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"I'm very excited to begin construction on Salish Cliffs," says Bates. "The Squaxin Island Tribe has a wonderful piece of land and great vision for the property."

Other well-known Bates tracks include award-winning Twin Bridges GC in Gadsden, Ala. and SouthWood GC in Tallahassee, Fla., where he collaborated with Seattle native Fred Couples. (Couples is not involved with Salish Cliffs.) Twin Bridges, SouthWood and Circling Raven garnered best-new status upon opening by multiple national golf publications.

Little Creek Casino Resort hotel currently features 92 guest rooms and will expand to a projected 200 next year. The casino features table games of all types – from poker to blackjack and virtually everything in between – as well as more than 600 slots.

"Concerts at the Creek" is going to be even more exciting in 2006, thanks to Little Creek Casino Resort's new Skookum Creek Event Center. The



new center seats 2,000 and will debut with legendary comedian Bill Cosby headlining on July 15th.

Other scheduled concerts include B.B. King, SalmonFest featuring Terri Clark, Huey Lewis and The News and Jo Dee Messina.

Business and other events from 25 to 2,000 can be accommodated at the events center as well. For more information about Little Creek Casino Resort visit www.little-creek.com, or call 1-800-667-7711.

AMENDED EVENTS CENTER LINEUP

ACT	DATE	TIME	PRICE	ON-SALE
Bill Cosby	7/15	7:00 & 9:00 p.m.	\$60/50	5/2
B. B. King	8/5	8:00 p.m.	\$65/58	6/2
Terri Clark	8/19	8:00 p.m.	\$42/35	6/16
Kenny Wayne Shephers	9/8	8:00 p.m.	\$35/\$25	7/3
Huey Lewis & the News	9/22 & 9/23	8:00 p.m. both	\$55/45	7/3
Jo Dee Messina	10/27	8:00 p.m.	\$40/33	8/7
Howie Mandel	11/19	6:30 & 9:00 p.m.	\$30	9/5

There will be an Open House for the LCCR Events Center on July 13th. Tours will run all day beginning at 10:00 a.m. Elders, tribal members and community members are invited!

The LCCR Events Center will be a smoke free environment and shows will be open to all ages. An adult must accompany all children under the age of 18 unless otherwise specified in writing. Box office will open at 9:00 a.m. on the first day of ticket sales for any event. The box office is open seven days a week, from noon until 8:00 p.m. Ticket sales will also be available at the MVP Club desk. The box office number is 432-7300 and will accept credit card charges, MVP points and/or cash.



Tourism Thoughts & Tales

Leslie Johnson - A lot has been going on since this department was created.

- FIREWORKS - I probably don't even need to mention this, but... it's fireworks season! Stop by the stands!
- BLACK LAKE REGATTA - Come see the hydroplanes at the KTP on July 7th. The races are at Evergreen Shores on July 8th and 9th.
- SKOOKUM CREEK EVENTS CENTER - There will be an Open House July 13th for elders, tribal members and community members. Tours will begin at 10:00 a.m. and run all day! The grand opening will be the Bill Cosby show! Are you ready??? I hope you have your tickets because the event is nearly sold out (if it hasn't sold out by the time this article is published). Plans are in the works for elder/tribal member tours of the new events center.
- FIRST SALMON CEREMONY - It's on August 11th this year (Friday). See you there!
- SALMONFEST - August 19, 2006, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Come celebrate with us! The SalmonFest benefits the Learning Center and the museum. Does your business or group need money? Why not have a booth at the SalmonFest??? For \$200 booth price, you can raise funds for your company or group. Need suggestions? How about T-shirts? wood carvings? Or any other Native art? Hints: Hey Tribal Elders! Show these young "foo-foo" salmon cooks what salmon really tastes like done right!
- EVENTS - We will keep having events here at the MLRC. Please let us know what your cultural interests are! We have had a dance group, a basketweaver from New Zealand and a story teller so far. If we have to pay for supplies or the performers, we will charge admission. It is our hope to get bigger and better performers, demonstrations and classes here!
- SALISH SEAFOOD/LCCR - They won the Best of the Show for the Oyster Shooters last month at the Bite of Shelton!!! Way to go guys! (by the way Oyster Shooters are served in a shot glass (which you keep) with or without a splash of tequila).
- SKOOKUM CREEK TOBACCO - The plant is finished, but not quite fully up and running!
- VISITORS INFO - Soon we'll have a promotions booth between the Visitors' Information booth and the KTP. Drop by and meet Richard, a Tulalip Tribal member. He's going to be promoting as many tourism events as possible. Welcome aboard, Richard!
- KAMILCHE VALLEY MARKET—The market is now open! Stop by for something fresh and check on some new art for your house! The word is that there's a really good plant vendor!!!

QUESTIONS OR IDEAS? Call me, Leslie, at 432-3838, or Ruth at 432-3841

**Congratulations to the Squaxin Island Men's Basketball Team
for taking 1st place in Olympia City League. Keep up the good work!!!**



Island Enterprises

Skookum Creek Tobacco

Jennifer Ulrich - The new factory is fully operational and we are excited to invite the whole community to our Grand Re-Opening for the Skookum Creek Tobacco Factory! The event will take place Wednesday, August 9th starting at 4:00 p.m. and will run until 7:00 p.m. Join us for a traditional Southern BBQ and tours of the new factory!

Other news from the factory is that we have officially launched our new hand-rolled Dominican cigar, Island Blendz, at the KTP. Come see the factory's newest product line in the KTP's new Walk-In Humidor.

Speaking of the Kamilche Trading Post....

Stop in and see the completed remodeled KTP, featuring the new humidor, a beautiful cigarette counter and new liquor display.

Come to the Kamilche Trading Post on July 7th for the kick off of the Black Lake Regatta. You'll want to see the hydroplanes and racing canoes! Enter to win prizes and enjoy our BLUE OYSTER BBQ as we give away BLUE OYSTER CULT TICKETS! Then, on July 8th & 9th head down to Evergreen Shores Park in Olympia to watch the hydros, flat bottom boats and power racing canoes.

In August look for more power to come to KTP with our sponsorship of the Nostalgia Drag Races at the Shelton Airport. Friday, August 4th will be another chance to stop by the KTP and see the drag cars, eat some food and win some prizes! Then on Saturday and Sunday head down to the Shelton Airport to see the races!

Skookum Creek Tobacco & The Kamilche Trading Post Events Calendar

July 7 th	Hydros & canoes on display at the KTP. Blue Oyster BBQ and Blue Oyster Cult ticket giveaway 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
July 8 th & 9 th	Black Lake Regatta Races at Evergreen Shores Park in Olympia. Races run from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. each day.
August 4 th	Meet the drag racers and see the cars at the KTP 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
August 5 th & 6 th	Nostalgia Drag Races at the Shelton Airport
August 9 th	Grand Re-Opening of the Skookum Creek Tobacco Factory Southern BBQ & Tours 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



SPSCC/Tribe Celebrate Welcome Pole

Representatives and friends of South Puget Sound Community College and the Squaxin Island Tribe gathered June 1 for the first annual celebration of a welcome pole that was raised on the college campus last year as a lasting symbol of the friendly relationship between the two entities.

The welcome pole, created by tribal members Andrea and Steve Sigo, stands near the entrance to the college's Student Union building with arms extended in a gesture of greeting and welcome.

"This welcome pole is a great addition to our campus," said Dr. Kenneth Minnaert, SPSCC President. "This land on which we come to learn is sacred to the Squaxin Island people. This welcome pole, with its outstretched arms, symbolizes the relationship we have with the Squaxin Island Tribe. The outstretched arms are a symbol of friendship."

The idea of creating a welcome pole was proposed in 2002 by ASB President



Walker Wise and the Student Senate. After the project was approved by Squaxin Island elders, the students began raising money for the project.

They are now drawing up plans to add an ethnobotanical viewing garden with names of plants spelled out in the native Squaxin Island language. A second welcome figure may also be added later.

Squaxin Island Tribe Cultural Resources Director Rhonda Foster said the welcome pole is also a symbol of trust. "Trust leads to unity," she said.

Squaxin Island tribal member Kim James (above) was the event emcee, and Vicky Kruger (with microphone), Clara Capoeman and Jeremiah George performed the Frog Dance. The song tells about frogs asking the moon to pull the tides.

Pictured at left are tribal elders Lila Jacobs and Loretta Case with Larry Ross, Cultural Resources Specialist II. Pictured below are SPSCC Anthropology Professor Dale Croes, Squaxin Island Council member Vince Henry and Squaxin Island Cultural Resources Director Rhonda Foster.

Thanks, again, to everyone involved in this great project!





Traditional Stave To Be Used to "Swear People In" During Court

A traditional stave created by young Squaxin Island tribal member Madeena Rivera, with the help and support of Officer Micah Ware, will now be used to "swear people in" during Family Court.

"Other courts use the bible to swear people in," said Judge Anita Neal. "We thought it would be significant to have our own symbol, something that is sacred and specific to the Squaxin Island Tribe. In this way, people will know this is their court."

Even the words have been altered slightly to be better tailored for tribal members. Rather than saying, "I swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help me God," those approaching the witness chair will be asked to place their hands on the staff and recite the words, "On my honor and family name, I swear to tell the truth."

According to Madeena, whose goal is to one day become the Chief of Police, every aspect of the stave has special significance. "Everything is wrapped tightly in leather, like a family is wrapped tightly together. The colors represent a coastal tribe. The two feathers on the top represent parents and the other feathers represent children. There is sage and tobacco."

Judge Neil reiterated the importance of the symbolism, stating, "Parents are the guardians of their children. This is significant because most of the cases we deal with have to do with family issues."

In addition to working for the Public Safety Department for three summers, Madeena is the President of the Squaxin Island Youth Council and has attended law enforcement academy in Wisconsin where she was a Junior Counselor last summer.



Madeena with Judge Anita Neal



Madeena jokes with Chief Evans



Madeena with Sergeant Kris Peters

"I want to thank my mom (Marcella Castro) for everything," Madeena said. "If it wasn't for her, we wouldn't have this. She helped me find the stick which was sent from a victim of child abuse."

Several people in attendance during the blessing of the stave on June 7 thanked Madeena for being such a tremendous role model for tribal youths.

The blessing ceremony was conducted by Madeena's grandmother, Shaker Minister Rose Algea who was accompanied by Shaker Ministers Mike and Shirley Davis.



Madeena with Grandmother, Rose Algea and Mom, Marcella Castro



Madeena with Administrative Assistant Shelly Rawding and Court Clerk Kim Heller



Tribal Member Rick Peters Builds Tribal History Curriculum for Local School Districts

Tribal member Rick Peters has created a Squaxin Island history curriculum, entitled *"The Squaxin Island Tribe and Its Relationship to the Environment,"* that will soon be distributed to local school districts for use under House Bill 1495. The bill encourages school districts to include local Native history in their lessons.



Funding for the project was provided by matching funds from the Squaxin Island Tribe One Percent (of casino profit) Charity Committee and the Washington Foundation for the Environment.

During his senior year at The Evergreen State College (TESC) where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2005, Rick interned at Thurston County Conservation District's South Sound GREEN (Global Rivers Environmental Education Network). Among other things, this organization provides talks to school groups at waterfront property on Henderson Inlet owned by Washington State University (WSU). Rick's supervisor, Ann Mills, suggested that, "since the area is home to the Squaxin Island people," he should also give a talk each day. These talks, offered to grades 5-12, centered on environmental education, with emphasis on shellfish identification, water quality and tribal history.

Rick, former Shellfish Policy Representative for the Tribe from 1991 - 1999, worked 40 hours a week for the district to earn 16 credits spring quarter last year.

Tom Condon, a board member at Washington Foundation for the Environment (WFE), was so impressed after talking with Rick on the beach one day, he asked him to develop a curriculum and even sent him a grant application.

In September last year, after receiving funding for the project (a mere \$4,000), Rick met with Dale Clark, Charlene Krise, Kim Cooper, Walt Archer, David Whitener and Lynn Olson (retired principal and English teacher and volunteer at the MLRC) to begin planning the curriculum. Lynn volunteered to produce a 22-page manuscript based on a 28-minute video produced by Rick and Tom McCullough, another MLRC volunteer and TESC student.

Soon after, Rick began the three-month task of writing the dialog supported by photographs and graphics. Tom put everything together on cd and dvd using Roxio and DVD Santa software. Research was conducted at the Washington State Department of Health, tribal archives, meetings with elders, Washington State

Historical Society, NWIFC and Pacific Shellfish Grower's Association.

In April, 2006, everything started to come together. A final draft was presented to Tribal Council and the LCCR Orientation class on June 8th.

Initially, the cds, copied by MLRC staff, will be distributed to the 22 Thurston County schools that participate in the South Sound GREEN program.

"I would love to be there when they first show it," he said.

Later, the curriculum will likely be shared with Mason County schools. Once complete, the curriculum will become the property of the Tribe, Rick said. "They can do whatever they want with it." But, Rick will retain all copyrights.

Tribal Council has promised to host a dinner after final approval of the curriculum. Invited guests will be Squaxin Island tribal members, Washington Foundation for the Environment, Thurston County Conservation District and Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission.

"I'm hoping Billy Frank, Jr. can come," Rick said with a big smile. "You can't talk shellfish without talking fish and Billy is Mr. Fish."

Rick's dream is for the curriculum to spawn other similar projects.

"Wouldn't it be great to do curriculums on cedar weaving and carving, canoe building, sovereignty and treaties or the tides?" Rick exclaimed. "I would love to work for the museum and create additional cds based on this one," he said. "We'll just have to wait and see what kind of funding becomes available. Unfortunately, everything takes money."

Rick is currently in the process of applying to the Washington State Department of Education for an emergency teaching certificate that would allow him to student teach based on his Bachelors degree.

"There is a lot of responsibility involved in taking on a project like this," Rick said. "But its really worth it. I loved seeing the reaction of casino employees who knew little or nothing about the Tribe. And being able to teach kids who are really interested in the Tribe and have concern for the environment is really exciting!"

The entire curriculum will be soon be available to all tribal members at the museum. Stop by and check it out. Its really an amazing job!

Congratulations, Rick on a job well done with so much heart!!!



DON'T FORGET!!!

1st Salmon Ceremony - August 11th

SalmonFest - August 19th





Qwest to Offer Low-Cost Services to More Eligible Tribal Residents *Eligibility for Subsidized Telephone Service Expanded*

Qwest recently announced that updated federal poverty guidelines have been incorporated into its Tribal Lifeline and Tribal Link-Up programs, a combination of subsidized services. Now, a household of four living on a reservation with a combined income of \$27,000 or less can qualify for Tribal Lifeline.

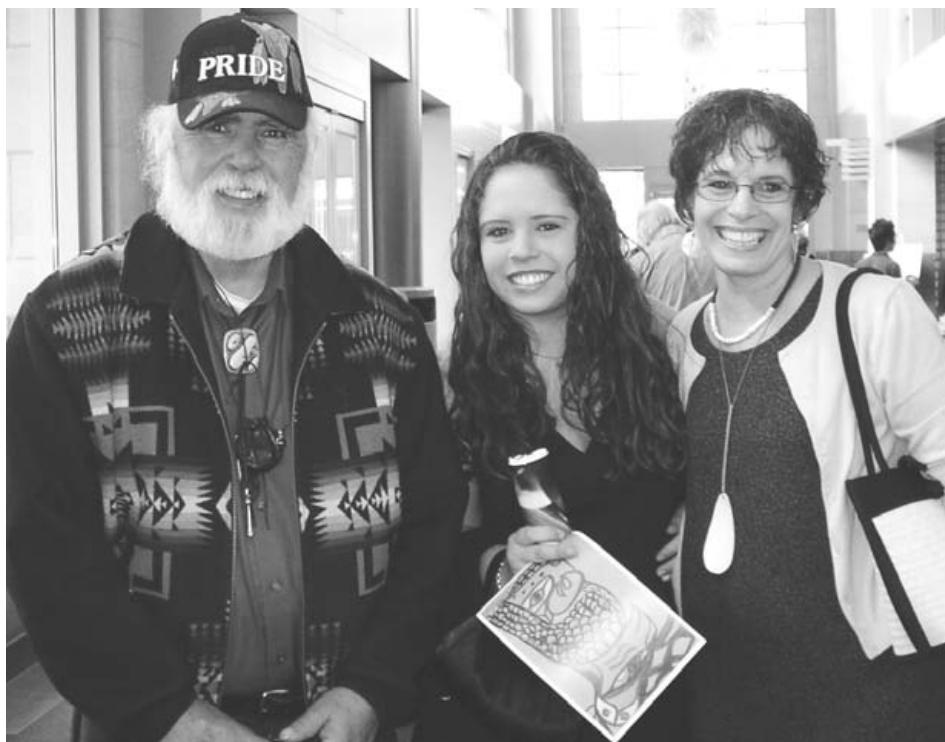
Tribal Lifeline provides residential customers who live on a reservation with basic local telephone service for as low as \$1.00 per month. Tribal Link-Up, reduces the cost of installing a customer's main telephone line by 50 percent.

Customers can also qualify for Tribal Lifeline and Tribal Link-Up if they live on a reservation and participate in one of the following programs:

1. Medicaid
2. Food Stamps
3. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
4. Head Start (Meeting Income Requirement)
5. Tribally Administered Temporary Housing for the Needy Families
6. Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance Programs
7. Federal Public Housing Assistance
8. Low-income Home Energy Assistance
9. National School Lunch Program
10. Any other qualifying/approved program

Qwest began offering Tribal Lifeline and Tribal Link-Up in June 2000, when the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) established the programs in an effort to promote telephone service in underserved tribal lands.

Others who fall under the poverty guidelines but who do not live on tribal lands qualify as well and enrollment is easy. Qualified individuals need to complete and return a simple application that can be obtained by calling Qwest at 1 800-244-1111. The application can also be found at the Qwest Web site at www.qwest.com/TAP.



The Healing Heart of the First People of this Land

Margaret Seymour-Henry - Maestro Gerard Schwarz and Northwest Salish Elder Vi Hilbert (taqwseblu) held the world premiere of "The Healing Heart of the First People of this Land" on May 20 in Seattle. Vi commissioned Bruce Tuddell to compose this symphonic work with hope of sharing the traditional wisdom of the Puget Sound Salish people (another one of Vi's visions that she made a reality). The concert was free. Vi wanted everyone to have the chance to witness this special event. A cd of the concert will be available soon to those who are interested (Call Margaret at 432-3836).



The premiere started at 1:00 p.m. in the Boeing Company Gallery in order to lay a carpet of understanding for the music. By 2:00, the symphony started with a "Shaker Song" sung by renowned Storyteller, Johnny Moses (nephew of Vi). The crowd, knowing this beautiful song very well, chimed in. Members of the symphony were amazed that so many people knew the song and weren't afraid to sing along with Johnny. The symphony continued, adding traditional music with drums and rattles, etc. The concert was like nothing I've witnessed before. It was truly a beautiful way of bringing contemporary and traditional music together.



"There is a message in the music," Vi explained. "It's inspired by the compassionate spirit of two important men, one for our contemporary world. You might not get it the first or the second time you listen to it, but you will eventually get it."



Photos: Vi Hilbert, Vi Hilbert and Margaret Seymour-Henry, Johnny Moses and Margaret Seymour-Henry, Carmen Shone and Vi Hilbert and (left) David, Annie Beth and Barbara Whitener





Like any large family gathering, the annual sg^wig^wi "Pride in Education" honoring the educational achievements of tribal and community members included lots of good company, good food, good entertainment and lots and lots of praise for the accomplishments of fellow family members.

This year marked the ninth anniversary of the event and was held at the new Little Creek Casino Resort Events Center on June 9th.

Squaxin Island Tribal Chairman Jim Peters greeted the guests and said, "It is very important to support each other through all levels of education. I see parents, grandparents and cousins here showing their support, and that is so good to see. They really do need you."

Before awards were presented, Shaker ministers Rose Algea and Mike and Shirley Davis performed the blessing and the intertribal drum group performed a dinner song. Then, after a leisurely meal, students were called up on stage according to their grade level, beginning with the very youngest.

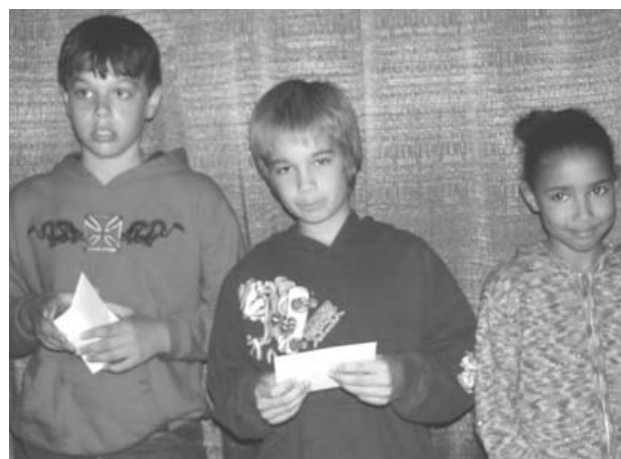
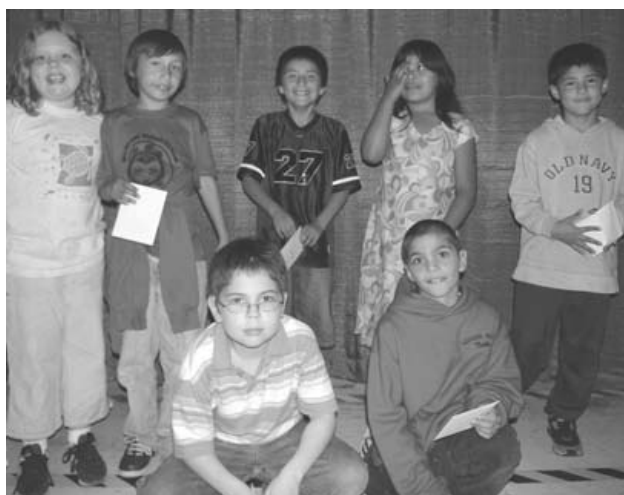
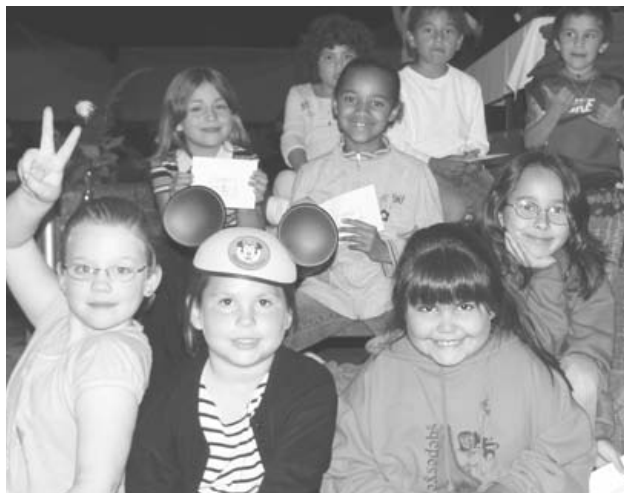
All students were issued certificates of recognition for their educational accomplishments. High school graduates received \$1,000 and a lap top computer complete with printer. Those earning Associates or Bachelors degrees also received \$1,000. Those who earned Associates degrees received either a medicine pouch (for the men) or cedar earrings (for the women) made by MayLynn Foster. Those who earned Bachelors degrees received baskets made by MayLynn and fleece vests with the tribal logo.

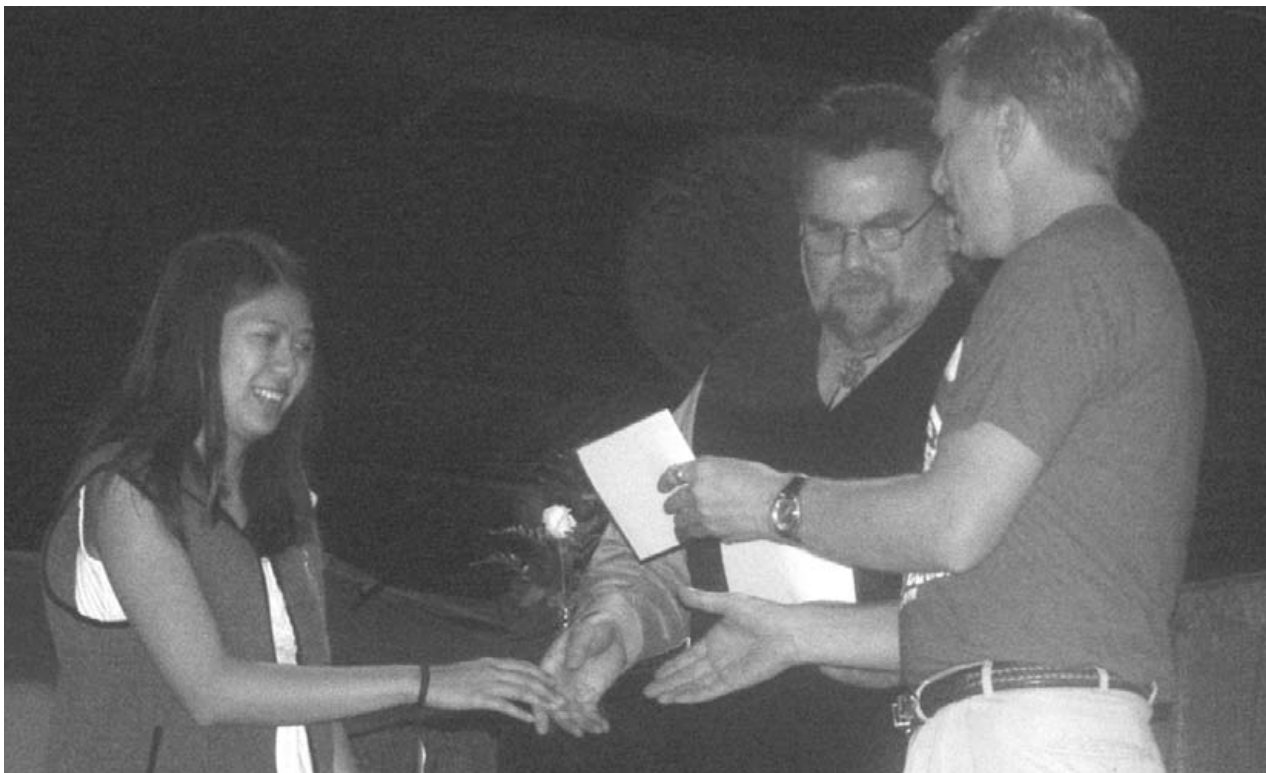
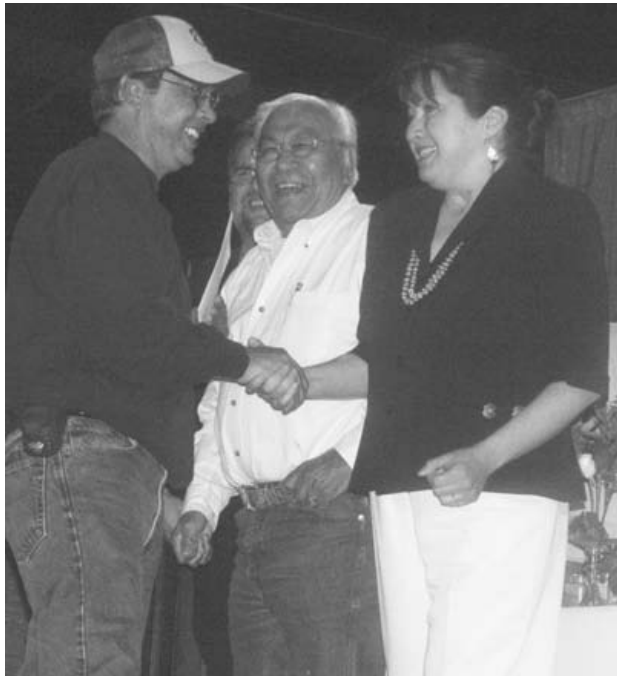
Those earning technical certificates or GEDs received pullover sweatshirts with the tribal logo.

"We need these educated people to come back home to serve on Tribal Council and work in all levels of the government's departments and enterprises," Chairman Peters said. "And not just here, but also in state, county and federal governments."

After the presentation of awards, everyone was invited to participate in drumming, singing and dancing, and the event concluded with a community giveaway.









Tribal Members Discuss Funding Priorities at First FY07 Public Budget Hearing

During the first FY07 Public Budget Hearing held June 6th in the Tribal Council Chambers, tribal members gathered to discuss funding priorities for tribal government.

The biggest concern and major topic of discussion was health care. Several tribal members expressed concern about the Contract Health Services (CHS) "Level One/Loss of Life, Loss of Limb" priority status and shared stories about problems this has caused for them and members of their families.

Tribal member Sally Johns stated in a letter that she feels luxuries, such as the museum, are great, but should come after all fundamental and basic needs of tribal members, mainly health care, have been met.

Executive Director Ray Peters said the funding problem lies at the federal level. He reiterated that health care is a treaty right and that the tribal government is doing everything it can to reach the ultimate goal of full medical coverage for all tribal members, including government to government meetings for increased federal funding and supplementing health care programs with unrestricted tribal funds. During FY06 tribal dollars were used to remodel the clinic in order to provide more services by adding exam rooms and an additional physician.

The main problem, however, lies in the fact that there are more expenses accrued through CHS purchase orders for referred services (services the clinic is not equipped to provide, such as dialysis) and emergencies (surgeries and hospital visits, etc.) than available IHS funds.

There was discussion about alternative, creative ways to address this problem, including meeting the co-payment costs for tribal members to be enrolled on their spouse's insurance plans and counseling tribal members on how to apply for alternate health care coverage plans including Basic Health Insurance, Medicare and Medicaid.

Ron Dailey asked about coverage for medicine. He was told Medicare Part D premiums will be paid by the Health and Human Services Department, but that the program is still in the process of being set up.

There was also a great deal of discussion about the need for a community swimming pool and the need to "get the kids wet." A grant for \$500,000 received two years ago is still available. But in order to fully meet the needs of the Tribe for at least the next 10 years, plans are in the works to construct a comprehensive wellness center of which the pool will be a major component. The swimming pool grant will be a part of this overall plan that is tentatively scheduled for completion in 2008. Learning Center Director Kim Cooper said the Summer Rec program takes the kids to swimming pools at least twice a week and "WalMart

equipment (slides, etc)" is in use all summer long.

Other suggestions for priority funding included a new bus for tribal elders, respite care and assistance for those who are critically ill, building better salmon returns/harvests, language teachers, canoe journeys, planning for hosting the canoe journey in 2012, potlatches, land purchases, help for elders, youth employment, Arcadia boat launch repairs, a skateboard park and a published document for tribal members explaining various ceremonial practices.

Rhonda foster suggested creating a list of tribal members who would be interested in assisting with respite care.

Russel Harper suggested that there be a "balance between building down the hill and up the hill."

Sally Brownfield asked about the community talking circles and when they might begin again.

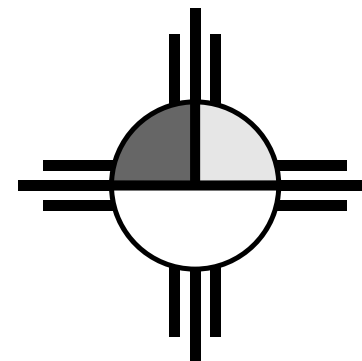
Loretta Case asked for Tribal Council members to join the elders at their lunches.

Ray said \$500,000 in unrestricted tribal funds have been added to the Learning Center.

Kevin Lyon explained an opportunity is available for a tribal member to receive paralegal training.

Sally Brownfield thanked the Public Safety Department for gun safety training and asked about water safety training.

The meeting then concluded with a meal at the elders center.



2nd FY07

Public Budget Hearing

August 16th

4:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

Who Are These Handsome Protectors of Freedom?



Joe Seymour, Sr.

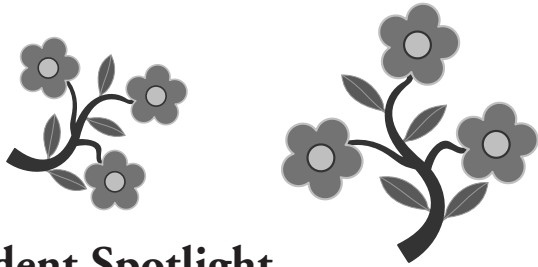


David Seymour



Congratulations Vanessa!

Vanessa Algea was awarded movie tickets for participating in 5 videoconferencing classes! Keep up the great work!



Student Spotlight

Vanessa Algea

In an attempt to inform the community about the outstanding achievements of Squaxin youth, The Learning Center staff would like to honor a student each month. Various qualities such as academic performance, community involvement, cultural activities and positive role modeling will be the basis for the Student Spotlight selection.

This month Vanessa Algea is being recognized for her academic achievements throughout the 2005-2006 school year. Vanessa has worked extremely hard and overcome many obstacles in relation to her academic success. She puts forth only her best effort accompanied by her great attitude. Vanessa routinely utilizes the TLC for assistance in completing her goals. Also, as a TLC staff member Vanessa is a good role model to the youth of the Tribe. She balances work, academics and extra curricular activities. Whatever Vanessa sets her mind to, she completes. Congratulations, Vanessa (pictured below with Bridgette Losey on the Tribe's ski trip in March, 2006), on your continued hard work!

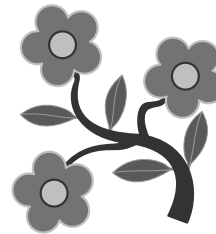


Mentor Program Update

Joy Gonyea, Mentor Coordinator - I am proud to say that many of our new mentors are tribal employees! I am grateful to these individuals and wish to publicly acknowledge their dedication to helping youth reach their fullest potential. These mentors are all taking advantage of administrative leave in order to serve our youth. They are gearing up to begin mentoring this summer and will continue throughout the school year. Unfortunately, there are still kids waiting for a positive adult role model to spend time with.

I am inviting all tribal and community members to consider mentoring as a way to pass on tradition, culture, and language. And tribal employees, please consider taking advantage of administrative leave to become a mentor and support our youth. We all have gifts and talents worth sharing and they come in many forms: education, culture, sports, professions, and so on. The youth are asking for mentors to pass on this knowledge . . . please answer their call. For more information about becoming a mentor or signing your child up for the program, please contact:

Joy Gonyea
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News from Bordeaux

Kathy Simmons - Mark your calendars! Tuesday September 5, 2006 is our annual Open House! All families are invited to attend. You can meet your new teacher, and bring their child's school supplies to class, learn about school lunches and bus transportation too! This year there will also be a chance for families to sign up for Science Club and after school "Y Care." We look forward to seeing all of our Bordeaux families September 5th from 5:30-7:00 P.M. at school.

We encourage all of our students to be at school on time every day! Classes begin their day's work at 8:50 a.m. Please help your children get to school on time. Breakfast is served at 8:30 a.m. each school day in the gym. Our first day of school is going to be Wednesday September 6!!

Bordeaux's All School Family BBQ will be held Friday September 22nd at all lunches. We would love to have all our parents and grandparents join us for this fun lunch of burgers and chips. Come have lunch with your child at school. Hopefully the sun will shine and we can move the lunch tables outside to eat. Our BBQ will be an Hawaiian theme, so wear your Hawaiian shirts! Peer Mediators will be selling fudge bars for .25 that day at lunch too!

We are missing your children this summer! Try to read together every day so that our Bordeaux children will become better and better readers! We hope you are having a wonderful summer.

See you on September 5th for Open House!

Congratulations Madeena Rivera! Award of Excellence Winner!

Madeena Rivera, daughter of Abel and Marcella Castro, recently met Governor Christine Gregoire during a ceremony for her and other students who received the governor's Award of Excellence. She was also recognized in The Olympian newspaper. She was noted for organizing a young women's high school basketball team for the Tribe and serving as Team Captain, planning games and tournaments, including a tournament between the youth and tribal law enforcement. Madeena is especially skilled at 3-point shots.

She graduated from the National Indian Youth Police Academy and returned as a Counselor the following year. She works and volunteers for the Tribe's Public Safety Department, creating activities to help with community interaction. She is also Chair of the Tribe's Youth Council.

In the future, Madeena plans to work as a Law Enforcement Officer for the Tribe.





LEARNING CENTER



Canoe Jourey 2006 to Muckleshoot Begins July 18th at Taholah. Contact Jeremiah George or George Krise for more information.



Tentative Schedule

Taholah - 18th
Hoh River - 19th
LaPush - 20th
Wyaatch - 21st
Neah Bay - 22nd & 23rd
Pillar Point - 24th
Elwha - 25th
Port Townsend - 26th
Jamestown - 27th
Port Gamble - 28th
Suquamish - 29th and 30th
Muckleshoot Sand Point - 31st



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16	17 4:30-5:30p "Seahorses" Indiana Zoo	18	19 4-5pm "Astronauts" Challenger Learning Center	20	21 11-12pm "DINOSAUR!" COSI Toledo	22
23	24	25	26 5-6pm "Midevil Era" Philadelphia	27	28 10-11am "Body Energy" COSI Toledo	29
30	31 5-6pm "Egyptian Art" Albany Inst.					



ViewPoint

Dear Squaxin Island Tribal Community,
I am a grandmother, mother and tribal member. I am heartbroken at the lack of respect the children have for their elders, parents and grandparents. When I was young, I took my mother everywhere. Whatever she needed done I would step up to the plate and do it. I never complained. I never got angry and I never told her I would not do it. This community lacks respect. Our people, children and grandchildren need to show more respect for each other. Children and parents need to show each other they love one another every day. We need to show the love to our parents and families as if it was our last day to live. You don't know if you will be here tomorrow.

Sincerely, Charlene Cooper

Congratulations Officer Dave Schmidt,



Shelton Fire Chief Jim Ghiglione presenting the award to Dave Schmidt. Photo by Mark Warren, Skokomish Sounder



2006 Financial Education Class Schedule

Building better lives through financial education and counseling

DATE	TIME	CLASS TITLE
07/05/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Money Management
07/19/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Credit Workshop
08/02/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Budget Workshop
08/16/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Identity Theft Workshop
09/06/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Checking Accounts & Check Cards
09/20/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Using Credit Wisely
10/04/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Auto Buyers Guide
10/18/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Money Smart Kids
11/01/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Saving For Your Future
11/15/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Keep the Holidays Happy
12/06/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Credit Workshop
12/20/06	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Budget Workshop

Cost: All classes are free to the public.

Location: 2102A Carriage Dr SW, Suite 102
Olympia, WA 98502

Registration: Please call (360)-956-7305 ext 202 or 1-800-244-1183 in advance to register**
** Classes will be cancelled if there are no participants registered**

**The finishing touches are being done on the
Bingo Hall renovation.**

**This part of the building (west side)
will soon be a smoke-free gaming area.**



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



BACHELOR'S DEGREES

Chazmin Peters



YES! It feels so great to be finished with school. I now have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies from the University of Washington, Tacoma! Its been a long hard road, and there have definitely been times when I thought I wouldn't be able to finish. However, now that I'm done, I think I'll miss being in the school environment, I really like learning. However, its time for me to move on and use and spread the knowledge I have gained. Now that I'm done, I'll pursue my career in aviation as a commercial pilot, and, if I stay in this area, I will become more active in tribal activities.

I want to thank my parents, Jim and Lisa, and Cheryl and Millison for being so patient and loving. And thank you to my sisters, Haley and Addie for being great young ladies. I love spending time with you. My tribal friends and family have been a great source of quiet support and a reminder that I belong somewhere. Last, but not the least, I want to thank the Education Commission and the Council for financial support and personal encouragement. Additional thank yous go to Kim Cooper, Lisa Evans, Walt Archer and the rest of the Education Department. Your support over the years has been amazing, and I really appreciate all the hard work you do for me and all those involved with the educational system.

To all the young bright minds out there, never forget that the Council, Education Department and the Education Commission love you and want to see you succeed. Take advantage of every opportunity and support they provide. Do not be afraid to ask for help. Though times seem hard, YOU CAN DO IT! I wish you well and am always available to talk.

LaMetta LaClair



LaMetta LaClair graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree with a Major in Native Studies and a Minor in Writing Diversity Curriculum from The Evergreen State College (TESC) on June 16th.

"This is all very exciting for me," LaMetta said. "I want to lift my hands to the Tribe for allowing me to live out my dreams in education and for believing in me by showing continued support with knowledge and wisdom as well as monetary assistance."

"I wish I could wave a magic feather that would make it so all Native people could take a journey through higher education. Its been tough. I worked full time, went to school full time, raised by grandson and was a foster parent, all while going to school. There was a lot of reading a writing that had to be completed, but with all this came healing, understanding generational grief and the ability to move forward."

"I would sometimes burn the midnight oil until 3:00 in the morning. But it was an enjoyable journey. I hope that I can now be a role model for others and help them further their educations."



Fireworks Stands Are Open!!!

Stop by and Support Your Fellow Tribal Members! We Wish You a Safe and Happy 4th!!!



McKenzie Lorentz and Marj Penn



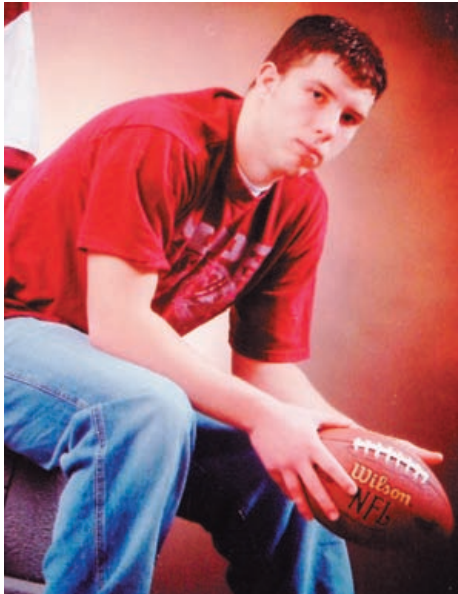


CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Danny Snyder



Danny Snyder, the son of Bj Peters and Mark Snyder, graduated from Mountain Lake Public High School in Mountain Lake, Minnesota on May 21st.

During his sophomore, junior and senior years, Danny lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He was All Conference his senior year. He also made Honor Roll every quarter.

Danny plans to attend the University of Minnesota, Morris next fall where he will play football.

Because the school offers a full tuition waiver for Native Americans, Danny plans to study there for four years. After that, he plans to transfer to South Dakota State University where he hopes to earn a degree in Fish and Wildlife Management.

Danny says he mainly enjoys sports, but also likes to hang out with friends and listen to country music.

He wants to let his fellow tribal members know that if he can do it, "you can too."

Tamika Green



Tamika Green, daughter Donna Penn and Patrick Green, graduated June 15th from CHOICE Alternative School in Shelton.

Tamika enjoys drumming and participating in the annual canoe journeys. She is also a gifted artist.



Jessica Phipps



Jessica Phipps, the daughter of Brian and Carol Phipps, graduated from Shelton High School on June 16th.

At the graduation ceremony, Jessica wore the button robe made by her mom that depicts Bear and Sun. "I've always liked bears," she said.

During high school she was involved in bowling, soccer, fast pitch and lettered in each sport every year.

Jessica plans to attend either Olympic College in Bremerton or Centralia College to earn an Associates degree. After that she plans to enter the Dental Assistant training program at South Puget Sound Community College.

She is currently employed at Xinh's Clam and Oyster House in Shelton where she works as a Bus Person and at Taylor United where she works on the beach.

Jessica still enjoys playing sports, and plays fast pitch on a summer league coed team.

Steve Sigo, Jr.



Steven Robert Sigo, Jr., the son of Annette Latta and Steve Sigo, graduated from Centralia High School on June 9th.

During high school, Steve was Defensive Tackle and Offensive Tackle sophomore and junior years then moved to Defensive End his senior year where he greatly succeeded.

Steve was scouted by several colleges and universities offering him scholarships to play football. "But football and engineering don't mix well," he said. "I want to focus more on education than playing football."

There are several schools that Steve is considering to pursue a career in law enforcement. He may decide to attend Centralia Community College and work toward a degree in Criminal Justice, or he may decide to move to Prescott, Arizona to attend Police Academy training. "I also want to Minor in engineering," he said.

In addition to playing sports at school, Steve enjoys skateboarding, hanging out with the guys, working on cars and watching races. He is also in the process of building a Rugby team to start a second season. Steve is also employed as a Security Guard at Chehalis Industrial Park.





CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



ASSOCIATES DEGREES

Kim James



Kim James received her Associate of Arts degree with an emphasis in Business from South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) in June. She is the college's Anthropology Club Treasurer and has been involved in the Mud Bay archaeological site excavations and the welcome pole project.

Kim plans to be enrolled in the Archaeology Field School full time this summer and will return to SPSCC for an additional year to earn her Associates degree in Business.

Kim enjoys clam digging and spending time with her family.

Julie Owens



Julie Owens received her Associates degree in Business Administration from Rochville University Online on April 26th.

Over the course of her employment in the Tribe's Natural Resources Department for the past 15 years, Julie gained college credits through Western Washington University, the University of Washington, South Puget Sound Community College, Olympic College, Northwest Indian College and Portland Community College.

"I took the classes to improve my performance at work," Julie said.

Julie, Natural Resources Department Office Manager, plans to earn a Bachelors degree in Business Administration. She's not sure yet which university she will attend.

Julie hops to utilize her education to "move up the ladder" in tribal government and serve the Tribe to the best of her abilities.

JeNene Miller



JeNene Miller graduated with Honors from Olympic College on June 11th with her Associates degree in Business Management.

JeNene has been employed by the Squaxin Island Tribe for nine years, where she is now the Applications Developer where she designs and manages databases for tribal court, employment, Department of Information Services, per capitas, cell phones and housing.

Beginning this fall, she plans to work toward a Bachelors degree from The Evergreen State College (TESC) with a Major in Business and a Minor in Native American Studies.

JeNene enjoys clam digging, playing with computers and spending time with her family.

Kim Burrow



Kim Burrow earned her Associates of Science degree from Ashworth College September 25, 2005 with a GPA of 3.5

"This was a true learning experience that has forever changed my life."

"My immediate plans were to pursue a Masters degree, but those plans have been temporarily put hold so I can focus my efforts on the current hotel expansion."

"I really owe big thanks to, Russell Harper for all his support; to my husband and family for believing in me and always encouraging me to finish; and to my staff at the hotel for putting up with me while I was burning the candle a both ends. Thanks to all of you!"



Blessing of the Flags

Blessing of the tribal flags took place on June 26th at the site of the upcoming Veterans Memorial. Rose Algea, David Lopeman, Ron Dailey and Joe Seymour all offered prayers to the Creator.





CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



Love

By: Marjorie

You
never know
what you have
until it is gone.
You never know what it
is until it's not there anymore.
Love is what makes the world go
round, but when it stops there is no
one around to keep it going because we're too
busy fighting and killing each other to realize that the
love is gone. People run from here and there trying not
to get shot. A voice cries out, "Stop the violence. Can't you
see what we are doing? Can't you see what we have done? We killed
the love that was once there, but since we decide to fight and kill each
other instead of realizing that the love is gone. And it will never return until
we get along." Another voice cries out, "Yes, you are right. We've killed the love."
As the other voice cries out again, "I know I'm right. The only one who can save us
is God himself, the creator of love, hope, and peace on earth. And now all we have to do is
ask him to help us stop all this madness and bring back the love that is now and forever gone."



ASSOCIATES DEGREE



Desi Smith

So, finally this year I completed my AA Degree in Accounting from Rochville University. I know from personal experience that while raising a family of five and working full time, there is not much time for school. Its hard to believe that after seven years of further education, I finally made it!!! I have only taken the classes for the AA degree twice. But I do have to say that completing the first step in the degree process really does feel good. Now I'm going to start the process to complete a BA degree in Accounting.

Desmond Smith
Assistant Director
Squaxin Island Gaming Commission



TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE



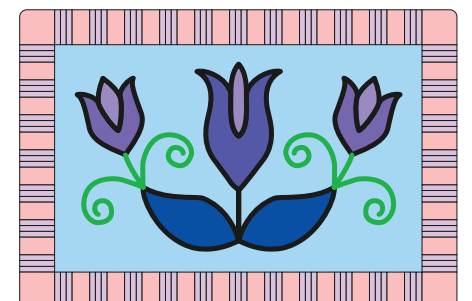
Jill Krise

Jill Krise received her Child Development Associates from Child Action Council on May 28th after completing a condensed two-year program. She is currently employed at the Squaxin Island Child Development Center as a Lead Teacher for the four year-old age group.

The center is in the process of seeking accreditation from the National Association of Education for Young Children (NAEYC). In order to get this accreditation, every employee must have a degree, Jill said. "I did this for the Childcare Center, but it was also my goal too," she said.

Jill plans to earn an Associates degree after her youngest child (now one year old) gets a little older.

When she's not at work, Jill enjoys walking and spending time with her kids, playing in the park.



**First Salmon
Ceremony is August 11th**

dance shadows whisper
quiet shatters thundering light
smooth breezes calling

Dear Squaxin Tribal Community,

This letter is an invitation to Community Members who wish to share the beauty of art and or poetry. This is not a contest. You are invited to share your creations. If you are interested, bring your art pieces, preferably 8x11 or smaller, to David Whitener. You may also bring written work, such as poetry, prose, short stories, etc. The plan is to collect artwork and poetry for a Tribal publication of some kind.

You may contact Dave Whitener at 432-3901 for more information.



New Employees



Melissa Grant
Health Promotions Assistant

Hello, my name is Melissa Grant. Most of you know me as Melissa Henry, but I recently got married. I am the new Health Promotions Assistant for the Squaxin Island Tribe.

I am very excited to be working here again and, so far, I really enjoy my job and working with Patty Suskin, Janita Johnson and Shiloh Henderson. I look forward to working with the youth and the community, and in this job I will be doing a lot of that.

So stop by and say hi or, better yet, join us in our community walk on Thursdays at 12:40 p.m.

Hoyt!



Joanne Decicio
Financial Specialist II

Hi, I'm Back!!! Well, it's time to pay bills again for the Tribe . . . haven't done this for a few years and I wasn't a grandma last time I worked here.

Wow, how the tribal government has grown all over the place.

I'm here if you want to stop in to say hi or you need an accounts payable check and have all the correct paperwork submitted!

Anyway, it's good to be back and everyone's been great.

A Promotion



Esther Fox
Real Estate Manager Intern

I have just recently been hired to be the Real Estate Manager Intern. This is a great opportunity for me to do something that I have wanted to do. I wanted to go into real estate on my own spare time, but did not have the time available outside my previous work schedule and family. So now I will be spending time learning the ropes involved in what a Real Estate Manager does and then putting into action what I have learned.

I previously worked in the Finance Department as the Financial Specialist 1 and appreciate Julie Goodwin who was my supervisor for being so helpful to me. I will also miss working in the Finance Department (except at audit time). Thanks to all the community who came in to make their payments; its always a nice to see you.



LaMetta LaClair
Voc Rehab Counselor/Aide

LaMetta LaClair recently became employed by the Squaxin Island Tribe as a Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor where she plans to put her newly gained knowledge (see page 13) to work.

Prior to this, LaMetta was the Education Specialist for the Skokomish Tribe for six years.

LaMetta will assist Native American people with disabilities in making informed choices that encourage the achievement of gainful employment while promoting personal empowerment, independence and integration into family, community and workplace with respect for individual cultural and traditional values.



Jennifer Johns
Entertainment Assistant, LCCR



Cedar Bark Gathering

Margaret Seymour-Henry - The Cultural Resources Department was notified that some cedar trees would be cut down May 2nd, 2006 on tribal land.

Knowing we only had one day to pull as much cedar as possible, the Cultural Resources Department asked for help. The staff at the tobacco company didn't hesitate and gave us assistance that day.

Many thanks go out to David Lopeman, Patrick Johns and Ralph Solock who worked all day. Debbie Obi, and Chevon Obi also assisted.

Others who helped clean cedar the next day were Josh Mason, Patty Puhn, Vicky York, Ruth Whitener, Debbie Obi, Chevon Obi, Charlene Krise and Earla Penn. We couldn't have done this without you!!! It was a lot of work, but fun at the same time, knowing that we are helping to keep the fine art of basket weaving alive and well.

Some of the cedar will be used for upcoming events, such as weaving classes taught by Debbie Obi for the youth program this summer. The students want to make cedar hats and regalia for the upcoming Canoe Journey.

We have a list of people who wish to know about trees and gathering in the future. If you are interested, please contact Rhonda Foster @ 432-3850 or Margaret Henry @ 432-3836, or just stop by to visit and have a cup of coffee (Kupi). You're always welcome.





Debbie Coley and Cynthia Dorland

Just For Fun From the Photo Archives of Sally Brownfield Do You Recognize These Folks?

David and Annie Beth



We see Chuckie Wilbur, Jay Hall, Will Anderson and Bob Koshiway. Who do you see?

How about this one . . .?

Amy Brown, Marvin Henry, Larry McFarlane and Marvin and Elizabeth Campbell?



Chuckie Wilbur



Potlatch Fund Grantwriting Seminar *"Journey to Successful Fundraising"*

JULY 10th and 11th
SQUAXIN ISLAND MLRC

Tribal Grantseekers!

Are you interested in developing skills to raise funds for your project? Wonder how you can successfully raise funds from private foundations? Want to learn how to develop a winning grant proposal?

Attend this Native specific, hands-on training to develop the skills and contacts needed to get your project funded! The class includes a grant program workbook, group discussion, hosted lunch, Native networking and presentations from experienced Native fundraisers.

Who should attend? Native students, tribal staff, artists and tribal non-profits working on a project in need of funding such as youth projects, canoe journey, elder programs, cultural programs and many others! Participants are strongly encouraged to attend both days, come on time and complete the pre- and post-learning goals to ensure we *"move forward together as a learning community."*

COST: \$20 advance or at the door
OR \$30 to receive Continuing Education Credits from Northwest Indian College

INFO: Justin @ 206-624-6076
lawrence@potlatchfund.org
www.potlatchfund.org

Register by July 6th. Door registration is welcome, but limited to seat availability



Tribal Council Resolutions

06-41: Approves the AGC Document No. 240 Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Architect/Engineer, as modified and including a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the wastewater reclamation facility with Cosmopolitan Engineering Group,

06-42: Approves the AGC Document No. 240 Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Architect/Engineer, as modified and including a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the wastewater reclamation facility with Richard L. Martin, Inc.

06-43: Authorizes submission of a grant application to the FY06 Indian Community Development Block Grant for up to \$655,280 (\$500,000 in federal/ICDBG share), under the Rehabilitation funding category to rehabilitate approximately 29 homes located on the Squaxin Island Reservation

06-44: Authorizes submission of a grant application to the Indian Health Service for FY06 Health Promotion/Disease Prevention funds in the sum of \$300,000 or \$100,000 per year for a period of three years

06-45: Authorizes submission of a funding application to Washington State Department of Health for FY07 Basic Food Nutrition Education Project for federal funds not to exceed \$200,000 and commits to matching 30 percent of project cost, up to \$60,000 in cash match (existing staff salary, fringe, supplies and printing costs)

06-46: Authorizes submission of a grant application to the U.S. DOJ COPS TRGP grant program for up to \$89,430 to address the critical need for additional funds to support the Squaxin Island Public Safety and Justice in their effort to protect lives and maintain peace in the community and commits a 25 percent cash match

06-47: Affirms the Tribe's Maintenance Policy Resolution #99-59 and the Eligibility, Admissions and Occupancy Policy Resolution #05-106 serve as the Rehabilitation Standards and Policies for the housing stock within jurisdiction of the Squaxin Island Office of Housing

06-48: Authorizes Natural Resources to submit grant proposals to advance protection along Skookum Creek

06-49: Enrolls Sheryl Byrd

06-50: Enrolls Myeisha Little Sun

06-51: Enrolls Cora Krise

06-52: Enrolls Jasmine Rivera

06-53: Enrolls Chenoa Peterson

06-54: Enrolls Andie Cousins

06-55: Approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Tribe and Mason County for the replacement of the Skookum Creek Bridge on Old Olympic Highway and provides for a limited waiver of sovereign immunity

06-56A: Enrolls Tayla Logan

06-57: Enrolls Priscilla Dolores-James

06-58: Enrolls Mario Castro

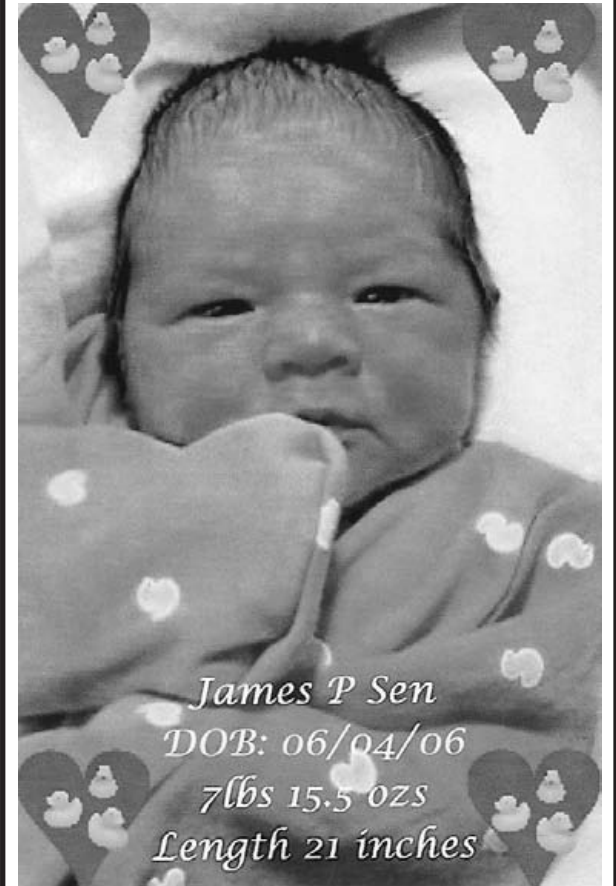
06-59: Enrolls Mary Elena Cruz

06-60: Authorizes SPIPA to submit a DSHS ACF grant application to coordinate and enhance tribal TANF and Child Welfare programs

06-61: Supports a grant application to U.S. DHS SAFER program for up to \$829,478 to address the critical need for two additional firefighters to support Fire District #4 and commits to a match requirement of \$622,478 over a five year period for salary and fringe of two employees employed by the tribe and managed and supervised by Fire District #4 and further resolves that Indian preference will be exercised in the hiring

06-62: Repeals Chapter 11.16 of the Squaxin Island Tribal Code (Building Code) and adopts in its place the amended Building Code

Congratulations Angel Coley and James Sen on the Birth of My Handsome Nephew, Baby James Patrick (JP).



I Love You All!
(Mommy and Daddy Are Doing Awesome)
Love, Rose

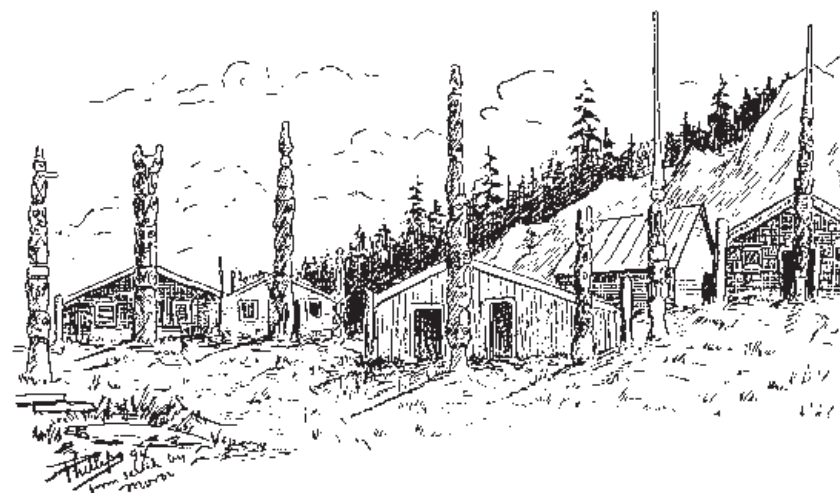


Some Food for Thought

Submitted by Gloria Hill - The first day of school our professor introduced himself and challenged us to get to know someone we didn't already know. I stood up to look around when a gentle hand touched my shoulder. I turned around to find a wrinkled, little old lady beaming up at me with a smile that lit up her entire being. She said, "Hi handsome. My name is Rose. I'm eighty-seven years old. Can I give you a hug?" I laughed and enthusiastically responded, "Of course you may!" and she gave me a giant squeeze. "Why are you in college at such a young, innocent age?" I asked. She jokingly replied, "I'm here to meet a rich husband, get married, and have a couple of kids..." "No seriously," I asked. I was curious what may have motivated her to be taking on this challenge at her age "I always dreamed of having a college education and now I'm getting one!" she told me.

After class we walked to the student union building and shared a chocolate milkshake. We became instant friends. Every day for the next three months we would leave class together and talk nonstop. I was always mesmerized listening to this "time machine" as she shared her wisdom and experience with me. Over the course of the year, Rose became a campus icon and she easily made friends wherever she went. She loved to dress up and she reveled in the attention bestowed upon her from the other students. She was living it up. At the end of the semester we invited Rose to speak at our football banquet. I'll never forget what she taught us. She was introduced and stepped up to the podium. As she began to deliver her prepared speech, she dropped her three by five cards on the floor. Frustrated and a little embarrassed she leaned into the microphone and simply said, "I'm sorry I'm so jittery. I gave up beer for Lent and this whiskey is killing me! I'll never get my speech back in order so let me just tell you what I know." As we laughed she cleared her throat and began, "We do not stop playing because we are old; we grow old because we stop playing. There are only four secrets to staying young, being happy, and achieving success. You have to laugh and find humor every day. You've got to have a dream. When you lose your dreams, you die. We have so many people walking around who are dead and don't even know it! There is a huge difference between growing older and growing up. If you are nineteen years old and lie in bed for one full year and don't do one productive thing, you will turn twenty years old. If I am eighty-seven years old and stay in bed for a year and never do anything I will turn eighty-eight. Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding opportunity in change. Have no regrets. The elderly usually don't have regrets for what we did, but rather for things we did not do. The only people who fear death are those with regrets."

She concluded her speech by courageously singing "The rose." She challenged each of us to study the lyrics and live them out in our daily lives. At the year's end Rose finished the college degree she had begun all those years ago. One week after graduation Rose died peacefully in her sleep. Over two thousand college students attended her funeral in tribute to the wonderful woman who taught by example that it's never too late to be all you can possibly be.



The 2nd Annual Emerging Northwest Tribal Economies Conference

Friday, July 14, 2006, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Red Lion on 5th Avenue
Seattle, Washington

Indian Country cannot be so focused on growing and defending Tribal governmental gaming that we forego opportunities to sustain Tribal economies in a manner that are perhaps less politically controversial, healthier and in keeping with Tribal values. The 2nd Annual Emerging Northwest Tribal Economies Conference will not discuss Indian gaming. Rather, an all-star program of Tribal lawyers, advisors and judges, and business executives, will give attendees the tools to help build other long-lasting models of Indian self-reliance. Attendees will learn the nuts and bolts of how to:

- Receive Federal 8(a) Certification and the sole source contracts that are made available to certified Tribal businesses;
- Create a Tribal Self-Insurance program to capture workers' compensation premiums rather than paying them to the State;
- Build a Captive Indian Insurance Domicile as a means of diversifying a reservation economy;
- Excel in Tribal Fuel Markets after recent U.S. Supreme Court and Washington State federal court decisions;
- Develop and implement Indian Commercial Laws that will attract Corporate America to the reservation and equip the Tribal Court to interject Tribal custom into complex commercial matters;
- Defend Tribal employment preference laws (TERO) from legal attack;
- Preserve the Tribal Land Base through estate planning;
- Take advantage of the federal Section 184 program to build (or rebuild) homes for Indian families on that land; and,
- Augment and enhance Indian commerce through Tribal Philanthropy.

For program and registration information, visit:
www.wkgshare.com/niba/EmergingNWTribalEconomies.pdf





I would like to say to my daughter, Madeena Rivera, I am so very proud of all the things you have accomplished in your life, and would like to give you the biggest congratulations on your Award Metal for Excellence in Athletics at Choice High School. I am so proud to have a daughter like you. You are an amazing young lady. You are growing up to be a great leader for our younger generation. Keep up the good work. We all love you! From your mom, Marcella, and brothers, Joseph, Mario, Eric and Raymond.

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American Indian- and Alaska Native-Owned Businesses Total 201,387 and Generate \$27 Billion in Revenue

The U.S. Census Bureau and the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) recently released new statistics that show American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms generated nearly \$27 billion in revenue and employed 191,270 people in 2002.

Last year MBDA launched the Office of Native American Entrepreneurship and Trade to give this group of business leaders expanded business opportunities that will help create jobs and generate revenues in Indian Country.

Additional highlights from the newly released Census report, 2002 Survey of Business Owners: American Indian- and Alaska Native-Owned Firms, include:

- There were 3,631 American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms with receipts of \$1 million or more in 2002.
- California accounted for 19 percent of total American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, followed by Oklahoma (8.5 percent) and Texas (8 percent) in 2002.
- In 2002, 175 American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms employed 100 or more workers and generated \$5.3 billion in gross receipts.
- In 2002, construction accounted for 16 percent of all American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned businesses.



Willow's Corner

Summer Fashion

Here are some tips about fashion this summer. Try them out. You will make a big hit. People will love your taste in fashion!



Just because you're at the beach doesn't mean you can't accessorize! Add plastic bangles or a cute necklace to your swimsuit and you'll make a big splash.



Wear a tank top that's the color of your skin under your crochet top so the holes don't reveal too much.



Wear a summery dress before the weatherman says it's okay-over-the-knee socks chase away chills but still look springy.



Stack on bangle bracelets but skip dangly earrings or rings that might snag the delicate knit.

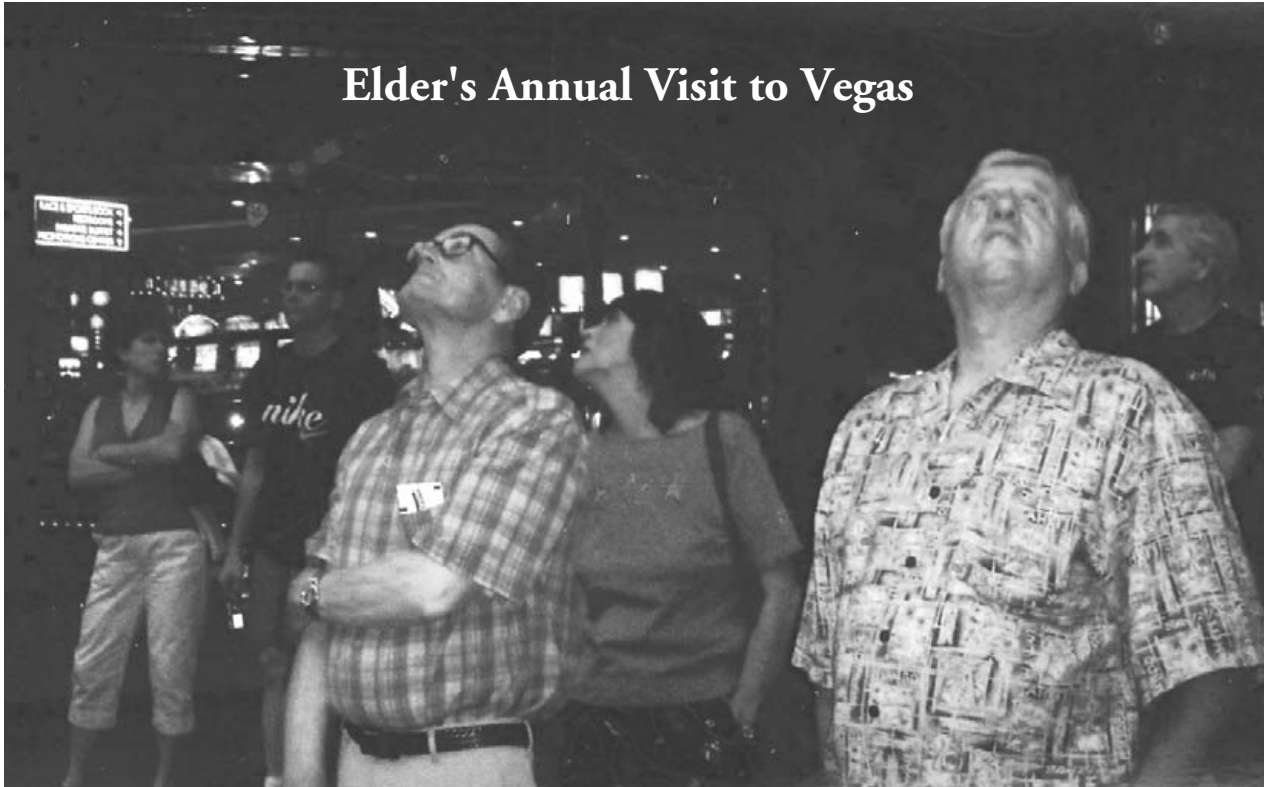
Wear a bright solid-colored tunic that matches one of the colors in your striped bikini. Then top it off with bold beads in a contrasting shade.



VEGAS, BABY, YEAH!



Elder's Annual Visit to Vegas





Youth Gardening Group

We want to say thank you to Harry and Irvin Fletcher for rototilling our garden. On May 18th 2006 we started a garden group in the community garden located by the Legal Department. Our group consists of eight girls, ages 7 to 11. We all live on the Squaxin Reservation. We meet twice a week. If you come down to look at our garden and wonder what's up with the big pile of dirt in the middle, we are doing a three sisters garden. You start with a hill in the center and plant corn when the corn is 2" tall. You plant beans around the corn. Then you plant squash or pumpkins at the base of the hill. The Corn is the oldest sister. She supports the beans. The beans put nitrogen in the soil to feed the corn and squash. The squash's large leaves shade the ground and keep the weeds away. The three sisters teach us that, even though we are all different, we all have an important job. So far we have planted corn, squash and potatoes. Next, we will be planting our beans. Feel free to stop by and visit. We meet Mondays and Thursdays after school.



State Parks Program Rewards Kids for Wearing Life Jackets

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Boating Programs is partnering with the U.S. Coast Guard and Dairy Queen in a program to reward kids who wear life jackets while boating this summer. Officers patrolling waterways throughout Washington State will be handing out coupons for a free, small ice cream cone to kids 16 years old and younger if they are spotted wearing a life jacket when out on any boat.

"We want kids to develop the safety habit at a young age," said Jim French, boating programs manager. "The more times a young person wears a life jacket in a boat, the more likely the practice will become a lifelong habit."

On weekends and holidays during the summer, state park rangers, county and city marine patrols, state Department of Fish and Wildlife officers and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary members will be on the lookout to award coupons for safe behavior. Coupons can be redeemed at participating Dairy Queen restaurants in Washington.

All states now require kids to wear a life jacket while boating. For boating safety tips and regulations, visit www.parks.wa.gov/boating.

Upcoming Health Events

Brief Community Walk

Every Thursday at 12:40

Meet at the Elder's Building after Senior Lunch

Next Community Clean-Up

Tuesday, July 11 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Meet in front of the gym

Garbage bags and gloves provided

This is a tobacco-free and alcohol-free event & funds are provided by DASA (Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse)

Mammogram & Women's Health Exams

July 20th and August 24th

Contact Rose Algea (360)432-3930

Community Health Walk

Thursday, July 20th

Meet at Elder's Building at 12:40 for

a 20 minute walk around the REZ

All SPIPA tribes will be taking a walk in their area at the same time - for diabetes prevention!

Help us win the Walking Stick!

A walking stick was donated by a Skokomish community member. The Tribe with the most walkers at the end of each month wins the walking stick for the month.

We won it in June, can we keep it for July?

Food Label Reading Workshop

Monday, July 10th

Leave the Elder's Building at 12:45 after lunch

We will drive to Fred Meyer and Learn about labels

Diabetes Support Group

Watch for Dates for July & August

Take time for you and your Diabetes

Come Visit Our Health Promotions Programs

We have exercise videos (Sit & Be Fit, Yoga, Walk Away the Pounds and more). You can come and use the building across from the clinic. Work out alone or schedule an time for a group.

I will be happy to join you.

Contact Janita Johnson at 432-3972.

Shave Dave Kickoff

Find out more about the "Weight Loss Challenge" and/or sign up Monday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. Snacks provided.

Contact Patty Suskin at 360-432-3929 or Janita Johnson at 360-432-3972.

Or, just stop by across from the clinic.

Congratulations Raffle Winner



Nadia Hovind
May Mammogram Winner



5 Tips to Make the Best Low-Calorie Salads

If you think a trip through the salad bar is the best way to help lose a few pounds, stop right there and drop those tongs.

You're trying to "eat light" and "watch your weight," but watch out for salads! That's right, salads. For example, a Classic Cobb Salad with chopped bacon, egg, blue cheese, avocado, and creamy dressing, or standard restaurant Chef Salad loaded with Swiss cheese, roast beef, eggs, and dressing can contain more than 1,000 calories and 80 grams fat! For some people, that's more than half their day's worth of calories (and all their fat). **Don't give up on salads; they're loaded with nutrition and can be satisfying and delicious. Follow these guidelines for making a perfect low-calorie salad — and you'll never have to worry again.**

1. Pile on leafy greens. For less than 20 calories per 2 cups, leafy greens like lettuce, spinach and mustard leaves, are rich in many vitamins and minerals. So pile them high. Remember, the darker the leaf more nutrition—spinach is many times healthier than iceberg.

2. Load up on plain veggies. At 25 calories or less per serving, take advantage and load them up on your plate. Vary your vegetable selection to vary the nutrients — you'll get a healthy dose of vitamin C, potassium, folic acid, a variety of antioxidants, and fiber. Be sure to say clear of veggies that are fried or swimming in marinades, mayonnaise or sauce.

Popular salad bar items include:

- Peppers (red, green, yellow)
- Cucumbers
- Shredded carrots
- Onions
- Mushrooms
- Radish
- Broccoli
- Cauliflower

3. Add a few lean proteins. Enjoy 1-2 hearty scoops of lean protein. Popular salad bar items include grilled chicken, hard boiled eggs (go for egg whites when available),

shrimp, wild salmon, canned light tuna, low-fat cottage cheese, black beans, kidney beans and chickpeas. Avoid anything fried, crispy, or served in heavy sauce.

4. Indulge in one high-calorie "extra." High-calorie extras can typically add more than 600 calories. And although, many of the following foods are packed with nutrition (sunflower seeds, walnuts, and raisins), they're also packed with calories. Be mindful of portions and only choose one favorite for your salad (or select two and half portions). See calorie guide below:

- Chinese noodles – 150 calories (1/2 cup)
- Croutons – 100 calories (1/2 cup)
- Shredded cheddar cheese – 225 calories (1/2 cup)
- Feta cheese – 190 calories (1/2 cup)
- Chopped Walnuts – 180 calories (1/4 cup)
- Sunflower seeds – 180 calories (1/4 cup)
- Granola – 115 calories (1/4 cup)
- Raisins – 120 calories (1/4 cup)
- Olives – 40 calories (8)
- Avocado – 150 calories (1/2 item)

5. Go easy on dressing. For some people, dressing is the best part. Unfortunately, it's also loaded with calories. In fact, 1 tablespoon of your average vinaigrette is approximately 50 calories and 1 tablespoon of creamy ranch is about 90 calories. And who stops at a just one tablespoon? One small plastic container filled with dressing yields 4 tablespoons — that means 200 extra calories from vinaigrette and a whopping 360 calories from Ranch. And if you decide to go for that second plastic container of Ranch dressing ... 720 calories and more than 60 grams fat! Yikes.

A healthier option: Look for low-calorie or low-fat dressing varieties, or stick with olive oil and vinegar (use 1 to 2 teaspoons olive oil with unlimited amounts of vinegar or fresh lemon).

MEAL PROGRAM MENU

A salad bar will be available at each meal, as well as fresh fruit or fruit salad. Beverages available each meal: milk, crystal light, water, coffee, tea, hot chocolate. Menu is subject to change. Free to seniors 55 and older. All others \$3.

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Meatloaf 3	Biscuits and Gravy 5	Sloppy Joes 6
Chicken Stir Fry 10	Pork Roast 12	Chalupas 13
Fish and Chips 17	Pizza 19	Beef & Chicken Enchiladas 20
Cheeseburger 24	Baked Salmon 26	Stuffed Green Peppers 27
Southern Fried Chicken 31		





Outdoor Activity of the Month *Lena Lake*

WHAT

Lower Lena Lake

WHERE

On the Olympic Peninsula. The trailhead to Lower Lena Lake -- U.S. Forest Service trail 810 -- is 22 miles north of Hoodspport and 57 miles from Olympia.

TO DO

The trail to Lower Lena Lake is 3.2 miles of steady climbing through second-growth and old-growth forest. The trail's many switchbacks ease the strain of climbing 1,250 feet over 3 miles. But the sights of this gorgeous trail -- rushing waterfalls, huge trees, tiny salamanders and a giant rock outcropping and cave -- make the hike a worthwhile trip. This is one of the most beautiful parts of the Olympic Peninsula. The best part of the hike is at the end, where beautiful 55-acre Lower Lena Lake pops into view. The lake is in a timbered valley, and the water is crystal clear. Anglers find brook, rainbow and cutthroat trout. There are 28 campsites -- with fire rings and grates -- scattered around the lake shore. This hike and lake are a great day or overnight outing from Olympia.

WILDLIFE

There is a good chance of seeing elk and deer. Osprey fly over the lake and wait for a trout to make a fatal mistake. Salamanders prowl the edges of the trail.

TRAIL DETAILS

The trail is a moderate climb with many switchbacks. The trailhead, which is on U.S. Forest Service Road 25 in the Olympic National Forest, is at 650 feet. The trail climbs to 1,900 feet. The first bridge is 1.9 miles up the trail; the second bridge is 2.6 miles up the trail. The junction to trail 811, which leads to Upper Lena Lake, is 3 miles up the trail.

CURRENT CONDITIONS

The trail is in great shape, but watch for loose rocks. Keep an eye out for steep dropoffs -- especially as Lena Lake comes into view. Lower Lena Lake is high with snowmelt right now -- many of the campsites are partially under water, but the water should recede soon.

DIRECTIONS

From Olympia, take U.S. Highway 101 to Hoodspport. Drive through Hoodspport and remain on U.S. 101 for 14 miles, until you see a sign for Hamma Hamma Recreation Area -- that marks the left turn onto Forest

Service Road 25. Take Forest Service Road 25 8 miles to the Lena Lake Trailhead.

PARKING

There is plenty of parking at the trailhead. Do not leave valuables in the car or in sight.

EQUIPMENT

Good hiking shoes, rain gear, warm clothes, sunscreen, sunglasses, map, compass, knife, firestarter and matches, extra food, water, first-aid kit, flashlight, camera, binoculars, bug spray, fishing tackle and bathing suits. Campers should bring a good tent and food.

PASS

A Northwest Forest Pass or Golden Eagle Passport must be displayed in your vehicle to park at the trailhead. Day and annual passes are sold at U.S. Forest

Service offices (such as the one off Black Lake Blvd in Olympia) -- they are not available at the trailhead. Be sure to sign in at the trail register and sign out when you return to the trailhead.

KIDS

Kids should come along if they can hike up a moderately strenuous trail for 3.2 miles.

OTHER ADVENTURES

Experienced hikers have the option of continuing up an additional 4 miles on Forest Service Trail 811 to Upper Lena Lake, which is in Olympic National Park. The Upper Lena Lake trail is steep and challenging.

MORE INFORMATION

Call the Hood Canal Ranger District at 360-765-2200 or check www.fs.fed.us/r6/olympic.

Open House at Health and Human Services

On May 17th, Health and Human Services celebrated their new spaces with tours, a vegetable steaming demonstration and a BBQ for the community and staff. Counseling Services and Family Services are now located across the parking lot from Natural Resources in the old SPIPA modulars. Health Promotions is located across the parking lot from the clinic. The clinic has several new exam rooms and Dental has relocated to downstairs in the clinic. Stop on by if you missed the Open House! Here are some photos from that event.





HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Happy 17th Birthday Stephanie
Love, Mom Dad & Jess

Happy Birthday to My Brother,
Tony Rivera!
You are Such a Sweet Brother!
We Love You!

From Sis (Marcella), Niece Madeena
and Nephews Joseph, Mario,
Eric and Raymond

Happy 7th Birthday
Malia Red-Feather



Lots of Love, Mom, Dad,
Vince Jr., Jolene and Kiana Jean

Happy 25th Birthday Violet Rose
Love, Mom, Sisters, Brothers,
Nieces and Nephews

Happy Belated Birthday Sgt. Alex Ehler
Keep Up the Great Work Sarge!
From Madeena

Happy 12th Birthday
Elena & Clara
Love, Mom, Sisters and Brother

Happy Birthday Christen
Love, Mom Leah and Mom Angel

Happy Anniversary Margaret and Vinny
From the Seymour Family

Happy Birthday Lester
Love, Mom & Family

Happy 7th Birthday Babe
(Seth William)



I Hope All Your Wishes Come True
I Love You Baby With All My Heart
Love, Mom, Larry, Sissy, Gramma and
the Rest of Your Loving Family

Happy Birthday Grandma Turtle (7-12)
We Love You Very Much!
Love, All Yor Grandkids

Happy 7th Birthday (7/15)
To My Birthday Twin (Brett Devon)
Love, Your Cousin Seth

Happy Birthday Viola (7-16)
I Hope Its Wonderful
Love, Your Family

Happy Birthday Rocky



Happy Birthday Dad
(Walter Lorentz)

You are the BEST!!!
Everyone Knows that You Are . . .
Funny, Cool, Awesome & Strong
I Love You
Luv Monkey Boy (Austin)

Walter, Wow, Another Birthday
(July 25th)!!! "Come On." I Hope This
Year Turns Out "Wicked Awesome"
Just Like You!!
I Love You and Appreciate You
Love Mandy

Happy Birthday Daddy
(Walter Lorentz)
I am Really Proud of You
I Like All the Things You Do For Me
. . . And Brothey.
I Love You Dada
Luv Daddy's 'Lil Girl (McKenzie)

Happy Birthday Elijah
Love, Gramma, Aunties,
Uncles and Cousins

Look Who's Turning 2!
Nyla Elizabeth King



We Love You,
Daddy, Momma, Kale, & Zan



COMMUNITY



Malynn Foster
Del A. Johns
Isaac Johns
Mark Jones
Tully Kruger
Kayla Cuch
Dion Obi
Fay Monahan
Janessa Kruger
Jeremy Walls
Annie Beth Whitener
Gary Brown
Elijah Garcia
Jon B. Whitener
Sadie Lorentz
Dale Brownfield
Celeste Gaidrich
Martin Sequak
Todd Hagmann
Ginny Mae Berumen
Steve Witcraft
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Happy Birthday


Myrtle Richards
Jonie Strobe
William Peters
Jenni Evans
Elizabeth Yeahquo
Moody Addison
David Michael Lewis
Antonio Rivera
Shianne McFarlane
Christian Ridriguez
Josh Henderson
Brett Orozco
Seth Thomas
Mary Kuntz
Nikita Mowitch
Viola Thomas
Tiffany Henderson
Mathew Bell
Kristina Bechtold
Alan Depo
Daniel Johnston
Alan West
Charles Mickelson
Violet Garcia
Victoria Kruger-Neilson
Maria-Elena Capoe
Clara Capoe

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Tonia Marshall
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Richard Piersol
B.J. Peters
Chickie Mae Rivera
Austin Pedro Solano
Misty Kruger
Thomas Blueback III
Hailey Blueback
Eileen George
Walter Lorentz
Malia Red-Feather Henry
James Brownfield
Loretta Case
Brenda Day
Chas Addison
Marvin Henry
Arlene Strobe
Matthew Trotter
Dorian Williams
Stephanie Cleveland
Kira Nakia Coley
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Marcus Johns
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Tashina Sanchez
Robert Whitener
Jaelin Campbell
Jordan Lopeman-Johns
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What's Happening

July 5th - family court July 11th & 25th - criminal/civil court						1 Bible Book Club 10:30 Mary Johns Room Food/Transportation
2	3	4 	5 <i>Court</i>	6	7 Black Lake Regatta Hydroplanes at KTP AA Meeting 7:30	8 Bible Book Club 10:30 Mary Johns Room Food/Transportation
9	10	11 <i>Court</i> Community Cleanup 9:30 a.m. @ gym	12	13 Events Center Open Hou <i>Council Mtg.</i>	14 AA Meeting 7:30	15 Bible Book Club 10:30 Mary Johns Room Food/Transportation
16	17	18 Church 7:30	19	20 Community Health Walk	21 AA Meeting 7:30	22 Bible Book Club 10:30 Mary Johns Room Food/Transportation
23/30	24/31	25 <i>Court</i> Church 7:30	26	27 <i>Council Mtg.</i>	28 AA Meeting 7:30	29 Bible Book Club 10:30 Mary Johns Room Food/Transportation

Congratulations!!!

**Jamie Nelson and Jason Longshore
Had a Son on June 20th
at 11:57 a.m.**

**Jason Two Feathers Longshore
was 20 1/2 inches long and
7 lbs, 11 ozs. Jamie Had Emergency
Surgery, but is Doing Well.**

**Congratulations Susan (Wicket)
on the Birth of
Your Beautiful Baby Girl
Born June 14th,
Weighing 6 lbs, 7 oz
and 19 inches in length
Love, All Your Family**



Congratulations Artists

Jeremiah George

Joe Seymour

Bear O'Lague

Dale Clark

These limited edition prints were created through a grant from the Squaxin Island Tribe One Percent Charity Committee and printed in the home print shop of Pete Boome. Several copies of each print have been purchased by Little Creek Casino Resort for the upcoming second hotel tower. The prints are also available for purchase by contacting the artists directly.

Way to go artists and print master Pete Boome

<http://www.araquin.com>



HONOR SONG

by Jeremiah George: 360-229-0547



THE WHALER'S MOON

by Bear O'Lague: 360-427-7362



WELCOME SPIRITS

by Dale Clark: 360-280-5077



SALMON CEREMONY

by Taylor Wiley: 360-556-5950

SUNSET

by Joe Seymour: 360-426-8855
or 402-9776



MOONRISE

by Joe Seymour: 360-426-8855 or 402-9776



The MLRC Art Auction is scheduled for September 16th! Contact Dale Clark @ 360-432-3853 to donate!

Please join us for the opening reception for



IN THE SPIRIT: NORTHWEST NATIVE ARTS MARKET AND FESTIVAL

July 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Washington State History Museum
1911 Pacific Avenue
Tacoma, WA 98402

Join us for the opening reception at 6:00 p.m. for the first annual *In the Spirit: Northwest Native Arts Market and Festival*. We encourage you to come early and shop the arts market, then attend a free public program prior to the reception featuring artist Jewell James. Please make your reservation for the reception by calling our membership desk at 253/798-5902 by July 10.

Pre-Reception Program

Jewell James: Combining Two Worlds at 4:30 p.m.

Lummi tribal member Jewell Praying Wolf James will speak about the lives of modern-day Indians who still live spiritually attuned to nature in their daily practices and teachings. Jewell is a Northwest Coast spirit dancer, master carver, and president of the House of Tears Carvers

Co-presented by the Evergreen State College Longhouse Education and Cultural Center



Sponsored by the Suquamish Tribe, the Tahoma Indian Center and **THE NEWS TRIBUNE**

Several Squaxin Island artists will be featured during this event. Mark it on your calendar and make a day of it. Come out and support your fellow tribal members and go to the waterfront or the zoo while you're there.