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1. OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Society held its 2016 Annual General Meeting on Friday, November 18th at which time the following members were elected to the positions of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year.

President: Irene Gilbert of the Canim Lake Band:

Vice President: Chief Patrick Harry of the Canoe Creek Indian Band;

Treasurer: Cody William of the Williams Lake Indian Band;

Secretary: Graham Leslie of the 100 Mile House & District Historical Society; and

Director: Kerry Chelsea of thel Esk'etemc First Nation

Director: Held open for a representative of the Soda Creek Indian Band.

The Society's other members are Alana Dixon of the Canim Lake Band, Harold Duncan of the Canoe Creek Indian Band, Helen Sandy of the Williams Lake Indian Band and Patricia Chelsea of the Esk'etemc First Nation. The one remaining vacancy among the 10 voting members belongs to the Soda Creek Indian Band.

2. THE YEAR AHEAD

As mentioned in our October 2016 edition, we will be awaiting the outcome of our application to the BC Rural Dividend Program that we expect to learn in late March. In the meantime we intend to start planning the campaign to raise the funds for the construction of the proposed Centre at our leased property at the 108 Mile Lake.

3. HOLIDAY SEASON'S BEST WISHES TO OUR READERS

This edition provides our last opportunity to wish all our readers the very best of joy and happiness for the Christmas Holiday season and for the New Year. Keep safe and may all of you and your loved ones look forward to our Nation's 150^{th} birthday, while also remembering those of us whose ancestors lived on these lands for many thousands of years previously.