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## NTC Meeting Hears from Candidates For Chairman, Co-Chairman Positions

The Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council met at Maht Mahs, hosted by the Tseshaht Tribe, on August 18, 19 and 20.

Originally scheduled for two days, the meeting was extended by a day to give an opportunity for the candidates for the positions of chairman and co-chairman to state their election platforms and answer questions from the floor.

Three candidates have declared themselves in the running for the chairman's seat, including incumbent George Watts, Bill Ginger and Dolly Watts.

Election of the chairman will take place on the first day of the Nuuchahnulth Annual Assembly, September 28. Voting will be done by the chief and councils of the 14 tribes.

Three co-chairmen will be elected in regional elections. In

the past, the Tribal Council had one co-chairman. It was decided at last year's annual assembly that because of the ever increasing work load that three co-chairmen are needed, one for each geographic area.

Co-chairmen elections will take place prior to the annual assembly by the four northern tribes (Ehatesaht, Kyuquot, Mowachaht, Nuchatlaht), the five central tribes (Ahousat, Hesquiaht, Tla-o-qui-aht, Toquaht and Ucluelet) and the five southern tribes (Ditidaht, Ohiaht, Opetchesaht, Tseshaht and Uchucklesaht).

Declaring their candidacy for co-chairmen were Andrew Callicum, northern area; Larry

Baird and incumbent Simon Lucas, central area, and Charlie Thompson and Richard Watts, southern area.

Danny Watts was also running for co-chairman in the southern area, but he stepped down following the passing of a resolution presented by the Ehatesaht Tribe - "that Nuuchahnulth staff members or band level employee candidates resign their employment positions when elected to any one of the four positions." Ehatesaht Chief Councillor Earl Smith said that the intent of the motion was to avoid conflicts of interest. After a lengthy debate on the issue, a vote was taken and the resolution passed by a vote of eight in favor,

three against and two tribes not voting.

Later in the meeting, Danny Watts, who is employed as the Tribal Council Engineer, announced that he was stepping down as a candidate. Charlie Thompson declared his candidacy for co-chairman, saying that if he was successful he would resign as Alcohol and Drug Counsellor with the Tribal Council.

Several people voiced a concern that individual band members don't have a vote in the elections of the executive of the Tribal Council. Under the present system the chiefs and councils of the bands have the voting privileges in the elections.

Danny Watts infor-

med the Tribal Council that his tribe, Opetchesaht, would be presenting an extraordinary resolution at the annual assembly to change the constitution, so that all Nuuchahnulth members would have a vote in the next elections in 1993.

This year's annual assembly has been scheduled for September 28, 29 and 30 at the Alberni Athletic Hall, hosted by the Ditidaht Tribe. Some of the plans for the assembly were presented by Debbie Foxcroft, who is on the planning committee.

The theme of the assembly is "To Honor and Respect Our Women". Each tribe will have the opportunity to honor one of their ladies at the assembly.

A motion was passed that the assembly would be chaired by three Nuuchahnulth women (Vicki Smith, Delores Seitcher and Darleen Watts) and a recommendation made that each band have two or three women sitting with them.

There will be a drafting of a declaration of women's rights, the seating of queens and princesses and a panel discussion on ways of respecting women.

Special guest speaker at the assembly will be Chief Sophie Pierre, from the Kootenay Indian Area Council.

**Land Claims Research**  
NTC Land Claims Researcher Angela Cantryn gave a report on her work to date. She emphasized the need to start working at the community level, through the development of committees. In her report Angela offered her assistance to the bands in setting up these committees.

She also suggested that a Tribal Council committee be set up, comprised of a representative from each tribe plus an executive member. The Hereditary Chiefs could form the steering committee. There should be representation from each area, from the elders, from the youth, from the elected councils and from the general membership.

The importance of involving the Hereditary Chiefs was stressed by Angela in her report as they are the key to the land claims.

Earl Smith, Ehatesaht Chief Councillor, said that "it starts with showing proper respect to our Hereditary Chiefs at home. They are crucial to our land claims process."

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1989 Nuuchahnulth Indian Games

The four & under races were a fan favorite at the Nuuchahnulth Games in Campbell River.

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## LETTERS

The Ha-Shilth-Sa will return address or print letters from its phone number to readers. We reserve the right to edit for brevity and taste and to correct grammatical errors. Letters must be signed by the writer and have a

**The Editor, Sir:**

It is always with interest that I receive my Ha-Shilth-Sa, and I thank you very much.

Re: Volume 16 No. 5 of July 20, 1989.

Congratulations for the excellent article regarding the "Elders Conference". Our Elders are like a gold mine, filled with knowledge which can benefit our entire tribes - much attention is to be paid to them. They have so much love and

## Congratulations!

wisdom.

On the front page, appear our lovely Princesses - Congratulations!

Our fishing rights are forever being encroached upon. I'm glad we stand up to the encroachers. We are pelted from all sides with government regulations. Where are the government regulations when it comes to huge oil tankers who develop a

bad case of diarrhea and spill their guts on our shoreline, killing our precious wildlife? And all those irresponsible logging operations, totally disregarding natural laws of environment? Yet the government furiously attacks the individual native Indian who simply collects food from our waters to feed his family.

I pray that Ha-Shilth-Sa be received in every home of each of our 14 tribe families. In unity and love. **ARMANDE WILLIAMS, Tribe number 102 Tla-o-qui-aht**

## Hi, I'm 4864, I'm an Alcoholic!

In my times since I have sobered up, it's alright, but at times I get my downs feelings and its hard, but it's so easy to reach out and let out your feelings of hurt. You can't keep it there forever, keep talking about what's bugging you.

There is time of the past that will get to you and it hurts. But to tell about it, like attending A.A. meetings, support group, people to talk to.

**LARRY PAUL**

Now to Moses (Ole Buffalo) Smith, I would also like to thank you ever so much for those kind words you said about my mother. It was so touching. No one ever says kind words of appreciation about my mom. So I would like to thank you one more time, "Buffalo".

the day before made me think, but all in all, was a great speech. There's never enough to express our appreciation to you both Tim and Peter.

**LARRY PAUL**

## An Open Door

**My dear precious relatives:**

I wish to let you know of my most heartfelt gratitude towards you.

You have made me feel so happy the way you took time to come to my home to spend time with me, especially this August.

It does my heart good to know that you don't have that mistaken attitude or misconception of my capabilities as a regular person.

You are so kind as to treat me as though you do know that it isn't any trouble for me to have

you as guests in my home.

Too many people have such misguided ideas about me because of appearances.

They seem to forget that I was certainly quite capable of raising my children on my own.

As a matter of fact, I truly get to missing all the activity involved in having people to look after, to cook for, bake bread and pies.

For quite awhile now, I've been planning to write an invite to my friends and relatives, into my humble abode,

anytime they happen to come all the way over to Victoria from the beautiful west coast.

I will always be more than happy to make you welcome into my home.

I am not too far from 'where the action is', that is, from the main core of the downtown area, and many of the various malls are pretty close to my place also.

My address is #30-3015 Jutland Rd., Victoria, B.C. V8T 2T1 just off Gorge Rd. East.

You can almost always find me home. My door is always open to you.

Make I take this opportunity to extend my thanks to you all for taking notice of my letter.

**Most sincerely yours, FLORENCE MARTIN**

## Thank You Kelly!

Thank you Dear, Edward & Trina, for being with me at the hospital, to see our son being born.]

Thank you Trina for bringing Edward to come visit me, when I was in the hospital. It meant alot to me.

Dear, I'm glad you seen our son before you went to Alkali. Thank you Dear for working so hard even though your work takes you away from home. I know your love is with us even when your away.

**Love, Mary Agnes John**

TRIBAL COUNCIL- CONTINUED FROM PG.1

"We have to start educating ourselves," said Earl, "our elders are telling us it's urgent!"

### Task Force on Clayoquot Sound

The provincial government has announced the formation of a task force to resolve resource use conflicts in Clayoquot Sound.

A news release from the government states "a task force is being established to develop a community based sustainable development strategy for the resource-rich area, in which tourism, mariculture, fishing and logging are the major industries."

"The task force will recommend ways to promote long-term economic development in the area while safeguarding the integrity of the environment," said Regional Development Minister Elwood Veitch.

The 13 member task force will include representatives from local regional governments, the Nuu-

chah-nulth Tribal Council, the forest industry, the I.W.A. and the provincial government.

The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council passed a resolution stating that the NTC leave it up to the Ahousat and Tla-o-qui-aht Tribes as to whether or not they agree with the task force and who they want representing them.

### Premier's Advisory Council

The provincial government has also announced the formation of a Premier's Advisory Council on Native Affairs, which has a mandate "to hold 'round table' discussions with Tribal Councils and major provincial native organizations and to develop recommendations on how the province can enhance the opportunities for economic and social development in native communities."

According to the government, possible topics of discussion would include co-operative economic development, self government, the justice system, en-

vironmental issues, community and social services and education.

NTC Chairman George Watts said that "our number one agenda is still aboriginal title and the importance of the provincial government coming to the table to discuss this and this is not addressed on their paper."

The Tribal Council agreed that they should meet with the council and put forward their positions, following a meeting amongst themselves.

Other business at the meeting included:

- a decision to have a two day meeting to discuss the decentralization of services from the NTC to the bands and how this will affect the proposed new NTC office building.

- an invitation to a group of Nuu-chah-nulth people to visit Japan as guests of the Ainu people. It was suggested that two elders, Roy Haiyupis and Louise Roberts go and that they choose who goes with them.

- that the NTC sup-

ports a new high school building in Port Alberni providing it does not affect any education capital coming to the NTC and in particular the proposed new school in Hot Springs Cove.

- that the NTC support a new program at the University of Victoria on administration of Aboriginal

governments and that Gerry Wesley be given the time to assist in developing the program.

- support of the concept of a 1990 North America Indian Games to be held in Edmonton.

- that the Tseshaht request, develop a proposal including a budget and agenda and that they table it with the

Tribal Council. - support for the Tseshaht Tribe in acquiring funds for a National Indian/Inuit CHR Conference in 1990.

- appointments to the Usma Board of Directors - Sharon M. Styan, Dorothy Williams, Dennis John, Eileen Charleson, Jack Thompson and Darleen Watts.

## ROLE MODELS

The Nu-chah-nulth Health Board has selected the first two individuals for the Nuu-chah-nulth Role Model program. These are people who have made outstanding achievements in one or more aspects of their lives, so they provide a good example to others. The two are Helen Dick from Sheshaht and Elsie John from Nuchattaht. Look for posters and more information to appear soon.

In time we expect to include other role models as well, to provide a variety of positive examples. Some of these people are not well known. If you know of other Nuu-chah-nulth people who demonstrate positive qualities and through their own lives provide a good example for others, contact Jeannette Watts at the Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board (723-1223).

## 1989 NUU-CHAH-NULTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Hosted by the Ditidaht Tribe

THEME:  
TO HONOUR & RESPECT OUR WOMEN  
SEPTEMBER 28, 29, 30 '89  
9 a.m. start each day  
ALBERNI ATHLETIC HALL  
4835 Beaver Creek Rd.  
Port Alberni

Breakfast (7 a.m. to 8:40 a.m.) & lunch served each day. Banquets Thursday & Friday evening.

Thursday evening  
- Scholarship Presentations  
Friday evening  
- Presentations to Nuu-chah-nulth Women  
- Ditidaht Dancers

ALL NUU-CHAH-NULTH PEOPLE ARE WELCOME!

## Theme for the 1989 NTC Annual Assembly: "Respect for Nuu-Chah-Nulth Women"

In keeping with this year's theme we will be honoring an outstanding woman from each tribe. We are asking each tribe to nominate one woman who has made a major contribution to their community or the Tribal Council.

Please include: Background accomplishments (there is no age limit). Nomination deadline: September 12, 1989. Please submit a photo, in time for Bob Soderlund to enlarge it, for display at the Assembly. The following people are volunteer members of the planning committee: Debbie Foxcroft - Tseshaht, Delores Seitcher - Tla-o-qui-aht, Angela Cantryn - Ohiaht, Alice Kruta - Mowachaht (rep), Matilda Watts - Tseshaht, Eileen Charleson - Hesquiaht, Nona Thompson - Ditidaht, Julia Lucas - Hesquiaht.

The committee invites your ideas for carrying out this years theme of Respect for Nuu-chah-nulth Women.

HEREDITARY CHIEFS MEETING  
PORT ALBERNI FRIENDSHIP CENTRE  
September 27, 1989  
9 A.M.  
Hosted by Chief Edgar Charlie

## Tribal Peacekeepers Have Commitment To Their Communities

Four young recruits of the Lillooet Tribal Peacekeepers were guests of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council at their meeting in Port Alberni on August 18.

Constables Deborah Doss, Keith McKay, Eugene Pierre and Everett Tom were accompanied by the co-ordinator of the Peacekeepers program, Jim Maloney and Lillooet Chief Mike Leach.

The Lillooet (Stl'at'imx) Tribal Council and the Gitksan Wet'suwet'en Tribal Council along with the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs have developed the Tribal Peacekeepers program.

Jim Maloney told the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council representatives that "the present justice system is not working for our people." He said that native police forces in Eastern Canada have always worked better than the other system.

Maloney, who is a MicMac from Nova Scotia, has extensive experience in police work, as an instructor and an investigator. He is a karate master and a martial arts instructor and he is the former President of the Nova Scotia Tribal Police Force, in charge of policing all reserves in Nova Scotia.

Under his supervision the group of 15 B.C. native Peacekeepers

trainees are assured of the best in the way of preparation and training for their future duties.

Eight of these trainees are Stl'at'imx and seven are Gitksan Wet'suset'en.

"These young Peacekeepers are proud to be native," said

Maloney, "and they are committed to their communities."

They will work in conjunction with the RCMP, "but they won't be subordinate to them," Maloney insists.

The Peacekeeping trainees have to meet strict requirements and

they undergo a vigorous three-year training period.

They must be of native ancestry, fluent in the language of the community he or she is assigned to, be 19 years or older, have Grade 12 equivalency, have good verbal and

written communication skills in English, be in sound physical and mental condition, be a holder of a valid B.C. driver's licence with no more than five accumulated demerit points and have no criminal record. They must be in good standing in their communities and must be recommended by their Chiefs and Councils.

The young Peacekeepers are looked upon as positive role models for other young people in their communities.

Emphasis of the Peacekeeping program is aimed at crime prevention and counselling. Their training includes sexual abuse education (about 150 hours), alcohol and drug counselling (about 120 hours), native language skills, suicide prevention, self defense, first aid, rules of evidence,

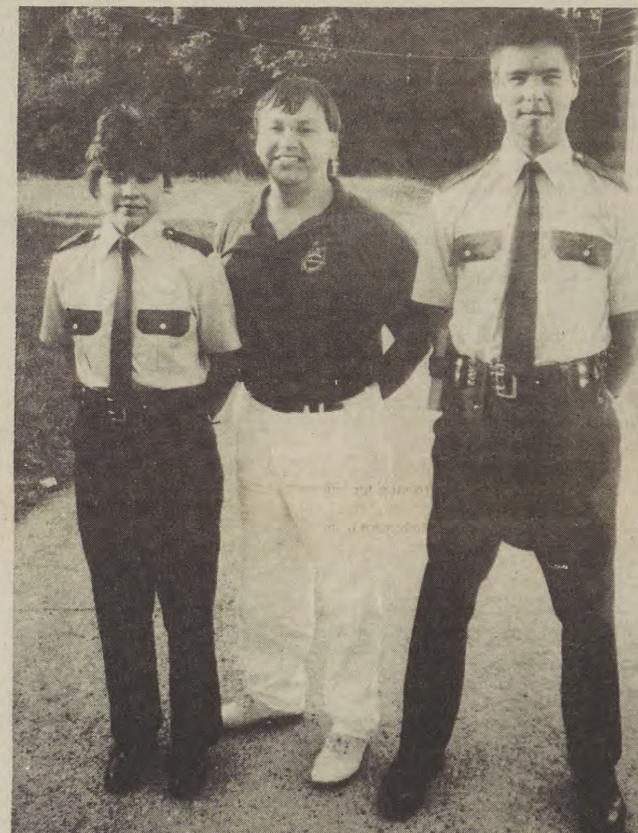
photography and firearms safety.

Some of their training is done through the Justice Institute of B.C. with the RCMP, with Tribal Council resource people and with their elders.

Chief Mike Leach says that the Peacekeepers "sole purpose is maintaining law and order in our communities." A large part of their responsibilities will be crime prevention and maintaining a 24-hour, 7-day a week on-site presence.

This initial program is being watched with much interest by other native communities and organizations in the province, including the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council.

A resolution was passed at the NTC meeting to endorse the Peacekeepers program and to become a part of it.



Lillooet Tribal Peacekeepers — Constable Deborah Doss, Program Co-ordinator Jim Maloney, and Constable Keith McKay were at the recent Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council meeting along with Constables Everett Tom, Eugene Pierre and Chief Mike Leach.

### A.A. MEETINGS AHOUSAT

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### NTC OPERATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Following a motion from the NTC Meeting in Campbell River on March 18, 1989, a joint Operational Review Committee comprised of three chief counselors, three NTC staff members and the NTC Executive Director was formed.

The original purpose of the committee was to review concerns and suggestions which arose from the NTC staff and band staff

think thank on March 4, 1989, recent hereditary chiefs meetings and Tribal council meetings which have dealt with NTC and band staff relationships and issues of personnel or programme authorities. In turn the Review Committee presented the findings and recommendations to the Tribal council on June 16, 1989.

Through a motion at the Tribal council meet-

## Kyuquots Research Sea Resources

The Kyuquot Tribe is in the process of developing a fisheries program that they hope will result in some economic benefits for their community, says Chief Councillor Richard Leo.

Residents of the isolated west coast community, which is heavily dependent on the sea resources, see a need for a proper

ing, held June 16 & 17, the Operational Review Committee was permanently constituted and will submit reports to the NTC Annual Assembly.

The objectives of the Operational Review Committee is to assist in maintaining a high employee morale and productively, improve communication and create a process to resolve personnel administrative issues fairly so that the NTC staff can continue to do their best for the Nuu-chah-nulth people.

fisheries management plan for the area. The Kyuquots hope to develop a plan in conjunction with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, as their people have the expertise and first hand knowledge of the area.

At the present time many seafoods like goeeyducks, abalone, and sea urchins are being taken out of the area by commercial harvesters.

The Kyuquot Tribe wants to do detailed inventories of the sea resources within their traditional boundaries of Kyuquot and Chicklesaht.

The data will include types of seafoods that exist in the area, where they are located, and in what amount.

Four Kyuquot people will be hired to do the research including Leonard John, Tessie Smith, Jimmy Short, and one other yet to be hired.

## News from SUNS (Sober Urban Native Society)

Activities are gearing up at the SUNS Program for the Fall season. Workshops on "Communicating in a Relationship", "Parenting Skills", and "Family Healing" are in the planning stages. Also, the committee to plan the Inter-Tribal Rally in October (see advertisement) look forward to a large gathering. Agendas will be available at the SUNS office and from Native Drug and Alcohol Counsellors in your area. We hope to have an agenda printed in the next Ha-Shilth-Sa. Included in the rally will be: Elders talking about cultural healing, Youth Groups

and arts and crafts tables. This will be a sober event to promote awareness of types of resources available for maintaining sobriety. SUNS and NTC Health Board have been working together to do the initial planning, but we would really like it to be an event by the Nuu-chah-nulth people for Nuu-chah-nulth people. Treatment Centres and the Alcohol and Drug Programs are becoming stricter with the referrals process. People wanting to go to treatment must prove that they are ready to live sober. If a person is not ready when they go to treatment then the

'chances of a relapse after are increased. If you want to go to treatment please do not let this discourage you. The Counsellors in your area have the skills to prepare you for treatment. Phone SUNS weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 724-9666. Choo! RON and COLLEEN

RE: Billets for Inter-Tribal Rally  
October 6, 7 & 9, 1989  
Port Alberni, B.C.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We need the people of Port Alberni to show their hospitality!!!

We have out of town people coming in from all over B.C. to attend the Inter-Tribal Rally in October. If you can spare a bed, a couch or even a corner of your floor - give us a call and let us know the number of people that you can take into your home.

Yours in friendship.

Chris and Bunt,  
The Billet Committee,

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Bunt: 723-6381

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## LANGUAGE PROGRAM - ART LOGO CONTEST

The N.T.C. Language Program is a program which aims to increase Nuu-chah-nulth participation in the Nuu-chah-nulth language. Our goals will be to produce language materials that provide learnable, manageable lessons composed of native vocabulary materials. Specific goals include an alphabet sheet, tape recordings to accompany these materials.

This logo should reflect the desire of Nuu-chah-nulth people for the preservation of our native language.

This competition is open to all Nuu-chah-nulth people. Please send all submissions to Mr. Andrew Callicum, Language Co-ordinator for the N.T.C. Language Program at the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council office.

For further information please contact Andrew Callicum.

# All moving traffic violations now carry a fine!

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# A fine plus penalty points.

British Columbians pay \$905 million a year in health and other costs related to driving accidents.\* It's too high a price for the people of the province and the victims of accidents to pay. From now on, bad drivers are going to face fines averaging \$75 for moving violations. Our roads must be made safer.

\* Source: ICBC 1988. Direct costs.



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# NTC Reps Meet with Minister Campbell

Minister of State (Indian and Northern Affairs) Kim Campbell heard concerns from representatives of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council during her eight-day tour around the province to meet with native groups.

The meeting, which took place in Campbell River on July 28, was attended by George Watts, NTC Chairman, Peter Knighton (Ditidaht), Earl Smith and Moses Smith (Ehatesaht), Richard Lucas (Hesquiat), Richard Leo (Kyuquot), Danny Watts, Tuffy Watts, Brenda Lauder (Opetchesaht), Richard Watts (Tseshaht), and Bill Ginger (Uchcklesaht), as well as some NTC staff and observers.

Kim Campbell opened the meeting by explaining some of her responsibilities and concerns as Minister.

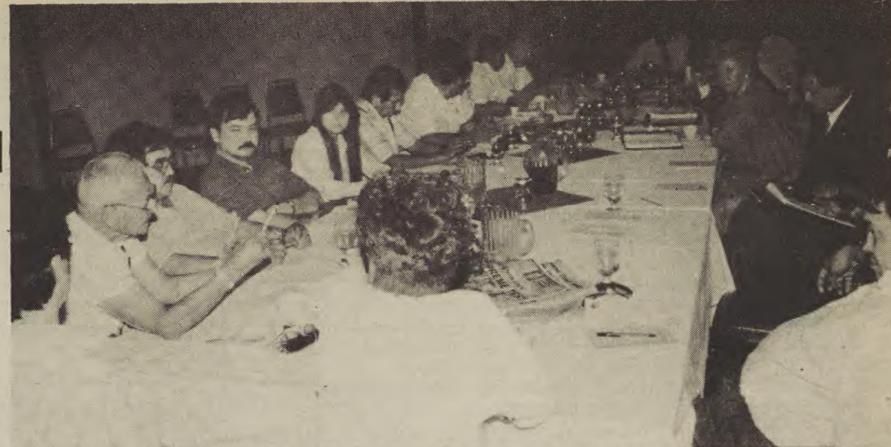
She said that the fact that her government has appointed two Ministers for Indian and Northern Affairs for the first time demonstrates the importance that they place on this portfolio.

She said that her responsibilities included B.C. issues, fisheries, child welfare, and education.

One of her top priorities, she said, was getting the B.C. government involved in the land claim process. "The land claims issue process seems to be extremely slow," said Campbell, "and there is a great deal of frustration because of it."

"It's in the interest of all British Columbians to get the land claims process going," she said.

Campbell said that dealing with land claims through the court process was an enormous expense, was



Kim Campbell, Minister of Indian Affairs, met with representatives of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council in Campbell River.

long draw out, and caused bitterness.

George Watts responded to the Minister's statements by saying that "Aboriginal Rights including claims is of particular importance to us." He said that colonial attitudes still exist today, "we are prepared to share this country, but not if one group is ruling over the other."

The federal government, he said, has shown a lack of leadership in educating the public. They should put a clear message out that "this is our position on an ultimate relationship."

Watts said that the government's present position on aboriginal rights, fishing rights for example, is one of opposition, despite several recent court rulings in favor of the native people.

Each of the representatives from the Nuu-chah-nulth tribes had an opportunity to state their concerns to the Minister.

Danny Watts (Opetchesaht) said that he hoped Kim Campbell could assist in getting the B.C. government to the bargaining table. He said that economic development in their communities won't be possible until we have an economic base and that's where a land claims settlement comes in.

Richard Watts (Tseshaht) said that Bill C-31 was put in place to end discrimination, yet it divided Indian people again. It has resulted in increases of 50 to 60 per cent in populations in some areas and the bands need the resources to support these major increases. "We have a right to

manage our share of the resources," he said, "and we want to talk about real programs based on our resources."

Richard Lucas (Hesquiat) spoke about the recent oil spill on the west coast, saying that about 50 per cent of this time while working on co-ordinating the clean-up was spent arguing with Environment Canada and the Coast Guard. "The oil spill is affecting our front yards and our food resources were at risk," he said.

Moses Smith, elder from Ehatesaht, also was concerned about the oil spill. "We the elders are afraid of the big blowout if they explore offshore," said Moses, "which will really be devastating compared to this recent spill from what I call the toy barge."

He wanted some as-

urance from the government that offshore drilling doesn't take place. "A moratorium, I hope, that's on for the remainder of my life," said Moses.

Earl Smith (Ehatesaht) said that Canadian people have to change their attitudes about natives getting "free money" and "tax write-offs." The Ehatesahts have been trying to develop economic development for their people using their sea resources but they haven't had any response from Tom Siddon, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

Earl Smith told Kim Campbell that "you have to educate your colleagues and beaurocrats. We have every right to make a living but without an economic base you can't do it," he said.

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## CHILD WELFARE CONFERENCE OCTOBER 2, 3 & 4, 1989 HARBOUR TOWERS HOTEL (VICTORIA, B.C.)

Issues and concerns regarding contemporary and historical care of our children will be discussed. Resource people and workshop facilitators will include relevant government agencies, band and organizations. Conference will combine old and new practices of child rearing, apprehension and placement, and the factors governing decisions.

A seafood banquet and native entertainment is planned. Arts and crafts tables will be available at a nominal charge throughout the conference. Written and oral submissions are invited.

Limited registration!! Conference Fee = \$75 (includes banquet). Registrations can be "FAXED" to the B.C. Association of Friendship Centres (BCAIFC office) at 380-7381 (no deadline date).

For more information contact: Ida Mills Conference Co-ordinator, Victoria Nat. Fr. Ctr., 384-3211.

## Kho-uss Fisheries Company Logo Contest

The Kho-uss Fisheries Company is a company which aims to increase Nuu-chah-nulth participation in the commercial fishing industry. Among the activities of Kho-uss is the purchasing of licenses and the making of loans to Nuu-chah-nulth people. All Nuu-chah-nulth people may become part of the Kho-uss Fisheries Company by purchasing shares in the company and thereby assisting in the enhancement of Nuu-chah-nulth participation in the commercial fisheries industry.

At its board of directors meeting of May 29, 1989 the Kho-uss board of directors voted to offer a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) prize for the development of a logo for the Kho-uss Fisheries Company. This logo should reflect the desire of Nuu-chah-nulth people for greater participation in the commercial fisheries industry. This competition is open to all Nuu-chah-nulth people. The deadline for submission is September 26, 1989. Please send all submissions to Mr. Bill Green, Co-ordinator Kho-uss Fisheries Company at the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council offices.

# Young Peer Counsellors Provide A Shoulder To Lean On

Twenty-one young adults recently went through a one-week Peer Counselling training program at the Kakawis Family Development Centre.

On August 11th, a "graduation ceremony" and luncheon was held in honor of the young adults who took the training.

Trainer Roxanne Yanishewski, from the University of Victoria, explained to the guests what Peer Counselling is about. She said that Peer Counselling is "talking about feelings", "sharing", "listening", "being trusting people to talk to".

The training program was co-ordinated by Carol McKee, Mental Health Consultant with the Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board.

Co-trainers during the week were Gail Duchene, Jan Bate, Lil Webster, Gloria Jean Frank and Joe Tom Jr.

The participants in the program were joined by family and friends for a delicious barbecue salmon and crab dinner, prepared by John and Gloria Jean Frank, Leona Frank and Matilda Webster. John and Gloria Jean prepared the meals during the week.

Following lunch, Ray Seitcher, an A & D counsellor at Kakawis, was asked to explain the dance curtain that was on the wall. Ray said that a client at Kakawis painted the curtain with the help of the other people that were there at the time. He explained what each of the figures on the curtain meant to the people who created it.

Each of the trainers and young Peer Counsellors were introduced to the guests. The 21 participants in the program then formed a circle and Joe Tom smudged their abalone shells, which each of the new Peer Counsellors received. By wearing their abalone shell necklaces, other youth will know that the wearer is a good listener — someone that they can talk to and share their thoughts with.

Each participant was also given a certificate of appreciation from the Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board.

Each of the trainers spoke about their experience during the week with the youth and several of the young people also took the opportunity to say some words of thanks to the trainers.

Francis Frank, Chief Councillor for the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation and Hereditary Chiefs from the tribe (Nellie Frank, representing George Frank, Alex Frank, Ray Seitcher, Tom Curley — Ehatesaht 3rd Chief and their wives) all

stood up and they presented gifts to their young people and congratulated them for going through the program.

After the presentations and speeches, the teens formed a circle with the adults around them and the teens sang a song that was very important to them — "Lean On Me".

A final circle was formed for the serenity prayer and then everyone gave each other a final farewell hug and a few tears were shed while they said their goodbyes.

The 21 young adults that took the Peer Counselling training are listed below. Any other young people... if you need someone to talk to, to share your feelings with, don't forget you can "Lean On Me!"

From Ahousat: Sherri Frank, Regina Frank, Bertha Campbell, Nikki Tom.

From Hesquiat: Maureen (Moe) Char-

leson, Marg Charleson, Mamie Lucas.

From Mowachaht: Selina Howard.

From Ohiaht: Kyle Shaw, Mariene Williams.

From Tla-o-qui-aht: Frenchie Curley, Elmer Frank, Naomi Seitcher, Willie Manson, Margaret Wagner.

From Ucluelet: Tim Williams, Bonita Williams, Laura Howel — Ucluelet Youth Worker from Comox and her bro, Sonny Howell.

From Tofino: Quinn Dorst.

From the NTC Health Board & Ahousat: J'net August, Youth Worker.

From Ahousat: Sherri Frank, Regina Frank, Bertha Campbell, Nikki Tom.

From Hesquiat: Maureen (Moe) Char-



Twenty-one young adults took peer counselling training at Kakawis. Here they are joined by their trainers before their grad ceremony.



The peer counsellors were congratulated by the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Council, and Hereditary Chiefs and their wives.

## BOY! IS LOVE BLIND!

Oh-h! How good it is to know that the Great Spirit is, to always be so ready and willing to be here to help me in life!

My child! My Most Precious Gift!

For so long I have been believing so much that I've been doing and saying all the right things to you.

It suddenly became very clear to me that I haven't been talking with you!

All this time I've been telling you how proud I am of the way you've grown up; How much I want nothing but the very best for you and your future.

I've been so busy pushing you, probably causing anxieties to build up in you.

Am I right in my feelings that I have made you to feel guilt about the resentments you must sometimes begin to have towards me? Maybe for seeming as tho' I'm treating you like you were still a youngster?

I didn't mean to do that. I am sorry!

I lifted myself above you and forgot to treat you as an equal.

Must be truth in the old saying:

"Love is blind" most of all — a Mother's Love I send you much Love Your 'Ma'.

## KYUQUOT RESIDENTS DISMAYED WITH OVERCUTTING OF FORESTS

Residents of Kyuquot have been attempting to get some commitments from the Ministry of Forests to change forestry practices in the area.

The residents, which include native people from the Village of Houpsitas and non-natives from across the inlet at Walter's Cove, are concerned about over-logging and its effects in the Kyuquot area.

The mountains and valleys surrounding Kyuquot are now scar-

red with clearcuts and slides, with as many as 18 slides on one mountainside, St. Paul's Dome, which is located two or three miles behind the community. The most recent slides occurred last April and May during heavy rainfalls that are prevalent at Kyuquot.

The local people have been meeting with the logging companies, the District Manager, Don Sluggett from Campbell River Ministry of Forest companies that have been drawing attention to their cause

by picketing the forestry office and talking to the media.

Richard Leo, Chief Councillor for the Kyuquot Tribe, said that they have expressed their concerns to the Ministry of Forests but "their district manager never answered our points."

Leo says, "We're not against loggers. We'd like to see some small business get some work, but the small gypo companies that employed eight to 10 people and less

capacity to log, are now replaced by large companies", he says. Five companies were presently operating in the area, said Leo.

"If the public was aware of the logging, they would be shocked at the amount of cutting," says Chief Leo. "We're not going to have a tree left in the Kyuquot area."

The rate of cut is the main concern of the local people, along with erosion and the sliding away of steep, unstable slopes.

Because commercial fishing is the main occupation of the local people, they are also very concerned with the impact of logging on the salmon streams and the anchorage sites along the coast.

Clanninick Cove, about two miles northwest of Kyuquot, used as a shelter and anchorage by fishermen and recreational boaters, was also scheduled for logging activity, but it has been deferred by the Ministry of Forests because of pressure from the

Kyuquot people. They are still worried about the future of Clanninick Cove as they have nothing in writing from MOF guaranteeing that it won't be logged.

The intense logging activity around Kyuquot has scared away tourists, say the residents, tourists that used to come and spend money in the small businesses of the community.

A Chicago outdoors magazine, "Outside Magazine" reported in its May 1989 issue that "Vancouver Island used to be the preeminent sea-kayaking area in North America. But on the island's northwest side, logging clearcuts straight to the waters edge have destroyed the shoreline around Kyuquot Sound."

"Tofino, 80 miles to the south, is one place where the scenery is still world class, thanks in part to the Earth-First type protests of its residents."

Other concerns expressed by the Kyuquot residents include the quality of their water

supply, the wildlife habitat and their native land claims.

A group of the residents, led by Gail Muir and Sam Kayra, have been campaigning against the present logging practices under the name of the Kyuquot Environmental Protection Group (KEPG). They have been writing to and meeting with the MOF and the companies and have been monitoring the area.

They have asked the Ministry to place "a moratorium on steep-slope logging (greater than 35 degrees)", to undergo "an independent study, made public, of the economic and environmental impacts of logging on the Kyuquot area with special attention given to erosion" and also conduct "an independent study of the impact of logging on tourism in the Kyuquot area". They also want the Ministry of Forests to sponsor "independent long-term resource management planning, made public, to ensure a sustainable forest for the Kyuquot area."

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## AIDS EDUCATION AIMED AT NATIVE YOUTH

In an effort to educate their people, and especially their youth, about AIDS, the Tseshaht Tribe recently had a community dinner with guest speakers to talk about the disease.

Chief Adam Shewish was on hand to welcome Dr. Jay Wortman and John Turvey and to thank them for helping inform the community about AIDS and its prevention.

Dr. Wortman is an expert in the epidemiology of AIDS (how the disease spreads).

John Turvey is a streetworker in the Vancouver East End and is in contact with numerous youth in the area, about 70 per cent who are indigenous, and some who are infected with the AIDS virus.

Dr. Wortman explained some of the history of the AIDS virus and some of the startling facts about how and where it is being spread.

"After being infected with the virus you don't get sick immediately," Dr. Wortman said, "it

can take up to 10 years, but you can spread the disease during this time."

B.C. has the highest rate of AIDS in the country said Dr. Wortman, with Vancouver and the lower mainland having the highest percentage of cases.

He warned that people living in remote areas might think that AIDS is not a problem, but AIDS is working itself into the country. He said that there is at least one case in every area of the province.

For every one person infected, Dr. Wortman estimates that there are probably 100 others unknown that have it. "It's only a question of time before someone in your community has AIDS and you must remember that they are no threat to you unless you have sex with them or share a needle with them."

He said that he hoped that native communities would handle this well and "rise to the challenge and be an example to the rest of society".

Dr. Wortman said that AIDS antibody testing is available free of charge to anyone in the province, through any doctor or through public health units.

John Turvey said that about 50 per cent of the kids his program is in contact with are not originally from Vancouver. Many are victims of sexual abuse and they have run away from home when their communities or families have not done anything about the sexual abuse.

He estimated that in Vancouver about 10 per cent of the "gay sex traders" are infected with AIDS, and a lot of them are native. Their clients then often infect their wives and other partners.

The street program that Turvey is involved with distributes free condoms and exchanges needles for intravenous drug users, through the sponsorship of the City of Vancouver.

"We have to educate our children about proper safe sex methods, otherwise we are going to lose a lot

moment there was complete stillness. Time seemed unimportant and my mind was at peace.

On our return from the mountain we visited the caves where Westcoast people traditionally fasted. Walking through the dripping, fern-shrouded entrances, deep inside the dark caverns, we found the worn ledges where generations of people had sat and prayed. Even though I still felt the peacefulness of the mountain, as I groped my way through the dark passages, I knew

of our children." Turvey said.

"Tell your kids - don't destroy the rest of your life by not taking precautions."

Dr. Wortman and John Turvey both answered a number of questions from the floor about AIDS and its prevention.

Also speaking at the Tseshaht gathering which numbered about 125 people, were Psychologist Dr. Larry Falls, Denny Grisdale, Principal of Native Education for School District #70, and Darleen Watts, Tseshaht Councillor and Community Health Worker.

Chief Shewish thanked everyone for showing interest in learning about AIDS. "It's something we have to be very aware of", he said, "all of you are thinking about your children alot."

The winners of an AIDS poster contest that was sponsored by the Tseshaht Tribe were announced. First prize went to George L. Watts, age 10, and runners-up were Angie Gus, Jacqueline Watts, and William Sam Jr.

that each of us still had parts of ourselves to explore. None of us can ever be "perfect" human beings; we can only learn from our experiences, both good and bad; by continually going through a process of cleansing and meditation, we can find some answers to improving our lives and the lives of others.

Thank you Andy, for including me on your spiritual journey to the mountain of your grandfathers. 1 "The Great On Top of the Mountain," Vin-dark passages, I knew son Brown.

## A TIME OF CLEANSING

Written by:  
PETER  
VON PUTTKAMER

I felt honored that Andy Callicum (4th Chief of Mowachaht, chief of *Nay'licca?-ap-taqumt?ah!*) had brought me and his close relations to his family's mountain high above Tahsis. We travelled there to be cleansed, fast and seek guidance from the creator.

It is with some hesitancy that Andy allowed me to write about my experience with him on that mountain; but, he feels that by reading this, people in his community might gain a greater insight into the values and beliefs of the grandfathers.

As I stood silently on the mountainside, enveloped by a thick curtain of fog, I felt at complete peace. There were few sounds: the steady song of a lone grouse and the soft crackle of our sacred fire, which burned at the centre of our camp. As I drifted in my thoughts, floating through the mist-shrouded peaks and valleys, I thought back to two days before, when we had begun our journey.

It began with a cleansing in a cold, clear stream. A place, it seems where

generations of Westcoast people had come to wash away the cares of the material world. As each of us dove under the water, then rose to the surface with a cry, we began a cycle of purification. We used hemlock branches on our skin to scrape away deep scars of our past - removing all feelings of anger, guilt and resentment. Those deeply committed to this spiritual path, stayed in the frigid waters for a long period of time: repeatedly diving under the water, shouting out their prayers "to make first their hearts and then the whole earth beautiful again".

On the mountain, the sacred songs of Andy's grandfathers purified our camp, then spread down the mountainside, echoing off distant valley walls. The burning of sweetgrass and tobacco further made sacred fire, burned away the concerns of the past and gave them up to the sky above us. And in our circle, surrounded by the four colors of the four directions, we smoked the sacred pipe; we sent out our prayers each morning and night to each of the four directions, to Father Sky and Mother Earth.

After two days of fasting, my heart slowed to

a restful, steady beat and my body became strangely numbed, as if relieved of the burden it had been carrying out in the "real world". I learned the value of silence.

And when a strange man entered our camp, I was to learn another lesson: the importance of staying on the path, to complete the cycle of purification, undisturbed.

A young man with his own set of problems interrupted us: he had been drinking, drove his truck into a ditch, and came to us for help. Well it was several miles to the town below, so several of us helped him. It upset the stillness of the camp, interrupted our thoughts and brought the harsh realities of the physical world back into our minds. We had to be made clean again: many miles from our creek, we smudged ourselves with sacred sage and sweetgrass. Standing over the fire, singing his songs of prayer, I believe Andy taught us a lesson that day. We must be disciplined, we must rise above the ugliness and cruelty of our mechanized world - remaining in our sacred circle, until we are cleansed and truly made whole.

Finally, we were honored by Andy bringing his coppers with him. They were placed around the spiritual centre of our camp: the fire that had been nurtured and kept alive throughout the nights of continual rain on the mountain. We stood in silent prayer as Andy sang, prayed and made offerings to his grandfathers. The fog had already begun to lift off the distant mountains and by the time these final prayers had been completed, a loan peak appeared before us - cloaked in pale orange sunlight. When each of us looked closely at this snow-capped mountain, it clearly resembled a mother holding a baby. At that moment, it was as if we five men were being brought back to our beginnings - where our lives had started. Each one of us, in his own way gave thanks to the creator for this reminder to respect all women as the sacred givers of new life.

Tobacco was shared once more in our small circle. As the pipe was passed around and the sacred smoke was blown to the four directions, I thought of Andy's ancestors and I thanked them for allowing me to visit their mountain. For a brief

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- name, address, phone number and other relevant personal data.
- scholarship applying for.
- copy of school transcripts and a letter of acceptance for the next school year.
- a short essay about the importance of education for the Nuu-chah-nulth and how your training will be used in the future.

Applications for all of the above scholarships should be submitted as soon as possible so that they can be presented at the Nuu-chah-nulth Annual Assembly on September 28.

## WORKSHOP: "RESEARCHING & WRITING TRIBAL HISTORIES"

I attended the "Tribal Histories" workshop at the University of Oklahoma with Chief Bert Mack from June 26-29, 1989. There were 30 participants in attendance from throughout the United States and Canada (only one other from Canada) with various backgrounds and levels of expertise in this field. The most beneficial parts of the workshop in my opinion were the daily discussions in which we shared information on the various ways that different tribal groups were preserving their cultures through writing. Examples of works were as follows:

- published tribal histories;
- autobiographies/biographies of tribal members;
- coloring books for children including scenes of traditional and modern-day activities of the tribe;
- genealogies of tribal families;
- tales and legends of the tribe.

Among the participants at the workshop were seven (7) high school students and their teacher from the Red Lake Ojibwa Tribe (Minnesota) who brought with them a book which they compiled during the school year as a class project. The book, entitled "To Walk the Red Road: Memories of the Red Lake Ojibwa People", results from interviews with elders conducted by the students during the school year and contains many old photographs obtained from elders, archives and museums. It is an excellent example of how our youth can contribute to the land claims program while learning from the elders at the same time. The students gained a sense of accomplishment and pride through seeing a quality finished project. The Red Lake students will be publishing a second book next year with further memories and

teachings from their elders. Upon seeing the finished product, the elders who would not participate in the interviews for this first book are most anxious to be interviewed for the second book!

Some of the most important points which were stressed during the workshop were:

- To be a "critical reader" when reading histories written by outsiders (anthropologists, historians).
- The materials often contain many errors or "select" information which may either be inaccurate or does not portray a true picture of the tribe's history;
- Written and oral histories are equally important. Our elders are walking history books and we must write their teachings.
- Too much information results in a project so overwhelming that nothing is written in the end. Break down information/research into manageable sections to avoid this.

— Give the children's "heroes" through writing. Let them know who their ancestors were and the importance of the culture/traditions.

— Don't wait for an absolute consensus before publishing materials. There will always be somebody who will disagree with what is written. (Make sure, however, to be thorough and accurate and to speak to as many people as possible to obtain a clear picture of your topic.)

A good deal of time was spent discussing interviews and writing skills, library systems and research and interviewing techniques. We also spent some time in the Western Histories Collections Library at the university. I was able to obtain a computer listing of books about the West Coast people from the computerized Research Library Information System (RLIN) terminal. There are 746 terminals in existence in North

America with only three (3) located in Canada. The system is essentially a computerized card catalogue of books contained in all libraries connected to the system with details on where the books are located. The system seems to be invaluable as the initial step in conducting research and it is unfortunate that it has not "come to life" in Canada as yet.

Another useful system is the Native American Research Service Information (NARIS) operated through the American Indian Institute at the university. NARIS contains over 6,000 entries on research (published and unpublished) focusing on American Indian and Alaska Native issues dating back to 1969. The system provides assistance to researchers on a wide variety of issues and topics and apparently is used largely by proposal writers.

The content of the "Tribal Histories" workshop and the interaction among the participants made this course worthwhile. A similar course dealing with B.C. land claims and aboriginal rights issues specifically, however, would be of greater benefit to land claims researchers throughout this province.

A manual for the course was provided and is available for review in the land claims office at the Tribal Council. Further information and materials on the course and the American Indian Institute of the University of Oklahoma is also available.

Please feel free to drop by the office any time to discuss the Nuu-chah-nulth Land Claims Program.

Angela Cantryn,  
Land Claims  
Researcher, N.T.C.

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## HOW SSRAA FISHERMEN DO REGIONAL PLANNING

(Part 8 of a series on research on fisheries co-management by Nelson Keitlah of Port Alberni and Lyn Pinkerton of UBC, supported by a grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.)

The troller on the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) board told us he has helped write the regional salmon plan for southern southeast Alaska.

**What is a regional plan?**

A regional plan lays out guidelines for what you want to happen in your region, and what you don't want to happen. A good plan that is going to work has to be made slowly, democratically, with lots of discussion, thought, and consultation between government and fishermen. That means the people who are affected by it, help put it together. That way, they will continue to support it and it will have teeth.

**What do you mean by "teeth"?**

If a plan is good and widely supported, it is difficult for government, or big industry, to ignore it. Of course, it helps to give your plan some legal status, the way Washington tribes did. After their regional plans were negotiated, they were adopted as court orders. Like the Hood Canal Plan. If the Washington Department of Fisheries suddenly wants to release a bunch of hatchery chinook for a sport fishery, they can't just do it. If it isn't in line with the plan, they have to get agreement from the tribes. Otherwise they are in court.

**But in southern southeast Alaska, your Comprehensive Salmon Plan isn't adopted as a court order. Does it still have teeth?**

Yes it, does. We fishermen just had to work harder to give it teeth. We had to do our homework and build up our credibility. Basically we educated ourselves about our own area until we knew it much better than government. We used our own experience as fishermen. And we also used very good professional help. We put in a lot of time looking at what our area is like and deciding what we want to see

happen. We got ourselves so together that we just bowled them over!

**How did you get started?**

Well, SSRAA started in 1976, but we didn't have time to start work on the Comprehensive Salmon Plan until 1979. Before that, we were too busy deciding where to put our hatchery.

But we were already getting the idea. That's because we did all the research on where the hatchery should be located. We also researched what broodstocks we should use for it. Some of us went over all the old records of the traps and the canneries to see what those creeks used to produce in the 1920s, the 1930s. How many fish, what species, what size.

**Did all this information convince Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG) that you knew what you were doing?**

Not at first, it didn't. We worked with the FRED division within ADF&G. That's like your SEP, your Salmonid Enhancement Program within DFO. FRED stands for Fisheries Rehabilitation, Enhancement, and Development. FRED was very paranoid about us in the beginning. They thought we were going to take power away from them. So they made it difficult for us to get the permits to build the hatchery, to get the broodstock. We got the permits in the end, but it took a lot of politicking.

Now the legislation that allowed us to form Regional Aquaculture Associations also said we could participate with FRED in planning enhancement for the region. Everybody knew we needed an overall plan or different projects would be out of control, in conflict. FRED hired a planner to work with us. He was paid by them, but he was more interested in us, and he really wanted the plan to work. As it turned out, we were a lot more serious about it than FRED was. We decided to go all the way on this one.

Here's what we did. We collected all the data there was to be found on all 1,000 streams in southern southeast. For each stream, we had a file with all this information on it. Everything that had ever happened to that stream. The information sometimes came from 10

or 15 different places. The planner worked on this full-time for a year and a half. He put it all together and laid it out so we could see what the whole region used to look like in the old days. Before some of the runs had been fished out.

That gave us an idea of what each watershed, each stream, each part of the area used to produce. What was a good chum creek. What had been the best coho areas. Some areas were just pink creeks. No point in trying to make something else spawn there. Our goal was to bring back the areas to what they used to produce. We wanted to use the broodstocks that were the closest to the original ones. But we also didn't want to endanger the strong wild stocks that we still have. They are our most precious resource.

There were three of us on the Regional Planning Team. Myself the troller, A SSRAA gillnetter and a SSRAA seiner. The three state people on the planning team were a FRED person, a Sportfish Division person and a Commercial Fisheries Division person, all from different divisions of ADF&G. We fishermen spent a lot of time working together before each meeting. We came to an agreement among ourselves about what we wanted to see happen in each part of our region. Our planner worked with us and we were really on top of the data. We also worked with the SSRAA Regional Planning Committee, which included more SSRAA board members than just the three of us. So we came to the Regional Planning Team meetings very well prepared, with our planner and general manager backing us up. We became the leaders of the process, because we were much better prepared than they were. We were also very clear about what we wanted.

Meeting after meeting they heard us talk about the areas we knew. We talked about what we could reasonably expect each area to produce. Part of our job was to go over applications to build other hatcheries or do in-stream enhancement projects. We also had to approve permits to take broodstock. The Forest Service, sportsmen's

groups, etc. wanted to do little enhancement projects all over the place. Did they make sense? Did they fit into the big picture, or did they create problems? We talked about why one project was a good idea and another project was not. Our technical people were always there too, backing up everything we said. Eventually, they just had to respect us because we knew what we were doing. We pretty much got what we wanted.

Now we have a regional plan that is a good guideline for the future. We update it periodically. Anybody who wants to do a project looks at it to see if we are going to approve their project. People also come look at our files on all the streams if they want the facts on a particular one. The plan and all the information that went into it are a very valuable resource.

Now there are new fishermen on the Regional Planning Team, but it doesn't matter. They can refer to the plan and the files. There are new ADF&G people on the planning team also. We still have our same technical people. The planner now works for us. Our staff have more gray hair and experience than the young state bureaucrats now, and they are looked up to. It's amazing to see, but in 10 years, we have become establishment! The ADF&G people aren't paranoid about us any more. They think of us as partners.

We never were trying to take away their power. Now they realize we just make their job easier. They can count on us to do a good job thinking about what kind of enhancement should end, should not happen here. They know they will have a lot less flack from the fishermen if they work closely with us. We even lobbied to keep FRED going when there was a big funding cut planned. We'd like to see them stick around, because they do some important things, like technical work on tag data for us. And now we know them. The head of the FRED division now used to be manager of the Prince William Sound Regional Aquaculture Association. So he really understands our point of view.

## Facts About Pardon

"From The Native Law Office" — Patty Surette Port Alberni Friendship Centre 3555 - 4th Avenue Port Alberni

The Criminal Records Act is designed to help people erase a mistake of the past. A pardon is granted under the Act to those persons who were found guilty of a criminal offence, have satisfied the sentence imposed by the court, and subsequently have shown themselves to be

of good behavior. It constitutes evidence that a conviction of a criminal offence should no longer have any unfavorable effect on his or her life.

A pardon is not given automatically, it must be applied for and is granted only after the results of an inquiry, conducted in most cases by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, have been carefully studied by the National Parole Board.

Any person who has ever been convicted or

found guilty of an offence under an act or regulation of the Parliament of Canada, such as the Criminal Code of Canada, Narcotic Control Act; Food and Drug Act, or Income Tax Act, may apply for a pardon under the Criminal Records Act. On a pardon has been granted the records of the conviction in question are kept separate and apart by the federal agencies or departments that have custody of them, and these records may not be disclosed without the specific permission of the Solicitor General of Canada.

Eligibility for a pardon is calculated from the date a sentence imposed was fully satisfied, whether it was a fine, a period of incarceration, or a period of probation.

The waiting period can vary between one and five years, depending on the seriousness of the offence and the type of conviction.

If the offence was punishable on summary conviction, the waiting period is two years from the date the sentence was satisfied. If the person was found guilty and given a conditional discharge, the waiting

period is one year from the date the probation period ended; if it was an absolute discharge, the time is one year from the date the discharge was handed down.

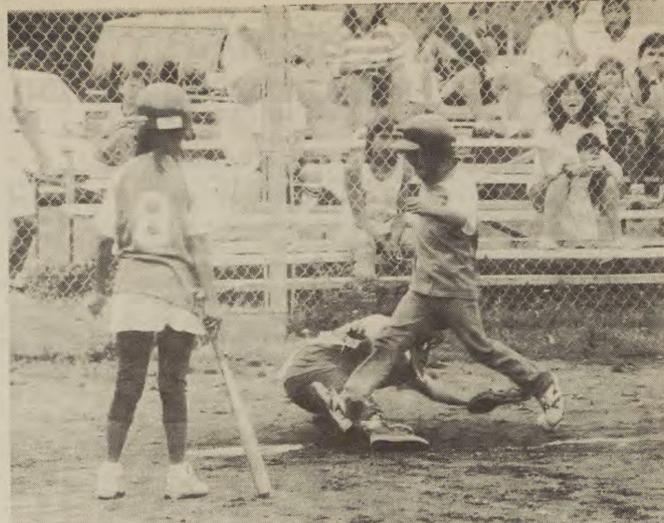
The clerk of the court in which the case was heard can advise whether the offence was punishable on summary conviction or was an indictable offence.

A pardon is not required for charges that were withdrawn or dismissed because they are not recorded as convictions. Absolute or condi-

tional discharges are also not recorded as convictions. They do represent a finding of guilt, however, and are included in a person's criminal record. He or she can therefore apply for a pardon.

Any person wishing to apply for a pardon can obtain an application kit and assistance to fill out the forms and obtain the necessary documents by contacting Patty Surette, the Legal Information Worker at the Friendship Center.

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The Tseshaht Reds 12 and under softball champions.



The 6 & under boys longjump.

# SCENES FROM THE 9TH ANNUAL NUU-CHAH-NULTH GAMES



A lot of effort and determination went into the tug-of-war competitions.



Meares Islanders — Men's Champions at the Nu-u-chah-nulth Games — Front row: Howard Tom Sr., John Tom Sr., Remi Tom, Steve Frank, Francis Frank; Back row: Clarence Tom, Peter Williams, Howard Tom Jr., Rick Masso, John Tom Jr., Simon Tom, Leo Manson.



13-14 boys & girls.



4 & under boys & girls.



5-6 boys & girls.



7-8 boys & girls.



9-10 boys & girls.



11-12 boys & girls.



### Congratulations Natasha & Waylon!

We the parents of Waylon & Natasha Webster of Ahousaht would like to congratulate our children for awards received from Ruth King Elementary, Victoria, B.C.

Natasha Webster, Grade 1 Fine Arts and young authors award.

Waylon Webster, Grade 2 Physical Education and Penmanship awards.

Job well done children.

Love, Mom & Dad  
Chuck & Jaimie

### A Thank You

First of all I'd like to wish our son Thomas Tyson Seitcher a very happy birthday on August 18. He turned 10.

Next I would like to say thank you to our whole family for attending our Seitcher family reunion. The good ole rain kept us together - was really nice to be able to welcome our nephew Seymour Tyson with a shower.

Next I'd like to congratulate all our princesses on their commitment in all their hard work in joining the pageant.

Naomi, we missed you while you were gone.

Thank you Verna Jack, Claire English, Judy Dick for the time and energy you spent on our children. Kleco from the bottom of our hearts.

Kleco Auntie Margaret Joseph for spending a week with our daughter in Campbell River. To all elders who play a big role in our daughter's life from the Tla-o-qui-aht Tribe.

Thank you Randy and Darlene Frank, her

Godparents Irvin and Karen Frank, Nelson Keitlah and all other individuals who played a good role in where our daughter is at today.

To Francis Frank thank you for the support you gave your new friend, lil sister. We appreciate you and your support you gave her in her well being.

Thank you Marie Martin for the support you gave Naomi in showing her how ladies could be.

Kleco to you and Benny for showing her how to cut fish, etc.

I'd like to congratulate our young adults from the Tla-o-qui-aht Tribe who attended the peer counselling course they had at Kakawis. We had six youths.

Thanks to our Chief and councils who attended their grad ceremonies. Showed our children how good and successful they are.

Congratulations to all Nuu-chah-nulth clients who have gone and finished their personal growth from Treatment Centres.

Ray & Delores Seitcher.

## Symposium on Indian Fisheries

July 5th & 6th, 1989  
Seattle  
By: Susan Lauder  
Fisheries Research,  
NTC

The meeting took place in Seattle and was sponsored by the Native American Fisheries Committee of the Western Division of American Fisheries Society. It was the first meeting that was sponsored by this group and hopefully will be more.

There was a large turn out of interested people, that consisted of Chiefs, Tribal organizations, councillors, foresters, Indian Affairs and Department of Fisheries. They came

from Canada and across the U.S.A.

The primary goal of this meeting was to increase awareness of our common interest, the fisheries resource.

Each speaker gave a different outlook of the history and up-to-date fisheries management.

Louie Dick Jr. of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, pointed out some of them through his talk on philosophy.

He spoke of how some people say that "our culture is dying" and "it is dying, to those who do not attend workshops" such as this, to better understand and learn from others and "it is dying to

those who do not attend ceremonial gatherings".

He spoke of the existing treaties and how these treaties "didn't give the Indian people anything, all we did was to make sure it was retained for us".

He spoke of how it is affecting our young men, by depriving them of their livelihood. How much we intertwined with nature and without our resource, our young men aren't able to build their cultural songs through personal experiences that relate to nature. He referred to it as a cycular process.

James Fall concluded by saying the DFO were in total confusion when

it comes to recognizing the Indian's cultural need for food fish. A subject that isn't taught to them in biology school.

If they are going to overlap into what we do with the food fish, once in our possession, rather than concentrating on practising what they have been taught, maybe suggest that they attend a ceremonial gathering to open their eyes.

There were a number of good, informative speakers who participated in the discussions and I chose to share these two key speakers.

## 200th ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTIANITY AT YUQUOT

On July 25, 1989 representatives of the Mowachaht Band and other visitors to Friendly Cove took part in a 200th anniversary celebration of Christianity on the West Coast.

Approximately 50 people travelled to Friendly Cove to spend the morning and early afternoon exploring, visiting and otherwise relaxing in the beautiful community of Yuquot.

At 2 p.m. a joint church service was hosted by Bishop Remi De Roo of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria; Bishop Ronald F. Shepard of the Anglican Church of B.C. and Presbytery Officer William L. Howie of the United Church of Canada.

During the services the three church officers presented an inscribed plaque to the Mowachaht Band for

placement in the church at Yuquot.

The inscription reads: "In celebration of the First Proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ on Canada's West Coast in 1789, and in its reception by the native people, and trusting in the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit, representatives of the Holy Spirit, representatives of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and United

Church of Canada assembled here in July 1989, A.D. May the grace of God continue to bring justice and peace to all people of the coast."

Following church services, the Mowachaht Band treated all guests to a fresh salmon and halibut barbecue dinner.

Similar services took place in Tofino on July 23 and Ahousaht on July 27.

### THANK YOU

To all our friends and relatives:

At this time I would like to take this opportunity to say a great big "thank you" for all your

kindness and support you gave to my cousins Sammy, Phyllis, William and Stephanie during their time of sorrow. Also thank

### Sister

You were two years old when I was born I remember when I was five, you held me & said "Don't be scared I'll protect you."

You were there when I got married. You were there when my husband died. You were there when they took my kids away because I drank too much. You're always there for me sis. When you're a hundred years old I'll be ninety-eight And I'll prop you up with my Love.

Happy 50th birthday on the 29th of August. Hugs & kisses and thanks for being there. Your sister,

Helen Charleson

you for the visits you made to the two grandmothers - Green Auntie and Auntie Rosie.

It was a trying time for the family but because of your kindness and great words of comfort, you were able to ease the pain. The flowers that were sent to the home and cemetery were all really beautiful. Again, thank you.

The donation of food and financial help was greatly appreciated. You will never be forgotten. There are so many people to thank. It would take alot of pages for names to be mentioned.

So with all my love and respect to you all. Thank you again.

Love,  
MARIE JOHNNIE (WATTS),  
Duncan, B.C.

P.S. Special thanks to you Patty Williams for getting Charlie out of the water. "God bless you."

### THE OPPORTUNITY

The opportunity is there it always was and always will be within your reach of hope and desire.

You the enthusiast, must take the initiative to make your dream come true. If you think you can do it you can! It's your decision...

Motivate your thoughts into action for it's only you that can do it. Action is not hazardous to your thoughts for it's one step closer to success.

Motivation takes over and covers up your inner fear of incompetence. This is just another step of confidence.

By R.B. EDGAR

## CAROLYN KNIGHTON'S EXPERIENCES AT "EXCEPTIONAL NATIVE YOUTH LEADERSHIP"

With honorable mention and special thanks to Howard Rainier, his wife Becky Rainier, their son Spencer Rainier and family.

Utah: My first impression was through tired eyes. After three different plane rides I finally arrived. There were three young native guys waiting for my arrival. They stood there at the airport with my name "Carol Knighton" on a large white piece of paper. I felt so important. I couldn't believe it when I talked, it sounded like I had cotton in my ears! The airports were impressive with many races of people. Believe it or not through all those three different airports, I only saw about two natives that I could tell of, course I fell asleep at times and sat with my eyes closed.

On my way to Brigham Young University in Salt Lake City I had seen flat lands, different in its own way. The mountains I did see were awesome. They were sitting there, finely sculptured like tiles on a roof. After leaving my camera in the van and leaving my luggage in the councillor's hands, I checked in at the front desk and felt a tap on my shoulder. I looked back and was welcomed with Howard Rainier's firm hand shake. It felt great.

The two or three other guys that were picked up at the airport along with me were led to the cafeteria and I was to learn my first lesson of being a leader. We had only about five minutes to eat and Howard Rainier said "OK, time is not to be wasted, let's go!" I met the others like me who were to gain a lot of determination through these two weeks. Right away we all had to rise and move to the front of the room, one at a time and introduce and tell about ourselves and our origin. I was proud to be up there, especially when Howard said "tell them about beautiful

British Columbia". I stood there a moment and the only thing I could think of was the heat and greenery.

After this, we were interviewed on camera. When I first met Howard here in Port Alberni, I told him that I would like to act and be in front of a TV camera. I swear I had seen that camera everyday I was there. Thanks Howard!

I wasn't feeling too well. As luck goes, I went to my dorm early and missed the first day of the conference. I was really homesick. When I was up and moving, I mean I was up and moving! Right away I was to learn that we all had to think up a talent to do on the following Saturday. This was video taped. It took about four hours to do everyone's talent.

There was 30 of us and many of us did one or two, either orally or with others. I did a speech orally titled "Speak from the heart" and a dance (with three others, including Howard Rainier's wife Becky!) to "I heard it through the grapevine". Yes, we were dressed up like raisins. We got a lot of laughs.

Anyway, we were all to be in our dorms by 11:00, sometimes later because our activities for that day lasted longer! There was no dating allowed, which is why we all became so close in friendship and looked after and up to one another as brothers and sisters would, that was great.

We all owned a journal of our own. I left a lot of frustration down on paper, mostly of confusion. We had to be up by 6:00 a.m., no later than 7:00 a.m. Our workshops started at 8:30 a.m. We took a break for lunch and strictly had to be back to the workshop or whatever activity for that day by 1:00 p.m. or 1:30, whichever time was noted or we would be penalized \$5.

Although I'm not quite sure, but I think no one had to pay that \$5. Although there was a

couple who did come late once, we forgave them and it never happened again. Now that's achievement. Then supper came for one hour, then to learning again till 9:00 p.m. or later like I said. Everyday we had something to do. So much that we had to sacrifice lunch or supper to put in extra time to work on our talents or get caught up in our journals! Some of us would be up later at night to work on our journals and you could tell from the sleepy eyes at some of the morning workshops. I admit I almost nodded off at a couple.

I still had my Canadian money and those I showed were amazed at it. Those American Indians called it play money. I just laughed. We all learned a great deal of co-ordination and concentration. The one thing that I will cherish forever is the dance performance we did. It started with volunteers who said they would do any kind of dance number they knew. Then we all had to line up behind those who we liked the most. Some had a long line up, the one I was in, there were three of us.

The persons who did the dance had to teach us the dance and then we had to add on and make our own performance. My group made one over one minute long. These dances were all put together into one show about twenty minutes long. We worked on it for about 25 hours before we had it video taped. That was the greatest feeling of achievement and the greatest part was, we all did it together, we were all equal in performance. Our instructor was just about in tears when we finished. He also said that natives are the fastest learners to his teaching of concentration and movement.

The other experience I will never forget is the rock or cliff climbing we did. I received an honorable certificate for conquering the

mountain because I made it to the top. Everyone did. No one could leave or quit unless they climbed the cliff all the way up. I believe, if we were to do this on our own mind, many of us would have quit but we had to believe in ourself, gain determination, desire and trust. We all did it. I gained my certificate because half way up the cliff I looked down and literally froze and hugged the cliff. I closed my eyes and thought to myself of what would happen if I fell. I had all those safety lines on and I was depending on one person to save me if I fell and she was on the ground holding the lines and persuading me along with others to go on. I did it. It was the greatest feeling in the world, I felt I could conquer anything after coming down. I'm proud of everyone for accomplishing that day.

We also learned about sharing, understanding and communication. How we had to work and earn things in life. Anything is now possible to me because I have the desire and determination to learn and want to help my people and others alike.

I will always remember these words from a guy named, Tracy, over there. I had inspired him and he learned some- thing from me and that made me so proud it made me think of when Howard said "Even if just one of you here goes away a different person, I will be happy". All it takes is one person, I learned that.

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Carolyn Knighton reaches the top. "This is up in the mountains of Utah during lunch time, after some of us climbed the cliff."

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Miss Indian America, Bobette K. Wildcat. She was at the youth conference in Salt Lake City, Utah and was Carolyn Knighton's roommate for one week.

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The trip to Canyon City was a memorable one. A total of approximately 400 elders attended this year's Gathering. Elders from all over B.C. attended. A total of 11 from the Nuu-chah-nulth Nation made the long trip to the Elders Gathering. The elders that attended were: **Martin Edgar, Alma Mack, Hilda Hansen, Ethel Sport, Freda Cootes, Ellen Tatoosh, Josie Thompson.**

Others that attended were: Beaulah Jack (driver), Deanna Thompson (chaperone), Shelley Joseph (chaperone) and me, Derek Thompson.

Departure was 8:00 in the morning from the Port Alberni Friendship Center on Saturday, August 5. All were excited to get going, spirits were high and happy. All on the trip had never been to the Nass Valley, so as you can imagine, it was like being on a field trip with school children. The elders were filled with humor and laughter, always there to put a smile on our faces. Especially Martin, with his stories of the past.

We arrived in Port Hardy that night at about 5 p.m. Checked into the Glenn Lyon Inn and rested up for the 6:30 a.m. departure on the Queen of the North ferry to Prince Rupert. The ferry ride was 17 hours long! Spectacular views! There was a stop in Bella Bella! What a long ride! All were wearisome and tired when we landed in Prince Rupert. We headed straight for the Moby Dick Inn and crashed to the beds to fall fast asleep!

All looked refreshed and energized the next day after a good night's sleep! All of us were excited to look around Prince Rupert (THE MONEY WAS BURNING IN OUR POCKETS!). It was B.C. holiday, so everything was closed! We headed for Terrace at 1 p.m. that afternoon. We saw the great Skeena River and the HUGE mountains surrounding us! What beautiful country!

We arrived in Terrace at about 3:30 p.m. We

# 1989 13TH ANNUAL B.C. NATIVE ELDER'S GATHERING

GITWINKSIHLKW - CANYON CITY, B.C.  
NASS VALLEY - NISGA'A TRIBAL COUNCIL

ate at Mr. Mike's! Gassed up and headed for GITWINKSIHLKW. The trip to Canyon City got more beautiful and spectacular as each mile brought us closer. We passed through the LAVA BEDS that fill the Nass Valley like an ocean. What a sight to see! We have finally reached our destination! Two and a half days later, we were finally in Gitwinksihlkw - Canyon City! We were greeted right away with a friendly smile and bil-

leted out straight away. The elders stayed with Dorothy Doolan and Deanna, Shelley and I stayed with my Auntie Olive Azak.

August 8, the first day of the Gathering. It was heart warming to see familiar faces and to rekindle friendships of last year's Elders Gathering. The agenda was as follows:

- a) Introduction of Elders Groups.
- b) Revival of our Native Laws and Culture: - Land Rights, Hunting

Rights, Fishing Rights. - Laws before marriage, after marriage and after the birth of a child.

- Revival of Traditional Medicine.

c) Traditional Welcome Banquet. The day was a very informative one, but also a slow one. There was not a mediator to keep the discussion going. It also seemed to be getting political. The banquet was excellent! All people attending were seated individually

and announced loudly to everyone upon entrance by the host. A delicious seafood banquet was served! And I mean SEAFOOD! It was great!

August 9, the second day of the Gathering. The agenda for the day was as similar as the first day, only broken into workshops. There was a total of 10 groups discussing the same topics as the first day, only this time everything that was discussed was taped on tape recor-

ders. The day went fast. For supper there was an outdoor salmon barbecue!

Needless to say, it was awesome! Following the salmon barbecue, there was a \$5,000 bingo. Josephine Thompson won \$332 dollars! Congratulations Josephine!

August 10, was the third day of the Gathering.

There was feedback on the first two days of the Gathering. Then lunch. The elections for the new king and queen took place after lunch. Before that, there was discussion on the rules of the crowning of the king and queen and whether or not the choosing should be done by choosing a territory for the Elders Gathering, or by electing a king and queen, thereby having the Elders Gathering at the site of the king and queen's homeland. The elders chose to elect a site rather than a king and queen. Squamish in North Vancouver was chosen as the next site for the 14th Annual B.C. Native Elders Gathering. Both are from Squamish. Congratulations to Si and Mabel.

That night there was a traditional Nisga'a stew feast hosted by Hereditary Chief Simoogit Bakgap (Jacob Nyce). Again everyone was seated traditionally by the host. Each table had their own server to tend their guests needs. During the meal, brass bands of the four Nisga'a communities played tunes for the guests. After the meal, as part of their culture, the Wolf clan of the four communities, helped out the Gitwinksihlkw Health Committee by contributing money to form a large pot. Because of tradition in the Nuu-chah-nulth Nation, the elders, myself, and the Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board contributed \$100 towards the 13th Annual B.C. Native Elders Gathering.



Josie Thompson, Beaulah Jack, Hilda Hansen, Freda Cootes, and Ethel Sport on their way to Canyon City.



Martin Edgar and the rest of the Nuu-chah-nulth people singing the Nuu-chah-nulth song at the Elder's Gathering.

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# MOWACHAHT EDUCATION AWARDS

## By Shirley Andrews

Parents, relatives, students and teachers gathered at the Maquinna Hall in Ahaminnaquus at 7 p.m. on June 15 to celebrate the 8th Annual Muchalaht - Mowachaht Education Awards.

The ceremony was opened by Elder Violet Johnson who lead with a prayer spoken in the Mowachaht tongue. This was followed by a recitation of the Lord's Prayer by two Mowachaht Nursery School students: Jaylene Johnson and Nina Dick.

The first presentations were graduation diplomas to the five Mowachaht Nursery School students who are graduating onto kindergarten next September. Each student was also presented with a "Grad" '89 T-shirt. The tiny students accepted their diplomas and shirts with much dignity. They were the "hits" of the awards ceremony, bedecked in their greatest finery topped off with grad mortarboard caps made by Agnes George. (Agnes was their teacher from

September 1988 to January 1989.) The nursery school students also received special awards for various achievements through the school year.

For all the efforts, love and attention showered on them from their teachers, the nursery students presented baskets of chumas to Agnes George and Violet Johnson to show their appreciation.

The kindergarten students of Ray Watkins Elementary School were also awarded special gift awards in recognition of their scholastic efforts.

Following the distribution of gift awards to the little ones, was the presentation of trophy awards to the students of Ray Watkins Elementary and Gold River Secondary School.

There were 56 trophies awarded in the following categories: Good Attitude, Improvement, Progress, Achievement, Best Bus Behaviour and Thomas Keith Dick Memorial (Citizenship).

There were also trophies awarded to the

Best All Round students from each school. Special congratulations go out to this year's recipients: from RWES - Daniel Dick and from GRSS - Eddie Mark. Good work boys! Your family, relatives and friends are all very proud of you.

This year, we were pleased to honor two high school graduates: Edward Jack Sr. and Sharon Williams. Our heart felt congratulations go out to

them. After the presentation of awards, a delicious lunch was served by the band staff and high school students. The high-lite of the luncheon being barbecued salmon, the scrumptious results of Veronica Dick's much appreciated efforts.

The old cliché "a good time was had by all" can certainly be applied to the evening's festivities. One only had to observe the many

smiling faces, especially those of the children, without whom there would be no cause to celebrate. It is the students' efforts that gave us this opportunity to gather and celebrate, so we thank them all.

Special thanks also go out to the many volunteers who helped to make the evening such a success. Thanks Margarita and Rose for the posters, thanks to the "galley slaves" who worked so diligently in the kitchen, thanks Evelyn for cleaning the hall (all three times), the education committee for their support, Veronica for the fish and thank you John Amos for your valuable assistance. Ultra special thanks to Verna Jack and the Alcohol & Drug Committee for the funding which enabled us to buy all the gifts and awards, we are deeply indebted to you, thank you once more. Kleco kleco. To all the students of the Mowachaht Nursery, RWES and GRSS: once more we congratulate you and thank you for all your efforts. We especially congratulate the award recipients. Have a good summer, you deserve it.



Award winning students: (L-R) Allan English, Arthur English, Brandon Jack, Jaylene Johnson, Anna Dick, Nina Dick, Harvey Mark, Wayne Dick, Tommy Dick.

### EDUCATION AWARDS

#### ACHIEVEMENT

**By grade:**  
Grade 2: Joni Johnson, Daniel Dick; Grade 6: Ron Vickers; Metal-work 10 & Science 9: Eddie Mark; Social Studies 8 & French 8: Madeline English; CS 9 & English 9: Lauren Jack; Home Economics 8 & Typing 8: Charlene Jack.

**By subject:**  
Grade 1 Reading: Mathew Savey; Grade 4 Math: Dawn Johnson, Lee Jack; Grade 4 Spelling: Salvador James, Amelda Johnson; Grade 7 Spelling: Eddie Jack; Math 11: Josephine Mark.

#### IMPROVEMENT

**By grade:**  
Grade 1: Violet Christianson; Grade 5: Louie Johnson.

**By subject:**  
Language Arts 7: Jamie Jack; Learning A 8: Dana Jack; English 9: Tracey Amos; Learning A 10: Benny Jack Jr.; Social Studies 9: Lauren Jack; English 9: Madeline English; Math 9: Wayne Hinchcliffe; Science 10: Josephine Mark.

#### ATTITUDE

**By grade:**  
Grade 1: Violet Christianson; Grade 2: Frank Savey.

#### By subject:

Typing 8: Paul Johnson; Learning A 8: Yvonne Murphy; P.E. 8: Dana Jack; French 9: Lauren Jack; Learning A 10: Wayne Hinchcliffe; Social Studies 11: Roberta Amos, Barbara Dick; Learning A 11: Gary Maquinna.

#### PROGRESS

**By subject (only):**  
Grade 1 Reading: Andrew Maquinna; Grade 4 Reading: Alaina James.

#### THOMAS KEITH DICK MEMORIAL (CITIZENSHIP)

Grade 3: Troy English, Leon Murphy; Grade 4: Amelda Johnson; Grade 10: Eddie Mark; Grade 11: Roberta Amos.

#### SPECIAL POETRY BOOK AWARD

Barbara Dick.

#### BEST BUS BEHAVIOUR

Marissa James

#### ATHLETIC AWARDS

Senior Male Athlete RWES: James Hinchcliffe, Jamie Jack; Senior Female Athlete RWES: Marie Dick; Junior Male Athlete RWES: Leon Murphy; Junior Female Athlete RWES: Dawn Johnson; Male Athlete GRSS: Eddie Mark; Female Athlete GRSS: Charlene Jack.

#### BEST ALL ROUND RWES

Daniel Dick.

#### BEST ALL ROUND GRSS

Eddie Mark

#### GRADS

Sharon Williams, Edward Jack Sr.

#### STUDENTS ABSENT 10 DAYS OR LESS (1988/89 School Year)

Charlene Jack (Grade 8), Ron Vickers, Daniel Jack, Dawn Johnson, Salvador James, Troy English, Leon Murphy, Larry Snook.

#### BEST ATTENDANCE RWES

Lee Jack

#### BEST ATTENDANCE GRSS

Dana Jack

#### MOWACHAHT NURSERY SCHOOL

Best Attendance & Achievement: Nina Dick, Jaylene Johnson; Most Improved: Brandon Jack, Anna Dick Mark; Tries the Hardest: Arthur English; Good Listener: Jordan James; Sharing Well: Hilary Savey; Gate Crashing: Carleen Jack.

#### RAY WATKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN AWARDS

Progress: Jason Savey, Thomas Dick; Memory Award: Wayne Dick; Art Award: Allan English; Super Helper Award: Harvey Mark; Gym Award: Bruce Mark; Perseverance: April Day; Citizenship: Marissa James.

# The 8th Annual Nuu-chah-nulth Games

The 8th Annual Nuu-chah-nulth Games were held in Campbell River from July 29 to August 7, hosted by the Ehat-saht, Kyuquot, Nuchatlaht, and Mowachaht Tribes.

This was the first year the games have been held in Campbell River after seven years in Port Alberni.

This year's games got underway at the Phoenix Secondary School starting with three days of track and field events.

A traditional prayer was done by Mowachaht elder Sam Johnson and this was followed by the singing of the "Nuu-chah-nulth" song from Ahousat. The prayer and song were performed to give strength to the athletes during the next ten days of competition.

Welcoming the athletes and the fans were George Watts, NTC Chairman, Chief Russell Kwaksistala, Frank Sullivan, acting Mayor of Campbell River, and Arnie Linder from Parks and Recreation.

Also giving welcoming addresses were Miss Junior Nuu-chah-nulth Madeline English and Miss Nuu-chah-nulth Mamie Lucas. They were accompanied by Miss Junior Tla-o-qui-aht Naomi Seitcher, Miss Tla-o-qui-

ahnt Denise Williams, Miss Junior Mowachaht Marie Dick, and Miss Ahousat Caroline Frank.

Caroline Frank presented Chief Russell Kwaksistala with \$50 on behalf of the Ahousat Tribe, in appreciation of the use of his land during the games. Chief Kwaksistala expressed his happiness in seeing the younger generation showing respect and in continuing with their native traditions.

The games were officially started when a group of young athletes ran down the track and through the finish line ribbon.

For the next ten days there was some intense competition between the athletes in track and field, swimming, volleyball, softball and lahal.

A new event this year was a kid's fishing derby hosted by the Ehattesaht Tribe. Fishing rods were supplied to the kids at the pier and everyone had fun trying to land the big one, but unfortunately the fish weren't biting on that day. No one was wheeled in a salmon so the \$100 prize went to Max Joseph weighed in his catch of three bullheads, one sea cucumber and six needlefish.

The participation in track and field, swim-

ming and volleyball was about the same as in past years but fewer teams were entered for the kids and senior softball tournaments.

The rainstorm that passed through the area probably discouraged some from taking part in the kids softball. It certainly discouraged the campers at Nunns Creek Park who had to evacuate and spend a night at the Thunderbird Hall.

The sun was back for the weekend however and it was "red hot" during the senior softball, in temperature and in the mood of some of the players and fans as well. People should try to remember that their behavior is influencing the younger generation and that the object of the game is to have fun. Maybe next year.

Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves at the track and field, especially during the tug-of-wars on the final day. Several different teams paired off against each other, including teens, the ladies, men, and the oldtimers, (35 & over). Even the RCMP got into the act but being short-handed they had to recruit some help from some of the guys that were on leave from Lakeview Correction Centre. Nice to see you

working together guys! Unfortunately they weren't any match for the mass of humanity that was on the other end of the rope in the form of the oldtimers.

To help with the expenses of the games a number of raffles were held, which were included in the official program. The prizes, framed silkscreen prints, were donated by Nuu-chah-nulth artists Tim Paul and Vince Smith. The winners of the prints were Bunt Lalear, Bob Mills, Erica Tom, Donna Amos, Caroline McDonald, Fanny Tom, Ron Dick Sr., and August Johnson.

Another raffle, with a prize of a trip for two to anywhere serviced by Air B.C., which was donated by the airlines, was won by Hugh Braker.

Nuu-chah-nulth games co-ordinator Richard Lucas said that he was pleased with the support from the City of Campbell River and their merchants. Parks and Rec donated the use of Nunns Creek Park for camping and the use of the swimming pool for two days. The Tidemark Theatre donated their time.

The Tribal Council will sponsor a dinner in Campbell River to thank the committee, the

mayor, Parks and Rec, and Laidlaw Garbage Disposal for all of their support and help.

Some of the trophies weren't handed out during the games and the committee will make sure that they all get to the appropriate people. The trophies for this year's top junior girl and boy athletes will be presented at the Nuu-chah-nulth Annual Assembly on September 28.

The Tribal council, at their meeting on August 20, passed a motion to hold the 9th Annual Nuu-chah-nulth Games in Port Alberni, with the dates set at July 28 to August 6. See you there.

## ATTENTION: All Bands, Indian Games Committee Representatives.

### Dear Coaches and Athletes,

Well the Nuu-chah-nulth Indian Games are finally over for 1989 that was held here in Campbell River.

As one of the bands involved in, and during the Nuu-chah-nulth Indian Games, we give you and your band this opportunity to give us feedback on the 1989 Indian Games.

There is always room for improvement and with your feedback as to what you enjoyed, or suggestions to give us the opportunity to work on any of the problems that your bands track club or coach may have encountered during the course of the Indian games. We would certainly encourage your in-put on this feedback. As this will give us the chance hopefully to improve the future Indian

games. Other than the weather I hope your stay in Campbell River was enjoyed by all the people.

I would like to take this time to say Kelco. For your much appreciated attendance during the games here in Campbell River, especially the elders. And also to say congratulations to all the coaches and chaperones for your fine effort in helping with security and behavior of your respective athletes

and in general all the people in your camping area.

Thank you for the clean-up of your campsites before your departure from Nuns Creek Park. It made our clean-up a lot easier without having to worry about the minor refuse after everyone was gone.

Thank You Nuu-chah-nulth Indian Games **KELLY JOHN** Chairman

## LAHAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

- 1st Place, Sam Haiyupis' Team, \$500 prize.
  - 2nd Place, Irvin Frank's Team, \$300 prize.
  - 3rd Place, Corby George's Team, \$200 prize.
- The mini-tournament was won by Adrienne Amos' Team.

## VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

- 1st Place - Campbell River.
- 2nd Place - The Mixed Nuts.
- 3rd Place - Ucluelet.

## TRACK & FIELD AGE GROUP AWARD WINNERS

- 4 & Under Girls**  
1st, Jaylene Johnson, Mowachaht; 2nd, Katherine Thomas, Ahousat; 3rd, Julia Campbell, Ahousat.
- 4 & Under Boys**  
1st, Daryll John, Kyuquot; 2nd, Edward John, Ahousat; 3rd, Andrew Amos, Clayoquot.
- 6 & Under Girls**  
1st, Jillian George, Ucluelet; 2nd, Bonnie Tom, Ahousat; 3rd, Sissy Touchie, Ucluelet.
- 6 & Under Boys**  
1st, Charles Doiron, Sheshaht; 2nd, Gordie Porter, Opetchesaht; 3rd, Justin Amos, Hesquiaht.
- 7 & 8 Girls**  
1st, Colleen Martin, Clayoquot; 2nd, Anna Atleo, Ahousat; 3rd, Camille Fred, Sheshaht and Tracey Campbell, Ahousat.
- 7 & 8 Boys**  
1st, Herbie Cook, Ohiaht; 2nd, Charlie Charleson, Hesquiaht; 3rd, Sampson Barney, Ucluelet and Andrew Roth, Opetchesaht.
- 9 & 10 Girls**  
1st, Joyce Patrick, Ucluelet; 2nd, Midori August, Clayoquot; 3rd, Evangeline Barney, Ucluelet.
- 9 & 10 Boys**  
1st, O.J. Parisienne, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Daniel Jack, Ahousat.
- 11 & 12 Girls**  
1st, Cory Miller, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Lynette Lucas, Hesquiaht; 3rd, Jocelynn Dick, Opetchesaht.
- 11 & 12 Boys**  
1st, Frank Lalear, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Coby Tatoosh, Opetchesaht; 3rd, Joel Lalear, Opetchesaht and Cameron Tatoosh, Opetchesaht.
- 13 & 14 Girls**  
1st, Katherine Frank, Comox; 2nd, Amber Wishart, Opetchesaht and Jackie Patrick, Ucluelet; 3rd, Caroline Joseph, Ahousat.
- 13 & 14 Boys**  
1st, Evan Touchie, Ucluelet and Oscar Joseph, Ahousat; 2nd, Bill Miller, Opetchesaht; 3rd, Keith Thomas, Sheshaht.
- 15 & 16 Girls**  
1st, Susan Cook, Ohiaht; 2nd, Nadine Charlie, Ahousat; 3rd, Susan Wagner, Clayoquot and Margaret Wagner, Clayoquot and Agnes Gus, Sheshaht.
- 15 & 16 Boys**  
1st, Clay Johnson, Ahousat; 2nd, Glen Touchie, Ucluelet and Arthur Joseph, Ahousat; 3rd, Jody Miller, Opetchesaht.
- 17-21 Ladies**  
1st, Melodie Charlie, Ahousat; 2nd, Bertha Mowachaht.
- 17-21 Men's**  
1st, Leo Touchie, Ucluelet; 2nd, Tyson Touchie, Ucluelet; 3rd, Dean Lucas, Hesquiaht.
- 22-27 Ladies**  
1st, Sheila Johnson, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Stella George, Ucluelet.
- 22-27 Men's**  
1st, Martin Watts, Sheshaht; 2nd, Sam Chester, Ahousat; 3rd, Danny Samuel, P.A. Friendship Centre.
- 28-34 Ladies**  
1st, Claire English, Mowachaht; 2nd, Carol Edgar, Ahousat; 3rd, Mary Gus, Sheshaht.
- 28-34 Men's**  
1st, Eddie Mack, Ucluelet; 2nd, August Dick, Ahousat; 3rd, Reg Adrian, Ehattesaht.
- 35-39 Ladies**  
1st, Angie Miller, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Margarita James, Mowachaht.
- 35-39 Men's**  
1st, Jack Cook, Ohiaht; 2nd, Harvey Charlie, Ahousat; 3rd, James Tom, Ahousat.
- 40 & Over Ladies**  
1st, Bunt Lalear, Opetchesaht; 2nd, Betty Keitlah, Ahousat.
- 40 & Over Men's**  
1st, Kelly John, Kyuquot; 2nd, Arnold James, Mowachaht; 3rd, Jerry Jack, Mowachaht.
- 17-21 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, John Campbell; 2, Dean Lucas; 3, Jonathan Thomas; 4, Rudy Williams.
- 17-21 Women's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Dana Campbell; 2, J'net August; 3, Lisa George; 4, Bertha Campbell.
- 22-27 Men's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Gary McCarthy; 2, Sam Chester; 3, Lori Campbell; 4, Mark Michael
- 22-27 Women's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Victoria Smith.

## SENIOR MENS' SOFTBALL

- 1st Place - Meares Islanders.
  - 2nd Place - Ahousat Braves.
  - 3rd Place - Tseshaht T-Birds.
  - 4th Place - A.N.S.
- Most Sportsmanlike Team - Meares Islanders.
- Allstars:  
Meares Islanders - Francis Frank, Steve Frank, Peter Williams.  
Ahousat Braves - Linus Lucas, Curtis Dick, Parker Mack.  
Tseshaht T-Birds - Ed Gallic.  
A.N.S. - Danny Samuel.  
Sliammon - Wally Francis.
- Top Pitcher - Steve Frank, Meares Islanders.
- MVP - Steve Frank, Meares Islanders.

## JUNIOR SWIMMING RESULTS

- 15-16 Boy's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Constant Hansen; 2, Richie Mack; 3, Fred Johnson; 4, Reese Mack.
- 8 & Under Boy's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Mathew Tom; 2, Waylon Little; 3, Joe Campbell; 4, Clifford Jack.
- 8 & Under 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, Colleen Martin; 2, Stacey Charles; 3, Mathew Tom; 4, Erica Tom.
- 15-16 Girl's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Richelle Charles; 2, Caroline Frank; 3, Lorraine John; 4, Vivian Smith.
- 13-14 Boy's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Oscar Joseph; 2, Jack George; 3, William Cox; 4, Steven Mack.
- 13-14 Girl's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Jackie Patrick; 2, Cal Fred; 3, Regina Frank; 4, Mary Ann Short.
- 11-12 Boy's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Frank Lalear; 2, Joel Lalear; 3, Russel Hanson; 4, Angus Campbell Jr.
- 11-12 Girl's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Abby Patrick; 2, Anita Amos; 3, Sandra Campbell; 4, Dione Murphy.
- 9-10 Boy's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Danial Jack; 2, Johnny Dick; 3, Nathan George; 4, Troy English.
- 9-10 Girl's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Joyce Patrick; 2, Vange Barney; 3, Dion Barney; 4, Crystal Fred.
- 28-34 Men's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Eddie Mack; 2, Bushkie Dick.
- 28-34 Women's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Gina Russ; 2, Claire English.
- 35-39 Women's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Verna Jack
- 40 & Over Men's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Kelly John
- 17-21 Men's 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, Rudy Williams; 2, Curtis Michael; 3, John Campbell.
- 28-34 Men's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Dana Campbell; 2, J'net August; 3, Annie George.
- 22-27 Men's 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, Sam Chester.
- 28-34 Women's 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, Gina Russ; 2, Carol Edgar; 3, Claire English.
- 34-39 Men's 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, George Frank.
- 17-21 Men's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Dean Lucas; 2, Jonathan Thomas; 3, Coburn Webster; 4, Derek Lucas.
- 15-16 Boy's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Reese Mack; 2, Curtis Dick; 3, Sonny Howell; 4, Richie Mack.
- 15-16 Girl's 50 Metre Backstroke**  
1, Marceline Jack.
- 13-14 Boy's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Jamie Jack; 2, William Cox.
- 11-12 Boy's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Russel Hanson; 2, Angus Campbell Jr.; 3, Charles Jules.
- 11-12 Girl's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Abby Patrick; 2, Carla Voyageur.
- 9-10 Boy's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Johnny Dick; 2, Jason Jules.
- 9-10 Girl's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Beverly Frank; 2, Joyce Patrick; 3, Vange Barney; 4, Crystal Fred.
- 8 & Under Boy's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Frankie Savey.
- 8 & Under Girl's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Daisy Johnson.

## SENIOR SWIMMING RESULTS

- 17-21 Women's 50 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Dana Campbell; 2, J'net August; 3, Annie George.
- 22-27 Men's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Gary McCarthy; 2, Mark Michael.
- 22-27 Women's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Victoria Smith.
- 28-34 Men's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Eddie Mack.
- 40 & Over Men's 100 Metre Freestyle**  
1, Kelly John.



Kyuquot Track & Field team.

## Nuu-Chah-Nulth Indian Games

To all the four northern bands for hosting the 8th annual Indian games, I thank you, Earl, Mary, Ben, Verna, Kelly, Mary, George Frank, for the efforts that you put into hosting this years games. To Richard Lucas, Kleco to you. The track & field events, and the swimming was good which was the main reason we went, I love watching track & field. To any person I missed - I thank you for all the time and effort you all put into the games. It isn't easy to do all the planning and the actual work you have to do, so from the bottom of my heart I say "kleco" to you all.

Kleco to the Ehatesaht Band for putting on a good derby - the day was very enjoyable; also kelco to the four

bands for giving us a fine meal on our last day there, it was nice of you to do that for us.

It gave some of us the same feelings that some of you must have when its held in Port Alberni. I know I kept saying its so far from home! So now I know how you must feel, for me Port Alberni is almost like a home. I feel somewhat guilty about my complaints about the games which is why I am writing this letter. I thought about it real hard when I saw some ladies cleaning up after the first day at the track meet, how much time they give up to clean up after "us", still I complained about how far away it was from home, I complained about not enough lahal nights, now I hope it isn't too

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Dear Sir,

We were hoping that you might be able to print this in one of your next issues of the Ha-Shilth-Sa.

We at the Ehatesaht are very proud of the time, energy and the caring that the Nuuchah-nulth people put into this years Indian Games.

Thank you.  
Ehatesaht Band  
David John

We have many thanks for the members of the Indian Games committee, Richard Lucas, Kelly John,

George Frank, Jerry Jack, Benny Jack, Verna Jack, and many others that were there and haven't been mentioned.

Having the Indian Games in Campbell River was really good for our community.

We very much appreciate the idea of alcohol and drug free games for the Nuuchah-nulth people, especially our youth.

Having the Games Committee work out of our office gave us real pleasure to see real committed people to a cause they believed in.

Port Alberni Lifeline Society  
P.O. Box 474  
Port Alberni, B.C.  
V9Y 7M9

The Port Alberni Crisis Line, 724-3333, is now in operation, in the Alberni Valley. We offer a 24-hour, 7-day a week crisis intervention, as well as referral information on groups, organizations and agencies in Port Alberni.

Staff and trained volunteers are on the lines to help anyone with a problem, large or small. Calls ranging from suicidal intent, depression, to loneliness and questions regarding other agencies, are handled with confidentiality and anonymously. Our volunteers are caring people offering their time to help others.

Persons interested in becoming a volunteer on the phone lines, are asked to call the Crisis Line Office at 724-7275. Our business hours are Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Judith Wells,  
Administrative Manager,  
Port Alberni Lifeline Society.

## T-Birds Invitational won by Eagles

Nine teams were entered in the T-Birds Invitational Mens' softball tournament, held at Rec Park in Port Alberni on August 18-20.

It came down to two local teams, the Eagles and the Outlaws in the championship game, with the two teams playing in a steady downpour.

The game was a pitcher's dual between the Eagles Ken Sam and the Outlaws John Rice and at the end of seven innings the game was tied, two runs each. The Eagles led two-to-one going into the seventh inning but John

Rice drew a walk and he scored on Willie Mack's double. Chris Watts relieved Ken Sam and stopped the Outlaws from any further scoring.

In the top of the eighth inning Doug Wilson singled and he scored the winning run on an error. Chris Watts retired the Outlaws in order in the bottom of the eighth.

Placing third in the tournament were the Meares Islanders. The Ucluelet Lads were named the most sportsmanlike team.

Other teams in the tournament were the

hosting T-Birds, the Redmen, the Ahousat Braves, Wickanninish, and A.N.S.

Individual awards went to Ken Sam (MVP), John Rice (Top Pitcher), Willie Mack (Top Batter). The first allstars were John Dick, Ken Sam, Andy Dick from the Eagles, Willie Mack, Justin Tatoosh, Boyd Gallic from the Outlaws, and second allstars were Al Fred Chris Watts from the Eagles, Steve Frank from the Meares Islanders, David Touchie and Tyson Touchie from Ucluelet and Clinton Fred from the Redmen.



Port Alberni Eagles — Champions at the T-Birds Invitational Softball Tournament — (L-R) Front row: Elliot Dick, Doug Wilson, Jed Dick, Hector Little, Ed Shewish, John Dick, Ken Sam, Al Fred. Back row: Chris Watts, Les Sam, Ben Fred, Howard Dick, Jason Dick, Andy Dick.

Thank you to these generous people who donated towards the trophies for the Nuuchah-nulth Indian Games which were held in Campbell River:

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| United Carpet<br>Bob Soderlund<br>Clock Tower Gallery<br>Looking Glass Photograph<br>Ehatesaht<br>Tsesaht Market<br>Blair Thompson<br>1 Hour Photo Express<br>Port Alberni Shipping Co. Ltd.<br>N.T.C. Smokehouse<br>Mohawk Campbell River 1010<br>Preston Jewellers<br>Sheshaht Band<br>United Native Nations #144<br>Overwaita<br>Town Shoes<br>John Family<br>Marcia Fenn<br>Danielle Watts<br>Deanna Thompson<br>Richard Sam<br>Wendy Jensen<br>Tyee Texaco | Hilcam Trophies<br>Port Alberni Friendship Centre<br>Sweet Stop<br>Action Sports<br>Best Western Marina Inn<br>Big Scoop Restaurant<br>Kyuquot Tribe<br>Samson Lauder<br>Bank of Nova Scotia<br>Canadian Tire Campbell River<br>Phil Fenn<br>Alan McCarthy<br>Wally Samuel<br>Walker Watts<br>Royal Bank - Campbell River<br>George Watts<br>Steve Marshall Motors<br>Opetchesaht Band.<br>Simon Read<br>Bank of Montreal<br>Tyee Plaza Merchants Assoc.<br>Helen Dick<br>Clint's<br>Usma |
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Heather and Justin Frank with the trophies, medals and ribbons that they won at swimming events during the summer.

## Heather & Justin Frank do well at Summer Swim Meets

Two young swimmers from the Ahousat Band did well at the Vancouver Island Regional finals in Victoria. Heather and Justin Frank joined their teammates with the Campbell River Salmon Kings Summer Swim Club at the swim meet on August 5 and 6.

Heather, who is eight years old, and Justin, thirteen years old, are the children of George and Shirley Frank.

The two swimmers have accumulated a number of trophies, medals, and ribbons during the summer. Heather was fourth in the 100 metre individual

medley at the regionals. She also placed second in the 50 metre backstroke, and third in the 50 metre freestyle and 50 metre fly. At the provincials she received a bronze medal in the Division 1 relays.

Justin was third in the 50 metre fly, which qualified him for the provincial swim meet. In his other races he placed sixth in the 100 metre backstroke, seventh in the 200 metre I.M., and thirteenth in the 100 metre freestyle.

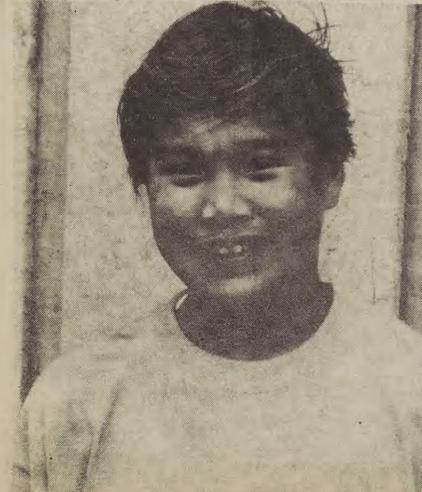
Both swimmers received honors from Heather was the team's

girls aggregate and female grand aggregate trophy winner in Division 1 and Justin was the Division 4 boys aggregate trophy winner.

Their father George Frank says that they both enjoy swimming very much and they put in a lot of time training. They train with their club twice a week during the winter and twice a day during the summer months. When in training Heather and Justin's day starts at about 5 o'clock in the morning.

Congratulations to Heather and Justin and good luck in the future!

## Beverly Frank - Gold Medalist Swimmer



Bev Frank, gold medalist swimmer.

A young swimmer from Ahousat is making a name for herself in the swimming pools of Victoria. Beverly Frank started swimming with the "Victoria O" Swim Club about six months ago.

Since then she has joined her teammates in several competitions in Victoria, Vancouver and the United States.

A highlight for Beverly was at the Junior Provincial championships in Victoria in July, when she won two gold medals for placing first in the 100 metre butterfly and in the 50 metre freestyle relay.

In June, Bev and her teammates went to a

## CONFERENCE NOTICE

THEME: FIRST PEOPLES/PEOPLE FIRST  
- A WORKING CONFERENCE FOR THE NATIVE DISABLED PEOPLE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DATE: OCTOBER 11-13, 1989

The B.C. Association of Indian Friendship Centres will be hosting a province wide conference, in the greater Victoria area, which will provide representation from at least one native disabled individual from each member centre in B.C., and other native organizations, or individuals who would be interested in a conference of this nature.

This conference was borne from recommendations made at the Abilities Conference, "Completing the Circle", held by the National Association of Friendship Centres in Ottawa in September 1988, which was attended by delegates from all across Canada. From the discussions, it was concluded that there was an urgent need to increase awareness and sensitivity of our native disabled people of Canada.

Two of these such recommendations are as follows:

- "Friendship Centres, bands, tribal councils, and other aboriginal organizations should undertake a detailed survey or needs assessment of their communities to identify resources and services or the lack thereof for native people."

- "Friendship Centres, bands and tribal governments should make greater efforts to heighten the public education, community awareness and sensitivity by sponsoring or providing workshops, seminars and school presentations utilizing representatives, role models or guests from the disabled Native Community."

We feel that there would be no better time than now, during the Decade of the Disabled, to take this initiative and work together with our Native disabled themselves, for making progress to living a more fulfilled life.

### THE OBJECTIVES ARE TO:

- to heighten the awareness and sensitivity to the needs and concerns of the native disabled peoples of B.C.
- to educate the individuals, and the community members
- to identify obstacles facing disabled people, create a common ground from which to start to work with
- to identify ways and means to problem-solving
- to gather data on the types of disabilities which exist, the number of cases, etc.
- to assign responsibilities of the many problems
- to recommend strategies/formulas for solving some of these problems, and develop policy recommendations

### SOME OF THE POSSIBLE AREAS WE WILL BE LOOKING AT:

- "What types of disabilities are inflicting our native people in B.C.?"
  - "What process has to be put into place for our native disabled people?"
  - "How and what can we do to commence to begin assisting the native disabled people in our communities?"
  - "What other departments/agencies can we begin to work with right away to speed up the process of dealing with the problems of our native disabled people?"
  - "Which government department, either federal or provincial, should be responsible for specific medical care expenses, etc.?"
- These are a few of the areas which need to be dealt with, and need to be addressed.

We would appreciate it if you could please keep this conference in mind when meeting with your boards, or posting notices of upcoming conferences.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:  
B.C. ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDSHIP CENTRES  
307 - 733 JOHNSON ST.  
VICTORIA, B.C.  
V8W 1M8  
TELEPHONE: (604) 380-1447

swim meet in Portland, Oregon and she also took part in the B.C.'s in Vancouver where she placed 5th in the 50 metre freestyle. She also did well at this year's Nuuchah-nulth Games, placing first in

both the races she entered in the 10 - 11 age group. Competitive swimming requires a lot of dedication, determination and hard work but Bev has what it takes and she is looking forward to getting back

into competition in September. Bev and her mother, Marsha Frank would like to thank the Ahousat Band for their financial assistance in helping her to go to Portland. Kleco!

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

#### Economic Development Officer — Trainee

An open competition for all Nuu-chah-nulth members to identify a suitably qualified individual who will be trained in economic development.

The successful candidate will be a Grade 12 graduate with a keen desire to meet the public; assist with development of ideas into meaningful employment opportunities and is self-motivated.

**Duties include:** to be based out of the NTC office in Port Alberni.

— to work under the direction of the Manager and economic development officers.

— to work with individuals, Band Councils and business representatives in identifying, developing and implementing economic projects.

— to become familiar with various funding departments and make submission to them.

— travels to and monitors projects.

— prepares statistical and financial reports.

— will co-ordinate community meetings.

A valid drivers licence and continuous access to a vehicle is a prerequisite.

Salary will be based upon experience and qualifications.

Application deadline: when suitable applicants are identified.

Apply in writing with cover letter and detailed resume to:

#### MANAGER

Nuu-chah-nulth Economic Development Corporation

P.O. Box 1384

Port Alberni, B.C.

V9Y 7M2

Telephone inquiries: 724-3131

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday on August 2, Alex Tutube, August 4 to Harvey Dick, August 10 to Gramma Bessie Dick 90th, August 11 to William Dick, August 18 to Mel Dick, August 29 to Ada Marie Dick, August 15 to Dorothy Wilson. From Marvin, Pearl & kids. Best wishes all.

Happy belated 11th birthday to Marlene Gloria Dick. Love from Dad, Marvin.

Happy anniversary Dave & Evon Smith. Love brother Marvin, Pearl & kids.

Happy birthday Douglas A. Wilson September 13, 1989. Sis Pearl, Marvin & kids.

I would like to wish a very good friend, Eileen, Dick, a happy 21st birthday on September 20, 1989. Love from a good friend, Sharleen, Sid & family.

We would like to wish Art Cootes (Dad) a happy birthday on September 21, 1989. Love always, Sharleen, Sid & family.

We would like to wish our cousins, Andrew Thompson and Michelle Touchie, a happy birthday on September 19, 1989. Love from Sharleen, Sid & family.

Happy birthday to a very special guy in Zos. Happy birthday to Gibb and many more to come. Love Mom & Dad, Seiger, Blondie & Moog.

To my brother Gibb "39". Happy birthday. Hope you don't feel too old, ha ha.

## HELP WANTED

The Port Alberni Friendship Center requires a Public Liason person for six months.

Will work under the direction of the Executive Director. Will promote and inform organizations, individuals, businesses and the general public of the organization, goals and objectives of the Port Alberni Friendship Center. Will put together an information brochure.

Must have good communication skills. Be outgoing, friendly and able to speak in public.

Planning and time management skills needed.

Valid B.C. drivers licence and transportation.

SALARY: \$1,750/month.  
STARTING DATE: September 1, 1989  
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION:  
September 1, 1989.  
Send or drop off resumés at:  
Port Alberni Friendship Center  
3555 Fourth Avenue  
Port Alberni, B.C., V9Y 3A6  
Telephone  
723-8281.

Take care. We miss ya all. 47th anniversary on Sep- Love your Lil Sis Charlie, tember 11, 1989. Love Harry, nephew Harry Jr. from Sid, Sharleen & Happy birthday Uncle family.

Gibb. Miss ya. Love We would like to wish nephew Harry Jr. our niece, Lillian Dick, a happy 17th birthday on and only niece Danielle September 13, 1989. Love Victoria Samuel a happy from Sid, Sharleen & 3rd birthday on August 27, familv.  
1989. Love you lots  
Sweetheart! Love Ruby.

I'd like to wish my dear To my nephew — Mr. sister Judy Joe a very Nee-nus (Linus Whitmore) happy ?? birthday on happy birthday — enjoy August 10, 1989. Lots of your first year at school. love from your baby sister Love Auntie Anne. Mary Gus & family.

Hey, hey, hey — Trudy Allison Jack — Happy ??? birthday. Always thinking of you. Miss Anne.  
On the 29th of August, happy birthday to Margie, Eileen, Maureen Charleson. The best wishes go out to you and hope you have all the luck in the world.

Constable George T. Frank, Shirley, Justin & Heather — best wishes as you make your home in a new place. Miss Anne.  
We would like to wish Dad and Mom a happy  
Your Auntie loves you.

### NUU-CHAH-NULTH HUMAN SERVICES CORE TRAINING TEACHING TEAM

Do you have knowledge and experience in Health & Human Services?

Do you enjoy teaching?

We are interested in hearing from you.

#### WHAT:

The Health Board & USMA are planning a Core Training program for Health & Human Services workers. We are looking for experienced Nuu-chah-nulth people who have community work experience in health & human services (counselling, community development, personal awareness.)

#### TOPICS:

The topics for the Training program include:  
Personal Awareness  
Community Development  
Teamwork  
Basic Counselling Skills

Administration/Communication

#### POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

Several positions may be available. The time commitment will be approximately Two Weeks per month.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

Previous training and teaching experience as a co-teacher or facilitator; experience in health & human service; knowledge and/or experience in one or more of the topics, ability to work as a team member; native language would be an asset.

#### HOW TO APPLY:

Apply in writing to:

Debbie Foxcroft  
USMA NUU-CHAH-NULTH  
P.O. Box 1099  
Port Alberni, BC V9Y 7L9

Simon Read  
NUU-CHAH-NULTH  
Suite 15, 4511 Gertrude  
Port Alberni, BC V9Y 6J9

Deadline date: September 15 1989

### HEALTH CLERK TRAINEE

Transfer of Health Programs to the Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board has created an opportunity for someone to train on the job to work as a Health Clerk. This will be a part time position based at the Health Centre in Tofino. Some travel for training in Port Alberni or elsewhere will be required.

The trainee will work in support of the Community Health nurses and other program staff and will be expected to learn:

- office procedures
- data processing
- health programs and assistance
- patient transportation
- emergency procedures

#### Qualifications:

Preference will be given to applicants with a good knowledge of Nuu-chah-nulth people and culture, Grade 12 graduation and previous experience with office work or health programs, but all applications will be considered.

#### Reply to:

NTC Personnel Committee  
c/o Simon Read  
Nuu-chah-nulth Health Board  
15 - 4511 Gertrude Street  
Port Alberni, B.C.  
V9Y 6J9

A very happy birthday to our sweet little girl. Happy 7th birthday on Saturday, September 9th, Melissa Rachael Frank. Always remember that WE LOVE YOU.

Lotsa Love from Auntie Anna and baby Alex, Gramma, Grampa, David and Randy, Mom, Clutch and your little brothers.

I would like to wish my childhood friend, Kathy Robinson, a very happy "40th" birthday on August 25th. Love, a friend always.

Leave message for Karen or Alex regarding this ad at 723-9306.

## Happy Birthday

Address:  
3633 Apt. 7  
4th Ave.  
Port Alberni, B.C.  
V9Y 4H5

Jean Thomas

## CLASSIFIED ADS

#### FOR SALE

Carvings, jewellery from mammoth & mastadon tusks, ivory, whale teeth, horns, animal teeth and claws, etc., abalone inlay. Looking for mammoth & mastadon tusks at a reasonable price. Contact Rose Elsie John, No. 141, 720 — 6th St., New Westminster, B.C., V3L 3C5. Ph. (604) 590-8158.

#### FOR SALE

All kinds of native arts & crafts by Charlie & Caroline Mickey. Totem poles & carvings, beadwork, drums, cedar bark basketry. Contact the Hesquiaht Band Office, P.O. Box 2000, Tofino, B.C. V0R 2Z0, or phone Campbell River Radio-Hesquiaht Boat Basin 98077.

#### For Rent

The Port Alberni Friendship Center has Hall, Kitchen and Meeting room space available at reasonable rates. For more information, call Cindy Lucas at 723-8281.

#### FOR SALE

Wicker couch — \$75, large couch (gold) — \$75, small tan couch — \$40, arm chair — \$20, portable dishwasher — \$75, dryer — \$25, air hockey game — \$20, smurf bedding set (2) with blankets, comforter & sheets — \$25 each set, weight bench — \$5.  
Garage Sale, Sun., September 3, 1989, 1 p.m. — 3 p.m., 5247 Gertrude St., 724-0668.

## Ahousat Band Membership

The Ahousat Band is presently updating their membership list.

Band members are requested to inform the membership committee of any births of children, deaths or marriages.

✓ Copies of birth certificates and marriage certificates are necessary to make the required changes.

Please send all information and direct any questions to:

Mr. Pat Little  
c/o Ahousat Band Office,  
General Delivery,  
Ahousat, B.C.  
V0R 1A0  
Phone: 670-9563 or 670-9531.

## FORESTRY PROGRAMME

### Forestry (Silviculture) Crewperson

This programme teaches students the theory and practical skills required for employment in the silviculture section of the forest industry. Students will acquire the skills for power saw handling for thinning and spacing, use hand tools for pruning and planting and use brush saws for clearing and spacing. Tree identification and recognition of common insects, diseases and undesirable species are also part of this intensive programme.

Grade 10 with a good working knowledge of the English language is required. A good physical and medical condition is essential for working in a demanding and sometimes isolated outdoor work setting. The students will be required to supply their own personal protective clothing (rain gear, hard hat, eye/ear protectors and caulk boots) for the practical training sessions. All other training equipment will be supplied.

#### INSTRUCTOR: Don Bayne

FEE: (13 weeks) \$300.00

MAXIMUM ENROLMENT: 20 students

DATE: M/T/W/Th/F — 8:30 - 3:30 p.m., starting September 18

Normal classroom hours will be from 8:30 - 3:30 p.m. — five days a week at NIC Vocational Centre, 4650 Margaret Street, Port Alberni. Practical field session hours will be from 8:00 - 4:30 p.m. — four days a week.

Register at NIC MAIN CENTRE, 4006 - 8th Avenue.

## TUTOR COUNSELLOR TRAINING

Applications are invited for an anticipated training programme to prepare people to be employed in the public schools as tutor counsellors. Applicants should have completed grade 12 and be interested in working with children.

Written applications should be sent in to the NTC by September 8, 1989. For more information, contact Blair Thompson at the NTC.

### Employment Opportunity N.T.C. File Clerk — (Term Position)

Required immediately by the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council. This is a three-month term position which is expected to become permanent full time.

#### Requirements:

- of Nuu-chah-nulth heritage
- a valid drivers licence & access to a vehicle
- grade 12 graduate preferred
- basic office procedures experience or training
- typing skills 30 w.p.m.

#### Duties:

- maintain the master file system
- pick up, deliver & sort all mail daily
- photocopying/reception/general office procedures
- maintain office inventory for supplies
- prepare N.T.C. meeting kits
- may make staff travel arrangements
- provide back-up typing services

Salary: based on the N.T.C. scale of \$15,600 to \$17,100 per annum.

#### Apply in writing to:

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

P.O. Box 1383

Port Alberni, B.C.

V9Y 7M2

Telephone inquiries to: (604) 724-5757

Application Deadline: September 15, 1989

### Employment Opportunity Land Claims Researcher

Required immediately by the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council.

The successful candidate will be of Nuu-chah-nulth heritage, a high school graduate with a background in anthropology and research techniques and will have their own vehicle and valid driver's licence.

Knowledge of Nuu-chah-nulth local government issues and the Nuu-chah-nulth language will enhance the researcher's effectiveness.

#### Duties:

- to co-ordinate, gather & share information on land & sea claims.
- review & organize all existing files in the N.T.C. office as pertaining to land claims.
- to co-ordinate & help develop a comprehensive Nuu-chah-nulth Land Claims & Sea Resources strategy which will be presented to member bands and the Tribal Council for endorsement.
- to assist bands, band committees & councils to map historical use sites with Nuu-chah-nulth names.
- to help bands locate or produce resource map overlays.
- to co-ordinate community meetings dealing with all elements of land claims.
- to provide written reports & summaries for presentation to the Tribal Council & members.
- to identify areas of research outside of the Nuu-chah-nulth area, ie. Provincial or National museums and archives.
- to work with Tribal & band employees with an integrated approach to common issues.
- to work with our Hereditary Chiefs in identifying their specific territory.

This position will be based out of Port Alberni and involves extensive travel throughout the Tribal area. The researcher will be self-motivated, will have good organizational ability, the ability to communicate verbally and in writing with individuals, groups and government agencies.

Salary will depend on experience and qualifications.

#### Apply in writing to:

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council

P.O. Box 1383

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Telephone inquiries to: (604) 724-5757

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## In Loving Memory

Tom Jack

You know there are so many things I meant to say to you and somehow I never quite got around to saying them. Appreciation, thankfulness, happiness kindness, love you shared with us, And other people around, sharing your warmth. I'm sorry I didn't share this with you while you were here. But I know you'd understand It's one of the nice ways about you You always understood one that will allow me, to remind you from time to time That I love you brother.  
**Love & missed by Mary**

Tom Jack

There will never be a day I cry missing you Your warmth, your kindness, your love Your smile, your laughter. The gentle ways about you. We'll miss you but you'll always be part of us.  
**Love & missed by Kelly & Mary**

Uncle Tom Jack

You were always there Uncle to help me. You were always there to play with me. You were always there to laugh with me. You were always there when I cried. You were always there to make me laugh. You were always there to pick me up when I fell. That was your way of love for me. But most of all You were always there to love me. I was there to love you back. I miss you dearly, Uncle.  
**Love & missed by Edward P.P. John**

Uncle Tom

I've always loved you You've always taken time to play with me and make me laugh. I miss your smile and laughter. You were always concerned and understanding I could always depend on you uncle. I'll miss you. Sadly missed and loved  
**Edward John  
She-wi-choo-wah-a-nish  
Eaglefeather**

Tom Jack

Its almost a year since you left us, and there's not a day when we haven't cried, We try to be strong. It's hard not to cry. For you were very special to my family. We miss your smiles & laughter to forget all the problems we face someday we'll meet and be all together. But until then, you're in our hearts. Love your sis & bro  
**Mary, Kelly & kids**

I've loved & lost so many I should have done more for them Them that brought me into this world Changed my diaper Taught me how to walk How to talk What was right & what was wrong I wish that I could call them back Beg for forgiveness for the times I didn't want to listen So headstrong I went my way instead of theirs And how I suffer for all my mistakes Cause I know I hurt the ones that loved me the most.

**Helen Charleson**

## TRIP TO THE ELDER'S GATHERING

ded late, but it seemed to end with the knowledge that our culture has a chance of surviving and dominating over the white culture. It was a very cultural experience. August 11, the last day of the Gathering was spent touring the Gitlak-damix (New Aiyansh) Hereditary Chiefs of Lakalzap (Greenville), Gitlakdamix (New Aiyansh), Lakalzap Raising Ceremony. The pole was raised to commemorate the renaissance of the totems in the Nass Valley. It has been over 100 years since a pole was raised in the Nass Valley and will be the last. As part of a culture and tradition, \$100 was given to the Gitlak community in aid of the feast and future totem pole raisings. The West Coast people played an important part in the totem pole raising. They were the last group of people to carry the pole to where it was to be raised, which was considered a great honor. After the raising of the pole, there was a traditional Nisga'a Stew Feast. Again, another beautiful and memorable night. August 12, at 10 a.m., we departed Canyon City. We were the last group of elders to leave! We arrived in Prince Rupert, after looking around in Terrace, ceremony was beautiful, about 5 p.m. to rest up as was their songs and for the infamous 17 dances. The night en-

survived, PHEW! We departed from the Haida Way Inn in Port McNeill at 7 a.m. Monday morning. Had breakfast in Campbell River and left there at about 10:30 a.m. BOOM! Derek gets in an accident due to rainy weather and wet highways and bumps a Malibu from behind! Shelley was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Comox and was treated with a minor neck injury. All in all, the traffic accident was a very traumatic experience.

We finally arrived in Port Alberni at 5:30 p.m. HOME SWEET HOME!!!!!!

The Elders Gathering is an event that I feel everyone should experience, young or old, white or brown. The teachings of the elders is something that has been lost and is slowly finding its way back into the revival of our Native communities. The teachings that, with spiritual, mental, physical and emotional values, say what it means in "JUST BEING INDIAN." We all have to remember that someday we will all be ELDERS.

I would like to thank my father for organizing the trip to Canyon City, and to thank him greatly for letting me take his place. I LOVE YOU DAD!

With Respect,

**DEREK THOMPSON**



Derek Thompson presenting gifts to last years Queen and King of the Elders, Mercy and Robert Moore. The gifts were a print by Joe David and a paddle by Adam Shewish, presented on behalf of the Port Alberni Friendship centre.

## New candy may prevent cavities

Fight tooth decay with **candy?**

Right, say representatives of the Finnish Sugar Company. They've come up with a sweetener called xylitol, a substance found in many fruits and vegetables and manufactured in Finland from natural sources such as birch trees.

The unique sweetener has the same bulk sweetness and calories as sugar (sucrose), but has a

remarkable cooling effect which complements the flavors of mints, gums and candies. It is not used in the mouth to form acid, so does not form tooth decay.

In fact, tests have shown that regular consumption of small amounts of xylitol can actually help reduce the number of new cavities. Xylitol, its manufacturers claim, has been shown to inhibit the growth of cavity-causing

bacteria and to reduce the amount of plaque formation. Countries producing products with xylitol include Britain, Germany, France, Switzerland and Finland. Now a growing number of North American companies are using xylitol, including such giants as Wrigley and Warner-Lambert. Xylitol is currently used in the Canadian version of Trident gum.