

# Mahla'asgum



GITLAXT'AAMIKS  
GITMIDI:K:PEOPLE OF THE GRIZZLY

## Saw'winsk

K'aliyee

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### New Homeowners Celebrate!

We are thrilled to announce that four extremely excited new homeowners have received the keys to their beautiful 3-bedroom homes! These homes, each boasting 1,173 sq. ft. of thoughtfully designed space, feature vaulted ceilings and a modern layout that perfectly blends comfort and functionality. Cedar Ridge Construction, the team behind these stunning homes, began work on April 8th, 2024. The company's dedication and craftsmanship have truly brought these homes to life. But the work doesn't stop here! Cedar Ridge is committed to completing six more homes in 2025. This includes four additional 3-bedroom homes and two 3-bedroom homes with basements.

In a generous gesture, Cedar Ridge has also donated materials and supplies for a 10x8 smokehouse to be added to each of the properties. This thoughtful addition will provide the homeowners with a unique and culturally significant feature, further enriching their living experience.

Stay tuned for more updates as these projects progress and our community continues to grow!



## Assisted Living Facility Planned

The Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive has approved the development of a 36-unit Assisted Living & Campus of Care Project in New Aiyansh, with an estimated budget of \$43.5 million. Partially funded by federal contributions, the facility at 275 Gosnell Place will provide long-term care, assisted living, palliative care, and an Adult Day Centre, aiming to improve the quality of life for Nisga'a elders and individuals wishing to age in their community. This project addresses regional care needs and is being advanced with the help of M'akola Development Services and the Nisga'a Capital Finance Commission. Regular updates on progress will be provided.

## Council of Elders Sworn In

On January 29, 2025, the Council of Elders was sworn in during a special sitting of Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a. Chairperson Alvin Azak, Sim'oogit Lik'inshkw, led the ceremony. The Council, including regular and alternate members, will provide cultural guidance, uphold protocols, and support Nisga'a language and culture revitalization. Regular members include Eric Grandison, Matthew Moore, William Moore, Alvin Nelson, Rosie Robinson, Henry Stephens, and re-appointed members Willard Martin and Harry Moore. Alternates include Venita Barton, Claude Morven, Diane Stewart, Keith R. Tait, and Elizabeth Wright. Their leadership ensures the preservation and promotion of Nisga'a heritage.



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# Upcoming Events

# FEB 2025



**Gitmidik Team Sendoff**  
Feb 5th



**ANBT 2025**  
Feb 7th-15th



**Family Day (Stat)**  
Feb 17th



**Council Meetings**  
Feb 18th, 19th, 20th



**NLG Executive**  
Feb 19th-21st



**Hoobiye 2025**  
Feb 21st-22nd

# TREATY TRIVIA

ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A \$50 GIFT CARD

The Nisga'a Final Agreement recognizes the importance of the Nisga'a language and culture. Which section of the Agreement specifically addresses the preservation and promotion of the Nisga'a language?

To submit your answer, please call (250) 633-3100 and ask for Stirling or you can e-mail it to [stirling@peopleofthegrizzly.com](mailto:stirling@peopleofthegrizzly.com)



# Call for Submissions

If you would like to submit a story please call (250)633-3100 or e-mail: [Marianne.Guno@peopleofthegrizzly.com](mailto:Marianne.Guno@peopleofthegrizzly.com) or [Stirling@peopleofthegrizzly.com](mailto:Stirling@peopleofthegrizzly.com)