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# Chief Joseph's Update

**D**rin hqzq, citizens. I hope you are all having a great summer.

A lot has been going on since the last update. Here are a few of the highlights.

The CYFN Leadership meetings in Whitehorse have been dominated by the challenges posed by the federal government's recently enacted Bill S-6 (changes to the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act). First Nations were not effectively consulted on several changes, and we believe those changes are an offense to our Final Agreements. I was happy to appear at the Senate Committee Hearing on the matter on behalf of all Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens and express my displeasure. Nearly all who attended that day expressed a similar point of view. However, the federal government has turned a deaf ear to our concerns and passed the bill without altering the contentious amendments. CYFN and Yukon Chiefs are discussing our next steps on the matter.

The Peel River Watershed appeal will soon be heard. We expect to be in court this August, but you can be sure there will be opportunities for you to have your voice heard before then. Working with our partners, we are planning events that will give the public a chance to share their thoughts on the government's actions. We are confident in our position, but every bit of public support helps.

I'd like to thank all the citizens and staff who participated in the

multi-year strategic planning process. We had a great turnout of citizens in May. Once complete, this community-made document will help guide the operations of our government. The exercise has already been useful and helped Council forecast where we need to be in the next several years.

Council has also recently hosted public meetings with Grand Chief Ruth Massie and Kaminak Gold Corporation. Chief Massie was in town to meet with citizens and discuss and explain CYFN services and restructuring plan. Thanks to everyone who could make it. Kaminak was here in June to present their plans for an operating mine at Coffee Creek. We are very excited about the potential this project has for our traditional territory. Thank you to the full house of citizens who attended and shared their ideas.

One major accomplishment for this Council has been the signing of a civil emergency plan agreement with the town. This agreement recognizes the special role our government plays in protecting our citizens. It also ensures we all work together and make the best use of available resources in the event of a wide-scale emergency. Helping each other out in a time of need is what living in Dawson is all about. That value is at the heart of this agreement.

I will soon be attending the CYFN General Assembly on the traditional lands of the Selkirk First Nation. We are also preparing



for our own GA this August. GA packages will be out soon. Keep an eye on your mailbox for them and plan to be at the GA if you can. Our government gains strength from the input of our citizens.

I would like to acknowledge and congratulate all of the high-school and post-secondary graduates. This time of year is always special for students completing their studies. It's also a special time for our First Nation. Each and every student represents a key building block in the foundation of our Nation. Every graduate makes us just a little bit stronger. Congratulations to you all.

If you would like to keep tabs on what your Chief and Council are up to, please join me on Facebook by searching for "Chief Roberta Joseph."

Have a fantastic summer!



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# Soul Drumbeat

Over three days, youth, adults and Elders got together to make traditional drums under the instruction of Ms. Roberta Behn, with support from Dolores Scheffen and Ms. Freda Roberts. Ms. Roberta has led numerous drum-making workshops in the Yukon and Alaska, and it was a privilege for us all to share in her story.

It was truly a pleasure to see youth, families and Elders telling their own stories and sharing in the stories of their families. Mähsi cho to the Elders that assisted and participated in the program: Clara Van Bibber, William Henry, Victor Henry, and Karen

Farr. Mähsi cho to our adult participants: Deena Titus, Krystal Titus, Babe Titus, George Filipovic, Carol Henry, Gladys Villacorta, and Georgette Mcleod.

Finally, mähsi cho to our youth participants: Jaden Anderson, Sam Taylor, Kiara Hagen, Liberty Anderson, Kalilah Olson, Ariana Rachel, Zarrah Sidney, and Tay-Lynn Mierau. You are the future of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, and your story will connect the stories of your children and their children with your ancestors.



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# Aboriginal Headstart

**I**t has been a busy, busy few months preparing for our Headstart graduation, which took place in June.

There are many mähsi chos I'd like to send out. First off, thank you to Clara Van Bibber for her continued support and help with our program, Percy Henry for doing the opening prayer for our ceremony, Doris Roberts for the opening prayer at the feast, and Peggy Kormendy for the Elders' speech. Mähsi to Chief Roberta Joseph for the words from Council speech and showing her great leadership by helping with cleanup after dinner. Thanks Erika Scheffen for running around for me and helping with all the decorations and IT for helping with microphone setup and takedown and with the projector for our slideshow. Thank you Debbie and Freda for the medicine bags and helping cleanup and Tr'inke Zho Daycare for your continued support throughout the year. A huge thank you to Michael Joseph and Keith



Titus for their donation to Aboriginal Head Start. (People like them make the program a huge success.) And, once again, mähsi cho to the families for sharing your precious little ones with us. If I missed anyone else I'm sorry but your help was greatly appreciated and made our graduation a great success! I hope you all have a great summer!



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# Tombstone Park

Drin hqzq friends! Shqzrè Tr'inin zh' nē nēche. (My name is Little Kid Who Looks Mean.) For those of you who don't know, I got my traditional Hän name from my maternal grandfather, Joe Suzy Joseph, when I was a small child and my grandparents lived in a small cabin on Front Street where the current TH Administrative building now sits. Our family neighbours were Florence Sidney and Chlora Mason. My mom is Angie Joseph-Rear, my grandmother is Susan Elsie Joseph, and I am from the Crow clan.

As I write my submission for Kēntra Tay, I find myself reflecting on past times and being grateful for the times my dad, Bertie Rear, made time to take the family out on the land, I remember many trips travelling up and down the Dempster Highway to the campgrounds of Tombstone and Engineer Creek for an afternoon of hotdogs and marshmallows. Sometimes we even got extra travelers, like Carmen Roberts. I remember one time when poor Carmen was about 4 years old and she was crying through her mom's railings, telling dad, "Bye dad, you guys have a good time okay." Dad caved, not wanting to leave her in such a state of emotion, he said, "Geez, go get that kid!" And off we went taking her along with us for a day trip to the Arctic Circle. I often think about how much adventure and knowledge Bertie has passed down to me when I am travelling to the Tombstone Park weekly. He talked about the animals, the land, the lifestyle he enjoyed during his youthful adventures of being a horse wrangler for Elijah Smith. He often reminisced about the old people of his youth and what they passed on to him about survival in these changing times.

I am happy to report I had a successful winter attending my first year at the University of Victoria,

studying Anthropology and Indigenous Studies. I have made my declaration to work towards my Major in Anthropology with a Minor in Indigenous Studies. Yay! Three more winters of post-secondary education to go! I will be returning to Victoria, BC for another winter of studies this September. I am also pleased to share that I have been recalled to my position as your Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Tombstone Visitor Services Coordinator for the 2015 season. My position was created out of the Tombstone Territorial Parks Management Plan. I work in unity with the Yukon Parks Interpretive team and Park Officers to ensure Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in values and presence are part of the Tombstone Territorial Park's Interpretive activities—from our great evening programs to daily nature walks on one of our many trails in this majestic land we call our backyard.

The Tombstone area is unique—not only to the Hän and Gwich'in that have utilized this land for countless generations, but also unique for the earth's geological timeframe, Beringia history, and rare species that co-exist in the extremes of the North. At this time I am working on a program, which I feel is a TH priority, to share with the public our concerns in regards to the Angelcomb Peak and Trapper Mountain area. This is a 'special feature zone' of the park for protecting the Dall Sheep—to us, Dëbë Ddhäl. It is important to respect the space of the ewes and lambs. I will be up there sharing our views about why we do not appreciate any people who are not Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in to be hiking on the trails in that sacred area.

The Tombstone Interpretive Centre is located at Kilometre 71.5 in the pocket of a diverse flora and fauna community of alder, poplar, spruce, willow, snowshoe hares, beavers, dëbë, wëdzëy, jëjik and

shär cho! We have many activities and events going on. Be sure to check us out at [www.env.gov.yk.ca/camping.parks/tombstone-events](http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/camping.parks/tombstone-events). Tombstone Tuesdays are back to Tuesday this year. Here's a tentative schedule:

- Tuesday, June 23 – Beading Get together (Bring your craft or just come to visit)
- Tuesday, June 30 – Plants as medicine
- Tuesday, July 7 – Fireweed and Rose Petal Jelly Making
- Tuesday, July 14 – Grayling Fishing
- Tuesday, July 28 – Small game hunting (tentative)
- Tuesday, July 21 – Soap Berry Collecting & Making Indian Ice Cream
- Tuesday, August 4 – Blueberry and cloudberry picking
- Tuesday, August 11 – Cranberry picking
- Tuesday, August 18 – Bear root collection
- Tuesday, August 25 – Last Day Celebration (Cake & bring something to give away for Indian Bingo!)

Here are some other dates to mark on your calendar or keep in mind for adventure and mystique!

June 26–28, Botany Weekend

July 1, Canada Day!

July 17, Parks Day Coffee House

August 7–9, Weekend on the Rocks

August 28–30, Lichen & Fungi Festival

You're also welcome to challenge a trail, like the Grizzly, North Klondike, or Goldensides trails or join us on a guided hike. Visit our beautiful Tombstone Interpretive Centre and enjoy a cup of local, wild, craft teas with magnificent scenery where the tea is picked daily. Our Interpreters this summer are Cathie Findlay-Brook, Leah Wainwright, Margret Njootli, Kyle Levia, Aven Knutson, and Tommy Landry. They are all ready to share in the experience and wonders of the Tombstone Territorial Park and the Tombstone Interpretive Centre.

Should you wish to adventure out into the wild this season, please don't hesitate to reach out and contact me at [kim.joseph@trondek.ca](mailto:kim.joseph@trondek.ca). You can also contact Chris Clarke, your Elders Coordinator, at 993-7100 ext. 151; the Youth Coordinator, Ricky Mawunganidze ("My Gunny Sack") at 993-7100 ext. 129; and our pleasant Tombstone Supervisor with a heartwarming personality, Cathie Findlay-Brook, at [tombstonecentre@gmail.com](mailto:tombstonecentre@gmail.com).

I hope everyone has a really great, safe and enjoyable summer!

P.S. Congratulations to the 2015 Aboriginal Headstart graduating class and the RSS Grade 12 graduating class, and Happy Birthday shout-outs to Tyler Rear (June 10), Angela Rear (June 13), Jennifer Mierau (June 21) and my baby sister (lol) Carmen Roberts (June 24). Happy Birthdays to my family and friends throughout the rest of the summer as well. Until next time, many blessings!



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## Community Health

Summer is here and we couldn't be happier. Summer is the birth season of so many plants, animals and medicines. We are blessed to live in a place with such abundance! With abundance come gardens and harvests, healing, and happiness.

The Organic Community Greenhouse has been running since April. We are pleased to have started majority of our greenhouse and gardens from organic seeds. It has been a touch-and-go season so far as we deal with greenhouse malfunctions, but those are being resolved with solutions and a community eager to help.

We have two new greenhouse and garden projects for our youth this year. The first is the potato project, where youth will plant two sacks' worth of potatoes and tend to them all season, with the harvest being shared between themselves and Elders. The second is a greenhouse bed for youth, who will tend it all season. The Youth Centre has been learning about seedlings and transplanting so they can have a garden at the Youth Centre, too. Elders and others who wanted assistance with their beds received it this year and will continue to receive help through Lauren (the Gardens Operations Coordinator), Leanne Mason, and the Community Maintenance Crew. If you need gardening help, don't hesitate to contact Lauren, who is working in the Health and Social Building.

We will be holding educational workshops on gardening, nutrition, harvesting, preserving and more. Plus, we're organizing field trips to local farms and greenhouses and compiling tips on making gardening easier and more satisfying. Keep your eyes peeled for dates and locations for fun workshops, activities, and information updates. Our goal is engaging the community and teaching the importance of food security and how it ties to a balanced lifestyle.

We've restarted bi-weekly Traditional Thursdays! This program encourages land-based learning and healing while promoting traditional and healthy lifestyles.

Times of the program will vary depending on what's to be harvested and length of time we need. We depart from the Health and Social Building. Please bring your own water bottles, proper outdoor gear and any harvesting tools or containers you'll need. Paper bags and a limited amount of harvesting tools will be available but we encourage others to bring what they have. Snacks and a light dinner will be provided. Tagging along with the Traditional Thursdays theme, we'll also have a traditional teachings group which Marta Burnay will organize.

Shì zu' tr'ëtä'äl. We're going to eat good food! We finally have a Hän name for our community luncheons and Meals On Wheels programs. While the program changes through the seasons, the name will remain the same. The community luncheons have ended, but will return this fall. The year-round MOW program runs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. (I'm also excited to share we're working on a long-term Nutrition Program. More information to come!)

There are always things happening at the Health and Social Building, so feel free to stop by and attend workshops, have something to eat, share a cup of tea, or sit for a visit. Information and resources on HIV-AIDS, Hep C, FASD, nutrition and other health-related topics are available from my office. I'll continue teaming up with McDonald Lodge, Dawson Community Health Nurses, City of Dawson Recreation Department, Blood Ties Four Directions and more to provide needed clinics, awareness information sessions, and physical activities. I'll do my best to provide quality programming, so come on by and see what we have happening!

Enjoy the sunshine and heat this summer! Hope to see your wonderful faces around. And remember: use sunscreen (including your back and face)!



# Work Opportunities Mentorship Program

by Christine Fuller

It's almost been a year since the start of the Work Opportunities Mentorship program. The first group of participants will be finishing this July, with the next group starting shortly. This coming year we will be a bit smaller but just as strong. Mähsi cho to those involved in this project and those who've shown their support. Without your dedication, we could not provide these opportunities. A mähsi cho to the participants; it's been excellent getting to know you better and having the opportunity to be a part of it all.

Congratulations to Leanne Mason who will be continuing on with her position in Heritage and with the

Greenhouse. Under the guidance of Sue Parsons, Leanne has been taking museum quality photographs of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in artifacts and processing the images and is now developing a coffee-table book with the photos. In addition to her role in Heritage, Leanne has been working with greenhouse coordinator Lauren Blackburn to provide a variety of healthy living workshops and fresh food for Health and Social programming—all while helping run a successful greenhouse.



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*Left: 2006.32.1, Donald Alexander and Ethel Ireland Cameron mitts circa 1901–1907 donated by Christine Cameron, Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in collection.*

*Right: 2009.45.3, Bertha Harper purse donated by Shirley Read, Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in collection*



## Social Assistance

Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Social Assistance Program provides financial assistance to Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens who reside within the traditional territory and don't have enough money to live on. The Social Assistance office hours are 1:00–5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. If you require assistance, please call the following to make an appointment:

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## Human Resources, Education & Training

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The HRET Department is pleased to continue developing effective and long-lasting initiatives for TH citizens and government capacity development.

Apart from the day-to-day, a few of the the HRET initiatives have included the following:

### **Cultural Awareness Orientation**

HRET is pleased to have received \$43,500 of external funding for the development and implementation of a renewed Cultural Orientation Workshop.

Employee orientation is the process of introducing employees to their new jobs and work environments. Orientation provides an opportunity for new employees to become acclimated to their new government employment, department, teammates, and work expectations. Effective orientations provide many benefits for employers and employees alike, and can provide meaningful assistance for a smooth transition into the new workplace for all involved.

For existing and new employees at Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, including a more complete TH-specific cultural orientation element to the existing package will enhance the program and strengthen employee appreciation and understanding for the environment in which they are working.

To ensure effective delivery, staff from Communications, Heritage, and Human Resources, Education & Training were gathered by the Staff Training and Development Officer to review the Yukon College First Nations Initiatives FN101 course in a "train the trainer" workshop over a day and a half. The goal was reviewing the curriculum, considering how TH might customize the content for TH relevance, and considering delivery methods. It was determined the group will also review existing cultural course delivery currently being offered through Heritage to the school.

The new orientation will include considerable overview information covering the history and trauma

and continuing challenges associated with past Residential School policies.

Once developed, the workshop will be offered to external community interest groups, including City of Dawson, the hospital, Yukon Government, SOVA, and Yukon College. It is anticipated that some customization may be required for these external groups.

### **SOVA – Aboriginal Visual Arts Tr'ochëk Symposium**

Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, as one of three founding members of the Yukon School of Visual Arts (SOVA), entered into a joint venture with SOVA to conduct a symposium on the potential for increased Aboriginal Visual Arts in SOVA curriculum. (The TH Executive Director and HRET Director sit on the SOVA Board of Governors.)

The symposium was held in June, at Tr'ochëk. The purpose of the event was twofold: consider how TH and First Nations cultural values are reflected in SOVA's Foundation Year Program and how to develop an Aboriginal Visual Studies program at SOVA. The symposium was divided into three sessions: morning (listening), afternoon (practices and discussion), and evening (consensus followed by a campfire and entertainment.)

The symposium is a prelude to a broader based symposium in 2016 that will see representatives from all of SOVA's transfer agreement institutions (including Emily Carr, Ontario College of Art and Design, and Thompson Rivers University), Yukon First Nation community representatives, Alaskan First Nation representatives, Yukon College, Yukon Government and TH artists. These meetings are expected to enhance YFN influence in SOVA studies.

The HRET Department was successful in securing \$30K of a \$43K budget for this effort, and it is anticipated that SOVA and Yukon College will fund the additional costs.



## TH Teaching and Working Farm

There has been much water down the Klondike and Yukon Rivers since the last update on the TH Farm. One major change is the final Hän name for the Farm.

The TH Teaching and Working Farm will be translated to Nän kāk nizhi' tr'ēnohshe gha ētr'ēhqh'ay – *On the land we learn to grow our food.*

Very exciting and preliminary plans are underway to have a sign created and posted at the entrance to the farm site, at the old Strachan Farm site across from the Dawson City Airport, that will proudly display the Hän translation and the TH partnership with Yukon College.

Yukon Energy were stellar in connecting power to the site in record time, John Mitchell has devoted hours of work and connections to obtain “grateful” local business support at reduced rates for infrastructure, and TH Land and Resources staff have been helpful with suggestions, map preparation, and vehicle resource supply. Yukon Agriculture is on site completing soil sampling to assist with enhanced farming activities destined to begin in 2016. TH Heritage will be walking the farmhands through a general appreciation of the historic sites on the property and how to handle uncovered additional artifacts over their general on-the-land duties.

The farmhands are looking forward to the YuKonstruct prototype Tractor and being familiar with its operations and maintenance. This resource was offered to the TH farm as a means of running it through its paces on a new and smaller start-up site. The tractor was built by ArcticAutomate with support from Logan Sherk, the facilities manager at YuKonstruct. This resource is new, and while it doesn't look like a traditional John Deere tractor, it was conceived and built and is now being tested in the Yukon. Support maintenance and enhancement resources will be covered through the project.

Five TH citizens were hired from a substantial pool of applicants to be the first TH farmhands and have already started influencing the future of this project. Beginning in May, they established a foothold on the old Strachan/ Fournier farm and successfully planted a 120-x-55-foot plot with potatoes, carrots, beets, onions, and lettuce, plus edible flower varieties for food colour and vitamin C.

There will be on-site staff over the summer, and TH citizens, community members and other visitors are welcome to visit and connect with the staff. If you want to volunteer time to tend to the plants, just offer when you arrive. You may just want to visit over a cup

of coffee or watch nature take its course as the plants mature. The farmhands will welcome the company.

The farmhands will be tending crops, building additional living resources for the site, starting on perimeter fencing, clearing land, welcoming visitors, and cleaning up from past use.

This year will see a simple start-up leading to the anticipated major funding start-up in the fall and early winter of 2015–2016. A complete business and feasibility plan for the project will be completed over the next few months by Kent Mullinix and the Kwantlen Polytechnic University, located in Richmond B.C. This organization has extensive experience in food sustainability and security and conducted past studies in the Klondike. Kent is committed to this project and has repeatedly stated that TH is leading the way with a “first” in Canada with this initiative. He has been recently instrumental in creating a teaching farm in Delta, B.C., with the Tsawwassen First Nation, although that project goal is not as detailed as the TH proposal.

Fall 2015 and winter 2106 will be busy. We will attempt to begin the work of the TH Farm Technical Working Group to address the major start-up activities due to begin in the spring 2016. The working group is composed of strategic stakeholders, including local Dawson farming experts. The project will also engage these individuals in a variety of ways over the next few years with respect to start-up advice, potential farm teaching expertise, and general knowledge base.

Special notice: The TH farmhands are planning a community-wide harvest party for fall 2015. Everyone will be welcome at the farm for a harvest feast (not all product from the farm). While we are aiming for September 19, weather will dictate timing. We look forward to a large celebration and seeing everyone there.



## LANGUAGE UPDATE

by Georgette McLeod

Drin hqzq! Nèkhwänjit dàhònch'e?

Good day! How are you (plural)?



I am pleased and honoured to take the permanent full-time position as the Hän Language Administrator in the Heritage Department. I will continue working with a great team of people that are very supportive of enhancing the Hän language services in government, school, and the community. Mähsi' for giving me the opportunity to support revitalization efforts for the Hän language and build upon the work already carried out in the community. I am looking forward to working with you all.

I will have a summer student coming to work with me very soon! Shò ihfay! I am happy to welcome Makaila Blanchard as the Language Assistant. She will be working out of the Hän Language office with me until August, so feel free to stop by to say hello and exchange a few greeting words with her, preferably in Hän! She has expressed a strong interest in learning the Hän language. She will be mainly helping me to transcribe and catalogue the Hän language to further develop our internal database system.

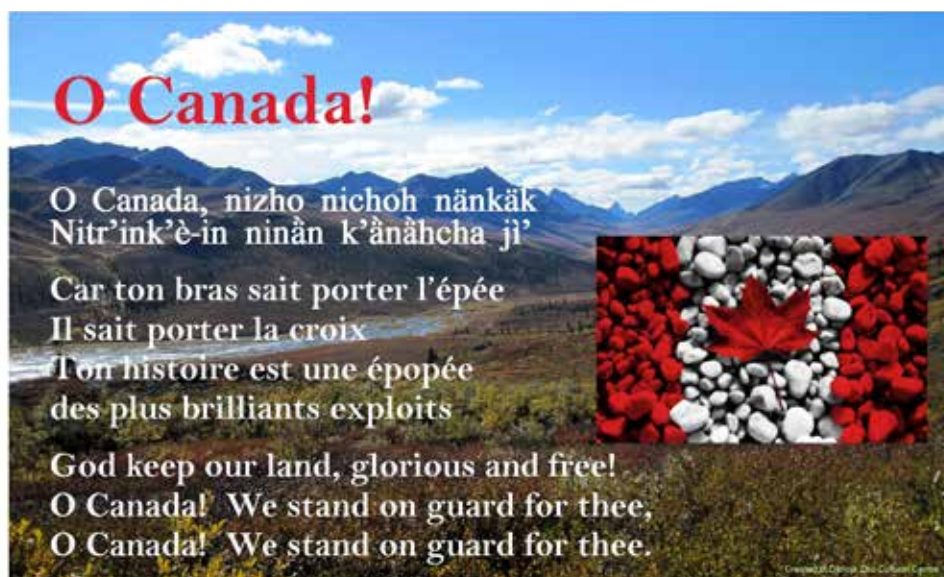
When Makaila starts and needs a break

from her work, you can tell her to have tea with you: Lëjit tr'udënyà' (Let's drink tea!)

Translations can be a challenging and time-consuming exercise, especially for our speakers. In many cases, the words spoken in English language don't always translate the same way in the Hän language. Some English words are abstract and cannot be translated, so it is our challenge to find phrases that are written in plain English that might mean the same thing, and then approach the speaker with sentences or words written in plain English to translate to the Hän language. A recent request for translation is the word "Congratulations". This is an abstract word for the Hän language, so we had to come up with plain English sentences, such as "you did good" or "we are happy with your work!" Either of these sentences could be more easily translated to Hän. So, if you have a request to have a word or phrase translated to Hän, remember to take a few minutes to think about how it can be reworded into simple, plain language. It becomes an easier job for the speakers, linguists, and transcribers to work with. Mähsi'.

Drin nè huzù! (Have a good day!)

Nätëtr'ëno'ay. (We will see each other again)





## ERIKA HINE



After three years, I have completed the three-year-certificate program at the Yukon Native Language Centre! My training included working at Robert Service School as the Hän Language Teacher for a one-year term, teaching Kindergarten and Grade 1 in 2013 and 2014. In addition, from 2013–2015 I worked with Aboriginal Head Start, teaching the age three and age four groups using the Total Physical Response method. This year, I organized a Hän Language Program, teaching Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in employees Hän Language, with plans for more employee classes in the future.

As well, I attended several training sessions hosted by Yukon Native Language Centre, such as Hän-literacy and certificate-training sessions. I have enjoyed learning and teaching over the three years.

I am happy to share I will further my education and will be completing the Yukon Native Language Centre Diploma program. To complete the Diploma program with YNLC, my goal is to attend training for another two years.

I could not have gotten this far without all of

the support from Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, She'e (My Uncle) Percy Henry, and my relative Edward Roberts. I would also like to thank Jackie Olson, as she has been one of my biggest supporters, Yukon Native Language Centre, and Council of Yukon First Nations. I would also like to thank Dànojà Zho Culture Centre for giving me confidence to speak in public. Mähsi cho to my mother, for always encouraging me to continue and carry on my culture and traditions, my grandma, and Great Auntie Angie Joseph-Rear, as well as Mary Henry, Georgette McLeod, Melissa Hawkins, Kyrie Nagano, Debbie Nagano, the TH Heritage Department, and my family and friends. Hay' cho!

To me, language isn't just language. It is more; it is our heritage culture and traditions. It is the past, the present, and the future. It is our future that we should be working towards. We should have faith in one another and have faith in the young because when we work together, sharing and supporting each other, we can be the change we want to see.





*Left to right: Deb Nagano, Paula Hassard, and Molly Shore at the Gold Show.*

## WORLD HERITAGE PROJECT UPDATE

by Paula Hassard

Drin hqzq from the World Heritage office!

Summer is a busy time for the Tr'ondëk-Klondike project, as we continue gathering information for our nomination to UNESCO's World Heritage Committee. We're working closely with the local Advisory Committee to talk about how our proposed World Heritage Site has unique value. Our hearts are firmly planted in this traditional territory, but it's hard work putting those feelings in writing! Mähsi cho to everyone who has taken time to share some words with us.

We're also commissioning research papers from historians and other experts, on subjects ranging

from salmon fishing to architecture to the history of placer mining. Their research will support our claim that Tr'ondëk-Klondike is a special place unlike any other.

We've been talking to TH citizens, tourism groups, and the mining community to gather feedback on this process. In the coming months, we'll keep reaching out to Dawson residents and business owners to make sure our vision for the Tr'ondëk-Klondike World Heritage Site captures the spirit of our lively community. If you see us at upcoming events, like the Aboriginal Day celebration, come over and say hello!

For more info about the Tr'ondëk-Klondike nomination, go to [www.nominationtk.ca](http://www.nominationtk.ca) or visit Paula and Molly in the Madame Tremblay's office at 3rd and King.

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*Sharing Our Stories*



# MOOSEHIDE Community Plan

by Jim Taggart

Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in is developing a Community Plan for Moosehide village, and we need your assistance and input. The Plan's purpose is helping Moosehide develop the way Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens want it to, and find the best ways to improve

the quality of life and infrastructure for residents and visitors. The Plan will be guided by Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens and Elder and Youth Councils, with assistance from an Advisory Committee, Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in government departments and Chief and Council.

The Community Plan will look at how the village could be maintained, preserved, or developed in line with citizens' preferences, values, and short- and long-term goals. This will include not only heritage infrastructure, but how the continuing cultural traditions and lifestyles of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in can be enhanced. A Cultural Resource Management Plan component will identify the heritage values of the site and outline means for managing and preserving these values, while ensuring existing and future lifestyle activities can continue.

The first stage of planning is gathering information on what Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens value, what is important about Moosehide, and how citizens want Moosehide to be in future. This will be a long-term plan looking decades ahead. It is vital that all Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in have their say in how they want Moosehide to be.

Our initial work includes the following:

- Assessing the village's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, while considering Moosehide both as a heritage site and a living community.

- Identifying site values, opportunities and issues.
- Establishing a vision for the future.
- Building a comprehensive planning framework that addresses all areas of community life, including goals and objectives, projects and activities, and priorities.
- Creating a detailed plan for implementing activities, village management, and for monitoring progress.

We can start doing this by getting answers to four basic questions:

- What is important to you (and the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in) about Moosehide and the community today?
- When you think about the community's future, what changes would you most like to see?
- What could be done to make this happen?
- What areas or buildings are important?

Survey forms are available and a guide gives some ideas on what questions you may want to ask yourselves and what information we're looking for. We would appreciate if you could complete the survey form and return it to the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Heritage Department. It's really important that all citizens have a voice in shaping the Moosehide Community Plan.

Please contact Lee Whalen (TH Heritage Department) [lee.whalen@trondek.ca](mailto:lee.whalen@trondek.ca) or Jim Taggart (Crocus Bluff Consulting) [crocusbluffconsulting@hotmail.ca](mailto:crocusbluffconsulting@hotmail.ca) if you have any questions, would like a survey form, or need more information.



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## K–Grade 6 Education

It's summer! Elementary classes were busy this school year. We are thankful for the Elders, citizens, community members and volunteers who come into the school during the year. The students and staff appreciate your time and knowledge.

Elementary classes enjoyed having Elders in the classroom for storytelling and trips to Land of Plenty and Cache Creek. We were fortunate with nice weather this year, which increases the amount of time experiencing the outdoors and learning.

Over the last few months, Katie English visited elementary classes, where students planted flowers and vegetables to take home, learned about planting and gardening, and experienced how plants grow. Mähsi cho Katie for coming into the school!

The Grade 3/4 class—with their teacher, Laurie Berglund, and Hän language teacher, Melissa Hawkins—took a field trip to Land of Plenty this spring. The students had a great time participating in several cultural opportunities, including making rabbit snares, animal talks, snowshoeing, caribou tufting, track making, hut building, tea boiling, and fire building. The students learned about camp life and how to be respectful of the land and each other. Logan Donovan visited the camp each day to discuss wildlife and their habitats. Logan brought furs to show the students, which they were excited to see. The class had a great time; it's always nice to bring classes out on the land to experience the outdoors. Mähsi cho to the cook, caretaker, RSS staff and Logan for supporting this camp.

Meanwhile, the Grade 5 class—with their teacher, Donna Lozancic, and Hän language teacher, Melissa Hawkins—went to Cache Creek. This was the first trip there with an elementary class. The trip was great, and the kids had a wonderful time. The class participated in activities such as firearm safety, target shooting, small-game hunting, fire building with no matches, camp safety, beading, mapping, making traditional foods, and

playing traditional games. The class was successful in getting a rabbit and a grouse during the camp. Mähsi cho to Peter Nagano, Ryan Peterson, Joe Popadyne, the cooks, and staff at RSS for supporting this camp. We are excited to continue using Cache Creek in the future for elementary traditional knowledge field trips.

The Grade 6 class, with their teacher Helen Dewell, studied and tended to salmon eggs in their classroom during the school year. The salmon eggs turned into fry, which needed to be released in Mayo, where they were originally from. The class travelled to the community and visited the Mayo reservoir, where the salmon fry were released. This year, two other schools joined us: Mayo and Carmacks. The class also spent time at Five Mile Lake, swimming and playing salmon-related games. Mähsi cho to Ryan Peterson and Natasha Ayoub for attending the trip to Mayo.

The Jigging Club went to Pelly Crossing for the May Gathering. Nine jiggers performed and also taught the dances they learned over the years. The students especially liked the handkerchief dance. We look forward to future trips to increase our knowledge and share our dances. Mähsi cho to Julia Joe, the CELC in Pelly, who coordinated the visit and Victor Henry, Allison Anderson, and Melissa Hawkins who supported the trip!

The Grade 1 class, with their teacher Craig Hunter, participated in a Fun Day at the Outdoor Classroom. The class had talk from Percy Henry about animal tracks and made animal-track casts. They also participated in traditional games, pond-life observing, and storytelling. The students did a great job acting out a story told by Georgette and Erika about berry picking. Mähsi cho to Percy Henry, Melissa Hawkins, Georgette McLeod and Erika Scheffen for helping out!

We're looking forward to our TH Education Summer Camp, for youth ages 8–13. The camp was a success last year, and we're excited for another summer of learning and fun! All the best for the summer!

Nicole Cook, Gr. 7–12 CELC

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## Grades 7–12 Education



Nathan Taylor

Here are a few updates from the high school and what has been happening while the year wound up.

We had another successful mitten-making class with the Grade 8 students. Dolores Scheffen was there to assist and show the students her creative flair. She taught the students about patience, respect, and tradition. This time we had all boys doing the sewing, and I was amazed at how the mittens all turned out. Łà hqzq!

We've also been a busy helping students find summer jobs, with lots of résumé and cover-letter preparation and getting them ready for interviews. I'm very proud of the dedication each student had when

preparing to step into the working world. Good luck to all of you.

Well it's that time again: the end of the school year.

I'd like to congratulate the 2015 Robert Service School graduates:

Galen Clarke  
Keenan Davis  
Jacob Elliot  
Chase Everitt  
Bailey Favron  
Emily Hume  
David Johnson  
Jared Lord  
Melissa Naef  
Sean Perry  
Aaron Robinson  
Christina Strutton

And a shout out to all the First Nations graduates who attended the ceremony in Whitehorse:

Scott Anderson  
Chase Everitt  
Alicia Grant  
Trygg Jensen  
Kadin Kormendy  
Samantha McKim  
Dustyn Phelps-VanBibber  
Josh Phelps-VanBibber  
Nathan Taylor  
Aaron Robinson  
Jarvis Scheffen  
Dawn Villacorta



## Have you moved? We need to know.

Make sure you get important mail from us, including your T-4s, T-4As, and, ahem, this newsletter.

If you've moved, let us know by emailing [wayne.potoroka@trondek.ca](mailto:wayne.potoroka@trondek.ca) or calling 867-993-7100 ext. 108.



# END OF YEAR REPORT FROM ROBERT SERVICE SCHOOL



## – *Principal Ann Moore*

Mähsi cho for the opportunity to share a few highlights of the year with you.

The CELCs and teachers collaborated to provide several camp and day-trip opportunities for our students. Trips, visits from Elders, and opportunities to learn more about culture and language have been appreciated. We also look forward to our Cultural Orientation for RSS staff and our Cultural Awareness workshop for new staff members in September.

The School Growth Plan continues to focus on social emotional learning for our students.

Self-regulation and restorative approaches will be key strategies in improving opportunities at the school.

Education Outreach, Dawson's ILC, has continued to be the focal point of our alternative learning program. Next year, students who are currently still in school will have a greater opportunity to be part of the program. Under the direction of Heidi Warren, the main teaching space will move to the school building. The space outside the gym, near the recreation entrance, will be modified and used as a warm and inviting educational space. Heidi has researched several alternative

programs and is working diligently in creating a system that will continue to work for our Dawson families. Outdoor spaces and other venues will continue to be utilized. We wish to express our gratitude to Chief and Council, as well as all Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in citizens and staff, for support of this important educational opportunity. Referrals to the program may be made to Heidi at any time.

K–6 students have continued to learn Hän language and culture. We also provided a small amount of time for this to occur in Grades 7–9 this spring and hope to continue with the secondary school in 2015–16.

Having announced my retirement from my career in education and as principal of Robert Service School, I want to say mähsi cho for your support. It has been incredible to work in a community with such a clear and collaborative partnership with the First Nation. I have learned much from so many of you and feel privileged to have served this community and its families. I will be returning to the Maritimes to spend more time with my parents and other family members. Best wishes for the road ahead.

## POST-SECONDARY FINAL FUNDING DEADLINE FOR THE FALL SEMESTER

# JULY 15, 2015

For an application, contact Melissa at 867-993-7100 ext. 111  
or [melissa.atkinson@trondek.ca](mailto:melissa.atkinson@trondek.ca)

*Late applications will not be accepted*

**Congratulations to the TH scholarship recipients for excellent academic achievement in the 2015 winter semester:**

Dylanna Milobar  
Roslyn Anderson  
April Coulson  
Madeline deRepentigny  
Patricia McLeod  
Michael Bailey  
Esther Law  
Alexander Zimich  
Steven Kormendy  
Tamika Knutson  
Kristen Cook  
Cheyenne Rear



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**got room?**

Consider providing a “homestay” for a young Yukon First Nations SOVA student, short-term Yukon College faculty, and other TH service providers.

Please call Human Resources, Education and Training (993-7100 ext.112) or e-mail [HRjobs@trondek.ca](mailto:HRjobs@trondek.ca) to share rental details and contact information. You will be contacted should a need arise. You may be helping youth meet their education and career goals and TH in meeting locally delivered Citizen training needs that otherwise may not happen.

*(Unfortunately, this offer is not available to citizens residing in TH housing.)*



## TR'ONDËK HWËCH'IN TRUST – REPORT TO CITIZENS

### SHAUNESSY INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

As at May 26, 2015, the public market value of the portfolio managed by Shaunessy Investment Counsel was \$33,202,565.00.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2014, were approved by the Trustees at their April 18, 2015, meeting. A copy has been sent to Chief and Council and the Elders' Council. Any citizen who would like a copy, please contact one of the Trustees. A copy of the Independent Auditor's Report is posted on the Trust's website ([www.thtrust.com](http://www.thtrust.com)).

### WHAT'S NEW

- Since our report to the General Assembly in February, the Trustees held their first quarter meeting in Whitehorse. We also took the opportunity to meet with the CII Board of Directors.
- The Little Salmon Carmacks First Nation exercised their option and purchased additional shares in the Yukon Inn from Champagne Aishihik and TH Trust. We each own one-third of the Yukon Inn.
- Maureen Birckel and MaryAnn Knutson attended the National Aboriginal Trust Officers Association (NATOA) conference in Calgary on May 26 and 27, 2015. Two youth also attended the conference – Nona Whitehouse and Mercedes Taylor. We thank their employers for allowing them to attend the conference and NATOA for their sponsorship by paying their registration fee.
- The Trust is looking for interested citizens to sit on the various boards of our investments. If you are interested, please forward your resume to the Trust.



## CITIZENS' QUESTIONS:

At the General Assembly we encouraged citizens to submit their questions and indicated we would publish them with our answers in the newsletter.

**Question:** Would you ever consider training youth to become Trustees?

**Answer:** Yes! The Trustees identified this as part of our strategic plan. We are currently working with Nona Whitehouse and Mercedes Taylor, with the support of their employers.

If you are a Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in youth interested in the Trust, please forward a letter expressing your interest. Also look for future postings in the newsletter and at our website.

**Question:** How healthy is the settlement finances? Is it still growing?

**Answer:** Yes, the settlement finances are healthy and still growing. Our public markets portfolio is just over \$33 million dollars with total assets valued at approximately \$50 million dollars.

**Question:** How much dollars are going out to support CII and how much does CII owe the Trust itemized and on what terms? Does the Trust have any hope to get these dollars back? Is the Trust just replacing what the TH government was doing instead of protecting the compensation dollars for the future?

**Answer:** The Trust reports all monies paid out to CII and its other corporations at the citizens' luncheon, General Assembly and in these newsletter submissions. CII and Tr'ochëk Limited Partnership have not missed a loan payment. The Trust continues to work with the Board of CII to turn the corporations around and make them profitable again.

If you have a question for the Trust, please feel free to forward it to us.

*Right: TH delegates to the National Aboriginal Trust Officers Associations Annual Conference. (From left: Mercedes Taylor, Nona Whitehouse, Maureen Birckell, and MaryAnn Knutson.*





Right: You may have noticed the podium in the community hall has had an upgrade. It originally bore the words "Tro Chu Tin." Ben Johnson has worked his carpentry magic and updated the podium. It now reads "Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in." Ben's also spiffed it up a bit by giving it small, locking casters to make it easier to move and lock in place. Much gratitude goes to Ben for his excellent work.



Left: The 2008 Moosehide Gathering held a fundraiser by raffling off a handcrafted quilt. The winner was former Yukon College instructor Eldo Enns. Eldo moved to smaller digs this spring and wanted to share his prize possession with the community.

On May 1, Eldo donated the quilt to Tr'inke Zho. Eldo remarked that Edith Robinson sold him the winning ticket and so the quilt was all the more special. Mähsi cho, Eldo!



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**An incredible honour for an incredible TH citizen. Percy DeWolfe received the French Knight of the Legion of Honour medal this spring. The prestigious medal was presented by a representative of the French government and recognizes Percy's contributions in World War II D-Day operations. Here's a snapshot of Percy and his military career. It gives a great idea of what makes this man special.**



"Percy enlisted in Vancouver, B.C., on the 4th of March, 1943. Service Records indicate his occupation at the time as a placer miner on Dredge #11 in Dawson City, Yukon. At the time, Percy wanted to be a rear gunner in the Air Force or a paratrooper, but was turned down. He ended up in the Infantry. After advanced training in Vernon, Percy went to Calgary and Halifax before being ferried to Aldershot, England. In Aldershot Percy had a choice of which regiment to join. He chose the Calgary Highlanders because his good friend John McKenzie was a Highlander. Percy stayed with the Calgary Highlanders to the end.

Percy embarked on the 5th of July, 1944, to Caen, France. Their operation was

to follow the 3rd Division. This was among the first combat units to engage in offensive ground combat operations in Europe during WWII. They were assigned to take Calais and got within 5 km when the enemy started firing mortars. They were exploding in the air. Percy caught shrapnel in the eye and all over his body. They surrounded Calais and cut off the supply lines, but were unable to take Calais as it was too heavily fortified. This occurred on the 8th of September, 1944. Percy entered a military hospital after this time to deal with his injuries.

Percy continued fighting through France, Belgium, Germany and Holland, where he spent the longest time. He received a lifelong back injury when he entered a barn in Holland that had enemy hiding in a loft haystack. They opened fire and set off grenades causing the building to collapse on Percy. A few comrades did not survive.

The day before the enemy surrendered, Percy was told the next day he was going into the battle that would be the fight of their lives. At midnight that day, the Germans surrendered. The war was over.

Percy then became a peacekeeper until he demobilized. He left Europe for Canada on the *Queen Elizabeth* on a rough journey, eventually returning to Vancouver where he was discharged on the 10th of January, 1946. In Vancouver, Percy was given work choices by Veterans Affairs. He chose plumbing and began working in Vancouver, Kemano, and Kitimat before moving to Whitehorse, Yukon, in 1954. Percy retired to Qualicum Beach in 1976, and this November will celebrate his 100th birthday.

In 1995, Percy returned to Holland for the 50th anniversary of their liberation. He was billeted by a lovely family, the Wagenaar's. Every day there were special events for all the veterans. The Canadians were treated like royalty.

Although Percy does not like to talk about the war, it is still a vivid memory in his mind.



# Congrats to TH's 2015 Post-Secondary GRADS!

**Madeline DeRepentigny** – Received her Culinary Arts diploma from the University of Alaska Fairbanks this past May. Madeline is now a chef with Kaminak and is planning to travel next year to explore the culinary world further. Madeline is proud of receiving straight As and says “the Culinary Arts program has been something I wanted to do for a long time, and it feels so great to finally complete it. I wore my regalia under my grad gown to represent my home and my people. I want to say mähsi cho to Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, Yukon Government and UAF for supporting me throughout my educational journey”.

**Andrea Moses** – Received a Microcomputer Office Specialist Intensive diploma from Grande Prairie Regional College. Andrea was able to complete this diploma through Distance Education while working in her position as TH's Council Administrator. Andrea was able to make the trip to Grande Prairie to receive her diploma in person, proudly wearing gown and cap.



*Andrea Moses*

**Lynda Blanchard** – Graduated from Yukon College in the Culinary Arts program. Lynda is now cooking at the Klondike Rib & Salmon in Whitehorse.



*Roslyn Anderson*

**Roslyn Anderson** – Graduated from Health Care Assistant program at Yukon College this year. Roslyn is considering continuing her education in the Health Care field through Athabasca University.

**Leanne Dickson** – Graduated from Yukon College in the Culinary Arts program and is working with TH, Chief Isaac and Kaminak. Leanne provided the following statement: "I would like to thank Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in for giving me the finances needed to participate in the Culinary Arts 8-month program at Yukon College in Whitehorse. It was such a great course, and I recommend it to anyone that wishes to enter this career. The college was so helpful and kind in finding me a unit on campus to live in while I went to school. The resources were wonderful, if needed, and all within reach. Also, thank you Melissa Atkinson for your efforts and hard working miracles that you've done for me in applying for this course. Your dedication to the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in students is so appreciated."



April Coulson

**April Coulson** – Graduated with her Bachelor of Nursing Degree from the University of British Columbia. April completed a practicum at Whitehorse General this past winter. She has been on the honour roll each semester at UBC, all the while raising three young boys on her own. Inspiring! April has obtained a position at the Vernon Jubilee Hospital on a post-surgical ward. April says: "Thank you again for everything! My children are so proud of me. All of the hours and years of studying are worth it to make a better life for them."

## 2016 Moosehide Fundraisers

The Moosehide Cultural Society has been organizing fundraisers for our wonderful Gathering. We've successfully completed a Highway Cleanup with the help of a **great bunch!** We want to share the upcoming fundraisers happening this 2015 summer season.

July 1 – Canada Day Whipped-Cream Pie Throwing

July 24–26 – DCMF Merchandise Table

TBA – BBQ & Car Wash

These are our goals for this busy summer season and would like to invite all to come and lend a hand for any of these events. Events will be dependent on volunteers.

To sign-up to volunteer for any of these or if you have questions please contact Allison Kormendy at 993-7100 ext. 150 or Shauna Kormendy ext. 112 or [moosehide@trondek.ca](mailto:moosehide@trondek.ca).

Mähsi Cho and hope you all have a lovely summer season! We are so happy to be promoting our important and incredible Moosehide Gatherings again.

– Allison Kormendy and Shauna Kormendy



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