

KLAH-CHE-MIN

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MAY 2003

People of the Water

COMPLIMENTARY

Construction Begins on Little Creek Casino Hotel *100 New Jobs to Be Created*

Little Creek Casino formally announced on April 4th the construction of its upcoming \$23-million, 92-room hotel.

Construction has already begun on the 100,000 square-foot project which is slated for completion by winter, 2003.

Casino General Manager Doug Boon said he estimates the five-story hotel will create 100 new jobs. Currently, the Tribe employs more than 600 people - 480 at Little Creek Casino.

"We want to see this region thrive economically and socially," Boon said. "We feel an added enterprise such as the hotel will bring great things to Mason and Thurston Counties like meaningful employment, business for vendors and other induced positive economic effects."

Once completed, the hotel will feature six deluxe suites, six deluxe spa rooms and 26 business rooms with king-size beds. All other rooms will feature oversize double beds with furniture constructed from solid wood. All rooms will have high-speed Internet access, a 27-inch TV and a movie system with compact disc sound.

The hotel will also feature five conference rooms with the capacity to support 500 people. The entire hotel complex, including the conference rooms, will

Annual General Body Meeting

SATURDAY, MAY 3RD

Tribal Center Gymnasium

Sign-in begins at 8:30 a.m.

First Roll Call at 9:00

Elections will take place for two
Council positions:

SECRETARY (currently Pete Kruger, Sr.)

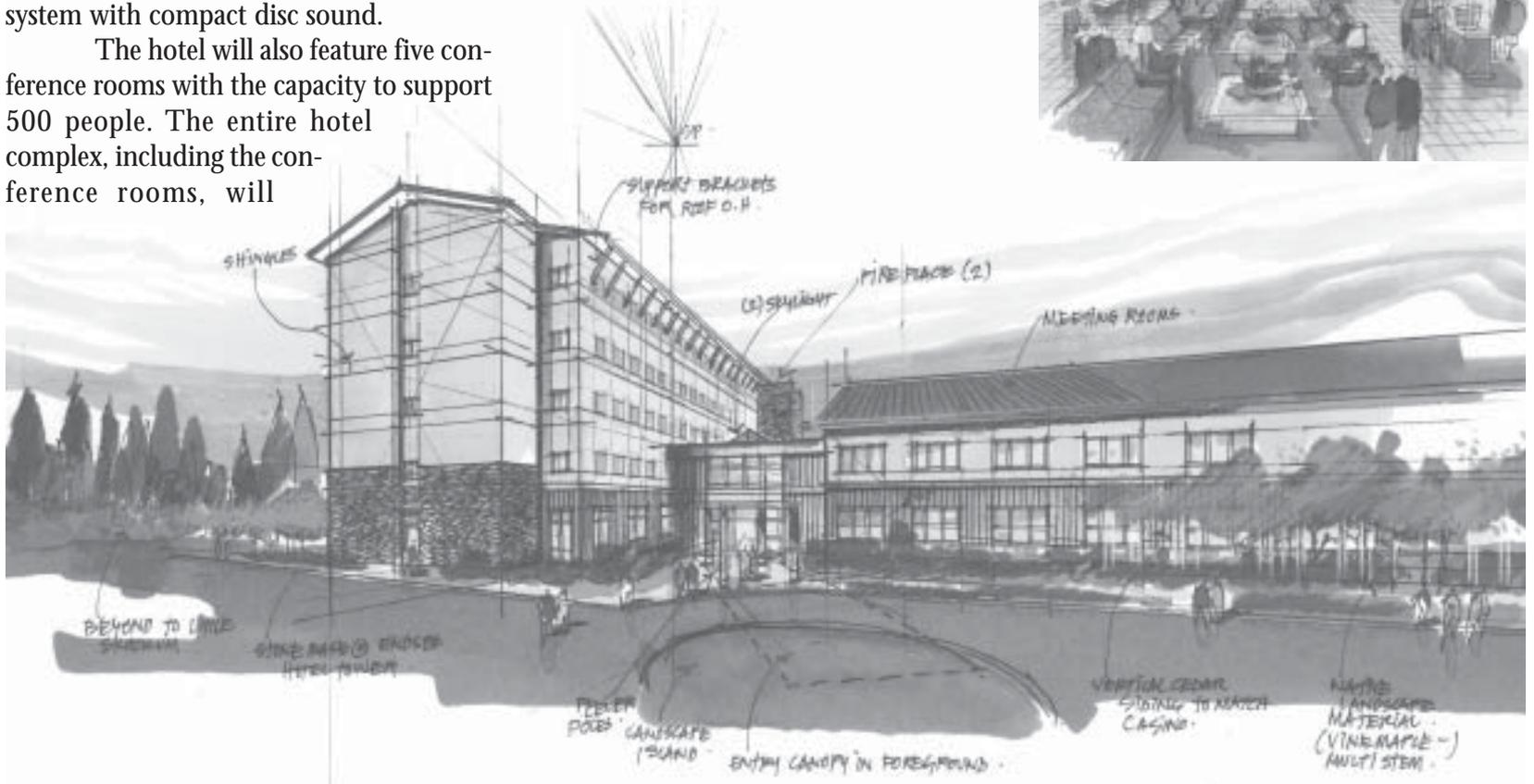
TREASURER (currently Steve Sigo)



accommodate up to 1,000 guests at any one time. There will be two new lounges, a new 180-guest restaurant, a gift shop and a state-of-the-art arcade. Finally, there will be one of Southwest Washington's largest indoor swimming pools with a capacity of 30,000 gallons of water, a spa area, an exercise room and a state-of-the-art business center with six work stations, network, Internet access, copy machines and printers.

A large skylight, two huge stone fire-

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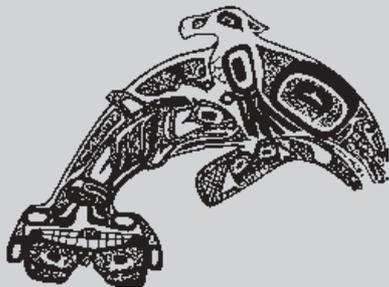
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LITTLE CREEK CASINO

places and local art will grace the lobby area.

Room rates will range from \$89 to \$199 per night.

The bingo hall was also renovated recently. The 8,500 square-foot room has a full-scale entertainment area, a large stage, bar and lounge area, and will serve as a show-room and bingo hall for up to 325 guests.

Tribal members and their guests were the first to view the newly renovated bingo hall when they were invited to a special "Tribal Members Only Bingo Night" on Friday, April 4th.

Boon said the hotel is intended to be a final destination for tourists as well as a place to stay on business.

"We've worked to ensure the hotel will offer everything needed for people traveling on business," Boon said.

Samuel Askew will serve as Director of Hotel Operations. Askew brings over 17 years of industry experience and 11 years in management, most recently with Marriott Proprieties. His background includes overseeing hotel development, opening, management and staff training.

Construction began three months ago on the connector, an area between the

casino and hotel. The hotel will displace several hundred parking spaces. A new parking structure east of the casino will have four levels and hold 450 vehicles, and is expected to be open this fall.

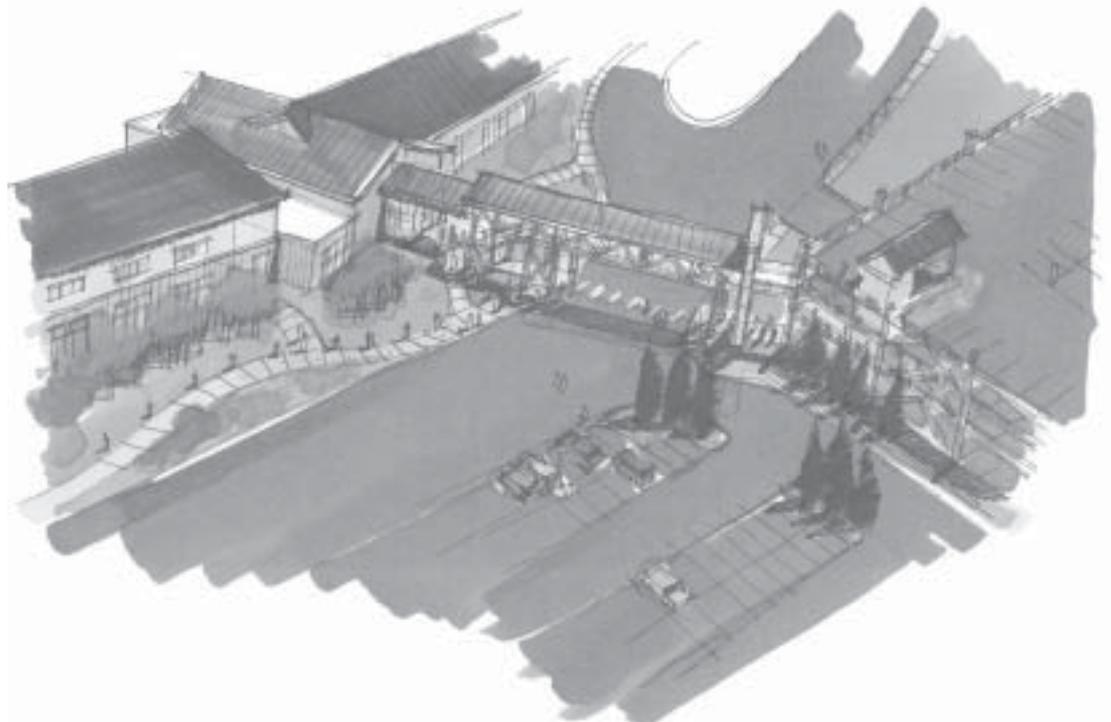
A sky bridge will connect the parking structure with the entrance to the casino.

Funding for the casino expansion project is coming from a Bank of America loan and tribal funds. Most loans in the casino industry are for three to ten years, Boone said.

Water and feasibility studies began 18 months ago. Water for the hotel will be drawn from existing wells, and the casino will build its own wastewater treatment plant. Currently, wastewater is treated and pumped to the top of a series of hills north of the casino. A runoff plan and a series of biowells is being developed for the entire site.

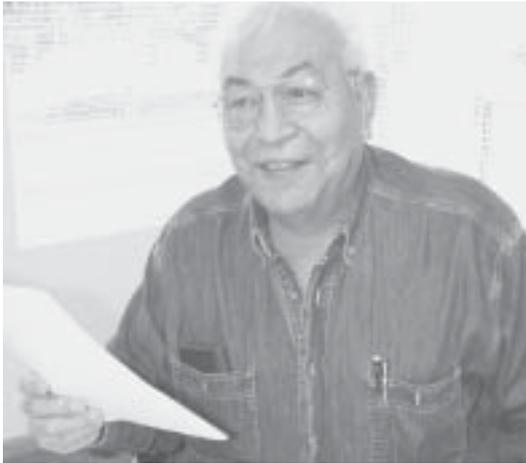
Mike Poier, Director of the Tribe's Department of Community Development will be the casino's building inspector.

"For the most part, we follow the all of the county's building and fire codes," Mike said.





Running For Council



Pete Kruger

Since the annual General Body meeting is approaching quickly (May 3rd), I want to announce my intention to run for reelection.

I consider it a great honor to serve you. As we sit down together at Council to

discuss serious questions and important issues, I try to think first, "What would our elders want? How will this effect our youth?" Sometimes the answers aren't always clear, and sometimes we just have to do our best.

The past few years have been an amazing learning experience, because there are so many important issues and projects the Tribe is involved with. We have brilliant people (you, the members of our tribe) leading intelligent and hard-working employees who put your plans and goals into action.

I have learned a lot being on Tribal Council, and I think I'm becoming pretty well acquainted with the issues and the history behind them. I will continue to serve you to the best of my ability, keeping care of the elders and youth (especially their qual-

ity education) as my top priority.

Thank you very, very much!!!
Hoyt!



Will Penn

Hello, most of you know me, but for those of you who don't, my name is William B. Penn, Jr., of Big Bill Penn of LaPush and Myrtle Penn Richards of Squaxin Island. My Families are the Penns and the Bagleys.

I am running for council and requesting your vote. I stand for community, culture and preserving our sovereignty. I look forward to serving on council and serving the community as a whole.

Thank you for your vote.



A Rare Opportunity Is Coming Your Way

Annual Art Auction to Benefit the MLRC
SATURDAY, MAY 17TH
On Site This Year!!!

Salish Design Workshop	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Salish Design Presentation	4:00 - 5:30
Cultural Performance	5:30 - 6:00
Reception/Preview	6:00 - 7:00
Auction (Both Live & Silent)	7:00

For more information, or to donate artwork,
 contact Dale Clark @ 432-3853

Field Technicians Needed; Aleutian Islands, Alaska

The Museum of the Aleutians in Unalaska, Alaska is seeking 14 hard-working field archaeologists for large scale excavation at a 3,000 BP midden site, pending final project approval by ADOT beginning May 15, 2003 and is expected to conclude on or about August 31, 2003. \$15/hr, 40 hrs weekly. Lodging and provided. Applicants should be prepared to work in the challenging weather conditions AND OCCASIONAL VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS!

Applicants should have at least one field season of experience. Experience in arctic archaeology and/or excavating coastal midden sites a big plus. Please e-mail a resume and three references to Rick Knecht via e-mail (knecht@arctic.net) or via FAX at (907)581-6682.



Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission Hosts “Treaty Background Session” for Political Leaders Emphasizing Water Rights

What do you know about Indian treaties? What is their history? What is their current pertinence? How does the work you do affect treaties? How do they affect you? What are your treaty-related obligations? What are the opportunities?

These were just some of the questions answered at the “Treaty Background Session,” held Thursday, March 27 in the Cherberg Building on the Washington State Capital campus and attended by political leaders from across the state.

The afternoon agenda included Power Point presentations by Representative Jim Buck on the history of treaties and Senator Karen Fraser on federal/treaty-reserved water rights. Emcee for the event was State Representative John McCoy, a member of the Tulalip Tribes.

“These were not peace treaties,” Rep. Jim Buck explained. “These were treaties of cession.”

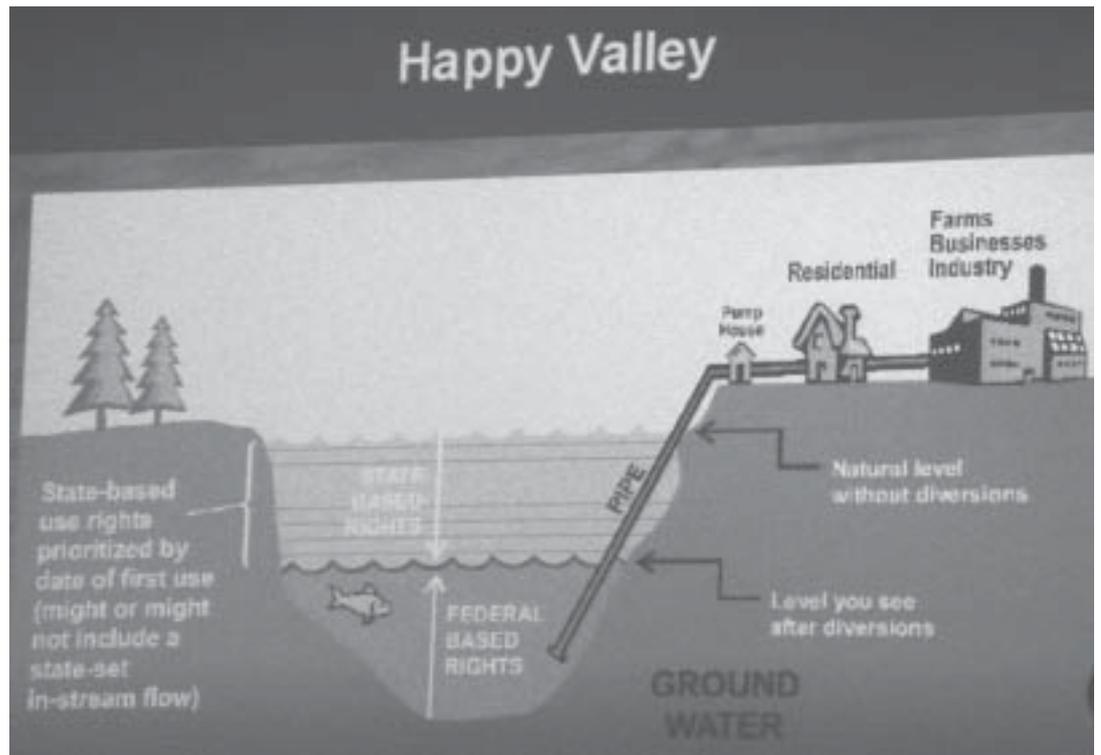
When asked how Judge Boldt came to the “50/50 decision” regarding the tribes’ right to half the fisheries resources, Rep. Buck responded, “A dictionary from 1855 which says ‘in common’ means 50/50.”

Senator Karen Fraser talked about Senate Bill 5287 and the need to involve tribes in all plans and negotiations concerning water rights in the State of Washington.

“There are two categories of water law,” she said. “The first priority is federal law, which includes the tribes. State law is secondary. The state has issued more water rights than there is water, and the state’s standards for instream flow don’t protect fish. The tribes have a right to fish, so the state could be in violation of treaty rights. We don’t want another lawsuit with the tribes. We need to work these issues out cooperatively.”

She went on to explain that, on the state level, the “last person to start using the resource is the first one to lose rights to it, which could cause financial problems for farms, businesses and residences.”

“House Bill 5287 takes treaty rights into consideration,” she said. “We have to look at water rights watershed by watershed to ensure we are not intruding on federal

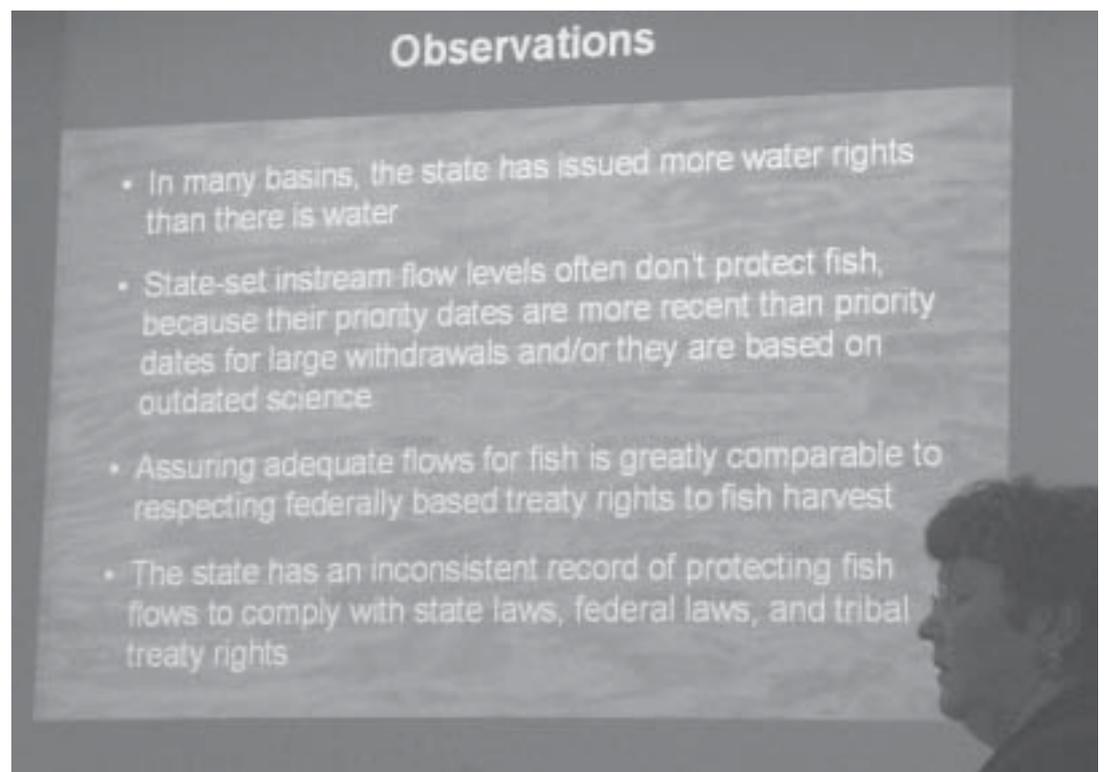


rights. According to our Constitution, treaties are ‘the supreme law of the land.’ The states can’t override the Constitution. Only Congress can interpret treaties.”

A representative of the Quinault Tribe said, “The tribes don’t trust state conservation plans. There has to be a science-based approach to growth. The tribes sent their common ground principles to the state, but where are the state principles? The



State Representative John McCoy addresses the group of political leaders



Senator Karen Fraser gives a Power Point presentation



Senate and House don't agree. We could keep arguing until the fish are all gone, or we could work together cooperatively and get things done. We want to establish a base to protect water, not just for fish, but for everyone. We need to work together."

Tribe Finding Salmon Upstream of Old Dam

Emmett O'Connell, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission Information Officer - Since Goldsborough Dam was torn down two years ago, hundreds of salmon have begun spawning above the site of the old dam. Last year, the Squaxin Island Tribe counted over 15,000 young Chum salmon migrating down from the newly opened habitat.

"A lot great salmon habitat was

This year, the Tribe is continuing their efforts to assess the benefits of removing the Goldsborough Dam that had restricted fish passage. Removal of the dam was a cooperative effort involving the Squaxin Island Tribe, Simpson Timber Company (the dam owners) and local, state and federal agencies. Twenty-five miles of habitat, including some notable spring-fed wetlands important to coho rearing, was opened after the dam came out.

In addition to surveying returns of spawning adults this fall, the Tribe has also been operating a couple of smolt traps to monitor production of the creek. Smolt traps are passive, water-powered devices that safely and effectively catch young salmon.

"Because juvenile Coho 'over winter' instead of leaving freshwater the same year they hatch, we won't start seeing the



describe the physiological changes that young salmon undergo while in freshwater, just before migrating downstream and entering saltwater.

In addition to studying the effects of dam removal, the trapping also aids fisheries management.

"Every piece of information we can pick up, from the number of adult spawners to smolt production, goes to planning future fishing seasons," said Peters. "Providing sustainable fisheries on chum and coho are a major goal for the Squaxin Island Tribe, and collecting this data is the best way we can assure that."

The removal of the Goldsborough Dam confirms the importance of protecting and restoring salmon habitat.

"Returning adults can have access to all the habitat in the world, but it won't matter if the habitat they're returning to is bad," said Jim Peters, the Tribe's Natural Resources Director. "All salmon need is good habitat and the ability to access that habitat. Decreasing harvest over the past 20 years has only gone so far in terms of salmon restoration, we have to work just as hard to repair damaged habitat."



blocked when Goldsborough Dam was built. We're excited to see how many salmon have been getting up there in the two years the creek has been open," said Joseph Peters, fisheries biologist with the Squaxin Island Tribe. "The success of removal can't be judged without first seeing how many salmon use the new habitat."

offspring of the first post-Goldsborough dam coho until this year," said Peters.

The Tribe is carrying out the trapping under contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who conducted the dam removal.

At least twice a day, tribal staff check the traps, noting species types and lengths.

"We are getting a cross section of the salmon that are migrating out to sea," said Peters.

Screw traps, because they don't span the entire width of a creek like other smolt traps, only trap a portion of the migrating fish.

Goldsborough Creek is in a network of five other creeks the Squaxin Tribe has been monitoring for the last several years. The traps will be operated until the end of June, when most salmon smolts have migrated to sea. Smolt comes from the word "smoltification" which is the term used to



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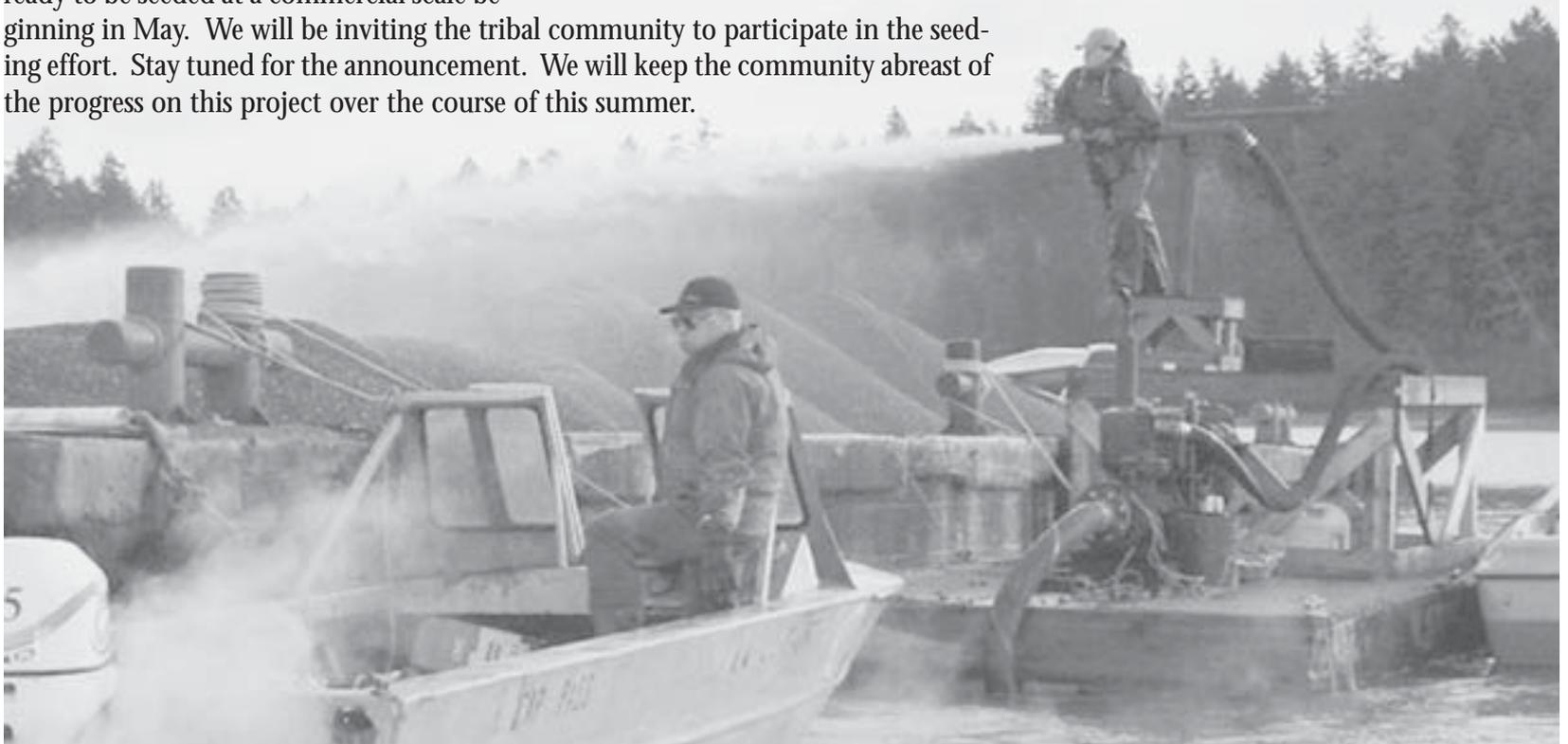


Palela Bay Clam Enhancement

Ian Child & Brian Allen - The Natural Resources Department has contracted tribal labor consisting of Herb Johns, Rose Krise, Mitchell Coxwell, and Jeremie Walls who have initiated a “commercial scale” clam enhancement project on Squaxin Island.

Recently the Tribal Council expressed a need for expanded tribal clam harvest opportunities. This project is a first step towards that goal. The Council approved funding for this project. Department of Natural Resources staff and tribal contractors were charged with the task of converting the ground in Palela Bay to commercial beds for growing manila clams. This will involve a multi-step process with varying degrees of treatments, consisting of debris removal, supplemental gravel additions and grooming of the grounds.

In April, approximately 4,500 yards of gravel that was of a hand-selected composition was delivered to Squaxin Island by barge. The material was then off-loaded onto smaller barges and towed into Palela Bay where the tribal contractors washed it off onto selected clam bed areas. Some areas needed little gravel, less than 1 inch, while others took as much as 6 inches of lift. After the gravel was added, dragging the beds by boat and removing large debris accomplished the final grooming. It is estimated that as many as 6 acres of clam beds will be ready to be seeded at a commercial scale beginning in May. We will be inviting the tribal community to participate in the seeding effort. Stay tuned for the announcement. We will keep the community abreast of the progress on this project over the course of this summer.





Returning to School Another Type of Journey

By Meloney Hause

The Decision to Return to School

I was a Tribal Gaming Inspector at the casino. When I heard about the Canoe Journey, I knew I had to participate. Since working at the casino left no time for my participation in the Canoe Journey, I quit my job at the casino. After I got back from the Canoe Journey, I had some time to think about where I wanted my life to go. I wasn't working and I had no plans to return to the casino. Before quitting my job, I had vague thoughts about returning to school, but nothing ever really happened. I knew I had wanted to complete my Bachelor's degree for a long time, but until I returned from the Canoe Journey the time never seemed right. Now it seemed like the right time to return to school, so that's what I did.

The Process for Getting Back Into School

After I made the decision to go back to school, I was talking to Lorna Gouin about work/school and she directed me to June Krise. June is the wife of the skipper of the Canoe Journey, so we were familiar with each other. I went over and talked to June. She was extremely helpful in getting all my paperwork so that I would be able to attend. After returning from the Canoe Journey, I only had two weeks before class began. June knew about special programs that I qualified for and she knew where to direct me next in getting me into school. We went to the Learning Center to complete the forms for financial assistance through the Tribe. June is also pursuing her Master's Degree through Evergreen State College and she knew the people I needed to contact.

June was invaluable in my participation in school. The way it all came together was a miracle. There was a program that just fit me; The Evergreen State College Reservation Based/Community Determined Program and it was perfect. I completed all the paperwork with June's help and was able to enter the program.

After I received word that I was accepted into the program, I received a list of books and supplies that I would need. I went to the bookstore and was able to purchase the books that I needed for class. Our class meets one weekend a month and every Wednesday night. There are various sites for this program: Nisqually, Quinalt, Port Gamble, Muckleshoot – many off-campus sites. My classes are held at the Nisqually site. When I first attended, I found out that I was the only Squaxin in the Res-Based program. This didn't seem right to me – I wanted to know where my fellow tribe members were.

How School Has Been For Me

When I attended my first weekend at the Longhouse at Evergreen, it was like coming home. There were so many people there who had participated in the Canoe Journey with me and I spent time reconnecting with them and many other people. It was great! I also felt a sense of sadness that more Squaxin members weren't there to experience this with me. There is an incredible sense of community in this group of students – students from Suquamish and Taholah attend as well as Nisqually, Cowlitz, Puyallup and Makah. It's wonderful to be in a space of learning with people who are tribal like me.

As for the schoolwork, it's been a spiritual experience for me. I've learned about history and ceremony and about what's going on in other parts of the state. So many different tribes are represented and I get to connect with them. My previous experience of school was the typical Monday-through-Friday, sit in class, listen to the teacher, read the books, write the reports and do the homework. In this environment, there is more leeway and without discipline, it's very easy to get off course. But I have friends who help me along the way. When my assignments are due, I do them. That is not to say that the assignments are easy, be-

cause they aren't. But the subject matter has to do with Native history, ceremony, and community. These are things that I am passionate about and so I go into my assignments with passion. And while some of them are more challenging than others, I usually enjoy the process of completing them.

I was recently chosen to be the Nisqually Site Representative. This basically means that I get to participate in a workshop called "Healing Our Wounded Spirits" in Omak in April. This is a great opportunity, because I get to represent the Nisqually site and all the people I've met and become close to. I'll come back from the workshop with information and news to share with my new community.

What Others Can Do To Go To School Too

There are two different programs through Evergreen. One is through the Northwest Indian College. This is for people who do not have any type of degree – even an Associate's degree. Contact the Learning Center and they will be able to direct you where you need to go.

The other type of program is the program I'm in. The Reservation Based/Community Directed program. I'm in this program because I previously attended Grays Harbor College and obtained an Associate degree. My 90 credits from Grays Harbor was transferable to Evergreen and that's how I was able to join this program. Check with the Learning Center about joining this program if you've gone to college at all in the past. You may need some more credits before being able to do this program or you may not. You won't know unless you ask.

Final Thoughts

Knowledge is power. And the way to get knowledge is to educate yourself. There is a great opportunity here that many of us are not using. It's apparent to me that our tribe would benefit by more of us pursuing our education. Also, there's a great sense of community that I would love to share with the Tribe. I've made some very good friends, close friends, who have helped me through a challenging time in my life. Isn't that what community is all about?



Are you or someone you know graduating this year?

If you or someone you know will be graduating from high school or college (AA, BA, MA, PhD, or certificate program) or will be receiving a GED certificate this year (2002-2003), please submit the name(s) to Walt Archer at 432-3826, ASAP. It is important that we recognize all educational achievements during the 6th Annual Sgwi' Gwi celebration scheduled for **June 6, 2003**. Thanks for your help!!

National Indian Youth Academy

The National Indian Youth Academy was created to offer Tribal Youth an opportunity to experience and explore the fields of law enforcement and the criminal justice system. It is our hope that you will consider this as a career choice for the enrichment of your own community. If not, then we hope that this program will improve your perception of law enforcement and how the Justice System Works. Those who attend will be truly honored. You will experience 14 days of information and hands-on training in numerous areas of police and justice work. Your travel and all expenses are paid for by the Academy.

- Must be enrolled member of a tribe receiving CIRCLE or TRGP grant funds.
- Must be 13-16 years of age on July 1, 2003.
- Must currently be in school or actively working on their GED.
- Must obtain 3 letters of recommendation that state why the writer believes that you would benefit from attending the Academy.

The letters must be from:

- A tribal teacher, counselor or school resource officer.
- A tribal official (ie: tribal council member, tribal police official, tribal government official).
- A tribal member at large (any adult who is a tribal member).

Scholarship Corner

There are currently several pre-college workshop opportunities available, but time is running out. Please come to the Tu Ha'

Buts Learning Center for more information and program descriptions, or call Lisa at 432-3882. These are the programs open at this time:

Washington Internships for Native Students (WINS)

The (WINS) program offers American Indian students the opportunity to gain impressive work experience, learn firsthand the inner workings of a government agency, and meet other American Indian students from across the country.

WINS is a visionary effort founded on the idea that young people of the sovereign Native American nations can build leadership skills while living, studying and interning in Washington, D.C., and bring those skills back to their communities. Participants attend, at no expense, an intense academic program for 10 weeks in the summer or 15 weeks in the fall or spring. They gain skills, knowledge, academic credit, and practical experience. Eligibility requirements:

- Current enrollment in a college degree program
- Completion of the sophomore year of college before the internship begins
- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Membership in a recognized tribe

Vision Summer 2003

Program at Clarkson University

What's your vision of the future? Do you like to travel? Like to explore new ideas? Like to meet new people? Want to prepare for graduation and beyond?

- Native American junior or senior in high school
- 2002 high school graduate
- Carrying (or carried) average grades (80) or higher;
- Have an interest in new educational and employment tools,
- Willing to reach out and grab this opportunity
- Spend July 5-26, 2003 at Clarkson University

The Association of American Indian Physicians, National Native American Youth Initiative

During this week-long program, AAIP will provide the following for NNAYI scholars:

- A broad perspective of the health sciences and biomedical research.
- An introduction to national health and scientific institutions.
- A national network of Native American health professionals, scientist, role models, and mentors.
- Counseling and academic strengths and weaknesses.
- Information on the demography of Native American populations and diseases affecting Native American communities.
- Information on current health legislation/policy and educational issues affecting the academic and professional progress of Native Americans.
- Workshops on:
 - Academic and coursework requirements
 - Standardized examinations
 - Application process/financial aid
 - Leadership/communication skills
 - Assertiveness, networking and professional behavior
 - Study and test-taking skills
 - Interactive learning and time management

Staff Hours

The Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center staff is available during the following hours:

Kim Cooper, Director
8:30 – 5:00 432-3904

Mark Snyder, Youth Coordinator
9:30 – 6:00 432-3872

Walt Archer, Education Liaison
7:30 – 4:00 432-3826

Lisa Evans, Administrative Assistant
8:30 – 5:00 432-3882

Sally Scout-Moore, Cultural Activities Assistant
12:00 – 8:00 (Wed.-Sat.) 432-3882



Canoe Family Meeting

May 1st @ 4:00 in the museum.
 Youth, especially, are encouraged to attend. All tribal members, please come and join the canoe family. We want to encourage more tribal people to participate and in a valuable traditional practice.



Squaxin Island Tribal Council Scholarship

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council is looking for high school seniors who are committed to continuing their educational experience. Interested students must possess and demonstrate initiative, positive attitude, and inspiration in regards to their education and their commitment to their community.

The following is required of all interested students:

- Must graduate from high school in 2003.
- Must have plans to attend an institution of higher learning* fall quarter of 2003. (*vocational school, community college, college or university)
- Must submit an application to the Squaxin Island Tribe by the application deadline.) Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.)
- An oral interview

Interested students are required to write a letter of application to the Squaxin Island Tribal Council. The letter should include:

- Background information;
- Educational interests and plans
- Information that demonstrates applicant's initiative, positive attitude and inspiration; including any community service performed by applicant and how these attributes have been motivation in setting and achieving educational goals.
- Students must attach a copy of their most recent high school transcript. (Scholarships will not necessarily be based on high GPA.)

Good luck to all our little Squaxin Island baseball players

xʷəłšucid Language Update

Barbara Whitener - Spring is here! lədxʷs(h)ədiləxʷ (It is getting warm). Students were enjoying their spring break. Many joined me for xʷəłšucid games in the Learning Center. We played Bingo and a matching game. All the students performed very well. day haʔl (Good job)!

The next day, several students remembered words they'd learned. More words were added when Tammy Ford supervised a "Family Tree" session. Ask your children if they remember the words related to family. During the mid-winter break, students created a xʷəłšucid calendar. The calendars will be sold during the General Body meeting. Additional calendars may be made available through the Learning Center.

I will be having a "xʷəłšucid Game Time" on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 in the Mary Johns Room. Please come join me in this fun way to learn the language of your ancestors! All ages are welcome!

On Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:00 "Language Keepers" will continue meeting. The location is changing to the Mary Johns Room. Please join this group if you are interested in a structured class using a printed book. I will guide you to various levels of fluency through phrases, songs, stories and games. You will need to make a commitment to continue studying through the cur-

riculum and to support other Language Keepers. This class could be credit-worthy if you are enrolled in college. If you are interested in becoming a Language Keeper and this time does not work for you, please call me (426-0041 or 490-2729) to see if we can schedule a additional time.

"Drop-In" tutoring times remain the same: Tuesdays and Thursdays form noon to 3:00 in the museum classroom. Come to these sessions and find translations o to work on something specific (how to introduce yourself, etc.)



CPR First Aid Class

- June 25, 2003
- Squaxin Island Gym
- \$25 per person due at time of class
- Call to reserve a spot
- Make checks out to George Schoettle
- Contact person: Lisa Evans, 432-3882



Playing games in xʷəłšucid during spring break



NEW EMPLOYEES



Jacky Blue Bridges



KTP Clerk

Hi, my name is Jacky Blue Bridges. I was born on May 22, 1975 in Torrence, California. I was raised in Los Angeles. I went to private school my whole life, graduating in 1993 from South Bay Lutheran High School. I moved to Washington in May, 2002.

I must say it's a culture shock moving to a small town. So far, it has been great; the people have such great attitudes. The two things I miss about LA are my two beautiful Goddaughters. I'm hoping to visit them soon.

Jill Krise



Office Assistant

Hi, my name is Jill Krise, and I am the new Office Assistant for Executive Services. I thought it would be a good opportunity to get to know the community a little better. I'm thankful for the chance to provide for my children and have a nice job in the community. Thank you.

Colleen Seto



GIS Technician

Hi, I'm Colleen Seto and am working twenty hours a week as a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technician in Natural Resources. My opportunity to work on the Tribe's behalf is exciting because of the talented people I get to interact with, the diversity of projects I'll be working on and the newness of my position. I spend a lot of time gathering and organizing the electronic data we will use for creating our own maps and doing analysis. What I like about GIS is there is always something new to learn and I have a lot to learn!

When I first applied for this job, this Squaxin Island website quote caught my eye: "The People of the Water." Being from Hawai'i, I too am from a people of the water...in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. My father's heritage was Hawaiian and Chinese. My mother's heritage is a European mix of Scottish, English, Dutch, German and French. I am definitely a blend of all these cultures, but I was most influenced by my father's family background and customs. When I travel, it's usually to be back home in the islands. I miss family, food and warm ocean water!

I've lived in the northwest for a long time because of school, work opportunities and having married Ken, who is from Tacoma. We have a nine year old boy named Sam, and he keeps us busy with all his activities and silliness.

I look forward to learning more about the Squaxin Island heritage and to be of help to those needing GIS. I can be found in the Natural Resources building on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Scott Steltzner



Biologist

Hi, my name is Scott Steltzner and I've been hired by the Natural Resource Department to work on fishery issues for the Tribe. I'll be dealing with South Sound salmon recovery and hopefully getting out in the field with the fin-fish crews as much as possible.

I grew up in Green Bay, WI, lived in Hawaii for many years, and ended up in San Diego where I earned a degree in marine biology. I've worked for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Forest Service, and recently, the Yurok Tribe in Northern CA. I have spent most of my career studying the biology of salmon and trout and their habitat needs.

My wife and I (baby on the way) are excited to get the chance to live in the Puget Sound area. We're both outdoor people and this area seems perfect for our lifestyle. It's a privilege to be hired by the Tribe and I look forward to working here.

Talking Circle



Photo courtesy of Melonie Hause

Tribal Council has been hosting a series of community meetings to listen to concerns on a wide range of topics.



Introducing Bonita Cleveland



Tribal Liaison Shelton Community Services Office

We are very pleased to announce and introduce Bonita Cleveland. Bonita has been hired as the part-time Tribal Liaison for the Shelton Community Services Office.

Bonita is an enrolled member of the Quileute Tribe of LaPush, Washington and has worked with many Native American communities in different capacities. She brings strong organization and dedication skills to meet the needs and common goals of the Department of Social and Health Services and tribal programs.

Bonita is very caring and has a strong desire to help improve working relationships. She strives work in unison with the needs related to our Native American clients and the department. She is self-motivated and has a strong desire to give support and assistance with the application process and referral services related to TANF and WorkFirst.

She will be available at the Squaxin Island clinic on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 1:00 and at Skokomish on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30 to 1:00 unless posted otherwise.

She provides application assistance, information and advocacy, referral and liaison services for American Indians who are clients of the Department of Social and Health Services. She helps clients in fill out applications, complete eligibility reviews and gather information for services and benefits from DSHS.

She provides both tribes with changing information related to TANF and

WorkFirst and assists DSHS staff in providing services to tribal TANF clients.

She also provides information and referral services, arranges transportation and identifies and refers high-risk, pregnant women for referral to First Steps and Maternity Support Services.



Walt Wolery



KTP Store Manager

Hi, my name is Walt Wolery, and I was recently employed as the new KTP Store Manager.

Previously, I was Wine Sales Manager for Black Hills Distributing and Cammarano Brothers for 24 years, both distributing companies.

I was born and raised in Tumwater and attended Saint Martin's College in Olympia. I have two grown boys, ages 22 and 17.

I was a Scoutmaster with Mike Peters and Barend Van Zanten for many years.

I enjoy working at the KTP and meeting lots of new people.

Congratulations Junior Johns



Promoted to Dual Rate

Junior was recently promoted from Cashier to Dual Rate which means he supervises Jackpot winners and payouts, provides customer service and "keeps everybody in line," he laughed. Junior has worked at the casino for three years and is very happy with his latest pay increase.

Peak Fitness Update

Congratulations to all who are participating in Peak Fitness! All participants have been offered a free lanyard to carry keys, and a headband. If you have not received yours, call Patty Suskin, Diabetes Coordinator at 432-3929 to arrange for pickup, or stop by the clinic.

Pedometers are being rotated to participating departments for a week at a time. Some staff liked using a pedometer so much, they bought their own!

In addition, 10 umbrellas, a safety vest and a rain parka have been distributed in the drawings... more drawings to come!

The green Peak Fitness posters turned in by the newsletter deadline indicate that the Natural Resources Department is the most active, but remember, it is not a race! Any activity is better than none.

Join others interested in walking: Meet at the Senior Center on Thursdays at 12:40 and at the Health Clinic at 4 :15 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

When you climb all your mountains, turn in your completed peak fitness form to Patty Suskin 432-3929 at the health clinic.



Dear Nutritionist,

Question: I love bread, but I heard I should stay away from bread if I want be healthy. Is this true?

Signed,
Bread Lover

Dear Bread Lover: Enjoy your bread! Bread can be part of healthy eating. How much you eat of any one food should be based on the Food Guide Pyramid. The grain, rice, cereal & bread group recommends 6 to 11 servings each day. One slice of bread equals one serving. In other words, the 6 to 11 servings includes breads, pastas, tortillas, crackers, pancakes, cereals, rice and more. If you are diabetic, starchy vegetables such as corn, potatoes & peas are also included.

Here is one way to choose the healthiest bread. Look at the Nutrition Facts label on your bread - check out the

Another Peek at the Peaks in Peak Fitness

Moving on to higher challenges, Mauna Kea is a volcanic peak in Hawaii. At 13,796 feet it inspired the early Hawaiians to revere it as the home of Poliahu, the Goddess of Snow and Ice. Mauna Kea is the only place in the tropical Pacific that was glaciated; its entire summit was covered with 500 feet of ice. Mauna Kea rises 35,500 feet from the ocean floor, which actually makes it the earth's highest mountain. Just below the summit observatories house some of the most advanced telescopes in the world.

The 14,256-foot Long's Peak in Colorado is the tallest peak in Rocky Mountain National Park. In June, 1820, Major Stephen Long and his party spotted the

Rockies & named this peak.

Closer to home, when you reach the base of Mount Rainier in Peak Fitness, you'll be almost 2/3 of the way to your goal. Did you know Mount Rainier has 5 glaciers at the summit? Captain George Vancouver sighted Mount Rainier in 1792, and named it after Rear Admiral John Sprat Rainier of the British Army. It is also known by the Indian name of Mount Tahoma.

At 20,320 feet about sea level, Mount McKinley is the highest mountain in North America. Mount McKinley is in the upper Alaska Range, and its upper slopes have some of the coldest temperatures on earth- dropping below -50 degrees.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size 1/2 cup (114g)
Servings Per Container 4

Amount Per Serving

Calories 90 **Calories from Fat** 30

% Daily Value*

Total Fat 3g **5%**

Saturated Fat 0g **0%**

Cholesterol 0mg **0%**

Sodium 300mg **13%**

Total Carbohydrate 13g **4%**

Dietary Fiber 3g **12%**

Sugars 3g

Protein 3g

Vitamin A 80% • Vitamin C 60%

Calcium 4% • Iron 4%

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:

		Calories: 2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than	65g	80g
Sat Fat	Less than	20g	25g
Cholesterol	Less than	300mg	300mg
Sodium	Less than	2,400mg	2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate		300g	375g
Dietary Fiber		25g	30g

Calories per gram:

Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4

Diabetes Gathering Friday, May 16, 2003

Do you have Diabetes?
Diabetics are Invited to Join Us for Lunch
& Get a Diabetes Update

Conference Room- Health Clinic
Noon-2 pm

- Have you had your A1c checked lately?
- Would you like to know what's new with diabetes?
- Have you met our new Diabetes Coordinator, Patty Suskin?
- Would you like some Nutrition Tips?
- Let us know what you would like to see for Diabetics in the Squaxin community!

Here is your chance to stay on top of your diabetes
Join us!

Rose Algea, Community Health Representative

Pam Bartley, Registered Nurse

Patty Suskin, Certified Diabetes Educator

Questions? Call Patty Suskin at 432-3929



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Enjoy your last few mountains; Peak Fitness ends on May 10th. Remember the great feeling of fitness you had during the last 8 weeks, and commit to yourself to continue your activity level after Peak Fitness ends.

"It does not matter how slowly you go, so long as you do not stop."

- Confucius

National Native American Youth Initiative (NNAYI)

The Association of American Indian Physicians will be conducting their 6th Annual NNAYI, June 21-29, 2003 in Washington, DC.

The program is designed for high school students ages 16-18 who are inter-

ested in a career in the health professions and/or biomedical research. The week long program includes: A broad perspective of the health sciences and biomedical research, an introduction to national health and scientific institutions, a national network of Native American health professionals, scientists, role models and mentors along with a variety of workshops, field trips and tutorials.

Students must have a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA. Selected scholars will receive all expenses paid which includes room, board and travel. Deadline is May 14, 2003. For applications, see www.aaip.com/student/nnayi or contact Carla Guy at AAIP, 1225 Sovereign Row, Suite 103, Oklahoma City, OK 73108. (405) 946-7072 or via e-mail at cguy@aaip.com.



Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner

MAY 19TH @ 5:00 P.M.

Senior Room

Join us as we honor our foster parents and relatives who open their homes

RSVP 427-9006

SENIOR MENU

Food Group	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Meat Vegetable Fruit Grains/Bread Milk			Sandwich Buffet 1 Cauliflower, Broccoli, Salad Fresh Fruit Tray Angel Food Cake Milk
Meat Vegetable Fruit Grains/Bread Milk	Chicken & Bean Burrito 5 Tomato, Cukes, Onion, Salad Fruit Salad Brown Rice Milk	Scrambles Eggs 7 Salad, Celery & Carrots Fresh Fruit Apple Oat Pancakes Milk	Baked Ham 8 Salad, Beans, Potato Salad Fresh Fruit Tray Wheat Roll, Chocolate Cake Milk
Meat Vegetable Fruit Grains/Bread Milk	Teriyaki Chicken 12 Salad, Stirfry Veggies Fresh Fruit Brown Rice Milk	French Dip Sandwiches 14 Minestrone Soup, Veggies Fruit Kabobs Chocolate Pudding Milk	Chalupa 15 Toppings & Broccoli Fruit Salad Cook's Choice Dessert Milk
Meat Vegetable Fruit Grains/Bread Milk	Hot Turkey Sandwiches 19 Navy Bean Soup, Salad Fresh Fruit Snickerdoodles Milk	French Bread Pizza 21 Veggies & Dip, Salad Mixed Fruit Salad Bread Milk	Chicken Quesadillas 22 Refried Beans, Salad Fruit Salad w/ Marshmallows Spanish Rice Milk
Meat Vegetable Fruit Grains/Bread Milk	Memorial Day 26 No Lunch	Cornflake Chicken 28 Baked Potatoes, Salad Fresh Fruit Wheat Rolls Milk	Manicotti 29 Salad, Green Beans Pineapple Garlic Bread, Fruit Crisp Milk



Water for the Future

Submitted by Lynn Scroggins - 2003 is International Year for Freshwater, part of the United Nations effort to cut "the proportion of the world's people unable to reach or afford safe drinking water" in half by the Year 2015, and with the theme "Water for the Future". May 4-10 is National Drinking Water Week, introduced by the American Water Works Association, an organization that educates and informs the public about drinking water issues. Here are some thoughts about water awareness: Conservation efforts are a must. Water should be used wisely. It is the vital element that sustains life on the planet. What we put into the water stream ultimately affects our water quality, our groundwater (water under the surface), our rivers and oceans. For example, many water systems have leaky pipes. It is important to find and stop the leaks because they waste water. When pipes leak, more water is pumped, which depletes the water source.



Infrastructure depends upon dedicated staff. Keep water system operators in mind - especially our very own Bill Sherrill! Typically in the United States, clean water is on-demand. People take it for granted, but there are a lot of people working very hard to ensure the public get the quality and quantity of water they want. For the most part, water systems work and are on-call 365 days a year. If necessary, workers go out on Christmas Eve to repair a broken water pipe or fill a storage tank. These are dedicated people!

Clean water and health go hand-in-hand. "We can drink a glass of water and not think about it. However, the rest of the world is faced with diseases that the U.S. wiped out about 100 years ago. People in the U.S. don't die of typhoid or cholera anymore. That's because of our developed water systems," says James McVeigh, Rural Community Assistance Corporation Specialist, an organization that assists rural organizations in developing water systems.

Every citizen has the right to safe, wholesome water. These rights are ensured

by the Safe Drinking Water Act, which has been very effective in improving the quality of United States drinking water.

From Heritage Cookbook of Lori Hoskins

Contrary to what many snow cone devotees might think, these icy treats are not a twentieth-century concoction. Rather, the Indian women scooped up balls of ice and smothered them with maple syrup for a delicious winter treat long before the pilgrims' ship battled the Atlantic.

Fishermen of the Northwest: Tribes of the Northwest were different from all other North American Indians. Acquisitive with a culture based on status, they had slaves and showed off their wealth with elaborate ceremonies known as the potlatch during which the Indians gave away much of their possessions. So important was status that the receivers of the gifts were compelled to save face by giving even more lavish and extravagant potlatches. Before each tent stood an elaborate totem pole.

These Indians could devote much time displaying their wealth because they had such an abundant source of food and hunting, fishing, farming or gathering required only a minimum of time and effort.

Whale, halibut, flounder, herring, sole, sturgeon, smelt, cod, culachon or candlefish, seal and otter were easily fished from the ocean. Wild game, too, was in abundance. Waterfowl - ducks, geese and gulls swooped along the shore for fish and made themselves an easy target to the bone or shell throws of Indians. Inland deer, elk, bear and wild goats provided meat. This was more than supplemented by plover and lark in the forests and camas roots, wild carrots, potatoes, beans, acorns, hazelnuts, wild salad greens, sweet huckleberries, wild strawberries, blackcaps and salmonberries from the fields.

The first run of salmon was the Indians' important spring festival. Great care was taken with the first salmon caught. The fish was cleansed with ferns, cut lengthwise and cooked on a stick before an open fire. Clams, mussels and barnacles, which accompanied the fish, were steamed upon

heated rocks. Much of the fish later caught was smoked in this same manner, dried and saved for use during the winter months. Fruits, too, were dried for winter. Vegetables were cooked in tightly woven water-filled baskets that were heated by plunging hot stones into the water. Sometimes greens were wilted in hot fat or fish oil.

Powwows

"International Powwow"

Pierce College First Nations Native American Student Association and Clover Park School District's Native American Parent Education Committee present the "International Powwow" (held in conjunction with the Lakewood Sister City Association's International Festival, including: multicultural activities, foods, dance, song, and demonstrations at Pierce College Fort Steilacoom!)

Saturday, May 3, 2003

Place: Lakes High School
10320 Farwest Dr SW, Lakewood
Grand Entries at 1:00 and 7:00 PM

M.C.: Tim Mackey, Blackfeet
Headman: Harvey Whitford, Blackfeet
Headwoman: Marcy Sam, Dine'
Host Drum: New Tribe (Invited)

Drum Contest

1st = \$1,000; 2nd = \$750; 3rd = \$500

General Information:

Angelina Nockai (253) 583-5156 or
Larry Pierce (253) 964-7345

Vendor Information:

Food vendors must provide proof of food-handlers permit and insurance. Call Xopher Bryant (253) 241-3372

13th Annual Hebolb Powwow

May 17th

Sponsored by United Native American Council Everett Community College Fitness Center

1220 Rockefeller Ave, Everett

For info., call Earl Martin @ 425-388-9268
emartin@ctc.edu

Grand Entry at 1:00 & 7:00
Free Admission!



Ruth Whitener Serves as Indian Education Coordinator at Shelton Middle School

As of December, 2002, Ruth Whitener has been employed by the Shelton School District as the Indian Education Coordinator at Shelton Middle School (SMS).

Since that time Ruth has been immersing students there in Salish culture, introducing them to *xʷəlsucid* language with the assistance of Barbara Whitener and teaching them traditional arts and crafts, including beadwork and making miniature button robes and canoe paddles.

“My dad (Herb Johns) carved 25 paddles for the kids and I made another 10,” Ruth said. “The kids painted them with coastal designs of their choice, and they made a special thank you paddle for my dad that has a bear design which is his traditional family crest. It’s really beautiful!”

Approximately 35 students participate in the “Indian Ed” program during gym time on Fridays. During the rest of the week Ruth prepares for the Friday activities and serves as a Paraprofessional/Tu-

tor in the classrooms.

“I just go in and offer help wherever it’s needed. I don’t pull students out of class, I just help the native and non-native students alike, so nobody feels uncomfortable.”

Ruth also participates in Indian Education Parent Committee meetings and the Button Robe project.

“I will be taking our kids on a field trip to the museum on May 13th with the high school students,” Ruth added. “And the entire 8th grade will be going on May 5th & 6th as part of their U.S. History class.”

Ruth would like parents to encourage their kids to participate in the program. “The more participants we have, the more funding we will be able to receive,” she said.

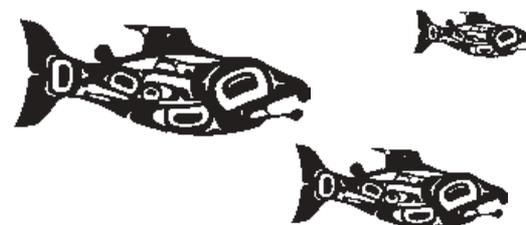
She also would like to remind everyone that the annual awards banquet will be held early this year on May 30th at 6:00 in the high school sub.

Language Correction

Vi (taqʷšəbɫu) Hilbert has recently informed us of a correction. We have been using the word “kʷədačiʔ” as a greeting (hello). A more appropriate way to use this word is as a greeting ONLY when shaking hands. Culturally, it is not always necessary to say, “Hello.” Rather, greet someone with “How are you?” - “ʔəsxid čəxʷ.”

We are grateful to Nellie Ramirez for reminding us to use kʷədačiʔ and we are grateful to Vi Hilbert for helping us further understand its use.

~Dave (ʔakʷatid) Whitener, Sr.



Coho Salmon Fast Facts

- Scientific Name: *Oncorhynchus kisutch*, from the Greek roots *onkos* (hook), *rynchos* (nose) and *kisutch*, the common name in Siberia and Alaska.
- Common names: Silver salmon, hook nose salmon, blueback salmon, jack salmon, salmon trout, silverside salmon and white salmon.
- Spawning occurs from November through January, with the eggs hatching the following spring. Coho fry remain in streams for a year and a half. Moving seaward the second spring, most coho return to spawn when they are three years old.
- Coho salmon reach up to 38.5 inches in length and weigh up to 31 pounds; although they usually weigh between 6 to 12 pounds.
- Coho salmon spawn in coastal streams from Northern Japan to the Anadyr River in Siberia and from Monterey Bay in California and Point Hope in Alaska. This species can also be found in the ocean from Baja, California, to the Bering Sea in Alaska. Major U.S. spawning grounds are in Washington, Alaska and Oregon.



Ruth holding paddles made by Ronald Yates, III (L) and Sara Wood



Nellie Ramirez

Reprinted with permission from The Daily World and Cara "Pies" Willis - Longtime Taholah resident Nellie Ramirez, 96, died Tuesday, March 18, 2003, at her granddaughter's Ocean Shores home.

Nellie was born June 30, 1906 on Squaxin Island to James (Squaxin) and Lucille Isaac Simmons (Skokomish). Sometime during WWI at the age of 40, her mother died while giving birth to twins. After the death of her mother, Nellie went to live with her aunt Minnie Peters. Nellie said, "Clara Seymour Bagley and I had in common that our mothers died, so we both stayed with my aunt Minnie," she recalled. "I was the main one who had to learn everything," and recited her chores, "clean house, wash dishes, cook, fix beds..."

Nellie remembers her aunt as a strict woman with some definite ideas about how to dress a little girl. "She must have thought I was dirty or too dark, because she would scrub me 'til I was raw. I had to wear a girdle, long black gloves, black stockings, a black veil, and buckle shoes with buttons. My girdle was too tight, and it made me stiff. I couldn't even sit down with it on."

Nellie eventually married a Quinault tribal member when she was 16 and moved to Taholah.

At the time of her death, she was the oldest female Quinault Tribal member. Her Indian name was Opie.

She could always be counted on to make a joke and have the whole group laughing at tribal events. Receiving a gift at a potlatch at 90, she followed the Quinault custom and danced to show her appreciation for the gift. She was known to most people as "Gramma Nellie."

Nellie grew up in difficult times. She learned to make baskets when she was 10, and she and her mother traveled to Olympia to sell them on the streets door-to-door. The two averaged 35 baskets a week, bringing in about \$25 per trip, in cash

or trade. She said she used cedar strands from rotten logs to make waterproof baskets.

She said her father spoke the Yakama language, but she couldn't understand it, adding, "When I was 11 or 12, I couldn't talk English. I talked Puyallup." She taught her language to the Squaxin Island



people.

Even when she was 90, she disliked being treated as if she were old, such as people giving her blankets at public affairs or serving her food. The word "helpless" wasn't in her vocabulary – in Puyallup, Quinault or English.

"She was always the life of the party," said Quinault President Pearl Capoeman-Baller. "She was kindhearted and a hoot. A real hoot."

"She had a home on one of the main roads in Taholah," Capoeman-Baller said, "and would sit outside in a chair and talk to anyone. She especially liked talking with the young people. She would always say, 'I know your grandparents or great-grandparents.'

She knew everyone."

Nellie was a well-known and respected educator, having taught the Squaxin language at schools in Muckleshoot, Puyallup, Squaxin and Nisqually, as well as the Northwest Indian College. She was instrumental in the recording of more than 180 tapes on native language.

Nellie kept a hen, a turkey and some geese in her yard for the eggs. She once exclaimed, "I have a turkey out there and he gets along just fine with the hen. See! Just like us Indians, huh?"

Nellie got along just fine, too, with all kinds of people. She said, "I grew up Shaker and Pentecostal. I even grew up with the powwow people. I enjoy seeing all good Indian peoples; they are my Indian people.

Nellie didn't like fighting. "That's just not my way. I will not fight for fishing grounds or anything (a reference to some trouble when she was a child).

"I really like it here. This is my home, and I think it's beautiful here . . ., but I am ready to go home to the Lord."

She is survived by a son, Val Capoeman of Taholah; a daughter, Vernice Walker of Taholah; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Ramon, died in 1976. Four sons, Vernon, Alton, Frank and Robert Capoeman; a daughter, Gladys Kelly; three brothers, Mike, Angus and Norman Simmons, and her infant twin brother and sister also died previously.

A candlelight service was held Friday, March 21st at the Taholah Shaker Church. An Indian Shaker service was scheduled for 11 .am. Saturday, March 22nd, at the Coleman Mortuary in Hoquiam. Vault interment followed in Hoquiam's Sunset Memorial Park.



A Special Thank You

I would like to thank the community, Tribal Council, the Cultural Resources Department and the cooks who all helped so much during the passing of my dad, Jimmy Krise. Without everyone's help, everything would not have turned out so great!

Love,
Ramona Mosier and family

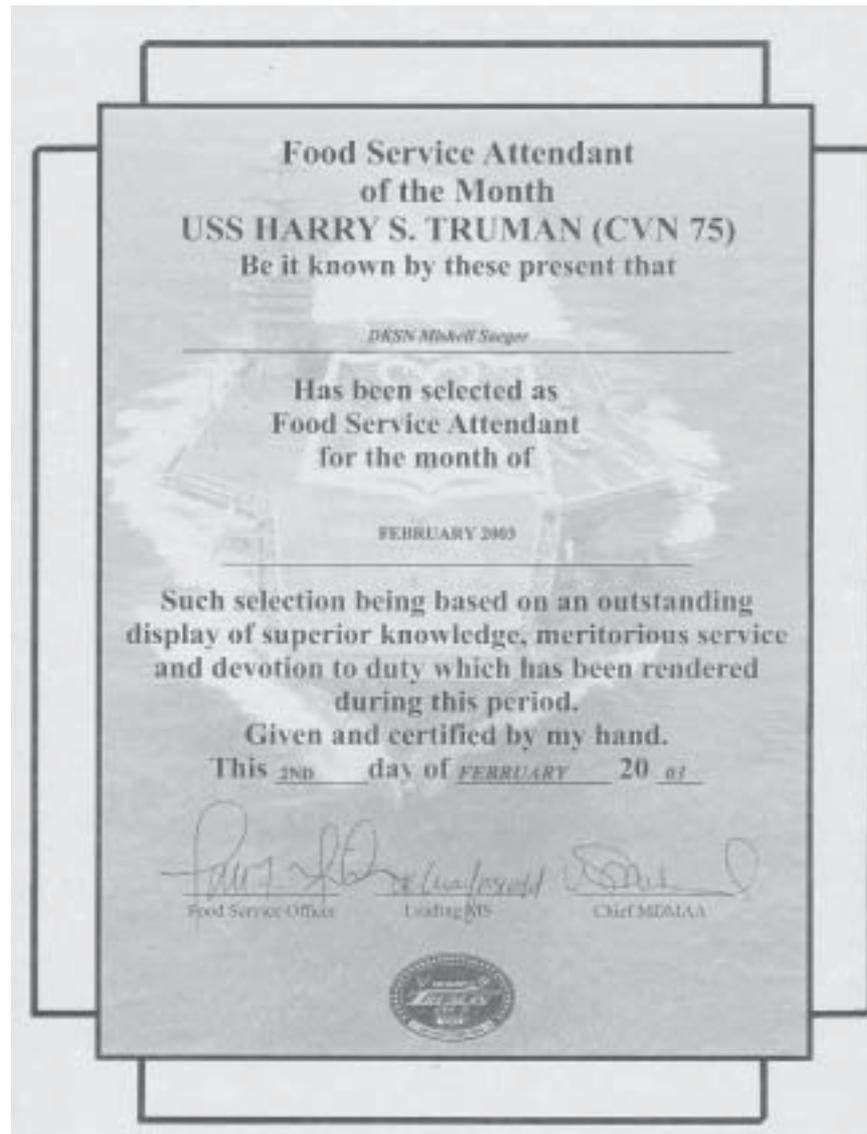


Flag Etiquette

Submitted by Lynn Scroggins - Here are some flag etiquette tips passed by 1942 congressional resolution and included in the World Almanac:

- The flag should be displayed on all days, especially legal holidays.
- Citizens may fly the flag anytime they wish. But it is customary to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open.
- The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously. It should never be allowed to touch the ground or the floor.
- Worn flags should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.
- The flag should not be displayed on a float, motor car, or boat, except from a staff.
- It should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.
- It should never be used to cover a statue or monument.
- It should never be displayed upside down except as a distress signal.
- The flag should never be used as drapery of any sort, never festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always to fall free.

Congratulations Mishell Good Job!!! We're Proud of You!!!





POTLATCH 2003



Vicki Kruger - At least 400 people from many, many tribes attended the potlatch this year.

Fourteen people received names including tribal elder Liz Perez, Tribal Council Member Roy Perez, Angel Hall, Tom & Cathy Humphreys, Josh Penn, Candace Penn, Tasheena Sanchez, Jessica Cruz, Clara Cortez, Elaina Cortez, Lashelle Johns, Korina Cortez and Winter Perez.

In the article last year I listed all the individuals who helped make the Potlatch a success. Since Shelly made fun of that article, this year I'm just going to mention that you know who you are and that I couldn't have done it with-

out you, all of you. I raise my hands to you. We are still having craft class on Tuesdays from 4:30 - 6:00 to prepare for the next several potlatches we will be attending during the canoe journey.

There are three parties coming up: April 26th at Neah Bay (a memorial for Skip Greene) and two on May 10th (we'll split up and take two groups) at Queets and Neah Bay. Queets is a naming, and I believe a change of hereditary chiefs. Neah Bay is the 80th birthday party for John Hottowe. There is also a possible canoe meeting at Neah Bay on May 3rd. Anyone wishing to travel to any or all of these events please contact me.



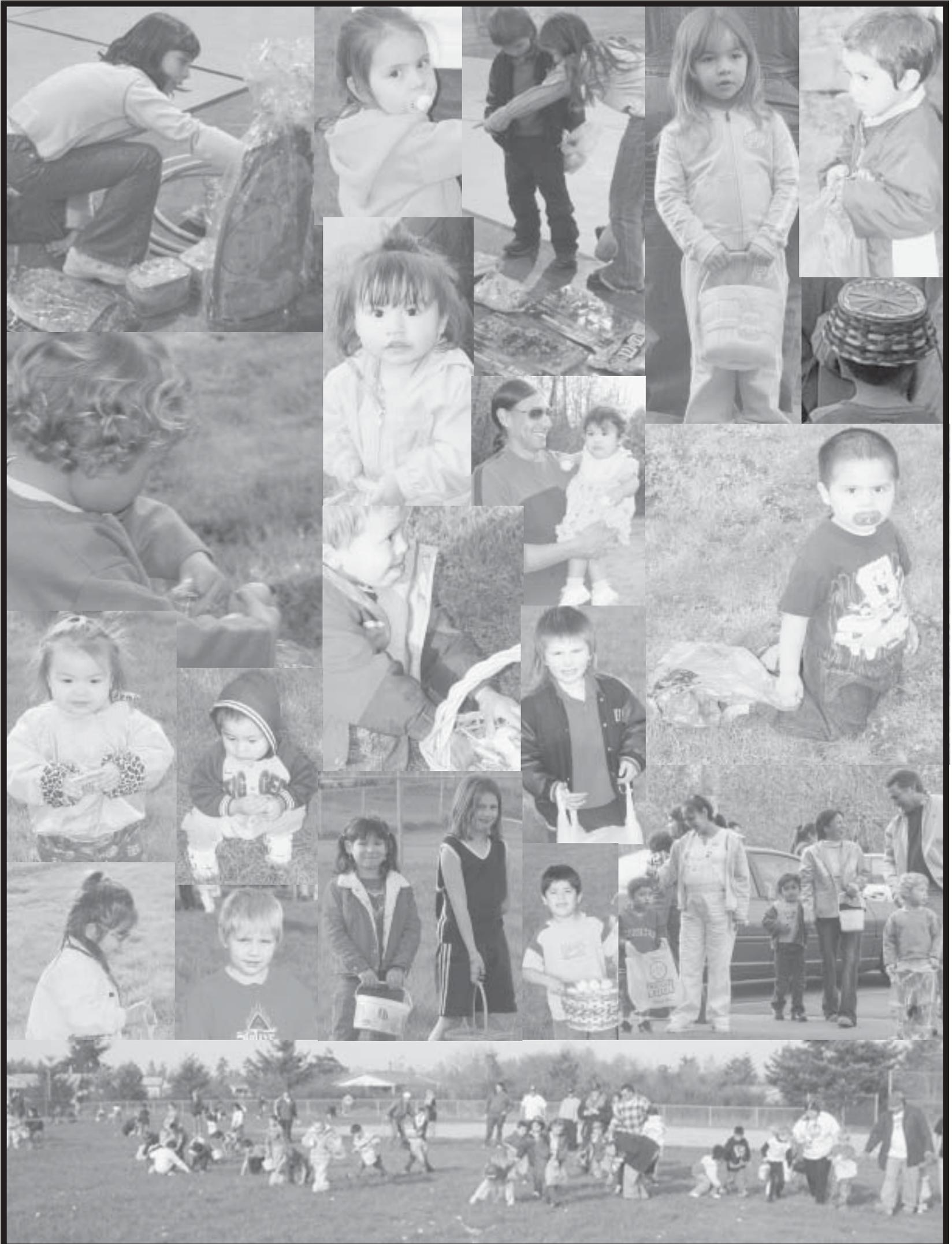


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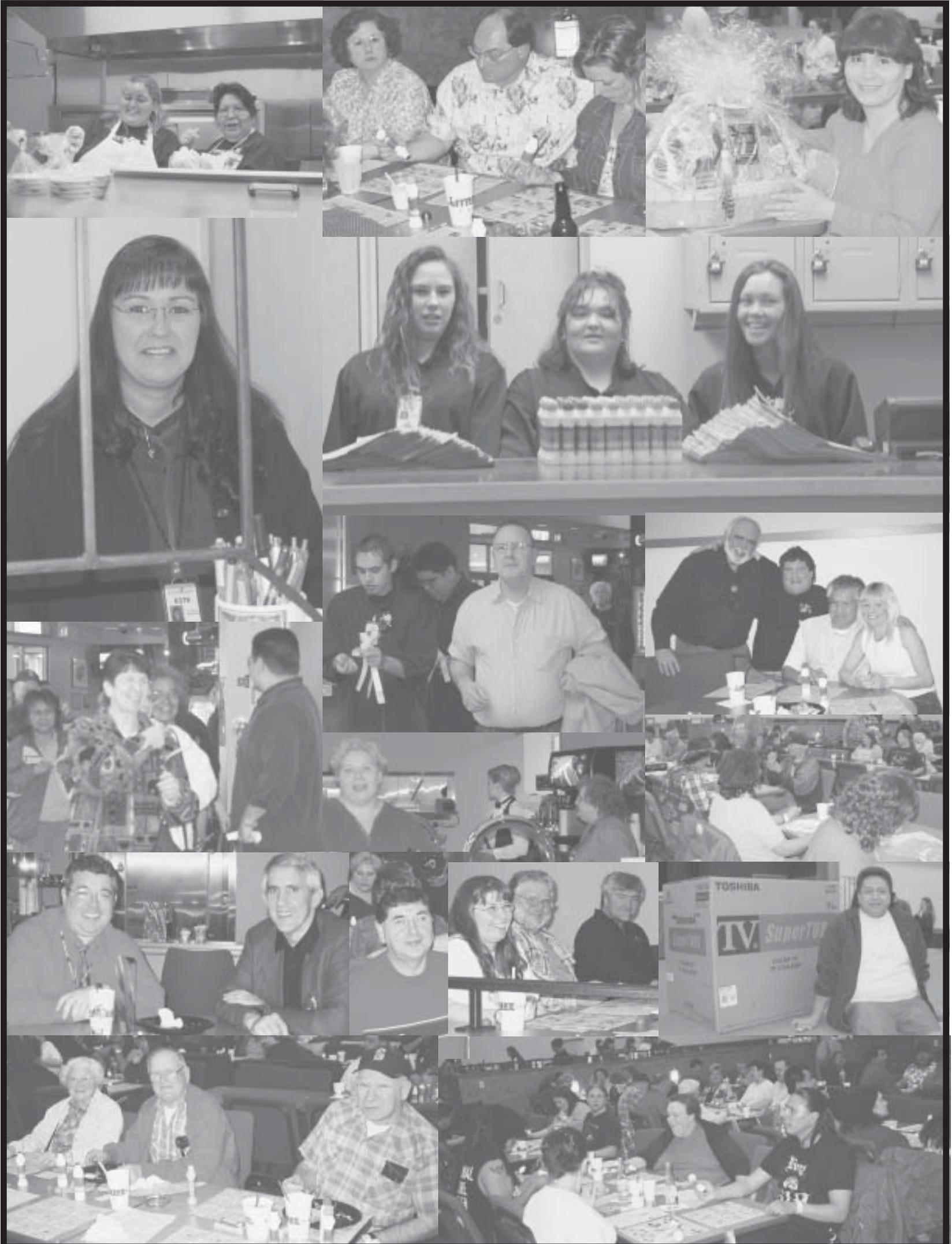


EASTER 2003





- TRIBAL MEMBERS' BINGO NIGHT -





Congratulations Office of Housing 1st Time Drawing Winners!

The Office of Housing sponsored a drawing for all tenants that kept their original scheduled inspections between the months of September, 2002 and March 2003. To be considered for this drawing, residents had to have had their inspection and completed and submitted all required paperwork by the original, appointed inspection day. Out of thirty-four possible contenders, only twenty-four residents succeeded in participating in this drawing. Congratulations to:

- \$ 150.00 Richard Johns, Sr.
- \$ 50.00 Juanita Pugel
- \$ 25.00 Thomas Blueback, Jr.

The Office of Housing would like to extend appreciation to all residents for cooperating with scheduled inspections and calling to re-schedule in a timely manner. There will be another drawing for residents who keep their scheduled 2003 inspections and complete paperwork for the months April through August, 2003. The names will be drawn in the latter part of August or September, 2003.

Names removed from the Housing Priority List

- Joe James
- Toni Marshall
- Greg-Anthony Glover
- Sheena Marie Glover
- Letti Machado-Olivo
- Isaac Johns
- Kim Arnold
- Raymond Krise
- Rachel Edwards-Johns
- Jolene Glover
- Connie McFarlane
- Richard Johns, Sr.
- Richard Harper

Names removed from the Housing Secondary List

- Adam Krise
- Tarry Lee Jack
- Lois Thadei



Greetings

Bev Hawks - I would like to share a day in my work with the community. On April 8, 2003 at the WARP (Worldwide Archeology Research Project) Conference that was held at South Puget Sound Community College, three of our youth had another opportunity to learn something of their culture. John Furtado, Jesse Thomas, Joe Furtado and myself (Bev) made a clam pit and cooked clams for all the participants. This event took place on Ralph Munro's property where the Mud Bay site is located.

The young bucks did a very good job! They collected ferns, built a fire and kept it going, arranged the rocks over a bed of sand, and, lastly, laid the clams over cinders and hot rocks to steam them open. This is the very best way to eat clams.

I would also like to mention that they had another opportunity to do the same thing at our Potlatch. My helpers were:

Lenny Hawks

Fire starter

Michael Mosier & Antone Hidalgo-Hawks

Fire helpers with paper and kindling

John Furtado

Helper with anything asked of him

Cameron Henry & Joe Furtado

Fern collectors/water fetchers

Jesse Thomas & Danny Snyder

Fish pit & fire helpers

There was little girl named Rose who helped out with anything that she was asked too.

I would like to tell all these young people how proud I am of them for the way they helped at both of these functions. They stayed until everything was done and cooked, did as they were told and conducted themselves respectfully. My hands are up to you all.

This will serve as an announcement that these young people are now experienced clam cookers, so ask them to help out with their new-found skills and utilize them.

Hoyt

Bev Hawks

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Happy Mothers Day Moms

Submitted by Bev Hawks - By the time the Lord made women, he was into his sixth day of working overtime. An Angel appeared and said, "Why are you spending so much time on this one?"

And the Lord answered and said, "Have you seen the spec sheet on her? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic, have 200 movable parts, all replaceable, run on black coffee and leftovers, have a lap that can hold four children at one time, have a kiss that can cure anything from a scraped knee to a broken heart, and have six pairs of hands."

The Angel was astounded at the requirements for this one. "Six pairs of hands! No Way!" and "That's just on the standard model?" the Angel asked.

The Angel tried to stop the Lord. "This is too much work for one day. Wait until tomorrow to finish."

But I can't!" the Lord protested, "I am so close to finishing this creation that is so close to my own heart. She already heals herself when she is sick

AND can work 18 hour days.

The Angel moved closer and touched the woman, "but you have made her so soft, Lord."

"She is soft," the Lord agreed, "but I have also made Her tough. You have no idea what she can endure or accomplish."

"Will she be able to think?" asked the Angel. The Lord replied, "Not only will she be able to think, she will be able to reason, and negotiate."

The Angel then noticed something and reached out and touched the woman's cheek. "Oops, it looks like you have a leak with this model. I told you that you were trying to put too much into this one."

"That's not a leak," the Lord objected, "that's a tear!"

"What's the tear for?" the Angel asked.

The Lord said, "The tear is her way of expressing her joy, her sorrow, her pain, her disappointment, her loneliness, her grief and her pride."

The Angel was impressed. "You are a genius, Lord. You thought of everything, for women are truly amazing."

Women have strengths that amaze men. They carry hardships, they carry burdens but they hold happiness, love and joy. They smile when they want to scream. They sing when they want to cry. They cry when they are happy and laugh when they are nervous. They fight for what they believe in. They stand up for injustice. They don't take "no" for an answer when they believe there is a better solution.

They go without so their family can have. They go to the doctor with a frightened friend. They love unconditionally.

They cry when their children excel and cheer when their friends get awards.

They are happy when they hear about a birth or a new marriage. Their hearts break when a friend dies. They have sorrow at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength left. They know that a hug and a kiss can heal a broken heart.

Women come in all sizes, in all colors and shapes. They'll drive, fly, walk, run or e-mail you to show how much they care about you.

The heart of a woman is what makes the world spin!

They bring joy and hope.

They give compassion and ideals.

They give moral support to their family and friends. Women have a lot to say and a lot to give.

Pass this along to your women friends to remind them how amazing they are!

Super Saturday Native Arts Fair

June 14th

The Evergreen State College Longhouse Limited to 30 vendors.

Applications must be in by June 1.

Looking for Artists

The Seattle Sister Cities Association would like to purchase Native American art to be given a gifts during people-to-people and government-to-government exchanges with Seattle's 21 sister cities in Europe, Africa, Asia and the other Americas.

Deadline for application May 15th

Contact Ruby Fuller for an application form



Nice Job

Andrea Wilbur-Sigo

International Wetland Archaeology Research Project Conference Featured Artist
Salish spindle whorl design



Friday May 9th
10 am to 4 p.m.

Squaxin Health Clinic
Rejuvenate Yourself
with these Activities:
Massages/ Facials/ Scrapbooking
Manicures
Foot Reflexology /Haircuts/
Paraffin Wax Treatments
Activities are for Mothers, Daughters,
Grandmother and Aunties
Refreshments

Sponsored by CDC & Avon Grant
Questions? Call Rose at 432-3930



COMMUNITY



Child Find

Wa He Lut Indian School is attempting to locate children with disabilities whose special needs are not being met. If you are aware of any children, ages birth through 21, that may need assistance, please contact Becky Beswick at 360-456-1311 or 253-272-1049

**Happy Mother's Day
Grams!
Love,
Chass, Rick & Nokomis**

**Happy Mother's Day
Mom!
Love,
Dino, Joanne and Dillon**



**Happy Birthday
Francis Cooper, Sr. and
Mabel Cooper
From All Your Children
With Love**

**Happy Mother's Day
Mom!
Love Terri and the girls**

**Happy 22nd Jay Hall
(April 2nd)
From Gramma Merline
and Aunt Joyce!**

**Happy 37th Anniversary Toby and Merline
April 2nd, 1966**

**Married in Shelton in the home of Merline's parents
Merline says, "He can stay as long as he does what I say!"**



**Happy Belated Birthday
Marcella
Love Mom**

**Happy Belated 64th
Birthday Mom (2/23)!
Love,
Dino, Joanne and Dillon
We All Love You!!!**

**Happy Birthday Eric
Love Gramma**

**Happy Birthday Levi
From Rose & the Family**

**Happy Birthday Veronica
(5/2) Love Mom**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Leo Henry	5/1	Richard Johns, Jr.	5/11	Shawnee Kruger	5/18
Fame Rankin	5/2	Jeremy Meyer	5/11	Gary Brownfield	5/19
Veronica Rivera	5/2	Wesley Whitener	5/12	Richard Harper	5/21
Krystal Koenig	5/3	Connie Napoleon	5/12	Jennie Kuntz	5/21
Kim Cooper	5/3	Julie Smith	5/13	Tamatha Ford	5/22
David Lewis "Toby"	5/3	Tyler Barnwell	5/14	Melissa Henry	5/22
Brian Tobin	5/4	Kenneth Wilbur	5/14	Richard Monger	5/22
Todd Haggmann, Jr.	5/5	Donna Wood	5/17	Rebecca Napoleon	5/22
Sally Brownfield	5/6	Bryan Johnson	5/17	Carly Rose Peters	5/22
Nancy Rose	5/6	Jaclyn Meyer	5/17	Tiffany Hartwell	5/23
Justin Saenz-Garcia	5/6	Marlene Henry	5/18	Michael Ogden Hill	5/23
Raven Thomas	5/6			Levi Sanchez	5/23
Eric Castro	5/7			Theresa Sanchez	5/23
Dustin Barnwell	5/8			Donald Hartwell	5/24
Francis A. Cooper, Sr.	5/8			Raymond Peters	5/25
Morningstar Green	5/9			Spirit Jones	5/25
Justin Johns	5/9			Tyler Johns	5/26
Colleen Peters	5/9			Craig Parker	5/26
Stanley Black	5/10			Mildred Wagner	5/26
Kevin Harper	5/10			Jeremyha James	5/27
Breanna Peters	5/10			Kurt Poste	5/28
Kassidy Whitener	5/10			Jack Selvidge	5/29
Linda Allen	5/11			Carol Phipps	5/31



WHAT'S HAPPENING

				1 Canoe Family Meeting @ 5:00 in the museum Sr. Mtg. @1:00 Sr. Room	2 Housing Commission 9:00 in the Annex	3 General Body Meeting 1st Sign-in @ 9:00 Good News Book Club 10:30
4	5 Drum practice 6:00 p.m. MLRC	6 Court Church 7:30	7 Bingo @ 6:45	8 Tribal Council Scrapbooking @ 1:00	9 Mother's Day Event @ the clinic 10-4 AA Meeting 7:30	10 Good News Book Club 10:30
11	12 Drum practice 6:00 p.m. MLRC	13 Church 7:30	14 Bingo @ 6:45	15 Scrapbooking @ 1:00	16 Diabetes Gathering Noon - 2 @ the Clinic Housing Commission 9:00 in the Annex AA Meeting 7:30	17 Good News Book Club 10:30
18	19 Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner 5:00 Senior Room Drum practice 6:00 p.m. MLRC	20 Court Church 7:30	21 Bingo @ 6:45	22 Tribal Council Scrapbooking @ 1:00	23 AA Meeting 7:30	24 Good News Book Club 10:30
25	26 Drum practice 6:00 p.m. MLRC	27 Church 7:30	28	29	30 Shelton Indian Ed Awards Banquet 6:00 SHS Sub	31

May Youth Activities

I will have 100 tickets for the annual Mother's Day Mariners Baseball game against the Chicago White Sox. Call 426-9781 and leave a message on how many tickets you need. Please only order those that you really need as we have less tickets this year. Thanks.				1 Homework Help 3-5 Rookie Bball 6pm Open Gym 4-8	2 Baton 3-7	3 General Body Meeting
4 Open Gym 3-7	5 Homework Help 3-5 Tball 6:00	6 Homework Help 3-5 Bball 4:30-6:00	7 Homework Help 3-5 Bball 4:30-6:00 Open Gym 4-8	8 Homework Help 3-5 Rookie Bball 6pm Open Gym 4-8	9 Baton 3-7	10 Open Gym 11-8 TBall 4:30 Rookie 9:00
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