# Healy Lake Newsletter 2nd Quarter, 2018



### **Reminders & Upcoming Events:**

- > Please update your tribal enrollment information and contact information! (visit: healylaketribalwebsite.wordpress.com/updateyourcontactinformation)
- > Council Meetings & Youth Council Meetings
- > Upper Tanana Subregional Meeting, August 24, Tetlin
- > Troth Yeddha' 5k Run, September 8, University of Alaska Fairbanks
- > Indigenous Peoples' Day, October 8
- > Special Convention, \*Tentatively November 14-15, Fairbanks

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## **The Latest News & Stories**

#### Council Meetings (May-July)

The past few months have been busy, busy, busy! The Council and community employees have begun work on clinic rehabilitation, the hiring process of a potential community health aid, further work on tribal enrollment information, communication with TCC's Transportation Program to create a Safety Plan, further discussion on Healy Lake's corporation with Mike Walleri, and preparations for the upcoming Healy Lake annual meeting. A goal of the council is to have an operational clinic by the end of boating season and to fill the health aid position as soon as possible. After finalizing a Transportation Safety Plan, safety and mileage signs should soon be posted along roadways. More updates on projects will be given at upcoming council meetings.

#### **Youth Council Meetings**

The Healy Lake Youth Council has held two more official meetings and one project meeting since January. In June, the youths created a SWOT Analysis, which stands for strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats; it was determined that the number one strength of the youth council is *teamwork.* The youths also developed and adopted both a mission and vision statement (below). Afterwards, they voted on the youth council positions. Unanimously voted in, Alissa Healy is the President, Kayanna Healy is the Vice President, and Kristal Fifer is the Secretary Treasurer!



#### ≻ <u>Mission</u>

The mission of the Healy Lake Youth Council is to incorporate traditional knowledge into meetings and trainings, to inspire the youths to become strong leaders, and to encourage growth as a people.

#### ≻ <u>Vision</u>

Innovative, Intelligent Mendas Cha'ag Youth

In July, the youths had a lot of positives to discuss since their previous meeting! Those who are employed are doing well at their jobs, they have seen little-to-no litter around the roads of the community, and everyone's families have been enjoying the summer. The group also discussed designing a logo and moving forward on starting a two-year playground project for the community. This summer, they will begin constructing an outdoor basketball court; by next fall, they would like to have a completed playground for kids of all ages to enjoy. They recently held a meeting with Stephen Brum (a TCC employee) to determine where to get started.

### **TCC Annual Education Summit**

Kayanna Healy, Alissa Healy, and Daisy Northway attended the two-day TCC Education Summit at the Chief David Salmon Tribal Hall on August 1–2. This year's focus at the Summit was "*Native Language Revitalization in Action*," in which participants were grouped based off of languages rather than by subregions. Various presenters spoke of ways that tribes can revitalize their languages, including: applying for grants to have money for language books, building a radio station that broadcasts throughout one's village, or collecting digital files from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. The Summit also featured Break-Out Sessions for language teachers (such as Daisy) to teach language learners (such as Kayanna and Alissa) how to say certain things in their native languages. In the first Break-Out Session, everyone learned how to introduce themselves in their languages for the first time!

TCC encourages everyone to create language ownership, to set goals for your language, and to find something that you can do for your language. The Healy Lake Youth Council is looking into hosting a language camp with Daisy next summer, so stay tuned!



"It's seeing, observing, learning." - Daisy Northway

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# June 9, 2018 Potlatch In Loving Memory of Lisa Ann Rivett and Melissa Erickson



"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day... unseen, unheard, but always near, still loved, still missed and very dear."

# Special Shout-Outs!

Second Quarter of 2018	Third Quarter of 2018	
April Birthdays:	August Birthdays:	
Gary Luke (April 2)	David A. Joe Jr. (Aug. 4)	
Michael Fifer (April 8)	Jasmine Gorrod (Aug. 15)	
Mary Healy (April 9)	Daniel Gorrod (Aug. 16)	
Kaylee Gorrod (April 27)	Lorinda Erickson (Aug. 21)	
	Minnie Healy (Aug. 24)	
May Birthdays:	Travis Gorrod (Aug. 31)	
Mia Holloway (May 6)	Quarter and an Distribution	
Kayanna Healy (May 24)	September Birthdays:	
June Dirthdorre	Kiowa Fifer (Sept. 1)	
June Birthdays:	Anita Luke (Sept. 13) Odin Erickson (Sept. 25)	
Sarah Gorrod (June 16) Ray Fifer (June 24)	Rochelle Phipps (Sept. 29)	
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July Birthdays:	Kaleb Honoway (bept. 29)	
Jewelina Healy (July 1)	September Anniversaries:	
Bethany Woscek (July 22)	Bethany & Jason Woscek (Sept. 21, 2013)	
	Kaylee & Brandon (Sept. 22, 2017)	
	October Birthdays:	
	Paul A. Kirsteatter- "Deedle" (Oct. 7)	
	Kristal Fifer (Oct. 13)	
	Gary Healy Jr. (Oct. 17)	



(image courtesy of Kayla Fifer)

### **Goals & Projects**



- 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: healylaketribalwebsite.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 more Healy Lake Youth Council meetings
- > 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

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 half of the way through the year, so we have half more to try our best, achieve goals, and look to the future!