

Newsletter

NADLEH WHUT'EN NEWSLETTER

March 8th, 2024



Mens Group Wellness forum in Nadleh, story page 12 inside!

Pic by Johnny Ketlo.

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CONTEST INSIDE!

Find the Sbalyan and get a chance to win a 50 dollar gift certificate from Nadleh store.



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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Tues April 2nd, 2024 at Nadleh Whut'enne Yah.
From 9am to 8pm.

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EMPLOYMENT

New job posting for language worker.

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CALENDAR

New Health Centre Calendar for March 2024.

NADLEH WHUT'EN BAND

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR CHIEF AND COUNCIL

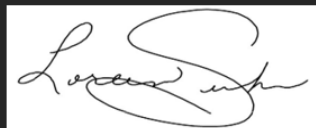
The Nadleh Whut'en Band will hold a General Voting day for the election of Chief and Council on:

DATE: TUESDAY , April 2, 2024
VOTING HOURS: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
LOCATION OF POLL Nadleh Whut'enne Yah Gym
823 Nautley Rd.

Voting by way of a mail-in ballot is possible. A mail-in voting package shall be sent to each elector who does not reside on reserve and for whom the Band Office has an address. For electors who live on the reserve but are not able to vote in person on the General Voting Day, please phone or email the Electoral Officer so that a mail-in voting package can be provided to you.

The votes will be counted at the **Nadleh Whut'enne Yah Gym** immediately following the close of the Polling Station on April 2, 2024. Band Members and Candidates or their 2 scrutineer will be able attend the counting of the ballots. The results will be announced and the successful candidates declared elected after this count has been completed subject to the provisions of the Indian Band Election Regulations

Given under my hand at, Prince George, British Columbia, this 27nd day of February, 2024.



Loreen Suhr, Electoral Officer
Phone: 1- 250-613-5909
e-mail: loreensuhr@telus.net

A listing of the candidates is on the back side of this notice

CANDIDATES FOR CHIEF

KUMBAYAZ DENNIS
ADRIENNE (BUNNY) GOODRIDGE
ANNE MARIE KETLO
BEVERLY KETLO
JOHNNY M. KETLO
TREVOR KETLO
LARRY NOOSKI
THERESA LESLEY NOOSKI

CANDIDATES FOR COUNCILLOR

MONICA BUCHANAN
LUCAS COLLINS
SABINA DENNIS
DELBERT GEORGE
GEORGE JR. GEORGE
ASHLEY HEATHCLIFF
ANNE KETLO
BEVERLY KETLO
EDGAR KETLO
PAMELA KETLO
KENNETH TYKENN KILPATRICK
MARK ALFRED LACERTE
JACKIE LOUIE
CHRISSY NOOSKI
ELEANOR NOOSKI (LOWE)
JEAN MARIE NOOSKI
ROY NOOSKI
CHERYL PARSONS (LACERTE)
TANYA STUMP

CALL FOR ELDERS INVOLVEMENT

Hohudul'eh Bayoh CSFS
Aboriginal Head Start, is in
search of Elders from Saik'uz
First Nation, Nadleh Whut'en
and Stelat'en First Nation to
come participate in our centre.

Activities will include:
storytelling, crafting/art,
presenting traditional tasks, or
playing with the children.

Honorariums gifted to Elders
willing to participate.

If you are an Elder interested in
being part of this program contact:

Brittany Dowling,
brdowling@csfs.org, 250-570-8480



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FIRST NATIONS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

News Release

February 27, 2024

First Nations Leadership Council disgusted by comedy group profiteering off the Pickton mass murder case

(x̣ẉṃə̣θ̣ḳẉə̣ỵəm (Musqueam), Sḳẉx̣ẉụ́7̣mesh (Squamish) and sə̣lịlẉə̣ṭə̣ł (Tsleil-Waututh)/Vancouver, B.C.) The First Nations Leadership Council (FNLC) is deeply offended by the Albertan comedy group The Danger Cats selling t-shirts with the cartoon image of BC serial killer Robert William Pickton and reprehensible text referencing the victims. Pickton, who was convicted of six murders in 2007, is connected to at least 49 murders of women, many of whom were Indigenous and survival sex workers.

The FNLC is calling on Sam Walker, Brendan Blacquier, and Brett Forte, together as The Danger Cats, to remove the t-shirt from their merchandise and to publicly apologize to the families and communities who lost loved ones to Pickton who were deeply re-traumatized by their actions. Further, the FNLC urges the host venues to cancel bookings of any performers who make light of gender-based violence and deepen harm towards victims and survivors.

"Already faced with the memories of the devastating deaths of their loved ones, the families of the victims should not have to suffer such an appalling attempt at humour," said Regional Chief Terry Teegee of the BC Assembly of First Nations. "The members of this so-called comedy group may try to defend this display of poor taste as social commentary and comedy, but the despicable crimes of Robert Pickton and his victims are not something to be made fun of."

"I am absolutely astounded and offended that anyone would sink low enough to actually attempt to joke about, and profit from, Robert Pickton's depraved and despicable acts of murderous violence against women. Such callous disregard is yet another example of why we continue to struggle with missing and murdered Indigenous women in this country. To those who will argue that this constitutes free speech; free speech comes with a responsibility to our collective society and with the duty to be accountable and face the consequences of your actions and words. Simply put, if the group has any shred of decency, they will issue a public apology to the families of the victims of Robert Pickton and will donate the proceeds from any sale of these t-shirts to violence against women support groups" said Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, President of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs.

"It is shocking to think anyone would trivialize and make light the heinous crimes of Robert Pickton as a means to sell t-shirts for profit. Demeaning rhetoric and imagery such as this symbolizes women as disposable objects", said Cheryl Casimer of the First Nations Summit Political Executive. "The senseless murder of women should never be the subject of comedy. In doing so, The Danger Cats have shown little regard for common civility and compassion. We are pleased that the group's comedy show, scheduled to take place next month in New Westminster, has been cancelled following a public petition on [Change.org](https://www.change.org)," added Cheryl Casimer of the First Nations Summit Political Executive.

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The First Nations Leadership Council is comprised of the political executives of the BC Assembly of First Nations (BCAFN), First Nations Summit (FNS), and the Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC).

For further information, contact:

Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, UBCIC President	250-490-5314
Cheryl Casimer, FNS Political Executive	778-875-2157
Annette Schroeter, BCAFN Communications	778-281-1655



JOB POSTING: Nadleh Language Project Coordinator

STARTING: April 2, 2024, to March 31, 2025

SUMMARY OF DUTIES

The Nadleh Dakelh Language Planner primary duties are the following:

To develop, lead and facilitate the planning process of the Nadleh Language Plan.

A community engagement strategy, communication plan, help to develop a Nadleh Language Planning.

Goals & Objectives of a five-year plan: Language Nest, Silent Speakers & Arts.

Seeking funding opportunities for language and culture.

To coordinate Language Day Camps/Gatherings and create resources with fluent speakers.

SKILLS REQUIRED:

- Experience with Microsoft Office & desktop publishing is a must.
- Skills in coordination support to First Nation communities and/or equivalent combination of education, training, and experience.
- Knowledgeable in working with Elders, Wisdom Keepers, Traditional Knowledge Keepers.
- Experience working with First Nation people at a community level including in community engagement and community/organizational development.
- To collaborate and maintain respectful and effective relationships with diverse groups, organizations, and individuals.
- To multi-task, set priorities effectively, time manage, and problem solve, including early identification of issues/problems that may arise.
- Knowledge of Nadleh Dakelh language would be an asset.
- A valid Class 5 BC Driver's License and access to a vehicle daily.
- Must provide a Criminal Record Check.
- Flexibility in Work Schedule and travel may be required.
- Please include 3 employer references with resume.

Nadleh Whut'en First Nations offers a competitive compensation package. Preference will be given to Indigenous people if qualified, and applicants are encouraged to self-declare. We thank all who apply and advise only those selected for further consideration will be contacted. Salary Range \$25 - \$30 upon experience.

Application deadline: March 15, 2024 4:30 pm

Submit resume & cover letter to Rose DaSilva, Executive Manager

Fax to: (250) 690-7316

Email: rdasilva@nadleh.ca

Address: Box 36, Fort Fraser, BC V0J 1N0



Nadleh Whut'en Band (NWB)
Job Posting
Position: Youth Support Worker

In collaboration with other youth workers and as a role model to the youth, this position offers guidance, support, encouragement and a stable environment while also maintaining healthy boundaries. Carrier Sekani

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Cooperative development and implementation of support services and programs for youth
- Facilitate life skill development by offering workshops, guest speakers and community experts.
- Provide educational opportunities for at risk youth including - health and wellness, addictions, family violence, abuse, self-esteem and culture and traditions in CSFS Member Nations.
- Engage youth, families and individuals in healthy activities. Assist in implementing prevention programs.
- Maintain confidentiality concerning employee files. Update and maintain all necessary program documents.
- Assist in the coordination of culture camps that will include traditional First Nations hunting and gathering activities. Assist with the Elder Youth Mentorship program.
- Assist the youth's family or any other professionals involved with planning or implementing strategies or goals.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES / PREFERRED SKILLS

- First Nation's Culture and Traditions; Knowledge and understanding of contemporary social, health, economic, and justice issues faced by First Nations
- Understanding of the factors and influences that place youth at risk of becoming involved in high-risk activities.
- Excellent group facilitation and resolution skills. Experience organizing and coordinating events.
- Knowledge of the Youth Justice Act, Family Services and Child Welfare Acts and Regulations
- Computer skills using Microsoft Office suite (Outlook, MS Word, Excel)
- Excellent oral and written communication skills to compose business correspondence

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Grade 12
- Preferred: post-secondary education in Social Work/Human Services/Child and Family/First Nations Studies Diploma. An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered
- Social Services/Child & Family Certificate or equivalent
- Experience working with children, youth and families
- Must possess a valid class 5 driver's license and reliable vehicle; must provide driver's abstract
- Clear Criminal Record check

Please apply by resume by email to: kgeorge@nadleh.ca

Position open until filled

****Applicants will be shortlisted according to prior work history and qualifications. Only those selected for an interview will be notified****

Preference will be given to band members if qualified

Silent Speakers

Whulhtat Dzen

Wednesday

Tsintel Ooza 6, 2024

Tsintel Ooza 13, 2024

Tsintel Ooza 20, 2024

March

Tsintel Ooza 27, 2024

Nadleh 'Uske' nuwhulyih

4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Gym

Contact 250-690-7211 ext. 119

Tyler Nooski, Revitalization

Travis Ketlo, Assistant

Eleanor Nooski, Coordinator

Nadleh Whut'en

**MEN'S
GROUP**

STARTS:

MARCH 12, 2024 AND EVERY TUESDAY

WHERE: NADLEH REC CENTRE UNLESS

OTHERWISE POSTED

TIME: 6PM - 9PM

**FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT: TIMOTHY ERICKSON
(250)-690-7272 OR (250)-524-0200**

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March 2024



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

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Poker Night

Dr Danette In
Men's Group @ Rec
Centre



**Men's Strength In
Solidarity Forum**

Dr Aldred In
**Men's Strength in
Solidarity Forum**



Hockey Night

Skating Day in
Fort
St James.



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**Bear Clan Potlatch
Baby Welcoming**

Phoenix Wellness
starts
Transformations
starts, poker night

Dr Danette In
Men's Group @ Rec
Centre

Community Kitchen
with Joanne and
Michelle



Gym Night

Hockey Night
Phoenix Wellness Ends
Transformations Ends
Dr John In

DR John Volleyball
game On March 15
@5-7:30pm

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Poker Night

Dr Danette In
Men's Group GOV
starts

Elders Walk
11:30am-12:30pm

Dr Aldred In
Gym Night

Hockey Night

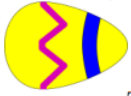
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Poker Night

**Youth
Transformations**
Dr Danette In



GOOD FRIDAY
Hockey Night



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EASTER SUNDAY
EASTER EGG HUNT

Poker Night

Notes: Gym Night Every Thursdays, Men's Group Every Tuesday, Woman's Group Every Wednesday and Thursday. Poker Nights Every Monday, Hockey Night Every Friday.



When we first applied for FirstVoices grants with the First Peoples' Cultural Council in 2017, we did not know how beneficial it would be for our communities in documenting, restoring, and revitalizing our Dakelh language and cultural teachings. Over the years, we have connected fluent speakers with youth to increase our FirstVoices resources to use our language as a valuable language teaching tool in classrooms and cultural activities, in video games, community newsletters and more. As a result of our increased language revitalization efforts, we have developed numerous Dakelh Language Champions in our community and globally; we all have one Dakelh voice as silent speakers, youth, and Elders. We greatly appreciate this gift.

Nenuchailya - We thank you very much.

Nadleh Stella FirstVoices Team:
Eleanor Nooski, Administrator
Dennis Patrick, Language Admin
Travis Ketlo, Language Recorder

First training session with Peter Brant in Nadle



Left – right

Peter Brant

Bev Ketlo

Adriene Goodridge

Archie Patrick

Alicia Da Sousa



Nadleh Stella FirstVoices Team were invited to 20th Anniversary Dinner on Feb 21, 2024, Victoria, BC



Gift exchange with Chief Ninawa hereditary chief of the Huni Kui Indigenous people of the Amazon



*2018 Nadleh Stella FirstVoices Team
 Dennis Patrick, Chrissy Nooski, Eleanor Lowe, Travis Ketlo, Levi Baker*



*Nadleh Stella FirstVoices Team 2019
 Dennis Patrick, Eleanor Nooski, Candice George, Carla Isadore, Travis Ketlo, Levi Baker*



The Nadleh Whut'en Men's Group hosted a transformative two-day wellness event on March 6th and 7th, igniting conversations and actions centered around men's mental health. Led by Amy Wutzke of CSFS, with facilitators Tim Erickson and Johnny Ketlo, the event delved deep into crucial topics such as trauma, addiction, past abuse, isolation, and the journey of self-reconnection. Through a blend of counseling and brotherhood, attendees were empowered to confront their challenges, fostering a supportive environment for healing and growth.

A highlight of the event was the invaluable insight shared by guest speakers, including the inspirational Brady Leovold, a former NHL hockey player who triumphed over adversity and addiction stemming from childhood abuse. Leovold's resilience and courage served as a beacon of hope, reminding attendees that transformation and recovery are possible even in the face of profound struggles. The Nadleh Whut'en Men's Group extends heartfelt gratitude to all participants, facilitators, and speakers, recognizing their collective commitment to nurturing mental wellness and fostering a community of strength and support.

pics and article by Johnny Ketlo

SHARE YOUR STORY

WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

- MALE, 18+
- HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED 3+ TIMES IN CANADA
- SELF-IDENTIFY AS HAVING EXPERIENCED CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE

WHAT WE ARE ASKING OF YOU:

- TO SIGN A CONSENT FORM
- ONE 60-90 MINUTE VOICE RECORDED INTERVIEW
- AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION, YOU WILL RECEIVE A \$20 GIFT CARD

Purpose: To engage with men with lived experiences in order to better understand trauma, masculinity, and context for criminogenic behaviour and reoffending.

Title of research: *History*: What can men who have experienced multiple incarcerations and childhood sexual abuse teach us about recidivism? An exploratory qualitative approach.

Researcher: Amy Wutzke

Thesis Supervisory Committee: Dr. Susan Burke, Dr. Linda O'Neill

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NADLEH WHUT'EN

Dunt'emyoo Balhats and Baby Welcoming

Please come out and join us as the
bear clan kids host a balhats.
Drummers to welcome in all clans.
We will be starting with the baby
welcoming then the balhats to follow

When: March 10th, 2024

Where: Nadleh Whut'en Gym

Time: 1:00pm

***For more info please contact:
Eleanor Nooski (250)-690-7211
Karen George (250)-690-7272***

for those who are traveling please
contact Eleanor Nooski no later
than March 6th



Returning to Spirit

ROOTS OF RECONCILIATION



Workshop (Indigenous)

This four day workshop is essential to the RTS reconciliation model. The insights developed during the workshop create space for participants to discover how previously-held behaviours, judgements, assumptions or perceptions have kept them stuck in a disempowering story.

Date: April 15-18 2024
Time: 9:00am-4:30pm daily
Location: Nadleh Whut'enne Yah -
Gymnasium 823 Nautley Road

To Register Please Contact:
Terry-Lynn Luggi
(250) 690-7211 ext. 105
(236) 331-5836 (cell)
tluggi@nadleh.ca

For More Info/To Register:
www.returningtospirit.org

This workshop is for you if you:

- Want to explore your own assumptions, judgements and behaviours
- Are curious and open minded about what reconciliation can look like on a personal level
- Want to participate in a meaningful dialogue of reconciliation to heal the hurts experienced from being in the foster care system

You are eligible to attend if:

- You are 18+
- You identify as Indigenous
- You are connected to Nadleh Whut'en First Nation

Thank you to our funders:



First Nations
Health Authority

You're invited to

Roots of Reconciliation

(Indigenous)



Join us for **Roots of Reconciliation**, a four day workshop essential to the RTS reconciliation model. The insights developed during the workshop create space for participants to discover how previously-held behaviours, judgements, assumptions or perceptions have kept them stuck in a disempowering story.

Date: April 15-18 2024

Time: 9:00am-4:30pm

**Location: Nadleh Whut'enne Yah
Gymnasium 823 Nautley Road**

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

For More Info:

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tluggi@nadleh.ca

(250) 690-7211 ext. 105 or

(236) 331-5836 (cell)

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Where to Send this Form

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