

# Nezul Be Hunuyeh

Talo Ooza' 2017 Newsletter  
(July: Time of the Salmon)



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Tom Family at the Nezul Be Hunuyeh Family Picnic on May 26, 2017

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## EVENTS

### Nezul Be Hunuyeh Clothing Drive in Tl'azt'en Nation May 3, 2017

Nezul Be Hunuyeh had the annual Clothing Drive at Eugene Joseph School. We collect gently used clothing for all ages and carefully choose which clothes to bring to the community. The children first go through the clothes and choose what they want. The remaining is left for the rest of the community to go through for themselves and family. This is always a great event; many children leave with a bag of "new to them" clothes. The Fort St James and surrounding area has been a huge support for this program, tons of donations come to our office every year. This is a very good way to get rid of small/unused clothes, prevent waste in landfills and give back to the communities. Again, thank you for all the generous donations.



### Grand Opening of NBH Building in Tl'azt'en Nation May 17, 2017

Nezul Be Hunuyeh has been looking for a long-term location in Tl'azt'en Nation for a while, and we now have a new home 😊 Eugene Joseph School has been the home of Eagle's Nest for many years and we have utilized other offices in the Nation for meetings and gatherings. We are very thankful for the space that was provided for us, to deliver programs and services in the community. We had an opportunity to rent a building in the community, and we did not hesitate.

We held a grand opening on May 17, 2017. Community members were invited to join NBH staff to celebrate the opening of the office in Tl'azt'en Nation. Children played while parents socialized and enjoyed each other's company. Staff prepared lunch for everyone, that was completed with fruit cups, cupcakes and popcorn. As a gift, everyone made terracotta pots with flower seeds and took it home. All in all, it was a great day spent with many wonderful people. We look forward to spending more time in the community to better support the children and families of Tl'azt'en Nation.





## Nezul Be Hunuyeh Family Picnic May 26, 2017

The annual Family Picnic was a success again this year, many children in care travelled home to spend the day with their families. Members came from Tl'azt'en Nation and Nak'azdli to welcome the children home for this 1 day event. There were activities for all ages of children, a scavenger hunt, fish pond and some great food. NBH staff prepared lunch for everyone, thank you Fred Sam who volunteered to help in the kitchen as everyone lined up for lunch.

The weather held up beautifully as people enjoyed a day at the beach, with just the right amount of breeze coming off Stuart Lake. Many thanks to everyone that attended, children, families, foster parents, community members and elders from all our surrounding area. You all make this a very enjoyable day, for the children in care that attend this event.

Thank You Overwaitea Foods in Fort St James, who donated all the hot dog buns, watermelon and napkins.





### Cultural Tea Picking (Ludi musjek) Day June 30, 2017

This year's cultural tea picking event was a great outing for the children and families that attended. The day started out early as everyone came to Fort St James on the bus. There were over 40 people on the bus, and more joined from Fort St James area. Everyone enjoyed a picnic lunch together at Cottonwood Beach, while elder Doreen Austin talked to everyone about the medicinal value of ludi musjek, where and when to pick it and how to prepare it. Everyone then made their way to the Tear Drop road where they picked ludi musjek. Everyone joined and picked as much tea as they wanted, some donated the tea for the annual potlatch and others brought it home to enjoy.

Thank you everyone that got together to make this a great cultural experience for the children and families, it's always nice to see community members, elders and families get together to practice the Dakelh Culture. Thank you Tania Hink for the organization and everyone else that supported this outing. Musi





## Ongoing NBH Programs

### Parenting Program – Fort St James

The Family Preservation Workers are always busy planning and preparing parenting programs for Nak'azdli and Tl'azt'en Nation. Every Thursday evening Anna and Cheryl host a parenting program, people from different agencies are brought in to help deliver information about important programs that are offered in Fort St James and area. Dinner is always included, bring your children and get some awesome parenting tips, this is also your opportunity to share your parenting skills/tips with other parents. Come out to interact with other parents and children. If you need a ride please call Anna or Cheryl at our office.

### Eagle's Nest – Tl'azt'en Nation

Eagle's Nest has started again in Tl'azt'en Nation. Staff at Nezul Be Hunuyeh are very excited to bring the Eagle's Nest Program back into the community. The Family Preservation Workers will be at the Nezul Be Hunuyeh Building in Tache every Wednesday from 11-2 for a drop-in program. This program is for parents that have children ages 0-5, interact with other parents and children, learn new skills, go on outings as a group and so much more.... The ladies are looking forward to having a full program every Wednesday!!! Hope to see you there. Please call our Fort St James office the day before if you need a ride.

### Parenting Program – Prince George

The Nezul Be Hunuyeh Team in Prince George has started a parenting program, the staff has some exciting things planned for the program and they want YOU to come by and join!!!! This is a drop in Program that is available for all Tl'azt'en Nation and Nak'azdli families in Prince George. Call our office at 250-561- for more information or if you need a ride.

### Cultural Program – Tl'azt'en Nation

Nezul Be Hunuyeh is excited to announce the arrival of a new program that will be running for 1 year. The Cultural Program started in mid-June. Throughout the summer months the program will run every day of the week except Wednesday (Eagle's Nest Day). The Calendar will be posted around the community, also watch NBH Facebook page for more information. The program will focus on language, with regular visits from elders/knowledge keepers. We will also have many outings, stop by and find out what is happening throughout the month of July and August... Got any ideas??? Stop by have coffee and bannock. Tuesday is Soup and Bannock day. Everyone is welcome!!!

# Programs to help build strong families





Graduate and Valedictorian Dustin Pierre. Dustin graduated with his grade 12 Diploma from the Centre for Learning Alternatives in Prince George. Way to go Dustin!!!



## Birthday Shout Out!!!

Nezul Be Hunuyeh staff attended the Birthday Dinner for Helen Johnnie, who turned 90 Years old on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Helen's family organized a very nice community dinner. Her face beamed with pride, as the gym was full of people that went to celebrate her special day with her.



Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Helen!!!



A2: Wednesday, May 31, 2017

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## Courier COMMUNITY

### Young Achiever Alicia Isaac exudes happiness

**Fort St. James Secondary Student exceeding expectations with a smile!**

By Fiona Macneil

Friday May 26—Alicia Isaac is this week's Young Achiever, nominated by one of her instructors Mr. David Stainton. The first thing you'll notice about Alicia is her positively big smile and bright eyes. She seems so happy, glowing with energy and enthusiasm, it's no wonder Alicia stands out as a student worth recognizing.

Alicia is in grade 11. She started school here in February, after moving back to Fort St. James. In less than four months has already completed Math 11, Family Studies

12 and First Nation Studies 12. She's also taking Chemistry 11 and Photography 11 electives. At the time of her interview with the Caledonia Courier she was actually in the middle of a First Nations Studies exam but she seemed calm and confident.

The Enterprise Centre seems to suit open with nice big windows letting in plenty of fresh air and sunlight. Across the one wall there is a rainbow of colourful posters signifying the 75 course graduations this year from this learning space so far. Three of the greenpages on the wall are Alicia's, she loves the colour green.

Another 25 student credit certificates are expected to be added by the end of June. Alicia has done three of her credits through the Enterprise Centre and other core subjects and classes like Chemistry and Photography she's done on the main Fort



Mide Isaac

St. James Secondary School campus just across the road.

The Enterprise Centre offers students more flexibility to work in their own pace, it gives students more independence and clearly Alicia has taken advantage of that. She didn't let her late February entry slow her down.

Mr. Stainton and the centre support workers helped her get started right away.

Alicia isn't decide what her favourite subject is, she finds all her courses interesting. But when pressed to choose a favourite she picks Chemistry, specifically stoichiometry (even after she explained I still have no

idea what that is!)

Family Studies is another favourite of Alicia's as she says it has taught her so many useful things, cooking, budgeting, life skills really. She loves photography too and hopes to continue using her photography skills either in her career one day or just as a hobby.

One of the photography projects she's currently working on is developing a photo portfolio of things and scenes that show the essence or 'voice' of her home community, Fort St. James. "Like the warmth of the sunset, the lake, the people" she says. Alicia wants to go on to university or college

to study social work or something in health-care so she can work in a job helping people somehow. In a previous school course she completed, Planning 10, she got a chance to visit the University Hospital of Northern B.C. in Prince George and she found that really inspiring.

When asked what advice she had for younger students wanting to achieve academic success like she has, Alicia says that keeping on track and staying focused is what has helped her. "I like to wake up early every day and come to class before it begins" she says.

Alicia has four younger sisters here who look up to her and one older brother in Prince George she remains close to. Family is very important to her.

Alicia enjoys playing soccer on Tuesdays and Thursdays and her Mixed U18 team has a game on Sunday which she's looking forward to.

It's going to be sunny and hot out there this weekend so she said she'll make sure she remembers to bring a water bottle!



Graduate Chrissie Roberts. Chrissie also got an award from the school for being on the Honour Roll throughout her High School Years!!! Way to Go Chrissie!!!

The Newspaper Clipping says it all!!!! Way to go Alicia!!!



## NBH Staff out and about!!!

**Think Big Career Fair, May 10, 2017** – The Career Fair was put on by Nak'azdli Employment/Education. This was a great event, with many participants. NBH set up a laptop for the youth to take a career test. We also had many job postings, and the agency's program information.

**Nak'azdli Health Fair, May 11, 2017** – The first day of the Nak'azdli Health Fair was for the community to find out what kind of resources are in the community for support. NBH was excited to join this event and set up a booth with many other agencies from our area.

**FSJSS Breakfast Program, May 30, 2017** – Once a month NBH staff serve breakfast at the High-school. There are tons of youth that line up to have pancakes topped with strawberries and whip cream thank you FSJSS for inviting us to help.

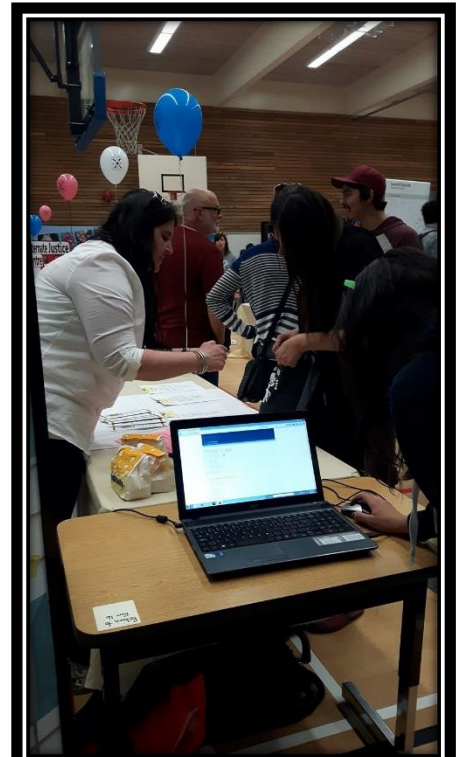
**Helen Johnnie's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration** – This was a great celebration; the room was filled with many people from Tl'azt'en Nation and surrounding communities.

**Nak'azdli Children's Event June 28, 2017** –The Nak'azdli Maternal Health teamed up with Nezul Be Hunuyeh and other agencies to host a Children's event, which was very well attended by many families. The event was the celebration for another successful year of Uloo Khoh (A program run by Nak'azdli Health).

Nezul Be Hunuyeh staff are encouraged to attend any community events. We enjoy using our creativity to make sure we offer a fun and exciting activities within the community. Musi for all the invitations to be in the communities 😊



Nak'azdli  
Children's  
Event



Think Big Career Fair 2017

## Agency Delegation and what it means

**Nezul Be Hunuyeh is currently at C4 Delegation.**

### **C3 - (Delegation Matrix)**

The areas of service covered under this level include:

support services for families,  
voluntary care agreements for children, including temporary in-home care, and  
special needs agreements, including those for children in care on no fixed term.

- Operational and Practice standards address:
- case management,
- family assessment,
- service planning and agreements,
- children in voluntary care,
- standards for care in regular, restricted, and specialized family care homes,
- monitoring and evaluation, and
- closure and transfer of cases.

### **C4 - (Delegation Matrix)**

The areas of service covered under this level include those found in C3, as well as guardianship of children in the continuing custody of the Director. Practice standards for guardianship are similar to those for voluntary care in C3, but also include:

- develop, monitor and review comprehensive plans of care for children in care,
- legal documentation,
- permanency planning for children in care,
- prepare youth to transition for independence,
- reportable circumstances,
- ongoing monitoring of child's well-being while in care, and  
quality care reviews.

When a child goes into care of the Ministry, the Ministry of Children and Families becomes the child's legal guardian. They are responsible for ensuring the child is taken care of and their needs are being met. They are also responsible for working with the parents/guardians and support them so the child can return home to them. Children are placed in temporary care and placed with family or a foster home.

Unfortunately, many times children remain in care for a long period of time, the kids are usually placed in long-term care called Continuing Care Order (CCO). Because NBH has C4 Delegation, NBH becomes the legal guardian of children that are CCO, we have a guardianship worker who plans for the child by:

- Ensuring the child's physical, emotional, spiritual and mental needs are being met
- Communicating with foster parents, schools and birth families
- Staying connected to the child
- Involving the family and community in planning for the child's permanent care.



**Ministry of Children and Families has a C6 Delegation, this means they are able to investigate and apprehend if needed. More details below about C6 Delegation.**

### **C6 - (Delegation Matrix)**

The areas of service covered under this level include those found in C3 and C4, as well as child protection, which include:

- receiving, assessing and, as required, investigating reports of child abuse and neglect;
- deciding the most appropriate course of action if a child is deemed in need of protection;
- where necessary, removing the child and placing the child in care; and
- obtaining court orders or taking other measures to ensure the ongoing safety and well-being of the child.

Practice standards address the following areas:

- intake,
- investigation,
- taking charge of children,
- risk assessment,
- risk reduction,
- ongoing protective family service, and
- investigate allegations of abuse in foster homes.

**\*\*\* This information can be found on the Government of British Columbia website @ [www.gov.bc.ca](http://www.gov.bc.ca)**

## **Welcoming New Staff to NBH**



Hello, my name is Kate Sully, I'm the new youth worker for the Fort St James office. I've just recently relocated to Fort St. James from Victoria because of my husband's work. I'm currently working online to complete my Child and Youth Care Degree through the University of Victoria. I'm very excited to get started and to spend lots of time in the community.



Welcome Cynthia McCarthy to the NBH team. Cynthia is the Finance Assistant working out of the Prince George Office. Welcome to the team Cynthia!!!

## Job Postings

**Interested in being a Nezul Be Hunuyeh Team Member??? Wait no longer!!! Jobs Available NOW!!!**



### **NEZUL BE HUNUYEH CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES IS RECRUITING! Casual Position in Fort St. James**

We are a First Nations Agency delegated to deliver Guardianship Services to its member communities. We are accepting resumes for a casual Family Connection Worker at our Fort St. James location.

- Duties include transport and supervise visits between children and their families
- Rate of pay is \$16/hr.

Applicants must agree to a Criminal Record Check and have a valid Class 5 driver's license.

Please submit resume and cover letter to:

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Closing Date: once position is filled



### **NEZUL BE HUNUYEH CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES IS RECRUITING!**

**Temporary - Full Time  
Fort St. James**

We are a First Nations Agency delegated to deliver Guardianship Services to its member communities. We are accepting resumes for a Communications and Community Development Worker in our Fort St. James location. This temporary position will end March 31, 2018.

The Communications and Community Development Worker will be responsible for developing a community engagement strategy, support and training for community wellness teams and researching funding opportunities.

- Computer skills including knowledge of publishing programs and website maintenance
- Organization and excellent communications skills
- Hours may include evenings and weekends; candidate must be flexible
- Previous experience working within the Carrier Community and knowledge of the Carrier culture and history is an asset

Applicants must agree to a Criminal Record Check and have a valid Class 5 driver's license.

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Posting will close once position is filled



### **Have you heard about the Baby Box University???**

Angelina George and Robbie Sam are expecting a baby soon. They did the Baby Box University Training online and received the very First Baby Box in our area. Are you or someone you know expecting a baby? Ask your local health unit how you can get your very own baby box....

If you need more information please call your local health unit or Nezul Be Hunuyeh at 250-996-6806.

This service is available to everyone in Fort St James and area.