



SKIDEGATE NEWSLETTER

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January 15, 2009

Haida Gwaii Community Futures

Our top priority is to get us working for you!
Business Counselling and Financing available to help
you realize your business ideas

Call us at 250-626-5594 or 1-888-328-5594 in Masset
250-559-4499 or 1-877-559-4499 in Skidegate

BC ABORIGINAL STUDENT AWARDS

Open to BC residents of Aboriginal
ancestry who have been active in their
school or community and are studying in

BC in: trades/apprenticeship programs
certificate or diploma program
undergrad or grad degree
program

Value: \$1,000 to \$3,000 each

To apply, visit: www.bcscholarship.ca

Deadline: before May 15th, 2009

Coming Events in Skidegate

- **Saturday, January 17th-
Masters Loonie Auction at the
Skidegate Community Hall.
Open's at 12 Noon for Chinese
Lunch sales, auction starts at 1
pm.**
- **Sunday, January 18th-\$5000.00
Bingo, at the Skidegate
Community Hall. Doors open
at 11am, games start at 1pm.
Intermediate & Senior Saints
funding.**
- **Sunday, January 25th-
Intermediate and Senior Saints
Luncheon and Auction at the
Skidegate Homemakers
building starting lunch at 11
am. Contact Jessie Wilson at
559-8013 for information.**

PALS

Friday, January 30, 1:00 pm
at Sk'aadgaa Naay Library

PALS Session Three - "Early Writing"

NOTICE TO SKIDEGATE BAND MEMBERS

Please notify the traveling public that as of **midnight tonight** BC Ferries has been informed that Transport Canada will only allow **36 people and/or 18 vehicles on the Kwuna at one time**. Capt Steve Poole in Prince Rupert stated that this is a temporary licence for operation for the next 2 months and they continue to have discussions with Transport Canada.

For us this is added hardship in that some vehicles could be very well be left behind during busy sailings.

I have asked BC Ferries for extra crew to meet the new standards and/or extra sailings.

CONGRATULATIONS

"Congratulations to Goax and Leah on their engagement". We are all very happy for you two.

Love from Mook, Butch, Karlene and grandchildren.



EDUCATION UPDATE Scholarship Criteria

The applicant can propose attendance at workshops or schools of art, or to work with masters, mentors or elders in particular media. Within a period of one year, the artist must complete a project that demonstrates the development of skills and techniques learned as a result of the scholarship. This work will be displayed at the Vancouver International Airport.

YVRAF Scholarships are available to individuals meeting the following criteria:

- Aboriginal residing in British Columbia.
- Youth 25 years of age or younger.
- Emerging artists who can demonstrate potential in visual arts, in the Northwest Coast style.
- Emerging artists who can create projects that are suitable for display in public buildings.

Emily Carr University and the Northwest Community College establish their own eligibility criteria, which generally matches criteria for the YVRAF Scholarship above, except the educational institutions may award to artists over 25 years of age.

Scholarship Amount : Annual scholarship up to \$5000 are awarded for eligible activities.

Skidegate Health Centre Update

I am the new Alcohol and Drug counselor, Mysti.
Skidegate Helping House

Tips On Drug Use Prevention

- Educate yourself about drugs
- Know your child's friends and where they hang out.
- Establish family rules about drugs, alcohol, gangs and enforce your rules.
- Make the time to know what is happening in your child's life.
- Foster self-esteem and respect in your child's feelings and attitudes.
- If you suspect a problem, get help NOW. Contact your school, church, community organization, a counsellor or your police department.

For more information and support around the topic of addictions please contact your local Alcohol and Drug Counsellor at Skidegate Helping House 559-8835.

Laanaa xaaynangaay Ilgihdii Communities Living Better

Happy New Year to everyone!! We are excited with the new year upon us and moving along on our healing path. We would like to thank you for your continued support in our fund raising efforts. A big hawaa to the following businesses and people who donated to our **Christmas Raffle**, whether it was through items or time spent selling tickets: Skidegate Video, Gwail Co-op, Meegan's Store, Longhouse Gift Shop, Jag's Beanstalk, Charlisle Clothiers, Taaw Naay, Haala Ga Taa Bakeshop, Gladys Vandal, Jack and Lin Armstrong, Eliza Shane, Barb Wilson, Carol Crosby, Terri Russ, Carolyn Hesseltine, Maggie Bell-Brown, Kay Watson, Tom Greene, Layla Rorick, Ruth Gladstone-Davies, Betty Richardson, Merle Williams, Lori and Marcel Russ, Sandra Russ, Isabel Brillon, Colin Richardson, Sienna Richardson-Isberg and Waneeta Richardson.

Lucky Winners:

1. Woven Cedar Hat-Lynda Davies
2. Children's Basket-May Russ
3. Table Decoration Basket-Eva Hans
4. Rose Quartz Necklace-Betty Stewart
5. Coffee/Tea Basket-Rose Russ
6. Silver Haida Carved Earrings-Rose Russ
7. Bamboo Cotton Sheet Set-Harold Wilson
8. "Purdy's" Basket-Mike Garrett
9. Car Care Basket-Betty Douglas
10. Arctic Cat Toy-Melrene Engel
11. Kitchen Basket-Sandra Russ
12. Christmas Items Basket-Sue Gladstone
13. Small Cedar Basket-Val Malesku
14. Crystal Pendants-Darlene Squires
15. Spa Basket-Marcel Russ
16. Teddy Bear-Rick Bruce
17. Doll-Norina Gladstone
18. Massager-Jennifer Shelford
19. Hematite Necklace-Nora Jane Edenshaw

We held a **gala evening** at the Kaay Centre before Christmas, where we viewed the power point presentation of the Residential School Survivors sailing trip through Gwail Haanas. They sailed

for nine days with Bluewater Adventure Tours in June of 2008. We also viewed the plaster face masks they created with Barbara Stevens, as a representation of the healing they engaged in on their trip. The second part of the evening was acknowledging Gladys Vandal and the participants of the cedar weaving courses she teaches. Also acknowledged were Gladys' assistants-Al Vandal who prepares the cedar for the weaving classes, Isabel Brillon who assists in the cedar weaving classes and also has worked one-on-one with people during office hours throughout the years, and Cohen Isberg, the newest assistant Gladys has taught. The latest group of weavers danced their cedar hats as Jenny Cross sang Haida songs. There were moving speeches made and knowledge shared. There was a beautiful spread of appetizers and Christmas goodies and lots of door prizes all wrapped in Christmas wrap. It was a fun evening enjoyed by all.

We would like to acknowledge the passing of our Support Worker, Isabel Brillon's husband, Wylie Brillon. We are grateful for the help we received from Wylie over the years with our programming. Whether it was building a stand to display our poster board or figuring out how to make hat molds for our cedar weaving programs, Wylie was always willing to help. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Isabel, at this difficult time.

Thanks to our volunteers: Carol Crosby for overseeing the Bio-Mat and answering our phones, Mr. Longboat for shovelling the snow on our walkway, Reg Wesley for paying for the part to fix our toilet.

Ngystle Society has purchased an **Amethyst Bio-Mat** because of its tremendous healing properties. Many people have already taken advantage of the mat and are coming to the Ngystle

office on a consistent basis to experience its effects.

We welcome you to come over and use the Bio-Mat to experience, first hand, how wonderfully warm and inviting it feels. Please call Ngystle to set up an appointment to experience the Bio-Mat. A session lasts 30 minutes and costs \$5.00.

The Amethyst Bio-Mat is a "pad" which lies on top of a massage table. As you lie on the Bio-Mat, far infrared rays are passed through Amethyst Crystal. The rays penetrate 6-8 inches into the innermost recesses of the body, stimulating healing and regeneration of nerves and muscle tissue layers. It reduces swelling, increases blood flow and has been shown to destroy cancer and viral cells without harming surrounding healthy cells. The Bio-Mat:

- Relieves pain & joint stiffness
- Increases blood circulation
- Decreases hyperactivity
- Strengthens the cardiovascular system
- Rejuvenates skin & cellular function
- Induces deep Delta State of relaxation
- Reduces stress and fatigue
- Boosts energy & vitality
- Burns calories & controls weight
- Removes waste & toxins
- Boosts the immune system
- Regulates Psychological well being.

There is a great deal more information available at our office should you require it. The Bio-Mat is registered an FDA Medical Device #2954299

This is a month to realize that your thoughts are the seed and what is planted will become what your life brings to fruition. Join us in a workshop to open your mind and heart to a 2009 of your dreams. Communities Living Better and the Aboriginal Healing Foundation are co-sponsoring the upcoming workshop:

2009 Can Be a Bountiful And Beautiful Year!! We will be doing Chakra Meditations each morning and will be giving Oneness Blessings, Psychology of Vision Work and will each create a 'Mind Map' for the coming year. Collect in advance magazines or pictures you can use for your Mind Map. This workshop will be facilitated by Babs Stevens on January 30, 31 and February 1, 2009. The schedule is as follows: Registration: Friday: 6-7pm. Workshop: Friday 7 pm—10 pm, Saturday + Sunday 10 am-5 pm. Location: Skidegate Community Hall. For more information and to register please contact Ngystle Society: 559-4114

Ngystle Youth Leadership and Volunteer Program would like to say Haaw'a to the following people for their contributions to the programming: Mark Grinder, Dull Brown, Robin Rorick, Pete Thompson, Marcel Russ. With your help, twelve youth completed drums, and a few painted their own designs onto them. Haaw'a to Donna Duffy for coming to support the youth at Don Burnstick's Sex, Alcohol and Drugs workshop. Haaw'a to the Youth Leadership group for staying at the hall to help set up the evening comedy show seating. Anyone aged 12-15 years old who wishes to join the Youth Leadership group to take advantage of our fun programming is welcome. Ngystle **Kool Kids** would like to invite parents to place their children aged 9-11 years on the wait-list for this group. Kool Kids meets every Friday after school from 3:30-6:60 pm.

Happenings at Communities Living Better/Ngystle Society

-2 ½ Day 2009 Can Be a Bountiful and Beautiful Year!! Workshop facilitated by Babs Stevens-Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1 2009 at the Skidegate Community Hall-watch for posters.

-Support Group Meetings-Second Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM at the Ngystle Office-Jan. 14, 28, Feb. 11, 25, Mar. 11, 25, 2009.

-Meditation Night-Every Tuesday at 7:30PM at the Ngystle Office.

-One hour one-on-one counselling with Joanne Hayward on Thursdays-call 250-559-4114 to book an appointment in advance.

-½ hour sessions on the Amethyst Bio-Mat-definitely call in advance.

-Kool Kids-every Friday at 3:30

-Youth Leadership-two Sundays per month.

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
LEASED HOUSE
Village of Queen Charlotte, BC**

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police invites Expressions of Interest to participate in the leasing of two houses, 2-3 bedrooms each, available for March 1, 2009 for a 3-year term, plus two 3-year renewal options. Standalone building; duplexes acceptable. RCMP to pay basic utilities.

Please provide address, legal description, term, rent, damage deposit, availability date, square footage, floor plan, list of appliances, heat source, confirmation of carport/garage/parking, pictures if available, and contact information.

Further information; contact us at (604) 264-2745. Submissions must be faxed by January 19, 2009 at 2:00pm:

RCMP "E" Division
Leasing Section
Fax: (604) 264-3273

Agents submitting an Expression of Interest must provide RCMP with a

letter from the owner authorizing them to do so.

This is only an inquiry as to the availability of the space to lease and RCMP will not necessarily invite offers or lease any of the said space. RCMP reserves the right to invite offers for this or similar projects from any of the interested Lessors, any other Lessor or by way of public tender.



PART-TIME CLEANER NEEDED

Skidegate Haida Child & Family Service Society

\$15.00 per hour

10 hours week (The successful applicant will clean both the Haida Child & Family Services Society and Social Development/Community Futures offices)

Duties: Dust & clean off desks/furniture, clean floors/vacuum/damp mop, disinfect washrooms, wipe walls and doors as needed, empty garbage/recycle bins, clean windows inside/monthly, clean coffee area/light dishes, all other duties entailed to keep work space clean/orderly. Job description will change according to recognized need and hours may increase during the winter months. Successful Applicant must have a Criminal Records Check (CRC) for agency review and sign Oath of Confidentiality form. If the CRC checks out okay the successful candidate will then be given a start date for hire. The deadline for submitting resumes is the 21st day of January, 2009, 4:30 pm.

Applicants may drop off, mail or fax to PO Box 1249, 191A - 3rd Avenue, Skidegate, B.C. V0T 1S1 , Tel #559-8400, Fax #559-7746 – Attention: Alana Valentinsen.



Gwail Trust Society

PO Box 588

Masset BC V8T 1M6

p. 1-250-636-3654 f. 1-250-636-3361 (Masset Office)

p. 1-250-659-8883 f. 1-250-659-8876 (Skidegate Office)

"New" Program Monthly Submission for January 2009

Culture as it Relates to Tourism Program :

Budget for this program is \$ 45,000.00

Arts Program:

Budget for this program is \$35,000.00

Deadline is January 30th 2009 Time 4:30 pm

Note: The arts Program also offers a workshop component. Projects falling under this section (see web for details) will be considered throughout the year, and is budgeted separately

All submissions submitted well in advance of the Program deadline are greatly appreciated.

This allows time for staff to contact applicants for compliance and or pre-Board review assistance.

Successful applicants are posted on the Gwail Trust website with-

in the 3 business days following Board review.

We would like to thank all applicants for your interest in our programs.

Please visit the Gwail Trust website at www.gwailtrust.com and try out our new on-line application process.

Simply fill out your application and attach your supporting documentation then click SUBMIT

You will be notified within 3 business days of your submission.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Managing Administrator, Errol Winter at the Old Massett office or Debbie Crosby at the Skidegate office.



Job Posting
Community Outreach Coordinator – Skidegate
NaiKun Wind Energy Group – Skidegate Office

NaiKun Wind Development Inc. is seeking a self motivated, highly organized individual to manage day to day operations in their Skidegate office. The Community Outreach Coordinator will possess excellent verbal and written communications skills and should have some experience in community outreach and office management. Post secondary education would be beneficial. Basic knowledge of computer programs including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook are required.

The chosen candidate will lead NaiKun's community outreach efforts from the Skidegate office and will be required to give project presentations, attend community events and share project information with the community on behalf of the company. The individual will also organize logistics, liaise with NaiKun's Vancouver head office and other on-island interests and work with all levels of the company.

This position will provide the successful applicant with an opportunity to gain experience with a leading sustainable energy development company. The nature of the position and the stage of the project will allow the right candidate an opportunity to grow with the organization as the project progresses.

Moderate travel may be required, a valid Class 5 driver's licence is mandatory. This position is part-time.

NaiKun Wind Development Inc. is planning to build and operate Canada's first offshore wind project in Hecate Strait. Up to 110 wind turbines will be installed to provide clean, renewable energy to serve more than 130,000 homes on Haida Gwaii and throughout B.C. Additional information is available on NaiKun's website at www.naikun.ca

Please submit a cover letter and resume no later than 12:00 pm, Friday, February 6th, 2009 to:

Director, North Coast Relations
NaiKun Wind Development Inc.
Email: ishaw@naikun.ca
Fax: 1-604-685-4215



Council of the Haida Nation



Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve
and Haida Heritage Site



World Wildlife Fund
Canada



Fisheries and Oceans
Canada

[the person who sizes up the waves so the boat can get out]

gaaysiigang

— an ocean forum for haida gwaii

Ocean Forum
January 23 & 24, 2009
10 am - 4:30 pm

Art Show & Opening Reception
January 22, 2009
7:00 pm

Haida Heritage Centre at
Kooay Lhagaay

*We encourage you to pre-register for
this free event by phone or email*

For more information please contact

Nika Callison
nikaw@kidegate.ca
250.559.8133

Lynn Lee or Catherine Rigg
250.626.3302

or go to www.haidanation.ca

Dalang waadluxan gi' gyaa dii daaw

[you are all invited]

LEARN AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS

marine ecosystems · cruise ships · food gathering · commercial fishing
energy · shipping · marine education · recreational fishing
marine tourism · marine protected areas · seafood processing and marketing

a little more about
Gaaysiigang – An Ocean Forum for Haida Gwaii

In addition to the events advertised on the previous page: *Ocean Art Show Opening & Forum Reception*, Jan 22, and the *Ocean Forum for Haida Gwaii*, Jan 23/24, we have a number of other really good things to know:

GOOD THING TO KNOW #1

SEAFOOD DINNER by Gladys Hans and crew
Friday, January 23rd, 5:30 pm at
The Skidegate Community Hall

Dinner is for forum participants and their families

*Please bring your own plates, bowls,
cutlery and cups*

GOOD THING TO KNOW #2

FREE WORKSHOPS

Monday, January 26th, at the Haida Heritage Centre at
Kaay Llnagaay, Classroom #1

Cruise Ships with Ross A. Klein – 9:00 – 12:00

Seafood Marketing with Quentin Fong – 1:30 - 4:30

Please register with Nika Collison before Jan 21st 2009

GOOD THING TO KNOW #3

CHILDCARE PROVIDED DURING FORUM
Jan 23/24 9am-5pm, Headstart Space

For forum participant's children, ages 3-6

*Space is limited, you must register your children
with Nika Collison BEFORE Jan 21st, 2009*

Children must be potty-trained

GOOD THING TO KNOW #4

FREE BUS SERVICE to the FORUM

From/to Old Massett, Masset, Port Clements, Tlell

Do you have friends or relatives up the north-end that
want to come? Let them know to reserve a
spot on the bus BEFORE January 21st – contact Nika
Collison.

**For more information, or to register for the forum and/or related
events/services advertised above, please contact:**

Nika Collison
Coordinator

Gaaysiigang – An Ocean Forum for Haida Gwaii

Phone (home office): 250.559.8133

Email: nika@skidegate.ca



***Gaaysiigang – An Ocean Forum for Haida Gwaii* is...**

Hosted by

The Council of the Haida Nation, Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve and Haida Heritage Site,
Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and World Wildlife Fund Canada.

Sponsored by

Gwaii Trust Society, Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation, Parks Canada, World Wildlife Fund, Fisheries and Oceans Canada,
Living Oceans Society, Land Strategies (Mel Woolley) and more... a complete sponsor list will be available at the forum.

****The name Gaaysiigang is used with permission by Kieran Moraes – Haaw'a Gaaysiigang!****

**Hlgaagilda
Xaayda Kil Naay**

*S.H.I.P.
(Skidegate Haida Immersion Program)*



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Re: SHIP NEWSLETTER January 12, 2009

XAAYDA KIL JIINGA XAAYNANGA GAS GA - Haida Language Long Live

**TAADA GAAWDLA GUUDANG 'LAAI
Happy New Year!**

A huge HAAW'A to Elizabeth Williams for her generous \$ donation to our program on behalf of her husband Gitkun – John Williams. We will be directing this money towards gifting Haida Language materials to the youth of Skidegate.

**The 8th International Haida Language Gathering
Dates: April 18-20, 2009**

Location: Kaay Llnagaay, Haida Heritage Centre

This Gathering is open to anyone interested in saving and revitalizing our Haida Language. Discussions will include a wide range of topics, including Haida Language Curriculum and teaching materials, Haida dictionaries, Master / Apprentice Language Programs, developments in Haida orthography ... and much more.



Please remember, if you have someone special that you would like us to include on our Morning Prayer List, please give us a call!!

SHIP Quote of the Week

"Life isn't about how to survive the storm, but how to dance in the rain."

Xaayda Quote of the week –

Gaasing.gids gyin hll k'aajuus gyin daanxan hll jiiwul gang.

Sometimes when I sing then really I close my eyes

Sometimes when I sing, I really close my eyes.

Xaayda Word Quest?

What does this Haida word mean in English? - SING.GIDTS'II

If you are a non-SHIP class member 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 if we are not home. The first correct caller will be the winner, and the recipient of a Skidegate Haida Language CD.

ENLIGHTENED PERSPECTIVE – Instructions for life – Nice thoughts

Getting barge mail....not email.

Taking a drive on a pretty road.

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

1. Betty Crosby for the razor clams
2. Gary Hatfield for the beautiful Christmas sign
3. Clifford Moody for putting up our Christmas lights
4. The Night Class members for gifting Diane and SHIP with a new white board
5. Judson and Clint for delivering our new white board
6. Haaw'a to Franc Pridoehl and Barbara Wojtaszek for their great support

SHIP Class Times

Please remember that you can participate in our program on a part time basis.

You may attend mornings, afternoons or evenings - once, twice, or three times a week

– what ever suits your schedule. Please drop in for a coffee or tea!

K'iiwaay Gaajuu gii gang. – The door is always open.

Monday 9:00 AM – 12:00 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Tuesday 9:00 – 3:00 PM

Wednesday 9:00 – 3:00 PM

Thursday 9:00 AM – 12:00 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Friday 9:00 – 3:00 PM

Yours truly,

SKIDEGATE HAIDA IMMERSION PROGRAM

Skidegate Housing Department

Skidegate Housing for Rent

#447 Skidegate Heights Phase Three Five Bedroom \$590.00

LOOK ON BAND BULLETIN INSIDE OF SBC OFFICE FOR RENTAL POSTING
UPDATES

Skidegate Band lot POLICIES:

- 1) Each person is allowed 1 (one) residential lot in Skidegate.
- 2) Band Members receiving a housing grant must sign their lot (on reserve) over to the Band Council or family member that doesn't currently own a lot, if they are going to build at another location on reserve.
- 3) Recipients of housing grants are to utilize serviced lots only.
- 4) ***No serviced lots are to be allocated unless the applicant has received a housing grant or has provided proof of funds in place to build their house to completion.***
- 5) Housing grant recipients requesting serviced lots will be allowed to put their name in pencil on the lot until the Skidegate Band Council gives approval in the form of a motion.
- 6) Effective with the next constructed subdivision, lot sizes are to be 90' wide by 100' long.
- 7) The house is to be situated squarely on the lot and in line with other lots/houses –see “Attachment 1: Sitting Requirements”.
- 8) Before construction begins, ***homeowners must consult Ed Hans or Phil Gladstone regarding water and sewer lines*** to ensure clearance of the lines and lot boundaries. This will ensure that the house is built within the person's lot boundaries and is situated in an orderly manner.
- 9) **** Policy on Fire Protection and access needed.**
- 10) A lot with no house on it cannot be willed or sold to anyone.
- 11) No un-serviced lots will be allocated in Skidegate.
- 12) For un-serviced lots that have already been allocated before adoption of these Lot Policies, the following applies:
 - a) People building on undeveloped land are responsible for:
 - i) Legal survey; ii) Power; service, connection and poles; iii) Roads; iv) Water; and
 - v) Clearing and grubbing.
 - b) Band Members who are the recipients of a housing grant and building on an un-serviced lot cannot use their housing grant for site preparation or water and sewer services.
 - c) If your lot is un-surveyed, band member must obtain a letter from the Skidegate Band Council stating the size of the lot and within 2 years, the homeowner must have their lot surveyed at their own cost.

This has been advertised for Skidegate Band Members not sure of any lot questions that may arise. The Housing Committee, Housing Coordinator & Skidegate Band Council will address any issues regarding lots in question. The Housing Department has the proper measurements for all lots in the Skidegate Reserve. Members should be contact the Skidegate Band and requesting review of their plan to have anything outside of their lot.