Alsek River Drainage Basin for a five year term.

CAFN Council nominated Kathleen Van Bibber as First Nation representative to the Yukon Government Crime Prevention and Victim Services Trust Fund Board of Trustees.

Chief and Council recommend Clint McCuaig as a First Nation representative to the Yukon Energy Corporation Board of Trustees.

CAFN Council nominated Lance Brown to the Alsek Renewable Resource Council for a three year term and also nominated Kyra Chambers as alternate to the Alsek Renewable Resource Council for a three-year term.

Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Council appointed Ed Long Jr. to be the alternate member of the Transboundary Panel of the Pacific Salmon Commission.

Chief and Council nominated Michael Beattie and Ryan Long to the Kluane National Park Management Board for a term ending three years after their appointment by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

CAFN and Yukon Government in Respect to the Aishihik Hydro Facility

The Council directed Fran Asp as the Senior Official to sign the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations - Government of Yukon Agreement in respect of the Aishihik Hydro Facility.

Deputy Chief Appointment

Chief and Council agree to appoint Councillor Rose Kushniruk as Deputy Chief from March 21, 2019 for a term ending October 31, 2019.

Mät'àtäna Resort Project

Chief and Council has undertaken due diligence with respect to the Mät'àtäna project and applied for CanNor Contribution funding of $158,400 to support this process. CanNor approved this amount subject to a 20% equity contribution ($39,600) from CAFN that will come from funds already budgeted for a total project of $198,000.

Chief and Council accepted the CanNor Contribution Agreement and approved the related Budget Request Form.

Chief and Council agreed to reappoint the following people to the Mät'àtäna Steering Committee for a period of one year, effective April 30, 2019 and approved updated Terms of Reference. The Steering Committee includes: Lawrence Joe, Melina Hougen, Denny Kobayashi, Ben Ryan, Kelly Hougen, Alex Doepel and Paula Pawlovich.

Financial Transfer Agreement Key Priorities Amendment

CAFN and Canada entered into an FTA continuation agreement for the 2018-19 fiscal year for the FTA which originally came into effect on April 1, 2010. The Parties wished to amend the continued provisions of the FTA to add to the Gross Expenditure Base.

The First Nations Council approved the Key Priorities Amendment Agreement as part of the 2018-2019 continuation agreement and authorized Chief Smith to finalize the

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Amendment Agreement and deliver it to Canada at the earliest practicable date.

Agreement for CAFN Self Government Financial Transfer

Chief and Council reviewed and approved an Agreement for the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Self-Government Financial Transfer dated March 26, 2019.

This Agreement continues the financing provisions of the 2010 Financial Transfer Agreement in accordance with the CAFN Self-Government Agreement and two Continuation Agreements.

The latest 2018 Continuation Agreement expired on March 31, 2019.

Chief and Council authorized the Chief to sign the Agreement on behalf of CAFN.

CORRECTION: The Chief and Council update in the Spring 2019 newsletter stated that land application 2018-026 by Kaylea Wabisca was "approved", but at that time the land application was actually "deferred".

DÄN K'E KWÄNJĒ GHÄKENĪDÄN

Congratulations to the students and teachers in our adult Dákwänjē (Southern Tutchone) immersion program on completing their first year of classes! Dän K'e Kwänjē Ghäkenīdän: We are Learning Our Language.

Dän Tän Gà Dījäl Update

"We all walk along the Dän K'e trail"

Where are we now?

We are in the midst of a fundamental shift at CAFN: in how we operate, how we serve our Citizens, and in how we approach every task within our government.

A lot of foundational work has been completed since the Dän Tän Gà Dījäl (formerly Citizen Services) initiative started with the 2015 General Assembly. But there is still a lot of work ahead, and we are busy planning and preparing for the months and years to come.

What have we done lately?

April and May have been busy months behind the scenes building on the work that was started over the winter:

1. Staff training has continued and includes courses on change management, dispute resolution and difficult conversations. Chief and Council have also chosen to participate in each of these courses. We are now preparing our training plans for the fall and winter.
2. The Chart of Accounts working group has been testing an initial framework for our new finance structures at CAFN and we are working on small revisions.
3. The Theory of Wellness Sub-Committee has finalized their workplan and research methodology and are recommending them to the Dän Tän Gà Dījäl Standing Committee.
4. The One Window Approach Working Group is up and running and has created draft scope and workplan documents for recommendation to the Dän Tän Gà Dījäl Standing Committee. One of the key things we are working on is developing the "Spirit Builder" role, which will be a Citizen resource person who is available in the office and out in the community, building relationships and reaching out when Citizens need help.
5. We are working on a visual logo for this initiative and are excited to share it soon!
6. We are working on preparing our booth and activities for the 2019 General Assembly. We look forward to seeing your there!

Please check out core information on Dän Tän Gà Dījäl at *cafn.ca/dan-tan-ga-dijal-citizen-services/*

Dän K'e

VISION:

Dän K'e – Our Way of knowing, doing and being – is our path forward, restoring our ancestors' vision for the future.

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AISHIHIK RELICENSING UPDATE

RESTORE ÄSHÈYI

The CAFN government's work to restore the health of Äshèyi Män (Aishihik Lake) is ongoing.

We continue to uphold what Citizens have told us through the General Assembly and through the work of the Champagne Aishihik Community Advisory Committee.

What does CAFN want?

- To ensure the rights of CAFN Citizens are upheld.
- Like all Yukoners, CAFN wants responsible and clean energy. We want to be part of the solution when it comes to Aishihik and other energy options for the Yukon.
- We believe recognition of our rights and the value of our relationship to the land and water are essential.

Yukon Energy 3-Year Proposal

In February 2019, Yukon Energy Corporation (YEC) applied for a short-term extension to continue operating the Aishihik hydro facility under the existing license for three more years. We agreed to support their three-year proposal because it allows CAFN, Yukon Energy and the Yukon government time to reset our relationships, and to reach agreements that provide for better, less harmful options for the future.

This June, CAFN hosted two afternoon drop-in Citizens who wished to comment on YEC's proposal during the Yukon Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment Board's (YESAB's) public "seeking views" process.

Minister's Visit

Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Carolyn Bennett visited the CAFN Traditional Territory this April. Chief Smith and Lawrence Joe toured Minister Bennett by helicopter over the Äshèyi region to show her the impacts of the Aishihik dam. This was followed by a meeting with the CAFN Council and Elder Margaret Workman at Da Kų Cultural Centre. Minister Bennett was receptive to CAFN's concerns and said, "Now our job is to fill in the history so all Canadians are on this journey of reconciliation together."

Minister Bennett and her tour guides this April.

Citizen Meeting

This May 11, CAFN hosted a full-day meeting with Citizens at Shadhäla Kų (Champagne Hall) to update Citizens and as an opportunity for Citizens to provide input into negotiations about Äshèyi. Our lead negotiators attended and received excellent information from community members to help guide their efforts.

Negotiations with Yukon and Yukon Energy Continue

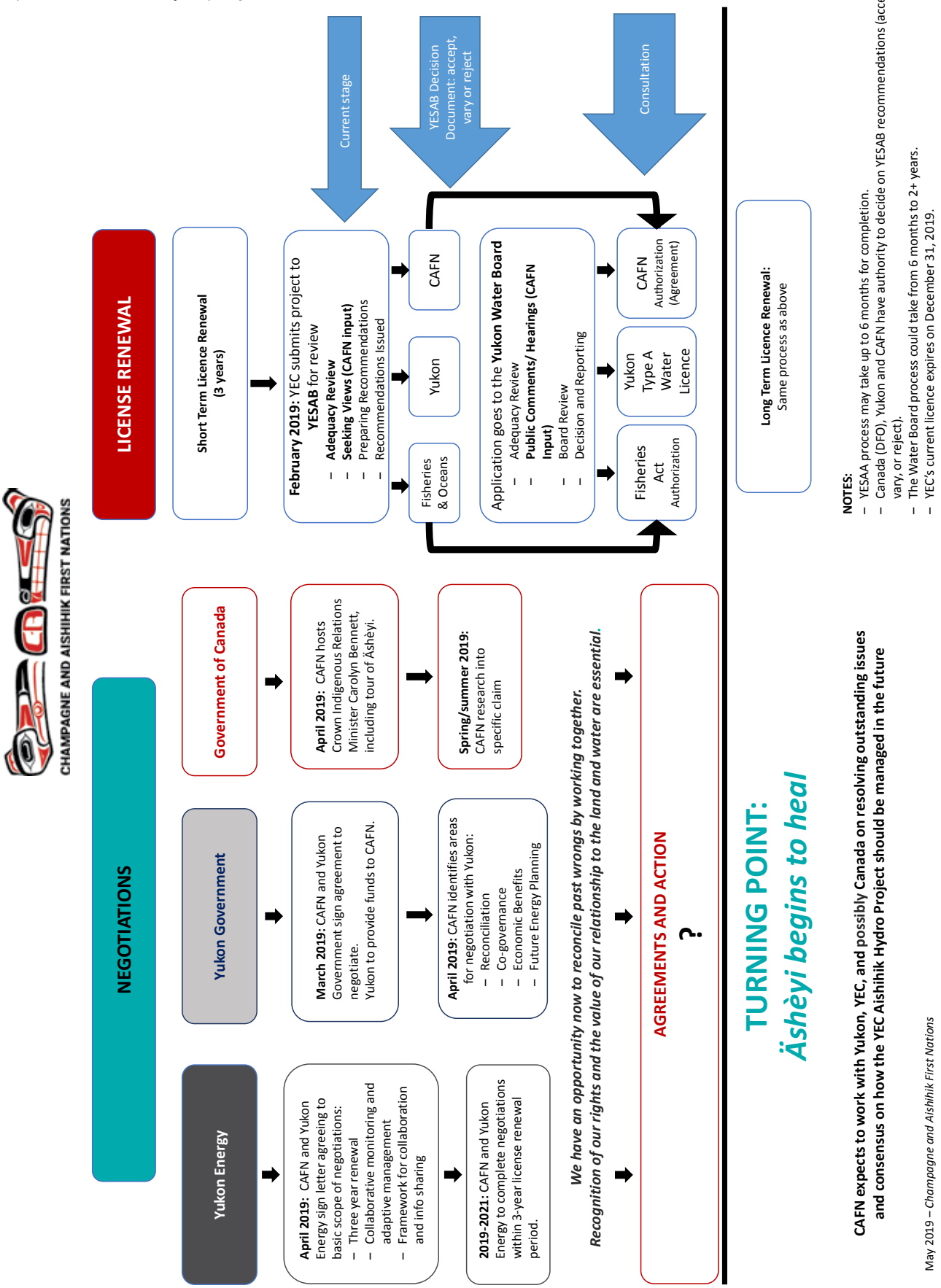
CAFN has agreed to work with the Yukon government and Yukon Energy to identify better options around the Aishihik hydro facility going forward. Our dialogue with Yukon Energy and the Yukon government continues.

For more information, please:
• visit cafn.ca/aishihik-relicensing-2019,
• watch for updates at Champagne and Aishihik First Nations on Facebook, or
• follow #restoreasheyi and #ourwaterourvalues on social media.

Or contact:
Meagan Grabowski; mgrabowski@cafn.ca or (867) 456-6877

Roger Brown; rbrown@cafn.ca or (867) 456-6883

Aishihik processes currently in progress:



May 2019 – *Champagne and Aishihik First Nations*

MÄT'ÀTÄNA RESORT UPDATE

For many years Champagne and Aishihik First Nations has considered the potential for a destination resort on CAFN settlement lands on Mät'àtäna M'n (Kathleen Lake), Yukon. CAFN has sponsored a number of studies regarding the potential for a resort from the late 1980's forward to the present day.

In March 2018, following a Special General Assembly, a Mät'àtäna Resort Steering Committee was formed to oversee the due diligence (third-party review) of the Mät'àtäna Resort Plan: Phase II (October 2017) prepared for CAFN by the Legacy Tourism Group (LTG).

In November 2018, CAFN retained Western Management Consultants (WMC) in association with Grant Thornton (GT) to conduct an arm's length, third party review of the Mät'àtäna Resort Plan: Phase II (October 2017).

The report was completed and presented to CAFN at the end of April 2019. This "due diligence" report was to make sure that the Mät'àtäna Resort Plan: Phase II (October 2017) prepared by Legacy Tourism Group was viable and realistic.

Steering Committee members visit the prospective resort site in July 2019.

The third party review assessed:

• Past studies, particularly a detailed review of the Mät'àtäna Phase I and Phase II reports prepared by LTG.

• Primary research, including interviews with receptive tour operators and tour operators, potential marketing partners, Indigenous cultural organizations/partners, government agencies and others.

• Review and assessment of comparable resorts globally, with particular focus on the experience offered, the pricing, and the occupancy of these properties which are focused on high net worth markets.

• Interviews and assessment of human resource capacity for the subject resort.

• Clarification interviews and meetings with LTG Corporation Principals.

• Review and assessment of financial performance of select properties, and comparison of those properties with the subject resort.

• Financial analysis and preparation of revised pro forma operational financials based on CAFN research.

• Assessment of risks to the project and the recommendations of WMC/GT to the CAFN Chief and Council.

In light of the report's findings, CAFN reappointed the members of the Committee for a one-year term to continue their work on this important CAFN project.

The Committee has been tasked in guiding the next steps of the Mät'àtäna Resort project and provide recommendations to Chief and Council on:

• Potential development of the resort;

• Negotiating the terms of a contract with a potential resort management company, should the project receive approval;

• Assisting in the completion of an agreement on the Mät'àtäna Resort, in accordance with the CAFN Constitution, laws and policies while respecting and adhering to the Vision Statement of CAFN, which is:

We, the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations people and our government, shall promote a healthy, unified and self-reliant people, while conserving and enhancing our environment and culture.

Ron Chambers leads a tour of the site for staff and Steering Committee members in 2018.

The Mät'àtäna Resort Steering Committee will have a booth at the GA to answer questions and inform Citizens on the outcomes of the WMC/GT third-party review and the next steps of the due diligence on this project. CAFN will offer boat tours to the proposed Mät'àtäna Resort site.

Mät'àtäna Resort Steering Committee Members are:

Co-Chairs Lawrence Joe and Melina Hougen, Kelly Hougen, Ben Ryan, Denny Kobayashi, Alex Doepel (Dakwakada Capital Investments), and Paula Pawlovich (Project Manager and Champagne Aishihik Community Corporation).

Locating the Matatana site property

DÄN TS'ÄNĀNÄN PROGRAM UPDATE

Kwäts'änäkhe k'ènji (greenhouse)

Again this year, the Kwäts'änäkhe k'ènji (greenhouse) is part of the Dän Ts'änānän Program. Dakwä'kä'da (Haines Junction) greenhouse has been revamped and renovated with new outside and inside garden beds. Many thanks to two of our recent Small Homes Building trainees, who did the carpentry work. The beds look great and are exactly what we needed. The trainees now have a wall-tent set up, and are self-sufficient in their space.

To begin our growing season, greenhouse trainees attended 'on the land camp'. This included spending time with Elders Mason Boss and Dayle MacDonald who offered insight and teachings to the Dän Ts'änānän crew and team. Also, participants spent time with fire keepers Johnny Brass, Shawna Tziya and cultural support worker, Warren Smith. We are thankful for the care and attention that were given to the organization of the 'on the land camp'.

Other training for the Greenhouse participants include Naloxone training, Bear Safety, Gardening for Beginners, Firearms Safety, and Wilderness First Aid. The trainees attended these courses while preparing, planting and caring for a new garden. Lots of dirt and compost needed to be moved, seeds needed to be sown, and shoots planted with care. It has been a busy and beautiful summer so far.

Darby MacWilliam, the Dakwä'kä'da Greenhouse coordinator, is sponsored by the Yukon Literacy Coalition, one of our partners for the Dän Ts'änānän Program. We are excited to have Darby spend her summer working with the trainees of the Kwäts'änäkhe k'ènji (greenhouse). You can find her at the greenhouse during the week.

Another member of our team is Mary Cheney, our Greenhouse Technician. Mary brings many years of professional greenhouse and agricultural experience. She worked for us last year in Takhini, and will be going back and forth between the two greenhouses this year. Mary has many great ideas about how to get good harvesting results in a cost effective way. We are excited about this season and look forward to the lessons that 2019 harvest will bring as well as the produce.

Small Homes

The first Dän Ts'änānän Small Homes 21-week trainee group finished at the end of April. Six of the trainees became registered apprentices in carpentry. They worked on the construction of 5 small homes which are now close to completion. The next 5 small homes are now under construction and we have another group of small homes trainees on this project. The footings are in place to start building and the trainees have met with Apprenticeship Yukon to get information about the registered apprenticeship program. The Dän Ts'änānän Program will be offering the Level 1 classroom portion of carpentry apprentice in Dakwä'kä'da in partnership with Yukon College. All trainees of this program can attend if they wish to further their learning.

Financial Guidance

The Dän Ts'änānän Program offers participants and CAFN Citizens one on one financial guidance with the Financial Literacy Coach, Ruth Haynes. This service is available upon request. The financial guidance can include, but is not limited to: discussing ways to manage money; saving and planning for home ownership; putting away a nest egg for a rainy day; and retirement. Additionally, we have brought ClearPoint/ Sun Life to offer seminars in Dakwä'kä'da and at our Kwanlin office.

Other Training Opportunities to come

- Takhini featuring Homesmart and basic maintenance during summer/fall 2019
- Indigenous Guiding training program in both Kwanlin and Dakwä'kä'da this fall, winter and spring at Yukon College
- Firewood as a Business

Keep looking for our postings, together we are building a better future.

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EDUCATION UPDATE

The CAFN Education Department will be hosting an Open House for all Citizens in September 2019.

Please watch for posters with more information.

The education team is excited to announce an increase to the school supply fund for the 2019-2020 academic year.

The increase is a result of the resolution brought forward at the 2018 GA. Chief and Council has approved an increase and the grade disbursements have changed.

Students in K4-Grade 5 will receive $75.00 and students in Grade 6-12/13 will receive $100.00.

CAFN provides supplementary funding to school-aged citizens residing in Canada. This is to assist parents/caregivers with the increasing costs of school supplies.

Along with the increase in the fund, you will see a new updated school supply application and consent form for the 2019-2020 school year. The new forms will be available at the Education Table during the 2019 General Assembly and on the CAFN website.

GRADUATION

CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU ON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENT, DEDICATION AND HARD WORK.

Congratulations to CAFN's High School Class of 2019

Shäw nithän! We are so proud of you

Jordan Cote-Germain; Kilrich Building Centres Trades Development Award

Thaeron Green; High School Academic Achievement; First Nations Male Athlete of the Year Award

Dylan-Lee Jim-Pauls; Yukon First Nations Culture and Tourism Award

Trevor Jones; St. Elias Community School; Entrepreneurial Spirit Award & Tish Tomlin Award

Darius Patterson; High-School Academic Achievement

Eliza VanBibber-Abel; High School Academic Achievement

Crowe MacKay LLP Award for academic achievement in Math

Nicholas Williams; Entrance Scholarship to Yukon College & Tutalma Award

If you are a 2019 CAFN high school graduate and we have missed you, please let us know!

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK AND SUCCESS IS SURE TO FOLLOW.

2019 Post-secondary Grads and Leadership Award recipients

Noli Eastmure; Master's in Education; Educational Leadership @ Simon Fraser University; Completed October 2018

Lenna Charlie; Blue Seal – Heavy Equipment Technician @ SAIT; *2019 CAFN Council Leadership award recipient*

Kara Vance; Diploma in Northern Justice & Criminology (with Honors) @ Yukon College; 2019 CAFN Council Leadership award recipient

Jagger Jamieson; Diploma in Environmental & Conservation Sciences @ Yukon College/UofAlberta

Justice Billy; Diploma in Business Administration @ Yukon College; 2019 CAFN Council Leadership award recipient

Jessica Mazur; Diploma in Esthetics @ MC College

Elizabeth Gladue; Certificate in Office Administration @ Yukon College

Ashley John; Certificate in Office Administration @ Yukon College

Cameron Jim; Certificate in Comic & Graphic Novels @ Camosun College

Millie Joe; Certificate in Yukon Native Teacher Education @ Yukon College

We sincerely apologize for missing individuals and for getting accreditation wrong on the CAFN BBQ pamphlet. Would also like to thank all of you for your patience and understanding.

Message of Appreciation

On behalf of our Yukon family, we wish to express our sincere appreciation for your love, kindness, support, and guidance during this time. Thank you for sharing your memories and stories of our father, Allan Jacobs. It meant a lot to hear how he touched the lives of so many people. Shäw nithan to Champagne and Aishihik First Nations and to all those who generously provided monetary donations that allowed me, Liza to travel to Ontario and Upper New York State on a moment's notice. We deeply cherish our dän relatives and community as you continue to hold us up in our time of need.

Shäw nìthan;

Liza & Darren Jacobs and Sharon Shadow

Fran and Dayle Petterson enjoy the beginning of the fruits of their labour. Spring has sprung and they are both getting ready for harvest time in the fall.

The CAFN Trust would like to congratulate the 2019 graduates at all levels of their journey. We were pleased to present a cash gift to this year's high school graduates to acknowledge their achievement. A high school diploma is just the beginning of higher learning and this completion is a great start on the path of adulthood and self-reliance. This fall the Trust Board will be looking at establishing a scholarship. Watch for our announcement as this evolves.

As in the past, we will have a table and will host a presentation at the Annual Gen-eral Assembly. We look forward to meeting Beneficiaries and answering your ques-tions about your Compensation Fund Investments and Trust activities. Come talk to us, get a gift and participate in our presentation for a chance to win this year's draw prize – a travel voucher valued at the cost of a return trip for two to Vancou-ver. We'll see you there.

NŁASHĒJEL

General Assembly

CHAMPAGNE AND AISHIHIK FIRST NATIONS

July 19-21, 2019

Mät[illegible]täna Mān —Kathleen Lake

Business starts at 9:00 am daily

CAFN is hosting our Annual General Assembly at Mät[illegible]täna Mān. We invite all Citizens to attend!

- All meals are provided.
- Please bring your Potlatch dishes.
- Camping spots are available in the campground.

For more GA info:
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Reserve a Booth with:
Sharol Smith-Sam
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All Citizens are encouraged to attend!

For more details : CAFN.ca/government/general-assembly

Amy Hannon-Beattie

Happy 23rd birthday, you make me so very proud

Love you, Mom

Happy Birthday

Shania Jackson – June 4, 2019

Frederick Jackson – June 30, 2019.

From Doreen

CONGRATULATIONS to Our Grandson

NICK WILLIAMS

on his GRADUATION!

May 30, 2019

We Love You!

Love Grandma Vera; Grandpa John of Haines Junction

And Aunties, Uncles, Cousins of Haines Junction.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 4th to grand-daughter Shania Jackson

July 7th Happy Birthday to John H.

July 18th to son John Alfred Williams

July 28th to daughter Deborah Williams

July 30th to son Chris Williams

Love you all

Vera W.

Please send your special greetings to:

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CHAMPAGNE AND AISHIHIK FIRST NATIONS

NEW FACES

Erin Pauls
Director of Education

Erin is a CAFN citizen who comes with experience in running a successful daycare at Kwanlin Dun, Dusk'a, as their Director of Early Childhood Development. Her experience also comes with her passion to learn traditional languages, including Southern Tutchone at Dusk'a. She also recently received her Level 1 Lingit certification. She is a dance group leader with Dakhka Khwaan Dance group and her passion started with the Dakwakada Dancers when she was a child. Erin has an Education Degree and completed her Master's in Education Administration.

The Citizen Services Department, along with the Education team, is excited to be working with Erin – please welcome Erin if you are in the Whitehorse office and when you see her walking the halls in Haines Junction.

Farewell and Thank You to:

Sharmane Jones

Angie Nassiopoulos

Colleen Joe-Titus

Analie Lafreniere-Lemieux

Laurette Sylvain

Barb Allen is working within the Dän Ts'änānän Program as the much needed Program Coordinator! We have been working together since January 2018 at Community Wellness and I know that her experience and work to support the Dän Ts'änānän program to date is a much appreciated commodity and will add positive strength to the program.

Welcome to your new position Barb!

Kara Vance
Summer Student Coordinator

Kara is graduating from Yukon college in May 2019 with her Diploma in Northern Justice & Criminology
We would like to welcome Kara to the Education department and to CAFN as a whole.
Kara will be located in the Whitehorse Office but will be available in the communities throughout the summer
You can reach Kara by email:
KVance@cafn.ca or (867) 456-6893 (Leave a message) or her cell (867) 334-2022

A warm welcome to some of our 2019 Post-Secondary Shakat Shana Ndasadaye Summer Students

•*Melina Hougen*
HLR Department
Whitehorse and Haines Junction

•*Brittany Brown*, Language & Culture Department, Daku/ Haines Junction

We wish them a great summer with CAFN. If you see them around, please say Hi.

We will continue to welcome additional post-secondary and highschool students over the next few months.

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Summer 2019

July 17 - Chief and Council Meeting, CAFN Council Chambers, Dakwäkäda @ 10 a.m.

July 19-21 – CAFN Nläshējel (General Assembly), Mät'àtäna Män (Kathleen Lake) @ 9 a.m daily.

Septemnber 26 - Chief and Council Meeting, CAFN Council Chambers, Dakwäkäda @ 10 a.m.

October 24 - Chief and Council Meeting, CAFN Council Chambers, Dakwäkäda @ 10 a.m.

November 21 - Chief and Council Meeting, CAFN Council Chambers, Dakwäkäda @ 10 a.m.

December 19 - Chief and Council Meeting, CAFN Council Chambers, Dakwäkäda @ 10 a.m.

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