#### Hello members!

I am so excited to be once again back in the office, being a part of the team and working for the Kwadacha Band as Administrator & Training Coordinator. I've gotten the chance to sit down with the PGNAETA team, discuss our budget and I am now looking into Training opportunities for the community. We are hoping to get everything started within the next few weeks. But all members will be notified. There will be Postings around the community, along with postings on Facebook. (If you have any social media access). My Office will be located at the KNRLP, I will be helping all members with Resume's if you need one made or updated. Feel free to stop by and I will have no problem assisting you!

Mussi Cho (Thank you)

Demi Abou

#### Hello All,

As we move into summer months KNRLP continues to grow through the economic opportunities provided by Kwadacha Nation and Industry alike focusing on employment opportunities and economic benefit and overall growth.

KNRLP has several projects starting June 2023 and will be looking to employ members of Kwadacha Nation for Heavy equipment operators, cooks and cleaners, Brush cutter's, core cutters and environmental monitors. This year will continue to see KNRLP grow its economic wealth through key partnerships, forestry initiatives and continue to provide the Nation with economic benefit to help the Nation with several needs for community as it grows forward.

Glen Worthington

President, KNRLP

# **Healing Home Job Opportunity**

Position: Temporary / Full-time Case Manager — Start Date: July 2023 The Case Manager's duties include:

- Managing the day-to-day scheduling and paperwork,
- Working with young children and Healing Home staff.
- It is important to maintain healthy relationships with community members.
- This job requires strict confidentiality and the ability to be on call 24/7 in case of emergencies. The successful candidate will have a valid driver's license,

must work well with children and families, and have experience with computers and filing.

# Let's talk about Urban and Away from Home (UAH)!



Calling all First Nations people in BC living in urban areas and/or away from home ("off-reserve") AND staff from an urban Indigenous organization or BC First Nations Staff (Health, Political, or Social Leads)

We want to hear from you!

FREE Event | Food | Wellness Supports | Children's Activities (ages 2+) | Gifts | Door Prize

Join us for an engagement session!

At **Prince George Native Friendship Centre**On **June 15th, 2023**From **11-4pm** (drop-in anytime)



Pre-register for this event at fnha.ca/uahengagement or scan the QR code.

Walk-ins are also welcome.





For more information please visit www.fnha.ca/uah or contact the FNHA UAH Team at Brandon.Prince@fnha.ca



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Thank you to the team for another great issue of the Fire Starter and thank you Jenna for organizing the community BBQ on the 25th of May to inform us about the graveyard improvement project.

We continue to put pressure on the province to get resources allocated to the Akie fire. More information will be published in the community as needed.

If members would like details of the DVDC/
Three Rivers Civil action, the court documents
are available online or at the office.

Sadly, one of our members broke into the new Camp last week, smashing a window and steeling a TV. The RCMP have opened a file and are investigating.

We are planning community meetings in both Prince George and Kwadacha for June and July. As soon as we have date we will let you know.

Chief and Council

The Altomaxx crew is doing some GPR work in the graveyard mapping and flagging the unmarked graves for the revitalization of the graveyard that will be happening this year. Anyone that has any comments or would like to know more about the graveyard project can see Jenna at the office or send a message, all feedback is welcome.





Kwadacha Health & Wellness Department

June 12-16th – Dental Team in community, book appointments with Minnie.

June 12-14th – Dr. Beselt in community, book appointments with Kara.

June 19th-23rd – Naomi (Nurse Practitioner) in community, book appointments with Kara.

Circuit Court – June 26-28th, see Rob Derkson for any questions.

Spinel Lake Justice Camp - July 1st-21st, see

Rebecca for any questions.

Counselling and Mental Health Schedule:

Rob Derkson – June 5th-9th, June 26th-July 21st

Carla Wilson – June 5th-16th

Nancy (MST Team) – June 12th-16th, June 26-30th

Amber and Cherielle (PGSAC Team) – June 5th-9th

Cherielle (PGSAC Team) - June 19th-23rd

e would like to thank the RCMP who came to community May 4,2023 and held a BBQ for Kwadacha and taking the time to listen to members, we would also like to thank Darius McCook for cooking, & Demi the office, also Teck and Lawyers camp are lookfor helping facilitate the week we held "Moving beyond the history of Residential School" on May 9-14<sup>th</sup>.

Kwadacha would like to send a big thank you to all the professionals (RCMP, Urban Systems, Altomaxx) that came to community. In June Donald and crew will be coming back to community to hold a workshop for the youth June 7-9<sup>th</sup>. Donald will also be holding a sweat for the youth on Saturday and then again Sunday for anyone else that would like to join. Donald and Crew will also be available in the evenings for anyone that would like to have a one-on-one

session or if anyone would like to have a drumming circle or arts and crafts night.

We still have some job positions looking to be filled, if you are interested, please see Jenna at ing for workers, you can get the applications at the office from Cindy or Jenna.

Jenna Hourie Director of Administration & Member services



Elders in the workshop circle "Moving beyond the history of Residential School"



Darius McCook cooking for the elders.



#### **Family and Social Development**

I have been working on hiring a Family Development Coordinator. Interviews are almost complete, and I hope to have someone in community by middle to late June. This person will work in the community alternating weeks.

I'd like to wish Amber James well as she will be taking some time off beginning next month to have her baby. However, that means we need to find someone to take her place while she is away. If you think you are interested in this position, please see the full job posting in the employment section for all the details.

Jennifer Burns,









# Community Infrastructure

We are pleased to announce significant progress in the capital project for the water main installation in the Kwadacha Nation. The project aims to extend the band's existing water main into the new work camp near the airstrip, ensuring a reliable water supply for the camp and other planned developments. With the right of way cleared and overburden removed, contractors are now preparing for construction, scheduled to begin this summer. This development marks an important step towards enhancing infrastructure and improving living conditions within the community. Updates on the project's milestones and achievements will be shared as construction progresses.

# **Kwadacha Nation Public Works Building**

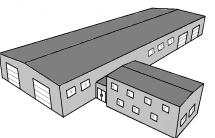
As you will have seen, the site has been cleared and the steel for the 120' x 60' building is in community and work will begin this summer to build the concrete pad and to assemble the steel frame. The building will accommodate warehouse space, a workshop for repairing community equipment and space for a general automotive repair facility.

### **New Camp**

Work to set up the new camp is well underway and you will soon see the start of the water line going in. Please let me know if you have any questions about either of these projects.

Chase Sharpe





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