

Mamalilikulla First Nation Newsletter

August 2018

MAMALILIKULLA FIRST NATION MISSION STATEMENT

Working together to build a strong, proud, and healthy Mamalilikulla community.



Mamalilikulla First Nation Vision

Our vision for the future is to serve our community with respect, fairness, transparency and accountability, promoting equality, prosperity and wellbeing while engaging and supporting our people; honouring our past, present and future generations and creating opportunity for a strong, self-sufficient sovereign Mamalilikulla Nation.

Are you having a birthday in August?
We'd like to wish you a very
Happy Birthday!

A Word from the Chief

hope your summer's going well and you've been able to enjoy the great weather.

With school starting soon, I'd like to remind parents of our Brighter Futures Fund that provides \$150 per child. for school supplies, etc. There's more info on that fund later in this newsletter.

would like to thank everyone for their patience in the reorganization of our Band — we've come a long way in two years.

The MFN Chief and Council will continue to work hard at optimizing benefits for the Nation. And with First Nations having more say and control

of their/our territories and the management of our lands, especially in the tourism sector, the future definitely is brighter.



Until next month, Chief Councillor Richard Sumner

Guardian Program Update

The crew is doing very well and are very busy collecting data for kelp and eelgrass, assessing known archeological sites in our traditional territories and making sure everything is going good. Next week, they will be doing stream installation around Lull Bay to analyze water temperatures. And the following week they will be installing bear cameras in the Knight's Inlet area for weekly monitoring.

would also like to thank our Guardian crew: Darren Puglas, Marvin Puglas, Dave Puglas, and Che Mountain for all their hard work and dedication. Keep up the great work, guys!



Our Trip to Village Island

If your name is not on the list for our trip to Village Island on Sept 19th, please call the Band office at 1.888.287.2955 and let us know you want to join us. We will leave from Port McNeill, so if you live south of Port McNeill, you will need to find your way to Port McNeill, as we are unable to provide transportation. The NAIAD and three water taxis will take us to Village Island, where we will have a ribboncutting event, then a BBQ lunch. Hope you can join us!

From the Forestry Department...

The BC Timber Sales (BCTS) met with us this week and presented several exciting options to harvest timber on Village Island. Chief and Council will review those options and decide the best one to go ahead with.

There will be a complete Archeological survey done before any harvesting takes place. BCTS will provide video, maps, LiDAR mapping with camera, a complete dive survey of the potential log dump site, and all archeological information that has been gathered in the past.

Chief and Council have already approved the volume to be harvested.

Mamalilikulla First Nation will receive 94% of the auction price for their volume that is sold. This is the second time the Council has entered into an agreement to work with BCTS.

We are currently looking at another area in the Great Bear Rainforest South to harvest timber for profit to expand opportunities that will assist the membership well into the future.



If any members wish to work and train in the Forest sector in many different areas, please contact our office, as BCTS has offered work and training for members of Mamalilikulla First Nation. There are many opportunities for young men and women as well to get your education at local colleges to become a forest technician.

School Supply Supplement

Parents of Band member students in grades K-12 can be supplemented for costs related to returning to school. Costs include school supplies, back packs, gym shoes, and lunch boxes. Parents/guardians may receive a once yearly supplement of up to \$150 per child. To receive this supplement, parents must complete the Student School Supply Supplement Application form located on our website at www.mamalilikulla.ca/forms



Post-Secondary Students

For students to continue to be sponsored in their current program of studies, each student is required to provide us with an official transcript (or at the minimum a copy of

record of their completed semester). In addition to transcripts, students are responsible for obtaining their course registration



data form listing their upcoming sememster courses and costs. Be sure to forward the information to us for payment. We cannot pay for courses without the course data form, which may jeopardize you getting into the courses of interest. We will also need a new post-secondary application completed for the new fiscal year. This will ensure all contact information and dependant information is current and upto-date. For more information, please see: www.mamalilikulla. ca/post-secondary-educationforms/. Questions? Contact Sonia at the Band office.

Comprehensive Community Plan Update

With no CCP workshops scheduled for July or August, you'd think things would be quiet in the office... however,

you've heard the saying, "There's no rest for the wicked?!" Sharon was busy creating a Skills Inventory survey



which was mailed out to everyone and was also placed online for those who prefer to respond digitally. There will be five draws for all those who submit a survey and the prizes are awesome. There are 2 iPads, 2 Bose Bluetooth speakers and 1 \$100 VISA card to give away, so hopefully, you will get your

survey in to the Band office by the August 17th deadline.

Sharon will also have a Children & Families survey out to everyone by the end of the month and those prizes will be even more awesome! They are:

- Xbox with extra controllers and gift card for games
- \$500
 shopping
 spree for back to school
 clothes for the children
- "Dinner & a Movie" dinner at MVP Restaurant in Campbell River and a movie pass for 4
- \$150 Gift Card for Boston Pizza
- \$100 Gas Card

September is just around the corner - can you believe it? And it's almost that time again... we are getting ready for another series of CCP workshops. We are working on securing the venues, however, here is a table of the dates.

CCP Workshops - Series V					
DATE	EVENT	TENTATIVE LOCATION			
20-Sep-18	Alert Bay	Cook Shack			
21-Sep-18	Port Hardy	Kwa'lilas Hotel			
24-Sep-18	Campbell River	KDC Building			
25-Sep-18	Nanaimo	Coast Bastion			
26-Sep-18	Victoria	Coast Victoria			
27-Sep-18	Surrey	Comfort Inn & Suites			

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending. Your voice is important to us. Please plan on attending one of the workshops in your area.

Remember, attend five in one year and your name will be entered into the draw for a \$500 shopping spree - just in time for Christmas!

~ Gilakas'la!

Membership Poll

Attention Mamalilikulla Members, we are looking for your input on what days and times work for you to attend membership meetings and/ or workshops! Please let us know your preference on our Facebook page or by calling the office (1.800.287.2955) out of the following:

- 1. Weekends
- 2. Weekdays during the day
- 3. Weekdays evenings

Your voice is important and we would like to hear from as many of you as possible so we would like to host these meetings when it is most convenient to the membership.

Thanks!

In Search Of...

Good day Mamalilikulla cousins, let me introduce myself. I am the granddaughter of the late John Lord Joseph. I currently reside in Sechelt. I am looking for my cuzin, who was adopted out in childhood from Comox/Courtenay, BC. His birth name was Cory Lee Joseph DOB Dec 31, 1976. His biologial father is the late Walter Thomas Joseph DOB Dec 16, 1943. Walter was registered Mamalilikulla. Cory's biological mother's name was/is Kathie - non-Indigenous lived in the downtown eastside area.

Cory was born with a cleft palette and required surgery to fix his upper palette and his ears. I have no other info except at age 10-months-old, Cory was picked from the DTES by his Uncle and Aunt who reside on the K'omox First Nation. His Aunt and Uncle got him through the surgeries. The Ministry stepped into Cory's life when both bio parents weren't able to care for him, even though he had an Aunt and Uncle and cousins with whom he resided for a short bit. The Ministry stepped into his life at a very young age and pursued adopting him out. There wasn't much any family could do at that time during this era.

Cory may have been registered with Mamalilikulla shortly after his birth. We were told that Cory was adopted to a family who was stationed out of the CFB Comox and after the adoption, they moved over to England. Cory, you're out there somewhere! Someone somewhere knows you and your story! Your bio family has been looking for you for a very long time! We love you and miss you! xoxo. If you know where Cory is, please email me at shywatters@hotmail.com.

Your cuzin, Shyanne

BC Elders Gathering 2018

his year's BC Elders Gathering was held in Duncan and we fundraised all year in order to send 13 Mamalilkulla Elders to this event.

hank you to Edna Puglas for spearheading this, and to the other five amazing volunteers who helped us during the event:

- **Shirley Robinson**
- **Beverly Robinson**
- Pamela Mountain
- Carolyn Dawson
- Connie Mountain

ere's a breakdown of our expenses:

BC Elders Gathering 2018	EXPENSES	REVENUE
Registration Fee - 12	1,950.00	
Hotel cost	6,093.89	
Honorarium - 13	6,500.000	
	14,543.89	

	2,820.00
TV Raffle	780.00
Big Raffle (gleetna, etc)	1,290.00
Superbowl Squares	500.00
Hockey Squares	250.00
Fundraising - Edna	

CCP/Governance Donations				
Calendars, mugs, hoodies	5,035.00			

Transportation Grant BCCI Program 6,000.00 14,855.00

1,000.00

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Speaking of fundraising... we have T-shirts for sale! Same colors as the hoodies.

> Med - XL \$35

2XL-3XL \$40

You can purchase them at one of the CCP Workshops or at the Band office.





Food Fish Frenzy

We were fortunate enough to get our 1st batch of food fish in Campbell River this month. Each household was provided 20 pieces. 34 families picked up food fish.

We were also fortunate to receive halibut and rock cod from DMT Fisheries (Bert Boucher) - 33 households received bagged and cleaned fish. Thank you Bert for your many hours of labour to feed us!

The commercial fishing should be over soon and we expect this coming week to open for our next batch of food fish, which will go to the families in Campbell River that have yet to receive fish, as well as to those families down south including the lower mainland.

And finally, we expect food fish to be provided for our northern members (6 families) on the 15th of this month. However, we will keep you posted on Facebook and via telephone.



Member's Corner

Robert Warren Trades Scholarship

Culinary Arts and Trades Scholarship

This Scholarship is for an Aboriginal woman or two-spirited person entering a culinary/trades/ or business career field.

Julia Fitzgerald

Julia is graduating from Spectrum
Community School and is from
the Kwik wasut'inuxw haxw'mis
Nation on her father's side and
the Mamalilikulla Nation on her
mother's side.

Julia has been interested in hairstyling since grade 10 and has participated in the Hairstyling Program at Vic High before transferring to Spectrum. She hopes to enrol into a hairdressing/esthetics institute and start her own salon one day. She had done well academically and is very creative.

Congratulations Julia, we wish you nothing but good luck in your future endeavours!



Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today

Health News

Health Directory

First Nations Health Authority (FNHA)

Provides travel to medical appointments. You must give the Band Office ten days to two weeks' notice in order for us to make the arrangements and provide any funding.

T: 250.830.7346 E: candy-leachickite@fnha.ca Contact: Candy Lea Chickite

Any questions or concerns about your prescriptions or anything health-related, please call the Band Office or contact Candy Lea Chickite.

Inter Tribal Health Authority (ITHA)

Provides eye exams and glasses, medical supplies and equipment and repairs on Vancouver Island.

*ITHA does not manage Dental or Pharmacy or Medical Travel.

534 Centre Street Nanaimo, BC V9R 4Z3 T: 250.753.3990 Contact: Shannon Hallet, Mgr

Wheels for Wellness

Provides transportation to and from doctor appointments for residents living on Vancouver Island.

T: 250.338.0196

Councillors Edna Puglas and Hazel Ettagiak each share the Health Portfolio. If you have any questions or concerns about your health or that of a family member, please reach out to them at edna@mamalilikulla.ca or hazel4ettagiak@gmail.com.



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Pronounciation: Definition:

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sockeye salmon



Community Corner

Have someone you want to congratulate? Is there some news you'd like to share with the membership?

Put it in our newsletter! Email: admin@mamalilikulla.ca

Language Groups

Kwak'wala Language

(Victoria)

1128 Wychbury Ave Tuesdays at 7 pm

For more info: 250.704.6777

Kwakwaka'wakw Culture Nights

(Victoria)

950 Kings Rd (CDI College Gym) Every second Friday 6-8 pm Contact Seneca: 250.508.8173

Bukuemgyala Language Group

(Campbell River)

Old Kwanwatsi Preschool (behind the Big House/Gukwdzi) Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

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Just for Laughs

WELL, SKIP ALWAYS DID HAVE A DRY SENSE OF HUMOR...





