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## Nuu-Chah-Nulth meet with Committee on Indian Self Government



Some of the Nuu-chah-nulth delegates who appeared as witnesses to the sub-committee on Indian self-government were, l-r: Charlie Thompson, Nitinaht; Hugh Watts, Opetchesaht; Mike Maquinna, Mowachaht; George Watts, NTC chairman; Simon Lucas, NTC co-chairman; Bert Mack, Toquaht and Art Peters, Ohiaht.

The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council were one of three tribal groups from Vancouver Island to meet with the Commons Standing Committee on Indian Self-Government on February 14.

Also making presentations at the Nanoose Band Hall were the South Island Tribal Council and Kwakiutl Tribal Council.

Before making their presentation the Nuu-chah-nulth delegation first stood together while Jimmy Chester from Nitinaht sang a prayer song and then Nelson Keitlah led the group in singing a song from Ahousat "to give strength."

NTC Chairman George Watts then read a 13-page brief to the committee which outlined the traditional government system that was in place on the west coast before the coming of the white man, and which stated the major factors contributing to the breakdown of Indian self-government, and then gave some objectives and steps towards achieving self-government. This brief was prepared through consulting with the elders of the Nuu-chah-nulth Bands and other band members.

The Nuu-chah-nulth presentation called for the phasing out of the Department of Indian Affairs over the next five years and called for community development control of natural resources. Watts said that they, the Nuu-chah-nulth, are prepared to negotiate with the federal government on the land claim and that they are prepared to negotiate a share of the resources for the non-Indian population so that they can co-exist in this country.

Archie Frank from Ahousat told the committee about the Pelagic Treaty of 1906 and how all the seal hunters on the schooners were Indians. He said that it was in Captain Cook's own journals that when he arrived he was surrounded by canoes so obviously the Indian was here first, he used the sea for his food and this is why the Nuu-chah-nulth still claim the sea to be their own.

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## DIA announces Closure of Christie Res

The Department of Indian Affairs has decided to close the Christie Student Residence near Tofino as of June 30, 1983.

In a letter from DIA District Manager Jan van de Voort to all bands he states the reasons for the closure as being, "it has been departmental policy for some years to find alternatives for students in residences. The Indian people across Canada have, on hundreds of occasions, pointed out to the department that children should be in family settings rather than institutions and

mention such problems as alienation from parents and the Indian community, loss of language and cultural identity, etcetera. A further reason, particularly in this time of restraint, is the high cost of providing residential care.

After the announcement of the closure a public meeting was held at Christie Residence to discuss the closing. The general feeling of those at the meeting was that the residence should be kept open, at least until suitable alternatives

have been found and that the closure of the residence will have a negative effect upon the whole community.

Some of the peoples' statements from that meeting:

"The high school kids' biggest concern is that they don't want to move too far from home."

"Another thing we're fighting for is our Indian culture, they don't get that in a group home."

"This will affect the local area, for example the hospital and the stores."

Ucluelet High School Principal Sam Frktich

said that if Christie were to close we (Ucluelet Secondary) would suffer, the kids would maybe quit school. He said that they've always had a good rapport with Christie and that it is an excellent institution because of the people that are there.

Both of the local schools, Ucluelet Secondary and Wickannish Elementary had sent letters of support to the Christie Residence.

The people at the meeting decided upon a course of action to oppose the closure. A petition has

been started and a committee was put together to fight the closure. As well it was suggested to look for support from the bands, the MLA and MP and through media coverage.



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# Letters

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## Hawaiian trip enjoyed by Francis Charlie

To Whom It May Concern I offer, countless thanks, with the greatest of admiration to all of my relatives and friends for your generous donations and contributions that had made my holiday an unforgettable occasion. Through this personal experience to have gone to Hawaii, I must say that I thoroughly enjoyed most of the time, even though I encountered some "lonely" times for companionship.

I have no complaints about the weather, the average was 80 degrees daily, it sure done good for my ailing neck, would be nice if all of my ailing eyebrow friends could go there for a holiday and feel much better. I can say for one thing is that our beaches cannot be compared with those beaches, they are manmade.

I had a good tour of many good places that are very famous such as the cultural centre of which they showed endless entertainment and very colorful. Also another famous spot was the Pearl Harbour, this sure makes people speechless to think of all who perished. There were many other nice spots that are really worth seeing.

Fortunately, I had daily communications with one of my children, almost each day, that really helped to get rid of that "loneliness" I had mentioned before. This type of trip, to prevent the loneliness is I suggest for a couple or two couples to go for a good holiday and feel free to get around more freely and enjoy it a lot better.

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## MLA wants No Native Rights

Letter to the Editor, Vancouver Province February 15, 1983

Native rights are degrading. Written into our constitution they are a putdown of our aboriginal people. They imply inferiority and should therefore be rejected by our Fathers of Confederation as discriminatory in the extreme.

All Canadians must be equal under the law. They must have equality of opportunity when it comes to employment, access to public services, voting, etc. But to differentiate on the basis of color of skin, geographic origin or ancestry is unacceptable. It is a practice which a young

democratic country like Canada can well do without.

When our native people insist that they have inherited title to lands, waters, wildlife and other resources they are talking about property, not people. This is another reason why the right to property should be enshrined in a Canadian Bill of Rights and Freedoms.

But for our aboriginal neighbors to base these property claims on the fiction that they are people with a difference is dehumanizing. Our native citizens are human beings like everyone else.

**JACK DAVIS, MLA**  
North Vancouver-Seymour

SIR:  
A letter of recommendation to the committee for the Indian Games:

I would like to recommend that four to six tents be set up as first aid posts, with one to two attendants to each tent. I acted as first aid attendant in your '82 games for the whole week but I gave up after the third or fourth day because I was

just too tired. Also I think that a first aid ticket, emergency ticket, SOFA ticket should be submitted to Indian Games Committee to ensure the committee that the attendants know what they're doing, but basically qualifications of the attendant should be a priority.

**BEVERLY JOHNSON**  
CHR for Ucluelet

Dear Sir:  
In the recent Roadrunner Tournament, held Jan. 28, 29, 30 at the Alberni Athletic Hall, an incident occurred which I would like to bring to your attention.

With about five minutes in the final game between Roadrunners and Hoyas, our official signalled a violation against a Roadrunner player. At this point the player swore at the official and was immediately assessed a technical foul for unsportsmanlike

conduct. The player then threw a basketball at the official and continued to verbally abuse him.

This type of behavior by a team member will not be tolerated by the Alberni Valley Basketball Officials Association and any recurrence of such conduct will result in the withdrawal of our services for any future Roadrunner games or tournaments.

**LUY ADAMO,**  
(AVBOA Executive)

## Response to Davis

Editor: North Vancouver Seymour MLA Jack Davis's letter in the Vancouver Province February 15, 1983, "No Native Rights" is an insult to the sensibilities of the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada, and all honorable thinking Canadians. It is a further ploy by this B.C. government to push its — intervention into the Constitution Conference with the federal government and the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada, by the Property Rights Scam, and by these interventions nullify the agreed reason for this conference, the acceptance and implementation, of the intent of the proclamation of King George III of 1763. This proclamation covers B.C. as well as other areas in Canada in total. No B.C. government has wished to recognize this fact.

Between 1880 and 1951 numerous amendments to the Indian Act of Canada violated international law and conventions by removing the Indians' right to vote, to assemble, to travel, to worship, to publish, to initiate legal actions, to borrow, to direct a business or trade for profit, to wear traditional dress or practise traditional social ceremonies, to speak their languages, to educate their own children, to govern or control membership in their own community, to make any decision respecting even the most trivial aspect of their lives without the approval of a Canadian government overlord.

And all this time much Indian land was fraudulently sold by government officials and recognition of those Indian lands and hunting, fishing and trapping rights agreed by treaty, was withheld. All of these restrictions and breaches and many others too numerous to list, were a means to achieve the "final solution" to the aboriginal problems, namely the effective disappearance of the aboriginal, first, as self-reliant nations co-existing under treaty with Canada, secondly, as an effective political force in a Canada aboriginal-confederation and, finally, as a culturally distinct and socially homogenous peoples.

The White Paper of 1969 updated this policy and sought to bring it to fruition according to the schedule contained in "A Plan to Liquidate the Indian Problem" in 25 years, which was presented to the Canadian Parliament in 1947 and enthusiastically adopted as governing strategy by successive Canadian administrations.

But Canada did its work well, gradually undermining the roots of aboriginal nationhood behind a smokescreen of missionary religion, paternalistic welfare programs and the creeping extension of a foreign bureaucracy whose main function was to supplant the role of indigenous government.

With the gradual loss of control, aboriginal nations became disoriented and Indians-Inuit have undergone much social, psychological and physical distress. Recently they concluded the first stage of a long campaign to get both Britain and Canada to publicly reaffirm that the Crown is still obliged to honor solemn obligations to the Indian nations undertaken in the Royal Proclamation 1763 and numerous international treaties.

Yours sincerely,  
**D.D. FRASER**  
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Watts was questioned by Frank Oberle (PC Prince Rupert-Peace River) who asked how the Nuu-chah-nulth propose to integrate economically with the whiteman when the world is getting smaller in regards to resources and larger in population and George answered that the earth is made in such a way that it replenishes itself. Only when countries such as the U.S. exploit other countries such as is happening in Central America and get rich off these small countries' resources, is there a problem with too few resources for the people.

Mr. Oberle seemed more concerned with creating animosity between the Indian groups present rather than finding out how



Indian self-government could be achieved, as he asked further questions about whether the regional forum was put in place to destroy the Union of Indian Chiefs and why do the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council get so much more money per capita for administration than the South Island Tribal Council? (The answer: because the NTC has taken over certain staff positions from the DIA.)

All three tribal groups were in agreement that unless they had control over the resources in their area there would be little chance of self-government or self-determination. An example was pointed out by the Cowichan Chief who said that their band had 1,800 members but there were no commercial fishermen amongst them. They still fished in the traditional

methods for their food but they have confrontations every year over their fishery.

"They (the people of the west coast) are a hardy and industrious race and so far as I would perceive, the richest of any Indians I have met in the province. Were a proper disposal made of their immense gains they could, without a doubt, live independently and furnish themselves with every comfort and every luxury to be wished for. There seems to be scarcely a limit to their productive resources, and I am told that it is not at all uncommon for any Indian to realize from \$500 to \$1000 per annum, from their sealing grounds and fisheries alone." — Indian Affairs 1875:44; Kenyor, S.M. The Kyuquot Way; A Study of a West Coast (Nootkan) Community; National Museum of Canada 1980 — Ottawa.



Nanose Chief Wilson Bob accepts a carved wall plaque made by Ramona Gus and presented by Simon Lucas. The plaque was a gift from the Nuu-chah-nulth to the Nanose Band for their new band hall.

"Long ago there was no whiteman, each tribe had their own territory. Nobody could get in otherwise they were prisoners. This was the law." — Mowachaht Band Member.

"I think the white society has to realize we are not selling our land we are just bringing you up-to-date on your rent. My grandfather never sold the west coast." — Ahousaht.

## Barrett Promises that NDP will Negotiate Land Claims

Mr. George Watts, Coordinator, Provincial Regional Forum, 788 Beatty Street, Main Floor, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6B 1A2

Dear George:  
This letter is with reference to Mr. Beech's correspondence acknowledging your letter of December 20, 1982 relating to my statements made during my visit to Skidegate on Aboriginal Title.

I wish to confirm that if our party is elected to office at the next provincial election, we are prepared to commit ourselves to appointing negotiations respecting native land claims. We will thus commit ourselves to being full-time negotiating partners in conjunction with federal government and the native people of British Columbia in order to resolve these long outstanding claims.

The aboriginal title still exists. We recognize this fact, and will negotiate with the native people.  
Warmest personal regards.

**DAVID BARRETT, MLA,**  
Leader of the Opposition

"I am going to talk about self-government... Tribes governed themselves. One way was through the Klukwana, which you guys call the potlatch today. It was government and the chiefs had a place of honor within that. That piece of government from the head chief down to the sub-chiefs and the majority of the people...they were the government." — Ahousaht.

## Proposed Wildlife Act deny aboriginal trapper rights

If the Provincial Fish and Wildlife Branch has its way, Indian's Hereditary Trapline for fur bearing animals will be treated exactly like non-hereditary white traplines — except that Indians don't have to pay an annual licence fee.

The new draft government regulations make it mandatory to use a trapline. If it is not being used for two consecutive years the government may assign it to someone who will use it (either white or Indian). Every trapline holder will have to report annually to the provincial government the number of animals caught.  
Karen Jacobson, representative of the

Nanaimo Fish and Wildlife Fur Someone at the council meeting said, "the coastal areas are our back yard" from time immemorial we have had the rights to the animals even if we do not want to trap them."  
The Tribal Council resolved to strongly oppose the new regulations on the grounds that they are illegal according to the new Canadian constitution that upholds "existing aboriginal rights."  
Later at the same meeting, Paul George, NTC Researcher, circulated Draft Bylaws for the bands to consider to move to take over the management of their own hereditary traplines.

## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fred of Port Alberni are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Sarah, to Michael Maquinna, son of Ambrose and Gloria Maquinna of Gold River.

The wedding will take place at 1 p.m. on May 7, 1983 at St. Andrew's United Church in Port Alberni. Reception to follow at 5 p.m. at Maht Mahs.

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★ **JOB FAIR** ★  
★ **Returns to Gold River** ★  
★ **Mowachaht Community Hall** ★  
★ **Thursday, March 24, '83** ★  
★ **1:00 PM - 4:30 PM** ★  
★ **See You There!** ★

### Nuu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Meeting

The last meeting of the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council took place in Port Alberni on February 11 and 12.

Much of the first morning was spent discussing the closure of the Christie Residence. DIA has decided to close the residence and hand over the property to the Clayoquot Band.

The DIA was questioned on what alternatives they had for the students and they admitted that at the time there were no alternatives in place but they felt that alternatives would be found for the displaced students. Money would be provided for a committee to search for alternatives. The council agreed to sit on a committee to find alternatives along with band members, DIA and Home School Coordinators. George Watts said that money should be provided for capital costs for group homes or other alternatives.

There was some discussion on herring fishing. Vic Amos said that the fisheries wanted to close it from Estevan Point south, to gillnet fishing. Simon Lucas said that it was the Hesquiat Band's stand that Hesquiat Harbour remained closed until the stocks were built up. Some of the fishermen wanted Clayoquot Sound and Barkley Sound opened due to the treacherous travel involved in going to more distant areas. A motion was passed backing the Hesquiat position and calling for opening at Barkley and Clayoquot Sounds if the stocks warranted it.

### Arthritis Survey

A survey will be undertaken of Nuuchah-nulth Bands in regards to rheumatic disease (arthritis). This is a study to find out why so many native Indians on the west coast suffer from rheumatic disease and then see what kind of treatment and services should be developed to help people with the disease.

The survey will be conducted by the University of B.C. Medical Department. Dr. R.H. Ward from the Medical Department told the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council meeting in February about their desire to conduct this survey and he said that all findings would be released to the council.

A lady from the Wildlife Branch told the meeting that a number of native traplines would be lost if they weren't used. This drew a lot of criticism from the audience. She said that trapline holders had to tell the Wildlife Branch their reasons for not using the trapline, example for conservation and tell what animals have been trapped. More on this in a separate article.

Earl Smith reported on the confederacy of nations meeting. He said there appeared to be a split between the treaty and non-treaty Indians. He also was concerned that B.C.'s spokesman on the constitution, James Gosnell was not being recognized by all groups. (In a previous meeting the NTC had reaffirmed their position that Gosnell is their spokesman on the constitution.) The chiefs passed a motion allotting \$1,000 to James Gosnell for travel to future meetings.

Ron Hamilton presented a proposal to the Tribal Council for a contemporary Nuuchah-nulth song recording. This would be done to promote the museum project and would perhaps make some money for the museum project. Ron has identified a number of Nuuchah-nulth people who have composed songs and he wants a recording made of these songs. The recordings would be made available to the public for sale. The Provincial Museum has offered the use of their recording facilities, but

there would be costs involved such as travel, promotion and pressing costs. The Tribal Council agreed to pay for the costs of producing this record.

The archeological group from the Provincial Museum made a slide presentation on their work in the Broken Group last summer. Also, one of the archeologists, Al Mackie gave a report on his findings at Meares Island. He said they found 170 more sites in addition to the 20 that were already known. He

On January 17, 1983 six people were hired on a CCDP Cultural History Research Project to collect information for the proposed Museum Cultural Centre. Two of these six are engaged in land claims research. With the use of a Roll Film Reader they have found some good historical information on microfilm from Archives Canada, Central Microfilm Operations in Ottawa.

These microfilm contain government documents from as early as 1873, containing correspondence from DIA to land commissioners about reserve size and allotments, names and wage lists of Nuuchah-nulth people who were involved in the early years of the Commercial Sealing Industry, the first exposure to the churches and schools, relations with the early settlers and on November 17, 1874 a census of seven tribes in the Barkley Sound. The census was broken down into a list of houses and names and numbers in each of these houses. For example according to this census:

**U tlo iith ahts (Ucluelet)** — had a total population of 287; 81 being men, 87 women, 49 youth and 70 children living in 19 houses under three chiefs named Klawit too ah, A in chith it, (a male child) Ahu cheelth and a warchief named Iya pa noolth.

**To kwah ahts (Toquaht)** — had a total of 47 members; 14 men, 13 women, eight youth and 12 children living in six houses under three chiefs: Hi yoo meek, Yahth too ah and Nan it tuk sulth.

**Se shah ahts (Tse shaht)** — total population: 161; 39 men, 38 women, 35

said that his full report will be sent to the Tribal Council in the near future.

**ILAP** — Bert Mack of the Toquaht Band was named as the Tribal Council's representative on the ILAP Board, which will distribute \$15 million in job-creation projects for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District. Any bands that have projects in mind for this board should contact Bert.

The next meeting of the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council has been set for May 6 and 7 in Nitinaht.

### Cultural Research Report

youth and 49 children living in 10 houses. The chiefs being named as I ya pa noolth, Tah wun is sim, U uk kwi up, Chah shim is sum.

**E koolth aht** — numbered 48; 12 men, 13 women, 11 youth, 12 children living in two houses under a chief named Hy lth che nuk.

**Opetch is ahts** — totaled 53; 14 men, 13 women, 14 youth and 12 children living in four houses. One chief, Kah now ish and Wy ye eese mentioned as the widow of a chief.

**Oheh ahts (Ohiaht)** — totaled 262; 88 men, 75 women, 46 youth and 53 children, in 11 houses with Haht sik and Teh is sim named as chiefs.

**Ow chuk lis ahts (Uchucklesaht)** — numbered 91, 28 men, 26 women, seven youth and 30 children in seven houses with one young chief Hah as tah sa noolth and his guardian Nahs min is.

The total population for these seven tribes in Barkley Sound was 949. This need not be considered total population, but only the recorded population for these seven tribes at this time of the year.

Other topics include hunting, fishing and sealing regulations, territories claimed by tribes on the coast which in some cases include petitions and land descriptions. All information gathered from these microfilms are being filed and will be stored in the archives, which will be a part of the Nuuchah-nulth Cultural Centre.

### MUSEUM WORKSHOP

The dates for a three-day planning workshop for the Museum Cultural Centre have been

### Ahousat News

By CORBY GEORGE

First of all we'd like to congratulate the senior ladies from here who did so well in the Island finals in basketball. Our girls took first place in Nanaimo over Duncan. Vina Robinson got the MVP award along with all-star as did Cindy Frank. Once again congrats ladies! Good luck at the B.C. finals!

Rocky Titian's potlatch was a well organized party, a little late in starting but it wouldn't be Indian time if it wasn't. I

don't own a camera otherwise I'd have sent some pictures, the best parts I enjoy are the dances. These potlatches seem to create a unity stronger than anything said or done.

The Ahousat delegation to the NTC meetings held at the Rodeway Inn, February 11th and 12th would like to thank the Opetchesaht's for the fine meal that was served at the Opetchesaht building on February 11th. Kleco! Kleco! Kleco!

changed from March 4, 5, 6 at the Christie gymnasium to March 25, 26 and 27 at the Christie gymnasium. The purpose of this workshop is to define a storyline for the Nuuchah-nulth Museum. What story do we want to tell? How do we want to tell it? What are Nuuchah-nulth people all about?

The designer and architect for the facility will be at this meeting along with representatives of the board of directors for the Cultural Society and Nuuchah-nulth elders.

All members of the recently hired Cultural History Research staff and West Coast Native Arts staff will be visiting all reserves to assist in making arrangements for the elders, so be expecting to see and hear from us in the near future.

Members of the cultural staff include:

**Wilson (Buddy) George**: presently working at the Archeology Division of the BCPM in Victoria completing the paperwork of the Meares Island Archeological Survey that they did last summer.

### POTLATCH INVITATION

Friends and relatives of the late Ada Williams, James Williams, and Matthew Williams Jr. are invited to attend a memorial potlatch, hosted by Mary Johnson, at MAHT MAHS, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1983, at 1 p.m.

After the Memorial there will be a "Coming of Age" ceremony for the daughters of Brian and Marg Amos.

### "Mighty Mite" now operating at Hot Springs

The Hesquiaht Band has taken delivery of a Mighty Mite portable sawmill which has now been operating for the last month on their Hot Springs Cove reserve.

Two band members, Bruce Lucas and Larry Lucas are operating the mill and they have been trained by Allan Dale from Flores Island.

The operation, which was funded through the First Citizens Fund, will give the residents of the community a chance to purchase rough cut lumber at a fair price, with the added possibility of making some sales to the general public. At a band meeting in December the members decided that any band member will have the opportunity to bring logs to the mill for cutting, with the band to get half of the lumber and the band member to get half. The band member will also be responsible for the cost of fuel in cutting the logs.

Several band members have shown an interest in this opportunity, as this type of lumber is ideal for

renovations such as porches, additions, and cedar siding.

Chief Simon Lucas says that they haven't yet put an exact price on sales of lumber to outsiders but anyone who is interested in purchases should contact the band office and a good deal could be arranged. Whoever buys from the mill will be responsible for their freight costs. The mill can cut special orders such as 4x12's up to 24-foot lengths.

Allan Dale says that when running at full capacity the mill should be able to cut up to 6,000 board feet per day.

So far they have been cutting mostly cedar as there is quite a good supply on the reserve that has easy access to the mill. In the future the band also hopes to get into log salvage for their supply.

This mill is a good example of a band using the resources around them in order to gain independence and create some employment for their people.



The portable "Mighty Mite" sawmill is now producing lumber at Hot Springs Cove. Working on the mill are Bruce Lucas, Larry Lucas and Allan Dale who was responsible for the set-up and training

### Hot Springs Happenings

Work started on the new water line on January 21st, although a lot of negotiations by the council took place prior to that. Most of the line had been laid by the beginning of March, leaving the pump house construction, and the placement of the storage tank as the main jobs yet to be done. The system should be operating by the end of March, giving the village of Hot Springs Cove a steady supply of fresh, clean water for the first time since December '81. A large landslide tore out the other line that supplied the village with water and since that time everyone has had to make do with swamp water from a small lake.

The band had some difficulties with Fisheries who didn't want the line going into the creek at the end of the Cove. The Band Council took a strong stand on this issue saying that they were going to go ahead with it regardless of whether Fisheries approved or not. The Fisheries Department showed no concern for this creek when it was ravaged by the landslide in '81. They were called to the scene shortly afterwards by the band but never came up to investigate for several months afterwards.

Seven of the local men have been working on the water line project. They are Rusty Tom, Chris Charleson, Linus Lucas, Richard Lucas, Brian Lucas, William Ambrose and Victor Hanson. The contractors are Don Erickson, backhoe operator; Mack McKenzie, pipefitter and supervisor; Tony Barber, engineer and Joe Pr est, project manager.

The band is planning a party when the job is completed.

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The new Cultural Centre is being put to good use with the band office now moved in to the basement and the school classes being taught upstairs. Daily language lessons are being taught to the kids by Mamie Lucas and Louie Sabbas Sr., using traditional methods of teaching. The kids have also been taught some of the songs and lahal. In the future the band wants to build a separate school on the reserve.

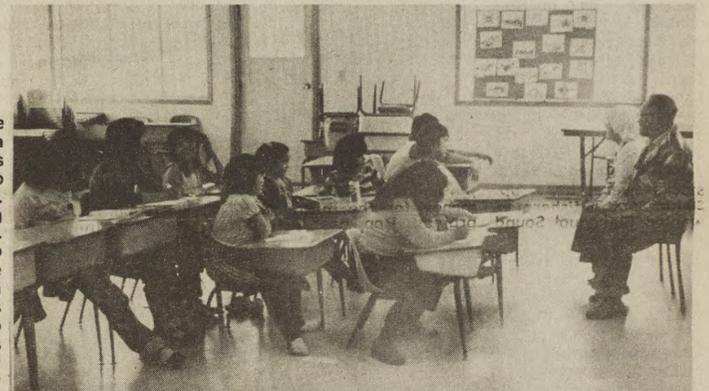
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The Economic Development Committee has been planning possible projects to help ease the unemployment problems. A total of 16 projects are under consideration which will be narrowed down before presenting them to

council. One of the proposals is to develop a brochure for Paul Lucas Sr. so that he can get into building canoes for sale. "Frisco" is now working on a 16-foot canoe. Charlie Lucas was also building a small canoe but he is back working in camp for now. Word has it that Billy Ambrose also has a canoe in the works but it's in hiding right now. Later this year some of the carvers plan to build a 40-foot whaling canoe which should be a sight to see.

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Most of the men have been keeping busy in one way or another the last few months with the water line project, the sawmill or out herring fishing or digging clams. The sawmill, a portable Mighty Mite, has been producing rough cut timber since the beginning of February. Bruce Lucas and Larry Lucas are operating the mill, under the guidance of Allan Dale.

### Mowachaht Grads

Two Mowachaht Band members have recently graduated from the GED program. They are Verna Jack and Eva Johnson. Congratulations!



Hesquiat language is being taught by Mamie Lucas and Louie Sabbas Sr. at Hot Springs Cove.

### Survey on Housing, Education, Employment, Health, and Social Needs

Five people have been hired by the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council to conduct surveys on the needs of the Nuuchah-nulth people in regards to housing, education, employment, health and social needs.

Working on the survey are June Babichuck, project manager; Linda Charleson, George Hamilton, Faith Jack and Linda Thomas.

They will be taking questionnaires around to all households on the west coast, status, non-status, on-reserve and off-reserve. This survey will start on Mon., March 14.

Co-ordinating the surveys complaints should be is Dave Lewis, NTC directed to Dave at the employment-education NTC Office, phone 724-1111 officer. Any questions or 5757.



**JOB FAIR RETURNS TO Gold River Mowachaht Community Hall Thursday, March 24, '83 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM See you there!**



## So You Want to Grow Oysters

In recent years, an increased demand for seafood products has led many people to become interested in business ventures in the seafood industry and, in particular, the oyster industry.

Growing oysters necessitates the use of public property, particularly the intertidal beach. In order to conserve the resource and to protect the rights of both nearby landowners as well as the public, there are extensive regulations governing use of these areas. As a result, people often become discouraged and confused by the seemingly large amount of paper work they must contend with to obtain use of foreshore for oyster culturing. Much of this confusion could be avoided if people understood the basic steps to follow when attempting to obtain an oyster lease and knew which questions to ask.

This article provides answers to the most frequently asked questions the Marine Resources Branch receives from people expressing an interest in entering the oyster business. It is not intended to provide all the information people will require once they have made a serious commitment to enter the industry. Sources for further information are given at the end of the article.

What is an oyster lease?  
An oyster lease is Crown land which is rented to an individual or company for the purpose of culturing or farming commercial quantities of oysters.

May I obtain an oyster lease for recreational use?  
NO. All oyster leases must be productively utilized for the commercial culture of oysters, as temporary holding areas for commercially grown oysters or as holding areas for young oysters. If no production is recorded from a lease, it can be taken away from the lessee.

Can I apply for a lease to culture other animals?  
Yes. A mollusc or a mariculture lease is available to persons wishing to culture mussels, salmon, etc. The

key word in this question is culture: harvesting alone is not sufficient grounds for obtaining a lease. For example, no person can obtain a lease for an area of beach which has a good clam population simply for the purpose of personal use. However, if a suitable beach is utilized to enhance clam production by planting seed clams and farming the area, a lease may be allowed. Each application is considered individually.

Are all leases for the intertidal area?  
No. A person can apply for intertidal leases for bottom culture and subtidal leases for raft or tray culture are available.

Does the Marine Resources Branch supply a list of areas available for growing oysters?  
NO. The Marine Resources Branch does not distribute lists of areas suitable for oyster or other shellfish culture.

How do I know if the area I would like to lease is suitable for oysters?  
After a specific area has been chosen by an applicant, arrangements can be made with the staff of the Marine

Resources Branch to assess the area for its oyster culture potential. Every lease applied for through the Lands Branch is assessed by the Marine Resources Branch, and the Marine Resources Branch makes recommendations for approval or refusals to the Lands Branch.

Where can I apply for a lease?  
Applications are made through your Regional Land Management Office, British Columbia Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing. The Marine Resources Branch does not issue applications for leases or grant leases. (This procedure may change in the near future.)

Must I survey a lease?  
An applicant is responsible for having the lease surveyed. It is not recommended that you survey the lease until you have been notified by Lands Branch to do so. This may save unnecessary expense if the lease is not granted or is modified in some way. If the particular area has been previously surveyed, a re-survey may not be necessary.

Are leases the only method available to me when I apply for oyster culture?  
NO. You may apply for a licence of occupation or a lease. There are advantages and disadvantages to each of these methods: briefly, the difference between them are as follows:

Oyster Licence of Occupation:  
—survey may be required.  
—the consent of the upland owner is required if improvements are allowed.

Licences of occupation are commonly used in remote areas or for temporary storage. The term of a licence of occupation is a maximum of 10 years. Re-application is necessary after expiry.

Oyster Lease:  
—survey is required.  
—the consent of the upland owner is required.  
—improvements are allowed.

The most common arrangements oyster growers use are oyster leases. The term of a lease is a maximum of 20 years. Re-application is necessary after expiry.

Where can I obtain further information regarding oyster culture practices?  
Further information on oyster leases or licences can be obtained from the Regional Land Management Office, Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing. Information concerning the culture of oysters may be obtained by contacting the Marine Resources Branch, Shellfish Section, Ministry of Environment, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, British Columbia (112-387-1537) or N.T.C. Mariculture Project, 724-5757 (Fred Sieber, Ann Marshall, Sam Haiyupis).

### ★ ★ ★ Filing Clerk

Hired for the position of Filing Clerk for the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council is Jackie Watts, from the Tseshaht Band. Jackie previously worked as secretary in the Tseshaht Band office.

### ★ ★ ★ SE Training Program

Starting on March 7, four people began training for a Salmon Enhancement Management Training program at the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council office.

The trainees are Alfred Keitlah Jr., Ahousaht Band; Philip Mack, Toquaht Band; Joey Watts, Tseshaht Band and Allan McCarthy, Ucluelet Band. Their instructor is Ian Bruce.

The training is funded by CEIC and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and will include field work at Thornton Creek Hatchery and course work which will be done at Christie Residence. A thank you goes out to Pat Little and Christie Res. for making their facilities available.

The training period will be for one year and then two of the group will be ready to be hatchery managers and two will be hatchery foremen — field workers. It is expected that they will be placed in new hatcheries on the west coast next year.

### ★ ★ ★ NTC Meet May 6, 7 Nitinat

## Toquaht Band Facility and Gallery now under construction

The Toquaht Band is presently constructing a band office facility and art gallery in Ucluelet. The new building, which is in the style of a native longhouse, is located next to the band's Toquaht Building Supplies, at the entrance of the village of Ucluelet.

The architects for the project were Maa Kum Space Design from West Vancouver, a firm that specializes in Native Indian designs.

The building will have a band office and meeting rooms downstairs and an art gallery upstairs, which will be the home of Duquah Gallery, presently located in the

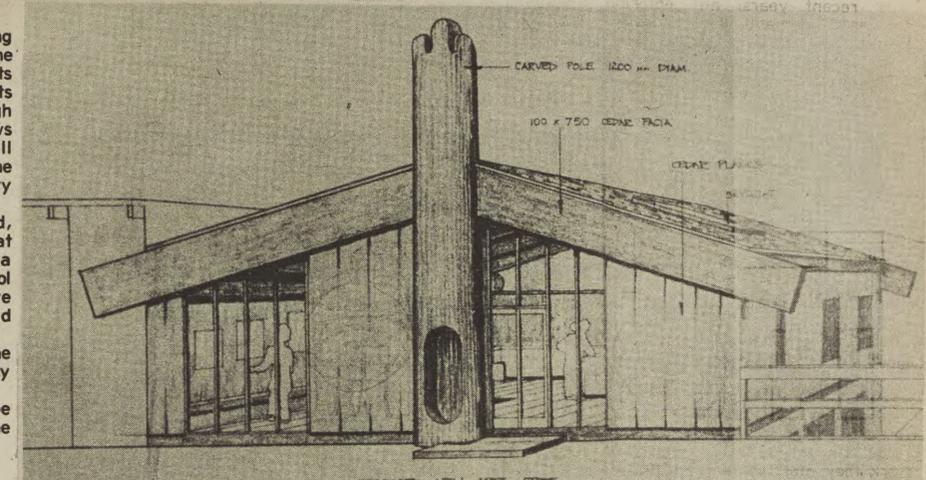
building supplies area.

The new building combines the best of the old and the new in its design and features lots of natural light through the large front windows and skylights and will have a fireplace in the centre of the gallery area.

The chief of the band, Bert Mack, says that hopefully there will be a place for a carving school downstairs where native people can learn and practice carving skills.

He hopes that the facility will be ready by May of this year.

This building should be an attractive sight as one enters Ucluelet.



Proposed band facility and art gallery being built by the Toquaht Band in Ucluelet.

### Friendship Centre hires Youth Workers

The Port Alberni Friendship Centre has recently hired two people to work with the young people in the community. They are Randy Morgan and Josephine Thompson.

They will be helping young people to find alternative things to do such as cultural activities, sports field trips.

There are now weekly youth meetings at the centre, if you have any ideas or suggestions please feel free to attend. Call in at the centre to find out the times for these meetings. Don't be afraid to try something new!

### YOUTH CULTURAL WORKER

My job here at the Friendship Centre is working with children of all ages to encourage them in different crafts; so here goes:

#### THE INDIAN

Fasted or abstained in order to be a great (hunter, fisherman, and athlete) which meant he had to be strong to provide for his family and the rest of the people in the village.

He took baths morning and evening. While doing this he prayed to the Great Spirit (the Creator) for he knew we were put here on this planet for some good reason.

#### Birthday Celebration

Many members of the Mack family in Ucluelet got together on February 18 to celebrate the birthdays of Norman Mack, Feb. 20 and David Johnson, Feb. 21.

The party took place at Jessie Mack's on Pine St. David, who is Bert and Lil's grandson, turned five years old.

Norm has now reached the point in life where his age is a confidential matter, but it is rumored that he is holding steady at 39. He was given a .308 rifle by the family, something that he has always wanted.

### Nurse finds life on West Coast difficult

Susan Humphreys, the new Community Health Nurse for the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council who is stationed in Tofino area, is finding life very different on the West Coast. After her 46 months in Saudi Arabia, the weather, for example, is one extreme to another in both places. One surely needs rain gear and gum boots to survive on the coast.

While visiting one reserve, I found a perpendicular ramp with no rails, up from the float plane wharf. I wondered, with my back-pack, if I was to experience a swim in the salt chuck. Recent word has it, that two days later a new ramp, complete with a railing, is in place for my next visit.

I'm certainly finding people friendly and helpful where I've been. I'm looking forward to seeing much more of you and learning more about your culture.

Josephine Thompson

### Sober Dance

The Mowachaht Alcohol Awareness Committee Draw has been postponed from February 28, 1983 to March 19, 1983, at the Sober Dance.

SOBER DANCE — Featuring the Siwash Band on March 19, 1983 from 7:30 p.m. till 1 a.m. — At the Gold River Elementary School Gym.

Admission — \$15 per couple or \$10 per person. (This includes food).

Age Limit — 15 years and up. For tickets or more information please contact Ethel Savey at 283-2532 or 283-7209. (billeting available).

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The Duquah Gallery, presently located at Toquaht Building Supplies, will soon be moving into its new home next door. The gallery features fine native arts and crafts including jewellery, west coast baskets, silkscreen prints, soapstone carvings, masks, headdresses and other carvings, beadwork, moccasins, Indian sweaters and much more.

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# Nuu-Chah-Nulth Language Writing Survey

## Nuu-chah-hulh Writing Survey

A. The following is a survey to find out how the Nuu-chah-nulh wish to write their language. There are many writing systems. Every letter suggested is good for some reasons. We must decide which reasons are most important, and select the letters which match our goals for a writing system. This is an important question. Writing is being learned by language teacher trainees and others, and will be taught to children in Ha-Ho-Payuk School in the near future.

The teachers at Ha-Ho-Payuk School and the language teacher trainees are starting to write down language lessons, simple stories and materials (e.g. flashcards). They wish to use a writing system supported by the community. The children will learn to write most easily if the parents and the community support their learning. Any work on lessons for the language will be most useful and successful if it is written in a system supported by the community.

There are many reasons for picking one letter over another: to make sure every different Nuu-chah-nulh sound has its own letter; to make the writing look like English (and easier for adults to learn); to make it look different from English; to use the system in which the Sapir and Swadesh books are published; to use whatever the children learn best; to use a system which can be typed with a regular typewriter.

### B. Shared Letters

Some letters are shared by all writing systems for Nuu-chah-nulh: p t k s h m n y w a i. Some letters, in English, are pronounced like another letter; i.e. c (=k), q (=k), x (=ks). These letters are spares and can be used for two sounds in Nuu-chah-nulh: x for 'front h' and q for 'back k'. Some sounds in Nuu-chah-nulh are made with a 'throat catch'. This catch is written as a hook, as in p't'k'. These sounds are distinct from p t k in the language, just as b d g are distinct from p t k in English.

### C. Sounds Shown by Different Letters

Some Nuu-chah-nulh sounds have been written with more than one letter. Capital letters next to symbols stand for the source of the symbol: P for phonetic/ Amerindian, SSa for Nootka Texts, SSb for Native Accounts of Nootka Ethnography, K for Klokeid's Kyuquot writing system, TA for Thomas and Arima's Sheshaht writing system.

#### 1. Round Sounds

A back sound can be made with round lips. This can be shown by a little raised <sup>w</sup> or a plain w. P, SSa & b use <sup>w</sup>: k<sup>w</sup> q<sup>w</sup> k'<sup>w</sup> x<sup>w</sup>. K & TA use a plain w: kw qw kw'. The advantage to the little raised <sup>w</sup> is that a round sound is written differently from a sound followed by a w. In Nuu-chah-nulh, the underlined parts of the following two words sound different to a fluent speaker: wik<sup>w</sup>waas 'not going outside' and n'ik<sup>w</sup>aa 'scratching, clawing'. If we use kw for both types of sounds, two different sounds end up with one letter in Nuu-chah-nulh writing. The advantage to the plain w is that it can be typed on a regular typewriter.

#### 2. Two-part Sounds

Some sounds are written in an English-type writing system with two letters. K & TA write certain Nuu-chah-nulh sounds this way: ts ts' tl

tl' ch ch' sh. In other writing systems (such as P and SSa), every Nuu-chah-nulh sound is spelled with one letter. The above sounds are spelled as follows: c c' x x' č č' š. The advantages to using one letter for one sound are that every Nuu-chah-nulh word will begin with one consonant ('hard sound') letter just as every Nuu-chah-nulh word begins with only one consonant sound. There are no consonant clusters like sl, st, ty, tr, sp etc. in this language. Also, if we write these sounds with two letters, we will be using the h letter both to help build sounds as in English and to stand for a sound as well. In English, h is not pronounced if it follows a letter; e.g. sh, ch, th, ph in sash, catch, tooth, epitaph. In Nuu-chah-nulh, h-like sounds can follow many sounds, including the two-part sounds mentioned above. For example, k'atshaq (k'achaq) 'blanket', katlhak (kałhak) 'daylight', paashhuk (paašhuk) 'Raven's wife, flightly'. Also, in Nuu-chah-nulh, these two-part sounds can be treated as one sound or as two sounds. This affects the meaning of the word. Compare qatshitl (qačič) 'puncture' and qatshitl (qatšič) 'break'. Then compare these words to the one meaning 'blanket'. If we use two letters for one sound, the letters tsh would stand for three Nuu-chah-nulh pronunciations. The advantages to using two letters for the above sounds is that it is more learnable by people who already write English and it can be typed on a regular typewriter.

#### 3. Glottal m n y w

When p t k are made with a 'throat catch', the hook is written after the letter and the catch comes after the p t k sound. But when there is a 'throat catch' with m n y w in Nuu-chah-nulh, the catch comes before the m n y w sound. This is a small technical difference. The question is: where do we put the hook? SSa and K place it on top: m' n' y' w'. SSb places it before: m' n' y' w'. TA places a different letter before: ?m ?n ?y ?w. P and practical systems place the hook after: m' n' y' w'. There is no advantage to placing the hook on top and it is hard to type. Placing the hook before the letter is accurate, in terms of what people say. Using the 'question mark' (glottal stop) makes the sound in glottal m seem different from the sound in glottal p or t or k. All glottal sounds are made in the same way: by stopping the wind pipe inside the voice box. Using a hook after the m n y w is practical, easy to type, and maintains the similarity of all glottal catch sounds, whether made with a p or t or k or m or n or y or w. Some examples of glottal sounds in Nuu-chah-nulh words are: y'am'a 'salalberry' and p'ap'ii 'ear'.

#### 4. Round Vowel

Nuu-chah-nulh has one round vowel. It has been written as o (by SSa and TA) or u (by SSb, K, P). Examples are tupkak (topkak) 'black' and situp (sitop) 'blueberry'. The letter o is a better description of the tongue's position. It can be read in several ways from the English point of view. Compare the words port and cot. The letter u is a better description of the lips' shape. It can also be read in several ways from the English point of view; as in put and but. One advantage to u is that is considered one of the three basic vowels (a i u) in many phonetic and practical writing systems, including ones for Indian languages. Also,

in Nuu-chah-nulh, short vowels must be spelled differently from long ones. Compare naani 'grizzly' and nani 'grandma/grandpa'. Using oo might make people pronounce the sound as in English boot. That is not a long vowel. Using uu might help people remember the sound is long, just as ii and aa are long vowels.

#### 5. Long Vowels

Actually, long vowels could be written in at least two ways: by writing the vowel letter twice (aa ii uu) or by writing a dot after the letter (a' i' u'). The advantage to using double letters is that it looks long, it can be typed on a regular typewriter, it can be seen easily, and it is forgotten less often. The advantage to the dot is that, if o were used for the round vowel, the long version (o') would not look like English oo in boot.

#### 6. Other h-like Sounds

There are four h-like sounds in Nuu-chah-nulh. Two always have the same letter in all systems: x for 'front h' as in xachaa 'separating' and h as in haa 'yes'. There is also a 'gargly h sound' as in xitskwachyuu 'smashed, broken'. This is a rare sound. It has been written x (SSa), gh (K), X (TA), and also x̄ (P) and x̄. The value of the dot under the letter is that this is a common sign of a back sound, it leaves the letter looking like a regular letter and it is a common Amerindian and Arabic symbol, at least traditionally. The gh is not practical (gh is pronounced as g in English, or is not pronounced at all). The capital X symbol is easy to type but looks odd mid-word.

The other symbol, x̄, with underlining is being used more and more often in practical Indian writing systems, e.g. the Smalgyax (Tsimshian) and Kwakw'ala (Kwakiutl) systems. It is easy to type.

There is a second h-like sound in Nuu-chah-nulh. It is made by pulling the back of the tongue toward the back of the throat. It is found in a word like hayu 'ten'. This h-like sound has been written h̄ (SSa), H (TA), h'' (K), and also as h̄ (in Arabic) or h̄. The advantages of the dot versus the capital letter versus the underline are the same as for the other letter. The same method (dot, capital, underline) should be selected for both the gargly h and the throat (sighing) h.

#### 7. Throat Stops

In Nuu-chah-nulh, air can be stopped at the voice box (glottal stop) as in ma'as (ma'as) 'tribe' or between the back of the tongue and the back of the throat (pharyngeal stop) as in t'is'as (t'is'as) 'sitting outside'. The glottal stop has been written ? (SSa & b, TA, P) or ' (K). The 'question mark' is traditional for phonetic, Arabic, and Indian writing. The 'hook' can be typed on a regular typewriter and shows that this glottal catch is the same sound as the one made sometimes with a p as in p'ap'ii 'ear' or a m as in y'am'a 'salalberry'.

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The pharyngeal stop (made in the throat above the voice box) has been written ' (SSa), ' (SSb), " (K), ! (TA), and ' (Arabic, IBM typewriter ball). The first two letters are traditional to Nuuchah-nulth. They are difficult to type. The " is easy to type and looks similar to the glottal mark '. The exclamation mark is easy to type is not distracting in print, like capital letters are. The backwards question mark is used by linguists for pharyngeal stops both in this language and in Interior Salish languages. It cannot be typed on a regular typewriter.

### D. Summary

Selecting a writing system for Nuuchah-nulth is not a big problem. But it is an important problem. For a writing system to be useful, it must be popular. It must serve the everyday needs of people wishing to write the language. The main choice is whether to have a traditional one-letter one-sound Sapir and Swadesh type system or whether to have a practical system which looks like English and can be typed with an ordinary typewriter. If a practical system is chosen, it may affect the pronunciation of the language, just as English spelling has affected English pronunciation. In addition, if a practical system is chosen, some specialists, such as native researchers, language teachers and museum workers will need to know the traditional system (Sapir & Swadesh, linguistics) in order to use the published texts and linguistic materials. This is not a big problem. Language specialists are used to using more than one writing system for more than one purpose. Consider what the writing will be used for: stories, language lessons, announcements, signs, etc.

The selection of a writing system boils down to eight choices. Check back through the reasons for selecting a system (see part A of this article) and then as you come to a particular choice below, check back to the reasons given for each choice (see part C of this article).

CHOICES	PICK ONE
1. We will write <u>round</u> sounds with a little raised <sup>w</sup> or a plain w.	k <sup>w</sup> kw
2. We will write two-part sounds with <u>one</u> letter or <u>two</u> letters.	č ch
3. We will put the catch mark <u>before</u> , <u>above</u> , <u>after</u> m n y w.	ṁ ṁ m'
4. We will use <u>o</u> or <u>u</u> .	o u
5. We will show long vowels by using a <u>dot</u> or a <u>double letter</u> sign.	a' aa
6. We will write the throat (pharyngeal) h with a <u>dot</u> , <u>capital</u> , or <u>underline</u> .	ḥ H ḥ
7. We will write the glottal catch with a <u>question mark</u> or a <u>hook</u> .	? ' ,
8. We will write the throat (pharyngeal) stop with a <u>hook/dot</u> , <u>backwards question mark</u> , <u>quote mark</u> , or <u>exclamation mark</u> .	' ' ' !

## Proposed Dialect Survey

A dialect survey is being proposed for the Nuuchah-nulth speaking area by Dr. Suzanne Rose. She has worked on Nuuchah-nulth sound and grammatical patterns for five years. The survey would begin now and continue till summer. The proposal has been approved by George Watts, Tribal Council Chairman. Four speakers from each of eight bands would be interviewed. The speakers would be elderly and fluent in their particular dialect of the language. Each speaker would be interviewed for about six hours. Exactly the same questions would be asked to everyone.

The size of the survey was based on available funds. Thirty people can be interviewed and it is necessary to have several people from one band in order to tell if something special in a person's speech is personal or is due to the dialect. Bands from Port Alberni to Cape Scott have been selected and consultants have been suggested. The survey funds were obtained from the federal government, as a research grant. The funds cover travel and taping expenses and consultant fees. The questions to be asked were developed during the fall of 1981, the spring and fall of 1982, by Suzanne Rose, with the help of George Louie, a speaker of Ahousat. The survey divides into six parts:

1. talking briefly (for three to five minutes) about oneself (a dangerous or funny experience) and/or about how to speak correctly;
2. copying a brief traditional story told in Nuuchah-nulth;
3. answering questions about oneself; e.g. when and where the speaker and his/her parents were born;
4. copying Nuuchah-nulth words in the speaker's particular style;
5. translating English words or phrases into Nuuchah-nulth;
6. answering questions about what might make people speak Nuuchah-nulth differently; e.g. the speaker's feelings, age, sex, band group; the topic of conversation; or the situation.

### Betty Tatoosh Graduates from Day Care Course

Betty Tatoosh from the Opetchesah Band was one of 17 graduating students from the Native Day Care class at Okanagan College. Graduation ceremonies were held at the Osoyoos Indian Band Hall on February 18, with a dance following. About 500 people attended to help the grads celebrate this occasion. Betty now has to complete two practicum sessions, one 320 hours and another 500 hours, before she receives her provincial early childhood licence certificate. She is taking her practicum at the Ha-Ho Payuk School in Port Alberni along with another one of the '83 grads, Ellen Antoine from Merritt.

## Alcohol Abuse

by June Hooper

June Hooper is a registered nurse who recently moved to Vancouver Island from Seattle. While there she completed course work for a master's in cross-cultural community health nursing from the University of Washington.

Alcohol abuse is not just an Indian problem. Most Western societies and some non-Western ones as well could be described as drinking societies — that is, societies in which the majority of people use alcohol to one degree or another.

In the United States, for example, researchers estimate that 40 per cent of the population can be considered light drinkers. Another 13 per cent drink moderate amounts and 12 per cent are heavy drinkers. Only 29 per cent do not drink at all. In other words, nearly 70 per cent of the population uses alcohol.

Alcohol is a drug and it is harmful. A little causes a little harm. A lot can cause a lot of harm and chronic use can cause irreversible harm and eventual death.

Although alcohol is legal to use, it may be more insidiously harmful than many illegal drugs because it affects every tissue in the body. It mixes completely and readily in water and the body is made of 70 per cent water. Within minutes after taking a drink alcohol can be found throughout the body — skin, lungs, brain, heart, etc.

Use of alcohol has social as well as physical consequences. Researchers all over the world are studying it and writing about it. There are many theories about why people drink and who is and who is not an alcoholic. Before looking at some of these theories, let's examine a few more statistics which show how far-reaching the effects of alcohol really are, again using a United States' study as an example:

- 50 per cent of all fatal automobile accidents are alcohol-related.
- 30 per cent of the non-fatal automobile accidents are alcohol-related.
- 56 per cent of reported violence involves persons who have been drinking.
- 54 per cent of the murders committed involve alcohol use. It has been estimated

that one-third of all hospital admissions involve people who have alcohol-related illnesses.

Looking at Indian populations specifically, the statistics are even more alarming. Even though actual physical addiction to alcohol does not appear to be any higher among Indians than non-Indians, more than one-half of most Indian populations use alcohol consistently and excessively. As a result, even non-drinkers are likely to be involved with or influenced by a "problem drinker."

Alcohol has been named as the number one killer and the most serious health, social and economic problems among Indians. Its use has led to pneumonia, accidents, burns, freezing to death, malnutrition among children and even infant death.

Indian suicide rates have been as high as twice the national average and it is thought that 75 to 80 per cent of these are alcohol-related.

Homicide rates are also higher than the national average. The murders are rarely planned and occur almost entirely as a result of fights or arguments while drinking.

These statistics show that alcohol is a legitimate concern for nearly all communities, both Indian and non-Indian. So why do people drink? Ancient records show that the use of alcohol goes back a long way in some societies — ancient Egypt and ancient Rome, for example — and that people even then were concerned about the effects of excessive use. Of course it was not, and is not, the only drug which people use and misuse. The theme that seems to run throughout human history is that life is hard and using drugs makes it easier to bear. While there is no evidence that North American Indians used alcohol prior to contact with Europeans, other types of mind-altering substances or rituals, may have been available for similar purposes.

As stated previously, there are many definitions of alcohol abuse and many theories about the causes — almost as many as there are people studying it. To begin with, there are several terms being used by researchers. Physical addiction means that a person will have withdrawal symptoms some

time after he or she has stopped drinking. Psychological dependence means individuals believe they need alcohol and do not wish to give it up. These people may not be physically dependent.

People who drink regularly build up a tolerance to alcohol. Although people like to brag about being able to "hold their liquor," all this means is that the nervous system has gotten so used to being bathed in alcohol that it has learned to compensate. It does not mean that no harm is being done.

An example of how the body learns to compensate in order to function can be found in children who play a game of spinning — after spinning around for several minutes they try to walk. At first they stumble. But then, with effort, their bodies compensate and they are able to walk straight even though they still feel dizzy.

Tolerance to alcohol also means that people need to drink more and

more to get the same effect. If a person drinks to relax or to "get high" and if he drinks every day, he will need more and more alcohol to feel the same way. In fact, if chronic alcoholics are honest about it, they probably never feel that sense of euphoria, that warm glow, that they felt in the early days of their drinking.

People who have a tolerance to alcohol may not necessarily be alcoholics. It is probably better to use the term "problem drinker" rather than alcoholic because not all problem drinkers are addicted. A good definition of problem drinkers is provided by the World Health Organization: "excessive drinkers whose dependence upon alcohol has attained such a degree that it shows a noticeable mental disturbance or an interference with their bodily or mental health, their interpersonal relations, and their smooth social and economic functioning..."

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#### A DEDICATION IN MEMORY OF JOE 'SHORTY FRANK' MY DAD

DAD:  
It's been over three years now, Dad, It doesn't seem that long, I wish it wasn't, I wish it didn't happen, I miss you so much...so very much I still think of you as in terms of... "Dad doesn't or Dad likes..." We speak about you every day Dad We remember your gentle teasing, Your practical jokes with a mischievous smile, Remember your infectious laugh Remember your gentle scoldings Remember your generosity so well, Dad, You were always so giving and sharing It's so hard to actually believe that I won't see or hear you again. But Dad, you know what? These last three years have been hard on all of us, We still feel the tremendous loss, The impact hurts, God, it hurts I imagine what you would say if you were here to see... The things we say and do— And Dad, the antics of the grandchildren, You would love and appreciate everything. You had a personality so very powerful Everyone you met felt special...singled out— You had that effect Dad — Did you know that???

I appreciate everything I remember of you, And I'm so thankful for what precious little time we had together, Dad Only ... I wished I could have had another lifetime with you I only wish Dad, you were still here to be guiding and helping Mom with the rest of the kids— Dad we all miss you so and it hurts so very much Even now... Love you Dad.

#### LOVE GLORI

## Tseshah 3rd Annual Bowling Tournament

March 5 & 6 at Rainbow Lanes



Shesah Bowling tournament individual awards were given to Ken Sam, men's high single (323); Angie Miller, ladies high single (289); Mary Ann Tom, ladies high triple (695) and Jack Armstrong, men's high triple (for the third year in a row), (795).



A Division winners Campbell River White Tower Pizza: Shelley Henderson Pearl Dick Diane Henderson, and Dale Henderson,



B Division winners, Port Alberni Bloopers: Gloria Ross, Millie Watts, Lisa Watts and Brad Starr



C Division winners, Port Alberni Wagonburners: Earl Tatoosh Sr., Angie Miller, Bev Unger and Jim Tatoosh.

Trophies also were presented to the second place finishers in each division. They were Nanoose Strikers in A Division, Duncan 4-T's in B Division and the Ukeke Natives from Ucluelet in C Division.

# Ha-Shilth-Sa Sports

## Hoyas Take Men's Island Playoffs



Port Alberni Hoyas, '83 Island Zone Champs. Front row: Andrew Bos, Danny Samuel, William Little, Peter Little; back row: Harvey Thomas, coach; Terry Amos, Hammy watts, Ruben Amos, Rick Thomas, Doug Sinclair, Darvi Watts and Boyd Gallic.

The Hoyas from Port Alberni came out on top of 12 teams to capture the 1983 Senior Men's Island Zone Playoffs, held at the Alberni Athletic Hall on February 25-27.

The Hoyas met the Cowichan Saints in the championship game, with the winners leading throughout and coming away with a 71 to 69 victory. The Hoyas had a comfortable lead for most of the game, leading by 12 points at halftime, but the Saints came on strong in the final seconds but a long shot by Thorne rolled off the rim, giving the championship to the Hoyas. The Hoyas were kept in the game with the accurate shooting of Boyd Gallic who also got scoring help from Hammy Watts and Rick Thomas. Gallic led all scorers with 24 points in the game and he was chosen the tournament MVP, while Hammy Watts added 18 and Rick Thomas had 16. Nelson had 20 and Thorne 17 points to lead the Saints.

The second place Saints narrowly edged the Hesquiat Braves in the semi-final game, winning by a score of 69 to 67.

Other teams in the tournament were the Roadrunners, Buckeyes and Fitness Kings from Port Alberni; the Clayoquot Chiefs (most sportsmanlike team); the Trollers Ahoutah; and Roadrunners from Ahousat; Ucluelet CNFC Thunderbirds, and Hommis Wolfreens from Gold River.

Trophy presentations below:

1st place — Port Alberni Hoyas.

2nd place — Cowichan Saints.

3rd place — Hesquiat Braves.

**First allstars:** Boyd Gallic, Hoyas; Rick Thomas, Hoyas; Alex Nelson, Duncan; Charlie Timmins, Duncan; Chuck Lucas, Hesquiat.

**Second allstars:** Tony Fred, P.A. Roadrunners; Ruben Amos, Hoyas; Doug Sinclair, Hoyas; Jack Little, P.A. Roadrunners; Dan Thorne, Duncan.

**Most valuable player:** Boyd Gallic, Hoyas.

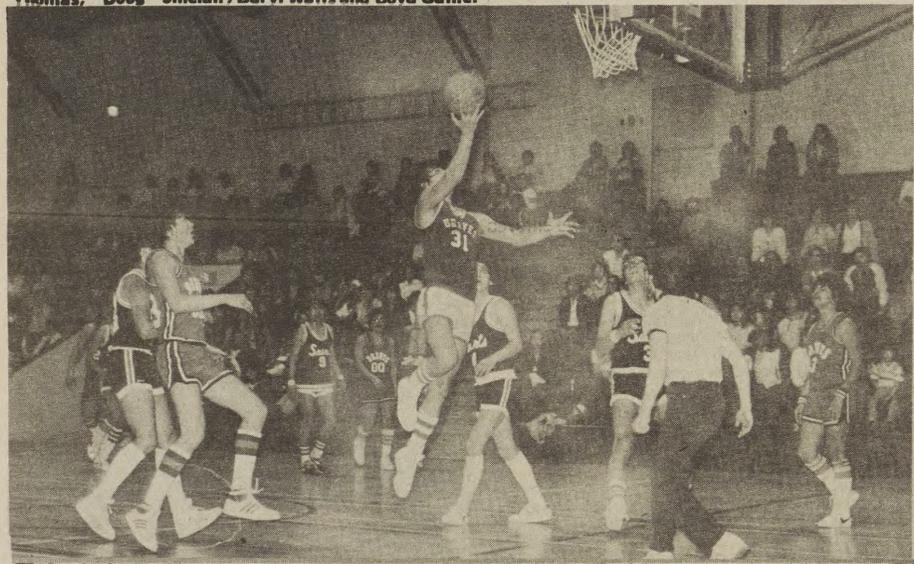
**Best defensive player:** Hammy Watts, Hoyas.

**Most inspirational player:** Rick Thomas, Hoyas.

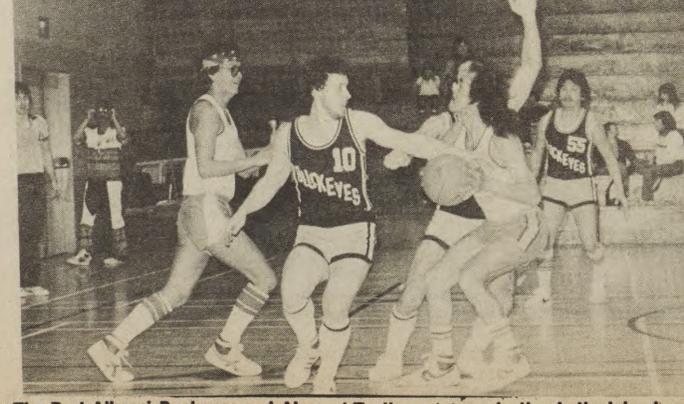
**Most sportsmanlike player:** Doug Williams, Duncan.

**Most sportsmanlike team:** Clayoquot Chiefs.

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Daryl Charleson of the Hesquiat Braves breaks through the Cowichan defense during the Island zone playoffs.



The Port Alberni Buckeyes and Ahousat Trollers met each other in the Island zone.

### Track & Field, Softball Registration

Looking ahead to the month of May the Port Alberni Friendship Centre is planning two sports events: a Senior Men's Softball Tournament on May 21, 22 and 23; and their annual Track and Field Meet during the last weekend in May. The Centre is now taking names of people who want to register for the Centre's track team and/or committee. See Wally at the Centre. Anyone who is interested in playing softball can also register with Wally. Softball for all ages: boys, girls, men and women.



Boyd Gallic Men's Island Zone MVP

## Kwisa-ahts champs in tournament

The Port Alberni Friendship Centre "Kwis a-ahts" ladies basketball team were the hosting team at an All-Native tournament held at the Alberni Athletic Hall on February 19 and 20.

The Kwis a-ahts were the only undefeated team in the round-robin tourney, winning all four of their games with little trouble so they received the championship trophy. Ucluelet Sa-Sinns placed second with a three and one record.

Other teams in the tournament were Mt. Currie Ts-zil, Campbell River and the Vancouver Indian Centre.

Vancouver was presented with the most sportsmanlike team award. First all-star trophies went to Sherry Stager (Mt. Currie), Liz Bos (Port Alberni), Darlene Patrick (Ucluelet), Lia Morgan (Vancouver) and April Sieber (Port Alberni).

The second all-stars were Phyllis Haipee (Ucluelet), Shelly Wilcox (Campbell River), Andrea Amos (Port Alberni), Vicki John (Mt. Currie) and Verena Cootes (Port Alberni).

### Two Friendship Centre teams win at Jr. Island Playoffs

The Port Alberni Friendship Centre Junior basketball teams reigned supreme at the Island Zone Playoffs held in Duncan on March 5 and 6. Both the girls' and boys' teams captured first place, going undefeated on the weekend.

The girls, Smurfettes team came through with wins over Ucluelet, Nanaimo, Alert Bay, and Nanaimo again in the finals. The boys won against Mission, Cowichan, and Cowichan in the finals.

For the Smurfettes Paula Amos and Claudine Watts were first allstars, and Claudine was also best defensive player.

For the Warriors Gary McCarthy was a first allstar and Danny Samuel was second allstar, while Mack Sinclair was the MVP.

The Tseshahnt boys were the tournament's most sportsmanlike team and Eddie Newman and Jed Dick received second allstar trophies.

The most sportsmanlike team in the girls' games was Campbell River.

Both the PAFC Smurfettes and Warriors will be at the B.C. Championships held in Nanaimo on April 9 and 10.

### THANK YOU ALL

Kleco Kleco!!! The Sheshaht Band Recreation Committee would like to say thank-you to the following for their kind donations of trophies to our first annual Senior Men's Basketball tournament: The Sheshaht Band for the first place perpetual, Royal Bank North Port, Lucky Printers, West Coast Information and Research Group, Alberni Hardware, Credit Union, King Edward Hotel, Taunus Soft Drink, Community Color, Phyllis Sam and Rose Tatoosh and family, McCoy Excavating, Tseshahnt Fund-Raising Group, Tseshahnt Market, Jack's Tires, Fitness King Sports, AV Times, Bob Thomas and family. Also a special thanks to all the volunteer help we received during the tournament with the concession, the door, scorekeeping, ticket sellers and clean-up.

### Kleco, Kleco!

First of all I would like to thank all the teams who entered our first annual tournament. For without teams there would be no tournament and also every team brings their own fans. These fans are the people who support our concession stand along with the teams. So a big and hearty Kleco! Kleco!

The second group of people who I'd like to thank were all those people who volunteered hours of their time to run the tournament and especially Maggie Gus for doing most of the ground work to set up the tournament. Again Kleco! Kleco!

The other thing I'd like to say is that for any teams that felt that refereeing was less than adequate at times, we're sorry. Our only excuse



Port Alberni Kwisa-ahts, front: Erma Robinson, Paula Amos, April Sieber; back: Andrea Amos, Gina Fred, Jackie Watts, Liz Bos, Coach Joe Charleson, Doreen Charleson, Verena Cootes.

here was lack of communication between ourselves and the local referees left us short of officials for about four games. Also our backup gym (Maht Mahs) was the only gym we could get for knock-out games. Next year we will book another gym well in advance.

Lastly but not leastly the purpose of our tournament was to raise money for a new floor for our gym, (Maht Mahs). To this end we raised approximately \$1,700 and are very happy for this. Also we want our annual tournament to go on and

on and we see this in a more positive light now that we have the experience to draw on. So again to all those people involved, Kleco! Kleco!

**R. WATTS**  
Tournament Director and Member of Sheshaht Band Council

### 2nd Annual Nuu-Chah-Nulth Indian Games

Parade & Opening Ceremonies	July 30, start 10 a.m.
Track & Field	July 30, 31, August 1
Lacrosse (evenings)	July 30, 31, August 1
Bowling	July 30, 31
Canoe Races	July 31, August 1
Swimming	August 2
Volleyball (evenings)	August 2, 3, 4
Junior Softball	August 3, 4, 5
Soccer	August 6, 7
Senior Softball	August 5, 6, 7

## Spoilers Floor Hockey won by Aces

There was floor hockey action at Maht Mahs on the weekend of February 20th as the Sheshaht Spoilers hosted their annual tournament. This year's champions were the Tofino Aces who went undefeated in the tourney and won the championship game by a 7 to 3 score over the Kuleet Bay Bombers.

Placing third were the Spoilers while the most sportsmanlike team were the Wik-Woks from Port Alberni.

The gym was packed with spectators during the weekend and they were treated to lots of fast and furious action

during the games. The Tofino team used their speed to advantage in the final game as the Bombers were just coming off a tough game with the Spoilers. The Bombers ran out of gas against the Aces and had to pack it in after two periods of play.

Receiving all-star trophies at the games' end were: first all-stars: Charles Harris (Tofino Aces), Les Sam (Wik-Woks), Chuck Doiron (Spoilers), Mark Brown (Tofino Aces), Roger Elliot (Bombers) and goalie, Bert Louie (Tofino Aces). Second all-stars were



TOFINO ACES, this year's champions at the Spoilers floor hockey tournament.

# JOB FILE

(A guide to present and future employment opportunities within the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Area).

This is the second in a series of eight Job File articles to appear in Ha-Shilth-Sa over the next few months. The article in this issue will profile the present and future employment and training opportunities in the area of skilled trades. The remaining six articles in this Job File series will profile the following fields of work: professional occupations; small business management and tourism development; marine engineering and navigation; cultural development; fishing, forestry and resource development; health, welfare and social development.

## Skilled Trades

TRADES	NATURE OF WORK	QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED	TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE
Auto Body Repair	Replacing and repairing worn & damaged panels, fenders, & allied parts on cars, trucks & buses	—Trades Certification —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 minimum	—8 mos. Auto-Frame Collision Repair course at Pacific Vocational Institute (PVI) in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Auto Mechanical Repair	Repairing mechanical and electrical parts of cars, trucks, & buses estimating damage, speciality repairs and installations	—Trades Certification; —Grade 10 or mature student	—10 mos. Auto Mechanics Repair course at Malaspina College in Nanaimo; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Carpentry	Constructing, repairing wood structures with hand & power tools, reading blueprints, including layout and construction of footings and other forms for private or commercial buildings	—Trades Certification —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—6 mos. Carpentry course at Comosun College in Victoria and PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program —Trades Qualification Refresher and Upgrading course for carpenters with a minimum of 6,000 hours on the job.
Cooking	Supervising all phases of kitchen activity, especially preparing and distributing food according to hygienic and sanitary standards	—Trades Certification; —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 minimum	—12 mos. Cook's Training course at Malaspina College in Nanaimo and PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Dental Technician Mechanic	Constructing artificial dentures, crowns, bridges and other dental appliances using laboratory equipment	—Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—Apprenticeship Training Program
Household Radio and Television Servicing	Maintaining and repairing domestic radios, televisions and other related equipment	—Trades Certification; —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—Apprenticeship Training Program
Electric Appliance Servicing	Repairing dryers, washers, refrigerators, air conditioners and ovens	—Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—10 mos. Electric Appliance Service course at PVI in Vancouver
Electrical Work	Reading blueprints and installing all electrical equipment including residential and industrial wiring	—Trades Certification; —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—6 mos. Electricity course at PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program —Trades Qualification Refresher and Upgrading course for electricians with four years of experience
Electronics Technician-Technologist	Maintaining and repairing electronics equipment in communications, entertainment, industrial and commercial fields	—Grade 12 minimum with Math and Physics	—10 mos. Electronics Technician course at PVI in Vancouver; —2-year Electronics Technologist program at BCIT in Vancouver
Heavy-Duty Mechanic	Maintenance & repair of equipment powered by an internal combustion engine, including equipment such as off-road vehicles, small power plant motors and fishing boat motors	—Trades Certification; —Grade 10 or mature student	—10 mos. Heavy-Duty Mechanics course at Malaspina College in Nanaimo; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Inboard-Outboard Mechanical Repair	Servicing and repairing gasoline inboard-outboard motors and stern drive units, including fuel, electrical, and steering systems, and the installation of electronic accessories	—Grade 10 or mature student	—10 mos. Inboard-Outboard Mechanical Repair course at Malaspina College in Nanaimo
Benchwork & Joinery	Operating various machines and hand tools used in the process of assembling wood products such as windows, doors and cabinets, from layout drawings	—Trades Certification; —Grade 10 or mature student	—5 mos. Benchwork & Joinery course at PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Office Machine Mechanic	Servicing and repairing mechanical and electronic office machines such as photocopiers and typewriters	—Grade 10 or mature student	—Apprenticeship Training Program
Painting and Decorating	Applying coats of paint or wall coverings to decorate and protect interior or exterior surfaces	—Trades Certification; —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—5 mos. Painting and Decorating course at PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Plumbing	The installation, alteration or repair of any plumbing system	—Trades Certification; —Grade 12 preferred; —Grade 10 or mature student	—Apprenticeship Training Program
Practical Horticulture	Management of greenhouses, nurseries, parks & gardens, including landscape design, soil testing and practical botany	—Grade 10 or mature student	—6 mos. Practical Horticulture course at PVI in Vancouver —Apprenticeship Training Program
Sheet Metal Work	Forming and assembling finished products from sheets of steel, aluminum, copper, plastic and other materials	—Trades Certification; —Grade 10 or mature student	—5 mos. Sheet Metal course at PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program
Shipwright-Boatbuilding	Construction or repair of ship & boat structures, in metal, wood and fiberglass, following specific diagrams	—Trades Certification; —Grade 10 or mature student	—5 mos. Boatbuilding course at PVI in Vancouver; —Apprenticeship Training Program

## SKILLED TRADES

There are many job-related tasks throughout the Tribal Area that require the attention of a technically trained and skilled trades-person. At present, a large proportion of these jobs are being attended to by non-Indian trades people who, in some cases, are from outside the Tribal Area. Therefore, a great demand presently exists for Nuu-chah-nulth people to develop specific technical and vocational skills in a variety of trades and occupations.

Following is a list of several skilled trades and training opportunities available to you. This list is not a complete inventory of the opportunities available as it is intended only to provide you with an idea of some of the skills that you could acquire.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH Dave Lewis AT THE NUU-CHAH-NULTH TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICE (724-5757).

# CLASSIFIED

## FOR SALE

Carvings (wall plaques, masks, headdresses, poles), drums, basketwork, beading. Made to order. Charlie and Caroline Mickey, 3681 Alderson Ave., near the high school. Port Alberni. 723-2593

## FOR SALE

Tseshah Sawmill has rough cut dimensional lumber for sale. Phone 724-1225

## INCOME TAX

Income Tax Returns done at a reasonable rate. Phone Dorothy at 724-6161.

## Rides Available

For those who don't have quite enough money for taxi or bus fare, you can negotiate a price for a ride to Tofino or Ucluelet with me, as long as your party is not under the influence of alcohol. Phone Wee Willie (Willie Sam) at 724-5018 Port Alberni.

## Income Tax Sessions

Why pay?? Learn to do your own Income Tax return at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre, 3178 - 2nd Ave. Sessions will start at 1 p.m. ending at 4:30 p.m. Guest speaker, Blake Guffie from Nanaimo, will teach the rationale of the Income Tax process and to help people learn to complete the forms themselves. Tentative dates are March 11 and 31 and April 15, 1983. Refreshments served. For confirmation or dates and any information please call free phone 723-8281 or 724-1313 for Donna Samuel, legal information officer.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOM

To 'Our Mom' (Margaret Seitcher) Happy Birthday for March 24. Thank you mom for always being there when we needed you. Thank you for all your love and comfort. Thank you for always making your home a place for us to come back to. Thank you for the million and one things — big and small you've done especially for us. For your shoulder and comforting arms. For laughing and crying with us when we needed someone to laugh and cry with. For your words of wisdom. For your guidance. But most of all for just being You — A Very Special Lady — 'Our Mommy Dearest'!



## BIRTHDAY WISHES

Birthday wishes for our daughter, Allison Lucille Vincent, 2 years old on March 2nd. Obedient, naughty mischief and coy. Your Mom's darling and Dad's pride and joy.

Mom, Dad and Alan.

## Birthday Wishes

A very special friend, Floss H. on March 2. My sister, Doreen John (Bubbles), March 7. Auntie Lena Vincent, March 7. My sister, Pauline Vincent, March 9. Have fun Eddie Smith on March 14.

Happy Birthday Buhghs, on March 12. — From Guess Who?

## Give us a Call

To all our friends and relatives: I hope you all had a good time over the holidays. Just thought I'd drop in a few lines to tell you all that we thought of each one of you. Our holidays were just great here in Kyuquot. Trying to keep Allison away from opening all the presents — sure was a hard job. She's quick on her feet and willing to try anything. She's always willing to talk on the phone, so give us a call sometime. I know it's kind of late to be writing, but better late than never.

PAUL, VELINA, ALAN and ALLISON

## CRABS GALORE!

Carl Edgar is my name. Catchin' crabs is my game. Some are whole. Some are lame. But I sell them just the same. Crab suppliers for parties, potlatches, or what have you. Contact Linda Edgar at 724-6413 to place orders.

When in Seattle visit Indian Christian Church. Open daily Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 1505 Rainier Ave. S., 324-8614. Serving Christ and Native American People. Bible Study and Prayer Weds. 7 p.m. Sunday: Bible School 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

## Soup & Bannock Min-Auction

The Native Alcohol Awareness Committee has two events lined up for this month. There will be a soup and bannock sale at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre on March 11 at noon. On Fri., March 18 the committee will be sponsoring a Mini-Auction, starting at 7 p.m. at the Friendship Centre.

## Tribal Council Meeting

The next Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council meeting will be on May 6 and 7 at Nitinaht.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

February 18, 1980. In memory of Ann, Jessica and Cathy.

As I sit here alone Reality fades slowly And memories and moments Once again become my world.

I escape to a time of the past When we were not so caring As to what will happen tomorrow.

Ann, when I needed you, You were there. Chasing away my fears. You listened, I cared.

Auntie, a word, I remember as, Oh so dear, from two little girls who were always there. Jessie and Cathy, I love you.

All of these things and more Cloud my mind And for a moment I can almost believe.

Then tears burn my eyes and slowly I remember. It was yesterday.

## Help Wanted

### POSITION BAND FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Port Alberni (to cover west coast of Vancouver Island.) Responsible for assisting fourteen (14) bands. —to set up adequate financial control —with budgets —with audit procedures —with meeting Indian Affairs financial regulations. The emphasis of this position is to teach bands and not to do the job for them. Supply full resume to: Chairman Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Box 1383, Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M1 SALARY NEGOTIABLE. Closing date March 31, 1983.

## HELP WANTED

Band Manager for the Nitinaht Band. Person of Nitinaht ancestry only. Band Manager or Band Manager Trainee to assume administrative duties for the Nitinaht Band. Successful applicant should be a highly motivated self-starter preferably with some background in office and accounting functions. Applicant must have minimum Grade 12 education and be prepared to take courses required to fulfill the position. Closing date: March 25, 1983. Reply in writing with resume to: Nitinaht Band Council P.O. Box 340, Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M8

## WANTED:

"Group Home Parents and Relief Worker — Receiving Home for Troubled Teens." Group Home Parents: Husband and wife, full time, live-in! Relief Worker: Part-time — some weekends. Salary: Negotiable. Duties: A). Counsel B). Teach life skills C). Teach housekeeping skills D). Teaching how to communicate E). Have group discussions F). Financial and budget reports monthly. Qualifications: 1). Should be able to communicate with teens. 2). Should have related counselling and training skills. 3). Willing to work with Indian people and teens. 4). Work with Band Social Services Worker, Family Support-Child Care Worker, Health Care Worker, and Home School Co-ordinator. Deadline: March 31, 1983. Send resumes to: Sheshaht Band Council, P.O. Box 1218, Port Alberni, B.C. V9Y 7M1.

**JOB FAIR**  
Returns to Gold River  
Mowachah Community Hall  
Thursday, March 24, '83  
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM  
See You There!

## From the pen of Thomas Curley

To all my friends and relatives and Nu-chah-nulth people:

Well I reckon it's about time I sat down and tried to give you folks out there a little bit of what's been happening hereabouts.

And maybe a little of myself.

Well to start things off, I'll just maybe turn back the pages or years to just about the time when I started to wake up or sober up to tell you the truth.

One of the best things that has ever happened in my life is that I met a girl who has helped me break away from all the things that I thought I enjoyed.

It's funny, when I stop to think about how we people seem to forget how to enjoy ourselves, without having to have that FIREWATER in the midst of us. The trouble is we never seem to think of what we're going to feel like the day after the party.

I would at this time, have the pleasure of introducing to all people of the Nu-chah-nulth tribes my future wife, Christine. She is the daughter of Tom and Elsie Scott of Manchester, England, who at this present time are living in Kingston, Ontario.

Christine is a "registered nurse" and is presently working at the Tofino General Hospital. She took all her schooling and nurses training in Montreal, where they had moved when she was about 10 or 11 years old.

She has really been a great influence on all of my children in everything they do.

We plan on getting married on her birthday and that is March 6th. By golly, I don't know how many times we've put it off now. It's not that we "chicken out" or anything like that, it's just that we are both employed and our work schedules never seem to fall into place.

Well, anyway I have enclosed a picture of her and myself so that you all can recognize her. It seems I have introduced her to nearly all of my friends and relatives and I truly am proud to say that all approve of her. And I would like to say at this time, too, that if any of you people happen to come our way and need a place to stay, by all means, don't hesitate to call or drop in, or maybe stop in and have lunch with us.

Well, by golly it seems like only yesterday, when things began to happen.

First off, I found myself volunteering on the Housing Committee on which I found myself getting deeply involved in. I have been on this committee now about three years. And to tell you the truth I enjoy it. Of course, there are a lot of frustrations and a lot of other things that might bother you. But through it all I have the pleasure of saying I didn't quit. There is just too much to do right now, and too many things that have to be done. Well up to date since I got on the Housing Committee we have put families into 15 new homes and of which I know they are happy and comfortable. And we have five other new homes that are just getting finished and hope to have them finished pretty quick.

And one other person I have to be very grateful for is the engineer at NTC — Danny Watts. This is one of the persons I have to be thankful for in getting those workshops together. I found these workshops to be very informative to me in every respect.

I can remember when I couldn't even start to put a foundation together. There is a lot of things I thought I could never do, which right now seems to be getting easier and easier.

And there is Terry Morgan and his staff at Toquaht Building Supplies who I find very cooperative and very helpful to our band. The people who seem to go out of their way to help you with any problem you might have and I would at this time like to thank Terry and his staff for all the good service they have given us. Keep up the good work, Toquaht!

I should mention too, that we have a few more members sitting on the Housing Committee, they are Ben David, Cyril Charles, Alex Masso, Ernest David, Steven David and myself as chairman of the committee. It certainly feels nice to have some good decision-makers to sit on this committee with me, which I am certain, that with these new members on the committee we can achieve a lot of helpful things to our community.

It certainly has been a very interesting two years for me and our Chief Councillor Dan David Jr. and the rest of our council members, Moses Martin and Leo Manson. I have found that when we get elected to sit in the council, we all felt that we were going to

get out there and try to improve the community and the lifestyles of our people.

As all the people who have ever been on council, or have been in some kind of work for the band, know that there is a lot of work involved in it.

It doesn't seem like much of a job to a lot of people who aren't too familiar with all the work involved in being a councillor.

to go home to. Especially when you know you've put in all of your time building or repairing it. I find it very satisfying, whenever I can put in an improvement.

I guess I can tell you folks that my next project around the house is building myself a sun-deck. And I'm looking forward to getting it started and finished. I hate to say it, but I think this is one of our

and organizing a lot of the things that happened around here.

And to top things off I would again like to congratulate all of our band council for a job well done. Our council in the past two years have been Dan David Jr., chief councillor; Moses Martin, councillor; Leo Manson, councillor and myself, Tom Curley, councillor.

And thanks to all the people who have made this such an interesting and informative time for us. I can assure you people that I will try to be as helpful as I can to the persons who get elected in the next term.

Well that's about it for now folks, till the next time.

And always remember: Before you abuse,

criticize, accuse, Walk a mile in his-her shoes.

And may the Great Spirit lead and guide you through the paths of prosperity.

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank you all for giving me your time.

I remain,  
in Brotherhood  
TOM CURLEY

P.S. We have two persons teaching our Indian language, in both of our reserves and boy oh boy, our kids seem to really enjoy it. My Uncle Willy Manson is teaching the people over at Opitsaht. And my Aunt Margaret Joseph is teaching at our other reserve Esowista, Long Beach.



Engaged or Just married?

There have been a few times when I felt like dropping everything and letting the other guy worry about it. But that's when I think of the teachings that my late mom and dad and my grandparents Tim and Lucy had ever taught me. And all of a sudden I feel like taking on all the problems without complaining or without a second thought. And I always stop to think of how life around here would be like if nobody cared. And to tell you the truth, it's not a very pretty picture.

Well today is going to be another interesting day for me. We'll be attending a meeting with one of the men I have a lot of respect for and that's George Watts. I have found in the past two years that I find myself looking forward to all the Nu-chah-nulth meetings.

I feel really proud to be sitting at the table with the rest of the representatives from all the West Coast tribes.

It always gives me a great sense of responsibility and the urge to go all out and work harder to try and get the things our people have a need for.

I hope you folk don't mind, but I'm writing this article whenever I get a chance to.

But today is a Sunday, one of the few times I get a chance to sit at home. It's a nice feeling to know you have your own place

problems around our reserve. We tend to let our homes go to pot. Simple things that can be remedied or fixed in a couple of hours or less. Instead we keep putting it off and putting it off till it becomes a major job and we just let it go. I am not trying to criticize anybody or put you down or anything like that. All I am saying is, let's wake up and start doing what our ancestors had been doing for thousands and thousands of years. Just get out there and show the rest of the people all of the things that you had been taught and can do.

It's incredible how time flies around here, especially when you keep yourself occupied in your work.

Well, our term in council will be finished in a month-and-a-half or so. And what an incredible two years it has been for me. It seems to me that I have gone through a lot of problems and frustrations that I felt I could never have faced in my life. Without the help of all of the persons that helped to make things so much easier for me.

I would like at this time to congratulate and thank all of the people on our band staff for a job well done. And these people are Howard Tom, band manager; Francis Frank, S.A.; Lydia Michael and Maxine Manson and all of the people who had spent a lot of their time helping

## Laddie Touchie/Marilyn Clark married in Ucluelet

Jan. 22-83 dawned a beautiful day for Laddie Touchie and Marilyn Clark as they exchanged wedding vows in their new home, with Bill Stobbe from Port Alberni performing the ceremony. Jack Williams, friend of the groom and Debbie Cook, sister of the bride, acted as witnesses.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pointe from Musqueam, Mr. and Mrs. Medric Wadhams from Alert Bay, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Clark from Greenville, Mr. and Mrs.

Jack Cook from Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Nicholsson from Port Alberni, John and Penny Newman from Vancouver and Carl Edgar Jr. and Louise from Nitinaht.

A reception followed in the church with Jack Cook as MC. A special song was sung to the newlyweds by Gordie Pointe.

(Pssst! Mother of the groom caught the bouquet.)

Congratulations Laddie and Marilyn and welcome to the family, Marilyn!



Mr. & Mrs. Laddie Touchie