

Lower Nicola Indian Band

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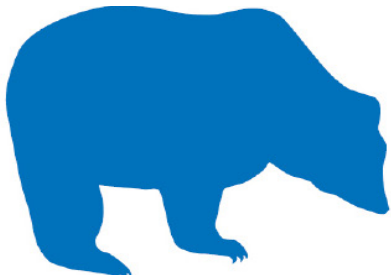


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1890, Nlaka'pamux Family Placer Mining for Gold on the Fraser River Just Below Lytton





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Message from the kwúkwi? Stu Jackson

heñte? band members and community members. Welcome to another month of wind, cool temperatures, very little sunshine and a little rain. May long weekend is usually filled with sunshine, comfortable temperatures and garden prep. I think it is fair to say that we were all shortchanged with blah weather this past long weekend. I am hoping our weather gets better as we gradually move toward our summer season so let’s all of us cross our fingers and hope for the best. The month of May seemed to fly right by. The good news about May is how quickly our Rocky Pines bridge construction is going. I had the opportunity to sneak down to the bridge site on the east side of Guichon Creek about a week ago to see the developments and I am very impressed and excited how things are looking. From what I understand, we are way ahead of schedule with the bridge construction, and we are hoping to have a celebration and ceremony next week! Stay tuned for an announcement on the opening of our new Rocky Pines bridge!

LNIB hosted a Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls gathering on May 5th which started at the Shulus Community Hall and ended at the Shulus Arbor. I want to thank LNIB Administration for supporting this event and I want to personally thank Carole Basil for her leadership in making this gathering happen. We had a very powerful turnout of LNIB Staff, and our LNIB Band school participated too.

NVIT was present along with other groups such as Highland Valley Copper, the RCMP and our neighboring Nations. It was very encouraging to see all the support from abroad. We need to educate our communities of the dangers and risks when it comes to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. This is a very concerning matter that cannot go hidden and go unnoticed. We have women and girls going missing daily across Turtle Island. We need to address this issue and be more diligent in protecting our women and girls. We must take a stand and make our communities safer for everyone. It was a good gathering for everyone. I want LNIB to continue supporting causes such as this to demonstrate that there is zero tolerance for hurting our people. Thanks again to Carole Basil and her team for hosting such a powerful event.

Chief and Council continue to hold duly convened Council meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Chief and Council also hold orientation sessions when needed in between the bi-weekly Council meetings. These orientation meetings have proven to be very effective for Council. These sessions are a fantastic way to keep Council informed on other matters of LNIB and these sessions also help prepare Council to address future issues that Council may need to decide upon in the future. LNIB did not have a Band community meeting this month due to the loss of a highly respected Elder in our community. Madeline Lanaro passed away Sunday May 26th. Madeline will be sadly missed by her family and friends. I had a very good and respectful relationship with Madeline. She wasn’t afraid to tell me the truth about things, especially if it involved our community. Madeline was very passionate about LNIB. I recall Madeline seeking election to the Chief and Council table on a couple of occasions. Although Madeline never got a seat at the Council table, she was very active at the Band level attending Band meetings and community gatherings regularly. Madeline was a strong presence at LNIB, and I will miss her. It was a pleasure knowing you, Madeline. Thank you for the many lessons you taught me.

Enclosed, I want to wish all of you good health and happiness. Enjoy the new month and let us hope for sunshine and blue skies! Be mindful that wood ticks are still lingering around and please be aware of that. Be safe if you are traveling and keep your pets hydrated if the weather starts to heat up. Take care of your friends and your families, but most importantly, please take care of yourselves. Much love and respect to all of you.

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Dear LNIB Members,

I am pleased to present our monthly report for May 2024. LNIB continued to be busy on several initiatives.

Here are some of the things we have been working on:

Rocky Pines Bridge Opening Celebration: The Rocky Pines Bridge Opening Celebration will be held on June 3, 2024.

Riverside Residential Solar Feasibility: Urban Systems presented at Nana's Hitch and Post on Monday, May 15, 2024 on the installation of solar panels on residential homes. There is an opportunity under certain criteria for the installation and the focus will be Elder's houses. There is an energy audit that is required before installation can be considered and this is done inside and outside the home. More details to follow as this project progresses. If you would like more information and were not able to attend this session contact Sondra Tom and you will be added to a list for information on the next steps.

Human Resources: While visiting or receiving services at other buildings, please feel free to ask the staff member you are visiting to use a mask and to adhere to safety protocols if you are concerned. We are committed to keeping the community and employees safe during this pandemic.

The Lower Nicola Indian Band also like to welcome the new members to the team at LNIB: Jenna Law, School Counsellor Delta Long, Lands Manager and Kasey Stirling, Fisheries Research Assistant.

Current job postings with Lower Nicola Indian Band are Council Clerk, Cultural Heritage and Environmental Field Workers, Environmental Monitor, Habitat Stewardship Coordinator, Teacher K-7, Early Childhood Educator, and Carpenter visit <https://www.lnib.net/jobs/> or <https://secure.collage.co/jobs/lnib> for further details.

Committees and Liaisons: Chief and Council: The Lands Management Advisory Committee meet on May 16, 2024. The Finance and Audit Committee did not meet in May.

Community Meetings and Workshops: The next Band General meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2024.

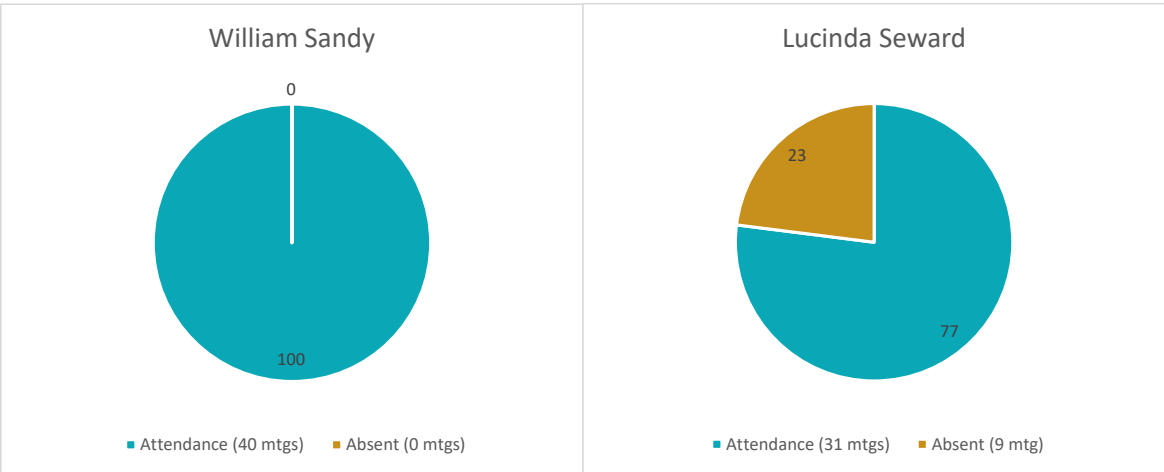
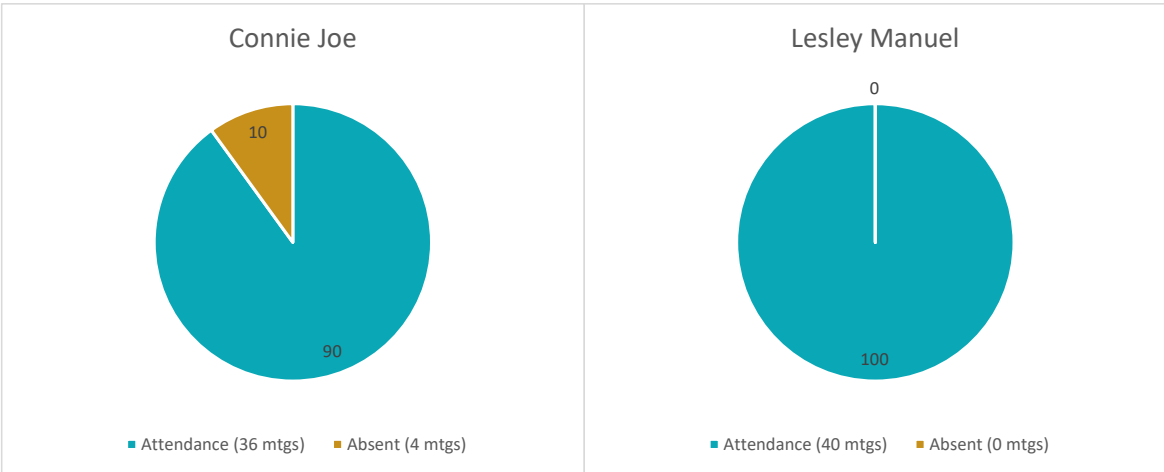
Support to Chief and Council: Chief and Council met May 7th and 21st. Should you require anything on the Chief and Council agenda scheduled for June please contact Sondra Tom and I. Finally, members remember that the Chief and Council meetings are open to membership to join via online or telephone. Please contact Sondra Tom so you can be added to the email invitation for the scheduled Chief and Council meetings.

Kari Reilander,
LNIB Executive Director

Chief and Council Attendance
Term October 2022-September 2025



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Resolutions from Chief and Council April 30, 2024 meeting

Resolution #04-30-2024-01 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the April 30, 2024 Chief and Council meeting agenda.

Motion Carried:Resolution #04-30-2024-02 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the April 2, 2024 Chief and Council meeting minutes as presented.

Motion Carried:Resolution #04-30-2024-03 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the April 23, 2024 Chief and Council meeting minutes as presented.

Motion Carried:Resolution #04-30-2024-04 Reads:

That the Chief and Council

WHEREAS:

- A. *The Lower Nicola Indian Band manages its lands, including the right to reside on its lands, pursuant to its inherent right of self-government, as well as pursuant to the Lower Nicola Indian Band Land Code passed pursuant to the Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management Act (S.C. 2022, c.19, s.121) (the "Land Code");*
- B. *The persons listed at section 24.1 of the Land Code, including "invitees" of member interest holders, have a default right to reside (a "Residence Right") on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands (the "Lands");*
- C. *Notwithstanding the default Residence Rights of such persons, section 24.1 of the Land Code further allows the Chief and Council (the "Council") to alter or revoke such rights by band council resolution;*
- D. *Section 24.4 of the Land Code provides that any person who resides or remains on the Lands without a Residence Right is guilty of an offence, and may be evicted, removed or made subject to other consequences;*
- E. *On April 2, 2024, the Council enacted the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law to set out additional trespass offences on the Lands and to set out a procedure for the Council to remove a specific Residence Right by way of a Prohibition Order made by band council resolution;*
- F. *Under section 7.1 of the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law, the Council may, by band council resolution, issue a Prohibition Order to revoke a person's Residence Right, if the person is invited to reside on the Lands under section 24.1 and the Council has reasonable grounds to believe that the person poses a serious threat or may cause serious harm to the Lower Nicola Indian Band community or land;*
- G. *James Purdie, who is not a member of Lower Nicola Indian Band, has resided initially in a travel trailer on Lot 326, Nicola Mameet Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Lands approximately between January to July 2023, then in motorhome in October 2023, and most recently since at least April 6, 2024, in a motorhome, and possibly earlier;*
- H. *On September 20, 2022, Council passed a band council resolution which reads: "The Lower Nicola Indian Band Council hereby prohibits RV's to be utilized as dwellings, residences, or cabins on LNIB Lands including CP Lands and Custom Family Lands unless they receive prior written authorization by the Lands Manager" (the "RV Prohibition Order");*

I. James Purdie never sought or received prior written authorization from the Lands Manager to reside on Lot 326, Nicola Mameet Indian Reserve No. 1 in his travel trailer or motorhome;

J. On July 4, 2023, Council passed a band council resolution stating that Council is of the view that James Purdie does not fall within the scope of persons who have a Residence Right under section 24.1 of the Land Code and hence he is guilty of an offence under section 24.4 of the Land Code and, in the alternative, if James Purdie does have a Residence Right by virtue of his being an "invitee" of a member interest holder, then Council is of the view that it is in the best interest of the Lower Nicola Indian Band to revoke that Residence Right and Council resolved to revoke any residence right that James Purdie may have pursuant to section 24.1 of the Land Code (the "Revocation Resolution");

K. On July 27, 2023, Lower Nicola Indian Band staff attempted to served James Purdie with notice of the Revocation Resolution however, James Purdie vacated the Lands sometime before July 27, 2023;

L. Council is still of the view that James Purdie does not have a Residence Right under Land Code or, in the alternative, if James Purdie has a Residence Right by virtue of being invited to reside on or access the Lands under section 24.1, then Council has removed any such right by way of the Revocation Resolution;

M. Council is of the opinion that James Purdie's past and present behavior and activities on the Lands pose a threat to Lower Nicola Indian Band community and land and is of the view that it is in the best interest of the Lower Nicola Indian Band to issue a Prohibition Order to remove any remaining right James Purdie may have on the Lands, for greater certainty;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. James Purdie does not have a Residence Right on Lower Nicola Indian Band land;
2. James Purdie's past and present behavior and activities on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands pose a threat to Lower Nicola Indian Band community and land;
3. If James Purdie has any Residence Right by virtue of being invited to reside on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands pursuant to section 24.1 of Land Code, that Residence Right is hereby immediately revoked for a period of three years on all Lower Nicola Indian Band Land in accordance with section 7.1 of the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law (the "Prohibition Order");
4. Notice of the Prohibition Order will be provided to James Purdie as soon as practicable, in accordance with the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law;
5. James Purdie and any person who may have invited James Purdie to reside on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands will have a right to seek a review of the Prohibition Order under section 8 of the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law; and
6. If James Purdie continues to reside on any Lower Nicola Indian Band lands in contravention of the RV Prohibition Order, the Revocation Resolution, and the Prohibition Order, James Purdie will commit an offence under section 24.4 of the Land Code and section 9.2 of the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law and may be prosecuted by Lower Nicola Indian Band.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-05 Reads:

That the Chief and Council NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED appoints Director of Lands and Housing as Administrator to administer matters set out under the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-06 Reads:

That the Chief and Council NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief and Council approves the allotment of Lot 239 Nicola Mameet Indian Reserve No. 1 with Survey Plan No. 2391 RSBC BC and civic address of 2877 Humming Bird Road, Lower Nicola, BC to Stephen David Dick:

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-07 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief & Council move to appoint Councilor Connie Joe to the Nicola 5 Technical Working Group for a term not exceed October 4, 2025.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-02-2024-08 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council herby

Whereas *the Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council awarded the Rocky Pines Bridge Replacement Project Design Build Services Request for Proposal (RFP Number 2022-02) to Ruskin Construction Ltd. motion # 06-28-2022-15;*

Whereas *Council approved a total budget amount of \$3,070,000.00 via motion #03-05-2024-12 that approved the addition of precast concrete decking.*

Whereas *three out of the four pier piles did not reach the desired capacity during restrrike, All North engineering required an additional forty feet of length on each failed pile at the pier, with an additional cost of ninety-nine thousand five hundred dollars and zero cents (\$99,500.00);*

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, *the Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council herby approves Change Order No. 2, that approves additional piling on the pier, in the amount of ninety nine thousand five hundred dollars and zero cents (\$99,500.00) and further approves a total budget to an amount, not to exceed three million one hundred and eighty two thousand three hundred dollars and zero cents (\$3,182,300.00) and further authorizes the Chief, Executive Director, and the Director of Finance, to sign all necessary documents including, but not limited to, approving all invoices and progress payments up to the amended contract limit of three million one hundred eighty two thousand three hundred dollars and zero cents (\$3,182,300.00).*

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-09 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to go IN Camera at 8:15 pm. and the meeting be closed to the public to consider matters of that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests if they were held in public.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-10 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to reconvene the regular meeting at 9:40 pm.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #04-30-2024-11 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adjourn the April 30, 2024 meeting at 9:41 pm.

Motion Carried:

Resolutions from Chief and Council May 7, 2024 meeting

Resolution #05-07-2024-01 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the May 7, 2024 Chief and Council special meeting agenda.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-02 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the April 30, 2024 Chief and Council meeting minutes as presented.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-03 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby:

1. Affirm our continued support for LNIB's continued participation in the Cultural Survival Area (CSA) committee the CSA project as a whole, including project goals outlined in the draft Terms of Reference dated June 23, 2023, and proposed management strategies outlined in the CSA Management Strategies Matrix;
2. Re-affirm Monica Charters as LNIB's designated committee representative and authorize Aidan Whiteley as LNIB's alternate representative; and
3. Further authorizes the Executive Director, for and on behalf of Council, to do all such acts and things as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this motion, or in connection with the performance by the Lower Nicola Indian Band of its obligations to this motion or the project Cultural Survival Area (CSA) project.

Motion Withdrawn

Resolution #05-07-2024-05 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby supports and authorizes the Executive Director to sign the Lower Nicola Indian Band Cheque Requisition ED10221 for Ausenco's invoice #2319187 in the amount of \$76,975.29.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-06 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band support the Letter of Comment and hereby:

1. Authorize K^wúk^wpi? Stuart Jackson to execute the Letter of Comment in the name and on behalf of LNIB; and
2. Authorize and direct the Executive Director to submit the Letter of Comment to the British Columbia Utilities Commission.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-07 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief & Council move to approve the Commercial Insurance annual coverage and payment of premiums effective April 1, 2024 in the amount of \$609,221, Acera Insurance Invoice 98073.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-09 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief & Council move to approval of the Multi Year Financial Plan for the year ended March 31, 2029 and the annual operating budget for the year ended March 31, 2025 as recommended by the Lower Nicola Indian Band Finance and Audit Committee on March 21, 2024 in the amount of \$37,551,082.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-10 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief & Council move to approve the Multi Year Capital Plan for the year ended March 31, 2029 and the annual capital budget for the year ended March 31, 2025 as recommended by the Lower Nicola Indian Band Finance and Audit Committee on March 21, 2024 in the amount of \$10,460,800

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-11 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief & Council move to accept the Terms of Reference for the Lower Nicola Indian Band Rental Housing Policy Review Committee ("Committee") as required under the Financial Governance Policy and Procedures, Section 5 – Committee Establishment and Dissolution, and further appoints Lesley Manuel as the Chair of the Committee, as well as appoints Jordana McIvor Grismer, Stephen Jimmie, Wenona Bearshirt, and Barry Torgerson to the Committee, as well as Lower Nicola Indian Band community members, Olivia Mills, Danielle McDougal and further approves a budget of up to \$2,500 for a legal review .

Motion CarriedResolution #05-07-2024-12 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band move to support the letter dated May 17, 2024, to the Honorable Diane LeBouthillier, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard and further authorize kʷúkʷipi? Stuart Jackson and Council to attach their signatures.

Motion CarriedResolution #04-23-2024-13 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band

WHEREAS *the Lower Nicola Indian Band operates under the authority of Chief and Council; and,*
WHEREAS *the Chief and Council considers it in the best interests of Lower Nicola Indian Band to approve the Indigenous Early Learning & Child Care Transformation Initiative Funding Master Funding Agreement (2024-2028) with BC Aboriginal Child Care Society, substantially in the form attached as "MASTER FUNDING AGREEMENT (2024-2028)"; now*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. *The Agreement is hereby approved;*
2. *The Council enter into, comply with, and perform the terms of the Agreement;*
3. *Council confirms that Lower Nicola Indian Band's Executive Director is authorized to serve as the Authorized Signatory under the Agreement, and is hereby authorized and directed to:*
 - a. *execute the Agreement, including any schedules, amendments, or supplements thereto, and on behalf of the Council, which will be in such form and will contain such terms and conditions as they alone may approve, their signature thereon being conclusive evidence of such approval;*
 - b. *appoint the Finance Signatory under the Agreement, who is authorized and directed to review, complete, and sign Finance Reports on behalf of Lower Nicola Indian Band; and*
 - c. *do such other acts and things and execute such further documents as may be contemplated in or may be necessary to carry out the intent of such agreements and these resolutions;*
4. *These resolutions shall be deemed to be effective as at the date first written above".*

Motion CarriedResolution #05-07-2024-14 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to move to go IN Camera at 8:04 pm. and the meeting be closed to the public to consider matters of that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests if they were held in public

Motion CarriedResolution #05-07-2024-15 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to reconvene the regular meeting at 9:17 pm.

Motion CarriedResolution #05-07-2024-16 Reads:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief and Council has considered the recommendation from the Lands Management Advisory Committee regarding concerns associated with the Lot 300, Nicola Mameet IR #1 buckshee lease between Wade Reese and Troy Moses, further accepted by the Certificate of Possession Holder Carla Moses, thus resulted in the clearing and grubbing of lands and excavation for the purpose of allegedly burning and burying vehicular and demolition waste materials and approves the initial investigation by authorizing:

1. the Lands Department to obtain proposals from environmental firms to complete a test pit investigation to determine if waste soil, significant anthropogenic debris, and/or wood waste is present at Lot 300, Nicola Mameet IR #1;
2. a budget for the test pit investigation up to \$30,000;
3. the Executive Director to approve and sign a contract with the preferred environmental firm for the test pit investigation; and
4. the Executive Director to, for and on behalf of Council, to do all such acts and things as may be

necessary or desirable to give effect to these resolutions, or in connection with the performance by LNIB of its obligations pursuant to these resolutions

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-17 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council hereby awards the Sunrise Expansion Project legal negotiations file to Miller Titerle, to provide support to the Lower Nicola Indian Band and its negotiations committee in an amount not to exceed ninety seven thousand, and zero cents (\$97,00.00) and further authorizes the Executive Director to approve the service agreement and invoices for payment

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-07-2024-18 Reads:

Whereas Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band have certain inherent rights and obligations including an obligation to determine and develop priorities and strategies to care for and protect the land and resources within the territory of the Nle?kepmx People for current and future generations to continue our way-of-life;

Whereas the inherent rights of the Nle?kepmx People (First Nations) were recognized and affirmed by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2007;

Whereas in addition to inherent rights, the Indigenous rights of the Nle?kepmx People in the Nle?kepmx Territory were recognized and affirmed by s.35 of the Constitutional Act, 1982;

Whereas Crown activities and decisions respecting and resource use in the Nle?kepmx Territory impact the Indigenous rights of the Nle?kepmx People and, in some cases, the Crown and Lower Nicola Indian Band have entered consultation process agreements to further reconciliation of Lower Nicola Indian Band sovereignty and Crown sovereignty; and

Whereas third party activities and decisions respecting tmix^w and resource use in the Nle?kepmx Territory will impact the Indigenous rights of the Nle?kepmx People and, in addition to Crown's duty to consult and accommodate, third parties must engage the Lower Nicola Indian Band to avoid, lessen, and mitigate impacts;

Therefore be it resolved Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band adopted this tmix^w and resource engagement policy with respect to third party's activities in the Nle?kepmx Territory as a systematic approach to address impacts to the Nle?kepmx People's Mode-of-life.

Motion Carried

Action Item #1: Executive Director will bring the schedules back to Chief and Council once it is finalized.

Resolution #05-07-2024-19 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adjourn the May 7, 2024 meeting at 7:04 pm.

Motion Carried

Resolutions from Chief and Council May 21, 2024 meeting

Resolution #05-21-2024-01 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the May 21, 2024 Chief and Council meeting agenda.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-21-2024-02 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adopt the May 7, 2024 Chief and Council meeting minutes as presented.

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-21-2024-03 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council moves to:

1. approve the request of Member Jaden Adrian Forrest Peterson to guarantee payment of his loan in the amount of \$462,586.75 from the Bank of Montreal and authorizes the signing of all documents required to make that loan guarantee; and
2. authorizes LNIB Chief, Executive Director and, Director of Finance to sign all necessary documents, including the following:
 - a. Lower Nicola Indian Band Security Agreement;
 - b. Bank of Montreal First Nation Guarantee for Indebtedness of an Individual;
 - c. Bank of Montreal First Nations Housing Loan Agreement;
 - d. Bank of Montreal Loan Service Authorization; and
 - e. Lower Nicola Indian Band Transfer of Interest Form.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-04 Reads:

That the Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to approve the funding application to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) as follows:

1. the Lower Nicola Indian Band is seeking funding approval from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) as part of the Housing Support Program for new home construction subsidy for (1) home, being built by an individual member for a total project cost of \$590,118.75;
2. the Lower Nicola Indian Band is requesting \$84,532.00 in ISC funding;
3. the Lower Nicola Indian Band confirms any cost overruns that exceed the approved ISC funding are the responsibility of the Band Member Jaden Adrian Forrest Peterson;
4. Lower Nicola Indian Band commits to complete the project by 30/09/2025, and
5. the Lower Nicola Indian Band certifies that all housing units constructed or renovated will be inspected by qualified inspectors who must confirm that all work meets or exceeds the BC Building Code standards and other applicable code standards. Inspections will be performed at all stages of the project pursuant to BC Building Code. The First Nation agrees that all inspections will be kept on file by the First Nation.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-05 Reads:

WHEREAS:

- A. The Lower Nicola Indian Band manages its lands, including the right to reside on its lands, pursuant to its inherent right of self-government, as well as pursuant to the Lower Nicola Indian Band Land Code passed pursuant to the Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management Act (S.C. 2022, c.19, s.121) (the "Land Code");
- B. The persons listed at section 24.1 of the Land Code, including "invitees" of member interest holders, have a default right to reside (a "Residence Right") on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands (the "Lands");
- C. Notwithstanding the default Residence Rights of such persons, section 24.1 of the Land Code further allows the Chief and Council (the "Council") to alter or revoke such rights by band council resolution;
- D. Section 24.4 of the Land Code provides that any person who resides or remains on the Lands without a Residence Right is guilty of an offence, and may be evicted, removed or made subject to other consequences;
- E. On April 2, 2024, the Council enacted the Lower Nicola Indian Band Trespass Law (the "Trespass Law") to set out additional trespass offences on the Lands and to set out a procedure for the Council to remove a specific Residence Right by way of a Prohibition Order made by band council resolution;
- F. Under section 7.1 of the Trespass Law, the Council may, by band council resolution, issue a Prohibition Order to revoke a person's Residence Right, if the person is invited to reside on the Lands under section 24.1 and the Council has reasonable grounds to believe that the person poses a serious threat or may cause serious harm to the Lower Nicola Indian Band community or land;
- G. James Purdie, who is not a member of Lower Nicola Indian Band, has resided initially in a travel

trailer on Lot 326, Nicola Mameet Indian Reserve No. 1 of the Lands approximately between January to July 2023, then in motorhome during October 2023, and most recently since at least April 6, 2024, in a motorhome, and possibly earlier;

H. On September 20, 2022, Council passed a band council resolution which reads: "The Lower Nicola Indian Band Council hereby prohibits RV's to be utilized as dwellings, residences, or cabins on LNIB Lands including CP Lands and Custom Family Lands unless they receive prior written authorization by the Lands Manager" (the "RV Prohibition Order");

I. James Purdie never sought or received prior written authorization from the Lands Manager to reside on Lot 326, Nicola Mameet Indian Reserve No. 1 in his travel trailer or motorhome;

J. On July 4, 2023, Council passed a band council resolution stating that Council is of the view that James Purdie does not fall within the scope of persons who have a Residence Right under section 24.1 of the Land Code and hence he is guilty of an offence under section 24.4 of the Land Code and, in the alternative, if James Purdie does have a Residence Right by virtue of his being an "invitee" of a member interest holder, then Council is of the view that it is in the best interest of the Lower Nicola Indian Band to revoke that Residence Right and Council resolved to revoke any residence right that James Purdie may have pursuant to section 24.1 of the Land Code (the "Revocation Resolution");

K. On July 27, 2023, Lower Nicola Indian Band staff attempted to served James Purdie with notice of the Revocation Resolution however, James Purdie vacated the Lands sometime before July 27, 2023;

L. Council is still of the view that James Purdie does not have a Residence Right under Land Code or, in the alternative, if James Purdie has a Residence Right by virtue of being invited to reside on or access the Lands under section 24.1, then Council has removed any such right by way of the Revocation Resolution;

M. Council is of the opinion that James Purdie's past and present behavior and activities on the Lands pose a threat to the Lower Nicola Indian Band community and land and is of the view that it is in the best interest of the Lower Nicola Indian Band to issue a Prohibition Order to remove any remaining right James Purdie may have on the Lands, for greater certainty;

N. On April 30, 2024, the Council issued the Prohibition Order with Resolution #04-30-2024-04;

O. James Purdie was delivered notice of the Prohibition Order for residence on LNIB Land on May 2, 2024, both in-person and by email;

P. The deadline for James Purdie to apply for a review of the Prohibition Order pursuant to section 8.1 of the Trespass Law expired on May 14th, 2024, and no application was received; and

Q. The Council wishes to make a final determination regarding the Prohibition Order pursuant to section 8.3 of the Trespass Law, despite not receiving an application for the review of the Prohibition Order or written submission from James Purdie.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Chief and Council has reconsidered the Prohibition Order at this duly convened meeting and now affirms the Prohibition Order and confirms that:

1. James Purdie's past and present behavior and activities on Lower Nicola Indian Band lands pose a threat to Lower Nicola Indian Band community and land;
2. James Purdie is guilty of an offence under section 24.4 of the Land Code and section 9.2 of the Trespass Law;
3. the Lower Nicola Indian Band will take steps to prosecute such offence; and
4. notice of the Prohibition Order will be provided to James Purdie as soon as practicable, in accordance with the Trespass Law.

Motion Carried:

Action Item #1: Executive Director will assess Lot #326 and take steps to clean it up.

Resolution #05-21-2024-06 Reads:

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Chief and Council hereby appoints Lara Coutlee to the Lands Management Advisory Committee with a term commencing at midnight on May 21, 2024, and ending at midnight on September 6, 2025.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-07 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby:

1. Supports the Indigenous Community Representative Work Agreement Number 145004723 effective May 6, 2024, with Jacobs for up to a maximum of \$75,000.00.
2. Authorizes the Executive Director to sign the Indigenous Community Representative Work Agreement Number 145004723; and
3. Authorizes the Executive Director to sign the Procurement & Project Specific Supplier Health Safety and Environment Prequalification and Selection, Pre-Qualification Form # IB-HS-WI-0510-IB-F-05 Rev 0 and all other revisions.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-08 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby:

1. Supports the 2021 November Storm Events – Highway 1 Reinstatement Program – Monitoring Agreement 251FL0505 with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) dated May 15, 2024, for a maximum of \$150,000; and
2. Authorizes the Executive Director to sign the 2021 November Storm Events – Highway 1 Reinstatement Program – Monitoring Agreement 251FL0505 with MoTI.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-09 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby accepts and approves the publication of the LNIB Tmixw Effects Assessment First Version - an independent Indigenous-led Assessment under section 19(4) of the Environmental Assessment Act 2018 - which will inform LNIB's decision with respect to providing consent to the Highland Valley Copper Mine Life Extension Project (HVC MLE) under the Act. The Tmixw Assessment will also inform the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) Report on the effects of the Project including on LNIB's Rights, Title and interests, and the development of conditions the Project will need to meet if it is authorized. The Tmixw Assessment (file name LNIB_Tmixw_Assessment_First_Version.pdf), dated May 16, 2024, is accepted for publication on BC's EAO EPIC website.

Motion Carried:

Action Item #2: Executive Director will include Naik and Stuwix in version 2 of this report.

Resolution #05-21-2024-10 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band hereby:

1. Supports the Lower Nicola Indian Band's participation in the Project Steering Committee for the Coldwater River Flood Mitigation – Pine Street Area Project ("S.T.U.W.I.(X)" Project);
2. Nominates Doreen Sterling and Jamie Swakum-Antoine to be Lower Nicola Indian Band's representative on the Project Steering Committee;
3. Further authorizes the Executive Director, for and on behalf of Council, to do all such acts and things as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this motion, or in connection with the performance by the Lower Nicola Indian Band of its obligations to this motion or the project titled "Project Steering Committee for the Coldwater River Flood Mitigation – Pine Street Area Project.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-11 Reads:

The Chief and Council of the Lower Nicola Indian Band move to approve Councilor Robin Humphrey's travel to Vancouver, British Columbia to attend Indigenous Partnerships Success Showcase from June 4-6, 2024 as Lower Nicola Indian Band Political Representative in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-12 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to move to go IN Camera at 8:17 pm. and the meeting be closed to the public to consider matters of that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests if they were held in public

Motion Carried

Resolution #05-21-2024-13 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to reconvene the regular meeting at 9:15 pm.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-14 Reads:

Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council direct the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to review and update the LNIB Development Corporation's articles and related corporate documents to ensure they meet the needs of the LNIB and its members.

Motion Carried:

Resolution #05-21-2024-15 Reads:

The Lower Nicola Indian Band Chief and Council move to adjourn the May 21, 2024 meeting at 9:16 pm.

Motion Carried:

Band General meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2024.

Current and Future Job Openings at LNIB

(For all jobs and full job descriptions go to <https://secure.collage.co/jobs/lNib>)

Council Clerk

Wage: 25 per hour

Reporting to the Executive Director, the Council Clerk is the primary contact regarding LNIB Council business and governance. It manages Council and Committee meetings, quasi-judicial boards, manages corporate information governance, including information management and oversight of information access and privacy services.

Performing duties as the Council Meeting Coordinator, this position is instrumental in ensuring the smooth functioning, legislative compliance and sound governance of Council and Council Committees. This position exercises a high degree of judgement and discretion by working with confidential, urgent, and sensitive items related to governance and decision-making processes.

Carpenter

Wage: \$30 to \$45 per hour based on education and experience: Red Seal certification preferred

The successful candidate will coordinate and complete repairs and maintained on over 200 Band housing units. The candidate will perform skilled carpentry work at the journeyman level in construction, repair and maintenance of structural elements, fittings, roofs, stairs, fences, etc.

Teacher Grades K-7 (starting next September)

Hours: 35 hours per week

Start Date: Sep 2024

Term: Permanent full-time position based on approved Budgets and funding.

Wage: Equivalent to SD 58

Summary:

We are seeking a passionate Grade school Teacher for the Lower Nicola Band School beginning August 28th, 2023.

We are an independent school where First Nations culture and language are a big part of our school community as our way of life truly embraces social-emotional learning and diversity, equity and inclusion. The successful candidate will demonstrate empathy, creativity, strong communication skills and the ability to build a caring rapport with

students and colleagues. Our goal is to honour our culture while educating kind inquiring global citizens who can become leaders in helping to create a balanced and harmonious and sustainable world. We do this with integrity and in the spirit of deep respect, curiosity and joy in a safe and enriching setting that supports students in their pursuit of academic success, personal growth, and social responsibility.

Early Child Educator

Department: Lower Nicola Indian Band School

Wage: \$21-\$24 hour depending on experience and education

Summary of responsibilities

Provide service to children ages 0 to 4 years and parents, including K3, K4, Parent/Tot Drop in services. Follows policies and procedures as outlined by the Ministry in accordance with licensing policies and LNIB policies. Ensure guidance of children that encourages positive self-esteem

Facilitate a respectful conflict resolution process when dealing with difficult staff and parent/guardian issues. Implement a problem solving approach with practical solutions when faced with difficult

situations

Part time Drivers

Department: Health Centre

Wage: \$21-\$24 depending on experience

Summary

The on-call driver MUST HAVE a BCDL Class 4 or better. The driver works as needed (on-call) to transport small groups to various events in the Elders program, Recreation program and other related member transportation needs.

Youth Outreach Worker

Department: Human Services

Hours: 35 hours per week

Start Date: ASAP

Wage: Based on Education and Experience, \$30- \$40 per hour

Summary of responsibilities

As part of the LNIB Community Outreach Team, the Youth Worker provide professional and compassionate support to youth and their families within the wider community. The responsibilities of this position are wide ranging and include provision of social engagement and mentorship, transportation for meetings and appointments, assessment of physical and mental wellbeing so as to facilitate appropriate action and offering limited but regular on-call support. In this dynamic setting, strong communication, independent decision making, and adaptability are the skills required to successfully meet the needs of the individuals we serve. Also provide Social Development back up.

We are also accepting applications for the following positions that are Pending Final Approval, Qualified applicants will be notified when and if hiring commences.

Natural Resource Coordinator

Hours: 35 hours per week

Wage: up to \$40/hr depending on experience

Reports to: Director of Economic Development

Summary of Organizational Responsibilities:

The Natural Resource Coordinator works broadly in the coordination of forestry, terrestrial and aquatic projects that relate to restoration, natural resources research, policy analyses, and development. The Natural Resource Coordinator will support multiple special projects by leading technical analysis and options development, process facilitation, and stakeholder engagement.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Post-secondary degree in biology, geography, natural resource management, forestry, environmental studies, anthropology, or a related discipline along with at least 2 years of experience.

Policy Analyst

Department: Economic Development

Hours: 35 Hours per week

Wage: up to \$40/hr depending on experience

Summary of responsibilities

The Policy Analyst will be responsible for assisting the Title and Rights Administrator in researching, analyzing, and developing policies related to the implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous

Peoples Act (DRIPA) within the context of the Lower Nicola Indian Band. This position requires a deep understanding of Indigenous rights, laws, and policies, along with a commitment to social justice, equity, and community well-being.

Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's or Master's degree in Indigenous Studies, Law, Public Policy , Natural Resource Management, or a related field.
- In-depth knowledge of Indigenous rights, UNDRIP principles, and relevant Canadian and provincial legislation.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analyst

Hours: 35 hours per week

Wage: up to \$30/hr depending on experience

Summary of Organizational Responsibilities:

The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analyst will design, develop, and increase GIS and mapping capacity for the Lower Nicola Indian Band. Duties will include creating geodatabases and map products for various departments, digitizing information, downloading data, following data backup policies, researching, working with technical staff, troubleshooting problems, and performing various administrative duties.

The GIS Analyst is responsible for the administration, maintenance, distribution, and end-user support of applications using spatial data relating to land and natural resources.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Technical Diploma, Certificate or Degree centered on GIS and Environmental Sciences;
- 1-3 years experience producing cartographic products, working with spatial data, and conducting spatial analyses and modelling;

Land Guardian

Department: Economic Development

Hours: 35 hours per week

Wage: up to \$35/hr dependent on experience

Summary of Organizational Responsibilities:

The Land Guardian will take an active role in land and resource stewardship throughout the Nlaka'pamux Environmental Management Program (NEMP), while exerting the Lower Nicola Indian Bands continued management across the Tmixw. They will be responsible for maintaining a presence throughout the Nlaka'pamux Traditional Territory; monitoring the impacts of resource use; reporting violations to policies, as well as provincial and federal regulations; accurately collecting data; and reporting on activities. Work supports all lands & natural resource programs including terrestrial and resource use planning, fisheries, referrals, and cultural heritage protection.

Minimum Qualifications

- Strong written and verbal communication skills;
- Recognizes and respects cultural diversity, have experience working with local

Indigenous

people and has knowledge of their Culture and Traditions;

- Physically fit, able to work long hours outdoors and in all weather conditions;
- Knowledge of traditional protocols for hunting, fishing, and gathering;
- Respect for Indigenous and Western knowledge systems;

Also looking for

SUMMER STUDENTS

There is still time to apply

Please send in a resume to HR@LNIB.net

For full job descriptions go to <https://secure.collage.co/jobs/lNib>, you may also apply by sending a resume to HR@LNIB.net

LANDS MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

UPCOMING MEETING

**THURSDAY
JUNE 13, 2024
4:30 PM**

Lands Management Advisory Committee (LMAC) meetings are open to all LNIB Members to attend virtually starting at 4:30 PM. Listen in to learn about Lands activities and developments. Check the Members Only portal for LMAC meeting links or contact Stephen, Lands Director, for more details.

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS ON WILDLIFE SAFETY

Please refrain from leaving hunting remains, animals' entrails or trimmings up Mamit Lake Branch Road or anywhere near the community / residential areas.

Animal remains attract predators, leaving remains from a hunting trip too close to the community habituates the predators to keep returning for more food. Predators such as coyotes, bears and wolves will keep returning where there is food available to them. Attracting additional predators into the community will create an unsafe environment for children, pets, and all members of the community. Please relocate hunting remains or animal innards outside of the community by leaving them far away from residences or known industry. An alternative to Mamit Lake Branch Road could be up highway 97C, past the industrial park.

THE LANDS TEAM

Talk with the Lands team about lands activities and share your stories. Members can contact the Lands Department with questions about the LMAC, community meetings, and general land inquiries.

STEPHEN JIMMIE
DIRECTOR OF LANDS & HOUSING
stephen.jimmie@lnib.net

Contact Stephen with inquiries about Land Code, Land policies, law development, housing policies & housing development.

VACANT
LANDS MANAGER

MONICA PETTINGER
LANDS AGENT
monica.p@lnib.net

Contact Monica about land transfers, land administration, programs & services.

SAYGE FISHER
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
COORDINATOR
sayge.fisher@lnib.net

Contact Sayge for details about environmental management and protection.



LNIB SECURIGUARD SECURITY

(250) 215-5048

LNIB Members,

Our Securiguard is on duty 40 hours each week and responds to calls and messages while on shift.

The securiguard is here to assist as needed and monitor any issues reported by residents, such as noise, nuisances, illegal dumping, and general safety concerns.

If you or anyone else is in Immediate danger or emergency, please CALL 911 FIRST.

LANDS PORTAL

LNIBLANDS.NET

If you have any questions regarding land or would like to know about current projects, visit the lands portal online or contact the Lands Department.

Updates are posted regularly, and printed copies can be made for pick up at the land's office.

Call the Lands Department if you would like printed copies.

NOTICE ABOUT RECREATIONAL VEICHLES

The Lower Nicola Indian Band prohibits RV's to be utilized as long-term primary dwellings, residences, or cabins on LNIB Lands including CP Lands and Custom Family Lands unless they receive prior written authorization from the Lands Manager.

KRISTOPHER POR
LANDS RESEARCHER
kristopher.por@lnib.net

Contact Kristopher with questions about research, historic records, as well as wills and estates planning.

JUSTICE CISCO
LANDS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
justice.cisco@lnib.net

Contact Justice about land enquiries, requests from membership, external companies, and visitors.

ALEX BUKKOS
SURVEY COORDINATOR
alex.bukkos@lnib.net

Contact Alex for details about current and past Lands projects including surveys and mapping.

VACANT
SURVEY ASSISTANT

**PROJECT UPDATE:
SECURITY CAMERAS
AND GATES**

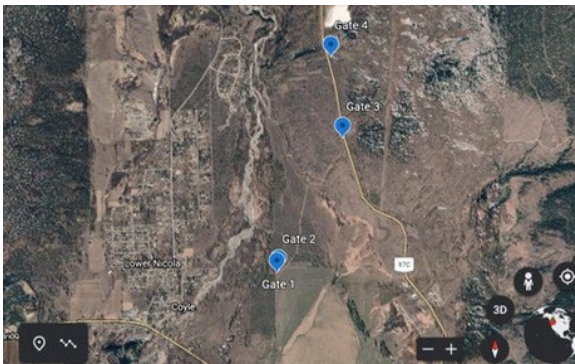
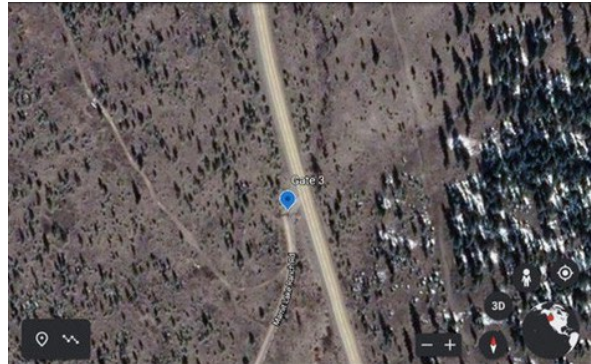
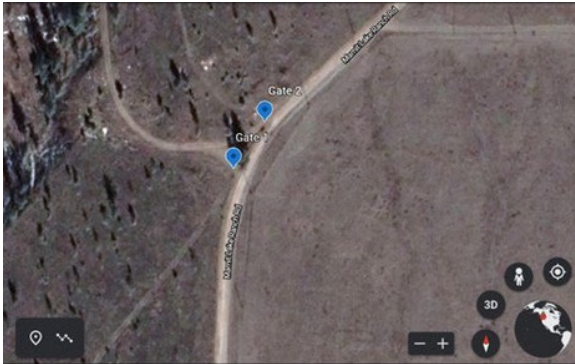
The lands department is responsible for the management and protection of all LNIB reserve lands. To prevent unlawful activity including dumping of hazardous materials and waste, as well as improper use of LNIB, four gates were installed across Nicola Mameet IR1 in September of 2021.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

After hours of hard work was done to clean up various environmentally contaminated areas on LNIB land, multiple gates were put in place to protect reserve lands.

CAMERAS

Security cameras were recently installed near important areas on reserve. Cameras are intended for security purposes only and will not interfere with the privacy of neighboring homes, businesses, and communities. The use of trail cameras is the best strategy for sites where it would not be appropriate to restrict access by installing gates.



MEMBERS' ACCESS TO RESERVE LANDS WILL NOT BE RESTRICTED BY GATES THOUGH SOME AREAS MAY REQUIRE GATE CODES.

ALL GATES ARE NOW CLOSED AND LOCKED AS OF OCTOBER 26, 2023

CALL 250-280-7270 FOR ACCESS OUTSIDE OF REGULAR OFFICE HOURS OR CONTACT LNIB SECURITY AT (250) 215-5048

BUYER'S NOTICE BOARD

If you are interested in purchasing land or property from a landowner, Contact the Lands Department to have your contact information listed here in the monthly LNIB Newsletter.

Hello, my name is Jennie Blankenship, I am looking to purchase enough property for two homes and a hobby farm at Zoght, Sunshine Valley or Nicola Mameet (HWY 97C). If you can property for sale, Contact me, Jennie, Jamie, Robbyn Blankenship.

CONTACT | 604-928-2985 | scwexmx@gmail.com

Hello, my name is Mindy Garcia, I am interested in purchasing land to build a home, summer home and a sweat lodge on or land with a home even if it's a fixer upper, I am interested. If you or someone you know may be interested in selling, please let me know. Thank you.

CONTACT | 250-280-5684.

Hello, my name is Lorne Dunn, I am interested in purchasing around an acre parcel of land at Nicola Mameet IR1 to place a home.

CONTACT | 250-315-7501 | lorne.dunn@yahoo.com

SELLER'S NOTICE BOARD

If you are interested in selling land or property as a landowner, contact the Lands Department to have your information listed here in the monthly LNIB newsletter.

LNIB Members and Non-Band Members – Potential Business Hwy Frontage Available Located on Hwy 8.

Please call Donelda Haller at 250-315-5315 for more information.

**Potential CP Residential Lots FOR SALE
Please call Donelda Haller at 250-315-5315**



SURVEY CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Are you an LNIB member interested in learning more about Land Surveying? If you're interested, please Email or Call Justice Cisco at Justice.cisco@lnib.net or 250-378-5157. One individual that completes the survey training sessions may be considered for the Survey Assistant employment opportunity with the Lands Department.

Background and Goals:

Indigenous communities are reasserting their inherent right to govern their lands and resources under the Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management, as communities strive for effective land management, they often seek to enhance their knowledge and skills in various land management activities. A robust land survey system is crucial for this purpose, prompting communities to deepen their understanding of survey-related tools, records, and activities as they implement their land governance systems.

In alignment with the Surveyor General Branch's commitment to reconciliation, the Survey Capacity Development Program has been established with three primary goals:

1. Foster Collaboration and Relationship Building:

- Facilitate knowledge-sharing sessions, including discussions on traditional land use and occupation, and the potential impacts of surveys on these practices.
- Raise awareness of the role of Canada Lands Surveyors, educational requirements, and career opportunities.
- Explore land surveying fundamentals, techniques, and methodologies, emphasizing health and safety considerations.
- Identify collaborative opportunities within community departments impacted by land survey activities.
- Examine the survey process, roles, responsibilities, and involved parties.

2. Provide Tailored Training Opportunities:

- Offer flexibility to communities in selecting training topics from a catalogue of courses.
- Provide in-community training options with customizable timelines.
- Allow communities to select program participants based on their specific needs.

3. Increase Understanding of the Canada Lands Surveys System:

- Enhance skills in researching and interpreting land records and survey plans.
- Explore the interrelation between the survey system and registry systems.
- Identify survey plans and land descriptions suitable for registration in the land registry to support transactions.

Through these goals the Survey Development Program aims to support the Lower Nicola Indian Band in its journey towards effective land management, while fostering collaboration, enhancing skills, and increasing knowledge of survey-related processes and systems.

LNIB HOUSING

The Housing department is responsible for managing the housing program, including property management functions, planning and construction of new houses, maintenance and upkeep of the housing stock, the relationship with Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation, First Nation Market Housing Fund, and Indigenous Service Canada (ISC)



REMINDER TO ALL TENANTS

We kindly request that residents take responsibility for the conduct of their guests in both the unit and community. This responsibility includes being mindful of noise levels, driving with care, and ensuring that all activities are lawful and respectful of others.

Any failure to meet these expectations may be viewed as a violation of the rental agreement, potentially leading to the issuance of breach notice or eviction. Your understanding and cooperation in upholding these standards are appreciated.

If you wish to report any disturbances or illegal activity, please contact our security service (250) 215-5048, or the RCMP.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at (250) 378-5157.

THE HOUSING TEAM

JORDANA McIVOR-GRISMER
HOUSING ADMINISTRATOR

jordana.mcg@lnib.net

Contact Jordana about the First Nations Market Housing Program, external renovation and building funding options, needs and requirements.

ASHLEY DEGRAY
TENANT RELATIONS COORDINATOR

ashley.degray@lnib.net

Contact Ashley for details regarding rent collection, housing maintenance, LNIB Rental Housing policy and general housing questions.

SARA FRAZIER-SHUTER
HOUSING ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

sara.fraziershuter@lnib.net

MEL BLANKINSHIP
HOUSING MAINTENANCE

JON MOORE
HOUSING MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT

VACANT
HOUSING MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT

Housing

Announcement



Septic System Maintenance

Your septic system is a living ecosystem, and you need to do your part to ensure it is healthy and working as it should.

Never put anything down the drain or toilet that will not biodegrade, including but not limited to, wipes (Lysol, baby, etc.), clothes, bottles, feminism products, paper towel, plastic, etc.

Don't use chemicals like bleach as it kills the good bacteria that breakdown the solid waste.

Space out your water consumption so the tank and drain field are not overwhelmed. By this we mean don't do excessive loads of laundry in a day, have extended showers, leave your tap running unnecessarily, etc.

The drain field (or leach field) is the area on your property where wastewater from your septic system is dispersed into the soil. To avoid damaging the drain field and overall functioning of the septic system; - Never park a vehicle, build a structure, have large livestock animals, have fires, or plant trees or a garden over your septic system's drain field - You should also prevent excess water from flowing over your drain field by making sure your downspouts are pointing away from it because a saturated field cannot drain and process wastewater.

These are some of the simple steps that can save time and money and extend the life of your septic system.

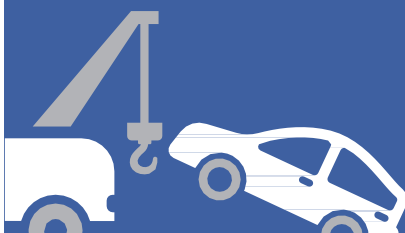
VEHICLE REMOVAL

We are excited to be partnered with Kamloops Auto Recycling and Mario's Towing for scrap vehicle removal in all our LNIB communities. Keeping our communities clean of old vehicles assists with potential environmental concerns that could arise from batteries, tires, old paint decaying and releasing hazardous substances into the environment.

Things like coolant, old oil and other liquids can leak over time, seep into the ground, and contaminate the ground water. We would love to get these old vehicles cleaned up to keep our community healthy for generations to come!

If you have multiple vehicles, you would like to be picked up you can call Kamloops Auto Recycling 250-574-4679.

If you have single vehicles, you would like to be picked up you can call Mario's Towing 250-378-9241.



VACANT UNIT UPDATES

We currently have three vacant units. We are just wrapping up some much-needed renovations, decisions are being made about the next steps for one of these units for when this work is complete. We have been working on some much-needed updates and some structural changes to the other two permanent rentals. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we get this unit ready for the next family that will call it home.



Please understand you're responsible for your animals. You're responsible for any offsprings, any damage to a person, other animals or property that they may have caused. Also keep in mind that pets are to be kept within the confinements of your rental property with the exception of the multi-plex buildings including the 4 plex and new apartment buildings, which are not permitted to have any animals in the units.

As a reminder your pets should be up to date with their vaccinations, should be spayed or neutered. LINB Infrastructure can assist with the cost, up to \$150, only one procedure per year per status number. Make an appointment, pay upfront then submit your receipt and fill out 'Reimbursement Request form'; for more information, please contact Infrastructure Department.

We want to provide a safe environment for our members as well as their animals.



We would like to put out a heartfelt thank you to all of the Staff over the years that dedicated themselves to the Shulus Community Gardens.



From everyone at LNIB Staff, Membership, and Community Members

LNIB EDUCATION SECTOR

LNIB School/K-12/PSE/Head-Start/Career-Development

Shane's Submission

Well...by the time you are reading this message it is less than a month before summer months are here...K-12 students will soon be on break; most PSE Students are currently halfway through their summer employment, and for those who choose to take on education programs/courses during the summer months I'm sure they will be having fun in their own ways too! No matter what our members take part in over the next couple of months I hope you make the best of it with both your family and friends :-)

There are many things taking place over the next few months...things I want to share are on this/next page:

- If you have not already heard from word of mouth LNIB Education is moving from their current Highway-5 location from across the LNIB Firehall to our new location beside LNIB Administration on Nawishaskin Lane. We are excited to share this news as we can now offer more training and short-course opportunities for our members as we now have more supports/resources accessible under one roof. Once the team settles in to the new space we will look into giving our building an appropriate name to reflect both Education and Training...the team looks forward to engaging with members at this new location soon!
- If anyone is interested in joining me in a weekly online engagement session via zoom please send me your email address and I will be sure to include you in the weekly invitation...I may have a topic or two to share during these sessions; however it is really an opportunity created for you to ask me questions on anything you wish to be informed on that is related to our sector (Head-Start ages 0-6, Post-Secondary, Public Schools K-12, and our own LNIB School). Again, please send me your email address and I will provide you weekly Zoom Invitations...times and days will vary to provide all members with the opportunity to engage with their Director of Education throughout the year. Shane.Coutlee@lnib.net

Sector Leadership

Director of Education
Shane Coutlee

LNIB School Principal
Leroy Slanzi

Culture/Language
Admin Angie Sterling

Education Manager
Sharon Parsons

Head-Start Manager
Tamika Bob



Lower Nicola Indian Band

June 2024



SEEKING ELDERS FOR LNIB SCHOOL AND HEAD-START

As was shared in last month's newsletter I will be creating a new program at the school that will involve Elders who are LNIB Members; however, before any formal planning takes place I need to meet with Elders to share ideas and answer any questions. The reason for this submission is to let membership know I will be making arrangements to meet with LNIB Elders sometime before the summer....a poster has been created identifying a few items for discussion and the date/time/location. Anyone seeking more information please contact me directly via phone/text 236-575-2135 or Shane.Coutlee@lnib.net

SEEKING BAND MEMBER CONTACTS...ALL YOUTH!

ATTENTION...please reach out to all your family living outside the Nicola Valley...sons, daughters, grandchildren, nephews, neices, and friends too who may know the whereabouts of LNIB Youth. We have numerous services, supports, and even funds to help our youth who live off-reserve...as long as you're a LNIB Member you will have access to the same supports LNIB Education provides to our members



in Merritt on-reserve. To be sure you're on our current contact list please reach out at your earliest opportunity to ensure you are receiving all the resources/funds/supports no matter where you live (both on and off reserve)...call/text 236-575-2135 or email at Shane.Coutlee@lnib.net

LNIB EDUCATION AT ROCKY PINES EVERY WEEK



As many of you already know I have made changes to my schedule where I have been working at Rocky Pines Centre on a weekly basis. Bridget and I are also working together on a few initiatives intended to increase traffic to the building with additional plans to increase events/gatherings at Rocky Pines...it has been great to see more people each week and both Bridget and I look forward to serving more members here in the future.

LNIB Education 2024-2025



LNIB GRAD RECOGNITION DAY

Congratulations LNIB Graduates of 2024!
LNIB EDUCATION HAS A GIFT FOR YOU

JULY 4TH 2024 | BETWEEN 9:30AM-3:00PM
LNIB EDUCATION OFFICE – 185 NAWISHASKIN LANE

**We will be contacting each graduate to schedule a time
to pick up your gift.**

For more information, please call

Sharon Parsons: 236-575-2105

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SUMMER CAMPS 2024

The LNIB Education Department is providing a onetime Summer Camp reimbursement for LNIB Band Members attending school from K-12!

Your child can attend one of many camps in BC such as Eagle Bay, Gardom Lake, Sunnybrae, Tulahead, OAC, and many more!

Deadline for Reimbursements is **May 31st, 2024.**

Please Note that only the **first 100 members** that provide proof of registration will be reimbursed.

(Proof of payment must be provided before receiving reimbursement)

Each member is eligible to receive up to a maximum reimbursement of **\$500 for one camp** that is scheduled between **July & August only!**

For More Information, Please Contact the LNIB Education Department

Phone: 236-575-2100

Email: reception.education@lnib.net

Post Secondary Scholarship & Bursary Opportunities

- <https://chiefjoemathias.ca/>
- <https://indspire.ca/programs/students/bursaries-scholarships/>
- <https://newrelationshiptrust.ca/apply-for-funding/student-funding/student-scholarship-and-bursaries/>
- <https://bcaafc.com/education/first-citizen-funds/>
- <https://www.workbc.ca/find-loans-and-grants/students-and-adult-learners/scholarships-bursaries-and-loans>
- [ATCO.com/https://www.atco.com/en-ca/our-commitment/partnerships-indigenous-peoples/indigenous-education-programs.html](https://www.atco.com/en-ca/our-commitment/partnerships-indigenous-peoples/indigenous-education-programs.html)
- Indigenous Bursaries Search Tool - <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1351185180120/1351685455328>

**Please contact LNIB Education Department
for assistance with the application:
phone: 250 378 5157
or email**

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LNIB EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT

SHARON PARSONS
EDUCATION PROGRAMS MANAGER



sharon.parsons@lnib.net



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OR

(236) 575 – 2105

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Hello LNIB,

It's graduation month.

If you are an LNIB member interested in entering or continuing a Post-Secondary Education, a Trades Program, or a Training Opportunity, contact the LNIB Education Department for more information on funding supports.

LNIB Education accepts funding applications all year, however, full funding support is based on the availability of funds. You can find a fillable PSE Funding Application on the website, lnib.net, under the Education tab, pick one up at the Education office, or call and arrange for a package to be emailed to you.

Applying to more than one school is encouraged. Submit your application fee receipts from the institution to get reimbursed.

NVIT will be coming into the community in September to deliver the Adult Graduation Diploma Program/College Readiness Program. If you would like to take courses that will result in the equivalency of a High School Graduation Diploma, contact the Education staff to sign up or to get more information.

Just a friendly reminder to LNIB membership that you are free to contact Education staff if you or your child could use help navigating a challenge. Education department staff may be able to find resources to suit your needs. Wishing you good health, and good fortune!

Until next time, Humelth

LNIB Education Department – Gail La Rochelle – PSE/Trades/Training Coordinator



Hello everyone! Wow, can you believe it is June already!

Have you already planted your garden, and cleaned your yard for all the outdoor fun summer activities?

June 16th is Father's Day. A day to do something special with your Dad or an important father figure in your life. Take your dad fishing or hiking, but most importantly spend quality time together.

June 21st is National Indigenous Peoples Day. A day full of fun activities and spending time with family and friends.

The K-7 and High School students are almost done for another year.

Congratulations, every student deserves a huge pat on the back for just finishing the year. Way to go everyone. 😊

There are 14 PSE students doing a full-time summer semester and 9 students doing part-time studies. To the 22 graduating PSE grads don't forget to send your final transcripts when all the grades are posted.

To all graduating grade 12 students near and far. If you have enrolled in a Post Secondary program, I hope you were able to take advantage of the entrance bursaries that are available at all Universities and Colleges. The Education Department is here to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding continuing with your education.

The deadline to submit your completed LNIB PSE Funding Application was May 31, 2024.

We will be contacting the PSE applicants within the first week in June to set a time to have a phone or in person interview regarding your application. This is to be sure you have everything you need, to answer any questions or concerns you may have and that you understand the funding process and your responsibilities.

Scholarships and Bursaries: Check the Deadlines

<https://indspire.ca/programs/students/bursaries-scholarships/> Applications open in May 2024

[Student Scholarship and Bursaries - New Relationship Trust](#) Opens May 17 & closes August 1

<https://www.atco.com/en-ca/our-commitment/indigenous-relations/education.html> Closes August 16

To all Membership in the Nicola Valley and away from the area, you can sign up for courses or programs throughout the year. If you find a program or course you are interested in taking, such as first aid, a post-secondary course, skills training for employment, or an online course, we are here to assist you with the process. We can also help create or update your resume. Contact our office to find out how we can support you.

Please call or email our office to ensure we have your current and up-to-date contact information.

Until next month, stay safe, and be good to one another.

Gail La Rochelle

Phone: 250-378-5157

Email: gail.larochelle@lnib.net

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ANGIE NIKKEL, EDUCATION ASSISTANT
HELLO, AND HAPPY JUNE TO EVERYONE



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Upcoming Events:

-Wednesday, June 5: Indigenous Grad

Thursday, June 20: Grad Ceremony/Walking Parade

Saturday, June 22: Prom and Vehicle Parade

Thursday, June 27: Last Day of Classes

It's June, and our kids are super excited that the end of the school year is so close! But don't forget to keep up with your child's learning over the summer break. Students can lose two to three months in reading skills every summer. There are affordable and free options for summer learning through schools, libraries, and non-profit organizations. Summer learning is not just important for young children, but for teenagers as well. There are many things you can do as a parent to help your child stay on track during summer vacation starting with researching learning opportunities in your community. A great free program to look into is the BC Summer Reading Club. This is a free literacy program designed to engage school aged children 5-14, with libraries and reading, throughout the summer. Check out the BCSRC website: <https://bcsrc.ca/> or contact our local library for more info.

If you have noticed that your child (or children) is struggling in one or more areas, a tutor is available for those of you with a student or students in need of one-on-one tutoring or would benefit with extra help with their schoolwork. Please reach out to myself at angie.nikkel@lnib.net (250-315-7927) or Sharon Parsons at sharon.parsons@lnib.net (250-378-5157) to fill out an application and get onto the schedule. We have computers available if needed.

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**LOWER NICOLA INDIAN BAND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

JUNE 2024

HELLO EVERYONE

Everyone is enjoying the sunshine outside, I hope!

Goodluck to the students going through finals shortly this month!

And the long-awaited summer break is going to start soon! I hope all of the students enjoy their much needed break this summer!

UP COMING TRAINING

There are a few on-going training courses that the Education Department is funding for LNIB members.

- o Pro Driver Training
- o Computer Training
- o Adult Grad upgrading courses.

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

Students in need of a technological equipment for school can apply at Indigenous Disability Canada for a laptop, mouse, or headphones.

Note that those without a disability are still eligible to apply

SCHOOL SUPPORTS

If you have children that are LNIB members and haven't applied for school start up and/or extracurricular activities, there are copies here at the education department or you can reach out to me via email, and I can send you a digital copy to fill out.

For more information, please contact the Education Department

June



MONTHLY NEWS!

We are quickly approaching the end of the school year and getting very busy with year end organizing and preparing for the up coming year. We will be spending a lot of our time outside enjoying the hot weather. Please send your child with a hat. I will provide sunscreen for your little. We will be doing our year end field trip at the end of the month. We are getting excited for grad and can't wait to share that day with your littles and their families. Grad invitations will be sent out the week before grad. Yay we did it!

Upcoming Events



JUNE 14th GRAD INVITATIONS SENT OUT

JUNE 18TH LAST DAY OF REGULAR CLASS

JUNE 20th GRAD DAY

JUNE 21st ABORIGINAL DAY NO SCHOOL

JUNE 24th FIELD TRIP

Like Us On Facebook
"Little Stars Head Start"



Grad will be held at the Rocky Pines Community Centre. We will be handing out certificates and having a celebratory BBQ lunch. Grad will be from 11-1. Please keep an eye out for our year end field trip permission slips. Your child will not be able to attend with out a permission slip. Thank you, Tamika

LOWER NICOLA BAND SCHOOL

MAY NEWSLETTER

Hi Everyone,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As we approach the end of the academic year, I wanted to take a moment to inform you about the upcoming busy period at our school. We have a lot of exciting events and important information to share, so please stay connected and engaged through our Facebook page and regularly check your child's backpack for any important messages.

We are super excited to announce that our first annual track meet will be held on May 28th. This event promises to be a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their athletic skills and sportsmanship. We really hope you mark the date on your calendars and join us in supporting our kids. We will be serving hot dogs and hamburgers for everyone at the meet. Your presence and support will undoubtedly make a huge difference for our kids.

As we approach the end of the school year, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support of us at the school. Your involvement, whether it's attending parent gatherings or elder's luncheons, or volunteering, plays a crucial role in creating a nurturing and thriving educational environment for our students.

Thank you for your help and for helping us get to the finish line in June, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Together, we can make these last few months of the year memorable.

Cheers,

Leroy



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Leroy Slanzi

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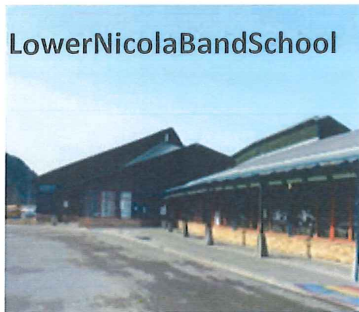
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Culture and Language Program

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Culture and Language Teachers:

James Shuter

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(250) 378-5527

Dear Community Members:

Henle! I can't believe May has already gone by so quickly! We only have one more month of school left. In May, we had a school community dinner and a Culture Day. It was so wonderful and good to see our community members out.

June 5 - The N'kwala Band School will be hosting the band school pow-wow this year and it is scheduled to take place at Glimpse Lake. Our whole school with the Head Start program will be attending, it starts at 9:00 am and we will be back to our school by 2:30 pm.

June 21 - We are closed on Aboriginal Day.

June 26 - The Kindergarten/Grade 7 Grad is at the Shulus Arbor.

June 27th - LNB School Awards Day is at our School Gym at 10:00 a.m. We will be giving out an Eliza Edwards Nte'kepmxcin Award and Robert W. Sterling Academic Excellence Award.

If you have any ideas about our Culture and Language Program, I would love to hear them. Please email me at this address: angie.sterling@lnib.net or call the school at 378-5527.

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Angie Sterling, Culture and Language Administrator

"The most important thing is to teach the children, so that our Culture never dies." "You've got to know your language to understand your culture."

Ms. Shipclark's Grade One and Two Class

 <p>Sending out love!</p>	<p>Learning about wild vegetables and medicinal plants.</p>  
<p>Taking swimming lessons.</p> 	<p>Building things for someone special.</p> 
<p>We raised chicks!</p>   	<p>We had fun in a soccer tournament.</p>  
 	<p>We raised some Painted Lady butterflies too!</p>   



Students spending time outdoors at Lundbom during Forest Week. All senses fully activated as they learned about invertebrates, biomes, ecosystems and humans interaction with the environment. Here is Skyla all prepared to plant fir and pine trees.



MEASURE TWICE – CUT ONCE! Mistakes were made so learning was happening. Thanks crew.

Grade 5/6 Highlights

We do enjoy all the different ways to learn. Here students continue to learn about science and math as they make up a batch of cinnamon buns. Lots of butter and brown sugar is the trick to making them really yummy.



Cultural teachings and finding ways to honor each other are forefront in our learning



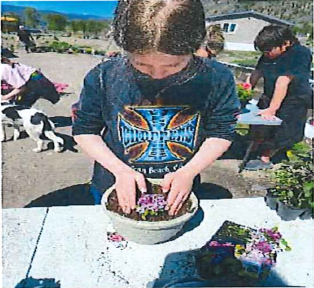
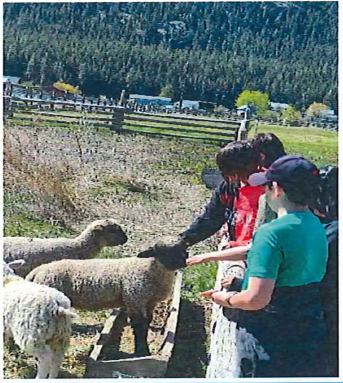
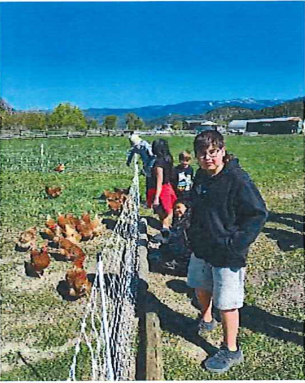
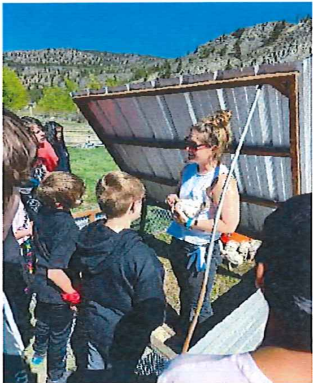
Wild Onions - Ready for the Soup Pot



M.M.I.W. AWARENESS WALK – Be Kind. No More!



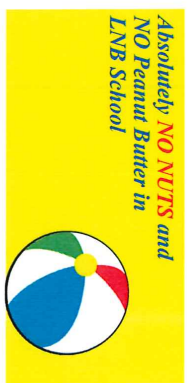
RESPECT. Standing Strong!



Grade 5/6 students out enjoying a day at Macvicar Family Farms. Learning about local ethically raised meat and produce. All students made baskets of flowers for Mother's Day.



JUNE 2024



Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri

 3 Tuna casserole	 4 Grilled cheese & chicken noodle soup	5 HEADSTART / SCHOOL POWWOW Glimpse lake 10-2PM	6 Pancakes & fruit	7 Pizza buns
10 French toast & fruit	11 Spaghetti/ sausage	12 Beef stroganoff	13 Chicken stir fry	14 Pizza casserole
17 Chicken alfredo	18 Taco salad GRAD WALK THROUGH @9:30	19 Hot dogs & fries First Annual Indigenous games	20 ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF GOING TO WATERSLIDES	21 NO SCHOOL ABORIGINAL DAY
24 Bologna sandwiches	25 Chicken casserole	26 Pizza Kindergarten & Gr 7 Grad	27 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL REPORT CARDS GO HOME RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY	28 LAST DAY FOR STAFF



This month's article from Economic Development will feature an LNIB member owned business that was started making waves in December 2023 at the LNIB Bear's Den.

SÓXʷM WOOD CREATIONS, created and owned by Lisa Moses and her partner Craig is a wood creations business that serves as a vendor at craft shows and a supplier, fulfilling custom orders, gifts, furniture for offices and living spaces, jewelry, awards with laser engraving and more! Each creation from SÓXʷM is meticulously designed and crafted with care and respect, thoughtfully curated to reflect the essence of the land's natural resources.

From December 2023 to the present day in June 2024, SÓXʷM Wood Creations has gained some significant traction in the local craft space and beyond. Lisa, a proud and innovative entrepreneur has been able to leverage her experience, her partner and her Nlaka'pamux heritage to create this wonderful brand and experience.

After the Bear's Den in December 2023, it was clear Lisa had something good that she wanted to bring to the wider marketplace. Lisa figured she would need some financing to fund some new equipment and costs associated with attending markets all over the Thompson Okanagan and through the Lower Mainland and beyond. To accomplish this, Lisa contacted LNIB's Economic Development Department to help her create a business plan, cashflow forecast, business registration and apply for financing.



(Craig and Lisa at their branding photoshoot)

Working with LNIB Economic Development

During the winter, SÓXʷM Wood Creation and LNIB Ec Dev worked together to complete the business plan, cash flow, register the business and shopped around for options for financing. At the end of the day, All Nations Trust Company and Community Futures of the Central Interior First Nations were approached regarding a grant/loan combination deal through the Indigenous Women's Entrepreneur Program. After shopping around for the potential deal to both entities, Lisa decided to work with Stephanie and her team at Community Futures.

The deal consisted of a grant and loan combination. There were two grants at play, the "Equity Matching Grant" from New Relationship Trust that was able to match the \$5,000 that Lisa has earned through sales to bring her initial equity in the business up to \$10,000. The other grant was the Indigenous Women's Entrepreneur Program. This program includes a loan and non-repayable portion (grant). To access the grant, you need to get a business loan that includes a grant attached to the loan. It is applied immediately and lowers the principal loan amount. This deal helped Lisa and her project provide flexible terms, grant funding, and allow her business to thrive and attend more markets/events, speed up her production speed and diversify her product offering.

Lisa's words about working with Economic Development

"I have been working with Adam Ova from the Economic Development Department at LNIB for seven months. It's been a very rewarding experience, it is really intimidating to start a business so having that additional mentorship and someone to hold me accountable to fulfilling all my legal business requirements was vital. In addition to the startup, Adam gave a lot of great advice and he himself is a business owner, he helped me work through a lot of questions I had and provided links and resources to consider in this process. He also helped me establish a business plan which is a minimal requirement when applying for grants. After finalizing the business plan, we went through a series of reviews and applications together and I was able to access a large grant to support my startup costs.

It is not easy, so mentorship is important. The LNIB Economic Development Department are as much a part of my success as I am, and I am glad they provided me with support.

Leesa Mike gave me a lot of positive encouragement and a little went a long way. It's hard to find the courage to start a business, but when your community believes in you, you feel a commitment to work through it.

Thank you, Economic Development Department, for your hard work and commitment. "

Lisa Moses
Owner, sóxʷm Wood Creations



(Lisa working on a signature cutting board)

Where to find SÓXʷM WOOD CREATIONS

If you would like to work with Lisa to create a wood working or jewelry piece of your desire, you can reach her at:

Website:

<http://www.soxwmwoodcreations.com/>

LNIB Shop

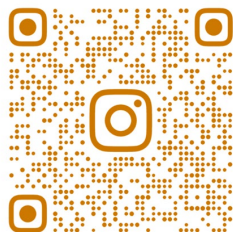
You can also find her listed in the #LNIBSHOP listing under SÓXʷM Wood Creations.

www.lnib.shop/vendors/lisa-moses

Find SÓXʷM WOOD CREATIONS, on their socials by QR code:

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/soxwm.woodcreations>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556771985176>



@SOXWM.WOODCREATIONS



LNIB is hosting the 2nd Elders Engagement Session at Tunkwa Lake Resort

LNIB is looking for any type of feedback from all community members

What is it?

This session will be the 2nd engagement about LNIB's Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas Initiative (IPCA). Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas are lands and waters where Indigenous governments have the primary role in protecting and conserving ecosystems through Indigenous laws, governance and knowledge systems.

Culture and language are the heart and soul of the IPCA. Help us develop an initiative! This will be an all day workshop, presentation and breakout groups on the land at the resort regarding the IPCA.

When and Where?

Starting Date: June 25, 2024

Location: Tunkwa Lake Resort

Time: 10:00 am

Need a ride?

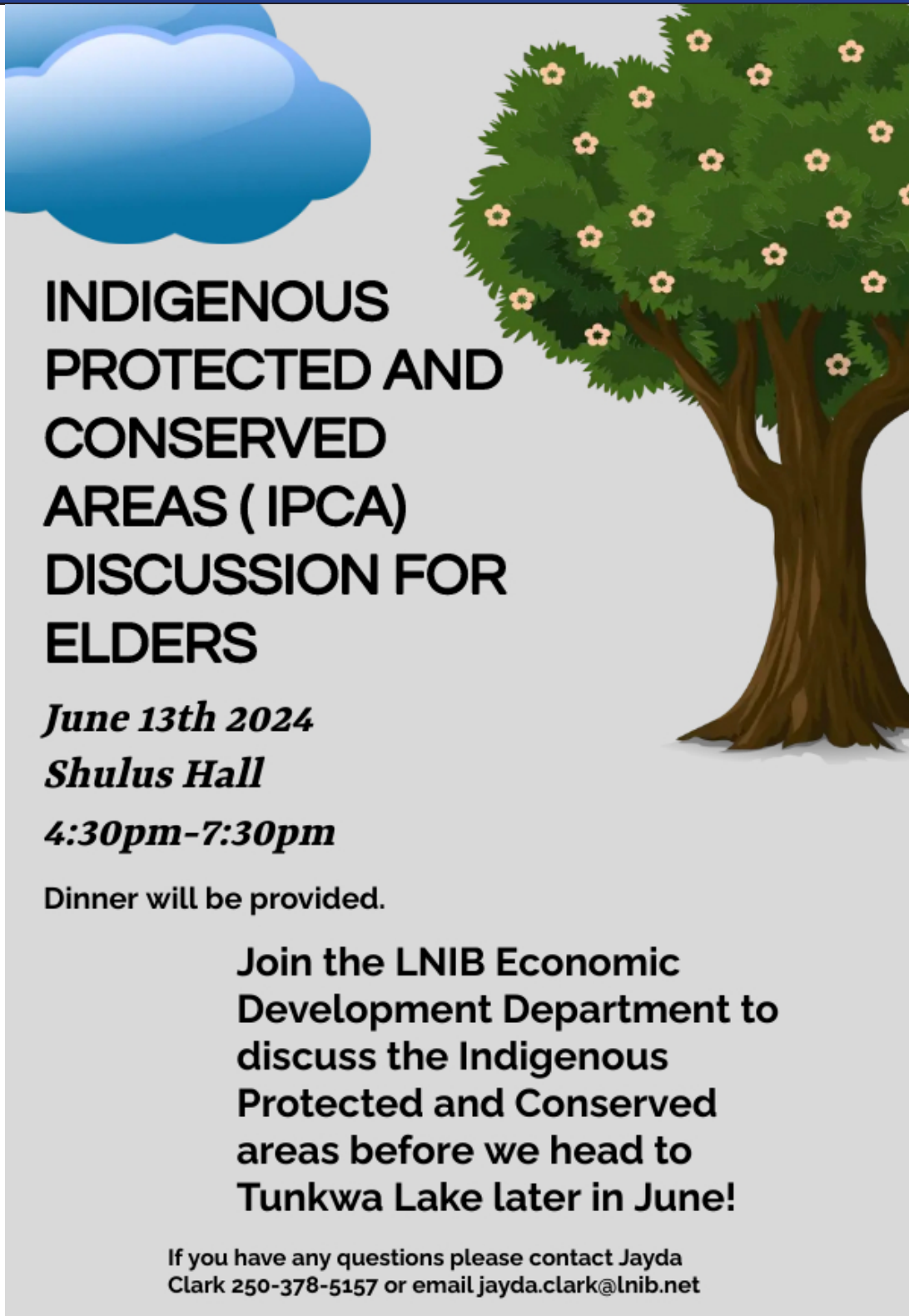
Pick up in Rocky Pines Community Centre - 8:30 am

Shulus at Main Office - 8:45 am

Cabins will be available if you would like to stay the night. Limited space please contact asap to secure a cabin

Lunch and dinner will be served and breakfast on June 26th

Any questions you can contact Jayda Clark at (250) 378-5157 or email jayda.clark@lnib.net



**INDIGENOUS
PROTECTED AND
CONSERVED
AREAS (IPCA)
DISCUSSION FOR
ELDERS**

June 13th 2024
Shulus Hall
4:30pm-7:30pm

Dinner will be provided.

**Join the LNIB Economic
Development Department to
discuss the Indigenous
Protected and Conserved
areas before we head to
Tunkwa Lake later in June!**

If you have any questions please contact Jayda
Clark 250-378-5157 or email jayda.clark@lnib.net

HIGHLAND SOLAR PROJECT AND ASPEN SOLAR PROJECT ENGAGEMENT

The Lower Nicola Indian Band (LNIB) and Recurrent Energy will be hosting a engagement on the Highland and Aspen Solar projects.



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LNIB and Recurrent Energy want to hear from you on these solar projects. Everyone is welcome to join us on learning about these projects, asking questions and being apart of it.

Dinner will be served at 5:30pm.

**Where?
Shulus Hall**

**When?
June 5th 2024
2:30pm-430pm
(Chief, Council & Staff)
5:30pm-7:30pm
(Leadership and Community)**

If you have any questions please contact Jayda Clark
250-378-5157 or email jayda.clark@lnib.net

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hente? LNIB members and community. While cooking for ourselves and our family can become so routine it's almost second nature, we must keep in mind there are still fire risks each and every time we use our stoves and/or ovens. Cooking related fires are the leading cause of home fires and/or injuries. These fires are preventable; stay focused, stay alert and remember these safety tips:

The kitchen is often the heart of the home, yet sadly cooking-related fires are a leading cause of home fires and injuries. These fires can be devastating and are preventable!

BEFORE YOU COOK

Keep it clear and clean. Kitchen fire safety starts with a clean kitchen. Regularly wipe cooking surfaces to prevent food and grease build-up. Keep things that burn, such as paper towels, potholders, dish towels, and plastics away from the stove and other hot cooking surfaces.

Maintain appliances. Keep cooking appliances in good working order. Check electrical cords and plugs and discard any that are damaged. Avoid overloading electrical outlets with too many appliances and be sure to unplug small appliances when not in use.

Have an early warning. Working smoke alarms save lives by providing an early warning of smoke and fire. Install working smoke alarms at least 10 feet from cooking appliances to minimize false alarms or use a smoke alarm designed to be near kitchens.

Have a fire extinguisher. Keep a fire extinguisher close by in case of a small fire. Know how and when to use it.

WHILE YOU COOK

Stay present and alert. Cooking requires your full attention. Check cooking food regularly and always stay in the kitchen when frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you must leave, turn off all cooking appliances.

Protect children and pets. Keep children and pets at least 3 feet from cooking areas. This safe zone will protect them from potential burn injuries caused by hot foods and liquids.

Prevent burns. Cooking-related scalds and burns can be severe and painful. Protect yourself and your

loved ones by turning pot handles away from the edge of the stove where they could be knocked over, keeping hot food and beverages away from counter edges, and removing lids from hot substances with care. Use oven mitts or potholders when touching anything that could be hot.

AFTER YOU COOK

Clean Up. Wipe up spills and splatters on the stove-top, in the oven, and microwave. Put things that can burn away from heat sources and always let grease cool before discarding it.

Look before you leave. When you finish cooking, turn off the oven, stove burners, and small appliances. Do a final check that everything is off before leaving home or going to bed.

EXTINGUISH SMALL FIRES

If you have any doubt about extinguishing the fire, get everyone out of the home, and call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number from outside.

Fire needs heat and oxygen to burn. To put out a small grease fire slide a lid over the pan to smother the flames, then turn off the element. Do not move the pot or remove the lid until it has cooled. For oven and microwave fires, close the appliance door and turn off the heat.

NEVER put water on a grease fire!

Fire extinguishers are only for small fires. Use an extinguisher if you know how and have a clear exit behind you in case the fire gets out of control. If in doubt, leave the home immediately and call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number.

fnss.bc.ca | fireservices@fnss.bc.ca | 604-669-7305



Indigenous Services Canada

Services aux Autochtones Canada

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Nikita Penney – Fire Department Administrative Assistant; on behalf of Fire Captain, Hayley Parsons and the rest of the Fire Department crew.

Father's

DAY LUNCHEON

June 14th, 2024

Shulus Hall

12:00 - 2:00 pm

**50/50, Raffle,
Loonie Auction Items**



Thank you LNIB Community Services

 <h2 style="margin: 0;">June 2024 LNIB</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Recreation After School Program Calendar</h3>						
Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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2	3 Swimming 2:30pm-4:45pm	4 Bowling 2:30pm-4:45pm	5 Hiking 2:30pm-4:45pm	6 River Visit 2:30pm-4:45pm	7 Hand Crafting Youth Center 2:30pm-4:45pm	8
9	10 Swimming 2:30pm-4:45pm	11 Free Program 2:30pm-4:45pm	12 Hiking 2:30pm-4:45pm	13 Skate Park 2:30pm-4:45pm	14 Hand Crafting Youth Center 2:30pm-4:45pm	15
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23	24 Swimming 2:30pm-4:45pm	25 Park Visit 2:30pm-4:45pm	26 Hiking 2:30pm-4:45pm	27 Skate Park 2:30pm-4:45pm	28 Hand Crafting Youth Center 2:30pm-4:45pm	29
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Notes Recreation After School Program Application Forms Are Available At LNIB Main Office, And The LNIB Health Center, LNIB School, And Nicola Canford School. For More Information Contact Jacint At jacint.mailath@lnib.net Or 250 280 4487. Programs Can Change Due To Weather.



**Elders 65 years of age or older
recieved a food security payment. If
this applies to you and you have not
yet recieved payment please reach
out to Bridget Labelle 250-378-5157**



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

TOYS, Game AND MORE!



**Sunday, June 9th
9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

LNIB Health Center
Membership and Community Members
Come set up a table
For More Info (250) 315-3661



June

2024

LNIB Culture Program - Joe Shuter



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Stein Hike

Any questions call Joe Shuter at (250) 315-7487

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Elders Events June 2024

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2	3 Spa Day Please Call to Register/Get Details	4	5 RP Centre Indian Bingo 2pm - 4pm (Feel free to bring a gift, but not required!)	6	7 Trip to Museum Please Call to Register/Get Details	8
9	10 RP Centre Potluck Dinner 4pm - 6pm	11 Cultural Harvesting All Day (Call for details)	12	13	14 Picnic at the Park Please Call to Register/Get Details	15
16	17 RP Centre Discussions & Sharing Stories 2pm - 3pm	18 RP Centre Beading 9am - 12pm	19	20 Soup Kitchen Elders Luncheon 12pm-2pm	21 (STAT/HOLIDAY) National Indigenous Peoples Day Office Closure	22
23	24 Swimming at the Pool 2pm - 3:30pm	25	26	27 Chilliwack Fruit Picking Please Call to Register/Get Details	28	29
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If you have any questions or require a ride, please call or text Courtney Hogue-Charters at **236-575-2083**
Posters for ALL my events are included after this calendar in the correct order. Hang them up on your fridge



**LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND**

LNIB Elders Spa Day

If you would like to join us for a spa day!
Please call Courtney at 236-575-2083
to sign up! Limited spots available so
don't wait to call!

MONDAY JUNE 3RD



 **LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND**

Elders INDIAN BINGO

BRINGING A GIFT IS WELCOMED BUT NOT
REQUIRED!

LOCATION: ROCKY PINES CENTRE

JUNE 5TH AT **2:00** PM

PLEASE CALL COURTNEY IF YOU HAVE
ANY QUESTIONS.
236-575-2083



**LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND**

LNIB ELDERS

TRIP TO MERRITT MUSEUM

JUNE 7, 2024

**PLEASE CALL COURTNEY TO
GET DETAILS AND TO RSVP**

236-575-2083

This is a rescheduled trip



LNIB ELDERS
Pottluck Dinner

BRING A DISH THAT YOU COOKED YOURSELF! BAKED GOODS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED!


THERE WILL BE TWO DOOR PRIZES!

This event is for the Elders in the LNIB Community!

4pm - 6pm

June 10th at the Rocky Pines Community Centre!

Get ready to eat!




LNIB ELDERS
CULTURAL HARVESTING

Join us for a day of cultural harvesting with Joe Shuter!

Lunch and snacks are provided, please bring your digging tools, chairs, and anything else you might need.

Registration is required, please call Courtney to find out more details at 236-575-2083

Tuesday, June 11th!




LNIB Elders

PICNIC AT THE PARK

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF LAUGHTER, FOOD AND SNACKS!

Please RSVP with Courtney (so we know how much food to bring)
236-575-2083

JUNE 14, 2024



LNIB ELDERS

Discussions and Sharing Stories

WITH THANDAZANI MHLAANGA

THAAH IS A PHD STUDENT AT STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY.

HE IS RESEARCHING WAYS TO DECOLONIZE ORIGINS NARRATIVES (STORIES ABOUT HOW THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT CAME TO BE).

HE WANTS TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR STORIES!

**When - June, 17, 2024 | 2PM
Rocky Pines Centre**



LNIB Elders

Beading

with Willa Ermineskin

Join us on Tuesday June 18th
at 9:00am - 12:00pm

Rocky Pines Community Centre

Any questions please
call Courtney at 236-575-2083



LNIB ELDERS SWIMMING AT THE POOL

JUNE 24TH 2024
2:00 PM - 3:30
PM

HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE!

If you have any
questions,
please call
Courtney at
236-575-2083

LNIB ELDERS

Fruit Picking in Chilliwack

THURSDAY JUNE 27TH
LEAVE AT 9:30AM
ALL DAY EVENT

Please RSVP with Courtney if you want
to go on this trip!

LUNCH AND SNACKS ARE
PROVIDED

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!





LNIB Women's Group

June 13, 2024

Rocky Pines Community Centre

Games & Craft Night

Father's Day Card Making

Game - Learn how to play backgammon

5:00 - 8:00 pm



Dinner will be provided & Door prizes

No Registration required, just come out and have some fun

Any questions contact Irene Howe (250) 378-5157



To the Rocky Pines Bridge Opening Celebration

Join Us!



Monday, June 3rd



12:00 pm



Rocky Pines

Lunch will be available

Any questions contact Sondra Tom (250) 378-5157



WATER RESTRICTIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT MAY 1 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Even numbered addresses are permitted to water on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays**

Odd numbered addresses are permitted to water on **Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays**

NO watering on Sundays

6:00 - 8:00 am & 7:00 - 10:00 pm

Hand watering is permitted at any time

There is a huge concern over the amount of water that is used to irrigate, fill pools and kids play on those hot days. It puts an enormous amount of pressure on the Shulus Springs Domestic Water System. The system will not keep up and IF one of the pumps does go, there will be no water.

If you have any questions, please call Public Works at (250) 378-5157

**Happy 19th
Birthday
Megan Beckett**



June 25th



**Love, Mom, Dad,
Sophie, Domanic, Evan,
Hank & Toby**

I am so proud of the woman you have become and all the amazing things you have accomplished over the last 19 years. May you continue to soar higher and higher and experience success in all you do



**LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND**

All LNIB Offices will be CLOSED

***Friday, June 21, 2024
for National Indigenous Peoples Day***

**Offices will reopen to regular hours
Monday, June 24, 2024
8:30 am - 4:30 pm**

**If you have an emergency, please call
911 for Medical, Fire or RCMP
Administration: (250) 315-9153
Health & Social: (250) 378-1573
Public Works (On Call): (250) 315-8184
Housing: (236) 575-2072**

The background of the page features a large, light blue watermark of the Lower Nicola Security logo. The logo is circular with the words "LOWER NICOLA" at the top and "SECURITY" at the bottom. In the center of the circle is a stylized symbol resembling a sun or a gear with a vertical line through it.

**Notice to LNIB
Community Members**

In Case of immediate danger or emergency situations please CALL 911 FIRST.

Our Securigard will assist as needed, and to monitor issues reported by residents, such as noise and nuisances, illegal dumping, and general safety concerns.

LNIB Men's Gathering



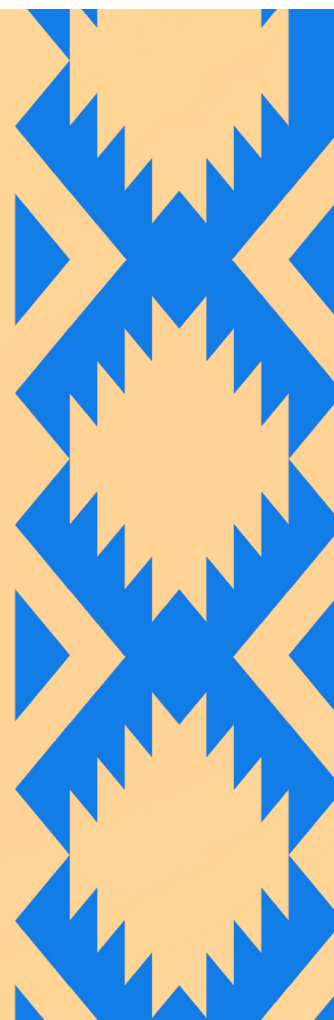
**LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND**

Sharing Wisdom

Every week we will discuss different aspects of being a man with ourselves, in our homes, at work, in relationships. No classroom teaching, just basic info shared for us to think about and share our learning, wisdom, stories and ideas.

10:30am Tuesdays @ RP's Community Centre
We will meet starting May 14th until end of June.
Light Brunch Provided.

Contact Tony Broman or Dustin Eberle
250-378-5157





Grief & Loss

Get- together & Coffee time

Every last Thursday of the month

9:30 - 10:30 am

Meet at Kekuli Cafe at

2051 Voght Street, Merritt, BC

If you have any questions or need transportation.

Contact Irene Howe (250) 378-7340

SPRINGING INTO SUMMER!

Summer! It is always amazing to me how this season of the year seems to improve peoples' outlook on their lives. It is almost like we "give ourselves permission" to relax and cast off the stress of the rest of the year? (Perhaps that is the key to managing well in the other 3 seasons?). It can be a time full of excitement and happiness but, like every other season, it still depends on how we spend our time. In fact, summer is a great time to invest in lifestyle habits and support your mental health. There is science that points to summer being a time of better mental health.

How the summer affects mental health

One of the main ways the summer can help with mental health is through the sunshine. Because of the warmer weather, many of us spend more time outdoors in the summer, plus the sun is out for longer than in other seasons.

The increased sun exposure boosts our vitamin D levels, and can even improve mood, leading to better mental health. Spending time in the sun also helps your body produce more melatonin (sleep hormone) at night, allowing you to sleep better and overall feel better. While there are some stressors unique to summer, such as feeling overwhelmed by the number of activities and getting less sleep, it is a good time for most people's mental health. Therefore, it is a good time to set habits and prepare for the coming months that are colder and less energizing.

Healthy To-Do's:

Watch Your Time: activities increase with good weather, but you don't have to say yes to every opportunity. In fact, you don't want to, or you will burn out. Think about which activities and plans seem the best to you and take breaks when you need them.

- **Keep your Sleep: Longer daylight hours are awesome but don't burn the candle at both ends. One possible way to do this is by sleeping in the sun – don't stay up for too long since it is dark outside.**
- **Get out and get Active: being in action can have great benefits on your mental health. Warmer weather means more play time! Find 1 or 2 ways to get yourself moving and enjoy**
- **Have fun! Never sacrifice all your "fun" in order to "improve" your mental health. It will only have the opposite effect. Of course, notice what you need and be disciplined to grow but you need to enjoy life too. Find a balance between responsibility and fun!**

Tony Broman MA

Counselor, Lower Nicola Band

~ adapted from

<https://centerstone.org/our-resources/health-wellness/strengthening-mental-health-in-summer/>

Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team

Where: LNIB healthcentre

When: June 18/19



Contact: Asia/Sonia

Number: 250-378-5157

Living • Well • Together

Clinic Notice

Who Is It For:

People Living with Diabetes
People Who Are Curious About It

What The Appointment Includes:

Testing Blood Sugar and Cholesterol Levels
Checking Kidney Function
Diabetes Education



Eye Exams



Eye Glasses

We will be visiting Lower Nicola **June 10th-14th** to provide complete eye examinations and offering a selection of eyeglass frames.

MSP EXAM COVERAGE YEARLY:
Children 0-18, 65 and older, & Those with medical conditions (like diabetes)

FNHA COVERAGE:
EXAMS
19-64 – every 2 years
GLASSES
18 and under – every year
19 and over – every 2 years



Floaters
Mobile Optometry Services

Brianna Krajnyak, O.D., Optometric Corporation

Your Optometrists:

Dr. Brianna Krajnyak, O.D.

Brianna was born and raised in Chilliwack, BC and attended the University of Waterloo followed by The New England College of Optometry in Boston, Massachusetts. After graduating optometry school, she completed a residency in Community Health Optometry.

Dr. Brandon Harris, O.D.

Brandon is a new Canadian Permanent Resident from Seattle, Washington. He received his undergraduate degree at Western Washington University and also attended The New England College of Optometry.

Enter to Win Sunglasses!



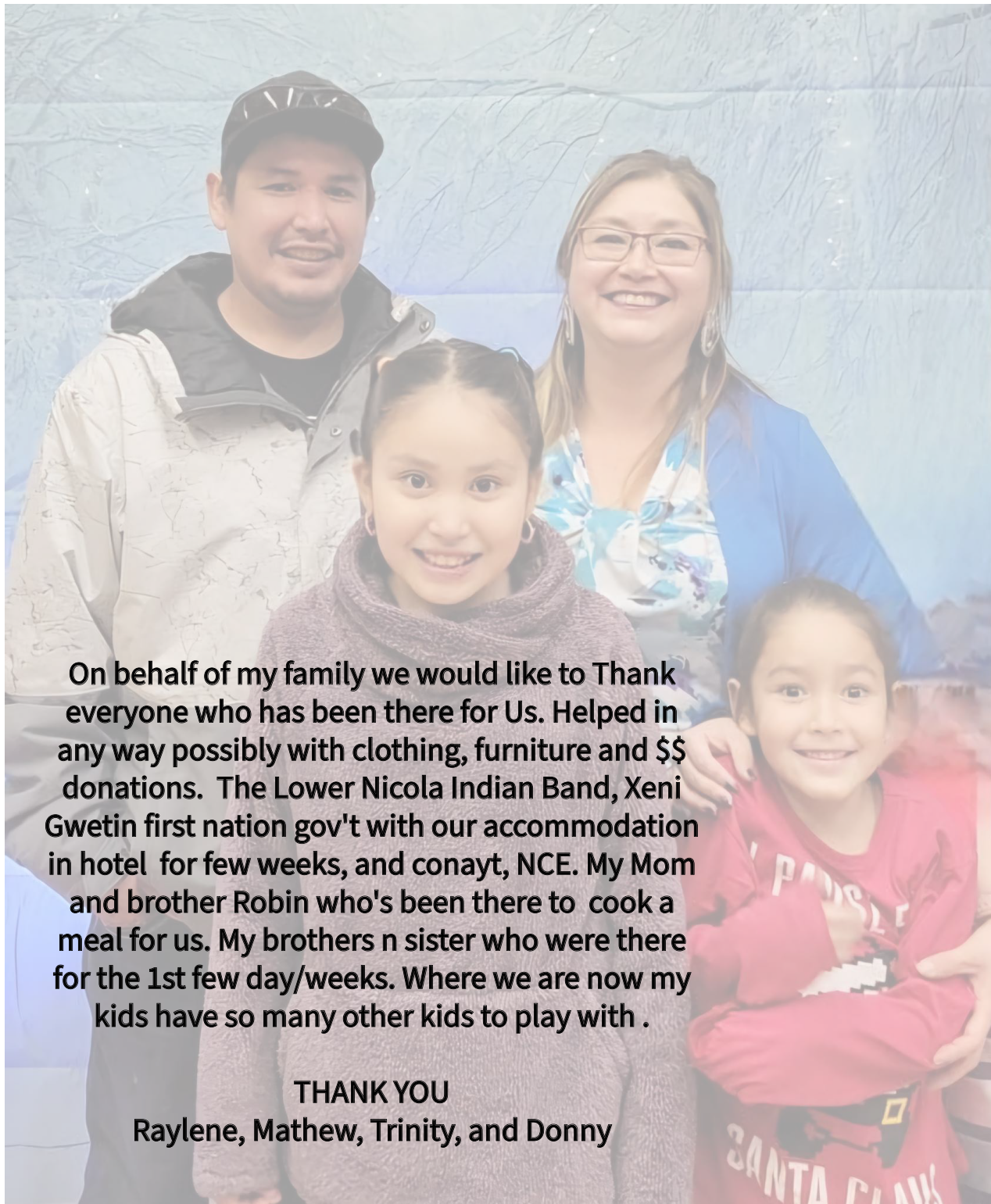
Come to the Lower Nicola Health Centre between

June 10th-14th

to enter to win

Courtesy of Floaters Mobile Optometry Services
No purchase or exam necessary, 1 entry per person, \$50 value





On behalf of my family we would like to Thank everyone who has been there for Us. Helped in any way possibly with clothing, furniture and \$\$ donations. The Lower Nicola Indian Band, Xenigwetin first nation gov't with our accommodation in hotel for few weeks, and conayt, NCE. My Mom and brother Robin who's been there to cook a meal for us. My brothers n sister who were there for the 1st few day/weeks. Where we are now my kids have so many other kids to play with .

**THANK YOU
Raylene, Mathew, Trinity, and Donny**