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## Maquinna family 'lets go' at memorial potlatch

By David Wiwchar  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

A thin blanket of snow covered the ground as the Maquinna family "let go of their grief" at a memorial potlatch for the late Ambrose Maquinna held this past weekend in Tsaxana.

Attended by more than 300 people, the doors were locked at noon on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> as the wolves were called out. When the lights came back on, the songs, dances and celebration began, lasting all through the night until 11 a.m. Sunday.

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Speaker Ron Hamilton introduced members of the Maquinna family, and spoke about the immense respect everyone had for their late patriarch Ambrose Maquinna who died four years

ago. "He was a great man who, like his son Mike, led through his humble and quiet, yet passionate and forceful example," said Hamilton.

After lunch, Kwaguilth leaders George and Calvin Hunt presented Mike Maquinna with a Whaler's Hat (also known as a "Maquinna Hat") made in 1975 by Rhoda Mack, the eldest daughter of famed Nuu-chah-nulth weaver Jessie Webster.

Later in the evening, Mike was given the ancient chiefly name "Mow-Kwinna" which his families' modern name is derived from.

As the potlatch ended, Hamilton saluted the Mowachaht / Muchalaht singers for being "the best anywhere".

"It's really rewarding when people send their thoughts, prayers, and positive energies our way," said Mike.

"Unfortunately, we can't be at multiple places because our thoughts are also with Tseshah and Ahousaht this weekend," he said. "I hadn't realized how much of an undertaking and accomplishment it is to put on something like this. It's been a learning experience for me, and I hope to do it again."

(r-l) Speaker Ron Hamilton stands beside Mowachaht / Muchalaht Tyee Ha'wilth Mike Maquinna at a memorial potlatch in Tsaxana.



## Ben David running for Port Alberni City Council

By David Wiwchar  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

Tla-o-qui-aht's Ben David has been out talking to people, posting signs, and



meeting with various groups in an effort to be only the second Nuu-chah-nulth-aht elected to Port Alberni City Council.

The 63-year old artist has been active in the Port Alberni community for the past

17 years as a member of the Tsawaayuus (Rainbow Gardens), Port Alberni Friendship Center, United Native Nations, and Tall Ships Festival boards.

"I believe in community, and building a better quality of life for community members both economically and environmentally," said David. "I'm a citizen of this town, and I've been building bridges since I moved here 17 years ago, so I think I have a pretty good chance," he said.

A former Tla-o-qui-aht

council member, David hopes people are ready to see an Aboriginal person on council. "I think they are," he said.

Tseshah's Darleen Watts was the first Nuu-chah-nulth-aht on city council in the 1990's, and hopes David does well.

"I'm quite excited," said Watts. "It's about time. We need more of our people running things in the larger communities," she said.

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"It's time we stopped separating ourselves and learn to live together in our communities. We should have a good relationship with Tseshah and Hupacasath," he said. "People are concerned about change, but we have to revitalize ourselves and that requires change. Our people have changed since

the arrival of the Europeans, so we're used to managing change," he said.

"You have to be a visionary to be on council, either at the municipal or band level," said David, who cited the city of Revelstoke as a positive example of how to change a municipal economy from an over-dependence on resource industries to tourism and other ventures.

The son of Peter David and Winnifred George, Ben has been married to Grace David for the past 36 years, and they have three children and nine grandchildren.

"We need to figure out where we want to be in 5 or 10 years, and then get moving in those directions," he said. "Change takes time, but it has to get started."

People who live within the municipal boundary of Port Alberni will be voting at the Glenwood Centre on November 19<sup>th</sup>. All other municipalities, regional districts, and school boards throughout the province will also be holding their elections on that day.

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## Community Profile - Louise Little

By **David Wiwchar**  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

**Port Alberni** - A life-long interest in mathematics has propelled 18-year old Louise Little towards a career in banking and accounting.

Louise, who recently graduated from ADSS, is working for the Royal Bank in Port Alberni as a customer service representative, saving her money to pursue an accounting degree at Malaspina University College in Nanaimo next year.

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time basis since July," said Little, a member of the Nuchatlaht Nation.

The stay in school program is a summer training program that provides successful applicants with 150 hours of employment through the summer and other incentives.

"We're very happy to have her with us, and she's doing really well," said RBC Port Alberni Assistant Manager Marilyn Clark.

"I really like the face-to-face interaction with customer, getting to know clients and helping them," she said. "I really like it, but I still intend to pursue my goals."

The foster daughter of Jack & Dora Armstrong, and biological daughter of Luke Little and Rita Mundy, Louise always has a friendly smile for RBC customers needing her assistance.

According to the 2001 Census, 17,743 people live in Port Alberni, 13.1% (2325) of whom claim to be of Aboriginal ancestry. This population diversity is not well reflected in local business, and companies such as the Royal Bank of Canada are to be



**Louise Little at work as a Royal Bank of Canada Customer Service Representative**

commended for making an effort to accurately reflect the areas population in their workforce.

Who are role models and achievers in your community? Recommend them to Ha-Shilth-Sa by calling us at (250) 724-5757, or e-mail us at [hashilthsa@nuuchahnulth.org](mailto:hashilthsa@nuuchahnulth.org).



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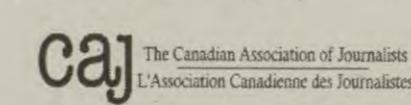
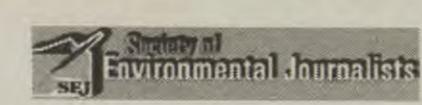
## Ha-Shilth-Sa

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A community newspaper cannot exist without community involvement; If you have any great pictures you've taken, stories or poems you've written, or artwork you have done, please let us know so we can include it in your newspaper.

This year is **Ha-Shilth-Sa's 31st 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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## NTC Vice-President candidates



**Hasiuukmis uksa Jacqueline Adams Ahousaht/Ehattesaht Hashsaht/Wahiuuuxakumulthaht**



**Michelle Corfield Ucluelet First Nation**



**Karla Point Hesquiaht First Nation**

I wish to share with you a set of principles that will guide my actions should I be elected to serve you.

*Guiding principles of my Leadership Philosophy:*

- Value one another (respect the dignity and integrity of all individuals and ensure fair and equitable treatment in all aspects of NTC business);
- Value the contributions and talents of individuals and the team;
- Communicate;
- Work toward success;
- Be knowledgeable and skilled;
- Be community focused - hold a strong belief in the Healthy Community approach and promote the well being of all communities.

*I believe in operating from a value-based Isaaakstahl perspective. The fundamental feature of the Isaaakstahl principle is providing broad guidance for interactions and decision-making:*

- Respectfulness;
- Flexibility;
- Capable of making informed decisions on unexpected issues;
- Lends itself to a dialogue approach;
- Fosters team work with all stakeholders;
- Inclusive.

*Serving on the NTC Executive Team by aspiring to:*

- Promote the best service to our communities;
  - Welcome and encourage diverse ideas and viewpoints;
  - Purposeful discussion making.
- Serving our membership by aspiring to:
- Hahouptalstahl - to be an inspiration to others and share your wisdom;
  - Being professional;
  - Approachable and open to listening;
  - Having integrity and ethics;
  - Visionary and future thinking;
  - Support and strengthen Nuu-chah-nulth.

**My Background:**

I am from Ucluelet First Nation and the proud mother of two children, Kyle and Claire, and a supportive partner of 8 years, Tony. My philosophy is to work for the betterment of Nuu-chah-nulth-aht living at home and away.

I am committed to supporting the leadership towards healthy communities, economic development, language and cultural revival and many other goals.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss my candidacy for the role of Vice-President.

Nan and Grandpa used to 'haa hopa' me on the values of respect, trust, honour, responsibility and integrity. As a Councillor for Hesquiaht for the last 7 seven years, I have become aware of many Nuu chah nulth issues. The main Nuu chah nulth issues, from my perspective, are social, legal, financial, and political issues that have affected the Nuu chah nulth People for many generations.

The social issues of our People are extraordinary and they include the overwhelming rate of suicide amongst our young People; addictions and substance abuses; violence and over population in the criminal justice system; poverty, unemployment or homelessness—the list can go on and on. I strongly believe that addressing our social issues is a priority because our People are dying—many are still suffering and are desperately seeking ways to help themselves. I think that self esteem and identity issues are at the core of many of our social problems and I would suggest that one way to deal with this critical issue is to 'infuse' or 'inject' the Nuu chah nulth aht identity into the people, the programs, the services and the politics. If elected, I will elaborate on my vision.

The legal issues may include the many contracts that the Tribal Council holds with other agencies, such as with Health Canada for the Non-Insured Health Benefits program; or, it may also include the upcoming commercial fisheries case that NTC has launched against the government. I believe that it is important to ensure that the contracts that NTC has with others are the best contracts that could be negotiated for our People and I think that it is important to create awareness about the state of aboriginal law in Canada, especially as it relates to Aboriginal Rights and Title. I also believe that it is important that all Nuu chah nulth aht be aware of their legal rights—rights that are written into the Constitution Act 1982, yet these rights are constantly trumped in favour of the economy or some other government interest.

## Upcoming Meetings

Special NTC Meeting Nov. 24

Treating Planning	Nov. 28	9 a.m.
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 3	4 pm & dinner
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 4	4 pm & dinner
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 10	4 pm & dinner
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 11	4 pm & dinner
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 12	4 pm & dinner
Urban Update Meeting	Dec. 14	4 pm & dinner

All Urban Update Dinner meetings for Nuu-chah-nulth living away from home will adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Note: Rosie Little, Indian Registry Administrator will also be in attendance for those who need to update their status cards. — Please bring old status card and copy of Identification. For NCN members belonging to: Tidihdah, Hesquiaht, Huu-ay-aht, Tla-o-qui-aht, Toquaht or Ucluelet, please ask your IRA to fax your info to 724-5767 – Prior to Nov. 30, 2005 [Will be on location for all meetings with exception to Port Alberni update.]

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# Fisheries - ca-ca-tuk

## Pacific Oyster Farming and British Columbian Aboriginals

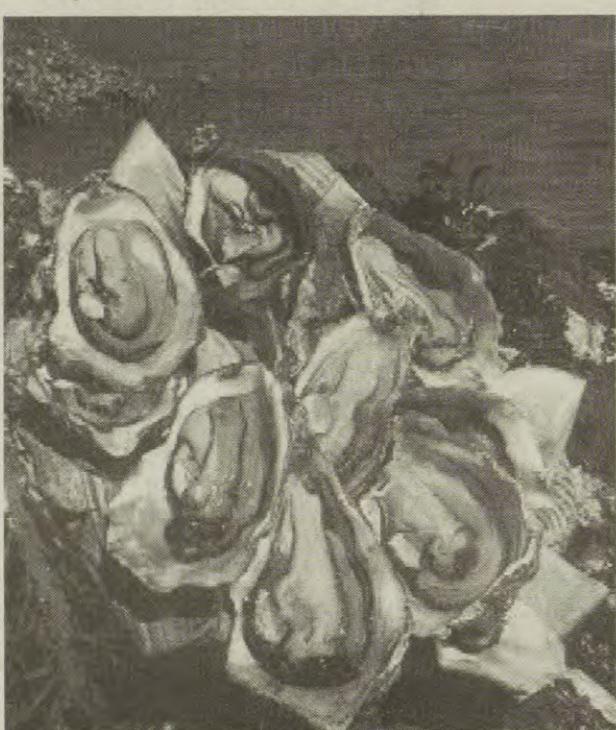
By Johnnie Manson  
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture  
Malaspina University College

Shellfish aquaculture is rapidly growing in British Columbia. Many people have painted a bright economic future for the industry, projecting production values of \$12 million by 2006. It was, and still is, being touted as a way to relieve coastal communities hit hard by the downturn of resource based industries such as forestry and fisheries. In 2003 the Nuu-chah-nulth tribal council, an assembly of tribes located on the west coast of Vancouver Island, was given money to aid in the development of skills and techniques for starting a shellfish aquaculture business. One species of discussion around this time was the pacific oyster (*Crassostrea gigas*). People in my tribe, Tla-o-qui-aht first Nations, spoke of their culture potential.

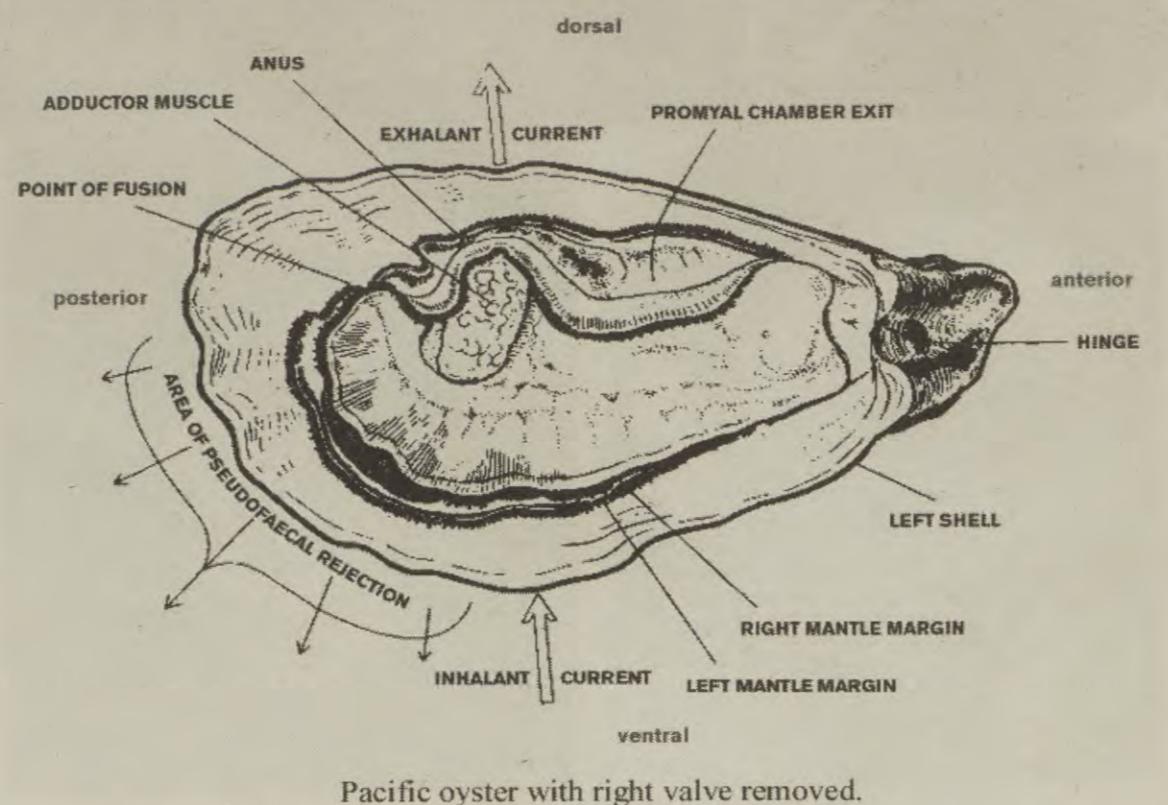
In 2003 I didn't think anything of the pacific oyster, other than it tasted good steamed. Now as a fisheries and aquaculture student at Malaspina University-College I have begun to wonder: what are the benefits of its culture? What are the risks?

It is appropriate to describe pacific oyster's general biology before delving into the benefits and risks of its culture in our coastal waters. The pacific oyster is an exotic species. It was introduced to British Columbian waters in the early 1900's.

Pacific oysters, both male and female, can only spawn at temperatures higher than 18 degrees Celsius. When this temperature is reached, male and females release their eggs and sperm into the water column, where they meet and fertilization occurs. Females are capable of producing millions of fertilized eggs. Their larvae are free swimming, making them very difficult to harness. Imagine trying to reel in a million tiny pacific oyster larvae floating around the sea! These facts alone must have caused culturists to pull out their hair in frustration. Consequently, most larvae purchased are from large shellfish hatcheries. These hatchery technicians have got oyster larvae culture to an easy and quick process. Let them deal with the headache!



'When the tide is out, the table is set'. Pacific Oysters shucked on the rock



Pacific oyster with right valve removed.

occurring in the gills. The blood acquires highly concentrated oxygen from water flowing in the opposite direction. Not only can the pacific oyster use its breathing apparatus to feed, but also to take in oxygen. Amazing isn't it?

The pacific oyster is a popular shellfish species among consumers because of its savoury, fruity taste. This has caused many companies, including Nuu-chah-nulth tribes Ehatesaht First Nations, and Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations, to begin to farm the species.

Two essential economic concerns are prices for oyster seed and worldwide market prices for oysters. Farmers that purchase seed from hatcheries often pay exorbitant prices.

This is because of the general day-to-day costs of running an oyster nursery, and also because the majority of the seed is imported from the United States. One way to reduce this problem is for a business to produce its own seed.

Andrew Dryden, owner of Evening Cove Oysters located in Ladysmith, recommends only doing this if there is adequate facilities available for larvae setting, and if there is on-site personal with expertise in the procedure.

Pacific oyster prices are determined by supply and demand; therefore, it can be very difficult for small businesses to survive the first years of culture.

According to shellfish aquaculture consultant Ruth Salmon creating a brand name, such as Ehatis Oysters, is one way to create a niche market and work around this constraint.

Ultimately, the key to success is education. Learning about the pacific oyster's life cycle, and then teaching others opens many avenues. The culturist is able to understand and sell the product better. The culturist is able to concisely explain to native youths such as myself the benefits and drawbacks of culture, best culture techniques, and the organism's place in our ecosystem. In reality the native oyster farmer cultures much more than pacific oysters. The native oyster farmer cultures education, pride, and hope.

Adult pacific oysters are cultured in many different ways. They are often placed in stacked trays attached to floating rafts anchored in bays or estuaries, or on long lines spiced with oysters. These methods are gaining popularity among culturists.

Alternatively, they are grown on a bottom surface such as a beach (which is protected by a heavy piece of netting to stop the oysters from moving), or in a holding container sitting on the bottom of the intertidal zone.

There are practical and economical

## 'Federal Government to form First Nations Council', says leaked document

By David Wiwchar  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

According to a leaked document circulating through Aboriginal leadership circles, the Federal Government is preparing to make significant announcements at an upcoming First Minister's Conference in Kelowna.

One of the biggest announcements will be the establishment of a Council of Aboriginal Affairs, consisting of federal, provincial, and territorial Ministers responsible for Aboriginal Affairs and national Aboriginal leaders who will meet annually to build inter-governmental relationships, identify priorities, and initiate programs and processes aimed at increasing the

quality of life for Canada's three million Aboriginal people.

"Recognizing the diversity and differing realities of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples, First Ministers and National Aboriginal Leaders support the creation of multilateral distinction-based processes linked to the [CAA] for First Nations, Inuit and Metis that are inclusive of the aspirations and needs of all Aboriginal peoples regardless of their gender, age, status, or geographic location," states the leaked report.

To this end, the Prime Minister has committed to holding a First Ministers Meeting with national Aboriginal Leaders every two years [or annually] for the next 10 years to review progress."

The document contains options for how a Council of Aboriginal Affairs (CAA)

will be structured, and each page is stamped "Confidential Draft for Discussion Purposes, 21/10/05. This document does not have agreement of approval of any government organization".

Prime Minister Paul Martin will miss a meeting of Commonwealth leaders in Malta to be in Kelowna for the November 24-25 gathering.

The meeting will be an important opportunity to further the work that has been done over the past year and a half to bridge the gap in the quality of life for Aboriginal people," Martin said in a prepared statement.

BC Premier Gordon Campbell has been traveling Canada consulting with political and native leaders to develop a national strategy on native issues. Campbell was given the assignment in

August at a meeting of the premiers and territorial leaders in Banff where all parties rallied around the 10-year goal of improving native conditions. Issues of health, education, housing, and economic opportunities for Aboriginal people will also be discussed at the meeting.

The meeting could be in jeopardy if opposition parties pass a non-confidence motion in Parliament this month, which would then trigger a federal election.

Leaders from the Assembly of First Nations and BC First Nations Summit have urged opposition parties to refrain from introducing a non-confidence vote so the First Ministers Conference can proceed with its important agenda focussing on Aboriginal issues and concerns.

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For those voting by mail, ballots will be mailed November 17th and must be returned by Dec 2nd

I appreciate your support. Klecko, Klecko.

## Education - ha-ho-pa

### Graduate says 'Kleco Kleco'

When I was 15 my grandfather, Tatoosh (Archie Thompson) hosted a potlatch to name me Asma-na-hi (Caring for Precious Ones) and my English name is Angela Antoine. Tatoosh is the brother of my late grandfather Melvin Thompson, of the Toquaht Nation, father to late Vera Thompson, my mother. My father is late Eugene Antoine of Saik'uz, Carrier Sekani Tribal Council, son to late Effie (Robinson - Uchuklasht) and late John Antoine of Saik'uz.

I began my studies at North Island College, Port Alberni seven years ago to upgrade grade 12 and to study college prep courses. In the first year of studying, applied and was accepted to Camosun College in Victoria to study sociology, psychology, and English as University Transfer courses to gain credit to apply to the University of Victoria. In September 2001, I began my first day on campus, I was intimidated by the size of the campus, not knowing any other students, faculty, or staff and not knowing where to go or what to expect. I was unsure what I was going to study and what would be my major, so I began my first year taking first year courses in English, Child and Youth Care, and Indigenous Studies. I met Professor Michael Tsosie of the Mohave Nation for the Indigenous Studies Minor Program a month before classes began through late Art Thompson's family. I was pleased to find a familiar face on campus and I was fortunate and honoured he offered me a position as the Administrative Assistant for the program. A few months into my studies, another position became available in the Faculty of Human and Social Development for Roger John, Aboriginal Student Advisor as his assistant. I applied and was accepted. I worked two part time positions, was enrolled full time studies, and most of the time a single parent of two. Eventually, I built a wide network on and off campus within the Aboriginal Community. I joined the University of Victoria Student Society - Local 44 and the Native Students Union as the Education Councillor and for a short time the Fire Keeper plus I joined a number of different committees on and off campus.

I would like to say a big thank you to the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Education Department and the Toquaht Band for funding my education! Personally, to Blair Thompson, Kelly Johnsen, Vicki Watts, and Chief Bert Mack for the hard work you have done to support all students and information to keep me informed of events and updates.

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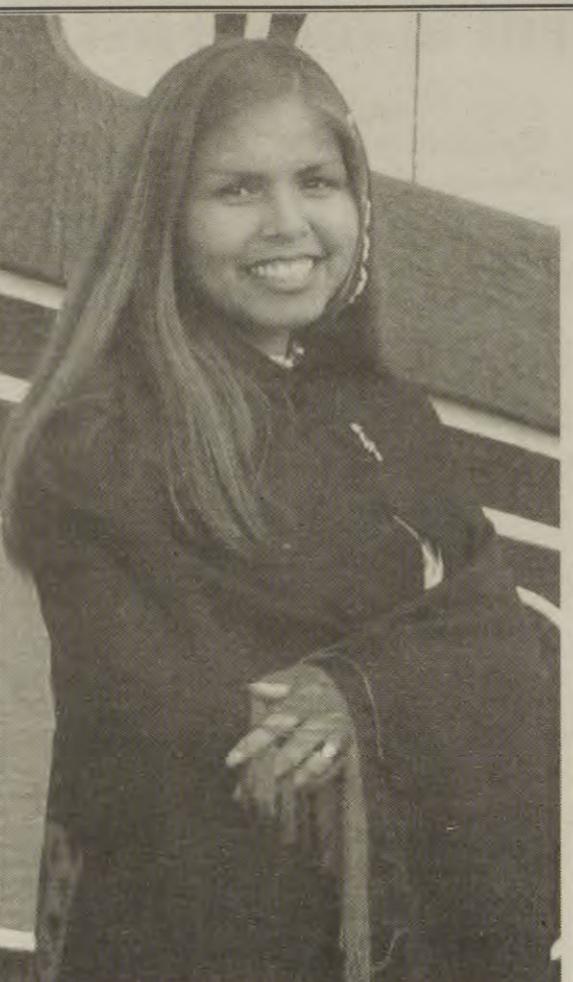
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I would like to acknowledge the Coast Salish territory for allowing me to live, study, work, and play on their land. It has become my home away from home - Kleco! Kleco!

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Remember Shakoia and Kele education is so important and I will stand beside you to pull you up when needed, to help you study - one day it will be my turn to watch you both attend university and I

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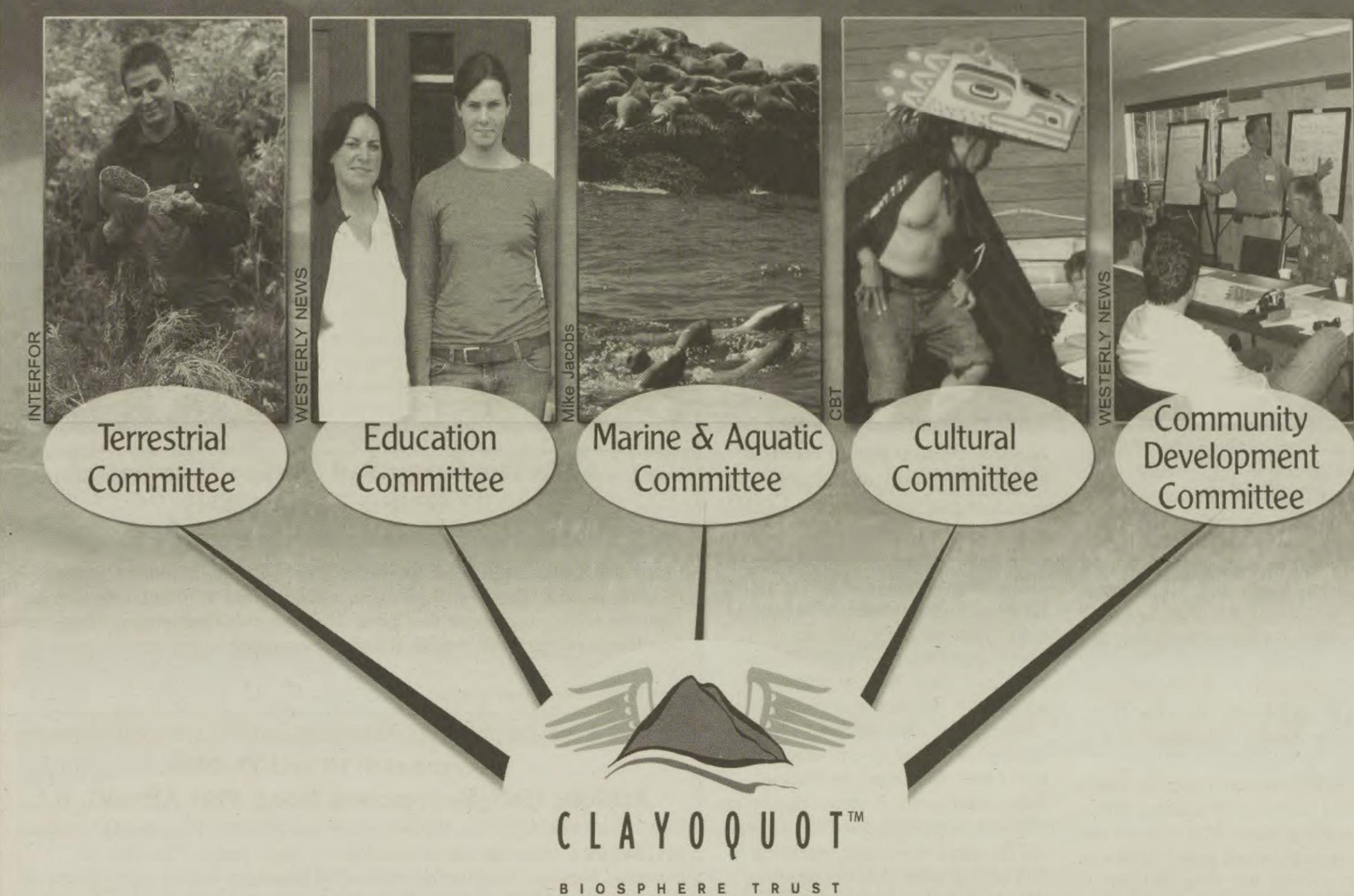
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**All my relations!**  
**Asma-na-hi (Angela Antoine)**

## Be a part of a new direction for the CBT



### Residents of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Region are invited to join a technical and advisory committee

The Clayoquot Biosphere Trust (CBT) Board has agreed to a new and innovative approach to community consultation through the formation of volunteer based Committees. The objective is to achieve broader community awareness of the CBT's Vision and Mission, more inclusive and active participation of community members in research, training and education initiatives, informed input and advice on project proposals and spending priorities, and strategic feedback into annual CBT business planning. Five CBT Committees will be established on the following broad issue areas - Marine and Aquatic, Terrestrial, Education, Cultural, and Community Development.

The roles and responsibilities of the Committees will be to:

1. Provide a forum for networking between community members to share information and assist in the development of projects in the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region;
2. Support the CBT Business Plan and work with the CBT Board and staff to develop strategic directions to guide (a) CBT funding proposal calls, (b) proposal evaluations, and (c) jointly funded longer-term projects with partner organizations;
3. Identify community priorities;
4. Review current initiatives;
5. Solicit project proposals and forward recommendations for project funding for Board discussion and review;
6. Evaluate the performance of projects funded by CBT;
7. Serve as a forum for community consultation and outreach; and
8. Provide advice and technical support to the Board and CBT staff as requested.

Membership of the Committees will be determined through a public request for expressions of interest and/or through direct CBT Board and staff recruitment of individuals with known expertise. The CBT Board and staff will seek broad representation from First Nations, local community organizations, businesses, and government agencies based on technical, scientific, or local/traditional knowledge and experience. Efforts will be made to ensure that all communities are represented. It is the CBT's intent to seek out the best qualified people and encourage them to participate.

All Committee meetings will be open to the public, and meeting dates, times and agendas will be announced publicly. Meetings will be scheduled throughout the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region.

Travel reimbursements will be available for Committee members consistent with the Canadian Government's Treasury Board Guidelines. Resources will be allocated by the CBT Board for each Committee to undertake research, facilitate specific projects as agreed to by Committee Members and support logistical requirements.

If you are interested in being a part of this new and exciting phase in the evolution of the CBT, or if you wish further information, please contact:

**David Fraser, Clayoquot Biosphere Trust Community Coordinator (250) 726-2086 david.fraser@clayoquotsphere.org**  
Or simply drop by the CBT's Ucluelet office in the Toquaht First Nation building next to the Du Quah Gallery

**The CBT's vision** is that the Community of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Region will live sustainably in a healthy ecosystem, with a diversified economy and strong, vibrant and united cultures while embracing the Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations "living" philosophies of lisaaq (Living respectfully), Qwa'aak qin teechmis (Life in the balance), and Hishuk ish ts'awalk (Everything is one and interconnected). The CBT mission is to assist the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Region Community to achieve its vision by providing funding and logistical support for research, education and training initiatives that promote conservation and sustainable development. The CBT will accomplish these objectives by working creatively and proactively within the framework of the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere programme.

#### CBT Board Members:

Jack Little (Co-chair), Tim Webb (Co-chair), Gary Johnsen (Treasurer), Eric Russcher (Secretary), Larry Baird, Clive Pemberton, Carol Anne Hilton, George Patterson, Eli Enns.

**STAFF:** CBT Executive Director: Stan Boychuk (250) 725-2219. Administrative Assistants: Iris Lucas and Rebecca Vines. Community Coordinator: David Fraser

## Sports - 7im-čap-mis

### Basketball in Port Alberni -

What happened to all the teams and players?

By Wawmeesh, George Hamilton  
for Ha-Shilth-Sa

I watched an Indian basketball tournament last weekend at the Alberni Athletic Hall. It was an open tournament with both ladies and men's teams playing and it was sponsored by the Hesquiaht Lady Braves.

I've watched Indian basketball tournaments for the last ten years or so since I moved back to Port Alberni. They happen all the time at this time of year and have for years. There was something different about this tournament compared to others I'd seen though. I continued watching the games but I couldn't quite put my finger on what the difference was.

Basketball had changed a bit over the years. The shoes got more expensive and are supposedly better. That's funny because I remember players from a long time ago who wore Chuck Taylor's and scored just as many points as players I saw this weekend who wore those shock-type shoes.

The game scores weren't any higher today than they were back then. Players from back then could match up pretty evenly I thought with any of the players I watched last weekend. And that's when it hit me.

Sitting there I could think of 8 teams off the top of my head that used to play out of Port Alberni, and 4 junior teams which played out of Port Alberni too. The Hawks were the only team around today. And I could not think of one other junior team of note which was currently playing out of Port Alberni either. In fact, I don't think there has been an Indian team, junior or senior, playing out of Port Alberni in the last 10 to 12 years.

Players have gone from wearing short shorts and long socks to wearing short socks and long shorts. Maybe it was the tattoos some guys had, actually that a lot of guys, and girls had. Guys and girls from yester-year had them too though, and usually they were each others initials. The tattoo artwork looked pretty sketchy back then, but then again what do you expect from using Indian-ink and a pin? No it wasn't the tattoos. No, there was something different about the players who were playing in this tournament.

Today's players looked a little bigger and faster but it wasn't enough of a difference to stand out.

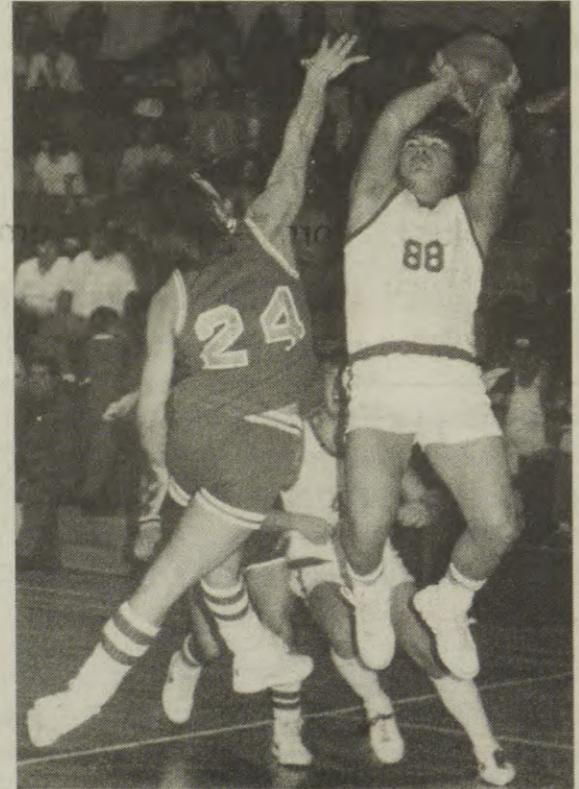
One young kid I watched play last weekend was quite tall and skilled but so too was Darrel Charleson of Hesquiaht back in the day.

Another young kid was a big, wide-bodied rebounder just as Hammy Watts had been.

Yet another young player looked like a quick, skilled guard just like Rick Thomas of Tseshaht was when he darted around the floor in his playing days.

The women's games in this tournament didn't go unnoticed and I made just as many comparisons to their old-school brethren.

I wonder: what happened, and why?



## Tournaments

### Attention All Basketball Players

### Basketball Tournaments Gold River

Date: November 26 & 27, 2005  
Place: Tsaxana Gym  
Time: Saturday 10:00 a.m.  
Cost: \$15.00 per player

Maximum 8 players per team. A girl on the floor at all times. All monies raised for this tournament will go towards the Grads of 2005/2006. So come on out and support the Grads of 2005/2006. You could also fax your rosters to me at (250) 283-2012. I'm here till 4:30. Contact person: Adrienne Amos (250) 283-2158 (h) (250) 283-2012 (w).

### Maqtusii Lady Storm Hawaii Bound

13th Annual Palama Settlement Classic  
Hello Nuu-chah-nulth people. Maqtusii Lady Storm have submitted our Senior Girls School Team for a tournament in Hawaii in December of 2005. We will be fundraising to take 12 players and 4 chaperones on this trip of a lifetime. Our families have given us full support for this plan and we would like to inform the community of our intent. If there is any way you can help us we would greatly appreciate it, whether it is financially or giving suggestions. You can contact Rebecca Atleo at the school; 250-670-9589 or at home: 250-670-2390. Thank you!

Maqtusii Lady Storm

### NIFA Fundraiser Ball Hockey Tournament

#### December 2, 3, & 4, 2005

#### Chemainus First Nations Community Centre.

Men's & Women's Categories. \$\$\$ Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both categories based on teams entered. Entry Fee for the men is \$300.00 and \$250.00 for the women. Entry fee is due prior to your first game. If you wish to enter a team, please contact: Iona Harris - #245-7990. E-mail: IHarris@kwumut.org HAY CE:P QA! (Thank you all)

Iona Harris, NIFA Ball Hockey

### All Native Basketball Tournament Men's and Women's

#### December 9, 10 and 11, 2005.

#### Athletic Hall, Beavercreek Road, Port Alberni, B.C.

Men's Entry Fee: \$300.00 - Women's entry fee: \$250.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Amounts subject to number of teams' entry. Plus team and individual trophies. Deadline for entry 4 PM December 5, 2005. \$150.00 deposit must be received by December 5, 2005 to be entered in tournament. Cash, money orders or certified cheque only. No personal cheque. For registration and information contact: Edd Samuel: E-mail: eddsamuel@hotmail.com. Wally Samuel: Telephone: 250-724-5290. Fax: 250-724-5597. E-mail: wally-samuel@shaw.ca. You must be prepared to play afternoon Friday December 9, 2005. If you want to enter a team please leave your name and phone number. See you there.

### Hot Springs Wolves Open Basketball Tournament

January 13-15, 2006. Alberni Athletic Hall, Port Alberni BC.

10 Men's Teams — 6 Ladies Teams. Entry Fee: \$300 Men's — \$200 Ladies. Seafood Concession (Crab, Clams, Herring Roe, Fish etc), 50/50 raffles and more! Prize money, t-shirts, and other awards to be won!! Call Jeannine Adams or Kevin Charleson @ 670-1150 or email ballgrrl@hotmail.com

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January 21, 22, 23, 2006

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Jr Girls / Boys All Native Basketball

\$150.00 entry fee, trophies awarded, 50/50's, raffles, possible other programs and possible screen dance? Will keep you informed on future events. Tournament is being hosted by Suuma cu-is / Hot Springs Warriors Jr Boys Basketball Club. To enter your team or more info you may get in touch with ralph@lucas@msn.com or phone (250) 670-1160. Hope to hear from or see you at the tourney. Thank you for supporting the youths... Cuu Way!

Ralph T. Lucas

Frederick Cook's hockey team is having a Bottle Drive to fundraise for hockey socks. Please donate your empties!!!! E-mail or call 720-0923 for us to pick them up. Spread the word if your friends, co-workers and community members need them picked up, give them our contact info. Thanks for the support :-)

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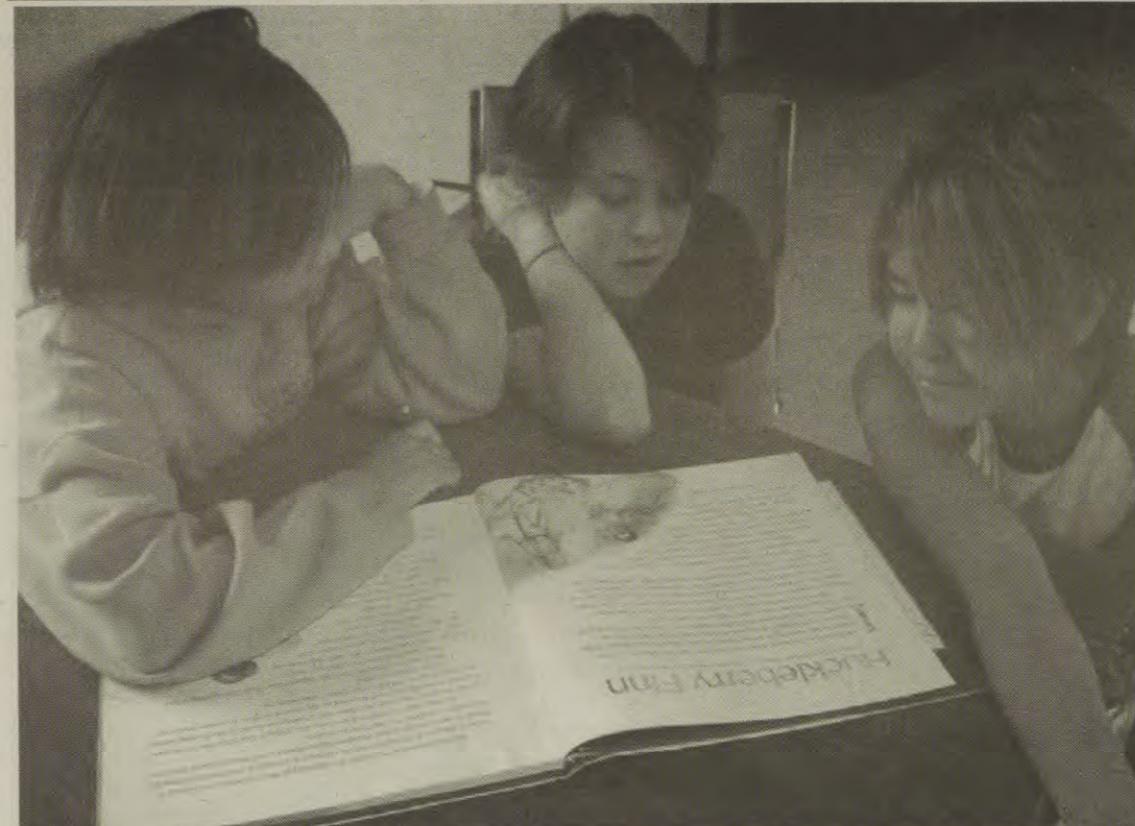
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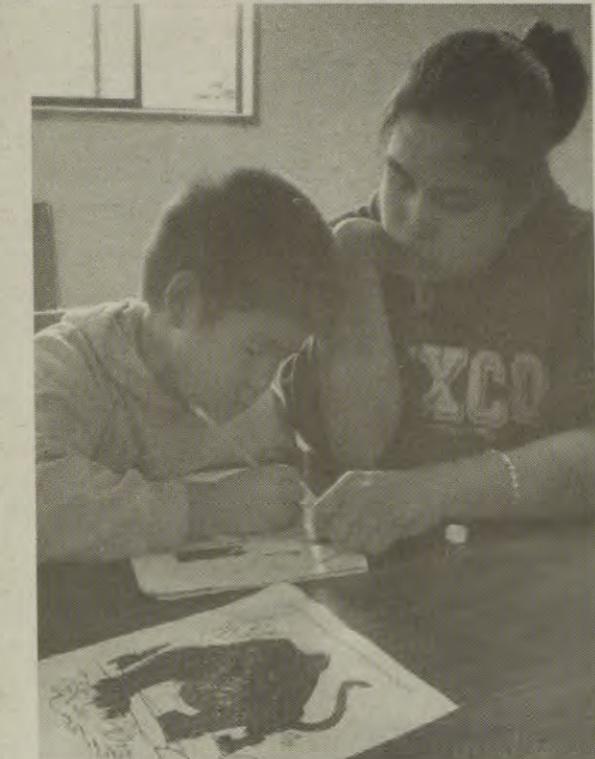
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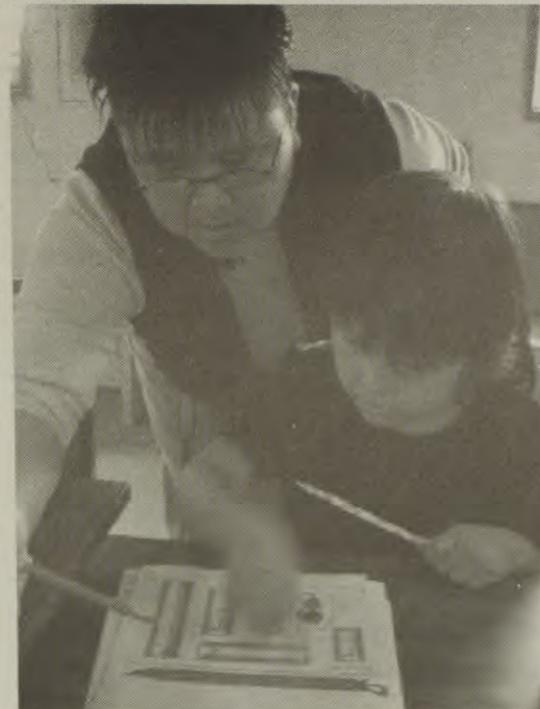
Chelsea Jules, Tanesha Hanson, and Mikaela Short practice reading

Education... this could very well be the basis of anyone's success. But in the little village of Kyuquot, many thanks are due to Virginia Jules, Ann Cox Larissa (formerly Laurie) Smith, Arlene Smith and Melony Larre. These ladies took it upon themselves to be available, at our community cultural center, during "school hours" to assist any of the students who were fortunate enough to grab extra work before the teacher strike. When we got word

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Arlene John helps young Tyrese Short with an arts project in Kyuquot.



Virginia Jules helps Paige Billy with some math problems, as community members helped students get ahead, despite a recent teachers strike.

in to offer some of their help. Thanks to Frank Short for keeping the wood stove on, so that the room was always warm and toasty.

In closing, we would like to let the students know how proud we are of them for taking their education so seriously.

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## Sold out crowd for King

By David Wiwchar  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

**Port Alberni** - The recently restored Capitol Theatre on Argyle was packed beyond capacity on Sunday, October 23rd as celebrated Native author Thomas King made a brief stop as part of the ongoing Forest Fest Spoken Word Celebration.

Perhaps best known as a writer, actor, and fall-guy in CBC Radio's popular series *Dead Dog Café Comedy Hour*, King is also a successful author and academic.

**More than 600 people packed into the Capitol Theatre, while another two-dozen people waited outside beside the "Sold-Out" sign hoping to catch a glimpse of Thomas King.**

King, a professor of Native Literature and Creative Writing at the University of Guelph, first burst into the book world in 1990 with his novel *Medicine River*, which he then turned into a TV movie starring Graham Greene and Tom Jackson.

King then released *All My Relations*, an anthology of contemporary Native literature, which he edited and contributed to. King's first children's book *A Coyote Columbus Story* was nominated for a Governor General's Award for Literature in 1992, followed by a second nomination in 1993 for his brilliant novel *Green Grass, Running Water*. That same year, he released a collection of short stories titled *One Good Story, That One*, from which two stories were later dramatized for TV and radio. His most recent novel, *Truth and Bright Water* was published in 1997, and after completing the prestigious Massey Lecture Series, King was able to put the finishing touches on his latest collection of short stories, *A Short History of Indian in Canada*.

Written over an eight-year period, *A Short History of Indian in Canada* is King's second collection of short stories.

"Short story collections are funny things. I don't write a novel straight out. I always write short stories in between," said King, who has also contributed short stories to various anthologies and literary journals. "I don't have a preference so much, it's just where my head is. Sometimes I'll get an idea that's a good idea for a short story, other times I'll get a good idea for a novel. I get more ideas for short stories obviously because I write more of those than I do novels. Some days

I'm feeling like I don't want to tackle a huge prose project, so short stories look pretty good. Other days I feel strong, and think 'now's the time to begin a novel', he said.

The 20 stories in *A Short History of Indian in Canada* bounce from comedic satire to personal drama, traditional tales to contemporary confusions.

"Most of my stories about the way we treat one another, or the way we interact with the world, and I've always had a satiric bent in my fiction," said King.

More than 600 people packed into the Capitol Theatre, while another two-dozen people waited outside beside the "Sold-Out" sign hoping to catch a glimpse of King.

"I was so excited when I saw my name in lights on the theatre marquee," said the self-deprecating King. "It's the first time my name has ever been in lights.

And there it was, 'Thomas King'. Then three minutes later there it was again: 'Thomas King'. Then three minutes later, 'Thomas King'. Then the sun began to set..."

The 62-year old King easily held the crowd's attention. The 6'6" Cherokee author made even more striking dressed in a mid-length black leather jacket standing in front of the flowing red velvet theatre curtains.

He then read a few short stories from *A Short History of Indian in Canada*, before taking a few questions from the audience. When King announced the Dead Dog Café Comedy Hour would be returning to CBC Radio for another season, the crowd reacted with wild cheers.

"This was a really great afternoon," King said afterwards. "I wanted to spend a few days in Tofino, which is one of my favorite places, so the opportunity to do a reading here fit my schedule perfectly," he said. "I'll definitely be telling other authors about Port Alberni, and the fantastic welcoming given to writers here."

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Alex Bob of the Snaw-naw-as Nation travelled from Victoria to hear and meet author Thomas King

and Toronto.

"Some writers love book tours, but not me. I'd rather stay at home and stay hidden. If I didn't have to tour I wouldn't," said King. "Every so often I have a really nice time, but I'm not sure touring's worth it in the end. It takes years off my life because I hate to fly," he said.

"I also hate flying through places. It's just not my way," he said. "The best reading of the tour was definitely Port Alberni. You never know where your best audience is going to be, but the audience was in the mood for a good time, and that's always a lot of fun because you can sit back and relax a little bit and you don't have to work so hard," he said.

King has little time to relax however, as he is currently writing scripts for the next season of the Dead Dog Café Comedy Hour, has new mystery novel coming out in the spring, and is working on another novel as well as television and movie projects.

Then there are the two creative writing classes he teaches during the winter semester at the University of Guelph. Arguably the top Native writer of this generation, Thomas King is one of the few writers of our time whose easily-identified style of blends comedy and drama, traditional legends and tales of modern life. His stories are a must read, "especially over winter", King notes; "winter is the time for telling stories".

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## Lewis Maquinna George - Ahousaht's newest Tyee Ha'wilth is seated

By Denise August,  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

**Port Alberni** - Ahousaht Tyee Ha'wilth and WWII Veteran, Earl Maquinna George called people to the Hupacasath House of Gathering on Remembrance Day to witness the passing of his title to his son Lewis. The event was low-key but nonetheless spectacular as Lewis, donning a stunning red cape, was crowned with his father's Maquinna hat by his sister Ilene.

Recovering from a broken hip and other illnesses, the elder George was forced to host the party near his residence in Port Alberni instead of Ahousaht where events of such significance normally would take place.

His guests were served dinner then heard a Prayer Chant conducted by Bill George.

Ron Hamilton serving as Master of Ceremonies thanked the people for coming and witnessing this important event.

Colleen and Grace George emerged from behind the ceremonial curtain carrying the Ha'wilth's robe as a prayer chant droned in the background. Several Ha'wilth from other NCN Nations bore witness as the sisters dressed their brother in his regalia.

From his wheelchair, Earl reached up and, with blackened fingers and traced lines on his son's cheeks. Ilene Thomas approached her brother with their father's Maquinna hat and placed it ceremoniously on his head to the applause of the crowd.

"From this day forward," Hamilton announced, "Chief Lewis takes the name Maquinna and Earl takes Lewis'

name; Earl wants you to know that he passes everything he owns to Lewis."

There was a standing ovation as people showed their respect and acknowledgement of the new Chief.

There were a few dance performances by members of three Ahousaht Chief's houses; Atleo, Keitlah and George.

Congratulatory speeches followed the dancing as people; many speaking in the NCN language explained the duties of Tyee Ha'wilth. They also carried on the tradition of describing how they are related and how far their family roots extend and how they would respect and support the new Chief.

Julia Lucas, Hesquiaht acknowledged the new Hakum or Queen, Lewis' wife, Cathy. "I want to congratulate the new Queen of Ahousaht," she said. She advised Cathy the title comes with obligations and she may have questions along the way. "Don't be afraid to ask for help," said Lucas before she presented a gift to Cathy.

Pam Watts, wife of Al Williams, took part in the hosting duties and said the party was about the family trying to celebrate Al. "He was somebody that a lot of people knew up and down the coast of British Columbia through his work with the NTC," she explained adding he always made time for everyone. "Even if he didn't know their name he always made sure he acknowledged them with a smile, a big grin," she remembered fondly.

Tseshah 'cleansed the floor' in preparation for the songs and dances of their visitors. They sang their welcome song then a Prayer song before opening the floor.

People from Tseshah, Ahousaht, Ucluelet, Huu-ay-ah, Ditidaht, Uchucklesaht, Hesquiaht and Tla-o-qui-aht were at the party and took turns

## Williams Family celebrates life of their brother

By Denise August,  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

**Port Alberni** - It has been just over a year since Al Williams, our smiling cameraman at the NTC, died suddenly leaving behind a big family and lots of friends. His family gathered November 12 at Maht Mahs to celebrate his life and dry their tears.

Hosted by the Williams family (Lorraine Williams, Linda Watts, Nona Thompson, Audrey Edgar, Joe and Dale Williams) the party started with lunch followed by a cleansing ceremony. The walls were adorned with hand-made collages featuring Al and his famous smile.

Pam Watts, wife of Al Williams, took part in the hosting duties and said the party was about the family trying to celebrate Al. "He was somebody that a lot of people knew up and down the coast of British Columbia through his work with the NTC," she explained adding he always made time for everyone. "Even if he didn't know their name he always made sure he acknowledged them with a smile, a big grin," she remembered fondly.

Tseshah 'cleansed the floor' in preparation for the songs and dances of their visitors. They sang their welcome song then a Prayer song before opening the floor.

People from Tseshah, Ahousaht, Ucluelet, Huu-ay-ah, Ditidaht, Uchucklesaht, Hesquiaht and Tla-o-qui-aht were at the party and took turns



Pam Watts

making presentations to the hosts. Two names were given from the Williams family to Lorraine and Rebecca. Lorraine, the eldest sister in the family received Cecilia Williams' name. Rebecca, the 17 year-old daughter of Al and Pam also received a name.

The party lasted nearly twelve hours ending shortly after 1:00 a.m.

Pam says the past year has been a difficult one especially for her daughter Rebecca. Even though the party was about celebrating Al's life she says she can't let him go but knows she has to. Through her tears she said she would try to let him go, "so we can open a new chapter of our lives, especially for Rebecca because she needs it so bad." She ended with a message for her love, "You are forever in my heart and I'll always love you Hon..."



### MICHELLE CORFIELD For Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Vice - President

Michelle is a skilled, educated manager and a member of the Ucluelet First Nation. Michelle gains her strength from her supportive partner Tony, her two wonderful children, and her many Nuu-chah-nulth relatives and Elders.

Michelle balances her traditional teachings with her education, including a Bachelor Degree in First Nation Studies, a Masters Degree in Conflict Analysis and Management, as well as her continuing studies towards a Doctorate in Organizational Leadership and Management. She is an innovative manager, facilitator and mediator and manager of her own business.

Michelle is committed to working for the leadership and people of the Nuu-chah-nulth nations and is proud to have relatives in each Nation. She will serve the NTC membership by aspiring towards:

- ❖ Hahupstalh – to be an inspiration to others and share your wisdom;
- ❖ Being professional;
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## Pacific Rim National Park employ more First Nations Staff

By Denise August,  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

**Long Beach** - Karen Hogan of Huu-ay-aht First Nation is Pacific Rim National Park's (PRNP) newest Aboriginal Liaison Specialist. Hired October 17, Hogan joins a team of three in the Parks First Nations Program.

Ahousaht member Nadine Crookes has been managing the First Nations Program at PRNP for four years. She says Hogan will join Sandra Milliken of Ditidaht to carry out duties relating to the First Nations Program.

Hogan is not a stranger to PRNP staff having already worked in the finance department for two years. She also served Huu-ay-aht First Nation for nine years in their Resource Management department. Her expertise is in economic development planning.

I will work with First Nations if they want economic development assistance for projects in the park," she said. She assisted the Qu'ass West Coast Trail Society in developing their five year business plan. She also played a role in Huu-ay-aht's quest to establish an historical site in the park and is willing to assist others if they wish to do the same.

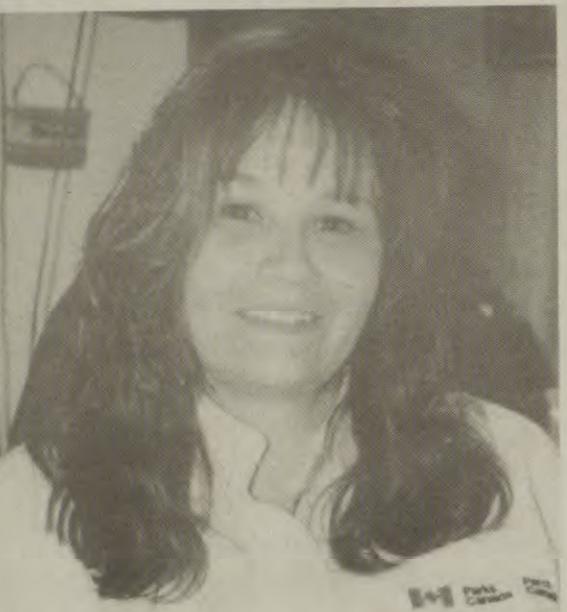
"Historical Site Designation," Hogan explains, "is a lot of work; you must establish the archaeological significance and write reports to the National Historic Site and Monument Board." For Huu-ay-aht, she explained, the process took ten to fifteen years, starting with the late Art Peters and was finally complete August 2003.

PRNP First Nations staff have been involved with the planning and implementation of many teaching aids, exhibits, programs and events. Projects include Nuu-chah-nulth signage within Parks boundaries, the NCN Trail which features a Ucluelet pole, planning activities for National Aboriginal Week and much more.

The goal of the First Nations Parks program is to develop meaningful relationships with area First Nations. They work toward gaining input, ideas and representation from each of the areas First Nations to include in Parks programming and exhibits.

They have a hiring target of 20% First Nations staff and right now, are very near their target at 18-19%. In a staff of 90, nearly 20 First Nations people hold Parks positions at all levels up to and including management.

Within PRNP boundaries are the traditional territories of Tla-o-qui-aht, Ucluelet, Tseshah, Huu-ay-aht, Ditidaht and Pacheedaht. Crookes says Hupacasath is included because of 'traditional interests in the park'.



**Huu-ay-aht's Karen Hogan**

PRNP hosts training and mentoring programs to First Nations Youth every year in an effort to instill workplace skills like ranging and conflict management.

Crookes also oversees some budgets and contracts including the Qu'ass West Coast Trail Society. Parks administers the funding while the Society staffs and maintains the trail which extends from Anacla (Bamfield) to Port Renfrew. National Aboriginal Day, which is June 21, is now known as Aboriginal Week for PRNP staff. Local school students, community members and visitors may take part in a variety of activities scheduled that week. The events celebrate the richness of Nuu-chah-nulth culture and culminates in a festival-like finale that has grown in popularity over the years.

Crookes says more than 800,000 visitors come to the park each year and her challenge is to take our culture, put it on display and help others to understand it. Her staff consulted with NCN Elders when planning and designing the NCN Trail. "The elders are the ones that told the stories that are on that trail; we used their stories told in their own words and it belongs to them."

Next on Crookes' wish list is new signage for the West Coast Trail. She would like the signs to be bilingual; English, French and Nuu-chah-nulth. The goal is to tell the story of the area through signage, pamphlets and events she explains.

The First Nations Program staff has also been actively involved in Nuu-chah-nulth language projects including books, computer programs and even a professionally developed curriculum guide for teaching our language in schools. Plans to redesign the Nuu-chah-nulth exhibit at Wickeninsh Centre are in the works and Parks staff will be looking to community members for stories and ideas. "We want to celebrate Aboriginal Culture and find ways to better incorporate our culture into Parks Programs," said Crookes.

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From Chance to Change

## First Nations advocate Norma Emerson makes NDP bid

(Submitted)

Norma Emerson, a long time activist on First Nations issues, is seeking the NDP nomination for the Nanaimo/Alberni Federal NDP.

Emerson, an art teacher in Qualicum Beach has organized numerous gatherings and workshops including "The Land is the Culture". She helped organize "A Pilgrimage Towards Right Relations", a series of conferences for non-Natives to better understand First Nations issues. She also took a role in organizing the "burn the ballot" campaign in response to the provincial government's referendum. Through her work in these actions, Norma has forged strong ties with First Nations people on both sides of the hump.

"I have known Norma for 15 years" says John Mayba, a long time friend. "She is an activist to the core, and an outspoken advocate." She has also organized walks for peace and solidarity and after Hurricane Mitch struck Nicaragua, she organized a local relief effort for the victims. "Norma has a heart for everyone".

"With the many recent issues around drinking water, housing, fishing rights and especially suicide on First Nations reserves, First Nations issues are going to be front and centre in this election. I intend to stand up for Nuu-chah-nulth people in this riding".

The actual nomination meeting will take place in Qualicum Beach on December 4, however a mail-in ballot will be held beginning on November 21. All NDP members should return their completed ballots in the envelopes provided as soon as possible.



**Chief Adam Dick, Norma Emerson and Arnold Recalma at recent NDP picnic organized by Emerson at the Qualicum Reserve**

Mayba recalls that in her speech to the NDP convention last spring "When Norma told the crowd of her support for First Nations land claims, she received a tumultuous ovation".

Emerson hopes that Nuu-chah-nulth will also provide strong support for her campaign in the present nomination race and should she be successful, in the next federal election, which will probably be early next spring.

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### Jacquie Adams

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and obtained knowledge and understanding of how society and government colonization process has impacted the lives of Nuu-chah-nulth and other First Nations today. She works in partnership with First Nations and others to bring positive change to communities.

Her background, being raised in her teachings by the Elders and her adult studies and career, give a well rounded experience and enhances her abilities to serve as Vice President for Nuu-chah-nulth. While she has struggled and sacrificed many things in pursuit of her education, and career her continual encouragement came from the person of greatest influence in her life, Mr. Adams, her grandfather. He encouraged her to go out and learn the ways of the mummuthii and to always take the learning and teachings back to the people.

Most people, who know Jacquie, respect her for her ability to rise to meet challenges, developing cooperation, collaboration and consensus, defining priorities from a large picture perspective while keeping sight of the details and maintaining her sense of self, and respecting differences of opinion. Should she be successfully elected into the Vice President's position, Jacquie resolves to dedicate her time and energy to strategically planning and strategically acting and doing to improve life and living conditions with a healthy future in mind and a future well grounded in the teachings, values and beliefs of our ancestors.

*Jacquie will be honored to visit your community and meet with you, at your convenience, to discuss the candidacy, answer your questions and listen to your recommendations. Please feel free to contact her at telephone 250-380-1793 or email jacquie.adams@shaw.ca (submitted)*

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## The Kyuquot Outpost Hospital

By Donna Vernon, Kyuquot Community Health Nurse

The Kyuquot Outpost Hospital has been managed for sixty-seven years by the Canadian Red Cross. The transition from Red Cross to the Vancouver Health Authority is nearing completion. The Kyuquot Red Cross Outpost Hospital was built in 1937 on a small Island at the entrance to Walter's Cove. The Outpost was, and still is accessible only by boat, to the people living on Walter's Island, surrounding islands and Hupsitas, the first Nations Village. The Island the Outpost was built on was called Salo's Island, named after its donor. Today the Island is called Okime Island. The Outpost was established following a serious accident in the community. At the time of its opening it had five beds and was staffed by two nurses. The hospital was closed in 1940 at the residents request in order to concentrate on the war effort. It reopened in 1946.

The nurse at the Kyuquot Outpost Hospital is responsible for health promotion, illness prevention, public health, home care and acute care. Her mode of transportation is by boat. She manages the day-to-day operations of the facility; purchases new equipment, supplies and pharmaceuticals; manages casual staff and building issues. She does home visits, prenatal and postnatal care and school health. She stabilizes acutely ill or injured clients and arranges medical evacuations when necessary. Medivacs are facilitated by boat transport to Fair Harbour where an ambulance will rendezvous, or by helicopter evacuation. Small helicopters will land on the Outpost's dock, large helicopters land in the school playing field. The ability of the helicopter to land is totally dependant on the weather. Many evacuations have occurred in the dark. During times of crisis the entire community becomes mobilized to action. As times change, so does the role of the Kyuquot Outpost Hospital in the lives of the people of Kyuquot. Health promotion becomes the focus as people take more responsibility for their quality of life and well-being.

The natural environment of Kyuquot is situated in a rugged coastal rainforest. The Pacific currents have a moderating effect on the weather. Average annual rainfall is between 120 and 150 inches per year and Pacific storms are common. The seas and forests are abundant with wildlife and the natural beauty of the environment is unprecedented. Hupsitas village is home to approximately 180 permanent residents. Housing is limited and generations of

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Some easy ways to fit in more fibre to your diet include:

Have a high fibre cereal for breakfast and some fruit.

Choose to eat 3-5 cups of fruit and vegetables per day.

Eat whole fruit rather than drinking juice as juice has very little fibre.

Add cooked beans and lentils to soups, salads and casseroles.

Buy brown breads, brown rice and foods made with whole wheat flour such as pasta.

Dried fruits and seeds can be added to muffins, salads and yoghurt.

Read the food labels on foods. Check the nutrition panel, this will tell you how much fibre is in the food. Check the ingredient list. The largest amounts of ingredients are listed first, look for ingredients such as bran, whole wheat, oatmeal or rye flour, these ingredients are all high in fibre.

Enjoy a healthy diet with lots of fibre!

I'll be with you always — right by your side.

You'll give up everything - your family, your home,

Your friends, your money, then you'll be alone.

I'll take and take, till you have nothing more to give,

When I'm finished with you, you'll be lucky to live.

If you try me be warned - this is no game,

If given the chance, I'll drive you insane.

I'll ravish your body, I'll control your mind,

I'll own you completely, your soul will be mine.

The nightmares I'll give you while lying in bed,

The voices you'll hear, from inside your head.

The sweats, the shakes, the visions you'll see,

I want you to know, these are all gifts from me.

But then it's too late, and you'll know in your heart,

That you are mine, and we shall not part.

You'll regret that you tried me, they always do,

But you came to me, not I to you.



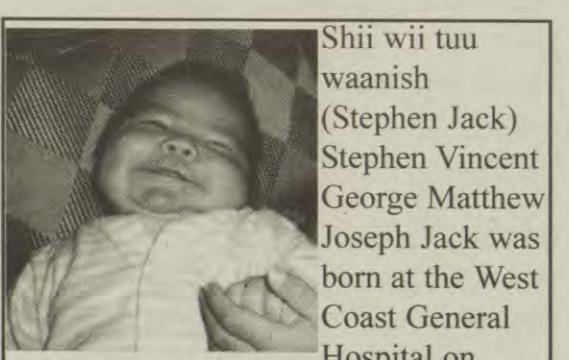
Happy Birthday auntie Effie! Hope you had a fantastic day! Our Auntie Effie was born in 1919 to Charlie Ross of Huu-ay-aht and Lulu Roberts of Hupacasath. Her maternal grandparents were Tyee Bob and Cecelia Hamilton and her paternal grandparents were Chief Nookemus and Mary Clutesi. Effie married (late) Corbett Williams of Ucluelet and they had 10 children: the late Roger, George, Floyd, Edgar, and Sharleen Williams; also Deanna Dick, Delores Touchie Judy, Laverne, and Lyle Williams and has many grandchildren. Effie had many sisters and two brothers, the late Allan Ross of Tseshah and Vernon Ross of Ucluelet. We are proud of you! Wishing you love and happiness from the Ross family Al Kaanowish Ross and Joanne, Georgina and Cyril Livingstone, Gloria & Sherry Ross, Annie and Dave Watts, Darrell and Lena and all your nephews and nieces and your brother Vernon.

Happy birthday to Nathan Charlie on Nov 27th, from Jane & Tay.

Happy birthday to Nate Webster on Nov 2nd, Crystal Sam on Nov 6th, Yvonne Thomas (8th) Josephine Mack (10th), Bradley Frank Sr (13th), Happy birthday to Jared M Dimitrioff (25th) Happy birthday to Brenda Sue Campbell (16th) to Auntie/Gamma Hilda Nov 30th. Happy Birthday to John Brown Campbell & Melody Charlie from Janey & Shantay Thomas.

Sending birthday wishes to the following people; Grandmother Rose - Nov 11 and Shana Campbell - Nov. 11, December 1 - Darlene Charlie and my brother Michael Frank for December 7 - and my Uncle Andrew on Dec. 8 and my brother Michael David Jr. on December 14. From Arlene Charlie.

Happy 70th Birthday to auntie Eunice on November 7th. Happy



Shii wii tuu waanish (Stephen Jack) Stephen Vincent George Matthew Joseph Jack was born at the West Coast General Hospital on August 17 2005. He was named for his 3 grandfather and 2 uncles. His proud parents are Gerald and Kathy Jack. Stephen's grandparents on his fathers side is Steve and Colleen Pendleton of Neah Bay, Tom Isaacs of Alert Bay, great grandfather Jerry Jack of Mowachaht, Sonny and Kathy Isaacs of Alert Bay. On his mothers side his grandparents are Ina Seitcher of Ahoosah and George Barker of Penlekuat, the late Ian and Margaret Seitcher. Other grandparents who will be involved in his upbringing and teachings are Pearl Dorward, Charlotte Rampanah Karen Adams, Bev Jack and Ray Seitcher. At the Benny Jack potlatch Stephen received his name Shii wii tuu waanish from his grandfather Jerry Jack. At that time his sister Katina received her name of Hakumatukwii.

## birthday's and congratulations!

We the (Johnson)-Sears Family would like everyone to meet our newest Family member; Ashton Richard Noah Sears who was born 4 weeks early on Oct 21, 05 at 9:44 a.m. weighing 6lbs 1oz.

I would like to Thank my older sister (Roberta) and my husbands cousin (BillieAnn), for being there coaching me. I ( well we) couldn't have done it without you women there helping out. Welcome to world SON, xoxoxoxo with lots love from; Mommy(D.J.), Daddy(Gord), Big Bro Tyrell, and Lil' Big Bro Quintin (Johnson)-Sears

Birthday to "Pepsi" and "Beasil Jr" on November 10th. Love, Eunice, Kathaleen, Jenna & Harold.

Would like to say Happy birthday to my pal Crystal Sam over in Nanaimo...on November 6th. Hope you have an awesome day bud...your friends in Ahousah Elizabeth, Adam n' Cha-asta Campbell.

We would like to say Happy 4? birthday mom/gramma Brenda Sue Campbell on November 16th. We Love you so much, hope you have a great day n' know that we are always thinking of you and missing you not just on your b-day. Lotsa Luv your kiddies n' grandkiddies over in Ahousah.

Happy Birthday To My Special Man In My Life George Robert Dearden Happy 55th Birthday November 10th. Honey thank you for coming into my life. I want you to know that you are very special to me and all the hard times we went through we still are together. I am proud to be your lady as I am just so lucky to have you in my life. I wish you the best birthday babe. Sputter-Sputter you still make me sputter, gripes your killin me lol. I love you more honey. You're the best. Love Forever Your Girl Always True.

Happy Birthday to my nephew Samuel Mayers. Hi there you have great time on your birthday ok. I love you neph. Nov 18th at your 19 right lol. Love always your auntie true and rob.

I want to say a very HAPPY 61st BIRTHDAY to my Dad, John Peter Amos. My Dad walked into my life when I was 2 years old. He took on the responsibility of being my Dad, even though he was not obliged to do so. For this I love him so much! He took in me and my brother, James Frank. The Amos family accepted us both as their own, and we are forever grateful. If it were not for this man, we wouldn't have such a huge and loving family. Thank you to our Dad, and his whole family!! Enjoy your day Dad, know that you are loved every single day. I love you with all my heart. Love always your daughter, Catherine Frank, granddaughter, Marissa Amos, sons, James Frank, Johnny Amos and other granddaughter, Dez'rae Frank. We love you papa John!

Happy Birthday auntie Eunice Joe, Neil, and Stephanie on Nov. 7. From Marvin, Pearl and kids.

Happy 25th Birthday Tyrone on

Happy Halloween. Learn to kick back and relax. Just another day at the office. Works only fun if you make it fun. Take it one day at a time. From Cathy Watts, receptionist.



Happy 28th Birthday to Mrs. Crystal Tom on November 12th, hope you have a great day love from your auntie sisa & Niecie ET & Granddaughter Alissa

Nov. 14th. From uncle Marvin, Pearl and kids.

Happy Birthday Walter on Nov. 15. From Marvin, Pearl and kids.

Happy Birthday Cassius on Nov. 19. From Pearl, Marvin and kids.

Happy 26th Birthday Samara on Nov. 26. Love auntie Pearl, Marvin and kids.

Happy Birthday to my mother Effie Williams on November 19th. From Laverne and Lillian.

Happy Birthday to my sister Deanna Dick on November 16th. From Laverne and Lillian.

Happy belated Birthday to my cousin Annie Watts on November 1st. From Laverne and Lillian.

Happy birthday uncle babes, we love you and talk to u soon and tell our cousins we said hello peter, Brandon, and pretty gurl. Happy birthday bro. Enjoy ur day. Love u and talk to u soon xox. Candace. Happy birthday Crystal, had fun, call me or email me sometime. Candace.

Happy birthday babes enjoy ur day bro on the Nov 27. Love Delia, Court and Sonny and Floyd we love u from Washington to Victoria. Call me sometime bro.

Happy be-late 50th b-day to Grandpa John Keitah "Jabe" on Nov. 12. Love Deanna Jack.

Happy Birthday to my sister Deanna Dick on November 16th. From Lyle and Kathy, Thomas and family.

Happy Birthday to Dwayne Little Ambrose Jr on Nov. 1st. From auntie Kathy, Lyle and family.

Happy Birthday to our nef Byron Charlie for Nov. 11. 19 already how fast you grew up. Welcome to the adult world there nef. Hope you enjoyed your day. From auntie Colleen and uncle Keith and family.

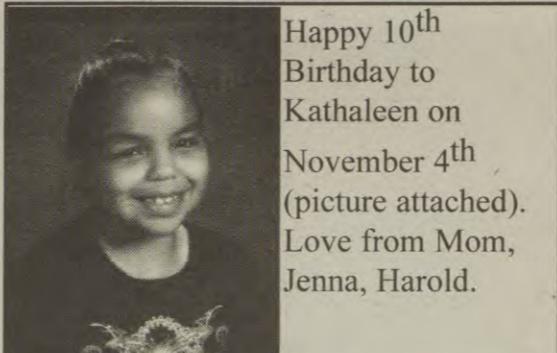
Happy 15th birthday to Josephine Titian for Nov. 11. Hope your day turned out swell. Hope you enjoyed it out in Nanaimo. It's good to see you when you come home to see your friends and family here in Ahousah.

From Keith & Colleen Clarke and family.

For Nov. 21 we would like to wish our parents Larry and Joan Thomas a happy 42nd Anniversary. Hope you enjoyed your holiday in California. 2 whole weeks without any kids. Not like it was us, more like without grandkids.

Haha. Lots of love from your daughter Colleen and son-in-law Keith Clarke, also your grandkids Gary, Lynnea, Alyssa and lil Hugie.

Nov. 19 - special Birthday to a wonderful mother Effie Williams. You deserve the most special day for all the things you do for your family. Love you. From Lyle, Kathy and family.



Happy 10th Birthday to Kathaleen on November 4th (picture attached). Love from Mom, Jenna, Harold.

I'd like to thank you so much from the bottom of my heart. Your raised me for 14 years. I'm glad you brought me up to be me, Deanna. Happy b-day to you on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. With love.

Grandparents: Bella Campbell, Joe and Angus Campbell. Hello Deanna here! Haacoom #1 (aye). Just kidding. How are my Nanaimo three stooges doing? I miss, think and love you all. I'm doing ok. Hope to see you around Christmas I hope. Love Deanna.

I would like to say happy belated birthday to my bro .. musk hoped u enjoyed ur day we love u down here in washington and congrats .. xoxo for Baby D .. and also happy belated birthday to our neph chad Jordan .. love jay shish and wanya

would like to say happy birthday to our bro Nathan in Vic ..on Nov 27 enjoy your day bro ..love Jay shish and lil Nate .. and xoxo for the kids

Happy belated to Crystal .. had fun while u were here .. glad u had fun call us sometime.. ur lil husband said sup chrispy .. Jay and Sheila and lil Nate. Happy 25th Birthday to Bob

Happy 25th Birthday to Bob Titian on November 26...getting old but still cute as ever! Luv u lots. Mom, Al & Lulu.

Happy be-late 15th birthday to our lil gal Alyssa Clarke, for Oct 17th. I know you enjoyed your day with all your friends and relatives. Because your guest list was too long, we had to re-open the restaurant. Lots of love from Mom, Dad and your brothers Gary and Hugie and sis Lynnea.

Happy be-late birthday to auntie Lil Webster. Just found out your birthday is a day after Alyssa's. Hope you enjoyed your day. From your niece Colleen and nef Keith and family.

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Nov. 20 - Happy 17th Birthday to a wonderful handsome young man by the name of Chris Mark (a.k.a. Thomas) Just remember that we all love you and hope you have a wonderful day son.

Forever your family.

## poets nook

### "Inspirational Writers"

Thomas King

By Norma-Ann Webster

I have also met within the same month Thomas king Another one of my Inspirational writer's His book Medicine River is a great reading

Another good reading

Is Green Grass and Running Water All I can say is Wow! To his work My niece Tammera came with me to His show that day at the Capital Theatre At Port Alberni B.C

As a writer myself of poetry—

I look for inspiration and Thomas King He is one of my inspirations

I am amazed with his writing!

When I met Thomas King my world was in

A state of disbelief "I can't believe I met him too!"

It truly was another amazing experience For me that day

I met many new people that day at the theatre

Thank you kleco! Once again To the great performance you

Have shared with many

It truly was an honour

You are the greatest in my Books!



too  
For me this was— once in a lifetime experience  
And I will always remember it forever  
The reason I have wrote two separate items  
Is because I love both of their literary works  
I just wanted to share my opportunities That dreams to come true  
I never though in my lifetime  
That I would meet two of my favourite Writers and composers  
Within the same month time frame Thomas King you are truly amazing And I appreciate the words  
That you have shared On and Off stage

Thank you kleco! Once again To the great performance you  
Have shared with many  
It truly was an honour  
You are the greatest in my Books!

## In Memoriam - tatak'ap

Annie Irene Thomas  
I will love you forever and always to the end  
Life is tough without you  
cause you were our Granny Mommy and Friend  
We need each other in every way  
I can barely go without you  
a tough and rough day  
I will smile as joyful smile  
Cause it seems like I haven't seen it in a while  
I wish I could hear your nice soft voice  
cause loving you is my only choice  
I wish you were here with us today,  
Even though your life has gone away  
Forever and Always  
Your love is here to Stay  
Irene

I hope your happy where you are  
Its not too close or not too far  
Heaven is the place made for you  
its peaceful, and beautiful, like you are too.  
Your love is our family's heart beat

It keeps us up, on our feet

We have been with us all the time

cause even though its sometimes raining

We will feel the sun's powerful shine

I hope you can here and see all this

Annie Irene Thomas

I Love You Truly as You Must Know

Cause every day I let it show

Rest In Peace my Dear Han

I will see you in heaven, whenever I can.....



to me and I love you for who you are.  
You are and always will be a special part of my life."

I'm not going to cry anymore, I'm going to keep smiling, I know you're not here but I do know you'll ALWAYS be watching over me.

I'll be missing you each and every day and remembering all the good times that we shared... nothing's going to be erased or fade away!"

By: Sarah Angeline Alexis  
Kyuquot



### "Inspirational Writers"

Tomson Highway

By Norma-Ann Webster

When I first met Tomson Highway I was definitely amazed with him He was a kind and had a good sense of humour

When he played the piano he was wonderful

The music and notes had captured my heart

That deep within-it made tears flow Down my cheeks

It was not of sadness but of joy!

The music was so in-depth that the connection

Of the notes was a melody of such beauty.

It was like a beautiful silent song that was

Strong and So Soft and Sweet

The beauty of his music released many true

Emotions- that lie within— Is this real— yes it very real what a beautiful song

I can't emphasize how it was—

It was truly a magical experience

His fast words were amazing  
A foreign language of strength and empowerment



He is wonderful and indeed

A great writer who has captured my heart

Tomson your work is a great!

A Reminder

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<b>čuk'aa naa?uuqsta?ičin huuhtakšiih ?uu?uuk"asatha</b>	
Come and join us in learning to speak our own language	
1. miitmaaqyu?is	miit- Rain
2. miimkatahiš	It looks like rain
3. mičši?witas	It's trying to rain, looks like rain
4. mičši?	It's going to start to rain.
5. mička?is	It started to rain
6. mičhaamit	It's raining
7. miit/miit?ya/tu/ci?/?is	It was raining
miit?miit-	It has started to sprinkle
-?a/?a/tu	repetition of miit- indicating 'a little'
ci?	coming down, falling down
start to	start to
8. miimkatah?ak?iška	It's going to start raining again.
miimkatah —	going to rain
-tah —	suffix meaning going to, about to, trying to
-?ak —	present tense, is
?iška —	again
9. ci?atusa?iš	It sure is coming down.
ci?atatu	downpour
ci?i?	to pour
?ak/?is	present tense, is
10. ci?ci?si?ak?aaš mička	It's sure been raining for many days
qiicif	long
-si	form of suffix -si meaning 'started to'
-ak	present tense
-?aaš	sure
mičlaa	raining
11. naadaas?aci?atahmqyu?is	It's going to stop raining
naas	the day, daylight
naas?aci?	stopped raining
?aci?atah	going to stop
maqyu?is	it seems, looks like
12. naas?aci?ak?is	It has stopped raining

## Unfamiliar letters in the phrases:

c - has a ts sound as in cats  
 č - glottalized c has a ts sound plus an uh sound  
 č - wedged c has a ch sound  
 č - glottalized wedged c has a ch plus an uh sound  
 h - back h has a sound of one breathing on glass to clean it  
 k - glottalized k has a k sound plus an uh  
 k - glottalized rounded k" sound of k plus w and an uh  
 t - barred L- place your tongue behind front teeth and let air flow out through side of tongue  
 m - glottalized m has the sound of m plus an uh  
 n - glottalized n has the sound of an n plus an uh  
 p - glottalized p has the sound of p plus an uh  
 q - has the sound of k made deep in the throat  
 s - wedged s has a sh sound.  
 t - glottalized t has the sound of t plus an uh  
 w - glottalized w has a w sound as in wow plus an uh  
 x - has a sound of a cat's hiss  
 x - back x has a sound of clearing the throat of an object  
 ý - has a sound of y as in yellow plus an uh  
 ꝑ - barred lambda has the sound of da  
 ꝑ - glottalized barred lambda has the sound of tla plus an uh  
 ꝑ - the glottal stop has the sound of the stop in uh-uh  
 ꝑ - pharyngeal has the sound of i made deep in the throat as in the word 'inič meaning dog

**čuuč huuhtakšiih?ič ?uu?uuk"asatha****O.K., Start learning your own language.**

Submitted by the Central language group in C'uumu'aas.

We meet every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

Phone Carrie Little at 724-6580 for more information.

**Indian Residential School Survivors Society**  
**National Survivors Support Line**  
**1-866-925-4419**

(Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

Are you a survivor of residential schools? Are you an intergenerational survivor? Do you need to talk?

The Survivors Support Line is available to all Aboriginal people affected by their residential school experience or the experience of others. We are survivors of residential schools too. We understand the issues and we have information that might help. Just saying hello is a good place to start.

Give it a try. You can take your time. We care and we promise to listen.

General Information Line: 1-800-721-0066 Website: www.irsssc.ca

**poets nook****Betsy**

Written By Norma-Ann Webster

Her chrome is all idle Brock  
 Like they say the bigger- the better  
 She is fast  
 Her motor rocks!  
 Yeah!  
 She looks like a showcase Bronco  
 Why?  
 You know like those trucks in high performance  
 Shows  
 When she is on the road  
 There is always a competition  
 Why?  
 Motors rev up!  
 Challenge is on daily  
 Her rims could fit a big foot truck  
 Her tires come from  
 A Hummer  
 Want to go for a ride?  
 Buckle your harness  
 You better hold on  
 Why?  
 Betsy will show you all -she has.  
 A Ford Bronco  
 She is My Iron horse "Like I said she Rocks!"

Who? Hoo!  
 Is that really you? or is it just really me?  
 Do I know? Or is it cause I really just won't see?  
 Might it have been me? Why is it that I can't see the fear?  
 Should I learn to make that distinction to make it clear?  
 Yet if I was wrong or bad, I'll just say it was not me.  
 Nature when 'tis human, if you're right, hey I can't see.  
 How is that our natures need us to be as wrong,  
 As wrong as right can be, do we become too strong?  
 I wonder if it is we or us just rubs the wrong way  
 Could it be that one time it maybe wrong just to say.  
 It surely must take honesty to just say it is me,  
 I'm as wrong as you are right but hey I can't see.  
 Again I ask who? is it really you or is it me?  
 Nature plays tricks so sometimes we can't see.

Ironically those of us who understand doubles  
 Or metaphors who or Hoo take heed of your troubles.  
 Who crosses language barriers as does Hoo,  
 Who is us, we , you & me, cross my heart 'tis so true.  
 by I.J.F.N.

**Click or Call Around the Clock with quitnow**

The BC Lung Association is launching a mass media campaign to let B.C. smokers know about services that are available to help them quit smoking. They can call our toll-free service at 1 877 455 2233," added Jim Murphy with the quitnow by phone program. "We are very pleased to offer counseling services by registered nurses around the clock and we even have translation services available in over 130 different languages."

"Research indicates that if someone is ready to quit, their chances of quitting increase substantially if they have support," added Jack Boomer, project manager of the mass media campaign and of quitnow.ca.

The campaign begins November 14 and runs through to late December and features radio, transit shelter and newsprint ads. The BC Lung Association is leading the campaign with funding provided by Health Canada and supported by ActNow, an initiative of the Province of British Columbia.

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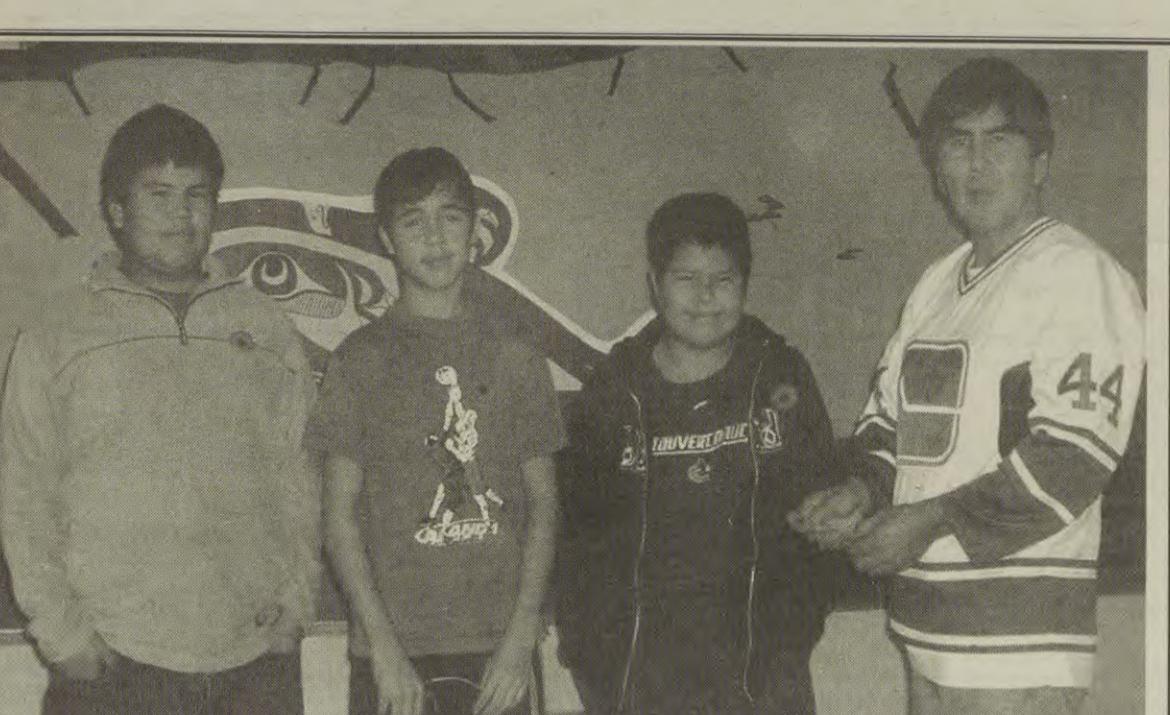
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The family of the late Jack Watts an army veteran, held a special dinner to commemorate the placement of a new headstone for their father's grave on Remembrance Day. Jordan Dick, Brendan Sam and Steven Dick shared their first deer catch with the entire family.

**I'M SOBER, NOW WHAT?**By J'net August  
NTC Huupiistulth (Helping Each Other)

As the 18th Annual National Addictions Awareness week (Nov. 21-25) fast approaches I have been offering people a chance to think of those who might like to be surprised with a Certificate of Sobriety. The certificates are to acknowledge and celebrate individual efforts to live clean and sober. No amount of clean time is too short, days, weeks, or months. Leave a message for J'net August @ 724-5757 or email: [jagust@nuuchahnulth.org](mailto:jagust@nuuchahnulth.org) if you'd like certificates made.

Curious conversations occur when I tell people about their chance to have a certificate made up for someone they know, or even themselves. One young mom declares she has 2 weeks with no drinking and finds she cannot visit with her friends and family "Because they want to drink all the time". Another granny in the same conversation agreed, with her 1 year sobriety date coming in January, she has spent a lot of the last year keeping to herself for the same reason.

What do people do after they quit drinking? What did you do before you drank? What are some of the enjoyments you had in your younger days? What are some of the goals or dreams you have for yourself you can now revisit with sobriety as your lifestyle choice?

During another community visit, one member explained how drinking had become a problem for him after his wife sadly died. He knew his drinking was to avoid his grief and to cope with his loss. "Sometimes it takes more than one try to stop drinking, I went to Choices, and treatment centres a couple times and learned to be comfortable with not drinking." This member explained many things happened to help him stay

sober for 10 years. "Dealing with my grief was a big part of my healing, and making amends with people I had hurt, with a hug and an apology takes a lot of tension off for everyone to begin to feel better."

Sobriety is a chance for people to learn how to respect themselves and one another. Here are some other possible ideas for people to support their sobriety:

- Plan fun family activities, movie night, board-games, swimming, or even PS2 challenge
- Invite someone or a few people you know over for tea and chumis and support each other informally
- Sign up for parks and recreation programs you have always wanted to take, or sign up you kids for fun activities
- Find out about local AA or NA meetings (or in neighbouring town) to add other's experiences to learning more about yourself
- Visit elder's in their homes for tea or go to Rainbow Gardens and visit
- Volunteer for local food-bank, band planned events or other charity groups
- People may need to give up old friends and find new ones
- Be strong and stay away from any place where they may be alcohol to avoid any temptation of other's offering you a drink
- Contact community support staff like NTC Huupiistulth (Helping Each Other) Worker in each region to find out about upcoming events, counselling or treatment options available

Consider attending community dance practices or language classes to strengthen your cultural identity Be creative and invite more fun in your life, memories worth remembering! You are not alone, ever; there are people all around who are working to make

**Local Radio Station seeks local broadcasting talent**By Denise August,  
Ha-Shilth-Sa Reporter

- Outgoing personality, people would describe you as outgoing, friendly, open to new ideas and thoughts, a champion of the community, and easy to get along with.

- Reliable; you have a solid employment history and are reliable, trustworthy, and able to work well with a small group of dedicated broadcasters. You are open to multiple roles within the radio station.

McBride is hoping he will end up with a list of people who are interested in working at the station so that he may have a pool of potential talent to draw from when hiring takes place.

Applicants for broadcasting will take part in a one-day 'D Boot Camp', a basic broadcast training program where they learn basics of public broadcasting. While CHMZ-FM has a strong First Nations interest, they also serve the larger communities of Tofino and Ucluelet.

Interested people are asked to contact the station by phone or email Telephone: 604-220-8393 (7am - 7pm daily)

Fax: 604-677-6316  
 Postal Address: 1119 Pacific Rim Highway, Room 103, Tofino, B.C., V0R-2Z0  
 Email: General Information: [info@chmzfm.com](mailto:info@chmzfm.com)  
 Sales: [sales@chmzfm.com](mailto:sales@chmzfm.com)  
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**Career / Opportunities - q'i-cah-ta-mis****Employment Opportunity  
Kakawis Family Development Centre  
Addictions Counsellor**

Preference will be given to candidates with the following qualifications:

- Alcohol & Drug Certification/Training a Prerequisite
  - Facilitation skills
  - Effective counselling skills and techniques
  - A combination of education and experience may be the determining factor
- Apply no later than 12:00 pm December 2, 2005.
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## KLECO-KLECO

We would like to extend a very special Thank You to the **Hanson Family** in Kyuquot. A special Thank You to Tess Smith for making all the arrangements. Thank you for providing us with a great lunch. Thank you to Victor Hanson and Peter Hanson for transporting family members.

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## BUSINESS NEWS

# ~ Identity Theft ~

Identity theft is when someone steals your personal information to take over your credit accounts, open new ones, take out a loan, access your bank accounts, or commit many other crimes using *your identity*. Because it does not involve physical theft, you may not even realize you are a victim until substantial damage has occurred.

**How do they do it?**

- Thieves obtain your personal information from scouring through your garbage, or dipping into your mail box. They are looking for bank and credit card statements, pre-approved credit offers, and tax information.
- By stealing your wallet or purse, where you contain vital information such as your Social Insurance Number, Drivers License, and your address.
- By completing a change of address form to redirect your mail.
- By obtaining your credit report by posing as someone who has a lawful right to the information such as an employer, loaner, or landlord.
- By acquiring personal information you share on unsecured sites on the internet.
- By buying the information from an inside source (i.e. A store employee that gets your information from a credit application).
- By accessing your personal information at work.

**How do they use your information?**

- They open new credit card accounts in your name. When they use the cards and don't repay the delinquency is reported on your credit report.
- They may establish telephone or cellular service in your name.
- They may open a bank account in your name and write fraudulent cheques on the account.
- They may counterfeit cheques or debt cards to drain your bank account.
- They may acquire an auto loan in your name.
- They may contact your credit card issuer and pretending to be you, change your address on your account. The bill then does not reach you and goes unpaid, and you don't realize there is a problem until you see your credit report.

- They may file for bankruptcy using your name to avoid repaying debts they've incurred under your name.

**What can you do to protect yourself?**

- Regularly monitor your credit report for accuracy and contact the bureau if you notice any errors.
- You can apply to the Equifax Credit Watch program that will alert you of any unusual or suspicious activity.
- Report, cancel, and replace all of your identification and credit cards, including club point's cards, should your wallet and/or purse go missing.
- Pay attention to billing cycles. If you have not received a utility or credit bill, contact them immediately

- to ask why and to ensure your address has not been changed.
- Be careful about giving out your personal information, especially on the telephone or internet, but also by mail.
- Protect your mail. Install a mail slot in your door rather than use a mail box. Shred mail that contains account and other personal information, and shred old and/or used cheques.
- Find out who has access to your personal information work; verify that it is in a secure location.
- Memorize your passwords and pins, don't jot them down or use numbers such as your birth date or maiden name.

**~ Did You Know ~**

Identity Theft complaints have been broken down by the Federal Trade Commission as follows:

- 50% report that a credit card has been issued in their name.
- 25% report that a telephone, cellular account, or other service, was opened in their name.
- 16% report that a bank account has been opened in their name, and/or their current bank accounts have been drained.
- 9% report that a loan has been obtained in their name.
- 8% report that a thief obtained a drivers license, or other fraudulent documentation, in their name.
- Most people find out that they have been a victim of identity theft when they are turned down for credit!



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*Why waste money on marketing efforts that don't suit your business? Making Marketing Matter is a one-day workshop for people interested in making the most of their promotion!*

### Why should I attend?

- Learn various tools available to help you market your business.
- Learn how to use marketing tools more effectively.
- Network with other business owners and market specialists.
- Find resources to help you develop and implement your marketing strategy.

\*\*PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED\*\*

YES! Register me for Making Marketing Matter workshop on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

No, not right now, but please add me to your contact list and notify me of future events.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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