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**Designing
change through
communication**

Change is hard... but not according to Ismo Heikkila, National Director of Aboriginal Services at T.E. Wealth.

Ismo led a recent workshop at Seabird Island. The morning's trust session included an overview of trusts and investments while the

afternoon focused on communication and change management.

T.E. Wealth's dedicated Aboriginal Services Practice provides comprehensive investment and trust management services to assist in the planning and implementation of customized wealth management strategies.

Ismo has over 30 years of financial services experience, with an ability to effectively communicate on a broad spectrum of issues related to communication planning, change management and financial education.

**Seabird Island Lands
Invites you to attend**

**BANNOCK
- AND -
TEA**

**March 7
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Chief and Council
Nomination Packages
NOW AVAILABLE**

Packages are available at Reception, from Records, from the Electoral Officer, or on our website.

*Due by 4:00 p.m.
March 10, 2017*



SMITH LANDING FIRST NATION VISIT: Representatives from Smith Landing First Nation visited Seabird in early February to learn more about lands and resources. We would like to thank Smith Landing for coming out!

Spring Break
March 24 - 31

Judge rules in favour of Ontario Sixties Scoop survivors

In a long-awaited decision, the Ontario Superior Court found Canada liable in law for breaching its “duty of care” to thousands of indigenous children.

“This is not an issue that requires a trial,” stated Honorable Justice E. Belobaba in the *Brown v Canada* summary judgment.

“Canada had a common law duty of care to take reasonable steps to prevent on-reserve Indian children in Ontario, who had been placed in the care of non-aboriginal foster or adoptive parents, from losing their aboriginal identity. Canada breached this common law duty of care.”

Brown v Canada alleged that between 1965 to 1984, about 16,000 at-risk indigenous children in Ontario suffered a devastating loss of identity when they were placed in non-indigenous homes elsewhere in Canada, the United States and in Europe under terms of a federal-provincial agreement.

“It is a great day in Canada when Canada’s judicial system chooses to say that our children are so valuable and sacred and precious, that we will protect them by law,” said Marcia Brown Martel, Chief of Beaverhouse First Nation, during a livestreamed news conference at the Native Child and Family Services office in Toronto, Canada on February 14 after the decision was released.

“I am a Sixties Scoop Survivor. I was this big,” she said as she reached down with her hand, almost to the floor. “I didn’t have a voice. I do now – but I didn’t then. I didn’t when I was vulnerable – but I do now. Never again.”

In a 2012 interview with NationTalk, Martel told her story.

“In 2003, when I realized I was one of these ‘Sixties Scoop kids’ I really didn’t know what that meant. All I knew is that I had been taken away as a child and removed from my community, my family.



Everything about my nation-hood was taken from me. Everything aboriginal was taken from me. I knew nothing of my people. I knew nothing of my land, of my responsibilities to any of it and that was wrong,” she recalled and before long, she started to realize that she wasn’t the only one it happened to.

“It happened to thousands and thousands of children, not only in Ontario, but across Canada. Every First Nation had children taken from their communities for no other reason than they were aboriginal.”

Jeffrey Wilson, Lead Counsel for the survivors, began the case 11 years prior.

While he wasn’t a career class action lawyer, he took on the role after many years in child protection and family law, where he saw firsthand the effects of the Sixties Scoop.

“I became involved because of the work that I was doing in Northern Ontario and throughout Ontario, where I saw the consequence to people when they

are denied a sense of belonging and connection to their nature – to the natural core being of who they are.”

Wilson expects class actions lawsuits from other provinces to move forward following the decision, which was the first of its kind - not only in Canada, but in any western country that has indigenous people. “It is the first case in the western world that discusses the obligation of the state to protect the cultural identity of its indigenous persons.”

“The racism that underlines what took place in the Sixties Scoop in the name of the best interests of the child, affected a lot of very good people. It affected all of those children that had no voice and it affected a good number of very caring and loving non-aboriginal people who took on the task as adopting or permanent parents because if they or the children had the information which Canada, as found in this decision, had an obligation to provide them, then their lives would have been better.”

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Many questions remained for Wilson.

Why did Canada not provide the information about the children's cultural identity?

Why did Canada argue, as recently as February 2, 2017, that they had no obligation to concern themselves with the cultural identity of indigenous people and their children?

Why did Canada argue that what took place should be excused because they were acting in what they thought was the best interest of the child?

"Why did Canada do all those things?" He asked the silent crowd, unsure of the answers, he only hopes that the future will be more positive because of the decision.

"Today is a new day. It's a day to celebrate, it's a day to go forward. It's a day for everyone in Canada to embrace that we all have made mistakes," Wilson said.

In a press release, Assembly of First Nations National Chief Perry Bellegarde welcomed the decision.

"Children of the Sixties Scoop deserve justice, healing and reconciliation," said AFN National Chief Bellegarde.

"The Sixties Scoop was part of an ongoing attempt by Canada to rob First Nations children of their language, their rights and their identity. Children have the right to speak their language and stay connected to their heritage. Reconciliation means justice for the Sixties Scoop survivors. It means strengthening and valuing First Nations languages and cultures. It means creating hope and opportunity for First Nations children. Today's decision is a step towards reconciliation."

The class action lawsuit will move forward to a damages assessment stage with the survivors being entitled to recoup the costs of the summary judgment motion, which as the Justice stated, "are likely to be substantial."



Employment, Training and Social Development

Employment & Training Workshops

We will be hosting ongoing workshops every Tuesday and Wednesday in the Upstairs Boardroom.

L Test Workshops:

Every Wednesday from 1 - 4 p.m.

- 1st Wednesday Chapters 1, 2 & 3
- 2nd Wednesday Chapters 4, 5 & 6
- 3rd Wednesday Chapters 7, 8 & 9
- 4th Wednesday open study and support day

Training Application & Funding Request: 1st Tuesday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Resume & Cover Letter: 2nd Tuesday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Basic Job Search Skills: 3rd Tuesday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Interview Skills: 4th Tuesday 1 - 4 p.m.

If you have questions or would like to register, contact Pearl at the Employment Office 604-796-6865. Drop-ins welcomed.

Labour Pool Timesheets

Rena will be taking a few minutes with each labour pool employee to review how to properly fill out and complete timesheets. She will be reviewing this during timesheet submission.

College Students

Are you still in need of obtaining funding for tuition for your college program? There may possibly be funding available. We can help! Andrea and Whyles can help with funding applications, which must be submitted 4 weeks prior to program start dates, please allow adequate time. Come by our office or call 604-796-6865 to make an appointment to see Andrea or Whyles. Drop-ins welcomed.

Action Plans

Employment Action Plans are due before the 20th of each month. Appointments can be made with Andrea or Whyles prior to Income Assistance day to avoid waiting in line. College students are also reminded to bring in their monthly student attendance.

Dates to Remember

Labour Pool Timesheets are due: March 3, 17 and 31

Fraser Region Coaching Workshop

FRASER REGION



Aboriginal Coaching Modules
National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP)



Sunday, March 12th 2017
8:30am-5:30pm 16+ Lunch Provided

Princess Margaret Secondary School
12870 72 Ave, Surrey, BC V3W 2M9

The ACM is an essential resource to those that work with, coach, and/or supervise Aboriginal peoples in physical activity, recreation, and sporting activities. This one-day workshop will provide a greater understanding of coaching through an Aboriginal lens, and is designed to motivate, inspire, and lead Aboriginal peoples in sport, recreation, and physical activity. This course is free (funded by the Aboriginal Sport, Recreation, and Physical Activity Partners Council).

Please Fill Out Online Registration Link:

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/q19v0h6v180jbbf/>

Inquiries: Suki Chhoeun 250-990-8583 suki.chhoeun@gmail.com
Alana Cook 604-807-5334 acook@bcaafc.com



Aboriginal Sport, Recreation &
Physical Activity Partners Council

Women's Group

COME OUT AND JOIN OUR SUPPORT
SESSIONS

March 6th, 2017

5:30pm – 7:30pm
Seabird College
Room 4

Contact Lolly for more information



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Elections Canada Enumeration Registration

Location: Seabird Island Band Office

Friday, March 17, 2017
from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Election Canada will be on hand to help people register
to vote in the upcoming provincial election.

VOTE

A:yelexw Center for Hope and Healing

Renovations to convert the Wellness Centre to a men's treatment facility are now complete. The facility, named the A:yelexw Center for Hope and Healing, will provide a culturally sensitive, supportive and caring environment to address addictions and substance use.

The Centre is set-up as a 'family home' for indigenous adults 19 years and up.

Staff will provide health, healing and other services along with programs on-site. The Centre will provide safe, structured and licensed residential addiction services.

Residents can be referred to the A:yelexw Center by:

- Indigenous Mental Health and Addictions Workers
- Your Health Care Provider
- Fraser Health Community Substance Use Services
- Fraser Health Concurrent Disorder Therapists
- National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program

Learn more or view our brochure at www.seabirdisland.ca



5TH PERIOD TUTORING

3 - 4 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays

One-on-one tutoring | Supplies provided

Located in Room 116 at
Agassiz Elementary
Secondary School

“Wisdom is not a product of schooling but
of the lifelong attempt to acquire it.”
- Albert Einstein



Provided by: Seabird Island Elders Program

Tai Chi

**1st Session Wednesday, February 1
from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Two classes a week on Mondays and
Wednesdays for 8-weeks.

Monday sessions at the Millennium Hall.
Wednesday sessions in the Elders Lounge.



Lunch provided in the
Elders Lounge after
sessions and
transportation available.

For more information
contact Carly Hope:
Office: 604-796-6847
Cell: 604-845-5449.



Youth Sports Camps

All camps are free for self-identified Aboriginal Youth!

Please check to see what attire is required, and whether the camp
is intended for youth ages 6-12, 13-17, or all-inclusive.

Please pre-register your Youth before the event.

Feb. 9 - Mar. 16, Basketball

Location: Soowahlie First Nation

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/q1eciw4m0z45zzn/>

Feb. 9 - Mar. 16, Spirit Lacrosse

Location: Tzeachten First Nation

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/q18rfbgm16clavr/>

Mar. 1 and 8, Run Jump Throw camp

Location: Tsawwassen First Nation

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/qk9adkf1d484wb/>

Mar. 5, Wrestling with Stó:lō First Nation

Location: Burnaby

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/m7u541u1bt2uh0/>

Coaching Clinics

These clinics are designed for anyone 16 years of age and older
who works with Aboriginal athletes, or is a former athlete and
interested in getting into coaching.

There are limited spots available, so please register ASAP.

Mar. 12, Aboriginal Coaching Module

Location: Surrey

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/q19v0h6v180jbbf/>

Mar. 24-25, NCCP Introduction to Competition Training

Location: Surrey

<https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/m1gljdv1857fij/>

For more information please visit our website.

<http://aboriginalsportbc.ca/>

COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE

2016-2017

(L= late E= early leave, *R= Regrets, A is unexcused absence) *R= Regrets is an excused absence that has been reported prior to meeting

Date	Meeting Name	Chief Clem Seymour	Councillor Art Andrew	Councillor Arlene Andrew	Councillor Jason Campbell	Councillor Vivian Ferguson	Councillor Alexis Grace	Councillor Jim Harris	Councillor Carol Hope	Councillor Marcie Peters	Councillor Maggie Petis	Meeting Quorum
4/8/2016	Special Chief & Council - Housing BCRs	X	X	X	R	X	R	X	X	X	X	8 / 10
4/16/2016	Chief & Council	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
4/20/2016	Quarterly meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
4/28/2016	Chief & Council continuation from April 16	X	L	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
5/13/2016	Chief & Council	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
5/18/2016	Chief & Council continuation from May 13	X	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	E	X	9 / 10
6/14/2016	Special Chief & Council - SqDC	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	9 / 10
6/17/2016	Chief & Council	X	X	L	X	X	E	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
6/23/2016	Chief & Council continuation from June 17	X	X	R	X	X	L	R	X	X	X	8 / 10
7/4/2016	Special Chief & Council - Final Audit Presentation	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
7/6/2016	Special Chief & Council - Audit Signing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
7/16/2016	Chief & Council	X	R	X	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
7/20/2016	Quarterly meeting	X	R	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	7 / 10
8/11/2016	Chief & Council continuation from July 16	X	X	X	R	X	X	R	X	X	X	7 / 10
8/20/2016	Chief & Council	X	X	E	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
9/14/2016	Chief & Council Special SqDC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
9/17/2016	Chief & Council	X	R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9 / 10
9/22/2016	Chief & Council continuation from Sept 17	X	X	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	9 / 10
10/22/2016	Chief & Council	X	R	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	7 / 10
10/27/2016	Chief & Council continuation from October 22	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
11/16/2016	Chief & Council Quarterly	X	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	X	8 / 10
11/19/2016	Chief & Council Meeting (postponed)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10 / 10
12/17/2016	Chief & Council Meeting (11/19/16 continuation)	X	R	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	7 / 10
1/18/2017	Quarterly Meeting	R	X	R	X	X	R	R	X	X	X	5 / 10
1/21/2017	Chief & Council Meeting	R	X	X	X	X	R	R	X	X	X	7 / 10
1/26/2017	Chief and Council (01/21/17 continuation)	X	R	R	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	7 / 10
1/28/2017	Chief and Council (01/21/17 continuation)	R	X	X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X	8 / 10
	Council ATTENDANCE RECORD April to December 2016	24/27	21/27	21/27	25/27	23/27	20/27	19/27	26/27	27/27		

NOTICE OF NOMINATION PERIOD

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of *Seabird Island* will be held at the *Community Centre* on *Tuesday* the *28th* day of *February, 2017* beginning at *9* o'clock *a.m.* and lasting for at least 10 days, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the positions of Chief and Councilors on the Council of the said, for the next ensuing term. There are **8** Councillor Positions and one (1) position for Chief available.

The election will be held at the *Community Centre* on *Wednesday* the *19th* day of *April, 2017, if the positions are not filled by acclamation.* Also note that any voter may vote by mail-in ballot but they must be registered with the Seabird Island Membership Clerk to receive a mail out ballot.

Please note that any eligible voter may be nominated for the position of Chief or Council but not both by correctly filling out the Nomination Documents and handing them into the Band office or giving them to the Electoral Officer.

Given under my hand at *Agassiz* this *10th* day of *February, 2017.*

Leona Sam - Electoral Officer

Suite 201, 8-6014 Vedder Road

Chilliwack, BC V2R 5P5



Signature Electoral Officer

Telephone: (604) 791 3671

Community Events C

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	<p style="text-align: center;">PLEASE NOTE:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Safety is a priority!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">We need to keep staff safe so we can keep providing you with delivery services.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">On delivery days to the community, please ensure your pets are inside or chained-up away from the door in order to receive your deliveries.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pre & Post Natal and Prenatal Circle</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Who can attend? Expecting moms, newborns up to 6 weeks, partners, support person and siblings. Open to families living on-reserve and transportation can be provided. Questions? Call 1-800-788-0322 or 604-796-2177</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bodies in Motion - NEW class that focuses solely on pre & post natal fitness and is free for First Nations living on-reserve.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellness Pancake Break • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • Pre and Post Natal 11-1 • L Test Chapters One to • Homework Club 3-5 p.m. • Youth Workshop 5-7 p.m. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m.
5	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • Youth (10-12) Group 3-5 p.m. • Youth Baking 5-6:30 p.m. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m. • Garbage, Recycle & Compost Day 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders Monthly Meeting 9-12 p.m. • Elders College 9-1 p.m. • Training Application/Funding Req. 9-4 p.m. • Head Start Parents & Tots 10-1 p.m. • Lands Bannock & Tea 10-3 p.m. • Dental & Doctor Walk-in Clinics 1-5 p.m. • Girls Group (10-18yr) 3-5 p.m. • Youth Crafts 5-6:30 p.m. • Fire Practice 7-9 p.m. 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellness Pancake Break • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • Prenatal Circle 1-3 p.m. • L Test Chapters Four to • Homework Club 3-5 p.m. • Youth Council 5:30-7 p. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m.
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daylight Saving Starts “Spring Forward” 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • Youth (10-12) Group 3-5 p.m. • Youth Baking 5-6:30 p.m. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m. • Garbage, Recycle & Compost Day 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders College 9-1 p.m. • Resume & Cover Letter 9-4 p.m. • Head Start Parents & Tots 10-1 p.m. • Dental & Doctor Walk-in Clinics 1-5 p.m. • Girls Group (10-18yr) 3-5 p.m. • Youth Crafts 5-6:30 p.m. • Fire Practice 7-9 p.m. • Garbage, Recycle & Compost Day 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yoo Hoo Delivery 8-1 p • Wellness Pancake Break • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • L Test Chapters Seven to • Homework Club 3-5 p.m. • Youth Workshop 5-7 p.m. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m.
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26	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders Tai Chi 10-12 p.m. • Elders Outing • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m. • Garbage, Recycle & Compost Day • SICS & SD78 Spring Break • OOSC & Youth Conference 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elders College 9-1 p.m. • Head Start Parents & Tots 10-1 p.m. • Youth Health Fair Laqamel 1-7 p.m. • Interview Workshop 1-4 p.m. • Dental & Doctor Walk-in Clinics 1-5 p.m. • Girls Group (10-18yr) 3-5 p.m. • Youth Crafts 5-6:30 p.m. • Fire Practice 7-9 p.m. • SICS & SD78 Spring Break • OOSC & Youth Conference 	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellness Pancake B • Elders Tai Chi 10- • Bodies in Motion 1-3 p. • L Test Open Study & Su • Homework Club 3-5 p.m. • Meals on Wheels 5-6 p.m. • Youth Workshop 5-7 p.m. • Income Assistance Che • SICS & SD78 Spring Br • OOSC & Youth Confer

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Booking the gym or kitchen?

To book the gym or kitchen for an event, follow these steps:

- Contact Chanea Gabriel to request the
 - Member Booking form.
 - Kitchen Equipment form.
 - Floor Plan form.
 - IT Equipment (sound,...) form, additional fees apply.**All forms needed are required to be filled and returned at the booking appointment.**
- Book an appointment with Chanea once the forms are filled out.
- Provide a mandatory cash deposit of \$150.00 (gym) and \$100.00 (kitchen), payable to Accounts Receivable prior to meeting Events. *Bring the receipt to the appointment!*
- In this appointment the gym/ kitchen will be verified and confirmed.
 - A mandatory training session will take place during the meeting (eg. kitchen appliances). *Seabird needs to ensure that everyone knows how to use and care for the equipment.*
- Prior to the event an overview of expectations and a walk through will be completed.
 - Reminder of responsibilities pertaining to equipment use and proper clean-up, if any was requested.
 - The Events staff will ensure that you have access, and all kitchen equipment requested is made available. *This will be the only kitchen equipment made available!*
- **Please note** there will be NO last minute requests for equipment. All requests need to be noted on the original list from the booking meeting.
- Users are required to supply their own dish soap, washcloths and aprons!

Booking cancellations

Seabird reserves the right to cancel or deny any events which conflict with funerals, prayers or other priority Band events occurring in the gym.

Conflicting bookings

Bookings are on a first come first served basis. In case of conflict, consideration will be given to all parties.

For more information, please contact Chanea Gabriel, Events Coordinator, at 604-796-2177 or email chaneagabriel@seabirdisland.ca.

Want to host a sale in the foyer?

To book the foyer to fundraise, follow these steps:

1. Contact Chanea Gabriel to request a Fundraising form.
2. Book an appointment with Chanea once the form is completed. Bring a copy of your Food Safe certificate and application to the appointment.
3. Review of all bake sale dates the foyer is booked for currently. If the new application would like to book on a day another group has selected a draw will be completed to see whom will go first for the month.

Example John Smith wants to fundraise this month in March on Tuesdays, the name and group will be placed into a draw to decide whom gets to go first and alternate each week.
4. The process creates the fairness and equal opportunity for all members to fundraise as events or fees coming up for them.

For more information, please contact Chanea Gabriel, Events Coordinator, at 604-796-2177 or at chaneagabriel@seabirdisland.ca.



Understanding and Working with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders

One day workshop recommended for teachers, nurses, education assistants, social workers and others. Lunch not provided. Free to attend. Facilitated by Dawn Percher, Family Counselor, Seabird Island Band

Thursday, March 9, 2017
9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Seabird College
Call the College to register.



Seabird College
 2812 Chowat Road, PO Box 650
 Agassiz, BC V0M 1A0

Ph: 604-796-6839
 Fax: 604-796-1124
admissions@seabirdcollege.ca

Seeking Aboriginal Youth Artists!

OPEN CALL FOR LOGO DESIGN

Submission Deadline: March 20th, 2017

Are you an Aboriginal youth between the ages of 13-24?

MCFD has an open call for Aboriginal youth artists, to design a logo for a new Aboriginal led Advisory Committee.

What is the Aboriginal Child & Family Wellness Advisory Committee?

The Aboriginal Child and Family Wellness Advisory Committee provides guidance, traditional knowledge, advice and recommendations to the Ministry of Children and Family Development, North Fraser Director of Operations, with respect to the formation of Community Guidance Circles.

DESIGN REQUIREMENTS:

- *Focus on children and family*
- *Contemporary or Traditional Aboriginal design*
- *Provide a brief description of your design*
- *Original design submissions only*

SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO:

- ***Neesha.Pooni@gov.bc.ca***
- *Subject Line: Open Call Logo Design*
- *Please include your name, age, contact information and a brief biography in the email.*



**The winning artist will receive a
\$300 gift card & an awesome
SWAG Bag**

Housing Waitlist Don't know your number? Contact Housing 604-796-6932.

1 BEDROOM

1	02192016-1028
2	04152016-1030
3	04282016-1031
4	05032016-1032
5	05312016-1035
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9	10112016-1041
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11	12092016-1042
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15	12282016-2099
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17	01302017-1047
18	07072017-1048

2 BEDROOM

1	07292014-3090
2	02102015-1014
3	07082015-1019
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39	01282016-1027
40	12302016-4015
41	01192017-4016
42	01202017-4017
43	01202017-4018
44	02022017-4019
45	02102017-4020



Did you forget to renew your Housing Application?

If you didn't renew between November 15 and January 1, your number will no longer be on the Housing Waitlist.

If you would like to reapply, contact Rachael or Erna at 604-796-2177.

Please make sure Housing has your current contact information.

We must have a working phone number or email address for all of our waitlist applicants.

Unfortunately, if we cannot contact you within 48 hours to offer you an available unit, we will move on to the next applicant.

If you have outstanding debt with the Band, you will NOT be placed into a rental unit, as per policy.

PAID ADVERTISEMENT



Sseqotel Events for March:



1. Bake Sales booked every Tuesday in Foyer from 8:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m.
2. March 17, 2017 - Couple's Dinner located at the Mill Hall. Tickets are \$20.00 per couple. Menu is: Steak, baked potato with all the fixings, veggies, starter salad and dessert. Photo booth and door prizes will be at end for couples to win. Child minding is available for a cost of \$5.00 per child provides them with a meal, games, dessert.
3. March 18, 2017 - Flea Market from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. in the Seabird School Gym. Tables are \$10.00 each or x2 for \$15.00. Vendors need to prepare before the event and can register through Jennifer Bobb at 604-796-0964 and Angie Chapman after 5:00 p.m. at swayel17@gmail.com.
4. March 31, 2017 – Loonie Auction
Menu: Indian Taco's, drink, dessert item for \$10.00, Hotdogs \$2.50, Pop / Chips or Candy \$1.00 each
Larger Items include; Fishing net, gift card tree, scratch card tree, \$1000 and \$500 draw, children/youth/adult baskets, portable tent, camping tent, lawn chairs, cooler with wheels, BC Ferries voucher, Android Box, Crochet Blanket and much more.

Grade 7 - 12 Student Allowances

1st student allowance payment Dec. 15, 2016
(for September, October and November)

2nd student allowance payment Mar. 15, 2017
(for December, January and February)

3rd student allowance payment Jun. 30, 2017
(for March, April, May and June)

Student Allowances are as follows:

Grade 7-10 \$9.00/month = \$90.00/school year

Grade 11 -12 \$19.00/month = \$190.00/school year

Student allowances will be paid by direct deposit for students with bank accounts.

Student allowances are based on monthly attendance.

Student must not miss more than 4 school days per month to be eligible for allowance.

Post-Secondary Application Deadlines

Are you a registered Seabird Island Band Member interested in post-secondary studies to obtain a Certificate, Diploma or Degree? Then **REMEMBER** these important deadlines to apply for post-secondary sponsorship.

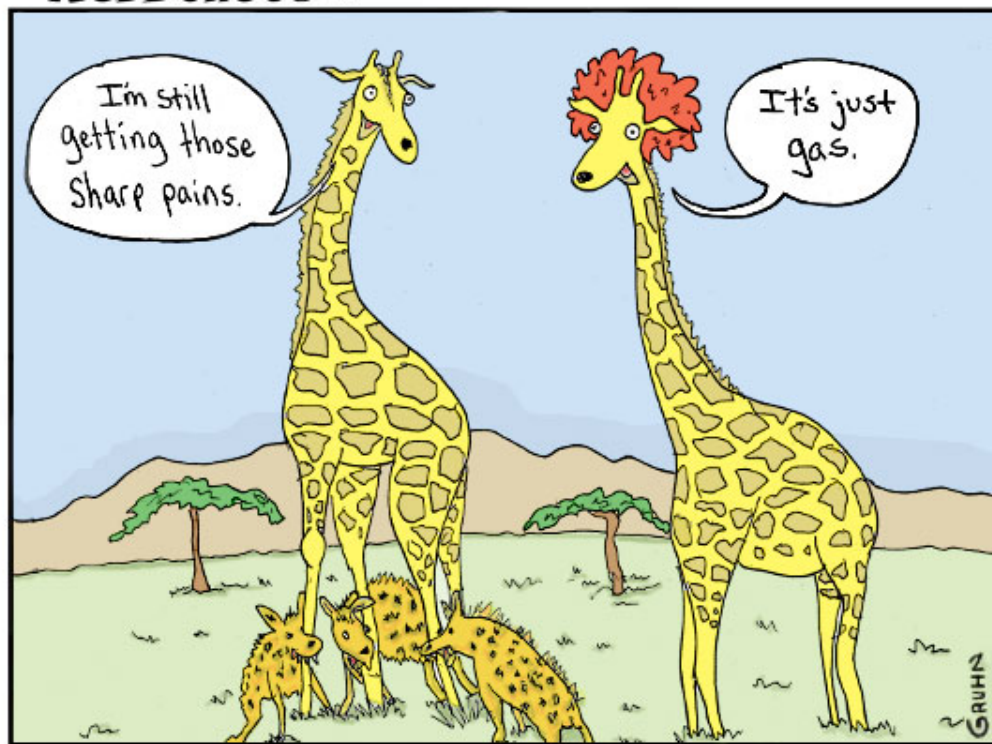
Deadlines for **completed** applications are:

April 1	For September (Fall)
October 1	For January (Winter/Spring depending on institution)
January 1	For May (Spring/Summer depending on institution)

Funding of any application is dependent upon available budget. For more information please contact:
Cindy Kelly, Student Services Worker at 604-796-2177 or cindykelly@seabirdisland.ca
Cindy Kelly's office is located at Seabird College.

Comic

WebDonuts.com



Welék'es - March

Aries: March 21 - April 19

Key characteristics: Enterprising, incisive, spontaneous, daring, active, courageous and energetic.

Flower: Honeysuckle

Birthstone: Aquamarine

"We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths."

- Walt Disney

"Just when I think I have learned the way to live, life changes."

- Hugh Prather

Halq'eméylem Word Search

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Words:

- íwth'óthet – to play/fool around
- iyalewes – brave
- éyxel – to paddle
- áxlqel – buckskin
- óyém – slow or late
- m'éiyat – ride piggyback
- chílheqw – bushy hair
- chelóqtel – walk single file
- wōqw' – flood
- yoyetal – cousin
- yáyeq'els – logger
- q'eyáwetheláxl – cross arms
- q'eyxésilém – partially blind
- tómiyeqw – great-great-great-great-grandparent
- thép'oyeqw – great-great-great-grandparent
- ts'ahéyelh – to pray
- lístexwchxwò – you leave it here!
- lhémnt – rain shower
- lhóyel – getting dark
- q'eléts' – rain shelter

- Submitted by Zorana Edwards-Shippentower



Advertising for Seabird Departments and Programs are provided through the Seabird Organization Departments.

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO A PRE-PAID ADVERTISEMENT FEE.

PRINT AD RATES

300+ hard copy production
800+ e-mail production
average 1,300 reads on Seabird website.

Advertisement rates (per issue):

Front Page Color: limited availability
1/4 pg banner (8x2.5) \$40.00
2.5x3 \$25.00

	Full Color:	Greyscale:
8x10	\$135.00	\$37.50
8x5 or 10x4	\$65.00	\$25.00
3.8x5	\$32.50	\$17.50
2.5x3	\$20.00	\$12.50

Classified Advertisements .40c per word
\$4.00 Minimum

DIGITAL DISPLAY AD RATES

Per week Rates	15sec	30sec	60sec
Full Screen	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
Banner	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00

Digital advertisements will play
no less than 5 times / day

PACKAGES

Starter	Premium	Starter
1/4 page colour 30 second Banner	1/2 page colour 30 second Banner	Full page colour 30 second Banner
\$60.00	\$100.00	\$140.00

DISCOUNTS AND FEES:

Only one discount may be applied /order.

Band Member	-35%
Non-Profit	-10%
3 month term	-25%
6 month term	-35%
Design & Layout (additional)	\$40/hr
Flyer Insert (furnished)	\$20.00
Returned Cheque	\$35.00
Late Fee	+3%

Fees are not for profit and they help us produce this newsletter.

DEADLINES

Submissions and Advertisements are due 7 business days prior to delivery

DELIVERY

The 15th (or closest business day) and the last business day of each month.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Phone: 604-796-2177

Have an ad or story idea?

E-mail: comm@seabirdisland.ca
Graphic Design / Layout / Formatting
Sandra Bobb 604-796-6838

E-mail: sandrabobb@seabirdisland.ca

Website: www.seabirdisland.ca

Editing Committee: Sandra Bobb, Phaine Wegener, Kristy Johnson, Lori Burns, Zorana Edwards-Shippentower, Rose Nijkamp and Teresa Harper.

AGREEMENT/LEGAL

It is agreed by any display or classified advertiser requesting space that the liability of the paper in the event of failure to publish an advertisement shall be limited to the amount paid by the advertiser for the portion of the advertising space occupied by the incorrect item only, and that there shall be no liability in any event beyond the amount paid for such advertisement. The publisher shall not be liable for any slight changes in typographical errors that do not lessen the value of an advertisement.

Editorials are chosen and written by Seabird staff, they are the expressed opinion of the staff, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Seabird Island Band.

Letters to the Editor submissions must be under 300 words. Please include your name, phone number, band number and signature (not for publication), as well as the date and year submitted.

We reserve the right to revise, edit, for length and clarity as well as to classify or reject any advertisement / story submissions.

'Round The Rez

Community Events, Workshops & Outings

OPTOMETRY CLINIC

March 20 - 22

Recommended annual check-ups for children under the age of 19 and every 2 years for ages 19-64.

Elders 65 & up can be seen annually.

Have a medical condition such as diabetes, or taking high risk medicines? You can also be seen annually.

Contact Maggie Pettis 604-796-2177.

DENTAL CLINIC

HOURS

Mon. to Thurs.: 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Walk-in Tues.: 1:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Fri.: Closed

Accepting new STATUS PATIENTS

WALK-IN PAIN CLINICS *

Every Tues. afternoon from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
First come, first serve.

Please come to Dental to register your name and note your dental problem.

* Patients will be screened and the most urgent problems will be seen to first.

BUILDING BOOKING AND MEETING ROOMS

► **Gymnasium and boardrooms** located within the Band Office. All requests must be submitted using a rental form.

Contact Angie Chapman 604-796-2177.

► **Millennium Hall.**

Contact Sandra Haukeland 604-796-2177.

FIELD LIGHT BOOKINGS:

Contact Angie Chapman 604-796-2177 to book the field lights for your sports team.

\$2.⁵⁰ for Band Members and

\$8.⁵⁰ for Non-Band Members.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Contact Angie Chapman 604-796-2177 if you would like to help during events with set-up, clean-up, cooking, decorating and child minding.

HAVE YOU HAD A LOVED ONE PASS AWAY?

We can help you send a copy of the death certificate to the First Nations Health Authority.

Contact Maggie Pettis 604-796-2177.

AMBULANCE BILLS

Please submit ambulance bills as soon as you receive them. If the bill is more than 1 year old, ambulance costs will no longer be covered under the Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB). Anyone with a Status Number can have the ambulance paid for by Health Canada as long as it's not an ICBC claim.

Ambulance bills - We can only help those with a status number, everyone else has to pay for their own unless it's an ICBC claim.

Unfortunately ambulance bills will not be covered if you have been incarcerated (in jail cell).

Please take note that the Ambulance Billing in Victoria know when you have been incarcerated just by the address provided on the billing.

Please do not bring those in because we are unable to assist, as they will be denied and it will be the client's responsibility to pay.

Contact Maggie Pettis 604-796-2177.

MEDICAL CARDS

We can assist people with requesting their medical cards, if they are lost or stolen and need a replacement.

*Each client is responsible for paying for their medical cards! If they've been lost or stolen more than 2 times the cost is \$20.00 for each new card.

Sorry we don't help people get their BC ID.

Contact Maggie Pettis 604-796-2177.

BABIES ID CARDS

Apply for medical for babies as soon as possible. Contact Maggie Pettis 604-796-2177.

Apply for Status Cards for babies as soon as possible. Contact Carol Hope 604-796-2177.

SUNDAY MASS

Mass takes place at the Seabird Church 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING

Every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. at the Seabird Island Community Hall.

Website for AA in BC: www.bcyukonaa.org

EMERGENCY / SECURITY:

Emergency	911
Seabird Security	604-991-8635
Griffin Security	604-798-9311

SIFD FIRE PRACTICE

Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

GARBAGE SCHEDULE

COMPOST, RECYCLE and GARBAGE:
Every Monday, unless Monday is a statutory holiday, then pick up will take place on the Tuesday immediately following the holiday.

MAJOR GARBAGE: 1st Wednesday of each month, by request.

If you need a Bin dropped off for your major cleaning please submit your request in writing.

Contact Ashley Bobb 604-796-6844, or e-mail: ashleybobb@seabirdisland.ca.

PRINTING SERVICES

The Communications Office is available to provide Band and Community Members with:

- Printing Services
- Copy Services
- Status Card Photos
- Laminating
- Advertising

There is a small fee for these services, please contact us for more information 604-796-2177 or 604-796-6838.

*** Band Member Funeral Pamphlets:**

As per Seabird Funeral Policy:
• 1st 100 color, 1st 150 grey-scale and 1st hours of design time is free.
• Additional or Non-Band Members; inquire for fees.

We are located upstairs in the Band Office.

NOTICE

NO

SOLICITING PEDDLING DISTRIBUTION OF PAMPHLETS

All offenders will be reported
and prosecuted to the full extent
of the law.

By order of Chief and Council

Chief and Council assert there is to be no solicitation of any sort. Visitors need permission from Chief and Council to solicit door to door.

If you get a questionable person knocking on your door you do not need to let them in. You have the right to close the door and contact the RCMP. There is an open file at the RCMP.

Community safety is a Chief and Council priority. Please contact us if you have any concerns.

JOB POSTINGS

Residential Support Worker - Night Shifts

Job ID: JP-2016-092

The role of the Residential Support Worker is to support residents struggling with substance use issues to facilitate personal growth and relationship building, as well as other duties associated with the recovery home such as cooking, cleaning, charting, participating in group sessions, driving and shopping.

Early Childhood Educator

Job ID: JP-2016-060

Under the direction of the Early Childhood Program Manager, the Early Childhood Educator will provide hands-on child care to children in Seabird Island's Early Childhood Education programs on an on-call basis, in accordance with all child care licensing requirements and the philosophies, policies and objectives established by Management. Possible programs include the Out of School Care, Seabird Island Daycare etc.

Senior Director

Job ID: JP-2016-086

The Senior Director will report to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Primary responsibilities will include assisting the CAO with planning, organizing, coordinating, maintaining, leading and directing the overall operations and activities of Seabird Island.

The Senior Director will have superior negotiation and resolution skills, will coordinate and develop relationships with agencies, Boards/Committees, government affiliates, etc. to further Seabird Island's strategic goals. S/he will be well versed in the overall management of the organization's operations, including: finance, personnel and strategic planning and will act for the CAO in their absence.

IT Support Technician

Job ID: JP-2017-010 | Closing Date: 3 Mar 2017

Reporting to the Help Desk Manager, this position works with all Seabird Island Departments. The Help Desk Manager, or designate, will assign tasks to the IT Support Technician involving maintenance of systems and technical equipment. The IT Support Technician will analyze requirements, resolve problems, and install hardware and software as required. Tasks also include end-user support, toner inventory, maintenance and procurement, as well as various tasks received through the IT Help Desk.

Education Assistant

Job ID: JP-2017-006

Under the supervision of school administration, the Education Assistant will work with students individually or in small groups to deliver activities that reinforce and advance the educational program and make the educational experiences of children more rewarding. Education Assistant's will assist teachers in student assessment and evaluation through observation, recording and data collection. At Seabird Island Community School, Education Assistants are valued members of the school community and they make a significant contribution to the work of the school and toward the education of all students.

Applying for jobs – information you need to know

When was the last time you updated your resume before applying for a job?

A resume isn't just a list of job titles and how long you've worked at various jobs, it's a record of all your skills, achievements, academics, capabilities and progress. Your resume contains information about what you've learned and the skills you've developed.

Always update your resume when you have:

- Changed jobs/positions
- Acquired new skills/certifications
- Completed a course/project/program
- Gained experience in your area of work

Applying with an updated resume will increase your chances of getting called for the interview and possibly getting the job/position you've always wanted!

View more detailed information about these and other opportunities, or to apply for current opportunities:

<https://seabirdisland.startdate.ca>

Please ensure you have received confirmation for your online submission. If you have not received confirmation please contact humanresources@seabirdisland.ca.

Job postings are also available at the Band Office and the Employment, Training and Social Development Office.

Pursuant to the Aboriginal Employment Preference Program, preference may be given to applicants of Aboriginal Ancestry. Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter, resume and three references. We regret that we will only respond to those applicants chosen for an interview. We thank all applicants for their interest.



Celebrating our families
this Family Day

