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The Nation Builder



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A warm and grateful greeting to all Nation members in this midsummer issue of the Nation Builder. I want to thank everyone for your continued support in what has been an exceptionally busy season for all of us. I recognize that we have asked our Nation members to attend numerous events, ceremonies, blessings and openings lately, and we sincerely appreciate everyone's time and effort to support these important milestones. In just the past month, we have blessed and officially opened Our House of Clans, a key component of our multi-pronged plan to solve our ongoing housing challenge. We held a somber and sacred tribute to the late Master Carver Antony (Antuni) Paul just a few weeks ago with the raising of his final Totem Pole, "Carving tears into dreams of reconciliation", in a moving ceremonial event presided over by our own Candace Campo, and which

was prepared and hosted by our dear friends at siyaya reconciliation movement. Just over a week ago, we officially unveiled the new Port Stalashen Wastewater Treatment Plant, a major infrastructure investment the Nation has made with long term financial and environmental benefits for our community. Work continues on the Selma Park housing initiative, and I would like to advise our neighbours in the area that road widening work will be commencing there on July 29th, so some traffic delays will be unavoidable as we prepare the site for families.

Like each Chief and Council before us, the greatest challenge seems to be finding a way to balance an unlimited amount of work, within a very limited amount of time. As I often say, however, by working together, with shared determination, there is so much we can accomplish.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer, and I ask us all to take a moment to send our most hopeful thoughts and prayers to the families and communities impacted by the now 350 wildfires burning in British Columbia, from Williams Lake, Antler Creek, Ashcroft, Shetland Creek and throughout the Kootenays - and of course in Jasper National Park, where the situation is now dire. Let's make sure we keep our swiya safe!

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Upcoming Event Calendar & Special Dates 2024

**AUG
5**

British Columbia Day
Common local holiday, creating a long weekend!

**SEPT
2**

Labour Day
Statutory holiday creating a long weekend!

**SEPT
30**

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

**OCT
24**

Annual General Meeting 2024
Time/Location: TBD

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Update from Jason Jenkins: Planning our 2024 Annual General Meeting.

It has been two years since the tsain-ko Group of companies hosted an annual general meeting (AGM), and provided a detailed Annual Report for our Board of Directors, and for you, each and every shishalh Nation member. We are thrilled to announce that we will not let this year end without our AGM - and to that end, we hope you will save the date of October 24th to join us.

We will be issuing a full Annual Report in advance of the AGM, so that all Nation members will have an opportunity to read up on our accomplishments, shortfalls, challenges and successes for the past year (or two!). We are hopeful that you will find our news and results interesting, and bring your questions and concerns to the meeting.



Format Change:

An interactive, engaging AGM.

This year, we will have our leadership staff from each operating company in attendance, with information stations set up for conversations, personal engagement and full transparency over all of our divisions. We do understand that an Annual General Meeting is not the most exciting way to spend an afternoon or evening, and our goal of having our staff at information stations for each operating group is intended to allow Nation members to focus on the companies, divisions and areas of our work that interest them most, and allow us to avoid boring everyone with general information that tries to summarize all of our operations. We look forward to your feedback on this, and hope that this new format makes the meeting more informative, meaningful and enjoyable for all nation members. Please mark the date: October 24, 2024, and we look forward to seeing you there!

HR News: Welcome to the (Concrete) Jungle Gary Jackson!



Sometimes, when you need something to happen quickly, it feels like your boots are covered in cement and you're walking up a steep hill. That is how it has felt over the past few months as we have searched for a new General Manager for tsain-ko/Swansons Concrete. Fortunately, not only is the waiting over, but we have truly found our ideal candidate. Welcome to the team Gary!

Gary holds an Applied Science Degree in Engineering from Simon Fraser University (SFU), as well as diplomas in Construction Management and Outdoor Recreation Management from Douglas College and Capilano University, respectively. His academic credentials, combined with his practical experience, make him a true asset to our team, as we look to steer our Concrete company toward profitable growth. Gary's start date is August 7, 2024, and we can't wait to welcome him to the team.



In other staff News, our commitment to continuous education had our leadership team participating in multiple skills enhancement courses over recent weeks, including Personal Leadership and Team Leadership coursework. Way to go team.

Retail Space available at tsain-ko Centre.

If anyone is looking for retail space or perhaps a mixed art studio/gallery space, there are several opportunities at the tsain-ko Centre mall. The new Pad 5 building will offer a couple of 1,200 sq. ft. retail spaces, and with Sechelt Insurance Ltd. moving into Pad 5, their current office space near the A & W will become available. Please contact Robert Hamilton at 604 398 2773; or via email at RHamilton@MarcusMillichap.com



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