

Healy Lake Newsletter

1st Quarter, 2018



Our First Youth Council Meeting on January 13, 2018
(image courtesy of Jewel Healy)

Reminders & Upcoming Events:

- > Please update your tribal enrollment information and contact information!
(visit: healylaketribealwebsite.wordpress.com/updateyourcontactinformation)
- > Monthly Council Meetings tentatively every second Saturday
- > FNA Native Youth Leadership Training at Effie Kokrine Charter School (May 21-23, 2018)
- > Annual Meeting in July at Healy Lake (July 4th weekend)
- > Youth Council Meeting (July 4th weekend)
- > Fall 2018 Subregional Meeting in Tetlin (August 3, 2018)

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The Latest News & Stories

First Healy Lake Youth Council Meeting!

On January 13, 2018, five youths attended the first youth council meeting ever on record! Kayanna Healy, Alissa Healy, Kiowa Fifer, Kristal Fifer, and Jordan (pictured to the right) and some helpful adult mentors discussed the Healy Lake Youth Council Constitution, brainstormed activities and projects we would like to accomplish, and appointed Alissa as the President of the Healy Lake Youth Council. The youths discussed projects such as building a community playground, cleaning up the school, and ice fishing on the lake. To capstone the night, the Healy family gifted goodies to everyone as a thanks to everyone for making the first meeting a success!



Upper Tanana Spring Subregional Meeting (March 9, 2018)

This year's Upper Tanana Subregional Meeting was held in Fairbanks at the Westmark Hotel. Delegates from every village in the subregion were present, along with a handful of youths and elders. During Lisa Jaeger's presentation, some of the tribes (including Healy Lake) made history by signing on to the newly developing intertribal court system. Victor Joseph gave a heartfelt President's Report by addressing assault in the communities and the importance of behavioral and mental health. Several of the attendees were also speaking of upcoming culture camps and were brainstorming activities that all of the villages would like to participate in; one of the main ideas was learning how to fish for salmon. After hours of hard work in presentations and deep thinking, the meeting was a success. The Fall 2018 Subregional Meeting is scheduled to be in Tetlin on August 4, 2018.



Spring 2018 Tribal Council Training (April 9-10, 2018)

Gary and Alissa Healy represented Healy Lake at the two-day long Spring 2018 Tribal Council Training. Will Mayo welcomed everyone with a powerful story about the village of Tanana and how some of the elders were founders in today's tribal government. Lisa Jaeger began the training by giving the trainees a background in the development of tribal government throughout the United States and specifically Alaska. She continued by sharing a film that she produced called "Alaska Tribes: The Story of Federal Indian Law in Alaska." Did you know that there are 230+ federally recognized tribes?

Throughout the remainder of the training, everyone learned about or refreshed on what it means to be a leader for your tribe, our fiscal responsibility, the roles of tribal council members, the responsibilities to members and resources, legislative and judicial responsibilities, and strategic planning. The main concept was to remember what it means to maintain a tribal perspective. Tribal perspective, in short, means that tribal leaders must keep in mind how decisions will affect the community as a whole and how decisions will affect the future generations of the community.

Tribal Transportation Summit (May 2-3, 2018)

This May, Melissa Erickson, Gary Luke, Gary Healy, Alissa Healy, and Bertha Rickman attended the first ever TCC Tribal Transportation Summit. Organized by Constance Reimer-Ely, the Summit introduced tribal members and tribal administrators to concepts of tribal transportation. Representatives from Washington (state) gave an overview of what their specific jobs are and a presentations about the history of tribal transportation; they made it very clear that they want to help everyone in Alaska and that they make themselves easy to contact. Another group of visitors represented a Hawaii-based company that has a product that treats areas that need dust control. They are in the process of testing areas in Alaska and applying for multi-million dollar grants for tribal funding. TCC is additionally offering Tribal Transportation Internships that will be paid positions throughout the summer.



Upcoming FNA Native Youth Leadership Training (May 21-23, 2018)

Back in December, 2017, Alissa, Kayanna, and Jewel Healy were sponsored by the Fairbanks Native Association (FNA) to attend a Native Wellness Institute (NWI) Native Youth Leadership Training in San Diego, California. After hearing bountiful positive feedback and many thanks from the girls, FNA decided to contact the NWI to bring the training up to Fairbanks! The event will be held at Effie Kokrine Charter School from May 21-23, 2018 for high-school age youths. Please contact FNA Youth & Young Adult Services at (907) 452-6265 or visit www.NativeWellness.com for more information!

Youth Success!

Very soon, students will be out of school and some of Healy Lake's youths have some exciting news! We have two youths, Kayanna Healy (Lathrop High School) and Kiara Rivett (North Pole Middle School), who have completed the school year with GPAs of 4.0! CONGRATULATIONS! We also have a youth, Alissa Healy, who has graduated from the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) with an Associate of Arts Degree (with 65 credits) and will have high school graduation from I.D.E.A. Homeschool on May 17, 2018. She would like to deeply thank Healy Lake for supporting her in her college adventures and looks forward to beginning her pursuit in her Master's in Elementary Education! Alissa will continue attending UAF and dreams of teaching at an elementary school in Fairbanks. She wants to inspire other youths to set high goals and to always pursue knowledge.



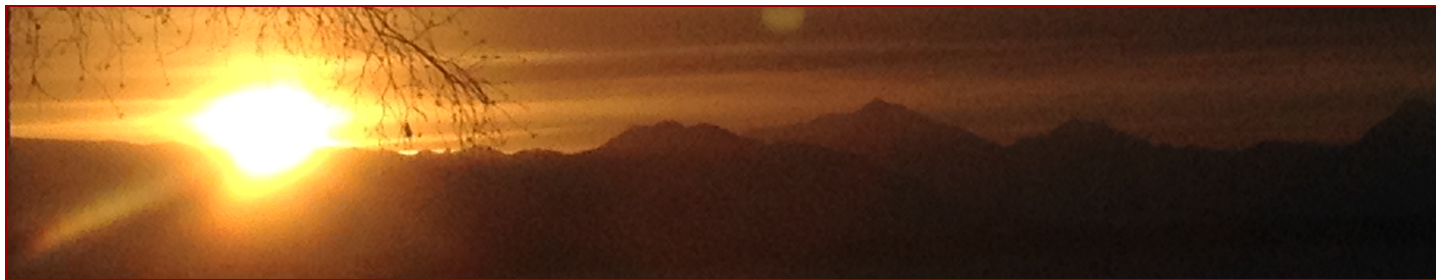
Special Shout-Outs!

First Quarter of 2018	Second Quarter of 2018
<p>January Birthdays: William "Buck" Healy (Jan. 2) Ellenore Kirsteatter (Jan. 5) Lindsey Gorrod (Jan. 6) Abigail Lucy Woscek (born Jan. 7, 2018!)</p> <p>February Birthdays: Alissa Healy (Feb. 3) Gavin Schultz (Feb. 4) Brian Erickson (Feb. 8) Anthony Verney Jr. (Feb. 14)</p> <p>March Birthdays: Damien Kiser (March 2) Evelyn Combs (March 27)</p>	<p>April Birthdays: Gary Luke (April 2) Michael Fifer (April 8) Mary Healy (April 9) Kaylee Gorrod (April 27)</p> <p>May Birthdays: Mia Holloway (May 6) Kayanna Healy (May 24)</p> <p>June Birthdays: Sarah Gorrod (June 16) Ray Fifer (June 24)</p> <p>July Birthdays: Jewelina Healy (July 1) Bethany Woscek (July 22)</p>

In Loving Memory of Lisa Ann Rivett



Goals & Projects



(Healy Lake Sunset in the Winter, image courtesy of Kayanna Healy)

- Many tribal members have not updated their tribal enrollment and contact information, so please contact a council member or the tribal administrator.
To update your contact information, you can visit:
healylaketribealwebsite.wordpress.com/updateyourcontactinformation
- All tribal members with concerns or comments are urged to attend council meetings. Conference calls are also available.
- The Healy Lake Traditional Council has made it a goal to conduct all meetings in a “PG” manner.
- council efforts in tribal wellness with Grace in Motion Counseling
- getting the community clinic up and running
- posting safety signs
- regular Village Public Safety Office (VPSO) wellness checks
- road maintenance
- grant opportunities for a biomass project pertaining to public facilities
- finalizing the Healy Lake Youth Council Constitution
- preparations for the second Healy Lake Youth Council meeting
- preparations for Healy Lake’s 2019 Culture Camp
- building a playground at Healy Lake
- Wilderness First Aid
- drug test policy change with American Mobile Drug Testing (AMDT)

Available Jobs

Job Title:	Department:	Posted:
Tribal Family Youth Specialist	Tribal Development	Jan. 29
Community Health Aide/Practitioner	Health Services	Jan. 23

* If you are interested in applying for a job, please contact Bertha Rickman (Healy Lake Tribal Administrator) by phone at (907) 371-9361 or by email at Bertha.Rickman@tananachiefs.org.

* Visit tananachiefs.org/job-seekers/careers for all of the up-to-date job postings.

Other Opportunities

* **Grace in Motion Counseling**

Call: (907) 452-4673

Email: graceinmotion52.counseling@gmail.com

Address: 3504 Industrial Avenue, Suite 214, Fairbanks, AK 99701

* **Get Involved With Newsletters and the Healy Lake Tribal Website!**

Would you like to send in pictures, submit stories, or share other forms of interesting information?

Please contact Alissa Healy at healylakewebsite@gmail.com to do so!

* **Become a Part of the Healy Lake Youth Council!**

Are you a youth between the ages of 12-21 that is interested in learning about our culture and traditions, spending time with other youths, growing as a person, and creating community projects? Please come to the next quarterly Healy Lake Youth Council meeting! You can contact Alissa Healy at healylakewebsite@gmail.com for more information.

* **Apply for Job Training Through TCC**

Currently, Roustabout Training and Fairbanks Construction Academy are listed by TCC.

Visit: tananachiefs.org/job-seekers/job-training for more information.

Thank you to everyone who has put in hard work throughout the past few months! We're one quarter through the year, so we have three more quarters to try our best, achieve goals, and look to the future!