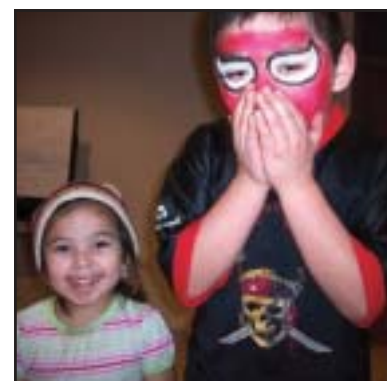


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Muckleshoot fishing fleet headquarters at First Avenue

2009 Pre-Season Fishing Report

An early report this year on preliminary salmon forecast data provided to the community has now changed from what was originally understood. This is an update to the 2009 preliminary fishing expectations with the most recent information.

During this time of year the Fisheries Commission and staff participate in a long and arduous pre-season planning process with the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) and other tribes. If everything goes according to plan, WDFW and the tribes should have a package of agreed-to-fisheries by April 10.

Additionally, when the season starts, some of the tribe's fisheries could be changed to have a new opening or an emergency closure based on a variety of data that is collected only in-season.

Other issues that play a very important role in the final outcome are freshwater survival, marine survival, intercepting fisheries that start in Canada and carry all the way through deep into Puget Sound. Last but not least and most serious problem on salmon survival is the continued loss and degradation of habitat.

The pre-season forecast for White River natural spring Chinook is low. The main reason for this low forecast is due to low survival of the 2 and 3 year-old components that returned last year (2008).

The last couple of years the Lake Washington sockeye adult returns have been very poor. The 2009 pre-season forecast is under 20,000 fish which again is a very low number. To understand how poor this pre-season forecast is, be aware that a commercial fishery cannot open until the run-size is greater than 350,000 fish. As always, the tribe will be carefully monitoring sockeye returns at the Ballard Locks.

The pre-season forecast numbers for Green River hatchery and natural Chinook are average. Subject to the annual Elliott Bay test fishery results, it does look like the pre-season run-size should support two commercial openings. On average, based on prior years, the catch could be in the neighborhood of 2500 to 4500 fish per opening.

The 2009 pre-season forecast for Lake Washington Chinook is fair. Under current regulatory constraints it is unlikely that a proposed and agreed to directed fishery will happen in Lake Washington upstream of the Ballard Locks.

When looking at the possibility of a Lake Sammamish Chinook fishery, the chances are good, but again it will be based on in-season information. As in previous years the tribe will be carefully monitoring the Chinook returns at the Ballard Locks.

Green River coho is expected to be lower than recent years. This is due in part to the 2007 floods that affected hatchery production by as much as 40%.

Lake Washington coho production from the Issaquah hatchery has been down by about 50% in each of the last two years. The lower hatchery production in combination with consistent year to year poor natural production combined with poor marine survival contributed heavily to the reasons why tribal fisheries were not that successful the last two years.

Coho hatchery production that will contribute to the 2009 fishery was at or above the normal release number. It is possible that Lake Washington coho fisheries in 2009 will be better than recent years, when we saw the effects of reduced hatchery production. As in previous years, this is subject to confirmation from the coho counts at the Ballard Locks.

Tribal fishers should enjoy another productive Green River chum fishery this fall if marine survival is favorable. We believe that the four year-old component of the run will likely be strong, based on the strength of last year's 3 year-old component. A potential strong 2009 3 year-old component would be consistent with a release of 2.5 million chum fed-fry from the Keta Creek hatchery.

Green and White Rivers pink numbers are expected to come in at record levels. Without having a secure market to sell the fish compounded by their run-timing overlapping with Chinook makes it a very difficult situation to mount any type of normal commercial fishery. We still are trying to figure out a way to harvest this bountiful supply of fish.

Green River hatchery summer, hatchery and wild winter steelhead are again expected to have low numbers of returning adults. What makes the situation even more unpredictable is that the winter wild run of fish is listed

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The realities of tribal recognition

MIT Chairwoman addresses DTO issue in Seattle P-I editorial

The following editorial written by Tribal Chairwoman Charlotte Williams in consultation with MIT staff attorney Richard Reich appeared in the March 12 edition of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Much has been written about the efforts of the Duwamish Tribal Organization to achieve federal recognition. Because recent news stories about this issue have again raised many popular misconceptions about the nature of Indian tribes, the history of the Duwamish people and their efforts to obtain federal recognition, as chair of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribal Council, I feel compelled to respond.

The issue of federal recognition rests on the central question of what it means to be an Indian tribe. Tribal status requires a clear demonstration that a group's present-day membership is descended from an historic tribe or group of tribes and that the group has maintained attributes of a self-governing community over time. This is an important distinction that separates tribes that possess sovereign rights to self-government from voluntary associations of common ethnic backgrounds organized to promote language and culture.

Recognized tribes have a legitimate concern about the impact of federal recognition of groups that are not functioning social and political communities. Treaty rights and the right to self-government are tied to tribes' status as sovereign political entities, something more than a vol-

untary association of individuals of common ancestry. Ignoring established standards for tribal recognition would threaten all recognized tribes.

In rejecting Duwamish claims to tribal status Judge George Boldt, the U.S. Court of Appeals and Interior Department separately concluded the DTO had not shown it represented a continuously existing Indian community and did not constitute a political organization that had maintained influence over its members, as required for recognition.

Boldt found that many Indians who were consolidated on the Muckleshoot Reservation were considered Duwamish and represented by Chief Seattle in the negotiation of the Treaty of Point Elliott. And, the Department of Interior noted that in the years following establishment of the Muckleshoot Reservation, many of the prominent Indian families of the villages from which the DTO claims descent moved to the Muckleshoot and other reservations, like Suquamish.

Today, Duwamish heritage and tradition lives on in the membership of the Muckleshoot, Suquamish and other recognized tribes. The DTO represents at best one faction of Duwamish descendants, those who did not move to Western Washington reservations. Indeed, Chief Seattle was from a village on the White River and spent his later years residing on the Suquamish Reservation where he is buried.

A P-I story ("Tribe seeks help

from Obama," March 5) claims "The Bush administration declared the Duwamish – the indigenous people of Seattle – extinct eight years ago by reversing a decision made in the waning hours of the Clinton administration to recognize the tribe." This oft-repeated oversimplification omits crucial information regarding the failure of the Duwamish to obtain recognition. As laid out in great detail in the February 2002 report of the Inspector General, department officials, "using a consultant with questionable credentials to bolster their position, were determined to recognize the six tribes that BIA staff had concluded did not meet the regulatory criteria."

The Acting Assistant Secretary of Interior's abortive effort to grant federal recognition to the Duwamish late in the evening before a new administration took office, despite the professional staff's recommendation against recognition, should not cloud the validity and accuracy of the tribal recognition process or undermine the professional staff's lengthy investigation and review of the Duwamish petition which concluded the DTO does not qualify for tribal recognition.

In May 2008 the Duwamish filed a federal lawsuit challenging the most recent decision denying recognition. The lawsuit will afford the Duwamish yet one more opportunity to prove their claim that they are in fact a tribe that deserves recognition.

However, to date the Duwamish have not done so. Therefore, we must respectfully disagree with characterization of the federal government's refusal to recognize the Duwamish as wrong. The Duwamish people are not extinct; they live on today as members of tribal communities like that at Muckleshoot.



Tribal Chairwoman Charlotte Williams

PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

RUN-OFF ELECTION SETTLES SCHOOL BOARD TIE VOTE

Sandy Heddrick and Janet Emery will be new members

MUCKLESHOOT – For the first time in recent memory, a Muckleshoot election finished with a tie vote. When a recount produced the same result, a run-off election was scheduled for March 2, as called for in the MIT Constitution.

The turnout was relatively light, and in the end the tie was broken, with Janet Emery receiving 104 votes to Marie Starr's 73. The two candidates were tied with 194 votes apiece following the January 19 General Election, while Sandy Heddrick topped that field with 195.

Heddrick and Emery are mother and daughter, and they will join daughter/sister Michele Rodarte on the Muckleshoot School Board. Each has some words to share with the community:

SANDY HEDDRICK

I also serve on the ICW Committee and the Housing Committee, and these – along with education – are my three major areas of concern for our students and our people.

Serving on the school board is going to be different for me, because the other school board members don't actually work at this site and have hands-on day-to-day contact with the teachers and the students, as I do. I'll be able to listen to their concerns and bring them to the other board members.

I know students here (at the school) that, when we have a one-on-one, say, "Sometimes I just feel worthless, because I can't do what I should be doing at my age." They don't want to say this in front of anyone else, and don't want the embarrassment of not being able to compete at their grade level, so they wind up hitting and missing in school.

And so, I've been asking some of the teachers in these different areas if they can't work with that student at the level that they're at, regardless of what grade they're in. They've told me that they're willing to do this, and I think that's really great. For example, teachers could create packets for these youth that are behind on classroom math, English, and whatever they might



Janet Emery



Sandy Heddrick

PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

need, and help them to catch up.

In addition, there are a lot of other areas that I like to work with the students – not necessarily schoolwork, but sometimes it's just personal things. I'll give them some little personal classes, like on what to do with their hair if they're having problems, or their nails and skin, and things like that, and I think it's important to them.

I'm hoping that between all of us working together, that we can get some of these students motivated to graduate, and to feel self-worth – to know that they do make a difference in this community, and that they can do things that some people may think that they're not capable of doing. Those are my concerns.

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2009 Chilocco Reunion will honor Class of 1959

The annual Chilocco Reunion has been scheduled for Thursday, June 11, though Sunday, June 14, at the Cherokee Casino and Resort in Catoosa, Oklahoma. This is always a popular event and the many Chilocco alumni that attend always have a wonderful time reminiscing about the old times and catching up on what's new.



This year's events will include a "Good Ole Days" Dress Day on Thursday. Prizes will be awarded for the best outfits. On Friday there be a golf tournament in the morning and cultural activities, including a fashion show and pow wow, starting at 5:30 PM. A host of activities will take place all day long on Saturday, capped off by a dance starting at 9:00 PM.

Other activities include Chilocco Room and Arts and Crafts Room. Vendors may contact Pauletta Johnson at 918-366-6158 or Emma J Falling at 918-266-1626. Golfers, for entry forms check the newsletter or contact Charley Johnson at 918-366-6158 or Jim Baker at 405 377-6826.

2009 CHILOCCO REUNION



Date: June 11 – 14, 2009 (Thursday – Sunday a.m.)
Site: Cherokee Casino & Resort (Convention Center), Catoosa, OK – East Tulsa on I-44, Exit at 193rd East Ave.
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Phone No: 1-800-760-6700 (Group Rate for Chilocco National Alumni Association)
Reserve via Internet: www.cherokeecasino.com (use Group Code: NAT10609)
Cut-off Date: May 11, 2009 – Special rates available after May 11 only if space is available.

More information can be found at: <http://www.chilocco.org/>

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under the Endanger Species Act (ESA) and as of this point in time the state/tribes do not have an agreed to management plan that the federal government has blessed.

White River wild steelhead, still remain very depressed. The tribe along with the WDFW and the Puyallup tribe have a supplementation program in place to try to re-build the stock. The program is in its third year now. Starting right now, and over the next couple of months, we are expecting the first return of these supplemental fish.

Any additional update on the outlook for 2009 fisheries will be presented in detail at the Annual Fisher Meeting. Also, any new rules or gear restrictions will be explained at the Annual Fisher Meeting. One thing fishers need to note is that, if purchasing a boat, any boat 15 feet and under is prohibited for use in any commercial fishery.

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I think that the culture is a major part of it all, too. It's about all of our youth being able to carry on tradition. And when they have hands-on experience, making drums or paddles, or doing the beadwork and working with the feathers to make fans, they're learning about not only our culture, but other tribes, too. I think it's really important that, since our tribal children are traveling on the canoe journey, they know the differences between the tribes, their beliefs, and the expectations of other tribes.

(Once we've moved to the new school) I think we'll have a broader range of cultural learning experiences to bring to the students. I think that the art, language, and culture areas should all be pretty close, and working together to teach about our traditions. I think that if we have a better-structured program with more things to offer them, (the new school will attract more students). A lot of them like sports, and a lot of them would like to get into gymnastics, or to travel to play basketball and baseball, and we'll be able to offer things like that.

JANET EMERY

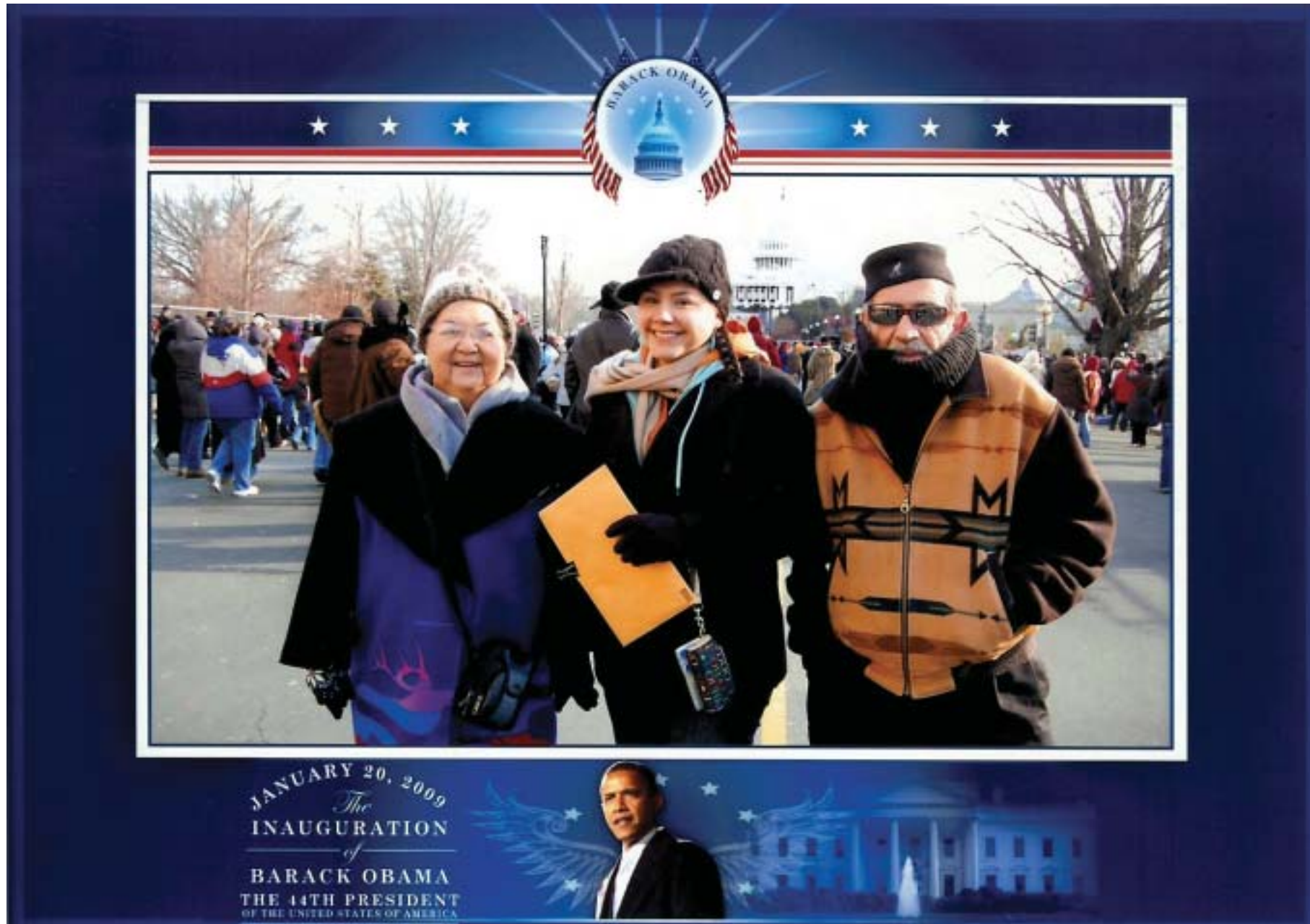
Being elected to the tribal school board came as kind of a shock to me. When I found out I was elected, I wasn't sure if I was going to roll with it or not. And so, (in the end) I just went like "let it be," because I felt like "If that's the will of the people, then I guess time will tell." And it kind of fell that way for me.

(Before the run-off election) I had people coming up and asking me if I was planning on running a strong campaign, and I had some apprehensions about that because the person that I was running against was my aunt, Marie Starr, and I have a lot of respect for her and the things that she's done for our tribe. So I was really hesitant.

I was at work one day, and a friend of mine, a construction worker down at the new school site, texted me, saying, "Hey, the Muckleshoots are coming through today. You should cruise through and say 'hi.'" And so I asked my sister (school board member) Michele (Rodarte) if she'd heard anything about a tour at the tribal school, and she said, "Yeah, we're supposed to meet down there about 1:30."

(I thought it was a tour for all tribal members, but when I showed up) it turned out that the tour was for school board and tribal council members. I kind of figured things out once I got there, but John (Daniels) and Joe (Martin) were really quick to give me a nice warm welcome and included me in the trip.

I went on the tour, and just walking through the buildings gave me a



INAUGURATION DAY. The inauguration of President Barack Obama was an unforgettable day for the estimated 1.5 million people that gathered on The Mall in Washington, DC, to witness the historic occasion. Tribal Councilmember Virginia Cross and Madrienne Salgado of the MIT Government Relations staff are shown here with El Centro de la Raza founder and Executive Director Roberto Maestas, who was also on hand to represent his Seattle-based Latino organization.

Shrimp Harvesting Opportunities

Starting in April 2009, Tribal members will again have the opportunity to harvest the large spot prawns from the depths of Elliott Bay.

Each year about a dozen 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 March 27th.

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.



Donnie Jerry and Elson Moses fill a cooler with spot prawns

really awesome feeling inside about the potential that we have now, and the possibilities of great things happening for our kids there. (I started to think) "What happens if I do get on the school board? ...that means that I'm going to be a part of all these really important decisions that are going to be made in the best interests of the children."

And so, inside, I was excited, but still a little leery because of the fact that it was running against my aunt.

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And so, on the night at the General Council meeting, I was sitting there in the crowd with my cousin Dena, my mom, my sister, and a few others. And then they got the election results back. (We learned that) Marie and I had tied, and my mom had landed a spot on the tribal school board, so we were all pretty excited.

I'd been a little nervous about what the end result was going to be, because when you get your name on the ballot you always think: Are you going to get a lot of votes? Are you not going to get any votes? And how would it feel to only have a little bit? Weird things go through your mind.

And so, we were sitting there, and when I got the count I went up and told Marie, "Wow, it turns out me and you got the exact same number of votes!" And she said, "Well, it looks like we have the same friends." She was just smiling about it.

I said, "Well, what will they do in a situation like that?" And she said, "I'm not sure – I think they usually have a run-off election."

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I don't know how many votes came in altogether, but it turned out that I ended up with a higher number of votes (than Marie), and so it's sad in the sense that, you know, that road for Marie, for right now, has been channeled in another direction. But I'm excited that I got an opportunity to step up and have a voice, to be a part of some great change that's about to take place in our community.

I think that family is really key to the children's success, and that parents need to become active in their kids' education. When there were activities at the school, me and my husband were there. We went through some hard times. I had this really old hippie-style van that I drove, and sometimes it would smoke like a dog. I'd come pulling in, and my kids were a little embarrassed to hear me, but I'd come pulling in honking my horn, and they'd

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WALKING ON...

Kathleen M. Eyle



Lifelong Auburn resident Kathleen Eyle passed away on Monday, February 23, 2009. She was born January 14, 1989 and was 20 years old.

Kathleen was an enrolled member of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe and was employed as an Instructional Assistant at the Muckleshoot Child Development Center. She loved being with family and friends, shopping, playing bingo, music and singing, stick games, and the computer. She enjoyed the outdoors and loved snowboarding.

Kathleen is survived by her mother Evelyn Eyle; her sisters Amanda and Carlee Eyle; aunts Norma "Babe" Eyle and Elizabeth "Liz" Eyle; uncles Nelson Eyle and Clinton Eyle; her grandmother, Norma "Wassie" Eyle; and numerous cousins, friends and relations.

She was preceded in death by her grandpa Reginald Norman Eyle and her first cousin Ryan Eyle.

Services were held Friday February 27, 2009 at the Muckleshoot Shaker Church, with Dennis Anderson officiating, followed by burial at the Old White Lake Cemetery and a luncheon at the Shaker Dining Hall. Pallbearers were Tony Chagolla, Tommy Chagolla, Mike Jerry, Danny "Peanut" Chagolla, Dan Jansen, and Cresencio "Howie" Moses.

Honorary pallbearers were Missy Borwn, Maria Zarate, Leandra "Pooch" Rojas, Natalie Hite, Mariya Mathias, Shannon Krieger, Uncle Pete Jerry, Uncle Bob Hall, Uncle Stanley "Sut" Moses, Shannon Dooley, Steve Hamilton and David Hamilton.

Arrangements were by Weeks' Funeral Home of Enumclaw.

Kathleen's Words to Live By

It's important 2 try and do the best u can & NEVER give up!

You CAN do ANYTHING if you put your mind 2 it, don't let nobody tell you different or put u down.

Be happy, caring, kind, loving, and thankful, SMILE!

Learn 2 forgive & forget!

Think positive, not negative.

Think about others, don't be selfish.

You only live once...!

Life's ROUGH, Be TOUGH!!! Believe....

Never waste a minute thinking about your enemies.

XoXoX

Kathleen Eyle

4 - Ever & Always....

(her own words, found after her passing)

"God's Angel Here on Earth"

Kathleen, you were our lil angel in disguise... you were a big/lil impact on all our lives.

Your bright beautiful smile, big beautiful eyes... just hearing your voice and your lil ol' sighs.

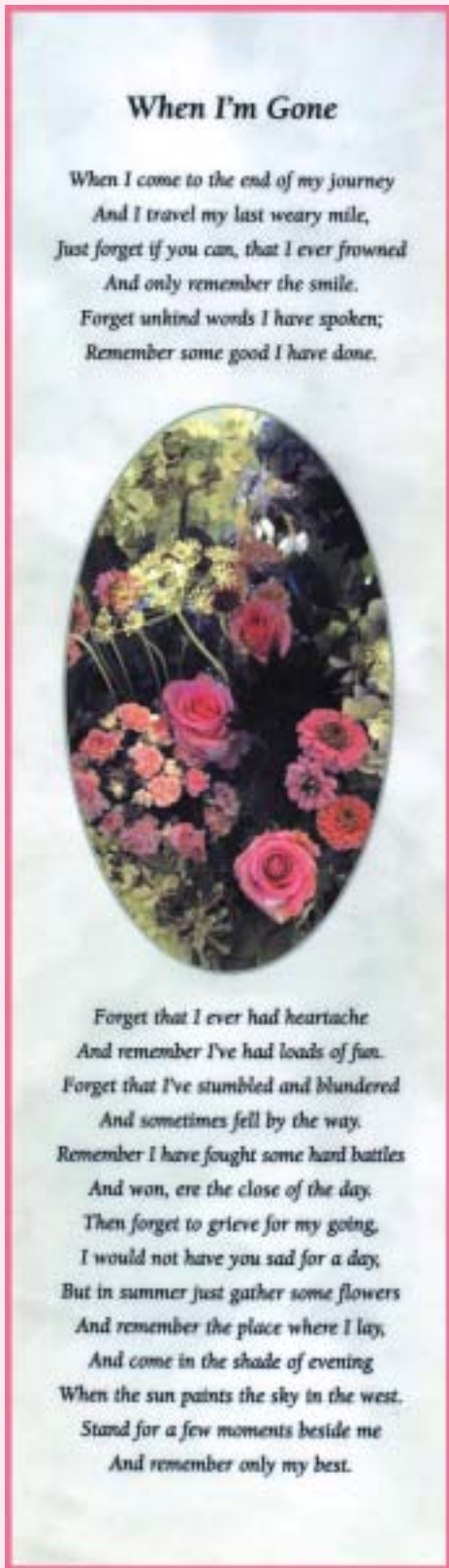
Everything about you was so real and pure... it's devastating to us to know that you're no longer here.

In our minds and in our hearts is where you'll always stay... even tho we all wonder why God called our lil angel's name that day.

You were a helping hand, a shoulder to cry on... a very beautiful angel indeed but now God has given you your wings.

As the sun shines and rain falls, and all the stars in the sky shine so bright, you will be very missed and surely thought of every day and every night.

~ Wassena
Your cousin for life.



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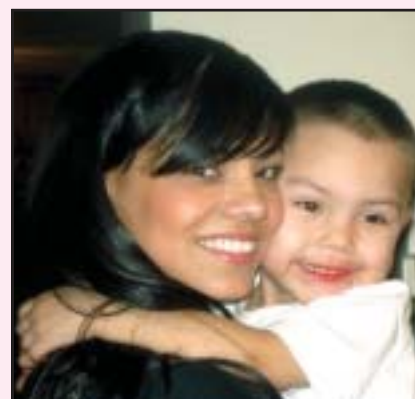
I know I couldn't begin to remember all of the people who helped me in my time of need, but I want to thank each and every one of you from the bottom of my heart, and let you know how much it was appreciated. I would especially like to thank my dear friend Bonnie Jerry for being by my side when I needed her most.

Evelyn Eyle

The Girl I Call Sister

The girl I call sister
Is someone who is there.
The girl I call sister
Is someone who always cares.
The girl I call sister
Can make me smile when times are blue.
The girl I call sister
Is someone very true.
The girl I call sister
By choice, is my best friend.
The girl I call sister
Is a blessing from God above.
The girl I call sister
That I'll always
Love.

XOXO,
by Carlee Eyle
Your loving baby sis



Marla Dawn Nelson

Marla Dawn Nelson, 22, passed away on February 14, 2009 in Auburn, WA. She was born on May 9, 1986 in Auburn, WA.

Marla was a member of the Muckleshoot Tribe, the Canoe Club, the Shaker Church and had lived in the Auburn area all her life.

She enjoyed playing bingo, going to the casino, taking pictures, and spending time on My Space. Marla loved kids and liked to spend time with her nieces and nephews.

Marla is survived by her parents, Amos Nelson and Florence Villa; grandmother Betty Charlie; brothers Mike Nelson, Jeremy Nelson, Ezra Nelson, Ira Nelson and Eli Nelson, all of Auburn; and Kevin Sylvester of Duncan, BC; sisters Zelma Black Hawk and Naomi Nelson, both of Toppenish; Thea Jerry, Angela Nelson, and Sarah Nelson, all of Auburn.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Lester and Alice Nelson; brother Noel "Tony" Nelson; and grandfather Guadalupe Rosilez.

Funeral services were held February 19, 2009, at the Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church, followed by burial at the New White Lake Cemetery, with songs by her friends from the Muckleshoot Canoe Family.



Arthur Duane Matta

Arthur Duane Matta of Tulalip was born May 26, 1950 in Toppenish, Wa and passed away February 11, 2009 in Everett. A Muckleshoot tribal member, Art loved his family and the community of Tulalip.

He was a fisherman that enjoyed working and visiting people at Boom City and on the Pow-wow trail throughout the West. He also enjoyed looking at the stars at night and listening to good classical rock music.

He is survived by his wife, Valerie Matta; his children Anita Matta, Mitch Matta, Anthony Matta and Samuel Matta; siblings Anita Matta Burnes, Dana Matta, Chico Matta, Valerie Watlamett, Mike Jutila, John Jutila and James Luke; five grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Arthur is preceded in death by parents, Andrew Matta and Genevieve Luke; brothers David Matta and Tony Alcalá-Matta; sisters Mary Matta and Hope Matta; and nephew Tony Alcalá-Matta, Jr.

Services were held at the Tulalip Tribal Center on February 1, 2009, followed by internment at the Mission Beach Cemetery.



In Loving Memory...

Donald G. Allen Sr.

6-24-45 to 2-18-08

Beloved father, husband, brother, uncle, cousin, friend.

The two-day memorial included the music of Melissa and Tommy Carpenter of Montana on Friday night. On Saturday there was a breakfast, followed by the headstone blessing at 10:00 a.m. at the Tulalip Cemetery. After that, there was a dinner and more music at the Tulalip Gym. Speakers spoke of all his wonderful ways, during his young years to old. Finally, there was a give away, which in tradition and belief will help ease the pain of our great loss. In closing, we offer these words...

Let him go
He is in a far better place
A special place prepared for him
A beautiful mansion.

Rest in Peace.



Do You Have Photos and Stories Of the Old Community Hall?

By Donna Hogerhuis, MIT Collections Specialist

Almost everyone has driven or walked by the stone chimney across from the senior center. This landmark is all that left of the old community hall built in 1936. It is a historic marker from the days when the Muckleshoot Tribe began to organize, to build up the tribe's government and offer families needed medical and social services.

The Preservation Program would like to gather as much information on this building as we can and we are asking the community to help with stories and photos. The following is what we have learned so far.

The community hall was built after a Muckleshoot organization, the Nesika Club, had raised sufficient funds from community performances to purchase the land. They purchased one acre which cost \$200. The building had a large room for community gatherings, giving programs and dances, with two additional rooms: one a community kitchen which provides facilities for cooking, dinners and canning activities; the other room used for sewing projects as well as a meeting place for committees and the Council.

Many elders remember the dances, programs, socials, etc., which were given in the hall. Originally, the dances were to raise funds to help children's activities, or for the purchase of material in carrying on sewing projects, such as the making of socks and sweaters.

Sometime in the early '60s the building was worn out and in need of repair. In 1969, a group of Green River Students supervised by Brenda Starr (also a GRCC student at that time) remodel the whole building and once again it was the nucleus of the Reservation with several medical and dental offices and groups such as the National Council for Aging, Office of Economic Opportunity, and the King County Health Department. The Tribe celebrated with a grand re-opening.

Less than a year later, on Saturday, April 28, 1970, the anniversary day of its completion, the hall was destroyed by fire. An Auburn Globe newspaper article reported: "Fire District 46 responded to the call at 6:26 pm...cause of the fire is unknown, but two electric heaters had been turned on in the front of the building...the building is a complete loss. The hall was used for a branch King County library, health clinic for Seattle-South King County health Department, tribal meetings and council meetings."

The Tribe later built a new administrative building in the '70s - now the Finance Building. In the years since, many more buildings and tribal enterprises have followed. Just think what the chimney represents - it is truly a tangible symbol of the Tribe's growth in land ownership, membership services, and Tribal government.

These early memories should not be forgotten. If you can help the Tribe's Preservation Program with new photos or stories, or know the people in these photos, please contact Donna Hogerhuis at 253-876-3273 or Melissa Calvert, Program Director. We hope to collect more information for the Tribe's archives and use new material for an exhibit of the community hall. Please feel free to stop by my office in the Phillip Starr Building.



Two Photographs of women canning, 1936

"The women of the Reservation thru their community club offered to can the surplus vegetables grown and purchased jars from their own funds. With the kitchen range in their club house and an old one outside and a couple of wash boilers they put up over 3,000 quarts of assorted vegetables and 200 gallons of pickles. These women worked from early in the morning until twelve and one o'clock the next morning. They were assisted by the men in the evenings who shelled peas and cut beans. These canned vegetables will be stored until winter and issued by the Tribal Council to those in need. This is the first winter that this Tribe will have supplies stored since the days when they could hunt and fish.

Edward F. Teague, Supervisor, W.P. 1791, c. 1936 [MIT 2006.24.17b]



Chimney photo - The remains of the old community hall, what it looks like today



Group photo on steps of new hall - Only Persons identified: Julie Siddle, 2nd from left; Lola Braford 4th from left; Liz McGilvery fifth from left.



Group Photo of Nesika Club - standing, left to right: Mrs. Elizabeth McGilvery, Morris Lobehan, Mrs. Annie Garrison, Calvin Siddle (?), Mrs. Mathilda Siddle, John Hungary, Mrs. Lobehan; Seated: all but Ollie Hungary (at far right) are unidentified.

"On January 4, 1933 a women's club was organized with a view to improving home conditions, encouraging more social life, and organizing clubs for the younger people. It was felt that it would be especially desirous to have a class in basketry since that is what the Muckleshoot were especially noted for.... The Club chose their name "Nesika" which in the jargon means "Ours." Plans were made at once to raise money for a community hall. At the time of this writing the Nesika Club has a bank account of \$127.25. This money has been raised by putting on eight Indian Programs depicting their former life of their people. The songs and dances, particularly the love songs, the mountain song, the Women's sla-hal song and the dances...portray the emotions of love, mourning and joy."

The Annual Report of the Muckleshoot Reservation by Galdys McIlveen [MIT 2008.17.03b]



Groundbreaking PBS series begins April 13

BOSTON - After almost five years of planning and production, a groundbreaking television series depicting more than 350 years of history from an American Indian perspective is scheduled to premiere next spring.

Producers of the award-winning PBS history series "American Experience" are nearing completion of "We Shall Remain" - a five-part series of 90-minute documentary films that will air each week for five consecutive weeks beginning on April 13.

In addition to the films, "We Shall Remain" has a massive multi-media and community outreach component that includes mentoring emerging Native filmmakers, a national library initiative, and a coalition of Native organizations and tribes, historical societies, museums, schools and other groups to plan and sponsor activities that promote understanding of local Native history and contemporary life.

The films - the heart of the project - represent major epochs in American Indian history and the overarching themes of the indigenous peoples' unwavering resilience and resistance to the Europeans' settler colonial project and its encroachment on aboriginal territories.

"After the Mayflower" deals with the 17th century European invasion and first contact with the Wampanoag Indians in Massachusetts, and the decades leading up to the brutal King Philip's War that devastated the northeastern woodlands tribes and settlers alike.

"Tecumseh's Vision" stars actor Michael Greyeyes, Plains Cree, as the brilliant leader Tecumseh with his steadfast vision of a pan-Indian movement, and Billy Merasty, Cree First Nation, as his brother Tenskwatawa, who was known as The Prophet.

"Trail of Tears" relates the tragic ethnic cleansing of the Cherokee Nation from its southeast homeland in which 4,000 people died of disease and starvation along the way.

"Geronimo" is the story of the controversial Apache warrior-hero, who was seen as a savage terrorist to the

white settler colonists; a hero to some Apaches, who still take pride in the fact that they were the last to lay down their arms to the Europeans; and a troublemaker to others who blamed him for the collective punishment the tribe suffered.

"Wounded Knee" examines the broad political and economic forces that led to the emergence of the American Indian Movement in the late 1960s and the events that triggered the group's takeover of Wounded Knee on Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and its 71-day standoff with federal troops

Chris Eyre, Cheyenne/Arapaho, directed "After the Mayflower" and "Trail of Tears," and co-directed "Tecumseh's Vision" with Rick Burns. Eyre's first feature film, "Smoke Signals," won the Audience Award and he received the Filmmaker's Trophy at the 1998 Sundance Film Festival.

"Geronimo" was co-written, co-produced and co-directed by Dustin Craig, White Mountain Apache/Navajo, and Sarah Colt.

"Wounded Knee" was produced and directed by Stanley Nelson, a recipient of a 2002 MacArthur Fellowship, a Sundance Special Jury Prize, Peabody Award, Primetime Emmy, an IDA Award and a DuPont-Columbia Silver Baton and Freedom of Expression award.

The films weave together dramatic re-enactments of the historical narratives with commentary from contemporary tribal members, elders, historians and other scholars whose thought-provoking comments provide insights and counterpoints to the narratives.

"I think in the series what you find is that nothing is simple and nothing is black and white," Eyre said. "When you have the odds and the adversity that you find with all of this history and Indian people and what they went through you can't always be sure of the choices you would have made at the time, and the series really sheds light on that."

Learn more at www.pbs.org/weshallremain

We Shall Remain: SPECIAL PREVIEW SHOWING

April 1st at 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30)
SIFF Cinema, 321 Mercer St., Seattle



Russell Mean

Join KCTS 9, SIFF, and the Seattle Office for Civil Rights for a special community preview and discussion of **We Shall Remain**, Russell Means (Last of the Mohicans), actor and Native American rights activist will share his insights on this series during a discussion following the screening, as will Sharon Grimberg, the Oscar-

nominated Executive Producer of the series. This event is free, but seating is limited and RSVP is required. To make your reservation, please call 1.800.263.6463 or email events@kcts9.org. SIFF Cinema is located in the Nelsholm Family Lecture Hall on the lower level of Marion Oliver McCaw Hall at Seattle Center in the heart of Seattle's theatre district.

Signature photo taken by local photographer

Bob Charlo (Kalispel) took this photograph, titled "Nespelem," in summer 1992 on the Colville Reservation in central Washington State. Charlo was attending the annual powwow in the small community of Nespelem when he spotted the lone teepee set against the dramatic cloud formation. Over the years, he has answered many questions about the photograph, particularly about what it represents and how viewers should interpret the American flag flying over the teepee. Charlo says, "To me it represents that we - Native people - are still here and still vibrant. We are not a conquered people. We are a contributing people."

Bob Charlo holds a fine arts degree from the Institute of American Indian Art in Santa Fe, a bachelor of arts from the University of Washington, and a masters in education from Antioch College. He owns and operates BUF-FALO RIVER - Fine Art Photography and teaches photography to tribal and at-risk youth. Charlo spent his early



years on the Kalispel Indian Reservation and currently lives outside of Seattle.

Tribal College Advising Day

March 5, 2008

PHOTOS BY JOHN LOFTUS



Tribal College Administrator Wilma Cabanas



Marlene Cross and her Evergreen advisors

Na-ha-shnee

14th ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN HEALTH SCIENCES INSTITUTE IN SPOKANE
JUNE 21 – JUNE 27, 2009

Native American Health Sciences Program
Washington State University - Spokane
Academic Center Rm 141B
PO Box 1495
Spokane, Washington 99210-1495
(509) 368-6884

PURPOSE: To provide an opportunity for Native American High School students to experience the Health Science professions. To encourage Native American students to pursue Health Science degree programs and to prepare themselves for their future.

PARTICIPATION: Invited Native American male and female students who will be entering the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade in Fall of 2009. Taking only students who live in the states of Washington, Oregon, or Idaho unless your Tribe or family pays transportation if live outside of these states.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Letter of interest and expectations of your camp experience.
2. Immunizations: Hep A/B 1st shot started, TB test, yearly.
3. Minimum of "C" average.

COST: Free – with interest in the Health Sciences, such as nursing, medicine, dental, pharmacy, physical therapy, speech and hearing, and exercise physiology.

HOUSING: Students will stay in a dormitory located at Whitworth University. Food and lodging are provided at no cost to all students participating in the Summer Camp Institute.

TRANSPORTATION: Mini-Vans will provide all transportation for students to all destinations during their stay at camp.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: Friday, May 1, 2009

TOPICS TO BE COVERED: First Aid, blood borne pathogens, vital signs, CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), traditional herbal medicine, job shadowing, and hospital visitations. There also will be critical thinking and team building experiences.

LOCATION OF THE INSTITUTE: Washington State University, College of Nursing, 103 E. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99210-1495.
For further information, please contact Robbie Paul, Director Native American Health Sciences at 509-368-6884 or e-mail paul@wsu.edu. You can also contact Raynel Begay at (509) 335-6718 or rbegay@wsu.edu.

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March 24th & 25th, 2009
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Presented by:
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Fax # 310-765-4992

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- Ever wonder what is the difference between Trust, Restricted, and Fee Simple Land?
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- Why, is it so hard to get a residential lease on my land?
- Can I put my property up as collateral?
- What happens to my land when I die?

This class is designed to better assist the landowner on understanding his or her trust/restricted lands.
This is a follow up to the class offered in 2006.
The class will be informal. Feel free to ask questions and make comments any time during the class.
If you have requests for topics that need to be included, feel free to call us at the phone numbers or e-mails provided below.

Sign up and contacts: Scholarship Building
38977 – 172nd Ave SE Bldg #2
Auburn, WA 98092
Laurie-253-876-3381 • Marie-253-876-3382



GED Exam Dates

March 27th, April 10th Tues.
April 14, &
Friday-24th

Please Note: No testing April 17th
due to Tribal Holiday!

May 1, 15, & 29th

Dates Subject to Change,
Please Call to Confirm!

Exam Testing Times

Arrive Early!

8:15 Reading, Social Studies, Science

9:45 Reading, Social Studies, Science

11:30 Language Essay OR Math Onlypick One

2:15 Reading, Social Studies, Science

3:45 Math Only!! To take 5 tests in 1 Day Do 11:30 Essay 3:45

Contact Mitzi Judge @ Muckleshoot Tribal College 253-876-3395
mitzi.judge@muckleshoot.nsn.us or TC Office 253-876-3183
GED Instructor 253-876-3256
39811 Auburn Enumclaw Road SE, Auburn WA 98092

New Writing Center at Muckleshoot Tribal College

The Muckleshoot Tribal College has a new addition!

Muckleshoot Tribal College, in collaboration with Antioch University is developing a new writing center. The Writing Center will help students become effective writers and provide them with additional opportunities to develop strong communication skills. We do this in several ways. The Writing Center provides one-on-one time with a writing tutor, online access to the very best writing supports on the internet, workshops on academic and creative writing, and in the fall, for-credit classes in writing strategies for college students. We also offer take home study guides and information about test taking strategies.

Environmental Science and Management professionals, people working in tribal government, land management, small business owners and entrepreneurs spend a significant portion of their careers writing grant proposals, business plans, reports, journal articles, etc. Yet many have no formal training in communications, and few have effective writing skills. The goal of the center is to help the students gain insights, knowledge and skills that will have long-term benefits and improve their overall writing quality.

As part of the continuing effort to provide more comprehensive services and support to our students, Muckleshoot Tribal College has remodeled a classroom to be a beautiful and comfortable living space for readers, writers and speakers. While the space includes elements of the classroom, whiteboards and new working computers, it is also a comfortable space for writers to collaborate, read and socialize.

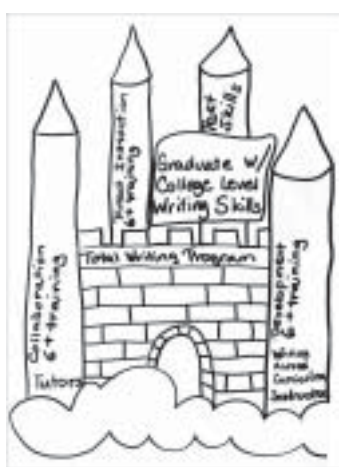
Because learning to write involves practice, risk-taking, and revising, the writing center is a place where students are encouraged to try out and to experiment. Removed from the traditional classroom setting, writers are free to engage in trial runs of ideas and approaches, to fail and move on to another attempt, and to receive encouragement for their efforts. In this way, tutors



Mariahn Scarborough

can collaborate with writers to build writing skills in a way that honors the process and the progress of each writer.

In the month of April, The Writing Center is giving an exhibition of poetry in honor of National Poetry Month. We are currently taking submissions of poems written on the theme, Pick Up a Pen and Heal. These original poems will be exhibited on the walls of the Writing Center and gathered into an anthology we hope to be published in the fall of 2009. All through the month of March, the writing center will sponsor conversations around writing and healing on Wednesday afternoon in two sessions. The first is a brown bag session from 12:00 to 1:00, and the second session starts at 1:30 and goes to 2:30. This conversational writing group is open to all writers in the community.



The Writing Center is staffed by Mariahn Scarborough, a graduate of Antioch University's First People's Program in Education. A teacher, and award winning poet, Mrs. Scarborough is also a passionate proponent of writing to learn.

Sylvan Learning Center available at Tribal School

The new location for the Sylvan Learning Center will be at the Tribal School. In order to attend this location please contact Marie Marquez, at 253-876-3382, for approval and to guarantee a spot, seats are limited. Priority will be given to current students attending and actively participating in the Disabilities Program.

For Tribal members that are interested in attending and have never been approved must first write a letter addressed to the Education Committee requesting for funds to be allocated to attend Sylvan.

The letter must have the applicant's first and last name, address, MIT enrollment number, telephone number, grade level, name of present school attending, to which location of Sylvan or other tutoring service Tribal member will be attending and a contact name if applicant is a minor.

Please allow 10 business days for the request to go to Education Committee for review and to be notified of the outcome. We will provide contact name and number to call to registered and do assessments and to set up a tutoring schedule.

Please do not contact tutoring centers prior to approval letter. The Disabilities Program will not guarantee payment and you will be responsible for any fees endured prior to approval.

Thanks,
Marie Marquez

Pick Up A Pen and Heal

Exhibition of the healing power of writing.
Calls for submissions of:

Poetry
Flash Fiction - 500 words
Short Narrative - 900 words

To be exhibited at the
Muckleshoot Tribal College During April, National Poetry Month.
The collection to be published in the fall 2009

Weekly writing group in the Writing Center
Facilitated by: Mariahn Scarborough
Every Wednesday in March

(Session 1) 12pm-1pm
(Session 2) 1:30 pm- 2:30pm

All submissions must be in by 5:00 pm Wednesday March 25th.
Submit by e-mail to: scarborough@antiochusa.edu
or mail or drop paper submissions to:

Muckleshoot Tribal College Writing Center
20811 Auburn Emulation Rd. S.E.
Auburn, WA 98002

Spring Quarter at Northwest Indian College-Muckleshoot

Spring quarter at NWIC-Muckleshoot will feature some excellent courses that only come around once a year, in addition to courses that are offered more than once per school year.

BIOL 203 Animal Biology: Our Relatives, is a lab course taught by our Ian Paden. It introduces the topics of invertebrate and vertebrate anatomy and physiology, taxonomy, diversity and classification and animal adaptation in terms of form and function.

CHEM 113 Biological Chemistry is an introduction to biochemistry. This course is a must for anyone headed into the medical or life sciences, including fisheries and forestry.

ENVS 201 Northwest Plants is a hybrid course that blends European plant identification with traditional plant identification and uses. It is taught by Dr. Margaret Smither-Kopperl, US Dept. of Agriculture botanist and Deborah Saluskin, Upper Skagit traditional elder.

HMTS 109A-C Encounters in the Humanities/Native American Humanities combines literature, spirituality and philosophy from the Native American perspective. It is taught by Patricia Davis, Navajo elder, who gave workshops as part of the Dalai Lama's visit to Seattle last year.

LGST 101 Introduction to Legal Studies I is taught by Sarah Lawson, JD, of the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, and Trust Real Estate Director of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe. The class will provide students an overview of the law, legal principles and legal terminology. Students will gain a basic understanding of how the law operates both in the courts and in the halls of government.

PHED 174 Walking for Fitness is a brand-new course to our campus, given by Rachele Kanning at the Health and Wellness Track on Wednesdays 5-7:30pm. The class will combine regular walking with classroom activities.

Anyone interested in these and our other courses for Spring 2009 can come to Muckleshoot Tribal College M-F 11am-5pm and speak with Esther John, M.Ed., NWIC Site Manager (253-876-3274), her assistant, Sarah Dogeagle or Michele Rodarte, Muckleshoot Tribal College Academic Affairs Information Specialist (253-876-3291) for more information. Please see us by March 13th so you can order and receive your books and have financial aid arranged in time for the beginning of classes.

We hope to see you soon!



"The Field Trip Exhibit"

The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
& The Summer Youth Photography Program
and the MIT Youth Facility
in conjunction with the
"Young Eyes Walk With Image Catcher"
Student Photography Exhibit Series

present

Virian Jensen 6th grade ©2008

**Through May 11, 2009
at the Muckleshoot Library**

Muckleshoot Youth Services

38977 172nd Ave SE, Bldg #1; Auburn, WA 98092
(253)876-3293

2009 Family Fun Night Schedule

The Youth Services Program is happy to announce that we will continue to have monthly family fun night events in 2009! However, we will be changing days to the first Thursday of every month.

Meals, activities and entertainment are provided. All youth, parents, and community members are welcome to attend.

So mark your calendars and join us each month for these special family fun nights at the MIT Youth Facility from 6-9pm on the first Thursday of every month.

2009 Family Fun Night Dates:

April 2 nd	September 3 rd
May 7 th	October 1 st
June 4 th	November 5 th
July 2 nd	December 3 rd
August 6 th	

Hope to see you there and feel free to call us with any questions, at 253-876-3383.

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THE YEAR MOVES ALONG.....

Some times we measure achievements; days; progress; the daily turn of events with the mark of one hundred. It was Franklin D. Roosevelt who passed the most sweeping reforms our country had ever seen within "the first 100 days" of his presidency. And thus, Presidents, and the press began to measure achievements and accomplishments with the "first 100 days" in office. In our business of public education, we have 180 days in which to complete one school year and prepare our students for the next grade level. One hundred and eighty days as dictated by law guides our daily calendar in schools. Teacher contracts and student school contact days are strictly connected to this ruling. Our 100th day was reached mid-February. In this message, I will comment briefly of some of our collected activities and progress and conclude by underlining the importance of daily attendance and commitment to teaching and learning. The importance of partnerships in this endeavor is critical to the successes of the educational programs and experiences our students need and deserve.



Irene Bowie,
Director of Education/Principal

Mid-February marked our 100th day in school. The holidays and celebrations that marked our calendars with annual events influence what we do in the classroom. Our students expect to celebrate the traditional holidays, along with highlights of birthdays; special events and special holidays. We have been impacted by sorrowful events, as well. While we strive to maintain the normality of teaching under these circumstances, we honor and respect the traditional needs of the moment. We continue to conduct the daily instructions in reading and math, history and science, along with the special classes. Each day is critical, for our time is limited. We have much to teach; the state expects the students to perform successfully. Two quarters, (one semester) of school were completed by the 100th day, and for high school students, this is important. Their achievement is measured in quarters; their grades are tied to credits; and their graduation date is tied to the successful completion of 22.5 credits. Their diploma requires that twenty two and one half credits be completed in conjunction with the successful completion of the Washington State Examination in Reading; Writing; and Math. Daily we remind our students of the need to prepare for the examinations as they attend their classes. As we achieve greater expansion and stability of our programs, we will continue to advance a greater awareness and understanding of the "high stakes" of education for each student.

Witness previous school pictures in the tribal newspapers, our students, parents, teachers and community members have been involved in many school activities. We continue to promote non-traditional learning experiences for our children; and support fresh and innovative ideas as we strive to enhance learning opportunities in school. Visits to surrounding colleges, businesses, trade organizations and places of interest are promoted and supported by school personnel. After school programs and activities, along with utilization of local resources, such as the swimming pool at the Wellness Center, help us expand opportunities for students. The school board supports the expansion and inclusion of innovative ways of teaching our students. Our mutual interest works to define and create effective learning environments in school, all with a concerted vision towards our future.

As a staff, we meet daily, weekly and monthly in an effort to communicate and develop programs and activities that will benefit students enrolled in our classes. We collaborate, invite and include representatives from the various surrounding programs, as we strive to create optimum, learning activities in our school. Celebrations acknowledge student successes and foster parent inclusion. The management and administration of school programs and personnel consume our daily existence and preoccupy us with the business of monitoring and supervision of programs, students, personnel, budgets and building matters. Ensuring the safety and transportation of students adds to our many duties. Many individuals, especially support personnel help make the daily operation of the school possible.

The first one hundred days of school are always filled with numerous tasks for students, parents and staff. As we move into the final eighty days, we are reminded of the responsibility we still have to continue the school year with the same energy and momentum we had at the beginning. This time of year we are faced with an immensity of "so much to do", and yet, we begin to look to the coming year. In my next message, I will address our relocation to the new facility. For now, I would like to remain on the subject of school attendance. Learning is critical at all stages of a child's life; learning occurs in the classroom. Students must be present to learn; we are here to facilitate learning. Parents and guardians are our partners in education; you carry the greatest "load" as you ensure that your child arrives at school every day ready to learn. Thus, we thank you for getting your child to school every day; good attendance helps a child develop the skills necessary for a successful future. Our partnership is to ensure that we are involved in teaching and learning. We welcome your visits, your calls, your contacts and communication with us. Help us help your child in school by demonstrating your presence and involvement with us. Encourage them to attend school on a regular basis and to remain in the classroom in order to take advantage of the opportunity for a good education. We are here to make this possible. We have a little less than eighty days left of school. Thank you for your support.

Irene Bowie,
Director of Education/Principal
Muckleshoot Tribal School

Students Build Hands-on Knowledge

By Sherri Foreman

Social Studies teacher Victoria Hildebrand assigned an end of the quarter project to the high school students in her Native Studies class. Each student had the option to pick from several projects. They could have chosen to cook a traditional food or made a paddle.

A group of high school girls in the Life Skills Elective class decided they would use their time in the elective period to work on building a village for the project in the Native Studies class. First, they discussed what they had learned in the classroom with Miss Hildebrand. Then they gathered materials to begin the longhouse and wood/work shed. Each day after the initial planning they worked on developing the project,

each taking parts they could accomplish and collaborating on areas that needed more builders.

The final project is very detailed with baskets that have berries in them, people that represent from babies to grandparents, as well as fish and berry drying racks. While the project was being developed and after, many students and staff from throughout the school took time to stop look at the model village. Having the opportunity to see the final product is exciting and I am so proud of Rachael Andy, Sophia Spencer, and Addie Iyall for choosing to use their time wisely in the elective class and accomplishing such a great project for their Native Studies class.



MTS Basketball News

BOYS BASKETBALL

By Ildan

The Muckleshoot Tribal School is honored to present their boys basketball team which was formed to promote student and community bonding to the school. The funding for the Coaches has been provided by PAL (Police Athletic League) of King County.



The boys began their season preparation in October, holding their practices at the Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church daily from 2:30 to 4 or 4:30. They have been playing their home games in the school gym on Saturday afternoons. As of this date their record is 3 & 1, with their loss being at Suquamish.

The team is open to all Tribal School enrolled middle school/high school boys. The players are: Louie Moses; Kyle Moses; Antonio Cabanas; Silas Miller; Robert Simmons; Celilo Andy; Danny White; Jacob Ames; Justin Hamilton; Eli Hunt & Marvin Moses. The managers are 4th/5th grade students Jacob James, Jesse Daniels & Tony Jansen. The coaches are Roman & Sean Williams with Don Running & Lil Dan serving as coordinators and liaisons between the school, PAL and the players.

GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM FORMED

By Angie Moses & Sherri Foreman

The girl's basketball team was just started in the last couple of weeks. They are coached by Floyd Baker and supported by Roman & Sean Williams of the PAL "Police Athletic League."

The girls had their first game Feb. 21, 2009 at Nisqually. There were only 5 players present that day Trisha Perez, Vivian Jansen, Angie Moses, Keilani Moses and Rachael Andy. They played the whole game without any subs. They won with a score of 24 to 11. Awesome first game girls!

Family Fun Night at Muckleshoot Tribal School

By Susan Gins, School Nutritionist

On Thursday, January 29, Muckleshoot Tribal School hosted the monthly Family Fun Night for students, family and friends. The meal featured a *Pasta Bar*, with three kinds of pasta, (spaghetti with meat balls; angel hair pasta with homemade white clam sauce; rotini with veggie sauce), garlic bread, two kinds of salad, beverages, and Fudgesicles and Creamsicles for dessert, distributed by teachers Pearla Konig (4th grade teacher), Jennifer Daniel (3rd grade teacher) and student Kalli Starr Comenout.



The evening started at 5:00PM in the former King County Library room with a talk about local gang activity and how to recognize and reduce gang activity. The presentation was followed with a prayer led by Sherri Foreman and then the group adjourned to the gym/cafe-teria.



With tables covered in red and white checked tablecloths supporting the Italian restaurant theme, dinner was served by teachers Leslie LaFountaine, Cindy Hamlin and school nutritionist Susan Gins. The meal had been prepared with special care by "Chef" Doy Sandoval, Head Cook with help from S e f f a

Pedro, Trisha Perez and Deidre Lane-Black & Vivian Jansen.



When dinner was completed, Principal Irene Bowie introduced new Vice-Principal Mario Marsillo to the group. Tables were cleared and Bingo cards were passed out. The game was uniquely played using raisins to cover the called numbers, as Don Munro did an excellent job shouting them out for all to hear. Many fantastic prizes were won. The kitchen clean-up was led by Don Ronning, aided by Cindy, Leslie and Susan; while many other staff members cleared the gym. As we all said good night, Lance Butler remained behind to finish the clean up.

Our Family Fun Nights are held the fourth Thursday of the month from 5:00-7:00PM.

Muckleshoot Tribal School is

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Call for more information 253-931-6709

Tribal School's commitment to academic excellence will now include:

Athletic Programs :
 Football
 Basketball
 Baseball & Softball

New Classes including:
 Auto Mechanics
 Native Wood Carving

Makeup School Day Saturday Feb. 7, 2009

by Sherri Foreman

Saturday morning was an unusual day to get up and go to school. The middle School – High School Art/Home Economics electives class had the opportunity to attend a ceramics painting class. There were nine participants involved in our day of fun.

We all picked ceramic items to paint in the Klay Crazy Classroom. Discovering the difference in painting the ceramic materials and our own canvas boards was interesting. The colors look washed out

and dull. Our instructor said, "It's like Christmas when the items are done firing."

Everyone was excited and we were surprised to see our finished products. The projects turned out wonderful. What a great day to go to school.

Attendees included Kalli Starr-Comenout, Kellie Leonard, Addie Iyall, Jeanne Jerry, Latasha Moses, Jenel Hunter, Suzy Black, Michelle Charles and Sherri Foreman.



Sherri's 2



Michelle's



Latasha's & Michelle's



Kellie's



Various Birthday Bears



Jenel's



Kalli's



Sherri's



Addie's

Photos from Last Summer at Cowichan

Phil Hamilton took these pictures last summer when the Tribal Canoe Journey traveled to Cowichan, BC. These photos cover both the canoe events and the beginning of the North American Indigenous Games, which were also hosted there last year.



Derrick, Mardee, Chris, Teddy & Malia



Hannah at Morongo Casino in California

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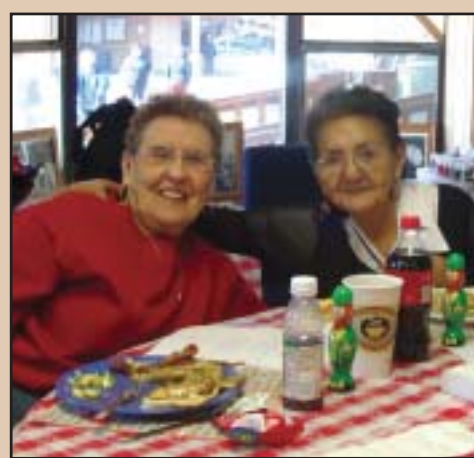
Tulalip Elders Visit Muckleshoot

February 20, 2009

PHOTOS BY NOREEN MILNE



Noreen Milne and Rosalie Cross



RUN-OFF ELECTION *continued from page 9*

come ripping out, diving into the back, and like, "Hurry, let's go!" But times have changed, and as I grew, and as me and my husband kind of formed our family, things started getting better. The tribe has the casino now, and we have so many possibilities. (I've tried to) open my son's eyes to the possibilities that are out here, and to the fact that the tribe has all these super jobs that are waiting for people to become educated and step into... (to hear him say one day), "Wow, I'd like to be a wildlife biologist!" You know?"

I told him "Well, that's the reason why you need to sit here and study, and pay attention in your life, and learn as much as you can while you can, because once you're done, there's no going back. You continually work forward, so make use of the time that you have while you're there and understand that life is not as long as people think. Young people think they've got a long life ahead of them, but it's not as long as people make it out to be."

I still feel pretty young. I'm 40 years old, and I'm realizing that life is short, and you have to take advantage of everything that you have, and spend as much time as you can with the family and friends that you love, and tell people that you love them, and be there for them when they need you.

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I have friends that have addictions, and they talk about wanting to change up their lives. They're always looking for a way to get out. I think it's because of the environment that they get caught up in, or they can't shake these friends that aren't necessarily healthy for them.

And so, it's all about changing up to a pattern that's going to be in *your* best interests and making things happen for you. We've got these jobs here that we offer to the people at starting wages of \$16-\$18 an hour. Those are wages that people work their lifetime to get to.

My daughter started out around that range, and still she'll have her moments when she's discouraged about something, and she'll say, "I'm not sure what I want to do." And I say, "Well, don't look a gift horse in the mouth, because we have a lot of potential right here, and when you go look in the real world, it's not going to be as easy as you have it right here."

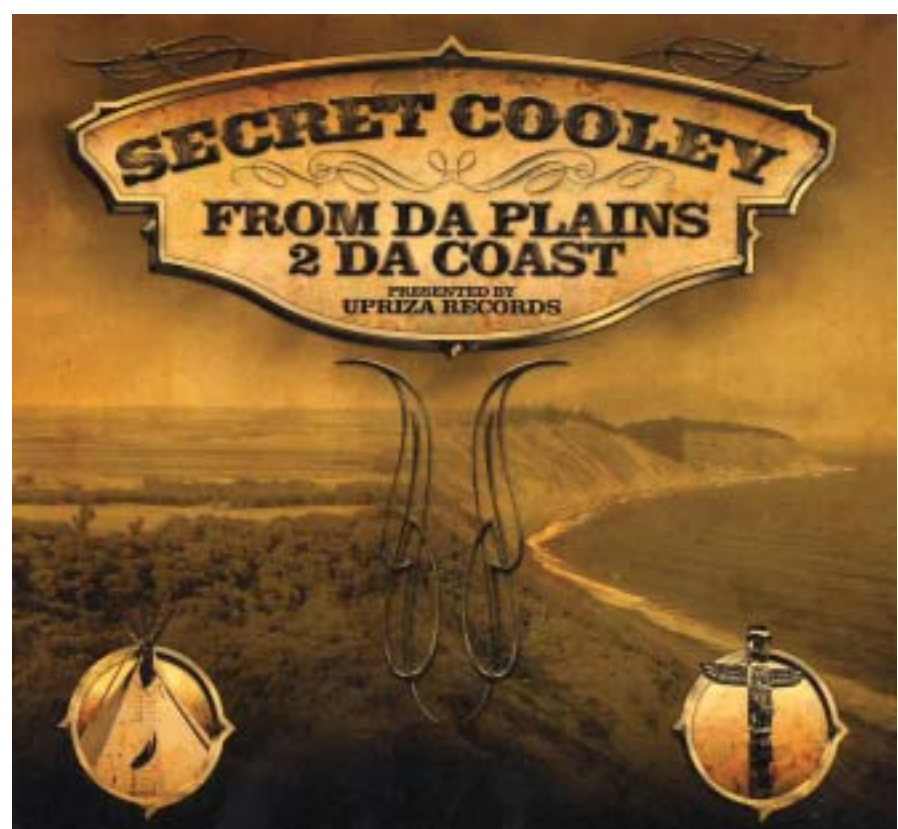
It's been a long, hard struggle for our people. I've been here from the times when there were parties out in front of the tribal school. School buses would be rolling through to pick up the kids in the morning, and there would be parties going on out in the parking lots, and in the middle of the road in the housing projects, and people passed out on the sides of the roads.

We've come a long way from those days. Still, there's always that cycle of death and hardships that we go through around here. But with people pulling together and looking for the positive in things, there's always a light in the tunnel. You've just got to be focused in the right way and channel yourself in that direction.

My opportunity now is to offer hope, and to inspire young people – to spread the word that people should take advantage of the educational opportunities we have here. I work at the Tribal College, and I get kids that come from the tribal school or from Auburn School, or just received their GED. They're kind of lost in the mix, in the transition... "What should I do now?"

Always shoot for the stars (I tell them). Go for what you know is in your heart. Anything's possible if you put your mind and heart to it, and you study it. Nothing's going to come to you easily, but the struggle will be worth it when you feel that moment of pride as you receive your diploma, or your GED certificate or whatever. I mean, it's hard work, but it's worth it in the long run.

And so, (what I have to offer is) information – my knowledge of this community, and the knowledge of the people and the families that I've had encounters with growing up here. You know, I've tried to move from Muckleshoot a few times; but my heart is here, and I could never live anywhere else. This is my people, and I want to be here to serve them. And being a part of the school board is going to be an awesome experience – to be a part of a new change that's going to be a stepping stone for people to do great things.



NOW AVAILABLE — See Ken Gopher

Thank You from the Family of Ethel Mae Keeline

We'd like to thank all the ones who gathered at Mom's house in her time ogettin to leave for her final journey home. She really enjoyed the prayers and songs. We know that the time we joked, prayed and sang really helped in her final days.

- Children of Ethel Mae Keeline
- Jeannette
- Buzz
- Cliff
- F.E.

Thank You from the Family of Ryan Eyle

We'd like to thank all who attended Ryan's funeral and paid final respects. A special thanks to Ryan's Bro's and friends who showed so much respect to family.

- Gracia, Nelson, Wassie, Jeannette, Dale, Roxanne and Norman and aunts and uncles



MCDC Fun Day, February 19



PLEASE SUPPORT M.S. RESEARCH

Contact your members of Congress using this Internet messaging system

-Submitted by Anthony Lozier

Right now, Congress is considering funds for MS research and we simply cannot afford to let this opportunity slip away. Our legislators will decide whether to invest \$15 million to support MS researchers whose discoveries could hold the key to new treatments or a cure.

Will you join me in contacting your legislators today to ask them to support funding for multiple sclerosis research? There is no time to lose! More than 400,000 Americans and their families – including mine – are living with MS. This investment in research could change their lives and get us one step closer to a world without multiple sclerosis. Please email your members of Congress in support of this crucial MS research funding today:

<https://secure3.convio.net/nmss/site/Advocacy?id=585&page=homepage>

Thanks for your help.

New Pharmacy Hours to better accommodate you and your family!

Did you know the Tribal Pharmacy is open until 6 pm M -F?

Also, the Tribal Pharmacy is open during lunch, 12-1.

Monday	8- 6 pm
Tuesday	8-6 pm
Wednesday	9-6 pm
Thursday	8-6 pm
Friday	8-6 pm

For Pharmacy questions call: (253) 333. 3618

Notice:



In an effort to better serve you better, we are making some changes to the walk-in clinic and medication refill guidelines. These changes took affect **Dec. 15th, 2008** and include:

- Walk-in Clinic at 1 pm M-F will be seen based on medical need—not on a first come, first serve basis.
- Patients presenting for walk-in will be checked on their Registration status. If necessary, you will need to update your application.
- The walk-in clinic will no longer be used for pain medication refills. Please see your provider for refills.
- Lost or stolen narcotics will no longer be refilled.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we continue to look for ways to improve our services for you and your family.



Birth Record

By Lisa Elkins

December 2008

12/7/08 - Proud Parents Damien Elkins & Coralie Daniels re pleased to announce the arrival of their son:

Damien Francisco Elkins-Daniels Jr. Eight pounds four ounces and 19 1/2" Proud Maternal Grandma Emiley Montes; Proud Paternal Grandma Christine Elkins; Proud Great Grandma Georgiana Elkins

Our sweet baby boy fills all of our hearts with love



12/27/08 - Proud Parents: Sergio & Amy Castaneda

Girl- Mia Selene Castaneda

Proud Grandparents: John & Tammy Byars

Rafael & Maria Castaneda

Proud Great Grandparents: Jim & Dossie Wynne, Wendell & Helen Byars

January 2009

1/17/09- Proud Parents: LaTausha Penn & Keenan Ekegren

Girl- Lillian Marie Penn-Ekegren 7

lbs. 7 oz. , 18 1/2 in. long

Proud Grandparents: Richard Penn Sr. & Lisa Penn, Priscilla Scarborough,

Kathy & John (Keenan's mom & step-

dad)."



Lillian Marie Penn-Ekegren

Welcome Isabella A. Starr!

Born February 6, 2009

Weight 7lb., 10oz., length 20-1/4"

Mother Amy Ross

Father Stanley Leonard

Big Brother Timmy Ross Jr.

Grandparents: Mike and Candy Starr,

Delrena Courville and Rick Leonard



Betsy Estefania Bargala

Born February 27, 2009

7 lbs 13 oz ~ 18.5" tall

Congratulations ~

Sunshine and Carlos



Kelsey Michelle

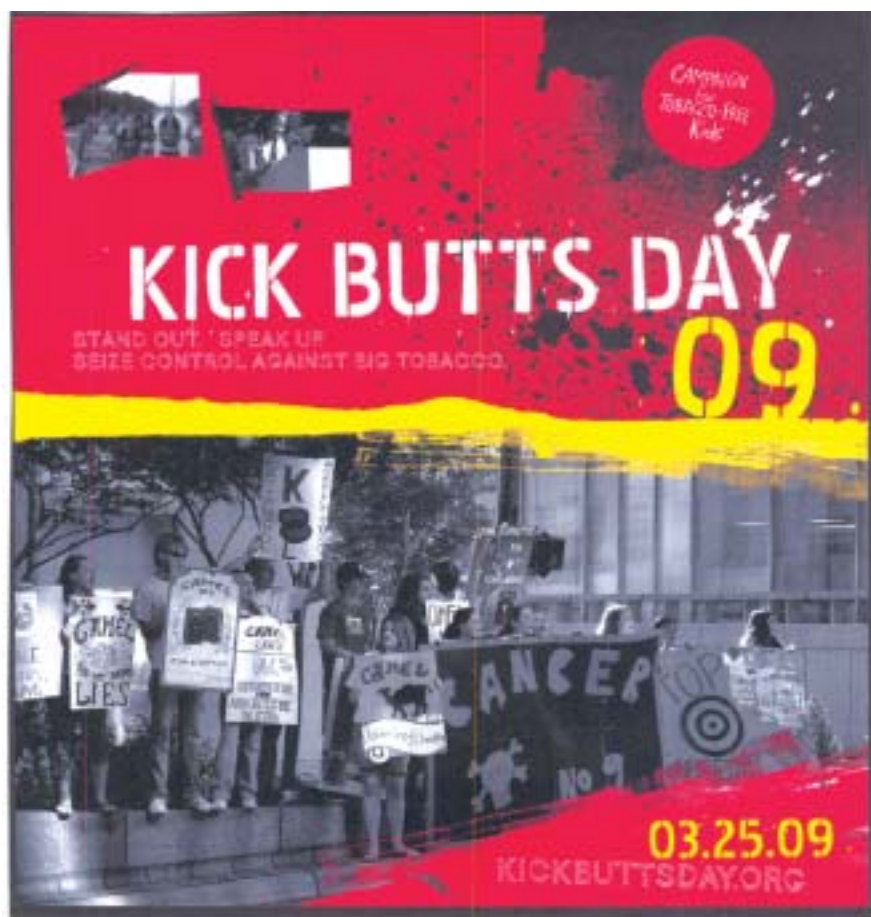


Kelsey, Mom and Dad

Welcome Kelsey Michelle Williams born March 5, 2009. 6 pounds 6 ounces 18 1/2 inches long. Proud Parents Sonya Williams & Jason Calfloking. Grandparents Kim & Ed Sneatlum, Adrienne Vielle, Great Grandparents Loretta & Alfred Williams- Sr, Phyllis Enick.

Kimberly M. Sneatlum

Congratulations to our new parents!!!



“Your Suggestions Count”

The Muckleshoot Health & Wellness Center offers “suggestion boxes” where guests can fill out forms to share thoughts, comments or suggestions. The purpose of these forms is to help us improve the quality of services offered to the community. These forms are not “incident reports”, but rather confidential and private opportunities to share your thoughts on what we are doing well or on ways we might improve.

The suggestion boxes are located in each reception area and the main lobby of the building. The feedback forms are located next to the boxes. The boxes are checked at least twice a month by the Facilities Secretary and then delivered directly and confidentially to the appropriate department manager. Suggestions are then discussed privately at Quality Improvement committee meetings.

If possible, please provide contact information on the suggestion form so the appropriate manager can contact you to address your particular suggestion or area of concern. Again, this would be a confidential and private conversation.

We want to hear from you. Please take a moment to stop by the Health & Wellness Center and fill out a suggestion form today. Your thoughts matter!

Thank you.

Lisa James, Director
Health Division



PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

Wellness Center

Family Safari

Thursday, March 26th

5:30-7:30pm

Food
Dinner: Subs and Sodas!

Movie
Jungle Book shown in the Pool

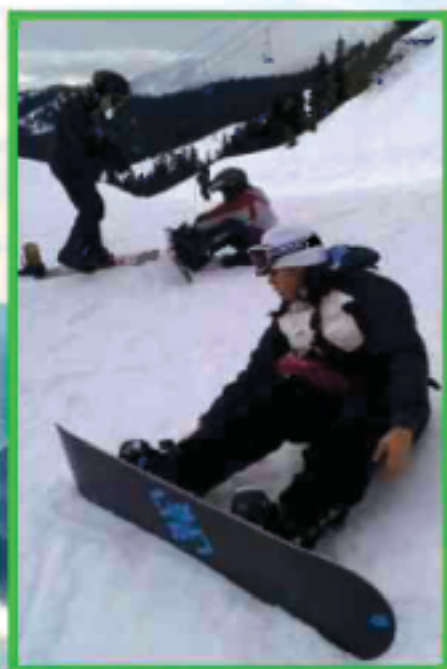
Pool Lagoon
Bring your swimsuits!! Pool will be magically transformed into a lagoon with crocodiles and turtles!!

Fun
Bouncy house in gym + Lots of Games!

Must be a Wellness Center member, please call 333-3616 w/questions

FACT: February’s edition of the Muckleshoot Monthly set a new record for total number of photos printed – 477!

Muckleshoot Wellness Center's “Ski Snoqualmie” Trip on February 18th



Thank you to: Roy Murphy, Hailey Mathias, Alice Purcell and Jose Sanchez- Hernandez for joining us! We hope you had fun!

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICE (CHS) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

CHS OFFICE (253) 939-6648

1. Notify CHS office before any non-emergent services are rendered to determine patient eligibility, medical priority and to set aside funds for payment. Pre-authorization is mandatory and failure to comply is reason for denial of payment for claim(s).
2. In true medical emergencies, notify the CHS office within seventy two (72) hours of start of services. Failure to comply is reason for denial of payment of claim(s).
3. Prior notification does not guarantee CHS pay for services, unless all other CHS requirements are met. There are some services CHS can not cover.

ALTERNATE RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS:

Muckleshoot CHS is a residual resource and not an entitlement program. In addition to CHS, other resources for health care are available from various state, and federal programs, as well as individual and group health insurance policies. By federal law, CHS must ensure that all resources, where and when applicable, are utilized before CHS can assume financial responsibility for your care.

This means that CHS will not be authorized if you are eligible or would be eligible upon making an application for an alternate resource such as: Medicare (over age 65 or disabled at any age), Medicaid (medical coupons), crippled children or have private insurance etc. Failure to comply with a CHS office referral to an alternate resource will terminate your CHS coverage. You are required to use these benefits as your first source of payment of your medical-related costs.

The CHS office is required, as per IHS Federal Rules and Regulations, which requires all CHS denials to patients be sent by certified mail to the address on file.

Help in Quitting Smoking!



The Muckleshoot Health & Wellness Center uses and endorses the **Washington State Quitline** to assist in stopping smoking.

Call 1-800-QUITNOW for free and effective help in quitting smoking.

NOTICE TO ALL HWC Clients/Patients

Effective
7-25-08 into 2009

We will be replacing all the carpet at the HWC in several stages. This means that services/access may be temporarily relocated.

Notices will be posted in each area prior to relocation.
Thank you for your patience



FRESH PAINT!

On January 31 the Pentecostal Church hosted a kid's carnival put on by Fresh Paint Outreach Ministries. Fresh Paint is dedicated to partnering with local churches to help children and youth understand their value, worth and purpose. Talented young people present the life giving message of Jesus Christ through song, drama, puppets, old fashioned carnivals, and cutting edge multimedia. The free event was well attended and everyone enjoyed the food, the games, and the live bands.



Jerry Chapman pays a visit to MPC

On February 15 the Pentecostal Church the morning service was led by Jerry Chapman. Jerry is a native drum builder, musician and Minister of the Gospel, and is always a welcome visitor to the Pentecostal Church. He invited the children to stay in the service and join in worshipping God through dance, which they did enthusiastically. He also encourages children to learn to drum, and plans to return to the church to do more work with the children.



Della Morrison Family Photos

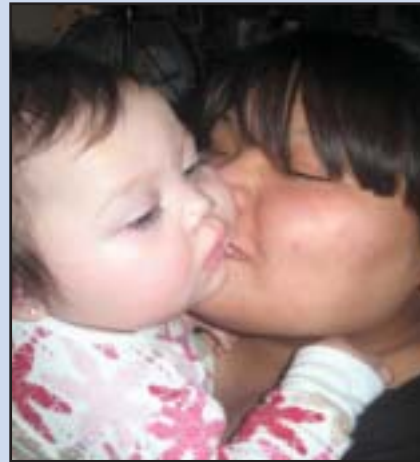
PHOTOS BY DELLA MORRISON



Mace 'n' Rayanna



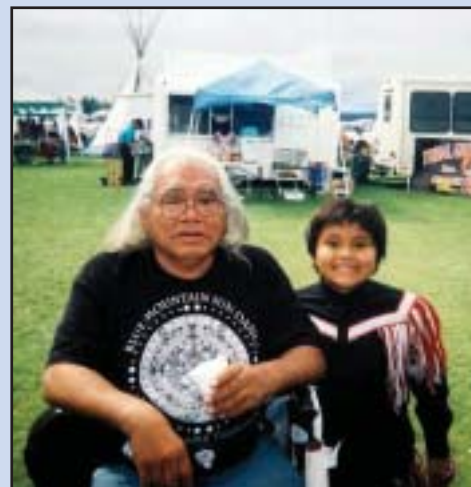
Family



Chooch on horse



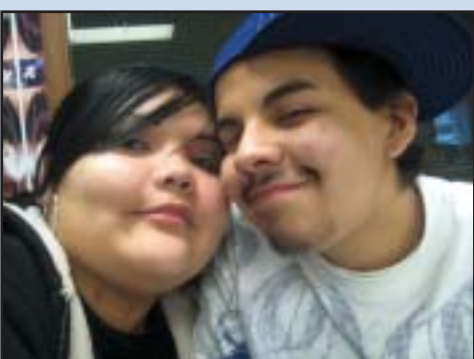
Jackie, Chontaye, Jordan and Jonathan



Uncle George Barr and Jonathan Sampson Jr.



Jordan Troy Morrison



Shontaye 'n' Pierre



The Kids



Vivian, Dareece, Roberta, Anthony, Chontaye, Jonathan, Chuckie the Dog, Clifford and Diana

Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church

Kenny Williams, Pastor

SCHEDULE

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



Daily Life.!

How Would I Explain Life Well Were Born, Grow Up, Then Die Right .? Well Sure That's Normal .! People Can Die From Many Different Way's Such As Natural Cause's. Cancer. Sick-ness. Bullet. Stabbed. Heart Attack. Car Wreck. Food Poison. Allergies. Gang Shooting See The List Just Keep's Going .! Well You Could Die From A Lot Of Thing's But You Can Never Prevent Death, You Can Put Off Death But Not Stop It :/ You Will Someday Die And Leave Your Foot Print's In Someone's Life. Or The World, It All Depend's .! My Main Problem Is I Lose Family And Friend's Like Everyday It Seem's But I Just Try And Keep A Positive Outlook On It, But It Get's Difficult When You Loose A Couple Of Them In A Row .! Yeahh Hard To Swallow That Stuff Everyday Huh .? But I'm Native American (Muckleshoot) Well This Race Has Alcohol And Drug Problem's/Addiction's That We Can't Control .! Drug's Have This Weird Impact On Us That We Must Not Understand Because The More Of Us Die The More Of These Young Native's Go Out And Drink When They Are Like 13 And 16 Year's Old Because Their Brother. Sister. Cousin. Best Friend Just Died From It But The Only Thing That Is Keeping That Pain Away From Your Head And Heart Is Those Drug's And Alcohol .! Well Those Thing's Aren't Going To Make That Stuff Disappear Or Anything It Will Always Be There .! Life Is Hard It Has Up's And Down's But You Will Have To Live With It, Or Just Die And Leave Your Loved One's Just As The One You Loved Did To You .! Well The Person You Loved Will Do The Same Thing You Did For Your Loved 1's .! See Where I'm Going Here, It's A Pattern All Over Again .! It's The Circle Of Life For Most Native American's I'm Not Judging Or Anything Because I'm Native But I Have Been Through Some Stuff That No Person Should Go Through Whether If Your 80 Or 18 .! If We Don't Find A Way To Stop These Evil Thing's (Drug's And Alcohol) From Killing A Tribal Member Everyday, Soon Enough There Will Be No Muckleshoot Tribal Member Left And That Will Be The Worst Day In History .! We Are Bright Gifted Beautiful People That Deserve Another Chance .! So As Long As I'm A Live I Will Never Do Drug's Or Alcohol .! And Pray To Our God And Ask That One Day Our World Will Be Safer Than It Is Now .! Drug's And Alcohol Are The Reason's Why Only A Few Full Blooded Native American's Are Walking On This Green Beautiful Land That God Granted To Us :) To Make Better Not Screw Up .! Because If I Were Pregnant Right Now I Would Not Want My Child Growing Up In A Place That Has So Many Different Drug's That Our Reservation Could Be Drug Pharmacy .! All I'm Saying Is I Hope We Do Something Before It's Too Late :/

~Angelica Rodarte

A LETTER FROM A 16-YEAR OLD TRIBAL MEMBER

This letter was written by a 16 year Tribal member. As you can see our children are hurting and crying out for help. We as parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles need to see how we carry our self and how it impacts our children.

They are the future of our people. We need to hear their cry and act on doing something to stop what is going on in our community. We all know something about who contributes alcohol and or drugs to our youth. We need to stop protecting those that are killing our future. I see many parents and grandparents crying for help because they have their child that is getting into trouble and hanging around other kids that are in pain and getting started out in the wrong direction using alcohol or drugs to medicate their pain. They have witnessed the adults in their life do this and so they follow the example.

We all know that our community has gone through some tremendous hardships and losses. But do we continue to be faithful to the one thing that is taking so much from us and turn to the things that will kill us as a people.

Our ancestors struggled through hardships and so much pain. They were refugees in our own homeland. The hardships that they endured was to hope for a life for the future generations to come.

We need to respect our ancestors and carry ourselves in a good way. They did not endure the hardships that they did so that we would come to kill our selves with alcohol and drugs. They survived because they wanted us to someday bring back to the people the peace and beauty that the creator has given us and to find our strength in the love that they fought so hard to pass on down. We need to stop pointing fingers and be bitter and hateful to one another and stop being so selfish and think of only our self. We need to see what we are doing to our children and grandchildren and our future as a people.

Our ancestors did not suffer and sacrifice to see us destroy one another.

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February 23, 2009

As I see my people fall half of them never come back, only as a memory one by one they come and go.

It hurts me badly to see the Families of my tribe go through so much sorrow. We as a community need to talk and do something about our loved ones using drugs and alcohol it's killing us.....

We all have dreams, we need to accomplish those dreams. Speak the words you feel....

If you are using, think about it. You like watching your kids die off. You like seeing your friends ,brothers, sisters mom and dads leave before your eyes.

*I've lost a lot of friends. My friends lost a lot of family, but through out it all
IT'S DRUG RELATED.*

16 year old Muckleshoot Tribal Member

WHEN WILL IT STOP?!!!

Another week, another death to deal with in this small community we call home. It seems as though I've been preparing funeral announcements and memorial slide shows on a weekly basis for months now and I'm becoming drained.

I don't know if it's the fact that I am over weight that I feel winded these days or if it's just that my heart is so heavy it's weighing on my lungs, causing me to feel as if I'm having to gasp for air; Or perhaps I'm feeling how my sister-in-laws little sister struggled for a last breath, idk. I just wonder what it's going to take before people around here open their eyes to what they are doing to themselves and to our community. When will our people stop the drugs! Don't they realize what kind of pictures they are drawing for our children, their children! When will we stop trying to self-medicate with the very things that are causing us the heartache, bringing death to our community, causing our young people to feel so down and out. When will we tire of putting our people down?

Our new cemetery is filling way too quickly. Is it true what they say about the mighty dollar, that sometimes it does more harm than good? I'm beginning to wonder. We have all these programs that are supposed to be here to help make the lives of our people better but I wonder if it is some of these programs that are enabling people to use and abuse even more?

Maybe it's time for our leaders to take a harder look at the BIG PICTURE, do what is right at all expenses, even if in the beginning it may seem quite harsh. Re-organize, re-calibrate, work on a realistic vision and see where the problem areas are and start taking a stand to crack down and do what will be in the best interest of us ALL even if it means there may be some immediate rough roads ahead.

I want our tribe to be a place that enables healthy growth; a place that isn't blinded by politics or by what your last name is and for our leaders not be afraid to take a bold stand for what will ultimately save us all. I don't know why I feel the need to vent in this manner but my heart is heavy, and I'm tired of attending funeral after funeral. It's time for a serious wake up call!!! Time for us to take a serious stand! Maybe it's time to step up; are you down?!!



THREE POEMS

A Mother's Love

Giving Life
Giving Love
Giving Guidance
Giving Advice
Giving Unselfishly
Giving Knowledge
Giving
Going
Gone
But not forgotten

Life

Learning
Growing
Dreaming
Succeeding
Babies
Children
Teenagers
Resilient
Tough
Harsh lives
Death
Quietness

Total Bliss

I anticipate your caressing waves
The way you warm me all over
I can't wait to feel you upon me
The way you send chills down my spine
I look toward the times we spend together
Calling for me day and night
I don't know what I would do without you
I thank the person who made you
The way you make me feel soft all over
Taking away the dirtiness
Washing all my cares away
The way we steam up the room
When were together
Oh! How I love my...shower.

~ Written by a tribal member



Our Community

I sit here with a feeling of warmth as I look out at ones left behind
Picking up the pieces & looking towards one another for comfort & a smile
Losing a loved one is personal.
Not all of us do deal with loss alike, but still all strive to go forward.
We ache for a hug, a smile and for someone to just sit there with us as we struggle
With all the mixed emotions.
Seeing a child walk by during a loss feels so good, because it is a
Sign of the future & brings forth the reality that there is a tomorrow,
though, without our loved one....
Our loved one has completed their journey here on earth, leaving footprints
of love, laughter, a smile, precious moments that will be with us always.
A life that was sent here to minister to us in a way that no one else was able.
To be able to leave this earth knowing that you made someone laugh, feel good inside,
to leave with someone a little more inner strength, comfort, happiness
To feed someone when they are hungry, or warm them with a blanket, a smile, a comforting word,
to clothe them, encourage them in song, to teach them the simplest thing are all diverse ministries.
Too long we've watched our young ones hurt one another or themselves and not slow down long enough to
reach out and find out what's troubling that beautiful young Being that God took time out to create,
and knowing that there is a Momma yearning for her child to reach out for a helping hand... as there are many.
I feel this warmth inside, because there is a comfort in knowing that we all hurt together, not as alone as we think.
A glance from a passer by is feeling your hurt, loneliness and anger in not being ready to let go.
Our Creator is by your side, awaiting your request for help in this time of need.
To be in a realm of people that come together to see this loved one for the last time is a blessing.
Gather that strength that is being offered, accept that smile, that hug, that lil word of encouragement.
Thank our Creator for the Loved ones left behind, and that God will comfort them, meet their every need, whether
it be spiritual, financial or physical.
Young ones, cherish your moments with your elders. Hang on to their every word, and know that one day
you'll be able to recall what your elder shared with you and realize that it was for a reason.
Our elders impart in us this strength that we need to go forward, the knowledge between right and wrong...
They give us a firm ground to stand on, without needing to rely on false temporary fixes this earth has rendered...
Leaving us broken, tattered and weak.
I am thankful today for this strong caring community that I live in and feel good in knowing that if
For some reason I can no longer walk, talk or think for myself, that there are people in this community that will
Step up and care for me.
May God Bless each and everyone in this community, spiritually, financially & physically for their endurance during
these hardships as your rewards are plenty...though they may not come in a monetary sense, they'll come in other
ways, ways that will benefit us when we most need them, as this is the Promise of our Creator.

Change, it's about you!

Ecclesiastes 3:1 States "To everything there is a season, for every season a purpose"...

In a recent article e-mailed to tribal staff, Janet Emery asked the question "When will it stop?" in reference to all the deaths in our community. It is true that our community and our tribe has been going through a difficult season and many, like Janet, have stated we need to change, while some have asked "What can I do to bring change?" The question is "Do we have the ability to bring change in the midst of a difficult season?"

In Acts 3:19 it states "Repent".....so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord."

The Greek definition for the word repent in this passage simply means to change your mind. Change your way of thinking.

We can change by the way we look at the person next to us. We can change by the way we talk to each other. We can change by the way we look at ourselves. We can change in the choices we make each day, choices that could have an impact not only on us but those around us, our friends our family. You see the thing with God is He gave us the ability to choose, to accept Him or reject Him. He gave us the ability to choose between right and wrong.

By changing our way of thinking, by bringing change in the choices we make each day and coming together in a unified effort we can bring a time of refreshing to our lives, our family, friends our community, that can only come from the presence of the Lord.

Change, it's about you.

~ Submitted by Phillip Hamilton

Flag Football

at the Muckleshoot Ballfields

PHOTOS BY ROSEANNA NELSON



5th place finish at state tournament caps Isiah Corwin's wrestling season

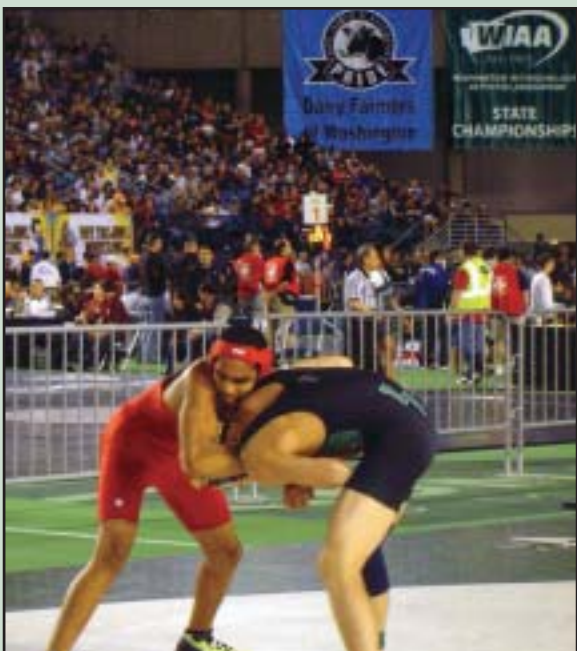
Isiah Corwin of Renton's Lindbergh High School was an alternate at last year's state wrestling championships, and was determined to make it into the tournament this season. The 152-pounder went undefeated in league competition this year.

That was good enough to earn a berth at state, where he got off to a good start, defeating Bellevue's Erik Owens 14-11 in the first round. In the second round, he was leading East Valley's Jacob Rodriguez in points before a knock on the head changed the flow of the match.

"I blanked out for a second," Corwin said. "He got my back and pinned me."

Corwin picked up a 13-2 victory against Timberline's Andre Courie in the consolation bracket, before falling again to Bonney Lake's Joey Salgado to end his state run, finishing in fifth place.

(Isiah's biggest fan is grandma Norma Corwin of the MIT Realty Department.)



state wrestling 2009



Isiah Corwin

*Thank you
Thanks to Sallie and
Gator Courville*

I also want to express my deepest gratitude to my sister, Sallie and her husband, Gator for taking my grandson with them to the tournaments. I know Anthony appreciated it as much as I did. I know they enjoy watching our boys play because they are both "sports nuts". Thanks again! Love you, Sis Sharon

Youth Boys Basketball Team

I want to say thanks to Mike Leslie, Mikey John and Tyrese for coaching our boys in basketball. This was my grandson's first year playing and he loves basketball. Thanks for having the patience and commitment it takes to coach and for transporting. The boys did well this year, but might have a tournament in Yakama yet. They took second place in Nisqually and Taholah. You go Boys! It's great to see those boys playing and having so much fun playing together. Most of them play baseball on the same team too. If they keep playing the way they are now, they'll be taking home first place next year. I am so proud of you boys! Love you all, "Anthony's Grandma" (Sharon Laclair)

MIT member Berry Peterson leads Oakville to 19-0 season

Submitted by Celeste Vigil (Tahk-ha-Wit)

The parents and family of Berry Peterson (sHuw? lasknout) want to congratulate him on his winning basketball season.

Berry is an enrolled Muckleshoot tribal member and currently is a Junior at Oakville High School in Oakville, WA. The Acorns had an undefeated season with a record of 19-0. They placed 2nd at the Coastal 1B District play offs. They were 1-2 at the 1B Boys State Basketball Championship recently held at the Yakima Sun Dome in Yakima, WA.

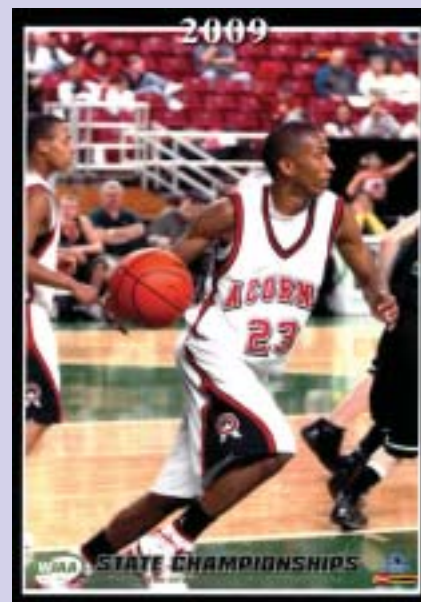
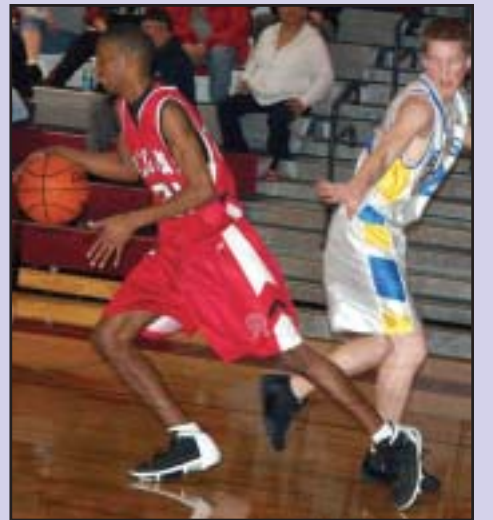
Stats for Berry are: #23, Position G/P/P, Ht. 6'1", Gms. 19, Pts. 415, and Avg. 21.8 pts per game. He averaged 23 points per game pre-state.

Berry was recently identified by the USA Junior Nationals basketball program as one of the

outstanding high school basketball players in his region and will be participating in the USA Junior Nationals All-State High School Basketball Competition in April.

His parents are Pete Peterson, Jr. and Celeste Vigil. Your grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and your home Rez (Skokomish) loved watching you play this year and look forward to next year. We all support you and know that you have only begun to showcase your potential!

The family would like to thank everyone who came and watched him play, who wished him well, and who encouraged him and who asked how his games went. He is loved by many.



The Latest From The Social Services Department

Social Services Specialist, Linda A. Starr

Muckleshoot Resource Center

253-876-3338

Low Income Energy Assistance Now Available

Applications are now being accepted for Low Income Energy Assistance at the Muckleshoot Resource Center.

Checklist for Energy Assistance includes:

1. Social Security Number for every member of your household
2. Income verification for every member of your household age 18 and older (No income declaration required for non-working household members)
3. Your most current utility statement

INCOME GUIDELINES:

Number in Family	Maximum Income Allowed
1	\$29,305
2	\$38,321
3	\$47,338
4	\$56,355
5	\$65,372
6	\$74,389
7	\$83,405
8	\$92,422

If you need help with your light bill or gas bill and feel that you meet the above criteria, please see Linda Starr at the Resource Center for an application.

Please allow seven to 10 days for processing application.



Jim Cross and son Jared

PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

Qwest Discounted Telephone Service Available

Includes Tribal Lifeline & Tribal Link-Up

Applications for discounted telephone service for those that meet the following criteria are available at the Muckleshoot Resource Center:

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must live on tribal lands and participate in at least one of the following public assistance programs to qualify:

- Food Stamps
- Medicaid
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance
- Low Income Energy Assistance Program
- BIA General Assistance Programs
- Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance For Needy Families
- Head Start (Meeting Income Test)
- National School Lunch Programs

If you are interested in either of these programs and meet the above listed criteria, please see Linda Starr at the Resource Center for an application.

General Assistance

Unfortunately, we have not received funds for General Assistance for 2009. However, if any funds become available I will put notice out via the Tribal Newsletter, tribal member employee e-mail, as well as, the Rez Hotwire, you know rez gossip!

DSHS Outstation

Applications for DSHS are available here at the Resource Center for medical and food and cash benefit assistance.

DSHS workers continue to be available Wednesday and Thursday of each week.

Mary Keophimane, Financial Service Specialist is available to assist you on Wednesday.

Tim Shane, Financial Service Specialist is here to assist you on Thursday.

Support Enforcement

Jana Music, Support Enforcement Officer, Tribal Liaison is available the last Monday of every month from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to assist you with any questions you have regarding support enforcement.



Window Into The Past...

PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY MARK JAMES



These are Mark's grandparents. The picture was taken shortly after they were married.



Leta Starr Hahn and Laura Starr-James-Nichols



Lester James and Bill Hahn.

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. 400th 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?

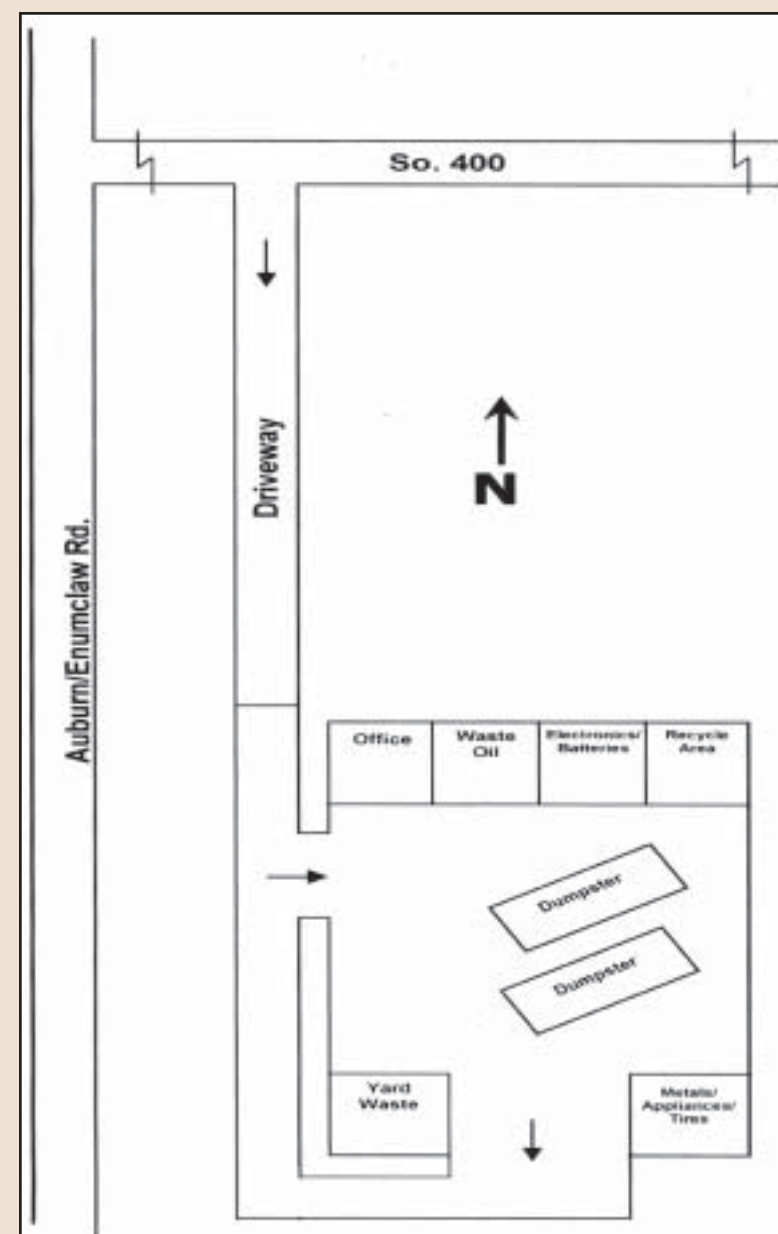
- Yard Waste
- General Household garbage
- Tires, small engine, batteries
- TV, computer and other electronic items
- Major appliances
- Waste oils and paints

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.

2009 5th Fifth Annual

D.A.S. MEN'S ALL-INDIAN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 6 FT & UNDER PLUS 1

Muckleshoot Tribal Gymnasium

12 teams - 10 players per team w/coach
Double elim. - \$350 entry fee -
\$175 dep. required before 3-13-09
Tribal ID required
1st Place - Letterman jackets
2nd, 3rd, 4th places
MVP, Sharpshooter, Mr. Hustle,
Sportsmanship, All Stars

March 27, 28, & 29, 2009



CONTACT INFO:

Lenny Sneatum	253-740-6870	Logan Sneatum	253-797-7319
Sheryl Sneatum	253-266-8910	Liz Sneatum	360-876-4011
Dawn Sneatum	253-261-4381	Lisa Sneatum	253-876-3325

Make Checks to (no personal checks):

Leonard J. Sneatum
17320 SE 387th Place
Auburn, WA 98092

Not responsible for any loss, injuries, on premises. Players and fans assume all responsibility of securing their property, as well as health and safety concerns.

CHECK OUT THE MUCKLESHOOT LIBRARY'S

NATIVE AMERICAN COLLECTION

One of our system goals is to "provide collections and services to meet community needs and interests." At the Muckleshoot Library, we have been fortunate enough to fulfill this goal in a very unique way.

The Muckleshoot Library is distinctive in that it is located on tribal land. The Muckleshoot Tribe was generous enough to donate the land to KCLS, and we felt compelled to show our appreciation for this kind gesture. One of the ways in which we've done this is by establishing *The Native American Collection*.

A sample of the collection includes...

- Native American culture from historical and contemporary perspectives
- Religious and cultural customs and norms
- Native American mythology and story telling
- Crafts and cookbooks
- Archival information related to the Muckleshoot Tribe

Our collection contains a plethora of information related to the Whulshootseed / Lushootseed language, which includes dictionaries, study and teaching guides, and musical CDs.

While some of the historical information related to the Muckleshoot Tribe is for in-library viewing only, the majority of the collection is available for checkout.

One of the goals in creating the collection is for the community to see themselves in the collection and thereby to view themselves as an integral part of the library and of the library's success. Another goal in showcasing this part of the collection is to have it serve as a springboard to pique our patrons' interests in order to explore the other myriad of resources that KCLS has to offer.

More information about the Native American Collection at the Muckleshoot Library can be found on the KCLS webpage by clicking on the Muckleshoot link.

MEMORIAL SERVICES VERNON STARR

~ Friday, March 20, 2009 ~
10 o'clock a.m.

Muckleshoot Shaker Church

16407 SE 822nd Street, Auburn, Washington, 98002

**DINNER &
GIVE-AWAY WILL FOLLOW
SERVICES**

For more information or to donate to the family, please contact
Harriet Ross (253) 939-6648 Or Dub Starr

Chayton Hannigan's Birthday Party

Chayton Hannigan's mom, Janice, planned a special party for his sixth birthday, including a magician!

PHOTOS BY JOHN LOFTUS

Thank You!

I would like to Thank Everyone who came and joined my son Chayton Hannigan to celebrate his Birthday in January. My baby is now 7 and it's hard to believe he is now a young man and not so much my baby anymore. He loved each and every gift he received from everyone and would have re-lived that night over and over if he could. We would like to give a "big" thank you to Scott Anderson who was our magician. He had traveled from Oregon to do the show for us and is now serving our country in Iraq for the next year. Again I wanted to thank everyone who had attended the party from the youngest to the oldest we appreciate you taking time out of your life to celebrate his birthday with us!!!

Janice Hannigan





PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

KEIONNA ROSE. Faye Moses and Yvonne Emery are pictured here with baby Keionna Rose, the newest addition to their family.

Happy 3rd Birthday! Gabriel Ryan Hamilton



Love, Grammy, Pop Pop, Mommy, Auntie Amber & Best Friend Tiger

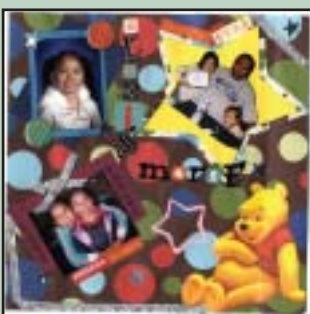
Happy 71st Birthday to Hoagie "Papa" King George....

Love Always, Your Grandchildren

PHOTOS FROM

Rosa Maldonado

Grandmother: Leona Perez Daniels
Parents: Gloria Adame and Valdemar Maldonado Sr.



Nathaniel Alexis and Israel



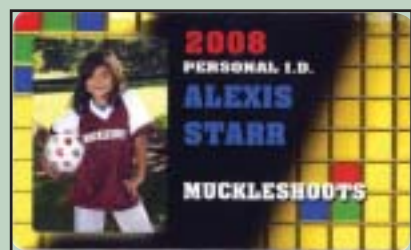
LISA MARIE MALDONADO
First kill, Malta, Idaho
October 10, 2008



Rosa Maldonado and Linda Shivel (soon to be Eyle)



Rosa Maldonado and Sandra Courville



Maricella Maldonado, 12 year old



Nyra Moses, Rosa Maldonado, Leta Jerry, Summer of '08



Bradie Bennett, 6 years old

Happy Birthday!

Happy, Happy Birthday to "Beautiful", Dahawnee Mae Moses
March 5th, 2009
2 years old

We love you so, so very much Beautiful! May you be very happy & joyful on this day!

Love you bunches,
Uncle Rich (My man), Auntie Lisa, Tamara, Teya, Shaughnessi, Dayton, & Daynen

Also like to wish a very Happy Birthday to:
Alice-03/17
Ramona Reeves-03/17

Love,
Rich, Lisa, Tamara, Teya, Shaughnessi, Dayton, & Daynen

To my very handsome son, Richie Jr.
03/19 ~ 7 yrs. old
We want to wish you the best birthday yet son. I love you very, very much
Lotsa love always,
Dad, Lisa, Tamara, Teya, Shaughnessi, Dayton, & Daynen



Happy Birthday To:

- Uncle Mark, March 13th
- Jack Murphy, March 13th
- Leandra Rojas, March 17th (happy 21st)
- Missy Brown, March 18th
- Andrea Gonzales, March 18th
- Andre Flores-James, March 19th
- Bailey Brown, March 26th (happy 1st)



Payton Mace Andre



Kimberly and Alexis Starr



Happy New Year from Bailey Brown!



Uncle Mark James

SUBMITTED PHOTOS



Rachel Heaton and her mom, Katherine Arquette

PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

Former MIT employee Mandy Hubbard publishes first novel

Many of our readers and staff will remember Mandy Hubbard, who worked for a couple of years in the MIT Realty Office. Her mom is MIT Collections Specialist Donna Hogerhuis. Mandy has good news to share: Her first novel, *Prada and Prejudice*, will be published in June. Here are some things from Mandy's website: <http://www.mandyhubbard.com>

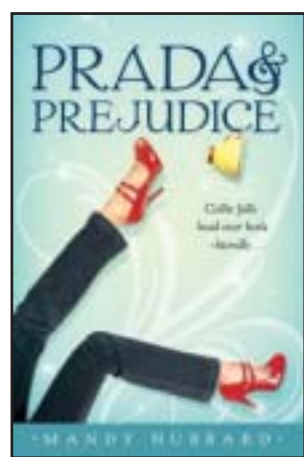


Mandy Hubbard

PLOT SUMMARY:

Fifteen-year-old Callie buys a pair of real Prada pumps to impress the cool crowd on a school trip to London. Goodbye, Callie the clumsy geek-girl, hello popularity! But before she knows what's hit her, Callie wobbles, trips, conks her head... and wakes up in the year 1815!

She stumbles about until she meets the kind-hearted Emily, who takes Callie in, mistaking her for a long-lost friend. Sparks soon fly between Callie and Emily's cousin, Alex, the maddeningly handsome—though totally arrogant—Duke of Harksbury. Too bad he seems to have something sinister up his ruffled sleeve...



From face-planting off velvet piano benches and hiding behind claw-foot couches to streaking through the estate halls wearing nothing but an itchy blanket, Callie's curiosity about Alex creates all kinds of trouble.

But the grandfather clock is ticking on her 19th Century shenanigans. Can Callie save Emily from a dire engagement, win a kiss from Alex, and prove to herself that she's more than just a loud-mouth klutz before her time there is up?

EARLY PRAISE FOR "PRADA AND PREJUDICE"

"If the shoe fits, wear it—and if you're in the mood for a frickin' awesome romance, this is *definitely* the shoe for you." – Lauren Myracle, New York Times Bestselling Author of TTYL

"*Pride and Prejudice* meets *The Wizard of Oz* meets *The Princess Diaries* in this enchanting story of a young girl's journey back in time... With delicious romance around every corner, and tantalizing mysteries waiting to be uncovered, *Prada & Prejudice* will satisfy the sweet tooth of dreamy, young readers everywhere." – Kristin Walker, author of *A MATCH MADE IN HIGH SCHOOL*, Coming from Razorbill in May 2009.

"Based very loosely on *Pride and Prejudice*, this humorous teen time-travel romance is the perfect escape." – Cyn Balog, author of *FAIRY LUST*, coming from Random House in June 2009.



Mountain View Fire & Rescue / Black Diamond Fire Department wants you to be safe and informed about poisons

Each year, two million poisoning exposures are reported to Poison Centers across the country and most of them happen in the home. Even though more than half of the poisonings involve children six and younger few people realize adults get poisoned too and they usually have the most serious injuries. There are also several pets that are poisoned each year because of their curious nature and their natural instinct to lick and chew.

Many household products, medications and plants are poisons. A poison is any chemical or substance that can make you sick or kill you if you:

1. Eat it
2. Drink it
3. Breathe it
4. Get it on your skin
5. Get it in your eyes

If you see any of the following signs or symptoms, call 1-800-222-1222 and/or 9-1-1 right away:

1. An open container nearby
2. Pills, berries, etc. in the mouth
3. Strange odor on the breath
4. Burns around the mouth
5. Upset stomach, nausea, or vomiting
6. Dizziness or unexplained sleepiness

The Washington Poison Center is available 24/7 for any poison emergency that you may have at 1-800-222-1222. You can also call 9-1-1 in the case of a poison emergency.

For more information about poison emergencies please visit the Washington Poison Center's web site at www.wapc.org or call Tim Perciful with Mountain View Fire & Rescue / Black Diamond Fire Department at 253-735-0284.



Thank You with All My Heart

I would like to thank each and every one of you from all my heart. I can never express the appreciation for all the prayers and the coming together for the fundraiser and all the donations. With each and every one of you and all your prayers, my brother and mother should be coming home soon. If my mother was here, I know she too would be thanking you all, please continue to pray for their safe return and the speedy recovery rehabilitation of my brother. When he does come into this country he will be transferred directly to Harborview Medical Center for care. Again, thank you all from all my heart for everything you all have done. May god bless each and every one of you and your family.

– Kerri Marquez and all our family

NOTICE: In keeping with the Muckleshoot Tribe's zero tolerance policy on gang-related activity, the Muckleshoot Monthly will no longer print photographs in which hand gestures of any kind are displayed. This includes both children and adults, and all hand signs, regardless of what they may or may not mean. Thank you.

Muckleshoot Community Census 2010

SEEKING TRIBAL ENROLLED WORKERS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- ~ Lister /Address Canvasser \$17.50
- ~ Crew Leader \$19.00
- ~ Crew Leader Assistant \$17.50
- ~ Field Operations Supervisor \$20.50

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!! VISIT MIT'S HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT TO RETRIEVE AN APPLICATION (ON-SITE PRE-TESTING IS REQUIRED)



Data gathered during the census is essential to determining how federal monies are spent for:

- Health Care - Education - Jobs
- Homeownership - Community Safety
- Community services & Aid for children & seniors

The Muckleshoot Planning Commission will hold a Community Meeting

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 6:30-8:00 pm

in the Cougar Conference Room

The meeting will discuss the Tribe's proposed **Comprehensive Water Plan** and locating a new **Fire Station on the Reservation**



SPRINGTIME



2009 Per Capita Deadlines and Schedules

March 31, 2008	Deadline - New Direct Deposits Must Be In
April 10, 2009	Deadline for Information to be in from Programs - (Enrollment, ICW, Hsg., Loan, Hunting, Etc.)
May 15, 2009	Deadline to stop taking any changes for members currently with Direct Deposits
May 29, 2008	Enrollment Cut Off Date for September 2009 Per Capita's
June 2, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
June 3, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
June 4, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
June 30, 2009	Deadline - New Direct Deposits Must Be In
July 10, 2009	Deadline for Information to be in from Programs - (Enrollment, ICW, Hsg., Loan, Hunting, Etc.)
August 14, 2009	Deadline to stop taking any changes for members currently with Direct Deposits
August 31, 2009	Enrollment Cut Off Date for December 2009 Per Capita's
September 1, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
September 2, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
September 3, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
September 30, 2009	Deadline - New Direct Deposits Must Be In
October 9, 2009	Deadline for Information to be in from Programs - (Enrollment, ICW, Hsg., Loan, Hunting, Etc.)
November 13, 2009	Deadline to stop taking any changes for members currently with Direct Deposits
November 30, 2009	Enrollment Cut Off Date for March 2010 Per Capita's
December 1, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
December 2, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
December 3, 2009	Per Capita Distribution
December 31, 2009	Deadline - New Direct Deposits Must Be In




PHIL HAMILTON

FREE LEGAL HELP FOR LOW-INCOME NATIVE AMERICANS & ELDERS (AGE 60+)

THE NORTHWEST JUSTICE PROJECT provides free civil (non-criminal) legal services for low-income people who cannot afford a lawyer. CLEAR is Northwest Justice Project's Coordinated Legal Education, Advice and Referral system. If you are low-income or an Elder you can call the toll-free CLEAR line at (888) 201-1014 from 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Monday to Friday. Press 5 to speak with the CLEAR Native American Specialist, Brooke Pinkham.

What is Northwest Justice Project?
The Northwest Justice Project (NJP) is a not-for-profit statewide organization that provides free civil legal services to low-income people from thirteen offices throughout the state of Washington. NJP also has a Native American Unit with offices in Seattle and Spokane. NJP's mission is to provide high quality free legal services on priority problems to eligible low-income clients, either directly or through efficient and effective referrals.

Muckleshoot King County Library Hours
Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm
Friday 10am-6pm
Saturday 10am-5pm

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Do You Need A Will?

The Realty Department has staff who can help you draft your will, plan your estate, and answer questions about probate.

- **Wills**
- **Probate**
- **Estate Planning**

Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm
Philip Starr Building
39015 172nd Ave SE
Auburn, WA 98092

Contact: Sarah Lawson
Realty-Trust Services
sarah.lawson@muckleshoot.nsn.us - 253-876-3160

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 new openings that you might be interested in

Also see our opening on-line at www.muckleshoot.nsn.us

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.

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.



INCOME TAX SERVICES AVAILABLE

Free income tax preparation is available for Tribal members to a limit of \$144.00 per tax return.

Tribal employees also qualify for a \$25 discount with coupon.
The H & R Block office is just off the lobby in the Phillip Starr Building. Office hours for the month of March are:
Monday and Wednesday are 9am to 5pm.
Saturday will be by appointment only through the end of March.
The telephone number is 253.876.3240

Reimbursement of up to \$144.00 is also available for those tribal members who have had their taxes prepared at another tax office. Bring the receipt to Sandra Jurich in Finance.

The H&R Block office in the Phillip Starr Building will be open the following dates in April:

Monday – April 6th and April 13th
Tuesday – April 14th
Wednesday – April 1st, April 8th, and April 15th
Saturday – April 4th (11am – 2pm)

If you need tax assistance after the Phillip Starr office is closed, the Auburn Way North office is open year-round:

2 Auburn Way North, Suite 101
Auburn, WA 98002
253.939.1830

This Auburn Way North office will be open Tuesday and Thursday – 10am – 5:30pm (closed 1pm – 2pm for lunch)

**United States Department of the Interior
OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

Probate Hearings Division
1201 Lloyd Boulevard Rm 200
Portland, OR 97232
(503) 736-4499
(503) 736-4495 (Fax)

COMBINED NOTICE OF HEARINGS

Notice is given that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 372, et seq., as implemented by 43 C.F.R. part 30, hearings will be held, testimony will be taken and evidence received for the purposes of administering the following estates:

Place: Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, 39015 172nd Avenue SE, Auburn, WA 98092
Date: Tuesday, March 16, 2009

Case Number	Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Will Date if Applicable	Time of Hearing
P000073438P	ANNETTE CHARLOTTE GREGORY	10/22/2008	NONE	01:00 PM
P000069476P	ALICE KALASHIAN	04/21/2008	NONE	01:30 PM
P000044300P	ALLEN GILBERT RABOIN	05/16/2002	11/27/2001	02:00 PM
P000068819P	ALMA E LOZZIER	12/02/2007	NONE	02:30 PM
P000073022P	BETTY J GOUDY	11/02/2008	11/09/2006	03:00 PM
P000078004P	CHARLES H CONWAY	06/05/2008	06/06/2005	03:30 PM
P000072766P	LOREEN B SAM-BARR	05/04/2008	NONE	04:00 PM
P000069039P	ANGELA M SAM	04/19/2008	NONE	04:30 PM

All persons having an interest in an estate, including creditors, are notified to be present in person or by attorney and furnish evidence as they may desire. **Failure to appear may result in loss of rights by default.** If necessary, one or more Hearings may be continued to another time and place.

The names and addresses of all known presumptive heirs, devisees, will witnesses, claimants and other interested parties may be found on the reverse side of each individual Notice of Hearing or from the Agency.

SR
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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

Case Number	Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Will Date if Applicable	Time of Hearing
P000061922P	FREDERICK F LANE SR	03/21/2007	03/19/2007	08:30 AM
P000061477P	RALPH EDGAR ELKINS SR	05/15/2007	NONE	09:00 AM
P000060258P	BERNARD BOYD LAPOINTE	06/04/2004	NONE	09:30 AM
P000069693P	JUDITH E SEARS	03/12/2008	NONE	10:00 AM
P000045209P	DELORES LAVETTA BILL	05/06/1999	NONE	10:30 AM
P000067084P	ROSEMARY MYRTLE JAMES	01/29/2008	NONE	11:00 AM
P000064708P	KENNETH J BORN	04/05/2006	NONE	11:30 AM
P000068813P	DONALD G ALLEN SR	02/18/2008	NONE	01:30 PM
P000027962P	JOAN MARIE AMUNDSON	06/10/2004	11/03/1999	01:30 PM
P000064408P	MARY MOON	09/09/2006	NONE	02:30 PM
P000045330P	LADISSIA A MILLS	12/12/2005	03/31/2003	02:30 PM

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JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

Attention ALL Enrolled Tribal Members!

If you are energetic, willing to learn, and able to work flexible shift schedules, including weekends and holidays, then we want to talk to you! If you would like to work at the **MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN CASINO** please stop by our Human Resource office, Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm to complete an application. Job openings are posted on our Job Opportunities Board outside our Human Resource office. Or for a list of open jobs call the Jobline at 800-804-4944 ext. 4990 or look us up on the Internet at <http://www.muckleshootcasino.com>.

We exercise Tribal Preference hiring for all tribal members. Pre-employment drug test required.

EVENTS CALENDAR



March 20 **Vernon Starr Memorial Services.** 10:00 am at Muckleshoot Shaker Church. Contact Harriet Ross at 253-939-6648 for more info.

March 26 **Wellness Center Family Safari** - 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the Wellness Center. Must be a member to attend. Info call 333-3616.

March 27, 28 & 29 **2009 5th Annual D.A.S. Men's All-Indian Basketball Tournament.** Muckleshoot Tribal Gymnasium. Contact Lenny Sneatlum at 253-740-6870 for more info.

April 15 **Planning Commission Community Meeting,** 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Cougar Room; topics include Comprehensive Water Plan and possibility of locating a fire station on the reservation.

****IMPORTANT ENROLLMENT INFORMATION****

Tribal ID Reminder: As of June 2, 2008 there has been a change to the Muckleshoot Tribal ID process. The 1st Card issued after February 2008 is free. This is the new ID card with the security laminate. This card doesn't expire for a four year period. If an additional card is required in those four years the pricing goes as follows. The 2nd Tribal ID card will cost the Tribal Member \$15 dollars. Every card after that will cost the member \$20 dollars.

ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!

MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL MEMBER'S AND DESCENDANTS
When applying for Enrollment it is important to obtain the most current Enrollment application from the Muckleshoot Enrollment Office staff.

- A completed file includes; (but isn't limited to)**
- ♦ A completed application (signed by both parents if both parents are included on the birth certificate)
 - ♦ An original certified birth certificate (No copies! Enrollment department staff is required to make the copies. Also please keep in mind that if the father is Muckleshoot in order to utilize his bloodline he needs to be on the birth record. Absolutely no exceptions)
 - ♦ An original Social Security Card (All documents must match!)

- Other document(s) that may be required;**
- ✓ If the applicant is a member of another tribe at the time of applying for Enrollment a relinquishment form must be filed WITH OUR OFFICE. Please do not file with your present tribe. We would like for the process to be completed with our Enrollment Committee before a member relinquishes their rights to their PRESENT tribe.
 - ✓ If an applicant doesn't have a parent on the Muckleshoot membership rolls they are required to turn in original certified birth records back to the generation that is on the membership rolls.
 - ✓ Certified marriage certificate if the name on the certified birth certificate doesn't match the current social security card due to marriage.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THE APPLICANT MAY BE REQUESTED AT ANYTIME BY ENROLLMENT STAFF OR THE ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE TO TURN IN OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ORDER FOR A FILE TO BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE.

Reminder of Enrollment Ordinance changes

This is a reminder that the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe has adopted an amended Enrollment Ordinance. It has been officially approved by the Superintendent at the Bureau of Indian Affairs as of April 11, 2008. The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe will be utilizing Ordinance No. 08-103 for all Enrollment Matters. Please make note of the following major changes;

- After April 11, 2011, any applicant that has ever been a member of another tribe who do not enroll before their (30) thirtieth birthday forfeit their right to apply for enrollment. Exceptional circumstances as listed in Ordinance No. 08-103 may apply in some cases.
- Paternity affidavits are no longer acceptable forms of proving paternity. An applicant is required to obtain a certified birth record with the father listed if the father is the parent that contains the Muckleshoot bloodline. Same rules apply when an applicant would like to increase their bloodline with a paternal bloodline. **At anytime the committee at its discretion may require an applicant to submit to a DNA test at the applicants cost. Absolutely no exceptions.**
- The process for disenrollment has been changed slightly. Please carefully review the process listed in Ordinance No. 08-103.

Please keep in mind that the changes listed above are only the major changes that have been included in the new adopted amended Enrollment Ordinance. If you have not yet received a copy of the new ordinance please acquire one at your earliest convenience. Copies will be available for Enrolled Muckleshoot Tribal members in the Enrollment Department.

If you should have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Enrollment Department at (253)876-3141. Thank you!

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END OF SEASON FISH DINNER

March 6, 2009 ~ Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church

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