## June 2020 | Monthly Newsletter



# **Sumas First Nation**

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# **Office Hours**

Reminder: The office remains closed to the public

Office: Monday – Friday: 8:00am – 4:00pm

Smoke Shop: Please check social media

### Precautions

Upon entry immediately sanitize or wash your hands Stand 6 feet apart and place yourself on X markers in lobby Do not lean on or through reception glasses Please do not loiter outside of the building

# Congrats to You All: Ex Syo: ye - Good Work!

### 2020 Graduates

Hailey Kelly

Jayne Kelly

**Bentley VanderHoek** 

Andrew Williams

Ethan Williams

Honour Roll Nekkiya Learmonth Clayton Ritchie Jacqueline Silver Fraser Smith Bentley VanderHoek

Only Going Out For Essentials

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## Announcements

## Free Cottonwood On Reserve

#### Pickup at Silverway. Contact Harmeet for info 604-852-4041 or harmeet.rai@sumasfirstnation.com

## ADVISORY FROM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BC

An increase in logs and large woody debris may be experienced on the Lower Fraser River, downstream of Agassiz from Saturday June 27 through Friday July 3. Recreational boaters, marine traffic and infrastructure operators should be aware that more logs than normal may be floating downstream due to high streamflow conditions and decreased performance of the Fraser River Debris Trap resulting from high wood volumes diverted earlier in the season. Although there is always some volume of logs and floating debris in the River, a slight increase in the number of floating logs getting past the Debris Trap is anticipated. Out of an abundance of caution, EMBC is advising of this potential change.

# Busy Bear Preschool is Certified, and a Virtual Tour is up on SFN YouTube!

Check out youtube.com/watch?v=S-p-V0p\_I98 for a look at the soon to open facility



## Semá:th TUOS Update

Thanks to the generosity of time, knowledge and energy from so many Semá:th community members, the TUOS has recorded and mapped over 500 traditional use sites and stories associated with them. These maps demonstrate that cultural activities and practices past, present and future assert Right and Title to Semá:th Lands.

This year the TUOS has focused on ways to build upon and utilize this incredible historical record in a number of ways:

1. Phase 2 Storymap: The Storymap is a digital mapping platform which displays the stories, maps and knowledge shared in our interviews. This year's Storymap focuses on knowledge shared about caretaking activities such as fishing, hunting, trapping and harvesting throughout the Territory and beyond. This year's map is almost finalized and will update once completed with details to view demonstration.

2. Contribution to the book Abbotsford: A Diverse Tapestry, about the history of Abbotsford. The contribution focuses on Semá:th history and culture, to be released end of 2020.

3. Use of TUOS data in SFN lands referrals and governance work. This year we drew upon TUOS data to support urgent referrals and ongoing initiatives with the Lands Department and Semá:th Governance and Natural Resources Dept. including the Bank Stabilization Project and the Herbicide Referral.

4. Sqwelqwel Maps: In Phase 3 TUOS we invited the input of community members to add their sqwelqwel to existing genealogy charts (these charts are sometimes 30 feet long printed!). This work is ongoing, and we are currently inviting anyone who would like to add to their chart, please contact our research partner genealogist Lisa Davidson, at Lisa.Davidson@stolonation.bc.ca

5. Archiving: Archiving all TUOS knowledge with SFN and SRRMC archives for preservation, access and use in future is ongoing.

6. TUOS final report: ongoing and to be submitted 2021, copies to be archived and made available to all.

More updates to follow! Continue to stay healthy and safe. Thank you to all those who have contributed to the TUOS, your knowledge and time is a gift.

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### Sqwà:l (Word) of The Month



ربر کې Qwà:l Pronounced: kwall Meaning: to speak/to talk





## FREE

### Business Certificate, Employment and Supports Program

- > Adult Business Certificate / BC Adult Dogwood
- > Prepare for Office and Business Careers
- Employment Services
- > Child Care Financial Support
- > Transportation Supports
- Learning Supports
- Counselling / Therapy Supports
- \$100 monthly Training Allowance

#### **Registration Open Now**

Starts September 2020 at Sardis Secondary School

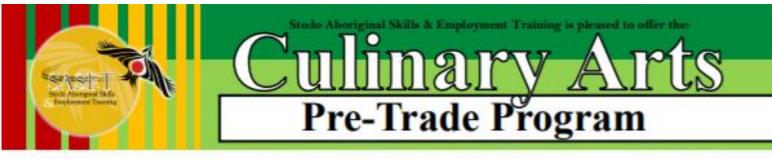
For more details or to apply contact: Chilliwack Community Services Donna Esau-Training and Education Coordinator 778-539-6569 esaud@comserv.bc.ca











Next classes start: September 14-December 4, 2020 and January 14-March 19, 2021



Are you an Indigenous or Metis individual residing in the SASET catchment area who has an interest in the cooking profession?

If so, contact a SASET employment counsellor to book an appointment and complete the application package.

#### CONTACT US TODAY!



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#### **Program Includes:**

- Certificates: FoodSafe, First Aid ٥. level 1, WHMIS, WCB Awareness
- Occupational Skills ô.
- Stocks, soups and sauces ó
- Vegetables and fruits Ô
- Starches 0
- Meats 0
- Poultry ő
- Seafood ô.
- Garde-mange ð
- Eggs, breakfast cookery and dairy ð
- Baked good, desserts and beverages Ô.
- **Basic kitchen management** ð
- Two week practicum placement ô







# Online Employment Training

If So.....

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appointment with a SABET Employment Councellor today to

# Canada

Are you.....

todo Aboriginal Skills Employment Training

- Looking to get certificates that are specific to your employment goals?
- Willing to commit to completing online programs?
- Eligible to work in Canada?

Online Certficate/ Customer Service (5-6 hrs) Back Awareness (3 hrs) Preventing Heat Stress (3 hrs) WCB—Young workers (3 hrs) WHMIS (3 hrs)

### **To Apply please**

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