



Jenna Miller is shown here with some of the youth from Hitacu she's helping at the Ucluelet Elementary School. Jenna has been hired as the interim education worker for elementary students. Story on page 4.

## Dr. Michelle Corfield replaces Tyson Touchie as Yuułu?il?ath Legislature chairperson

Tyson Touchie has resigned as Chair of the Yuułu?il?ath Legislature. As of Friday February 19th, Michelle Corfield has accepted the position of Chairperson of the Legislature.

"I am honoured to assume the role of chair of the legislature and I look forward to continuing with the work that is being undertaken at the nation," she said. Dr. Corfield was named as alternate at the first meeting of the Legislature in May, 2015.

On March 7, 2016 the next Legislature meeting will be held in the multi-purpose room at the Community Centre at 10 a.m.

On April 4th the Annual Budget Act will be introduced to the Legislature and will have the first reading and first part of the second reading at the 10 a.m. meeting.

There will be a joint Legislature and Finance committee meeting on April 4, 2016 at 1 p.m., in the multi-purpose room at the Community Centre.

That evening there will be a special Hitacu Assembly, starting at 5 p.m. when the annual budget will be presented. Following the Hitacu Assembly there will be a special Legislature Meeting to enact the Annual Budget Act.

## K'wisitis trail update and Economic Development meeting this Sunday

The Yuułu?il?ath Legislature dealt with two recommendations that came from citizens at the Hitacu Assembly when they met on January 26, 2016. The first recommendation was that a public meeting be held to discuss Economic Development activities. The second recommendation from citizens at the Assembly, was that the Legislature reconsider the K'wisitis Aerial trail due to the cultural significance of K'wisitis.

Legislature member Alan McCarthy said "when we were at the meeting (Hitacu Assembly) there were a lot of questions in regards to economic development so I think it's important that we at least consider it," he said.

"There were a lot of hard questions asked," Mr. McCarthy added.

Yuułu?il?ath President Les Doiron said "it's important the nation is informed. Information and communication will be the key to our success," he stated. The citizens' recommendation to have the meeting in the daytime, on a weekend, makes sense the President said.

"I'm all in favour; sounds like we're ready to make a motion to host an AGM," President Doiron said.

Legislature Member Richard Mundy, who participated via conference call, questioned whether calling the meeting an AGM was a good idea.

"A lot of the information to be presented is simply not available yet, like the financial statements," he commented. He said the current CEOs should not be criticized for "trying to clean up a mess that was not their making."

The Legislature passed a motion to give direction to YFN Management Services to host an information session focussing on

economic development and to host an AGM at the end of every fiscal year.

A public meeting to discuss Economic Development will take place on Sunday, February 28, 2016, starting at 1 p.m.

### *Archaeological Digs at K'wisitis*

The second recommendation from citizens at the Hitacu Assembly was that the Legislature reconsider the aerial trail at K'wisitis due to its cultural significance.

Archaeological digs were done at K'wisitis in the 60s and late 70s. In 1963, the remnants of three terraced levels of houses—18 in all, were located. Some house posts remained but had fallen to the ground and the report noted a ramp through the shell midden that was created so that whales could be dragged near the house.

By the time the next archaeological survey was completed in 1979 there were no house remains found and there was no evidence of the whale ramp that was documented earlier.

Cultural artifacts collected at K'wisitis include a wooden digging stick and a whaling harpoon valve. Evidence from a telegraph line that went from Alberni to Clayoquot in 1892 was also uncovered and the line stretched across the base of K'wisitis southeast to Florencia Bay and northwest to Wickaninnish bay. A shell midden at K'wisitis was almost completely destroyed by logging activity in the late 60s.

President Doiron said the Legislature needs more information about this. "There is lots of discussion about the sensitivity of that area; our family is part of that territory and having said that I think there is more information required"

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## President says no trail decision until more information provided

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As part of the Operating Board, President Doiron said he has questions about the overall plan for that area and said he wants to make an informed decision rather than one based on partial information.

Legislature member Gordon Taylor said he agreed with the President. "The environmental assessment hasn't been reviewed. It's always a sore point when we create things not thinking about culture and tradition," he commented.

Legislature member Alan McCarthy said, "I don't consider it pushing an investment away; it's us looking at a culturally sensitive area." He expressed hesitation about moving ahead with this project without giving it due consideration.

"Once the draft (Economic Development) plan is accepted by us, that sets this project in motion—that's my worry," he said.

President Doiron said "the information session will provide everyone with clear information about what the study is. "No decisions will be made and nothing has been approved," he commented.

The Legislature passed a motion to direct the Executive to gather more information on the Kwisitis Aerial Trail Study and to present this at the next Legislature meeting.

Legislature Members were told that the vacant seat on the Holdings Board (which became vacant when Spencer Touchie resigned), has been filled by Dr.



The Yuułu?i?ath Legislature participated in a fiscal management workshop facilitated by Brent Lehmann of Ratcliff & Company law firm.

Michelle Corfield.

Two citizens attended the first open Legislature meeting; the Legislature opened meetings after considering a recommendation from citizens at the September, 2015 Hitacu Assembly. Vi Mundy and Jeremy Valentine were in at-

tendance. Jeremy asked a question about succession planning and was told that a plan is being worked on. Vi asked about the recent resignations from the Holdings Board of two young citizens and was told neither could commit to the job due to their employment.

## Zoning and Structures may be steps closer to adoption

The Zoning and Structures Draft Act may be getting closer to becoming a law; it is expected to get the final nod by both the Implementation Committee and the Executive soon and then the Draft Act will be recommended to the

Legislature for approval.

The Act will ensure that new buildings are properly constructed and it sets regulations for land use for all treaty lands.

The Act was first introduced in Oc-

tober 2014 and has been reviewed by the Implementation Committee several times.

It was discussed at urban meetings and at a public meeting in Hitacu in August, 2015. At that meeting Legislature member Richard Mundy said, "it's important that you understand it and ensure that all of you have a voice." At that meeting a handful of citizens volunteered to sit on a working group that would sort through the extensive proposed legislation. Those volunteers and the Implementation committee reviewed the proposed Act and a working group of staff and some Executive members have also reviewed the draft Act.

The Department of Lands, Resources and Assets made a public presentation at an Open House prior to the Hitacu Assembly in September.

Eight vacant lots have been applied for purchase by citizens (pending) and an additional 18 citizens have applied to have ownership of their houses or lots which will be registered at the provincial Land Titles Office once the Act has been enacted.

In April 2015 the former Executive Branch of the Legislature was informed by their legal advisors that they may want to consider that no construction be

be allowed until the Zoning and Structures Act was in place. Without a law in place that governs use and restrictions on land there is the potential for lands to be used in a way that is contrary to the intent of the Official Community Plan.

During urban meetings in Nanaimo and Port Alberni Pam Shaw, a planner who teaches at Vancouver Island University, gave an overview of the proposed Zoning and Structures Act. She was hired to review the Draft Act and to help explain it to citizens.

In the Port Alberni meeting citizens asked a number of questions including allowances for tiny homes and shipping containers and basement suites. President Doiron encouraged citizens living away from home to find out which lots are available for purchase and he noted that many of the lots are serviced.

"It's an unbelievable deal and an unbelievable opportunity to have your own piece of property to get back home, whether you live there for one month or year round or share it or whatever you do, it's a fabulous opportunity," President Doiron said.

It is anticipated that the Zoning and Structures Act will be ratified by the Legislature at the next meeting which has been scheduled for March 7, 2016.

### In accordance with Yuułu?i?ath Law

Notice is hereby given that the Yuułu?i?ath Legislature has initiated a Special Hitacu Assembly in accordance with the Constitution and Government Act YFNS 2/2011.

The Hitacu Assembly is scheduled for Monday April 4, 2016; 5PM at the Yuułu?i?ath Gymnasium.

Dinner will be provided; all citizens are invited to attend.

The agenda is in draft form until approved by the Citizens at the Hitacu Assembly. (Additional items may be added at the time we adopt the agenda.)

#### Agenda Items:

1. Meeting called to order
2. Opening Ceremonies/Welcoming remarks
3. Motion and discussion to adopt the agenda
4. Draft Annual Budget Act Presentation
5. Updates
  - a. President
  - b. Lands and Resources & Asset Management
  - c. Community Services
  - d. Finance
  - e. Director of Operations
6. Announcements/Discussion
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Adjournment

## Health care assistant program starts in Hitacu

Ten Nuu-chah-nulth young people have embarked on a journey in Hitacu that will see them end up with training to work in the health care profession. The Health Care Worker program is a joint project between Yuulu?i?ath, Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council, Nuu-chah-nulth Employment and Training Program and Discovery College, a BC Career College.

The program officially starts in March; however, students will have a soft-opening with the first three weeks of class focusing on various life skills that will come in handy once students are looking for jobs.

In the next few weeks students will learn about resume writing, goal setting, Superhost and conflict resolution. The official course begins on March 7, 2016, and will continue until mid July, with classes running four days a week from 8-5:30 p.m. at the Six Plex in Hitacu. From mid-July until the end of September students will be working at a job placement.

Shaunee Casavant, Manager of Nursing Services at NTC said she was impressed with the students and said she personally knows, "how badly we need nurses." She encouraged them to challenge themselves in the coming weeks and months and to think about continuing on with their education. She said an LPN or Bachelor of Science in Nursing may be the next step for students, after they graduate from this program. "It makes a difference," she said, of earning a degree. "With that piece of paper you can do anything."

She thanked all the partners and Yuulu?i?ath for being the host community. In particular she thanked YG's Manager of Community Services Trevor Wickham for getting the ball rolling on this program.

"You will make a difference," she said and added that being caring is a natural part of Nuu-chah-nulth people.



NETP worker Evan Hauser teaching students at the health course about writing.

Corrine Moore, case manager with the Nuu-chah-nulth Employment and Training Program its rewarding assisting and empowering communities to successes. "You were picked from a contingent of applicants she said, telling participants, "you are the strongest group," she said.

Participants introduced themselves and offered a variety of reasons for joining the program including new challenges and opportunities. Calvin George, an Ahousaht member who lives in Hitacu, is the only local person taking the course; the other nine are from Ditidaht,



Ten young people from various Nuu-chah-nulth nations are learning in Hitacu for the next few months as part of the new Health care assistant program.

### Individual Cultural Healing Sessions

**Tuesday March 15, 2016**

**9:00am-12:00pm**

**YFN Multipurpose Room**

\*Register for a session by calling Pearl Touchie @ 726-7342 ext. 218.

Facilitated by Nuu-chah-nulth Teechuktl Quuasa Wellness Team.

If you have any questions, call Anita Charleson-Touchie,

Teechuktl Regional Coordinator 250-725-3367.



### Yuulu?i?ath Community Meetings

**Sunday, February 28, 2016**

**Yuulu?i?ath Elders Meeting**

**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Multi-purpose room at the Community Centre, Hitacu

#### Topics for discussion

- Archaeological report and aerial trail proposed for K<sup>w</sup>isitis
- Filling the vacant seat on the Yuulu?i?ath Legislature with a representative of the Council of the H<sup>w</sup>iith

### Economic Development Update

*open to all community members*

**Sunday, February 28, 2016**

**1 p.m.**

Multi-purpose room at the Community Centre, Hitacu

#### Topics for discussion

- YFN Management Services update
- Archaeological Report and aerial trail at K<sup>w</sup>isitis
- Economic Development (5 Year plan)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
in Hitacu  
@ the Six-Plex  
Sunday mornings at 11 a.m.

## Jenna Miller working with Hitacu youth at UES

Jenna Miller is helping young Yuułu?il?ath members at Ucluelet Elementary School and although she had never thought about a career in the education field, now that she is working with children she's considering pursuing a career with children. She was hired as the interim Education Worker and works with about 20 elementary school children.

"Every day I interact with kids and I'm feeling this constant flow of energy," she said. As she gives this interview children are curious and try to get her attention. It's easy to see that the children adore her, and Jenna said helping students along with their school work has been very rewarding.

She said it's been interesting to learn the different personalities of the children she works with and learn what works for them as far learning in school. Jenna doesn't have any specific training for the job; but one only has to see the enthusiasm of the youth she's working with and hear the compliments comments from teachers at the school to realize she's great fit for the job.

"It wasn't anything I had ever thought about," she said. "They have such caring hearts; they don't even know what hostility is," she smiled.

Besides impacting the children's school work, Jenna is also hoping to encourage parents to participate in a parents group in Hitacu. The first Hitacu parents club meeting attracted a few parents who discussed fund-raising efforts of the Parent Advisory and upcoming workshops.



Parents met in Hitacu to discuss issues surrounding education.

### Internet Safety For Parents



## "The White Hatter"

Internet/Social Media Safety and Digital

Literacy Education 101 For Parents

Helping Parents To Pro-Actively Understand The Enabling Power Of Digital Technology and Mobile Communications, But Also Sharing Ways To Help Mitigate A Son or Daughter From Engaging In High Risk/Un-Desirable Online Behaviour

When & Where?

**Monday, February 29<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30-9:30PM at the USS Bandroom**

**(following the USS PAC meeting from 6:30-7:30PM)**

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## Ucluelet Food bank starts delivery to Hitacu

The Food Bank on the Edge in Ucluelet has started a delivery service to Hitacu. About 50 per cent of the food-bank's clients are from this community.

Recently, volunteers from the Ucluelet food bank and members of the YG Community Services Department staff met to discuss ways in which delivery of services could be improved for clients.

Chris Martin, manager of the food bank said that Ryan McQuaid volunteered to drive the hampers to Hitacu on Tuesdays when he is available. On the weeks he is not available, Gloria Valentine will take the government van to the Foodbank on Tuesdays and pick up the hampers.

The Ucluelet Food Bank on the Edge serves people in Ucluelet, Hitacu, Tofino, and other west coast

communities.

The Food Bank aims at providing foods for clients that are specific to their needs. For instance, when clients enroll to get food from the food bank they are asked for a list of food preferences and whether they have specific needs such as a baby or pets which would require different foods.

This past Christmas 50 food hampers were delivered in the community of Hitacu.

Ms. Martin noted that an average hamper costs approximately \$100 to fill, with singles being somewhat less and family hampers costing much more.

"We are a 100 per cent volunteer organization with

ten directors on the board. We are fortunate to have the help of several volunteers each week," she said.

The food bank is always appreciative of donations of food, cash or assistance at the food bank itself.



**Volunteers at the Ucluelet On the Edge Food Bank in front of the fresh produce section. Each month citizens from Hitacu access the food hampers from the food bank and at Christmas nearly 50 hampers were delivered to community members here. The food bank is always appreciative of donations of food and cash or volunteer time.**

## Yuulu?i?ath randomly chosen for First Nations Health Regional Health Survey to be completed in March

Yuulu?i?ath was one of approximately 150 randomly selected communities in BC that has been invited to participate in the First Nations Regional Health Survey being conducted by the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA).

The Regional Health Survey addresses a comprehensive range of health status, wellness and health determinant measures for First Nation communities and provides comparability to other Canadian surveys while addressing First Nations priorities within a cultural and

holistic framework.

The data collected from this survey can support policy and program development, and form decision-making that reflects the needs of First Nations

Eighty randomly selected Yuulu?i?ath citizens, living in Hitacu, will be contacted asking for their participation in the survey. Depending on when data collection begins, (approximately March 1, 2016), and when Data Collectors

are in the community, interviews could possibly be set up at the former Health Centre, or a Data Collector can attend your home.

Surveys are conducted on a secure and password protected laptop, and the Data Collectors will be able to assist you in completing the survey, or they can set you up so that you complete it on your own.

There are three types of surveys being conducted: (1) for children between the ages of 0-11 (for the parent/guardian to fill out);

(2) for youth between the ages of 12-17 (which they fill out with parental/guardian consent); (3) and for adults aged 18 and older.

All responses will remain anonymous and confidential and cannot be re-opened or traced back to individuals.

Those randomly selected participants completing a survey will receive a \$25 gift certificate to the Co-Op Grocery Store in Ucluelet.



**FNHA Field Supervisors Candy-Lea Chickite (We Wai Kai Nation) and Katrina Wallace (Lil'wat Nation)**

### GOT A QUESTION?

Does being a Yuulu?i?ath citizen, enrolled under the Maa-nulth Treaty affect my ability to renew my Indian Status?



**NO.** Individuals who are registered as status Indians will continue to be eligible to re-new status cards.

Email your questions about the Treaty to [info@ufn.ca](mailto:info@ufn.ca)

# Community Newsmakers



Ucluelet Elementary School children spent the day at Wya beach on Wednesday, learning Nuu-chah-nulth language through a variety of games and lessons. Top photo, Maureen Louie, (YG interim Education Worker) explains directions for a scavenger hunt and below children play a game of Nuu-chah-nulth language hop-scotch, directed by Nuu-chah-nulth Education Worker Jason Sam.



## Dr. Bernice Touchie attends gathering of murdered and missing Aboriginal women

Dr. Bernice Touchie was one of a group of Nuu-chah-nulth families who recently travelled to Prince George for the 2016 Provincial Family Gathering for families of murdered and missing Aboriginal women and girls. The gathering was aimed at gathering input for a national inquiry into missing and murdered Indigenous women as promised by the Liberal government and also to bring the families together for personal connection.

Dr. Touchie said Dr. Gabor Mate's workshop was very powerful in helping people deal with trauma. It was powerful to be among families who were asked to come to the stage with photos of their loved ones who had been murdered or missing; representatives of the family were blanketed and a mourning song was done. Upwards of ten per cent of the 1200 missing and murdered Indigenous women are Nuu-chah-nulth and two of the murdered women were Bernice's sisters.

Her sister Violet Joseph, was killed by her spouse more than 45 years ago and her younger sister Shirley Anne Joseph, was killed in Duncan just over a year ago. In both instances police didn't show much interest in finding out what happened to the women, Dr. Touchie said. "We've lost a lot of people to domestic violence," she remarked. "It's hushed in small communities just like sexual abuse. There is a fear of reprisal and so many families hate each other because they haven't come to terms with things that have happened," she said. Being part of the group of Nuu-chah-nulth people at the provincial gathering was cathartic for her. "At least something is happening now to bring attention to violence against women," she said.

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council President Deb Foxcroft, was also part of the group who attended the gathering. "This really opened my eyes as to how many murdered and missing Nuu-chah-nulth we have and this is only a small group." During the weekend the Nuu-chah-nulth families met with BC Minister of Aboriginal Relegations and Reconciliation, John Rustad and President Foxcroft spoke on behalf of the families and raised key points at the families' request.

The families asked to have the humanity of murdered and missing loved ones recognized. They requested financial support to have a gathering in Nuu-chah-nulth territories, similar to the one in Prince George, where more family members could support one another with healing and using Nuu-chah-nulth culture and they asked him to support the creation of a commemorative pole or wall.



The Yuulu?il?ath Legislature and staff worked through a strategic planning process in mid February. Facilitated by Jerry Berry, former city manager of Nanaimo for 20 years, and Allison Habkirk, a local government specialist. The group outlined their main goals for the next few years and will now do work-plans for the next year. Once the Strategic Plan is completed it will be adopted by the Legislature and becomes a public document.



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# Companioning Training

Ucluelet, BC

NTC Office (Davison Plaza) #4- 1636 Peninsula Rd in

**Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am - 4:00pm

Cost: \$10 for Hospice members; \$20.00 for non-members

\*\*PRE-REGISTRATION and PAYMENT REQUIRED BY February 29<sup>th</sup>\*\*

### Are you compassionate and caring? A good listener?

Do you want to volunteer with community members in need of company or assistance (who are not dying)?

### Volunteers must complete the following to be eligible to volunteer:

- \*The Companioning Training
- \*A Criminal Record Check
- \*A Confidentiality Agreement
- \*Interview with Hospice

## Jeneva Touchie wins scholarship to attend UBC course

Jeneva Touchie is attending Sauder School of Business at UBC participating in the Aboriginal Management Certificate program. She started back to school in January.

“I was intimidated but really happy,” she commented upon the completion of her first week-long module in Vancouver.

“We come from similar backgrounds of running businesses or being on council so we’re busy people,” Jeneva said. She’s already learned a great deal and a bonus of the program is that she has made new friends from Manitoba and Alberta.

She was encouraged to apply for the program at the Hitacu Education and Career Fair, when the program representative suggested she apply for a bursary to attend. Jeneva won a joint bursary from Leith Wheeler, UBC, the Sauder School of Business and the Ch’nook Indigenous Business Education Initiative which is worth approximately \$6500.

She was one of 22 students selected from 88 applicants across Canada for the program. The learn-

ing is spread over four modules that are done at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver and distance learning from home. While at UBC Jeneva estimates that she was working six days a week, about 12 hours a day. She’s learning about marketing, entrepreneurship, business strategies and financial management.

For her market research she’s using the Thornton Motel for her research. “It’s something that I think will be useful down the road,” she commented.

The day Jeneva was interviewed for this story she was trying to finish a school report. “I was up until midnight last night,” she said, adding that she usually spends ten hours a week minimum on homework in addition to her full-time job as Manager of the Thornton Motel and being a Mom. “I knew how busy I was already with the motel and as a Mom, but I’m determined to do well,” she said.

Jeneva credits the Leadership Vancouver Island course for giving her the confidence “to try new things.”

“It seems like all the goals



I’m setting are now achievable,” she laughed. “It’s really cool to see First Nations people getting elected at the federal level and in BC,” she said and added that continuing in a political career may be in her future.

“I’m getting great experience being part of our Legislature so maybe down the road,” she paused, to consider her words.

“I didn’t think I was passionate about politics,” but that’s changing, Jeneva acknowledged.

“I’ve never seen First Nation issues be so prominent and that people believe you can be part of that change is cool,” she comment-

ed. A run at a provincial or federal government seat is not out of the question in Jeneva’s future.

The Sauder School of Business, UBC is a global leader in the creation of business knowledge and is consistently ranked by the Financial Times among the top 100 business schools in the world. The Ch’nook Indigenous Business Education Initiative was founded by Sauder in 2001 to increase Aboriginal engagement in business education. Ch’nook supports Aboriginal business leaders in building the knowledge and skills required to create and maintain sustainable enterprises and economic development in Aboriginal communities.

## Spring break youth gathering

The Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council is hosting a Youth Gathering during Spring Break for Nuu-chah-nulth Youth ages 12-18.

**When?** March 29th (Tuesday), March 30th (Wednesday), March 31st (Thursday)

**Where?** Snuneymuxw Gymnasium Nanaimo BC

**Who?** Nuu-chah-nulth Youth ages 12-18

**Why?** To give our Youth a chance to get together and share inspiration, culture and have fun!

**Contact:** Tyson Touchie Youth Gathering Coordinator call (250) 735 3224

This is a great chance for our young people to gather and share in our rich Nuu-chah-nulth culture and to get inspiration from role models and learn what it took to achieve success.

Duane Howard, a Nuu-chah-nulth actor from the smash hit “The

Revenant” will be presenting on determination and cultural values.

Nuu-chah-nulth Culture will be highlighted, taught and showcased throughout the gathering. Members of the Quuasa team will lead and support youth during the gathering.

The Gathering follows the big Jr BC Basketball Tournament at Williams Lake but not all Nuu-chah-nulth youth participate in sports so this gathering will give them a chance to get out of their community to take a spring break trip. Nanaimo offers exciting extra activities like movies and shopping so there will be plenty to do.

Travel and Accommodations is covered. NTC will provide a room, a pizza night and gas money.

Youth Gathering Coordinator, Tyson Touchie said information about this gathering will be posted on the NTC website in the next few days.



YFN Management LP, on behalf of Yuulu?it?ath First Nation, is seeking an operations manager for the its various operations.

The ideal candidate will, reporting to the CEO, oversee all of the operations of YFN Management LP and will be required to

- Receive operating results from its hospitality, retail, fishery and forestry divisions;
- Monitor division performance relative to budgets and operating standards;
- Provide supervision and training to division managers;
- Develop annual budgets and targets.

The ideal candidate will have

- A record of success as a manager;
- A strong desire and ability to manage his/her own business;
- The desire and ability to recognize and celebrate First Nations tradition and history in food and beverage and lodging.

Remuneration

- negotiable.

In accordance with Yuulu?it?ath Government personnel Policy, the Yuulu?it?ath applies an aboriginal employment preference first to Yuulu?it?ath Citizens and second to members of other First Nations.

Reply to with resume not later than March 8, 2016 to:

**MAYNE BURGER MANAGEMENT INC.**  
Vancouver Island, BC

Attn.: Chris Burger  
chris@mayneburger.com



**LEFT:** These people participated in a vessel stability workshop on February 1, designed for smaller fishing vessels-- a mosquito fleet which provides an overview of factors that could affect vessel stability. The program was offered jointly by Yuulu?il?ath and Hayu Fisheries Partnership Ltd. (Joint fisheries enterprise owned by the Toquaht, Ehattesaht, Nu-chatlaht and Hesquiaht.

Participants received a kit with emergency equipment including a fire extinguisher. Six flares, rescue ring with line, first aid kit, air horn, knife, flashlight, whistle and eye wash.

## Vancouver Opera comes to Ucluelet

### STICKBOY

Thursday, March 10th at 10:30 a.m.  
Friday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Ucluelet Community Centre  
Admission by donation



Carlos Mack delivers herring to Elders Larry Baird and Raymond Haipee.

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## Community Services promotes learning through Telehealth

Community Services Manager Trevor Wickham is pleased to announce the start of a health workers course which will be running in Hitacu until the end of June.

“We had a soft start on February 15th with a few life skills courses. The program itself is being delivered by Discovery College and has a strong emphasis on cultural aspects of health care. (More information on this program can be found on the story on page 3)

The Telehealth system in Hitacu has been used for at least one health care appointment and is available for citizens wanting to have their medical appointments without leaving the community.

There is other learning that is also available through Tele-

health. UBC Learning Centre will be having facilitated discussions through Telehealth. “It’s a way to share common concerns and what is working in your community with a whole range of people facing similar challenges,” Mr. Wickham said.

The UBC Learning Centre workshops included video-conferences on compassionate assertiveness, transforming conflict, transforming kindness and youth wellness. Upcoming workshops in March, via Telehealth will include: *Community Conversations on HIV/ Aids in First Nation Communities*, *Stress and Family Care giving and Dudes Club Talk Aboriginal Men’s Health*.

We will publish more information

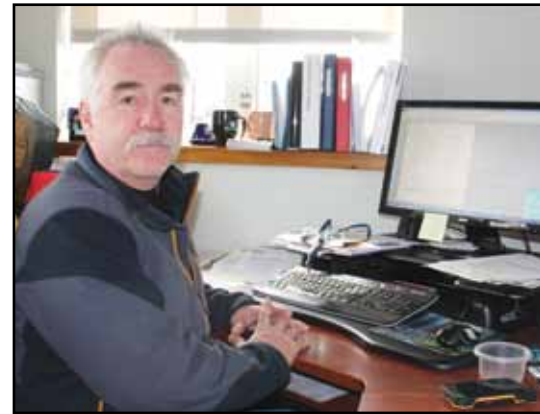
about who will be hosting these sessions locally as soon as that information is available.

Recreation Facilities Worker Alicia Gilmore recently organized Winter Wellness activities through funding from First Nations Health Authority and designed a promote wellness program in the community. She brought in a nutritionist to facilitate healthy cooking and eating and a number of women enjoyed Latin Cardio.

Mr. Wickham said he had hoped to move the Youth and Learning Centre to a site near the community centre; however, a funding proposal to make that plan work was not successful. Mr. Wickham said the hope was to have

the trailer moved, re-sided and re-roofed. The project will now be budgeted for in the next fiscal year, he said.

“We’re hoping to bring all the facilities together as part of the larger strategic plan to get the majority of buildings up above the inundation (tsunami) zone,” Mr. Wickham commented.



## Effingham River restoration plans shaping up

Manager of Lands and Resources/Asset Management Darren Mead-Miller reports that the animal control regulation will be presented to the Executive soon for their approval. The regulation will provide the details regarding animal control, which is part of the Public, Order, Peace and Safety Act which came into effect in August, 2015.

The RCMP and SPCA

have reviewed the regulation and are satisfied with it, Mr. Mead-Miller said. He expects the Executive will approve the regulation and once it has been approved citizens will need to register their dogs and apply for a license.

He said no fee had yet been set for dog licenses; however, Mr. Mead-Miller noted that it would be affordable because “we don’t want a disincentive to register,” he commented.

**Effingham River Rehabilitation**

The Department of Lands,

Resources and Assets has been planning a joint project with Interfor and Central West Coast Forest Society that would see the Effingham River restored.

West Coast Forest Society are not officially involved yet, Mr. Mead Miller said, but they have applied for a grant which would enable them to do habitat restoration work along the Effingham River.

“We’re going to work with industry and Central West Coast to do our best to rehabilitate the river. As to the scope of work, we’re still at the planning stage,” Mr. Mead-Miller said.

Interfor has made a commitment to provide equipment. “They are proposing to log in the area and some of the logging is in the Important Harvest Area (but not within the TSL), which means that Interfor must engage the nation,” he explained.

“We’ve negotiated for them to provide an in-kind contribution to the restoration project,” Mr. Mead-Miller said.

The Effingham River is located in Barkley Sound and drains into Effingham Inlet which is located in Yuulu?il?ath traditional territory. The lower part of the channel are fish bearing but logging in the watershed and along the river banks has had damaging effects on

the river.

According to Mr. Mead-Miller the Effingham River was one of the most productive rivers in YFN territory prior to logging. “It was a very big river system,” he said.

In June, 2012 two Yuulu?il?ath Elders travelled to Effingham River, Bob Mundy and Eugene Touchie (deceased) with the Lands Manager to take a look at the Traditional Territory. Eugene was the nation’s fisheries officer for years and said the Effingham River was known for it’s chum run and late dog salmon run. At that time he noted the debris in the river made it fairly inaccessible.

There is no fish inventory for the Effingham River; however, information from neighbouring waterways like Toquart River, Carnation Creek and Henderson Lake suggest that at one time there was the potential for the river to have sockeye, chinook, pink, Coho, chum salmon and cut-throat trout.

**Small House Update**

Six of the

seven small homes built on Wallace Street are finished and Mr. Mead-Miller said the crews are working on the last house.

The homes were started in 2014 and there have been a number of delays in construction. Mr. Mead-Miller said the final house was behind schedule partly due to a delay from BC Hydro that had to install a new transformer to service the property.

**Firewood**

Currently the Lands department is defining areas for firewood harvesting. Yuulu?il?ath citizens will be required to get a permit from Land’s department to cut in the defined harvest cutting areas. Mr. Mead-Miller said the harvesting areas should be defined within a few weeks.





**LEFT:** Randi-Lee finds a secondary use for the Umacuk--fashionable hat. Randi-Lee has agreed to write a high school column for the Umacuk--hopefully starting in March.

**ABOVE:** Vickie and Michelle read to children at the daycare.

**ABOVE RIGHT:** Guardians of the Forest enjoy a marshmallow roast at their fort in the woods.



Kathleen McCarthy was home for a visit from Victoria where she's attending Camosen College. Her siblings from left, James, Nicole and Hannah were pretty excited to bring her to the community dinner last week.

## Wheels for Wellness

For Patient Travel appointments to Port Alberni and beyond. This is a non-emergency, door-to-door medical travel program.

### Requirements to access this service:

- 48 hours before your appointment, contact Pearl Touchie at the Government Office (250) 726-7342
- Provide a telephone contact number to me in order that I may pass it on to the driver who will contact you to let you know what time to be ready to go.

### Check it out at:

<http://www.wheelsforwellness.com/index.html>

*Lets do all we can to use this service and make it a success.*



Tamara Nelson resigned as the Yuulu?il?ath Chief Financial Officer in late January after five and a half years in the position. Kyle Kervin is shown here with Tamara, about to enjoy some cake at her going away party. She was also blanketed at the party.

# Community Newsmakers



The Touchie family enjoys a community dinner and below drummers with guests from Toquaht who are joining in Yuulu?il?ath culture night as they prepare for a potlatch.



Gordon Taylor Sr. and Larry Baird enjoy a laugh at a recent dinner.

## Welcome Micah

The youngest Yuulu?il?ath member made his debut at last week's dinner and Culture night. To the left, week old Micah Robert Wilson Jack, who was born on Valentine's Day in Nanaimo. He is shown here with his big brother Mathew Timothy Adam Morris Jack Jr, and parents Evelyn and Matthew.



### Wedding planner/Part time Guest services agent wanted:

#### Who are we looking for?

We want people who have a passion for event planning, design and coordination. Our ideal candidate is a self-starter, hard-worker and great communicator. We want someone who is **DEPENDABLE**, friendly and can handle stress and pressure with grace and a smile. Attention to detail is **PARAMOUNT!**

Wya Point Resort is looking for a lead planner who can work out of our Wya Welcome Centre office. We are looking for someone who has experience planning large events, most importantly, weddings. This person must be able to plan and successfully coordinate events ranging from Birthday parties to weddings. We are looking for a self starter who does not need to be monitored.

#### Requirements:

- You **MUST** have your own form of reliable transportation
- Experience in event or wedding planning
- Able to work weekends and holidays
- Must be outgoing and personable
- Very professional
- Must be currently located in Ucluelet or Tofino

This job also requires that you work part time in guest services

\*\*Priority will be given to applicants who have experience in the hospitality industry and those who have worked with Agilyis

If you are interested please send your **COVER LETTER AND** resume as well as any letters of recommendation. **NO CALLS PLEASE!**

Please send them to: [chris@mayneburger.com](mailto:chris@mayneburger.com)



YFN Management Services LP

## NOTICE

To: **Yuulu?il?ath Citizens**

YFN Management LP, on behalf of Yuulu?il?ath First Nation, is seeking a professional, seasoned and experienced operator for the Kwisitit Feast House restaurant for the 2016 Spring/Summer/Fall season.

The ideal candidate will be required to

- Oversee the efficient operation of the restaurant;
- Hire and carry out orientation and training of staff;
- Preserve and maintain inventories of food and beverage;
- Maintain cleanliness and organization.

The ideal candidate will have

- A record of success as food and beverage manager/owner;
- A strong desire to operate his/her own business;
- The desire and ability to recognize and celebrate First Nations tradition and history in food and beverage;
- Required certifications for FoodSafe and B.C. Liquor Control.

Terms – upon enquiry

- Operator to pay YFN Management Services a percentage of gross sales of food and beverage.

Reply to with resume not later than February 23, 2016 to

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# Yuulu?it?ath News



## HITACU COMMUNITY EVENTS

MARCH 2016



First Nations Health Authority  
Health through wellness

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Homework Club @ YLC 3:30-4:30 <i>Drop In - All ages</i> Soup Kitchen, Culture Night and Family Drop In 5-7	2 Youth Drop In and Snack @ The Gym 3:30-5 Ages 7-9 Volleyball Drop In 6-7:30 Basketball Game Night 7:30-9	3 Homework Club @ YLC 3:30-4:30 <i>Drop In - All ages</i> Soup Kitchen and Culture Night 5pm	4 Youth Skateboard Trip! 2:30-5 Ages 10-15	5
GYM 6	7 Homework Club @ YLC 3:30-4:30 Guardians of the Forest 3:30-5 Ages 7-12 Warriors Program 6-8 Wolf Clan Practice 7:30-9	8 Homework Club @ YLC 3:30-4:30 <i>Drop In - All ages</i> Soup Kitchen, Culture Night and Family Drop In 5-7	9 Youth Drop In and Snack @ The Gym 3:30-5 Ages 7-9 Volleyball Drop In 6-7:30 Basketball Game Night 7:30-9	10 Homework Club @ YLC 3:30-4:30 <i>Drop In - All ages</i> Soup Kitchen and Culture Night 5pm	11 Basketball Tournament	12 Basketball Tournament
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GYM 20	21 MARCH BREAK!! <i>Youth Program Activity details to follow</i>	22 MARCH BREAK!! <i>Youth Program Activity details to follow</i> Soup Kitchen, Culture Night and Family Drop In 5pm	23 MARCH BREAK!! <i>Youth Program Activity details to follow</i>	24 MARCH BREAK!! <i>Youth Program Activity details to follow</i> Soup Kitchen and Culture Night 5pm	25 Good Friday Gym Closed No Activities	26
GYM 27	28 Easter Monday Gym Closed No Activities	29 MARCH BREAK!! NTC Youth Conference Ages 13-18 Registration Required	30 MARCH BREAK!! NTC Youth Conference	31 MARCH BREAK!! NTC Youth Conference		
GYM 31	check Facebook for any changes to schedule NOTE: Alicia will be away from March 10-18th and during that time there will be no youth programming. Contact : Alicia Gilmour : Recreation Worker @ (778)873-0378 or alicia.gilmour@ufn.ca Ricardo Manmohan : Warriors Program @ (250)266-2650 Beth Luchies : Guardians Program @ (250)266-0497 Jenna Miller : Homework Club @ (250)266-2049					

## Umacuk

"I really appreciate getting the paper every month. I like to keep up with what's going on in the community because being really far away I would feel disconnected if it wasn't for the newspaper.

It's nice to see community members doing the activities they are doing in Hitacu from month to month and being able to keep up with what the government is doing.

I was the youth worker in Hitacu a few summers ago and I love seeing the faces of the kids and see how they are all growing up so quickly."

Asya Touchie,  
Victoria

...what Yuulu?it?ath is talking about



- Birthdays
- Anniversaries
- Weddings

email your photos & story ideas to: lisa.mcknight-yeates@ufn.ca

## Picking Berries

ca?as-

root-word to pick berries.

qaqawayiih

picking berries.

ca?as witasin

We are going picking.

čuk<sup>w</sup>aa ?ayama tukaapiih  
of blackberries.

Come here, there are lots



Nuu-chah-nulth words