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Hupacasath First Nation Election Results

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It will be new faces around the Chief and Council table as of April 2nd, 2009. 131 Ballots were cast for the Chief and Council election. The candidates for Chief Councillor were Shaunee Casavant and Judith Sayers. The results were close but reflect the new direction of the Hupacasath people.

With promises of a "clean slate" between Hupacasath, Tsheshaht and the city of Port Alberni, Shaunee Casavant has been elected as Chief Councillor for Hupacasath First Nation. While Shaunee is new to the role as Chief Councillor, she does have a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and served a one year term as CEO for Hupacasath Economic Development Corporation. Shaunee has also worked in different capacities as a business owner, Executive Director and Administrator of different aboriginal organizations.

The candidates for Councillor were



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Warren Lauder, Steven Tatoosh and Tom Tatoosh. Warren Lauder was re-elected and is going into his 4th term as Councillor. Another new face on council is Steven Tatoosh and although a longtime employee of HFN, this will be Steven's first term on council replacing Tom Tatoosh.

A big Thank-You to Judith and Tom for the contribution of your time and energy that each of you have made during your respective terms.

Kleco, Kleco to all members who participated in the vote.

HFN ELECTION RESULTS

| HFN ELECTION RESULTS | |
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| NAME OF CANDIDATE FOR CHIEF | |
| Shaunee Casavant | 70 |
| Judith Sayers | 61 |
| Number of valid ballots cast | 131 |
| Number of rejected ballots | 0 |

HFN ELECTION RESULTS

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| NAME OF CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILLOR | |
| Steven Tatoosh | 98 |
| Warren Lauder | 87 |
| Tom Tatoosh | 52 |
| Number of valid ballots cast | 130 |
| Number of rejected ballots | 1 |

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

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| April 20 | Community Treaty Meeting | 4:30pm | House of Gathering |
| April 12 | HFN Easter Party | 2:00pm | House of Gathering |

Due to the Easter Long Weekend, the HFN offices will be closed on Friday, April 10 and Monday, April 13 and will resume Tuesday, April 14, 2009. Have a safe holiday.

NOTICE

If you would prefer to receive general information, such as notices, membership meeting minutes, newsletters and other general delivery items by email, please provide your email address to Vanessa Charloug, HFN Administrative Officer at (250) 724-4041 Extension # 64

Olympic Torch Relay Opportunities

The Olympic torch that will ignite the flame at the opening ceremonies of the 2010 Winter Games will be carried in a relay run across Canada, starting in Victoria the end of October. The torch relay will cover 45,000 km passing through every province and territory. 12,000 torchbearers will have the privilege of carrying the flame during its 106 day journey. Any person over the age of thirteen can apply to carry the flame. Applications can be completed online at the websites of the Olympic sponsors:

Royal Bank site www.rbc.com/carrythetorch

Coke's site www.icoke.ca



dium as the torch travels through the Hupacasath Territory before being taken to Tofino. The torch will come back through town again the next day heading to Qualicum and Campbell River. If you would like to carry the torch during its journey through the Alberni Valley you should request Day 3 as part of your application.

In addition to these exciting opportunities, two Hupacasath members will also be participating in the relay through town and a blessing ceremony.

Hupacasath Chief and Council are currently in discussion in regards to the nomination/selection process for these individuals and will be issuing an information bulletin soon.

Please note that contestants can only register once! As well as carrying the flame, there are many other prizes to win. Torch bearers will be selected on April 17th and July 22nd.

The Relay will be in Port Alberni on November 1st. There will be a celebration at the Bob Daly sta-

For more information on the relay and the activities you can take part in please visit the Vancouver 2010 Olympic website or contact HFN CEO Robert Duncan.

ELECTIONS BC - Help BC make its mark

Elections BC is looking for reliable and enthusiastic people to fill a number of temporary election official positions on May 12, 2009. These positions will assist voters at voting locations throughout B.C. in the provincial general election and referendum on electoral reform.

If you have the skills necessary to interact with a variety of people during a long day while maintaining your diplomacy and tact and you have the ability to be a nonpartisan representative of Elections BC - APPLY NOW! Previous experience is not required.

For more information on qualifications, compensation and how to apply, please visit the Elections BC website at www.elections.bc.ca.



Hupacasath & K'ómoks Sign Shared Territory Protocol

On March 30, 2009 the Hupacasath and K'ómoks First Nations signed a landmark protocol that formally recognized their commitment to work together in their shared territory.

Held at the K'ómoks First Nation community hall, members from both First Nations together with representatives from the BC Treaty Commission were on hand to witness the historic signing and take part in the celebrations.

"It is with great pride that we enter into this agreement in accordance with our traditional laws and protocols" said Judith Sayers, Chief Councillor of the Hupacasath First Nation. "Through this agreement we are committing to work together to protect our common rights and interests in our shared territory." The protocol agreement clarifies mutual interests in resource rights, land use planning and management, protection of cultural areas, property acquisition and the roles and responsibilities for consultations with the Crown.

"Hupacasath and K'ómoks share a rich history and heritage in our shared territory," said Ernie Hardy, Chief Councillor of the K'ómoks First Nation, who was unable to attend the event due to illness. "We are very excited that this protocol further strengthens our already strong relationship with Hupacasath, building on several prior partnerships and many years of working together."

The shared territory of the Hupacasath and K'ómoks First Nations is centered around the Cameron Valley in Central Vancouver Island. The area contains some of the last remnants of Vancouver Island's once-magnificent Douglas fir forests and includes Mount Arrowsmith Regional Park, the most prominent visual focal point on Southern Vancouver Island.

"This is a very sensitive and culturally important area to our Nations, not just for traditional resource harvesting but also for spiritual practice" said Sayers. There are numerous documented archaeological sites within the shared territory dating back thousands of years. Both Hupacasath and K'ómoks are actively engaged in treaty negotiations with the Federal and Provincial governments through the BC Treaty Process. The protocol is an important milestone in each Nations effort to conclude a treaty.

"Resolving territory overlaps is a requirement of the treaty process but just as important, it allows communities to reconnect with each other," said Chief Councillor Ernie Hardy.

Over 35 Hupacasath members attended the ceremony, with many participating in the singing and dancing after the official protocol signing.

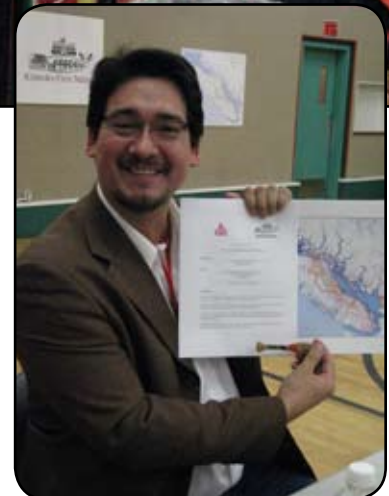


Photo Top Right L-R: KFN Councillors Barbara Mitchell and Stewart Hardy, HFN Chief Councillor Judith Sayers and Councillor Tom Tatoosh.

Photo Middle: the Kumeḡwe Dancers Photo Right: Robert Phillips, BCTC



Graduation Ceremony for Cultural Interpretation Training

On March 6th Hupacasath and Tseshaht First Nations celebrated an important achievement by a few of their young members. The ceremony was held to acknowledge their successful completion of a six-week Trailblazer Cultural Interpretation Training program offered by the Aboriginal Tourism Association of British Columbia (AtBC).

Hupacasath community members, Michelle Charleson, Leon Lauder and Joanne Verhaeghe received industry recognized training to assist them in advancing within the rapidly growing tourism industry. The program provided the graduates with certificates in FirstHost, Superhost, First Aid Level 1 with a transportation endorsement and three transferrable college credits for the Special Events Management Program through the Native Education College. Along with family and friends, Hupacasath Councillors Warren Lauder and Tom Tatoosh were on hand to witness the ceremony and congratulate the graduates.

“I’m very proud of these three young professionals who are eager to put their skills to use in the booming aboriginal tourism sector” said Lauder.

As part of the ceremony and their training, each of the students introduced themselves to the crowd in

Photo L-R: HFN Councillor Tom Tatoosh, Joanne Verhaeghe, Leon Lauder, Michelle Charleson and HFN Councillor Warren Lauder

their own language, including who their parents and grandparents are, to share knowledge of their nation and culture.

“It was great to see the youth speaking our language and I hope this inspires more of our young people” said Tatoosh.

Both Tom Tatoosh and Warren Lauder commented on the immense focus being placed on aboriginal tourism in the valley right now. “We have some real opportunities coming with our soon to be developed Transformation Center and this type of training is exactly what we will be looking for with our operations” said Lauder.

Lauder also acknowledged the work of former Hupacasath Development Corporation CEO Shaune Casavant who was instrumental in bringing the program to Port Alberni.

Congratulations and best of luck to Michelle, Leon and Joanne!

Daniel Watts Honored by First Nations Summit



At a recent First Nations Summit meeting held on March 4,5,and 6, in Victoria, the First Nations Summit Executive, Chiefs in Assembly as well as Staff thanked and acknowledged Danny Watts for his many years of service as Co-Chair of the First Nations Summit.

Speeches were made from Ed John, Doug Kelly, and Dan Smith in honour of Danny for his long years of service, his abilities to keep the discussions on point, and ensure that the agenda had been followed, as well as many other administrative duties.

Co-Chair Leah George-Wilson also thanked Danny for his years of service, as well as acting as her mentor when she first was elected as co-chair of the Summit. Danny helped Leah transition to her role, and taught her “tricks” on how to keep the summit agenda and delegates on task.

Danny is recognized as one of the longest standing elected members of the summit serving as Co-Chair for 14 years.

Congratulations Danny on your recognition and for your years of service to the First Nations Summit and the Chiefs.

Hupacasath Youth Participate in Jr. All-Native Tournament

Submitted by Christie Hamilton

During the Spring Break, Ahousaht First Nation hosted the Jr. All-Native Tournament here in Port Alberni. There were over 40 girls and boys First Nations’ teams from all over B.C., and several of Hupacasath youth had taken part in the tournament.

Francine Charleson, Jessica Hamilton and Keanna Hamilton played for the Tsessaht girl’s team along with Brittany Dick. Tsessaht played their first game against TikchemEEn (Lytton Lady Warriors) and lost then played their second game against NCN Lady Warriors and lost and were eliminated. The girls played very well given the fact they were a young team and played against more experienced players.

This was Francine, Jessica and Keanna’s first Jr. All-Native Tournament they participated in and I’m sure it’s not the last. Cody McCarthy played for Homiss (Hesquiaht) team and they played against Sous Gingolx (Kincolith) and won. The next game Homiss played against was Hitatsoo Gamerz and they lost and finally they played against NCN Young Gunz and lost that game also.

I’m very proud of the Hupacasath youth that took part in this provincial tournament as we have very talented youth no matter what sport they play. Next year’s Jr. All-Native tournament will be held in Prince Rupert B.C.

Important News from Gill Elementary School

Submitted by Richard Samuel

Kindergarten Registration

Gill is accepting registration for September 2009. If you have a child that will be 5 years of age by December 31, 2009, please come in and see Mrs. Bratt.

Potlatch

Gill Elementary School will be hosting a potlatch at the Alberni Athletic Hall on Friday April 24th from 10:00 – 2:15. The purpose of the Potlatch is to educate and to share our culture with the students and staff in our school. Classes are preparing a number of crafts for gifts and intermediate classes are preparing traditional songs and dances.

We are also looking for donations of food, and looking for volunteers. If you are able to assist, even for a short time, please contact the school as soon as possible.

Public Service Aboriginal Youth Internship Program Full-Time Salary of \$1,564.13 Bi-weekly

The Aboriginal Youth Internship program offers a unique and innovative 12 month internship program that is culturally responsive and supported. Successful candidates will work for 9 months in a government Ministry followed by 3 months in a selected Aboriginal organization.

You will learn many aspects of public service and provincial government processes, participate in workshops across the province, develop your leadership and professional skills, develop strong research and cohort bonds, set a vision and create a path for your future career development.

Some of the exciting areas you may be working in include:

- Ministry specific projects and work assignments
- Policy analysis and development
- Youth engagement
- Community liaison
- Event and conference coordination
- Program development and delivery
- Communications
- Budget process
- Service integration

We have placements available in several Ministries across the province. We're looking for youth who communicate well, have strong writing and research skills, embrace learning opportunities, enjoy new challenges and are engaged in their Aboriginal, youth or academic communities.

To become one of the successful applicants you must be:

- Aboriginal (First Nations, Métis, Inuit)
- Under 29 years of age as of September 8, 2009
- Residing in BC

And have:

- A minimum of grade 12 with some post-secondary education or equivalent work, life and education experience;

- Leadership experience, either through work or volunteering; and

- Good knowledge of Aboriginal governments/organizations and the Aboriginal population that you represent (i.e. First Nations Summit, Union of BC Indian Chiefs, Métis Nation BC, BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres, others).

For more detailed information about this opportunity, please view the Intern Job Profile.

To be considered for this opportunity, please submit, via the online application process:

- Resume
 - A cover letter that clearly identifies:
 - Your interest in participating in the program;
 - How you meet the competencies - knowledge, skills and abilities identified in the job profile.
 - Please indicate your top three Ministries and areas of interest, and your preferred work locations. To view a list of provincial Ministries, please visit <http://www.gov.bc.ca/ministries/>
- We will also need:

- Two letters of support (Letter of Reference Form attached below) from the Aboriginal community (i.e.: Elders, teachers, coaches, employers, or youth organizations) must be sent to Amanda Horncastle via fax @ 250/387-0749 or mail @ 3rd Floor - 810 Blanshard Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9V1 to be considered for this opportunity.
- One letter must be from an Aboriginal organization.
- All letters must clearly state why you would be a good candidate for the program.

For additional information on the BC Public Service Aboriginal Youth Internship Program, please visit <http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/AboriginalYouthInternship>



Help us put clients first.

Aboriginal Stay in School Program 2009

We know it's tough to find summer jobs and even harder to find summer job opportunities where you develop skills that can be used towards a career. RBC Royal Bank's Aboriginal Stay in School (ASIS) Program was launched in 1993 to give Aboriginal students a chance to earn while you learn during summer vacation. We believe the more you know about the business world, the more you'll want to Stay in School and get the education you need to succeed in whatever career you choose. Since we launched RBC's Aboriginal Stay in School Program, hundreds of students have had the opportunity to experience the world of the financial services industry from the other side of the counter.

HOW DOES IT WORK? Training is provided on site in various branch locations throughout the province. Employment will be for 150 hours (over a 4-6 week period during July and August) and will expose you to a variety of positions within one of our business units. Students who participate in the program leave with a good idea of the demands of working as a financial services provider and a better understanding of the relationship between education and work.

WHO CAN APPLY? If you are an Aboriginal student who is a Status Indian, Non-Status Indian, Inuit or Métis, you are eligible to apply to the RBC Aboriginal Stay in School Program, as long as:

- You are an Aboriginal student in Grades 9 through 12.
- You intend to return to school in the fall.

HOW DO I APPLY? To be considered for this exciting opportunity, please submit your cover letter and resume through www.rbc.com/careers no later than April 17, 2009. Please also include the following information:

- Quote Position Title: ASIS ID#102380
- Locations you are available to work in (I.E. city and/or branch locations)
- What school program or grade you will be entering into in the fall

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Forest Resources Update: Opportunity in Utility Poles

Submitted by Warren Lauder

Given the tough times we are all experiencing in the forest industry, there are challenges that have affected the biggest and the best of people involved in the industry. The outlook in the short term is bleak but as always industries have there ups and downs in historical fashion. The time right now is where businesses small and large are realigning themselves for new approaches, methods and technologies, products and markets.

The forest industry is extremely complex and involves constant monitoring and involvement; networking and relationships are key values to success.

As for Hupacasath; directly I have been fortunate to find a market that aligns with the management approach being used on the woodlot to date. The network system currently established, that being the road systems in place at this time, has pre-



sented opportunity to harvest with good revenue for a small amount of volume. The harvest plan and market I have locked into at this time is a telephone pole market. The approach we are using for this harvest is a thinning management, that is finding poles that first meet the criteria and at the same time do not leave big opening's but release the other tree's by giving them more sunlight.

The second step is to get the trees out with the least amount of damage to the pole or other trees. That is the challenging part because the trees are full length and need to be felled

and maneuvered around the standing trees. I have completed the identifying and cruising summary of every individual pole at this time and have now submitted the cutting permit applications for approval, with the hope of starting operations in mid April.

Social Development Department Update

Submitted by Paulette Tatoosh

Hello, I hope that life is treating each community member good and that whatever goals you're trying for you are achieving. My work in the social development department consists of lots of administration tasks and a monthly reporting cycle. Besides my regular recording and reporting duties, during the month of April, I will be contacting persons in receipt of social assistance to update files, and will be asking each person about their employment, training and education goals.

We are starting a new fiscal year in April and this year I want to work with community members on employment-related activities. This could include

such things helping individuals to complete career, training, employment plans, referring individuals to employment and funding services and helping with resumes. Another thing that I want to focus on this year is working with Hupacasath staff on employment initiatives that will answer diverse community needs and that will try to create employment for all community members who are wanting to improve their living circumstances.

For the month of April, social assistance cheque issue date will be on April 29. Please submit social assistance renewals and shelter receipts by April 15.

chuu, for now, Best to you, Tah-iss-imik, Paanet

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Education & Medical

Submitted by Vanessa Charlong, HFN Administrative Assistant



It's been business as usual around the office lately. In mid-March I was in Nanaimo for the First Nations Health Governance, Achieving Informed Consent conference. The purpose of this meeting was for the Vancouver Island communities to come together and further the discus-

sions around the creation of a new governance structure for First Nations health in BC. There was quite a good turn out with about 12 of the NTC nations attending as well as newly elected NTC President, Cliff Atleo who will be representing us on the new interim governance body. There were representatives from the Federal Government (FNIHB) who were quite informative. There was also disappointment that there was no one from the First Nations Health Council so a lot of the issues and questions from the previous meetings as well as new ones were not addressed. There were two reps from the governance side of the FNHC who did their best to provide what information they had but many of the leaders felt it wasn't enough and thought about canceling the last day of the meetings. Instead we chose to break out into the language groupings (NTC, Kwakiutl and Coast Salish) and discuss whether we wanted to continue with this process and, if so, under what conditions? In the end it was decided that each group is willing to move forward with discussions as long as we are shown the proper consideration and that our questions get answers. So it looks as though there will be another meeting sometime in the future.

At the end of April I will be in Parksville for the NTC's annual NIHB workshop where we will cover

the NIHB programs, the appeals process and travel warrants as well as the home care, nursing, healthy living and mental health programs. I will keep you up to date on any changes that there may be to the patient travel program.

Education

I was informed by Doug Sam that 70% of the Hupacasath students at ADSS made the Honour Roll last semester!! . Unfortunately, my request for a list of names was unmet by the deadline to get our updates in. Way to go guys and keep up the great work!

We are now well into the school year and things look good for our students so far. I want to say a special thank you to all of the parents who take the time to make sure that their kids are in school every day and are keeping up on their homework, we have a great bunch and a big part of that is all of your efforts. We now have the direct deposit system in place and are still working out some of the glitches, mainly getting all of the attendance reports from the schools in on time, so please bear with us.

NOTICE

We are trying to set up a page in the newsletter to acknowledge the accomplishments of our members so if you have anyone that you would like to have recognized for their hard work let us know. They can be young or old and it can be academic or athletic (or anything else you want to acknowledge). Let's get together in celebrating the achievements of our Hupacasath people!!

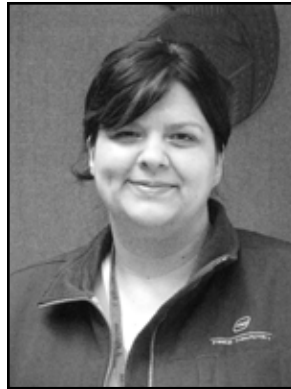
DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Treaty Negotiations Update

Submitted by Shana Manson, Treaty Negotiator

For March the negotiations included: Fiscal, wildlife, parks and protected, Work planning, and a Land Technical Working Group. In Fiscal Hupacasath and Canada continue to be in disagreement on certain aspects of funding the future Hupacasath Government. Concepts such as the costs of “catch up” do not work within the federal mandate, but are critical for the Hupacasath Government to be able to provide the same level of services as other governments. The Hupacasath Government has been underfunded for years under the Indian Act, and the 2% funding increase cap, that has never matched the costs of inflation. In Wildlife, BC has determined that rather than have the Hupacasath submit a Wildlife Harvesting plan outlining what wildlife subject to conservation will be harvested, they will Consult with Hupacasath on conservation measures and Hupacasath will participate in the implementation and determination of what conservation measure will be necessary.

BC Parks and Protected areas are a new Chapter that has not been previously reviewed. BC has proposed that Hupacasath will have treaty rights to “gather plants” in BC Parks and Protected Areas. Naturally Hupacasath has greater rights, than just the right to “gather plants”, so further negotiations will need to take place on this topic.



The parties have identified a new approach in the Work planning discussion. Rather than negotiate from chapter to chapter, the parties will group specific chapters together, and continue to keep them on the agenda until all the work that “can” be done, is done. We have agreed to identified key impasses, or areas of disagreement in each of the chapters and determine if there are opportunities to address Hupacasath’s interests, if not, the

issue will be referred to the Chief Negotiators of all three parties for further discussion.

The Land Technical Working Group has outlined an approach to review and discuss the various land areas identified in the Land Treaty Related Measure Report. Nothing is decided at this stage, just discussed. Third party interests, crown issued tenures, and other interests are identified so Hupacasath will know who is using what lands for what purposes. This will assist Hupacasath in making decisions about which lands they would like to consider for Treaty Settlement. I must be clear: NOTHING is DECIDED at this stage; just the research and data collection is done which will be brought to the Community for further discussion. The Natural Resources Manager, Steven Tatoosh, will assist on the Land Technical Working Group as Hupacasath’s land expert.

Farewell from Treaty Department Manager Jake Martens

It has been an honor and a privilege to work for Hupacasath for the past three years and I am enormously grateful for the opportunities I have had to contribute to the success of this incredible Nation! Although I have only been with Hupacasath for a short period of time, I have developed friendships that will last a lifetime. Some of my most memorable moments include being out on the inlet at 2am to watch the Chinook opening, racing in the Choo Kwa Challenge, the TFL #44 court case demonstration in Vancouver, hunting with the youth and the many opportunities I had to simply sit down and talk with each of you. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all those who wished me well, your generosity and kind words have meant so much.

As I will continue to reside in Port Alberni with my family I will closely follow Hupacasath’s continued success and pop in every now and then to say hello.

From the bottom of my heart Klecko ! Klecko !

Jake Martens

2010 Olympic Nuu-chah-nulth Art at Alberni Valley Museum

From Friday, April 3rd to Saturday, April 18th, 20 Nuu-chah-nulth artists will showcase their newest works at the Alberni Valley Museum, en route to the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver.

Join us at the exhibit opening, April 3rd, from 7 pm to 9 pm at the AVM. This event will give community members the rare opportunity to meet with established and up-and-coming Nuu-chah-nulth artists in person, to discuss their art.

The group, working under the auspices of the Nuu-chah-nulth Art Association, includes master artists Tim Paul and Rod Sayers, working alongside some of the best Nuu-chah-nulth has to offer: Pat Amos, Tom Paul, Alice Sam, Delores Bayne, Jason Titian, Tobias Watts, Qwaya Sam, and Jake Gallic.

The artwork is united by the theme of “Hupakwanum”—a Nuu-chah-nulth word meaning ‘a chief’s treasure box’, but the similarity ends there. Expressed through media as diverse as the artists, these works of basketry, carving, glass, pen and ink, and paint, harness the beauty and innovation of Nuu-chah-nulth culture.

“In general, the Hupakwanum concept ties together everything that we are doing. That is why I became involved. I want Nuu-chah-nulth to be represented on the world stage,” says Rod Sayers. “Putting political differences aside, we are showing the artwork of Nuu-chah-nulth and how diverse and progressive, even avante garde, it can be.”

All pieces on display at the AVM have been produced specifically for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, and funded through INAC and VANOC. Most works will be put up for auction, although some will hang in various Olympic venues in Vancouver throughout the Games.

The public seldom has the chance to see commissioned Nuu-chah-nulth art before it is shipped to national and international buyers, so join us for this unique and exciting two-week-only opportunity.

The Alberni Valley Museum is located at 4255 Wallace Street, Port Alberni. Operating hours are Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 5pm and Thursdays until 8 pm.

Change of Date

The Treaty Community Meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, April 20th @ 4:30pm

ATTENTION ALL HUPACASATH MEMBERS

The Hupacasath Treaty Department is hosting a community meeting and dinner on Monday, April 20th at 4:30pm at the Hupacasath House of Gathering.

The meeting is being held to conduct strategic planning for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. We are encouraging all members to attend.

REMEMBER WHEN.....



Photo L-R: Danny Watts, Ansley Watts, Harry Lauder, Ron Hamilton, Hugh Watts, Steven Tatoosh, Corie Miller, Unknown, Angie Miller



CAN YOU NAME ALL THE INDIVIDUALS IN THIS PHOTO?



Photo Back Row: Unknown, Joy Hamilton Tom Tatoosh, Irene Tatoosh, Jessie Hamilton, Helen Collier, Shearon Van Volsen, Maggie Wrigley, Sandra Vissia, Diana Evaniuk

Photo Front Row: Clotilda Gus, Carolina Tatoosh, Linda Kirchoff,

Remember When.....

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Congratulations Brian George and Letitia Rampanen

Maddex Kane George was born on March 24th at 8:35pm

Easter Party Potluck

There will be a Easter Party for the children on Sunday, April 12th @ 2pm and it will be a potluck lunch, so any favorite dishes or chumus will be greatly appreciated.

Birthday Greetings

April 2nd - Happy 15th Anniversary to Brad & Cathy Vissia, from the Vissias & Charlongs.

April 5th - Happy Birthday Tom Tatoosh from your family Carolina, Zachery and Lindsey

April 18th - Happy Birthday Raymond Joseph from Heather, Con and family

April 18th - Happy Birthday Danny (Danny-boy) Watts, from your family

April 19th - Happy birthday Con Charleson from Heather and family

April 23rd - Happy Birthday Irene Tatoosh, from your family

April 25th - Happy Birthday to Sandra & Sharean from the family

April 27th - Happy Birthday Zachery Tatoosh from mom, dad and your sisters Lindsey and Christine and Stephan

April 29th - Happy Birthday to Greg Vissia from Ness, Lily & Slade



Congrats to Nick Ross on a great hockey season!

From Al Ross

Aries (March 21 - April 20)

Dear Aries, your demands and needs in love continue to remain strong in April, but may not be answered as you'd like for the time being. Matters improve after mid-month, however, and by May, you're getting exactly what you want, when you want! Remember that a lover does have your best interests at heart, but you may be sending out confusing signals. A relationship from the past could capture your attention around the 21st. From mid-April, the focus is on money and possessions. You'll experience a surge in personal energy and confidence towards the end of the month.

Taurus (April 21- May 21)

You continue to lay low this month, dear Taurus, but you begin to come out of your shell from the 10-19, when others show more interest in your needs and wants. Love is tricky until the 9th, and could require you to make some personal sacrifices, after which you more easily and naturally attract others' attention. Around the 21st, the lines between friendship and love could blur. It's a strong time for personal enjoyment and rewards through friends and contacts. Money may come your way from the 9-10.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21)

After a busy month of attention to career goals and professional matters, you're feeling more sociable, dear Gemini. It's a strong month for social affairs, group contacts, and friendships in general. It's not without its complications, however, but you take pleasure in ironing out problems, particularly when it involves others' issues! Love on the job, involving a superior, or through business could figure in April, especially around the 21st. Opportunities to expand your horizons, physically or mentally, arrive after the 24th. Love and intimacy are especially rewarding on the 4-6.

Cancer (June 22 - July 23)

Professional matters are especially important in your life in April, dear Cancer. While complicated, towards the end of the month, great satisfaction from business affairs is likely to lift your spirits. The fruits of your labor are rewarded. In general, you have more energy at your disposal to pursue your professional goals purposefully. Singles are likely to find love while embarking on non-routine adventures. Interesting surprises are in store, particularly through foreign connections. Matters surrounding shared finances and intimacy have a magical quality to them this year, and evidence of this is clear in April.

Leo (July 24 - August 22)

Some truly magical moments are likely to occur in the areas of partnering and love this month, dear Leo. Some of you may be meeting creative or spiritual people with whom you find much in common. The 10-16 is great for fun, creativity, entertainment, good humor, and adventure. Surprises are certainly in store for you. The 21-23 is strong for intimacy, security, and affection. Towards the end of April, career matters come into strong focus, especially money-making ideas, although you still manage to balance your life with rewarding extra-curricular activities.

Virgo (August 23 - September 23)

Dear Virgo, your connections with other people, and your dependence on them, are brought to your attention in April. Shared finances, power plays, and other "give and take" matters are in strong focus now. It's not a month in which your personal projects, needs, and desires are easily met, or even an issue on the table. You are focusing on your close personal relationships. The 4-7 brings intense interactions. Around the 21st, creative and exciting opportunities to attract or enhance a partnership occur. Money matters take precedence on the 9th.

Libra (September 24 - October 23)

Relationships continue to feel complicated until the 20th, dear Libra, after which you are more able to enjoy your social life. Your goals are clearer and you are less likely to give off confusing or mixed signals to others. There is a strong connection between love and work this month, and if social opportunities through work present themselves (which is very possible), be sure to grab them. You could find yourself attracting (or attracted to) more creative or spiritual sorts of people these days. Money matters are complicated on the 1-4. The 20-22 brings stellar opportunities for love.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)

Romantic and creative excitement are in store for you this month, dear Scorpio, particularly on the 14-15 and 20-22. Nevertheless, there is a lot of work that needs to be done, and you fortunately are in the right frame of mind to take care of business. The 23rd brings golden career opportunities. Money matters that have to do with domestic affairs, real estate, and creative projects are very strong. Your decorating sense is also high, and you are likely in the mood for a home "makeover". Watch for overextending yourself on the 25-27, when rest is more appropriate.

Sagittarius (November 23- December 21)

Plenty of opportunities for extra-curricular activities arise in April for you, dear Sagittarius. Playful activities, enjoying hobbies, getting out and about, and generally finding pleasure in life are themes this month. You are also absorbing information like a sponge, so all matters related to learning, teaching, speaking, and writing are expected to run particularly well this month. Fortunate events surrounding your home and family are likely. The 9-11 is strong for personal recognition, and you might come to a friend's rescue. Towards the end of April, work needs more of your attention.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20)

Your intuition is powerful this month, dear Capricorn, particularly for financial and domestic matters. April is more a month for setting goals and visualizing instead of taking aggressive action. The 17th is strong for work, communications, and mental output. Spending time, and possibly money, on the home and family is likely this month. Until the 21st, your focus is strong on inner psychological growth, after which you are more able to let your hair down and enjoy some "play" time. Try not to overdo or overwork on the 4-6, when you are more susceptible to injury and illness.

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19)

Friends and connections figure strongly in your month, dear Aquarius. Friends may even be of practical benefit in addition to spiritual. April is also notable for attracting money, rewards, or gifts. Your intuition for making money is topnotch. Enthusiasm for learning brings you rewards this month, and your mind is especially sharp. Communications are strong, and love may even come through them, or through learning environments. Intellectual ties in existing relationships assume more importance to you than usual. Your personal stores of energy are tremendous, but don't overestimate what you can do.

Pices (February 20 - March 20)

April brings financial matters to your attention, dear Pisces. You are busy thinking about, discussing, and organizing your personal finances. However, be sure to put off major financial outlays until after the 17th. Take this time to budget. The 14-16 brings personal recognition, particularly on the job, and a few surprises. You could find yourself acting on a whim, and certainly confidence is with you now. Career opportunities are strong this year, and begin to show themselves in April. You may be leaning towards more spiritual or creative work. The 20-22 is fabulous for personal magnetism and romantic opportunity.

Youth/Elders Activity Calendar - April 2009

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Easter Craft Day 3:00pm | 7 Dance Practice 7:00pm | 8 Swimming Day 6:00pm | 9 Cooking Day after school | 10 Bowling | 11 Movie day 1:00pm |
| 12 Easter Party 2pm POTLUCK! | 13 Swimming | 14 Dance Practice 7:00pm | 15 | 16 Cooking Day after school | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 Dance Practice 7:00pm | 22 ELDERS LUNCHEON IN NANAIMO | 23 | 24 Activity Day in hall 3:00pm | 25 |
| 26 Gymnastics Acadamy 3:00pm | 27 Swimming | 28 Dance Practice 7:00pm | 29 | 30 | | |
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