



# STÓ:LŌ BULLETIN

## JUNE 2023

**REMINDER:** If you see any suspicious activity, please contact **Allegiance Security** at either **604-701-1692 OR 604-392-1692** and please state which property (Coqualeetza or St. Mary's) you are reporting from. If you believe it to be an emergency, please call 911.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Staff are busy meeting the early deadline for the Annual Report (AR) and Audit submissions. Last year was the first time we moved the submission date to the middle of June. With school being out and summer plans coming into effect, our plan was to have these reports finalized before the busy summer months kicked in.

The next few months ahead we are preparing for;

- SSA Annual General meeting (AGM) on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, hosted at building #10, 1st fl. boardroom from 10am-12pm.
- SSA Golf Tournament Thursday, August 17, 2023, at the Cultus Lake Golf Course.
- Xá:ytem (Stó:lō Heritage Trust) AGM scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 at 11am via Zoom.

As the weather is changing and the heat is beginning to slowly make an appearance we need to prepare accordingly. While we move into the summer months, please plan safely for your holidays, and enjoy family time.

### COVID19 PROTOCOLS

We would like to remind staff that we reinforce in-place preventative measures. Variants of COVID-19 spread the same as the original COVID-19 so the measures already in place continue to be effective at reducing the spread. Please be diligent in doing your part to help reduce the spread. These include everyone eligible for getting fully vaccinated, doing your daily health check, staying home when feeling sick, using available space to spread out and respect personal space, wearing masks if required, cleaning hands, and disinfecting work surfaces regularly. If you are feeling ill or test positive for COVID-19, notify your supervisor and stay home.

### Xyólhmet ye Syéwíqweh (Taking Care of Our Children) – [Community Update](#)

**Investigating Unmarked Graves at Multiple Sites Associated with Three Former Residential Schools in S'ólh Temexw**  
Stó:lō Nation Chiefs' Council (SNCC), under the leadership of Chief David Jimmie, President of the SNCC, has launched a broad-based and inclusive initiative to investigate potential unmarked graves and missing children related to three of the former Residential School sites within S'ólh Temexw: the former St. Mary's, Coqualeetza, and All Hallows institutions in Mission, Chilliwack, and Yale. The project team will carry out archival, oral historical, and on-site remote sensing work in search of identifiable unmarked graves. We are also working with local Stó:lō First Nations including Sqwá, Sq'ewqéyl, and Ch'íyáqtel regarding unmarked burials known to have been relocated to each of their cemeteries from the Coqualeetza Grounds. *For more about this work, please visit [www.stolonation.bc.ca/residential-school-project-information](http://www.stolonation.bc.ca/residential-school-project-information)*

### [SASET CDP Outreach Schedule](#)



### [Mémíyelhtel Program](#)





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### STÓ:LŌ ABORIGINAL SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT (SASET) UPCOMING SASET Training Program

- [Heavy Equipment Training](#) - Various Intakes
- [Basic Computer Skills Workshop](#) - Every Tuesday & Thursday
- [First Aid Level 3](#) - June 19-30, 2023 at SASET Chilliwack Office
- [First Aid Level 3](#) - July 3-14, 2023 at SASET Chilliwack Office
- [Customer Service Training](#) - July 17-21, 2023 at SASET-Seabird Office
- [Landscaping and Trail Building](#) - June 20-30, 2023 at Boston Bar First Nation
- [Traffic Control Person Training](#) - June 22-23, 2023 at SASET Chilliwack Office
- [Youth Employment Program](#) - July 24-Aug 4, 2023 at SASET Chilliwack Office



### STÓ:LŌ GIFT SHOP

Online shopping is available 24/7 with in-store pickup!  
Storefront open Monday through Friday **9:00 am – 4:00 pm.**



### WELLNESS WEDNESDAY'S

For the month of June, due to limited space and as we await the opening of the new portable behind building 7, we want to continue to promote wellness and connection and have a few things for you to join:

1. Morning walks around the loop – Mondays, Wednesday's, and Thursday's at 8:30am starting from the Veteran's Memorial site.
2. Every Wednesday, Winchester Victor will have office space in one of our talking rooms (1st floor of B7, rooms 104 or 105) and will be making space for somatic therapy (9am-4pm)
3. Wednesdays, when the weather is nice, bring your lunch and join us for a picnic and connection on the lawn in front of Gov House.

### YOGA WEDNESDAYS WITH INNER VISION YOGA Every Wednesday, 11:30 - 12:30 Stó:lō Service

Agency staff are welcome to attend FREE yoga sessions on campus in Building2C portable with instructors from Inner Vision Yoga, supported by the Stó:lō Research and Research Management Centre.





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## STÓ:LŌ CAREERS

### STÓ:LŌ JOBS-SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT WORKER

Open until position is filled

The Social Engagement Worker will assist in the development and maintenance of the Mémiyelhtel website and social media platforms. Create promotional materials that highlight the services of the Mémiyelhtel program.

[View Posting Here](#)

### STÓ:LŌ JOBS- ARCHIVES CLERK-SUMMER POSITION

Open until position is filled

The Archives Clerk will primarily work as part of the Library and Archives and Genealogy teams to assist in the management of Stó:lō documentary resources stored at SRRMC.

[View Posting Here](#)

### STÓ:LŌ JOBS-ARCHAEOLOGICAL TECHNICIAN-SUMMER POSITION

Open until position is filled

The Cultural Heritage Assistants will help conduct archaeological and heritage-based projects within the Heritage Stewardship and Archaeology Unit for the SRRMC.

[View Posting Here](#)

### STÓ:LŌ JOBS-COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKER

Open until position is filled

Working within a multidisciplinary health team, the CSW will provide other delegated tasks as assigned by other members of the care team / professionals which are client specific and help promote community and family health.

[View Posting Here](#)

## S.A.Y LANDS JOBS

### OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Applicants should send a resume and cover letter with three (3) references outlining how they meet the position's specific requirements to: [manager@skowkalefn.com](mailto:manager@skowkalefn.com) (Please include the position title in the subject line).

1. [Security Officer-Skowkale](#)
2. [Recreation Coordinator](#)







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### SSA MEMORANDUM – INCOME ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT (SASET Client Memo)

This is a **friendly reminder** that you will need to continue to submit your monthly renewals and Monthly Employment Action Plan (EAP). You can arrange a meeting with a SASET Counsellor by calling the toll-free number listed above or emailing [info@saset.ca](mailto:info@saset.ca). Next EAPs are due to be submitted to the SASET office by [July 4, 2023](#), along with your monthly renewal.

To view the full income assistance client memos:

[Employment Action Plan](#)

[Food Allowance Memo](#)

### CLASS ACTION LAWSUITS

Here are a few class action lawsuits regarding Indigenous Family's. Please read through the links provided to see if you qualify. Contact: Leslee Picton at [Leslee.Picton@stolonation.bc.ca](mailto:Leslee.Picton@stolonation.bc.ca) for help navigating website, assisting with registration or applications.

<https://firstnationsdrinkingwater.ca/index.php/claim-forms/>

<https://www.murphybattista.com/practice-areas/class-action-lawsuits/archdiocese-of-vancouver-abuse-class-action/>

<https://www.murphybattista.com/practice-areas/class-action-lawsuits/indigenous-child-welfare-class-action/>

<https://www.murphybattista.com/practice-areas/class-action-lawsuits/rcmp-indigenous-racism-and-assault-case/>

### EMERGENCY PLANNING SECRETARIATY

We at EPS are happy to announce that we have grown! We have added two additional staff to our roster to provide additional supports, who you may know already! [Debbie Combes](#)- Emergency Programs Coordinator & [Dianne Garner](#)- Emergency Capacity Coordinator.





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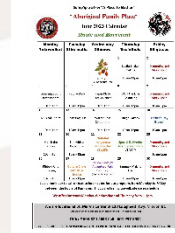
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### ABORIGINAL FAMILY PLACE – JUNE 2023 CALENDAR

**Sq'ep'ip awtxw** "A Place to Gather"

This is just a reminder that we are currently only offering visits by appointment.

Please call at least a day in advance to schedule your visit. If you are feeling unwell, please reschedule.



### STÓ:LŌ GENEALOGY OFFICE

Archival Family Tree Digitization

Staff have been busy scanning and transcribing old family history documents. To date, staff have recorded over 200 names, preserved over 25 charts, and over 65 family history documents.



### STÓ:LŌ HEALTH SERVICES

#### STÓ:LŌ DENTAL OFFICE

Office will be closed for Indigenous day June 21 and June 30 to July 4 for the Canada day long weekend. We are happy to announce we are doing training on a new intraoral scanner for patient ease and comfort, more to report in the coming months. More doctor time has been added to lessen the wait time for folks in need of dental treatment. Summer months are booking up for kids, please call to arrange your appointments for your family members, 604-824-3234.

#### STÓ:LŌ ACUPUNCTURE

Dr. Karen Smith, Dr. TCM, R.AC, offers appointments on Monday's, 9:00 – 4:00 at Building 7 for the month of June. Book NOW! Jane App: [Book an appointment with Dr. Smith here](#): or 604-824-3200.



#### STÓ:LŌ PHYSIOTHERAPY

Chris Les offers appointments every Friday 8:00-3:30  
[Book an appointment with Chris Les here](#): or call 604-792-0518



#### STÓ:LŌ PHYSIOTHERAPY

Charise Conkin offers appointments Tuesdays at The'itseliya Building and Fridays at Stó:lō Health Building. [Book an appointment with Charise Conkin here](#): or call 604-824-2681.



#### STÓ:LŌ COUNSELLING

[Book an appointment with Bel Bhushan here](#): or call 604-824-3200





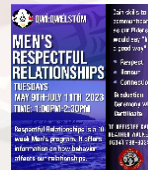
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### EVENTS

#### Qwi:qwelstom Respectful Relationships Program

May 9 -July 11, 2023. 1pm-2:30pm



#### Join Us-Mindful Drumming

Monday's (excluding holidays) 12-3pm

Location: **New Portable 1A**



#### Men's Wellness

Shxw'éyelhawxt Sacred Space Room

June 26, 2023, 1:30-3:30

<https://chilliwackdivision.checkbox.ca/traditional-wellness-mentor-workshop-mens-wellness>



#### Women's Wellness

Shxw'éyelhawxt Sacred Space Room

June 12, 2023, 1:30-3:30

<https://chilliwackdivision.checkbox.ca/traditional-wellness-mentor-workshopwomenswellness>



#### Experience Indigenous Culture and Knowledge

June 27, 2023, 10:30-2:30

The'í:tselíya - S.A.Y. Health & Community Centre





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### CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARD AND ASSISTANCE WITH THE APPLICATION FOR THE SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARD

Building 8A, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 2<sup>nd</sup> door

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm**

Email [Leona.Sam@stolonation.bc.ca](mailto:Leona.Sam@stolonation.bc.ca) or call 604-824-3268 to book

Building 8A – North Side Entrance | Registry is on the Main Floor, 2<sup>nd</sup> door

### PROTOCOLS FOR THE APPOINTMENT

- Give yourself enough travel time
- Arrive on time
- No walk-ins

#### CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARD

- Two pieces of valid ID, one with a photo
- Bring your own 1"x1" picture

#### ASSISTANCE WITH APPLYING FOR SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARD

- One valid picture ID
- Two recent passport photos

### Valid Identification is required for applying for Status Cards, Registration, & other Personal Information Updates.

ISC is **no longer accepting expired ID** for registration, status card issuance, or for requests to update personal information in the Indian Register. All ID must be valid, that is, not expired.

Since provincial and territorial authorities that issue ID (such as health care cards and driver's licenses) across Canada have reopened, applicants with expired ID are encouraged to obtain valid ID as soon as possible.

For more information on the ID, requirements to apply for registration, and the status card, visit [What is considered valid acceptable identification](#).

### **Bands that will be issued Certificate of Indian Status Cards and assistance with the Secure Certificate of Indian Status Cards**

Aitchelitz	(558)	Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation	(587)
Kwaw Kwaw Apilt	(580)	Skawahlook First Nation	(582)
Matsqui First Nation	(565)	Soowahlie	(572)
Popkum	(585)	Sumas First Nation	(578)
Shxwhà:y Village	(570)		







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### SSA GROUP BENEFITS PLAN

#### MENTAL HEALTH NAVIGATOR

The Best Doctors Mental Health Navigator program offers you a discreet and confidential way to seek mental health support. If you or an eligible family member struggle with feelings such as depression, stress, or anxiety, contact Best Doctors. Supported every step of the way by your personal Mental Health Navigator and expert health professionals including psychiatrists and psychologists, we provide an assessment of your diagnosis and recommend an appropriate treatment plan, from the comfort of your home via phone or video conference. Your Mental Health Navigator will also provide you support along your journey through the complex mental health care system. Please see the [MHN Employee Flyer](#) for more information.

#### EMPLOYEE and FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

##### *LIFEWORCS BY MORNEAU Shepell*

[Employee and Family Assistance Program](#) (EFAP) helps employees address personal and workplace day-to-day problems, such as caregiving, life planning, financial advice, legal advice, health management services, short-term counseling services, 24/7 Services Centre, and many more. Please visit [www.workhealthlife.com](http://www.workhealthlife.com) for more information on the services available under your EAP program.

### STÓ:LŌ WORKPLACE INCIDENT REPORTS

A friendly reminder to All Staff:

If a workplace Incident occurs, please follow the link to follow the procedure on how to report an incident:

[Workplace Incident Report Form](#)

#### ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL STAFF:

For meeting-room bookings, staff is encouraged to **book meeting rooms in the building they have an office in**. For bookings, please contact the following:

- Building 7 Boardrooms – [Sheradon Roberts](#) / [Heather Walker](#) / [Lauralee Campbell](#)
- Building 8B (SGH) Small and large Boardrooms will be closed until further notice. [Abby Duncan](#) / [Kelly Willmets](#)
- Building 10 Floor 1-[Abby Duncan](#) / [Kelly Willmets](#)
- Building 10 Floor 2 – [Tracey Joe](#) / [Tara Green](#)
- Building 10 Floor 3 - [Nancy Wasikowski](#)
- Longhouse Bookings - [Amber Kostuchenko](#) - (604) 824-2436

New VPN (Virtual Private Network) will make using your work laptop at home a similar experience to being at the office. Contact Garret MacAskill for information or assistance.

### FRIENDLY REMINDERS FROM FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

- To Request new or changes to existing access cards, please complete the online Access Form at: [www.stolonation.bc.ca/access](http://www.stolonation.bc.ca/access)
- Cell Phones and Landlines! Contact Brianna Nakagawa for all things related to cellphones and landlines.
- **To review current operational policies and other general information, please go to N: \Info**
- Reminder for all staff to submit any announcements/invitations to [Michelle Van Tongeren](#) for the monthly bulletin and to refrain from sending "all-staff" emails.
- Staff are reminded to avoid publishing phone numbers – work or personal – on Facebook or any other social media. Recently SSA experienced harassing phone calls from someone who obtained a staff's cell number – as well as their relative's numbers - on Facebook.







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### STÓ:LŌ SERVICE AGENCY

#### VISION

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A healthier, stronger, brighter future for all communities.

#### MISSION

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We empower, support, and contribute to the health and well-being of all people by providing leadership and delivering a broad range of quality services.

#### VALUES

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We strive to act in accordance with our seven core values at all times.

<b>Honesty</b>	We communicate internally and externally with clarity, honesty, and openness.
<b>Accountability</b>	We accept responsibility for our decisions and actions and answer to our partners openly and transparently.
<b>Pride</b>	We feel and demonstrate pride in our actions and accomplishments.
<b>Professionalism</b>	We act professionally as an outward reflection of our internal values.
<b>Integrity</b>	We do our best work, hold ourselves to the highest standards of conduct and act in the interest of our communities and partners.
<b>Empathy</b>	We work to understand and relate to the feelings, experiences, and situations of others and are non-judgemental.
<b>Respect</b>	We respect others' ideas, experiences, and ways of thinking and treat all people as equals.





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Dental staff enjoying Wellness Wednesday at the river.



Dental staff at Central Elementary School Health Event June 8, 2023.



Wellness Wednesday walk for Ice Cream!

