



GITMAXMAK'AY NEWS

Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Prince Rupert/Port Edward Society Newsletter

October 2013

Upcoming Events:

October 3rd @ 1-5pm (Nisga'a Hall)

Elders Hawaiian Luau

All Nisga'a elders are invited!

Oct 6th @ 9am-4pm (Nisga'a Hall)

WWNI Nisga'a Language Class

5 week program in the Multipurpose Room

Oct 6th @ 5pm-9pm (Nisga'a Hall)

Youth Council Games Night

October 10th @ 6:30-9pm

Regalia-making Workshop

Call the office to reserve your spot

October 12th @ 5pm

Canoe Journey Thanksgiving Feast

Jim Ciccone Civic Centre

October 17th @ 6:30-9pm

Regalia-making Workshop

Call the office to reserve your spot

October 24th @ 6:30pm-9pm

Regalia-making Workshop

Call the office to reserve your spot

October 29th @ 3:30-5:30pm

CPS Halloween Pumpkin Carving

Open for everyone! Pumpkins provided.

October 31st @ 6-8pm

Civic Centre Halloweenfest



Community

Announcements:

*Introducing the new Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Society Facebook page!

To serve you better, we are converting our Facebook group into a page. Like us on Facebook now! Please note the existing group will no longer be updated.

*Education bursary applications will be ready soon for all Grade 12+ Nisga'a students applying for funding assistance for post secondary education.

*You asked us, we listened. Introducing the new Society information phone line. Coming soon, you can call 250.627.5151 to discover upcoming events, programs, and services 24/7!

*Next month, look for Basic Security, WorldHost, and Serving it Right!

Points of Interest:

**OCTOBER SPECIAL!*

Rent the Nisga'a Hall for any day in October and we will toss in the kitchen for free! (That's a 25% discount!)

*In lieu of Thanksgiving, the Society office will be closed on Monday, October 14th.

*Check out the new Nisga'a Hall website at www.nisgaahall.ca for cheaper hall rental rates and more rental options!

*New Horizons for Seniors committee meetings are on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 1pm in the Nisga'a Hall

*Reminder: the Community Preventative Services (CPS) Sports grants are available for youth recreational activities and related travel. The grant has been changed to two (2) \$100 sports grants per child, per year, and one (1) \$50 or \$100 travel grant, depending on how far.

*Weekly gift making is happening every Thursday at 6:30-9pm in the Multipurpose Room to prepare for the Canoe Journey Thanksgiving Feast.

Look for our new Hall ad at the arena!

***** FREE Employment Training *****

We are partnering with Hecate Strait to offer free training courses for everyone:

Oct 12th 8am-5pm - OFA Level I (Nisga'a Hall)

Oct 19th 9am-5pm - Food Safe (Nisga'a Hall)

October 26th 9am-2pm - WHMIS (Hecate Strait)

Spaces are limited so make sure to reserve your spot today by signing up as soon as possible. You can sign up by calling or visiting the Society office.

From the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Elders:

Elders meetings are on the second Wednesday of every month at 1pm in the Hall or Multipurpose Room

From the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Dancers:

We have dance practice every Monday from 6:30pm - 8pm in the Nisga'a Hall (except holidays). We encourage all ages and family members to attend. Our group is in need of more presence from our respected elders in our community.

Our next practice is October 7th!

Is there anything you want to include in the next newsletter?
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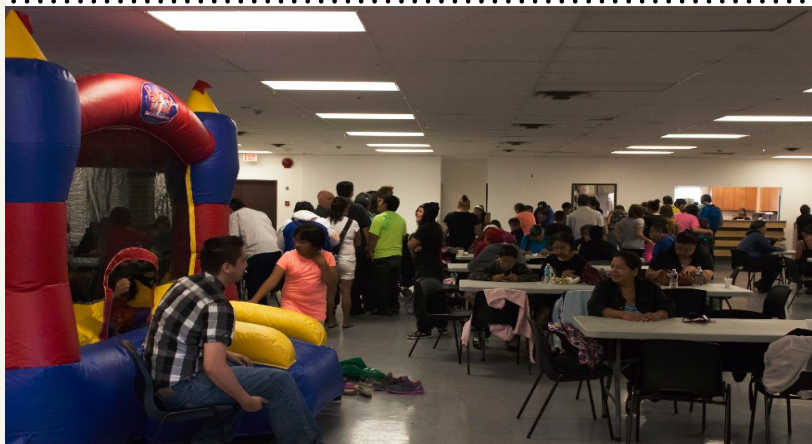
Do you want to learn how to speak Nisga'a?

Then you are in luck...Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute (WWNI) and the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Society are partnering to offer free Nisga'a language courses at the Nisga'a Hall! (In the Multipurpose Room)

Starting October 6th, classes will be running once per weekend until November 16th. All you need to do is submit a resume and transcripts (if you have taken any post-secondary) to Zora McMillan at the Society office!

Do you know how to speak Nisga'a?

We need you! We are looking for people who can speak Nisga'a and help host a "Little Readers" club once a week for Nisga'a children to learn our language. Also, we are looking at starting a conversational language class for all ages. Please call Zora at the Society office if you are interested in being a facilitator.



Top Left: Enjoying the free bouncy castle + fried bread



Above: Re-installing the Nisga'a flag on the Nisga'a Hall



Bottom Left: Dancers entertain the crowd outside the Hall

OPEN HOUSE SUCCESS!
On Sept 8th, we celebrated all the recent improvements to the Nisga'a Hall. Many thanks to everyone who helped out. We had a turnout of over 400 people!

DO YOU NEED TO CONTACT US? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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