**Reconciliation Matters! Content for Sunday Bulletins at WPGUC**

**…the collection from Sept. 6, 2020 to January 31, 2021….**

**Sept. 6, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****How long will true reconciliation take?*****Senator Murray Sinclair:** ***“Dismantling systemic racism*** ***will be a long fight….”*** Listen to him on the Aug. 2, 2020 edition of *“The Sunday Edition”* on CBC Radio<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/thesundayedition/the-sunday-edition-for-august-2-2020-1.5665613/senator-murray-sinclair-says-dismantling-systemic-racism-will-be-a-long-fight-1.5665625>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Sept. 13, 2020**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters**[**Shame and Prejudice: A Story of Resilience**](https://moa.ubc.ca/exhibition/shame-and-prejudice/)**Exhibit of Ken Monkman’s work****[Cree artist]**at UBC’s Museum of AnthropologyAug. 6, 2020 to Jan 3, 2021.<https://moa.ubc.ca/2020/08/restorying-justice-kent-monkmans-shame-and-prejudice-a-story-of-resilience/> ***All Our Relations!***  |

**Sept. 20, 2020**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters****Orange Shirt Day is coming!** See the source image**September 30, 2020*****We will observe the day on Sept. 27.******We invite everyone to wear an orange shirt*** ***or orange ribbon to our service.*** (in-person and online)Read more details here:<https://www.orangeshirtday.org/>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Sept. 27, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Honouring Nisga’a Elder*****Hereditary Chief Joe Gosnell**Image result for joe gosnell photo**Renowned treaty negotiator, politician,** **and leader of the Nisga'a Nation,** **who died on Aug. 18 at age 85.**<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/nisga-a-joe-gosnell-dead-1.5690778>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Oct. 4, 2020**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters*****Two Former Residential Schools******Designated as National Historic Sites***One in Manitoba, one in Nova Scotia*Read more details here:*<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/two-former-residential-schools-named-national-historic-sites-1.5087347>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Oct.11, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Highway of Tears in Northern BC*****(Highway 16)***A commemorative pole will honour*Missing and MurderedIndigenous Women and Girls<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/memorial-totem-pole-highway-of-tears-1.5711324>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Oct. 18, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****University of Victoria to House*** ***National Indigenous Law Centre***(funds provided by BC and Federal Govts.)Speakers pose for a photo on the lawnSpeakers pose for a photo on the lawn<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/uvic-national-indigenous-law-centre-announcement-1.5711550>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Oct. 25, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Thousands of Children Died******In Canadian Residential Schools****….and we now know some of their names…**Please read this account >>*<https://www.thestar.com/edmonton/2019/09/30/thousands-of-indigenous-children-died-in-canadian-residential-schools-now-we-know-some-of-their-names.html>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Nov. 1, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters****Honouring Kimberly C. Baird, O.C.***First Indigenous Woman**to address the BC Legislature**Re: BC Treaty Negotiation Process* Image result for Kim Baird BC Indigenous woman**Kim Baird** **Member, Tsawwassen First Nation***More details are included in these 3 articles:*<https://www.bcibic.ca/council-board-members/councillor/kimberly-c-baird/><http://kimbaird.ca/about/biography/><https://indspire.ca/laureate/kim-baird/>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Nov. 8, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Honouring Indigenous Veterans******in Canada***See the source image***Lest We Forget***<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/history/historical-sheets/aboriginal-veterans>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Nov. 15, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters****Honouring Yvonne Boyer****Senator of Canada**Senator Boyer is a member of the Métis Nation of Ontario; her ancestral roots are the Métis Nation-Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and the Red River.She began as a nurse and transitioned to practice law for 22 years. *Read about what Yvonne has accomplished* >><https://senatorboyer.ca/about/>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Nov. 22, 2020**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters** ***Empowering Indigenous Student Success*****Additional funds have been allocated by the****BC Ministry of Advanced Education,** **Skills and Training.** *Announced by Minister Melanie Mark*See the source image*Read the details here:*<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020AEST0033-001111>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Nov. 29, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Honouring Sheila Watt-Cloutier***Inuit Human Rights & Climate ActivistSee the source imageShe has previously served as theInternational Chair for the Inuit Circumpolar Council (formerly called the Inuit Circumpolar Conference).Read more details here >><https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/sheila-watt-cloutier>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Dec. 6, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Uncovering the Complicated History******of Blankets in Indigenous Communities.***See the source image***Read more details here >>***[*https://www.cbc.ca/radio/unreserved/uncovering-the-complicated-history-of-blankets-in-indigenous-communities-1.5264926/a-short-history-of-indigenous-blankets-in-canada-1.5270362*](https://www.cbc.ca/radio/unreserved/uncovering-the-complicated-history-of-blankets-in-indigenous-communities-1.5264926/a-short-history-of-indigenous-blankets-in-canada-1.5270362)***All Our Relations!*** |

**Dec. 13, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Honouring Wendy Grant-John*** Member, Musqueam First Nation*Former Chief Grant-John (nee Sparrow) launched Canada’s first Indigenous commercial fishery* in 1990.*Read details of her background life & work:*<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wendy_Grant-John><https://indspire.ca/laureate/wendy-grant-john-2/><https://www.musqueam.bc.ca/councillors/785/>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Dec. 20, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****The Huron Carol***Image result for transformation of the huron carol***The transformation of the Christmas story******using Indigenous language & themes:******Read the interesting details here >***[Huron Carol - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Huron_Carol)*See the link to the music on this page too* *and listen.****All Our Relations!*** |

**Dec. 27, 2020**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Honouring Daphne Odjig, O.C.***(1919-2016)Learn about Daphne OdjigAn acclaimed artist, Odjig was the driving force behind the Professional Native Indian Artists Assn. (“[Indian Group of Seven](https://www.bing.com/search?q=Indian%20Group%20of%20Seven%20wikipedia&form=WIKIRE)”) that brought First Nations art to the forefront of Canada's art world.<https://www.odjig.com/><https://beyondthedash.com/obituary/daphne-odjig-987896411>***All Our Relations!***  |

**Jan. 3, 2021:**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters*****The Tragic Story of the Pentlatch People******on Vancouver Island:******A Door into a Lost World***Image result for pentlatch people photo*Read this account:*<https://www.macleans.ca/news/human-remains-found-on-vancouver-island-have-opened-a-door-into-a-lost-world/?utm_source=nl&utm_medium=em&utm_campaign=mme_daily&sfi=37e727b670e3231a783936b3b125b0c0>orhttps://www.macleans.ca/author/terry-glavin/***All Our Relations!***  |

**Jan. 10, 2021**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Indigenous leadership crucial******to protecting the planet***The land surrounding Neskantaga First Nation as seen from a plane descending into the reservation. (Photograph by Chris Donovan )*“Canadians can benefit from Indigenous leadership in understanding values and policies based on reciprocity with the natural world. [We] can become an environmental leader by becoming an Indigenous rights leader.”*<https://www.macleans.ca/opinion/indigenous-leadership-is-crucial-to-protecting-the-planet/?utm_source=nl&utm_medium=em&utm_campaign=mme_daily&sfi=37e727b670e3231a783936b3b125b0c0>***All Our Relations!*** |

**Jan. 17, 2021**

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|  **Reconciliation Matters*****Dr; Lorna Williams******Professor Emerita, Faculty of Education******University of Victoria***has been appointed to the **Order of Canada**. Lorna is a member of the Lil’wat Nation in BC, and has been responsible for initiating and overseeing the development of Indigenous Language Revitalization Programs for teachers, students, and the public.*Read the details of Lorna’s life and work*:[Dr. Lorna Wanosts’a7 Williams | Indspire](https://indspire.ca/laureate/dr-lorna-wanostsa7-williams/)***All Our Relations!*** |

**Jan. 24, 2021**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****How West Coast First Nations******are coping with the COVID-19 Pandemic****Youtube:* ***“Our Changing World”*** *with host Michelle Washington*See the source imageVector illustration of the sun symbol**How are West Coast communities responding? What makes them particularly vulnerable? What can we learn about ourselves through this process?**[New doc looks at how West Coast First Nations are coping with pandemic | CBC Arts](https://www.cbc.ca/arts/canadacouncildigitaloriginals/new-doc-looks-at-how-west-coast-first-nations-are-coping-with-pandemic-1.5799673)***All Our Relations!*** |

**Jan 31, 2021**

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| **Reconciliation Matters****Ardith Walkem****First Indigenous Woman****appointed to the BC Supreme Court** MANDATORY CREDIT: Nadya Kwandibens of Red Works Studio    UNDATED -- Ardith Walkem is the first Indigenous woman named a Justice on the BC Supreme Court. (MANDATORY CREDIT: Nadya Kwandibens of Red Works Studio) (For Dan Fumano story) [PNG Merlin Archive]***“It’s About Time!”*** say those who knowArdith Walkem, member of the [Nlaka’pamux First Nation](https://www.nntc.ca/pages/departments.aspx%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank), Vancouver Island. She is described as “calm but powerful, like the ocean.”[*https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/its-about-time-leading-first-nations-law-expert-named-to-b-c-supreme-court*](https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/its-about-time-leading-first-nations-law-expert-named-to-b-c-supreme-court)***All Our Relations!*** |

**Feb. 07, 2021**

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| **Reconciliation Matters*****Widespread racism and discrimination******against Indigenous people*** ***in BC’s health-care system*** **Former judge Mary-Ellen Turpel-Lafond leads the investigation:**[Investigation finds widespread racism and discrimination against Indigenous peoples in B.C. health-care system | CBC News](https://www.cbc.ca/news/indigenous/bc-health-care-racism-report-1.5820306)***All Our Relations!*** |