

# Nezul Be Hunuyeh

Dugoos Ooza' 2017 Newsletter

(May: Time of the big sucker Fish)

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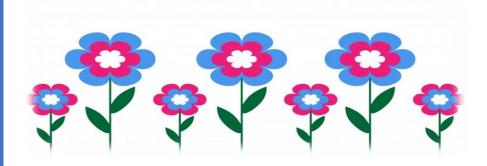
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New mom Sharilyn Erickson with twins Natilyn and Devonte, at the Nezul Be Hunuyeh Community Engagement event in Nak'azdli.



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## Nezul Be Hunuyeh Events

#### Nezul Be Hunuyeh Children's Fair March 15, 2017

The Children's Fair was a replica of the Fort St James Early Years Fair, hosted by Nezul Be Hunuyeh in Tl'azt'en Nation. Service providers in our area held booths with a lot of good information for parents/guardians that have children ages 0-5. The event was very successful, parents went to booths and got valuable information about their child/s development and home safety. Each child got an activity box full of fun things to take home so the fun can continue. Nezul Be Hunuyeh realizes the importance of sharing valuable information with families. Many times, transportation can be a barrier for families in semi-rural communities, bringing this event to the community was very beneficial. Everyone was able to gather valuable information

and enjoy the day with their children.

Thank you to all the service providers that took time out of their busy schedules to be a part of this event. Also to the Tl'azt'en Nation Health staff that helped organize and set up.







### Nezul Be Hunuyeh Book Fair, March 15, 2017

The Book Fair is an annual event where kids at Eugene Joseph School browse through books and choose their favorites to take home. Each child got a fun bag with a pencil and eraser and all got entered for prizes. Grayson (Picture on Left) won one of the prizes, his face gleamed when he came to collect his basket full of books and toys.

CNC Literacy Hub also brought new books to the event so each child was able to take a brand-new book for themselves or for a sibling. Thank you, CNC Literacy Hub for your donation!

Nezul Be Hunuyeh advertised for months to get donations for new and gently used books. Thank you to the very generous community members of Fort St James and Prince George. There were plenty of books for students to choose from.

Reading Tip: Let your child choose the book they want to read. Even if it's the same book over and over.

#### Nezul Be Hunuyeh Community Engagement Events in Tl'azt'en Nation and Nak'azdli

#### March 27 & 28, 2017

Nezul Be Hunuyeh held 2 Community Engagement events, one in Nak'azdli and one in Tl'azt'en Nation. These round table discussions brought the community together to gather their thoughts and ideas on important topics





relating to children and families in the communities. The meeting was "World Café" style, giving everyone a chance to share information and ideas, it also leaves room for those at the table to discuss the topic in depth and come up with other ideas as a group. Everyone enjoyed lunch together and socialized between discussions. There was also give away bags with a travel mug and notebook for everyone that attended. We would like to thank everyone that attended, your input is very important to Nezul Be Hunuyeh.

#### Nezul Be Hunuyeh Baby Shower, April 12, 2017

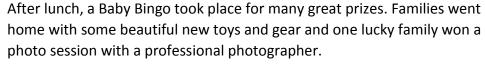


Prince George Nezul Be Hunuyeh staff put on a baby shower for all Nak'azdli and Tl'azt'en babies born during the last year, in Prince George, who are connected to our Family Service Program. Parents, Aunties, Grandma's and friends all attended along with 9 beautiful new little ones!

Lori den Engelsen, from the Fort St. James NBH office, started the party out with a rhyming and singing session. Many of the children present engaged with the fun as everyone sang and said rhymes together.



The party ran from 11:00 to 1:00. A delicious Spaghetti/Garlic Bread/Caesar Salad lunch was served at noon. A cake, honouring the new babies, rounded out the meal





Each child received a gift bag with many goodies. Donated children's clothes were on hand for the parents to look through, and a great selection of gently used books were available for families to expand their baby's home library.

Several of the siblings followed a treasure hunt of Dakelh words around the room, to end up at the Treasure Chest for a prize<sup>3</sup>

It was a fun party full of laughter and celebration of the children!

#### **Upcoming Events**

May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clothing Drive at Eugene Joseph School
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Nezul Be Hunuyeh Building Grand Opening in
	Tl'azt'en Nation
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Family Picnic
June	Nezul Be Hunuyeh Children's Event for ages 0-5 in
(Date to be announced)	Nak'azdli
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Traditional Tea Picking
August 13 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>	Culture Camp

#### Community Events Staff Attended

Nezul Be Hunuyeh Staff are always encouraged to attend Community Events in Nak'azdli and Tl'azt'en Nation as much as possible. Here are some events staff attended in March/April

- Tl'azt'en Nation Health Fair NBH Staff held a booth on the second day of the fair, we talked to community members about the programs and services available within the agency. We also talked to interested community members about the process of becoming a foster parent.
- Nak'azdli Community Breakfast Staff from our office helped cook breakfast on March 10<sup>th</sup> at this Nak'azdli community event, many people gathered and shared a good, healthy breakfast together. On the last Tuesday of every month, NBH staff serve breakfast at Fort St James Secondary School. The students get a pancake (with strawberry topping) breakfast every Tuesday, many students line up for this delicious weekly treat put on by FSJSS.



What Can the Family Preservation Program at Nezul Be Hunuyeh help YOU with????

These workers meet you in your home or a place you choose, to provide information and support with:

- Parenting
- Child development
- Budgeting
- Nutrition and healthy lifestyles
- Communication and Relationships

You DO NOT need to have an open file with MCFD to access these services!!!

Call our office at 250-996-6806 to find out more information.

## **Staff Training**

Here at NBH, we know the importance of keeping our information and training updated to better serve the communities. Here is the list of training staff attended in March/April 2017

- Hosting Meaningful Community Conversations March 9-12, Rachel Robert attended this training.
- Aboriginal Youth Workers Forum March 12-14, Crystal French, Jenny Rudrum, Stephanie Erickson and Alex Watt attended this training.
- Promising Practice Training March 27-29, Jessica Erickson and Michelle Morris attended this training.
- Delegated Band Representative Training April 19 20, Rachel Robert and Cheryl Gagnon attended and received certificates, along with many other people from surrounding Nations as far as Williams Lake. Thank you, Nak'azdli Social Development, for this training opportunity.

#### Gathering Our Voices 2017

Crystal French and Stephanie Erickson attended GOV with 5 youth from NBH. The youth enjoy attending this Aboriginal Youth Gathering, where they are able to socialize with youth their age, have fun and learn about different topics of their choice. The days are very long and tiring, but rewarding. The days are filled with workshops and an event every evening that includes a talent show, dinner and dance spread throughout the 4-day event. The organizers BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centre's did a very good job at hosting the Aboriginal Youth of BC and gave them another year of good memories, new friends and valuable information.













## **Job Postings**

Nezul Be Hunuyeh has Job Openings in Fort St James and Prince George!!! See postings for more information.



# NEZUL BE HUNUYEH CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES IS RECRUITING!

#### **Permanent Part-Time in Prince George**

We are a First Nations Agency delegated to deliver Guardianship Services to its member communities. We are accepting resumes for a Cultural Coordinator at our Prince George location.

This person will provide Cultural training and programs to children and Foster Parents.

- The successful candidate must have extensive knowledge of the Carrier culture and history
- Previous experience working with Tl'azt'en and Nak'azdli is an asset
- Travel is required
- Hours may include evenings and weekends; candidate MUST be flexible.

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!

#### **Casual Position in Prince George**

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 Prince George 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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#### **Job Postings Continued**



# NEZUL BE HUNUYEH CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES IS RECRUITING!

#### **Full Time, One-Year Term Position**

We are a First Nations Agency delegated to deliver Guardianship Services to its member communities. We are accepting resumes for a Cultural Coordinator. This position will be based out of the Nezul Be Hunuyeh Culture Center in Tache.

This person will provide Cultural Programing and learning opportunities to community members.

- The successful candidate must have extensive knowledge of the Carrier culture and history
- Previous experience working with Carrier people and/or in Carrier Communities is an asset
- First Nations ancestry is an asset
- Previous experience with Program development, including developing a budget is an asset
- Travel may be required
- Flexibility in hours may be required depending on Program activities.

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

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Closing Date: May 12, 2017



# NEZUL BE HUNUYEH CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES IS RECRUITING!

#### **Permanent Full Time 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 Youth Worker in our Fort St. James location.

The Youth Worker will support the healthy development of children aged 8-12 years. This person will develop and deliver after school programs, maintain ongoing relationships with staff at Nak'al Bun, David Hoy, and Eugene Joseph Schools, and work in collaboration with youth service providers.

- Hours include evening and weekends; candidate must be flexible
- Experience working with high-risk children and families in a supportive role
- Knowledge of child development, FASD, effects of residential school intergenerational trauma,
- Knowledge of the Carrier culture and history
- First Nations ancestry is an asset

NBH has a competitive benefits package and Salary is commensurate with experience and within federal child welfare program funding.

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Closing Date: May 12, 2017 at 4:00pm

# Family Picnic May 26, 2017



Children in care and their families are invited to join us to celebrate Child in Care Week!



FUN GAMES BBQ LUNCH

COTTONWOOD BEACH 11:30 AM TO 2 PM

# Save The Dates!!!!

● May 26, 2017

Family Picnic

● August 13-17

Culture Camp

# Spirit Kids Youth Program

THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY PUT ON HOLD UNTIL THE YOUTH WORKER POSITION IS FILLED.

WATCH FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE FOR UPDATES.

#### ARE YOU EXPECTING A BABY?

Baby Boxes are coming to our area!

The boxes are an excellent first bed and full of useful supplies for the new little one. Nezul Be Hunuyeh will be the local distributor of these boxes working together with your local Health Center.

Watch for more information in the coming weeks on this great program!

Baby Box University is an educational program about pregnancy and parenting. New moms and dads depend on Baby Box University to deliver vital, current information from top experts, including physicians, psychologists, researchers, and educators — Baby Box Co.