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
COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND UPCOMING EVENTS




ʔaʔam Council and Administration wishes to welcome Dr. Sae-Hoon Stan Chung, as ʔaʔam interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Dr. Chung began his duties on June 17th 2024. He will serve for up to six months or until an ongoing CAO is named.

In the last decade, Stan has served councils at ʔaʔam, ʔakisʔnuk, Yaqaan Nukiy, Yaʔit ʔa-knuqʔi 'it, Ktunaxa Kinbasket Child & Family, ʔaʔam Community Enterprises, and as Senior Advisor to three KNC CAOs. He possesses a wealth of knowledge in decolonizing organizations walking with many Indigenous leaders and organizations.

Please reach out to receptionist@aqam.net if you have any questions.

 <https://linktr.ee/Chungstan>

 schung@aqam.net



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July 25 | 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Arbour Hour

Invitation for ʔaʔam Community to join ʔaʔam Directors and interim CAO in the arbour for a hot dog BBQ.



We add content to our website regularly. Please, scan the QR Code to visit our News section

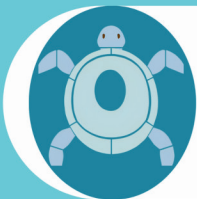
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?AQ'AM **Wetland Deep Holes**



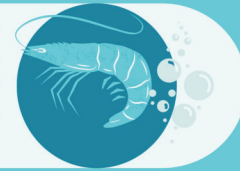
Deep hole tests were completed at Long Lake, Stink Lake, Twin Lakes and Unnamed Wetland between June 10th-14th. An excavator was used to dig holes until we were able to reach the water table. At Long Lake, we were unable to find the water table.

Some of these holes were not filled back in so we are able to see if the water levels fluctuate throughout the summer. The number of holes left open are as follows: 1 at Unnamed Wetland, 2 at Twin Lakes, 3 at Stink Lake, 0 at Long Lake.



At Twin Lakes, the water table was found quite close to the surface. It appears that there may be a 'seal' in the soil (possibly created by cattle trampling the area long ago). This suggests that we may be able to dig in Twin Lakes to where this 'seal' is and water should return and last longer into the year.

Monitoring the wetlands this year, has allowed us to see that the water has more or less disappeared by the beginning of June. By restoring these wetlands the water will last longer into the year which will help the wildlife and plant life tremendously.



We hope to begin restoration work at Stink Lake and Unnamed Wetland this fall (September, weather dependent) and may be able to complete work at Twin Lakes as well.




If you see these holes, please send any photos to the Lands Department to help with water level monitoring to **Skylar Nikkel** at snikkel@aqam.net

Want to sell your entire Certificate of Possession (CP) Land or part of it?

A few ?aqamnik are interested in living on ?aqam Lands and are looking to buy property. Sarah will connect you with them and help you with the paperwork.

Please reach out to Sarah Baines, Land Code Advisor

 sbaines@aqam.net

 (236) 302-1628

The transaction of buying and selling land is between the CP holder and the buyer. ?aqam Administration does not set land prices or decide which ?aqamnik-held CP Lands can be sold.



The Wildlife Cameras that the ?aqamnik school helped set up at Francis Lake and Unnamed Wetland have captured great photos of the wildlife utilizing these areas.



CMH waiver forms are due August 1st. Youth aged 15-22




Youth Champion applications due Friday July 12th. Please send them to Tara Delaire at tdelaire@aqam.net

Stay tuned for the Ka kniwi-tiyata Water Challenge info!!



Natanik Solar Project Community Consultation

JULY 3, 2024

 **Where : DJM GYM**

 **When: 4:00-7:00 pm**

 **Free Dinner !**



Big Door Prizes! Chainsaw, and Much More



To see employment opportunities with ?aqam and our partners, please visit:

<https://www.aqam.net/about/employment>

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**2024 Ktunaxa Nation
Annual General Assembly**

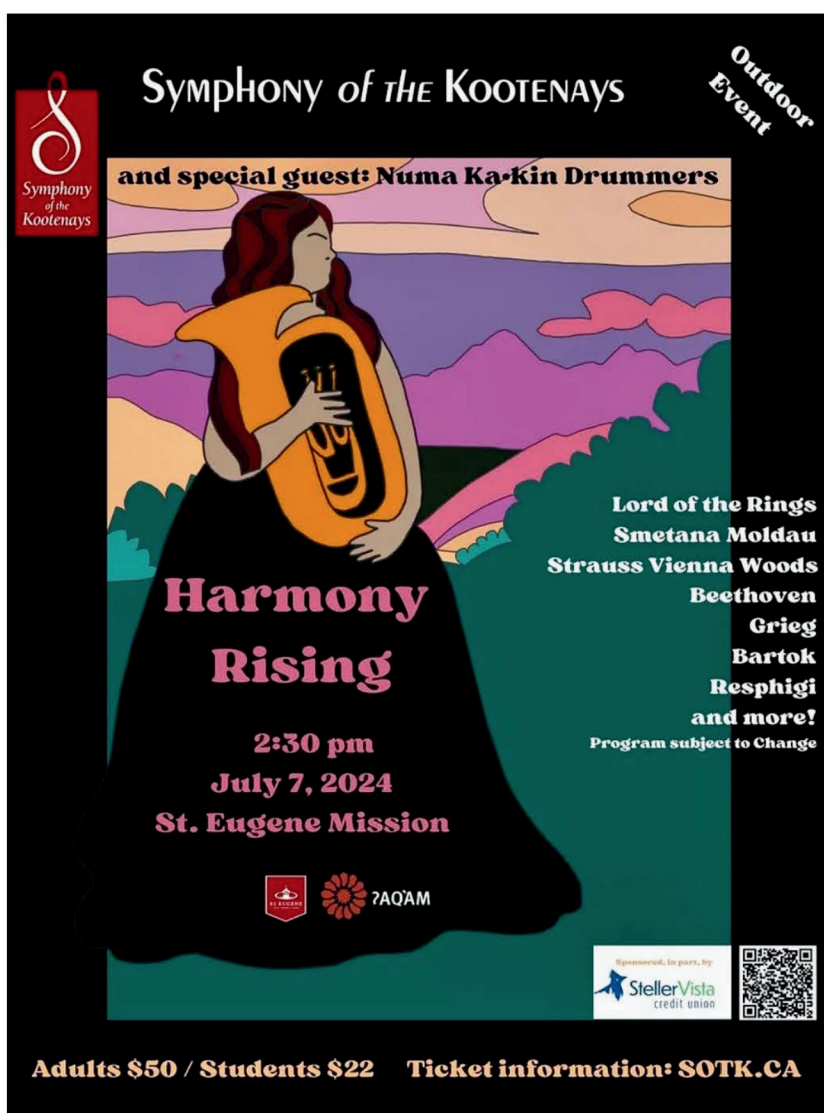
July 17 & 18, 2024
ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation

All Ktunaxaniḥtik & guests
are encouraged to attend!
Awesome prizes!
Info booths!
Cool swag!
Great food!

Registration forms at ktunaxa.org
Please send your forms to
AGA@ktunaxa.org
Or fax to 250-489-2438
Or drop off at BAND OFFICES or
at Ktunaxa Nation Council,
220 Cranbrook St. N, Cranbrook



**Congratulations to the ʔaqam
Community Team winners of the
2024 Ktunaxa Charity Golf
Tournament!**






Symphony of the Kootenays
and special guest: Numa Ka-kin Drummers

**Harmony
Rising**

2:30 pm
July 7, 2024
St. Eugene Mission

Lord of the Rings
Smetana Moldau
Strauss Vienna Woods
Beethoven
Grieg
Bartok
Respighi
and more!
Program subject to Change

Adults \$50 / Students \$22 Ticket information: SOTK.CA



If any community members would like tickets, please reach out to dbirstone@aqam.net



**We are looking for 3 able bodied
band members to assist elders on
the trip to the annual elders
gathering in Vancouver**

Travel & meal are covered
plus a stipend will be provided

August 11-15, 2024
Travel will be by bus



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send an email advising of your interest
to dbirdstone@aqam.net



If you need to update your mailing
address or want to receive the ʔaqam
Newsletter via email, please contact:

receptionist@aqam.net