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Unikkausivut: Sharing Our Stories Landmark DVD and online resource featuring the world's greatest collection of Inuit films

The landmark Inuit audiovisual legacy project *Unikkausivut: Sharing Our Stories* premiered in Nain on November 17, as part of a tour of Inuit communities across the North.

Nunatsiavut President Jim Lyall and Culture, Recreation and Tourism Minister Johannes Lampe, along with an official from the National Film Board of Canada, Lucie Charbonneau, took part in the official launch of *Unikkausivut: Sharing Our Stories* at the Nunatsiavut Government's Administration Building in the afternoon, followed by a free community screening at Jens Haven Primary School in the evening.

Unikkausivut brings together 70 years of NFB films by and about Inuit, drawn from more than 110 titles—the most important collection of Inuit films in the world. It is a comprehensive new resource for understanding and preserving the history, stories and perspectives of Inuit, and is available as both a DVD box set and online at nfb.ca/unikkausivut.

A free screening for students at the Jens Heav- en Memorial School took place November 18.

The *Unikkausivut* box set will be distrib- uted to five communities in Nunatsiavut as well as the Labrador Friendship Centre in Happy Valley–Goose Bay and the Native Friendship Centre in St John's.

The Northern premiere of *Unikkausivut* began on November 6 in Iqaluit, Nunavut and November 7 in Kuujjuaq, Nunavik. It was screened in Inuvik on Novem- ber 23.

Unikkausivut is an NFB initiative in collaboration with the Inuit Relations Secretariat of Ab- original Affairs and Northern Develop- ment Canada and the Government

of Nunavut, Department of Education, with the support of Inuit organizations. The shared objective is to contribute, in a lasting way, to the promotion of Inuit culture by providing Inuit communities with increased accessibility to their own audiovisual heritage and to provide all Canadians the opportunity to discover the traditions, culture, values and points of view of Inuit, who have shaped the history of Canada and continue to shape contemporary Canadian society.



Nunatsiavut Assembly votes to lift uranium moratorium

The Nunatsiavut Assembly unanimously voted on December 14, to lift a moratorium on the working, production, mining and development of uranium on Labrador Inuit Lands.

“We imposed this moratorium in April of 2008 to give us sufficient time to ensure we make an informed decision,” says Nunatsiavut’s Minister of Lands and Natural Resources, Glen Sheppard. “Since then we have established a lands administration system, developed environmental protection legislation and have made tremendous progress on a land use plan for the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area.”

The amendment to the Labrador Inuit Lands Act that imposed the moratorium required that a review of the decision be conducted after March 31, 2011. That review process, which began in September, has now been completed.

“As part of that review process we held public consultations throughout Nunatsiavut, Upper Lake Melville and St. John’s,” notes Minister Sheppard. “The general consensus from Beneficiaries and other stakeholders is that the moratorium should be lifted to allow any proposed development to proceed to environmental assessment.”

The Nunatsiavut Environmental Protection Act will come into force on or before March 9, 2012. The amendment to the Labrador Inuit Lands Act to lift the moratorium will not come into effect before the environmental protection legislation is in place, says the Minister.

Notice to Beneficiaries of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement

Please be advised that the Canada Revenue Agency (“CRA”) may be contacting you regarding prior year’s income tax returns. Beneficiaries are required to check a box on their returns if they resided on Labrador Inuit Lands or within the Inuit communities of Rigolet, Makkovik, Postville, Hopedale or Nain.

It is possible that some individuals failed to check the box, while others may have checked it by mistake. CRA is proposing to adjust your tax return(s) to correct any errors.

Please note that this will not result in any change to the amount of tax you have to pay. However, it will ensure the Nunatsiavut Government receives the correct tax revenue in accordance with the Personal Income Tax Administration Agreement in place with the Government of Canada.

Winters elected as chair of NunaKatiget Inuit Community Corporation

Max Winters was elected chair NunaKatiget Community Corporation during a by-election on September 6. Winters had served in the position for four years prior to May of last year when he decided not to offer himself up for re-election. The by-election was called when the chair’s position was vacated by Jennifer Hefler-Elson earlier this summer.



Max Winters with Darlene Mackey

“I want to offer my congratulations to Max and to welcome him back to the Assembly,” says President Lyall. “I look forward to working with him to advance the issues and concerns of Labrador Inuit.”

Funding announced for economic development initiatives

Education and Economic Development Minister Susan Nochasak announced funding for the following economic development projects for Nunatsiavut.

- \$24,407 for the continuation of Phase 3 of the boardwalk project in Postville;
- \$26,089.20 to assist the Makkovik Inuit Community Government with the development of a community trail network;
- \$39,897 to extend existing boardwalk infrastructure in Rigolet; and
- \$14,519.75 to complete construction of offices and a conference room to the upstairs portion of Strathcona House in Rigolet.

The Minister also announced a \$15,000 contribution to the Torngat Wildlife and Plants Co-Management Board to cover costs associated in the facilitation of a meeting on the char fishery, held November 17-18 in Nain.

The funding is being provided under the department’s Community Economic Development Program.

Angels Corner Officially Unveiled

On October 20 the City of St. John's and its funding partners, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Canadian Constituency Office of the Nunatsiavut Government, officially unveiled Angels Corner at the intersection of Prescott Street and Duckworth Street.

The Angel Street Project was first created in Iqaluit, Nunavut. Angels Corner was established in the heart of downtown St. John's to remind all Newfoundlanders and Labradorians that we have a role to play in ending violence and abuse against women and instilling positive change in our City and the province.

"When we were first approached by Dan Pottle, Canadian Constituency Office - Nunatsiavut Government, with this idea I think we all saw that this was a very worthwhile project," says Mayor Dennis O'Keefe. "I hope that residents will enjoy this space we have dedicated to Angels Corner and can take a moment to reflect on what this location really means and represents."

Angels Corner was developed by the Angels Corner Committee, which included representatives from each of the funding partners and other organizations within the city including, the St. John's Women's Centre, Coalition Against Violence, Newfoundland and Labrador Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre, Transition House Association of Newfoundland and Labrador, St. John's Native Friendship Centre, the Grand Concourse Authority and Downtown St. John's.

"Establishing Angels Corner in the heart of downtown St. John's enables our community to shine a light on the violence and abuse faced by women in our society," says Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary, Chairperson for the Angels Corner Committee. "It stands as a reminder of women who have lost their lives to violence and of the help available for women living with

hostility and abuse. Angels Corner is a place of reflection and hope for a society free from violence against women."

"Violence and abuse perpetrated against women is all too common in our province and country," says Dan Pottle, Canadian Constituency Office - Nunatsiavut Government. "It will take a collaborative effort to make certain that the issue continues to be addressed and resolved - working in partnership with all stakeholders is the most effective means to end the violence and abuse women experience on a daily basis. Angels Corner will be a constant reminder that violence and abuse is wrong and that it should not be tolerated."

Text of Angels Corner Plaque:

Angel's Corner shines a light on the violence and abuse faced by women in our society. It stands as a reminder of women who have lost their lives to violence and of the help available for women living with violence and abuse. Angel's Corner is a place of reflection on the past and hope for a society free from violence against women.

Angel's Corner was established in the heart of downtown St. John's to remind all Newfoundlanders and Labradorians that we all have a role to play in ending violence and abuse against women and instilling positive change in our city and province. Angel's Corner was developed through a joint initiative with the City of St. John's, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Nunatsiavut Government.

The Angel Street Project was first created in Iqaluit, Nunavut. Angel streets, crescents, squares and corners are being developed all across our country as a reminder that violence and abuse are unacceptable and that respect, fairness and equality are the rights of all our citizens.



Gary Mitchell, Ordinary Member for Upper Lake Melville, was sworn in as a member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly on December 13 by Nunatsiavut President Jim Lyall.

Results of by-election for Ordinary Member for Upper Lake Melville

Results of November 29, by-election for Ordinary Member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly for Upper Lake Melville:

Craig Andersen	56
Roy Blake	230
Janice Edmunds-Connors	122
Trudy Mesher-Barkman	52
Gary Mitchell	238
George Morris	174

18th Labrador Inuit Youth Symposium

On Friday, October 21, a total of 43 youth and two elders from Nunatsiavut and the Upper Lake Melville area gathered in Postville for the 18th Annual Labrador Inuit Youth Symposium.

Youth were welcomed to the community by local representatives at the meet and greet on Friday night. On Saturday, the delegates were given a variety of presentations from the Canadian Coast Guard, Aurora Energy, MUN Faculty of Medicine, College of the North Atlantic, Provincial Aerospace, MUN Aboriginal Resource Office and the Department of Health and Social Development. This was followed by a Career Fair that also involved VALE, Transport Canada and PSSSP. Presentations continued on Sunday morning, ranging from topics on

respect, Facebook etiquette, underage drinking, and drugs and alcohol.

A definite highlight of this year's event was a presentation from members of the delegation. Four youth representative approached the coordinators to see if they could present to the delegates on what life is like as a post-secondary student. Grant Gear (Community Studies), Rita-Anne Sheppard (IBSW), Amanda Mogridge (IBSW), and Gregory Jacque focused their presentation on the importance of preparing for post-secondary studies while in high school, as well as hurdles to expect while away from home.

Delegates returned to their home communities following Sunday's sessions.

Welcome Daryl

Daryl Dibblee has been hired as the Director of Economic Development for the Nunatsiavut Government.

Born in New Brunswick, Daryl has worked in senior management positions in finance, economic development for many years, both in the public and private sectors. He has worked with both Inuit and First Nation peoples in Atlantic Canada, as well as Nunavut and the North West Territories.

Daryl, who has taken up residence in Nain, is married to Bernice Blake from North West River. They are both excited about their new adventure in Nunatsiavut and Labrador.

Take Back The Night



Take Back the Night – Nain

Over 90 people took part in the Take Back the Night march in Nain. A barbecue of hot dogs and hamburgers followed with a ticket draw for a desktop computer, which was won by Sidney Pijogge. The Nain Safe House also had a clothing give away afterwards. Thanks to the Nain Safe House and staff, the RCMP, Violence Prevention/Status of Women for providing food and t-shirts, those that assisted with the barbecue – namely Stephan Moore (teacher), Daniel Richer (Public Health Nurse, DHSD staff, as well as those who came out to support this important cause.



Take Back the Night - Postville

The community of Postville held its second annual Take Back the Night March, Rally and Candle light Vigil On Sept 23. A total of 35 women and children took part in the march was followed by a fire pit which men were invited to attend. Hope we will see more men support this event next year. Thanks to those who participated and helped make the event a success.



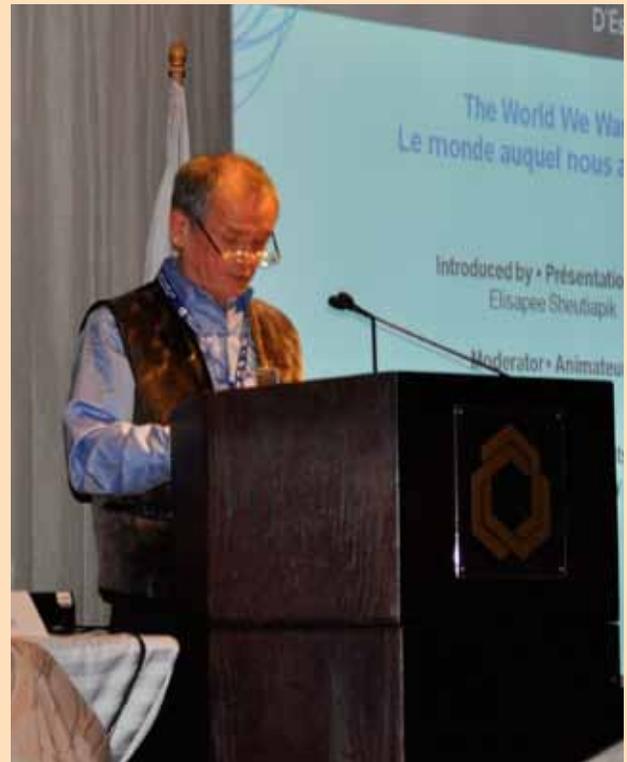
President Jim Lyall and several members of the Nunatsiavut Executive Council met with federal Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq in Ottawa in early November to discuss a number of pressing issues, including Non-insured Health Benefits, housing, seniors care, suicide prevention and the Inuit smoking reduction strategy. Minister Aglukkaq was accompanied by Labrador MP Peter Penashue, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada.



Several members of the Nunatsiavut Executive Council met with federal Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Minister John Duncan during a visit to Ottawa in early November. From left: Culture, Recreation and Tourism Minister Johannes Lampe; Labrador MP Peter Penashue, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada; Finance, Human Resources and Information Technology Minister Dan Pottle; Minister Duncan; First Minister Darryl Shiwak; and Health and Social Development Minister Patricia Kemuksigak.



Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Kathy Dunderdale and Nunatsiavut President Jim Lyall pose for a photo during a visit to the Torngat Mountains Base Camp and Research Station at KANGIDLUASUK this past August. The two were at the camp to take part in the repatriation of Inuit remains at Rose Island.



President Jim Lyall addresses delegates at the 40th Anniversary celebrations of the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK), held in Ottawa in early November.