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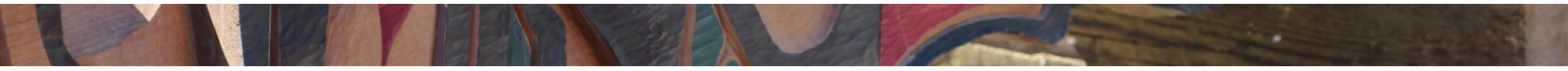
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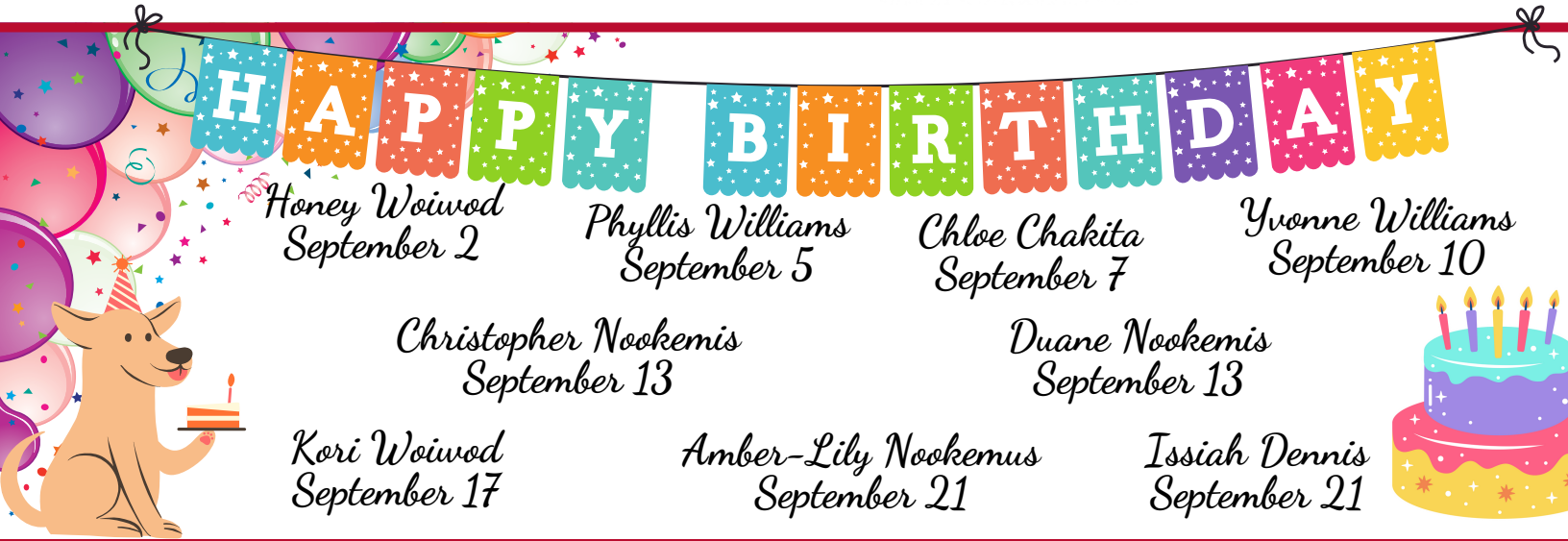
September 13, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.



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4277 Stamp Ave. Port Alberni, BC

www.huuayaht.org



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2023 SPECIAL FALL LEGISLATURE

FIRST SITTING - SEPTEMBER 11
SECOND AND THIRD SITTING - SEPTEMBER 15

WHERE: MA?AS SUQIN
(ANACLA GOVERNMENT OFFICE)
TIME: 10 A.M.

Huu-ay-aht First Nations Goods and Services Act Repeal Act, 2023

LIVE STREAM FOR ALL SITTINGS ARE AVAILABLE
WWW.VIDEO.HUUAYAHT.ORG

ANACLA FITNESS CENTRE

The Fitness Centre in Lower Anacla is open!

Are you interested in using this new facility? Please visit our website to start the process. This facility is available to all community members in Anacla and Bamfield areas. To learn and get started, visit www.huuayaht.org under Health and Services or scan QR Code.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Huu-ay-aht First Nations
Commitment to Community Health & Safety

August 28, 2023 - Huu-ay-aht First Nations over the past several years has been working with citizens, Hawiih, legal counsel, and consultants to better understand intergenerational trauma amongst our Nation.

Three separate groups have interviewed over 50 Huu-ay-aht citizens to discuss various things that affect intergenerational trauma such as addictions, physical & mental abuse, sexual assault & harassment, and abuse of power. Reports such as the Inquiry panel report, intergenerational impacts of residential school, and community wellness, all indicated recommendations for Huu-ay-aht First Nations to move forward for the betterment of our nation.

The Huu-ay-aht Hawiih and Huu-ay-aht Government are committed to protecting our most vulnerable, women, children, youth, and elders. We can't do this alone. It will take you, our citizens, to help us implement the recommendations and to strengthen our communities to be safe and healthy. We want all of us to help achieve our wellness statement:

Huu-ay-aht Wellness Statement:

"Our citizens are grounded in our culture, teachings, and sacred principles. Through healing, wellness, celebration, and the understanding of our Treaty, we are connected, empowered, responsible, accountable, and motivated."

Working with partners such as the RCMP, Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council, Province of BC, and the Federal Government departments, we will be committed to identifying resources to support our journey of wellness, health, and safety, and strengthening our environments.

Activities that can damage or cause harm to our communities and citizens in our communities will not be tolerated. Drinking and driving, abuse, or harm to our most vulnerable, women, children, youth, and elders in our communities will not be tolerated. We ask our citizens to support us in achieving our wellness statement and help us create a safe, healthy, and welcoming community.

"We are profoundly grateful to everyone who placed their trust in us by initially bringing their stories forward to our Council and to all of those who participated in the investigations. We are humbled by their bravery and appalled by what they have suffered. The Ḥaw iɬC ouncil stand with them and are here to support them. We urge them and all our citizens to take care of themselves and one another."

'On behalf of the Hawiih Council – Thlu' as aksup /Theresa Nookemis'

"We recognize and acknowledge that intergenerational trauma throughout Huu-ay-aht citizens and communities is a widespread and long-standing problem. We are grateful & appreciative to everyone who continues to place their trust in us and opened to using their voice in the investigations. It is essential that together we begin to address these painful and harmful legacies of intergenerational trauma, particularly on Huu-ay-aht's most vulnerable, women, children, youth, and elders."

'On behalf of the Executive Council – Chief Councillor, John Jack'

We encourage you to take care of yourselves and each other. And please reach out for support, assistance, and guidance. Together we can steer our canoe in the right direction.

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_ Thlut' as-aksup- Theresa Nookemus

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_ Yaɬ ḥuu a- Jeff Cook

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_ Hii ni naa sim-Tommy Happynook

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_ Cii̓caacistuɬ- Andrew Clappis

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on behalf of ʔuutstuʔaksa- Victoria Williams

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_ ƛaacmiik- Alec Frank

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_ Chief Councilor Sayaaćaṭḥ, John Jack

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_ Councilor ƛicitaṭḥ, Edward R. Johnson

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_ Councillor Wiiheyakchikk, Brad Johnson

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_ Councillor ḥaasiismisʔaksup, Stella Peters

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_ Councillor Thlaa-aapkwistaa-a Evan Cook

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_ Councillor ḥaasquʔisʔaṭḥ, Stephen Rayner

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Ḥawiiḥ Council

August 31, 2023

To: Huu-ay-aht Citizens

Re: Removal of Derek Peters (ƛiišin) from his seat

On May 5, 2022, following receipt of serious allegations against Derek Peters made by a citizen, we decided that, until the matter was resolved, he would not participate in meetings or decision-making of the Ḥawiiḥ Council, or speak publicly on our behalf.

On August 3, 2022, Executive Council directed that an Inquiry Panel (the "panel") be convened to inquire into allegations of abuse of power, intimidation, harassment, assault, sexual harassment and sexual assault committed by members of government.

The panel received information from several individuals alleging that ƛiišin had intimidated people, sexually assaulted, harassed, and threatened and assaulted women and children contrary to section 12 (3) of the *Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Act* (COCCIA), and had otherwise breached multiple other provisions of that Act. The panel issued terms of reference for an investigation into these allegations. That investigation has been completed and the panel has shared its findings with the Ḥawiih Council.

ƛiišin was offered the opportunity on multiple occasions to participate in the investigation process, but chose not to do so.

The investigator found, on a balance of probabilities, that the complaints against ƛiišin in relation to breaches of COCCIA s. 12 (3) were substantiated. The investigator also found that ƛiišin attempted to stop a complainant and her family from reporting one of the sexual assaults to the police; assaulted, intimidated and threatened another woman and attempted to obstruct an ongoing police investigation by directing family members what to say and do in relation to allegations of sexual assault made against him. In addition, the investigator found that he improperly used government property and resources and made unauthorized purchases on his government credit card for which he failed to provide receipts for purchases as required.

We are deeply troubled that ƛiišin has failed, over an extended period of time and in many ways, to conduct himself in accordance with our core principles of ʔisaak, ʔuuʔałuk , and hišuk ma ċawak. We cannot condone this behavior and, after careful consideration and discussion we have decided to permanently remove ƛiišin from the Ḥawiih Council and from his role as Tayii Ḥawiɬ.

This decision was not taken lightly and was made in accordance with our customary practices and Nuu-cha-nulth customary practices.

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We recognize that the inquiry process and investigation have been challenging for all involved.

We wish to express our gratitude to Sandra Cunningham K.C. and Jennifer Dehoney for their dedication and hard work throughout the inquiry and subsequent investigation. We also wish to thank all of the community members who came forward to share their stories and all of those who supported this important work.

We are profoundly grateful to the women who placed their trust in us by initially bringing their stories forward to our Council and to all of those who participated in the investigation. We are humbled by their bravery and appalled by what they have suffered. The Ḥaw̓iiḥ Council stand with them and are here to support them. We urge them and all our citizens to take care of themselves and one another.

Yours truly,

Yał luu a

Hii ni naa sim

Thlut' as-aksup

Ciicaacistuł

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1. Child and Family Wellness Department 250-723-0100 (please call for individual support)
2. Cultural Support (Cory Howard Sr and Mel Edwards) 1-888-644-4555 or 250-723-0100
3. Cultural Wellness Program (Qu'Asa) – 250-724-3939
    - For referrals, fill out referral form (I have attached one in the email) and email to Sanne Van Vlerken sanne.vanvlerken@nuuchahnulth.org
4. Kuu-us Crisis Line (24-hour support)
    - 250-723-4050 (Port Alberni)
    - 250-723-2040 (Port Alberni)
    - Toll Free 1-800-588-8717 (BC Wide)
    - Outside of BC, please contact the Crisis Line in your area
5. First Nations Health Authority – for counsellors covered by your First Nations Health Authority Benefits in your area, see https://www.fnha.ca/benefits/mental-health

Huu-ay-aht First Nations

Support is available



Teechuktl Mental Health
250-724-3939

- Mental health and addictions support
- Harm reduction (prevention, supplies, and training including Naloxone kits)
- Suicide prevention
- Murdered and missing Indigenous girls and women (MMIWG) support
- Residential school support worker

Quu'asa Wellness
250-724-5757

- Culture support
- Clinical counselling

Huu-ay-aht Child and Family Wellness Department
250-723-0100

Huu-ay-aht Cultural Team
250-728-3414

24-Hour Crisis Support

First Nations & Inuit Hope or Wellness Help Line
1-855-242-3310

Vancouver Island Crisis Line
Toll-free in BC 1-888-494-3888

1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433)
Call if you are considering suicide, or are concerned about someone who may be at risk of suicide.

Mental Health Support
310-6789
Emotional support and resources for mental health and substance use disorders

Indian Residential School Survivor and Family
1-800-721-0066

Kuu-Us Crisis Line
Adults/Elders 250-723-4050
Child/Youth 250-723-2040
Toll Free: 1-800-588-8717
Metis Line 1-833-638-4722

WIFI ISSUES IN ANACLA?

When you have an issue with your Wifi or need a repair, fill out the form on our website.



Scan the QR Code or visit www.huuayaht.org/citizenforms



Oomiiqsu Project update - August 28 - Sept. 1, 2023

WORK COMPLETED:

- **Poured basement foundation walls.**
- **Stripped basement foundation walls.**
- **Continued forming main building footings and foundation walls.**

UPCOMING WORK:

- **Pour footings for main building on south side.**
- **Form stepped foundation walls.**
- **Continue forming main building footings and walls.**
- **Install rebar in main building footings and walls.**
- **Install main electrical under footing conduit into electrical room.**

ANACLA EVENTS

Reporting wrongdoings and criminal behaviours must be made to the RCMP. Huu-ay-aht receives a monthly incident report from the RCMP.

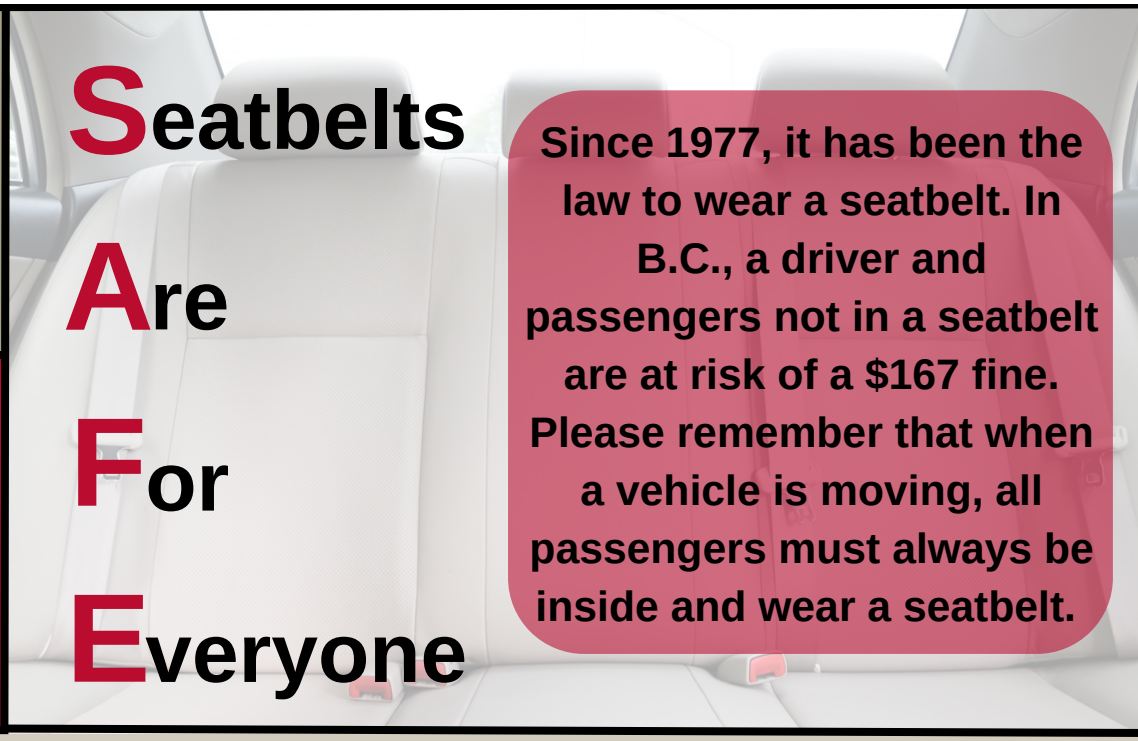
It is important that if you experience or witness a crime, to report it. It will show that more services are needing in our community.

Non-emergency Line: 250-723-2424
Emergencies: 9-1-1

Need to change your mailing address or contact information?

Please contact Jordan Young at 250-723-0100





Since 1977, it has been the law to wear a seatbelt. In B.C., a driver and passengers not in a seatbelt are at risk of a $167 fine. Please remember that when a vehicle is moving, all passengers must always be inside and wear a seatbelt.

Bamfield Road Update

September 5, 2023

Work Completed:

- **Kilometres 32 to 76 Chip Seal is completed**
- **Sweeping of Chip Seal is completed between kilometres 36 to 46**

Work to be done:

- **Grading and preparation between kilometres 29 to 20**
- **Work continuing from kilometre 32 towards Port Alberni**
- **Remaining Sweeping between kilometres 46 to 76 to be completed**

Please Note: Single-lane alternating traffic with the guidance of a pilot vehicle will be used for the remainder of this project, kilometres 0 to 36 in zones as required, currently set up between kilometres 20 to 29.

Remember, following the posted speed limits is essential when driving on the new chip seal. The road surface will be dusty and slippery if sweeping is underway or has not been completed. Please avoid slow, sharp turns on the seal coat while it continues to set up. Please use four-wheel drive, as well, especially on the hills. These are necessary to ensure a safe work site and not cause damage to the road or vehicles.

SCHOOL STARTS TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5

REMINDER



For the safety of all children, please remember when the school bus is stopped and has its stop signs out, traffic in **BOTH** directions must **STOP** and wait until the stop signs are pulled in and the bus is ready to move. ʎeekoo (Thank you)

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APPROACHING

2022/23 applications for K-12 students are available online and at the Port Alberni and Anacla Government Office. **Deadline for applications is September 30, 2023**

PLEASE NOTE:

- Applications must be submitted with a final report card from this school year.
- Scholarship applications may require recommendations from teachers, administrators, or coaches.

CONTACT

Vanessa Sabbas for questions
250-723-0100 or vanessa.s@huuayaht.org

AVAILABLE STUDENT AWARDS

- ƛiišin Academic Excellence Award & School Supply Allowance and Scholarship award applications
- Hišuk ma cawak Healthy & Active Award application
- ʔiisaak Community & Culture Award application
- Kiixʔin Chief Louie Award application
- Kahy Nookemus Memorial Award application

WWW.HUUAYAHT.ORG/SERVICES/EDUCATION-TRAINING-EMPLOYMENT/

OSTROM'S GAS BAR & MARINE FUEL DOCK

Hours of Operation

MONDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
TUESDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
WEDNESDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
THURSDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
FRIDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
SATURDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
SUNDAY	8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.

CLOSED FOR LUNCH DAILY 1-2P.M.

Bamfield Pub Hours

Tuesday to Saturday

Kitchen Open
3 - 8:30 P.M.

Pub Open
until 11 P.M.

Closed:
Sunday & Monday



The Market Hours

Monday	8A.M. – 8P.M.
Tuesday	8A.M. – 8P.M.
Wednesday	8A.M. – 8P.M.
Thursday	8A.M. – 9P.M.
Friday	8A.M. – 9P.M.
Saturday	8A.M. – 9P.M.
Sunday	8A.M – 8P.M.

CAFE HOURS

THURSDAY - MONDAY
11:30 A.M. - 7:00 PM

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
CLOSED


Michelle Stoney