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Above: Dakká Lingit Sh Tóo Dultóowu June 11-29, 2018. Outside the Heritage Centre, first week of class!

Teslin Tlingit Council









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Message from Naa Shaáde Háni

Máa sá iyatee,

First of all, I would like to say 'Congratulations to all of our graduates! What an amazing mile stone you have all reached. Wishing you all the best success in your future, truly deserving!'

Executive and TTC staff continue to move forward with various projects and new initiatives. We have recently had strategic planning sessions with Executive Council and Management Board. We will continue

the planning with departments and

We would like to thank everyone for participating in the Leadership Selection Process survey and the Administrative Decisions survey. It is imperative that citizens participate in such important matters, this helps guide us to what citizens need and where they would like our nation grow. Thank you.

Now that the summer season is here, remember that all the students are out of classes. Many are playing outside, at parks

and riding bikes, please be careful, slow down when needed.

The 2018 Annual General Assembly will be July 10th, 11th & 12th at Brooks Brook. We encourage people to camp, share stories and laughs.

Thank you to all the outgoing staff for all your work with Teslin Tlingit Council. Welcome aboard to new staff, we look forward to working with you!

Gunalchéesh, Achéino - Richard

TTC Trans-boundary Update

by Dave Keenan

Hi Folks. Now that the lake is open and people are moving about, just a reminder that anyone wishing to build or construct a temporary or permanent structure on TTC Settlement Lands or any land in BC should first contact the Lands & Resources department.

The TTC negotiating team met with the government of Canada and BC negotiators on May 23 to 25, 2018 to continue our review of the Agreement-In-Principle Outline. We will have this review completed by mid-June. Once this is completed, we will have a better

understanding of what can be done within the existing government policy framework. Where government has no policy on key issues and those issues are a part of the TTC mandate, both Canada and BC must get a new mandate from their respective cabinets.

While we appreciate the collaborative approach of the government representatives, there has been little progress in developing a joint mandate.

To expedite these negotiations, the Teslin Tlingit Council proposes that it retain the area of the Group Trapline 625T002 as treaty lands under its treaty relating to our rights, titles, claims and interests in the portion of our traditional territory located in British Columbia. This would constitute the core of the TTC's treaty lands under that treaty.

This would mean that our aboriginal rights, titles and interests within this area of retained treaty lands would be retained as aboriginal title "equivalent to fee simple" as contained in the TTC Final Agreement in Yukon. The jurisdiction over these aboriginal title lands would include jurisdiction and ownership of all natural resources on these delineated lands. Further, the TTC exclusive jurisdiction over matters recognized under this treaty, as currently conveyed in the TTC's Final and Self Agreement in Yukon, within TTC's Traditional Territory, as being TTC's exclusive jurisdiction, would be extended into BC. This would include TTC's Lands and Resources Act and the TTC Fish and Wildlife Act. Our views are consistent with our Yukon Final and Self Government model and is consistent with the precepts of common law as conveyed in the Supreme Court of Canada decision in Tsilhqot'in.

The TTC team held a public meeting on May 12th at the long house where we presented the above idea and received support and valuable input.

The next session with governments will be in Teslin on July 17 and 18.

If anyone would like to meet with me please call me at 390-2331, 335-2331 or yesenko7@gmail.com I would be happy to meet with you.

Welcome New Employees!

Teslin Tlingit Council would like to extend our warmest welcome to the following new employees that have joined our workforce within the Government.

Elizabeth Bosely – Community Arts & Events Coordinator

James McGarth – Renewable Resource Coordinator

Isabelle Dewhurst – Indigenous Court Worker

Corrine Johnston – Senior Heritage Interpreter

Rita Grant – Heritage Interpreter

Bill Smarch - Auxiliary Heritage Interpreter

Lorraine Wolfe - Heritage Interpreter

Nitin Singh – Finance Supervisor

Cody Douville – Auxiliary Maintenance Worker

Anthony Johnston - Auxiliary Maintenance Worker

Shania Hogan - Executive Youth Representative

Nancy Sheane - Meals on Wheels

Salmon Ceremony Invitation

Dear TTC & C/TFN Leaders & Citizens:

The Taku River Tlingit First Nation is pleased to announce and formally invite the Teslin Tlingit Council & Carcross/ Tagish First Nation to participate in our Inland Salmon Celebration. We are currently in the very early stages of planning, however we wanted to share the event and dates as soon as possible.

Who: Inland Tlingit Nations

What: Celebrating Salmon and it's culture and importance

When: July 13, 14, 15 - light breakfast/ lunch/dinner provided (however we need an estimate of participants asap for food budgeting)

Where: Atlin B.C. - 5 Mile Point

Why: Coming to together to celebrate our culture, work towards better relationships and understanding, sharing knowledge, history and stories between individuals and communities.

We are currently seeking demonstrators for cutting & processing fish, as well as

knowledge holders and stories tellers who may be interested in working/sharing/ helping.

Along with demonstrators, we are also trying to get an idea of participants for budgeting and planning purposes

Sincerely,

Shauna Yeomans-Lindstrom Land Guardian Liaison landguardian2@gov.trtfn.com 250-651-7900 ext 202



CALL OF INTEREST

CTFN - TRTFN - TTC Salmon Koo.ex

Join us for a weekend of processing fish, sharing knowledge and stories

- Atlin, B.C. 5Mile Point July 13, 14, 15
- . Camping spots available
- Light Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Provided
- Presentations, Discussions, youth activites and Ceremonies

if you have any questions or interest in participating please contact & RSVP as soon as possible (for planning purposes)

250-651-7900 ext 202 - landguardian2@gov.trtfn.com

CTFN - TTC - TRTFN CALL OF INTEREST:

SALMON PROCESSORS/ DEMONSTRATORS

SEEKING SALMON CUTTERS AND PROCESSORS TO ASSIST WITH OUR FIRST **INLAND CELEBRATION OF SALMON**

SEEKING DEMOSTRATORS FOR :

- DRIED SALMON
- JARRED SALMON
- CANDIED SALMON
- PROCESSING FOR FREEZING

ALSO SEEKING INTEREST FOR: KNOWLEDGE HOLDERS & STORY TELL

> Atlin, B.C. July 13, 14, & 15

if interested please contact Shauna Yeomans @ 250-651-7900 ext 202 / landguardian2@gov.trtfn.com

Congratulations to All Teslin Tlingit Grads!

Teslin Tlingit 2018 Grads:

Hunter Dyck
William Fordham
Alicia Fox
Ryleigh Grant –Turner
Samantha Johnston
Cordell Jules
Julian Jules
Brittney Keleher
Aleshia Kremer
Brent Marshall
Damon Park

Dion Sheldon



Above: Peter Johnston, Sam Johnston, Samantha Johnston, Aleshia Kremer, Brittney Keleher. Alicia Fox, Richard Sidney, Brett Marshall, Hunter Dyck. **Missing:** Julian Jules, Cordell Jules, Ryleigh Grant-Turner, William Fordham, Damon Park, Dion Sheldon,



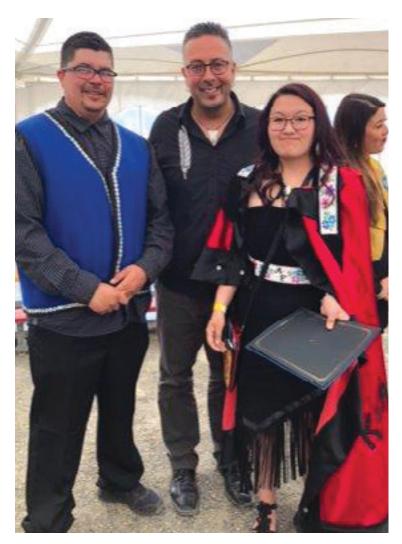
Above: Julian, Aleshia and Cordell gone through school together from K-9 in Teslin and lived in the Dorm together.





Congratulations

CLASS OF





Left: Alicia Fox. Above: Brittney Keleher. Below: Sam Johnston, Samantha Johnston, and Peter Johnston.



Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards

The Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards are intended to recognize First Nations, Métis and Inuit students who model strength and commitment in the pursuit of their personal education path and embrace their own gifts, strengths and potential while celebrating the ways of their people.

Further, the Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards provide the opportunity to celebrate the unique qualities of students who inspire their peers, teachers, education leaders and community members while respecting the agency of other students to do the same in their own ways.

Formerly known as "Indigenous Shining Student Award", the program has been enhanced and expanded and continues to be supported through the collaboration of education partners in Alberta. This important re-imagining of the award has been inspired by the ASBA Indigenous Advisory Circle whose leadership, advice and guidance has been invaluable in creating this exciting new awards program.

Award Sponsors

Sponsored by the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) in collaboration with the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS), Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA), Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) and funded this year through grant dollars from Alberta Education

Award Parameters

Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards will be presented annually to students selected by the Awards Committee. The Committee will consider First Nations, Métis or Inuit student nominees who attend a school in Alberta, either operated by an ASBA member school board or a First Nations school, who have been nominated by members of their education community based on their exemplary leadership, honour, courage and commitment to their own education path. Celebrated attitudes, actions and characteristics of nominees

include the following:

- · Perseverance in the pursuit of goals and dreams, in school and beyond
- Maintaining strength, self-care and a healthy attitude as they pursue their personal path to education and fulfillment
- Embracing their cultural identity and promoting the strength, beauty and value of their culture and community
- · Modelling leadership through a cultural lens that inspires their peers to pursue their own dreams and goals
- · Respecting and honouring the autonomy, empowerment and agency of others to self-determine



- · Improvement in work ethic, attitude, attendance and interaction with others
- Honesty and honour demonstrated in the student's daily encounters with fellow school community members
- · Kindness towards others

Congratulations Ryleigh!

Pleased to inform you that Ryleigh Grant-Turner has been selected as the recipient for the Grades 10-12 age group in the North Region..





TTC Health and Social will be doing a **Smoke reduction** campaign this Summer and Fall!

We will be creating a display wall of **Success and Inspiration** for those *community members* who quit smoking and also have information about quit smoking supports in the Yukon for those who are thinking of quitting.

If you have quit or know someone who has quit we would like to hear from you!











The information we are seeking:

Name:

How long have you quit smoking?

How many times did you try before you actually quit smoking?

What helped you to quit smoking?

And if you like you can send a picture as well.

Watch for the wall of **Success and Inspiration** in the next few weeks!!!

Contact: Dalelyn @ 390-2532 ext:383

Community Arts & Events Coordinator – Heritage Center

Hello everyone! It's great to be home. After 18 years of service at Yukon College, I have officially retired as an adult basic education instructor and I am now employed as the Community Arts & Events Coordinator at the Teslin Tlingit Heritage Center.

The primary focus of this position is to develop, promote and oversee traditional and contemporary visual and performing arts and cultural experiences for our citizens. My position oversees the Assistance to Artists Program, the Art Collection Purchase Program and the cultural demonstrator positions.

By early June, four TTC cultural demonstrators will be sharing their cultural knowledge and skills onsite for citizens and tourists visiting our beautiful center. Throughout the year, I will be coordinating workshops and learning experiences for our arts community.

If you have ideas, suggestions, or questions that relate to the artistic and entrepreneurial aspects of the arts, please drop by my office at the Heritage Center, call (867) 390-2532 (ext. 333) or email me at elizabeth.bosely@ttc-teslin.com.



Resumes at Workforce Development

Workforce Development would like to inform all TTC Citizens that WFD will no longer keep any resumes in our system. It is the applicants responsibility to submit their covering letter and resume into WFD Office before deadlines of employment postings, all

posting close 4:00 pm sharp on closing day. In addition please keep in mind that it is the responsibility for the resume to be updated with employment & contact information, please do not include personal information such Social Insurance Number, Date of Birth.

WFD will be purchasing, one last time, a USB for all citizens who we may have resumes on file for them to come in and receive a copy. June 29, 2018 WFD will be deleting all resumes from the system after 4:30 pm please ensure that you come in before that time.

Extra! Extra!

We're looking for extras to be in our movie in Teslin this July!

Pat Wiens & Ashley Hunking...yes, Cole's mother and sister...are making a short film called *Rise n' Shine* this July and they are looking for Teslin residents of all ages to be background performers in a couple scenes that require lots of people! They are also casting for an actor role for a police dispatcher.

What: You will be required for two days

When: 2 days between July 2 - 8th

Where: in Teslin!

What's in it for you? Be in a movie, make friends & eat good food!

If interested, please email Pat Wiens at Pat Wiens pwiens@northwestel.net by June 15th.



Lands and Resources Update

The Lands & Resources Department would like to welcome James McGrath as the term Renewable Resources Coordinator filling in for Gillian over the next year. James grew up in the Yukon, and has now returned after recently graduating from Dalhousie University with a double major BA in Environment, Sustainability & Society and Environmental Science, and with certificates in environmental impact assessment and GIS. He is looking forward to putting his education and enthusiasm in this field to work for TTC and getting to know the community.

Salmon

As we quickly approach the salmon season this summer, there are a number of significant projects and processes that the Lands department continues to make progress on in partnership with executive, youth, elders, and TTRRC representatives.

Salmon Management Planning

The TTC Salmon Management Plan Advisory Group is nearing completion of a draft Plan for public review, with final review scheduled for the TTC AGA in July. A Salmon Open House was hosted in Teslin and Whitehorse in April to share information and seek input from TTC Citizens on a variety of topics including research & restoration, management, and cultural restoration. The input we received was very valuable to the review process, and the Advisory Group would like to thank everyone who attended.

Yukon River Panel

Youth, Elders, Executive, and staff represented TTC's interests through public testimony and strategic



meetings with Alaskan Tribal representatives at the Yukon River Panel in Anchorage this spring. In much the same way that Chinook conservation actions in Yukon began with First Nation Citizens in Yukon self-limiting their harvest and calling for further actions from management agencies, the people who rely on salmon along the river in Alaska are working to build their voice in various management discussions and continue to call for conservative management approaches. TTC hopes to build strong cross-border relationships at the community level to support real change in long-term management, and to maintain support for Chinook salmon conservation.

Salmon Projects

A number of TTC salmon projects successfully received funding through the Yukon River Panel this year. This includes the continuation of the Deadman Creek Chinook restoration project. We have had a number of community members tag along during the project activities over the last couple of years, and look forward to hosting more opportunities this summer. We will be beginning a new research project this year that will provide TTC with updated information on the extent of Chinook salmon spawning throughout the traditional territory using radio tag telemetry methods. This information can then be compared to local and traditional knowledge to assess where future monitoring and restoration efforts can be focused within the Teslin watershed. If you have any questions about either of these projects, we would love to talk to you!

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We are excited to share that funding was also received to create a Salmon Steward position in the Lands and Resources Department, which we will work to maintain into the future. This position will provide a TTC youth with the opportunity to explore and build skills through participation in a variety of salmon-related technical, communication, and management-type work mentoring under other staff in the department. We hope to build the capacity of the department to carry out salmon work into the future

and foster an interest in this field of work in our TTC youth into the future!

2018 preliminary run information

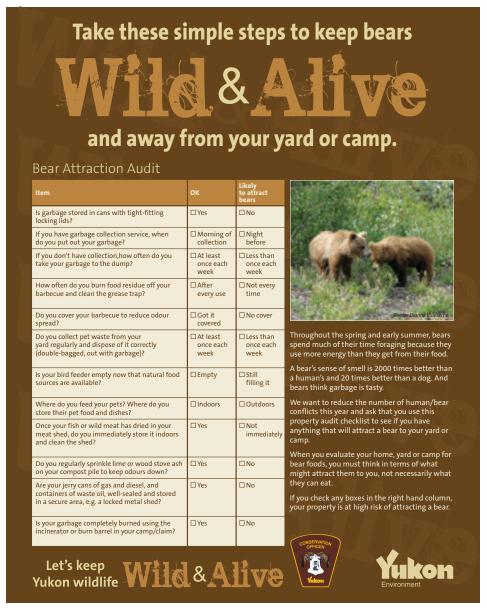
At this point in the season, run information is very uncertain. Preseason estimates predict a run size similar or smaller than last year. When compared to historic run sizes, this year will mark another below-average run. While run sizes are currently not at the critically low levels that were seen in recent years, the current run sizes are only being maintained by continuing strong conservation in both Alaska and Yukon, and more

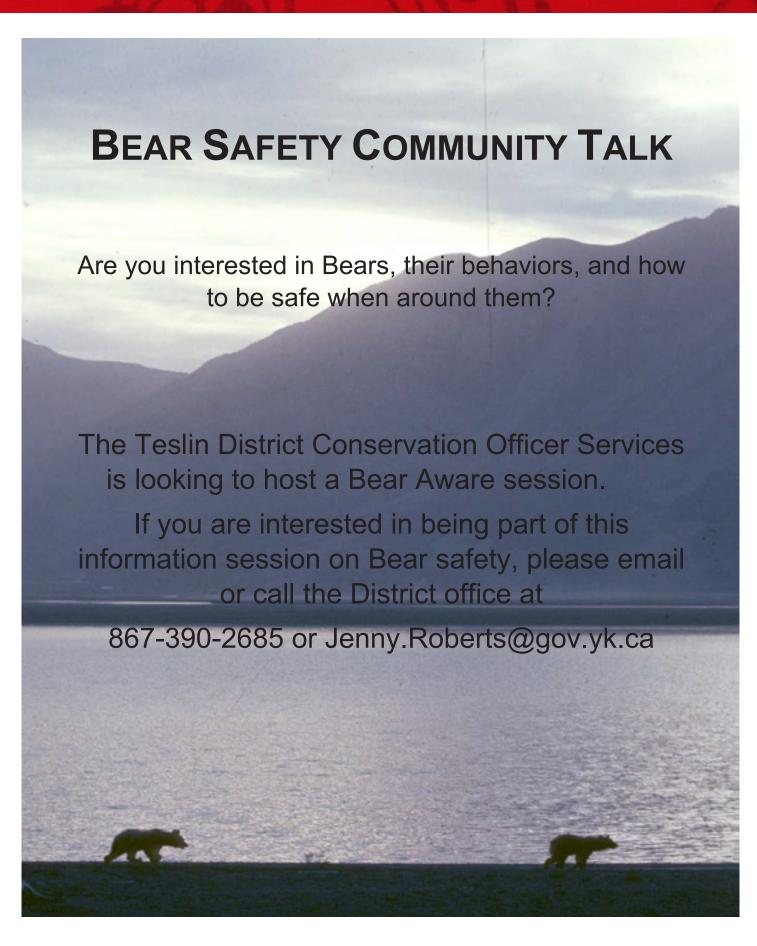
time is needed to allow for the stock to properly rebuild. TTC also continues to stress the importance of the run quality, which includes considering the ages and sex ratio of returning salmon. Younger fish produce fewer eggs and have higher numbers of males than females. TTC Citizens and many others along the river are to be commended for continuing to recognize the importance of conservation at this time.

Run information will be updated throughout the season as it comes available. If you have any questions, please contact the Lands Department.

Keeping our Wildlife "Wild and Alive"

Summer is here and we must be mindful of wildlife in our community. We share this landscape with a variety of wildlife, and it is our responsibility to manage our attractants and to recognize that we can successfully co-exist with these animals if we do so. There have been numerous bear sightings during the month of May and unfortunately one was able to gain access to household attractants and had to be destroyed. We are also concerned about the foxes in town and would like to ensure that they are not becoming accustomed to accessing food from people, as they are an enjoyable presence near the community but may need to be removed if they become too familiar with people and human foods. Please keep garbage and other attractants indoors or in lockable bear proof bins until garbage day, and only dispose of food in this secure garbage to go to the dump. If you have any questions about managing wildlife attractants, how to bear proof your property or general bear safety we encourage you to contact the Lands department and review the Yukon Bear Attractant Audit checklist. The Lands department also has bear spray available again if you would like to sign out a can for your time on the land this summer.





Department Updates

Biomass Tour with Teslin School



Biomass Tour, with the Teslin School, grades 7, 8 & 9 class. Students commented that it was pretty interesting, they learned quite a bit about tree harvesting to providing heat to buildings. They were happy to tag along in the tour. Tour took place at the end of May.





Meet your Teslin Tlingit Heritage Centre Summer **Staff for** 2018





Yukon Prime Time **Home Delivery Service**

We've been delivering organic meat, wild seafood, and chemical-free food in the Yukon since 1988.

We have an extensive list of products. The prices, weight and country of origin are on each box. If you are a first-time customer, you'll want to talk to us about the products and see what we've got.

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Select List of Products

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Danish Baby Back Ribs Pork Roast Pork Tenderloin Bone in Pork Chops Pork Loin Chops Rack of Lamb NZ Lamb Chops

Boneless Chicken Breasts Various Chicken Wings **Turkey Tenderloin Turkey Burgers** Tandoori Chicken **Duck Breasts**

Atlantic Cod Salmon Haddock Halibut Mahi Mahi Tuna Albacore Lobster Alaskan King Crab Bairdi Crab Raw Shrimp Cooked Shrimp Digby Scallops Pickerel Sole **Orange Roughy**

Mussels Langostino Snow Crab Claws Red Snapper

Oysters

And many prepared foods.



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Happy Birthday!

A very Happy 13th Birthday to our **Metal Head** Son, may your Birthday be as loud as Pantera!!! We love you Air xxoo Mom, Dad, Amanda, Brittany. Ariel, Ms. Jingles & Dexter

Congratulations!

Congratulations Cordell Jules and Julian **Jules** on your graduation! Wishing you both happiness and success in your future! The world is yours - have fun, try everything at least once, and do what makes you happy! Much love to you, love Mom.

Happy Anniversary to Leon and Clara Jules love your Family and Friends.



Announcements

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday Cheryl Jackson. Much love & hugs always, Roberta, Darrin, Craig, Mickayla, Travis, Kailub & Hailev

Happy Birthday Mickayla Wolfe Much love & hugs always, Dad, Mom, Mama, Uncle Craig, Kailub, Travis & Hailev

Happy Birthday **Keely Taylor** Wishing you all the BEST and Many more! Love from your family and friends.

Happy Birthday Mayor Jules Love your Family and Friends.

Happy 8th Birthday to Liam Sydney for May 26th love his Mom and Dad

Happy 20th Birthday to **Taneshia** Jules for June 8th from Jodi & Liam

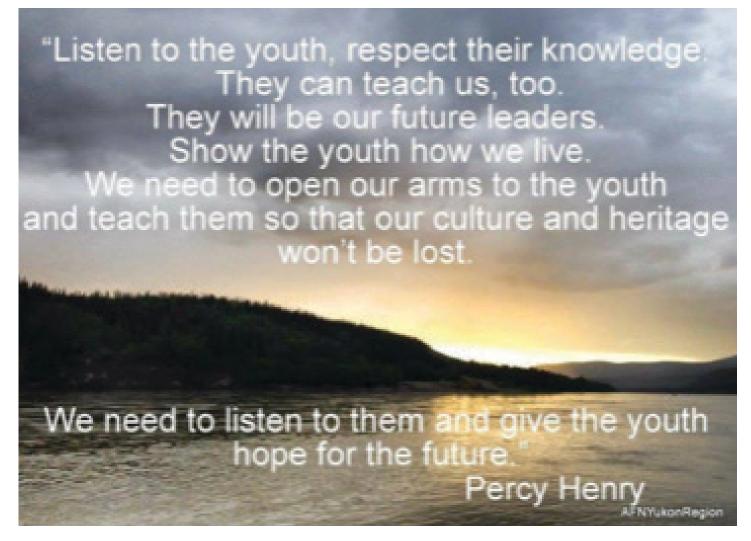
Happy Birthday to **Dianne Nolan** for June 16th from Jodi & Liam

Happy 5th Birthday **Leon** Love from your Family and Friends. Elders who have birthdays in May:

Ingrid Johnston 74 Emma Shorty 85 Pansy Allen 84 Susan Blackwell 77 Phillip Smith 67

Elders who have birthdays in June:

Matt Thom 84 Ken Bailey 77 Wilma Magil 75 Cheryl Jackson 65 Kenny Jackson 65 Johnny Martychuck 64 Mary Rose Sidney 62





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Deslin Neek welcomes comments, submissions, letters and photographs. We are also available for community announcements and promotions through free advertising. Please note, we reserve the right to edit submissions for accuracy, length and relevance.

This newsletter aims to inform Citizens about what is happening in your Government. Get in touch, let us know what you would like to see included.

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Thanks to all those who submitted photos for this issue. As there were too many to name we would still like to Thank you all. Please keep them coming in.

Attention TTC Citizens

TTC is currently updating its Citizen Mailing Addresses, Email Addresses and phone numbers.

If any of your contact information has changed and you would like TTC to have it, please email Reception@ttc-teslin.com or call 867-390-2532 ext 300



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