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New Community Center Becoming a Reality

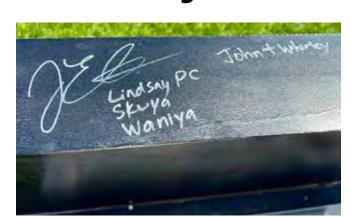
In the 1920's and '30's, the Nesika Song & Dance Group represented Muckleshoot culture at events throughout the region as a way of earning money to build the tribe's first Community Hall. When their dream was realized, that facility served as a hub for all types of activities for more than 30 years before burning to the ground in the 1970's.

All that remains today is the chimney, which is Muckleshoot's most important landmark, a reminder of those that went before and worked so hard to keep the tribe together and moving forward.

A new Community Center was then constructed, initially housing the Fisheries Department, with a big kitchen and a green gym. In time, it came to house the first Muckleshoot Tribal School, Head Start, and a King County Branch Library before being replaced by the new Tribal School. It has since been demolished and all that's left to show for it is the playground.

For a number of years, lacking a community center, events bounced from place to place – sometimes at the Tribal School, sometimes at the Wellness Center, or at the Elders Facility, the Pentecosal Church, or even the old Sla-Hal Shed. When the new Casino Events Center opened, it soon became to go-to for events of all types, but it's not exactly a community center type of place,

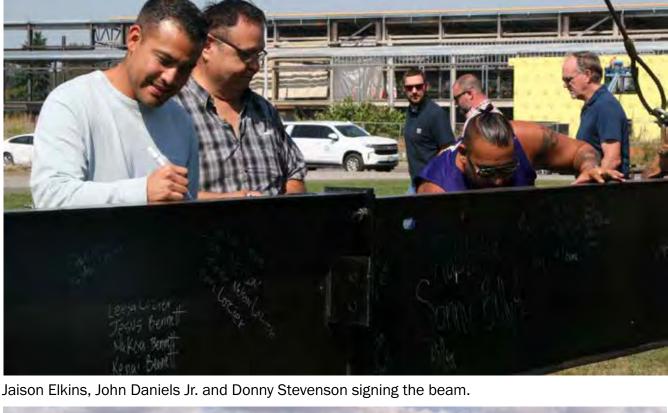
Finally, Muckleshoot is getting very close to having the Community Center that is far beyond the wildest dreams of the elders of an earlier day. On August 31,



tribal members gathered to sign their names, and also the names of those that went before, to the final beam of the new facility.

The new 124,000 square foot state-of-the art Muckleshoot Community Center is due to open in June of 2023. Its interior space amounts to just under three acres under one roof. It will have four basketball courts, an indoor track, ample seating, a youth center and teen center, multiple conference rooms, commercial kitchens and much, much more.

"The new community center will be able to accommodate our growing tribe so that we can gather together for so many joyous occasions in the near future," Tribal Chairman Jaison Elkins said, adding that "We are happy to invest in things that will bring our community together to further strengthen our bond."





This architect's rendering indicates the location of the last beam signed by tribal members..





Mary Peltola makes history as first Alaska Native elected to Congress

ANCHORAGE - Mary Peltola scored a stunning upset on Wednesday, August 31, winning a special election for Alaska's lone U.S. House seat by defeating Sarah Palin (R) and Nick Begich III (R), a business executive and familiar name in state politics.

Peltola has made history as the state's first woman in the House, the first Alaska Native — she is Yup'ik — and the first Democrat to hold the seat in a half-century.

Peltola is a Democrat who as a child campaigned with her father and his friend, the state's longtime Republican congressman. Later, she helped reelect a Republican senator. And she's also friendly with her defeated opponent, Sarah Palin, the state's former governor who popularized the kind of combative, anti-establishment politics that propelled Donald Trump to the White House.

Palin's defeat comes in her first campaign since she stepped down as Alaska's governor in 2009; former president Donald Trump endorsed her and held a rally on her behalf in Anchorage.

Peltola said in the interview that she thinks her win shows that Alaskans "want someone who has a proven track record of working well with people and setting aside partisanship." She added, "I think it also reveals that Alaskans are very tired of the bickering and the personal attacks."

"She is progressive, especially socially," Lindsay Kavanaugh, executive director of the Alaska Democratic Party, said of Peltola. "She is an Alaska Democrat," and "probably, compared to a Lower 48 Democrat, she is a little more moderate."



Alaska Congresswoman Mary Peltola

The win came on her 49th birthday, which she called a "GOOD DAY" in a tweet right after the state elections division released preliminary results from its new ranked-choice voting system.

"It is overwhelming. And it's a very good feeling. I'm very grateful Alaskans have put their trust in me," Peltola said after her victory. She had to break away in the middle of the conversation to take a call from Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), saying "I will be immediately going to work."

Peltola also spoke on election night with President Biden, who "congratulated her for her historic victory and "wished her a very happy birthday," according to a statement from the White House.

Peltola will serve the remaining four months of the term of Rep. Don Young (R), the longest-serving Republican in Congress, who died in March at age 88. She is also a candidate in the November election for the full two-year term to replace Young.

Peltola was born in 1973 – the year Young was first elected to the House — and raised in rural parts of the state. Her father and Young were close, and she would tag along when her father would campaign for Young.

She studied early education at the University of Northern Colorado and in the summers worked as a herring and salmon technician for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

In 1996, Peltola interned at the state legislature and later that year ran for a seat to represent the Bethel region, a major hub in the western part of the state.

"I felt like I failed forward, just losing by 56 votes," she later said during an interview on a local podcast, "Coffee and Quaq." "It's really a good thing I didn't win that time around."

After losing, Peltola then worked

as a reporter, sharpening her sense that parts of Alaska were underrepresented.

"As rural people, we oftentimes have to interpret our news through an urban lens, through urban journalists," she said on the podcast.

In 1998, Peltola ran again for the state legislature and won. She spent 10 years in the legislature, the last few of those years overlapping the period when Palin was in the governor's mansion.

In the legislature, Peltola helped build the Bush Caucus, a bipartisan group of lawmakers representing rural parts of the state, with "Bush" referring to their region and not the political family by the same name. She developed a reputation for working across the aisle, focusing intently on issues related to natural resources, and winning over opponents with persistence and unrelenting kindness.

Peltola had four children while in office and left the legislature in 2009, citing the toll her travel was taking on her growing family.

In 2010, Peltola helped run the successful write-in campaign for Murkowski, who had lost a Republican primary to a tea party challenger, Joe Miller. Later, Peltola told the Christian Science Monitor that Murkowski is "really following her own moral compass. That appeals to Alaskans. We like people who are independent thinkers."

After the legislature, Peltola worked as "a manager of community Development and Sustainability" at the Donlin Gold project, in Southwest Alaska, according to her campaign website. She also served one term in the Bethel City Council and was a state lobbyist. Since 2017, she has worked as executive

director of the Kuskokwim River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission.

Over the years, Peltola would maintain contact with Alaska's political leaders, including Young. She told a local radio station that the last time she saw him was in his Washington office last November. She went "to give him dry fish and visit with him and talk about the legislation. I told him I have

often thought about running for his seat." They both laughed, she recalled.

Throughout her career, and on the campaign trail, Peltola has built a reputation for being nice. It has been described as her "superpow-

(Adapted from Washington Post material)



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This fine group of MIC team members posed together to celebrate the topping off of the new hotel.



Tonia Jo Hall, at right, better known as "Auntie Beachress" and her friend Desirae Desnomie, a digital media figure who reports on pow wows nationwide to her thousands of followers, were visitors at this year's Skopabsh event. Hall, a very successful comedian at age 25, was recognized by throngs of thrilled attendees at the pow wow and posed for lots of selfies.



Congrats to tribal members Natalia & Bella and MTS student Jewelz for winning district champions and making it to play state in Little League Softball! Your entire families are very proud of you each!



Native Rappers Mike Bone

GEORGENA JAMES PHOTO

MIKE BONE COMES TO MUCKLESHOOT

From the very first episode of FX's new half-hour comedy "Reservation Dogs," LilMike (AKA Mike) and FunnyBone (AKA Bone) have been

For the rappers-turned-actors from Oklahoma, the ride has been a blessing. The duo had been stuck at home during the pandemic with their tours cancelled and no money coming in, so when an opportunity to audition for a new show being filmed in Oklahoma arrived, they took it.

"Our manager hit us up and said there were some auditions in Tulsa and they were paying gigs. So we just said, 'might as well,' and sent in our audition tape," Bone said.

The brothers were no strangers to national television. They had appeared in an OETA documen-

tary as well as a few spots on the local news, but most people knew them from their run on America's Got Talent.

"Our phones started blowing up after our AGT episode aired," Bone said. "It took us to another level, but the crazy thing was we got older people at, like, Walmart and Walgreens recognizing us after that."

Though not twins in real life, the brothers auditioned for the role of twins Mose and Mekko on the show. "They loved us, the director said we were exactly what they was looking for," Bone said. And the rest is history.

~ Payton Williams

Muckleshoot Indian Casino Resort

Berry Pick Season 2022

Berry Picker Directions:

Start Date: August 1st, 2022 Finish Date: September 30, 2022

The Casino will purchase quality Huckleberries and Blackberries from Muckleshoot Indian Tribal members who are 16 years of age or older (Tribal ID must be shown at time of delivery). Product must be delivered clean (no stems or leaves) to the Casino in <u>one-gallon zip-lock bags</u>. **The Casino will accept a maximum of 130 Huckleberry gallon-bags**, and 25 Blackberry gallon-bags for the 2022 berry season, August 1st – September 30th, 2022 (or until total quotas are met for each individual berry type).

The casino will accept a maximum of five (5) gallon-bags (4 lbs/bag Blackberry, 5 lbs/bag Huckleberry) of each berry type from the same individual seller for the 2022 berry season. Tribal ID must be presented at the time of delivery.

Berry purchase price breakdown:

o <u>Huckleberries:</u>

o Excellent Grade: \$75/bago Acceptable Grade: \$60/bag

o <u>Blackberries:</u>

O Acceptable Berries: \$30/bag

- * All berries must be fresh. Frozen berries will not be accepted.
- * Unacceptable quality berries will not be purchased.
- * Casino staff will determine the quality of the Berries prior to purchase.

All Berry deliveries should be made to The Muckleshoot Casino Resort at 2402 Auburn Way South, Auburn, WA 98002 at Receiving Bay 4, located by the parking garage at the back side of the building down the delivery ramp. Upon delivery, the bell will need to be rang near the entrance to the facility. Warehouse personnel will assist all sellers in the process. All Berries should be delivered in one-gallon, sealable bags (no bags will be available upon drop off). All Berries will be inspected and graded for quality at time of delivery. Delivery hours will be 8am – 2pm, Monday – Friday (no weekend deliveries will be accepted).

The Individual Seller will receive payment from Muckleshoot Casino Resort. At time of delivery, the Tribal Member presenting Berries for purchase will receive a load manifest (2 slips - 1 yellow, 1 white). The 2 manifest slips will need to be brought to the Casino Cage area, located inside the property. There, the Tribal member will be paid out for their Berry load manifest.

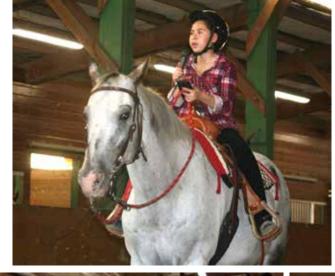
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Horse Barn Open House

PHOTOS BY GEORGENA JAMES































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Muckleshoot Casino Marks Historic Milestone with Topping Off of Hotel Tower



The final beam for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower is placed atop the 18-story structure on August 26, 2022.



Construction workers watch as the final beam for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower journeys to the top of the 18-story structure on August 26, 2022



Members of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe's Canoe Family take part in a cultural dance of celebration for the topping off of Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022.



Muckleshoot Casino CEO John James (left) and Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons (right) lead a topping off ceremony for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022.



Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons watches as the final beam for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower is placed atop the 18-story structure on August 26, 2022.



Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons (left) and Muckleshoot Casino CEO John James (right) sign the final beam for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022.



Members of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe's Canoe Family take part in a cultural moment of celebration for the topping off of Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022.



Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons addresses onlookers during the topping off of Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022.



Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons at the topping off ceremony for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower on August 26, 2022



Muckleshoot Casino COO Tyrone Simmons watches as the final beam for Muckleshoot Casino's resort tower is placed atop the 18-story structure on August 26, 2022.

Casino Hotel Beam Signng



First day of school













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MUCKLESHOOT EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY



Resiliency: Raising Strong Children Family Workshop

Where: Muckleshoot Early Learning Academy

When: Thursday September 15th, 2022

Time: 12:00PM **Lunch Provided**

Workshop Overview



Parents, Guardians, Staff & Students ...

We need you!!

Any journey begins with just one step. But without a clear picture of the destination, that step could be in the wrong direction.

The journey to school improvement and student achievement is no different. Everyone involved - Tribal leadership, administrators, teachers, parents, students, and members of the community need to develop a focused image of the long-term goal for what the Tribal School will be. This concept, known as shared vision, fosters success because everyone becomes part of the process, understanding and believing in their role in the day-to-day pursuits of helping students learn in productive ways. All have ownership in that ideal

and are committed to doing the hard work to achieve that collective vision. The first step is to gather information from everyone involved and look for common themes, ideas and dreams to build our vision around.

Please yo the survey link below and let us know your thoughts, ideas and dreams to help guide our work.

https://forms.gle/BG51CM7PifMJtznk6





First MIT Scholarship Orientation for new academic year held

MIT Scholarship Program would like to thank everyone that attended the first mandated MIT Scholarship Program Orientation for the new academic year 22-23, on August 24, 2022. MIT Scholarship Recipients need to attend a MIT Scholarship Orientation in order to stay incompliance with the MIT Scholarship Policies, in order to continue receiving their MIT Scholarship funds. There were 67 students in attendance via Zoom and in Person. The students had great questions. MIT Scholarship will also have more MIT Scholarship Orientations throughout the year to

accommodate students that were not able to attend on the set dates, and for students that start at difference timeframes versus the normal term/semester/quarter dates. MIT Scholarship recipients will also have the option do the MIT Scholarship Orientation online and one on one at the MIT College.

If MIT Scholarship Recipients or potential new MIT Scholarship students has questions, do email us at ScholarshipsDept@Mckleshoot.nsn.us.

Thanks from the Scholarship Staff Team!



Workshop & Training funds

Workshop & Training funds enrolled Muckleshoot Tribal Members on a biennially basis (once every 2 years) to attend any educational and wellness workshops, conference, or training. The funding is to cover registration fees, travel expenses, lodging, per diem and shuttle fees, application must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the event for approval.















<u>Associates Degree from Green River College</u> <u>AAS - Natural Resources (Forestry)</u>

Join our <u>*free tuition*</u> program being offered through a partnership between Green River College & Muckleshoot Tribal College!

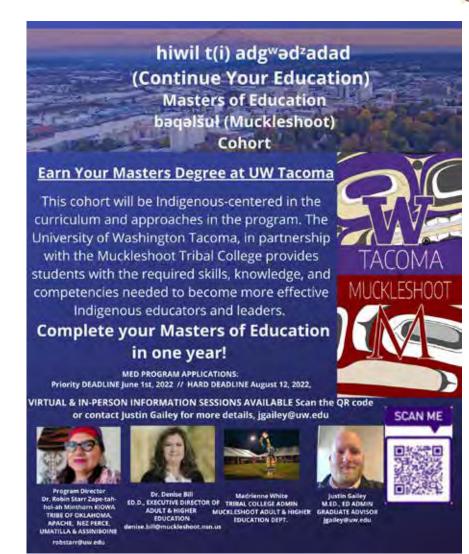
- This two-year degree will give you the skills to help manage our natural resources!
- Most students finishing this program walk away with jobs in the forestry/natural resources industry.
- Many classes are taught out in nature where you get hands-on experience with forestry technician skills.
- Learning takes place on field trips and camping trips!
- Most courses taught at Muckleshoot Tribal College! (Transportation provided if needed)











Muckleshoot Tribal College

Fall Quarter begin September 20.

The HS+ is a program in partnership with Renton Technical College that helps students get their

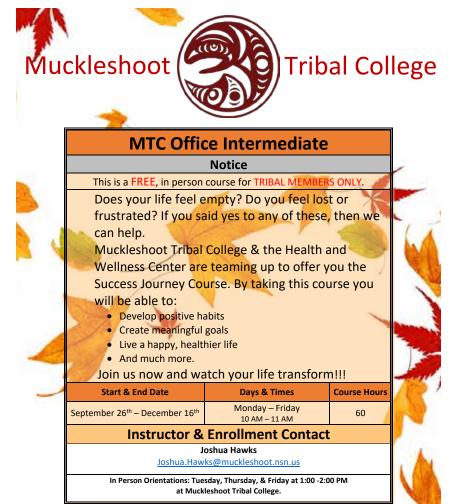
high school diploma. No minimum credit

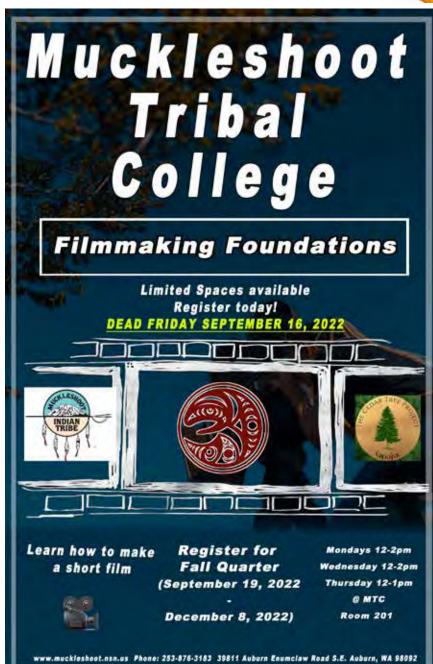
requirements necessary. Interested in enrolling?

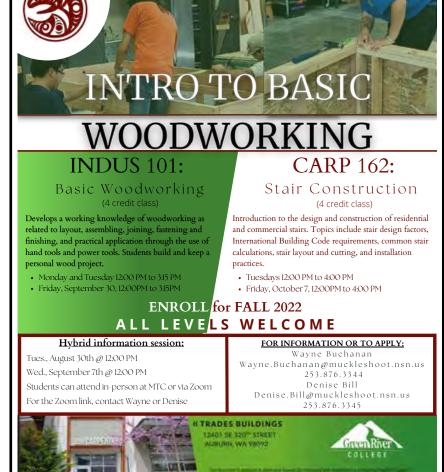
Contact Justine Koble at Muckleshoot Tribal College to enroll today!

If you have any questions or want to enroll, contact Justine Koble (253) 876-3375 or email Justine.Koble@Muckleshoot.nsn.us **Muckleshoot Tribal College**

Auburn, Washington 98092







Classes available only through the

Muckleshoot Tribal College



en River's 5000 sq. ft. facility at events.greenriver.edu/carpentry-tou

Brandon Eyle Memorial Sep 30 at 10 AM - Oct 1 at 2 PM Muckleshoot Sla-Hal Shed



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The Muckleshoot Victim Services Program invites you to

Where: Pentecostal Church



MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS

COMMUNICATION & BONDING

Mothers and daughters from 10 to 110 will make drums and learn ways to build healthy relationships Sign up by calling 253-294-8181

3PM TO 5PM MONDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH & 19TH

Mothers and Daughters Culture and Talk sessions

The Muckleshoot Victim Services Program would like to invite Mothers and Daughters to come together with us to make drums and learn healthy communication and boundaries in our mother and daughter relationships.

It doesn't matter if your daughter is 10 years old or 50 years old or if your mom is 30 and you are 10 years old please call us and sign up for this Culture and Talk sessions for the month of September.

This is a chance to learn more about each other and ways to communicate so that you can understand each other and learn some things about each other that you

Please call us at 253-294-8181 to sign up.

Sherina Sam joins Victim Services

The Muckleshoot Victim Services program has a new member who will be working the helpline that was started on June 1st. She has only been with us for two weeks, but is already making a big impact and coming up with ideas to help our program serve the community better. Sherina Sam our new member and Maureen Moran who has been working with us for 7 months are both team players with beautiful hearts. Please feel free to drop by and meet any of us to ask questions or receive assistance.

Sherina Sam transferred to Victim Services since August of this year. Sherina has been working at TGA for seventeen years, training in all departments and settling in Licensing.

Coming from the Newhauken and Daniels family. Her grandparents are Alex and Dorothy



Sherina Sam

(Newhauken) Williams/Harry and Alice(Daniels/Rempfer) Bargala. Sherina's parents are Kenny and Charlotte Williams.

Her husband is Stacey and they have four children.

Her family works in different departments within the tribe and is involved in the Muckleshoot Canoe family. They love to travel and attending coastal jams. Sherina also helps and attends the Pentecostal Church.

She is learning/training in all she can as Victim Services, helps tribal and community members with Domestic Violence, Identity Theft, Bullying, Teen Violence, Child Abuse, Assaults, Human Trafficking, Stalking, Property Crime, Abuse. Helping with prevention, intervention, risk reduction and survivors of crime.

If you feel you could use support, have questions, or need assistance you can call Victim Service helpline at 253-294-8181 (weekdays 8am-8pm. Weekends, holidays, admin days 12pm-5pm).

Muckleshoot Victim



Services Program Pierce County YWCA:



If you or someone

Help call

Christine Mandry

(253)876-2910

Cell. (253)569-7837

Tara Howe

(253)876 2980

Cell. (253)409-4806

Muckleshoot

close to you needs

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Auburn. WA 98092

Tribal Court Annex

(253)383-2593

(24 Hour)

Family Renewal Shelter

(253)475-9010 (24 Hour)

Puyallup Tribe DV Advocacy Program

(253)680-5499 (24 Hour)

Helping Hands (Puyallup)

(253)848-6096

Pierce County Coordinated Entry

211 (24 hour)

King County

YWCA: (206)461-4882 (24 Hour)

New Beginnings:

(206)522-9472 (24 Hour)

Life Wire: (425) 746-1940 (24 Hour)

(425)656-7867 (24 Hour)

Thurston County

Safe Place:(360)754-6300 (24 Hour)

Crisis Connections 1-866-427-474

National Domestic Violence 24 hour Hotline 1-800-799-7233













Helpline for victims of crime

253-294-8181

(Hours available by phone) Weekdays 8am to 8pm Weekends, Holidays and Admin Days



- Burglary
- Sexual Harassment
- Rape
- Dating Violence
- Bullying
- All Crimes

Office hours remain the same as the Tribal Court

12pm to 5pm





























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Pope Francis Apologizes to Indigenous Canadians for "Deplorable Evil" of Catholic Residential Schools

By Philip Pullella and Tim Johnson, Reuters

MASKWACIS, Alberta, July - Pope Francis recently carried out what was called an "apology tour" visiting Canada's native people on their land and apologizing for the Church's role in schools where indigenous children were abused, calling their forced cultural assimilation a "deplorable evil" and "disastrous error."

Speaking near the site of two former schools in Maskwacis, Alberta, Francis apologized for Christian support of the "colonizing mentality" of the times and called for a "serious" investigation of the schools to help survivors and descendants heal.

"With shame and unambiguously, I humbly beg forgiveness for the evil committed by so many Christians against the indigenous peoples," said Francis, who arrived and left in a wheelchair due to a fractured knee.

Indigenous leaders wearing eagle-feather war headdresses greeted the pope as a fellow chief and welcomed him with chanting, beating of drums, dancing and war songs.

"I am here because the first step of my penitential pilgrimage among you is that of again asking forgiveness, of telling you once more that I am deeply sorry," he said.

"Sorry for the ways in which, regrettably, many Christians supported the colonizing mentality of the powers that oppressed the indigenous peoples. I am sorry," he said. "In the face of this deplorable evil, the Church kneels before God and implores his forgiveness for the sins of her children."

After the pope spoke, Chief Wilton Littlechild placed a feather headdress on the pontiff's head. Francis stood from his chair and wore it for a few moments before a clapping crowd.

An indigenous singer also performed a version of Canada's national anthem in Cree, with tears pouring down her face. A red banner with names of missing children was carried before the pope, who kissed it.

Before his address, Francis prayed silently in a field of crosses in the cemetery of a church for indigenous people and passed by a stone memorial to the two residential schools once in the area.

NOTICE: MCDC will be closed 09/30/22 in-service

MCDC Families

If you want to get MCDC text updates and emails Please update your cell phone numbers with mobile carriers and email address by calling the front desk 253-288-2044 or email Daycare. Receptionist@muckleshoot.nsn.us

News from the MCDC Enrollment Office

Remember to update any phone #'s, email address or home address at 253-288-2044

Our QR code for enrollment is

mcdcreception@muckleshoot.nsn.us



Introduction to School Nurse

My name is Lauren McCuistion and I am excited to have recently joined the MCDC team as School Registered Nurse. I am an enrolled member of the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak, Alaska. I have been a nurse for the past 8 years and have spent the majority of my nursing career in the Emergency Department.

Prior to becoming an RN, I worked at the Muckleshoot Wellness Center as the Youth Activity Coordinator. Since I started this new role, I have enjoyed seeing so many familiar faces. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve the Muckleshoot Community. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there is anything I can do to support you.

With respect & gratitude, Lauren McCuistion



L to r Sage, Alianna, Jerome, Rowan, Major, Arya, Jaelei, Huntly, Titus, & Dianara, MCDC/MELA Hummingbird classroom, that performed for the MIT 2022 Elder's Luncheon. Thank you, to Liz Eyle for making our kids vest! For updated info please follow our Facebook page Muckleshoot Early Childhood Programs



Muckleshoot Child Development Center

MCDC has learned lots of fun new things! We started out learning about paper and ended with our annual science fair. During our paper study we learned what paper is used for and how it is made. The children had a fun time making paper or cutting it. We also enjoyed participating in our annual science fair activities. We hope you liked your take home project as well.

This next month we start a new study, we will learn about containers and how we use them in our day to day lives. We will also celebrate week of the young child. During this time we will be celebrating music, cooking, working together while bringing our creative side out. We cannot wait! Lastly we will celebrate Earth Day with fun activities. We will do this by upcycling a craft, start a class garden, or just take a walk and pick up recyclables.

MCDC front desk – remember to update address and phone # with your mobile carrier at 253-288-2044 or email us at MCDCReception@muckleshoot.nsn.us

You can scan our MCDC QR code for new applications and update forms.

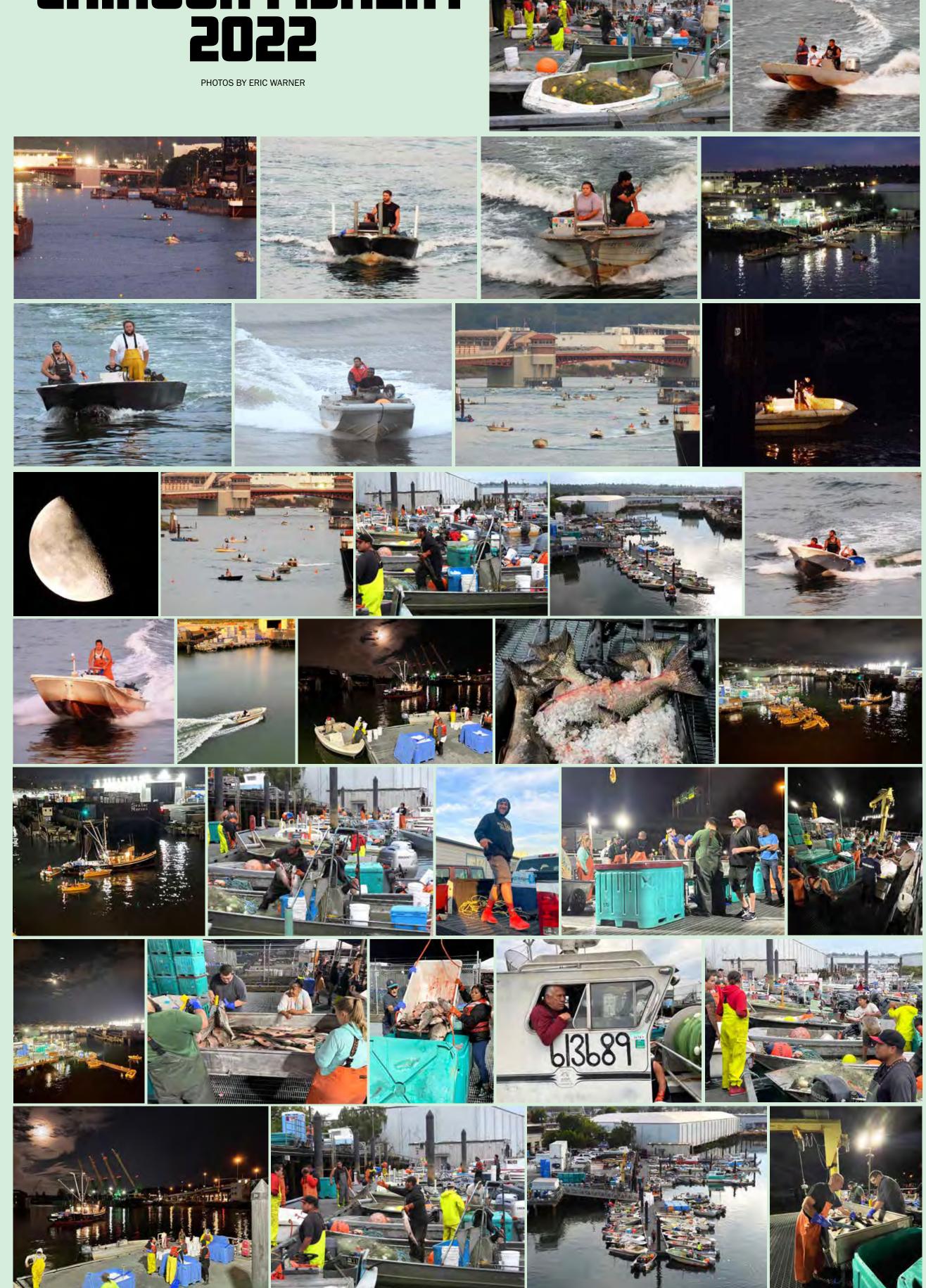
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