

Skidegate Newsletter



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September 15, 2011



JOB POSTING

Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation Renovations Tender

Location: Old Skidegate Video location, 1a Commercial Centre

Scope of Work: Floor patch and replacement
Wall repairs and painting
Electrical inspection
Cabinet door replacement

Area: 715 Sq. Ft.

Please contact the GNC office for keys to view the office, and submit all tenders to:

Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation

PO Box 1297

Skidegate, Haida Gwaii

250.559.7885 x 234 (Marla), 228 (Melony), or 235 (Terri)

Or you can drop your package off to:

Ka'ay Heritage Centre

#2 2nd Beach Road

Office # 605, 606, or 607

Or you can email your package to:

gncorp1@gmail.com

gncasst@gmail.com

gncbookkeeper@gmail.com



HOT OFF THE PRESS!

Book and CD set "That which makes us Haida – the Haida language"

Resident special: \$25 each through Sept 30th, 2011 (regular \$49.95).

Now available at the Haida Gwaii Museum at Kay Llnagaay and the Haida Rose Café, Old Massett.

HAAWA

Haawa to everyone who made the July 29th launch of "That which makes us Haida - the Haida language" such a resounding success!

Haawa to every single one of you who came to honour, speak of, and celebrate Xaayda kil / Xaad kil with the Elders.

Haawa to the organizations whose services or sponsorship made the exhibition opening and book launch possible:

The Haida Heritage Centre at Kay Llnagaay

Parks Canada (Gwaii Haanas)

Jones Davies & Davies

Council of the Haida Nation

Haida Laas

Gowgaia Institute

Hltaaxuulang Gud Ad K'aajuu dance group

Gladys Hans and crew (seafood dinner)

Jenny Pearson (sushi)

Delores Davis (table cloths)

A huge haawa as well to: Simon Davies, Jeff Williams and Jen Jury; Jason Alsop, Kaisha Richardson and their crew: Denver Cross, Shyla Cross, Cody Wilson, Shoshanna Greene and Raven Young; Jessica Reid and Isabel Sloan; Terrie Dionne, Stephanie Fung, Christine Pansino, Dwyer Cross, Jordie Laidlaw and Sienna Richardson; Monique Brown; Pat Fairweather and the Haida Gwaii Arts Council; and to Chinni Stephen Brown for loaning his tape recorder and Isabel Brillon for the loan of Henry Youngs' reel-to-reel for the exhibition.

Sah uu dalang 'waadluuxan Giida, haawa!

Nika, Jusquan and the Haida Gwaii Museum at Kay Llnagaay



Haida Health Hub

*visioning for Optimal Health and Wellness
for all First Nation Residents of Haida Gwaii*

All-Island Elder Wellness Planning Gathering

Date, Time and Location

October 3, 2011 – Old Massett

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Elder's Centre - Adult Day Program, 510 Naanii Street

Lunch

Lunch will be provided

Transportation

Bus leaves the Skidegate Health Centre at

9 a.m. traveling to Old Massett

Agenda

**Continuing our Planning with regards to the Ideas and Logistics of the
'Elders Reclaiming Their Respect'
Healing Circle/Event**

For more information

and/or if you are planning to attend the October 3rd Gathering

please contact Sandra Dan at 626-3911

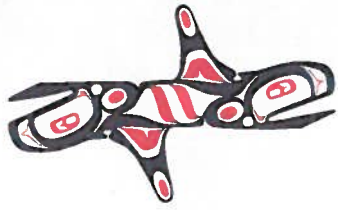
or Sue Gladstone at 559-4610

by September 28th

This helps us plan for lunch and transportation needs

Hope to see you there !

H'aawa



Haida Health Hub

**Visioning for Optimal Health & Wellness
for All First Nation Residents of Haida Gwaii**

Community Wellness Planning Gathering

Thursday, October 27

Tluu Xaada Naay Society Longhouse

107B Raven Av. Old Massett

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Transportation

A bus will leave the Skidegate Health Centre at 8:30 a.m.
traveling to Old Massett

A Delicious Lunch will be provided !

Agenda

Creating Ethics/Directives/a Healing Accord
to guide the

Implementation of our Community Wellness Plan

If you are planning to attend
please call Melissa Edgars at 559-8223
or Patricia Greer at 557-2400
by Thursday, October 20.

This helps us plan for transportation & lunch needs.

Hope to see you there !



ABORIGINAL JUSTICE

Skidegate Band Council

The Skidegate Band Council is looking for community members to join a **Community Consultative Group (CCG)** to develop a Letter of Expectation (LOE) with our local RCMP First Nations Community Policing Service (FNCPS).

Letter of Expectations (LOE)

Purpose is to define and promote positive and cooperative working relationships between the First Nations Community (FNC) and the FNCPS (RCMP).

The goal of the LOE is to ensure that Skidegate receive community-policing services by the FNCPS that are culturally sensitive and responsive to the particular needs of Skidegate. For example:

- * Education programs (drug awareness and safety)
- * Participation at community events...
- * Communication

We are looking for Youth, Elders, Hereditary Leaders, Role Models, and Community Practitioners!

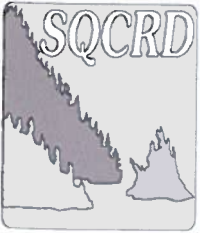
A meeting will be scheduled for early October, whereas, all those interested in participating will be contacted.

Your participation is needed!

To find out more information, please contact James Cowpar at the Skidegate Band Office.

Tel: 250-559-4496

E-mail: james.cowpar@skidegate.ca



Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District

Polling Clerks – 2011 Elections

The Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District (SQCRD) is seeking polling clerks to work in various locations for the 2011 Election. The Advance Poll will be held Nov 9/11 and General Voting Day is Nov 19/11. If you are interested, please go to our website, located at www.sqcrd.bc.ca and complete the Polling Clerk Form located on the left hand side of the homepage. Completed forms may be faxed to (250) 627-8493 or mailed to SQCRD at 100 – 1st Avenue East, Prince Rupert, BC V8J 1A6.

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Merrick, Chief Election Officer at (250) 624-2002, ext. 23 or by e-mail to jmerrick@sqcrd.bc.ca

Polling Clerks Form – 2011 Elections

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Ph. #: _____ Cell. phone #: _____

Are you available to work Nov 9th? YES NO

Are you available to work Nov 19th? YES NO

Are you available for training? YES NO

Do you have any experience in working on elections? YES NO

If so, please specify (attach additional page if required):

Please provide 3 references and contact information:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

Please check which region(s) you are available to work:

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Mainland: | Haida Gwaii: |
| Digby Island | Tlell |
| Lax Kwalaams | Skidegate |
| Metlakatla | Old Massett |
| Porcher Island | Sandspit |
| Hartley Bay | |
| Kitkatla | |

Please fax completed forms to (250) 627-8493 or mail to:

SQCRD
100 – 1st Avenue East
Prince Rupert, BC V8J 1A6

NOTE: Only those individuals shortlisted will be contacted.

EDUCATION UPDATES:

THE DEADLINE
FOR POST SECONDARY APPLICATIONS
IS SEPTEMBER 15, 2011 4:30 PM

Lisa Shoop, Education Coordinator

Skidegate Band Council

Box 1301

Skidegate, BC V0T 1S1

Tel. 250.559.4496

Fax. 250.559.8247

QCSS PAC

Brief QCSS Parent Advisory
Committee Meeting

September 22, 2011

Following the Parent Tea

School Library

Sandi 559-8797

HEADSTONE MOVING

for Eleanor Russ



Saturday,
September 17th, 2011
Ceremony @ 2 PM
at the
Skidegate Cemetary

Dinner to follow at the
George Brown Rec Centre at
5 PM

NOTICE FROM
BC HYDRO
Power Outage
Sunday,
September 18, 2011
8 am to 6 pm.

Skidegate Housing Department BAND HOUSES FOR SALE:

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|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| #502 Skidegate Properties | 2 Bedroom house | \$62,500.00 |
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All supplied with washer, dryer, stove and fridge (Energy Star)

For People Waiting for Renovations: There is no new renovation funding. Skidegate Housing Department will post successful funding in the Skidegate Newsletter when it becomes available. Band members who have applied for New Housing or Renovations in the past should make sure they have an updated letter in our files.

All Renovations currently underway are funded directly by CMHC (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation) for strictly social housing and RRAP (Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program).

New Email Address: housing.committee@skidegate.ca Please send all written requests for new housing and new renovations to this address or mail us at the Skidegate Band Office, Box 1301, Skidegate. Subject line to contain: Renovations, Mould Renovations, New Housing, etc.

SKIDEGATE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

DUANE ALSOP (SBC), JUDSON BROWN, JAMES COWPAR (SBC), CAROL CROSBY, ERNIE GLADSTONE, SHELLY GLADSTONE, ROBERT WILLIAMS (SBC), SUE WOOD, LISA DIGNARD

SKIDEGATE BAND SOCIAL HOUSING

The Skidegate Band Council has implemented the following policies for Skidegate Band housing:

- 1. Crime Free Housing – see attached (To be signed with updated Rental Tenancy Agreement)**
- 2. No Pet Policy – Pets are prohibited from the rental and its premises.**
- 3. Skidegate By-law No.7 – “PIT BULL BAN” (copy available upon request)**

The Skidegate Housing Department has the understanding that the current tenants are allowed to “grandfather in” their existing pets with the understanding that no new or replacement pets are allowed. Please note that the current policy states that pets are not permitted inside of the unit. The Skidegate Band Council has also recently adopted a “Pit Bull Ban” therefore no tenant of the Skidegate Band Council may own a “Pit Bull” or an aggressive or vicious Dog. Tenants with such animals will be requested to have the animals removed or be given a thirty day notice of an eviction.

Please make arrangements before September 31st, 2010 to sign an updated annual renewal of the Skidegate Band Rental Tenancy Agreement. All new policies are effective immediately (April 1st, 2010).

If you have any further questions please contact our office (250)559-4496.

Do you have Diabetes?

Are you at risk for Diabetes?

Are you worried about getting diabetes?

Who's at risk?

- ◆ First Nations
- ◆ Over 40
- ◆ Have a parent or sibling with diabetes
- ◆ Are overweight
- ◆ Had gestational diabetes

Complications of Diabetes

- ◆ Vision problems
- ◆ Heart disease
- ◆ Kidney disease
- ◆ Vascular problems

All of these are preventable with early detection and treatment

All First Nations people over the age of 10 should be screened for diabetes

The mobile diabetes telemedicine clinic will be doing a screening clinic at the

Skidegate Health Centre Oct 4–6, 2011

If you are diagnosed with diabetes we can do vision testing and we can check your heart, kidneys and feet.

If you are at risk we can do some easy blood work to determine how great the risk is.

Call Mary Ann Wilson at the health centre to book an appointment 250-559-4610

NOTICE TO SKIDEGATE BAND MEMBERS:

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, THE SKIDEGATE BAND COUNCIL WILL POST BAND TRANSFER REQUESTS IN THE SKIDEGATE NEWSLETTER. THE PURPOSE OF THIS IS TO ALLOW THE BAND MEMBERSHIP A 30 DAY "WINDOW" FROM THE TIME THE REQUEST HAS BEEN PUBLICLY DISCLOSED TO STATE HIS OR HER REASONS TO COUNCIL AS TO WHY THE BAND SHOULD POTENTIALLY DENY A REQUESTED TRANSFER .

IN THE NEAR FUTURE, COUNCIL, WITH THE HELP OF LEGAL COUNCIL, WILL DEVELOP A GENERAL DECLARATION FOR PERSONS TO SIGN WHO ARE WISHING TO TRANSFER TO THE SKIDEGATE BAND, STATING THAT THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN CHARGED WITH A CRIMINAL OFFENSE AND OTHERWISE SPEAKS TO GOOD CHARACTER.

COUNCIL WILL ALSO FURTHER DISCUSS BAND TRANSFER POLICY AND HAVE IT FORMALLY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE 'SKIDEGATE BAND POLICY MANUAL'.

WANTED:

**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2011 KIDS'
HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**TO BE HELD: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
AT THE GEORGE BROWN RECREATION
CENTRE**

**PLEASE CONTACT MARCI AT THE BAND
OFFICE AT 250-559-0098**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER.

We need volunteers to make this party happen

Tlell River House Contractual Project

Opportunities-Call for Tenders

Tlell, Haida Gwaii: The Tlell River House, (now owned by the Haida Nation) will open its doors to the Cultural and Eco-tourism markets in the spring of 2012. We are currently seeking skilled candidates and/or firms interested in the following opportunities.

Contractual Projects:

„ Building Contractor-Seeking a qualified, licenced builder to design and build the addition of a multi-purpose room to the existing building and to do other minor in-house renovations. Proven Project Management experience a must. Project timeline: fall/winter

* Interior Designer-Seeking an interior designer to design and implement a renewed look to the interior of the existing building. Must be budget savvy, with proven expertise and sensitivity to the needs of domestic and international travellers, and experienced in Haida history and cultural themes. Project timeline: winter

*Landscape designer- To design and implement a 2-phase landscaping theme with proven knowledge and experience in perma-culture growth and design, and positive environmental sustainability and impact. Strong ability to incorporate the natural resources and elements of property in the design. Project timeline: fall and spring

*Website and Brochure Designer: Seeking a designer or design firm that has proven expertise creating effective websites and brochures focused on domestic and international travelers. Previous experience working with the Aboriginal tourism sector is preferred. This is a short-term project and will commence in September, 2011.

* Brand & Logo Designer: Seeking a designer or design firm with proven expertise driving the brand and logo design process and creating effective brands focused on domestic and international travelers. Previous experience working with the Aboriginal tourism sector is preferred. This is a short-term project and will commence in September, 2011.

For any of these positions listed above, please email your resume and portfolio to the attention of the General Manager at info@tlellriverhouse.ca Please insert the project you are applying for in the subject line. Deadline: Portfolios must be received by 5:00pm September 15th, 2011. Once portfolios have been reviewed, the qualified candidates will be contacted for the shortlisted 'Call for Tender' process.

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Executive Chef de Cuisine/F & B Manager- Responsible for structuring and implementing all food and beverage services including but not limited to: food production for two 50+ seat venues; responsible for quality and food costs control; budget creation; skilled in creating and implementing both International and local Culture menus and designing specialty catering events; responsible for setting up supplier accounts, securing all licences, and creating and directing a staff recruitment/training program specific to the venue's needs. Must have valid BC driver's licence, all provincial F&B certifications, computer knowledge (Excel and Word), and a min. 10 years' experience in managing a high-end restaurant or similar establishment. Availability as of November 2011 onward.

Council of the Haida Nation

Expressions of Interest

Chief Electoral Officer

Regional Electoral Officers and Poll Clerks

The Council of the Haida Nation is seeking expressions of interest for the position of Chief Electoral Officer for the up-coming 2011 General Vote on the Naikun Wind Farm.

Applicants must be able to organize the Vote as per the CHN Election Regulations and oversee the voting processes in the regions of Old Massett, Skidegate, Prince Rupert and Vancouver; it is preferred that applicants have previous experience in electoral processes and have the ability to implement the CHN Election Regulations.

As well, the Council of the Haida Nation is seeking expressions of interest for the positions of Regional Electoral Officers and Poll Clerks for the Regions of Old Massett, Skidegate, Prince Rupert and Vancouver; it is preferred that applicants have previous experience in electoral processes and have the ability to implement the CHN Election Regulations in their specific Region.

Expressions of interest are to be sent to the attention of May Russ, Administrator and to be received either by fax (250)-626-3403; by handing in to the Old Massett or Skidegate offices; by mail to Box 589, Masset, B.C., V0T 1M0 or by email mayruss@telus.net by:

**The deadline of 4:00 PM on
September 23, 2011.**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Assistant Manager for Gas Station/Convenience Store

Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation is seeking applicants who are interested in the position of Assistant Manager of Taaw Naay Enterprises Ltd. The duties of the position shall be to manage all aspects of the Gas Station along with the Manager, and will include but not be limited to the following:

- to be responsible for working with the Executive Director of Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation in setting and administering the budgets for the Gas Station;
- reporting regularly as requested to the Board of Directors of Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation (the "Board") or to the Executive Director of Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation on all operational, financial and budgetary matters;
- to be responsible for the development, implementation and coordination of all Gas Station operations and events, and ensuring that the Gas Station is operating at all times at an acceptable level;
- to be responsible for all employment matters and the staffing of the Gas Station, including the hiring, evaluating, developing, disciplining, scheduling and well being of all employees of Taaw Naay Enterprises Ltd. It is understood that hiring and firing decisions must be made in consultation with the Executive Director of Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation;
- to conduct oneself at all times in a manner appropriate to the position of a managerial employee of Taaw Naay Enterprises Ltd. while at work;
- ensuring that the Gas Station and its operations comply with all applicable statutory requirements, regulations and standards and that all those who utilize the Gas Station do so in a safe and controlled manner;
- ensuring that either the Manager or the Assistant Manager of Taaw Naay Enterprises Ltd. is available at all times that the Gas Station is open for business; and
- such other duties as may reasonably be required by Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation and Taaw Naay Enterprises Ltd. in connection with the administration or management of the Gas Station.

Please submit your resumes by mail to:

Gwaalagaa Naay Corporation
P.O Box 1297
Skidegate, BC V0T 1S1
(Attention: Marla M. Pryce) or

By email to: gncorp1@gmail.com

CLOSING DATE: September 16, 2011

**HiGaagila
Xaayda Kil Naay**



Front Street
P.O. 1235
Skidegate, BC VOT 1S1
Tel: (250) 559-9073
Fax: (250) 559-7880
Email: ship@haidagwaii.net

XAAYDA KIL JIINGA XAAYNANGA GAS GA - Haida Language Long Live!

With bright eyes and determined hearts the elders returned through the doors of SHIP for another year of sharing, learning, healing, and laughter.

We want to welcome Pat Gellerman and Kristie Alsop to SHIP.

It is so nice to have you both here at our program!

The Elders set out a very ambitious workload of language endeavors, and are very excited about what they want to accomplish this year.

They will be working on the Haida Gwaii Place Names Project, and further CD translations of Solomon Wilson for White Raven Law Corporation.

The Elders are also working very hard on developing Curriculum work for School District #50. We hope to have three or four more levels completed by June 2012.

On September 15 the SHIP elders will be travelling to Ketchikan, Alaska to participate in the 11th International Haida Language Gathering. The major topic of our two day meeting will be comparing the orthographies of the three communities. As well, the elders are excited about the five students from QCSS that will be travelling with them.

Congratulations to SBC and all involved in the vision and creation of the new Teen Centre. What a wonderful facility for our precious youth.

Congratulations to Nika (Jisgang), and her team for their vision and accomplishment of the book, "That which makes us Haida – the Haida Language." The book is powerful, beautiful and so very respectful of the many efforts of many people who strive to make the Haida Language live long. Haawa, Haawa, Haawa.

We have many Skidegate Haida language CD's for sale. Come visit us and browse through our collection, and begin a journey of listening and learning this precious language!

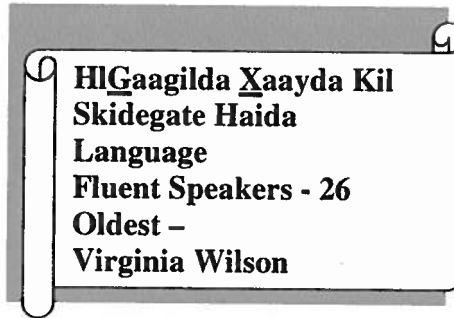
SHIP Quote of the Week

"We are so saturated with the conviction that rain is invariably and immutable chilly, wet and grey and leads to colds, mould and mud that we can't encompass the contrary knowledge that for almost all the rest of the world rain is little short of a miracle." A.A.Gill

Xaayda Quote of the week –

'Laagii 'la K'ang.ga

She/he helped.



Xaayda Kil Word Quest?

What does this Haida word mean in English? - TAA.YII

Give us a phone call at 559-9073 with the correct meaning, and win a SHIP Xaayda Language CD. Please leave your name, phone #, and the meaning, on our answering machine. The first correct caller will be the winner. No winner last June!

ENLIGHTENED PERSPECTIVE – Instructions for life – Nice thoughts

Call your family often.

Each day give something good to others.

We would like to thank the following people for supporting our program:

1. Barb Wilson for the Plant book and photo copies of the SHIP Glossaries for all the elders
2. Duane Alsop for the scones
3. Hiro for the \$ donation
4. We want to Thank Gwaii Trust for supporting us in our trip to Alaska.
5. Haawa to each and every person and organization who has helped make our Program what it is today.
6. Haawa to Doris at SBC who makes this Newsletter such a success in the community.

Yours truly,

SKIDEGATE HAIDA IMMERSION PROGRAM