



# EDUCATION

## GO KINGS!

We're hoping that before too long some of the parents will become volunteer sports writers and start e-mailing accounts of MTS sporting events to [muckleshoot.monthly@muckleshoot.nsn.us](mailto:muckleshoot.monthly@muckleshoot.nsn.us). They don't need to be anything fancy. In the meantime, we will continue to share the e-mails that MTS Athletic Director Tim Tubbs shares from time to time. They always end with "Go Kings!"

### December 8

The Kings hosted their first home games of the season Tuesday with a girls game at 3:30 followed by the boys at 5:00. Although the girls battled to defeat, the energy from the Muckleshoot Kings was indeed impressive. On the boys side, MTS outgunned Mt. Rainier 77- 63 for the first victory in the new gym, undefeated at home!

The day started with a pep assembly put on by the cheerleaders late in the school day. The students clapped and cheered until the final buzzer of the boys game at 6:30 that evening. All in all, it was a glorious night at MTS. Congratulations to the students, staff and especially the players and coaches.

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### December 16

MTS Wrestling broke ground this week and made history at the same time. Two middle school wrestlers, Ben Lazzar and Jonathan Arzate traveled to Sumner MS on Monday and Enumclaw MS yesterday for a series of matches and the first wrestling experience in MTS history. MTS Wrestling has officially started! Special thanks goes out to Coach Darren Sylte for all his energy and expertise. Congratulations!

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### January 29

Every time the Muckleshoot Tribal School teams take the field, another page is recorded in history. Yesterday was certainly "one for the books" for the boys basketball team. With a 49-43 win over the Christian Faith Eagles, the Kings earned a berth in the post-season playoffs, a first for any Muckleshoot team. We face the loser of the February 3<sup>rd</sup> Neah Bay vs Crescent game in a winner-to-district contest on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, site to be determined. Details will be forthcoming.

The Muckleshoot Kings have amassed a 9-7 record thus far with two regular season games remaining. The final home game of the year will be held on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm in the Muckleshoot Gymnasium against Eastside Prep Academy. Be sure to come out and join in the celebration as the seniors are recognized for their final home appearance in a Kings uniform. The Kings close out the season on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> against Mount Rainier Lutheran with the girls game starting at 5:30 followed by the boys at 7:00.

Congratulations to all our teams.

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### Recognizing Our Coaches

Bill Hawk and Lonnie Hall have turned a dozen or so lives inside-out and upside-down; including their own. The boys basketball players have learned the value of personal character, sportsmanship, education, discipline, commitment and the importance of team. Most athletic programs offer this same curriculum, but few can claim the level of success and the extent of accountability that I have witnessed with the MTS Boys Basketball Team.

The players and coaches have inspired me regularly, but last Wednesday put me into email-writing mode. At 4:00 or so, when the students are long gone and many of the staff as well, the wood shop was full of coaches and players, books open and pencils and pens blazing. No basketball plans or plays – only homework. English, math, history, science, writing of all kinds. Tucked away in a remote corner of our campus, homework was still being done and the sun was about to call it a day.

Truly inspiring – truly inspiring indeed.

All coaches invest their time and energy into the lives of their players with little recognition. They create a certain personal connection with the athletes that grows week by week, season by season, into a significant relationship. This relationship is lasting, and in the long-term, the rewards far outweigh the endless expense of energy.

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### Muckleshoot Tribal School

#### – Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT
1-5	Spirit Week
5	Boys Varsity Basketball game @ Mt. Rainier Lutheran High School (7:00 p.m.)
5	Girls Varsity Basketball game @ Mt. Rainier Lutheran High School (5:30 p.m.)
6	MS/HS Dance
7-12	Close-up trip to Washington DC for Juniors
12	Early Release MS/HS @ 11:30 K-5 @ 12:30
15	Presidents' Day No School
16	K-2 Zoom Zoo classroom presentation
5 & 17	Zoom Zoo classroom presentation
18	Job share field trip
18	5:30 p.m. Parent training (FAFSA)
25	MS/HS science field trip to Museum of Flight
26	Early Release MS/HS @ 11:30 K-5 @ 12:30



Carlisle Indian School student body, 1892

### REFLECTION ESSAY AFTER READING AN ESSAY ON...

## The Carlisle Indian Industrial School

By Michael McCloud, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, MTS

This reading selection to me is incredibly interesting and has events that are jovial and also very heartbreaking to read about. It makes me think as to how the Native Americans back then even survived. It is quite surprising how the white men wanted to educate the Natives but also wanted to take away all of their customs, cultures and language in the process.

Captain Richard Henry Pratt, the founder of this boarding school in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, could have been right about teaching Natives a little English instead of the various languages of the Native Americans. But changing their entire lifestyle just to "fit in society" is too much.

The white people wouldn't have liked it if we told them they had to change their lifestyles and language just to stay on our land. That's saying that Natives are bad. Because of actions such as these, Native American history is almost extinct.

On a positive note, Pratt wanted the children to be educated and for them to live more successfully in the life they were in at the time. Native students were learning subjects, language and even musical instruments. They also learned trade and work skills. They (unfortunately) taught them about Christianity as well. Then white people started abuse.

While attending Carlisle Indian Industrial School, hundreds of children died and were buried at the school to prevent contagion. Children suffered

the consequences for speaking their native languages and even not understanding English.

They also made all of the kids change their names. This was hard for many students because the names they could choose had no meaning to them. Plus many children couldn't read very well so they could only choose the names on how they looked.

After Pratt was forced to retire, the school started making improvements. One was to start a football team which was most notably led by Jim Thorpe who was a professional baseball and football player as well as a double Olympic gold medalist.

By the time the "noble experiment" had ended, nearly 12,000 students had attended Carlisle. Students from 140 different tribes attended. Less than 8% graduated, but more than twice that percentage ran away.

Native American kids learned various things in this strange and harsh era of time. One of those things they probably learned was that fitting into the world isn't worth having your entire customs, religion and way of life taken away... to become someone unknown to your family and to lose your dignity and family pride, stripped of everything you've known of life.

## HOPE: Healing Our People Everywhere

### MTS BOYS' GROUP MAKES SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO SOUTH DAKOTA

By Dan "Lildan" Carpita

On December 15, I had the privilege of accompanying eight students from the Muckleshoot Tribal School to Rapid City, South Dakota. The advertised purpose of our journey was to attend the HOPE Conference and the Lakota Nation Invitational, while the actual purpose of the journey was to provide each of the students an opportunity to better know themselves and to learn the limits/boundaries necessary to walk in more than one world.

The following is a list of the individuals who traveled: 9<sup>th</sup> graders Danny White, Marvin Moses and Eli Hunt; 8<sup>th</sup> graders Justin Hamilton and Isaiah Asphy; and 6<sup>th</sup> graders Elijah Asphy, Andrew Bargala and Tristan John. The adults were Floyd Baker, Mikey John, Greg Harrison and myself.

The title of the conference "HOPE" is an acronym for Healing Our People Everywhere. It focused on Child Development as it is effected by the trauma of abuse. A special emphasis was on the issues of poverty, abandonment, emotional and physical abuse as well as sexual abuse. Understanding the issues from a perspective of trauma provided answers to the questions of the behaviors that we try to change and raised the awareness that gangs, substance abuse, sexual abuse, domestic violence and other dysfunction behaviors are but symptoms of the hurt children.

These were difficult issues for our young men to hear but they sat through the sessions respectfully and participated to the best of their ability. In fact they sang the Welcome Song each morning to begin the day. Every day they received compliments on their just being there and the manner that they represented their Tribe.

One of the many highlights of the conference came one morning when Elijah asked if he could present an Elder with a gift following my prayer song. After introducing him, he presented Marcella Le Beau, Lakota Elder, with a book he had purchased at Crazy Horse the day before. When they embraced it was as though time stood still. It seemed that the room was dark and the spotlight was only shining on them. As I looked around the room, no one dared breathe for fear of ruining the moment and there was not a dry eye in the room.

Each morning at 7:30 our group would gather at pool side in the hotel lobby and have a circle, during which we would sing the Welcome Song, read and discuss the Elder's Meditation for the day and have a prayer song. Every room in the hotel was filled and it seemed that they were all standing around us watching and listening. Each day I received several positive comments on our circle and the way the boys conducted themselves. Some of

the people even paid the highest compliment of saying they wished that those who traveled with their students would duplicate what we did.

In addition to the conference and the LNI we had the opportunity to travel to local historical and cultural sites. These included Mt. Rushmore, where the boys were more interested in the snow than the faces carved there; Crazy Horse Monument, where they were privileged to be taken to the top of the monument, right next to the head; Custer State Park where they saw buffalo, huge mule deer bucks, mountain sheep, mountain goats, antelope and a good deal of the Black Hills; Pine Ridge Reservation and their Boys and Girls Club; Wounded Knee, where they talked about feeling the pain, sadness and fear of the place and visited with one of the local young men who rode his bike up to check us out. We stopped in the town of Scenic where we took pictures of the Indian jail next to the saloon that said "dogs and Indians allowed."

This is the 7<sup>th</sup> group of young men I have had the honor of traveling with to Rapid at this time of year, and it was, overall, the best group I have ever taken, when viewed as a group. They made their families and Tribe proud and when people talk about Muckleshoot they will have good things to say due to these children "walking in a good way"

As a side note we were able to establish a relationship with the founding father of the LNI, Bryan Brewer. We discussed with him the possibility of sending a team from the Northwest Tribal League to the invitational and he promised to explore the rules which determine if it must be a school team or could be a representative team from the league. Either way our school team or the Police Athletic League team might have an invitation. In addition to basketball, they have other competitions and this coming year may include chess, for which no invitation or commitment would be necessary.

It is our vision to keep this group connected for the remainder of the school year and perhaps far beyond. Continuing to provide opportunities for them to experience walking in more than one world and to build their esteem/sense of belonging would be the objective of the group, who named themselves The Peaceful Warriors Society. Funding for this "mentoring group" must be found first as well as addressing transportation issues. The mentors have already offered to volunteer their time, amounting to approximately 4 hours per week. Projected costs for meals and activities is in the neighborhood of \$250/week.

## What Is a Learning Disability?

- What does a Learning Disability look like?
- Disorganization (i.e., where's my homework?)
- Memory problems (i.e., Where did I put my homework? Did I do my homework?)
- Medical Issues (i.e., attention issues, health diagnosis (i.e., asthma etc.))
- Learning Issues (i.e., Math, Reading, or Writing may be difficult for you to do at the same pace as your friends in your grade.)
- Social Issues (i.e., making and keeping friends may not be easy for you.)
- Behavioral/Emotional issues
  - Impulsive (i.e., Talking out of turn, making poor choices)
  - Defiance (i.e., Choosing to not listen to your teacher(s), refusing to do work in class.)
  - Oppositional (i.e., Not doing something your teacher asks you to do because you don't "feel" like it.)
  - Feeling sad most of the time.
  - Feeling nervous or scared about something at home or school that it keeps you from doing your work.
  - Acting/Behaving in a way that is negative for a long period of time that keeps you from doing well in school.
- Resource- Tools that are provided in order to help you learn and to help your teachers teach you better (e.g., Extra teacher/more time to complete assignments.)
- Support – Teachers or other adults are here to help! Its okay to ask for help, there's nothing wrong with it!
- What can we do to help ourselves and each other?

We can choose to participate in:

- Common Sense (i.e., We can choose to make good or better choices.)
- Respect (i.e., Most students do not talk back to adults in a negative way; most students do what they're asked to do in class when it is time to learn.)
- Common Courtesy (i.e., Saying please and thank you goes a long way!)

## Tribal School Honors Students of the Month

We have many great students here at MTS and we like to recognize and celebrate with them on a monthly basis. Every month teachers nominate a student who has improved in attitude, attendance or performance. We would like to congratulate the following MTS students who were nominated by a teacher and chosen by the committee for a job well done.

### NOVEMBER

Charles Starr  
Sylvia Agaton  
Ben Lazzar  
Jenel Hunter  
Leah Moses  
John Starr, Jr.  
Xavier White  
Roberto Garcia-Zamora  
Hadrian Ramirez  
Cissie Slockish

### DECEMBER

Kalli Commenout  
Felix McKay  
Tony Jansen  
Shaughnessi Hicks  
Ashley Aho  
Erika Ramirez  
Mercedes Redding  
Annie Kitsap-Moses  
Erika James  
Izahya Williams

## TEACHING RESPECT

Dr. Mario Marsillo, Middle School Dean of Students

I have been at the middle school for nearly a month and have been quite impressed with our middle school students. Each day the staff and I observe our children making better decisions in respecting self, others, and the tribal school. It is our hope and primary goal that parents and tribal community members observe these behaviors more consistently at home and throughout the community.

Respect for self starts with putting healthy things into our body's i.e. eating right, getting adequate sleep, exercising daily. MTS teachers, nurse, nutritionist, and kitchen staff teach these behaviors to students on a weekly basis. Being good to others is a top priority that the school emphasizes with students in their relationships with other children. The majority of issues are resolved when students demonstrate self confidence and a willingness to contribute to the solution. MTS teachers, counselors, parent advocacy personnel, and the security team are doing an excellent job of teaching and modeling social skills, acts of kindness, and concern for others.

Teaching "not telling" students how to show respect for people and things is an important piece to our growing success at the Muckleshoot Tribal School. We will work together in a partnership with the home to reinforce respectful behaviors. Positive Behavior Systems is a program MTS will use in 2010 to support positive outcomes as we strive to achieve a respectful school community and culture.

PBS's Institute on Violence and Destructive Behavior out of the University of Oregon suggest that teachers and parents work together to promote a culture of respect by praising appropriate actions and following through with the consequences you have established. If your students break the rules, it's important to follow through with the consequences you discussed. If you don't follow through, you send the message that your rules are not really important and that it's okay to break them. Children really do want you to show you care enough to set limits and enforce them.

Here are ten additional tips that we can practice at school and home to teach respect:

- (1) Model it: If you want them to do it, you have to do it too.
- (2) Expect it: When your expectations are reasonably high, children rise to the occasion.
- (3) Teach it: Give students the tools they need to show you respect.
- (4) Praise it: When you see or hear your children using respectful language and making respectful choices, recognize it and praise them for making positive, respectful decisions.
- (5) Discuss it: Pick out times when you see other students using respectful or disrespectful language or behavior and discuss with them.
- (6) Correct it: Be strong, firm and direct when teaching respect. At the same time, be sure you are being respectful yourself while correcting the behavior.
- (7) Acknowledge it: Don't just let things slide! Be sure to notice when respectful behavior is being exhibited and make sure to call them on disrespectful behavior!
- (8) Understand it: Your students are growing and learning. Sometimes word choice and behavioral decisions are made because they do not have the correct words or behavior to say "I'm tired," "I'm frustrated," or "I'm angry."
- (9) Reinforce it: Remind students of their good decisions so that they remember how it felt, the praise they received, and the overall experience of being respectful.
- (10) Reward it: Respectful behavior should be something that students want to do without overindulgent rewards. However, it is good to associate respectful behavior with intangible such as praise, recognition, extra responsibility, and privileges.

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## Nutrition Goals for the Muckleshoot Tribal School Breakfast and Lunch Program

This program is an ongoing and collaborative process that aims to engage participants in addressing health concerns and to build capacity within the tribal community around nutrition and traditional foods in an appropriate cultural context. The main goal is to support the overall health of the community through cultural continuity.

According to a study done in 2009 by the Center of Disease Control, childhood obesity and behavioral issues are directly correlated with dietary intake of children. Health disparities plague Indigenous communities throughout the world. By offering nutritious dishes made with quality products that taste delicious we are addressing health disparities like diabetes and cardiovascular disease in our community.

In order to address health issues and set our students up for a healthy future we have developed a set of standards for the daily production of our meals. The following is a list of these standards followed by a brief description of their purpose:

- **Trans-fat and hydrogenated oil free lunch & breakfast.** These "bad fats" cause inflammation in the body. Inflammation is the root of disease. Trans-fats and hydrogenated oils have been directly linked with diabetes, cardiovascular disease, obesity, and cancer to name a few.
- **No high fructose corn syrup in our food products and limited dessert.** High fructose corn syrup is a chemically altered sugar molecule. This has been coined as our food industries favorite sweetener. When we eat sugars like this, it may taste good, but it offers no nutritional value and a false sense of energy. Plus, corn is a highly subsidized crop in our nation's food supply and does not support environmental diversity. Healthy ecosystems are diverse ones and environmentalists are now finding that due to large crops of corn growing in the middle of our continent, dead zones are being created in the ocean. The Muckleshoot Tribal School is a green-building and with policies like this we can proudly say that our school cafeteria supports this cause.
- **Whenever possible ordering local and seasonal produce.** As food travels it loses its nutrients. Plants breathe, respire and require water. So after they are cut off from their food source they begin to die, which means they are losing nutrients and they are losing flavor, so eating fresh food is really important. Think of how you feel after traveling (exhausted, dehydrated, drained, low energy). Food gets tired from all the travel as well. The best foods for our health are fresh foods. Eating local is also good for the environment as it reduces the amount of fossil fuels used to get the food to our plates and helps support our local economy.
- **Taking a home-cooking approach to both breakfast and lunch.** Ready to eat meals tend to contain ingredients that are processed and refined. These foods can provide empty calories (high fructose corn syrup) and may only offer a part of a food. This contributes to weight gain as our body, in its natural wisdom, craves the missing parts of processed foods. By choosing to eat more meals made with whole foods in a home cooked fashion our physique is healthier and leaner.
- **Supporting the community resource programs like fishing and wild-life.** The Muckleshoot community is very blessed to have many programs that work hard for the preservation of the wildlife and fishing resources available to tribal members. We purchase our seafood products through Muckleshoot Seafood, and work to build our menu off of what is available in stock and in season. In the future we hope to work with wildlife to get elk and deer meat onto our menu. We aim to create sustainability in our community by supporting our own tribal resources and increasing access to our treaty foods by offering them to our children at lunch time.
- **Requiring a traditional foods meal one day a week.** People traditionally harvested, processed, prepared and shared meals together. It is an integral part of cultural identity. During colonization this important part of culture changed dramatically—as many traditional foods were no longer available. This changed family dynamics about how people spend time together. Eating together is also a time of cultural transmission from one generation to the next. We hope to engage students in consuming these ancient foods. There is no better way to connect with our ancestors of the Pacific Northwest than eating the foods they lived for.

In the future we hope to bring nutrition education into the classrooms and aspire to build an educational garden that connects students to the source of their food. This project will require the participation of the administration, teachers, students and those community members who are interested in contributing to our schools edible education. The cooking staff is also in the process of putting together a recipe guide that will offer healthy meals that were enjoyed by our guests.

At times when we make changes in our eating habits some may not be supportive of the idea of transformation and simply won't have it. Please understand that this inspiration comes from a place of love and support towards the health of our community and our environment. Food is precious and worth caring about, and so are you.

Written by your Tribal School Nutritionist Valerie Segrest  
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## BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE – Remaining Games & Tournament Dates

Friday Feb. 05	@ Mount Rainier Rainier Lutheran, 7:00PM
Monday Feb. 08	@ Tri"District Qualifier Tri"District Qualifier TBA
Friday Feb. 12	@ Tri"District Tournament Mountlake Terrace HS TBA
Saturday Feb. 13	@ Tri"District Tournament Mountlake Terrace HS TBA
Tuesday Feb. 16	@ Tri"District Tournament Mountlake Terrace HS TBA
Friday Feb. 19	@ Tri"District Tournament Mountlake Terrace HS TBA
Saturday Feb. 20	@ Tri"District Tournament Mountlake Terrace HS TBA
Wednesday Feb. 24	@ State Tournament Yakima Sundome TBA
Thursday Feb. 25	@ State Tournament Yakima Sundome TBA
Friday Feb. 26	@ State Tournament Yakima Sundome TBA
Saturday Feb. 27	@ State Tournament Yakima Sundome TBA

Head Coach: Bill Hawk / Assistant Coach: Lonnie Hall





### Washington Indian Gaming Association Scholarship Program for 2010 \$50,000 to be Awarded

**Purpose:** One of the principal goals in WIGA's Mission Statement is to promote tribal economic development and self-sufficiency. The WIGA Scholarship Program is designed to promote tribal self-sufficiency by providing scholarships for Native American students in Washington, seeking to advance their own self-sufficiency and broaden their personal and professional potential through higher education. Students pursuing degrees at community and technical colleges, four-year colleges, and post-graduate and professional schools are eligible.

**Timeline Dates:**

- January 2010 – Announcement of WIGA Scholarship
- January to March 2010 – Advertise and accept Scholarship Applications
- **March 31, 2010 – Deadline for Scholarship Applications (postmark deadline)**
- April 16, 2010 – WIGA Scholarship Committee meets and selects recipients
- April 30, 2010 – Scholarship Recipients Announced
- August 13, 2010 – Distribution of Awards for Fall Term

Both enrolled members of the WIGA Tribes and Indian students in Washington are eligible for WIGA scholarships, which may be used to attend two-year and four-year colleges and universities, as well as for advanced degrees. Scholarship recipients from the previous year are also eligible to re-apply under a reduced format.

**Award Levels:**

- Up to nine community college/technical scholarships at \$1,100 each.
- Up to sixteen undergraduate level scholarships at \$1,500 each.
- Up to eight graduate/professional level scholarships at \$2,000 each.

The Scholarship Committee has discretion in determining the amount of each award and the number of student recipients, depending on the availability of funds and the pool of applicants each year. The Scholarship Committee budget for 2010 is \$50,000.

**Award Distribution:** Scholarship awards will be made either directly to the student or to the financial aid office of the institution for which the recipient is attending, in the name of the student, at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

## Attention High School Juniors and Seniors (and family) HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT COLLEGE?

My name is Louie Gong. I was raised by my Grandma in the Nooksack tribal community, and I now work at Muckleshoot Tribal College. I've been to the Tribal School several times over the past few months, so many of you may already know who I am.



Louie Gong

When I was a teenager I had no idea what I was going to do after high school, and I never once thought about preparing myself for college. Luckily, I rode with some friends to the local community college one day and unexpectedly ended up registering for classes! A few years later, I became the first person in my family to get a Bachelor's Degree. Now I have a Master's Degree in Education, and I think choosing to go to college was the best decision I have ever made.

There's a lot of information about college that I wish I had known when I was in high school. That is why I worked at the University of Washington for 4 years as an Educational Counselor. I learned a lot about many different colleges and programs while working as an Educational Counselor. Now I want to offer what I've learned to you!

Please let me know if you have any questions related to education after high school. We could talk on the phone or meet in person.

- Why should I go to college?
- What is "college life" like?
- What are my choices?
- When are the important deadlines?
- Who can help me out?



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*Louie Gong*

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\* Open to anyone in the Muckleshoot Community regardless of age. Presentation requests also welcome.

### CHECK OUT THE TRIBAL COLLEGE ON-LINE!

Want to know more about the Muckleshoot Tribal College and what we have to offer? Visit our website at [www.muckleshoottribalcollege.org](http://www.muckleshoottribalcollege.org)

You will find GED testing information, tutoring hours, (including extended evening hours) and contact information.

Thank you. We hope to see you soon!



Mitzi Judge/Continuing Education Coordinator

## MCDC Division Director Huda Swelam moving on

January 15, 2010

Dear MCDC Families, Students and Community,



Huda Swelam

Over the past decade, Tribal Leaders, Tribal Members and many others have worked hard pulling together to make our educational systems a reality for our community, our families and our children all across the Muckleshoot Indian Nation. And for the past two and a half years that I've served as Division Director for the Muckleshoot Child Development Center, it's been the tremendous energy and commitment of our parents, families, educators, staff and our children that have been my main source of motivation and inspiration.

Together, we've shown the kind of progress that is possible when you come together with a mutual purpose, put a focus on the core subjects, raise expectations, work together and expand opportunities for all of our children. Because of that hard work, we have continued to build upon a promise in supporting and creating our children's legacy of a great nation. In working together, we have also taken a step closer insuring that all children start life with a solid foundation in a world-class early learning system from birth to school age that is accessible, accountable, and developmentally and culturally appropriate.

After much consideration I have decided it is time for a new challenge and this is a good opportunity to further my career goals. My last working day will be April 15th, 2010 in the position of Division Director at the MCDC. You have played such an important role within the programs operations and in my life, for that I owe each of you my sincere thanks!

Today's announcement is a reflection on all of us – our hard work, our teamwork, our willingness to take risks and make tough decisions, our ability to listen and analyze things in a thoughtful and open-minded way, to change course when needed, and build on things that are working. But most of all, it's a reflection of our commitment to making a difference in kids' lives through their education. You make a difference everyday in a child's life!

I've tried to lead with honesty, compassion, courage and commitment - always putting each child's well-being as the utmost priority. I embrace God's plan for me, and I look forward with excitement to the challenges that lie ahead. In the end, it's all about fighting for our kids, and doing what's right for them. And I feel very good about the fact that I've done it the right way: by doing things openly and honestly, by taking risks and not being afraid to challenge the status quo, by listening to what our leaders, families, community members, teachers, and students have to say and getting their ideas on how things should be done, by listening to what our supporters and our detractors have to say about our efforts, and most of all, by believing in our kids and their ability to learn and succeed.

We've come a long way in the past two years, but there's a lot of work still ahead. I will be working closely with the staff and management team over these next few months to make sure there is a smooth transition here, and I'll be sharing more information with you as that process moves along. It's very exciting to have had this opportunity-to make sure every child in the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe has access to a great Child Development Center, to say to our children everywhere: we value you, you're important to us, and we believe in you. Again, thank you so much for the opportunity to lead you in the position as Division Director, for everything you do each and everyday and for all of the support and inspiration you've provided to me. Continue to soar in life's journey and change a life, one child at a time.

Sincerely,

*Huda Swelam*



MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL COLLEGE

## New hours for GED tutoring

Beginning on Tuesday, January 12, Muckleshoot Tribal College GED tutoring hours will change:

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9am to 4:45pm**

**Tuesday, Thursday: 9am to 6:45pm**

\*After 5pm, look for signs to tell you which room tutoring will be in.

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## M.O.S.T. February 2010 Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 TEST / TUTOR 10-12	2 Windows Intermediate 10 - 12	3 WVVEE 3-5 (Apps) MOST TECH MTC 1-5	4 STAFF MEETING 9 - 11 TEST / TUTOR 5 - 7	5 BUS MATH 10 - 12	6 COLOR ↓ CODES
8 WINDOWS BASIC 10 - 12 TEST / TUTOR 5 - 7	9 Rue Comm Basic 5	10 PowerPoint 10 - 12 WVVEE 3-5 (Self-Mgmt)	11 STAFF MEETING 9 - 11 OUTLOOK 5 - 7	12 TEST / TUTOR 10 - 12 Basic-Basic 1:30-3pm	13 BLUE = BASIC Yellow = Intermediate I AVFHDR = WVVEE GREEN = TEST / TUTOR
15 No MOST Classes	16 TEST / TUTOR 10-12 WORD BASIC 5-7	17 WVVEE 3-5 (Cust Svc)	18 STAFF MEETING 9 - 11	19 Internet Basic 10 -	20 A+ (1) 10am - 1100H A+ (2) 1pm- 3pm Net+ 6 - 9pm
22 TEST / TUTOR 10-12	23 Financial Aid Workshop 10 - 11 WVVEE 3 - 5 (RESUMES) (Bring Your Work history, Volunteer work, Accomplishments, Financial Aid Workshop 6 - 7 pm)	24 WVVEE 3-5 (Interviews)	25 STAFF MEETING 9 - 11 TEST / TUTOR 5 - 7	26 EXCEL BASIC 10 - 12	27 Tribal College 39811 Aub-Enum Rd. Auburn, WA 98092 253-876-3183
				QUESTIONS: Renee Lozier-Rojas 253-876-3292 Janet Emery 253-876-3355	FOR INTERMEDIATE COURSES NOT OFFERED IN FEBRUARY, SEE M.O.S.T. INSTRUCTOR

# MTC welcomes new Writing Instructor, Alicia Woods

Hello,  
I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and the newly revamped Writing Center at the Muckleshoot Tribal College. I am working in collaboration with instructors from a wide variety of programs to assist students with their diverse writing needs. Services offered include: **one-on-one tutoring, small group workshops and editing support.**



Alicia Woods

I'm originally from Buffalo, NY and earned my M.A. from the Native Voices program at the University of Washington. I have greatly enjoyed teaching here with NWIC since September and am appreciative of the opportunity to help students develop mastery of the writing process.

Please feel free to stop by or contact me if you have any questions about the writing and tutoring services I provide. I look forward to the growth of the new Writing Center as a resource for students for both writing and academic support.

Thank you,

Alicia Woods, M.A.  
Writing Instructor  
Muckleshoot Tribal College  
253.876.3375

2010 MCDC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE	
<b>JANUARY</b>	
January 8, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
January 15, 2010	Martin Luther King Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
January 25, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
January 1-29, 2010	Annual Enrollment Updates
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
February 5, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
February 15, 2010	President's Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
February 22, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>MARCH</b>	
March 5, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
March 22, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>APRIL</b>	
April 1, 2010	Annual Easter Event
April 5-9, 2010	Parent Teacher Conferences
April 16, 2010	National Indian Holiday <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
<b>MAY</b>	
May 3-7, 2010	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6, 2010	Mothers Day Event
May 24, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	
June 4, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
June 17, 2010	Fathers Day Event
June 28, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>JULY</b>	
July 5, 2010	4 <sup>th</sup> of July <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
July 9, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
July 26, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>AUGUST</b>	
August 6, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
August 23, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
September 3, 2010	Monthly Family Gathering
September 6, 2010	Labor Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
September 27, 2010	Monthly Grandparent Brunch
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
October 4-8, 2010	Parent Teacher Conferences
October 13, 2010	Open House
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
November 11, 2010	Veterans Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
November 24, 2010	Thanksgiving Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm
November 24, 2010	Thanksgiving Eve after 1pm <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
November 25, 2010	Thanksgiving Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
November 26, 2010	Tribal Holiday <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
December 23, 2010	Christmas Lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm
December 23, 2010	Christmas Eve after 1pm <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
December 24, 2010	Christmas Day <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>
December 31, 2010	New Years Eve 1pm <b>HOLIDAY CARE ONLY</b>

\*\*\*Please note dates are subject to change without notice.

**Men Warrior's Group**

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*Men's Warrior Group*

**MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN TRIBE  
DROP-IN CENTER  
PRESENTS:**

**"MEN WARRIOR'S GROUP"**

*Group Meetings Start on January 13, 2010*

**GROUP MEETINGS:  
WEDNESDAYS  
FROM 3:00 - 5:00 PM  
AGES 14 TO 25  
ALL YOUNG MEN WELCOME**

**GROUP TOPICS INCLUDE:**

- Life Skills
- Alcohol & Drug Addiction/Abuse
- Body Image
- Anger Management
- Family Dynamics
- Friendship & Relationships

**PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE DROP-IN CENTER  
FOR FURTHER INFO CONTACT:  
ETENE TAIMALELAGI  
COMMUNITY ADVOCATE  
253 261-1249  
Etene.taimalelagi@muckleshoot.nsn.us**



This ancient point was found at the Elhwa village of Tse-Whit-Zen. See story on page 10a

**March 6, 2010**  
**Noon - 6:00 p.m.**  
♦ work stations ♦ dinner  
The Evergreen State College  
**LONGHOUSE**

**GENERATIONS RISING**

Generations Rising is an annual day-long event focused on Native youth up to the age of 21. It will be held on March 6 at the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Native youth are encouraged to bring a piece of their artwork to put on display in an art exhibit. There will be arts and crafts workshops, dinner and an awards ceremony.

Generations Rising is sponsored by the Hazel Pete Institute of Chehalis Basketry, Native American Studies "Spirituality Program" and The Longhouse.

For more information on any of the events please call 360-867-6718, or email longhouse@evergreen.edu www.evergreen.edu/longhouse/

**MUCKLESHOOT DROP-IN CENTER**

**Lady Warrior's Group**

**GROUP MEETINGS:  
WEDNESDAYS  
FROM 3:00 - 5:00 PM  
AGES 14 TO 25  
ALL YOUNG LADIES WELCOME**

**STARTS JANUARY 13TH, 2010**

**WILL BE A CLOSED GROUP**

**MUCKLESHOOT DROP-IN CENTER**

17608 400th Ave. SE  
Auburn, WA 98092

Phone: 253-876-2841  
Fax: 253-876-2865  
E-mail: [Koytal.Adoiph@muckleshoot.nsn.us](mailto:Koytal.Adoiph@muckleshoot.nsn.us)

**Come and Join the Group for Discussions on:**

- Life Skills
- Alcohol & Drug Addiction/Abuse
- Body Image
- Anger Management
- Family Dynamics
- Friendship & Relationships

**PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE DROP-IN CENTER**

# F.A.F.S.A. Workshop

**When:** February 23, 2010

**Time:** 10:00 am – 11:00 am  
Or 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**Where:** Muckleshoot Tribal College  
39811 Aub. Enum. Rd. SE  
Auburn, WA 98092

**Contacts:** Michele Rodarte  
(253) 876-3291  
Marie Marquez  
(253) 876-3382

**SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED!!**

Please make sure to bring your Income Tax Returns to complete this process.

# YOUTH SERVICES

## MIT to host 2010 Northwest Indian Youth Conference

We are excited to announce that the dates for the 2010 Northwest Indian Youth Conference (NWIYC) hosted by the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe have been set for April 7th-10th. As we move further with the planning of this conference we would like to extend a very special opportunity to all youth who would like to get involved in making this event happen.

If you are a Muckleshoot youth or know of a youth who is interested in helping to plan the Northwest Indian Youth Conference this April 2010 then we encourage you to sign up and be a part of the Northwest Indian Youth Advisory Group. Sign-up sheets have been set up at the following locations:

- Youth Facility
- Youth Services/JOM
- Drop In Center
- MHWC reception desk

The Muckleshoot Youth Services Program has the honor of planning this big event and we would like to have as much input from the youth as possible in order to make this conference a successful & rewarding experience for all involved. Again, we encourage all interested youth to please sign up to be part of the NWIYC advisory group at one of the above stated locations.




### Youth Facility Program Highlights

- Daily activities for youth between the ages of 5-18, ranging from arts & crafts, recreation, games, cultural, cooking classes, and more!
- Provide transportation both to and from the Facility for youth participants living within reservation boundaries.
- Weekly field trips and Friday skate nights!
- Nutritional snacks and meals provided daily.
- Nightly homework time for all youth participants.
- Monthly Family Night events.

If you would like to register your youth to be part of our program please stop by today to pick up an enrollment packet or call us at (253) 876-3346.





**Muckleshoot Youth Services Program**  
38977 172<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE, Bldg #1; Auburn, WA 98092  
(253) 876-3293

**Youth Facility Hours of Operation**

Sunday: CLOSED  
Monday: CLOSED  
Tuesday: 12:30pm-9:00pm  
Wednesday: 12:30pm-9:00pm  
Thursday: 12:30pm-9:00pm  
Friday: 3:30pm-12:00am  
Saturday: 12:30-9pm

**Youth Services (JOM)**  
Monday-Friday 8:00 am-5:00 pm

**Youth Work Training Program**  
Monday: 11:00-8:00pm  
Tuesday-Friday: 12:00-9:00pm

*...because we care.*

Muckleshoot Indian Tribe Education Division would like to give recognition to the following students for receiving awards through the Student Incentive Program

- Nova Pulsifer (Honor Roll)
- Annie Kitsap-Moses (Succeeding in School)
- Sylvia Agaton (Honor Roll)
- Macy James (Honor Roll)
- Lena Elkins (Honor Roll)
- Teddy Salinas (Succeeding in School)
- Nathan Ward-Hahn (Attendance Reward)
- Gregorio Marquez (Succeeding in School)
- Erika Ramirez (Succeeding In School)
- Virginia Marquez (Attendance Reward)
- Jack Baker (Attendance Reward)
- Christopher Marquard (Honor Roll)
- Shaughnessi Hicks (Succeeding in School)
- Roberto Garcia Zamora (Succeeding in School)
- Francisco Marquez (Attendance Reward X 2 months)
- Jesse Garcia Zamora (Succeeding in School)
- Curtis Redding JR (Attendance Reward X 2months)
- Sierra West (Attendance Reward)
- Mercedes Redding (Attendance Reward X 2 & Succeeding in School)



Congratulations to those of you listed above on your accomplishment and hard word to achieve an Incentive Reward.

The Education Division strongly encourages all Muckleshoot youth to utilize the Incentive program. This is an excellent program that was established to congratulate, recognize and encourage youth for their hard work and dedication in their academic achievements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO LOCATE AN INCENTIVE APPLICATION PLEASE CONTACT CHRISTINA CHAGOLLA (YOUTH SERVICE PROGRAM ASSISTANT) @ (253) 876-3370 OR REBECCA GALLOGLY EDUCATION DIVISION DIRECTOR @ (253) 876-3359



# JOB CORP *Fills Sand Bags*

PHOTOS BY ANNIE MOSES



# The Feathered Healing Circle

Hi from Cynthia and The Feathered Healing Circle...

## Step 10. Continue to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Hum, I have to say to continually take personal inventory of yourself – you have to have someone be a good friend who is willing to tell you when you have messed up. That will help you because sometimes it is very hard to see when you are messing up on the inside.

You know the saying, "Iron sharpens iron." This saying to me means that you have to pick people to surround you that will also teach you good things. If your company that you keep is doing things you try not to do, try to pick positive people to surround you. Those people will help you when you need the help. There is no use in making it to the top if there is no one there at the top but YOU!

Another way is by watching other people, noticing what they are doing. Am I that way? Am I messing up doing that in my life? In other words, correct your wrongs by watching someone else's mistakes.

## Step 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that will out.

To me, this step is saying we need to find out what our purpose is here on earth. Even if my purpose is to help at least one person a day, it makes a person's life better. I believe this step goes into helping another person. When you help someone else you find out that, "Hey my life is not that bad at all."

If you don't talk about the problems you have and get help with the ones you can't take care of by yourself the problem stays. You find out that there is always someone out there who has it worse than you, so you can count your blessings.

I always try to learn the lesson God wants me to learn so that I can go on and finally learn about something new. Meditating on the positive aspects of my life and others helps to reflect positive instead of negative. I get up early in the morning about 3:00 – 5:00 AM just to do my prayer study and meditation on God. If I start my day out with God in my prayers, my day seems to go a whole lot smoother by praying.

There's a cute little prayer I like, author unknown: "Lord my day has been beautiful so far. I've not harmed anyone, I have accomplished so many positive things. I have been able to avoid the negative very well. But God... I need you even more now because...I am about to get up. Please be on my side and help me through this day."

That just tickles me and now I am about to get up. I am part of a prayer chain which stretches across the Globe. We call each other and the prayer keeps going through our chain until the prayer is answered. I have seen prayers work wonders where nothing else could change the negative – until the prayer was answered.

An example of this is when I had gotten hurt on the job. I found out that my job didn't care about me – they were only worried about the money I made for the company. I was on crutches and a wheelchair for a year. The prayers were being prayed over me and God said He was going to have me walking again. I knew the only way that would happen would be for the surgery that I

needed to repair my leg where there was ripped cartridge.

On top of this, I had female problems all at the same time. I had to still earn a living to provide for myself and my job was trying to make my life so miserable that I would quit. I knew if I quit I wouldn't get the help I needed. I finally broke down and saved up the money for the surgery I needed as well as getting blessed with the financial means. The surgery was successful.

My doctors were amazed and called me their miracle child because against all odds I was walking into the doctor's office after a month off from work. I am not saying I walked fast, mind you, because every step sent pain throughout my body. But guess what? I was walking on my own without the wheelchair and crutches. I felt alive.

God was so great to give me back my legs. God had to give the doctors the knowledge to perform the surgeries on me right. I praise him to this day. My doctors just shook their heads and said I was a miracle. If you believe in Him ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!!!!

## Step 12: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

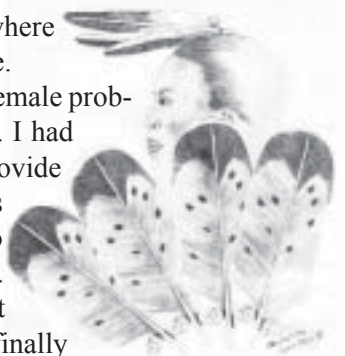
I think the hardest step I had to overcome was forgiveness. Here is a prayer to help with forgiveness. (Taken from Prayers that Avail Much for Mothers):

"Father, in the name of Jesus, I let go of all bitterness, resentment, envy, strife and unkindness in any form. I give no place to the devil in Jesus' name. Now Father, I ask for Your forgiveness. By faith, I receive it, having assurance that I am cleansed from all unrighteousness through Jesus Christ. I ask You to forgive and release all who have wronged and hurt me. I forgive and release them. Deal with them in your mercy and loving-kindness in the name of Jesus Christ Amen."

I have to say that each time I go through these steps, I learn something new, or it is pointed out to me another way of looking at something that is a blessing instead of a curse. I am especially blessed by being a sponsor and seeing some people graduate this last month. It was such a blessing indeed. I got to be someone's sponsor finally, all the way through, and they didn't fall off the wagon. Man what a tremendous blessing that was! It really gives me so much hope to the future. It was such an honor to see the growth of that person each day. And I have yet another friend along the way. Yehhhh!

I am placing this story about the camel here because it reminds me so much of the way we live our life. I think this is a beautiful beautiful story. Well thanks for listening and I do hope that working through the steps has helped someone who couldn't make it to the meetings. God Bless.

Hoyt!  
Cynthia



## THE CAMEL STORY

Author Unknown

This camel pin symbolizes many spiritual truths for us. On the side of this pin is the number 24, which symbolizes the amount of time we have in a day. Our Creator gives us one day at a time. This is how we can live. The camel does not worry over what it will eat tomorrow where it will sleep. We too, need only be concerned for what is in TODAY.

Every morning the camel gets down on its knees to allow the Master to place the responsibilities for the day on the camel's back. The master never overloads the camel as it doesn't want the camel to "break down." So, too, are we assured that God will never give us more than we can bear.

At the end of the day, the camel returns to his knees and the master removes the responsibilities and toils of the day and replaces them with peace, serenity and love. So, too, is it for us. When we are on our knees in an attitude of surrender, God will be able to reach into us and replace pain with love, confusion with serenity, fear with wisdom.

The camel knows the voice of his master. So, too, must we know the voice of our Creator. The camel is created so as to be able to see afar, its head must be held up and high so it can see. This enables it to see any possible storms that may be building down the road. So, too, is it with us. Our Spiritual eyes that have been given us by the creator enable us to see farther and to stop the storms before they begin.

The camel is a humble animal. It is not considered as a beautiful animal by most people. At times it looks rather shabby when it is shedding the hair from its thick coat. The thick coat does protect it from the harsh elements of life, just as our spiritual shield given to us by the Creator protects us from our enemy. At times we may appear worn by the storms of this life; however, we are always aware of our inner beauty and strength.

When a storm does come upon the camel, he turns his face and body directly into the storm. To turn to the right or left will mean that the storm can turn the camel over. It does not run from the storm as it relies on the master for direction and protection. If a storm becomes too strong, it will simply find shelter and await for the storm to pass. So it is with us. Most of life's storms will pass over us, and if we surrender to them, damage is often small.

We wear this camel as a symbol of our journey. We wear it so others may ask, what does that camel mean? And then we can share this story of ourselves with them.

### BUS TIME SCHEDULE • MONDAY - FRIDAY 12-4 p.m. & 5-8 p.m.

STOP #1 HEALTH & WELLNESS	STOP #2 VIRGINIA CROSS ED. CENTER	STOP #3 QFC	STOP #4 DAVIS PROPERTY	STOP #5 SKOPABSH VILLAGE	STOP #6 392nd ST. (Old Snake Shop)	STOP #7 PENTECOSTAL CHURCH	STOP #8 DROP IN CENTER
12:00 pm	12:10 pm	12:18 pm	12:30 pm	12:35 pm	12:42 pm	12:47 pm	12:52 pm Wed. Only
1:00 pm	1:10 pm	1:18 pm	1:30 pm	1:35 pm	1:42 pm	1:47 pm	1:52 pm Wed. Only
2:00 pm	2:10 pm	2:18 pm	2:30 pm	2:35 pm	2:42 pm	2:47 pm	2:52 pm Wed. Only
3:00 pm	3:10 pm	3:18 pm	3:30 pm	3:35 pm	3:42 pm	3:47 pm	3:52 pm Wed. Only
5:00 pm	5:10 pm	5:18 pm	5:30 pm	5:35 pm	5:42 pm	5:47 pm	No Pick-Up
6:00 pm	6:10 pm	6:18 pm	6:30 pm	6:35 pm	6:42 pm	6:47 pm	6:52 pm Thur.-Fri. On'y
7:00 pm	7:10 pm	7:18 pm	7:30 pm	7:35 pm	7:42 pm	7:47 pm	7:52 pm Thur.-Fri. Only
8:00 pm	8:10 pm	8:18 pm	8:30 pm	8:35 pm	8:42 pm	8:47 pm	No Pick-Up

Pick-up Only from Health and Wellness and Delivered to Bus Stops

NOTE: SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING ADVERSE WEATHER AND UNSCHEDULED SERVICE DISRUPTION. PLEASE NOTE: THE BUS WILL PICKUP AND DROP OFF AT DESIGNATED STOPS ONLY!

# FISHERIES

## Shrimp Harvesting Opportunities

Starting in April 2010, Tribal members will again have the opportunity to harvest the large spot prawns from the depths of Elliott Bay. Each year about ten Muckleshoot fishers participate in the ceremonial and subsistence (C&S) and commercial fisheries. The Tribe has a harvest quota of 2,250 lbs of shrimp which will be divided between a commercial fishery and a C&S fishery.

All Tribal members interested in receiving training in shrimp harvesting or who would like to register for the fisheries should contact the Muckleshoot Fisheries Division at 253-876-3131.

If you are interested in participating in the Commercial fishery you must have a Muckleshoot registered fishing vessel, shrimp pot-hauling equipment, and a minimum of ten legal shrimp pots.

**Please note that commercial shrimpers must register with the Tribe's Fisheries Division before Friday, March 5th.**

You can either call the Fisheries Division or visit the Fisheries office (downstairs at the Philip Starr building) and sign-up on the clipboard at the Shellfish section of the Fisher Services bulletin board. Additional information on shrimp fishing, including the type and costs of the gear required, is available from the Fisheries Division.



### CAPTAIN DON BRASSARD HONORED FOR SERVICE TO COMMUNITY



Captain Don Brassard of the Enumclaw Fire Department was recently honored by the Enumclaw VFW for his outstanding service to the Enumclaw community. Brassard is a Muckleshoot Tribal member and is the son of Sharon Calvert.



#### City of Enumclaw and King County Fire District #28

**TO:** Mr. Elbert O. Reed, Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No.1949  
**SUBJECT:** NOMINATION FOR OUTSTANDING FIREFIGHTER AWARD

Dear Mr. Reed,

It is my pleasure to nominate Captain Donald Brassard of the Enumclaw/KCFD #28 Fire Department for consideration and recognition for the VFW Outstanding Service award for Firefighters in the State of Washington. I am nominating Captain Brassard because of the dedication, work ethic and professional attitude he displays everyday for the members of the Enumclaw Fire Department and our citizen – customers.

Don began his career in October of 1981 as a volunteer member of the department. After serving for nine years as a volunteer firefighter Don was hired as the first full-time career firefighter for the fire department. Don is the most senior member of the department and serves to share his knowledge and expertise as a Captain and the Fire Training Officer for the department.

I believe Don deserves this recognition for Outstanding Service both for the years of dedicated service he has provided to the City of Enumclaw/King County Fire District #28 Fire Department; and, for the professional, caring attitude with which he delivers this service. Don is a true inspiration to the other members of the department and a genuine Hero to the community of Enumclaw.

## MIT SOLID WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM

### Hours of Operation:

The Public Works operate a Solid Waste Collection Station located at 40320 Auburn / Enumclaw Rd., (Entrance from So. 400<sup>th</sup> Street)

Monday- Friday: 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
 Saturday-Sunday: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
 Holidays Closed

### Policy:

- The facilities are free and restricted to all MIT Tribal members use only. (No exceptions.)
- No commercial vendor or contractor shall use this facility for commercial waste.
- All waste shall be put in the specific designated locations or bins. Repeat violators may be barred from further use of the facility.
- All members shall keep the ground clean at all times. Report any spills to the office immediately.

### Housing Tenants:

All Housing tenants must request dumpster service through MIT Housing Department. Please call 253-833-7616.

### How to Request a Dumpster:

Members who are either home owners / renters can request dumpsters to be delivered to their site for a special cleaning project. Members are required to come in to the Public Works office during the business hours to fill out a Work Request form after obtaining approval from the Housing Department. Dumpster size ranges from 3, 5 and 8 cubic yards. Larger size is available upon special request.

No mixed waste shall be allowed in each dumpster. Yard waste, garbage, appliances and electronic items shall not be put in the same dumpster. Members with mixed waste are requested to bring their items to the Public Works Collection Station.

### Property / Site Clean up:

Code Enforcement may require the land owner to clean up their property. Dumpster can be requested to be delivered to facilitate the project. Please call the PW office to request a dumpster for the project. For salvage vehicles removal, please call Planning Dept. Lenny Sneatlum at 253-876-3324.

### Demolition Projects:

Should a home or any structure / trailer needs to be demolished, please first obtain a demolition permit from the Planning Department and then bring the permit to the Public Works Department to arrange the work to be performed.

### What can you bring to the Collection Station?

- Yard Waste
- General Household garbage
- Tires, small engine, batteries
- TV, computer and other electronic items
- Major appliances
- Waste oils and paints

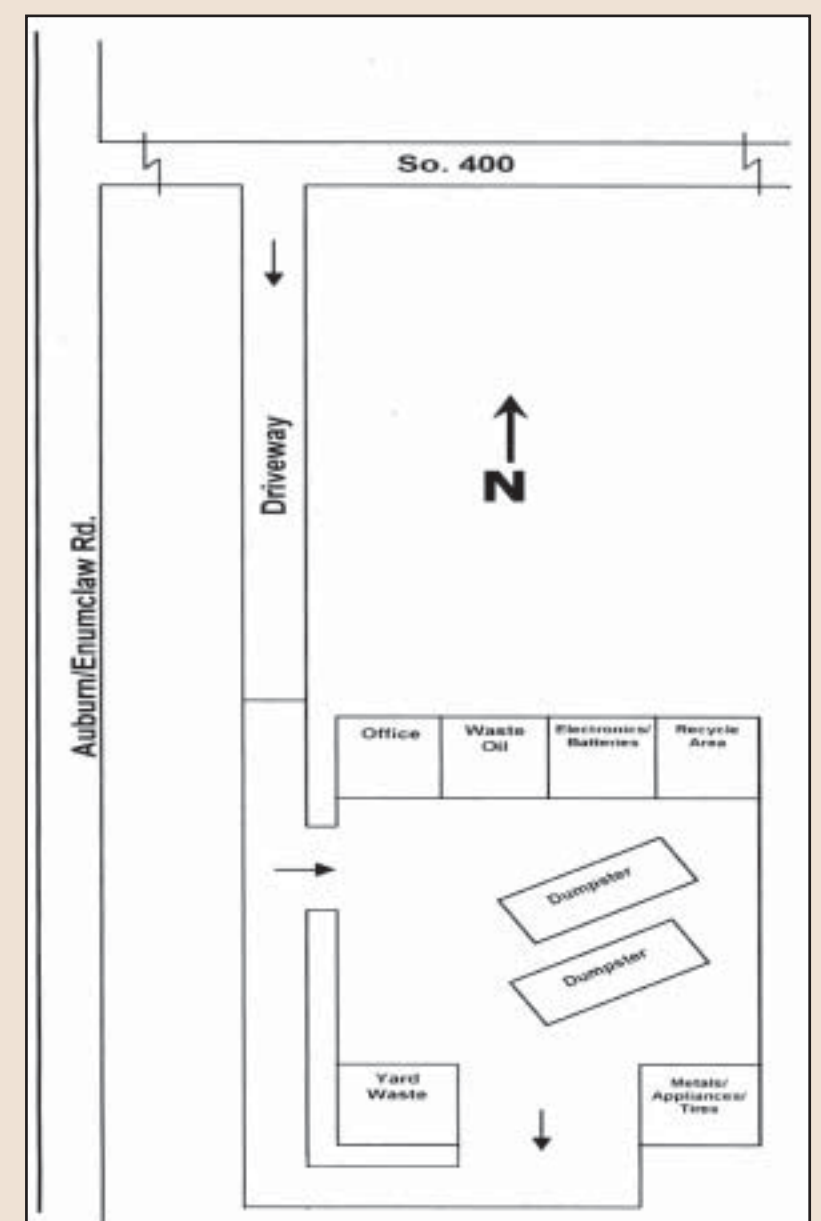
All items above shall be put in separate designated area and dumpsters. DO NOT mix the above listed waste.

Any questions regarding the use of the facilities or services, please call the Public Works Office at 253-876-3281 between 7 AM to 4 PM. (M-F).

### Notes:

- A new recycle area is designated to collect recyclable waste such as newspaper, card boxes, bottles and cans.
- The Collection Station is monitored by surveillance cameras. Any violators may be cited for penalties as allowed by the MIT Codes.

**All tribal members requesting dumpster delivery and pickup should call 253-876-2911. Please leave a message with your name, address and size of dumpster if no one is answering the phone.**



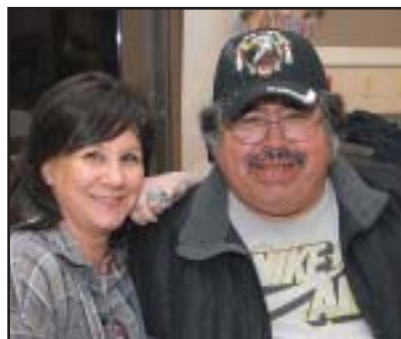
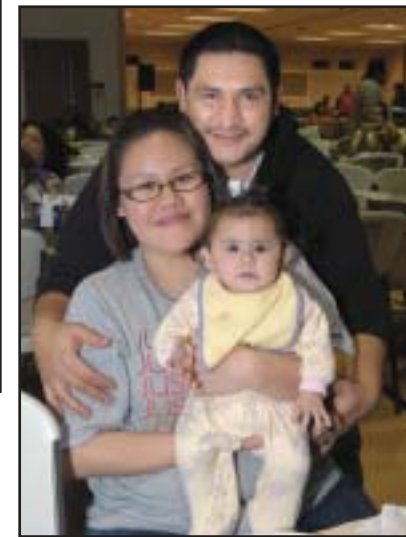
# Muckleshoot Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Tuesday, November 24, 2009 ~ Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church

PHOTOS BY GARY KISSEL







# Christmas at the Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church

On December 23rd the three churches at Muckleshoot, Pentecostal, Catholic, and Shaker, had their first joint Christmas party at the Pentecostal Church. The food was catered by the MIT Casino, Las Margaritas, and the Pacific Island Grill, there was a DJ playing music, and gifts were provided for all. Many people donated their time and hard work to make this a successful event: Lawrence Jerry, Sunshine Borgala, Rebecca Underwood, MaryLou Anderson, Laurie Williams, Teri Starr, Sefa Pedro, the Garcia family, Rick & Lynette, the boys at Job Corps, Pastor Kenny and his entire family, and the LDA Janitorial crew. Thanks to all those who helped and to all those who attended. We hope this will be an annual event.



## Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church

Kenny Williams, Pastor

### SCHEDULE

Sunday	10:00 AM 10:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 Noon 2:00 PM	Prayer Breakfast Church Service Share (Potluck) Meal Church Services/Classes
Tuesday	12:00 Noon	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Study
Thursday	12:00 Noon	Support Group Meeting
Thursday	7:00 PM	Spanish (language) Church
Friday	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
3rd Saturday	10:00 AM	Prayer Meeting

Article published Oct 25, 2009

# Tse-whit-zen artifact recovery comes to an end

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following a two-part series published in the Peninsula Daily News on October 25 & 26, 2009 on the final retrieval of artifacts and remains from the former graving yard site in Port Angeles. It is reprinted with permission.

PORT ANGELES – Another painful chapter in the saga of the uncovering of Tse-whit-zen village is coming to an end.

On Friday, Lower Elwha Klallam tribal members working on Port Angeles' industrial waterfront finished the delicate task of recovering artifacts and bones of their ancestors from the mountains of soil, rock and concrete left at the 18-acre Marine Drive site – once slated to be a graving yard where giant floating-bridge components for the state Department of Transportation were to be built.

The tribe now must catalog the last of the most recent artifacts it has found – roughly 2,000 since July – and devise plans for a museum.

On display at the facility will be the tools and crafts found at the mostly barren piece of land on Marine Drive between the Port of Port Angeles' log yard and the Nippon paper mill and about a mile west of downtown Port Angeles.

## 64,793 artifacts

Just six years ago, graving yard construction workers unearthed the first artifacts and burials.

What they found was later identified as evidence of the ancient Klallam village of Tse-whit-zen, where archaeologists discovered plentiful signs of habitation dating back 2,700 years.

Transportation contract workers were digging the graving yard where huge replacement bridge components were to be built for the Hood Canal Bridge and other spans in the Puget Sound area.

With 335 unearthed burials and 64,793 artifacts uncovered in 2003 and 2004, tribal members – the descendants of people who inhabited the village through the 19th century before being forcibly removed – found themselves facing a painful part of their past that they said they couldn't ignore, especially after numerous complete sets of remains were uncovered.

After a long battle among the tribe, city of Port Angeles, the port and Transportation, the graving yard was shut down.

Transportation had the components built in Tacoma – but not before spending about \$100 million and losing the promise of bringing more than 100 family-wage jobs to the North Olympic Peninsula.

While tribal members have traveled a long, emotional road for six years, tribal Chairwoman Frances Charles said Friday that what they and the Port Angeles community can gain from it – education and a better understanding of the history and culture of the Klallam people – cannot be taken for granted.

"I think it's really an education opportunity for everybody," she said, "but not only for our young . . . It's something that we can share with all nations, whether native or non-native." Which is why building a museum on the land is essential, Charles explained.

## Tribal lease

The tribe received \$2.5 million to build a museum on the site as part of the legal settlement with the state over the graving yard shutdown, the retrieval of artifacts and the reburial of remains.

The tribe also received 13 acres to rebury remains Transportation workers unearthed during excavation.

Tribal members had found and moved burials out of the way of construction before the project was cancelled.

The tribe is planning to build the facility, which will share its trove of artifacts with Seattle's Burke Museum of Natural History and cost approximately \$8 million, on five additional acres of land at the site the Lower Elwha is leasing from the state.

The lease agreement says the tribe must build the museum by 2012, which puts it on a tight deadline, but also makes funding difficult, Charles said.

Since the tribe doesn't own the land, attaining grants to help cover the rest of the cost is nearly impossible, she said.

The tribe won't build on the land it owns there because that is where tribal ancestors were reburied and now rest, she said.

Tribal leaders are seeking funds from nonprofit organizations to cover the costs that the tribe won't be able to meet, Charles said.

Some groups have already contacted the tribe, but no funding is secure at this time, she said, before adding:

"Until we get the land situation figured out on the property, it's kind of stuck in a limbo right now."

## Totem poles

In the meantime, Charles said the tribe plans to build a workshop on the site to build totem poles and other crafts that will be placed on the property.

The tribe also will bury several small cedar boxes containing bone fragments, known as isolates, and begin reintroducing native plants to the property.

The parcel is still free of vegetation except for the occasional weed pushing its way through dirt and concrete, and still holds many characteristics of its industrial past, which includes being the former home of one of the largest timber mills in the world.

The totem poles, four in all, will be placed on the corners of the burial site, she said.

"With everything the way things are now, we are really happy," Charles said.

"It [the site] looks a lot better than it has ever. We still have a lot of things that we want to see happen and get done."

Charles said also hopes that since communication between the tribe and the city has improved immensely since Tse-whit-zen was uncovered, tribal artifacts and burials known to be buried under Rayonier Inc.'s former mill site two miles east of Tse-whit-zen will be protected.

The city intends to redevelop the 75-acre property, once home to the Klallam village, Y'Innis, on the opposite side of Port Angeles Harbor from Tse-whit-zen through the Port Angeles Harbor-Works Development Authority.

"They are working more closely with the tribe," she said.

"We're always going to be concerned, but [now] so is everybody else."

## PART II: Detailed work sifting through soil honors ancestors, workers say

PORT ANGELES – Surrounded by the bustling industrial activity of Port Angeles' western waterfront, Lower Elwha Klallam tribal members – usually about six at a time – spent more three months as archaeologists searching for the remnants of their past within the soil unearthed by construction of the graving yard six years ago.

In total, they sifted through the 12,000 cubic yards of dirt and rock from the beginning of July through last Friday in search of artifacts that were once part of the Klallam village known as Tse-whit-zen.

While that work has ended, some of those tribal members will remain on the site over the next few weeks cataloging the last of their finds.

The hills of soil and stone were left after the state Department of Transportation ended its plans about five years ago to use the 18-acre site on Marine Drive for a huge onshore dry dock to build replacement components for its floating bridges, particularly the one that spans Hood Canal.

## More than a job

For the tribal workers, whether young or old, it was more than just a job. It was an opportunity to reconnect with their own culture and history.

On the southeastern edge of the property on Thursday, three women sat at two tables in a small trailer, much like one that would be used as an office at a construction site. Their job: Catalog the artifacts found that day, which they place in large zip-lock plastic bags.

With several of the recent finds laid out on the table in front of her – a bear tooth, a tooth from a sea lion and several stone wedges used to cut meat and cedar – Linda Wiechman marveled at the way her ancestors used the natural bounty that surrounded them for their own benefit.

"To me it's astonishing," she said. "They just had a lot of tools that they used."

But what impressed her the most was the "etched stones," which make up a third of the artifacts found at the site.

About 2,000 artifacts were found during the past three months. A total of 64,793 artifacts – and 335 burials – were found during construction of the graving yard in 2003 and 2004. Only found elsewhere on Vancouver Island and Alaska's Aleutian Islands, the palm-sized etched stones each tell a story through the various lines and symbols carved into them.

"To me I feel that our tribe had a written language," Wiechman said.

When asked why she came to work at the site, the 51-year-old Lower Elwha Klallam tribal member responded by saying she was simply asked to



This ancient fragment is believed to be one of the oldest known examples of cedar weaving

help, not by her fellow tribal members but by her ancestors who are buried there.

"Our ancestors called us," she said, referring to herself and the other tribal workers, adding that she can hear them sing to her while she is at the site. "I'm their direct descendant. Why would they not want me here?"

Reports of tribal members hearing singing or drumming on the property also occurred when they were trying to move their ancestors' burials out of the path of excavators when the graving yard was being built.

## Delicate job

Laz Tinoco was one of the tribal members tasked with that delicate job. "The burials were hard for me," he said on Thursday as he recalled uncovering the skeleton of an infant in 2004.

"I spent 1 1/2 weeks slowly uncovering the infant," said Tinoco, 24. "I started tearing up; it was too hard. It just got too hard for me, too emotional. They moved me elsewhere on the site."

Tinoco's last job at the site was to carefully watch an excavator load large rocks and industrial debris into a dump truck in case he found any artifacts that might have been missed. The dump truck took the rocks to a quarry near Deer Park Road, east of Port Angeles.

Like Wiechman, he also said that he thinks his ancestors wanted him to be there.

"My ancestors want me to learn [about my culture]," he said. "We're doing all that we can to help them out," he later added. "I think they feel good about everything."

## Other tribes

But its not only Lower Elwha Klallam tribal members who feel drawn to the site. About 100 yards west of the trailer on Thursday, Norman Greene stood on the edge of a large pile of mostly palm-sized rocks, about 12 feet tall. With a rake in hand, he pulled at the side of the mound.

As dozens of small rocks tumbled toward his feet, mimicking the sound of stones being pulled over one another into the ocean by a receding wave, the 51-year-old Makah tribal member searched for artifacts not caught by the mechanical sifter.

Sometimes he found stone tools or harpoon points, but that morning a couple handfuls of animal bones, discarded from a meal centuries ago, were all that would be recovered.

"Anything that drops, you'll see it," he said a moment before picking up a partial deer vertebrae. He rolled it around in his palm, covered by a glove, several times before explaining why he took the job.

Greene said he came to work at Tse-whit-zen because he knows from his own personal experience as a teenager why recovering the Lower Elwha Klallam's past is important for all Native Americans.

In the mid-1970s, he worked to recover artifacts from the Makah village, Ozette, when its ruins were discovered.

"It's a good feeling inside [to be a part of this]," he said. "It's a great feeling inside your soul."

## Seniors News



### January Birthdays

Doris Allen	2
Janette Aasted	6
Louie Ungaro	9
Eugene Hoffer	10
Marvin Moses	13
Amos Nelson	14
Mildred Jones	15
Kenny Cross	16
Kat Underwood	20
Marge Williams	22
Joanne Jackson	24
Gary Calvert	27
Esther McClusky	31

### February Birthdays

Dennis Anderson Sr.	1
Carol Allen	6
Lynn WhiteEagle	14
Cliff Keeline	14
Leo LaClair	15
Gail LaClair	19
Wayne James	21
Sharon Elgin	22
Joan Maurice	23
Del Courville Sr.	26
Nancy Calvert	28
Norma "Babe" Eyle	28

**Walking in the Mornings** – We leave the building around 8:30 signs up so we can get an early start. We have received permission to use the Pentecostal Church to walk at the during the weekdays. I will put up a sign up sheet for those who would like to join us.

### Elders' Trips – Events for February

- We will also be working on another trip to Puyallup Emerald Queen to see Johnny Cash on February 26.
- The Home Show will run February 20-28, and will be a one-day trip.
- We have Cedar ready for bracelets or other items you may want to work on.

**Elders Annual Luncheon, April 15th, 2010** – We need to start getting ideas for our upcoming Elders Luncheon in April. The date is coming up fast, please come in and help us get something started!

**Elders After-Christmas Lunch** – Our luncheon turned out great again this year. Thanks for all those who attended. We had approximately 120-plus people this year. Thanks to the casino staff for providing us such a wonderful lunch. All those who attended we really enjoyed your company. Hopefully all those tribal elders have received their coats from the senior center. If not please come in to pick up your coat.

**Casino Breakfast** – We will be starting breakfast again every other month, so the next one is January 30, 9:00 a.m at the casino. Watch for posting on activities board at Sr Center in case of any changes. Please no time change!

**Program Assistance** – For those of you turning 50, we have energy assistance available, and also emergency \$75 food vouchers for Safeway. Some requirement do apply.

**Firewood** – We here at the senior center can contact the PPW Department to make sure you have wood for your fireplace also.

**Energy Assistance** – Energy Assistance is now at the Resource Center. We will not be handling this program here at the senior center, so please bring your bills to the Resource Center and they can take care of Senior Energy Assistance for the 2010 year.

**Etching for Elders Valuables** – We are etching and taking information of our elders again this year. Please let us know if you are ready to update your Computers, DVD players, jewelry, and televisions so we can have it here in case someone is burglarized.

## Veterans Affairs Program offers range of opportunities for MIT vets

The Veterans Affairs program will provide services to assist with getting all paperwork needed for submission to receive Veteran benefits available to veterans who have received a honorable discharge. Currently the Veterans Affairs Program is providing transportation assistance with getting eligible veterans to appointments. Anyone needing transportation service please contact Jesse McDaniel III at 253-876-3297.

The Veterans Program has a recreation facility open daily to serve the veterans in the community. Please call to get the latest plan for activities in the recreation room.

A brunch is provided at the Muckleshoot Casino on every 3rd Saturday of each month for tribal and community veterans and their families. The brunch starts at 9 AM and is usually held in the Chinook banquet room. One purpose of the brunch is to put the veteran in touch with the committee.

Also, the committee wants the Muckleshoot Veterans to know that they are invited to attend the Veteran Committee Meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at the Muckleshoot Casino. The meetings usually start at 12 Noon and go to 3 PM. Lunch is provided. Please let Walter Pacheco know if you wish to attend the committee meeting so that enough food can be ordered. The Veterans Affairs Program will be providing travel assistance to Muckleshoot Veterans Only and their spouse or guest. These funds will be made available for each Muckleshoot Veteran to travel anywhere during the calendar year.

Also, Muckleshoot Veterans can travel as a group to events that honor veterans, or to a memorial that honors veterans (IE; Pearl Harbor, Iwo Jima, ETC). An annual Pow Wow is conducted each year in Hawaii that honors veterans and is close to the Pearl Harbor site. This Pow Wow occurs in October.

Another event occurs in Sancton, Arizona in February each year. It is the Iwo Jima Flag Raising Ceremony. This is a Marine Corps organized event and those tribal member veterans that are Marines may be interested in attending that event provided that the trip policies are adopted with enough lead time left to make arrangements.

Any Muckleshoot Veterans interested in traveling under the Veteran Trip Program may contact Sonny Bargala at 253-261-3296 or his office at 253-876-3295. Once you have made a point to contact the staff regarding the travel benefit you will be able to get a copy of the trip guideline.

### TO THE TRIBAL COUNCIL:

This is just to say thank you for allowing us an age-60 trip. My sisters (Virginia, Millie, Marlene) and I went on a Caribbean cruise, along with Marena as our caretaker. We really enjoyed it.

We flew to New Orleans and stayed overnight there, and boarded the ship on December 6, 2009. We were at sea on the 7th and docked at Costa Maya, Mexico, on the 8th. We didn't go to Guatemala as scheduled, but went to Honduras the next day. We then went to the island of Belize and back to Cozumel, Mexico.

We just made the four stops but stayed most of the day at each city and took a couple of the excursions. We learned some of the history, culture, and backgrounds of some of the people. They treated us very well and we also did some shopping. The people wanted to sell to the tourists but were not as aggressive as some of the other places that we have been to in the past. They were much more polite and friendly.

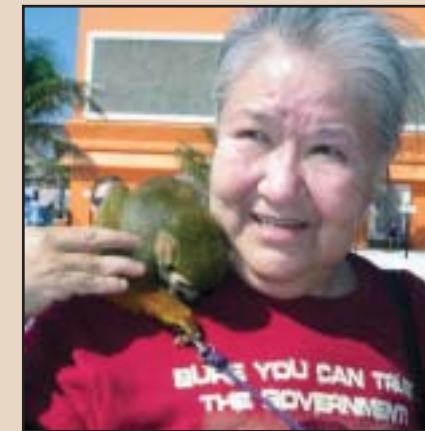
We then were at sea again the last day. We also ate very well and joined in on the Bingo games. We were traveling on the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea. It was very beautiful on land and on the sea. It was also very hot.

We scheduled a tour of New Orleans when we docked there again. We got to see the devastation of the hurricane, Katrina. Most of the people who lost their lives, homes and almost everything else were the poor people. Katrina did not reach the rich or well off people at all. We also saw the home of Fats Domino. He is now in a nursing home waiting for his home to be put back in order. He lived in just a regular house not any different from his neighbors and is 83 years old now, I think.

We also want to thank Wendy and Noreen for making the arrangements for us. We did have some travel problems but got home again, safe and tired. We appreciate having the trip and everything that was done for us. Again, thank you.

*Lorraine Cross*

Muckleshoot elder



## Elders visit Lummi facility

Tribal Construction staff joined elders recently for a trip to see the Lummi elders facility. Muckleshoot is planning to build a new facility and staff and elders are taking trips to other reservations to get some ideas. Lummi elders were very gracious hosts and made a gift of many handmade necklaces.

PHOTOS BY KIM SHARP



## Shane Charles White Eagle excels in athletics

I just wanted to congratulate my nephew Shane Charles White Eagle on his outstanding participation in sports. He sure makes his family very proud of him here in Muckleshoot. Shane is the son of my brother, Tim. He lives in Forks, Washington with his grandmother.

Shane is very active in his sports such as wrestling and football. I received a text from his mother last week. She said that Shane received a letter to attend a football camp in Seattle, and then was asked to go to Australia to play for the USA!!!

Man, that is so great! We all cried and are very happy for him. He is just a freshman and has a lot to look forward to and to keep striving for a very bright future. We are hoping that we can have a fundraiser to help send his mother along with him. I copied this picture of Shane from his mother's email. I hope to get more to share.

Keep up the good work, son. We are very proud of you, Shane – love ya!!!!

Love you,

Auntie Deanna and Your Big Family Here in Muckleshoot



## Happy 1st Birthday Evan Jess Thompson!



We Love you soo much, Mom, Dad, Ryan Jr, Kalani and Tristan.

## KIDS SAY THE DARNDDEST THINGS!

– Submitted by the grandmother of Dajanae, Ada McDaniel – 01/07/2010

Dajanae, 2 ½ years old, was having a hard time sleeping one night, and when her mother Savannah asked what was wrong, she sat straight up and looked at her mother and told her “Mom, you just wouldn’t understand!”

We are still astonished at some of the things that she can say at 2 ½ years old! This makes great memories and lots of laughs for our family to remember!



This is a new mini-feature of the Family Page. Please feel free to share things that your little ones say!

## Marcelo Alesek Nelson Davis Templeton Blanchard

Born July 14th, 2009  
7 pounds 11 ounces  
Proud Parents: Luana Nelson Davis and his father is David Blanchard.  
Maternal Grandparents: Virginia Nelson & Floyd Davis.  
Paternal grandmother: Anne Hennings.



Wishing You a Happy 18th Birthday

*Shellee Baker*

Love Always, and Hope You Have Many More!

*Mom & Dad*

We are excited to announce the birth of our fifth daughter



name: *Emily Caroline*  
weight: *8lb 9oz*  
length: *19.5"*  
date: *December 14, 2009*  
time: *8:52am*

Born to Amy and Donny Dias, Granddaughter to Phyllis Bowden and Great Granddaughter of Bertha Starr-Siddle. Emily's sisters are Jordan, 16; Erin, 10; Meghan, 6; and Summer, 3.

## Luella Sandoval's Grandkids



Adrina (Mary) White Thompson



Taneesha and Marcus with Santa



Tristan, Kalani, Ryan Jr. and Evan

## POEMS

### Grandma's Grandkids

Pain in the eyes, they hold back their cry.  
Parenting them, because theirs isn't there.  
Watch them sit, to get a visual of what their mom and dad did.  
Knowing they're not themselves,  
And the demons take over.  
Yet the kids go forward, to say their "I love you's".  
Back to sleep in the icy cold home,  
Mom and dad passed out and drugged.  
They head back to grandma's,  
Where they're cared and loved.  
Happiness fills their eyes,  
When they're bathed then tucked in.  
Seeing mom and dad only few times a week,  
Then mom and dad go back to sleep.  
They're not her priority any further more.  
Hurting me inside, I block out my pain.  
Mom's too high to see, her kids are in the care of grandma again.  
Here they stay, till mom and dad sober enough to notice.

– written by an anonymous tribal member

### My Naenae and Me

My naenae and me  
She is very special  
to me indeed  
as I was to her  
for this I've seen  
she puts her all  
in everything she does  
AMAZING, I'll tell you  
she surely was!  
Her heart shined  
so bright and bold  
never would have guessed  
she was only 15 years old!  
She gave up her Saturdays  
to help those in need  
She tells me BEAR  
I promise you  
I don't ever want to leave  
because you are my HERO  
the one I look to when I am in need  
because you're my DAD  
the best indeed  
Our time was great  
this I hope she knows  
I will cherish every bit of her  
from her head to her toes  
And now the time has come  
the door is closed  
and it's so hard  
to let her go!  
For I hope and pray  
she truly knows  
she's the best DAUGHTER  
than any dad has known.



Happy sweet 16!

I love you. Miss you as big as the sky!



**Census 2010 Employment Recruitment Workshop**

**February 3, 2010**

**10am – 2pm Muckleshoot Housing Office**

- Open Positions**  
 Census Takers (\$17.50/hr)  
 Crew Leader (\$19.00/hr)  
 Crew Leader Assistant (\$17.50/hr)  
 Field Operations Supervisor (\$20.50/hr)  
 Clerical Staff (\$13.25/hr)

When going to take a Census Test, make sure you arrive 15 minutes early, and that you bring two valid pieces of identification: a passport, expired or unexpired is the best ID; A Driver's License with a Social Security Card, birth certificate or a Tribal ID. Make sure you have at least an hour and a half scheduled for the testing time. You will be filling out an application and ID verification form. Any missed or blank boxes or illegible information may make your application ineligible, so be ready for this.

**The Muckleshoot Human Resources or any other Tribal Human Resources Department does not have hiring authority for the available positions. We do have some information to offer, but this is strictly recruited by the United States Census Bureau. Should you have further questions regarding any of the available positions, please go to the testing site on WED, FEB. 3rd at the Muckleshoot Housing Office and speak to the Census Representatives directly.**

**Native American Catholic Mass**

Native American Catholic Mass with Father Pat Twohy will be held at St. Leo Church, a Jesuit Parish located at 710 South 13th in Tacoma on the following Sundays: February 7, 14 and 28. Mass starts at 1:30pm, and on February 21, Kateri Circle Meeting will start at 12:45, with Mass at 1:30pm, and a potluck and raffle to follow. All are welcome. Our new website is: [www.katericircle.com](http://www.katericircle.com)

**Come work for Your Tribe and make a difference!!!**

The Muckleshoot Tribal Administration is looking to hire Tribal members to fill its new openings. Please visit us in the Tribal Administration Human Resources Department to see if we have any openings that you might be interested in.



Also see our opening on-line at [www.muckleshoot.nsn.us](http://www.muckleshoot.nsn.us)

**NOTICE**

If you would like for me to post your Event to the tribes "Event" Intranet Calendar /Reader Board please go to:

<http://shasta:8080/>

There will be a link press on it and there you will find the Request to Post Form, please fill it out and submit it to me for posting.

Thank you,  
 Lori Simonson  
 Event Coordinator (253) 876-3377

Visit the Muckleshoot Tribe's

**NEW WEBSITE!**

[www.muckleshoot.nsn.us](http://www.muckleshoot.nsn.us)



**Have you ever considered a career in gaming regulation?**

**THE MUCKLESHOOT GAMING COMMISSION** regularly posts openings at the Casino, Tribal Headquarters, and the Commission office. Because resumes and/or applications are accepted for open positions only, check often or call 253.735.2050 for current openings.



**LEGAL NOTICE**

Muckleshoot Tribal Court of Justice  
 In and for the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation  
 Auburn, Washington

IN RE THE CUSTODY OF:  
 WESTIN SAM

DOB: 12-20-2006

Case No.: MUC-CIJ-11/09-176  
 To: KENNETH GOPHER, Father

YOU AND EACH OF YOU will please take NOTICE that a PETITION FOR CUSTODY, VISITATION & CHILD SUPPORT HEARING has been filed in the Muckleshoot Tribal Court of Justice and a hearing has been scheduled for TUESDAY the 22ND day of DECEMBER at 10:30 A.M. in the MORNING, in the Muckleshoot Tribal Court of Justice located at the legal building at 39015 172nd Avenue SE, Auburn, WA 98092.

The purpose of this hearing is to hear testimony and present evidence as to the custody of the youth regarding custody, child support and visitation.

The parents, guardian and custodian of the youth are each entitled to have someone represent them at this hearing at your own expense - meaning that they will be solely responsible for any fees charged by the person.

If you have any questions regarding the nature of this hearing or the location of the Court, please call the Court Clerk-253-939-3311.

FAILURE TO RESPOND OR TO APPEAR after actual or constructive notice could result in criminal contempt of court charges punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 and/or imprisonment; and/or the Court could find in favor of the other party, by default, awarding the petitioner the release requested without further hearing or testimony or the failure of the petitioner to appear could result in dismissal of the action.

DATED this 6TH day of NOVEMBER, 2009.  
 Elizabeth J. Bargala, Court Administrator  
 OFFICE OF THE MIT COURT CLERK

**LEGAL NOTICE**

IN RE THE WELFARE OF:  
 KRISTOPHER EKANGER

DOB 8/27/2002  
 KACEY EKANGER  
 DOB 4/28/2005

TO: MICKEY EKANGER, RESPONDENT  
 YOU AND EACH OF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT A PETITION TO TERMINATE THE PARENTAL RIGHTS OF MICKEY EKANGER HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE COURT. A HEARING ON WHETHER TO APPROVE THE PETITION WILL BE HELD THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2009 AT 2:30 PM IN THE TRIBAL COURT LOCATED IN THE LEGAL BUILDING AT 39015 172ND AVE. S.E., AUBURN, WA 98092 ON THE MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN RESERVATION.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS HEARING IS TO REVIEW EITHER THE PARENTS VOLUNTARY TERMINATION OF HIS/HER OWN RIGHTS TO THE YOUTH; OR, IN THE CASE OF INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION, DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT A TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.

THE PARENTS, GUARDIAN AND CUSTODIAN OF THE YOUTH ARE EACH ENTITLED TO HAVE SOMEONE REPRESENT THEM AT THIS HEARING BUT AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE - MEANING THAT THEY WILL BE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FEES CHARGED FOR SUCH REPRESENTATION.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE NATURE OF THIS HEARING OR THE LOCATION OF THE COURT, PLEASE CONTACT THE COURT CLERK AT 253-939-3311. DATED THIS 16TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009. ELIZABETH J. BARGALA, ACTING COURT CLERK.

**MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL ENROLLMENT**

Any interested/eligible Muckleshoot parties seeking tribal enrollment please be advised that the following documentation is always needed for Muckleshoot tribal enrollment:

1. Enrollment application, filled out completely, front & back.
2. Original certified birth certificate (NO EXCEPTIONS.) (Signatures of both parents, if both are on certified birth certificate and under age 18.)
3. Original Social Security card.
4. Relinquishment must be completed, if enrolled in another tribe.
5. Name must match on all documents.

No copies are accepted. Until all documents are on file, no review process will begin.

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**Program Officer: Center for Native Education, Antioch University**

Antioch University Seattle is hiring for a Program Officer in the Center for Native Education. This position is responsible for managing a 2.5 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. In addition the Program Manager will be responsible for development and oversight of Early College High Schools in multiple sites.

A successful candidate will have demonstrated grants and budget management, excellent oral and written communication, supervisory skills, and ability to communicate clearly with Tribal leaders and communities. This position will supervise two staff as well as independent contractors. Some travel may be required.

Qualifications: B.A. in Native Studies, Education, or related field. Masters' degree preferred. For more information and qualifications please visit the Antioch University Seattle website: <http://www.antiochseattle.edu/about/jobs.html>

**EVENTS CALENDAR**

**February 7, 14, 28**

**Native American Catholic Mass**, Mass starts at 1:30. Native American Catholic Mass with Father Pat Twohy will be held at St. Leo Church, a Jesuit Parish located at 710 South 13th in Tacoma. Our new website is: [www.katericircle.com](http://www.katericircle.com)

**February 11**

**Sweetheart Swim**, 5:30-7pm. Call 253-333-3616 x3718 for more information

**February 11**

**Kids Valentine's Day Craft Night**, 5-7pm at the Wellness Center Childcare. Call Jessica Neumann at 253-333-3616 for more information.

**February 13**

**Healing Dinner**, 1:00 - 3:00 pm at Muckleshoot Shaker Church. Bring your favorite dish. Call Kerri Marquez for email or voicemail for info.

**February 23**

**F.A.F.S.A Workshop**, 10-11AM or 6-7PM at Muckleshoot Tribal College. Call Michelle Rodarte at 253-876-3291 for more information.

**March 5**

**End of Season Fish Dinner**, 3:00 pm at Pentecostal Church

**March 6**

**Generations Rising**, Evergreen State College from noon-6pm. Call 360-867-6718 for more information.

**CULTURAL WELLNESS GATHERINGS**

**AA Meeting Time**

Muckleshoot Recovery House Mondays 12:00 Noon  
 39225 180th Ave. SE,  
 Auburn, WA 98092

**Feather Healing Circle**

39015 172nd Avenue SE Tuesdays 5:00 pm  
 Auburn, WA

**Fire Starters**

Pentecostal Church Muckleshoot Wednesdays 7:00 pm  
 39731 Auburn Enumclaw Road SE Fridays 7:00 pm  
 Auburn, WA

**Grief and Loss**

**Grief and Loss Support Group** Wednesday's 6:00pm -8:00pm.  
 Behavioral Health, Bear Lodge

**Women's Group**

Muckleshoot Tribal College Thursdays 5:00 pm

**Boys Mentoring Group**

Muckleshoot Behavioral Health Thursday's 4:30 pm to 9:00pm

**AI-Anon Meetings**

Auburn First United Methodist Church Monday 10:30 a.m.  
 E. Main & N St. S.E.  
 Auburn, WA 98002

**Federal Way Sunrise**

United Methodist Church Monday 6:30 pm  
 150 S. 356th St.  
 Federal Way, WA 98003

**MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN CASINO**

You can now apply for jobs ON-LINE

Visit [www.muckleshootcasino.com](http://www.muckleshootcasino.com) and click on "Career Opportunities" to view current job openings then complete your employment application. This on-line application can be completed 24 hours a day from the convenience of your home computer and/or at the Muckleshoot Indian Casino's Human Resources Office.

All you need is an e-mail address to set up your on-line application. If you do not have an e-mail address call

Human Resources Hours:  
 Monday – Wednesday 9am to 6pm  
 Thursday 9am to 9pm  
 Friday 9am to 5pm  
 HR Phone Number 253-929-5128



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