



Back to basics budget for government

The Yuulu?it?ath government's 2014-15 budget could be described as a back to basics budget. It was presented to citizens at the May 5th Hitacu Assembly where Chief Financial Officer Tamara Nelson explained that department budgets have been trimmed to resemble a pre-treaty budget. Since Treaty the size of the government has grown to meet the demands and legal obligations of being an independent government. At the same time, more programming was added but no new ongoing funding was obtained.

"This year we're realigning our expenses to a reality-based budget," CFO Nelson commented. She added that the time to increase programming will be in several years from now when transaction taxes will begin flowing to the government. Until that time, the government must be conservative in its spending, she said.

In her presentation to the Hitacu Assembly, CFO Nelson said the format of the budget was changed this year to meet public sector accounting.

Revenue

Revenue for the coming year will total \$8,096,576. with more than seven million of that coming from grants, taxes and rent. Grants include the Fiscal Financing Agreement which will provide \$3,556,681. A minimum of \$210,000 will be added from Resource Revenue Sharing funds which are calculated from previous years' stumpage/harvest in specified areas according to the Maa-nulth side agreement. The Capital Transfer in the amount of \$3,063,118 will be invested to the Settlement Trust.

The 2015 implementation funding of \$439,997 will be invested and only interest/

returns drawn on for core expenses.

Expenses

Expenses will total \$4,844,330 are shown in three main areas in the budget. Fiscal includes the non-departmental costs such as interest on loans, Core Services by department are the costs to operate the government and its programs and Projects include one-time or non-core programs which are funded through targeted grants from various funders. Fiscal expenses total \$354,148. while core services will cost \$4,308,625. and capital projects will cost \$6,728,949.

Capital Projects

Capital projects include \$3,200,971 that has been set aside for the completion of the new

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Photo by Lisa McKnight-Yeates

Yuulu?it?ath Taayii Hawnih Wilson Jack presided over the swearing-in ceremony for the newest member of the Legislature, Spencer Touchie. He started his role as your newest member of Legislature on May 5th after winning the March 1st election.

Reconstruction of Thornton Motel begins in June

The Thornton Motel will be re-built starting in June. Trevor Jones, CEO of the YFN Management Services said Humphrey's Construction will be starting the renovation which is expected to cost \$900,000 and take about nine months to complete.

"Basically from the outside of the building it will look very similar other than an additional staircase," he reported. He said other than a modernized design, and hopefully an increased window size, the motel will look very similar to how it used to look. At one point it was hoped the motel could be modernized to include some restaurant and retail in the lower section. The extras have now been deleted from the plan and the re-build will basically be a replacement of the 12 rooms that were destroyed.

"We were hoping to have a modern building with a west coast theme with the concept of creating functionality to tie in with the building. The cost was significant though and the board decided to go with a more simple plan.

The business interruption insurance has covered all expenses of operating the business for the last year since the fire, and will continue to cover expenses until next June, when the rooms will be ready to go.

At the same time as the new motel is being built, a new manager, Jeneva Touchie, will be settling in. Sharlene and Francis McCarthy have managed the motel for the last six years and will be retiring in September.



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Core expenses for operating pegged at \$4,308,625.

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Hitacu community centre and \$1,979,148. for Phase II of the water and sewer project. The construction of seven social housing units, the highway access and hydro at Lost Shoe Creek and hydro infrastructure at the Wya Resort were also included in the projects list.

Smaller projects such as Language and Culture camp and elders and youth programming total \$181,557, to be funded by other grants and or fund raising.

Core Services (Operating)

“The 2015 budget is balanced by drawing on reserves (prior years’ surplus) of \$513,638. core expenses exceed the core funding by \$442,636, making up most of this deficit, “ wrote CFO Nelson in her budget report. “This is unsustainable for government operations. New programming has been offered since April 2011, but cannot continue unless other

ongoing funding sources are found,” she wrote.

The core expenses are projected at \$4,308,625. with \$2,018,002. slated for the Department of Community Services which delivers a variety of services for citizens including: education, social development, health, youth, child and family services. Administration services will cost \$1,219,038 and includes expenses such as wages for the administration, finance, communications and citizenship. The cost of operating the Legislature and expenses related to the Maa-nulth Society are also included in this budget.

The Asset Management budget is \$825,505 and includes the cost of public works, maintenance on all government buildings, social housing and costs related to the fire department. The Lands budget of \$129,627 will be spent on establishing leases, enforcement of lands.

Finance

The finance budget is set at \$116,456 to cover non-departmental costs including service agreements with NEDC and YFN Fisheries.

Transfers to/from Reserves
(Investments, Trusts, Surplus)

A total of \$6,797,980. was transferred to reserves including \$750,000 (plus interest) that replaced former Ottawa funds which was borrowed to start the new community centre in the pre-design and start of construction phase, \$3,063,118 to the Settlement Trust, \$439,997 to the Implementation investment, \$2,184,865 to replace reserves used for the community centre (from general accounts), \$25,000 Tangible Capital Assets reserve as required by the Financial Administration Act and \$335,000 invested in YFN Holdings Limited Partnership for investment on behalf of the government in the economic development partnerships.

A total of \$3,794,186. was

transferred from reserves including \$1,979,148 of unexpended AANDC 2014 funds for the water/sewer/reservoir capital project, \$100,000 from previous surplus intended for unforeseen infrastructure cost for the new community centre, namely Wya Road upgrades, \$510,175 from the Settlement Trust for repayment of the Maa-nulth Treaty negotiation loan which is prepaid by the government each year, \$356,025 which was the implementation investment return in 2014, \$335,000 from general reserves and \$513,368 from previous years’ surplus to balance the budget.

Debt

The government has been approved for loans of up to \$6,925,000. for the capital assets projects. Once the community centre construction is complete the government might consider using Settlement Trust funds to reduce the debt repayment burden on funds.

Spencer Touchie sworn in as new Legislature member

Spencer Touchie was sworn in as the newest member of the Yuulu?il?ath Legislature on May 5, 2013; Taayii Hawiih Wilson Jack presided over the oath of office ceremony. Other members of the Legislature welcomed Spencer and pointed out that it was good to see the younger generation represented at the Legislature table. Spencer replied that he was prepared for the steep learning curve and said

it would be good to get to know the other members of legislature a bit better and that he hoped he could learn from their experience. All members of the legislature were present for the meeting with Tad Williams participating by conference call.

A request for \$500,000 in funding for economic development partnerships was scaled back by the Legislature after discussion

about recommendations from the government’s finance committee. That committee recognized that the government’s businesses need financial support but cautioned that more businesses should not be developed until the current ones start seeing a return on investment. The Legislature included an investment of \$335,000 to economic development through YFN Holdings Limited Partnership.

The Legislature also supported a recommendation that funds be sought from the Settlement Trust for the community centre construction; this meets the criteria for the Settlement Trust disbursement for a community benefit. The amount will be determined once construction costs and debt servicing capacity of the government.

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Cement foundations have been poured as the construction of seven new small homes in Hitacu has begun. It is expected the homes will be finished by the end of the year.

Community Newsmakers

Hitacu community centre on track to open in September

The Hitacu community centre is almost two thirds complete; and is on track for completion by the end of September. Sean Clayton, Vice President of Humphrey's Construction said the heavy timber work on the building looks incredible. "There were challenges sourcing the wood and delays but at the end of the day it was definitely worth the headache," he laughed. "The quality of the workmanship and the quality of the wood are spectacular," he added.

Other than the complications with getting the timbers, which put the project over budget by \$100,000 (OUR PORTION), all other work has gone quite smoothly Sean said.

"We've been blessed that the weather cooperated when we needed it to," he commented. He said the elevation of the building was raised by half a meter than originally planned. Because a different type of storm system was used around the perimeter of the building the builders wanted to ensure that water running off the building would not be ponding around the site.

He said the administration entrance and the main feature entrance are the main aesthetic features of the building. According to Sean there have been a num-

ber of citizens who stop by the work site occasionally to watch the process. "Some have been extremely excited and very complimentary of the work going on here. I think people are starting to get a sense of what they are going to have here. It's very rewarding," he added.

All the services have been roughed in and within the next couple of weeks the insulation and vapour barrier will be installed and drywall should be going up before the end of June. In the next couple of weeks the maple veneer to be used on the gym walls will also start to be placed.

"In the next four or five weeks we will be pouring sidewalks on the east side and the north," Sean said. A cement pad for the generator will be poured in the next few weeks as well; the generator is ap-

proximately 15' x 8' and will stand about 14' tall. It is capable of keeping the building running in case of an emergency. The building has also been equipped with gas stoves which could also be used in the case of a power outage.



The new Hitacu Community Centre. Sidewalks will be poured in the next couple of weeks.



Community members pitched in to cut fish on Friday afternoon, including: Brian Mundy, Levi Touchie, Debbie Mundy, Alan McCarthy, Chuck McCarthy, Stella George and Darlene Clayton. The fish--1200 pounds, was donated by the crew of the Pacific Contender crew: Brian Mundy, Levi Touchie and Daryl Martin and will be used for community dinners.



Yuulu?il?ath President Charles McCarthy takes a look at the construction inside the new Hitacu Community Centre.

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Ashley McCarthy new government receptionist

Ashley McCarthy is happy to be home after accepting a position as the receptionist with the Yuulu?il?ath government. She left Hitacu four years ago, when the community was referred to as Ucluelet East; getting used to the many changes that came with self-government are going to take her some time to digest.

"It's really exciting to see the expansion here, to see the new community centre, and the start of new houses," she commented. "It's good to get my foot in the door and working here; I'm excited to be here and seeing all the people in the community," she added.

Ashley moved away to attend college; she graduated from the Indigenous Business Leadership diploma program at Camosen College in 2012. She worked with the BC Government's Ministry of Finance

for nine months as part of the Aboriginal Youth Internship Program and then spent a few months working for the Child and Family Services program Surrounded by Cedar, where she worked organizing youth leadership camps. During one of the leadership camps she met three Yuulu?il?ath youth and that sparked an interest to come home. When the opportunity came up for full-time employment with the nation, she jumped at it.

Before she moved away she worked for the economic development arm of the government, at that time, the Ucluth Development Corp. was just starting out, seeking community input and planning future businesses for the nation.

Ashley had just been on the job a couple of days when she was interviewed for the Umacuk, so she said she is just beginning to under-

stand the changes that have come about because of self-government. She is impressed with the businesses that are now in operation and said it's particularly good to see community members employed with the businesses.

For now she is living with relatives in Macoah, but Ashley will be looking to find housing in Hitacu. Her son Isaiah, 13, lives in Esowista with his father and her daughter Calianna, 7, will be moving in with Ashley but is currently living with a friend, in Victoria, finishing up Grade 1. Ashley was

offered the job only a few days before she started it so she hasn't had time to pack up her apartment in Victoria yet. She said her daughter is excited about moving back to the community where her cousins live.

Ashley replaces Jeneva Touchie who has been the government receptionist for four years. Jeneva has been hired as Manager of the Thornton Motel and has been in training for that position for a few months now. The government staff had a farewell BBQ for her last Friday afternoon on the patio at the Government House.



Jeneva Touchie left retired her position as government receptionist and has been hired as the manager of the Thornton Motel. Taking her place as receptionist is Ashley McCarthy.

Thank You

The Jack family would like to thank community members for their support during their recent bereavement with the passing of Ayathkayah, Hakum Bella Jack, who passed away on April 4, 2014.

Taayii Hawiih Wilson Jack (Jacqueline), Brenda (Danny), Clayton (Dorthia), Jesse (Martin), Janice, Bruce and Eugene and numerous Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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Irvin Williams new head chef at Kwisitis

For Irvin Williams life is tasting pretty sweet; as the new head chef at the Kwisitis Feast House Restaurant he's doing what he feels he was meant to do and now gets to do it for his nation. "I am from Ucluelet, My Dad was the late Jackson Williams and mother is Dorothy Williams," he says proudly.

"My career started from a high school project," he said, explaining that he worked at the bowling alley in Ucluelet as a co-op student and then returned there to get a weekend job washing dishes. The owner of the bowling alley, Guy Taron suggested that instead of washing dishes, Irvin should learn to cook. "Two weeks later I started cooking and I've been doing that for 34 years."

He quit school in Grade 10 to work full time at the bowling alley. "My Mom was upset at me for quitting school but she saw that my heart was in cooking," he said and said of his restaurant career, "it's the only life I know." He stayed at the bowling alley for a few years and then went to Vancouver to pursue his cooking career seriously. His mother encouraged him to get formal training and was proud when he graduated from cooking school.

He attended the French cooking school, Debrulle, in 1993, and then went on to cook in upscale hotels and restaurants such as Emerald Lake Lodge, Fairmont Hot Springs Resort, Radium Hot Springs Resort and Poet's Cove on Pender Island. "I worked in some big fancy restaurants," Irvin said, but he missed Vancouver Island and eventually he made his way back here.

Irvin credits both of his parents for his strong work ethic. He recalls leaving home for the first time, his Dad driving him to Nanaimo bus depot to see him off. "He hugged me really hard and I've thought about that years later; I know he didn't want to see me go but of course he had to," Irvin said.

For the last two years Irvin has been employed at the Tin Wis and this year decided to take the leap to the Kwisitis Feast House Restaurant when he heard they needed a chef. "It's a great restaurant," he commented. He said the menu has changed a bit since his arrival, and he will be adjusting it even more to focus on local foods. "I would like the focus to be local seafood," he said, adding that he's hoping some herbs can be grown at the community garden to be used at the restaurant. He worked in the restaurant space before, when the Canadian Princess had leased the building, but says it's much more rewarding to be working for his nation, especially given the improvements that have been made to the building since the nation took over the lease.

In the kitchen he is passing his knowledge along to other citizens who are working there. "I like to teach them what I know," he said, explaining that he been showing others "step by step how to prepare my dishes," and how to prepare foods consistently. He said those working in the kitchen doing dish washing are also learning to build salads. "I show them, this is how I want it done every time. I'm not an ogre," he laughs, but points out that it's important to have consistently good food. He said while he doesn't have a particular dish he serves as his specialty he likes to think that each meal is good and consistently good. "I like to do everything," he commented noting that he has tweaked certain recipes for smoked ribs and cedar plank salmon. "And I also make a little creme brulee with espresso," that's very popular, he said.

Kwisitis Feast House Restaurant is now open five days a week (closed Monday and Tuesday). During the week days the restaurant is open from 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and on weekends from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Yuulu?il?ath citizen Irvin Williams is the new head Chef at the Feast House.



Kwisitis Feast House

Appetizers

Fish Hash

~ Fresh Salmon, Rice, White onions, Red Onions and Green Onions ~ \$11 half \$14 full

Smoked Salmon Tasters

~ Smoked Sockeye salmon on a cream cheese topped fry bread canape ~ \$14

Traditional Fry Bread with Hummus and Tzatziki ~ \$7

Chicken Wings

~ 1 Pound of fresh wings Hot, BBQ, Honey Mustard, Sweet & Sour, Honey Garlic or Salt & Pepper ~ \$12

Prawn Skewers

~ 2 quarter pound skewers with garlic butter ~ \$14

Halibut Nuggets

- 6 pieces of fresh frozen local caught pacific halibut panko breaded and deep fried to perfection served with sweet and sour sauce ~ \$15

Calamari

- A basket of deep fried squid pieces served with house made tzatziki ~ \$11

Basket of Hand cut Fries ~ \$7

Community Garden starts to take shape

Growing food for the community is the goal of a volunteer initiative that began last month at the Wya Welcome Centre.

Recently the YFN Management Services (economic development) announced that they would be leasing garden space to anyone who wanted to lease a space but that all changed when the idea of a community garden came about. The thought was that a community garden could benefit many community citizens and help support Culture Night Dinners. Once that idea was sparked a generous donation was made by a Yuulu?il?ath citizen to lease the entire garden space and donate it back to the community.

“We were surprised and so excited about this donation; it will really help out a lot,” commented Debbie Mundy, Social Development Coordinator for the Yuulu?il?ath Government.

“Rising food costs and less money in our annual budget means things could be tight for community dinners; having a community garden that would benefit the Culture Night seemed like an idea people could get behind,” said Debbie who organizes the Culture Night and Soup Kitchens for the community.

Everyone can help out with communal gardening; it's a way to contribute your time and talents towards a vision that will bring real benefits to the community and put better tasting and healthier foods on our tables. All of the work at the community garden is being donated and so far it has attracted community members, government staff members and legislature members to get their hands dirty for a good cause. Others have dug into their pockets to provide seed money for the garden; one request for donations jus prior to the last legislature meeting netted more than \$400. with Larry Baird, Michelle Corfield, Alan McCarthy and Charles McCarthy each donating \$100. which was used to purchase seed potatoes and carrots. People have donated seeds and plants and covered the cost of renting a Rototiller.

The first weekend work party attracted six volunteers who started the job of weeding the garden, which has not been operated in two years. Volunteers also cleaned out the greenhouses and disposed of garbage cleared from the garden and greenhouses. Initially the garden at Wya was started with a three year grant of \$30,000 a year from Vancouver Island Health Authority, with the idea of growing food for the community. Instead the garden produce was sold and citizens as a whole, didn't benefit very much from the garden. “We're dreaming about the potential this garden could have to help out in our community,” Deb commented. “Maybe we can grow enough for every culture night and to deliver some fresh produce in the community,” she said.

Setting up and maintaining the garden is a huge task and many hands will be needed to make this project a go. Initially the gardeners will grow vegetables that are easy to grow and to store; potatoes and carrots have now been planted. The greenhouses were also made available and volunteers will be growing cucumbers and tomatoes in the greenhouses.

Community members are being encouraged to share their knowledge of gardening and their time to help out with this community project. Gardening not only offers physical activity but it also has a positive impact on stress relief. Because food is a central aspect of community life, growing food together will help to create a healthier and more resilient community.

“We're hoping the garden can be a gathering place for people, where citizens can come and socialize and enjoy doing some community work,” Debbie said.

If you would like to help out at the garden please come to Wya garden on Wednesdays from 5-6 or on Saturday mornings. If you need a ride to the garden please call the Health Centre and leave your name and we will attempt to arrange rides. (250) 726-7343.



Volunteers at the community garden left to right: Debbie Mundy, Gera Marylin Touchie and Watson Touichie.

Donations to the Garden

Volunteer Workers

Ron Williams Jr., Brandon Cootes, Geraldine Touchie, Aysa Touchie, Watson Touchie, Rose Wilson, Debbie Mundy, Pricilla Larsen, Henry George, Trevor Jones, James Walton, Dean Walton, Floyd Williams, Randi-Lee Williams, Maria Williams, Cindy Kunz, Tamara Nelson, Darlene Clayton, Joanne Touchie, Kyle Kervin, Darryl Williams and Lisa McKnight-Yeates

Donations of Cash, Seeds and Equipment

Larry Baird, Alan McCarthy, Chuck McCarthy, Michele Corfield, Marylin Touchie, Andrew Yeates, James Walton and Lisa McKnight-Yeates.

All donations are welcome

If you can help out with funds or with your time or knowledge, your help would be appreciated. For updates on garden work parties please check out our Facebook Page. For more information please call **Debbie Mundy at (250) 726-7343, ext. 223.**

Yuulu?il?ath News



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Pricilla Larsen works in the garden. and below, Bernice Touchie.



Maria Williams and her Dad Ron plan potatoes at the garden on Saturday.



Elder Ronnie George enjoys the sunshine at the new community garden at Wya while Brian Wilson strips cedar and partner Jackie helped in the garden.



Brandon Cootes roto-tilling.

Asya Touchie working with youth for summer

Asya Touchie will be spend-



ing the summer in Hitacu. She is a Yuulu?il?ath citizen who until a few weeks ago had never been to Hitacu. Asya has just completed her third year of a Child and Youth Care degree at the University of Victoria; she transferred to UVic last year after completing the first two years of her education at Camosen College. She will be going into her fourth and final year at UVic in the fall.

Asya is the daughter of Leah

Golling and Matthew Touchie. Her late Grandmother was Edith Brown (nee Touchie). She is one of five children, with an older sister Larissa, a younger sister Wanda and two younger brothers, twins, Matthew Jr. and Brian.

She grew up in Nanaimo and moved to Victoria four years ago. In her studies Asya is learning about lifespan development, change theories and development theories

and working with groups. Until recently she was working at an after school care with children age five to ten, programming activities and special events. She has had various practicum experience with young children and teens, assisting with academic studies and activities. She started off in the Indigenous Family Support Worker Program and in Community, Family and Child studies and then to the Child and Youth Care worker program.

She recently finished a practicum at the Lauwelnew Tribal School in Wsanec (West Sannich). She found this practicum particularly rewarding as the Tribal School is much different than traditional schools, with the integration of traditional language and cultural studies specific to the Wsanec. "There was outdoor education in the spring semester and we'd go out to the land doing traditional plant walks," she said. She noted that Elders were often part of the curriculum, teaching weaving and other traditional arts. She was at the school from December until April, twice a week.

Recently she sent a resume to the Yuulu?il?ath government, after a friend told her that she had applied to the aboriginal government in Alert Bay for summer work. Asya decided to send off a resume and was pleasantly surprised to get a call offering her a job. Asya will be here for four months as a replacement for the Child and Youth worker, Sarah Hagar who has taken a leave to take a contract job with the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council.

Asya is looking forward to connecting with her Yuulu?il?ath relatives. "I'm on the Touchie Facebook group and the FredHeads (Fred family page) too," she said. She's looking forward to working with the youth and building relationships in the community. "I'm looking forward to learning about the culture and hopefully learning some language while I'm here," she added.

Asya will be planning some community fundraisers as a way to supplement summer programming for local youth.

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CARE Network will educate about responsible ownership

The Yuulu?il?ath Government has requested that the Alberni Clayoquot BC SPCA and their local team, the CARE Network, to make regular visits to the community to provide support and education regarding animal care.

Please feel free to introduce yourself if you haven't had the chance to meet them. They will also be assisting the YFN government in dealing with animal issues when they arise.

If you have questions about spay and/or neuter, animal care, keeping your dog or cat healthy and happy or if you have concerns regarding an animal, please give them a call.

Members of the CARE Network will be submitting articles to the Umacuk in order to help citizens understand the responsibilities of owning a pet. For more information please contact the SPCA. (250) 723-5269 Port Alberni BC SPCA or (250) 266-9663 local



Tory Schlingmann, Kim Niezgoda, Lee-Ann Unger and Irene Towell are members of the CARE network.



Celena Cook practices First Aid on Dennis Touchie during a recent First Aid course in Hitacu.

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servers, kitchen help, hostesses, bartenders and line cooks \$11. starting wage plus tips

Wya Point Resort

housekeeping, operations and maintenance, front desk \$11. starting wage.

Work to commence in May...work through until September



Wya Point Resort-Lodges

These positions are for the upcoming season. Flexibility is a must. The successful candidates must be available during the business hours of operation which includes weekend work.

Please submit your resume to udcea@ukeecable.net or by fax to 250-726-3494 or by handing it in person to Crystal at the UDC office located in Hitacu. You can also drop your resume off at the Wya Welcome Centre. Please indicate any training you have completed including certification or diplomas including whether you have a valid driver's license. Include at least 2 work related references with current contact information.

Housekeeping-Room Attendants

Full time and Part time positions

Rate of Pay- depends on experience. \$11. per hour starting wage.

Clean guest lodges daily (stays and check-outs) to the standards of Wya Point Resort

Duties are vacuuming, dusting, making beds, cleaning floors, clean bathrooms, kitchen, windows etc.

Ensuring all duties, are completed in an efficient and effective manner.

Previous experience in a housekeeping department is an asset.

Looking for people that are hardworking, have strong communication and organization skills.

Must be able to work unsupervised.

Must be able to work week days and weekends

Correction

Savannah George is fundraising to be part of a Canada World Youth volunteer that will take her to central Canada and Africa to do good work. In a story about Savannah in the April Umacuk it was stated that her grandpa Ronnie George, To'mult is a Hawiih from Qwatswiaht," who married to a Yuulu?il?ath woman. Savannah's late Grandmother Hazel was from Ditidaht.

We apologize for the error.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Applications are being accepted to fill vacant seats on the following committees:

- Finance Committee (one seat)
- Community Services Department Committee (one seat)
- Environmental Protection Committee (only one seat has been filled)

For more information on the committee mandate and duties please contact Suzanne Williams at suzanne.williams@ufn.ca or by telephone at

250-726-7342

Coastal communities work together to explore opportunities

Communities of the Pacific Rim will be participating in a project that is aimed at diversification and skill-building.

With funding from the Province of BC, and a matching \$29,950 grant from the Island Coastal Economic Trust, the regional network is supposed to have a central hub with

each community assessing their own assets and goals in conjunction with the Pacific Rim.

The project is being run by the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust in conjunction with West Coast Aquatics with participation from coastal First Nation Communities, Ucluelet and Tofino.

It will explore whether communities--based on assets and demographics, can provide niche education and research opportunities. Fostering entrepreneurship through mentoring is also one of the anticipated outcomes of the project. The group recently met in Hitacu.



West Coast community representatives recently met in Hitacu to discuss a project that will explore the possibility of niche education and research opportunities.

Hitacu Surf Club

Twice a month. Youth will be picked up from school and dropped off at home. 10 participant maximum

Registration on first come, first served basis. (Min of 6 participants).

Register with Veronica by calling

(250) 726-7343

Language Revitalization

Ling 183 individual course towards certificate in Aboriginal Language Revitalization.

Course date: July 21-25th

North Island College Port Alberni.

Registration deadline: June 13th

register by email: calr@uvic.ca

Workplace violence focus of two-day workshop for YFN government staff

Yuulu?il?ath government staff attended a two day workshop on Lateral Violence recently. The workshop was facilitated Les Hart of Les Hart & Associates Management Services and Andrea Amos-Stoney of Huupii Spirit Holistic Wellness, who talked about lateral violence.

Hart is an Human Resources consultant who talked about workplace harassment and the employers obligation to protect employees from harassment. He talked about the many forms of workplace bullying from yelling insults to spreading rumors or intimidating a person.

Amos-Stoney talked about the health and emotional effects of lateral violence and the cost of lateral violence to communities.



Andrea Amos-Stoney of Huupi Spirit Holistic Wellness facilitated a government employee workshop on lateral violence.

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LVI course a confidence booster say local participants

Two new leaders have emerged in the community thanks to the Leadership Vancouver Island Course. Jeneva Touchie and Suzanne Williams will soon graduate from the eight-month course, and both say they are more confident and now feel like leaders. Both described a new confidence they have in building and maintaining relationships and in finding inner strength.

"We are leaders or I feel like it moreso," said Suzanne. "It's about what I can do to help people." Jeneva chimes in that she learned that leadership is not about a title, but rather about "working together and learning one another's strengths. I was surprised to learn that," she added.

Both young women expressed some trepidation of being in the group of strangers that was made up of about 25 people from Ucluelet, Tofino, Toquaht, Tla-o-quaht and Hitacu. Jeneva said she probably wouldn't have applied for the program had she known it wasn't strictly aimed at First Nations and she also realizes how thankful to have met and connected with non-aboriginal people. She said it was a learning experience for all participants who came away with a greater understanding and appreciation of each other. Both women agreed that they forged lasting friendships through the LVI program.

"It was really eye opening," said Jeneva. She reflects on where she was at several months ago. "I wasn't stuck but I was afraid I would get to that point," she said. Although she desired to have a new challenge, she wasn't confident that she was ready for a change. After several months



Community leaders Jeneva Touchie and Suzanne Williams are encouraging others to join the Leadership Vancouver Island program.

in the LVI program Jeneva spotted an opportunity for a management position. She applied and was successful and was recently hired as the new manager of the Thornton Motel. Suzanne is contemplating going back to school to upgrade some courses as a result of the LVI program. Recently she had the opportunity to be the Acting Manager of the Community Services Department for a month. She relished the opportunity and was thankful to have it and said she relied heavily on lessons taught at LVI, to assist her in the temporary role. "I tried to take lessons from the LVI, such as looking at things in different ways in order to come to a solution," she said. She stated that before her LVI experience she would never have had the confidence to fill that role despite the fact she has been working for the government for more than ten years and has a good idea about what goes on in all departments. She was thankful to be given the opportunity to try out her new skills.

The friendships, contacts and lessons from LVI will be a lasting legacy of this program, the women said. They have both been encouraging others to join the program. "I've already given applications to some people; it's just so awesome," Suzanne beamed. "It was life-changing," Jeneva added.

Both say their definition of leadership has been expanded through this program and they now understand that everyone can offer their opinions and give of themselves, at any age.

Suzanne was fearful of public speaking before the LVI program and had always enjoyed being behind the scenes, taking notes and not speaking up. During the course she was encouraged to speak up and said she's much more comfortable with public speaking now. Jeneva said the program has given her the confidence to fit-in to social situations, where months ago, she didn't feel comfortable.

Anyone interested in taking the LVI course is welcome to call Suzanne or Jeneva for more information or download the application form @ <http://www.uclueletinfo.com>



The West Coast Chapter

Leading Self, Leading Others, Leading Community

The Leadership Vancouver Island (LVI) program is a community leadership program. It is based on a number of leadership programs and developed, most directly, from the Leadership BC initiative. The program begins with a 2-day residency in September followed by one full day of class each month for 8 months and is worth 6 elective credits at Vancouver Island University. LVI has evolved over the last ten years in Nanaimo and Ladysmith to become a unique, popular and effective leadership development experience, joining individuals with community business, government and not-for-profit organizations to foster a positive future for Vancouver Island. This September, we are hosting our second year of the West Coast Chapter of LVI and are seeking applicants at this time.

Application Deadline:

May 30, 2014

Download your application at:

<http://www.uclueletinfo.com>

Step closer to language App

The same group still gets together for language but we're not a society anymore," Gale said.

Initially when the Barkley language group formed, "we didn't have a whole lot of information available so we had to go find all of these words and come up with a list of words and then we found people to record," she said. Gale said her son David and Maureen Touchie were instrumental in getting the language website started after they attended a workshop in Victoria with First Voices. Local elders were also involved in recording the sound files including: Marj and Jack Touchie, Barbara Touchie and Bob Mundy.

Gale said "It's amazing what we know now. Our little group who started there is so much we know now that we didn't know then. I guess it's just learning, like learning any

new thing. And we all work so we can only do this part-time which is why it's taking so long to get where we are, but we've come leaps and bounds from where we were," she said.

She noted that many people who are learning the Nuu-chah-nulth language are good at reading words and phrases but the language is not spoken enough. She recently attended a conference about languages and the main speaker talked about the importance of speaking the language in order to learn. "He said it goes in the ears and the eyes but it must come out the mouth," she said.

To check out the improved language on the First Voices site visit FirstVoices.com, there are three Nuu-chah-nulth languages, ours is the Barkley dialect. There you will find 1188 words and 600 phrases. There are also some stories and legends on the page too. You can search the page for English and Nuu-chah-nulth words. Gale's contract is over but she's still adding bits and pieces to the word list.

Dr. Bernice Touchie, head of the language program for the nation said now that the information for the APP is on the website and APP should be ready by the summer.

Yuulu?il?ath is one step closer to having their own language APP thanks to a recent project that updated the language on the First Voices website, and essentially created the framework for which the APP will be based upon.

Gale Johnsen recently finished a contract which had her comb through the website which was created by the Barkley Language Society which no longer exists. That society was made up of citizens of Toquaht and Yuulu?il?ath who were interested in the preservation of the Nuu-chah-nulth language.

The problem was that there were several contributors to the website and that resulted in the duplication of words and phrases and also different spellings for those words and phrases.

For one month Gale was obsessed with combing through the site to find the duplications and errors, correcting and deleting and she also added new material.

"Basically once I did all the editing then I had to come up with the photos and there were days that that's all I did was the photos. I would get tired of doing that and switch to the sound files," she laughed. "I became obsessed."

A big chunk of work that had to be done to prepare for an APP was the addition of sound files and photos to the First Voices website. For each word that appears on the site, Gale found a picture to go along with the word and she created a sound file. Most of the sound files were clipped from existing sound files with Nuu-chah-nulth speakers such as Barbara Touchie and Marj Touchie, but for words and phrases without existing sound files, new recordings were done. There is also an option for videos on the website but none have been added to the Barkley page.

According to Gale the Barkley dialect of the Nuu-chah-nulth language was one of the first languages to be recorded on the First Voices site. "It was a Ucluelet and Toquaht partnership and at that time we we a language society.



Annual Education Celebration

You are cordially invited to attend the 2014 Annual Education Celebration

Date: Tuesday, June 24th

Time: 5 p.m.

Place: Yuulu?il?ath Community Hall

Help celebrate the accomplishments of all our children with a community dinner and awards night.

Please complete and submit the Scholarship Application package by **Tuesday, June 17th** to be eligible for the \$200.00 scholarship per grade. Scholarship application forms are available at the Government House and the Department of Community Services. Forms can also be downloaded from our web page at www.ufn.ca

Please click on the Community tab and then go to the media page and FORMS.

For more informatin please call Child and Youth Worker Aysa Touchie at (250) 726-2587.

Nuučaañuł (Nuu-chah-nulth)

Phrases

hayimḥimah - I don't know

małama - it's cold

yukstiis - south wind

yuu?ati - north wind

kalkintapiih - strawberry

ḥ exhale haa

ii sounds like ee (see)

ł similar sounding to the thl in athlete

? this symbol is called a Glottal Stop and it tells the speaker

there is a break between words...ut-oh is an example where you can hear a break between the words.

CORRECTION: In last month's Umacuk it was reported at the Elder's conference the name Tiiqw?in was suggested as a name for the community centre. The spelling used at the conference was incorrect and should have read

ćix^watin. We apologize for the error.