



Honoring Our Graduates



A SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE MUCKLESHOOT MONTHLY

GRADUATIONS 2011: MIT Enjoys Another Excellent Graduation Season

By Joseph Martin, MIT Assistant Tribal Operations Manager for Education



Joseph Martin

MUCKLESHOOT – We all gathered together on the evening of Friday, June 10, 2011 in the Muckleshoot Tribal School Gymnasium to celebrate the graduation of 19 more high school seniors. Placing this into a historical context, in the past two years we have graduated 38 high school seniors compared to the total of 32 graduates we had at the Muckleshoot Tribal School from 2001 through 2009, a period of nine years.

This means that previously our Tribal School averaged 3.5 high school graduates each year for the past nine years before Muckleshoot

Tribal School moved to its beautiful new campus in September 2009. During the evening of Friday, June 10, 2011, we graduated 19 more high school seniors in one night – establishing the consistency of graduating 19 seniors two years in a row.

Additionally, we had a record number of Muckleshoot Tribal Members (8) graduate with master degrees in 2011. It is an absolutely huge milestone for these Muckleshoot scholars to accomplish this high educational achievement of attaining a master's degree. I want to formally recognize our eight master degree graduates for 2011:

- **Charles Gordon** – Master of Arts, Environment & Community – Antioch University
- **Mitzi Judge** – Master of Science, Management – Antioch University
- **Leo V. LaClair** – Master of Arts, Strategic Communication – Antioch University
- **Todd LaClair** – Master of Arts, Strategic Communication – Antioch University

- **Ada McDaniel** – Master of Arts, Environment and Community – Antioch University
- **Noreen Milne** – Master of Science, Management – Antioch University
- **Dena Starr** – Master of Science, Management – Antioch University
- **Linda Starr** – Master of Science, Management – Antioch University

We also achieved excellent numbers of graduates from our Muckleshoot Head Start Program, with 40, and our Tribal School kindergarten classrooms, with 34. If you combine the total number of graduates from Head Start through higher education, it would look like this: Head Start – 40; Tribal School kindergarten – 34; 5th grade – 18, 8th grade – 18; high school – 19; Muckleshoot students graduating from other local high schools – 13; higher education: college degrees – 21; post-secondary certificates – 37; and, finally, GEDs – 24.

The 2011 Muckleshoot Tribal graduation season had a total of 224 graduates. This means that we had 37 more total Muckleshoot graduates this year (a 20% increase in the total number of Muckleshoot graduates for 2011) compared to last year's total (187 in 2010).

I had the good fortune of celebrating these graduation ceremonies with all of my friends and family from the Muckleshoot Community. I want to take this opportunity to salute all of our proud 2011 Muckleshoot graduates and to again celebrate the fulfillment of our long held dream that has come to fruition – to have a Muckleshoot Early Childhood Education Center and our K-12 Muckleshoot Tribal School located on one campus – where all of our students are provided the tools and skills they need for academic success – in a culturally-relevant setting.

I want to thank each and every person who contributed their time and hard work to make this 2010-2011 academic year and graduation season so successful. We all have witnessed and participated in another historic graduation season for the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe. Let us also give thanks to the many tribal elders and tribal leaders whose

dreams and hard work have made the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe's vision of "education as a lifelong journey" possible.

Finally, I want to give my heart-felt thanks and congratulate all of the long-time employees of the Muckleshoot Department of Education. We truly appreciate all of the passion and commitment that you have provided over the years with your excellent service to the Muckleshoot Community.

On June 15, 2011, the Muckleshoot Tribal School honored our employees who have dedicated their lives to our students and to the Muckleshoot Community. I want to take this opportunity to provide recognition and a huge "thank you" from the Muckleshoot Department of Education to the following long-time Muckleshoot Tribal School Employees:

Employees with over 20 years of service:

- Ken Carvalho (Mr. C.) – 1988
- Floyd Baker – 1989

Employees with 20 years of service:

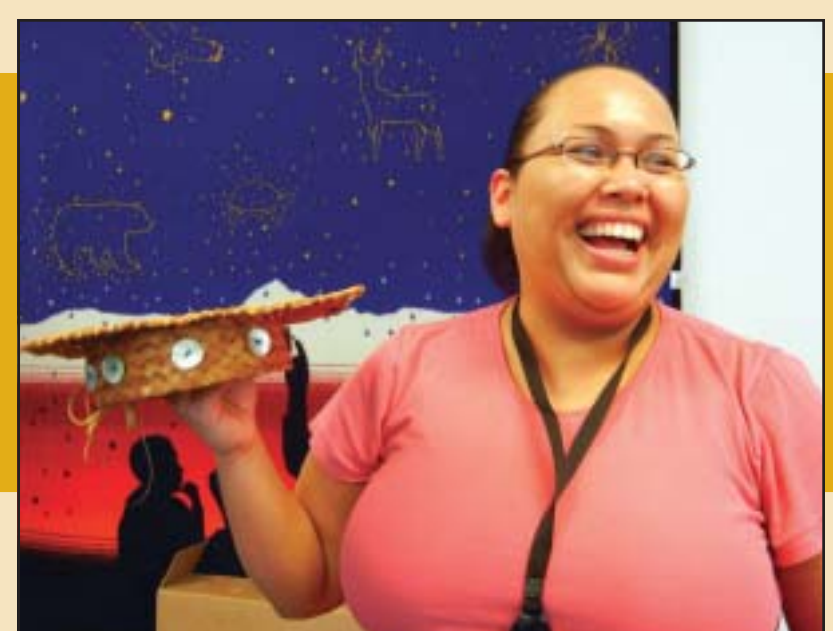
- Sandy Heddrick – 1991
- Val Daniels – 1991

Employees with 15 years of service:

- Sherri Foreman – 1996
- Victoria Noggle – 1996

I am extremely proud of all the dedication and teamwork that has been exhibited by the Muckleshoot Department of Education in the past academic year. We all want to offer a special thank you to the students, parents, faculty and staff of all Muckleshoot Department of Education programs for being the driving force of excellence in all of our programs. We truly have a strong family of educators in the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe who are "pulling together." We are looking forward to working with each and every one of you to achieve the highest level of excellence in education now and into the future.

PARENTS & VOLUNTEERS WEAVING CEDAR GRAD CAPS FOR THE GRADUATES



AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT NATIVE GRADS

PHOTOS BY GARY KISSEL

Alpac Elementary

Erin Dais

Arthur Jacobsen Elementary

Jessi Hoskins

Chinook Elementary

Maria Alonso
Avery Brown
Dylan Brown
Kady Charles
Manuel Gonzalez
Selena Hernandez
Ashley Jerry
Ryan Lobehan-Russell
Cyrus Loggins
Sheyllynn Lozier
Millennia Miller
Shirley Monahan
Nakai Moses
Dylan Nelson
Carmen Parise
Antonio Quintana
Hadrian Ramirez
Deshawn Ross-Jansen
Charles Russell-Leonard
Jonathan Sampson
Jeffrey Sheldon
Jessica Simmons

Gildo Rey Elementary

Maleya Alvarez-Madplume
Dakota Dye
Robert Sanchez

Hazelwood Elementary

Damien Byers
Abigail Delrosario
Victoria Harris

Lake View Elementary

Tatiana Beers
Treston Knight

Lea Hill Elementary

Gracia Tipton-Daniels

Pioneer Elementary

Geovoni Barnett
Rolando Camano-Price
Clifford Camano-Price
Dakota Davis
Wally Lane

Terminal Park

Israel Maldonado
Charlize Moses

Washington Elementary

Michael Commbes
Jareth Hasbrooks
Cedar McCloud
Arlin Thunder
Andrew Vanderpol

Cascade Middle School

Shane Banyai
Justice Bradbury
Jay Miracle
Christopher Treto

Mt. Baker Middle School

Marcos Coria
Thaila Flippen
Savanah James
Emilya Jeppson
Nicholas Konkler
Richard Warden

Olympic Middle School

Antonio Acosta
Donavan Cassaday
Gabriele Davis
Cecilia Delgado
Damion Diaz
Kayla Fowler
Sarah Givens
Leo Goodluck
Cameo Jerry
Leilani Jerry
Devin Jimmy
Scotty Jones
Kenny Louie
Jesus Montes
Sean Posey
Selena Sweet
Viliamu White Eagle
Jacob Williams
Damien Wong
Nikya Woolboy
Agatha Yahtin

Ranier Middle School

Charles Black
Jordyn Green
Violette Gregoire
Peyton Hammond
Jonah Kathleen
Brandon Lentz
Zachary Silva

Auburn High School

Nicole Bell
Kristen Benson
Amber Collins
Kevin Henderson
Krystal Kinnan
Henry Martin
Marilyn Martin
Tyler Miracle
Lynnea Moon
Kyle Moses
Angelica Rodarte
Elizabeth Russell-Milne
Alejandra Thunder Hawk
Matthew Togstad
Johyna Tsosie
Kea Wallace
Cameo Warner
Chelsea Watson
Chloeanna Weller

Auburn Mountainview H.S.

Zaraa Akhter
Kyle Cantil
Jeremy Dacosta
Alyssa Williams

Auburn Riverside H.S.

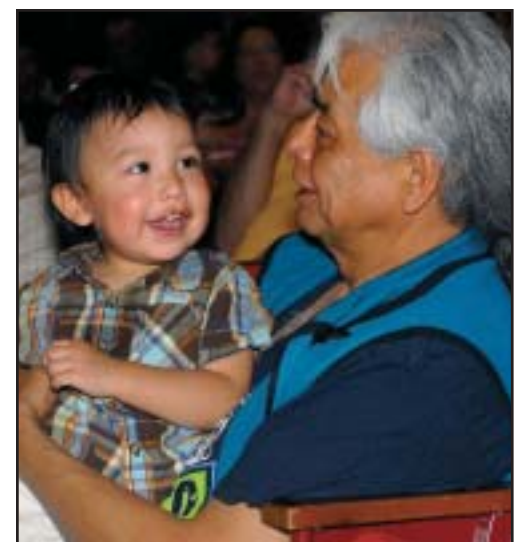
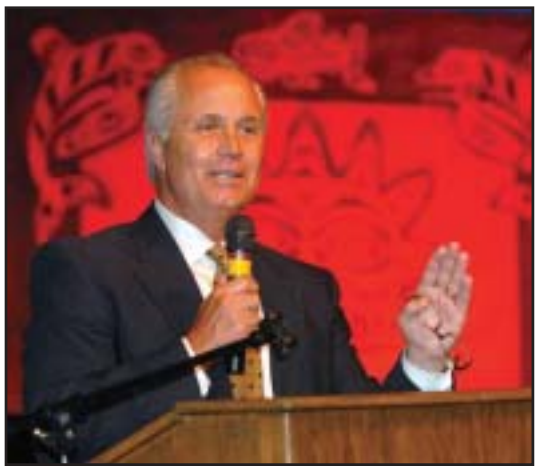
Katherine Decker
Daniel Helton
Jesse Jimenez
Vanessa Mendoza
Darialle Smith

Virginia Cross Native Ed. Center

Gerald Moses
Jaime Shoop
Andrew Simmons
Shyla White Lance

West Auburn Senior H.S.

Jamie Green



Congratulations Head Start Grads of 2011!



Aiyahana Williams



Alicia Miller



Alina Chagolla



Aloysius Simmons



Breezy Elkins



Brisela Cruz



Carl Williams-Starr



Charles Cuevas-Moses



Christian Penn



Darius WhiteEagle



Donovan Heredia



Kaleb Chagollo



Kaundaleah Garcia



Lamikah Lozier



Leeshelle Rojero



Leslie Starr



Makayla Courville



Micah McDaniels



Noah Everybodytalksabout



Nylah Pedebone



Paul Bethley-Johnson



Raistlin Oliver



Sage Elkins



Summer Dais



Suzanna Williams



Tania Washines



Trevor Taylor



Trinity Ulrich



Troy WhiteEagle



Tyrelle Kindness

Head Start Graduates

- Lenora Baker
- William Barkley
- Paul Bethley-Johnson
- Gustavo Castenda-Matz
- Alina Chagolla
- Kaleb Chagollo
- Makayla Courville
- Brisela Cruz
- Mary Cruz
- Charles Cuevas-Moses
- Summer Dais
- Breezy Elkins
- Sage Elkins
- Chase Enos
- Kaundaleah Garcia
- Donavan Heredia
- Tyrelle Kindness
- Arsylia Lara-Rincon
- Lamikah Lozier
- Micah McDaniels
- Alicia Miller
- Raistlin Oliver
- Nylah Pedebone
- Christian Penn
- Ryan Ramos
- Leeshelle Rojero
- Aloysius Simmons
- Leslie Starr
- Devin Sutton
- Trevor Taylor
- Trinity Ulrich
- Tania Washines
- Darius WhiteEagle
- Troy WhiteEagle
- Aiyahana Williams
- Isaac Williams
- Suzanna Williams
- Carl Williams-Starr



Not Pictured: Chase Enos, Isaac Williams, Mary Cruz, Arsyilia Lara-Rincon, Lenora Baker, William Barkley, Gustavo Castenda-Matz, Ryan Ramos, Devin Sutton.



MIT Scholarship Program

Scholarship Graduates

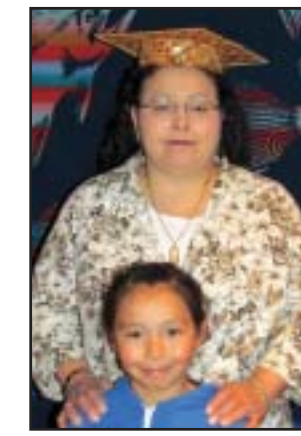
2010-2011 DEGREES

Last Name	First Name	College	Degree
Gordon	Charles	Antioch University	Master of Arts in Environment & Community
Judge	Mitzi	Antioch University	Masters of Science in Management
LaClair	Leo V.	Antioch University	Masters of Arts in Strategic Communication
LaClair	Todd	Antioch University	Masters of Arts in Strategic Communication
McDaniel	Ada	Antioch University	Masters of Arts in Environment & Community
Milne	Noreen	Antioch University	Masters of Science in Management
Starr	Dena	Antioch University	Masters of Science in Management
Starr	Linda	Antioch University	Masters of Science in Management
Calvert	Micheal	University of Washington	Bachelors of Arts & Science, English
James	Tammy	Antioch University	Bachelors of Arts, Liberal Studies, Leadership & Organizational Studies
Rojero	Tanya	Antioch University	Bachelors of Arts, Liberal Studies, Leadership & Organizational Studies
Simmons	Bridget	Evergreen State College	Bachelors of Liberal Arts
Visser	Tami	Antioch University	Bachelors of Arts, Liberal Studies, Psychology
Zelepuzza	Christina	Evergreen State College	Bachelors of Liberal Arts
Brown	Richelle	Northwest Indian College	Assoc. Arts Science, Direct Transfer Degree
Cross	Marlene	BATES Technical College	Associates of Technology- Marketing & Bus. Mangt.
Cruz	Alexandra	Northwest Indian College	Assoc. Arts Science, Direct Transfer Degree
Pierce	Sean	Linn-Benton Com. Col.	Associate of Applied Science, in Welding Technology
Ramirez	Johnelle	Northwest Indian College	Assoc. Arts Sci., Native American Studies
Sam	Sherina	BATES Technical College	Associates of Technology- Marketing & Bus. Mangt.
Williams	Clarice	BATES Technical College	Associates of Technology- Marketing & Bus. Mangt.

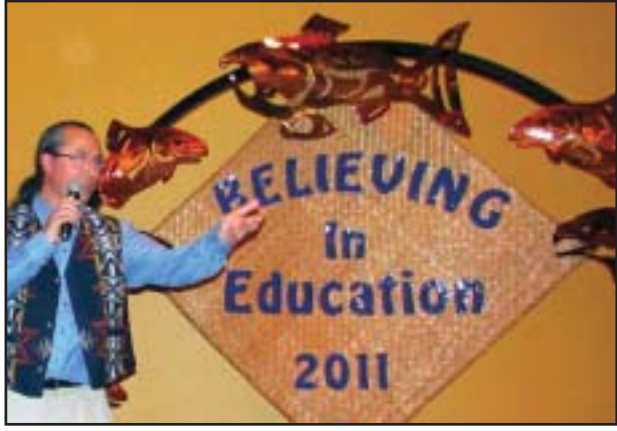


Certificates

Last Name	First Name	College	Certificates
Gordon	Charles	Antioch University	Sustainable Food Systems & Permaculture Design
Judge	Mitzi	Antioch University	Business Leadership & Change Management
LaClair	Leo V.	Antioch University	Effective Communication Strategies
LaClair	Todd	Antioch University	Effective Communication Strategies
McDaniel	Ada	Antioch University	Ecological Planning & Design
Milne	Noreen	Antioch University	Business Leadership & Change Management
Starr	Dena	Antioch University	Business Leadership & Change Management
Starr	Linda	Antioch University	Business Leadership & Change Management
Packard	Gayle	Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts	Culinary Arts
Nelson	Tonya	Everest	Medical Assistance
Allen	Augustine	BATES Technical College	Business Management II
Bill	Denise	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II
Carrillo	Martin	BATES Technical College	Basic Computer Skills
Elkins	Brad	BATES Technical College	Business Management II and Bus. Fundamentals
Emery	Janet	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II and Bus. Fundamentals
Maldonado Jr.	Valdemar	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II and Bus. Fundamentals
Martinez	Liberto	BATES Technical College	Business Management II
Nelson-Jerry	Thea	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II and Bus. Fundamentals
Rodarte	Michelle	BATES Technical College	Business Management I and Bus. Fundamentals
Rodriguez	Jose	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II and Bus. Fundamentals
Simmons	Tyson	BATES Technical College	Business Management II
Williams	Leeland	BATES Technical College	Business Management I & II and Bus. Fundamentals
Bean	Kendra	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Cross III	James	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST A+
Davis	Rose	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Gonzalez Jr.	Ramon	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Herda	Jonathan	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic & Intermediate
Milne	Tim	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Windows 7
Moses	Joseph	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Moses	Justin	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Navarro-Moses	Veronica	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Ortiz-Cross	Glorianna	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Sheldon	Jeff	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Simmons	Joylene	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST A+
Simpson	Vikki	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Starr	Stina	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic
Wilson	Sarah	Muckleshoot Tribal College	MOST Basic



All-Grad Banquet 2011



CLASS OF 2011 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Last Name	First Name	High School Name
Abbit	Khadija	Garfield High School
Andy	Rachael	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Avila	Katie	Enumclaw High School
Bachel	William	Wilson High School
Berry-Peterson	Joseph	Choice High School
Buchanan	Cole	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Cabanas	Antonio	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Calvert	Larry	Enumclaw High School
Daniels	Christina	Wilson High School
Foreman	Corey	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Foulkes	Neil	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Higgins	Kevin	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Iyall	Addie	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Jansen	Dustin	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Jimenez	Jesse	Auburn Riverside High School
Johnson	Ongelic	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Jones	Robert	Oakville High School
Laclair	Janet	Lake City High School
Lozier	Samantha	Okanogan High School
Moses	Luke	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Moses	Kyle	Auburn Senior High School
Rodarte	Angelica	Auburn Senior High School
Sam	Stacey	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Sandoval	Olivia	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Simmons	Robert Jr.	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Simmons	Andrew	Virginia Cross Native Education Center
Sohappy	Dana	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Starr	Charles	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Vargas-Dunbar	Juan	Clover Park High School
Ward	Vern	Quileute High School
Ward	Lia	Muckleshoot Tribal School
Wilbur	Raymond	Tulalip Shoppe

Descendent

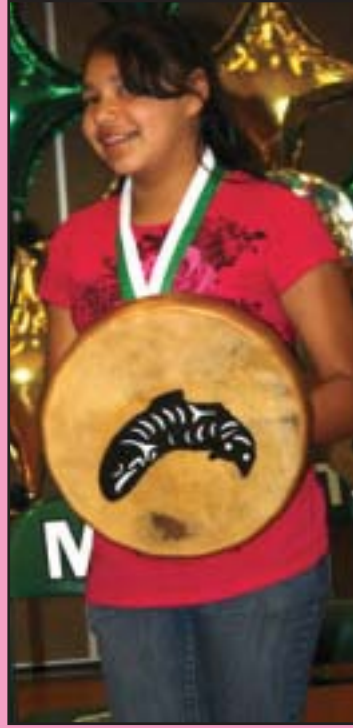




MTS Kindergarten, 5th Grade & 8th Grade Advancement Ceremonies

5th Grade

Lokelani Aho
 Jazmine Arvizu
 Angel Bargala
 Jesus Bennett
 Clarissa Canales
 Jarret Hannigan
 Sahara Hansen
 Nathan Keeline
 Shania Lobehan Banks
 Daniela Lopez
 Darina Louie
 Gaspar Martinez
 Regina Meza
 Corisa Moses Barr
 Erika Ramirez
 Matthew Thompson
 Josephine Wayne
 Cecelia Williams



Kindergarten

Angelina Aho
 Wenona Arvizu
 Ronald Atimalala
 Elizabeth Canales
 Julius Charles
 Kuleace Eyle John
 Eddie Garcia
 Ignacio Garcia
 Noah Guevara
 Samiah Irving
 Ariana Jerry
 Tabor Judson Elkins
 Sanchez Kato Savoy
 Robert Keeline
 Edna Lobehan
 Sharlene Lobehan Banks
 Carl Long
 Blaze Lozier
 Montoya Lozier
 Malia Meyer
 Alison Moses
 Jonnie Moses
 Tyrell Nichols
 Aron Ortiz
 Amiah Pedro
 Aleela Redthunder
 Martin Reyes
 Daveya Rojero
 Maricella Romero
 Robert Sam Charles
 Jada Sparks
 Maricia Starr
 Tristan Thompson
 Pearl Valles
 Cameron Williams
 Seonee Williams



8th Grade

Courtney Aho
 Linda Ames
 Patience Daniels
 Celeste Edwards
 Isaac Elkins
 Belem Bennett
 Tomas Evangelista
 D'Zsa Foulkes
 Juanita Hernandez
 John Jackson
 Emily Jerry
 Gregorio Marquez
 Jose Mendoza
 Maria Mendoza
 Lucinda Moses
 Andrea Perez
 Leanne Redthunder
 Chezeray Starr





MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2011

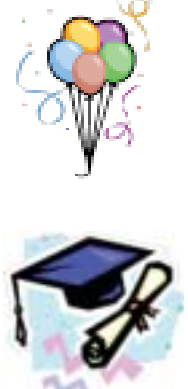
Class of 2011

- Rachael Andy
- Cole Buchanan
- Antonio Cabanas
- Corey Foreman
- Neil Foulkes
- Morningstar Frank
- Kevin Higgins
- Addie Iyall
- Dustin Jansen
- Ongelic Johnson
- Renee Mayo
- Luke Moses
- Stacey Sam
- Olivia Sandoval
- Robert Simmons
- Dana Sohappay
- Charles Starr
- Lana Tsosie
- Lia Ward



NORTHWEST INDIAN COLLEGE GRADS

Richelle Brown
Alexandra Cruz
Johnelle Ramirez



Congratulations Alexandra Cruz, I'm so proud of you for getting your AA degree. You're so smart and you worked so hard for it! keep it up! One day you'll be up there with all the big boss's ! Love; Your sister Maritza! ☺



*Berry Peterson
(sHuw?Lasknout)
Class of 2011 ~ Choice High School,
Shelton, WA
Proud Parents: Pete Peterson, Jr. and
Celeste Vigil*



**Congratulations Stacer!!
We are so proud of you!!**

You finished High School and now on to college. We know you can do it! Stacer, you have set a good example for your siblings and younger cousins. Thank you!

Love,
Mom



Love you,
Dad

Well, time sure flies watching the kids grow up. So proud of my son Stacer for graduating. Something that was lacking in my family, but Stacer has turned it around and made a good example for his younger brothers and sister. Hope he continues his education to be a leader like his Nana Charlotte. Great job son!!

Congratulations Stacer Sam for your accomplishment! Keep your dream alive and continue on with your education. Your family loves you and we will do all we can to help you succeed.

Love and prayers,
Nana and Papa

Just want to say congratulations to my sister Linda Starr graduating with a Masters in Management and Leadership. This was not easy with the situation life dealt you but you finally made it. I'm so proud of her accomplishments and wish her the best in life.

Love Always,
Dena



2011 ENUMCLAW NATIVE GRADUATES

Enumclaw Indian Education Coordinator Cathy Calvert and her Aunt Sharon brought a large group of Native grads in to thank Tribal Council members personally for the tribe's support of the Indian Education programs offered in their schools. Top row: Cathy Calvert, Alex Hamlin, Katie Avila, Virginia Gonzales, Jesse Willis; Middle row: Joseph Martin, Marcie Elkins, Kayla Rodarte, Larry Calvert, Natasha Alexander, Sarah Brassard, Kerri Marquez; Front Row: Virginia Cross, Sharon Calvert, Charlotte Williams.

ENUMCLAW GRADUATES

5th Grade

- Courtney Hunt
- Hailey Afleje
- Marcus Miller
- Sam Miller
- Johanna Johnson
- Katelyn Rask
- Myckenzie Courville

8th Grade

- Santos Bonnell
- Dezirae Anderson
- Sabrina Beers
- Nicholas Illman
- Lilly Lewis
- Mikayla Martin
- Bryce Parker
- Jake Rodrigues
- Jamison Coulter
- Olivia Courville
- Kyle Fortin
- Jose Sanches-Hernandez
- Nate Madsen
- Warren Starr
- Tori Turnbow

12th Grade

- Alex Hamlin
- Katie Avila
- Virginia Gonzales
- Jesse Willis
- Kayla Rodarte
- Larry Calvert
- Natasha Alexander
- Eric Koenig

I got a good picture of my Mom, Noreen Milne, after her Commencement Ceremony! Here it is! Congratulations, Mom! I am so proud of you!

Your daughter,
Samantha Milne



Congrats to my Brother Tyson Simmons!

For continuing your education. As long as you believe, you can achieve anything you want. I am so very proud of you.

Love,
Your sister Vanessa & nephew Loren Simmons

**Congrats To Lana Tsosie!!!!
Class Of 2011 M.T.S.**

We are very proud of you & cant wait to see what else you accomplish!

Love,
Lacey, Cam'O, Lee



EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE GRADS

Bridget Simmons
Christina Zelepuza
Larry Cordier



*Isiah Corwin, Kent/Meridian
2011*

This is Norma Corwin's first grandson to graduate from high school, and she couldn't be more proud! Isiah was also a star athlete.



Way To Go Cameron S. Williams!!!!

We are so excited that you finished out the whole school year & graduated kindergarten!! Keep up the good work & you will overcome anything & everything that life has in store for you.

Love,
Mom & Dad

