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## NICOLE COMES HOME



PHOTO BY MARIA MANIO

Heather Nicole Riggs – she goes by Nicole – is another baby that has come home all grown up. She was luckier than lots of adoptees – had a nice family of Irish heritage that lived near Northern California’s Yurok Tribe and was able to forge a relationship with them – even becoming a protégé of Tribal Chair Sue Masten, who also served as NCAI Chair, and developing a good career in Indian gaming. She now works at the Players Club in her own tribe’s casino.

I was adopted and grew up with the Yurok Tribe up in Crescent City, California. I was fortunate enough to learn their cultural and heritage and became very close to that tribe. There’s a lot of similarities, especially with the salmon.

(At home) I grew up with Irish people, and I remember talking to my grandma about how I wished I knew my tribe and my people and stuff like that.

Funny story, though: When I was growing up, I used to talk to Sue Masten, who’s just a remarkable lady up there. She kinda took me under her wing, and she would mention Muckleshoot and I used to get so angry, because I was like, “they’re not even a California tribe” and I used to get jealous over them because Muckleshoot was doing things that were unheard of at the time.

(And then one day) Kerri Marquez contacted me by telephone and told me that they’d been looking for me. I didn’t really believe her at first. I kept hanging up. And then, when she finally said “You belong to Muckleshoot,” it was so surreal. I felt like I belonged somewhere. I grew up with Yurok, and it was one thing to grow up with them, but they weren’t my tribe, per se. So, it was overwhelming when I first heard Kerri say that.

And it was so weird that I was Muckleshoot. It was like this is the tribe that I was so jealous of all these years, and then to turn around and be Muckleshoot!

My grandma was my best friend in the whole world. I took care of her for 13 years, so it was really hard for me to travel. Right before I came here, my grandma passed away; but about a week before, she told me, “A tree is only as strong as its roots, and I think it’s time for you to go home.”

So once she kinda gave me the permission, I (soon) decided to come up here and just learn the foundation of my tribe, and hopefully find some answers for a foundation of myself. I just wanted to learn my own heritage and culture and get to understand the people here.

I’ve been here since May, and think it’s just been fabulous. I think that the Tribal Council has done a remarkable job of the whole area here. I started working for the casino, and I couldn’t believe how big it actually is. And we got a bonus. You just don’t see companies do that anymore!

A couple of weeks ago, I had the honor of working with Kerri and Virginia in downtown Seattle. We were giving away coats to the homeless Natives. It was so emotional to sit there and watch a chairperson that’s taken

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## Kings take 6<sup>th</sup> Place in State 1B Tourney



**GO KINGS!** L to R: Head Coach Bill Hawk, Assistant Coach Jeff Hawk (behind), #21 Josh Cline ~ Forward, #32 Luis Esparza ~ Guard, #3 Buddy Brendible ~ Guard, #23 Preston Brown ~ Wing (behind), #35 Alvin Allen ~ Wing, #13 Anthony Mather ~ Wing (sub), Dace Pleasant (ball boy, front), #40 Trisdin Lozier ~ Wing, #29 Sean Tai ~ forward, #20 Ryan Oldman ~ Wing (behind), Assistant Coach Andre Pleasant, Chairman of Dairy Farmers of Washington (State Tournament sponsor)

*See story on page 2*

## Ground is Blessed for New Muckleshoot Longhouse

MUCKLESHOOT – It was a blustery morning – not the best kind of day to be outside – so it was good to see a steady stream of cars filing into the field next to the Children and Family Services Office and parking near the small open-sided tent that had been erected for the ground blessing ceremony that was about to begin.

Mike Jerry Sr., a Tribal Council member and Chair of the Smokehouse Committee, was there the day before as the tent was being set up, and had seen eagles circling overhead. They were there again when he got there this morning. Both the eagles and the many people coming to share this day reassured him that they were going down the right path.

You can call it a smokehouse, a longhouse, a bighouse – they all mean the same thing – but in any case, there hasn’t been one at Muckleshoot for a long, long time.

Isadore “Dobie” Tom, one of the most respected elders among those who wear the paint, likes to recall an incident that happened decades ago when Squalupcub (Gilbert “Hoagie” King George) was Tribal Chairman. Dobie remembers having a vision of longhouses lying underwater up in the mountains. He called to tell Hoagie about it, and then just a short time later Seattle City Light contacted the tribe to notify them they had discovered the remains of two longhouses during a drawdown of the dammed-up waters of Chester Morse Lake high up in the Cedar River Watershed.

No one knows when the first longhouses were built in the area. It’s a very ancient religion – by far the oldest in the Northwest – and it goes back countless generations. Elders



PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

**A HISTORIC OCCASION.** A long line of leaders in the smokehouse religion prepare to turn the first shovels of earth for Muckleshoot’s new longhouse on Saturday, March 3, 2012. Near the center, with red blanket, is Isadore Tom, an esteemed elder in the faith. Next to him is Mike Jerry Sr. Wearing a red head scarf is Gilbert “Hoagie” King George, and at far right is Bucs-Lah, Pete Jerry.

that have since passed on used to tell of the times when the government, both in the U.S. and Canada, banned the religion, forcing them to practice it in underground bunkers.

Squalupcub remembers that when he was a small boy, the smokehouse religion was practiced in a barn near the present location of the Adventist Academy. It had been Big John’s, and now it belonged to his daughter, Mary. He and his friends would peek through the knotholes to watch what was going on. Children weren’t allowed inside in those days.

Since the 1990’s, the Sla-Hal Shed over by the Muckleshoot Ballfields has been used for the sea-

sonal rites, but it has many drawbacks. The smokehouse season requires exclusive use of the building for extended periods, and this has created conflicts. Another drawback is its cement floor.

Smokehouse members travel extensively to witness ceremonies elsewhere, and Mike Jerry sums up the feeling of entering a traditional longhouse in this way: “When I walk into a longhouse, the best part is having the earth floor, and natural log pillars, and fires. That really kinda says it all. It’s just the way it was a long time ago, and that’s how we carry on today.”

And that’s just how it will be at Muckleshoot when the new

longhouse is finished.

As the site blessing ceremonies proceeded, visitors from near and far got up to share words and songs. There was a sense of joy that all felt – a feeling that they were witnessing something important and historic. A group of children from the Tribal School song and dance group was also there to sing the songs that have become traditional to them over the years of the school’s existence.

Esteemed elder Dobie Tom was one of several that spoke about what a good and humble people the Muckleshoot are. He told of how the Tribal Council has honored all the

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## Muckleshoot Kings Boys Basketball Team Our True Champions

Earlier this month the Muckleshoot Kings Boys Basketball Team finished the 2011 - '12 season just as they began it last November – as real winners and the Muckleshoot Community's true champions.

Playing in the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) State Basketball Tournament at the Spokane Arena March 1st through March 3rd, our boys claimed 6th place in their bracket, but first place in the hearts of the Muckleshoot Community.

Fair play, courtesy, striving spirit and grace in both winning and losing characterized their successful season. Their sportsman-like attitude on and off the court reflected well on the team, the Muckleshoot School and the entire Muckleshoot community.

In only three short years the Muckleshoot Kings have come a long way. From the Tri-District tournament in the team's first year, qualifying for the state tournament in the second year, to this year's 19-8 record and visit to the Elite Eight tournament in Spokane where they won the team's first trophy.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Coach Bill Hawk, Athletic Director Tim Tubbs, the Muckleshoot Cheer Squad and the nine remarkable young men who are the Muckleshoot Kings: Buddy Brendible, Preston Brown, Joshua Cline, Luis Esparza, Xavier Fulgencio, Trisdin Lozier, Anthony Mather, Ryan Oldman and Sean Taei.

The Muckleshoot Tribal Council is very proud of our Kings.



**TRIBAL CHAIRMAN AND FISHERIES COMMISSION MEET WITH COMMANDER OF U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS.** Colonel Bruce A. Estok, District Commander of the Seattle District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, was a guest at MIT on March 2, where he discussed numerous issues of mutual concern with Tribal Chairman Virginia Cross and members of the Fisheries Commission. These issues included projects at Mud Mountain Dam, fish passage improvements at the Ballard Locks, levees along area rivers and their effects on salmon populations, fish passage improvements at Howard Hanson Dam and numerous others. L-R: Fish Commissioners Carl "Bud" Moses and Phil Hamilton, Tribal Chairman Virginia Cross, Col. Estok, Councilmember-Elect Louie Ungaro Jr. and Fish Commissioner Leo V. LaClair.

## Kings take 6th Place in State 1B Tourney

By Coach Bill Hawk



On Wednesday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of February, the team set out to finish a journey that started back on November 15<sup>th</sup> with the first day of practice, as they traveled to Spokane where the elite eight would play for the 1B state championship.

The day started with an assembly where all the tribal school students and staff circled the team, listened to Will Bill and students sing a sacred song, and shake hands with the nine players and two

coaches, so that the team would know they were not alone in their quest of representing the Muckleshoot community.

The trip was a long one because a snowy Snoqualmie Pass required chains, so a five-hour trip stretched to almost eight hours.

Our first game the next day was against Kings Way Christian from Vancouver. It was a close game for three quarters, but the Kings were not clicking in any area of the game and fell 61-44. Whether the experience was too large, I don't know, because the Lions were certainly beatable (they later finished 5th in state), but it was a game best forgotten. Sean Taei was awarded the Sportsmanship Medal for his participation in the game.

The next day, the team got to the arena early to cheer on a fellow league member, Mt. Rainier Lutheran, in their second game. They had lost to Neah Bay in their first outing. The relationship between the two teams started in the first state game against Taholah, where our boys stayed and cheered on the Hawks against Mary M. Knight. They were successful, thus also earning a trip to Spokane. Some of the boys went down to congratulate the team, and a bond was formed.

However, in the loser out game on this day, the Hawks lost a close one and were eliminated. They did come back out – players, parents and fans – to root for the Kings. We had a few loyal fans there as well, but it really made a difference to have 40 more people support us.

This game was against Moses Lake Christian, one of the top teams in the state, who had lost only three games all year. It turned out to be probably the best game played by the Kings all year. At the half, the Kings led 30-17, shooting the ball over 50 %, and holding Moses Lake to under 30%.

The opponents made a run in the 3rd quarter, and the Kings lead was 46-40. The Muckleshoot team had only eight players, and one of those, Alvin Allen, was an 8th grader who hadn't played for the team until the end of the season, so the players had to pace themselves somewhat to finish strong.

And finish strong they did. The score got down to a two-point lead when the defense stiffened and the points poured in. Sean Taei, Luis Esparza and Preston Brown hit key shots on assists from Ryan Oldman. Joshua Cline had a put back and Alvin hit the last basket. How many 8th graders have scored in a state game?

Oldman led the scoring with 18, followed by Brown with five 3's, Taei 11, Esparza 9, Cline 8, and Allen with 2. Buddy Brendible had two hard driving baskets and was also presented with the Sportsmanship Medal. The win assured the Kings of bringing home a state trophy. We savored this 67-57 victory with our fans and the Lions supporters, who later joined our team in Lazer Tag.

The final game was for 4th and 6th against the team that had won four of the previous five state 1B championships, Sunnyside Christian. It was easy to see why as their 6'7" post continually swatted away shot after shot, and their 6'3" guard was slicing through the Kings' defense for 33 points. With Cline unavailable for the game, we were especially short handed. The final score, 62-36 was not even that close, but it seemed our guys were happy with any trophy at that point, not to mention the long odds presented by Sunnyside Christian.

The game did end on a positive note as Trisdin Lozier, who was unavailable due to a knee injury suffered in the final league game, was put into the game at the end just to be a participant in a state game. He was told to just stay at the offensive end and not get involved in any action. As soon as he entered the game, Sean got a rebound and passed it down court to Trisdin who promptly fired up his favorite shot – a 3 – and in it swished. So every player who played in the tournament scored.

And who was in the stands for this 8 AM game to support us and our fans? Mt. Rainier Lutheran and our loyal fans together. A relationship had been forged. It was exciting to have our picture taken on court with the trophy, a first for the school.

People there were amazed at what the Kings had accomplished in the three years of the school's existence. In the first year, the team qualified for the Tri-district Tournament, ending with a 12-11 record. Last year we qualified for the state tournament but lost the game that could have sent us to Spokane, finishing with a 17-7 record.

This year was a year of firsts with the visit to the Elite Eight and a 19-8 record. And just as exciting is how these individuals positively represented the Muckleshoot school and community. We left positives everywhere we went. Community members can take pride in having these boys and the cheerleaders represent the Muckleshoot Tribe and our school.



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# PER CAPITA

**DEADLINE TO TURN IN YOUR FORMS TO GET DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR YOUR JUNE 2012 PERCAPITA IS**

# MARCH 30TH

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR FORM IS COMPLETE (SIGNED AND DATED & YOU MUST ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK OR BANK LETTER WITH YOUR ROUTING NUMBER AND BANK ACCOUNT ON IT)**

**IF YOUR FORM IS INCOMPLETE FINANCE WILL NOT PROCESS IT**

**AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A PAPER CHECK**

**\*\* IF TURNING 13 OR 18 BY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> YOU WILL NEED TO DO A NEW DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM FOR YOUR AGE GROUP**

## H & R BLOCK TAX OFFICE IS OPEN AT PHILIP STARR BLDG

H & R Block has opened an office in the Philip Starr Building in the Tribal Council Conference room (248, 2A) to prepare Tribal Members' and Tribal employees' Federal tax returns.

Office hours are 9am to 5pm. Through 2/24/2012 the office is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays with additional days as needed. From 2/28/2012 to

4/17/2012 the office is open Tuesdays and Fridays only.

Call 253.876.3064 to make an appointment for tax preparation, or drop off your tax forms, and pick up your completed return later.

Just bring in your tax forms (W-2s, 1099s, Scholarship letters, etc.) and have H&R Block file your taxes electronically.

The Tribal Council has approved the following for you:

The Tribe will pay up to a maximum of \$130.00 per return for Tribal Member households. The immediate discount is only available at the Philip Starr Building H&R Block office.

Reimbursement of up to \$130.00 if Tribal Member has already filed their 2011 tax return at another H&R Block location, or tax preparer. Just bring in the receipt to Finance.

\$20 discount for all Tribal employees. Coupons are available in the Payroll office.

NOTE: *This is a taxable benefit to Tribal Members*

### Mary Lynn Ross Sr.

Mary Lynn Ross Sr., born, May 14, 1951 at home in Muckleshoot called home Feb. 19, 2012.

She was a Muckleshoot Tribal Member and 1910 Shaker Church Member. After attending Tonasket High School, she moved back to Muckleshoot to start her family.

Mary worked for the Muckleshoot Senior Center as a community health representative and language and culture. She had previously worked at the health clinic, youth facility and was the first Hunting Committee Secretary.

She loved baseball, but her biggest enjoyment came from watching and supporting her children. She loved spending time with family, picking berries, going to the mountains, and cooking at the river for the fisherman. She also enjoyed traveling to various casinos and drinking Pepsi.

She enjoyed traveling for Shaker Church to help pray for other Tribal Communities. She will be remembered for her beautiful singing voice.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents Eva "Kiyah" and Donald Jerry; brother Ronnie Jerry; sister Judy; brother Eugene; sister Gertrude; brother Henry KingGeorge; daughter Alfreda Ross; niece Roberta Starr; nephew Larry Moses; and good friend Jerry Jim.

She is survived by Dwayne Ross Sr. and children Dwayne Ross Jr, Virgil Ross, Timothy Ross Sr., Mary Ross Jr.; siblings Gilbert King George, Raymond Jerry Sr., Donna Starr, Frank Jerry Sr., Theresa Jerry, and Grandchildren Shalina, Deshawn, Nevaeh, Leondra, Nathan, Ryan, Timothy Jr., Kaylee, Chelsea and many nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Thursday, February 23 at the Muckleshoot Shaker Church followed by burial at the New White Lake Cemetery.



### Carole B. Allen

Carole Bernadine Allen was born February 6, 1935 in Tulalip, Wash. to Benjamin and Edith (Hillaire) Williams Sr. She passed away on February 18, 2012 at age 77.

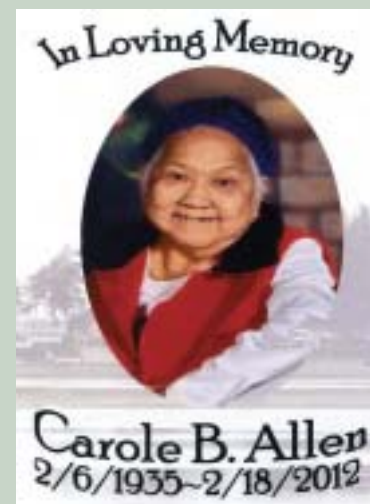
She is survived by her Sister Jo Landert, her children Wanda "George" Sam (Ray Paul), Augusta "Scottie" Lobehan (Archie), Clinton "Bodie" Sam, Jessica Myers (Joe), Donald Allen Jr., Nick Allen, Emma Allen-Sam, Stacey Sam (Sherina). Many more she helped raise or called her "Mom". 29 Grandchildren and 27 Great Grandchildren, plus so many more she adopted or considered her grandchild.

Carole loved going to church, listening to music, and spending time with her family and Church family. She retired from working 15 years at the Muckleshoot Bingo so she could travel to different churches.

When you saw Carole, she always had a smile for you. She spent most of her time praying for family, friends, community (Muckleshoot and Tulalip).

She was preceded in death by her parents, Benjamin Sr. and Edith, her husband Donald Allen Sr., Brothers Benjamin Jr. and Jesse, Sister Marcella Lyle, Sons William Sam Jr. and Anthony Sam. Daughters Angela Sam and Lori Barr; Grandchildren Jeremy Sam, Wilfred Allen, Kelvin Barr Jr., Benji Sam, and Clinton Fryberg.

A visitation was held on February 22, followed by an inner faith service that evening at the Tulalip Tribal Center Gym, with the funeral service taking place the following morning at the same venue. Arrangements were under the direction of Schaefer-Shipman Funeral Home, Marysville, WA.



#### Thank You from the Family of Carole B. Allen

We would like to thank everyone that helped us as we sent My Mom, grandma off to be with our good Lord. It was a hard decision for us but we know she is no longer in pain or sickness. She will always be remembered for her smile and for her prayers she had for all of us. Again a BIG THANK YOU for all that was with us during this time and helped us out. Very much appreciated.

Youngest son of Carole B Allen,  
*Stacey and Sherina Sam*  
*Stacer, Sampson, Saleena, Scotty*

### FOREVER IN MY HEART

The will of God will never lead you where the grace of God cannot keep you. My best friend and sweet sister Mary Lynn Ross meant the world to me. We became so close to one another in the past two years. I love you Mary Lynn Ross, my adopted sister. You are forever in my heart. I will miss you. And your beautiful soul.

- Anonymous

### Ronald Spencer Penn III

Ronald Spencer Penn III passed away on February 21, 2012 at Tacoma, Washington. He was 21.

Ronald was born on May 29, 1990 in Seattle, Washington to Ronald Penn and Suzette Elkins. He spent his growing years in both LaPush, where his fathers' people are from, and at Muckleshoot, where his mother's home.

He was a student and liked to play basketball, video games and other things that young men his age enjoy. He was particularly fond of his two children, son Ronald Penn IV and daughter Kanti.

Ronald is survived by his children; his parents; his grandparents Ronald Penn Sr., Georgianna Starr and Patricia Butler; brother Albert Penn; sisters Rayna Penn, Rebecca Penn, Pamela Penn and Layla Penn.

He was preceded in death by his Grandmother Rebecca Penn; Grandfather James Elkins and niece Marisyana Torres-Penn

Funeral services were held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Muckleshoot Shaker Church, followed by burial at the New White Lake Cemetery.

Weeks Funeral Home of Buckley was in charge of the arrangements.



## MIT 2012 VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATIONAL SESSION

**What:** Register to vote (please bring identification card)

**Where:** The Philip Starr Building Cougar Room

**When:** March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Time:** 5:00PM

**Why:** Because the Native Vote is very important towards any type of election, you can register on this day and become familiar with the voting process! Register one time and you will be eligible to vote for the Presidential Election which is November 6<sup>th</sup> 2012!

There will also be a debate broadcast live for you to watch, listen so that you can become familiar with your choices that will be on your ballot.

**SNACKS AND A DOOR PRIZE for those who register, must be 18 years or older to participate.**

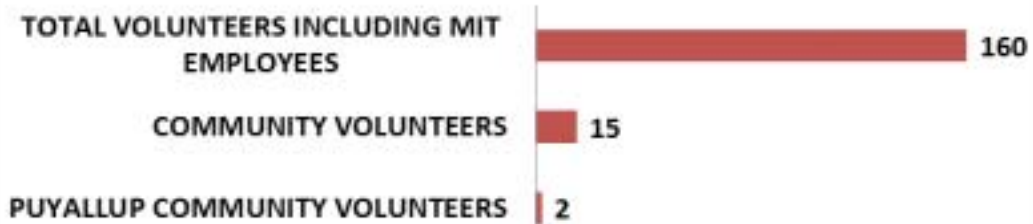
Elections Dates	Standard deadline for online and paper applications and updates	Late deadline for in-person registration if not already registered in Washington
Tuesday	Monday	Monday
April 17, 2012	March 19, 2012	April 9, 2012
August 7, 2012	July 9, 2012	July 30, 2012
November 6, 2012 (Presidential Election)	October 8, 2012	October 29, 2012

Prepared by MIT Emergency Preparedness and Planning Department 3/1/2012.

**End of Season Salmon Dinner**  
Friday, March 23, 2012  
3-PM  
Pentecostal Church

# THE ICE STORM

## VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY EP RESPONSE to the JANUARY 2012 ICE STORM 1/17-1/24/2012



One hundred sixty volunteers provided service to the Muckleshoot Community during the January 2012 ice storm. Fifteen were community volunteers that came with their family or by themselves to ensure the MIT tribal community had provisions through the storm. Two were from the Puyallup Tribe, including one Puyallup Tribal Council member.

A special thanks to each of these volunteers who took the time out of their daily routine to assist the MIT Emergency Operations Center during a real time emergency that affected each and every one of us within our tribal community.

MIT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
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## Thank You!

*Emergency Preparedness would like to thank the employees and community volunteers that helped during the emergency response:*

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Alan Stay – Legal  
Alfred Williams – Community Volunteer  
Ama Tuato'o – Housing  
Amilia Rivera – Senior Center  
Andrea Gonzales – Facilities  
Andrea Hatch – Housing  
Angel Melendez – Youth Facility  
Anita Cross – Drop-In Center  
Ann Moses – Community Volunteer  
Anna Brendible – Youth Facility  
Anthony Gonzales – Senior Center  
Anthony Lozier – Security  
Ashley Rainwater – Health & Wellness  
Banson Nguyen – Resource Center  
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Gail Larsen – Fisheries  
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Mike John – Recreation  
Mike Raglin – Planning  
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Sandy Loquo – Health & Wellness  
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Sherina Sam – Tribal Gaming  
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Suzette Louie – Community Volunteer  
Tammy Nelson – Community Volunteer  
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Todd Nelson – Public Works  
Tommy Louie – Public Works  
Tony Benson – Drop-In Center  
Vicki Watson – Senior Center  
Victor Jackson – Child Development Center  
Virginia Marquez – Community Volunteer  
Wally Courville – Public Works  
Walter Bradley – Health & Wellness  
Walter Pacheco – Community Services  
Wendy Burdette – Senior Center  
William Brendable – Community Volunteer  
Wing Mak – Health & Wellness  
Won Yang – Housing  
Yvonne Emery – Finance

### HENRIETTA KINGGEORGE



"We – my grandkids and daughter, her husband Wilson and new one – were lucky to have been put in a empty home that had a woodstove. We got to cook on it, and the kids were amazed at what we still could do. At night, with candles lit, we would sit or lie

down in a circle and talk about what and where everyone is at now, like school, sports, likes and dislikes. We got to know more of each other. Some may have said it was long, but to me it was the best six days together with family, so it has brought us more close."

### MARDEE MARQUARD



As I sat there in the light of a lantern at my grandma's, she talked about the old days, and how having no lights, and it being so quiet outside reminded her of how she used to live – the days of living with only the lights from lanterns; of outhouses, of riding horses over in

Medicine Valley when she was a young girl...

She pointed outside of her house in the direction the outhouse used to stand. She said it was a long trail to go back there. (All I could think about was how cold it must have been to walk out there in the middle of the night or in the snow, being scared, seeing a skunk, or falling in!)

She sat there all cuddled up in her chair, and you could tell she was reminiscing. She talked about the main road running right in front of our houses and how, as young ladies, they would walk down the road to go to Coopers Corner and buy candy, or go even farther down towards where we call Riverwalk to dances. She talked about the way they used to fix their hair, the dresses and shoes she and her sisters used to wear. (It sounded as if they were fit to kill when they walked out the door!)

She talked about going to eastern Washington to pick hops, being forced by her grandma to drive; even though she didn't have a driver's license. And here is the big kicker: Indians were not able to buy liquor and beer. It was against the law. (Could you imagine?) She said she has always had a light complexion and light hair, and could pass for a Caucasian, so her family members used to make her go buy their beer!

These type of stories rarely take place, and it was having no electricity that sparked up her memories of her good ol' days! And I was glad she shared them with me. I can only imagine, what it used to be like...

### ADA MCDANIEL



Every summer I begin to put away fish, fruits and vegetables. I process my own soups, store away water, gather wood, matches and candles, etc. My kids have always watched me and wondered "Why?"

They always hear me talk about power outages, earthquakes, etc. and what if I was not around, what would they do? Well, they were able to get their own firsthand experience during the January ice storm. I had to be a part of the Emergency Operations Center for the tribe. I could not be at home for my children or my grandchildren. I did not worry though, because I knew everything was at home for them to be able to survive for a few days.

My youngest daughter Catherine watched me all these years preparing, so she knew how to manage the provisions that I had already prepared. Once the power went out, they lit the wood stove for heat and to cook on, using candles for light and to tell stories by. It was fun and adventurous to them, and now they know the details of my job here at the tribe and with the community.

Knowing that my family was safe and warm made it easier for me to function mentally here at the EOC while being away from them. Being able to assist the tribal community members with provisions will be a lasting memory for me. There was not one moment that I can regret by conducting the services that we did. I have to thank **Shanon Hamilton** for the emergency supplies on hand, because *all* stores were running out of food, supplies and they were limiting what could be purchased, but MIT had supplies.

Training always comes handy; it helps you to learn to remain calm and to keep your composure so that you can continue to make quick sound decisions that will aid in the assistance of your community.

Things are winding down for most of us now, but the memories will live on for the ones for whom this was their first experience, and for the ones who can compare this to many other storms that caused power outages.

Mother Nature can take over at any time during any season and make time stand still. Within hours, the tribal community was pushed back into time when there was limited power, limited transportation, and limited communication. A lesson was learned that we just have to be prepared and go along with it, and teach our young to become prepared as well.

### KERRI MARQUEZ, CHAIR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

I would like to thank everybody that participated in the response to the last storm – the Emergency Preparedness Committee, all the volunteers, all of the staff, and all the community volunteers. I think that between them all – the programs and all the workers, and all the volunteers – they ran a very good operation.

Throughout this incident – the snow storm, and then the power outages, and then the ice storm and more power outages, and just the overall length of this storm – we learned a lot.

Everybody pitched in. We had a great effort from all departments and staff. I can't express the gratitude to all of them for everything that each one of them did to help our community, and how thankful I was for all the work that everyone did. I think we had a good team effort.

I know that we did an evaluation of the last storm. Everybody is making comment on how we can make improvements. Everybody, in any department, at any place, could always make improvements, and we're working on that.

I never completely realized how much this type of emergency response capability is needed until I saw it being offered here in our community and learned that it's not offered in any other tribes. It made me even more thankful that we have this operation, and we now hope to help other tribes do the same for their people.

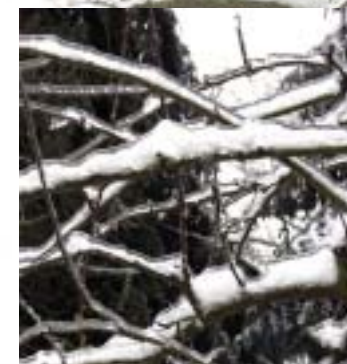
We even had a Tribal Council member from a neighboring tribe – David Bean of Puyallup – step in and help us, and we are very thankful to him. He wanted to learn how our emergency response operation operates and was very, very impressed with the way we function and how we help our people.

And, looking back on the January storm, I can't express how important it is for us to increase the percentage of our community people stepping up and stepping in to help. The community and our people that live here on the reservation are the ones that know everybody, and could help their uncle, brother, sister, mother, cousin, and alleviate some of the work that was done by staff, many of whom were working 24/7. We did really well, and I'm thankful for all the staff and all the volunteers and all the participants. They worked very hard and very diligently to get their services out to everybody in the best way we could.

As I said, we did an evaluation after this storm, and we're going to continue to evaluate and improve our ability to respond to emergencies such as this in the future. We will work hard to provide better services and make them more efficient.

Hopefully, we can recruit more community help, especially community members. Previously, we used to have a community list that broke down the reservation by section and we'd have two or three community leaders from that list that would step in to coordinate addressing the needs for that section. If we could get that going again, it would alleviate the strain for some of the other people – PPW, or Senior Center, Youth Facility, all the other staff that worked – so they could go take a break or go take care of the needs in a different area.

This is an ongoing process, and I know that we can continue expand and improve the quality of our emergency services, especially if we get more volunteers and more hands-on help from everybody throughout the community. I think that's the biggest part of what we need to express – the need to get out there in the community, to be here to help one another. I am just thankful that we all survived and made it through this past storm, and I look forward to all the help and assistance so we can all work together for the benefit this whole tribe as one.



# Casino Team Members of the Year Honored

PHOTOS BY JOHN LOFTUS

Every year the Muckleshoot Casino puts on a gala event to honor all of its team members that have earned Team Member of the Month honors in their respective divisions, and at the end of the evening, after the suspense has had time to build the names of the Team Member and Supervisor of the Year are revealed.

This year's theme was *The Wizard of Oz*. CeeCe Corwin was Dorothy; Rudy Zeman was Toto; Eric Durban was the Tin Man, Dan Vizzare was the Scarecrow and Brandon Eyle was the Lion. And, of course, there were two witches and a wizard: Rhonda McDaniel was the Wicked Witch of the West, Sharon LaClair was the Good Witch of the East, and none other than Darryl Blackburn played the Wizard of Oz.

The play unfolded in several acts coinciding with the serving of the salads, main courses and desserts, but varied from the *Wizard of Oz* we all remember in a few ways. Instead of seeking a heart, brain and courage, the main characters were seeking to smile more, make better eye contact, and other things that are useful in the gaming trade.

Finally, it all built up to a climax and confetti rained down as **Loc-Tan Nguyen** was named Team Member of the Year and **Phoun (Tony) Pheann** was named Supervisor of the Year. Both were awarded plaques, cash and a special parking place for the whole year, bringing the extravaganza to its grand conclusion and leaving all in attendance with one question on their minds: What will the casino do to top this next year?



## Greetings from Angela Turning Robe, the Tribal School's new Whulshootseed teacher

Dear Parents/Guardians, families, & community members,

Hello. My name is Angela Turning Robe. I'm excited to announce that I have recently accepted the Whulshootseed Language Teacher position at Muckleshoot Tribal School. I wanted to share a little about myself and my background with you all.

My parents are Loretta Castillo from the Quinault Tribe & Tom McLaughlin from the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes. My grandparents are Ruby Sanders Castillo & Trinidad Castillo.

I am married to Delbert Turning Robe. His parents are Norma Jean Jake (Yakama/Muckleshoot) & Wayne Turning Robe (Siksika Nation Blackfoot). His grandparents are Tom Jake & Dorothy Smartlowit.

Together we have 4 children – 20 yrs., 18 yrs., 13 yrs., & 10 yrs. old. We live in Tacoma, WA.

My most recent work history was the Twulshootseed Language Teacher position with the Puyallup Tribes Language Program. I really enjoyed my time there & all of the invaluable language education that I received.

I also worked at Chief Leschi Schools for many years (Oct. 1995 – Feb. 2009). This is where I began my journey of learning and teaching the Lushootseed Language. I've had many great teachers and mentors throughout my years there. I had the opportunity to work side by side with very knowledgeable and generous language instructors.

I am grateful to the Muckleshoot Tribe for the opportunity to work with your children and your community. My hands are up to you as a people and as a tribe for making the revitalization of the Whulshootseed language a priority for all of your children at the tribal school. I am honored to be a part of that.

I enjoy continuing to learn and teach language. I am 100% committed to continuing to learn all that I can and sharing with all those (children & adults alike) who have the desire to learn and revitalize what was once taken from native people.

I am looking forward to getting to know your children and working directly with them in the classroom. I am also looking forward to getting an

opportunity to work with your language speakers, your elders, and community members.

I must admit that I was apprehensive about stepping outside of my comfort zone and the community that I was raised in and coming to a new place with new people, but, the students and staff here at the tribal school have all been very welcoming to me. I couldn't be more appreciative of that. It's hard to be the "new kid" sometimes. :-)

I now feel confident and know that I made the best decision. I'm confident that with the tribe, school board, administrators', and families' support that we can accomplish any goal we set for the children. I have no doubts that this is a great fit for all involved.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. My e-mail is [angela.turningrobe@muckleshoottribalschool.org](mailto:angela.turningrobe@muckleshoottribalschool.org)

Thank you for this opportunity to participate in your children's learning!

Sincerely,

*Angela M. Turning Robe*



Autumn Turning Robe

Date: TUES. 03/20/12 Time: 4:00 pm

## MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER MEETING

COME JOIN US FOR A PARENT/TEACHER MEETING! BRING YOUR CONCERNS, QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, IDEAS TO THE MEETING SO WE CAN ALL DISCUSS IT AND WHERE PARENTS AND TEACHERS CAN HAVE OPEN COMMUNICATION HELP MAKE OUR SCHOOL THE BEST IT CAN BE

PLACE: MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL SCHOOL LIBRARY  
 Contact person: YVONNE EMERY— PARENT 253-508-2935  
 I hope you can make it. Tried doing it at a time where everyone can attend. Parents/ Teachers/ Community

## Basketball Fan Photos

Thank you to Yvonne Emery!



## OLD SIGN BECOMES NEW SCHOOL SIGN

By Superintendent Michael Aaron

The old Muckleshoot sign at the old tribal school has had a facelift and been repaired for the new tribal school. The sign is attached to the front of the school near the flagpoles.

The sign has been historically attached to the old building. Most people say that the sign has just always been there since the days when the building was a community center, health center, and tribal administration.

The high school woodshop classes, under the supervision of woodshop teacher Mike Eckhart, repaired some rotten wood on the original sign and then totally refinished it with a sealer to preserve it for the future. Please come by the school and see the future and remember the past.



## Kings Honored at MTS Assembly

PHOTOS BY DARRELL JAMETSKI



## MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

By Coach Jodie Wojdyla



On Tuesday, February 14, the girls middle school basketball team traveled to Camp Berachah for a jamoree. We were pleasantly surprised as the girls defeated Chief Leschi and Mount Rainier Lutheran, and just a close one to Carbanado. The jamboree was fun, we got to get out on the court and play each team for a quarter. The girls played hard, and showed that they are maturing and feeling more comfortable on the floor

this year.

On Thursday, February 16, we hosted Chief Leschi in our season opener. It was an evenly matched game, and we prevailed 31-22. We are 1-0! Ashley Aho led the team in scoring with 14 points, Alexis Ho had 11 points, and Leondra Keeline added 6 points and several rebounds. It was exciting to start off with a win on our home court.



# Kings take 6th Place in State 1B Basketball Tournament

PHOTOS BY DARRELL JAMETSKI



**GO KINGS!** L to R: Head Coach Bill Hawk, Assistant Coach Jeff Hawk (behind), #21 Josh Cline ~ Forward, #32 Luis Esparza ~ Guard, #3 Buddy Brendible ~ Guard, #23 Preston Brown ~ Wing (behind), #35 Alvin Allen ~ Wing, #13 Anthony Mather ~ Wing (sub), Dace Pleasant (ball boy, front), #40 Trisdin Lozier ~ Wing, #29 Sean Tai ~ forward, #20 Ryan Oldman ~ Wing (behind), Assistant Coach Andre Pleasant.



**FOOD EMPOWERMENT:**

**The Muckleshoot Tribe Reintroduces Traditional Fare**

By Anne Minard, Indian Country Today Media Network.com

**M U C K L E - SHOOT RESERVA-TION**—Many years ago, members of Pacific Northwest tribes subsisted on a wide diversity of foods from the sea and land. More than 300 fish, shellfish, greens and berries graced their seasonal menus and shaped their cultural lifeways.



Despite her education, Bastyr Nutrition graduate Valerie Segrest says her work relies on the wisdom already present in communities. (Photo courtesy of Jon Hiskes at Bastyr University)

“The foods that were eaten here were a huge pillar of our culture,” says Valerie Segrest, a Muckleshoot tribal member and a Native nutrition educator at Northwest Indian College.

“They’d follow the huckleberries. Twenty varieties grew from the seashore to the higher elevations; they would follow them as they ripened.”



Students from Northwest Indian College at the Muckleshoot Tribe learn about traditional salmon preparation and skin tanning during a monthly seminar of the Food Sovereignty Project. (Courtesy of Jon Hiskes at Bastyr University)

Today, such a life has become virtually impossible. “First of all,” Segrest notes, “there was a loss of land and a loss of rights. There is the issue of environment toxins now, the cultural oppression around harvesting food, invasive species that have come into our environment and changed it. There’s a lack of time. Now in our modern world people have jobs. You have to have vacation time to go out and harvest. Areas for harvesting mussels are located on an island. You have to have money to put gas in your vehicle to get to the ferry, and pay for the ferry.”

As a result, Pacific Northwest tribes got disconnected from their traditional food sources. They came to rely on processed foods, some of which are provided through the dominant federal assistance programs and others that are front and center at grocery stores. Like many tribes across the country, the Muckleshoot and other tribes have begun to see epidemics of diabetes and heart disease.

But Segrest is doing her best to reverse that. Today, she heads up the Muckleshoot Food Sovereignty Project, which aims to reintroduce traditional foods into the diets of tribal members.

The two-year project is funded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and supported by Northwest Indian College’s Traditional Plants and Foods Program.

Before the project actually got under way, the Muckleshoot, Suquamish and Tulalip tribes, along with the University of Washington’s Burke Museum, laid the groundwork by investigating plants used by the tribes before European contact. They built a database of such foods, so people wishing to incorporate the traditional foods into their diets have a solid place to start.

Segrest’s program now offers a Native foods course at the college as well as community seminars centered on specific foods, such as deer, berries or salmon. The project has also yielded a Native berry garden at the college, an orchard at the Muckleshoot Tribal School and a widening “cultural landscape” including native plants at the new senior center.

Segrest’s efforts resulted from a combination of academic training, starting with her undergraduate years in the nutrition program at Bastyr University near Seattle, and her cultural education, whereby her elders taught her how to work with people and empower community health programs. She acknowledges her accomplishments are the result of standing on the shoulders “of many giants,” and she points out that her program is one of countless traditional foods movements that are springing up across tribal lands in the Pacific Northwest.

“There are so many things that are happening right now,” she says, “lots of food-restoration programs. There are community gardens coming up, community food banks that people are starting to organize. The Muckleshoot tribe is doing a lot of work around this, but so are the Tulalip, Suquamish and Makah. People are creating partnerships with local farms. There are agricultural harvest boxes being distributed to tribal members.”



Before cooking, salmon skin is surprisingly resistant to tearing. (Courtesy of Jon Hiskes at Bastyr University)

One of the most problematic challenges is trying to incorporate traditional foods into modern lifestyles—or replacing some foods, like the camas root—that were once essential but are now difficult to find. Elk burgers, for example, have become a popular modern spin on traditional game. Segrest greets nearly every morning with a huckleberry smoothie. And many tribal members are perfecting recipes for kelp pickles, rosehip jam, nettle pesto and camas nettle soups.

Clearly, Segrest has found herself caught up in a powerful movement. But what has spurred it? Segrest’s best guess is a simple one.

“We’re sick of being sick,” she says. “We’re sick of heart disease and diabetes. We know that diabetes was nonexistent in our communities 100 years ago, because we ate these foods. I think it’s just this consciousness that people are becoming more and more passionate about.”



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Important Dates to Remember:

Registration begins.....	Mar 1
Advising Day.....	Mar 8
Running start deadline.....	Apr 3
Spring Quarter classes begin.....	Apr 3
Memorial Day—campus closed.....	May 28
Last day of Spring Quarter.....	Jun 15
Commencement .....	Jun 15

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 Shaun Peterson was born in Puyallup, Washington and is a member of the Puyallup tribe. Shaun pursued Coastal Native art shortly after graduating high school. His focus has been on his Coast Salish roots through painting, print and sculpture. He is the youngest member of the Bill Halm Center advisory board and is very active in public speaking at the university level. Shaun has works in public collections around the world including Japan, China, Ireland and Germany. His largest installation is a twenty-four foot welcome figure dedicated on 2012 of Tacoma, Washington.

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**NOTE** Students seeking credit for are required to show up before 5 pm and submit a review after the presentation is complete. No Exceptions will be permitted.

**Fourth Wed of Each Month 3:00p in room 208**

**Student Meeting**

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If you are a student of the Muckleshoot Tribal College or any of our partner institutions, please join us the fourth Wednesday of each month at 3:00p in room 208. Students will be gathering to discuss student activities and clubs.

For more information please contact:  
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**Muckleshoot School Age Children**  
 2012 Clothing Voucher Distribution Dates

Clothing Vouchers will be distributed **ONLY** on the following days:  
**Between the hours of 9am—5pm:**

**Thursday & Friday - March 22 & 23**  
**Thursday & Friday - April 12 & 13**

Applications must be complete with all necessary signatures and submitted to the Scholarship Department **BYNOON TUESDAY** the week BEFORE the noted distribution date above.

For more information call Christina (253) 876-3370



# Another Year For The Muckleshoot Drop-In Center

Written by:  
 Papali'i Etene Taimalelagi  
 Drop-in Center Manager (acting)  
 Community Advocate-Youth Specialist

For the Drop-In Center, 2011 saw a substantial improvement in terms of the number of participants in the community utilizing the center as a place for recreation, counseling referral and advocacy. As seen on the highlights below, the drop in center out performed each data category since its opening in February 2008. Perhaps the overarching impact according to program staff is the positive relationship opportunities that have been fostered throughout the history of the Drop-In Center and especially in the last year.

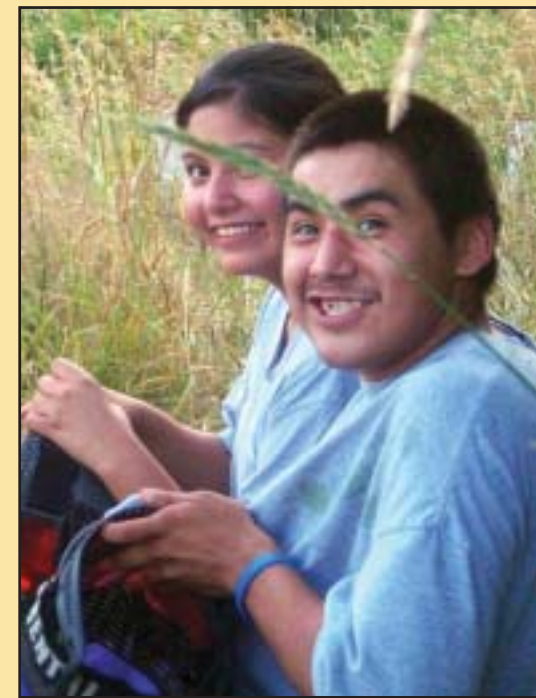
As 2012 takes hold, the Drop-in Center and its' staff will continue to be of service to the community by establishing core relationships with the young adults who are at-risk or live an at-risk lifestyle. The Drop-In center program staff would like to thank everyone in the community and the Tribal Government for holding steadfast in supporting and encouraging us to do better. One quote comes to mind from a participant when asked, "What does the DIC mean to you?" This participant looked me straight in the eyes and told me, "Well, if it weren't for the Drop-In (Center), my life would have been in a bad way..."

**Highlights for 2012:**

- **New Days and Hours for the Drop-in Center starting in 2012**
- 12pm to 10pm Wednesdays and Thursdays
- 4pm to 2am Friday and Saturday
- Closed Sunday, Monday
- 9am-7pm Tuesdays, open for advocacy, counseling, etc.
- Age requirements to utilize all Drop-In Center services will be strictly enforced:  
 14 yrs to 21 yrs.
- Continue to serve the community in the most professional and efficient manner possible

**Highlights for 2011:**

- 9,292 participants walked through our doors in 2011
- Over 4,355 transports of participants to and from their homes
- Approximately 4, 725 meals served to participants in 2011
- 523 one-on-one counseling sessions
- 133 home visits
- 65 critical response mediation
- Facilitated over 80 events and/or activities in 2011
- Back to School Bash Planning
- 2011 Pacific Northwest Indian Youth conference participants
- Facility rental for community member's private birthday parties.
- Three Parenting class graduations
- Women and Men's warrior groups
- Started plans on facilitating an AA group at the center
- Participated in 15 on and off reservation cultural events/activities
- Guest speakers to inspire cultural significance and cultural competency
- Advocacy in legal, social and psychological matters
- Started an after school study hall at the center providing homework assistance, conducive physical environment and transportation to and from the center.
- Sponsored DIC softball and basketball teams made up of staff and participants
- Community Volleyball league/clinics participation



**Muckleshoot Recreation**



**Youth Baseball/ Fast pitch 2012**

Sign your child up for t-ball, club clinic, baseball, or fast pitch from now till **May**. Registration forms will be available in the Recreation office (behind Carver club house and right next to HR).

T-ball and Club generally starts the first week of June and is a six week program. T-ball games will be held Mondays and Wednesdays, Club Clinic games will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Fast baseball, fast pitch games will start mid-June and practices will be scheduled by the coach. Games: Fast and Innings will be held Mondays and Wednesday, Pitch and Postcard will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays.

- League and grades:
- T-ball (Pre-K and Kindergarten)
- Club Clinic (1st & 2nd)
- Pitch (baseball) (3rd & 4th boys)
- Pitch Fast pitch (3rd & 4th girls)
- Softball (baseball) (5th & 6th boys)
- Softball fast pitch (5th & 6th girls)

Last day to turn in registration forms is:

**May 2nd, 2012**



Mike Starr: 253-876-3303  
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**SWAP MEET**



**SATURDAY  
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**NEW DROP-IN CENTER HOURS OF OPERATIONS:**

**Starting February 2012**

SUNDAY	CLOSED
MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY	12PM TO 10PM
THURSDAY	12PM TO 10PM
FRIDAY	4PM TO 2AM
SATURDAY	4PM TO 2AM

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Starting in January 2012, the Drop-in Center will strictly enforce the age limitation by which **all** Drop-In services can be accessed: **14yrs to 21yrs**

A HISTORIC DAY: MARCH 3, 2012

# GROUND IS BLESSED FOR NEW MUCKLESHOOT LONGHOUSE



### THOMAS LONGSHORE, SKOKOMISH LONGHOUSE

It's an honor to be here today to witness such a great occasion for Indian people. I'm glad to be here today to be part of this, so I can spread the word that Se-owen lives in Muckleshoot. The seed was planted here the same time when it was planted in Skokomish. My late uncle, Subiyay (Bruce Miller) was in the Lummi big house at the same time as Sqialupcub (Hoagie King George) was in Isadore's... I was always trained to follow behind (my uncle) and never get in front of him, because that's what my grandmother said – "Never step in front of somebody when he's trying to teach you."



The smoke house building will be located on ten acres located immediately across the highway from the MIT amphitheater. The building, a traditional longhouse in heavy timber style with exterior cedar wood siding, will be approximately 16,000 square feet in size.

It will include a main ceremony room designed to seat 500 people and feature 30-inch diameter log structural beams 18 feet above the floor, with the ceiling peaking at 33 feet. All finishes will be wood, with a dirt floor with two large fireplaces. The "local room," located at the opposite end of the building, will essentially be a smaller version of the main ceremony room.

The dining hall and kitchen will seat and serve 250 people at a time and will have exposed timber and wood finish throughout and a polished concrete floor. Adjacent to the kitchen there will be a covered outside cooking area designed for traditional cooking of seafood and game.



### ISADORE "DOBIE" TOM

There is no one greater than anyone else in this walk of life. If you humble yourself, then gifts will come, will be revealed to you. Gifts come in different ways. Some are gifted to gather wood. Some are gifted to greet the people. Some are gifted to prepare food the proper way. Some are prepared to be an orator. These are all gifts.

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The songs that we get are from nature, and you can't find these in any store, any songbook, or anything like that. The songs that are brought out today could be 10,000 years old and utilized way before our time and just be coming back again.

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You're a young group, but you've proved yourself. You've got the respect of your council now. It's up to you to carry the ball the rest of the way. And I'm always honored to be with you here at Muckleshoot. The encouragement I can give you, we need you to listen and we need you to learn. And when you get at my age, you really respect young people that are willing to sit and listen and be advised. You don't find that very often anywhere you go. A lot of our young people are all ready to answer you. They have a different answer ready for you, and I just tell them, "I was your age once, but you haven't been my age yet. The way you're going, you're not going to make it."

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They're progressing here in Muckleshoot, but they're giving back to their people. They're not hoarding any monies that is taken in. They're buying real estate. They're buying homes, buying land and giving it back to their people. They're doing things right, in my book.





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**1 (800) MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**  
**www.medicare.gov**  
**Where you can compare plans that are best for you online!**

## The Optical Department at the HWC!



The eyeglass benefits are the same as they've always been.  
 One comprehensive eye exam once every 12 months.  
 New lenses once every 12 months. Adults eyeglass frames once every 2 years/children 2 per year.

If you are not eligible for the frame allowance, you will be allowed to purchase the frames at a very reasonable price. (Believe me there is a significant mark up when you buy frames in town/private practice!). No eyeglass benefits will be approved outside of the MHWC optical department. We are also offering contact lenses and necessary supplies for contacts.

The Optical Department is a Tribally-owned business. Patients must meet CHS eligibility requirements to get optical services. CHS eligible patients will need to obtain a PO from the CHS office before getting optical services.

For more information, please contact the CHS Office – (253) 939-6648. Optical Department open regular HWC business hours.

## Sick and don't want to wait long hours in a Hospital Emergency Room?

There are local Urgent Care Centers that can help YOU!

Sore throat, ankle injury, ear ache, upper respiratory infections are just few of the things they can help with. They can do lab work and x-rays too, if needed.

### Urgent Care Centers:

**Multicare Urgent Care, Auburn** (253) 876-8111  
 202 Cross St SE, Auburn  
 Hours and Times:  
 Monday – Friday, 8am to 8pm;  
 Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 4pm  
 Location: down by Mazatlan Restaurant and Big Foot Java on Aub Way S.

**Valley Medical Center Urgent Care, Auburn** (253) 395-2005  
 1000 Auburn Way S, Auburn  
 Hours and Times: Monday – Friday, 8am to 8pm;  
 Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 4pm  
 Location: across the street from Farmer's Market/U-Haul Rental on Aub Way S.

**Multicare Urgent Care, Kent** (253) 372-7788  
 222 State Ave N, Kent  
 Hours and Times:  
 Monday – Friday, 8am to 8pm;  
 Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 6pm

If you need to seek medical care after 5:00pm on week days, weekends or when HWC is closed, you may obtain services from these urgent care centers. You must call the CHS Office for a purchase order number within **72 hours or 3 days of being seen.** Please have your insurance information ready to give their front desk staff.

If you are too sick to call, a family member or friend can call for you. Please call CHS (253) 939-6648, if you have any questions.

Cd/urgent care notice 01-30.12

## Dental Clinic Location & Hours (253) 939-2131



We are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Health & Wellness Center.

Appointment Times	Emergency Walk In Times
Monday 8:00am-5:00pm	8:00-8:20 am.
Tuesday 8:00am-5:00pm	8:00-8:20 am
Wednesday 9:00am-5:00pm	9:00-9:20 am
Thursday 8:00am-5:00pm	8:00-8:20 am
Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	8:00-8:20 am
Closed Daily 12:00-1:00pm	

## Massage Therapy

**\*30 min. appointments\***

**\*Two 30 minute massage appointments Now Available Daily!!!**

- \*Same day appointments often available!
- \*Great for stress relief
- \*All eligible members welcome

Muckleshoot Massage Therapy  
 Mon - Friday 8am - 5pm  
 Closed 12 - 1 daily for lunch  
 253-939-6648

## NEED A "MEETING" TO HELP YOU !! ?

### Alcoholics Anonymous -AA & Narcotics Anonymous NA

Meetings on the Rez

Monday 12:00-1:00pm A.A.  
 M.I.T. Recovery House  
 39225 180<sup>th</sup> Ave S.E.  
 Auburn, WA.

Tuesday 12:00-1:00pm A.A.      Tuesday 5:00-6:00pm A.A.  
 M.I.T. Recovery House              Phillip Starr Building "Cougar Room"  
 39225 180<sup>th</sup> Ave S.E.                  39015 172<sup>nd</sup> Ave S.E.  
 Auburn, WA                              Auburn, WA.

Wednesday 12:00-1:00pm A.A.  
 M.I.T. Recovery House  
 39225 180<sup>th</sup> Ave S.E.  
 Auburn, WA.

Thursday 12:00-1:00pm A.A.  
 Pentecostal Church (In Church Sanctuary)  
 39731 Auburn-Enumclaw Road S.E.  
 Auburn, WA.

Sunday 7:00-8:30pm N.A.  
 M.I.T. Recovery House  
 39225 180<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.E.  
 Auburn, WA.

## Notice to All CHS Eligible Patients

If you received a PO from the CHS office and now you are receiving a medical bill or statement, please bring them to the CHS office for review. This will ensure timely payment to your provider.

As always, you must obtain a PO # prior to your medical appointment and call us if you cancel or reschedule your appointment.

**CHS Office Hours:**  
**Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm**  
**Closed for Lunch 12pm – 1pm**  
**Phone: 253-939-6648**

## Having a problem with pain pills? Does your life revolve around pills? If pills control you instead of you controlling the pills.....

**Suboxone (Sub-ox-own) referrals and treatment now available @ HWC!**

Help for prescription pain medication dependence is now being offered through the Health and Wellness Center. Suboxone is also used in the treatment of other opiate-based or synthetic opiate drug dependence. These drugs include: Oxycodone/Oxycontin, Hydrocodone, Vicodin, Heroin, and Morphine.

SUBOXONE is the first opioid medication approved under Drug Addiction Treatment Act (DATA) 2000 for the treatment of opioid dependence in an office-based setting. The primary active ingredient in SUBOXONE is buprenorphine.

- SUBOXONE at the appropriate dose can:
- Reduce illicit opioid use
  - Help patients stay in treatment
  - Suppress symptoms of withdrawal
  - Decrease cravings for opioids

The Health and Wellness Center has a medical provider licensed to prescribe suboxone.

**For more information please contact Behavioral Health at (253) 804-8752**

**Grief is painful and at times the pain seems unbearable, now is the time to seek support!**

## Grief and Loss Support Group

**with Dr. Sarlak@ the Muckleshoot Health & Wellness Behavioral Health Program**  
**Every Thursday 5:00 pm – 6:30pm**

**Open for everyone, please call Muckleshoot BHP for further questions.**

**253-804-8752**

## BEHAVIOR HEALTH PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT:

**The Behavioral Health reception window is now open throughout the lunch hour (12:00 to 1:00 pm) so that we will be better able to serve our clients and the community. Please feel free to stop by to schedule appointments and to drop off/pick up paperwork. If you have any questions, please call us at: (253) 804-8752**



**HEALTH AND WELLNESS SHUTTLE CHANGES !!!**



**BUS STOP CHANGE.** On February 27, 2012 the HWC Shuttle Bus service will add a new bus stop at **NW Family Church** located on Auburn Way South (across from Chinook School). The HWC Shuttle Bus will discontinue the bus stop at the MIT Skate Park as of **February 24, 2012**. This is due to lack of riders over the last several months.

**SATURDAY SERVICE ADDED.** In addition, we will now offer Saturday service from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We continuously monitor the Shuttle Bus program for improvement opportunities. Please see the bus schedule below for shuttle pick-up/drop-off times and locations.

MIT HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE		
Pick-up times are approximate		
Monday-Friday Schedule		
No service between 11:00 a.m.-Noon		
8:00 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.		
Times	Times	Location
START	END	
8:00 am	9:00pm	Health & Wellness
8:05	5:05	Senior Center
8:10	8:10	Virginia Cross Education
8:15	8:15	QFC Parking Lot
8:20	8:20	Dogwood St-Green Tree Apts
8:25	8:25	17 <sup>th</sup> Street SE
8:30	8:30	NW Family Church (Aub Way S across from Chinook)
8:40	8:40	Davis Property
8:45	8:45	Skopabsh Village
8:50	8:50	Cedar Village
8:52	8:52	Pentecostal Church
Last Scheduled Route begins at 8:00 PM		
Saturday Schedule		
10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.		
Times	Times	Location
START	END	
10:00 am	2:00pm	Health & Wellness
10:10	1:10	Virginia Cross Education
10:15	1:15	QFC Parking Lot
10:20	1:20	Dogwood-Green Tree Apts
10:25	1:25	17 <sup>th</sup> Street SE
10:30	1:30	NW Family Church (Aub Way S across from Chinook)
10:40	1:40	Davis Property
10:45	1:45	Skopabsh Village
10:50	1:50	Cedar Village
10:52	1:52	Pentecostal Church
Last Scheduled Route begins at 1:00PM		
<b>BUS ROUTE REPEATS ITSELF EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR</b>		

Revised 2-15-2012

**“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

**Health & Wellness Center Program Hours**

**Muckleshoot Health and Wellness Center**

Pharmacy	Wellness Center		
Monday	8-5 pm	8-6 pm	10 am-8 pm
Tuesday	8-5 pm	8-6 pm	10am- 8 pm
Wednesday	9-5 pm	9-6 pm	10 am-8 pm
Thursday	8-5 pm	8-6 pm	10 am-8 pm
Friday	8-5 pm	8-6 pm	10 am-8 pm
Saturday			10 am-2 pm
Sunday	All Programs Closed		

Program Name	Phone No.	Closed-Lunch
Main Number to HWC	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00
Behavioral Health (Mental Health & Chemical Dep)	(253) 804-8752	Open
CHS/Registration Office	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00
Community Health/CHRs	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00
Dental Clinic	(253) 939-2131	12:00-1:00
Medical Clinic	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00
Optical Clinic	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00
Pharmacy	(253) 333-3618	Open
Recovery House	(253) 333-3629	Open
Wellness Center	(253) 333-3616	Open
WIC Thurs Only 8-4:30	(253) 939-6648	12:00-1:00

**Health & Wellness Center Program Closures for April, May & June 2012**

Day	Date	Times Closed	Reason for Closure
Thursday	04/05/12	8-9 am	Monthly All Staff Meeting
Friday	04/06/12	All Day	Tribal Holiday

**WELLNESS CENTER (Fitness) OPEN 12-8 pm**

Thursday	05/03/12	8-9 am	Monthly All Staff Meeting
Monday	05/28/12	All Day	Memorial Day
Thursday	06/07/12	8-9 am	Monthly All Staff Meeting

**Is Heroin Running Your Life?**

**There is help.**

**Call 253-804-8752**

**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.

**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.

**Muckleshoot Health and Wellness Center Medical Clinic Appointment and No-Show Policy Effective 07/05/11**

To be as efficient as possible and to better serve you and your family members as soon as we can, we are going to be making some changes and implementing an Appointment and No Show Policy for medical-related, dental, optical, massage therapy, CHRs/transportation and behavioral health services. This change is happening because there are too many people that continually make appointments for these services and they never show up to the appointment. This impacts your appointments, because they make an appointment, don't show up and your appointments are made around these chronic No Shows. Your appointments are set back every time they don't make it. If we have four (4) No Shows in a week, that means your appointment will be made later because they will want to schedule another appointment again for the next week. These are appointments that could “you” could have had – you could have been seen sooner. The people who break appointments, hold up appointment times for you and your family. For those of you that are always make your appointments on time, you won't even notice the change –the people that will have a problem with this new policy are the ones that continuously have trouble keeping their scheduled appointments.

In order to ensure that we see everyone in a timely manner, we are going to ask that you call to cancel a scheduled appointment 24 hours prior to a scheduled appointment. This allows for our providers to schedule other people who may be waiting for an appointment. If you do not call to cancel at least 24 hours in advance, you will be considered a “no-show” for that appointment, there may be exceptions to this depending on the circumstance.

If you fail to show for an appointment, it is your responsibility to call and reschedule.

Anyone who misses a scheduled appointment in the morning will not be allowed to see a provider at the medical clinic during a same-day or walk-in appointment that same afternoon.

You should arrive 10 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time. If you do not arrive by the scheduled appointment time, you will be considered a “no-show” for the appointment and you will have to reschedule your appointment to another time or date. There will no longer be a 10 minute grace time for you to be late for your appointment. If you have a 30 minute appointment and come in 10 minutes late, your appointment is now reduced to 20 minutes and you also have to factor in that you need to be checked in by the Med Assist (to get your vitals etc), now your appointment is down to maybe 15 minutes. The providers can not provide good quality care to you in 15 minutes.

If you fail to show for three appointments in a row OR if you have three no-shows in a three month period, you may be restricted to a selected date/time such as a Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am appointment.

After attending the restricted date/time appointment, you will be able to schedule advance appointments once again at the medical clinic.

To make sure that you are aware:

- We will be sending you a letter every time our records indicate that you no-showed for an appointment.
- Once you have accumulated three no-shows in a row OR three no shows within a three month time frame, we will send you a letter indicating that you will only be able to be seen at a restricted selected date/time appointment.
- If you are given a restricted selected date/time appointment and succeed in keeping that appointment, we will send you a letter to let you know you are eligible to make advance appointments once again.

Also, to help you remember your scheduled appointments, we will continue to try and reach you by phone the day before the appointment to remind you of the time and date of your appointment. However, it will be your responsibility to keep us updated on any address/phone number changes.

Please keep in mind, we are making these changes to make sure everyone can be seen in a timely manner at the HWC.

Thank you,  
Lisa James, Health Director

**Ask the Dentist....**

Monthly columns brought to you by your staff at the Health & Wellness Center.

**Craig Brandon, D.D.S.**

**Question:**

Dear Dr. Craig,  
My child has cavities on many of his baby teeth. Do I really need to have them fixed? Won't he be losing these teeth anyway?

**Answer:** While baby teeth start coming in around 6 months, several of them can last until age 13. Pain in these teeth can be a sign that a cavity is present even if it cannot be seen. Filling the cavities will help in the following ways:

- They allow for proper chewing of food.
- Hold space for adult teeth to grow into.
- Help the jaw grow to its proper size and shape.
- As a result, we recommend that children be seen at the HWC Dental Clinic as soon as their first teeth appear.



**Rachel DiPasquale, D.D.S.**

**Question:**

Dear Dr. Rachel,  
Is drinking a lot of soda like Coca Cola, really that bad for your teeth?

**Answer:** Soda, whether it is diet or regular can destroy teeth over time.

- The amount of acid in the mouth is increased for more than an hour after drinking just one Coke
- This acid strips off the protective layer found on teeth
- After time this can cause dental decay or cavities
- If you drink soda, it is best to drink it all at once and avoid sipping throughout the day. Also, it is a good idea to brush or at least swish with some water afterward.
- If you would like to find out more please come see us at the HWC Dental Clinic.



**Robert A. Osborne, D.D.S.**

**Question:**

Dear Dr. Osborne,  
Do I really need to floss?

**Answer:**

- Yes!
- Floss removes plaque and food that sticks to the teeth and gums.
- Plaque is a sticky layer of bacteria that accumulates on teeth, including places where toothbrushes can't reach.
- This can lead to gum disease.
- By flossing your teeth daily you greatly improve the chances of keeping your teeth for a lifetime.

- Come by the HWC Dental Clinic and we will be happy to help you with your home care.

**Tanya Clarke, R.D.H.**

**Question:**

Dear Tanya?  
Last time I came in to the clinic they took a "full mouth" set of x-rays. I have never had that before. Why so many pictures?

**Answer:** A "full-mouth" or standard set of x-rays is taken about every 3-5 years as part of a complete exam that checks for the following:

- Tooth decay or "cavities"
- Infections of the teeth or jaw
- Position of developing and wisdom teeth
- If you would like to know more or arrange for an exam, come see us at the HWC Dental Clinic

**EMERGENCY: 911**

**OFFICE PHONE NUMBERS**

**Muckleshoot Police/King County  
Mon-Fri 8:00-4:00  
253-876-3246**

**Auburn Police  
Mon-Fri 9:00-5:00  
253-931-3080**

**Silent Witness  
(Anonymous Tip line): 253-876-2850**

**Presidents' Day Fun at the Wellness Center!**

The Muckleshoot Wellness Center was open on Presidents' Day for some fun events! There was a Wii Tournament for Youth, and Free Throw and 3 Point Basketball Tournament for youth and adults.

The Free Throw tournament had two divisions, Coed adult 18+ and Coed Youth 12-17. We had 3 Rounds with each person shooting 10 shots each round to find our winners. For the 3 Point competition we had 3 rounds also with the same divisions. Each round people had to shoot 15 total 3 point

shots from 3 marked locations on the 3 point line to find our winners. We gave away lots of prizes and had a lot of fun playing and hope you did too!

Thank you to all that participated and we hope to see you at the Wellness Center next Holiday we are open. If you have any questions about this event or any upcoming events at the Wellness Center, like us on Facebook or call us at 253-333-3616.

Congratulations to our Basketball Tournament winners:

- 12 to 17 - Free Throw**  
1<sup>st</sup> Place: Warren Starr  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Alyssa Vaiese  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Wyatt Courville
- 18 and Over Free Throw**  
1<sup>st</sup> Place: Darcy Lozier  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Kory Elkins  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tyrone Johnson
- 12 to 17-3 Point**  
1<sup>st</sup> Place: Wyatt Courville  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Stina Starr  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Patience Daniels
- 18 and Over - 3 Point**  
1<sup>st</sup> Place: Darcy Lozier  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Tyrone Johnson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Shawny Starr



3 Point 2nd 12-17 Stina Starr



3 Point 2nd 18+ Tyrone Johnson



3 Point 3rd 12-17 Patience Daniels



Free Throw 1st 18+ Darcy Lozier



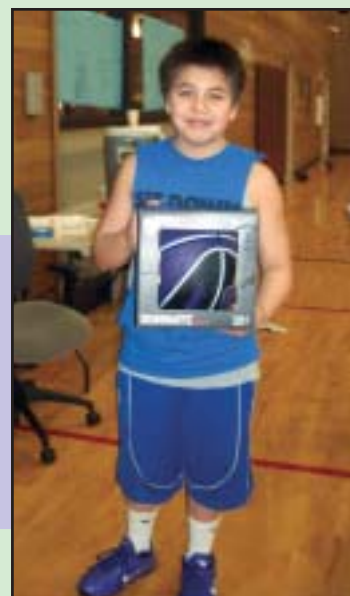
Free Throw 2nd 18+ Kory Elkins



Free Throw 1st 12-17 Warren Starr



3 Point 3rd 18+ Shawny Starr



3 Point 1st 12-17 Wyatt Courville



Free Throw 4

**Supporting Youth in the Community to be Drug and Alcohol Free**

As parents or caregivers for youth in our community, there are many things that you can do to support them in making healthy decisions to remain drug and alcohol free. While there are several risk factors that youth may face to encourage drug and alcohol use, that does not mean that they will engage in substance use. Youth in our community have an opportunity to make their own choices about their behaviors, and caregivers can play an active role in their healthy decision making. There are things that caregivers can do to make it more likely that a youth will not use drugs and alcohol, and these are called protective factors. One thing that a parent or caregiver can do is to work on increasing these protective factors so the youth can make healthy decisions to not use drugs and alcohol.

Here are some examples of protective factors that you can do to encourage youth to make healthy decisions:

- Setting clear rules and limits with youth on expectations around behavior such as curfews, knowing where they are at and who their friends are
- Encouraging youth to get involved in positive activities like sports or community and cultural events
- Having open and honest discussions about the consequences of drug and alcohol use and the affect that substance use has had on your family and community
- Encouraging youth to get connected in their school and getting supports for positive grades
- Placing importance on spirituality and cultural beliefs
- Supporting efforts to increase positive self-esteem



Written By: Megan Gifford  
Youth Chemical Dependency Counselor at Behavioral Health

If you have any questions on how to support your children in making healthy decisions around drug and alcohol use, please call Behavioral Health and ask to speak with a youth counselor : 253-804-8752

## Muckleshoot Elders Newsletter

### March Birthdays

Sandy Hendricks	03/04	Cleo Wilbur	03/16
Steve Hendricks	03/05	Kelly Lozier	03/17
Margaret Davis	03/06	Sonny Bargala	03/20
Thomas McJoe	03/07	Jeannie Moses	03/21
Regina Starr Howell	03/07	Harriet Ross	03/23
Elaine Baker	03/11	Ester Moses	03/23
Randy Richardson	03/11	Ken Lewis	03/24
William Wilbur	03/11	Gilbert KingGeorge	03/26
Sophie Spencer	03/13	Leah Moses	03/27
Mark James	03/13	Doreen Thomas	03/30
John Elkins	03/14		



### Caregiver workshops

**Pendleton Wild Horse Resort & Casino**  
March 27<sup>th</sup> through March 30<sup>th</sup> Pendleton, OR

- Nutrition & Fitness
- Dementia
- Fall Prevention
- Fire Prevention

Contact Noreen at 253 876-3023 for further information.

### Men's Columbia River Fishing Trip

April 3<sup>rd</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Two boats will be ready to take 5 men per boat fishing. Depart for the hotel on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fish and return home on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Good luck guys!!!

### 2012 Elders Day Luncheon

Emerald Downs Racetrack, Auburn, WA  
May 16<sup>th</sup>

Entertainment will be provided by *both* Danny Vernon's Illusion of Elvis – AND – The Saltwater Saints!!! Members of the Muckleshoot Tribal College Staff and the Senior Center Staff are working together to take our Elders & Seniors out to gather native plants. This year for the Elders Luncheon give-away, we intend to make medicine and tea. Feel free to drop by and give us a hand.

### Easter Fundraiser

Stop by the Senior Center and help us put together Easter Baskets to for the Elders Easter Fundraiser. Donations are being accepted. A Cricut Electronic Cutting Machine has been purchased to assist with the decorating process. If you need a ride to come in and help out, give us a call at 253 876-3255.

### Thank You!!!

We would like to give a great big THANK YOU to Art Lopez. In his spare time, Art shops at second hand stores to pick up craft items for upcoming events. Art, your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### Eagle Watching

A few of our Elders took Eugene (Geno) and LeOta to Lummi for their first Eagle Watching trip. They spotted 18 Eagles and one Eagle put on quite a show by hovering over the water and catching a fish. Neither Geno nor LeOta had ever seen anything like that in Tacoma!!! It was a great day.

### 2012 Annual Basket Weaving Conference

Emerald Downs Racetrack  
October 5<sup>th</sup> through October 7<sup>th</sup>  
Auburn, WA

### New Elders Facility

**Grand Opening**  
**Wednesday, August 22, 2012**

The new Elders Facility is on track for the Grand Opening. The long awaited, beautiful 23,000 square ft structure for our Elders & Seniors will be complete this summer. The large craft rooms, huge dining hall, salmon pit & clam pit can't be finished soon enough.

### Indian Prayer

Chief Yellow Lark, Lakota

*Oh, Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds.  
And whose breath gives life to all the world.  
Hear me! I am small and weak.  
I need your strength and wisdom.  
Let me walk in beauty, and make my eyes  
Ever hold the red and purple sunset.  
Make my hands respect the things you have made.  
My ears sharp to hear your voice.  
Make me wise so that I may understand  
The things you might teach me.  
Let me learn the lessons you have hidden  
In every leaf and rock.  
I seek strength, not to be greater than my brother.  
But to fight my greatest enemy, myself.  
Make me always ready to come to you  
With clear hands and straight eyes.  
So when life fades, as the fading sunset.  
My spirit may come to you without shame.*



# Home Delivered Meals

*Bringing hot meals to our Elders in their homes*



Al WhiteEagle Sr.



George Cross Sr.



Elwood Irving



Lynn WhiteEagle



Joan P. Maurice



Lola Elkins



Hazel Black



Marilee Lopez



Irene Kai



Raymond 'Pete' Jerry Sr.

## ELDERS TOUR NEW FACILITY



Construction Crew for new Seniors Facility.



Jan Maurice, Lorraine Cross and Norma Stombaugh taking the tour.



The tour group

## SUPAMAN PERFORMS AT MUCKLESHOOT PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

You can see Supaman on YouTube or listen to one of his CDs, but nothing beats seeing him live, as you know if you saw him on one of his previous trips to Muckleshoot. If you missed his February 22<sup>nd</sup> performance at the Pentecostal Church, keep an eye out for him – he should be back sometime in the next year. Also known as Christian Parrish, or just Chris, Supaman is a native rapper from Crow Agency, Montana. He grew up with alcoholic parents, ended up in foster care, and in his 20s was heading in the wrong direction. But God had another plan for this life. He’s still making music, but now he sees the world through different eyes, and he has a more positive message to share. He doesn’t like to be away from his wife and kids for too long at a time, so he doesn’t spend all his time on the road, but next time he heads over this way, be sure to catch his show.



*Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church*  
Kenny Williams, Pastor

### SCHEDULE

Sunday	11:00 AM	Church Service
Tuesday	12:00 Noon	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bible Study
Thursday	12:00 Noon	Support Group Meeting
Thursday	7:00 PM	Spanish (language) Church
Friday	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
3rd Saturday	10:00 AM	Prayer Meeting

## Totem pole is carried to Seattle Center and raised as lasting memorial to slain Ditidaht woodcarver John T. Williams

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Sunday, February 26th was just one day before what would’ve been his younger brother’s 52nd birthday, and carver Rick Williams knew that John must be smiling down on them. Some 84 people carried the John T. Williams Memorial Totem Pole from Pier 57 to Seattle Center – a mile and a half – using only human power and singing all the way as they cradled the 34-foot pole between them.

A few hours later it had been successfully raised and was standing proudly in its permanent location at Seattle Center just yards from the Space Needle. As Rick had said all along, it was testimony to the power of peace, and he spoke of how this pole would preserve the memory of his brother, a humble woodcarver who was shot and killed on a downtown street by a young Seattle police officer in August of 2010. "I hope this pole stands for a couple hundred years," he said.

Two men from Muckleshoot – Alfred Starr and Roger Miller – helped to carry the pole and witnessed its raising. "To me, it was a healing and a blessing," said Miller. "We stopped here and there, but we had determination."



Rick Williams, older brother of John T. Williams



Totem Pole raising



PHOTO BY JOHN LOFTUS

## Former Miss Skopabsh Jolene Lozier running for 2012 Miss Indian World

Hello, my name is Jolene Lozier, enrolled Muckleshoot tribal member. I am a contestant for 2012 Miss Indian World, held at the Gathering of Nations in April in Albuquerque NM. I am currently selling raffle tickets at \$2.00 apiece, and would be grateful for the support. We will also be having fundraisers, too – dates TBA. I will be traveling down representing my people. For tickets, please contact me @ 360 556 6442, or N8tivejojo@yahoo.com or Franklin Lozier at 253- 503-9813

## GROUND BLESSING *continued from front page*

faiths of the reservation; how they built a new Shaker Church, then a new Pentecostal church for that faith, and renovated the old church for the Catholic faith.

"My hands are up to the Tribal Council for honoring this religion" he said. "The greatest day in Muckleshoot history is today, and it will be a greater day when this is all constructed and up. And you are here – the ones that are here are part of this history being made for the Muckleshoot tribe."

"It's a beautiful thing when a council can do this," he continued. "They're progressing here in Muckleshoot, but they're giving back to their people. They're not hoarding any monies that are taken in. They're buying real estate. They're buying homes, buying land, and giving it back to their people. They're doing things right, in my book."


Finally the moment came. The gold-painted shovels that have been used so many times in recent years were brought out and the most respected lead-

ers from all the visiting smokehouses lined up to turn the first shovels of earth. Mike Jerry, the youngest of the group, tells of being overwhelmed at finding himself standing in the midst of such esteemed leaders. And after the earth had been broken for the new longhouse, an eagle flew over once again, this time swooping very low.

Afterwards, Mike told how earlier that morning Dobie had pointed to the line of trees at the back of the site and told him, "That whole area is filled with your ancestors, and they are all dressed in regalia, waiting for when the smokehouse opens. They're all standing there waiting to sing, waiting to dance."

Seeing this day come had long been a dream for his uncle Hoagie and his father, Bucs-lah (Pete Jerry), and both had been there to turn the earth. "But my dream," Mike said, "is to see both of them dance in it."





**MUCKLESHOOT GAMING COMMISSION POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Muckleshoot Tribe is an Equal Opportunity Employer but does practice Indian Preference hiring in accordance with Public Law 93-638, the Indian Self Determination and Education Act. Per MIT Policies, employees must pass a pre-employment Alcohol and Drug test and be free of drugs and alcohol.

**POSITION TITLE:** Gaming Commissioner  
**SALARY:** Director's Fees at current rate  
**DIVISION:** Muckleshoot Gaming Commission  
**TERM:** Three (3) Years. Current vacancy subject to appointment by the Tribal Council.

**POSITION SUMMARY:**

The Muckleshoot Gaming Commission ("Commission") consists of four Commission members and the Commission Chairman. The Commission is the tribal agency responsible for implementation of the Muckleshoot Gaming Act of 1992 as amended ("Act"), and with responsibility under the terms of the Muckleshoot Tribe-State of Washington Class III Gaming Compact ("Compact"), for the regulation, licensing and investigation of all gaming activities on the Muckleshoot Reservation. Commissioner duties are undertaken as part of the Commission body unless otherwise directed by the Commission Chairman. Through the individual Commissioners, staff, and other services, the Commission, acting as a body, implements Tribal policies to ensure that all gaming activities are conducted fairly and honestly for both players and operators, and in accordance with the Act, the Compact, and applicable Federal laws.

Specific duties of Commissioners, acting as a body, include the following:

- ▶ Licensing of all gaming employees, vendors, suppliers, management, and facilities on the Muckleshoot Reservation.
- ▶ Review and analysis of reports, gaming applications, and other documentation regarding licensing of gaming employees and others associated with the Tribe's gaming activities.
- ▶ Acting as a member of a body to hear, consider, and vote on gaming license matters to include issuance, denial, revocation and suspension.
- ▶ Approval of game rules, internal controls and compliance standards.
- ▶ Approval of rules and regulations to implement Commission programs in compliance with policies established by the Tribe.
- ▶ Approval of Commission annual budget proposal for Muckleshoot Indian Tribal Council ("Tribal Council") review and adoption.
- ▶ Analysis of information from other enforcement and emergency response agencies in regulation, enforcement, investigation and prosecution of violations.
- ▶ Providing direction, as necessary, to surveillance, investigation, licensing, regulation and audit functions in respect to the Tribe's gaming activities.
- ▶ Ensuring that reporting requirements at the Tribal, State, and Federal levels are met.
- ▶ Maintaining high professional and ethical standards in all aspects of their work.
- ▶ Hearing patron complaints against the gambling establishment, as well as administer oaths and hear evidence presented in regard to licensing appeals and determination of suitability of gaming employees, vendors, suppliers, and management, under the direction of the Commission Chairperson.
- ▶ Availability to attend weekly meetings, at minimum, in addition to occasional hearings, ceremonies, or other relevant events.

**POSITION REPORTS TO:**

Tribal Council, through the Commission Chairperson, regarding gaming regulatory and licensing matters under the requirements of the Act.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR POSITION:**

High school diploma or equivalent (GED). Must be eligible to serve as an officer of the Muckleshoot Tribe pursuant to the Tribe's Articles and Bylaws, and must be a member of the Muckleshoot Tribe. Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age. Cannot be related to any Gaming Contractor providing supplies, equipment, personnel or services to the Tribe's gaming activities. Cannot be employed in any tribal gaming activity (including both Class II and Class III activities) and shall be required to successfully complete a background investigation prior to assuming the position of gaming Commissioner. Must be able to meet the suitability criteria for gaming licensing.

**SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND EXPERIENCE PREFERRED:**

Ability to communicate; work cooperatively and effectively with people. Ability to travel as necessary to attend seminars, meetings, and to conduct investigations. Willingness to develop skills in evaluating and analyzing investigative and applicant background information, making licensing decisions, and developing suitability reports. Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain professional standards in carrying out all responsibilities as a Commissioner. Prior experience or training in areas of enforcement, gaming, gaming regulation, or auditing is preferred but not required. Must protect and maintain the confidentiality of applicant criminal background information and other information as required; comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, policies and rules, including the Act, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and the Compact.

*Tribal members interested in applying for Gaming Commissioner will be required to submit a letter of interest to the offices of the Tribal Council (attn: Mardee Marquard) located at:*


*Philip Starr Building  
Tribal Council Chambers*

**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.




**Become a White House Intern**

We are reaching out to remind you that the application for the Fall 2012 White House Internship Program is now open. If you or anyone else you know is interested in the program, we encourage you to forward this information and apply by April 1, 2012 at:

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships/apply/application>

White House Interns have the chance to work with government officials in offices such as the Office of the First Lady, the Office of the Chief of Staff, the Office of Public Engagement and Intergovernmental Affairs, the National Economic Council and the Domestic Policy Council. Assignments vary dependent on an intern's office, but interns conduct research, attend meetings with officials, write memos and requests, participate in speaker series with senior staff members, engage in service projects, and staff and plan events. By dedicating their time, talents, energy and service, interns become part of the White House team and work to improve the community and the nation. For full details on the program, please visit:

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships>

There you can find a detailed application process, a timeline with deadlines, and all the departments that participate in the program. A complete application includes: short answers, two essay questions, a one-page resume, and two letters of recommendation. Again, the **deadline to apply for Fall 2012 is April 1, 2012** so apply now and don't miss out on this incredible opportunity.

## "The Memorial Dinner on Memorial Day"

**The Memorial Dinner on Memorial Day:** We have been authorized to do a giveaway of several memorials during this dinner, coming up just before firework season. I have received 27 names so far. Sonny Brgala graciously is allowing us to do our giveaway for those loved ones who we want to Honor during the Memorial Dinner. They usually honor the veterans who have so proudly fought for our freedom.

We want to thank Sonny Bargala, the Veterans Committee, and all of the people who are allowing us to do our giveaway during this honoring period. We take our hats off and give a standing ovation for your help. A special thank you for Les Nelson, who has agreed to lead the blessing for the gifts prior to our passing them out. And let me thank the people in the churches who are going to be blessing the headstones - Dennis Anderson Sr., Laurie Williams and anyone else who I may have forgotten.

I would also like to thank all of you who have been making items for the memorial giveaway. If you have placed a name on the list with me your family should be making beautiful gifts to giveaway in honor of your loved one(s) at the Memorial Dinner. Your family will have to make special gifts for those who helped with the funeral. I don't have that information.

If you planned on buying a different headstone than the ones I have purchased, it is my understanding the tribe does help if your loved one was enrolled Muckleshoot. I believe you can contact Keri or the Tribal Council staff and ask what the process is to get that done.

We are doing several headstones. Because there will be so many, it is my understanding they will be blessed prior to the dinner. Some of the headstones are in different areas like Tulalip. It would be nice to have loved ones there at the headstone blessing.

There are about five people who are helping with all of the memorials, so if you have a special project you want done for the giveaway and can't get a family member to do it and you can supply the items needed, I can try to find someone to help you get shawls or something else special you wanted to do for the memorial for our loved ones. Abbey said she is waiting to help with sewing items for the memorial. Her sewing machine is set up. Also, Gina Morrison has expressed her desire to help with the memorial. When Franklin and I went to Hawaii we purchased several beautiful items for the

memorial. We have been making shawls, and such and will probably do some more pillows and blankets.

I want to thank Thelma Moses and Jeanne Jerry's Son DJ. They have made some beautiful pen flowers for the memorial. We are trying to make at least 250 of each item so there will be enough gifts. Having said that, I have reserved the Cougar Room on the first Friday of each month for those of you who need funding to buy supplies for the articles you want to make for the memorial giveaway. We are selling lunches and desserts, breads, pies, foods for funds to purchase what is needed.

There is enough room to set up maybe five different tables to sell for this Memorial for Several Loved Ones. Make your food and please bring change for your food being purchased. I will be there to help coordinate. Also, if you already know how to do everything, feel free to call the receptionist and get the Cougar Room scheduled for fundraising on your own. There is a form that needs to be filled out for the event and if the room is available we get approved if everything is in order. After your event is done, you must clean the Cougar Room up and empty the garbage - basically leave the room as you found it.

Having said that I am praying that this Memorial Dinner and Giveaway for Several Loved Ones is going to be remembered many years in future, because when you have done the memorial it helps the healing process of losing that loved one. Several people say "I remember when he or she did so and so" and then everyone laughs so hard. Laughter helps the healing also. Good food, good company, and nice presents that makes for memorable memories. What better way to remember our loved ones. Let's have a dinner and see those who we haven't seen for so long.


And a special thank you to Grandma Sophie Spencer for allowing all this to happen. I love you.

Hoyt!

*Cynthia & Franklin*



Pauline Lezard and granddaughter Kalea.



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# MUCKLESHOOT POLICE



## Muckleshoot Police February Recap

**02/01/12 8:20 PM 12-026229 SE 400 ST/Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Warrant Arrest**

A car was stopped for a traffic violation. The adult male driver was arrested for "Driving While License Revoked in the Second Degree" and booked into the King County Jail. An adult male passenger had two misdemeanor warrants, one from Auburn for "Vandalism" with a \$2,500 bail. The second warrant was from Pacific for "Driving While License Suspended" with a \$1,000 bail. The passenger was booked into the SCORE Jail on his warrants.

**02/03/12 10:00 AM 12-027610 Muckleshoot Indian Reservation Sex Offense**

A referral from Child Protective Services (CPS) of a sex offense against a juvenile. Details are being kept confidential due to the nature of the case and an ongoing investigation.

**02/04/12 5:08 AM 12-028409 Cedar Village Burglary**

Suspect(s) broke the glass on the back door window and took a 32" Samsung TV, PS3 game, Nintendo remote control, 4 Nintendo games, 5 blue ray discs and a sentry safe. Deputies later identified an adult male suspect and took a statement from him.

**02/04/12 3:00 PM 12-028666 38900 block Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Theft**

An elder female reported the theft of \$200 in cash and a bingo pass book. The elder was also the victim of one of her checks being forged for \$200. The elder suspects her adult granddaughter of committing the crimes.

**02/04/12 7:10 PM 12-028906 2000 block Hemlock ST SE Juvenile Runaway**

A mother reported her juvenile child as a runaway after they did not return home after two days. The child returned home on their own on 02/07/12.

**02/05/12 3:00 PM 12-029435 Skopabsh Village Theft**

An adult female reported the theft of a camcorder and two check books from her house. The victim suspects an adult female who was a house guest for a few days.

**02/05/12 8:18 PM 12-029647 Dogwood St/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male was contacted during a traffic stop. The male had a misdemeanor warrant from Covington for "Vehicle Prowl." The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the SCORE Jail.

**02/06/12 8:37 PM 12-030526 Skopabsh Village Vandalism**

An adult female reported that her trampoline was slashed while she was away from the house.

**02/08/12 10:00 AM 12-031856 Muckleshoot Indian Reservation Child Molestation**

Child Protective Services (CPS) referral of a juvenile that reported that they were molested. Details are being kept confidential due to the nature of the case and an ongoing investigation.

**02/08/12 3:50 PM 12-032009 41200 block 180 AV SE Theft**

An adult female had an IPOD Touch and an XBOX 360 taken from her locked bedroom.

**02/08/12 9:49 PM 12-032298 Skopabsh Village Warrant Arrest**

An adult male was contacted who was acting suspicious. The male had a misdemeanor warrant from King County for "Possession of a Control Substance (drugs)" with a \$500 cash only bail. The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the King County Jail.

**02/08/12 10:59 PM 12-032336 Skopabsh Village Mental Complaint**

A juvenile was sent to the hospital for a mental health evaluation after it was learned that they wanted to kill them self by cutting their wrist with a razor blade.

**02/09/12 10:00 AM 12-032600 Muckleshoot Tribal School Juvenile Disturbance**

A juvenile student went out of control, assaulted multiple staff members including the school's deputy when he had to physically restrain the student. The student was later picked up by their mother. The student was suspended for two days for their actions.

**02/09/12 7:23 PM 12-033117 Fir ST/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male with a felony warrant from King County for "Robbery in the First Degree" with a \$250,000 bail was known to be in a curtain car. The male ran from the vehicle when it was stopped. The male was caught and booked into the King County Jail on the warrant.

**02/10/12 2:13 AM 12-033308 Davis Property Assault**

Two very intoxicated males were assaulted by two young adult males with a baseball bat. The victims were treated at the scene by an aid unit and transported to the hospital. The victims did not know the suspects and no suspects were located.

**02/10/12 5:10 PM 12-033866 38900 block Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Warrant Arrest**

An adult male was arrested on a felony "Assault in the Third Degree" warrant from Grant County. The male was booked into the King County Jail on the warrant.

**02/11/12 2:00 PM 12-034466 Muckleshoot Indian Reservation Elder Abuse**

Muckleshoot Police received a referral from Adult Protective Services of an elder being financially exploited. Details are being kept confidential due to the nature of the case and an ongoing investigation.

**02/11/12 4:30 PM 12-034542 Dogwood ST/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male with a felony Department of Corrections (DOC) warrant for "Escape" was spotted. The male was taken into custody and booked into the King County Jail.

**02/11/12 5:16 PM 12-033870 14700 block SE 368 PL Burglary**

A senior male reported that someone kicked in his back door while he was home and took a 27" black LG TV and take he did not hear or see them.

**02/14/12 2:41 PM 12-036872 Housing Authority Office Trespass**

An adult male attempted to have his trespass order from all Housing Authority property lifted. The Housing Authority deputy and a staff member agreed that it would be in the best interest of the community not to lift the trespass order due to the male's past behavior. The male was trespassed for another year.

**02/14/12 11:40 PM 12-037263 Cedar Village Warrant Arrest**

Suspicious persons were observed in a car by a deputy. An adult male in the car had a misdemeanor warrant from North Bend for "Theft in the Third Degree" with a \$350 cash only bail. The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the Issaquah Jail.

**02/15/12 11:50 AM 12-037588 Muckleshoot Tribal School Assault**

When a dean was talking to a juvenile student about being somewhere they shouldn't be the student clinched their fists, dropped a shoulder and stepped toward the dean as if they were going to punch them. The school's deputy was called, the student was taken to the office. The juvenile was sent home and suspended.

**02/16/12 8:25 AM 12-038333 41300 block 179 LN SE Auto Theft**

A gold 1996 Jeep Cherokee was stolen from a private driveway overnight.

**02/16/12 10:41 PM 12-038993 Skopabsh Village Juvenile Runaway**

A father reported his juvenile child as a runaway after they left the house on foot and it is believed they were picked up in a car by a friend. The juvenile returned home on their own early the next morning.

**02/17/12 9:57 PM 12-039850 SE 388 ST-Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Warrant Arrest**

An adult female was stopped for traffic violations. The female had a misdemeanor warrant from Auburn with a \$1,000 cash only bail. The female was arrested on the warrant and booked into the SCORE Jail.

**02/18/12 8:40 PM 12-040467 32 ST S/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrests**

A vehicle was stopped for a traffic violation. The adult male driver had a misdemeanor warrant from King County for a fishing violation, he was arrested on the warrant and booked into the King County Jail. An adult male passenger had a misdemeanor warrant from Auburn for Theft with a \$10,000 bail, he was arrested and booked into the SCORE Jail.

**02/18/12 9:30 PM 12-040499 Muckleshoot Plaza/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male was stopped for a traffic violation. The male had a felony warrant from Kennewick Police. The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the King County Jail.

**02/20/12 2:09 PM 12-041589 Skopabsh Village Assault**

An elder female reported that she was pushed by an adult male in Skopabsh Village. The elder did not want to assist in prosecution of the male, she only wanted the incident documented. A case report was written.

**02/21/12 12:35 AM 12-041980 Cedar Village Burglary**

An adult female left home for a couple of hours, when she returned she discovered a bedroom window broken. A 23" Visio LED flat screen TV was stolen.

**02/21/12 4:13 AM 12-042019 39700 block Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Burglary**

A senior female returned home at about 3:00 AM and discovered her front door unlocked. Suspect(s) entered the house through an unlocked bathroom window. The female's bedroom door was forced open as while as a locked cabinet in the bedroom. An IPAD, a 15" Toshiba computer, a 40" LCD TV and a men's and a women's wedding bands with crosses inscribed on them and with a diamond inlay on each were taken.

**02/21/12 10:00 AM Muckleshoot Indian Reservation Child Neglect**

A Child Protective Services (CPS) referral of child neglect. Details are being kept confidential due to the nature of the case.

**02/21/12 10:30 AM 12-042240 38117 Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Stolen Vehicle Recovery**

An adult female called about a 1997 black Chevy Blazer abandoned in her backyard. A deputy responded and discovered that the Blazer had been stolen in Des Moines on 02/18/12. The deputy obtained suspect information and recovered the Chevy.

**02/22/12 9:30 PM 12-043534 Academy DR/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male was stopped for a traffic violation. The male had a misdemeanor warrant from Auburn for Assault with a \$2,500 cash only bail. The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the SCORE Jail.

**02/23/12 10:00 AM 12-044092 Muckleshoot Indian Reservation Child Abuse**

A Child Protective Services (CPS) referral of a reported assault of a child. Details are being kept confidential due to the nature of the case.

**02/23/12 3:30 PM 12-044115 King County Library Assault/Stalking**

An adult female has been stalking another adult female. On 02/21/12 the victim went to the King County Library when the suspect pulled up next to her. Inside the library the suspect pushed the victim into a book case with her forearm/elbow. The suspect is being charged with "Assault in the Fourth Degree" and "Stalking."

**02/23/12 5:11 PM 12-044244 Davis Property Juvenile Runaway**

A mother reported her juvenile child as a runaway after they left the house without permission.

**02/25/12 2:56 AM 12-045412 Cedar Village Mental Complaint**

Deputies were called to a house for an adult male trying to attack others in the house. The male had to be wrestled to the ground by deputies to keep him from attacking others. No one in the house wanted to assist in prosecution. The male was intoxicated and said he had been taking drugs all day. The male was sent to the hospital for an involuntary mental evaluation via an ambulance as he was a threat to others.

**02/25/12 3:27 PM 12-045711 Cedar Village Assault**

Four adult females assaulted an adult female resident of the house when she opened the door. The victim's father had to physically keep two adult males from entering the house. The subjects were known to the female victim and she has had altercations with them in the past. The female victim did not want to identify the suspects and did not want to assist in prosecution.

**02/25/12 6:57 PM 12-045898 Skopabsh Village Violation of Court Orders**

An adult female contacted Muckleshoot Police about an adult male she has two court orders against texting her and was now in her house. Deputies located the male hiding under a mattress in a neighbor's house. The male was arrested for violating the two court orders and on three misdemeanor warrants from King County, one for DV Assault in the Fourth Degree with a \$10,000 bail, one for Violation of No Contact Order DV with a \$25,000 bail and one for Violation of No Contact order DV with a \$10,000 bail. The male was booked into the King County Jail for two counts of court order violations and on the warrants.

**02/26/12 12:15 AM 12-046076 SE 388 ST/Auburn-Enumclaw RD SE Warrant Arrest**

A vehicle was stopped for a traffic violation. An adult male in the vehicle had a misdemeanor warrant from King County for Trespass in the Second Degree with a \$3,500 bail. The male was arrested on the warrant and booked into the King County Jail.

**02/26/12 4:28 AM 12-046187 Cedar Village Assault**

A deputy was called to assist an aid crew with an adult male that was bleeding. The male said he had been punched by another male several hours prior. The victim would only give a first name of the suspect, would not give any further information and did not wish to assist in prosecution. The male was transported to the hospital by an ambulance for medical treatment.

**02/26/12 4:44 PM 12-046462 Davis Property Assault**

An intoxicated adult female said she was punched in the forehead by another adult female. The victim said this upset her so she punched the screen on a TV in the house. The female suspect was gone, the adult male in charge of the house did not want to let deputies inside the house to see the TV. The female did not want to assist in prosecution.

**02/26/12 6:30 PM 12-046497 Dogwood ST/Auburn Way S Warrant Arrest**

An adult male and an adult female were contacted for a traffic violation. Both subjects had misdemeanor warrants from Auburn, both were arrested and booked into the SCORE Jail.

**02/27/12 1:00 PM 12-047095 16600 block SE 384 ST Trespass**

An adult male was trespassed from a house after the caretaker of the house passed away and no one should have been at the residence.

**02/27/12 4:00 PM 12-047303 Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Child Neglect**

An ICW case worker contacted the Muckleshoot Police about possible child neglect of two children in foster care for ICW. The children were removed from the foster parents and taken to the hospital for examination. The foster parents live in unincorporated Pierce County. The Muckleshoot Police report was sent to the Pierce County Sheriff's Office for investigation.

**02/27/12 4:44 PM 12-047304 Davis Property Assault**

A child shot a BB gun in the playground. The BB hit another child in the leg. The youth with the BB gun said it was an accident. The incident was documented and the BB gun was confiscated by the responding deputy.

**02/28/12 2:17 PM 12-048058 Skopabsh Village Drug Activity**

A Housing Authority staff member smelled the strong odor of marijuana coming from the house and called the Housing Authority deputy. The deputy also smelled the strong odor of marijuana coming from the residence. An adult female staying at the house was contacted, she denied smoking marijuana at the house. Approval for trespassing the female from the house is pending.

### Traffic Stops

Fifty Two (52)

## Meet Deputy Carl Bonnell

My name is Carl Bonnell. I have lived in South King County most of my life. After graduating from Kentwood High School in Covington I went on to the University of Washington where I studied History and played Quarterback on the football team. Following College I moved to Austria where I continued to play football at the professional level.

I was hired by the King County Sheriff's Office in 2009. Since then I have worked in every corner of the county as a patrol officer. I am privileged to have been selected to work for your community. I have worked here since mid-February and am impressed with the level of community I have seen. My goal at work every night is to work with the other Muckleshoot Officer's to identify the biggest problems facing this community and tackle them head on.



Carl Bonnell

## IDENTITY THEFT

Did you know that Identity theft is the *fastest* growing crime in America, affecting over a million new victims each year? Identity theft is the taking of a victim's identity to obtain credit and credit cards from banks and retailers, steal money from existing accounts, apply for loans, establish accounts with utility companies, rent an apartment, file bankruptcy, and the list goes on. Here are some tips to help prevent this from happening to you:

- Don't give out personal information over the phone, mail, or internet, unless you have initiated the contact or know who you are dealing with.
- Shred all documents, including pre-approved credit applications, bank checks and statements, and all other financial information you are discarding.

- Do not use your mother's maiden name, your birth date, last 4 of your social security number, as a password for anything.
- Do not carry your social security card, birth certificate, or passport, unless necessary. These items should be stored in a secure location.
- Do not put your social security number or phone number on checks.
- Make a list of all your credit card account numbers and bank account numbers with the customer service phone numbers and keep in a safe place.
- Cancel all credit cards you haven't used in the past 6 months. Open credit is a prime target.

- Order your credit report as least once a year. It's free at [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com). Correct all mistakes on your credit report in writing. Send the request(s) return receipt requested. You should hear from the credit agency within 30 days.

No one is immune from identity theft, but by taking these small steps you can help protect yourself from becoming the next victim. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions!

Deputy Ron Riehs  
Muckleshoot Tribal Police  
253-876-3027

**CULTURAL WELLNESS GATHERINGS**

**AA Meeting Time**

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Auburn, WA 98092

**Feather Healing Circle**

39015 172<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE Tuesdays 5:00 pm  
Auburn, WA

**Grief and Loss**

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

**Women's Group**

Muckleshoot Tribal College Thursdays 5:00 pm

**Boys Mentoring Group**

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

**Al-Anon Meetings**

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

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

**PER CAPITA REMINDERS**

- When you turn 13 or 18 during a Per Cap Distribution and you have Direct Deposit you will need to turn in a New Direct Deposit form for your new Age group otherwise we will cancel your Direct Deposit until we receive a new one. Teen Direct Deposit Form (orange) or Adult Direct Deposit Form (brown).
- If you want someone else to pick up your Per capita Check you need to fill out an Authorization Form and have it notarized and turn it into Tax fund. We will not accept forms or letters that are not notarized.
- If you have closed your Bank Account please notify Tax Fund As Soon As Possible so that we can cancel your Direct Deposit. If you wait and we have already send in your Deposit to the Bank you will have to wait until the Bank sends a letter to Tax Fund stating that the deposit did not go through (this can take 1-5 days), then we have to print you a check. This will delay you getting your money in a timely manner.
- If you or a family member are incarcerated and want to notify Tax Fund of what you would like us to do with your Per Cap (mail, put in someone else's name, hold it or just want someone to pick it up) We require a letter to be mailed to Tax fund directly from the jail so it is unopened when we receive it. This is the only way Tax Fund will follow the request being made from an incarcerated Tribal Member
- Things to double check before Per Cap Distribution to make sure Tax Fund has your correct information
  - \* Address Change has been updated
  - \* Your name has changed and you have a Social Security card showing your new name. Tax fund will need a copy of this before we can change in our system.

**EVENTS CALENDAR**

- March 20** **Muckleshoot Tribal School Parent/Teacher Meeting** - 4pm at the Muckleshoot Tribal School Library. Call Yvonne Emery at 253-508-2935 for info.
- March 22** **MTC Speakers Series** - 5 - 7pm Shaun Peterson, Coast Salish Artist. Call Louie Gong at 253-876-3210 for more info.
- March 23** **End of Season Salmon Dinner** -3pm Pentecostal Church
- March 24** **Swap Meet** - 9am - 4pm Pentecostal Church. For more info call 253-261-6003
- April 27** **7th Annual Pow-Wow** - Enumclaw High School. Call Cathy Calvert or Sarah Brassard at 360-802-7689 for more info.
- August 17-18** **Washington State Potlatch** - Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church; info: Gary and Pat Walker, 253-531-9682 www.firestarter-ministries.org

**SUBMIT YOUR ITEMS FOR THE EVENTS CALENDAR!!**  
Muckleshoot.Monthly@muckleshoot.nsn.us

**MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN CASINO**

You can now apply for jobs ON-LINE

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

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

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



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**Breaking of the Dawn..Arrival of a New Day**  
**WA State POTLATCH**  
Invitations extended to all tribes in WA State  
This is a Native American Event  
To honor Creator Jesus

- **When:** August 17 & 18, 2012
- **Where:** Muckleshoot Reservation  
39731 Auburn Enumclaw Rd. SE, Auburn, WA 98092  
Big Pentecostal Church
- **What:** Friday, Aug. 17: 6:00 p.m., Music, Singing, Dancing, Door Prizes, Food, Fellowship  
Saturday, Aug. 18: 1:00 p.m. Protocol, Native Dance groups, Dinner, Give-Away
- Camping available with limited hook ups (first come, first served)
- Many local hotels and motels in the area
- Traditional dress is welcomed and encouraged

RSVP requested for planning purposes  
Sponsored by Firestarters for the Nations  
[www.firestarters-ministries.org](http://www.firestarters-ministries.org)  
Gary and Pat Walker: (253) 531-9682

Our hands are raised to MIT

Sponsors and facility not responsible for accidents, injuries, stolen or lost articles.  
Use of alcohol / drugs strictly prohibited & enforced.

**Annual Hunters Meetings/  
Drawing Dates**

**Annual Hunters Meeting –July 10 (GMU 485 “Green” drawing)**

**Cedar River Drawing – July 24**

**Goat/Sheep Drawing – August 7**

All meetings held at 6pm in PSB Cougar Room, don't be late.

*All hunters need to be present to enter the drawings. Also, those who received hunting fines for the 2011 season or have outstanding fines from previous season will not be eligible for the drawings.*

**Any questions please contact the wildlife department at 253-939-3311.**

\* these dates are set but in the event of an emergency or tribal closure the dates may change and we will post notices.

**2011 Hunting Season Raffle**

**Winners**

Of \$1000 PO to a Sporting Goods Store

**James Cross Sr.**

**&**

**Leonard J. Moses**

Please contact the wildlife dept. to fill out award form  
At the end of each season hunters who did not get a fine are entered into the drawing.

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

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



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

**MUCKLESHOOT VETERAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT**

**Vehicle Sale Announcement**

The Veteran Affairs Department has two (2) vehicles for sale. The sale will be conducted as a “sealed bid auction” for Enrolled Muckleshoot Members Only. Bring your sealed bid to the Muckleshoot Veteran Affairs office anytime before the close of business, March 30, 2012. Each bid must be in a separate envelope. Or, to mail in a bid, address to:

Muckleshoot Veteran Affairs  
Attention: Tony Gonzales (BID)  
39015 172nd Avenue SE  
Auburn, WA 98092.

Each bid must be in a separate envelope. Please mark the outside of the envelope containing your bid with the description of the vehicle that you are bidding on. Acceptance of sealed bids will close 5 PM, Friday, March 30, 2012. Public Bid Opening will be at the Philip Starr Building (room TBA) at noon.

- 2003 Ford Windstar Mini Van – Minimum bid \$1,500
- 2003 Ford E-350, Club Wagon XLT, Heavy Duty 4X4, Handicap lift equipped – Minimum bid \$10,900

I will have my posse take and send photos of the vehicles for publication, posters and flyers.

**ATTENTION MUCKLESHOOT LANDOWNERS:**

**Reminder** to update your address & or phone number when there is a change in services. The Muckleshoot Realty department 253-876-3170 and OST toll free number 1-888-678-6836. This will enable us to provide important notices of meetings and or signing authority. The BIA/OST will contact you if they have issues that need immediate attention such as but not limited to your IIM statements and Probate hearing notices. *Thank you, Realty staff*



**St. Claire's Mission Chapel  
Muckleshoot Reservation  
Saturday Afternoons at 5:00 PM**

*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.**



### Haleah Nya Elkins

February 3, 2012 – proud parents Olivia Elkins & Louie Batres  
 Girl – Haleah Nya Elkins 7lb 18 in.  
 Proud grandparents – Jean & Leonard Moses  
 Great-Grandma – Georgiana Starr



Louie Batres, Olivia Elkins, Geraldo Rojas, Haleah Elkins & Mahala Elkins



Olivia & Haleah



**STARTING YOUNG.** This is Wendy teaching Tamicka which roots to dig that time of year to gather food in the mountains. We were getting bitter roots.

PHOTOS BY BYRON LLOYD



**THE WHITE HOUSE.** Yes, that is the White House in the background, and yes, that is Muckleshoot's own Raymond Eyle Owens. His family is very proud.

1/9/12  
 Proud Parents Kendra Moses & Cecil Rodarte  
 Girl- Arriona Rodarte  
 Proud Grandparents- Peggy Moses, Jodie Moses,  
 Jennifer & Mike Rodarte  
 Proud Great Grandma's- Sharon Laclair, Thelma Moses

1/22/12  
 Proud Parents Madalena Williams & Nukona Mccraigie  
 Boy- Julian Williams-Mccraigie  
 Proud Grandparents- Flora & Danny Ames, Norman Williams Jr.  
 Proud Great Grandparents- Marjorie & Norman Williams Sr., Robert Pacheco  
 Proud Great Great Grandma- Ellen "Bena" Williams

**Congratulations to all our new parents!**



**Happy Birthday Mom! We love you and thank you for ALL that you do for us!**

XOXO

Suzette, Ma'leah, Jonell, Ta'myah & Leo XOXO

3/5/12  
 Proud parents-Sandra Sicade & Leon Brown  
 Great grandparents-Bonnie& Pete Jerry, Susan Wayne, Stan Sicade, Floyd Brown Jr.  
 great Granpa- Leonard "buddy" Wayne Jr.



Norma 'Wassie' Eyle with daughter Norma 'Babe' and great-grandson Kuleace.



2/18/2012  
 Proud Parents Lena "Queenie" Elkins & Joshua Molina  
 Girl -Samyra Krystal Elkins 6lb 9oz 18in  
 Proud grandma's- Laurie Molina & Naomi Elkins  
 Proud great grandma- Georgiana Starr



**YANKEES OR RED SOX???** This photo may appear a bit confusing at first. Is Albert Moses a fan of the Boston Red Sox, as his jacket suggests, or the New York Yankees, whose cap he wears? He's trying hard not to smile as he stands between his Aunt Donna Starr, and Mom Theresa Jerry, because actually he was quite sore at the time, having lost a bet and being forced to wear the garb of a Yankee fan, and they are definitely NOT his favorite team. Albert is a die-hard Red Sox fan, but beneath his jacket he also wore a Yankees t-shirt. He spent the day taking quite a ribbing from his buddies!

### NICOLE RIGGS *continued from front page*

time out and going down there, to actually see her and Kerri and Marcie hand out coats. It was such an honor, because they donate so much money and they're very successful here, but then they quietly help out the homeless people. And it wasn't a jacket that had big Muckleshoot logos. It was very plain looking.

The Muckleshoots are such generous people. Although very successful, they're caring on a very quiet level. And it's never about trying to be better than anyone else. It's about trying to make all of us equal. That's what I really like about the Council here – that they all try and help everybody become equal and not say that someone's better than someone else.

I guess I had different expectations of them. There are 28 tribes I've worked with (through my previous gaming job) and the councils can be a bit snobby. You know – they're wealthy, they know it, and they act like it.

So, my expectations were based on those experiences, and when I first started meeting our Tribal Council members and started being around them, it was just completely the opposite. They're just very quiet, very humble people, and it makes me feel proud to be Muckleshoot. It really does.



3/10/12  
 Proud parents - Yvonna Moses & William Leonard  
 Girl-Elliona Yvonne Moses  
 Proud grandparents-Rick Leonard Sr., Leanna Hoops,  
 Melissa James, Louie Moses Sr.,  
 proud great grandma-Thelma Moses

