

Gitmaxmak'ay News

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May 2011

- May 11th — Grand Opening of the Nisga'a Museum in Laxgalts'ap
- May 20th — Gitmaxmak'ay Sponsored Swim 1 pm to 3 pm
- May 20th — Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Fundraisers Smorgasbord. Nisga'a Hall at 5 pm
- May 22nd — GND Tribal Wars, Nisga'a Hall 5 pm
- May 23rd — Victoria Day Holiday — Society Office Closed
- May 24th — Gitmaxmak'ay Community Meeting, Nisga'a Hall 4:30 pm

Nisga'a Grad Dinner — June 15, 2011

The date is set! We will be celebrating our Nisga'a graduates of 2011 on Wednesday June 15th with their family and friends.

Gitmaxmak'ay Fundraisers will be hosting a Smorgasbord on Friday May 20, 2011 at the Nisga'a Hall 5:00pm

Names for grads are still being taken at the Society Office until Friday May 20th. Please come out and support your 2011 Grads!



Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a PR/PE Society will be hosting a community meeting on Tuesday, May 24th.

All Nisga'a members in the Prince Rupert/



Gitmaxmak'ay Community Meeting — Tuesday May 24th

Port Edward are welcome to attend.

On the agenda:
Status of Society Updates from Gitmaxmak'ay's; Government Reps, Dancers, Elders,

Youth Council and Fundraisers.

Soup and Sandwiches will be provided.

Nisga'a Hall doors will open at 4:30 pm.

Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Dancers

The Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Dancers have been invited to Victoria for National Aboriginal Day to perform, to help celebrate in a Totem Pole Raising and also for the youth to take tours around the Legislature, College/University's and to watch an IMAX film.

We have booked the hall every Sunday for a sewing class to help get dancers Regalia ready 3:00-6:00pm

There will be a Dancers meeting May 19, 2011 from 6:00-8:30pm in the multipurpose room

FINALLY the Eagles/Wolves "*Tribal War*" is set for May 22, 2011 5:00pm at the Nisga'a Hall-Calling all Eagles and Wolves to come out and help, bring food, donations and get your skits ready, please call Marlena at the office 250-627-1595 for any skits or donations

Dancers are fundraising by selling 50/50 which is drawn once per month and also have a "Money Tree" raffle. 1st Prize- \$500.00

2nd Prize- \$300.00

3rd Prize- \$200.00

Draw date for the Money Tree Raffle is May 28, 2011.

Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Elders Fundraising

Elders have been fundraising non-stop with their ticket sales that will be drawn May 24, 2011.

1st Prize- Eagle Head Dress- Carved and Donated by Luke Parnell

2nd Prize- Killer Whale plaque donated by Maury Clark

3rd Prize- \$400.00 Gift Certificate donated by Charles Skinner for Copper Creations

Please contact office at 250-627-1595 or Camilla Haines for Tickets

All proceeds go to the Elders Gathering in Abbotsford July 12, 13 & 14th.

New Chair Lift Coming to Nisga'a Hall!

If you have come to the Nisga'a Society office and noticed some changes, it doesn't end there!

We are taking the changes in stride, and our first adjustment was adding the handrails to the entrances and stairway.

We are now anticipating the arrival and installment of a chairlift.

We are very excited with the upgrades that are making the Nisga'a Society office and NCFS more accessible to all community members and guests.

Now Hiring: Arts & Crafts

Every Summer, we hire 2 part time Gitmaxmak'ay members to host Arts & Crafts sessions during July and August.

Please send your Resume to Bess Leeson, Programs & Services Coordinator by Friday June 10th

Nisga'a Hall Rental Rates

Nisga'a Hall Rental

Non-Liquor Events: Full Day Rate	\$420.00
Non-Liquor Events: Half Day Rate	\$212.80
Security Deposit	\$100.00
Liquor Events:	\$526.40
Security Deposit	\$250.00

In Hall Equipment Rental

Laptop	\$56.00
LCD Projector	\$67.20
Overhead Projector	\$33.60
Screen	\$33.60
TV	\$28.00
VCR/DVD	\$16.80
Wedding Arch	\$11.20

Multipurpose Room Rental

Full Day Rate	\$179.20
Half Day Rate	\$95.20
Security Deposit	\$50.00

Please Note:

- Half Day Rentals are a maximum of 4 hours.
- All prices include HST

Salmon Harvest 2011

The Society is accepting applications of interest of those interested in fishing the Gitmaxmak'ay membership.

Requirements:

- Must possess all licenses and certification to run a fishing vessel.
- Letter of interest

Please submit to:
C/O Bess Leeson, Programs

& Services Coordinator or email gitprog@citytel.net
Deadline to submit is May 13th at 4 pm.

Also, please call the Society office to leave your name and phone number to add your name to the Food Fish list.

Please note: the Society office only calls the names on the list when the harvest arrives.

Notice

If you are moving, come into the Society office and fill out a Change of Address form to ensure you will continue to get announcements, updates, notifications, etc. from the Society on time.

NCPS — Swim Tickets

In January we notified everyone that the City Recreation Department has changed their regulations on swim tickets. All swim tickets (Child, Youth and Adult) now have an expiry date.

If you look at your April swim tickets, you will see the expiry date is June 30th.

Post Secondary Deadline

All Students:
The deadline to submit your Post Secondary Application is June 15th

You can pick up 2011-12 applications at the Society Office if you haven't already.

Office Closure

Monday May 23rd
Victoria Day Holiday

Tuesday June 21st
BC Aboriginal Day

Friday July 1st
Canada Day Holiday

Monday August 1st
Civic Holiday



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Nisga'a People of the Rainbow

We're on the Web!
www.Nisgaahall.ca

Spring/Summer Activities

May 8th — Mother's Day

May 11th — Grand Opening of the Nisga'a Museum, Laxgalts'ap

May 20th — Gitmaxmak'ay Sponsored Swim

June 9th to 12th — Seafest

June 15th — Nisga'a Grad Dinner, Nisga'a Hall: 5 pm

June 19th — Father's Day

June 21st — Aboriginal Day

June 29th — Last Day of School!

June 30th — Gitmaxmak'ay Sponsored Swim

July 1st — Canada Day

July 1st to 2nd — Crabfest, Gingolx, BC

July 6th — Gitmaxmak'ay Sponsored Swim

July 12th to 15th — Annual BC Elders Conference, Abbotsford, BC

August 1st — Civic Holiday

August 23rd to 25th — GNYC Youth Conference

Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Youth Council

The newly formed Youth Council had the opportunity to attend a "Swearing in Ceremony" in Gitlaxt'aamix that involved all 4 villages and 3 societies of the Nisga'a Nation. Joshua Peardon (Vice President), Chelsea Stewart (Councilor) and Heather Watts (Councilor) left Thursday to attend "Nisga'a Business 101", where they learnt about the roles and responsibilities of our Nisga'a Government. In the afternoon, Oscar Mercer— Council of Elders read *Schedule 1 of the Constitution of the*

Nisga'a Nation and signed the "Oath in Office" to each Youth Council.

The Youth Council has been fundraising for their upcoming Youth Conference set for August 23, 24 & 25th.

If you have any ideas or would like to help the Youth Council please contact Marlena at the Society Office 627-1595.

