



Hitacu Easter party

Strategic goals for Legislature

The Yuu?it?ath Legislature set their strategic goals for the remainder of their term in office at the last Legislature meeting. The following is a list of some of the goals outlined by the Legislature. Short-term goals include an audit of the economic development Limited Partnerships, finalizing the Zoning and Structures Act and reviewing the implementation of the treaty.

Reviving the Nuuchahnulth language and culture was listed as both a short-term and long-term goal. Emergency Response and partnering with neighbouring nations for health programs was also noted as mid-term goals.

Long-term goals include having financial stability and to be self-sufficient, to have meaningful benefits for citizens living away from home and to have water and sewer infrastructure at the Wya Resort.

Legislature passes Ec-Dev 5 year plan

The Yuu?it?ath Legislature approved the Five Year Economic Development Plan at the March Legislative meeting.

In January 2016, the Executive recommended the approval of the Five Year plan to the Legislature. A priority sequence to the plan was approved by the Legislature based on the recommendation from the Economic Development Committee and the Executive.

The top priority is the gas station, listed as the Gateway

project in the plan. The economic development plan suggests the nation form a partnership with a fuel company to build a gas station at the Wya Welcome Centre. Potentially the partner would finance the construction and operate the gas bar in exchange for a lease and employment agreements.

Residential and Industrial development has been slated as priority number two. Forestry is the third priority. A number of companies have expressed interest in agreements with YG. All have of-

fered employment opportunities and competitive rates for fiber.

A feasibility study for a possible barge terminal in the Ucluelet harbour and a terrestrial fish farming operation are priorities four and five.

The Kwisis aerial trail has been set as priority number six, but may be the first project completed. The trail was set as a low priority because the concept study has already been completed.

Budget on Monday

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 which is open to the public.

The annual budget will be presented that night at an Assembly, starting at 5 p.m. Dinner will be held before the meeting and everyone is welcome to attend.

After the Hitacu Assembly there will be a special Legislature Meeting to enact the Annual Budget Act.

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Hitacu Assembly
Annual Budget Presentation
Monday, April 4, 2016
Hitacu Gym, 5 p.m.
Everyone welcome



Transfer for pre-payment of treaty loan approved by Legislature

The Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Legislature approved the following recommendations from the Executive at the March 2nd meeting of the Legislature.

Notice was given to the Settlement Trust Committee for the annual transfer to prepay the Treaty Loan, which is due to the Receiver General of Canada by March 18, 2016. The Settlement Trustees were notified that \$510,175 is to be distributed to the Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Government from the Trust upon the deposit into the Settlement Trust account of the Capital Transfer funds in April, 2016.

Visitors from In-Shuck-ch YG and Toquaht Nation played host to the In-Schuck-ch First Nations who visited last week to talk to the two governments about Treaty. Members of the Legislature, Elders and staff met in the morning and in the afternoon the guests toured Wya campground, lodges and the village of Macoah.

Operations and Maintenance Managers for YFN Holdings

Gordon Taylor has been hired as the Operations Manager of the YFN Management LP, overseeing all the YFN businesses and Jordan Touchie has been hired as Maintenance Manager.

Experienced in the restaurant business, Gordon and his wife Donna operated the Cynamoka Coffee House in Ucluelet for five years. They had dreamed of opening a restaurant after years of working at a fish plant in Ucluelet. Gordon also served as assistant manager at the Kʷisitis Feast House in its opening year. For the last two years, he and his wife have operated the garden at Wya Welcome Centre.

In his new job Gordon will monitor the performance of the various retail, hospitality, fishery and forestry divisions and provide supervision and training for division managers. He will develop the annual budget and will report to the CEOs, and oversee all the YFN businesses.

Jordan has been hired to fill the newly created position of Maintenance Manager for YFN Management Services. He will be overseeing maintenance of all the facilities including the hospitality and retail businesses including the Thornton Motel, Wya Resort, Wya Surf Shop and Campground and Wya Surf Shop Café. He will develop annual budgets, monitor performance of personnel relative to budgets and provide supervision and training to maintenance personnel.

“We look forward to them joining our team and to the contributions they will make to assist YFN Management and the various LP’s in becoming self-sufficient within the next 12-18 months,” commented Edgar Mayne of Mayne Burger Management Inc.

“Mayne Burger Management Inc. is excited and proud of the fact that we were able to offer these employment opportunities to Citizens. This has been our goal since we started with the YFN Management and we will continue to look to the Citizens of the Ucluelet First Nation to fill positions whenever and wherever possible,” he added.

In accordance with Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Law

Notice is hereby given that the Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ 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 Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ 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

Four citizens involved in leadership course

Four Yuulu?il?ath citizens are participating in the Leadership Vancouver Island program this year and seem to be as enthusiastic as those citizens who have gone before. Joining the ranks this year are: Jenna Miller, Michelle Touchie, Celena Cook and Marylin Touchie.

“It’s been a game changer,” stated Jenna Miller. “It’s changing the way I look at day to day interactions and giving me the tools I need to communicate better,” she added.

Jenna’s plans have altered in the last few months. She had planned to quit her job at a local resort and go back to school. That was before she was hired as the interim youth worker for the YG, at the Ucluelet Elementary School, and before her involvement in LVI.

“It’s really empowering. You start to see what you can do,” Jenna commented.

As part of an LVI group project she is looking at ways of improving transportation on the coast. “We’re looking at two different business models,” she said, explaining that one model would be a cooperative where businesses buy memberships and the other would be supporting a link on a Tofino bus run.

For the project work she and team-mates have reached out to the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District to discuss the information they have collected regarding transportation issues faced on the west coast. They have also talked to Tofino Bus to discuss the possibility of a two-

week trial bus run locally.

“People are more open to working and collaborating together than I thought,” Jenna said.

Marylin Touchie called the LVI program “awesome” and said she loves it.

Learning to communicate more concisely is one of the most valuable lessons she has learned so far. She’s also getting more confident in public speaking and has enjoyed doing research.

She is working on the same project as Jenna, tackling the transit issue on the west coast. As part of this team Marylin has enjoyed reaching out to individuals working in other communities and at other governments. She will be using the data collected by different governments regarding the transit issues and the LVI group project will collect data to be added to the existing data regarding transit here.

To learn more about transit systems in remote communities, Marylin’s team has done research on community transit projects—some successful, some not, in other communities on Vancouver Island. Marylin said doing research is both challenging and rewarding, and she said it has sparked an interest in her to do more.

“It’s interesting to pick up the phone and call someone at the District of Tofino, or the ACRD to get some information,” she said.

Marylin has been plugging away, earning university credits, towards her degree; LVI will earn her six more university credits, which was one of the features which Marylin found so appealing about taking the LVI course.



Leadership Vancouver Island participants Marylin Touchie, Michelle Touchie and Jenna Miller. Celena Cook is also in LVI this year.

Michelle Touchie didn’t know anything about LVI but her boss Dianne St. Jaques, District of Ucluelet Mayor and Water’s Edge Resort manager, (where Michelle has worked for the last six years) encouraged her to apply. Her introduction to LVI was overwhelming. “I had an anxiety attack. Hearing about the overnight retreats and hearing that it was emotional—deep down and personal, I just wasn’t sure I was ready for that,” she admits. She called the program facilitator Ricardo Manmohan and her boss and said, “Sorry, I can’t do this.” She was contacted immediately by both, who encouraged her to re-consider.

“This reaches deep down, mentally, spiritually. It triggers something. It’s not like anything I had ever done before; it’s about knowing yourself first,” she said. “I’m still learning, to open my mind. It definitely boosted my confidence. You learn about leadership and about consideration for those around you. For me it’s like I have a much broader scope on life now,” Michelle said.

“The tide is shifting to something bigger. You realize you can have an impact on your community,” she added.

Michelle is the mother two

girls, 4 and 8 years old. “My eight year old is wondering why I’m doing homework,” she laughed. She’s not certain whether she will pursue academics, but Michelle said taking a further step in her career might interest her. “I always felt I wasn’t ready to take on more but now I’m ready,” she said confidently.

Celena Cook heard about the LVI from friends who had taken the LVI in its initial year. “They said it was fun and they learned so much but they never revealed too much,” she said.

Learning to listen is the most important skill Celena has picked up from LVI to date. “There are different levels of listening and now I’m more aware,” she commented. “I didn’t realize that I wasn’t really listening. Before I would continue whatever I was doing and now I look at faces and reactions; it has made a difference I think,” she said. Celena said whereas before LVI she would “react in a heartbeat,” now she is more conscious of listening. “I’m listening to actually listen rather than listening to re-act,” she said.

Dealing with conflict in a healthy manner has also been a skill that she’s improved upon. Her new found listening skills have allowed her to be calm in stressful situations. “Before I would have reacted a lot differently,” she said.



Recently leaders from the west coast First Nations and Districts met in Tofino to discuss shared concerns. Shown here are YG Legislature Member Gordon Taylor, YG President Les Doiron, MLA Scott Fraser, YG Legislature member Alan McCarthy and MP Gord Johns.

Elders presentation on K^wisitis aerial trail

Yuulu?il?ath Elders were invited to a special meeting recently to hear about the aerial trail at K^wisitis. David Green of Greenheart International gave an overview of the project at the February meeting.

Mr. Green said the aerial trail would not be built on the former reserve and said that the trail will be designed to bring people an outdoor experience and generate revenue for the nation. He said the idea is to have people traverse from platform, either on a self-guided walk or led by a tour guide. Visitors could walk the trail that would reach about 20 meters above the forest floor and provide a bird's eye view of the coastal temperate rainforest.

"We're not going to build a bunch of structures in the forest; we want to create a system that becomes a fixed trail," he told the group.

He said the aerial structure does not harm the trees and that anchors are drilled into the ground.

"There would be minimal impact on the trees and habitat," he said. He explained that the system used to build the trail is an innovative cable system that is hung be-

tween trees without the use of nails or bolts.

"People have a hard time connecting to nature when they are standing in a building," Mr. Green told the group.

Afterwards Elders asked questions about the project. They were polled by chair Michelle Corfield about how they felt about the information they heard. Some elders said they were not comfortable with the project moving ahead because they didn't have enough information about the project, there was concern expressed about the cultural significance of the area, and there were concerns about a long lease of the land. A few also said they wanted to hear from Park's Canada regarding the project.

Larry Baird inquired about a motion from the Hitacu Assembly which asked the Legislature to re-consider their approval of the proposed trail. The Legislature did consider the motion from the Assembly at their February meeting and asked that the Executive gather more information; however, they did not rescind the Legislative approval that was given.



Elders met to discuss the proposed Aerial tram for the Kwisits area. Most of the Elders wanted more information before the project moves ahead.



Elders Richard Mundy Sr. and Gordon Taylor Sr. give suggestions of mapping to Administrative Assistant for the Lands Department, Anna Drabosenig while Richard looks on.

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Community Newsmakers

Citizens learn how to cook through NETP course

A kitchen and cooking course has set two young Yuułu?il?ath citizens in a new career direction. Dylan Joseph and Jordan Mundy are two of four citizens who took a course with Tim May, owner of the Red Can Gourmet. The course was funded through the Nuu-chah-nulth Employment and Training Program (NETP).

“I find such joy in cooking. There is a pleasure in having customers come back and say thank you,” Jordan commented. Dylan agreed saying that before this course he really didn’t know how to cook and now, he finds cooking rewarding and relaxing.

The pair had just completed their three course meal that was the culmination of the cooking course, when this interview was done. Students were asked to come up with a ten item menu and cost each of the items out. Jordan and Dylan’s meal started with a salad with a maple/balsamic vinaigrette, a seafood linguini with halibut and prawns and dessert was a chocolate mousse.

“We wanted to use local resources with the halibut and prawns and we made the noodles from scratch,” Dylan said proudly.

Jordan has worked a number of restaurants including Hanks and Zoe’s Bakery in Ucluelet. Until this course Jordan didn’t have proper training in kitchen skills. Learning to use a chef’s knife properly, and learning different cutting techniques was beneficial to Jordan who said he has cut his fingertips in the past because he didn’t know how to properly hold a knife. Learning kitchen etiquette was also an important part of the course, the pair agreed.

“When you are in the kitchen you need to be aware of the people around you,” Dylan said. Jordan added that personal hygiene is also an important factor for those working in the kitchen. “You can’t scratch your head and then go make food,” he laughed, saying that the Chef (Tim) “talked a lot about the importance of being clean and keeping the kitchen clean.”

Dylan called the course “amazing” and said he’s ready to take over in the kitchen at home. Through the course they were taught to make basic sauces and stocks and a few tricks of the trade. “Chef shared a few recipes with us,” Dylan said.

Last year Chef Tim May taught a kitchen discovery course in Hitacu, through North Island College. He said that participants learn the basic of kitchen etiquette, lunch prep, morning baking, food-costing and running a kitchen. “Food costing is a high priority,” he said, noting that even small savings can add up over time.

On each day of the course, participants prepared their own lunches and made a little extra to take home.

According to Chef May there is a shortage of trained kitchen staff on the west coast and he’s hoping that this course may address part of that shortage. He has been in touch with colleagues at various restaurants on the coast to let them know that he has ten eager recruits who are looking for work.

“The overall success of the Culinary/Cook Training Program is outstanding,” said NETP case manager Evan Hauser.

“The skills that these ten participants (four from YFN and 6 from TFN) have learned during the four weeks of training has built their skills up to work in an industrial kitchen setting where they can work respectively with the Chef in charge. They learned codes of conduct within a kitchen setting, along with specific cooking skills; such as safe handling of food, working with knives and cleaning of the kitchen from top to bottom,” he added.

NETP supported each client by providing proper kitchen clothes, including chef pants, chef jacket, kitchen shoes and two chef knives. Each participant was also provided with transportation to the course each day.

The young Yuułu?il?ath participants seemed pretty thrilled with the skills they have learned. “I’d like to give a loud shout-out to Chef Tim—he’s been an awesome teacher,” Jordan said, and Dylan nodded in agreement.



Jordan Benson and Dylan Joseph take a break after creating their 3 course meal during the Tofino cooking course.



Deanna Amos, left and Amanda Tom of Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation show off their buns being put into a proofing oven to rise. Right: Jacob Frank dishes up some apple strudel.



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Tla-o-qui-aht shares culture in Hitacu

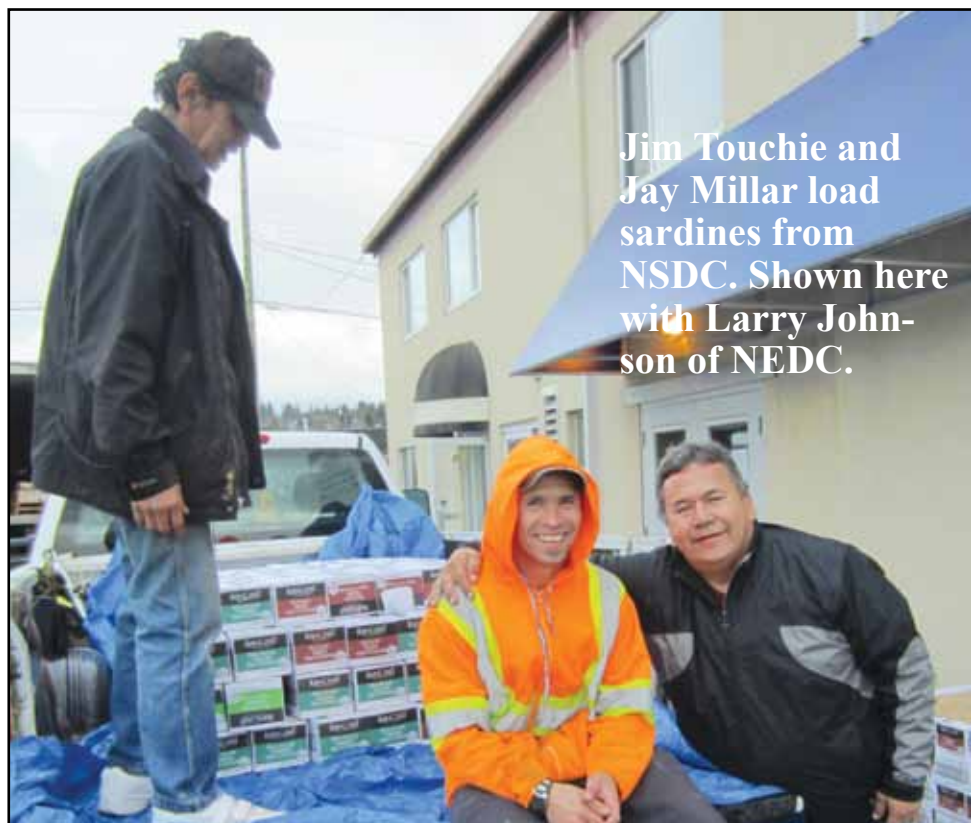


Two projects identified for Biosphere Trust funding

The Yuulu?il?ath Government has applied for two different grants from the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust, to build and maintain a community and youth garden and for a Yuulu?il?ath Day celebration in the fall.

It is hoped the garden will be used as an outdoor classroom to learn about sustainable living and to contribute food to the community kitchen and youth program. A spot near the community centre has been designated for the garden. The request for funding would cover the cost of fencing, materials for garden beds, a small green house, seeds, soil and tools. It is hoped the project will be started this spring.

The second grant application was for funding to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the Maa-nulth Treaty on YFN Day which takes place on September 21st each year. The project plans include hosting a cultural event and meals in the gym.



Jim Touchie and Jay Millar load sardines from NSDC. Shown here with Larry Johnson of NEDC.

Sardines delivered to Hitacu

Nuu-chah-nulth Seafood recently provided 177 boxes of canned sardines to Hitacu. The sardines were surplus from St. Jean's Cannery, their Raincoast brand that is exclusive to St. Jeans.

All NSDC nations received some of the sardines--1040 boxes in all, delivered to the NSDC office and loaded onto pick-ups and delivered to various communities. Rainbow Gardens and the Friendship Centre in Port Alberni also received some sardines.

Kathy Happynook said when St. Jean's cannery was purchased in December, their depot on Third Avenue was also purchased and has been renovated to include two offices for Kathy and NSDC President Larry Johnson.

Wheels for Wellness update

The Wheels for Wellness is a program which transports non-emergency ambulatory patients to their medical appointments that are further away than 60 kilometers from home. The program was established in 1997 in Comox and was recently expanded to the west coast for a pilot project.

The first two months of the pilot project have been successful in recruiting volunteer drivers and providing ridership which has allowed communities to be better connected to medical appointments within the Alberni Valley and beyond. The program usage continues to grow as the service becomes better known. In its first two months the pilot project has provided 24 trips to medical appointments for west coast residents in January and in the month of February, 41 trips were taken. As well, two volunteer drivers have been recruited.

In order to provide sustained and seamless service to the west coast communities the working group will be sourcing partnership commitments to assist with a one-time \$34,000 cost to purchase a Wheels for Wellness van after the completion of the 2016 pilot project.

Residents of eight communities on the west coast experience significant barriers to accessing medical care within and outside the region in the absence of personal vehicles. Current bus routes in the coastal communities do not allow for same day travel between communities or out of the region outside of the peak tourism season. Through consultation and planning, local community partners have been working to identify and pursue opportunities which will assist in improving conditions.

Hitacu residents should contact Pearl Touchie at the YG office (250) 726-7342 to schedule a Wheels for Wellness pick up or for more information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
in Hitacu
@ the board room at YFN
Management Services
(Huupatu Building)
Sunday mornings at 11
a.m.

Happy 15th Birthday



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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.



Got Allergies?

Plan to attend a community Information session in Hitacu.

April 13th
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Multi-purpose room at the Community Centre.

Presenters include: NTC Community Health Nurse Amanda Aspinall, Jennifer Touchie and Jenna Miller



YG Lands and Resources Technician Carlos Mack, centre, and Larry Johnson, head of the Nuu-cha-nulth Seafood Corporation strip herring eggs from a tree branch last week, while Bernice Johnson pulls eggs from hemlock branches. Citizens got a treat last week when two different deliveries were made of the tasty treat.



HITACU COMMUNITY EVENTS

APRIL 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Gym Closed No Activities	2
GYM 3 Open Drop-in 7pm - 9pm (children 11 & under must be accompanied by an adult)	Guardians of the Forest 3:30-5 Ages 6-12 @ The Gym !!Garden Project!! Warriors Program 6-8 Wolf Clan Basketball Practice 7:30-9	4 Homework Club 3:30-4:30 All Ages @ The Gym !!Garden Project!! Youth Drop In 3:30 -6 Ages 11 and up @ The Gym Gym Slots Available 6-9 contact Alicia for details	5 !!Art Project!! After School Drop In 3:30-5 Ages 7 and up @ The Gym Volleyball Drop In 6-7:30 Basketball Game Night 7:30-9	6 Homework Club 3:30-4:30 All Ages @ The Gym !!Garden Project!! Youth Drop In 3:30-6 Ages 11 and up @The Gym Westcoast Thunder Team Practice 6-7:30	8 Basketball Tournament	9 Basketball Tournament
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<p>check Facebook for any changes to schedule contact Alicia Gilmour about Open Gym Slots</p> <p>Contact : Alicia Gilmour : Recreation Worker @ (250) 726-7342 or alicia.gilmour@ufn.ca Ricardo Maialto : Warriors Program @ (250)266-2650 Beth Lutchie : Guardians of The Forest @ (250)266-0497 Jenna Miller : Homework Club @ (250)266-2049</p>						



Barb Beasley and Gerry Schrieber coordinated a science workshop to teach children about crows and their eating habits. Local youth raised clams in a bucket and smashed them on a cement block to learn how high a crow would have to fly in order to drop and open a clam successfully.

Foster family introduces Takoda to his culture

A few new faces showed up for Culture Night last week. Brenda and Bruce Nicholson of Nanaimo, and their children Bert, Cole and foster child Takoda Touchie, were welcomed at a Yuułu?il?ath dinner. The Nicholsons' are Foster Parents to Takoda, whose relatives are Yuułu?il?ath.

Brenda said the family has been fostering Takoda for nearly three years. He regularly visits with his Mom but she didn't know much about the family history; however, his mother's sister was able to provide the foster family with information as to where Takoda's relatives are from.

"We called down here and found out that we could come on Tuesdays or Thursdays and there might be culture," said Takoda's foster mom. She said that the couple wanted to provide Takoda with a connection to his extended family and community. "We feel it's our responsibility to educate him and part of that is to come up here so he can get a connection to who he is and where he comes from," she said.

The Nicholson's were thrilled to see Takoda socializing with the other children at the dinner. "Kids don't have many barriers; he was running around with all the other kids, having a great time," she said.

Although there was no culture on the night the family visited, they were impressed with the warm welcome they received from community members. "Deb (Mundy) welcomed us right away and Raymond (Haipee) offered to take us out for a canoe ride," she said.



The family didn't have time for the canoe ride on this trip, but they will be back and hope to take Raymond up on his offer.

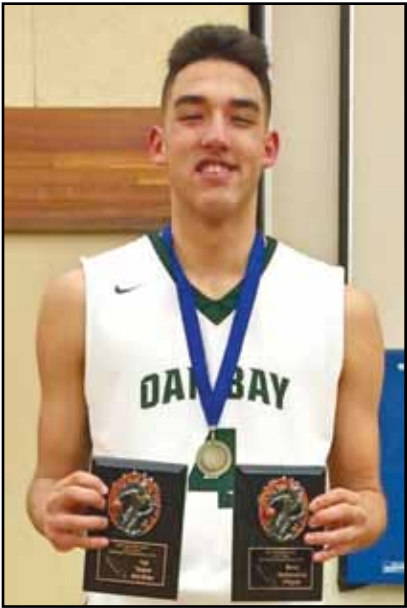


Dr. Bernice Touchie has been working with Kenneth Miller using computer technology. Recently he received a new I-pad loaner from Community Living BC. The I-pad has been loaded with photos and graphics of family members, favorite places and things that he likes and does not like. According to Dr. Touchie, this new technology will help Kenneth increase his communication skills.



Youth from Hitacu enjoyed a snow day at Mount Washington in February. Shown here are, top, Anthony Louie, snowboarding and below, Anthony and Jack Mundy.

Community Newsmakers



Jaden Touchie won awards for the best defensive player and 1st team All Star at the Vancouver Island 4A Basketball championships, held Feb 25-27 at Dover Bay. Jaden's team the Oak Bay Bays won 89-57 over Cowichan. In the 66 years the tournament has run it was the widest margin off victory ever 32 points. The old record was broken from last year, of 30 points, again held by Oak Bay. Jaden and his team were in the High School Sr. Boys Provincial Championships in Langley in mid March which was won by the Kelowna Owls.



These young entrepreneurs were painting and selling rocks in Hitacu this week by flagging down passing motorists.

Homework Club at the Learning Center!

- Movements break to start!
- Quiet work zone
- Homework support on hand!
- No homework? No problem! Additional activities daily [i.e. crafts, card games puzzles]

When ..?

on these school days from 3:30 —4:30



MONDAY

• 3:30 - 4:30



TUESDAY

• 3:30 - 4:30



THURSDAY

• 3:30 - 4:30

New accountant

Sheila Williams was hired in the YG accounting department in late January.

She spent the last couple of years working in the Yukon, for Carmacks First Nation, a self-government but not a treaty nation. The nation employs more than 150 people.

Sheila describes herself as “a very skilled book-keeper without an accounting designation. I know the short-cuts,” she laughed.” She also is familiar with various accounting programs.

She grew up in Williams Lake and has two children living there, Danikka, 19 and Dayton who just turned 18.

She's enjoying living on the coast. “People might think I would tire of the rain but no. I like the weather; I don't have to shovel snow.”

Yuutu?il?ath invites you for breakfast and volleyball

For the Sake of Bacon

Pancake Breakfast Fund-raiser

Hitacu gym

April 23rd

9 - 11 a.m.

volleyball after breakfast

Ucluelet Secondary School PAC fundraiser for a water filtration

We need volunteers






Yuulu?il?ath Elder Rose Wilson shared her knowledge of traditional cedar weaving at the Pacific Rim Whale Festival recently. This year was the 30th anniversary of the Whale Festival that celebrates the spring migration of the gray whales. Rose and her family held weaving workshops in Ucluelet and Tofino. The workshops are a Whale Fest favorite.



The First Nations Health Authority randomly chose Hitacu as one of the areas in BC to conduct an extensive health survey. Eighty citizens were surveyed over two days. Here, Eileen Touchie is shown taking the survey.

k^waqmis or siih^muuuh ?

This photo on our Facebook page got nearly 9000 likes and also caused a bit of a stir as to what herring eggs are called here.



Both terms k^waqmis and siih^muuuh are taught locally in language classes and some Elders tell us that both terms are used to describe herring eggs.

No matter what you call it or how you prefer to eat it, we hope you enjoyed this traditional treat from the sea.

Thank you Carlos.



Yuulu?il?ath Language teacher Dr. Bernice Touchie recently hosted a Nuu-chah-nulth language bingo with local children. She has organized a couple of bingos for the youth in recent weeks and they always attract a crowd.

Umacuk

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

The Umacuk will not be published in April as Editor Lisa McKnight-Yeates will be on holiday. There will be news and event updates published on our Facebook page.

Notice to Caterers

second call for applicants

If you would like to be considered as a caterer for Yuulu?il?ath government functions, or to renew your application as a Yuulu?il?ath Government caterer- please submit your name for consideration.

Please ensure you have read the YG's Catering policy, copies may be requested at the front desk at the Government House or downloaded at www.ufn.ca

Please include a copy of up-to-date FoodSafe certificate.

Deadline for applications is March 31, 2016