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Huu-ay-aht launches action to shut down herring fishery

By David Wiwchar
Southern Region Reporter

The Huu-ay-aht First Nation is preparing to file papers in Federal Court, launching legal action against the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans for mismanaging the lucrative West Coast Vancouver Island Herring Fishery.

The effect of this suit will have far reaching effects, as it may postpone this year's lucrative Barkley Sound Herring Fishery; a herring fishery opened for hours, not days.

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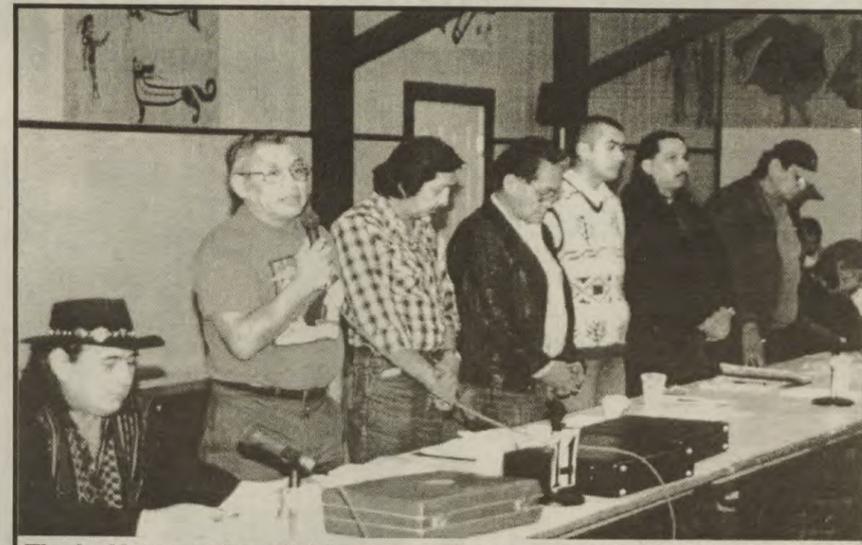
Huu-ay-aht had obtained their supply of siih-muu (herring roe) for food purposes.

Huu-ay-aht alleges DFO mismanagement of the herring fishery has resulted in dramatic declines in herring stocks and an inability of the First Nation to carry out its traditional herring spawn-on-bough fishery.

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According to Huu-ay-aht Chief Councillor Robert Dennis, members of the Huu-ay-aht First Nation were unable to obtain any herring roe last year because of overfishing in Barkley Sound.

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of dollars worth of herring while our people were denied the opportunity to harvest anything," said Dennis. "We have rights - constitutionally protected rights - to harvest herring spawn-on-bough. We're asking the court to rule that those rights are

being infringed."

Dennis said Huu-ay-aht First Nation is turning to the courts as a last resort. "We have repeatedly requested meetings with DFO, but they won't meet with us to discuss changes to the herring fishery."

"Last year the commercial herring seine fleet took 70% of the Barkley Sound Herring stock," said N.T.C. Southern Region Co-chair Richard Watts. "DFO tried to shift attention away from their own mismanagement by saying to the media and public that we were wrong; the Barkley Sound Herring fishery only took 20% of West Coast of Vancouver Island stocks."

According to Watts, DFO used slight of hand, and incomparable statistics to cover the fact they allowed commercial seiners to harvest more than double the amount of herring set out in their Barkley Sound herring fishery quota.

According to DFO's 1999 Herring Management Plan, the Barkley Sound fishery represents more than 12% of the 35,500 tons of herring landed annually at B.C. processing plants, with an economic value of more than \$60 Million. The Barkley Sound herring fishery represents 19% of the total Seine-caught herring allocation, and 10% of the gillnet herring allocation in B.C.

Flanked by a number of high-ranking Huu-ay-aht Ha'wiih, Dennis made his initial presentation to the Nuu-chah-nulth Treaty Table, asking for their support before taking the plan to the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council for their political and financial support.

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"We're seeking support from this table to take to the main table," said Dennis. "The Huu-ay-aht First Nation will put up

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The Tseshaht Longhouse has come down, to be rebuilt behind Maht Mahs Gymnasium by students of the Youth Services Program. Full story on page 7.

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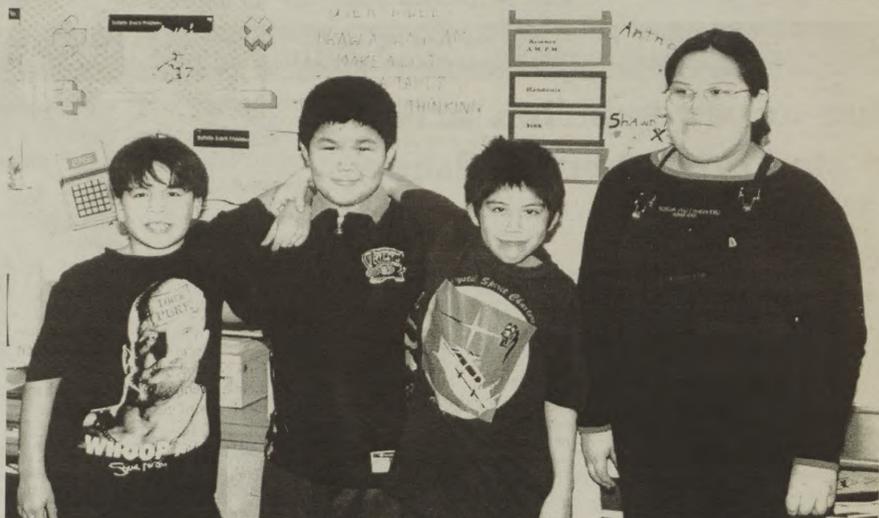


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All opinions expressed in letters to the editor are purely those of the writer and will not necessarily coincide with the views or policies of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council or its member First Nations.



Haa-huu-payuk students (l-r) Derrick, Earl, Trevor, and Alana, envision their post-treaty world on page 13.

We, who pass; do not own this land.

We, but use it and hold it briefly for those yet to come.

Author Unknown
Submitted by Nellie Joseph

NOTICE - NOMINATIONS MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Haa-ay-ah, that a meeting will be conducted at the Bamfield Community Hall on Saturday, the 13th day of February, 1999, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. for the purposes of nominating candidates for the offices of one Councillor, and two youth Councillors (ex officio).

In the event a poll becomes necessary, such poll will be held at the Band Office and the Port Alberni Friendship Centre on Saturday the 20th day of February, 1999, between the hours of 8 am and 8 p.m.

Given under my hand this 25th day of January 1999.
**Hugh A. Watts,
Electoral Officer**

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This year is Ha-Shilth-Sa's 25th year of serving the Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations. We look forward to your continued input and support.

Kleco! Kleco!
David Wiwchar
Editor / Manager

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Treaty Negotiators remain focussed on Citizenship

By Denise Ambrose and David Wiwchar

Citizenship played a controversial role during the February 8th Treaty Planning Session at Somass Hall in Port Alberni. Most of the issues and topics discussed at the Treaty Planning Meeting went through smoothly, and efficiently, but it was clear that the Citizenship issues discussed at the last session had still to be resolved.

"Family is the focus of who Nuu-chah-nulth are. Family was never pushed away. A demonstration of this was the iihstin, a registration and recognition of all children by the kluquana in front of witnesses. Ceremonies that gave quu-us names to people was a way of saying that person was Nuu-chah-nulth. The bloodlines of families can be followed through quu-us names. An intrinsic part of being Nuu-chah-nulth is knowing who you are and where you come from. However, the Indian Act led to a division in families where some members are registered and others are not. In moving away from such a division, and ensuring that families regain their focus, Nuu-chah-nulth are best able to determine who their citizens are."

From the Jurisdiction and Mandate Working Group's paper - First Nations' Comments on the Draft Citizenship Principles and Interests.

"Determining criteria for First Nations membership should be accommodating," said Hupacasath Chief Negotiator Judy Sayers. "We need to be flexible enough to be able to revisit citizenship criteria as the need arises."

"This is not a discussion about citizenship," said George Watts. "This is about who gets to benefit from a treaty."

nulth. That's what the elders told me, and that's how I've been living for the past 25 years," said George Watts.

"If you have one ounce of Nuu-chah-nulth blood, and you can tell me who you're related to, you're Nuu-chah-nulth. That's what the elders told me, and that's how I've been living for the past 25 years," said George Watts.

In opening the meeting, Nelson Keitlah led the singing of the Nuu-chah-nulth song, which he said, "hadn't been sung in some time because of things happening in the different Nuu-chah-nulth Nations.

Harry Lucas then led the opening prayer, outlining the importance of maintaining focus on treaty negotiations, as well as properly recognizing people who have recently passed away.

In reporting on a recent BC First Nations Summit Meeting, George Watts said he was confident the provincial and federal governments were preparing to table a settlement to speed up Nuu-chah-nulth treaty negotiations. "We need to anticipate what they're going to offer," said Cliff Atleo. "There must be something in the wind that makes them want to make an offer to us, and we have to be able to anticipate that."



Cliff Atleo



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Recently, the BC Treaty Commission sped up negotiations with the Sechelt First Nations, who have now signed their Agreement in Principle with the two levels of government.

Richard Lucas reported on developments in the Lands, Air and Waters Mandate Working Group, and conversations with their lawyer regarding many of the issues placed before them. Darrell Ross reported on the Revenue and Fiscal Mandate Working Group, sharing Richard Lucas' sentiments that many meetings have had to be rescheduled lately because of events and losses in some communities.

Treaty Manager Vic Pearson reported on behalf of Vi Mundy of the Natural Resources Mandate Working Group, saying a number of issue papers and documents are being prepared for release at the Treaty Planning meetings in April. A workshop has been scheduled in March to review the development of a Nuu-chah-nulth Natural Resources Act, and a paper on Environmental Management for both treaty lands and shared lands is being prepared.

sources Group for an update on fisheries issues, and Richard Watts reported that Donna Petrechenko of DFO had just sent a proposal on the jurisdictional limits of the Central Region Board (CRB), the Regional Aquatic Management Society (RAMS), and the Interim Measures Agreement (IMA). The proposal has yet to be reviewed by Nuu-chah-nulth Board Members, who will be meeting within the next couple of days to discuss the ramifications of Petrechenko's paper.

"I'm sure glad we're not holding our breath waiting for the governments to respond to our concerns on fisheries," said Cliff Atleo. "Sometimes I'm grateful we're fishermen," said Cliff, pointing out the importance of having patience while dealing with the slow-moving DFO bureaucrats.

Vic Pearson then presented a draft framework for the Ha'wiih Land and Resources Sharing Process (Ha'wiih pa tuk Nuu-chah-nulth aht), setting out a number of protocols for First Nations land selection negotiations.

This framework document entrenches the Nuu-chah-nulth position that all First Nations will make their land

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TREATY AND PROGRAM INFORMATION MEETINGS FOR NUU-CHAH-NULTH LIVING AWAY FROM HOME

THIS IS THE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR TREATY NEGOTIATIONS AND OTHER PROGRAMS. WE WILL UPDATE THE INFORMATION FROM TIME TO TIME. HERE IS THE INFORMATION FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS:

SEATTLE: THERE WILL BE TREATY UPDATE MEETINGS AT THE PEARL WARREN BUILDING OF THE SEATTLE INDIAN HEALTH BOARD ON FEBRUARY 13 AND FEBRUARY 14. BOTH DAYS START AT 10 am. WE WILL WRAP UP ON FEBRUARY 13 AROUND 3pm AND ON FEBRUARY 14 AROUND 1 pm.

CAMPBELL RIVER: THERE WILL BE A TREATY UPDATE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 27. WE ARE WORKING ON THE LOCATION - WATCH THIS SPACE!

NANAIMO: THE FULL NUU-CHAH-NULTH PLANNING TABLE WILL BE IN NANAIMO ON MARCH 8 AND 9. THE MEETINGS BEGIN AT 9 am EACH DAY AND WILL BE HELD AT THE LEGION HALL, 1630 EAST WELLINGTON ROAD. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

VICTORIA: THERE WILL BE A TREATY UPDATE MEETING ON MARCH 13, FROM 9 am UNTIL AROUND 4 pm. THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH, 550 OBED AVENUE. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

IF YOU NEED OTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL WILLARD GALLIC OR VIC PEARSON AT (250) 724-5757.

WE SEND EVERYONE BEST WISHES FOR 1999!

Memorial Potlach

for the late
Jonathan K. Thomas
is postponed from
March 6th 1999, till May
22nd 1999. Thank you.
Martlene Williams

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Huu-ay-aht First Nation sues DFO citing herring mismanagement

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\$100,000 for the costs of litigation, and we're hoping the N.T.C. will put up the remaining \$85,000."

The Huu-ay-aht First Nation has two major objectives with respect to the herring fishery and its legal action.

First, it wants the court to rule that its constitutionally protected access to spawning herring is being infringed upon. This access was effectively denied by DFO in 1998 and in years previous.

Secondly, they want the overall catch in Barkley Sound brought down so that resident stocks can rebuild to historic highs of two to three times above current levels. This will benefit not only Huu-ay-aht interests, but the interests of all local residents.

The Huu-ay-aht First Nation wants to ensure they have priority access to herring spawn on cedar boughs, sufficient to meet food, social, and ceremonial needs.

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They are also seeking compensation for past infringements on their aboriginal rights, and to reduce the roe herring fishery in Barkley Sound so herring stocks can rebuild from last year's fiasco.

"Herring is the foundation of the salmon fishery in Barkley Sound, and it is essential that herring stocks be rebuilt to support the salmon," said Robert Dennis. "We are confident that the court will recognize that the way the fishery is currently managed does not respect the resources or our rights to harvest it."

Huu-ay-aht Ha'wiih, councilors and staff have completed preliminary legal research, and have prepared their statement of claim. They've formed a Huu-ay-aht Herring Steering Committee, who have been meeting with Barkley Sound First Nations, and area governments.

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Commercial Herring Fishermen in Barkley Sound could remain tied to the docks unless Canada addresses Huu-ay-aht's concerns. Story continued from page 1

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"The herring fishery has become a free-for-all, regardless of conservation concerns," said N.T.C. Central Region Co-chair Nelson Keitlah.

"This approach (litigation) has been strongly recommended by the Ha'wiih," said Ahousaht Chief Negotiator, Cliff Atleo. "This is clearly in line with their thoughts on how to respond when our Aboriginal Rights and Titles are infringed upon."

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Concerned that the Huu-ay-aht case could have a negative impact on Nuu-chah-nulth Treaty Negotiations as a whole, Dennis offered to temporarily remove Huu-ay-aht negotiators from the table.

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Representatives from the 13 Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations gathered around the treaty table were quick to offer their support to the Huu-ay-aht

First Nation, voting unanimously to add their political support to the law suit, and encouraging the N.T.C. to add their political and financial backing.

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Dennis said negotiations with DFO have been completely ineffective, and as a result, they have no choice but to pursue legal action against the department.

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said Uchucklesaht Chief Councilor Charlie Cootes. "Uchucklesaht strongly supports this move towards litigation launched by Huu-ay-aht."

The late February through March collection of spawn-on-boughs is a traditional activity of the Huu-ay-aht First Nation which has always been considered important from a cultural perspective, and as a food source.

In recent years, Huu-ay-aht members have been unsuccessful in obtaining spawn-on-boughs, due to reduced stocks, and what Dennis sees as DFO management of stocks to benefit the commercial roe herring fishery.

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Members of the Huu-ay-aht First Nation are also concerned about the general ecological health of Barkley Sound, as they say the intensive herring fishery has contributed to a general ecological decline in the area.

The motion will come before the N.T.C. Main Table during their next meeting March 29th to 31st.

Clean Water for Kyuquot

By Denise Ambrose
Central Region Reporter

Clear, clean, drinking water ... something most of us take for granted. After nearly fifteen years of literally drinking murky swamp water, the people of Kyuquot finally have a new water supply.

Two wells were drilled 5km from the village. The wells supply pure ground water; water that is so clean there is no need for chlorination.

"It is great to be drinking and bathing in fresh, clean water. It's nice that we can fill our bathtubs more than eight inches and still see the bottom!"

The people of Kyuquot are thrilled with the new water system.

Chris Jules said the old system was unhealthy. "The kids had sores, dead animals and other things have been found in the water. We eventually had to bring drinking water in because people were getting sick."

Elected Chief Councillor, John Vincent said, "It is great to be drinking and bathing in fresh, clean water. It's nice that we can fill our bathtubs more than eight inches and still see the bottom!"

In celebration of the completion of the water project, Chatwin Engineering hosted a community dinner.

People were invited to view a time-line of the progression of the water project. The timeline featured photographs of workers laying the 5km of new water line, the building of the road to the pump house and other work.

Brian Chatwin said that the project costs about two million dollars. Besides the water system, a 5 km road complete with new power poles had to be installed in order to provide electricity to the pump house.

One fringe benefit for the community is that a new truck was included with the project. The Maintenance Man would need some form of transportation to get to the pump house in a hurry

if necessary.

Another feature of the new system is that, if necessary, technicians in Campbell River can monitor the system via telephone linkup. If problems crop up that are beyond the Maintenance Man's expertise, all he needs to do is make a phone call for the required assistance.

Members of the community were invited to have a glass of water from the new system. On display was a bottle of water from the old system. It was obvious to everyone that the bottle of brown water did not come from the wells.

Brian Chatwin and Eric Sweet of Chatwin Engineering, decked out in their aprons, began carving and serving roast beef dinners to all of their guests. They handed out bags of candies to all of the children after the dinner.

There was the unveiling of a plaque that named the people that helped Kyuquot get their new water system. Names included Chatwin Engineering, Public Works Canada, Danny Watts and the past three Kyuquot band councils.

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The plaque will be installed at the water tanks behind the school. Kyuquot Councillor, Cindy Carlos, made presentations on behalf of the people of Kyuquot.

Gifts were given to the many people that were involved with the new water project.

Ken Morton of Public Works Canada accepted his gift saying, "It is satisfying to see good water flowing into the village. It is important for the health and safety of the community."

Indian Claim Commission Welcomes

Elijah Harper as a New Commissioner

The Indian Claims Commission is pleased to confirm that Elijah Harper has been appointed Commissioner. Mr. Harper joins Commission Co-Chairs Dan Bellegarde and Jim Prentice and Commissioners Carole Corcoran and Roger Augustine.

"It is an honour to have been selected for this appointment and I look forward to working with the Commissioners in bringing First Nations and government together to resolve outstanding land claims."

"On behalf of the Commissioners, I would like to congratulate and welcome our fellow Commissioner. Mr. Harper brings a wealth of knowledge and experience with Aboriginal issues and will be an asset to the Commission," said Co-Chair Dan Bellegarde.

Said newly appointed Commissioner Harper: "It is an honour to have been selected for this appointment and I look forward to working with the Commissioners in bringing First Nations and government together to resolve outstanding land claims."

Mr. Harper is an Ojibwa-Cree born in Red Sucker Lake, Manitoba, where he was Chief from 1978-1981. Mr. Harper is perhaps best known for his role in the debate surrounding the Meech Lake Accord, during which, as a member for Rupertsland in the Manitoba Legislative Assembly (1981-1992), he stood silent, holding a sacred Eagle's feather in a symbolic stand against the Accord, citing the lack of adequate participation and recognition of Aboriginal people in the constitutional amendment process. In 1986, Mr. Harper was appointed Minister Without Portfolio Responsible for Native Affairs and, in 1987, he was

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Josephine Charlie Memorial Potlatch

By Denise Ambrose
Central Region Reporter

Ahousaht - Hundreds of family and friends of the late Josephine Charlie gathered in Ahousaht on January 30 in celebration of her life.

The memorial potlatch was hosted by Josephine's remaining children Bella, Angus and Joe and their families.

"To Ahousaht Hawiith and Muschim, thank you for the way that you looked after her. We will remember her in the best way we know how, we'll sing our hearts out!"

Stanley Sam announced that late Josephine's husband, John Charlie, could not attend because he wasn't well enough to leave the hospital. He then acknowledged the family that had recently lost a loved one by giving them money from the Campbell family.

Ahousaht and Hesquiaht then took turns singing dinner songs before the feasting began. Guests were served duck soup, clam chowder, quakmis, turkey and roast beef.

The singing and dancing began once the tables were cleared away. Hesquiaht chiefs, Mike Tom, Vince Ambrose and Simon Lucas performed their songs and dances and gave the host money.

Simon Lucas explained that Josephine's mother and his father were brother and sister. He said that he and his family were there to celebrate what family means with Josephine's children and grandchildren. He gave a brief history of Josephine's

life. "She was born in Hesquiaht and went to school at Christie Residential School. She decided to settle in Ahousaht, where she remained for the rest of her life. You (Ahousaht) treated my aunt with the utmost respect and we are extremely glad for how you treated this fine lady. I have many fine memories of my aunt. I remember hearing her on the VHF saying 'bread for sale at 1-P.' Many homes enjoyed her homemade bread. She hung onto her language in the Hesquiaht dialect despite the many years that she lived here. You didn't try to change her and we want to thank you for that. January 31 would have been her birthday. It is a blessing that we will honour her on the day that she was born. To Ahousaht Hawiith and Muschim, thank you for the way that you looked after her. We will remember her in the best way we know how, we'll sing our hearts out!"

The evening ended with the Campbell family giving gifts to their guests. Some received special gifts, knitted sheep wool toques that Josephine made before she passed away.

Ahousaht performances included the Kingfisher dance, which belongs to the Keitlah family, Swan family dances and some dances by the Campbell families. They too presented money to the hosts.

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Recreation-More Than Tournaments

"My personal interest is that recreation is done on a day by day basis and not only happening on special occasions like tournaments.

"We have to get everyone involved in various types of sports and we, as individual people, have to recognize every individual's own skills." This is Simon Lucas's aim as co-ordinator of the recreation program for the West Coast District.

Simon mentioned that one thing that was hampering the program at the residence was the immediate identification of, for instance, himself as a Hesquiaht band member.

Some people seem to blame some circumstances mainly on the fact that a person is from a certain band. He stated that this was a problem as far as unity is concerned -- and that a good program would always be down-graded as long as this goes on.



SIMON LUCAS

Although the use of the gym now involves many people -- even with the help of recreation workers Mena Fred, Mary Howard and Harry Lucas -- it is still empty most mornings and could be utilized more effectively.

However, the workers have tried to start women's keep fit classes -- at the same time providing the women with day care and

transportation -- and there was a poor response. Simon would like to have a committee formed to control the use of the gym.

The committee's job would be to draw up regulations concerning the use of the gym, to suggest program improvements or changes, and to hear requests or complaints on the use of the gym.

In this way, he could be doing his job -- co-ordinating the recreation programs.

Simon stated that all recreation programs have a very tough competitor in the arcades downtown, along with the "King Eddie."

In the present program the gym is used only twice during the week before 3:30, and this is for one hour by the River Bend Elementary students.

This means that anyone can come and use the gym throughout week day mornings and early afternoons.

During the time from 3:30 to about 11:00 p.m., it is used for floor hockey and basketball -- for various ages -- both female and male.

Part of Simon's job as co-ordinator is to travel to the different reserves and help them develop meaningful recreation programs. Although he has not been able to do this yet, he plans to be carrying out this facet of his work in the near future.

There is also talk of trips being planned for the old age pensioners, to different reserves, or to Vancouver or Victoria, in order that they can see old friends or visit places they haven't been to in years.

It is a big job -- and help is needed in all areas: suggestions, volunteers to coach young boys' and girls' teams, and mainly your participation and support so that the program can become more successful -- because recreation is participation.

Tseshah Longhouse prepares for rebirth

By David Wiwchar
Southern Region Reporter

Al Ross Jr. wasn't as happy to see the crane come to the Tseshah Longhouse on this second occasion.

The first time the crane came to this location, it was to lift the huge, hand-aded beams of the new Tseshah Longhouse into place.

That was more than 22 years ago. Last week, the crane came to tear down the longhouse that Al Ross Jr., and the late John Dick, had spent a year of their lives building by hand.

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The Tseshah Longhouse was never used for any formal occasions, which Al is sure will change once it's rebuilt beside Maht Mahs Gymnasium.

Because the longhouse lacked kitchen and bathroom facilities, it never hosted the ceremonies or events it was meant for.

"I feel like I should be doing something to mark this occasion," said Jane Jones as she watched the crane remove the first cross beams. "But unfortunately,



Al Ross Jr. (Kanowish), watches as a crane removes the hand-aded beams of the Longhouse that he and the late John Dick had built.

this longhouse was never used."

If the proposed new site is approved for construction, longhouse events can be supported by the kitchen and washroom facilities in Maht Mahs Gym.

The three-foot thick, huge cedar beams required a crane and a high-rigger. Construction Manager Howard Little oversaw the removal of the longhouse planks by students of the Youth Services Program.

Howard has also been traveling around Vancouver Island looking at bighouses, comparing structure designs before building the new Tseshah longhouse.

"We have to make sure everything is in place before the new building goes up," said Howard, who is pouring over maps in his spare time, tracing underground water and sewer lines in the

area around Maht Mahs.

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"I've never really been into this kind of stuff," said Howard, a contractor specializing in residential and commercial construction. "But the more work I do on this project, the more enthusiastic I am about the opportunity to build the new longhouse."

Until site location and funding arrangements are secured, there is no time frame for construction of the new Tseshah Longhouse.



News Briefs

Wilson crosses floor to take over Aboriginal Affairs

Gordon Wilson, MLA for Powell River - Sunshine Coast, and former leader of the Pacific Democratic Alliance (PDA) Party, crossed the floor of the B.C. Legislature to join the governing N.D.P. Premier Glen Clark has appointed Wilson to the Aboriginal Affairs portfolio, as well as appointing him Minister in charge of BC Ferries.

Clark said that as Minister of Aboriginal Affairs, Wilson will build on the work of former Minister Dale Lovick by implementing the Nisga'a Agreement and furthering the current series of First Nations negotiations.

"Gordon Wilson has been a strong advocate for our First Nations people and their quest for social justice," said Clark.

Wilson, who left the Liberal Party to form the PDA after his affair with fellow MLA Judy Tyabji was revealed, has now caused the Legislature to adjourn so he can further study the Nisga'a Agreement, and the demands of his new portfolio.

Ditidaht Band Council Election

On Monday, February 01, 1999 the Ditidaht First Nation conducted a poll for the election of a Band Council and the following are the results of that poll:

Chief Councillor:
G. Jack Thompson

Councillors:
Carl L. Edgar
Terry Edgar
Joseph Thorne

The term in office is for a four year period.

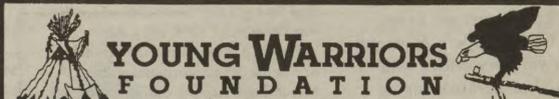


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Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

MEETING	DATE	TIME	PLACE
TSC	Feb 10 - 11	9 a.m.	Victoria
Treaty Planning	Feb 22 - 24	9 a.m.	Somass Hall
Land Selection	Feb 24 - 26	9 a.m.	Tseshah Centre
Treaty Planning	March 8 - 9	9 a.m.	Tillicum Haus - Nanaimo
TSC	March 10 - 11	9 a.m.	Nanaimo
Land Selection	March 24 - 26	9 a.m.	Tsaxana
N.T.C Regular Meeting	March 29 - 31	9 a.m.	Maht Mahs



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selections, and do their negotiations for themselves as it is the individual First Nations who know their needs best. "The intention of this paper is to send a message that they will have to negotiate directly with the individual First Nations," said Pearson.

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Dave Watts presented a draft paper on the guiding principles of Nuu-chah-nulth Justice:

- Nuu-chah-nulth justice is based on values and teachings such as respect, honesty, and responsibility

- Rehabilitation and reconciliation take precedence over punishment in Nuu-chah-nulth justice

- Nuu-chah-nulth justice is not based on case law, but on the values, practices, and social agreements that have sustained communities since time immemorial

- The Nuu-chah-nulth justice system must be constitutionally protected

- The Nuu-chah-nulth justice system will include various levels of jurisdiction in different areas of law

- The Nuu-chah-nulth have a right to participate in the development or changes to the justice systems that may affect them

- Historically Nuu-chah-nulth people have suffered from injustices built into the federal and provincial justice systems and Nuu-chah-nulth citizens will be best served by a justice system designed and delivered by Nuu-chah-nulth in cooperation with the Canadian justice system

- Nuu-chah-nulth justice focuses on preventing crime rather than fighting crime.

As outlined in the Justice Report, Nuu-chah-nulth had a successful justice system prior to the institution of the federal and provincial justice systems.

The Jurisdiction and Governance Mandate Working Group proposes the development of a Nuu-chah-nulth justice system that incorporates Nuu-chah-nulth values, beliefs, and social arrangements.

Dave Watts spoke on the failings of the mumthne justice system, since 33% of inmates in youth detention centres are First Nations youth, and 25% of the adult prison population are First Nations people, even though only 7% of the overall B.C. population is Native.

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Any legal jurisdictions will have to be negotiated with provincial and federal legislators on a law by law basis, but this paper provides the basis for those future negotiations and agreements.

After a short break, the table returned to discuss education. Hupacasath negotiator Tawny Lem introduced questions about Nuu-chah-nulth education in a past treaty environment. George Watts said it is up to the Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations to define the terms and forms of education in the post treaty environment.

Treaty Planning Day 2

Harry Lucas offered the opening prayer on day two of the NCN Treaty Planning meeting. Delegates quickly got down to business reviewing motions from the previous day's discussions.

Most of the five motions were passed but two motions induced lengthy discussion amongst the delegates.

One motion dealt with NCN Citizenship Criteria that all thirteen First Nations must agree to.

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A motion to adopt a set of Citizenship Criteria was set aside after Hupacasath raised concerns about wording contained in the document.

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Left to right: Northern Region co-chair Archie Little, Central Region co-chair Nelson Keitlah, and Southern Region co-chair Richard Watts

way in case we have made mistakes." Ahousesat Negotiator, Shawn Atleo, suggested that the document be put on hold as a work in progress.

The Citizenship Criteria motion was eventually tabled to allow Hupacasath a chance to put their concerns on paper for presentation at a future planning meeting.

He suggested that the document be sent to the communities with a note that the issue has been discussed extensively at this table.

He asked that we request more input from the communities in order to move the issue along.

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The last item to be discussed was the proposed name change of our system of governance.

In recent months we have informally adopted the name 'Hawilth Pa Tuk Nuu-chah-nulth-aht' as the name for our government.

The elders met and decided that the current name was too restrictive in its meaning.

They proposed an amendment to the name and explained why this name was more appropriate.

The elders pointed out that not all regions were represented when they had

their meeting and suggested that the proposed name change be brought back to the communities for input.

The proposed new name was accepted in principle and is open to further input from the communities.

The last issue to be discussed was a motion that was recently passed at the BC First Nations Summit.

Delegates at the First Nations Summit have adopted a proposed Tripartite Package. (See related story on page 9)

The Package is a model of negotiating procedures intended to accelerate the progress of negotiations. Ucluelet Negotiator, Larry Baird, said that there wasn't sufficient discussion at the Summit level on this issue before it was passed.

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Both Ucluelet and Hupacasath fear that the motion will negatively impact the treaty process.

Judy Sayers pointed out that the motion that was passed was not much different from the one that was defeated last April. "It doesn't make sense to accept it now," says Sayers.

It was eventually decided that the issue would be discussed more in-depth at a special meeting on March 1-2.

Governments examine flaws in the BC Treaty Process

Following the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in Delgamuukw, representatives of the First Nations Summit, British Columbia and Canada met to explore ways in which the British Columbia Treaty Process could be revitalized.

There are numerous obstacles in the current system that challenge the ongoing viability of treaty making in British Columbia.

While each Party remains firmly committed to treaty negotiations, the discussions revealed a common sense of urgency to bring about changes that will result in agreements being reached sooner than currently possible. The various levels of governments currently involved in the Treaty-making process, recognize there are numerous obstacles in the current system that challenge the ongoing viability of treaty making in British Columbia.

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Resolution - British Columbia will seek political approval for the "Statement of Aboriginal and Crown Title". The Task Group will seek reaffirmation of First Nations Summit support for the Statement.

The Principals will publicly endorse this Statement once it is approved.

Resolution - British Columbia and Canada will seek authorization to accelerate offers and the pace of negotiations where there is agreement among the parties at the negotiating tables to do so. British Columbia and Canada will engage in bilateral discussions to deal with associated issues having to do with costs and development of offers.

The Parties are discussing the issue of interim measures including the types of

agreements that might be made at specific treaty tables in advance of Final Agreements.

Such interim measures agreements would alleviate concerns expressed by First Nations over the alienation of land and resources, while moving towards certainty for governments and First Nations.

All Parties acknowledge the Delgamuukw requires consultation where aboriginal rights or title are being infringed.

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There is no consensus among the Parties on what constitutes appropriate consultation or how government should fulfill their legal obligations to consult. The Parties having differing views of where Aboriginal title exists.

Resolution - British Columbia and the Summit Task Group will continue to engage in bilateral negotiations on a provincial consultation policy with the view of achieving a mutually satisfactory agreement by no later than June 1999.

The Parties agree that a key priority of the Treaty Process is to deal with land, resource, cash and financial component issues.

They discussed whether it is possible to accelerate agreements in these areas, while deferring much of the self-government negotiations to a later date. The Parties acknowledge that self-government negotiations are considerably advanced at a number of tables and it is not the intention to interfere with this progress.

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The rationale for leaving governance negotiations to a later date is to try to move land, resource, cash and financial components into the hands of First Nations quickly, thereby obtaining economic benefits and greater certainty for Parties engaged in treaty negotiations.

Resolution - the British Columbia Treaty Commission was requested to undertake work in the following areas:

- complete the report on "Strengthening First Nations for Treaty Purposes";
- strengthening the British Columbia Treaty Commission's role in readiness and progress assessment;
- regional and province-wide approaches;
- the Commission's role in the dissemination of technical information to support negotiations;
- resolution overlaps;
- principles of good faith negotiations; and
- a greater role for the British Columbia Treaty Commission in facilitation and resolving impasses.

NOTICE

NOMINATIONS MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the HUU-AY-AHT, that a meeting will be conducted at the Bamfield Community Hall on Saturday, the 13th day of February, 1999, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. for the purposes of nominating candidates for the offices of one Councillor, and two youth Councillors (ex officio). In the event a poll becomes necessary, such poll will be held at the Band Office and the Port Alberni Friendship Centre on Saturday the 20th day of February, 1999, between the hours of 8 am and 8 p.m. Given under my hand this 25th day of January 1999.

**Hugh A. Watts,
Electoral Officer**

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Treaty Update meeting for Nuuchahnulth people living in the Seattle area

To Nuuchahnulth people in the Seattle Area

We would like to wish everyone peace and good fortune for 1999 and for the years to come.

With our thanks to those from the Seattle community that have helped with the arrangements, we want to invite everyone to come to our next session of treaty update meetings.

The meetings will be held at the Pearl Warren Building of the Seattle Indian Health Board.

There will be sessions held over two days, as follows:

- Saturday, February 13, 1999. We will come together at 10:00 am, and we expect that the session will wrap up around 3:00 pm.
- Sunday, February 14, 1999. Starting at 10:00 am on this day also, we expect that the Sunday session will end around 1:00 pm.

We hope to see you there!

Yours sincerely,
Vic Pearson and Willard Gallic



Jim and Pearl Dorward are pleased to announce their daughter Tammy Lynn Dorward-Chinnick has recently graduated from Simon Fraser University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, majored in Criminology and minored in Psychology. Tammy has returned to school for her Masters Degree... Congratulations Tammy. We love you and are VERY PROUD of you.

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February 5th to one of my closest friends (my mom!). Happy Birthday, Mom. All the best to you...and then some!

Extra special Birthday Greetings extended to my darling little sweetheart, Mercedes Caroline Chastity Dawn on February 19. Happy Fifth Birthday, Babe...My are we ever growing fast! Lotsa Love! Rem

Happy Birthday to James Walton on February 22. Wishing you all the best! From your favorite sister.

Happy "53rd" Anniversary to my loving wife Lena Jumbo on Feb. 10th. From your favorite husband Carl Jumbo.

The NTC Education Department would like to offer heartiest congratulations to Tyege Hawilth, Ahousaht, Earl Maquinna George on the completion of his Masters of Arts degree at the University of Victoria.

ATTENTION: HESQUIAHT WOMEN

My name is Tracey Webster. I am from Hesquiaht/Ahousaht. My parents are Hudson and Janet Webster (nee Lucas). My grandmother is Mamie Lucas and late Matthew Lucas. My father's parents were late Peter and late Jessie Webster.

I am newly elected on the Hesquiaht Band Council and my portfolio includes Women's Issues.

I would like to meet with all Hesquiaht women from ages 12 and up to elders. I want to learn and understand what our issues and needs are.

I have arranged to travel to you in the following areas:

Vancouver Feb 16 6 pm

Vancouver Aboriginal Centre

Victoria Feb 17 6 pm

to be determined

Nanaimo Feb 18 6 pm

Tillicum Haus

Port Alberni Feb 19 6 pm

Hesquiaht Treaty Office

Campbell River Feb 21 6 pm

Contact Band Office

Hot Springs Feb 22 6 pm

* All of these will be potluck. Bring your favorite dish/dessert.

The other information I am seeking is to find out how many of our women would like to attend the upcoming Women's Conference in May '99 in Port Alberni, which we will select two women to be our role models for the conference.

I also intend to collect each one of your current addresses and numbers that I can reach you. I foresee the Women's Issues to be changing constantly, as we are women and our needs and issues are always changing and growing in different directions.

I encourage each one of you to set the time aside, to have your input and to be a part of this. I look forward to seeing everyone and I am grateful to be a part of the future.

If you have any questions please call me directly at (250) 478-1841 or the band office 1-877-232-1100 and ask for Jessie Jim.

In sisterhood
Tracey Webster



NOTICE

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Coming of age Party for Sarah and Martha Johnson
February 20, 1999- Maht Mahs - 12:00 noon

EVERYONE WELCOME!

For more information call Cheryl Thomas at
Huu-ay-aht First Nation Band Office 250-728-3414.

Historic day for Huu-ay-aht First Nation

By Mexsis (Tom Happynook)
For Ha-Shilth-Sa

On January 27, 1999 an event took place in the Huu-ay-aht village of Anacla that we believe will go down as a very significant day in our history. This day was witness to the coming together of two systems, the traditional hereditary system and the present day elected system.

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Both systems have made a commitment to work together for the benefit of our people, but more importantly to ensure the well-being of our future generations.

The preface to this historic event began at our November 1998 tribal meeting where Huu-ay-aht councilor Larry Johnson, (who holds the forestry portfolio and oversees the Huu-ay-aht forestry department), made a presentation to the membership. After the presentation the Huu-ay-aht membership passed a resolution which lead to the creation of a Huu-ay-aht Hishuk Tsawalk Natural Resource Corporate entity. The significant element of this resolution is that this business entity will be run by the Huu-ay-aht ha'wiih along with Stella Peters, Crystal Clappis and Karen Haugen.

This collective decision will effectively separate the administration run government programs and services with our new business arm of the Huu-ay-aht nation.

The historic significance of the day was directly tied to three directives that the Huu-ay-aht council received, and accepted, from the Huu-ay-aht ha'wiih.

These directives instructed the elected council to immediately forward three BCR's (Band Council Resolutions) to Ottawa regarding our Parks negotiations.

With support firmly growing behind the Huu-ay-aht ha'wiih there is an undeniable growing of confidence which we believe will result in the rise of the Huu-ay-aht nation to their historic greatness.

The Huu-ay-aht Ha'wiih and the Hishuk Tsawalk board of directors wish to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Huu-ay-aht membership and the Huu-ay-aht elected council for acknowledging and initiating the resurrection of our traditional government.



From left to right, Darlene Nookmus sitting in for her father chief Ben Nookmus; Councilor Rick Nookmus standing; Fisheries Portfolio Councilor Larry Johnson; Forestry Portfolio Mexsis (Tom Happynook); Hereditary Chief Andy Clappis; Hereditary Chief Victor Williams; Steven Peters sitting in for his older brother Head Chief Spencer Peters; Derek Peters, Spencer's oldest son and next Head Chief; Chief Councilor Robert Dennis; Chief Bill Frank.

"Hishuk Tsawalk"

The Huu-ay-aht Natural Resource Corporate Entity

By Heath Krevesky - Forestry Manager, Huu-ay-aht First Nation
For Ha-Shilth-Sa

A historic event transpired January 27, 1999 when the Huu-ay-aht Ha'wiih and Elected Chief and Council dually signed and executed the necessary agreements to form Hishuk Tsawalk, a Huu-ay-aht First Nation Natural Resources Corporate entity.

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The Board will be accountable for overseeing all activities pursued by Hishuk Tsawalk and will be responsible to the Huu-ay-aht First Nation Membership.

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The majority of the economic initiatives Hishuk Tsawalk wish to pursue are rooted in natural resource sector business opportunities and include cultural tourism, eco-tourism, silviculture contracting, timber harvesting and salvage, commercial fisheries and value-added processing and fisheries restoration and enhancement.

The execution of Hishuk Tsawalk is consistent with the Huu-ay-aht Members requests to pursue economic

development opportunities in the natural resources sectors and concurs with the evolution of the Huu-ay-aht First Nations Forestry, Fisheries and Cultural Heritage Resource Departments.

The primary objective of Hishuk Tsawalk is to enhance economic development opportunities in the natural resource sectors that the Huu-ay-aht First Nations Natural Resources Department has implemented over the past two years.

Economic endeavors will build on existing Huu-ay-aht programs, provide employment to Huu-ay-aht members, continue to facilitate training opportunities, and may lead to the establishment of a number of joint ventures with other industry stakeholders.

The primary objective of Hishuk Tsawalk is to enhance economic development opportunities in the natural resource sectors.

Ultimately, Hishuk Tsawalk will provide for current and future Huu-ay-aht generations through the re-establishment of traditional Huu-ay-aht self governance.

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In Memory of Dr. George Charles Clutesi

I remember the morning of your flight into the Spirit World
At sunrise, ancestors lifted you from a cold hospital bed
On February 27, 1988, sorrow—silent and still—
Muted generational grief—letting go

Eleven years later your work gives credence
Academic students teach others with delight
As Qu'7as we open to heal our pains and hurts
To father a realm for memories

Relatives you helped with songs and dances
Step forward with gratitude in their hearts
And tell me "George kept me sane"
While pallid worm-like Darth Vadars fed on innocence

The malleable utter adversities and sink
The intent is to tarnish more people, our Qu'7as
The journey to avoid the pitfalls of this oppression
Is to recognize the rust—the colonizer

The colonizer threatens the teachings as 'secret'
The colonizer wants you mute, silent and still
The colonizer maneuvers a game-play of gossip
Colonialism conveys dependency

Those who rise above the petty learn to listen
You learned pedagogy from your sister, Aunty Annie
You learned when a teaching or message rings true
The lesson becomes one to transfer to others

Freedom is to free the mind of imprisonment
One, by one, you unleash the chain links
Of oppression that burdens sameness by dividing
Instead your priority is to spiral upward—to sing, write, teach

Proving a Nuu-chah-nulth can fly a creative course
Owning a birthright, to speak one's own Truth
Our birthright sings our own Songs
It is Nuu-chah-nulth's birthright to be Happy Singing People

This heritage begins in knowing "Who am I?"
Yes, I come from a Happy Singing People
Jessica's arrow ascends—gathering authentication
Gathering the Qu'7as, the language and culture

A generation of absent teachers and unheard Elders
Can be replaced with film, tapes, books, carvings
The real treasures fill the void with spoken memories
To gather, to empower the silent to speak the heart's song
Robert Dennis Sr rises to validate help with his family song
Willie Blackwater pilots justice and acknowledges your kindness
Ronald listened as a child and trajects history—written and oral
Jeff's daughter, Kath, glides the wind—guides the flock—by doing

As I remember—our ancestors, our songs, our dances, our stories
My purpose, what I'm here to do, is strengthened
And everytime a child observes, listens, or imitates
The spirits of our Nuu-chah-nulth ancestors chant

In memory of my Dad

cuu, Huup kwis t'a 7a
Carol Margaret Clutesi



(L-R) Jeff Gallic, Aunty Annie, George Clutesi Sr.

Attention All Tseshaht Fisherman TSESHAHT FISHERY WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 16, 1999 - SOMASS HALL

Agenda Items for February 16th meeting to be held at the Somass Hall time 6 p.m.
All Tseshaht Fisherman are urged to attend and be heard at this important meeting.

- Update on negotiations with D.F.O. Re: allocation 1999 season.
- Rules and Regulations
- Penalty System for abusing fishery regulations
- Landing sights.
- Participation
- Marketing.
- Small boat safety, especially overloading.
- Guardian Authority and our future.
- Fish buying stations placement.
- Salmon Enhancement program.
- License fee or user fee or fish buyer fee to help in the operation of the salmon enhancement program or habitat restoration program.
- Communal share of chinook.

The Huupacasath Nation is welcome to attend this workshop. This workshop is being set up for February 16, 1999 time 6 p.m. at the Somass Hall. Input is needed for the future operation of this fishery; response from your Fishery Department would be greatly appreciated.

In Friendship and Brotherhood
Allan Ross Jr.
Al Fred
Tseshaht Fisheries Department

LSC Thunder Annual Mens and Ladies Ball Hockey Tournament

February 26, 27, & 28
at Maht Mahs Gym - Tseshaht Reserve
Entry Fees: \$300 for Men's Teams,
\$200 for Ladies Teams

First 8 men's teams with entry fee are in the tournament, and first 4 ladies teams with entry fee are in the tournament.

Prizes: Money and Trophies.
Contact Richard Sam at (250) 723-8503,
or Les Sam at 723-8950

ATTENTION Nuu-chah-nulth Youth Council

Our first meeting will be held on
Thursday, March 4, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.

Location to be determined

Call Reg Sam or Nick Watts at 724-5757 after 4:00 p.m.

Education

Haa-huu-payuk students envision their post-treaty world

With treaty negotiations underway throughout B.C. it is very important that aboriginal people of all ages start thinking about the treaty process and its consequences for their future. With this in mind, the students in grade 5 and 6 at Haahuupay'ak School have been learning about the history leading up to present day negotiations, the Nisga'a treaty and possible ways that a local treaty could affect their own lives.

Much of the background information for this unit came from the Shared Learnings curriculum recently put out by the B.C. Ministry of Education. It was my intention that our children would be able to learn about past injustices and see how present day negotiations are an important step toward resolving issues between governments and the First Nations and restoring strength to their economies and cultures.

I hope you enjoy reading the ideas and visions of these young people as they work to understand a complicated topic and express themselves in a clear and meaningful voice.

Sincerely, Phil Koch (teacher Grade 5/6)



Trevor Titian - Grade 6

In the past the government tried to take away our land. The government took land away and gave lots to the white people and they made laws up so natives could not get their land back. They put them on reserves. In the 1850's, native people were allowed no more than 10 acres, but white people were allowed up to 320 acres of land. Then the government tried to take away native culture by taking native children away from their family and sending them to residential schools. They weren't allowed speaking their language. In the 1880s they banned potlatches and wouldn't let native people practice their culture. When we sign a treaty it will protect our culture, help get land back and give us control of our own schools.

When I look at the Nisga'a treaty I see different ways that a treaty can help them take control of their lives. Nisga'a people will be able to get 2000 sq. kms of the traditional lands through the treaty process. This might upset the white people, but that is only fair because that's what the government took from the Nisga'a and the white people will have to go through the same thing. The Nisga'a people will be able to choose their own government and make their own laws that will protect their culture, and their people. This will be a good opportunity for jobs for the Nisga'a people. For example, forestry and fishery jobs will be allowed for the Nisga'a people. The Nisga'a people will make their own police force to treat Nisga'a fairly.

I see a bright future for myself after the treaty has been signed. I can move to this area and find a job that I like.

I see a bright future for myself after the treaty has been signed. I might be able to move to this area and find a job that I like and work with my friends and family. My culture may become stronger with laws that can protect it and carry it. Our people will teach white people how to respect our and after it becomes our again.

Maybe I could be a fisherman or policeman or a fireman who could help my people.

When we have control of our education system maybe us children can go all the way from preschool to grade twelve. Maybe I could be a fisherman or policeman or a fireman who could help my people.



Alana Sayers, Grade 6

In the past the government of Canada has tried to take away our land and culture. In the 1850's the government ripped aboriginal people off by only giving each family 10 or less acres of land, while white settlers were relaxing on 325 of land.

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In the 1880's the white government tried to stop us from learning and teaching our culture. They did that by banning potlatches and putting our children in residential. In the white school we were not allowed to speak our language. The treaty process might change these two unfair things by giving us our land back and letting us control our culture and language so that it can never be taken away again. Under the Nisga'a treaty the Nisga'a will now own the forests. They will have a say about where and how many trees are cut down. They will be able to protect the areas that are important to them. They will no longer feel helpless or angry by the way the white men control their forests.

The Nisga'a can now make money where they never could before. The Nisga'a can do this and still respect the forests. The Nisga'a people will now be happier now that have their opinion on what happens with the forests. The Nisga'a will now be able to take care of the fish the way they want to. They will also be able to sell fish and make jobs based on fisheries. The Nisga'a will now be happier that their lives are better because they will also have a say about what happens with fisheries and make money because they couldn't before.

After the Huupacasath treaty is signed we will be able to control our education and have a school in our community. The treaty will guarantee a good education for everyone. I intend to use this right of education to go to university to become a teacher. I will then go home and use this education in our school. I hope to be teaching our school in the Huupacasath language.

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The treaty allows me to do this because I will be able to learn this all through school and university. Not just to grade six like it is today. These are a couple of examples of how the signing of the treaty would effect my life if it is signed in time.



Derrick - Grade 5

In the past, the government of Canada and B.C. have tried to take away our land and language. They put our children in residential schools and taught them French and English. Our people were put on reserves with the banning of potlatches, which is one of our many traditions. They had also tried to use the laws to keep our people from fishing and hunting. With the treaty negotiations in its first stages the Nuu-chah-nulth are in the planning stages of treaty negotiations for our future.

So we can control our own schools, our children will learn their culture. We will also learn to govern our own laws and have the rights to fish and hunt for our cultural potlatches and traditional foods.

The Nisga'a treaty is now in effect. Their lives will be like a different country. They will govern their own laws and protect their forests and rivers because they will be able to control their land. Eventually, the Nisga'a people will pay taxes. Future taxes will be a concern when the time comes. But with education and jobs out there I think the treaty process will be good for the Nisga'a people.

The Nisga'a will have their own police force for law enforcement.

The treaty helps them to protect much of their traditional lands for fishing and hunting. Treaty negotiations in the beginning process for the Nuu-chah-nulth people, at the table is a group of people who are negotiating with the government of B.C. for the rights of my people. Elders are the backbone of our treaty process, sharing their knowledge and wisdom with the people is very important throughout treaty negotiations. Our people are educating us younger generation, for culture negotiations. We are the people of tomorrow. We need culture and traditions to keep our people alive.



Earl T. - Grade 5

The governments took away our language by putting our people in residential schools. We can teach our culture with a treaty.

The government took part of our culture away by banning potlatches. If we put new laws in a treaty we could protect our culture. Government enforced laws that left us very little land to live on. With a treaty we will own much of our traditional land.

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The Nisga'a choose their own government and make their own laws.

The Nisga'a will be able to use their own forest and fisheries to make jobs for their people. The Nisga'a can have their own police force.

Maybe I can be a policeman who protects and helps my own people.

I see a bright future for myself if a treaty is negotiated. I might be able to live in this area and find a job working with friends and family. My culture may become stronger if we can make laws to protect it. Our people can show the world how to respect and look after the land once we own it again.

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When we have control over our education system maybe our children can go to grade 12 at Haahuupay'ak. Maybe I can be a policeman who protects and helps my own people.

Kleco's

I would like to thank a few people that helped me and sponsored me to attend the Choices Program in Surrey. Thank you to my brother Tom Paul and family for sponsoring me. I will never forget you for this. Thanks for the support and believing in me.

Thanks to the Ahousaht Band and the many people that helped raise the funds for people like me who needed the help.

Special thanks to Darlene Dick, Lil Webster, Curtis Dick and Ina Thomas. All of you made it possible for me to accomplish a big change in my life.

Many thanks to the Mowachaht/Muchalaht Band, Sharyn Stacey, Chief and Council, Rose Jack and Mary Pat for all the help and support to help on short notice.

My special thanks and apologies to my sis Elaine for the mix up or lack of information.

Thank you for all your time and effort to try getting to Surrey.

I want to thank my husband Tony Dick for supporting me and being there for our newborn baby. I greatly appreciate all your help.

**Kleco, kleco.
Laura Dick**

Birthdays

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the way. The program started Jan 11 to Feb 5. Today I feel proud to complete this program. I would also like to thank my counsellor Mr. Gordon Fuller of the P.A.F.C. employee and another person Mrs. Vera Lucas. Vera faithfully picked us up every morning and afternoon. She was very understanding and very patient with us (she even waited 45 min at one point). Oh well just kidding. But it was the pleasure that she put into. Thanks to Heather and Irene, these ladies were our facilitators and done a lot with us, throughout this program. The tools that I picked up will be giving to those who are in need of it. However, I am learning and understanding life is too short to be serious. In friendship we remain... from Carol R. John and Denise Amos. Also thanks to my husband for looking after our daughter Jessica and understanding me.

Happy 10th Birthday to my niece Louisa Charlie, proud daughter of my first cousins Rose-Ann Charlie (nee) John. Husband and father to Mr. Arthur Charlie, Ahousaht. Thanks for sharing her with us coz. Louisa, your auntie Carol and family care for you Louisa. Happy birthday sweetie. Keep smiling my niece and be good to yourself on this day. We love you Louisa. Many more to come. Your Auntie Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer, Don and family.

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Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations Implement Projects Congratulations from CHS Board!

The Community & Human Services Board of Directors extends Congratulations to several First Nations who have taken on the task of implementing projects made possible through Targetted Funding.

These are projects in the areas of Family Violence, Diabetes, and HIV/AIDS initiatives.

Availability of this Project Funding was announced in September 1998 by the Community & Human Services department, with the deadline of December 1998.

These various First Nations have identified activities which will enable the respective communities in achieving a better understanding and awareness on these social and health issues.

It is important that First Nations ensure that these funds are utilized for the specific projects which they were planned for.

Each project has a contact person who is responsible to prepare a summary report on the outcome of the projects.

Diabetes Projects

Ahousaht	\$1,785
Toquaht	\$1,900
Hesquiaht	\$1,785
Hupacasath	\$1,785
Kyuquot	\$1,785
Nuchatlaht	\$1,785
Tseshah	\$1,785
Ucluelet	\$1,270
Uchucklesaht	\$1,785

HIVAIDS Projects

Ehattesaht	\$1,785
Hesquiaht	\$1,785
Hupacasath	\$1,785
Kyuquot	\$1,785
Mowachaht	\$ 815
Nuchatlaht	\$1,785
Tlaouquiaht	\$1,785
Toquaht	\$1,350
Tseshah	\$1,785
Ucluelet	\$1,250
Uchucklesaht	\$1,785
Mowachaht / Muchalaht	\$1,410
Tla-o-qui-aht	\$1,785

Family Violence Projects

Ahousaht	\$14,869
Ditidaht	\$6,103
Hesquiaht	\$6,331
Hupacasath	\$3,274
Mowachaht	\$5,630
Nuchatlaht	\$2,539
Tlaouquiaht	\$7,679
Toquaht	\$2,381
Tseshah	\$8,450
Ehattesaht	\$3,150
Uchucklesaht	\$2,775

Once again - Congratulations from the Community & Human Services Board of Directors for recognizing the importance and value of implementing these projects to educate and support Nuuchah-nulth-aht!

In Memorium

In Loving Memory of
Jessie Genevieve Webster
who left us January 17, 1992

Seven years have gone by, now Mom since the day God has taken you from us. I believe now that you are in good hands and no more pain. The memories I hold close to my heart will always be. What A Wonderful Mom you were.

Very generous, full of energy, always working hard and most of the LOVE; you gave to each and every one of us.

Others are being respectful, helpful, supportive, appreciative, caring, thoughtful, trusting.

Open to others and inviting them into your home, no matter who, and very sensitive caring.

About the feelings of those around you and you were always one of the first to reach out when someone needs a hand.

Your ambitions always showed you can complete your goals and nothing stopped you to accomplish the things you needed to get done, along with all the weaving, you left your songs and dances, the whispers of your native language. I will always CHERISH.

I LOVE you MOM, for you I carry in my heart.

Lil Webster

Ha'akuuk ximaqsti (strengthening from within) Nuu-chah-nulth Women's Conference

To date for the Nuuchah-nulth Women's Conference is May 12, 13, 14 & 15, 1999 to be held at the Maht Mahs building in Port Alberni. This day is fast approaching and therefore the planning committee for the Nuuchah-nulth Women's Conference will be meeting on February 20, 1999 at the Clutesi Marina Haven at 5104 River Road, Port Alberni. At previous meetings, facilitators, keynote speakers, workshop topics and fundraising have been discussed. We need to focus on finer details and who will be responsible for said tasks. We will also discuss billeting and transportation. So far we have representatives from Ahousaht/Pam Frank and Lee Horbacht, Hesquiaht/Tracy Webster,

Tla-o-qui-aht/Delores Seitcher. Helen Dick/Tseshah, Marilyn Peter/Huu-ay-aht. We still need representatives from the other communities. If you are interested in being a part of this very exciting planning committee please call Marie or Charlotte at (250) 724-3232 or Geraldine at (250) 724-7217 or Ina at (250) 723-2135 local 235.

We will be asking the representatives to organize with others in the community who they would like recognized as *ca mih ta ha huupcu* (a person taught in every aspect of life) and to fundraise so hopefully that all Nuuchah-nulth women will be able to attend this conference for the Nuuchah-nulth women.

Choo, Ina Seitcher

To All Nuuchah-nulth First Nations Members, Band Managers, CHR's, Health Clerks and Band Membership Clerks:

MEDICAL COVERAGE NOT AUTOMATIC

Reference: Recently, many bills were received at the NTC (Non-Insured Health Benefits Section) (NIHB) from parents requesting payment under this plan.

If a child is not registered with Indian Affairs and the province there is no medical coverage. Therefore, **full responsibility for payment of medical visits, x-rays, etc. will fall on the parents!** Indian Affairs cannot and **will not pay** any bills without full coverage. Remember, unless a child is registered with both Indian Affairs (Status Card) and the provincial medical plan (MSP Card) two **very important** medical factors apply:

- The child is covered under the parent medically, for only three months; and
- Once the child reaches 1 year of age then they are no longer covered under the NIHB program for: equipment; supplies; drugs; dental; and optical.

Normally, a child reaching 19 years of age requires (her or his) own medical care card. A child can maintain medical coverage up to age 25 when in **full-time attendance** at a post secondary institution, that is approved by the provincial medical commission.

It takes **6 - 8 weeks to obtain these coverage cards!** Start the process immediately! Do not assume it is done! Follow up with this until you have both cards! Questions to be directed to the Band Membership Clerks, or the NTC Registry Office 724-5757.

Robert Cluett, CD

NTC NIHB Program Supervisor

Health

NTC Disability Access Committee

By Florence Wylie
For Ha-Shilth-Sa

There were a lot of issues and concerns raised at the 1998 Annual Assembly in regards to disabilities within the Nuuchah-nulth First Nations.

These ranged from FAS/FAE, drug and alcohol abuse, disabilities as a result of family violence, diabetes, mobility problems, lack of programs and services, transportation problems, living in isolation, and sometimes fear.

All of these were mentioned as challenges that many individuals and families have to deal with on a daily basis.

There were some very emotional and disturbing statements made, which are very real in the lives of those who shared their personal stories or situations.

Many Nuuchah-nulth people continue to do their best as they seek to recover from the disabling effects of Residential Schools.

Disability: is the loss of reduction of functional ability and activity that is consequent upon impairment. (It is characterized by excesses and deficiencies of behaviour and other functions customarily expected of the body or it's parts. It involves functional limitation and/or activity restriction).

In many cases, individuals and families must contend with the problems and difficult situations on their own.

There were words of encouragement shared, and comments made by Nuuchah-nulth Leadership that we are heading in the right direction by forming the Disability Access Committee at NTC.

It was stated that the matter of disability access should be treated as a priority, and that First Nations should begin the process of discussing some of the problems - and begin to identify some of the possible solutions.

The question has been raised, "How do you define disability?". The World Health Organization follows the definition as follows:

The Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council has given direction to the Community & Human Services Department to coordinate the Disability Access Committee.

It was recommended by Motion at the 1998 Annual Assembly that there be 2 representatives per NTC Region to participate on this committee. It was further recommended that one representative be disabled, and one non-disabled.

Following the 1998 NTC Annual Assembly, all First Nations were contacted by letter and invited to submit names of individuals from each First Nation who are interested and willing to participate on the Disability Access Committee.

As of the end of January 1999, the following individuals have been identified by member First Nations: **Central Region:** Eileen Charleson, Ruth Charleson, May Taylor; **Southern Region:** Ida Mills.

Assisting the Disability Access Committee as a Resource Person, is Mike Touchie of the Ucluelet Band. Mike was injured in a domestic accident while living in Port Alberni in 1978, resulting in a spinal cord injury - resulting in Mike becoming a paraplegic. He is the proud parent of two daughters, and currently resides with his wife and children in Merritt, BC. He is the Vice-President of the B.C. Aboriginal Network on Disability Society, and is actively involved on the Access Awareness Committee of City Council of Merritt, and has participated on various other local service groups and organizations. He is a strong advocate on behalf of First Nations who live with a disability, in many cases, multiple disabilities.

The Disability Access Committee is scheduled to meet February 19, 1999, at the NTC Main Boardroom, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.. For further information you contact your First Nation office, Community & Human Services Board Representative, or Florence Wylie, A/Sr. Mgr., Community & Human Services at 250-724-3232 (phone) or 250-724-6642 (fax).

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Northern Region

Lynne West - 283-2012
Audrey Smith - 724-8609
Doreen John - 761-4155

Central Region

Priscilla Lockwood - 725-3367
Sandy Pearson - 725-3367
Nora Martin - 725-4404
Trudy Frank - 670-9686
Arlene Paul - 670-9686

Southern Region

Wilma Doxtator - 724-3232
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**Nuu-Chah-Nulth
Community & Human Services
Fighting HIV/AIDS**

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FAMILY CARE HOMES WANTED

The Nuuchah-nulth Community and Human Services Program is looking for Nuuchah-nulth First Nations Family Care Homes for children in care. The home would be expected to:

- provide a physically and emotionally safe, nurturing family environment
- to encourage and support the child's relationship with the natural family
- to work with the child's Social Worker and other care plan team members
- to provide clear, reasonable and behavioral expectations unique to child's needs
- and to be willing to participate in training in family care.

The applicants will be requested to complete a Police Records Check and provide references.

If you are interested contact Charlotte Rampanen at (250) 724-3232.



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Happy Birthdays & Congratulations

A new arrival!



Midori Lauren Demtov
Born January 13, 1999 to proud mommy Jara Demetriooff at 11:58 am, weighing 7-lbs. 12.9 oz.
"Welcome to the world my little 'piano hands'."
Love Mommy and big brother Jared.
"Stay sweet Sis!"



Happy Birthday to Darrell Ross on Feb. 15th

Happy Birthday Vincent McDougall on Feb. 14th and Happy Birthday to Sherry Livingstone on Feb. 23rd! From Dad, Grandpa, Great Grandpa Allan, Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma Rose & Gloria.

Happy Birthday to our Grandson Vincent McDougall Feb 14 "You Sweet Thing" Love Gramma & Grampa.

Happy Birthday Bro Darrel Ross Sr. Feb 15th. Love Sis Gina, Bro Cyril.

Happy 65th Birthday to my Mom Violet Johnson on Feb. 23rd. Love you lots. From your baby girl Shirley.

Happy Birthday to Darrell Ross Sr. on Feb. 15th, Happy Birthday to Angel Vincent McDougall on Feb. 14th and Happy Birthday to Sherry Livingstone on Feb. 23rd, also to all that have birthdays in Feb. From Annie & Dave.

Happy 6th Birthday to my beautiful daughter Justine Bonita Frank. Love always Mom. Happy Birthday sis Justine Frank. Love your siblings Andrew Amos, Robbie, Rae-ven, Shykyla Frank. Thank you to my Big Sis Joenella and children for cake and ice cream. Love you Joenella. From Justine, her Mom, Andy, Robbie, Rae-ven & Shykyla.

Happy Birthday to Linda George

Happy Valentines Day

Happy Valentines Day to my husband Dave. A little poem for you...

Your heart is my heart
your truth is my truth
your feeling is my feeling
But the real strength of our love
is that we share rather than
control each others lives.

With Love ... from your wife Annie

Happy Valentines Day to our granddaughter Kristen Hamilton. Love Gramma & Grampa Cyril.

Happy Valentines Day to a very special couple our parents Rose & Allan Ross. Love Always Gina & Cyril.

Happy Valentines Day to my Sweetie! Steve McDougall. Love always Carol Livingstone.

Happy Valentines Day to Val Gomez, I LOVE YOU! Love Tina.

Happy Valentines to all the love

birds out there... like Denise and Richard George. My dear friend I hope that your Valentines day is a better one! It was great to earn some trust, understanding and just caring.

Thank you Denise for supporting me with the four week program that we both completed together. But if it weren't for you I wouldn't know what I would do. You're the best and keep smiling bud! From a friend indeed. Mrs. Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer and Don.

Happy Valentines day to Carol and Donald Mattersdorfer on Feb. 14th. From your friends Denise Amos and your uncle Richard George of P.A.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George C. John, today is their 2nd Anniversary on this Valentines day of Feb. 14th. All the best and many more to follow. Love your sister Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer and family.

A very Happy Valentines Day, to the woman who brought down the walls around my heart, and renovated my world. D.

Feb. 5th, Ilene Sutherland, Lorraine John & Ruth Sam on Feb. 7th, Bro Bill George Keitlah Sr. Feb. 13th. From Corby George.

Happy 5th Birthday to my son Isiah on Feb. 12th. Love your Mom Marie & Jim.

Happy 5th Birthday to our cousin/ Nephew Vincent (a.k.a. Ten Cents) on Feb. 14th. Love from your cousin Carlito (Curley Toes) and your Auntie Sherry.

Happy 24th Birthday Melanie on Feb. 16th. From your dad Eyes (Steve), April, Sister Lareina and Brother Steven Jr.

Happy Birthday to a long time friend Timothy John on Feb. 2. Many more to come Tim. From Carol R. John and Denise Amos (old School chums).

Happy Birthday Char on Feb. 9th. From April, Steve and Kids.

On Feb. 1st, was Justine Frank's birthday, proud parent is my friend Denise Amos of P.A. She celebrated her 6th birthday and had wonderful time. May more to come Justine, you're the greatest and beautiful gifted girl in my eyes. From a friend Carol John and Jessica Mattersdorfer.

Happy birthday to my auntie Lorraine Winnie John on Feb. 7. I want to congratulate on your sobriety walk. Keep your head up high auntie; you're

worth it and going to better places. Keeping visiting. I love you dearly. Love your niece Mrs. C. John-Mattersdorfer.



Happy 10th Birthday Julian Gomez for Feb. 25th. Love Mom, Dad & Nick

Another birthday wish to my 1st cousin of Ahousaht Mrs. Ruth Sam. Proud parent is Mrs. Greta Charlie (My

Happy Birthday Sherry!



Happy Birthday To Our Daughter Sherry Livingstone on Feb. 23rd. Wow "24". We Love You & Proud Of You Baby! Love Mom & Dad



Hello? Hello? Hello?!
HAPPY 24TH BIRTHDAY To a Wonderful Son and Brother RANDY GINGER JR. (above center)

We want you to know that you are very special to our family. We appreciate your kind and caring soul, your sense of humour, and your consideration of others ... and on February 14th - we hope that you enjoy your day surrounded by good friends, lots of laughter and love! We are proud of you and hope for you the best - contented, peace, and of course - happy days fishing!
Love, Mom, Roly and Trev

dad's sister) Many more wishes and birthdays to follow coz. Feb. 7 is the day. Love from your cousin in P.A. Mrs. Carol R. John, Don and family.

Happy Birthday to my auntie Ilene Sutherland on the same day. Feb. 7. From your niece Carol R. John and family. Denise Amos and Richard said the same too.

Feb. 9th is a gorgeous brother of mine Mr. George Chester John Jr. Today he will celebrate his life of 29 wonderful years. It is a blessing to have a brother like him. His smile, laughter and joy brings his sister great comfort and to know that your still the best brother in my eyes. I love you bro. Words can't say enough, but grab them, and hold it close to your heart and pretend I am there, smiling from ear to ear "Happy Birthday Bro". Love from your sister always Carol R. John, Don and your nieces and nephews. Wow, another birthday on the same day, Feb. 9 is my 1st cousin Philomena

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Career Opportunities

Huu-ay-aht First Nation
Box 70, Bamfield, B.C. V0R 1B0
Fax: 250-728-1222
Social Development Worker

- Knowledgeable with Social Development programs and regulations
- Generate funding proposals through federal, provincial and regional level
- Determine eligibility of Social Assistance recipients
- Maintain Work Opportunity Program

Educational Requirement: Bachelor in Social Work
Director of Tribal Operations - Trainee
The Huu-ay-aht First Nation is taking applications from Huu-ay-aht Members for the Director of Tribal Operations - Trainee position. Start date for this position is April 1999.

- All positions require a reliable vehicle, as some travelling is required.
- Wages negotiable.
- Preference given to Huu-ay-aht members.

Deadline date: February 14th, 1999

CALL FOR PROPOSALS - EVALUATION PROJECT

The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council is placing this Call for Proposals to interested Consultants to complete an Evaluation Project. The purpose of this evaluation is to determine if amalgamation of the Community and Human Services of 1993 with the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Administration has been effective in achieving the desired objectives.

Commence: March 1, 1999
Update: March 22, 1999
Completion: June 30, 1999

Consultant will conduct a comprehensive evaluation which will include both internal and external levels, such as:

- Tribal Council Level (Senior Staff, Executive)
- CHS Department Level (Program Heads - Health, Education, Social Development, Child Welfare, Board of Directors)
- First Nation Level (14)
- Outside Resources - Auditor, Counselling Program, Ministry of Children & Families, School Board, West Coast General Hospital, Port Alberni Friendship Centre.

Essential Requirements

- Extensive travel required - Valid drivers license & reliable vehicle a must.
- Knowledge in Social Service, Health, & Education Program Delivery.
- Experience or training in Organization Analysis.
- Demonstrated familiarity and experience in projects specific to First Nations.
- Knowledge in history of Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations an asset.
- Proposal to include 2 references from First Nations bands or organizations, Tribal Councils, or from individuals.

The successful consultant will be provided with various literature to be considered in the completion of the overall final evaluation report. Information package available on request. Please direct your proposal documents to:
Florence Wylie, ASr. Mgr., C&HS,
Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council
P.O. Box 1280, Port Alberni, BC V9Y 7M2
Phone: 250-724-3232 Fax: 250-724-6642

Deadline for submissions: February 15, 1998

NUU-CHAH-NULTH FAMILY GROUP HOME

The Nuu-chah-nulth Community and Human Service Program is seeking a Nuu-chah-nulth couple to set up and operate a Nuu-chah-nulth family group home for four challenging teenagers.

Responsibilities of the applicant(s):

- must be committed to providing a physical and emotionally safe, nurturing, family environment
- will be expected to encourage and support the adolescents' relationships with their extended family
- provide basic life skill training for the adolescents
- encourage and participate in Nuu-chah-nulth cultural activities
- be willing to work as part of a team with the adolescent's social worker and other professionals
- hire and supervise a child care worker and relief staff
- be willing to participate in on going training in behavior management, dealing with delinquent and aggressive behaviors, FAS/E, grief and loss, separation issues, attachment problems, appropriate discipline, drug and alcohol, and effects of physical, emotional, sexual abuse and neglect

Qualifications

The applicant(s) should have a background knowledge of child development, conflict resolution, behavior management, alcohol and drug issues, listening skills, report writing and budget skills. A first aid course is required or completion of one in a year.

The applicant(s) will be requested to complete an approval process including a police record check, provide references and a medical.

The applicant should own a vehicle and have a valid British Columbia driver's license.

Address Applications to:

Attention: Marika Czink
Nuu-chah-nulth Community and Human Services
P. O. Box 1280
Port Alberni, British Columbia
V9Y 7M2

Employment Opportunity

Nuu-chah-nulth Community and Human Services
CASUAL Secretary (Part Time) - For Port Alberni, Tofino and Gold River offices

Reporting to the Nuu-chah-nulth Community and Human Services Office Manager, the Casual Secretary would be responsible for answering telephones, maintaining office filing systems, word processing, handle inquiries, logging incoming/outgoing mail and faxes, and other miscellaneous reception duties. Related duties include preparation of various administrative reports.

Preferred Qualifications:

Grade 12 graduation, plus training and experience in office practices
Minimum 1 year office experience, familiarity with basic windows (computer) operations. Ability to work independently with limited on site supervision.
Mature individual with good interpersonal skills, self starter.

Deadline: February 15, 1999.

Submit covering letter & resume (must provide references) to:
Nuu-chah-nulth Community and Human Services, Attention: Anna Masso, Office Manager, P.O. Box 1280, Port Alberni, BC V9Y 7M2,
Phone (250) 724-3232 or Fax (250) 724-6642.

Birthdays continued

Rose Webster. Proud uncle of mine Mr. Francis John (Oye) and Auntie Mrs. Hilda John. Mena has completed a lot of things in life, always a hard worker and ready willing to take life with great pride and joy. Keep it up coz. Happy 30 something birthday. Love from your cousin that cares. Mrs. Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer.

Jeanine Thomas Adams daughter of Jackie Adams and my late Uncle Patrick Thomas. Today is her birthday too. Feb. 9 is it 18th-19th years old but happy birthday from your relatives Don, Carol and family.

Happy birthday to my dearest dad and my only dad in the whole wide world on Feb. 23rd or 25th (but this year lets pretend its on the 25th) oh well dad, today you are on my mind at this moment and I a just grateful that I have you to call Dad, you're the best and I love you for who you are. Keep smiling

Dad, words are not enough! Love from your oldest daughter, Mrs. Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer, Don and family.

Happy Birthday to my cousin Richard Thomas son of Greta M. Charlie, his birthday is on Feb 2? Hey there coz congratulation also on your journey to your decisions and your choices to attend that Choices by the way did you get to Vancouver? Come by some time and tell me... oh well. From your 1st cousin Mrs. Carol R. John-Mattersdorfer.

Today I would like to acknowledge myself and my friend Denise Amos. Denise and I were introduced to this program called the Dew Program. It was a four week program and throughout the this program I felt that I have gained a lot and put in a lot. There were a few challenges but we both stuck it out all

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Announcements

Attention Ahousaht Band Members

If you have any events that happen in your life such as marriage, divorce, birth, death, name change and especially "transfers" please notify the Ahousaht Band. When you submit your documents to the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council office it is just as important to submit these documents to the Ahousaht Band. My office hours are Tuesday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. You can contact Robert Atleo at the Ahousaht Band Office. Phone (250) 670-9531 or fax (250) 670-9696.



AHOUSAHT TREATY ACCESS NUMBER:
1-877-246-8728 (1-877-AHOUSAT)
TOLL FREE FOR AHOUSAHT TREATY INFORMATION.
This number can also be used for faxing or call 670-9566.

Important Notice To All People of Ditidaht (Nitinaht) Ancestry

The Ditidaht (Nitinaht) Nation is in the process of negotiating a Treaty. It is important that all persons of Ditidaht Ancestry identify themselves in order to participate and benefit from the Treaty. Anyone who is not already a Registered Member of Ditidaht should immediately contact the Ditidaht Treaty Coordinator in Nanaimo. Tel: (250) 755-7824 or toll-free at 1-800-997-3799.

To All Ehattesaht Membership

The Ehattesaht Band Office would like you to phone or mail in your current address and phone number in order to keep you updated on any band business or meetings to be held. Thank you. Our address is:
Ehattesaht Band Office
P.O. Box 59
Zeballos, B.C.
V0P 2A0
Phone: (250) 761-4155
Fax: (250) 761-4156

To All Ehattesaht Membership

Hello to you all. I am the Ehattesaht Secretary and the Ehattesaht Membership Clerk. Please get all your new babies registered. If you would like your children registered, I will need your child's large birth certificate, and you will need to sign a consent form that you are requesting your child to be registered under your band number. I hope to be hearing from you.
From Lorraine John.

Attention

Tseshah Membership residing off reserve; you must apply for Band Membership. If you are showing on the D.I.A. list it does not mean that you are on Tseshah's Registry Band List, and you must apply for Band Membership. Newborns as always still need Large Birth Certificates, a form here at the Band Office to be filled out. Deletions, transfers, deaths, marriages, change of name still must be recorded as an event that has happened so that I may change the Band list accordingly. Tseshah Membership Administrator and contact person is Lisa Robinson at 1-888-724-1225 toll free number or fax 250-724-4385.

To all Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Nations Membership

We need to update our mailing list. Please forward your most recent address to our Administration address @
Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations
P.O. Box 18
Tofino, B.C.
V0R 2Z0
Attention: Noreen Amos

INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA INFORMATION

ALL CERTIFICATES OF INDIAN STATUS, WHICH DO NOT DISPLAY AN EXPIRY DATE, MUST BE RENEWED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2000

It is very important that all registered Indians visit their Band office or the BC Regional Office of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development to renew their Certificate of Indian Status card if their status card does not contain an expiry date. It should be noted that all previous versions of the status card will only be valid until January 1, 2000.

The purpose of issuing Certificates of Indian Status cards is to verify that the cardholder is a registered Indian. Status cards are only useful if the photographs are current. It has come to our attention that some registered Indians have been denied services because some service providers have questioned whether their status cards are still valid.

To remedy this situation, it has been decided that all status cards issued to individuals under the age of eighteen will have an expiry date of two (2) years and all status cards issued to individuals over the age of eighteen will have an expiry date of five (5) years from the date of issue.

This policy is effective immediately.

It should be noted that the five-year expiry date does not mean that the cardholder ceases to be a registered Indian at the end of the five-year period. It only means that if the cardholder intends to use the status card to obtain certain services and benefits, it must be renewed every five years.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Band office [or the Membership Clerk of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council] or the Indian Registry and Band Lists Program, at (604) 666-2059. You can also visit our office in person at 120-1550 Alberni Street, Vancouver, BC. Our office is open between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

ATTENTION HUU-AY-AHT BAND MEMBERS

We need your address.
Please call the HUU-ay-aht Band Office at
1-888-644-4555
or
HUU-ay-aht Treaty Office at
(250) 723-0100

ATTENTION

TO ALL MOWACHAHT/MUCHALAH TREATY BAND MEMBERS: WE ARE ALWAYS UPDATING OUR MAILING LIST AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR ADDRESS! IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR HAVE NOT UPDATED YOUR ADDRESS IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU! PLEASE GIVE THE BAND OFFICE A CALL AT (250) 283-2015 TO LEAVE YOUR ADDRESS OR YOU MAY WRITE IT IN TO: **BOX 459 GOLD RIVER, BC V0P 1G0.** PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE ON TO OTHER BAND MEMBERS WHO MAY NOT GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THIS.

MAILING HA-SHILTH-SA TO NUU-CHAH-NULTH MEMBERS

Ha-Shilth-Sa is looking for addresses of Nuu-chah-nulth members who are NOT receiving the paper. Ha-Shilth-Sa is free for all Nuu-chah-nulth membership. If you want to receive Ha-Shilth-Sa please send name (including your middle name) to:

Ha-Shilth-Sa
P.O. Box 1383
Port Alberni, B.C.
V9Y 7M2

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Postal Code: _____
First Nation: _____

(You must enter your First Nation to be on our list)
Also, please notify Ha-Shilth-Sa when your address changes.



CLASSIFIEDS

ATTENTION

Students who graduated from Alberni District High School in 1959 or who would have graduated that year.

We are planning a 40-year Grad Reunion on July 17, 1999 in Port Alberni. We are hoping that students that graduated then or students that attended the high school then, even if they did not graduate, would attend. Everyone is welcome! We would appreciate any help in locating the following graduates or others that would have graduated in 1959. Sophina Wallace
Richard Atleo
Charlie Coon
Sylvia Saunders
Rick Humchitt
Donna Sepas
William Jones
Mary Smart
Thank you for your help. If you have any information on these students please call Marilyn Forbes at (250) 723-3209.

THE FOLLOWING "A1" LICENSES ARE FOR SALE

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If anyone would like to purchase any one of these "A1" salmon licenses, please mail or fax a written offer to:

Nuu-chah-nulth Economic Development Corporation
P.O. Box 1384,
Port Alberni, B.C.
V9Y 7M2

Canoe Building

Will build canoe, or teach how to build canoe for anyone interested. From Beach Canoe to 40 footer. Call Harry Lucas 724-5807

poet's nook

Flowers

I got flowers today. It wasn't my birthday or any other day. We had our first argument last night, and he said a lot of cruel things that really hurt me. I know he is sorry and didn't mean the things he said. Because he sent me flowers today.

I got flowers today. It wasn't our anniversary or any other special day. Last night, he threw me into a wall and started to choke me. It seemed like a nightmare. I woke up this morning sore and bruised all over. I know he must be sorry. Because he sent me flowers today.

I got flowers today, and it wasn't Mother's day or any other special day. Last night, he beat me up again. And it was much worse than all the other times. If I leave him, what will I do? How will I take care of my kids? What amount money? I'm afraid of him and scared to leave. But I don't know he must be sorry. Because he sent me flowers today.

I got flowers today. Today was a very special day. It was the day of my funeral. Last night, he finally killed me. He beat me to death. If only I had gathered enough courage and strength to leave him, I would not have gotten flowers today.

submitted anonymously



1999 Ha-Shilth-Sa Press Schedule

Deadline	Issue	Printing
Feb 19	-	Feb 25
March 5	-	March 11
March 19	-	March 25
April 2	-	April 8
April 16	-	April 22
April 30	-	May 6
May 14	-	May 20
May 28	-	June 3
June 11	-	June 17
June 25	-	July 2
July 9	-	July 15
July 23	-	July 29
Aug 6	-	Aug 12
Aug 20	-	Aug 26
Sept 3	-	Sept 9
Sept 17	-	Sept 23
Oct 1	-	Oct 7
Oct 15	-	Oct 21
Oct 29	-	Nov 4
Nov 12	-	Nov 18
Nov 26	-	Dec 2
Dec 10	-	Dec 16

For more information on deadline / printing dates, and advertising rates, call David Wiwchar, Ha-Shilth-Sa Editor / Manager, at (250) 724-5757

FORRENT BOARDROOM SPACE
At the Tseshah Administrative Buildings. For more information call the Tseshah First Nations Office at (250) 724-1225.

For Sale
Vacuum packed smoked salmon by the side. Approx. \$15. (250) 723-2843.

FOR SALE
Carvings made to order. G. Nookemis. Phone 723-4404.

FOR SALE
For sale or made to order; rings, bracelets, pendants, brooches, earrings & bolo ties. Tim Taylor, 1034 Ecoole Place, Port Alberni, B.C., V9Y 7L7 Phone: 723-8170.

FOR SALE
Native designed jewellery on gold or silver; rings earrings, bracelets, pendants by Gideon Smith. Phone 923-3550.

FOR SALE
Native designed jewellery; silver, copper, gold engraving, stone setting. Contact Gordon Dick by phone 723-8611 or Cell 954-9404

NUU-CHAH-NULTH NATIVE LANGUAGE
Transcribing in phonetics - for meetings, research projects, personal use. Hourly rates. Phone Harry Lucas at 724-5807.

FOR SALE
Carvings for sale. If you are interested in native carvings such as: coffee table tops, clocks, plaques, 6" totems, canoes, leave message for Charlie Mickey at 724-8609 or c/o Box 40, Zeballos, B.C. V0P 2A0

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Moving and Hauling, Reasonable Rates. Tom Gus, 5231 Hector Road, Port Alberni, B.C. Phone: (250) 724-3975

FOR SALE
Authentic genuine basketweaving grass, 3 corner grass, colored swamp grass & swamp grass. Call Linda Edgar at (250) 745-3885.

FOR SALE
Totem Pole - \$3,000, 5 feet high, 12" by 12", Figures on totem - Eagle, whale, bear, and sunmask. This totem pole is the last one carved by the late Arthur Nicolay of Kyuquot. Arthur became a famous carver in Tahsis, B.C. For information contact Betty Nicolay or leave message at (250) 830-0811.

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BUSINESS NEWS



Baker's Corner Bakery

owned by Kyla Atkinson

Kyla Atkinson purchased the "BreadBasket Bakery" in August 1997. It is located in Davison Plaza, 1636 Peninsula Road in Ucluelet. The grand opening was held on Saturday, September 13/97.



Atkinson is a Nanaimo First Nations woman, and a graduate of the Dubrulle French Culinary School in Vancouver. Her partner, Bob Baker, has years of experience in administration, management and restaurant work. They have worked in places such as the Chateau Whistler Resort and the Wickannish Inn in Tofino.

Atkinson was able to secure financing with the assistance of NEDC through Aboriginal Business Canada and the First Citizen's Fund. She needed to meet the funding agencies' criteria in order to receive the funding. She owns 100% of the business, is under 30 years of age and her business is located within Nuu-chah-nulth territory (Ucluelet).

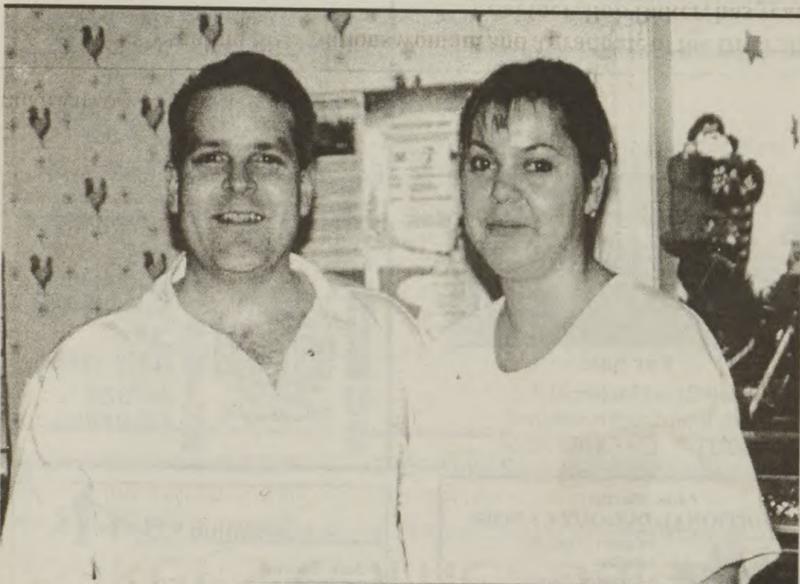
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Atkinson and Baker spent their first weeks in business ordering inventory, supplies and renovating the store. Atkinson has been busy establishing the wholesale end of the business and was successful in increasing the number of accounts. Baker's Corner supplies products to places such as Ucluelet Co-op, Canadian Princess and the Tin Wis Resort.

Baker's Corner offers the usual baked products such as varieties of bread, donuts, cookies, cakes and bars. They also offer bagels, croissants, specialty coffees and latte's. There are soups, salads and sandwiches as well.

Over the past year Kyla and Bob have been working hard to make this business a success. They are in the kitchen bright and early each morning, preparing the day's treats.

Baker's Corner is open Monday thru Friday during the winter and Monday thru Saturday during the summer months. Kyla and Bob invite you to come in and enjoy a cup of coffee and to try some of their goodies.



Baker's Corner owners Bob Baker and Kyla Atkinson



Nuu-chah-nulth Fishermen's Forum 1999 and Government Information Fair

March 26th & 27th, 1999
Maht Mahs Gym - Port Alberni, B.C.
For more information or registration call
Andy Amos at (250) 724-1585,
or Katherine Robinson at (250) 724-3131

LET'S DO BUSINESS!

Nuu-chah-nulth entrepreneurial workshop for persons with a disability
Nuu-chah-nulth Economic Development Corporation (NEDC) is hosting a one-day Round-Table on:

- Funding sources for Nuu-chah-nulth members with disabilities
- Policies and guidelines for funding
- Barriers to members with disabilities who wish to start businesses
- Ways to improve delivery of service by all sectors

The roundtable will be held at the Cedarwood Lodge on River Road in Port Alberni, on Monday, March 1st, from 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m.

No registration fee required. Coffee and a luncheon will be available.

Please indicate diet restrictions as soon as possible, to enable caterer to plan accordingly.

Please call Ida Mills, Workshop Coordinator at (250)755-4048 to register, or fax to (250)755-4058.



NEDC South
Tseshaht/Port Alberni, BC
Phone: (250) 724-3131
Fax: (250) 724-9967
Economic Development Officer:
Peggy Hartman & Marc Masso

NEDC West Coast
Ittattoo/Ucluelet, BC
Phone: (250) 726-7270
Fax: (250) 726-7275 or 726-7552
Economic Development Officer:
Lin Lukash

