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Community Information and Upcoming Events

Happy Birthday to everyone in the month of July!!

Goat Gazing 2023

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As you may have heard, we are taking a rest year from goat grazing. Thanks to the BC Hydro Community ReGreening Program, we have begun spreading a Grassland Restoration seed mix within Long Prairie, along the roads, and near Adrian Lake. We are focusing on spreading the seed where there is cheat grass in hopes of the native plants to outcompete this invasive species. We plan to do more seeding in the fall to encourage the native plant growth next spring as well. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Lands Department at snikkel@aqam.net.



?AQ'AM COMMUNITY 2023 SUMMER PROGRAM

7500 Mission Road, Cranbrook BC

SPOTS AVAILABLE— Ages Kindergarten to Grade 7

Younger students <u>must</u> have already attended Kindergarten.

Once spots are filled, children will be placed on a Waitlist.

JULY CAMP: 3 weeks \$300.00/child

July 10th - July 28th (Monday-Friday)

AUGUST CAMP: 4 weeks \$400/child

July 31st-August 25th (Monday-Friday)

PLEASE REGISTER BY JUNE 30th

All Payments for Programs are made via e-transfer or in-person at the ?aqam Band Office. Payment details are outlined in the Summer Program Handbook

- The Program runs daily from 8:30-4:30, excluding STAT holidays
- This is a non-licensed program. Families of participants who typically require extra support with school programming are required to secure their own support through an external agency. Please contact KKCFSS for more information about potential resources.
- Program activities will include sports, cultural activities, arts/crafts, local field trips, land-based learning,

Interested families can contact Shannon at: swilson@aqam.net or via phone 778-761-1236



Updated Post-Secondary Policies!

Highlights:

All programs (including Trades, regardless of length) are eligible if offered by an eligible institution and offers a certificate.

Archived - List of eligible post-secondary education institutions in Canada (sac-isc.gc.ca) No limits within levels! If you have previously been funded for a

similar credential. No longer requirement to be funded at the rate of the closest Institution, including foreign institutions (where you can be funded

certificate, diploma or degree, you can be sponsored again for a

- at the actual cost in Canadian Funds). Application and assessment fees are eligible for reimbursement
- upon sponsorship approval. No maximum amount for Books, Supplies and Equipment, including technology. We can fund actual costs for any items listed as
- Part-time students may be eligible for some pro-rated living allowance and travel with specific needs outlined in their letter of intent.
- Continuous intake for applications for short-term programs will be accepted throughout the year.
- Living Allowance monthly rate based on this formula:

Minimum wage x 35hrs x 4

required in the course syllabus.

Currently: \$16.75 x 35 x 4 = \$2,345 per month for single student Students with 1 Dependent + \$750.00 = \$3,095/month

Students with more than 1 Dependant + \$750 -\$3,845.00 maximum

See full policy at: Education Services | ag'am (agam.net)





Department Information and Upcoming Events





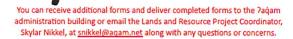
Please help us collect data on the uses



of the St. Mary's River.



Anytime you see activity on the St. Mary's River, please fill out a survey form for the ?agam Lands Department. These surveys will help ?agam better understand the uses of the river and distinguish any future actions that may need to be taken to protect this water body.





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St Mary's River Users Survey, 2023

Date – DD/MM/YYYY	Date – DD/MM/YYYY	Date – DD/MM/YYYY
Time – HH:MM am/pm	Time – HH:MM am/pm	Time – HH:MM am/pm
User Type	User Type	User Type
 Motorized Watercraft, Inboard/Jet 	☐ Motorized Watercraft, Inboard/Jet	☐ Motorized Watercraft, Inboard/Jet
 Motorized Watercraft, Outboard 	☐ Motorized Watercraft, Outboard	☐ Motorized Watercraft, Outboard
☐ Non-motorized Watercraft	☐ Non-motorized Watercraft	☐ Non-motorized Watercraft
□ Pedestrian	□ Pedestrian	□ Pedestrian
□ Local	☐ Local	□ Local
☐ Non-Local	☐ Non-Local	□ Non-Local
Direction of Travel	Direction of Travel	Direction of Travel
□ Upstream	□ Upstream	□ Upstream
□ Downstream	□ Downstream	□ Downstream
Number of People on Board:	Number of People on Board:	Number of People on Board:
Observed Conflict with	Observed Conflict with	Observed Conflict with
Other Users	Other Users	Other Users
□ Yes	□ Yes	□ Yes
□ No	□ No	□ No
Observed Risk to Other Users	Observed Risk to Other Users	Observed Risk to Other Users
□ Yes	□ Yes	□ Yes
□ No	□ No	□ No
Noise Level	Noise Level	Noise Level
☐ Some Noise	☐ None ☐ Some Noise	
_		☐ Some Noise
☐ Disruptive Noise	☐ Disruptive Noise	☐ Disruptive Noise

Securiguard

We make people feel safe.

BASIC SECURITY TRAINING ENROLMENT FORM

First Name	
Middle Name	
Last Name	
Gender	Male Female Prefer not to answer
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Address	
City	
Province	
Postal Code	
International or PR or Citizen (solely for the purpose of signing up – International Students fees are different from domestic students)	☐International ☐Permanent Resident ☐Canadian Citizen
Citizenship Country (if not Canada)	
PEN Number (if known)	
JIBC Student ID (If known)	

VOLUNTARY DECLARATION

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Your response to these questions is voluntary. All responses are confidential and are protected under the Privacy Act. The information provided will be used to compile statistics to evaluate our progress in meeting our commitments to equity within our employment and training programs.

By completing this information and signing the below, you are giving your consent for us to share this information with the Justice Institute of British Columbia for the purposes of enrolment. Also, if you will be working on our contracts with the Transmountain Expansion Project and Coastal Gas Link, we may be required to submit equity data to our client for

I hereby confirm that I have had an opportunity to review this information and that the information provided is true. I understand and agree to the essential terms and conditions of the agreement contained herein. (Print Name:

> 1445 West Georgia Street, 4th Floor, Vancouver, BC V6G 2T3 T: +1 604-685-6011 | F: +1 604-685-0013 E: recruitment@securiguard.com

__) Date:



Provincially Recognized Program

 Become a fully certified Security Professional in five days

Jump start your career in security!

Course Date & Location:

June 26-30th

• 7470 Mission Road, Cranbrook

*This course can be taken as a hybrid course with one or two days of inperson learning and the rest of the modules taken online.

Please ensure that you bring 2 pieces of valid government-issued ID with you to the course.



For more information and to enroll please contact: aceadmin@agam.net





?aqam Community Enterprises (ACELP) has started the official rebrand of D&B Flagging and Traffic Control Ltd (D&B)!

You may not know that D&B was recently purchased fully by ACELP and since has started the daunting task of rebranding the business to Aq'am Flagging and Safety (AFS). But what does

ACELP exists for the purpose of creating economic development within and for the Community. To create own source revenue and self-sufficiency for Pagam. We utilize the ideas given to us by community and do our best to incorporate those ideas into viable business ventures with the hope that community champions can come into employment in areas they have excitement and drive for. We are continuously searching for new opportunities and avenues to branch into which would bring business, employment, and economic stability to the ?aqamnik community.

Changing the name to Aq'am Flagging and Safety (AFS) was necessary not only to present the aq'am name and heritage to the traffic control world but to open the door to new areas and new opportunities. AFS has chosen to focus on these 3 distinct areas going forward:

- Traffic Control
 - We continue to provide professional and reliable flagging services, including but not limited to pilot vehicle, lane closures, rentals of TC devices, TMPS and detours for construction sites, roadwork zones, event, and other traffic management situations throughout the interior of BC as well as Central and Southern Alberta.
- Security
 - o We now provide security services such as patrolling of properties, surveillance, and access control. We have recently signed an MOU with Securigard, this would be a partnership to acquire industrial contracts, while we also work to obtain local contracts on our own.
- Fire Safety
 - Our Fire Safety Sector is in the gap analysis phase, collecting data and we will be defining the scope and priorities very soon. The general idea is to create long term positions and will see employees trained within fire prevention, fire mitigation and fire smart occupations.

ACELP will be offering regular training both in-house and 3rd party training on an ongoing basis. Please reach out to hear more about what we have to offer and to join our team!



Join Ag'am knowledge holders, Ducks Unlimited Canada. The Nature Trust of BC and the Province of British Columbia on a tour of Bummers Flats, open to Aq'am community, ?a-knusti and Guardians in training.

> July 18, 2023 Meet at Dan Joe Memorial Gym | 8AM - 3PM Transportation & a stipend will be provided

Register online at tinyurl.com/bdz56wnx

Rewild Nature

Ducks Unlimited Canada, The Nature Trust of BC and the Province of British Columbia hope to collaborate with Ag'am community to restore the marsh, increase biodiversity and return natural processes to the floodplain.

Collaborative Opportunities

This restoration project offers opportunities to share knowledge and learn from Aq'am elders, knowledge holders, ?a knusti and Guardians in training, and to bring together western science and Indigenous knowledge and perspectives.







NATURE TRUST

TIMBER SPECIFIC CLAIM INFORMATION SESSION

July 11th 2023

Location: Dan Joe Memorial Gym

5:00PM-5:30PM Dinner

5:30PM-7:00PM Presentation and discussion by Caroline Roberts and Darwin Hanna, from Callison &

Hanna Law

For the zoom link and meeting presentation package please contact

Receptionist: receptionist@aqam.net or 250-426-5717

Karmin Snow EA: ksnow@aqam.net Mike Frank CAO: mfrank@agam.net





ACELP would like to welcome Ashley O'Neil to the AFS Team!

The Fire Smart Coordinator's key responsibilities in include:

- To build and maintain an ?aqamnik lead Fire Smart team within Ktunaxa owned, ?aqam Flagging & Safety LTD
- To support ?adam community wildfire readiness, prevention, and mitigation through public edu assessments, and mitigative work to reduce community risk from wildfires.
- To facilitate of Fire Smart-related activities on a contract basis for the community of ?egam.
- To ensure that the Fire Smart activities are supported, developed, and implemented in accordance with Provincial and Ktunaxa guidelines.
- To seek and maintain for profit fire safety contracts on behalf of 2agam Flagging & Safety.

Wildland Fire Manager responsibilities:

Spring cultural burning and fire smarting home assessment in the Aqam community.

Summer season having type 3 wildland firefighting contract crews with the Ministry of Forest

Fall Cultural burning.

Winter Mitigation forestry work and Training wildland firefighting crews in preparation for next year fire season

The goal is to have year-round employment and to ensure the safety of our community from wildfire.

Ashley O'Neil is Ktunaxa Nation and a member of ?aqam. Ashley has been a part of the fire service since 2006, as a structural, urban interface and wildland firefighter, and soon will be a certified wildland firefighting inductor she is also training to become a certified burn boss. Ashley sits on the board of directors of the National Indigenous fire safety council as the wildfire representative of all Turtle Island. After years of working with other nations and in other communities, she is happy to be back in her own community and ready to share her knowledge of wildfire.

Ashley will be making appearance to each home doing Fire Smart assessments to help prepare our community for up coming fire season.



23rd Annual Malyan Michel Bursary

Awarded: Wed, July 26, 2023

This \$500.00 bursary was established in 2000 by friends and family of Malyan Michel to recognize deserving post-secondary students from the Ktunaxa Nation. Malyan was a language and culture teacher and always encouraged people to return to school and further their education while still holding onto their Ktunaxa heritage.

This bursary has been awarded to 35 Ktunaxa Nation students totalling \$17,500. The funds for these bursaries are raised every year through raffles and 50/50 draws, as well as donations from our generous supporters. We would like to thank everyone for their continued support over the years.

ELIGIBILITY:

Candidate must:

- be of Ktunaxa ancestry
- be an existing post-secondary student that will be returning to studies in Sept 2023.
- or be an adult 19 and over beginning or returning to studies in Sept 2023 show an interest in their Ktunaxa language and culture

Student name:	Lancia II	
Name of Post Secondary Institution:		
Area of Study:		
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please use additional paper if necessary

Deadline for nominations: Friday, July 21, 2023 Submit nominations to: Cindy Sutherland 604-603-4733, gregncindy@shaw.ca

?aqam Contact list

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We have switched our phone system over to Zoom phone. Each staff person now has their own direct line. Below is a list of the staff people who can be reached directly through their phone line.

Name	Department	Number	EXT.	email
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Bar		(250) 420-2766		
?aqamnik		(250) 489-5183		
Alicia Phillips	Housing	(778) 761-0679	3580	aphillips@aqam.net
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Audrey Palmer	Daycare	(778) 761-1100	3703	<u>apalmer@aqam.net</u>
Autumn Patrick	Health	(778) 761-0896	3837	apatrick@agam.net
Becky Lewis	School	(778) 761-1072	3616	<u>rlewis@aqam.net</u>
Bonnie Harvey	Governance	(778) 761-1120	3534	bharvey@agam.net
Brett Capilo	Language/culture	(778) 761-1077	3535	bcapilo@aqam.net
Chrystal Williams	Language/culture	(778) 761-1044	3525	cwilliams@aqam.net
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Cliff Dorian	school	(778) 761-1039	3607	cdorian@agam.net
Cody Atwood	Health	(778) 761-0966	3836	<u>catwood@aqam.net</u>
Dallas Cardinal	Council	(778) 761-0073	3833	dcardinal@agam.net
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Age 6 & Under must bring an adult.

Join us on Wednesdays for your chance to win a weekend get away for your family. You must attend at least 3 sessions to qualify.

Tara Delaire 236.302.1626 Bonnie 778.761.1120



July 12, 19
August 02, 09, 16
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Transportation can be
provided. Lunch &
snacks provided.