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John Echohawk accepts contribution from Muckleshoot Tribe. L to R: Marie Starr, Virginia Cross, John Echohawk and Charlotte Williams.

Tribe makes \$100,000 donation to Native American Rights Fund

MUCKLESHOOT – Before casino lights cascaded on a brighter future for the Muckleshoot Tribe of Washington State, the Indian nation was like many in the country: poor, under-represented and fighting to protect a sacred way of life in a new era.

The Year was 1987 when Washington State's Muckleshoot Tribe successfully challenged Puget Sound Power and Light. In a landmark settlement, the power company agreed to reverse decades of water usage that was diverting the migration of salmon along the White River and onto the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation.

The Native American Rights Fund helped the tribe reach this out-of-court victory. This agreement called upon Puget Sound Power & Light to restore the White River, where today, a fish hatchery is reviving the salmon runs.

Twenty years later, the economically stable tribal government is celebrating an historic legal victory that not only secured generations of fishing rights, but empowered a people to invest in tomorrow's Modern Day Warrior Society.

"Imagine a little tribe like us with no resources taking on 'Big Energy,'" said Virginia Cross, a tribal council member who sat on the council during the mid-1980's when all this was taking place.

"It meant everything for NARF to step in," she said. "We can give back now."

And give back they did. In early May, the Native American Rights Fund's Executive Director John Echohawk met Muckleshoot leaders in Washington, where they presented him with a \$100,000 check.

"I thought they did so much for us when we had absolutely nothing for the tribe," Cross explained. "I thought we should do something for them."

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Don't Forget!

June 9th

Muckleshoot Keta Creek Kids 12 and Under Fishing Derby

• Pancake breakfast starting at 8:30am

• Fishing from 10am till noon for Kids 12 and under

• Lunch for all ages starting at 11:30am

• Popcorn, Pee-Wee's Pond, prizes and more!

• Worms, hooks, ice, fish bags provided

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Contact: Gail Larsen

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This event is for Muckleshoot Tribal Members and their families only.



Muckleshoot Bingo's New Facility Opens

ONE OF THE FINEST BINGO VENUES IN THE NATION

As advertised, the ribbon-cutting ceremony took place promptly at 5:30 p.m. on May 17, the day of the Tribal Opening. After months of delays due to problems getting a traffic light installed, no one wanted to wait a minute longer.

As a gallery of elders seated under the rotunda looked on expectantly, Sophie Courville, surrounded by smiling bingo employees in crisp new uniforms, grasped the oversized scissors and – snip! – the waiting was over. Muckleshoot's magnificent new bingo hall was finally open!

Speeches by Tribal Council members Kerri Marquez and Marcie Elkins were kept very brief. Like everybody else, they were anxious to go inside.

"It's a joyous day for each and everyone – tribal members, community members, and all the staff that worked so hard to get this accomplished," Kerri said. "It's a beautiful day and a great success for the whole tribe."

And with that, the eager crowd streamed in, awed by the sheer size and soaring ceilings of their new bingo emporium, which covers 65,000 square feet and has seating for 1,200 – 498 of which are smoke-free. There are 500 gaming machines



Sophie Courville cuts the ribbon to open the new Muckleshoot Bingo Hall

and four restaurants. It will take 250 employees – 140 of them new hires – to keep the place up and running.

Although he admits that making the transition from the old bingo hall to the new state-of-the-art facility has been stressful at times, Bingo Manager Greg Lezard felt that the move went smoothly.

"Our plan has been to take it day by day," he said, "and to find out what the problems are and iron them out so we don't have them the next day."

After so many months of hard work, General Manager Melvin Daniels was content just

to lean on a railing at the mezzanine level and watch everything unfold down below. He's spent his entire adult life at Muckleshoot Bingo, since it first opened its doors 22 years ago. Now was a time to just savor it all.

"I think it outdoes anything in the Northwest," he said, beaming with pride. "Our comparison is nationwide, and there are only a few halls that could hold a candle to such a place as this."

Florence "Dossie" Wynne, who was tribal chair back in the tribe's formative years, agreed that the tribe has come a long

way. "Before, tribal members didn't have jobs," she recalled. "They had to work on the outside to have any money. A lot of them were loggers. Now they've got a beautiful new bingo hall, and a lot of tribal members are working."

"I'd like to thank the tribe for investing in Muckleshoot Bingo," said Ray Jerry, himself a 17-year employee. "We have a team down here that can pull together and make Muckleshoot Bingo a success, and hopefully future generations will get to come and work here to support their families."

Jerry Henke, CEO of Muckleshoot's Commerce Branch

The following story is the second of a three-part series profiling the heads of the Muckleshoot Tribe's three branches: Tribal Governance, Tribal Operations and Tribal Commerce.

MUCKLESHOOT – Jerry Henke, a Makah tribal member, is known for his low-key ways and dry sense of humor. He never brags, but actually he is a man of many accomplishments. Perhaps the one he is most proud of is that he was only the 53rd Native American in the United States to earn a CPA – Certified Public Accountant – degree.

Jerry came to work full-time for Muckleshoot in March of 1995 as the Tribe's new Comptroller. Eric Durban, his predecessor, had opted to go to work at the new casino. Jerry was familiar with MIT's finances because he'd been auditing the tribe, as well as several others, for the previous five years as part of the Tacoma-based CPA firm of Knight Vale & Gregory.

It didn't take long for Jerry to show his value to the tribe, as he soon was able to find a loophole that allowed Muckleshoot to get out of its management contract with Capitol Gaming and gain full control of its casino and bingo operations. This change has been worth many millions to the tribe.

Jerry served as Comptroller for the next eight years, and from 2001 to 2004 also served as the Tribal Treasurer, a position that is typically held by a Tribal Council member, but the constitution doesn't actually require it. The Tribal Council asked him to serve, and he did so.

In 2003, he gained the title of Tribal Finance Officer as the result of a reorganization that separated all of the tribe's finances from its program operations. The new plan phased out the position of General Manager and created a new position called Tribal Operations Manager (TOM) that was charged with overseeing the operations of tribal programs. So the TOM managed the program side and Jerry managed the Finance side, and it came to be informally known as the "Tom & Jerry" system. Later, the position of TOM was eliminated and Jerry's new title became CEO. At that time, he was in charge of both program and finance operations.

Now, in 2007, the Tribal Council has implemented a reorganization plan that sets up three branches – Tribal Governance, Tribal Operations and Tribal Commerce. Jerry Henke, with the title of CEO, is in charge of the Tribal Commerce branch. Muckleshoot Tribal member Angelica Wellman, who has her M.B.A. (Master's of Business Administration) degree, serves as Assistant CEO. This branch is responsible for:

• **Serving as the link between the major tribal enterprises and the Tribal Council.** These include the Casino, Bingo Hall, Smoke Shop, White River Amphitheatre and Emerald Downs as well as other commercial properties.

• **Developing and strengthening MIT's financial and organizational infrastructure** to help it keep up with the tribe's phenomenal growth which, in just a few short years, has seen the tribe evolve into one of the leading economic powers in the State of Washington.

• **Overseeing the tribe's major construction development activities.** Jerry Henke has been part of the team that has developed each new addition to the casino, and full charge of managing the construction of the parking garage, a huge fast-tracked project that was completed on time and within budget. Other construction projects on Jerry's list have included the Amphitheatre, Smoke Shop, Bingo Hall, Health & Wellness Center, Philip Starr Building, and the upcoming Muckleshoot Tribal School.



Jerry Henke

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MACK STRONG VISITS MUCKLESHOOT. All-Pro Seattle Seahawk fullback Mack Strong and his wife, Zoe, a member of Idaho's Nez Perce Tribe, visited Muckleshoot to discuss the tribe's participation in their Team-Works Program, which targets Native American Youth. In association with the international nonprofit charity Hope Worldwide, the Strong's program lives up to its founder's name, focusing on Strong Mind, Strong Body and Strong Character. L to R: Marie Marquez, Claudia Kauffman, Rachel Heaton, Zoe Strong, Virginia Cross, Mack Strong, Marie Starr, Tanya Rojero, Kerri Marquez, Rebecca Gallogly and Joseph Martin.

Native American color guard salutes all fallen veterans

AUBURN – Before they get down to the work. Before the rifles fire and the bugle plays, there is this decision.

“Can I take your order?”

The waitress at the Muckleshoot Casino's family-style restaurant scoots around the table full of Warriors on a recent Thursday morning, dodging banter and jotting requests for the \$4.95 steak-and-egg special.

Sharing a meal together every first Friday and third Thursday of the month is a tradition for this unlikely tribe. They come from many nations – Muckleshoot, Nisqually, Winnebago and Seminole. Choctaw, Lakota, Chippewa and Yakama. They are Indian by birth, adoption or simple desire to, as one put it, “walk the Red Road.”

But they are linked by their walk on a different road. Each is a veteran who has felt the spirit call to honor other veterans at their final services. Together, they form the Inter-Tribal Warrior Society's Honor Guard.

“We're warriors. We should honor our warriors,” said Peggy Caudill, whose adoptive father was Chippewa.

Caudill, affectionately called “Hot Lips” by the other members, was a trauma nurse with a MASH unit in Vietnam. She now serves as the group's bugler.

Sonny Bargala of the Muckleshoot Tribe co-founded the Inter-Tribal Warrior Society in 2000 after recognizing the need for more volunteer honor guards. Bargala, who was an Army helicopter crew chief in Vietnam, had been performing color guard duties with several other Native American veterans for various tribal events since the mid-1990s.

As a veteran, he saw his compatriots dying in increasing numbers, leaving dwindling ranks to serve as honor guards. One of the founding principles of the Inter-Tribal Warriors is that no one should have to go without a final salute. The group volunteers to provide military honors for any veteran, regardless of race or religion.

“We're a brotherhood of veterans,” said Robert Sison of the Nisqually Tribe, one of the group's chaplains and a Navy vet who served on the destroyer Joseph P. Kennedy. His own brother, Mark Sison, a Korean War vet, was a seaman on the battleship Iowa, and is also a member of the guard.

The members honor the dead by being present for the living.

“I like to help these families who have lost someone,” said Jesse McDaniel III, who at 27 is the baby of the group, and the subject of endless teasing for it.

“He likes his milk and cookies,” said John “Johnnie” Smith, half-Seminole and a 21-year Army vet who was shot in Iraq. Smith joined the Inter-Tribal Warriors out of respect for other veterans, but like others has found the group a kind of healing circle for himself.

McDaniel laughs. Easygoing, he rolls with the jabs. He served on a submarine for the Navy until 2001 and now works as a veterans outreach representative for the Muckleshoot Tribe. Bargala recruited him into the Inter-Tribal Warriors.

“I thought, ‘Oooh, I like the sound of that,’” said McDaniel, who is African American and Muckleshoot Indian. “It felt good finding out more about my culture.” But the most gratifying part was helping families through a hard time, he said.

Today, the group claims about 80 members from 33 tribes. About 20 members form the core that performs most of the services.

The Muckleshoot Tribe provides support, including vans for transportation, so the group can provide military honors at funerals on reservations around the state. They also participate in a variety of other events and services, including bestowing blessings and retiring flags.

Part of their goal is to raise the profile of Native Americans who have served in the military.

“We'll be in a parade, and people will come up and say, ‘We didn't know Indians served in the military,’” Bargala said. “But our people are on that (Memorial) wall, too.”

“Yeah, they think we only fought in the Indian Wars,” deadpanned Robert Sison.

This amuses the whole table.

At 12:45 p.m., the brunch winds up and two tribal vans arrive to take the group to Tahoma National Cemetery for the first of several services. Some days the group will do nine, back-to-back on the half hour.

The mood, which has been light, begins to shift. The task to come is sad work, but the morning meal has fortified them with more than food.

“When you do it enough, you've got to be a little light-hearted to relieve the stress,” Bargala said.

“If you aren't laughing, then you'll be crying.”

The bond is what keeps them going.

“It's about the camaraderie,” Smith said. “This brings you back to the spirit.”

The tribe members put on their Warrior vests with a large round insignia on the back. A few wear medicine bags close to the heart. Eagle feathers, a symbol of courage and valor, drape from hats. Service medals hang next to embroidered Indian names. Sometimes, one of their members will bring a ceremonial flute to play after the last of taps has echoed away.

At the cemetery, they assemble under one of the shelters used for services, a small theater of operations for the burying of the dead.

They pull on their white gloves.

Warren Gohl, who was adopted by a Lakota Tribe member and is now a group chaplain, cradles the top of an eagle wing in the crook of his arm and blesses the space in the quiet before the service. Caudill checks that she has three brass shell casings wrapped in buckskin, which she will present to the next-of-kin after she finishes playing taps. The casings are symbolic of the rounds fired during the rifle salute.

The funeral procession arrives, and somber family and friends emerge from cars to take their places on folding chairs before an urn containing ashes.

The ceremony unfolds with its own time and rhythm as it has thousands of times before and will thousands of times again.

Bargala issues commands, and the honor guard takes up its arms. Three rifle cracks split the cool spring air. The flag is folded and presented. Notes slip away from Caudill's bugle.

And another member of the larger tribe is laid to rest.

(The above article was reprinted from the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. The writer was Carol Smith and the photographer was Joshua Trujillo. We express our gratitude to the P-I for this excellent story.)



Robert Sison, holding a staff with 80-year-old eagle feathers, waits with Army National Guard members from Camp Murray and fellow Inter-Tribal Honor Guard member Warren Gohl for a military funeral at Tahoma National Cemetery.



Sonny Bargala eyes the honor guard.



Preparations include handing out rifle rounds.

EVENTS CALENDAR

- June 8** **Head Start Graduation**, 10 a.m. to noon, River lodge @ White River Amphitheatre
- June 9** **Kids Derby** - Kids 12 and under. For more information call Gail Larsen at (253) 876-3178
- June 12** **Tribal School Kindergarten Graduation**
- June 13** **Tribal School 8th grade graduation** @11:00 a.m.
- June 14** **High School Graduation**, Muckleshoot Tribal School, 6:00 p.m.
- June 15** **Northwest Indian College commencement ceremonies**, Lummi Campus
- June 21** **Higher Educational Graduation Dinner**- At the MIT Casino HR-side 2nd floor from 6-9pm. Everyone is invited.
- June 22-24** **Veterans Pow Wow** - At the new Muckleshoot Pow Wow grounds
- July 13** **Ducks Co-Ed Softball Tournament**- At the Muckleshoot Ball Fields. Contact Tammy James at 253-394-3489 or Missy Brown 253-632-4093 for more info.
- July 27-29** **9th Annual Natives on a Wellness Path** Sobriety Pow-Wow, Muckleshoot Pow-wow grounds.
- August 11** **Family Derby** - All ages fishing. For more information call Gail Larsen at (253) 876-3178
- August 24-26** **Skopabash Pow Wow** Muckleshoot Pow Wow Grounds. INFO: Jeanette Morrison, (253) 333 – 5029 or Jeanne Moses at (253) 929-6018 or (253) 833-3920 x100.
- October 6** **Fall Classic** - All ages fishing. For more information call Gail Larsen at (253) 876-3178

ONGOING:

Canoe Family Meetings Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.
Song and Dance Sessions Mondays at 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse



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WALKING ON...

Rosemary Cross Jones – “Posie”

Rosemary Cross Jones, of Auburn, WA, age 66, passed away May 26, 2007 in Seattle. She was born on March 7, 1941, in Auburn.

She attended ECC studying food service and later worked as a Pastry Chef in Arizona. Rosemary also worked as a Librarian at Tulalip Elementary School, and Tulalip Senior Home. She worked at the senior home 24 hours a day, seven days a week for a period of five years.



Rosemary Cross Jones

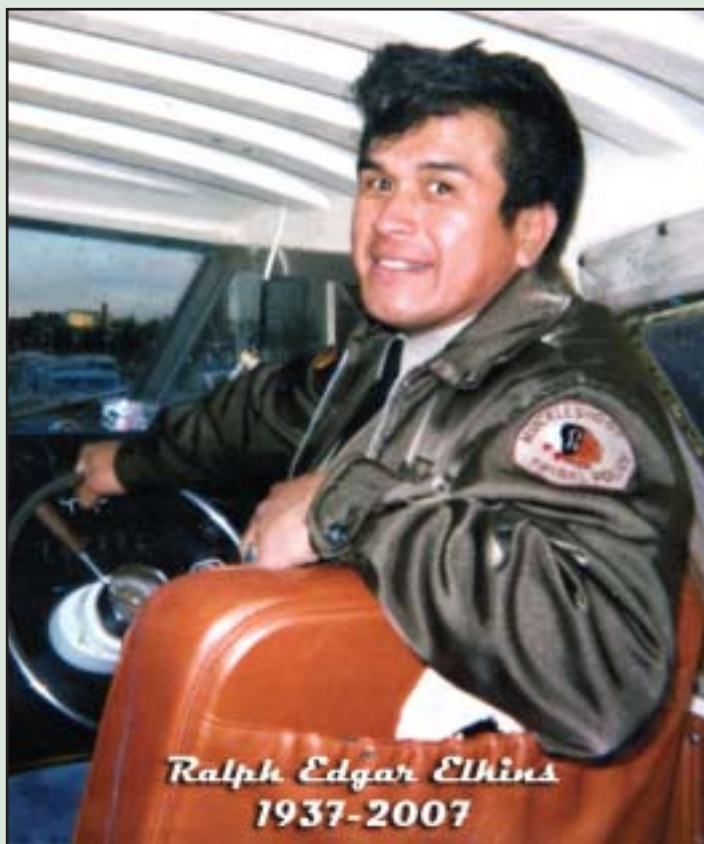
Posie, as she was known to all, loved to travel with her sisters, and enjoyed walking in the mountains and along the beaches, especially in and around Grayland.

She loved all new babies and her relatives. She knew all birthdays and anniversaries to all of her relatives: from all the close ones to as well as distant relatives.

Rosemary is survived by sons, Daniel and Boyd; daughter, Michelle Schmaus; sisters, Lorraine, Virginia, Marlene, and Millie; brothers, Kenny and George; grandchildren, Shantel, Hunter and Rowan Schmaus; honorary grandsons, Justin Graves, Robbie Roberts and the Couch Boyz; and numerous nephews and nieces.

She is preceded in death by her parents, George and Alvina Cross; husband, Donald Jones; son, Lloyd; siblings, Harold Price, Jim Cross, Dorothy Daniels, LaVerne, Georgianna, Margie, Doris, Loretta and Linda.

Services were held Thursday, May 31, 2007, at Tulalip Tribal Center, followed by burial at the Mission Beach Cemetery in Tulalip.

Ralph Edgar Elkins

Ralph Edgar Elkins passed away on May 15, 2007, at the age of 69. A Nooksack tribal member, he was born on October 13, 1937 to James and Ruth Elkins and lived in the Auburn area most of his life.

Ralph worked at many jobs, but he especially enjoyed his police work as a fisheries enforcement officer. He also worked as a logger, fisherman, and farm laborer. He liked to travel, and enjoyed all his jobs. He was a member of the 1910 Indian Shaker Church.

He leaves behind his children: Ralph Jr., Auburn; Ira, Auburn; Lola, Auburn; Angel, Phoenix, Arizona; Spunky, Federal Way; Bridget, Auburn; Amy, Auburn; and 25 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by brothers John of Auburn and Jerry of Tacoma, sister Mary Lou of California and numerous nieces and nephews.

He loved each and every one of his family members.

Thank You

The family of Ralph Elkins would like to thank the Nooksack, Muckleshoot, and Puyallup Tribes for their donations.

And a special thank you for the senior center for the help at the church, and also to Auntie Lulu, Duchess, and Lacey for cleaning the house.

And thank you to all the people who stayed at the church for his last night here on Mother Earth.

Also, thanks for all the prayer services, and for all the support for the family.

Maria G. Sneatlum

Maria Georgina “Wyatalute” Sneatlum, age 78, of Seattle, passed away, Wednesday, April 25, 2007 in Seattle, WA.

She was born, September 29, 1928, Tulalip, WA to George and Amelia (Snyder) Sneatlum. Maria spent her younger years in Tulalip and graduated from Marysville High School in 1949.

Gifted with a marvelous voice, she went to Boston for professional training as an opera singer. Maria performed professionally in Everett and Seattle and also sang at St. Anne’s Catholic Church. After an illness that ended her singing career she worked for the Seattle City Parks Department and later retired from Seattle City Light.

She is survived by her soul mate of 50 years, Bill Brown, her brother Charles A. Sneatlum Sr. of Muckleshoot, cousin and close friend June Ward, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents George and Amelia Sneatlum, and brothers Freeman Sneatlum and Silas George, and a sister Lucy Millholland.

A Funeral Mass was held at St. Anne’s Catholic Church, on Monday, April 30, after which she was buried next to her mother at the Suquamish Tribal Cemetery.

My Only Dad I Knew

Yes, he was my Dad; the only one I had.
 Yes, it was his time to go, so today I grieve and learn to grow.
 Yes, our heart cries as we let go and say our last good-byes.
 Yes, he’s in a better land, him and Jesus walk hand in hand.
 Yes, he’s in a better place; now he sees Jesus’s face.
 Today he has no more hurt to endure, today reaching heaven is his cure.
 Now his soul can have peace and rest because the Creator knows what’s best.
 So today we must let all tears flow; grieving and letting him go helps us grow.
 We need to pray he walks free, no more pain there will be.
 To my loving Dad, the true one I ever had.

By Christine Elkins

Blessed with a magnificent voice, Maria Sneatlum trained in Boston to be a professional opera singer

The following is based on a story by Wendy Church that was printed a decade ago in See-Yat-Sub, the Tulalip Tribes’ newspaper.

It was the little girl belting out hymns at St. Anne’s Church on the Tulalip reservation almost fifty years ago that caught the attention of one of the Catholic sisters at the church.

“I was a little moppet of seven or eight years old,” Maria Sneatlum recalls, and one of the sisters “perceived that there was a voice there.” Soon they began asking her to perform solos. Asked if she was nervous, she replied, “I guess I wasn’t,” adding with a laugh that “I was just a regular old ham.”

Maria was about 16 when Mrs. and Mrs. Bruno Mailer of Everett took her under their wings to live with them and study opera singing.

“I was one of the family and she gave me free lessons,” says Maria. Bruno, a violinist for the Seattle Symphony Orchestra, would coach her on the different composers – Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Handel and others. To sing the complicated opera songs, she had to learn French, Italian, Spanish and German.

Mrs. Mailer was also an expert seamstress, and when Maria got a scholarship to study at the conservatory in Boston, she made Maria’s gowns for performances. To finance her trips back and forth, she gave concerts at the Everett Civic Auditorium.

In Boston, Maria studied under Frederick Jagle (pronounced Yagle), a prominent figure in the opera world who often flew from Boston to perform with the Metropolitan Opera in New York.

“He had a vast repertoire,” Maria remembers. “He was so nice and such an inspiration to me.”

Sadly, her promising career was cut short when she contracted tubercular meningitis, a disease that took the life of one of her brothers. Taken in a coma to a Boston hospital, she later convalesced for six months at Cushman Hospital. Maria recovered, but her days as an opera singer were over...

“The first time I heard her I was about twelve, and this was at the Old Dining Hall, at a Christmas dinner,” Bernita Brown remembers. “Maria sang *Ave Maria* and it was just so beautiful...it actually gave me goose bumps”

An old recording of Maria Sneatlum, then a brilliant young opera prodigy, singing “Ave Maria” was played at her funeral, giving goose bumps one last time to the many people who loved and cherished her.

**Our Deepest Gratitude**

The family of Kristofer J. Irving would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Muckleshoot Tribal Community during our time of loss.

We would like to say thank you to Phil Hamilton, Sharon Hamilton-Curley, daughters Shanon and Samantha, sister Joy, Toots Baker and daughter Pauline, Mary Ross and daughters Freda and Mary Jr., Sherry Ross and Rochelle Brown for being with us the night of the devastating tragedy.

We would also like to express our gratitude to the drivers Mike Starr, Sonny Miller, Pete Jerry and Mike Edwards for transporting Kris to this final resting place in Neah Bay.

We would also like to thank those who donated food and money at the gas station and senior center.

Also, we would like to say thank you to the Muckleshoot Tribal Council for the generous donation towards funeral expenses. For those not mentioned we would like to say thank you. Thank you to all.

The Family of Kristofer Irving

Parents Eldwood Irving, Sharon Marchand, brother Loren Marchand, Sister Angie Spring, daughters Malia and Samiah Irving



Kristofer J. Irving

Shellfish Information June 2007 Muckleshoot Monthly

Things You Should Know About Clam Digging

1. Beware: You can get sick from clams harvested at Adelaide Beach, Alki Beach, Redondo, Lincoln Park, Salt Water State Park and all other beaches between Seattle and Tacoma. They are all potentially polluted and are closed by the Department of Health.
2. Tribal members can dig clams at the Tribe's property on Vashon Island. There are lots of butter clams and some steamers, horse clams and cockles at the beach. Directions are provided at the end of this list
3. Fisheries staff will be routinely testing the clams at the Vashon beach for "red tide" to insure the clams are safe to eat. Always check on the Fish Hotline (1-800-FISH-NOW) for results to see if the Vashon tidelands are open.
4. Use a small clam shovel (not a fork or garden shovel). The Vashon tidelands are rocky and digging clams is more difficult than at sandy beaches. A clam shovel works best.
5. If you want to go to the property by personal boat, the Fisheries Division will provide you with a chart to locate the tidelands and a good place to anchor or beach your boat.
6. The driveway at the property has a locked gate so call the Fisheries Division: 253-876-3131 to get the combination to the locked gate and updated red tide results.
7. Check the ferry schedule that is printed here with the tide charts. There is a fee for the ferry from West Seattle (Fauntleroy) to Vashon.
8. Fisheries staff will also be organizing clam-digging trips to Vashon Island for tribal members who would like to visit the property for a half-day outing, call Andy at the Fisheries Division, if you may be interested.
9. There are various shellfish enhancement projects going on at the Tribe's tidelands. Do not harvest any of the shellfish in areas marked with RED stakes
10. Tribal members, 18 years and older, can get an Oyster Harvest Permit from the Fisheries office. Permits are not issued at the beach.
11. Oysters can be only harvested from the GREEN staked area only with an Oyster Harvest Permit.

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CLAM DIGGING TIDES - VASHON ISLAND

June - August 2007

Day	Date	Time to Dig	Low Tide level & time
Thursday	June 28th	9:00 am – 12:30 pm	-1.4 ft @ 10:25 am
Friday	June 29th	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	-1.9 ft @ 11:02 am
Saturday	June 30th	10:00 am – 1:30 pm	-2.3 ft @ 11:38 am
Sunday	July 1st	10:30 am – 2:00 pm	-2.4 ft @ 12:15 am
Monday	July 2nd	11:00 am – 2:30 pm	-2.4 ft @ 12:53 pm
Tuesday	July 3rd	12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	-1.9 ft @ 1:32 pm
Wednesday	July 4th	1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	-1.1 ft @ 2:13 pm
Thursday	July 5th	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	-0.6 ft @ 2:54 pm
Friday	July 6th	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	-0.1 ft @ 3:35 pm
Saturday	July 7th	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	0.4 ft @ 4:16 pm
Sunday	July 8th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	0.9 ft @ 4:57 pm
Monday	July 9th	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	1.4 ft @ 5:38 pm
Tuesday	July 10th	6:30 am – 9:30 am	-1.4 ft @ 8:10 am
Wednesday	July 11th	7:30 am – 11:00 am	-2.3 ft @ 9:04 am
Thursday	July 12th	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	-2.9 ft @ 9:56 am
Friday	July 13th	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	-3.1 ft @ 10:44 am
Saturday	July 14th	9:30 am – 2:00 pm	-3.1 ft @ 11:30 am
Sunday	July 15th	10:30 am – 2:00 pm	-2.6 ft @ 12:12 pm
Monday	July 16th	11:30 am – 2:30 pm	-1.9 ft @ 12:53 pm
Tuesday	July 17th	12:30 pm – 3:00 pm	-1.0 ft @ 1:32 pm
Wednesday	July 18th	1:30 pm – 4:00 pm	-0.1 ft @ 2:13 pm
Thursday	July 19th	2:30 pm – 5:00 pm	0.4 ft @ 2:54 pm
Friday	July 20th	3:30 pm – 6:00 pm	0.9 ft @ 3:35 pm
Saturday	July 21st	4:30 pm – 7:00 pm	1.4 ft @ 4:16 pm
Sunday	July 22nd	5:30 pm – 8:00 pm	1.9 ft @ 4:57 pm
Monday	July 23rd	6:30 pm – 9:00 pm	2.4 ft @ 5:38 pm
Tuesday	July 24th	7:30 pm – 10:00 pm	2.9 ft @ 6:19 pm
Wednesday	July 25th	8:30 am – 11:30 am	-1.2 ft @ 9:59 am
Thursday	July 26th	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	-1.7 ft @ 10:39 am
Friday	July 27th	10:30 am – 1:30 pm	-2.0 ft @ 11:17 am
Saturday	July 28th	11:30 am – 2:30 pm	-2.1 ft @ 11:54 am
Sunday	July 29th	12:30 pm – 3:30 pm	-1.7 ft @ 12:32 pm
Monday	July 30th	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	-1.0 ft @ 1:11 pm
Tuesday	July 31st	2:30 pm – 5:30 pm	-0.1 ft @ 1:52 pm
Wednesday	August 1st	3:30 pm – 6:30 pm	0.4 ft @ 2:33 pm
Thursday	August 2nd	4:30 pm – 7:30 pm	0.9 ft @ 3:14 pm
Friday	August 3rd	5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	1.4 ft @ 3:55 pm
Saturday	August 4th	6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	1.9 ft @ 4:36 pm
Sunday	August 5th	7:30 pm – 10:30 am	2.4 ft @ 5:17 pm
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Tuesday	August 7th	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	-2.0 ft @ 9:45 am
Wednesday	August 8th	10:30 am – 1:30 pm	-2.0 ft @ 10:33 am
Thursday	August 9th	11:30 am – 2:30 pm	-1.7 ft @ 11:16 am
Friday	August 10th	12:30 pm – 3:30 pm	-1.1 ft @ 11:55 am
Saturday	August 11th	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	-0.6 ft @ 12:36 pm
Sunday	August 12th	2:30 pm – 5:30 pm	-0.1 ft @ 1:17 pm
Monday	August 13th	3:30 pm – 6:30 pm	0.4 ft @ 1:58 pm
Tuesday	August 14th	4:30 pm – 7:30 pm	0.9 ft @ 2:39 pm
Wednesday	August 15th	5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	1.4 ft @ 3:20 pm
Thursday	August 16th	6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	1.9 ft @ 4:01 pm
Friday	August 17th	7:30 pm – 10:30 am	2.4 ft @ 4:42 pm
Saturday	August 18th	8:30 am – 11:30 am	-0.6 ft @ 9:28 am
Sunday	August 19th	9:00 am – 11:30 am	-1.0 ft @ 10:11 am
Monday	August 20th	9:30 am – 12:00 pm	-1.1 ft @ 10:51 am
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Directions to get to the Tribe's Clam Beach on Vashon Island

Take I-5 north to the West Seattle Bridge exit. (One exit north of the Swift/Albro exit)

Go west on the bridge to West Seattle – at the top of the hill you will be on Fauntleroy Ave. After the Buick agency stay on Fauntleroy – it takes an easy left. Follow the signs straight to the Fauntleroy/Vashon ferry.

Make sure to take the Vashon ferry, not the Southworth ferry.

On Vashon Island, follow the main road (Vashon Highway) up the hill (south) about 1.8 miles from the ferry dock.

The Tribe's property driveway is on the LEFT side of the road and is marked with a "Muckleshoot Indian Tribe" sign. The driveway is a dirt road and there is a locked gate about 100 yards down the driveway. The combination is _ _ _ _ . (Get combination at Fisheries Office before leaving).

After the gate, follow the driveway all the way down to the small parking lot next to a small shed – just past the portable toilet. The trail to the beach is marked with a sign: "Beach Trail".

Once down on the beach, to find a good place to dig clams, walk to the right (south) for a few minutes and try digging half-way to the water.

It is easier to dig clams with a small shovel (not a rake) and remember to protect the young clams by back filling all holes.



Muckleshoot Seniors and Job Corps members take advantage of the season's first low tides.



Clam diggers should always back-fill your hole – there are baby clams in the hole and pile that need protecting. Save the next generation of clams for the next generation of clam diggers.



Oysters a big hit – Warren KingGeorge harvests oysters grown by the Fisheries Division at the Tribe's Vashon Island tidelands. Oyster permits are available at the Fisheries office only.

2007 Keta Creek Fishing Derbies

The Keta Creek Fishing Derbies are summer time family oriented events for Tribal Members and their families. These Tribally funded trout fishing opportunities include breakfast, lunch, and snacks, and fun and games for all ages. Bait, fishing tackle, ice, and fish sacks provided. Games and events are subject to change as necessary

A flyer will be sent to Tribal Members in April.

Please direct questions or comments to Gail Larsen at (253) 876-3178

Date/Time	Event	Other information
June 9, 2007 8:30 – 2PM	Kids Derby—This is a 12 and under fishing derby. Fishing prizes for Kids and door prizes for adults	Pee Wee's Pond for all kids/Popcorn Cart
August 11, 2007 8:30– 2 PM	Family Derby—All ages fishing. Family oriented prizes/picture prizes for adults	Pinata Games/ Ice Cream Cart/ Popcorn Cart/ Fish Printing for Kids
October 6, 2007 8:30–2 PM	Fall Classic—All ages fishing—Family oriented prizes/ door prizes for adults	Casting Contest/Popcorn Cart/ Free Rain Ponchos provided

Fauntleroy (West Seattle) / Vashon

Crossing Time: Approximately 20 minutes (45 minutes via Southworth)

Monday through Friday Leave Fauntleroy

5:20	10:40	4:00	8:45
5:50	11:40	4:40	9:20
6:10	11:55	5:00	10:15
6:45	12:20	5:40	11:40
7:05	12:55	6:00	12:55
8:25	1:20	6:25	2:10
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9:25	2:45	7:35	
10:20	3:05	7:55	

Leave Vashon

4:05	8:15	12:50	7:30
4:50	8:40	1:50	8:20
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5:45	9:40	3:25	9:50
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6:40	10:30	5:10	12:05
7:00	11:30	5:30	1:20
7:15	11:55	6:30	
7:55	12:25	6:55	

Saturday and Sunday Leave Fauntleroy

5:20	11:45	4:00	7:40
6:05	12:20	4:20	8:00
6:55	12:50	4:40	8:30
7:35	1:20	5:10	9:20
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Leave Vashon

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● Via Southworth.
▲ Loads foot passengers only.

● Via Southworth.
▲ Saturday only.
■ Sunday only.

Note: Vehicle load limits may be in effect on multiple destination sailings.

Friendly Reminder: Don't miss out -

Return your expired Oyster Harvest Permits to the Fisheries Office to get an updated permit."

NEWS FROM THE MUCKLESHOOT CANOE FAMILY

By Walter Pacheco,
Community Services Director and Captain of the Canoe Family

The Canoe Journey for 2007 is a paddle to Lummi. We're looking at a 10- to 11-day journey this year, starting in Squaxin Island with the Nisqually, Puyallup, Suquamish, Swinomish, and so there's about maybe 13 to 15 canoes traveling from Squaxin Island this year.

We'll be coming up the Puget Sound, into Seattle, where we host them for two days here at Muckleshoot. We're going to have the canoes coming in to Muckleshoot on the 23rd of July, and on the 24th we'll have a day of cultural activities dealing with different aspects of our culture, whether it's bone games, or family history, relationships with different tribes' families, and possibly some recreational activities. We'll be spending the second day here, kind of a leisurely day doing some activities, and we'll leave Seattle on the 25th to Suquamish.

So basically, the journey for us will begin on July 19th, where we will go to Squaxin Island, and we will terminate our journey on July 30th at Lummi. The schedule brings us from

Squaxin Island to Nisqually; Nisqually to Puyallup; Puyallup to Muckleshoot; Muckleshoot to Suquamish; Suquamish to Mukilteo; Mukilteo to Tulalip; Tulalip to Swinomish; Swinomish to Samish in Anacortes; and from Samish to Lummi. Those are the stopover points for this year's South Sound route.

We're actively preparing ourselves for canoe-pulling practices on a weekly basis, whether it's going to be Thursday evenings or also on ,we haven't yet decided, but chances are we'll probably be doing both because it's getting close to journey time so we need to have practice time in.

On June 10th, we are having another cold water training at Stolo Point, which is near Steilacoom. The Puyallup Tribe is hosting that cold water training this time. There was another cold water training attended on the 20th of May, when our canoe went to Nisqually.

Again, we're getting ready for this year's journey. We're asking that all past Canoe Family members come in to the meetings and prepare themselves for this year's journey, and I hope the community can take part by following the canoes for part of the journey. It's really an awesome sight to seem them go from place to place and watch the canoe numbers grow as we go along.

So if anybody has any questions, they can call me at 253-876-3153.

"Gathering Together" premieres at APAC

PHOTOS BY JOHN LOFTUS



Ms. Gerri Lillian Williams



"I RAISE MY HANDS UP TO YOU WITH ALL OF MY LOVE AND RESPECT."

~ LOVE ALWAYS,
MZ. GERRI LILLIAN WILLIAMS
MUCKLESHOOT.
YAKAMA.
UMATILLA. & PUYALLUP TRIBES

For You, My Loved Ones,
I am writing to you today to announce that I will

be graduating on May 18th, 2007 from the Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, New Mexico. I will receive my Associate of Fine Arts Degree in Creative Writing, finally, and I have already begun my Bachelor of Fine Arts Studies in Creative Writing as well.

As many of you know, creative writing has been a passion of mine since I was able to create words out of the alphabet. I've been writing poetry since I was 4-years-old. (Poetry has always been a big part of my life; and as I started school here in Santa Fe I learned that theatre and video/film productions are a big part of my heart as well; my creativity.

Growing up, I never envisioned myself in college; let alone receiving a college degree. I am truly blessed to come from a People who value higher education. I am grateful to my People, The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe and also to The Muckleshoot Education Committee for allowing me to attend school here in the beautiful city of Santa Fe. *It is a true blessing for me, and I thank you.*

I know you may not be able to make it to my graduation, but I wanted you to have an invitation anyway. It's an honor for me to share this with you. I am enclosing a photo for you, it's not a graduation photo, but as soon as I get those done I'll send you a copy of them as well, OK.

Thank you for being a part of my life. Thank you for your love and prayers. Thank you for your support and laughter. Thank you for your hand in friendship and your belief in me. I love you, and for those of you who will be attending, I can't wait to see you out in the audience as I receive my diploma.

Respectfully, and Ever Yourz,

~Ms. Gerri Lillian Williams
Institute of American Indian Arts – Spring of 2007 Graduate

~ MUCKLESHOOT CANOE FAMILY ~

Ghosts of a Crystal Page

By Gerri L. Williams

Although sound is hushed by strawberry lips stitched through hands of a crystal mime, where an albino blue jay sips raspberry vodka through white chocolate truffles, blows turquoise glitter in Whulsootseed air,

It is another part of me:

A shattered porcelain clown nose, a sunflower music box on indigo shelves. A voice message from Clarence in my diary, an ant crawling out of cement not yet dry.

When three crowns framed on espresso walls drip nappy dreads on New York streets.

When Holiday love songs are broken halos placed in a sesame street garbage can next to a Miles Davis CD.

When a crisp bottle reveals pink conversation hearts in clear waters, I let them melt on my tongue-

They trickle between sugared lips, drooping into empty pages, climbing through bullet hole windows following ghosts of little children chasing chocolate chip dreams.

A naked Indian girl bathes in lyrics of Bob Marley kissing salt water trickling upon his cheek.

Old letters become whispers of ash between her fingers, mascara lines painted in a trembling line.

Lavender moon brings a peppermint wand to her pink frosted lips: sssshhhh.
No Woman. No Cry:

Leave it for your brother with tattoo ink glistening from midnight pupils.

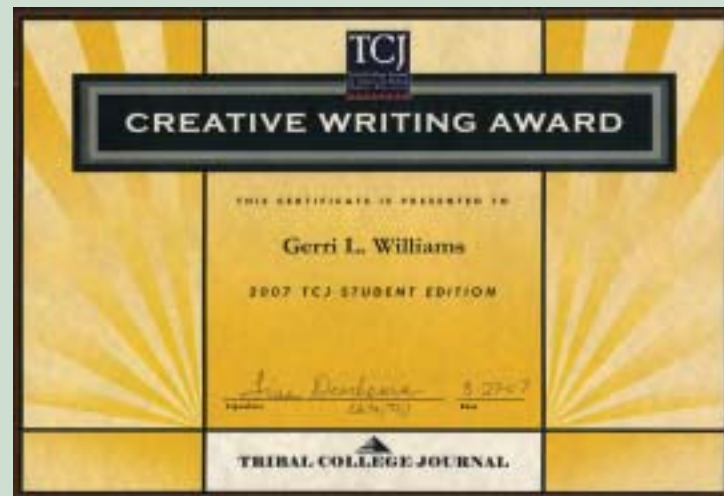
Leave it for the wind giving life to broken windows.

Leave it for the porcelain clown sleeping in midst of drooping eyes.

Let Love Spell lather her voice into your body, violet bubbles tracing summer night blues.

Let the Puyallup boy sprinkle sand into the crease of winter pages only ghosts of the Baqəšut people can read.

Let me sprinkle a new snow over the Muckleshoot earth.



This certificate was awarded to me at the AIHEC Conference in South Dakota. AIHEC is a conference with all the tribal colleges coming together in competition, knowledge, and unity as a People.

I entered the Tribal College Journal writing competition and won 2nd place in poetry for my poem, Ghosts of a Crystal Page. There were 70 writers from 20 different colleges and a little over 100 submissions for this competition and I won 2nd place! This is the certificate that I won!

This poem was also published in the latest edition of Red Ink Magazine as well. I just wanted to share the good news with the community!

MUCKLESHOOT VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION SPONSORS MEMORIAL DAY DINNER

PHOTOS & ARTICLE BY KELVIN FRANKS, MUCKLESHOOT VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION

The 2007 Muckleshoot Veteran's Association Memorial Day Dinner was once again a huge success. An estimated 300 people showed up to pay tribute to the fallen Muckleshoot soldiers who have gone before us since WWI. Joe Martin and his wonderful group, the Southern Plains Singers, memorialized with beautiful Oklahoma style veteran's songs. Among the many people honored this year was Bernice White for being the oldest Muckleshoot and for all her time and dedication to the community.

The Veteran's Association would like to thank all the people who came out to show support in memory to the ones that have given the ultimate sacrifice for the freedom we enjoy today. The "Memorial" in Memorial Day has been ignored by too many of us who are beneficiaries of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. Often we do not observe the day as it should be, a day where we actively remember our ancestors, our family members, our loved ones, our neighbors, and our friends.

Once again a big 'THANK YOU' to the Muckleshoot Community, the Color Guard, and of course the wonderful cooks and all the helpers who prepared a fantastic meal.

MUCKLESHOOT VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION



A Tribute from a Friend

Norma Dominick's Photos of Iola Lobehan Bill



A big thank you letter

To all that attended Iola W. Lobehan Bill's memorial, especially the elders that attended.

I do thank Sandy Heddrick and Dennis Anderson for the beautiful job in blessing her headstone and all they did at the church and always their for all of us, you both are a gem. Never change ok Sandy. Iola always enjoyed your crazy lil jokes.

Kari M. for helping to the giveaway, our council lady. She is one in a million, she is always ready to help. When ever we'd go on enrollment workshops she would always make sure Iola and Bernice were taken care of. All her elders at that.

Regina and her lil crew for all the wonderful food she prepared, brown beans, potatoes and fish, huckleberries. Iola said was a great full mean. Thanks Gina.

Monica Williams for shopping with us Toots and myself—oops! Girls too—Roselene and Kristina.

Pauline, Steve, Floyd Baker, Will Murphy, Tony and Monica for caring in our giveaway items and all they did for Toots and myself for always ready to step forward and helping us.

Leonard Moses, Bobo Starr (don't know his real name) and Alfi Starr for the great job they did setting Iola's headstone. It looks so beautiful.

Thanks to Iola's family that attended for paying your respects to a beautiful lady's memory and helping us all heal.

Her son could not attend because a couple of days before he fell. Willard, hope you're feeling better.

Lynn lives in Oregon. She had not transportation. Her cars' breaks went out on her.

I do thank you both for letting us all share your mom. She gave us so much—her love, quick wit, knowledge of culture and passed history, her beautiful smile. She gave us so many memories to remember her by, love for dancing—both pow wow and R & R—yep! Any kind of music this lil lady's feet just had to start moving. Her love for bingo, casino and her knowing her tribe was on it's way up. She loved going mushroom, cedar, wild tea and Indian medicine outings just to being the woods where she said was the beauty of God's creation. Coming home she would say a day well spent.

Most of all I'd like to say thanks to all the elders who donated for Iola's memorial fund. Cash donations from LeeRoy Courville, Marcie Elkins, Kari M. and all others. Just everyone for buying our Indian tacos.

Sr. Staff for all their help—Amy Elkins, Joey Jansen, for always stepping in and helping on staff that helped. And to Sr. Center for all the love and devotion they gave to this beautiful lil lady.

Jon, Juanita and Wil for taking her on outings and Jon and Wil for their always ready to take care of Iola. My son for dancing the night away with her. She loved it and said I had two handsome guys take me to the casino and I danced until I couldn't dance no more.

Roy and Haley for always visiting with their great grandma. She love it!

My grandson for always asking, "Can we do a sleep over at great grandma's?" She enjoyed those.

But most of all I'd like to say to our side kick and sarge, Toots, for always being here for me and all the outings we went on with our beautiful lil pal, for all the beautiful memories we have of her.

So our love and prayers to all that helped if I forgot to name anyone they know—oops!

Enrollment lady for her cedar pins and pens, Lorraine Moses.

Also Gina Morrison on her lil gang for the necklaces, earrings, key rings. And last but not least, many thanks to John Loftus for sharing his pictures of our beautiful lady and being there with us.

Again, love and prayers to all of you,
Norma Dominick and Elaine Baker

Our tribute to our traveling companion who was loved a lot and will be missed by all but not ever forgotten. Her memories will live forever with us.



1st ICW Native American Lobby Day held at State Capitol

By Marilee Bittner-Fawcett

PHOTOS BY MELISSA CHRISTY

A handsome young man stepped to the microphone. “We need to be treated like the Seventh Generation,” former foster child Charles Goodwin (Keetoowah) declared to 300 or more supporters who filled the Rotunda in support of the First Native American Lobby Day Concerning Indian Child Welfare (ICW).

Governor Gregoire had already spoken, as had three of our five Native American legislators: Senator Claudia Kauffman, Representative John McCoy, and Representative Don Barlow.

While Charles may have been nearly the last speaker of the day, his emotions and experiences drove home the point that others expressed: The Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 needs to be enforced. State officials, from legislators to the governor, need to be held accountable for ensuring this Act, written with the intent of placing Native American children in Native foster homes, is fully enforced. They need to know the history that made this act necessary. Likewise, judges, courts, social workers, and child advocates throughout the state must follow the intent and letter of this Act.

“I am grateful you made it here,” he said, “. . . but it brings about memories.”

He had been placed in so many non-Native homes he lost count. He carried his few belongings, including his few sacred objects he used to pray, from one home to the next in a garbage sack.

“The experiences have been more bad than good.”

One foster mom told him that he was backward and had no future. When he left the bathroom door open, that foster mom took the few sacred items he used to pray to his Creator and threw them outside by the trash. Her message was clear: He was garbage.

He felt institutionalized when he was placed in group homes. “I’ve been to too many funerals of roommates from those group homes,” he said.

Holding sacred tobacco in his hand, he delivered this message: “The genocide of the Indian people is still going on today.” Sadly, he feels the State doesn’t “get it.”

Governor Gregoire seemed to understand as she spoke. She said, “I began my career in state government investigating cases of child abuse and neglect. So this is an issue that is very close to my heart.” She talked about “disproportionality,” or how fewer Native American Children are returning to their families and communities and remain in foster care for much longer periods.

“In particular, I’m proposing an investment of an additional \$1.8 million for Indian child welfare services,” she said. She also spoke about the \$4.7 needed to expand efforts to keep foster children with extended families and so connected to their cultural heritage. But Washington, just like the federal government, is operating with a tight budget, she added.

Senator Claudia Kauffman, one featured speaker, said, “Thank you for the wonderful opportunity to speak today. Ten or 12 years ago, a political action community was formed to have a better connection with Native populations, specifically a day at the legislature. It took a long time to get so many different tribes with so many different concerns together, and I am very grateful and happy that everyone could be here today.”

She went on to explain how well she knew the foster system. “I understand foster care, because I was a foster parent for seven years. I have also been a guardian ad litem. I recognize a lot of people here from those days who offered leadership and support for foster families.”

She also paid tribute to another legislator. “Representative Pettigrew has been a wonderful supporter for us over the years.

He is sponsoring in the House, and I’m sponsoring in the Senate, a bill that would look at the over-representation of children of color in the state foster care system.”

Emcee Lorraine Brave (Mohawk, Iroquois Nation) has 25 years of experience as an Indian Child Welfare Advocate. She said the event was planned by “community people coming together. “ However, with the winter weather, snow, and electrical outages they only managed to meet about five times. Despite a time frame constricted by weather, they did a mailing to reach out to as many people as possible. They hope to have 2000 supporters show up next year, versus the 300 for this year. Still, 300 is a great start.

Core advocates involved in this grass roots planning effort included: Debbie Guerreuro (Tlingit); Carolyn Hartness (Eastern Band, Cherokee); Edith Nelson (Duwamish); Rachel Peters (Lower Elwha); Janeen Comente (Quinault/Lakota); and Lynnette Jordan (Coville). About 35 people were involved in the planning process.

In a January 31 telephone interview Lorraine Brave said, “The Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 is not being followed. Foster Parents are not receiving the help they need. There are not enough Native American foster homes, and due to this lack “We’re losing them.” Lorraine said “We’re going backwards. We need to bring these issues forward.”

But involved and influential people came to the ICW First Native American Lobby Day. Lorraine said ICW Units from several regions sent representatives. One speaker – former foster child Tara Dowd – came from the Spokane area. Also an organization from Spokane, Native Projects, attended since they share similar concerns. Next year the Indian Policy Advisory Committee (IPAC) plans to be involved in planning this important day.

These organizers, and others, want research done to track the progress of Native children in foster homes – to assure that if they are placed in non-Native homes they receive the culturally responsible services as required.

“I don’t believe such research has been done statewide,” Lorraine said, adding that Native American children are more likely to be removed and less likely to receive much-needed services. “When children must be placed outside the Native community there’s supposed to be a cultural plan in place. We need to know how that is working.”

Lorraine knows it is possible for ALL Native children to be placed in Native foster homes. She gave two examples: the Seminole and Maori Tribes place all Native children in Native homes. But she feels that cannot happen here without more recruiters. She said each region needs more foster home care recruiters. “We need to make ourselves known again.”

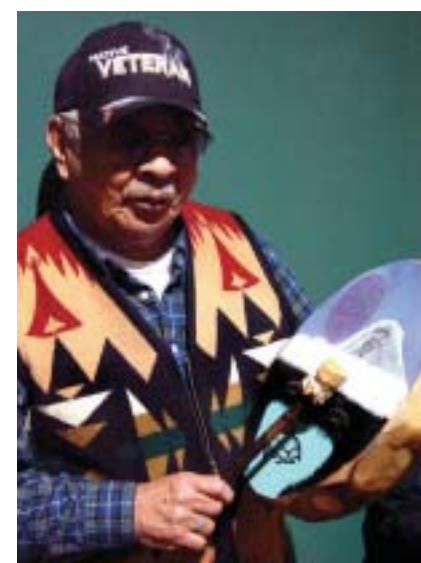
Phil Lane, Jr., (Yankton Sioux) Chief Executive Officer of the United Indians of All Tribes Foundation (UIATF) since 2005, closed the event. “We’ve been through the winter. This gathering, on Chief Leschi’s Birthday, is a sign . . . a prophecy of what we will accomplish.”

He paused then added, “I call upon Father Sky and Mother Earth . . . upon the Holy Powers to awaken our spirits until all is resolved in unity and harmony for all tribes and all nations.”

Phil hoped the gathering would awaken legislators and the tribes. He has spent his career as an educator, author, and advocate helping to fulfill the old prophecy that the winter of suffering for indigenous people will be followed by a springtime of rebirth.

A Father’s Day Poem

To my dad on Father’s day! You are my inspiration, my mentor, and as your Grandfather was to you, you are and always will be my IDOL! You have always been there, through Good times and bad, you have never let us down. Anything you have taught us will be instilled in our mind, spirit and soul and nothing you ever do, can disappoint us. Your sense of humor is the best thing about you, because I believe without a sense of humor, you have nothing. You will always mean the world to all of us and many of your friends, don’t ever change the way you are, and we hope you have the Best Father’s day ever, because you deserve it!!!



So here’s your poem for you on Father’s day!

My Dad is my hero

The world has many heroes
Who have won a world of fame,
Heroes who have given their all.
But of all the famous heroes
that our changing world has had,
There’s not a one that I look up to
or admire more than my dad.

To me, my dad’s a hero!
though he’d turn away from praise.
He’s heroic in quiet strength
and his gentle, giving ways.
He may not make the head lines,
you won’t see him on T.V.,
But I think my dad is everything
A hero ought to be.

He always keeps his promises,
on that I can depend.
He’s loyal to me, no matter what,
and he’ll always be my friend.
So when I think of heroes and....
the great things that they’ve done,
I feel the way that I’ve Always felt ~dad
My dad’s the Greatest one!

With Love Always and Forever and Ever!

The Sneatlum Kids:

**Sheryl Sneatlum (& Floyd Teo),
Charles R. Sneatlum
(& Janet Patrick)
Lenny Sneatlum, Renee (Kiz) Sneatlum,
Dawn (Deedee) Miller
Lisa (Angel) Sneatlum (& J.R. Hannigan)
& many Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren!**



Sharleen Yellow Wolf addresses the gathering in the Capitol Rotunda



Senator Claudia Kauffman



Phil Lane Jr.



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Now you can get top notch facials, waxing, and spa treatments here on the rez and get rewarded for being a repeat client!

My name is Amy Dais and I am a professionally licensed aesthetician. I am a Muckleshoot tribal member who first received license in 2005 and spent my apprenticeship years with the largest growing spa in WA – InSpa – at their Seattle location where I received valuable experience and training.

I have just completed prepping a wonderful spa treatment area to service any and all ladies looking for a facialist, full spa menu waxing, or spa treatments such as back facials, foot treatments, salt glows, or sugar scrubs.

I am trained also in professional make-up application and would love to be on location with any bride or bridal party needing extra pampering for the big day!

Parties are available at convenient times and on location. Hostess' are compensated and good times will be had! All first time clients will be entered in the "Red Carpet Treatment" contest. Book today - entry deadline is JUNE 30.

With summer coming up I'd like to have an introduction price of my maintenance facial with a brow wax and shaping for \$40 (a \$54 value) In Starr Studio it is my goal to make you feel like the star and let you experience starr treatments – so you can go give your best to others! I promise relaxation, professionalism, and the best service I can give!

Contact me at 206-697-9556 or amy.dais@hotmail.com

Leave contact name, number and potential date and time.



Spa Tips



For special occasions, give your complexion extra zest by following this special skin-friendly diet for 24 hours: Drink plenty of water (at least 8 ounces at a time), snack on spinach and fresh berries — strawberries, blackberries or blueberries are best — and have a nice healthy piece of salmon for lunch or dinner. The antioxidants and omega-3s in these foods plump up skin cells, and the water restores elasticity.



In the morning, gently wash your face. Avoid using soaps or harsh astringents that are drying. While your skin is still damp, apply a moisturizer, and make sure this one contains sunscreen. You've got to protect your newly rejuvenated skin from the sun's harmful rays. Gently pat on an under-eye firming cream, and let everything settle in for at least 20 minutes before you put on the rest of your makeup.



DON'T WAIT TIL TOMORROW TO FEEL BETTER NOW!

Tribal Opening of New Muckleshoot Bingo Hall

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Need Your GED?

Get Started Today
at MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL COLLEGE

MONDAY 10 to 4
TUESDAY 10 to 4
WEDNESDAY 10 to 4
THURSDAY 1 to 4
FRIDAY 10 to 4

* The GED room is open for independent study during the lunch hour and from 4 to 5 on weekdays.

Got Questions about Instruction?

Louie Gong
GED Instructor
louie.gong@muckleshoot.nsn.us
253.876.3210

Got Questions about the Exam?

Mitzi Judge
GED Examiner
mitzi.judge@muckleshoot.nsn.us
253.876.2295

Get ready for the next Exam!

June 4
June 11
June 18

Who is eligible?

Anyone over the age of 16 can receive GED Instruction at NO COST.

What if I'm not a Muckleshoot tribal member?

No problem. Although the majority of our students are Muckleshoot tribal members or enrolled members of other tribes, the GED program is happy to serve anyone interested in our services.

But I've been out of school for 20 years!

You don't have to remember everything you learned in high school. The GED tries to test how well you think about different issues based on your life experiences. So even if you have been out of school for a long time, you can pass this test if you study for it.

How do I get started?

Just call or drop by the college during business hours. We'll talk about your previous educational experience and decide how to proceed based upon your unique situation. Most students begin by taking a 30-45 minute pretest, but this is not a requirement.

How long will it take me to get my GED?

The length of time it takes to complete the GED varies greatly depending on your current skill level and commitment to learning. After you take the first pretest, we will get a better sense of how much work the GED will require of you.

What's different about the MTC GED program?

If you've tried conventional GED programs without success, don't worry. Our GED program is different because it is highly student centered, which means our instructional methods, materials and schedule are individually tailored to your unique educational needs. Additionally, all instruction is conducted one-on-one or in small groups.

www.muckleshoot.nsn.us/college/ged.htm

FUNFACT: GED graduates are three times more likely to earn \$75,000 per year than individuals who didn't complete high school or the GED. - Washington State Office of Financial Management 1999.



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Two VERY fast typists!

These two girls are able to type over 100 WPM with keyboard covers on that prevent them from looking at the keyboard. Their names are Roberta Tecumseh and Dareece Comenout.

A POEM FOR MY SISTER

Rosemary C. Jones

She left us to go to the other side,
where angels sing
with hands held high.

Why did she do this?
We weren't finished with her yet.

She said she was tired and wanted to sleep.
she closed her eyes on Friday, May 26th, 2007.
(nine'o clock PM.)

Why did she do this?
We weren't finished with her yet.

She didn't want to leave us on anyone's birthday,
or on a day when another had left.

She had wanted a day to herself.

She left us with memories and good times:
Trips to the beach, birthday parties and garage sales.

Stories about children and grandkids,
a carrot cake waiting on my kitchen table.

She left us with teddy bears and cook books.
She left us

to suffer no more.

Posie, my sister.

My best friend.

God said her work was done here.
She had work to do on the other side.

Posie, my sister.
My best friendsings with the angels now.

~ BY MARLENE CROSS

Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday Shishaway
- Lucille Martin!
Don't be a stranger now, visit us -
Or even better answer your cell. (aye)
Love
Mom & Dad, Brothers/Sister, Niece.

GRADUATION DINNER

Higher Educational Graduation Dinner on June 21, 2007 at the MIT Casino HR-side 2nd floor from 6-9 pm everyone is invited.

ANNOUNCEMENT!!

Tribal members if you do not have a smoke alarm in your house could you please contact the Planning Department at (253) 876-3321 and we will provide you with one immediately.

M.O.S.T. June '07 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Questions? Call Janet Emery 253-876-3355 or Renee Lozier-Rojas 253-876-3292	Tribal College 39811 Aub-Enum Rd. Auburn, WA 98092 253-876-3183			31	1 INTERNET BASIC 9:00-12N TESTING/TUTORING 1:00-3:00PM	2
3	4 TESTING/TUTORING 10:00-12N	5 BASIC MATH 1:00-3:00PM	6 BASIC-BASIC COMPUTER CLASS 2:00 - 3:30	7 STAFF MEETING 9:00 - 11:00AM	8 WINDOWS INTERMEDIATE 1 OF 1 9:00 - 12N	9 TESTING/TUTORING 10:00-12N
10	11 BUSINESS COMM INTERMEDIATE 9:00-12N	12 TESTING/TUTORING 10-12 BASIC-BASIC COMPUTER CLASS 2:00 - 3:30	13 INTERNET INTERMEDIATE 9:00-12N	14 STAFF MEETING 9:00 - 11:00AM	15 INTERNET BASIC 9:00-12N TESTING/TUTORING 1:00-3:00PM	16
17	18 BASIC MATH 5:00-7:30P	19 EXCEL BASIC FOR MIT EMPLOYEES 1 OF 2 10-12N TESTING/TUTORING 1:00-3:00PM	20 EXCEL BASIC FOR MIT EMPLOYEES 2 OF 2 10-12N WINDOWS BASIC 1:00-4:00PM	21 STAFF MTG 9:00-11:00AM BUSINESS MATH INTERMEDIATE 5:00 - 7PM	22 BASIC-BASIC COMPUTER CLASS 2:00 - 3:30	23 TESTING/TUTORING 10:00-12N
24	25 BUSINESS COMM I 1 OF 2 5:00-7:00 PM	26 TESTING/TUTORING 10:00-12N BUSINESS COMM I 2 OF 2 5:00-7PM	27 WORD BASIC 1 OF 3 1:00-4:00PM	28 STAFF MEETING 9:00 - 11:00AM WORD BASIC 2 OF 3 1:00-4:00pm	29 TESTING/TUTORING 10:00-12N WORD BASIC 3 OF 3 1:00-4:00 PM	30

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**IT CLASSES
SUMMER 2007**

Class begins: June 25th
Class Ends: September 12th

A + morning class
Monday Tuesday Wednesday
Time: 10:00 am 12:00 pm

Net + afternoon class
Monday Tuesday Wednesday
Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Net + evening class
Monday and Wednesday
Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm







King County Council member Larry Phillips recently traveled to Muckleshoot to confer on environmental and habitat issues with the Muckleshoot Fisheries Commission. Phillips chairs King County's Growth Management & Natural Resources Committee, and also the Regional Water Quality Committee. L to R: Leo V. LaClair, Stan Moses, Larry Phillips, Phil Hamilton, LeeRoy Courville.

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**Cameron Hawley-Johnston
Grass Dance Memorial Special
June 23, 2007**

at the
Muckleshoot Veterans POW WOW
June 22, 23, 24th
on the new Muckleshoot POW WOW grounds
There will be 2 specials.

MEN'S 18 & OVER GRASS DANCE SPECIAL

1st - \$2000 + trophy & jacket
* also grass dance outfit donated by Jon Olney
2nd - \$1500 + trophy & jacket
3rd - \$1000 + trophy & jacket
4th-7th - places consolation

BOYS 10 & UNDER GRASS DANCE SPECIAL
3 places with trophies
Manny Hawley - Head Boy's Judge

**Dance competition questions contact:
Mario & Raphael Hawley: 206-510-6918**

**all other questions can be directed to
Cameron's mom:
brookebroussard@comcast.net**

**MUCKLESHOOT TRIBAL COLLEGE WVEE
WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE
June - October 2007
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY**

Month	Topic	Time
June	Tuesday, June 5	Self Management Skills/Self-Esteem/Time Management 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, June 6	Customer Service/Telephone Etiquette 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, June 12	What's the Right Job for Your Personality? 5pm-7pm
	Tuesday, June 19	Applications/Workplace Behavior/Keeping Your Job 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, June 20	Interviewing/60-Second Sell 10am-12pm
Tuesday, 26	Resume/Cover Letters/Thank You Letters/References (includes some lab time) 5pm-7pm	
July	Tuesday, July 10	Self Management Skills/Self-Esteem/Time Management 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, July 11	Customer Service/Telephone Etiquette 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, July 17	What's the Right Job for Your Personality? 5pm-7pm
	Tuesday, July 24	Applications/Workplace Behavior/Keeping Your Job 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, July 25	Interviewing/60-Second Sell 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, July 31	Resume/Cover Letters/Thank You Letters/References (includes some lab time) 5pm-7pm
August	Tuesday, August 7	Self Management Skills/Self-Esteem/Time Management 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, August 8	Customer Service/Telephone Etiquette 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, August 14	What's the Right Job for Your Personality? 5pm-7pm
	Tuesday, August 21	Applications/Workplace Behavior/Keeping Your Job 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, August 22	Interviewing/60-Second Sell 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, August 28	Resume/Cover Letters/Thank You Letters/References (includes some lab time) 5pm-7pm
September	Tuesday, September 4	Self Management Skills/Self-Esteem/Time Management 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, September 5	Customer Service/Telephone Etiquette 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, September 11	What's the Right Job for Your Personality? 5pm-7pm
	Tuesday, September 18	Applications/Workplace Behavior/Keeping Your Job 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, September 19	Interviewing/60-Second Sell 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, September 25	Resume/Cover Letters/Thank You Letters/References (includes some lab time) 5pm-7pm
October	Tuesday, October 2	Self Management Skills/Self-Esteem/Time Management 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, October 3	Customer Service/Telephone Etiquette 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, October 9	What's the Right Job for Your Personality? 5pm-7pm
	Tuesday, October 16	Applications/Workplace Behavior/Keeping Your Job 1:30-3:30
	Wednesday, October 17	Interviewing/60-Second Sell 10am-12pm
	Tuesday, October 23	Resume/Cover Letters/Thank You Letters/References (includes some lab time) 5pm-7pm

MAXIE'S TEAM GOES TO STATE TOURNEY

SUBMITTED PHOTOS





Maxie Kate Jansen's fast pitch softball team, the Mountain View Lions, had a very successful season this year, winning the West Central District Championship and going on to compete in the state tournament. Unfortunately, an unlucky draw pitted them against one of the toughest teams in the state right at the outset, and after two very close and competitive games, the Lions' season was over.

Although she hasn't made a choice yet, Maxie, who plays second base, has been recruited by several colleges, including Green River and Gray's Harbor. She is currently looking forward to graduating from high school on June 16, and her parents, Sonny and Vee, couldn't be more proud of her.

**Lower Elwha Klallams
re-elect leader**

PORT ANGELES - The Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe has voted to retain its leader. Frances Charles won re-election to the Tribal Council and also will remain in her position Tribal Chair. Charles garnered 136 votes, compared to 77 for her challenger, Rosi Francis. She then received 125 votes in the election for chair. Russell Hepfer and former chairman Dennis "Sully" Sullivan were also running for the position. Charles has been the chair of the tribe for just over three years.



MUCKLESHOOT VETERANS ASSOCIATION

6TH ANNUAL

POWWOW



FIRST GRAND ENTRY
1:00 P.M.

- MEN'S FANCY DANCE SPECIAL

- WOMAN'S JINGLE DRESS SPECIAL

- CAMERON HAWLEY JOHNSTON
GRASS DANCE SPECIAL

EMCEES
JERRY MENINICK, YAKAMA TRIBE
DAVE BROWN EAGLE, SPOKANE TRIBE

HOST DRUMS
AMERICAN: MESKWAKI NATION
CANADIAN: NORTHERN CREE

JUNE 22-24, 2007

COMPETITION POWWOW!
CASH PRIZES!

CONTACT: KELVIN FRANK
(253) 797-7738

SKOPABSH POW WOV

August 24, 25 & 26

Muckleshoot Pow Wow Grounds

INFO: Jeanette Morrison, (253) 333 – 5029 or
Jeanne Moses at (253) 929-6018 or (253) 833-3920 x100



9th Annual Natives on a Wellness Path Muckleshoot Sobriety Pow Wow July 27, 28, & 29, 2007

HEAD STAFF:

Host Drum: High Noon – Canada
Master of Ceremonies: Wayne ThunderChild – Canada
Master of Ceremonies: Everett White
Arena Director: Sonny Eaglespeaker
Whipman: Reuben Twin

GRAND ENTRY:

Friday – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday – 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Sunday – 1:00 p.m.

CONTEST DANCING FOR ALL CATEGORIES

Golden Age (50+), Adults, Round Bustle, Teens, Boys/Girls
Tiny Tots 6 & under will have an exhibition dance

Women's Jingle Dress Special
(Subject to Change)

Public Welcome – All Dancers & Drummers Welcome

Free camping available

Arts & Crafts Booths and Food Booths are available for the weekend
10x10 \$ 125.
10x20 \$ 200.

Information booths are free.

VENDOR & GENERAL INFORMATION:

CeeCee Freeman: 253-804-8752
Mike Starr: 253-261-1764

Not responsible for theft, injuries, accidents, stranded travelers or damage to personal property.
No drugs or alcohol permitted. Anyone under the influence will not be allowed on the premises.
No pets, bikes or scooters.

New Muckleshoot Pow Wow Grounds, 39015 172nd Ave SE, Auburn, WA 98092

Sponsored by: Muckleshoot Health Committee & Muckleshoot Behavioral Health Program

ROYALTY CANDIDATES SOUGHT FOR SKOPABSH POW WOV

The Skopabsh Committee is looking for people to run for Royalty positions of the Skopabsh Pow Wow, Muckleshoot's first and oldest pow wow celebration. Royalty positions include Senior Princess, Junior Princess, Tiny Tot Princess, Warrior and Little Warrior. Following is list of age requirements for each position:

- Senior Princess – young ladies 13 years of age and older
- Junior Princess – girls between the ages of seven and 12 years of age
- Tiny Tot Princess – girls six years of age and younger
- Warrior – boys (or young men) seven years of age and older
- Little Warrior – boys, six years of age and younger.



Besides age requirements, candidates must be enrolled Muckleshoot or community members who live in the Muckleshoot community, have regalia and be willing to participate in pow wow activities, and available to travel and represent Skopabsh at other celebrations. All candidates will be also required to sell raffle tickets. The proceeds from the sale of raffle tickets will go towards Skopabsh pow wow costs.

Call Jeanette Morrison, Skopabsh Committee Chairman at (253) 333 – 5029 or Jeanne Moses at (253) 929-6018 or (253) 833-3920 x100 for more information.

2006-2007 Skopabsh royalty are: Rose Davis, Senior Princess; LaShawna Starr, Junior Princess; Kayli Bennett, Tiny Tot Princess; Robert Sanchez, Warrior; and , Timmy Ross, Little Warrior. The Kiyah is Marie Johnson.

Northwest Pow Wows 2007

June:

15-17, 103rd Red Bottom Youth Pow wow @ Frazer, Mont. more info: 406-768-5557

15-17, Chief Joseph and Warriors Memorial Pow wow @ Lapwai, Idaho more info: 208-843-5901

15-17, Winds of the Northwest Annual Pow wow @ Frank's Landing Indian Community, Olympia, WA more info: Brenda Lovin or Solomon Scabby Robe 360-456-1311

22-24, Veterans Pow Wow - At the new Muckleshoot Pow Wow grounds, Auburn.

22-24, Badlands Celebration @ Brockton, Mont., Info: 406-768-3960

22-24, Pi-ume-sha Treaty Days Pow wow @ Warm Springs, OR more info: Cassie Katchia 541-553-2128

23-25, White River Cheyenne Days @ Busby, Mont. more info: Mark Roundstone 406-592-3673

23-24, KCTC 9th Annual Alumni Pow wow @ Klamath Falls, OR more info: Crystal Agard 541-883-2895

July:

1-4, 75th Annual Toppenish Pow wow and Fair @ Toppenish, WA more info: 509-941-4313

5-8, Colville Tribes Fourth of July Celebration @ Nespelem, WA more info: 509-634-2011

6-8, 13th Annual Wildhorse Pow wow @ Pendleton, OR more info: 800-654-9453

12-15, 56th Annual North American Indian Days Celebration @ Brown- ing, Mont. more info: 406-338-7521

20-22, 29th Cow Creek Pow wow @ Tiller, OR more info: 541-672-9405

20-22, 22nd Annual Seafair Indian Days Pow wow @ Daybreak Star Indian Cultural Center, Discovery Park, Seattle, WA Info: 206-285-4425

20-22, Julyamsh - Coeur d'Alene Tribe Encampment and Pow wow @ Post Falls, Idaho more info: 800-523-2464

20-22, 16th Tamkaliks @ Wallowa, OR more info: 541-886-3101

27-29, 9th Annual Muckleshoot Sobriety Pow wow @ Auburn, WA more info: 253-261-1764

August:

3-5, Pow-Wun-Putt Pow wow and Encampment @ Roosevelt, WA more info: 509-865-5121 ext. 4330

3-5, 44th Annual Rocky Boy Pow wow @ Havre, Mont. more info: Paul Russett 406-395-4478

9-12, Heart Butte Pow wow @ near Browning, Mont. info: 406-338-5925

9-12, 44th Annual Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival @ Fort Hall Res- ervation, Idaho more info: 208-478-3700

10-12, Hays Pow wow @ Hays, Mont. more info: 406-673-3016

10-12, Omak Stampede Indian Encampment @ Omak, WA more info: 509-826-1983

10-12, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Nesika Illahee Pow wow @ Siletz, OR more info: 800-922-1399

11-12, 18th Annual Stillaguamish Festival of the River and the Pow wow @ Arlington, WA more info: 425-212-0194

16-19, 90th Crow Fair @ Crow Agency, Mont. more info: 406-638-3719

17-19, 5th Annual Pow wow, Stick Game Tournament and Rodeo @ Toppenish, WA more info: Shawn 509-865-5322 ext. 5095

17-19, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Annual Contest Pow wow @ Grand Ronde, OR more info: 800-422-0232

17-20, 96th Chief Seattle Days @ Suquamish, WA more info: 360-598-3311

18, 2nd Annual Squaxin Island Tribe Salmonfest @ Shelton, WA more info: Leslie Johnson 360-432-3838

24-26, SKOPABSH POW-WOV, Muckleshoot
Aug. 30 - Sept. 3, 93rd Annual Spokane Tribal
Celebration @ Wellpinit, WA more info: Greg Ramos 509-258-7205