

te'walasu

(Laxski-k)

Names

Origin

Crests, poles

Tradition of Squirrel Crest

sqayε'n

(laxskik)

Men

1. sqayε'n "across walking", a naxnɔq name. ✓
 Present chief is a woman, Maggie Wells. (1924)
2. ligi'ne'tε
3. t'xɔ'gət "to take captive", a naxnɔq name. ✓
 The performer announced to all the guests that they were his captives.
4. 'asiwi'l "hunter", a naxnɔq name. ✓
 The performer wore snowshoes and a bow, and these "opened up" during his performance [?]
5. t'sak "to extinguish", a naxnɔq name. ✓
 The performer put out the fire. When the guests sang their naxnɔq songs in order, he came in with a fire drill and re-started the fire.
6. qitwalxamədi:k "invader, grizzly", a naxnɔq name. ✓
 The performer, in grizzly costume, stormed the house and touched some of the guest chiefs, who later were compensated.

Boys

1. nagwasa'a "long legs" (the frog)
2. gipg.ana'ɔ "small frogs" (the offspring of the frog)
3. yoxla'os "like trout" (the frog)

4. x t's i' y ε "across walking" (the sun)
5. x tsa' g. > l "the sound of flying" (of the offspring of the grouse)
6. g. a p ε ' a' l g > x "continually talking" (the raven)
7. n i g' t p a' n "together, the bellies" (of the frogs)

Women and Girls

1. ' a x l a x l i' t s u
2. t ə m d i l a' u x "will be trout" (the frog)
3. s g. a' y ε "across walking" (the frog)
The frog walks across the trail
4. l u t g. a l y a' u x "in close hides" (the frog)
5. n > w i l w a' l i x "themselves each other pack" (the frogs)
6. x s t i > g. > m w > "haughtily barks" (the wolf)
7. ' a x t i n e g "without fin" (the frog)
8. k a l u k a l a' i t "exposed outside, the kalait", a
naxnōg name.
9. w i l' a m w a n "towards shore, "sets" (the frog,
at the edge of the water)
10. l u ə n s a x t o' x "in gathered" (the offspring of
the grouse)

11. galdixgε'x "to one side plus" (the frog)
- 12 waxla'uks "with trout" (the frog)

nɔxs

1. nɔxs tɔgət
2. nɔxs gɔg
3. nɔxs ɔasiwil
4. nɔxs t'sak
5. nɔxs gitwelk
6. nɔxs ɔwatix - from lɔkswil-wɛ'tx "from a different origin", a stranger (Zetsant), naxnɔg.
7. nɔxs tɔɔx
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holes of sqayε'n (Sunduk, 1923)

1. spəse'mi

- Top
1. xskək
 2. masha't white martin
 3. xpəse'mi
 4. xskək
 5. tsəm'e'lix beaver (gnawing)
 6. xpəse'mi
 7. split beaver
 8. xpəse'mi (?)

Carver: nəgwetsq.e'l, house of taku (laxse'l)
Age: 16+ yrs.

2. spəse'mix (fallen)

1. xskək
2. xpəse'mi
3. xpəse'mi
4. palxum xskək

Age - before informant's time. Fell 1920.

Crests
Poles

Sq a·yε'ni

(Iaxski:k)

Mogge Wells: 1924 Crests: 1. xskε:k - eagle (on end of pole)
2. spəse'mi - bear's den - as an entrance hole on the pole.
3. sta'gεt : split person (on pole)
4. tsəme'lix Beaver on pole & robes
5. masha't : white marten as a hat, and on pole in grasp of eagle
6. məksi'təm sin weasel of summer, robe, darker than other.

Poles: 1. spəsemi - 40-45 yrs ago, in memory of sqayen
2. spəsemi - fallen 12 yrs ago, with 2 spəsemi Erected 70+ yrs ago in memory of liqi'ne'la'

Semedik, 1923 Poles: Two of their own, one standing, one fallen
Standing pole has 1 xskεk

2. palxumskiek opened eagle
3. tsəme'lix : beaver
4. spəsa'mi - bear's hole

Crests: Same as qəq, except palxumski:k, (eagle cut in two), which they made since they separated from qəq. and spəsa'mi, They killed a bear in its hole themselves, and made it an ayuks for themselves

Oregon

sq a'y e'n

(laxski'k)

Semedik, 1924: Also of village of laxantge'is. It is the very same family [as q>q?], from gitang.et. Separated from house of q>q, because there were several chiefs.

Maggie Wells (sqayen) : From git'ang, e't, now Doreen on the Skeena. A separation of the house of q>q. There are three houses of this group which have equal power, same adax, names, crests

Tradition In former days, ^(after deluge) they lived at git'ang, e't, and they had only one chief, ligi'ne'to. They moved upriver to antki'i's, and from there to a point just below ta'odzap known as git'w'ol, an entrance to ta'odzap. From there they moved to the present site of gitwang.a (down below the post office. They moved on acct of the water farther down.