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## Wenatchi Tribe Fights for Fishing Rights at Icicle Creek

### Primary results are in!

The primary election results are in for the Colville Tribal Business Council and most of the incumbents from the four districts have survived to the general election.

The closest race occurred in the Nespelem district for Position #1, where Brian Nissen will face Harvey Moses, Jr. after their 151-to-147 vote finish. Other vote-getters include Shielah Cleveland (82 votes), David A. Clark, Sr. (57), D'Arcy La-Lix Tatshama (57), Sophie C. Dick-Nomee (34) and Brian G. Timentwa (28). Position #2 in Nespelem will be represented by incumbent Gene H. Joseph (267) and Charlene BearCub (133). Preston Boyd (86) and Eldon L. Wilson (70) also received votes.

In Omak's Position #1 election, Mike Marchand (267) finished a mere 21 votes ahead of Carleen

M. Anderson (246). Others in that election were Bryon Miller (85), Susan K. Edwards-Best (71) and Dwayne M. Paul (40).

Position #2 in Omak resulted in the unseating of Ted Bessette (103) by Ernie A. Williams (176) and Cary L. Tonasket (108). Others that received votes were: James A. McCuen (93), Shirley K. Charley (92), Cody A. Miller (77), and Melanie Torrance (57).

In the Keller district, Jeanne A. Jerred recorded 94 votes for position #1 compared to Billie Jo Bray's 37. Lee A. Adolph received 35 votes.

Inchelium was the only district to not hold a primary as Juanita Warren was the only challenger for incumbent Douglas J. Seymour in Position #1 and incumbent Michael O. Finley was uncontested for Position #2.



IT'S IN THE HANDS OF THE COURT--Wenatchi Tribal members, witnesses and Colville Business Council members stand on the steps of the Mark O. Hatfield Federal Courthouse in Portland, Oregon.

PORTLAND, OR -- The Wenatchi have been fighting for their homeland (Wenatchapam Fishery Reservation) for over 150 years.

Chief John Harmelt of the Wenatchi Tribe fought for his peoples land during treaty times and continued until his death in 1937. Today, his great grandchildren, the Wenatchi Advisory Board and many others help carry on the fight.

On Tuesday, May 5th the

Wenatchi Tribe again took their fight to the courtroom. Civil Case 68-513, United States v. Oregon was heard before the Honorable Garr M. King, U.S. District Judge, in Portland, Oregon. Members of the Colville Business Council and about 35 Members of the Wenatchi constituent tribe of Colville filled the courtroom.

The pending case (United States v. Oregon) is the outcome of the

consolidation of two cases (Sohappy v. Smith and United States v. Oregon) filed in 1968. These suits were brought against the State of Oregon to define the Indians' treaty right to take fish "at all usual and accustomed places" on the Columbia River and its tributaries.

There have essentially been 3 prior trials regarding the Wenatchis and the U.S. v. Oregon lawsuit. In Colvilles first lawsuit, we tried to

intervene and claim the fishing rights of all the relevant Colville constituent tribes. The Court ruled that Colville could not claim the treaty rights of these tribes, and that only treaty rights could give fishing rights on the Columbia River and party status in the U.S. v. Oregon litigation. The Colvilles later tried to intervene again

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### Tribal Clean Up & Fun Day

The Colville Confederated Tribes held its annual Tribal Clean Up and Fun Day on Friday, May 5th. With snow flurries here just a week earlier and bad weather a concern, Mother Nature cooperated and furnished the sunshine to help melt away the winter blues and any doubt of rescheduling.

Employees were out and about all across campus. Some departments took the opportunity to clean up around their building by pulling weeds, planting flowers and pruning trees, while others seized the chance to do some spring cleaning in their offices and storage areas.

After the clean up was completed

it was time for lunch. Everyone brought their appetite to the front lawn of the Administration building where Andy Joseph, Jr., grilled enough burgers and hotdogs to feed an army.

The fun began shortly after lunch on the basketball court and in the softball field.

The 3 on 3 co-ed basketball tournament had four teams entered and played throughout the afternoon. Three legged races, egg tosses and fun games for the kids and families were held in the field with lots of laughs and good times.

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### Colville Business Council Recognizes James Bird



BIRD HONORED WITH PENDLETON -- Pictured (L to R) Cherie Moomaw, Camille Pleasants, Deb Louie, James Bird, John Stensgar and Jeanne Jerred in Council Chambers.

James Bird, the National Park Service Chief of the Tribal Preservation Program, visited the Colville Confederated Tribes on April 30, 2008. His visit to Eastern Washington included visits to the CCT Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), Spokane Tribe of Indians THPO, Coeur d'Alene Tribe THPO and the Nez Perce of Idaho THPO.

The purpose for his visits was to get familiar with the THPO programs, find out what they are doing, and discuss any problems and to visit each of their reservations. The CCT History/Archaeology staff gave him a brief tour of the Chief Joseph Dam

reservoir, the proposed Omak Casino site, the Acclimation Pond site, and Paschal Sherman Indian School.

Mr. Bird was very impressed with the CCT History/Archaeology Program's operation and staff. He was very emotional and thankful for the Colville Business Council's gift and generosity.

**UPCOMING DEADLINE FOR THE TRIBAL TRIBUNE June 17th**

### Colville Tribes sign Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Federal Action Agencies

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR) and the Federal Action Agencies have agreed to a 10-year agreement that

will provide \$204,150,547.00 for the implementation of 31 critical salmon and steelhead, resident fish and wildlife projects. The projects will

be implemented within the Okanogan Subbasin and above Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee dams.

The identified fish and wildlife projects are designed to restore healthy, sustainable salmon and steelhead, resident fish and wildlife populations to the upper Columbia River Basin. These projects were

developed to complement efforts underway by other regional groups, agencies and local citizens to recover fish and wildlife in the upper Columbia River basin. The projects

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### Sisters run breast cancer awareness race, goal to help educate reservation

By Cary Rosenbaum II  
Tribune Journalist

Spokane - In its third year running, the Susan G. Komen Race for a Cure has raised awareness for an issue that affects all people in the Inland Northwest: breast cancer. A total of 140 teams, including the Flaming Pink Coyotes, supported the 5,000k event.

The Flaming Pink Coyotes are a group of seven sisters, all enrolled with the Colville Confederated Tribes, that run for their sister Janice Reyes - survivor of breast cancer and a Clinical RN for Indian Health Services.

"The message I want to send is

**Breast Cancer Awareness**  
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### Shuttle saves dollar signs

By Cary Rosenbaum II,  
Tribune Journalist

Since April 14, a shuttle has been operating Monday through Friday from Omak to Nespelem to Coulee Dam, providing a cost-free alternative for people commuting back and forth by way of their own vehicle or carpooling.

Made possible by a grant Okanogan County Transport and Nutrition received from the Washington State Department of Transportation and a Federal Transit Administration grant

that provided the Colville Tribes with a bus. The two came together in a joint effort to cater to those who can't afford to drive with the continuing rise of gas prices.

"Travel across the reservation can be as far as 90 miles from one end to the other," the announcement stated. "Creating an alternative means of transportation to work, for shopping, medical or any other necessary reason has been a longstanding goal for the

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### Mount Tolman Fire Center safety reminders



SMOKEY AND FRIENDS--On May 14, Mount Tolman Fire Center Engine & Helitac crew members stand with a life size 3-D Smokey at their headquarters on Manilla Creek. The display was installed by Bruce Brundage and Willie Smith. This is the first three-dimensional display in Washington and one of only 41 nation wide. Fire Prevention Officers Henry Kuehne and Kim Smiskin made the official introduction.

With the summer progressing and the fire season nearing the Mount Tolman Fire Center prepares for fire prevention and fire suppression. It is predicted to be a hot and dry summer like always. With that in mind, we

need to continually be aware of the safety factors when we are dealing with all types of fire. Whether it be

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**Inchelium District Candidates – Position No. 1**

Lim limpt Tribal Members...

I deeply appreciate your support that allowed me to represent and serve you for the past two years as your councilman. Thank you for believing in me. The support that has been shown me continued to the council table where, during my first year, I was voted chairman of the Culture Committee, Vice-Chairman of Law & Justice Committee, and Second-Chairman of Tribal Government Committee. The first year was a learning experience in how the tribe operates governmentally, administratively, and financially. With that experience I accepted the acclamation of Chairman of the Natural Resource Committee.

Accepting this has been challenging on many fronts, especially within the timber market. Through understanding the timber administrative process, it became apparent that the timber allocation needed to be changed for the financial benefit of the tribe. A good timber market allows the tribe to pay out per capita payments and put money in our reserves. With the lack of generated revenues from our timber, and the Tribe and CTEC not diversifying in other economic ventures, has had a serious impact on the tribal fiscal budget. In 2007, when council started going through the budget process, we realized the budget shortfall for the 2008 fiscal year, which in turn forced us to make changes.

Despite our financial hardships, however, we have been diligently pursuing an agreement with Washington State that will bring in more monies. Recently, we signed a Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with the state regarding the Columbia River Management Plan. This agreement will pay us \$3.8 million the first year, of which \$1.5 million will be obligated to bank stabilization in the Kettle Falls area. The tribe will receive 2.8 million for the next 10 years for various uses, which include mitigation along the Columbia River, and for economic development. By signing this MOA we have not sold our water rights. If anything, we have strengthened our right to govern where the water will be best utilized and compensated for the use of the water.

With the passing of a very dear friend and co-councilwoman this past January, I was elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Business Council. Upon assuming this new responsibility I have re-affirmed my notion that I needed to stay home and take care of daily business. I still support the building of a new casino in both Omak and Mill Bay, and expanding to Barney's Junction and Moses Lake if possible. Another idea that has come across the table that I support is developing plans to open a pellet plant, along with reopening the post and pole, untreated posts. It has always been a goal of mine to create more much needed jobs in our Inchelium District. It has been a tremendous experience working for the tribal members these past two years. I look forward to another 2 years of service with your continued support at the polls on June 14, 2008. Vote vote vote vote.

Doug Seymour  
Inchelium

**Keller District Candidates – Position No. 1**

**Dear Tribal members,**

Exercise your right to vote on June 14, 2008.

Prior to the May 2008 Primary Election there were 6953 tribal members eligible to vote. Of that number 1746 have never voted. 2015 actually voted in this year's primary and 97 of those were new voters this year.

Our Tribal Election(s) are one of the most important processes available to our membership as it provides you the ability to choose your governmental body. Not all people have that right or freedom of choice.

I encourage you to vote in our tribal elections, county elections, state and federal elections. Your Tribal Government needs the support of officials in those positions at those levels to help educate the general public about Indian issues and expel the numerous myths. Your vote(s) can be the determining factor in any one of those elections IF you participate.

At this time a few of the issues I am concentrating on are: the Adam Walsh Act, dealing with sexual offender registrations, Class Two Gaming Regulations, new regulations proposed by the National Indian Gaming Commission which would infringe on our rights to govern and regulate our gaming, Border Crossings, Education funding levels and many more.

Every one of these issues is important and I could not eliminate one over the other. Each one brings with it a challenge to the Tribes' sovereignty and we must continue to protect that against all infringement.

CHOOSE to vote and CHOOSE your government.

**Vote for Jeanne A. Jerred on Saturday, June 14, 2008**

**Nespelem District Candidates – Position No. 1**

Tribal Members:

First of all I would like to thank those of you who supported me in the primary election. It gives me hope that there are tribal members out there who are supportive of positive change. When I was first elected to the Colville Business Council and after a very short introduction to all new council members, we were provided financial information on the income/expense of the tribe. Also, in the next consecutive months of being a new member to the Council we were given updates on the financial position of the tribe at these various times. These reports were specific in that the tribe was spending much more in annual obligations than we were receiving as income; the income from CTEC was steady and so was the income from natural resource-stumpage receipts. However, many of the federal/state funded programs that had either lost funding over the years, or were experiencing funding cut backs, were a major drain on the overall economy of the tribe. Many of these programs that included administrative positions with high salaries were allowed to continue without any concern by tribal administration as to how they would be funded except by tribal cash reserves. An example is that according to tribal accounting in the year ending 2000 the tribe had approximately 38-40 million dollars in reserve or budget; at the end of the operating year 2007 the tribe had less than 1 to 1-1/2 million in these same income categories. The costs for tribal operations had depleted these large amounts of tribal reserve funds without any administrative direction, or actions by the Council except to complain to administration that something had to be done.

In my position as a member of Council and the chairman of the Management & Budget Committee I was able to bring this matter to the attention of fellow council members and we collectively made changes to the costs of tribal operations, and this included the release of some of the administrative positions that were actually not in the best interests of the tribe's operations or budget. There have been many personal attacks toward me because of those decisions, by the people released from the tribe and their families & friends. Also, you should know that I have had more tribal members state that this had to be done or the tribe would "go broke," and I truly believe that my vote in these situations was justified and timely.

My priorities for the tribe as a younger tribal member are that we continue our efforts to create an economy that will guarantee a future for our young tribal members; offer some relief in services or income to our senior-tribal elders; make education funding for our tribal members a matter of budget preference; communicate monthly with the tribal membership on the political and financial issues that we have to endure; create new enterprises that are profitable and provide positive employment opportunities for our tribal membership that are based upon the rule of "tribal preference." I believe that it is important for all tribal members to understand and appreciate the dilemma of those members that live off the reservation. They are faced with the same percentage of costs that affect our tribal operations and reservation; however, the only benefit they ever realize is the small per capita payments that are issued when our economy can afford too!

We all have a common vested interest in this land that we own that is the Colville Reservation, and it is incumbent on those that are elected to protect at all costs this country that represents our culture, traditions, and the ancestry of the Colvilles.

I don't pretend to know or have all of the answers that affect this tribe. Only through hard work and a coordinated process that will require all council members to appreciate and work together, can we expect to get through the existing financial problems that affect our entire tribal economy. If I have offended anyone through my actions as your elected council representative from the Nespelem District, I apologize! It has been my pleasure to serve you these past two years and I would again ask for your support in the upcoming election. Please take your time to vote for the tribal council person that best fits your standards for selection, Lem lem.

With respect to you all,  
Brian Nissen

**Colville Business Council Primary Election Candidates:** Views and opinions expressed in the Candidates Forum, complimentary or critical, are those of the candidates. They are not endorsed by the Tribal Tribune staff, Tribal administration, the Tribal Business Council or the Colville Confederated Tribe's membership as a whole. Burden of proof statements made in any campaign materials lies with the candidate.

**Nespelem District Candidates – Position No. 1**

Nespelem District Voters,

There are many important qualifications you must consider when you cast your vote in the 06/14/08 General Election. I have the following:

- Leadership capability;
- Ability to speak for and represent our tribal membership and reservation;
- Education and Experience in local, regional and national affairs;
- Comprehension of budgets and financial matters;
- Knowledge and reverence for the tribal Administrative process', policies/procedures;
- Awareness of the importance of employing educated, qualified tribal members in leadership positions within the Tribes and CTEC;
- Understanding of veterans' preference and TERO in tribal employment;
- Personal moral, ethical standards and integrity;
- Respect for the importance of our culture and tradition;

I am a Vietnam veteran with an honorable discharge; I am once married for 39 years and we have 4 enrolled children, 5 enrolled grandchildren.

I have worked in tribal administration for 20 years; CTEC administration for 2 years; an elected leader for 6 years; a CTEC Board of Directors member for 2 years; a Coulee Community Hospital Commissioner for 2 years. I have a BA Degree in Business and an AA Degree in Accounting/Finance. I do not need to be trained or learn at the expense of our membership through trial and error on how to become an effective CBC member.

As a Nespelem District elected leader, I will strongly represent our district, and work diligently with our CBC members to unite the Colville Confederated Tribes so that we will once again be leaders at every level of government and private enterprise, both locally and regionally.

Thank each and every one of you for your past and continued support,

Harvey Moses Jr.

**Nespelem District Candidates – Position No. 2**

**Wai!** I am very grateful to all of the active Nespelem Voters who supported me on my campaign trail, helping me reach the General Election with prayers, words of encouragement, moral support, and whatever you were able to donate for me in time, schlow, and physical assistance with stuffing envelopes, hand painting signs, posting signs, sharing food and hope with me.

Grassroots efforts strive to give so much, with so little. I intend to continue to address the financial challenges facing our tribal people, and reservation. As a council-elect, it will be my responsibility to consult with the membership before our land and water rights are given, sold or traded away. I will lobby to bring the best interest of our people as a factor in all business decisions. I will lobby for improved services; fair hiring practices, support Indian owned businesses, ensure grants are sought to revive our economy so your tribal dollars will reach you in goods, quality services and percapitas. I will promote ethical standards in our tribal law & justice programs, and tribal court system. I will do my best to rebuild and enforce our sovereign rights; protect what's left of our beautiful reservation; stop tribal money drains; seek resources to serve you in; most importantly, redirect council to make our people the number one priority in time, money, and resources. I intend to promote immediate intervention to address the drug plague, and criminal element that's devastating our families and neighbors. Lastly, it will be my ultimate responsibility on this trail to do my share to create a hopeful future for our yet unborn. Representing you on the Colville Business Council for the Nespelem District, Position #2 is a responsibility I accept with dignity and honor. When I am elected to serve you, I will be a strong leader in the best interest of the Colville Reservation, and represent the Nespelem District on your behalf with integrity, strength, and be proactive. My tribal roots as a full-blood Native mother, grandmother, and community advocate run deep. Thank you for your support. Together, we make a great team. Your vote and support in the Primary and General is very appreciated.

**Lam-lampt, Was-Way, Charlene BearCub, Nespelem District, Position #2.**

**Omak District Candidates – Position No. 1**

**Dear Omak District Voter:**

Thank you for the support you gave me in the Primary Election. It is an honor to challenge and compete for Colville Business Council Position #1 in the Omak District and, once again, I ask you to work with me to win in the General Election on June 14th. Please vote and ask your family to do likewise—every single vote counts. If you didn't vote in the Primary, you still can vote in the General. If you are an absentee voter and didn't vote, you still can. An absentee ballot request form is located on my website at: <http://www.carleenanderson.com>. If you don't have a computer, please visit your local library and ask for assistance.

**You deserve solid, hardworking leadership!**

We are facing hard times, folks. Many of you are struggling to make it work every day because of gas prices and wrestling with how you're going to pay for the groceries rising in cost weekly. Wouldn't it be helpful if our Tribe had Reserves that could help you out a bit? Our Tribal economic situation is only worsening and our Council is passing budget modifications because CTEC recently "gave" the Council \$1 million – which is only a band aid on a gushing wound!

**You deserve elected officials who recognize an economic crisis and have the courage to cut back costs!**

Some of the present Council cannot understand the concept of the Tribe being in a serious and detrimental financial predicament. You, as a voter, can make changes or this practice will continue. Council travel printed in the May edition of the Tribune left out airfares, car rentals, incidentals, and other costs, so only half of the information was written. My opponent is reported to have spent approximately \$50,000 to date and we are only six months into the fiscal year!

You need leaders who have a vision for the future of our Reservation and People who are willing to sacrifice today so our future generations have a tomorrow that includes our Reservation!

Our natural resources must be sustained. Our forests look like a young tree farm; our mountains have bald spots on them because of clear cutting; our roots and berries are harder to find because of open range and logging. My opponent has stated we should increase the annual allowable cut to 100 million board feet from 78 million. We can't possibly continue to use and abuse our woodland. Our water has not been quantified, so the Council made an agreement to send additional Lake Roosevelt water to the Columbia Basin for irrigation.

**You need leadership that will seek balance between maintaining our natural resources and employment.**

Our Tribe once was strong and nationally recognized in Indian Country. We can be first-class again! You need elected leaders who know and can influence legislative issues after careful consideration and critical thinking. Leaders become strong and influential because they don't sit back and wait for someone else to tell them what to think. A leader will do the hard work of reading and digesting information to reach conclusions.

**You can have nationally prominent leaders by electing Council who are capable of clearly addressing our issues and meeting and negotiating with officials at all levels of government.**

My past correspondence indicated my educational and employment history. I'm still a fluffy senior citizen (and Grammy) and I still care deeply about our Reservation and our people. I offer you hard work, long hours as needed, honesty, integrity, and honorable representation.

**If you place your trust by voting for me on June 14th, you have my commitment to work for you – young or old, on reservation or off, city person or country dweller, able or disabled, sober or still using, skinny or stout.**

Please join me once again in this fight to preserve our Reservation and our Rights by unifying and fighting together to assure our future generations have a place to call home. I WILL BE HERE! You can call me at 509-322-0733.

Please vote – your voice counts!

Sincerely,

Carleen M. Anderson



## Condon Update By Karen Condon

Hello. Before going into a brief discussion about the issues I have been involved in, I want to thank everyone for their kind words when my mother, Jean Betty (Arcasa) Condon passed away. My mom had been ill for the past seven years and while she struggled to stay with us, the illness was unwilling to let go of the grasp it had on her. My mom lived a long, happy but at times difficult life and she truly missed visiting with her family and friends the last couple of years but her memories of everyone sustained her, and now she is resting peacefully with my two siblings who preceded her in death. Again, thank you for the condolences during that difficult time.

Due to the lack of time and space to go into a lot of detail regarding the issues I have been working on these past few months, I will only provide a brief summary here and a more detailed one next month. I will start by providing some context and then follow with a very brief summary of trips I have taken that pertain to some of the issues.

In December of 2000, I was the manager of the Tribes Archives & Records Center and the following summer the management of the Language program was given to me. Not long after the program became my responsibility, I started to receive calls and emails from tribes in the State regarding the certification of Language/culture teachers and would the Colville Tribes be willing to host a meeting regarding this very important issue. I agreed to host the meeting and suddenly the responsibility of the preservation, maintenance and revitalization of the Tribes three languages, as well as the certification of our Language/culture teachers, became my number one priority.

I became actively involved in the First People's Language Committee (FPLC) during that first meeting and my commitment has not wavered over the years. In fact my involvement in this crucial issue has taken me into other areas that are important to the Tribes and I will go into those issues in a minute.

The FPLC began working diligently on the development and negotiation of a Washington Administrative Code (a WAC is a rule) that pertained to the certification of our Language/Culture teachers. A year later our hard work paid off and on January 17, 2003 the Washington State Board of Education adopted the WAC. Essentially the WAC outlines the rules for certification of our Language/Culture teachers and guarantees our teachers the opportunity to receive the same pay and benefits as any other regularly certified teacher in the State of Washington.

More importantly, throughout our negotiations with the State Board of Education the Board members recognized that we, the tribes, are the experts in the teaching of our languages and cultures to our children and no one else. The State's recognition that only tribes can certify their own language/culture teachers was a huge victory for the tribes of the State of Washington and we continue to impact other education issues as a result of this victory.

Other areas impacted by our involvement with the State on education issues are: the passage of HB 1495 (Common school teaching of tribal history/culture) in 2005, the passage of SB 5269 (Honoring Our Ancestors bill that made permanent the certification of our language/culture teachers) in 2007, lobbying for WASL alternatives, staying the WASL math section until alternatives are agreed upon by all stakeholders, the redefinition of "highly qualified teacher" in No Child Left Behind, appropriations to study the achievement gap of Indian students, and so on.

Additionally, in 2004 we (FPLC) realized that some of the resistance we were experiencing at the State level was due to our positions within our respective organizations as staff with limited authority to make decisions on behalf of the tribes. So, tribal leaders took the lead in these efforts and before too long the Tribal Leaders Congress on Education

(TLC) was formed. Since 2004, the FPLC and TLC have worked closely on education issues as they pertain to Indian children.

My commitment to the education of our children and the transmission and acquisition of our languages and cultures to the children and adults wanting to learn one of the three languages still spoken on the Reservation is so important that a majority of my travel over the past few months pertains to these issues. More specifically, I have traveled to approximately eight Tribal Leader's Congress on Education meetings held throughout the State, a couple of trips to Olympia to lobby on behalf of education issues, a couple of meetings in the Seattle area with the State Board of Education, the Professional Educator Standards Board to give testimony on Indian education issues, and the Education Equity Coalition.

Over the next few months, a number of other education meetings and the National TERO conference are scheduled in the Seattle/Tulalip area and I will be attending some of them.

While my involvement with education issues is very time consuming, I have also spent a significant amount of time and money traveling to employment & training and TERO conferences and meetings. More specifically, I am working with E&T staff on a new draft of the 477 Plan (E&T Plan). This Plan will outline what services the Tribes will offer to the membership over the next three years in addition to specifying a separate section that focuses on economic development and job creation.

The section on economic development is exciting and offers a number of new training and employment opportunities that will be available to tribal members. The difficulty we are faced with in the development of the new Plan is narrowing the selection to a few careers rather than a large number, which makes training and job placement much harder to accomplish in a short period of time.

The Plan is being developed by staff with some guidance from Council and I will be pushing to include new services that will assist small Indian owned businesses like the development of a certification process similar to TERO's certification of Indian owned businesses. However, the difference between both certification requirements will hinge on the businesses willingness and commitment to train and offer full-time employment to E&T clients (of course, the Indian owned business will also have to be TERO certified). Furthermore, offering assistance in the development of business plans and mentoring for new small Indian businesses while utilizing the existing Small Business Program, will be included in the Plan if we can successfully enter into a Memorandum of Agreement for such services.

Offering assistance in the development of new small Indian owned businesses increases the pool of possible employers E&T clients could access, which is a good thing for those tribal members who want to be trained in areas other than millwork or the gaming industry.

Lastly, I want everyone to know that in the next few months the legislature may agree to change the language in the existing E&T bill and TANF so that TANF can be moved under E&T. Creating a one-stop shop for services like employment & training, education, childcare and TANF (to name a few) will make it possible for the membership to fill out only one In-take application to sign up for a myriad of services. Also, the one-stop shop concept will reduce the amount of time and travel the membership currently undergoes when trying to obtain services.

So, over the next few months while we transition into a new system at Employment & Training, I want to encourage everyone to be patient for staff is working on stream lining the In-take process while becoming more efficient at providing the membership with additional services. However, if you are having difficulty accessing services, please do not hesitate to contact me 634-2210 or by email at: karen.condon@colvilletribes.com.

Thank you.

## Omak District Candidates – Position No. 2

Dear Tribal Members,

First and foremost I would like to thank you for your support and your vote in the Primary. There is still a long road ahead and your continued support is needed more than ever.

I would like to thank Ernest Brooks Jr. for putting together the Candidates Forum that was held in Omak on May 1st. I hope it is not the last of its kind. I felt it was beneficial for us, the candidates, as well as interested membership in attendance.

In the Candidates Forum there was a list of questions from concerned tribal members that were given to us to give our answers. There was not time for all of the candidates to answer each question. In my campaign letter that I am sending out I will answer more questions from the Candidates Forum.

As I say in my letter, "Our tribe is at a critical crossroad..." due to our budget crisis and the State of Washington pushing the Council to negotiate another Compact in which the Tribe is asked to allow the State to come audit tribal books, "Piecemeal Termination". If our Council agrees to this Compact it would be giving up some of our sovereignty.

I believe what I have witnessed and heard growing up in politics. I am able and ready to carry on the fight to protect and advance our Tribe. With your vote I would be honored to help the Tribe navigate that dangerous crossroad.

Once again thank you for your support and your vote.

Respectfully,  
Cary L. Tonasket

### Omak District voters:

Thank you for your support in the Primary election. Also a special thanks to my wife, Roberta Tonasket, who is by my side supporting me as we head our campaign toward the desired change.

Again for those who do not know me, I, Ernest A. Williams, am a full blood Colville Tribal member. I am the son of the late Ernest F. Williams and Mary Marchand who has served our people on the Colville Business Council.

I am honest, educated, accountable and have years of experience regarding politics on the reservation and with your support I know that I will make the difference as a leader for the Colville Tribe given the Opportunity to serve on the Colville Business Council, not just for Omak District, but decisions for all Tribal members of all districts.

\* It is time to unify our thirteen bands of tribal members in order to move forward.

\* We need to cut spending and borrowing money.

\* I encourage the education programs for the youth and the adult tribal members.

\* It is time to begin moving forward, continue with the developing of our energy plant and wind machine for affordable power.

\* Create avenues of new employment.

\* Get the development of the new casinos accomplished, our casinos are a shame. Other tribes are leading the charge; we need to keep up with the trend. It is time to quit talking and start producing.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter, I welcome your vote in the upcoming General Election on Sat. June 14th at Omak Community Center senior meal site.

**Vote June 14th 2008**

**Ernie A. Williams**



## TRIBAL TRIBUNE 2008 ELECTION INFORMATION

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### Cast Your Vote In The General Election JUNE 14th

#### Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation COLVILLE BUSINESS COUNCIL PRIMARY & GENERAL ELECTION 2008 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 03.....7:30 a.m..... OPENING DATE FOR FILING PETITIONS  
March 14.....4:00 p.m..... CLOSING DATE FOR FILING PETITIONS  
March 17.....9:00 a.m..... DEADLINE FOR WITHDRAWING PETITIONS  
March 17.....10:00 a.m..... CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDATES (ELECTION COMMITTEE)  
May 02.....8:00 a.m..... ORIENTATION OF DISTRICT ELECTION BOARD MEMBERS  
May 03.....8:00 a.m..... PRIMARY ELECTION POLLS OPEN

Primary Election:  
Inchellium Sub-Agency  
Keller Community Center  
Nespelem Community Center  
Omak Senior Meal Site

May 03.....8:00 p.m..... PRIMARY ELECTION POLLS CLOSE  
May 05.....10:00 a.m..... CERTIFICATION OF POLL VOTING  
May 08.....10:00 a.m..... CERTIFICATION OF ABSENTEE VOTING  
June 13.....8:00 a.m..... ORIENTATION OF DISTRICT ELECTION BOARD MEMBERS  
June 14.....8:00 a.m..... GENERAL ELECTION POLLS OPEN

Polling Places: Same as Primary Election  
June 14.....8:00 p.m..... GENERAL ELECTION POLLS CLOSE  
June 16.....10:00 a.m..... CERTIFICATION OF POLL VOTING  
June 19.....10:00 a.m..... CERTIFICATION OF ABSENTEE VOTING  
July 10..... OATH OF OFFICE

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## Members hold Omak Council Candidate Forum

Sneena Brooks and his friends set a precedent for reservation peoples and the tribe's four voting districts at the Omak Performing Arts Center on May 1st. Depending on their own resources, Sneena and his friends rented the facility and then invited all candidates running for Omak district council positions one and two. All candidates attended, including incumbents Mike Marchand and Ted Bessette. Each candidate was allocated two minutes time to answer a series of questions that they'd received beforehand. No extra time was given for conclusions, nor were off the topic discussions allowed.

It served not only as a chance to be heard, but a chance to be seen by the voters of their district. In attendance were Jim McCuen, Cary Tonasket, Cody Miller, Bryan Anderson, Ernie Williams, Carleen Anderson, Duane Paul, Melanie Torrence, Shirley Charley, Susan Edwards Best, and the incumbents. Some questions pertained to lawlessness on the reservation and how can we fix it; sovereignty issues; illegal drug trafficking on the reservation; tribal employment rights office and individuals cases; tribal budget; casinos and their successes; and

reorganizing tribal administration. Other questions were asked, but no questions from the audience were allowed at any time. It proved a worthwhile format—time well spent—something other districts might follow. At least a hundred tribal members attended this forum. When tribal members throw their hats into the ring and run for council, very often they attend gatherings in cities where Colvilles live and prosper, but sometimes they're not as visible here on the reservation. So, good job Sneena and Kanie St. Paul, who moderated this event.




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# CTEC Update



## CTEC Recognizes Top Employees



CTEC Accountant Toria Jackson (middle) is honored as the CTEC Employee of the Year for 2007. Also pictured are Randy Scott - CTEC CEO (left) and Debi Condon - CTEC Human Resources Coordinator (right).

CTEC Human Resources Manager Lois Pakootas is roasted by mulleted CEO Randy Scott (left) and Corporate Attorney Bruce Didesch (right).

CTEC Supervisor of the Year for 2007 Regina Wippel of the Keller Store.

The Colville Tribal Enterprise Corporation (CTEC) held its "Annual Awards Banquet" on May 8, 2008 at the Sage Restaurant in Grand Coulee which highlighted nominees for *Employee and Supervisor of the Year* and *Years of Service* awards. The event gave recognition to employees who have worked for the company five or more years.

Brian Clark, CTEC board member and Randy Scott, CEO of CTEC were keynote speakers at the evening event.

"Congratulations to all the nominees," said Scott. "This is an important function, to honor our employees for the hard work they do. I'm happy to be here tonight."

Toria Jackson, CTEC accountant, was chosen for *Employee of the Year* and Regina Wippel, Keller Store manager, was chosen for *Supervisor of the Year*. Jackson has worked for CTEC just over 12 years and Wippel has worked for the company for 13 years. Both

winner were given plaques, Pendleton blankets, and monetary awards.

Lois Pakootas, CTEC HR manager, has worked for the company for 15 years and provides oversight to HR staff throughout the company. Gloria Joseph, CTEC corporate secretary, was the first employee hired in 1984. As the corporate secretary, she has worked with many leaders throughout her career and has watched the company grow.

"It was pretty awesome working with great leaders like Eddie Palmanteer Jr. who I respected and admired," said Joseph. "I truly enjoyed working with all the members who served on our CTEC board. We have had many high caliber people serve on the board these past 24 years."

Both Lois and Gloria earned well-deserved praise for their many years of service.



Images of the new 59' luxury houseboat available to rent for the 2008 season.

### Tourism Season is Here!

Roosevelt Recreational Enterprises (RRE) is excited about this upcoming season and will soon have another luxurious 59 ft. houseboat arriving on June 25. Last year, RRE sold 10 of its older models and is currently looking to sell five more. RRE's fleet now stands at 15, with 52 and 54 ft. models as well. The company continues to upgrade its fleet to the larger, more luxurious boats for their customers.

"The larger boats with more features are in higher demand," said Billy Nicholson, director of small business. "We are addressing our customers' needs and are continuing to upgrade our fleet whenever possible."

The newest 59 ft. luxury craft will feature three staterooms, one bunkroom, two deck level cuddies, AC, a beautiful kitchen with full size gas range and refrigerator/freezer, dishwasher and microwave, vaulted ceiling, home theatre entertainment centre, forward access and rear spiral staircase to upper deck and hot tub, suntan deck, dining area, BBQ area with double stainless steel sink, dining bar, bar fridge and ice maker.

This newest houseboat was purchased from Twin Anchors out of Sicamous, BC. They have been building houseboats for over 25 years.

For more information on RRE, go to [www.rrehouseboats.com](http://www.rrehouseboats.com) or call them at 1-800-648-LAKE.

### New Position Focuses on Development & Training



Charlanne Quinto was recently hired as the organizational development manager for CTEC. In her new position, she will work with staff, management, and human resources to facilitate employee development programs throughout the corporation. She will help plan, develop and implement training programs that will focus on employee growth and retention. Charlanne will be responsible for researching and assessing data and establishing a working relationship with local colleges to promote education and training needs.

"I think what will be most challenging is getting and keeping buy-in by all levels of employees and management," said Quinto. "This effort can make a great deal of impact on building staff capacity, hiring, and retention in the long run. Patience is key but ongoing communication is critical."

As the new development manager, she will present training workshops in quality management, customer satisfaction, workplace diversity, health/safety, technology, team building and leadership skills, conflict resolution, and other areas. She will also seek consultants to provide additional training as needed.

Charlanne is a Colville Tribal member who earned her Bachelor's degree from Western Washington University in Ethnic Studies and a Master's degree in Guidance and Counseling at Heritage College. She has approximately 25 years of upper management experience. Prior to working for CTEC, she was the director of the Colville Tribes' Education and Employment Division where she provided oversight of many programs: TANF, Child Support Enforcement, Head Start, Birth to Five, Higher Education, NW Indian College, Employment and Training and Child Care Programs. Charlanne is married to Frank and has two children, Jaline and Alexandria and three grandchildren, Rowdy, Jaylisse, and Natay. Outside of work she enjoys traveling, playing guitar, writing and reading, and spending time with her grandchildren.



### CTEC Consolidated Profits 1st Quarter 2008 vs. 2007

	Jan-Mar 2008	Jan-Mar 2007
Consolidated Revenue .....	\$ 28,728,662	\$19,076,400
Cost & Expenses .....	26,153,387	24,179,436
Profit Before CCT Payments .....	2,575,275	(5,103,036)
Stumpage .....	1,668,081	1,512,775
Gaming Commission .....	560,106	551,014
Gaming Distribution .....	1,909,962	1,773,615
Net Change .....	\$ (1,562,874)	\$ (8,940,440)

For more information regarding the latest CTEC activities, please visit our website at [www.ctecorp.org](http://www.ctecorp.org).



## CREDIT CORNER

### Vehicles for Sale

**1981 KENWORTH LOGGING TRUCK AND  
1986 CASCADE LOG TRAILER**

Accepting Bids  
Property sold in "AS IS" condition  
ASKING BID: \$9,500.00

Offers to purchase are to be submitted to Colville Tribal Credit Corporation by June 30, 2008. Please submit bid in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Bid Enclosed, YELLOW LOG TRUCK". Bids can be mailed to: Colville Tribal Credit Corporation, P.O. Box 618, Nespelem, WA 99155 or emailed to Meghan.finley@colvilletribes.com

Tribal members interested in financing through Colville Tribal Credit Corporation must apply for a loan at the time they send in their bid before June 30, 2008.

For additional information, or to look at vehicle, please call Colville Tribal Credit Corporation at (509) 634-2658. Colville Tribal Credit Corporation reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

**1998 KENWORTH LOGGING TRUCK AND  
1996 VAN RADEN LOG TRAILER**

Accepting Bids  
Property sold in "AS IS" condition  
ASKING BID: \$38,725.00

Offers to purchase are to be submitted to Colville Tribal Credit Corporation by June 30, 2008. Please submit bid in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Bid Enclosed, BLUE LOG TRUCK". Bids can be mailed to: Colville Tribal Credit Corporation, P.O. Box 618, Nespelem, WA 99155 or emailed to Meghan.finley@colvilletribes.com

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## Job Announcement

Job Title: Consumer Loan Officer  
FLSA Classification: Exempt  
Salary: \$31,144 - \$43,602 DOE

### Summary of Job Duties:

Reviews, evaluates, approves and processes consumer loan applications; initiates Collection action on past due loans; performs duties in a customer service friendly, efficient and profitable manner that promotes superior staff, customer and vendor relations.

Please contact Shelly Jackson at PO Box 618, Nespelem, WA 99155, 509-634-2664  
Shelly.jackson@colvilletribes.com for detailed job description and minimum qualifications.

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## Environmental Trust Department Report



### Steem Uss-Spaos Update

During the March 19, 2008 district meeting, the Inchelium community decided to make the lot the Steem Uss-Spaos was located on into a park. This park would include playground equipment for all ages, picnic tables, and barbeque pits. The park will be named the Steemus Recreation Park and include a memorial honoring the late Council Person Gail DeLaCruz.

The debris from the old Steemus building needed to be cleaned up before the new project could begin. Joe Pakootas, Jr. volunteered his time and equipment in cleaning up this area. A special thanks to Joe for the outstanding job cleaning up the Steemus lot. The Fire Department will be burning the remaining debris on May 7, 2008. After the burn, the lot will be leveled and filled with soil donated from the Inchelium Community Center. The site will then be ready to develop.

Volunteers are still needed for continuation on this project. If anyone would like to help build a part of our community, please contact Cindy Jo Marchand at 509.722.7637 or Bass Williams at 509.634.2572.

### Recycling Pilot Project

The Colville Confederated Tribes' Agency Campus is participating in a Recycling Pilot Project until the end of September. At this time, the project is focusing on paper and aluminum and is strictly voluntary. This project will provide data to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (S.W.A.C.) in order to analyze the waste stream from the CCT Agency Campus to the Transfer Stations. This information will help the S.W.A.C. Committee develop solutions to the Colville Tribes Reservation wide Solid Waste issues to be included in the Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan and to create recycling awareness.

Environmental Trust Department has provided recycle bins to the CCT Agency offices. These bins are carried by volunteers to a larger recycling box that will be transported by CCT's Solid Waste Program to a recycling facility at the end of the project. A special thanks to all those programs and individuals in making this pilot project possible. If you have any questions or comments about this project or recycling, please contact Cindy Jo Marchand at 509.722.7637.

Would you like to recycle at home but don't know where to take it? Until we can get boxes into CCT's Transfer Stations, here is a list of drop off locations in or around each district.

**Inchelium**  
**Inchelium School**  
One Hornet Avenue  
Inchelium, WA 509.722.6181

**Inchelium**  
**Sunshine Disposal & Recycling**  
5290 Highway 25 S  
Hunters, WA 509.722.3599  
130 N. Lincoln Street  
Colville, WA 509.684-3447  
Hours: Monday to Friday 8-4:30  
Recyclables: Mixed paper (includes cereal boxes), cardboard, glass, aluminum cans, and plastic

**Omak**  
**Okanogan Central Landfill**  
240 B And O Road North  
Okanogan, WA 509.422.2602  
Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 9-5  
Recyclables: newspaper, cardboard, paper, magazines, plastic (no solid colors or bags), aluminum cans, copper, and glass.

**Nespelem**  
**Coulee Recycling**  
22145 Alcan Road NE  
Grand Coulee, WA 509.633.2175  
Hours: Wednesday to Saturday  
Noon to 4:00 Box outside the gates for cardboard and newspapers available 24 hours a day  
Recyclables: newspaper, cardboard, cans, scrap aluminum, radiators, transmissions and car batteries.

**Keller**  
**Couse's Sanitation & Recycling**  
22 Smith Drive  
Republic, WA 509.775.3557  
Hours: Monday to Friday 8-4  
Recyclables: Aluminum cans, paper, tin cans, and cardboard

**Ferry County Solid Waste**  
Drop off boxes located at the Chevron Station and Transfer Station  
Republic, WA 509.775.5217  
Hours: Monday to Friday 8-4  
Recyclables: Paper, cardboard, tin cans, aluminum cans, newspaper, magazines, and glass

## Tribal Clean Up & Fun Day



**SMOKE SIGNALS**--Grill master Andy Joseph, Jr., spent the morning cooking a mountain of burgers for the employee luncheon.



**WORKING HARD OR HARDLY WORKING?**--Mark Ives prunes branches off an overgrown tree at the Environmental Trust office.



**CHILLIN' & GRILLIN'?**--Information Technology employees Brian Marchand, Jesse Goodwin and Matthew Peterson prepare the grills for their office potluck.



**ENJOYING THE SUNSHINE**--Office of Reservation Attorney secretaries Bonnie Timentwa, left, and Anna Vargas spent the morning cleaning up the front yard around their office building.



**3 ON 3 CHAMPIONSHIP**--Cody Miller goes up for 2 during the Championship game of the employee 3 on 3 tournament. Four teams entered and the team of Brian Nissen, Billy Nicholson, Cody Miller and Raynee Innes finished on top.

## 2008 Honoring Our Elders Dinner Celebration

Hosted by the Colville Confederated Tribes  
*History/Archaeology Program*

To recognize and honor Elders who participated in the  
Federal Columbia River Power System Projects  
September 1, 2007—August 1, 2008

You are invited to Attend  
Friday, August 22nd, 2008  
Omak Tribal Longhouse  
11:00 a.m.

*Preserving the Past, Protecting the Future*

All Elders Welcome  
Questions? Please call (509) 634-2693

## Juvenile Conference to be held June 12 & 13, 2008 in Inchelium WA

The Colville Confederated Tribes is hosting "Then I Came Back: Juvenile Workshop VII" on June 12 & 13, 2008 at the Inchelium Community Center (in Inchelium, WA). This will be the seventh annual gathering aimed at improving the way social workers, health care providers, educators, police, court personnel, policy makers and community members work to address the needs of children at risk and their families. All members of the community are invited.

This year's workshop will continue to emphasize prevention and early intervention and the adoption of a more comprehensive and coordinated approach when working with children and their families in our social and health services as well as in the justice system. We will be discussing substance abuse issues in our communities and how they affect our children and families, as well as working toward improving the collective understanding of parenting, domestic violence/sexual assault, FASD, Attachment Disorder, and Gender Roles in our communities.

There is no pre-registration. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. each day, and the conference will begin at 8:30 each day. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Jolene Marchand, public safety liaison, 634-2406, or Dana Cleveland at 634-2409.



## TREE TALK *By Gary Martin*



### HAPPY MAY

How's it going this month! I hope that all Moms had a great Mother's Day! We also have Memorial Day to honor and reflect upon. Congratulations to all graduates, of all ages! This is a great month for days with students! On May 6, there was a fun Environmental Education Day with Inchelem School. (Photos this

month.) Cathy Desautel continues to coordinate this fun day with the school and with the Washington State University Extension Program. We had fun! Owhi Lake Kid's Day with Nespelem School was May 8. (Photos next month.) We visited with Omak and Okanogan 6th Graders this month at Camp Progress and Camp Disautel. Students from Davenport, Odessa, Wilbur and Creston came to

Owhi Lake for the Lake Roosevelt Forum's Student Discovery Week. Nespelem 4th Graders are at Lost Lake Camp for a week. All these fun events and days of honoring, make for an exciting month! THANKS to everyone who help to make these events happen! Congratulations to all graduates! Love to Moms and Dads! Take care and we'll talk with you again next month. ☺

## Colvilles sign MOA

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are considered core programs to the CTCR which have been vetted through the various regional recovery and mitigation processes including the Regional Subbasin Plan, the Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Plan, and the Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program.

The MOA is designed to direct actions that aggressively address factors which limit anadromous fish, resident fish and wildlife populations. Of particular importance are the actions identified for immediate funding relative to reversing the trend toward extinction of the Upper Columbia summer steelhead.

Core anadromous, resident fish and wildlife programs slated for implementation include:

#### Salmon and Steelhead Projects

- Implement Upper Columbia Spring
- Chinook Salmon and Steelhead Recovery Plan
- Omak Creek Fish Passage
- Salmon Creek Project
- Okanogan River Habitat Improvement
- Okanogan River Water

- Acquisition
- Land and Water Acquisition
- Develop Locally Adapted Okanogan Steelhead Broodstock and Recondition Steelhead Kelts
- Chief Joseph Hatchery
- Selective Harvest Gear Evaluation
- Selective Gear Deployment
- ESA Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement
- Okanogan Basin Monitoring and Evaluation
- FCRPS Water Management Studies
- Adult Salmon and Steelhead Passage Investigations

#### Resident Fish and Wildlife Projects

- Chief Joseph Kokanee Enhancement
- Lake Roosevelt Rainbow Habitat Improvement
- Colville Hatchery
- Resident Fish Research-Monitoring and Evaluation
- Bridge Creek Water Rights Transfer
- Twin Lakes Enhancement
- Resident Fish Loss Assessment

- Rufus Woods Harvest Augmentation with Feminized Triploid Rainbow Trout and Creel
  - Lake Roosevelt Habitat Enhancement Structures
  - Lake Roosevelt Bubot Population Assessment
  - White Sturgeon Enhancement
  - Rufus Woods Redband Rainbow Trout Broodstock Net Pens
  - Lake Roosevelt Floating Habitat Enhancement Structures
  - Colville Tribes Wildlife Land Acquisition
  - Wildlife Mitigation, Hellgate Project, Operation and Maintenance
  - Omak Lake Parcels Acquisition
- This Tribal-Federal partnership will ensure committed resources to address the Endangered Species Act requirements for Upper Columbia River salmon and steelhead associated with the operation of the Federal Columbia River Power System. The CTCR look forward to the implementation of the agreement toward the conservation, restoration and sustainability of Upper Columbia salmon, steelhead, resident fish and wildlife.

## The Colville Wenatchi fishery for spring Chinook Salmon at Icicle Creek is open

Fishing Period #1 lasted from May 22, 2008 at 12pm to May 24, 2008 at 6pm.

As most of you know, the federal district court in early May heard the witnesses and arguments for the Yakama and Colville Wenatchis over who has the right to fish at Icicle. But the court has asked the lawyers to file post-closing arguments and the Court is not likely to make a decision until after the end of this fishing season.

Like last year, there is no injunction against Colville Wenatchi fishing at Icicle and no ruling has been made as to either Yakama or Colville or both have rights to fish at Icicle. Like last year, it is also very important that the fishery be run in an orderly manner, assuring that conservation-based escapement needs are met - in this case, that the Leavenworth Hatchery broodstock needs are met. It is also important that Colville Wenatchi keep up the good behavior with Yakama fishermen and hatchery management that was so apparent last year. We do not want anything to happen in this fishing season that would prejudice the Court's decision.

The Colville Business Council has approved some basic regulations, Resolution No. 2008-151, for this fishery and has authorized the Tribes' Fish and Wildlife Department and enforcement officers to enforce the regulations. Tribal enforcement officers are also authorized to enforce basic rules of conduct as well. Any and all actions illegal under the Colville Confederated Tribes' Fish and Wildlife Code, Chapter 4-1-180; and Resolution No. 2008-151 will

not be tolerated. One of the important rules for this fishery not covered in the Resolution is the hours and days per week that the fishery will be open. The F&W Director has authority to set these requirements under the Fish and Wildlife Code.

Another important aspect of this fishery is that every Colville Wenatchi who intends to fish will need to carry a fishing permit issued by the Tribe, certifying that he or she is a member of the Wenatchi Constituent Tribe of the Colville Reservation. No more than 75 permits will be issued for any one week. Please remember

that the right to fish at Icicle Creek is a Colville Wenatchi Tribal Right - not an individual right - and all actions by the Colville Wenatchi members, and any other Colville Confederated Tribal Members who may be observing the fishery, can potentially jeopardize future fishing opportunities in this and other areas.

Please maintain yourselves, Respect each other, Respect the Resource, and abide by the sacred harmony that has existed since time immemorial while pursuing the Great Salmon.

## Mt. Tolman Fire Center

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Debris Pile Burning, Traditional Burning, or Recreational Burning in which all types need to be done with a burning permit issued by our agency.

When you are burning with either one of these burning permits, do so only in the allotted time frames in which the burning permit allows. Always be aware of the current and predicted weather in the area you are using your burning permit. Always have more than enough water and a shovel at hand if needed to suppress your fire. Most importantly, never leave the fire unattended.

Also with the arrival of summer come fireworks, to celebrate Independence Day. Fireworks should only be used where allowed, using all safety precautions and with adult

supervision!

We all know how catastrophic wildland fires can be and how they affect our land and our future. You as a community and as a tribal member can assist fire prevention by being extra careful with all categories of fire. Just as Smokey Bear says, "Only you can prevent forest fires!"

If you have any questions or concerns about our approaching fire season please contact Fire Prevention at the Mount Tolman Fire Center (509) 634-3100 or feel free to explore our website at <http://nrd.colvilletribes.com/tolman/danger.html>

**Have a fun and safe fire season!**

Thank you,  
Kimberly S. Smiskin  
Fire Prevention Technician

## Colvilles On Parade



Staff and friends of the Wenatchee Museum, combined with members of the Wenatchee band of Colville Tribe members, built a float to enter into the Wenatchee Appleblossom parade May third. Selected to ride the replica basalt-cliff, water flowing float were tribal elders Mary Marchand, of Omak, and her brother Lewis Miller of Pateros. Also, members of the Noisy Water drum group, rode on the float. Pictured are Inchelem councilman Michael Finley and a drum group member practicing the 'parade wave.' The float and group entry entitled 'Coyote Brings Salmon Up the River' won the coveted Spirit of the Parade award. This was the first time in many, many years native peoples from the area were invited to participate. Those attending had a good time and look forward to more active participation for many years to come.



Previous to take off time at the Appleblossom parade in Wenatchee on May third, our Coyote mascot, Randy Lewis, hams it up with Wenatchee's baseball mascot! Now, will the real coyote take one step forward, please.



One of the Grand Coulee Dam's May 10th Colorama parade's favorite entries is the Nespelem Drum and Feather club. Riding their decorative flat-bed were the Soy Redthunder family on the forefront, with Jeanie Moon's family on the flipside. The Redthunder family has participated in local parades and cultural events for many years. The miniature teepee and eagle feather staff signify an open invitation to one and all that they're invited to attend the tribe's annual Fourth of July powwow in Nespelem.

Casino, and in turn the Coulee Dam Casino was voted the 2008 Business of the Year by the Grand Coulee Dam Chamber of Commerce. A couple of Gaileen's relatives rode with her in the Colorama parade on May 10th, to toss candy out to enthusiastic parade-goers. It was a day full of sunshine and blue skies. Way to go, Gaileen!



Nespelem Junior Rodeo royalty, Ravina Pakootas, was led by her father Winfred Pakootas in the 2008 Colorama parade in Grand Coulee on May 10th. Ravina invites all the come and enjoy all the activities sponsored by the Nespelem Junior Rodeo association throughout the coming year.



Members of the Spokane tribe of Indians, mostly of Wellpinit, joined in the Lilac parade festivities in Spokane on May 17th. Pictured are the Dick Brisbois family, Margo Finnegan Hill family, unknown truck driver, Patrick Moses and his brother-in-law, and Colville tribal member Roger Jack of Nespelem. Several other tribes were represented, including the Coeur d'Alenes, Kalispels, and Healing Lodge of the Seven Nations.





## Tribal Health Program Update

### Truth about Commercial Tobacco effects

My earliest memories include my dad being a smokeless tobacco user. He always had a roll of Copenhagen in the freezer. It was one of those things that never ran out in our home. By the time I was seven or eight years old my dad quit chewing, but not before most of his children began. It was a habit I picked up early, middle school, probably. I continued to chew on a daily basis until I was a sophomore in high school. One day, a boy told me that I was never going to be able to quit, so I did, just

to prove him wrong. I thought I can quit whenever I want, but mentally I continued to be a chewer. I craved it for about a year, but didn't start again until I was in college. I was studying for exams, hunger and sleep kept interfering with my studying, but then I got a sample pack of Skoal in the mail and I thought I'll just use it today to help me get through this study period. It did. I was able to focus on studying and did well on my exams, but I found that I was 15 years old again and had just tried to

quit chewing yesterday and this time I failed. I was as addicted as I had been four years earlier.

The only difference this time was that I was ashamed. I felt like a failure and never told anyone that I had started chewing again. It went on until last year, then one day I was sitting in church thinking about what I could give up for Lent. I thought about giving up soda, like I did the year before, to much success. I thought long and hard and came to the conclusion that really, Tobacco was my second God. I gave more money to the Tobacco companies in my life time than I ever did to the Church. I knew that if I only had five dollars on a Sunday and didn't have a can, that my money would purchase the can. I thought to myself, "What is wrong with you?" So, as scared as I was that I might fail, I gave up my tobacco god and prayed for strength and resolve. My tobacco god haunted my dreams, I could actually taste the tobacco and would wake up with a monster cravings.

What got me through those 40 days was thinking, Jesus Christ was beaten, bloody, had nails driven through his hands and feet for ME, and you need to be grateful. You need to be willing to accept the salvation God has to offer and you can't do it if your god is tobacco and not Jesus Christ. So, I decided that 40 days was too small a sacrifice and I never went back. I do still have cravings, but I get through them one day at a time and plenty of prayer.

Signed Unknown

Thanks to all Tribal Employees whom had taken the time and energy to fill out the survey I greatly appreciate it.

Angela M. Rios CHR-Tobacco Prevention

Tobacco Quit Line 1-877-270-STOP (7867) or QUITELINE.COM

Saying No To Commercial Tobacco

Tobacco Prevention Specialist  
1-888-881-7684

### LOCAL KOMEN GRANT TO SUPPORT TRIBAL BREAST HEALTH PROGRAM

Nespelem - The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Eastern Washington Affiliate is pleased to announce that the Tribal Health Program (THP) of the Colville Confederated Tribes' BEAR (Breast cancer Education Awareness Resources) Project is a 2008 grant recipient. The grant will be used to provide education, support to screening and treatment of breast cancer among the people of the Colville Indian Reservation.

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Eastern Washington Affiliate was founded in 2003 and serves 13 counties in eastern Washington: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla and Whitman. Since its founding, it has distributed over \$800,000 in grants to eastern Washington community programs that improve breast health. Total Komen giving worldwide now exceeds \$1 billion.

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation is a federally recognized confederation of 12 tribes with aboriginal territories stretching throughout portions of what is now Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and British Columbia. More than half of the Tribes' 9,000+

citizens live on the over 1.4 million acre Colville Reservation in North-Central Washington.

The Susan G. Komen grant will help the Program to provide and expand support services to cancer patients and their families throughout the Reservation. Colville Tribes Tribal Health Program Manager Val Vargas-Thomas said, "We are very excited about this opportunity of working with Susan G. Komen."

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### Omak Tribal Health Program

#### Omak Alcohol Relay April 15

Runners who participated: Sonny Sellars, Shelli Martinez and Stan Ruiz, Keith Kistler, Eldon Wilson, Jodi Gabriel & Reylene Sellars, Angela Bourgeois, Kelly Palmanteer and Delaina Bourgeois, Reylene Sellars & Jodi Gabriel, Larry Allen & Richard Allen, Laura Myrick, Deelee Timentwa, Kelly Palmanteer, Suzette Seymour and Theresa Bessette, Itsy Woodward and her grandchildren: Donovan Nysti, Donald Woodward jr., Gerael Gardee, Vincent Nysti, Brandon Woodward, Lydia Harris and Raymond Woodward.



### Healing Our Wounded Spirits: Colville Reservation Workshops

Identify what it is that is really hurting you  
Face the hurt  
Release the Tears  
Wipe the Tears  
Pick up the Tears



- Agenda
- ♥ Identify what it is that is really hurting you - Historical Trauma and Unresolved Grief
  - ♥ Face the Hurt - Soul Wound/Wounded Spirit
  - ♥ Share Historical Trauma Genograms
  - ♥ Historical Trauma Effect
  - ♥ Parenting out of Trauma
  - ♥ Keep Going: How to persevere in face of life's challenges  
Life's balance: good and bad, light and dark, etc.  
Standing up to the storm  
Perseverance: instilling hope

#### Workshop Dates, Times and Location

- June 13 and 14, 2008, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. @ Omak
- June 20 and 21, 2008, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. @ Inchelium
- June 24 and 25, 2008, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. @ Nespelem
- June 27 and 28, 2008, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. @ Keller

Contact Tribal Health Program for questions & registration:

Tribal Health Programs  
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Nespelem, Washington 99155  
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Supported by: CCT Suicide Core Team

### Free Women's Health Exam and Mammogram

The Eastern Washington Breast and Cervical Health Program provides eligible women with free health exams, screenings, limited diagnostic testing and treatment, education, referrals and follow-up in nine Eastern Washington counties - Adams, Asotin, Ferry, Garfield, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens and Whitman.

The Breast and Cervical Health program is for women who:

- Are 40-64 years of age
- Have limited income
- Are uninsured or have insurance that does not completely cover women's health care services
- Have an insurance plan that requires a deductible or co-payment that she cannot afford
- Live in Washington State

The free women's health exam may include a mammogram, pelvic exam, pap test, clinical breast exam, education and referral assistance. Examinations are provided by contracted community providers throughout Eastern Washington. Call (888) 461-8876 or (509). These services are available locally at the Inchelium Community Health Center and the San Poil Valley Community Health Center. Please call Inchelium at 509-722-7006 or Keller at 509-634-7300 for more information.

**TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINE**

**Tuesday, June 17th**

## Colville Confederated Tribes



### Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault in Indian Country

Presented by:  
WomenSpirit Coalition

A primer for Tribal Council members, health care workers, advocates, social service providers, community helpers, counselors, elders, Managers and others interested in learning about Domestic violence and sexual assault in your community including definitions, dynamics, statistics, myths and traditional responses to healing.

**WHEN: June 10 and 11, 2008**

**WHERE: Nez Perce Longhouse, Nespelem**

WOMENSPIRIT COALITION  
P.O. Box 13260  
Olympia, WA 98508  
(360)352-3120  
www.womenspiritcoalition.org



To register or get more information contact:

Tribal Health Programs  
PO Box 150  
Nespelem, Washington 99155  
509 634 2944 or 509 634 2943  
509 634 2925 fax



### FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY FOR LAKE ROOSEVELT

The Washington Department of Health has updated their fish consumption advisory for Lake Roosevelt. This advisory is targeted at non-tribal sport fishing. Tribal fisherman should be aware and take seriously the advisory, especially women who are of childbearing age and children six years of age and younger, who are particularly at risk. Burbot and large-scale sucker have been added to the existing advisory on walleye. The recommendation is that women who are or might become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not have more than two walleye meals per month; burbot and large-scale sucker should be limited to four meals per month. You can find out more about the advisory at the Department of Health web site, <http://www.doh.wa.gov/fish/>.

Fish tissues were analyzed for metals, PCBs and dioxin contamination as a part of the ongoing Remedial Investigation. We anticipate that more fish data will be collected in the near future. In the meantime the Colville Tribes, with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), are designing a tribal consumption and use survey that we hope to kick off this year. The

purpose of the survey is to collect data for a more comprehensive picture of what natural resources from the river tribal people are using, how they are using them, and how they might be at risk. This data will be utilized in an EPA Risk Assessment to specifically estimate tribal risk.

Continuation of important tribal resources was the reason why the Colville Tribes petitioned the EPA in 1999 to evaluate the risk to the ecological resources and human health in the Lake Roosevelt area. The EPA began the Remedial Investigation in 2000 and collected samples on sediments, beaches and fish. The United States then negotiated a settlement agreement with Teck Cominco whereby the company will fund the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study and take the lead on the Ecological Risk Assessment. The EPA is the lead on the Human Health Risk Assessment.

Since the agreement was signed in July 2006, Teck Cominco has yet to produce an approvable Work Plan and no sampling has occurred to date by the company.

Contact Patti Bailey, Office of Environmental Trust, Ext. 2415



## Keller Community Center Update

Just a quick update of the progress of the Keller Community Center! We are getting closer every day. The Dining room is finished, my office is completed, carpeting is being laid out this week in the weight room. The storage room right off the weight room has been painted/tiled and just awaits the light fixtures to be placed. The computer room is ready to be set up with our computers with the assistance of the IT department of course.

The kitchen is almost completed. Doc and his crew are currently finishing the trim in the kitchen and all that we are awaiting is the new laminate countertops to be finished, tables/islands and the dishwasher to be delivered, and Public Works to complete their portion of the electrical and we will be cooking in our beautiful new kitchen.

Some of the community may have come in during the Tribal Council Primary Elections, which were held this month here in the dining room area of the remodeled KCC and were able to look at the vast amount of work which has been accomplished already.

The gym will be painted by community volunteers and KCC staff, and Pat Finley has donated his planer so that we may correct the boards for the bleachers in the gym, which will then be painted and varnished soon. The shower rooms are also being tiled today by the crew. With a few minor adjustments with the plumbing fixtures all showers and restrooms will be up and open to the public very soon. We will soon see new roofing and finished siding on the facility and then that will be completed JOB WELL DONE.

We did have some setbacks this past month. Unfortunately, someone had more time on their hands with nothing to do and apparently tried to use the teeter toters on the playground as a catapult and vandalized our KCC, breaking 5 double pane custom windows adjacent to the playground, and breaking all three windshields in our work vehicles.

My appreciation and thanks go out to Risk Management and Claude Cox with their efficient speedy repair of the three vehicles, as we were needing to use both vans for our community youth Shrine Circus trip to Spokane and Keller Elders to attend the Kalispel Elders Day dinner so we were able to assist them by getting the vans up and running quickly.

Doc and crew were so helpful after the initial shock and immediately took out the broken glass and put up temporary plywood in the windows while we waited for new replacement windows to arrive. I truly believe that whoever did this did it either because they live in an environment where they would rather hang out in the playground in the pouring rain than go home to whatever is there or just do not care for our community. Again, children have voiced their opinions on the people responsible but that would be just heresay. So I bought cameras instead which will monitor the outside of each wall of the KCC, feeding that information into the KCC and recording. These cameras are also set up with night vision so hopefully we will not have to deal with vandals again.

I would like to state that rumors fly everywhere but we will continue to move forward positively. We are currently needing community to remember that we need to charge for the use of our facilities, we have waived it in the past, but unfortunately some people took advantage of that and left a mess for others to cleanup or repair so we are still expecting a deposit except for funerals and other traditional uses. Our services are up and running!

On Tuesdays, Shelly Martinez from Voc Rehab visits her clients here, On Wednesdays, we have Employment & Training with Mae Davis, TANF comes once a week we haven't quite got that schedule down yet with Dean Nicholson and Mae Stensgar as staff, and on Fridays we will begin our GED tutor, Sonia Warren here at the Center.

Still waiting for the weight equipment. I will post it when it comes in as we have community members eagerly awaiting the use of that room.

The 5 Star park enhancement has purchased new stone picnic tables, trash bins, planters and a new playground for the Community and we will be setting them up when they arrive.

The cleanup day was pretty fun with an awesome barbeque, and we put flowers up in the gazebo near the center and down at the Longhouse planters, these were purchased from another tribal member John Francis who runs Seatons' Grove greenhouse.

Special thank you to Oscar Doc Mellon, Jon Atkins, Eric Ferguson, Ray Peone JR, Mario Cleveland, Curtis Hart, Mike Monaghan, Kurtis Robinson for ALL that you do. Also James McGinnis who lives in Omak and had to resign due to transportation problems, you still were a part of this remodeling and also Brian Monaghan who started work for CTSC on the housing in Nespelem. Miss you guys and good job!!

Our condolences to the family of our respected elders passing, Kathleen Tonasket Burke, she was and will continue to be an integral part of the Keller Community.

Until next time, Sylvia Tatshama Peasley, KCC Director.

## Mother's Day Celebration May 10 & 11, 2008 Nespelem Community Center

Hello! My name is Deidre Williams-Antone and along with my family, we again held the Annual Mother's Day Celebration this year which turned out to be a huge success! The event was originally planned to be at the Omak Longhouse and we always appreciate Lillian Belgarde and Sonie Irely for making us feel more than welcome to hold our pow-wow there. Unfortunately a member of the community passed on and the funeral was scheduled that same weekend and the pow-wow had to be moved to the Nespelem Community Center. I would like to express how thankful we were to the sponsors that came through so our celebration could happen: CART, Colville Tribal Casinos, CTEC & CCT Donation Committee, TANF, and Rena & Dwane Dick sponsored the grand prize for the raffle (wii). These groups and individuals and their generosity is what we needed to help continue with the annual celebration and show the appreciation to all Mothers, Grandmothers and Auntie-Moms that they deserve.

A special Thank You to the drum groups in attendance who provided the drumming and singing for this event: WhiteHawk, K-Town, Northern Nation, Golden Eagle, Golden Eaglettes, and Huqua. These groups were the entertainment for the weekend, especially during the "Drum Group Team Dance" competition which was won by the WhiteHawk Singers. We didn't have much money to pay the drums what they really deserved but I want them all to know that we appreciate every single song they provided us, the medicine was very powerful. I, myself, would like to thank the following for their dedication throughout the weekend: Flodell Williams for keeping us all motivated when things looked discouraging, Sonny Quinto for being our m.c. and always being there for us, Walter Williams for being the a.d. and getting us involved with this event, Rena & Dwane Dick for sponsoring the grand prize for the raffle and taking charge of that responsibility, Nanette Pichette for cooking in the concession and NCC Staff Rose Condon and Jimmy Andrews

for all their work throughout the weekend. Other helpers either with the concession, dinner, or breakfast were: Roweena Antone, Cedonia Williams, Danika Williams, Cory Nanamkin, Donna Williams, and Paige Orr. I apologize if I didn't name everyone but there were so many people in and out just lending a helping hand when needed and for that we are always grateful.

Since all the categories weren't filled up, we were able to move the winnings to other categories that had more than 3 dancers. This is one thing that was great about having a smaller pow-wow, everyone placed! Each registered dancer received either a Wal-Mart gift card or cash.

Our family sponsored a dinner of stew and fry bread during Saturday's dinner break and with TANF providing the groceries for the Mother's Day Brunch, we were able to cook for everyone Sunday morning as well. This is something our mom taught us was to cook for people every chance you get!

So to wrap things up, it was once again our privilege to bring together dancers, drummers and spectators to celebrate Mother's Day weekend here in Nespelem with us and help us pay tribute to my mom (okay... Flodell, Walter and Vance's mom too. :) Lorraine Mae Williams who passed on 3 years ago this month. WE LOVE YOU MOM!

## Colville Tribe Foster Grand Parent Program

Would Like to Welcome our New F.G.P.'s Gordon Harry, Omak District—North School volunteer; Daria Louis—In Home Station & Kathleen Simpson—Nespelem District

Again a BIG welcome to all of them. We currently have 30 Foster Grand Parents from each district reservation wide. If you would like to be in the Foster Grand Parent Program, call me or stop by and pick up an application.

Miss Loretta Watt, Foster Grand Parent Program Manager I, 1-888-881-7684, ext. 2391.



GORDON HARRY

KATHLEEN SIMPSON



These children participated in the April 02,2008 "kick-butts day" 3 on 3 middle school basketball tournament held at Omak community Center sponsored by Omak Tribal Health, tobacco awareness. They all received T-shirts and sweat shirts for participating. The Diabetes program gave the participants healthy snacks baggies and pedometers.

Left to right: Dylan Fewkes, Rylee Fewkes, Kelly Cruz, Cheyenne Gardner, Alicia Edwards, Chad Edwards.

Saying NO to commercial Tobacco!  
Thank you, Omak Tribal Health Program

## Men's Gathering June 23 - 26, 2008

All Tribes have a special connection to the Creator, Community, and Self. Colville Tribes is hosting a gathering for Native Men who are on their healing journey or willing to explore their inner self to rejuvenate that special connection. Our community spiritual leaders and invited speakers will be present at the gathering to share their knowledge of developing healthy relationships with women, children, family and community.

This interactive gathering will also include the following:

- ❖ Family Tree
- ❖ Spiritual Teachings
- ❖ Sweats and how to build a sweat
- ❖ Canoeing
- ❖ Drum making
- ❖ Social Activities
- ❖ Great Food!!!

If you have additional information and an application, call Frank Quinto @ 634-2673 or Val Vargas Thomas @ 634-2944.

Sponsored by:  
TANF, Behavioral Health, WSU Extension and Tribal Health

### TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINE

## Tuesday, June 17th

## DOODLE'S TEEPEE

# Brain-Tanned Buckskin

### Doodle Stewart

## 509-633-8396

P.O. Box 174, Elmer City, WA 99124

## 2008 Omak All-Indian Bowling Tournament Results

April 18th, 19th & 20th at Valley Lanes  
 Men's Singles Champions – Jacob Cates  
 Men's Double's Champions – Leonard Cheer/Russ Marchand  
 Women's Singles Champion – Jolene Boise  
 Women's Double's Champions – Jolene Boise/Lori Sampson  
 Mix Doubles Champions – Jolene Boise/Austin Greene  
 Team Champions – BJ Brown, Dale Clark, Sophia Miller & Joseph Mullen  
 Masters Champion – John F. Stensgar  
 Men's All Events Champion – BJ Brown  
 Women's All Events Champion – Sophia Miller  
 The "Omak All Indian Bowling Committee" would like to take this time to thank Valley Lanes for letting us bowl at their facility. A Thank You to Lionel, Barb and Jeremy Orr for helping out with the tournament and to all the bowlers who came and supported the tournament.

### Sponsors

Millpond Days Committee  
Town of Nespelem  
Tribal Health – Tobacco  
Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation

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## Millpond Days

### Reviving a tradition

### Contacts

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MPD Committee  
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Colleen Leskinen, Mayor  
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Grand Marshals Honoring  
Potluck @ 5 p.m.  
Western Dance  
Horseshoes, Vendors,  
Bicycle Events,  
Activities in the Park,  
3 on 3 Tournaments

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5K @ 8 a.m.,  
Grand Parade @ 11 am,  
Vendors, Exhibits,  
Horseshoes, Bicycle Events,  
3 on 3 Tournaments  
Activities in the Parks

## Friday, June 13, 2008

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## Sat., June 14, 2008

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## Nespelem, Washington

**A Nespelem Valley Drug-free, Alcohol-free, and Violence-free event.**

**No weapons or Motorized Vehicles allowed in designated activity areas.**

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Millpond Days Committee POB 915, Nespelem, WA 99155





Happy Belated Birthday to our "mom" Dawn Ensminger Love ya from your girls, Nana, Red Ri, Hugga Bear



Look who finally stopped living in SIN!!! Dawn Osterberg & Victor Ensminger were married on March 31, 2008 in CDA with their kids present. From all you friends with love



Happy 2nd Birthday to our little princess Janie Mae You have been such a blessing in our lives!!! Love Mommy, Daddy, Chance, Teaya, Alana & Riley



Logan "Yogi" True May 20, 2008 You'll always be our #1 All Star. We love you. Mom, Dad, Payton and all your Uncles and Aunt Babe



## Five Generations

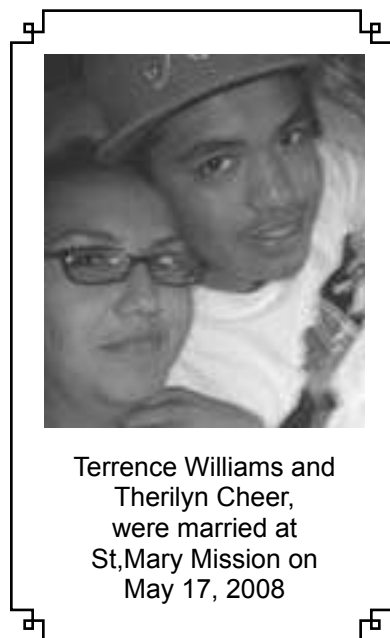
Clifford Kells, Adam Kells, Karen LaVelle, 3 great-great grandchildren: Hunter, Kayla and Madison. Great-great grandmother. Family of Florence Desautel.

Shyla and Bryan Arcasa of Twisp, Washington are pleased to announce the birth of their new baby girl born on May 9, 2008 at Coulee Community Hospital. Kyia Rain Arcasa weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 21-1/2 inches at birth.

Siblings are D.J., age 4, and Cody, age 2. Maternal grandparents are Terry and Greg Bolinger. Paternal grandparents are Joe and Kathleen Arcasa.



**Congrats, Mom & Dad.**  
**18 years and many more!**  
Love you, Lanae, Charlie, Rochelle, Lane & Savanna



Terrence Williams and Therilyn Cheer, were married at St. Mary Mission on May 17, 2008



HAPPY BLEATED BIRTHDAY LITTLE SISTER!  
Feathyr Vonne Monaghan  
April 22 - 23 years old



Happy 8th Birthday Dante Henry Love, Uncle-Dad, Will, Granny Cinda, Mom, Eli, Isaac & Talia



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY YALONDA! Your such a great mother, sister, and friend. You are a very special part of my life. I glad your my sister. Love, Stephanie



Happy "Sweet Sixteen" Eli Pinkham Love, Uncle-Dad, Dad, Mom, Granny, Grampa Al, Dante, Isaac & Talia



CONGRADULATIONS MICHAEL! Michael Steven Laramie - for your acheivements and excellence awards at Nespelem School. We are all so proud of you son! Love, Mom, Nama, and Deosa



Happy 11th Birthday Talia Bybee Love, Dad, Mom, Granny, Eli, Dante & Isaac



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MY GIRL! DEOSA JADE LARAMIE MAY 31ST 9 YEARS OLD Love you so much baby girl Mom, Brother, Sis & "E", Masyn & Kyonna, Auntie Yalonda & Uncle John



I would like to congratulate Kevin Pakootas and Colette Peone on their recent wedding. The couple exchanged vows on 4-20-2008 at St. Michael's Mission in Inchelium, Washington.

They have been dating and living together for nearly 5 years and finally decided to exchange their vows. The couple are currently living in Inchelium and planning a Fall Honeymoon aboard an Alaskan Cruise.

I would like to wish them luck in everything they do. Again.. Congratulations. Always... Mom/Sharyl Rae to you Colette.. ha ha



Skye & Serayah would like to introduce their baby sister, . . .

## Kalli Rhea Eliauna Gooler

Born April 19th, 2008 @ 11:50 p.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Proud parents are Ray & Leandra Gooler



HAPPY BIRTHDAY COLE MICHAEL MISIASZEK! 2 YEARS OLD MAY 17TH LOVE, AUNTIE STEPHANIE, MICHAEL & DEOSA



Happy Belated Birthday Snee-na April 26th



To my little darlings! Because we love you... Love - Auntie, Deosa & Michael



Happy Birthday Musis May 22nd & Snee-na April 26th



Happy Belated Birthday Patrick Watt



Happy Belated Birthday Melanie April 28th



## Earth Day 2008 at Inchelium School

For the 11th year in a row, Inchelium School has celebrated Earth Day in the spring.

As each year passes, the school's music teacher, Teresa Shaffer, has developed a plan to keep clean the downtown area that children walk to and from school in hopes of sinking it in their young minds the environmental consequences each piece of litter can have.

"There's much more community participation each year which creates more awareness," Shaffer said. "And the kids are totally into it."

"We need to take care of our planet and we have to instill this in the kids," she added. "We have the poster contest every year for all of the grades with great prizes."

Not only does the poster prize draw student participation, but the school also puts on a poetry and essay contest that has a cash prize. Last year's lucky winner got an iPod.

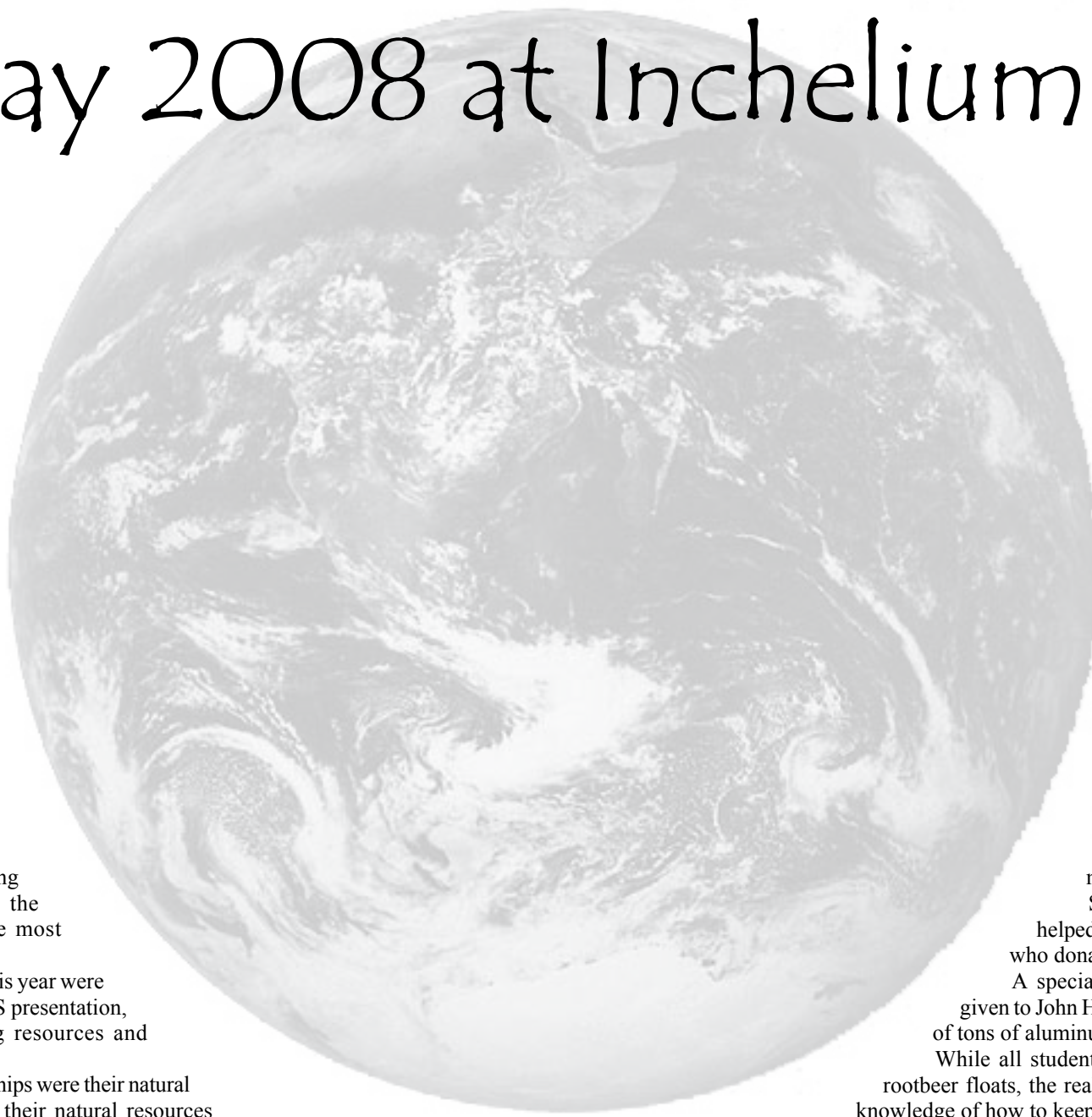
The school's Parent and Teacher Organization donated 100 dollars to the grade with the most participation. Additionally, Tribal councilmen personally donated 100 dollars to the class that picks up the most garbage.

Despite how good 200 dollars sounds going into class funds, Shaffer said the class with the most garbage isn't always the class with the most participation.

The groups that impressed Shaffer the most this year were the fourth and fifth graders who, through a SEDS presentation, were able to dissect their own earth, mining resources and protecting the land of a chocolate chip cookie.

"The cookie was 100 acres and the chocolate chips were their natural resources," she explained. "They had to mine their natural resources with doing the least amount of damage to their land so the people could still live."

"One group great at keeping their cookie intact," Shaffer added. "They only mined a portion of their natural resources and they decided they were going to recycle their natural resources so they didn't have to mine the rest of them. We were so impressed with the way the fourth and fifth graders responded."



Overall, Shaffer said observing that class was a treat, because they're starting to realize they have to pay attention to their planet.

There were several other ways for students that didn't get permission to participate to help.

Trudi Tonasket, the school's Native Studies teacher, had children painting native designs on school garbage cans.

Women's softball coach Cathy Desautel took her team to the Inchelium Grocery Store to help clean up and plant a lilac bush.

"They had a game so they wanted to partake in helping the community beforehand," Shaffer said. "We really appreciated their help as role models for the younger children."

A group also cleaned up the triangle on the way up from the Gifford Ferry.

Another group planted two lilac bushes at the Alcohol Awareness building because, "that poort building looks lonely out in that field," Shaffer said.

"We also planted one at the senior mealsite and one at the school," she added.

Shaffer wanted to acknowledge everyone who helped for their efforts, including Marilee Seymour who donated rose bushes towards to event.

A special award for environmental awareness was given to John Haynes, who for the last 30 years has disposed of tons of aluminum cans.

While all students were awarded with a potluck lunch and rootbeer floats, the real prize was a clean downtown area and the knowledge of how to keep it that way.

"They're going to be the keepers of the earth after us," Shaffer said. "We have to teach them how to do it and to have respect for it."

story, photos and layout by Cary Rosenbaum II, Tribune Journalist



Chad Rosenbaum, Buck Flett and Forrest Holford had perhaps the strangest garbage.



Jim Smith takes part with his daughter and grandson.



Before completing their run at third place in State, the softball team aided the Grocery Store clean up.



Teresa Shaffer presents the Environmental Awareness Award to John Haynes.





# Nespelem Junior Rodeo

## Photo Gallery

By Cary Rosenbaum II, Tribune Journalist



Queen Ashlee Abrahamson prepares to let the chickens loose.



The first rooster is caught by this lucky child.



Princess Ravina Pakootas rode the pony around the outside.



The calf riding event saw a lot of falls.



A competitor in the barrel race.



This horse kicked up a lot of dust as the child riding turns for the next barrel.



Practice makes perfect in calf riding, as seen in this fall.



This calf bucked so hard for this Nespelem Junior Rodeo participant that his hat flew off.



As tradition, the younger children gathered in the arena and prepared to catch the evasive chickens.

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# Honoring EWU Alumni

## The closest-to-home four year university celebrates their 40th year of the American Indian Studies program at the Northern Quest Casino

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EWU Professor Larae Wiley performs during the banquet.



Future alumnae Jessie Stensgar and Lainie Arnoux enjoying themselves.



Vaughn EagleBear performs "John Wayne's teeth."



The American Indian Studies program honored current department chair Deirdre Almeida.



Numerous Eastern Washington University American Indian alumni, including several Colville Tribal members, gathered for not only a powwow and bowling session, but an alumni banquet honoring the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the American Indian Studies program at Northern Quest Casino.

Students that played significant roles in getting the Savage mascot removed years ago, sat with those of the next generation of graduates as eloquent meals were brought out and the ceremony began.

"The banquet was great," Watt said. "One of the first things I noticed was that you have the university's president and staff at eastern here, and that doesn't happen every day."

"I was also very impressed to see the complete staff of the American Indian studies program," she continued. "That just shows their level of support for the program."

The banquet featured stories and entertainment from Watt, comedian Vaughn EagleBear and EWU's Salish language professor Larae Wiley.

Watt spoke of her experience at Eastern, raising her son Vaughn and her life after. One aspect she really emphasized was the amount of support available, even 38 years ago, from the American Indian Studies program.

Dr. Deirda Almeida, the head of the AIS department who was honored for her dedication at the banquet, said the support continues.

"Even though our staff and size is fewer than what they had and students needs are a bit different, it still acts as the first place native students come to when they come to Eastern, so they know there are people there waiting to help them," she said. "We also try to make it comforting for the families so when parents drop their kids off the first time know there are people there that will watch out and help them if they need anything."

For the first time in her life, Watt got to see her son's stand-up routine. She sat there and laughed, as a fair amount of jokes were made on her behalf. Many were unaware that it was the first time, until she spoke of it at the podium.

"He's funny, he's just awesome... I don't know how to really explain it," she said. "He's really funny and I guess he's a real stand-up comedian. I just look at him as my son... He tells a few jokes but it's beyond that. He's not a joke teller, he's a real stand-up comedian. I know he goes nationally all over and they love him. But this is the first time he let me see him so I was really pleased."

Eaglebear did his stand-up routine followed by comical hand-drum songs including John Wayne's teeth from the movie Smoke Signals.

Following the banquet, EagleBear's jokes didn't end when he was asked about how the banquet went. "It was awesome," he said in monotone. "I love everybody and let's keep supporting education."

"Let's become educated Indians and take over the world," EagleBear joked.

But EagleBear set the humor aside to comment on his mother's first-time attendance.

"It's a once in a lifetime opportunity to perform standup comedy," he said. "And it's even that more special when you get to do it in front of your mother."

Following EagleBear and Watt, Wiley stepped to the podium, drum in hand, and performed songs in Salish language.

"It gave me hope for the future of our young people," she spoke of the banquet. "It was just a great way to come together and to honor education and native people and just recognize that education is really important for native people if we're going to make a difference for ourselves and our tribes."

Wiley continues to expand the program she teaches, with classes available for the Colville and Kalispel tribes.

"Our program is growing year-by-year and it's getting stronger," she said. "And I think that there is a general movement among native people to reclaim their language. For me, it's very inspiring and motivating and it's growing more and more each year."

Also to the podium, EWU's Native Film professor David BrownEagle, whom the Native American Student Association honored alongside Shelly Boyd during their annual Powwow as the head man and head woman.

The banquet started at 12 p.m. and commenced at 2 p.m. and was a success according to Almeida. For those who were unable to attend, she said there will be others down the road.

"I know the alumni association is talking about doing a 45<sup>th</sup> and a 50<sup>th</sup> celebration," she added.

**WORDS FROM WATT**  
My mother, Nellie Watt, my father Tom Watt and step-father Bill Zacherle all stressed the importance of an education. Of their nine adult children, seven received college degrees. Of which, four are certified teachers and the other two are successful as well. I read a sign at the "Long House" back in 1972 and it read: "With a white man's education, you are his equal. Without it, you are his victim." We all attribute our successes to our parents.



Doll Watt speaks of her experience at Eastern Washington University.



# TRIBAL VOICES

## THANK YOU

Omak Voters,  
I want to thank each of you that voted and especially for me.  
We never give up because some think we've lost. We get stronger and will try again.  
Big thanks to Afton & Mary Jane & Roy & Bernice for the wonderful BBQ.  
You want to know who I'm voting for call 422-0306.  
Travel safe.  
Respectfully,  
Shirley K. Charley

## Primary Election is over

Tribal Members:  
Another Primary Election is over and I am a disappointed non-winner. I look at the ballots and wonder "why" some of the people are even running for the Tribal Council position. I know that it is their right to run but what have they to offer if they should be elected to the Council? Is it the travel? Salary? Prestige? Vendetta? Jobs for their family? Promise the per capita payments. What qualifies them to be on the Council? Education? Experience?  
Being elected and serving on the Tribal Council means that you are representing about 10,000 tribal members. We now have members of the Council who do a lot of traveling but how does this traveling benefit our Tribe? Tribal members talk about "changes", yet the same old Councilmen who have led the Colville Tribe into a 'financial crisis' is being re-elected. Some of the people who are running in the General Elections have personal vendettas and some don't voice their opinions in behalf of their constituents. When is the last time a Councilman ever ask you for an opinion on any tribal issues?

I have put the statement of 'it's not what you know, but it's who you know' is true in and around the Tribal Council, administration and CTEC. We have many educated and job experienced tribal members that don't have a chance to get employment with the Tribe because they don't know the 'right' people. Again, I have stated that the Tribal Employees would not have their jobs if it wasn't for the Tribal Members. This includes the Tribal Administration, BIA, IHS, HUD, programs and they feel like they are looked down by these programs.

Who do we have to look at about not having a "change" in our Tribal Leadership? Surely, not the people who did take the time to vote but you people who are the "inactive" voters list. Being a member of the Colville Confederated Tribes has very few obligations and "voting" in one that is being abused by you. My answer is either no per capitas or if you don't vote for a number of years that you be dropped off the tribal enrollment rolls. Might be cruel, but we need to be part of the solution and not part of the problem.

Lem-lem,  
Eldon L. Wilson

## Thank you for your vote

Tribal Members of the Nespelem District:  
I give my thanks to the members that voted for me in the Nespelem District Primary. If you did not vote in the Primary, please vote in the General Election. It is important to support the candidate that will represent your views and address your concerns in the Colville Business Council's discussions and in making their decisions that affect all Colville Tribal Members. Again, thank you for your support, and your vote.  
David A. Clark

## To All that attended Virg Marchand's fundraiser:

I would like to thank all that showed up; we had 28 couples which was a lot for our first fundraiser.  
First place couple went to Bridget Boyd & Tim Hoffman, second place was myself & Dave Finley, third place went to Cato & Lacey Stensgar, fourth place was Sonny Marchand & Peggy Ostenburg. The 50/50 went to Clydel Sam for \$196.00.  
I would also like to thank some SPECIAL people, Diane Stensgar for keeping score on the bracket, LaVonne Elwell for beading one

of the eagle feathers that first place received, Dawn & Curtis for selling cards, all the ones that sold raffle tickets, and all that brought food. Thank you -Thank you.  
I was asked to have another one, which I have planned for sometime after Memorial Day, probably the first or third week-end in June. (It will be a blind draw for a partner.)  
The final one will be at the Moose in Omak some time in July so the boys can play music that Virg loved to go watch & dance to (any one that plays music will be allowed to play). We'll also have a pool tournament and horseshoes (hopefully).  
Thanks again to all,  
Doris Picard

## Do the right thing

Dear Tribal Council,  
I was reading the Tribal Tribune dated April 24th and noticed you guys had printed some of your travel. I was wondering why you didn't print the correct amounts. You only posted what had come out of your travel line account. This account is used when you actually plan ahead and get Purchase Order, and turn in a voucher, to have a check printed out. The majority of you use your credit card (a Visa I believe) to make your travel arrangements, like: pay for your hotels, gas, meals, airline tickets.  
So, I think you should print your credit card bills, along with your travel line account. Only printing half of the picture is very sneaky and misleading. I believe it is because you are already overspent and it's only May. I think it's pretty sad you can't even manage a \$25,000 travel budget. So, if you aren't over budget, then prove it. If you are over spent then you need to do the right thing and quit spending money we don't have. Remember we are in a state of financial difficulty, and that applies to every tribal employee, including the Tribal Business Council.  
Thank you,  
Tissi

## If Push Comes to Shove

Letter to Editor:  
An extremely important issue has come to fore regarding the sleazy tactics socialistic groups shrouded within the government, are up to and just maybe you're not getting it! Our rights according to the Constitution of the United States of America are slowly and sneakily being taken from us. "The convicts are running the prison!"  
Take heed of the following: "Washington State - Legislative Action Alert." "Ken Jacobsen (D), Washington state Senator for the 46th Legislative District (Seattle), introduced a bill that would require Washington's Department of Fish and Wildlife to actively participate in a component of the Wildlands Project, affectionately known as the "Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative (Y2Y)", bill SB 5318."  
We're taking swallowing up a huge portion of the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana in the guise of ecology. (There's never a God factor entered into the equation of ecology? Why??!! Maybe it's because, if they scare the crap out of us, we'll submit.) The outstanding point being: We're being pushed and shoved and led by the nose again.  
First pushed onto Indian Reservations, now our states' lands will possibly be monopolized and we will have NO SPEAKING parts if "they" succeed in making these Northwest states a vast ecological park, stomping on our inalienable rights all the way and forever after. There "is an excellent object lesson regarding how these ultra-radical groups work together." Take a look at the Y2Y initiative network: (http://www.ecoregions.htm.)  
If this Y2Y comes to pass, tremendous rights will be given up, such as: roads, trails, roads to public lands, recreational access, private property rights and allegedly, the Sovereignty of the Colvilles, Spokanes, Kalispells, Coeur d'Alenes and Nez Perce, et al.  
Dave Foreman, along with an international faction, including Canada (not even Americans) is all about "depopulating vast areas of the West... property rights be damned!"

The news recently reported how the Burmese Python, a very large, constrictive snake, brought into this country by snake lovers, has been escaping over the years and killing wildlife, pets and people... and is moving northward. By God, that's scary!  
There's something even scarier going on while we croon, expecting the government to give us this and give us that, again the Democrats keeping us poor, so we can better be controlled: I reiterate, it's called socialism. You will be coddled, lulled and murmured to again while your inalienable rights are squeezed and squeezed away... sheep in the belly of the python.  
There were 30 Democrats for Senate Bill 5318 (allegedly taking away our rights) and 16 Republicans and two Democrats against (wishy-washy whooses).  
Mollie M. Obrecht

## The Red Writer Wishes to Define Assimilation

AKA Monkey see, monkey do. Act like the outside world, Ah yes, now days we dress in our China shirts, drive our Japanese cars, and wear our China made Nikes, going too fast to see our own culture. We rape the lands, spoil the lakes, add laws upon laws, i.e. a permit to go to the bathroom. We make snap decisions involving large sums of money because someone sells us a big idea who has no real interest in the Rez or tribal sovereignty. We attend Indian gatherings and say that was a nice costume, let's go get an Indian Taco. We rely on schools and TV to teach our children, thank God for Indian studies in college. Remember, even hidden beach was some kind of cultural event.  
Now, we beg the government for money, and lobby in DC, try to support some senator by votes instead of gathering all nations together and demand not to be treated as second class citizens. Yes, our skin is still dark and we don't fit in with the dominant culture. Our small town red necks still look down their noses until 1-81-D moneys is out. Some car dealers will not sell to a Indian living on the Rez. We sign for taxes, must carry a tribal ID card so they will know we are Indian. Our small reservation is a mess full of drug culture because we are following monkey see, monkey do culture. Hey, we have the power to change all this, Get Started.

Look at all those little brown faces in your house who are counting on you to make them a better world, don't teach them how to smoke grass or pop pills, or booz. Start community functions (please) and show them how to play, stop being selfish. No more video games, limited TV. Eat dinner together with good manners, and hug them every day no matter how old they are. Think Indian, think Indian.  
With gobs of love,  
The Red Writer,  
Mel "Bugs" Toulou

## Where my heart is...our family, our tribe, and our reservation

To All Tribal Members,  
way' xast skl xalt  
Well, I am out of this election, as of the results from Thursday, May 8th. When I first decided to enter the tribal election, one of my brothers advised me that it is 'hard to win the first time you run, and to not give up trying.' Time will tell if I try to run for council again. I suppose it's natural to feel discouraged, to feel sad, and to question your self on everything that has happened. As I look back on the past few months, I know that I was on the path [council candidate] I was supposed to be on, at this time. I am not sorry for the experience.  
For all tribal members that voted for me, thank you. I sincerely appreciate your confidence, trust, and support during the election process. What you shared with me in person, over the phone, or in written correspondence, will stay with me. From this experience I know now that if I do decide to run again I will inform people in advance, and gain the feedback I need early.  
I would like to thank the tribal

members that did NOT vote for me. Why? Because I appreciate your loyalty to the candidate you chose to vote for, and that you took the time to vote. Current issues in the expansion of native language in all levels of education, timber/forestry management, and the ethical leadership of our tribal council, are still of concern with me as I contemplate my vote for the general election.  
I must thank my family for their part in my campaign, There was a lot of hard work, taking time [and money] away from your own families, your own schedules, and your own 'time after work'. Your whole hearted efforts in all that you did, always with laughter or smiles, shows the love we share, and the strength we are blessed with as a family. We did have fun during this campaign, but I feel like I let you all down most of all. You all know where my heart is, and that it is and will always be for our family, our tribe, and our reservation.  
lim lim'  
Susan Edwards-Best

## I leave with mixed emotions

To the Membership:  
As many of you have probably heard, I have resigned effective July 23. My wife and I have jointly made this decision. We felt it was time for us to move on and be closer to our families. I want to make it absolutely clear that no one forced me out or even suggested that I leave. This was totally our decision.

I leave with mixed emotions. I love it here and have loved working with and for you. You have taught me so much that I will never be able to repay you. Although an outsider, you have welcomed me with open arms and open hearts. I appreciate that very much.

Over the years when I was at the Legal Office I told many people that I had never had better clients and never a better employer. I still tell people that. And I still mean it.

There are so many of you that have touched my life in so many ways. Some big and some small but always meaningfully. I know I will not be able to see all of you before I leave. For those I don't see, Goodbye and may the Creator bless you and your family.

I do not know what the future holds for my family. But I know I face it with more confidence because of the love, knowledge and support you have given me the last twenty one years. Thank you. We are not exactly sure where we will end up or what we will be doing, but you will be with us in our hearts wherever we go and whatever we do.

I am sure that you will do well. I know you feel like you are in hard times right now, but you have such a bright future ahead of you. The Colville Tribes is blessed with wonderful, smart people who will be able to lead you to your true destiny. I have no doubt that in the future, the Colville Tribes will be not only a leader among native peoples, but among all people.

I hope to stay in touch with as many of you as I can. Again, thank you and good bye. Lem Lemt.

Steve Aycock  
Chief Judge  
P.S. The Court staff is throwing a farewell party for me on June 26, 2008 at noon at the Catholic Longhouse in Nespelem. Please stop by.

## Thank you to everyone who supported me

To Omak District and Families:  
First of all I would like to say thank you for taking the time to read my letter here. I am writing to say thank you to everyone who supported me and to let you know that I am not going to give up. I was hoping to represent our tribe but am happy that we have gone in a positive direction. I would like to say that we need to elect tribal leaders for council and not tribal politicians. I would also like to congratulate the two candidates that will be moving on for the general election and hope them the best of luck!  
Thanks again,  
Cody A. Miller

## Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are published at the discretion of the Editor, as space permits. No letter which contains defamatory or malicious statements will be published. Any letter which contains questionable material will be sent to the Office of Reservation Attorney for legal review. All letters must contain the writer's signature, address, and telephone number (if available). Letters NOT signed will not be published.  
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## Omak Elders Dinner



Joel Waters



Elizabeth Davis

The Golden Eagles of Omak, along with the Colville Tribes, hosted an Elders dinner at the longhouse at Omak on May 16th. Hundreds of native participants came from throughout the country, including the Spokane, Coeur d'Alene, Kalispel, Warm Springs, Swimmomish, Yakama, Neah Bay, Nez Perce, and Wenatchee delegations. The elders were served lunches by members of the Paschal Sherman Indian School Indian club, who also performed later in the day. Students served as many elders as possible hearty meals of salmon, turkey, ham, and roast beef, salad, fry bread, pork and beans, decadent desserts, and drinks. Many door prizes, and raffle items, were presented to the elders. Gifts were also given to the eldest man and woman, and furthest travellers to the site. An afternoon of entertainment was appreciated by all. Pictured...still waiting for her food is Elizabeth Davis of Omak, and Joe Waters of the tribe's convalescent center.

## BACK FROM IRAQ



Corporal Finley, Howard L. returned in early February, after serving a year in Iraq. He currently is stationed at Camp Lejeune in North Carolina.

All family members would like to extend a heart felt thank-you for all your prayers, thoughts, and support while he served overseas. A special thank-you to an individual from Omak who sent a care-package, and to CTEC for several care packages during his term.

A BIG thank-you to the many students from Inchelium School who were kind enough to write letters to him.  
Thanks again for everybody's support.



## IN MEMORIAM

In this section, we wish to say farewell to our beloved Colville Tribal Members and send our wishes for health, happiness and faith to their families.

We welcome memorials about your loved ones and friends who have passed away, including photographs and poems if you wish.

Please send your contributions to: Tribal Tribune Memorials, P.O. Box 150, Nespelem WA 99155.

## STONE BLESSING FOR EDDIE A. PALMANTEER, JR.

July 3, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.  
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## IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOHN "FOO" SEYMOUR

December 6, 1958 – June 17, 2007

We would like to thank everyone from the Seymour family, for helping us at our time of need for our loving son John Seymour's brothers and sisters and we would like to give special thanks to Father Bob Jones, Joe, Tootie, Pam Phillips, Tiger Phillips, Arkie A, Aron Seymour, Melvin Kheel.

All the people who got flowers, all the cooks, and everyone that worked at the grave site, and all the ones that kept us in their prayers. Thank you so much for all your help. Our prayers will be with all of you.

From Elise and Seymour family



### Goodbye, My Brother

My brother, John, was an awesome guy,  
I don't know why you had to die.  
You were so cute as a little boy,  
You smiled at us and brought us joy.

Even though we had our little fights,  
Over silly things like phone lines and wiring lights,  
I never wanted to be a pest,  
I need your skills, 'cause you're the best.

I'm glad those times, were only a few,  
It was hard for me to argue with you,  
But that's just me, as you are you,  
And in the end you always came through.

This is Inchelem where you are from,  
We all are here with Brian and Mom,  
Our hearts are broken, as you know,  
We really can't bear to let you go.

Sometimes you were so crazy and loony,  
Especially with the friends who call you "John Foo",  
I know that everyone here will agree with me,  
That the Inchelem Crew is the best there could ever be.

We wish so much that you were here,  
Or just riding around with your friend Babe;  
Its happy thoughts that will get us through,  
Like all the fun we shared with you.

And now my poem will come to an end,  
Until the day we meet again,  
I pray that you are now at peace,  
Goodbye, John, With Love from your siblings.



## THANK YOU

The Marcellay Family would like to thank all of our Dad's friends and relatives who were with our family being supportive and comforting during our time of sorrow. A special thank you to his close friends; Mary Marchand, Jody Cook, Aaron Carden, Kerry Carden, and George Marchand for their kind words, fond memories, and the stories they shared at dad's wake. A special thank you to the cooks; Vera Best, Bernadine Phillips, Theresa Best, Arkie Adolph, Cheryl Priest, and Gloria Adolph for all their hard work and delicious meals. I would like to thank the Longhouse Staff; Soni Irely and Lillian Best for helping with the arrangements, cooking, and all the cleaning after the dinner. Thank you, to all Dad's friends and relatives who telephoned, sent flowers, and sympathy cards.

We would like to give special acknowledgement to his friend who stopped by to visit Dad at home during his illness. Especially, Father Jake Morton S. J. for visiting Dad at home and in the hospital and giving dad the last sacraments and praying with dad and all his children. To the medical staff at Okanogan County Douglas Hospital in Brewster and the medical staff at Indian Health Services in Nespelem for the quality health care they provided to our dad. The Okanogan Regional Home Health & Hospice in Omak for the physical therapy they provided. Allied Medical in Omak and Knights of Catholic in Wenatchee for the services they provided.

Dad would have been 90 years old on April 18th. He lived a full life and enjoyed the company of his family and friends. It has been very hard on our family losing our father, grandfather, great grandfather, and great great grandfather. He not only was a kick ass cowboy, he was the tie that held us all together and we all loved him very much and will miss him.

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## Wenatchapam Fishery

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just on behalf of the Wenatchis, but the court said "you are too late" and the prior lawsuit was your one chance.

This gave background for the new Wenatchi litigation which started when the Colville Wenatchis began fishing at Icicle and the Yakama Nation then sued the Colville Wenatchis, naming them as defendants in the ongoing U.S. v. Oregon lawsuit, in effect, pulling the Wenatchis into the lawsuit. Colville Wenatchis defended by saying "we have a right to fish at Icicle, and this right stems from an 1894 agreement." The District Court ruled in favor of Yakama saying he did not think such a right existed. Wenatchis appealed, and the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals overturned the lower decision and sent us all back to Judge King and instructed the court to examine the 1894 agreement and see if it gave Colville Wenatchis a right to fish at Icicle, and if Yakama had also given up their right to fish there by the same agreement.

That ruling has lead the Wenatchis back to court sitting before Judge King and presenting their case for the Wenatchapam Fishery.

The legal team lead by Harry Sachse held a pre-trial meeting with Colville Wenatchi members and witnesses to discuss briefly an overview of the case. "They have to prove fishing rights, not just us," said Harry Sachse.

The court trial in Civil Case 68-513, USA versus Oregon, began with an introduction of council, Tim Weaver for the plaintiff, Yakama Nation and Harry R. Sachse, Donald Simon and David Shaw for the respondent, Colville Tribes and Wenatchi constituent tribe.

Opening statements were given and the first witness was called by Yakama. Yakama witness testimony took up the entire first day and part of the second.

"I think we're going to show that Icicle Creek was a usual and accustomed fishing place...we will prove the intermarriage, joint villages, joint use of the fishery as a usual and accustomed fishing place. Our position will be that that's an unrestricted fishery for the Kittitas. It's not a primary right of the Wenatchi to exclude us," said Tim Weaver in his opening statement. "Then we're going to talk about the 1894 agreement, of course, which is the reason - basically the reason we're really here."

Following Tim Weaver and Yakama, Harry Sachse gave his opening statement for the Wenatchi constituent of Colville.

"The primary test for this Court is to interpret the 1894 agreement, and that there is a full record of that agreement, which we both submitted to you," Harry Sachse said in his opening statement. "I think the Court could rule just as a matter of law. We don't have to get into any of these issues of the tribal status of the Wenatchi, because tribal status has been determined."

He then outlined six key issues for intended testimony, with the first item being the circumstances and meaning of the 1894 agreement and the rights of the Colville Wenatchis under that agreement.

The second issue being the historical and continuing existence of the Wenatchi tribe as a tribe and its relationship as a constituent tribe of the Colville Reservation, how the Colville tribes deal with their constituent tribes.

Third is the Icicle fishery as a fishery under the control of the Wenatchi tribe, where other people were allowed to fish with the consent of the Wenatchi tribe.

The fourth item is the continued use of the fishery by the Colvilles after the 1894 agreement until they were stopped from doing it, either by the State or by the Yakama with injunctions.

Fifth, is testimony from Colville Wenatchi members about what this fishery means to them. And, lastly, is evidence in the 1894 agreement as to how little this fishery meant to the Yakama; with subsequent evidence to that effect.

There were thirteen witnesses called to the stand for Wenatchi over the three day trial.

The first Wenatchi witness called was Richard Hart who provided expert testimony on the history and ethnology of the Wenatchi Tribe, the 1855 Treaty with the Yakama and 1894 agreement.

Mathew Dick, Jr. Chairman of the Wenatchi Advisory Board and great grandson of John Harmelt was the next witness called.

"I think just to fish in Icicle Creek is -- isn't the issue here. I think that in our traditions, there isn't a separation of our -- of our food gathering, our social life, or our spiritual life. And I believe it's true of any reservation. I don't think there's a separation there. And so this isn't just about fishing in the Icicle Creek. That's part of it, and that's what we're arguing about. But it's being able to live our way of life down in that country, to go down there and just be at Icicle," said Dick. "The beauty of that place, it's something that you can just feel

in your heart."

Nespelem District Councilman Gene Joseph was next on the stand followed by LeRoy Williams, Lucille Pakootas, Winfred Pakootas and James Ives who all gave testimony on how they identify themselves as Wenatchi and what the fishery meant to them.

Joe Peone, the Director of Colville Tribes of Fish & Wildlife Department testified about the regulations set by Colville for fishing at Icicle in 2007 and the 2008 seasons.

The third day of witness testimony began with expert witness, Lillian Ackerman, who provided testimony on the plateau tribes. The Icicle hatchery manager Allen Jensen gave a general overview of hatchery operations and testified that there were no disputes between Yakama and Colville to his knowledge last year.

Pete George, Jr., was next on the stand and made this statement to the court "I have gone down and I have gathered and I have fished and I have explored this territory and I've walked around. And I know my relatives are buried here. I know that this is a place where we have prayed, we celebrated, we fought. And it's so unique in this country that there's a place where I call home that I am a stranger in, and I'm looked upon as a stranger in this place by those people who live there. They fear that one day I may come and kick them out. But, you know, their fear is unfounded. I am not interested in trying to do what happened to me and my people."

The final two witnesses were Susan Gooding who was called as an expert witness and John Sirois as a Wenatchi constituent member of Colville.

"What makes me Wenatchi is how I was raised," said John Sirois. "Most everything that I've learned about being a Skalhe, an Indian person, came through my grandmother. She told us and taught us different ways about being a Native person, about the relationship we have with our surroundings, with the animals, with things that we do...that's how I learned."

It just feels so good to know that I'm in the same place and carrying on the same traditions that my grandmother passed to me. You know you're home," he continued.

Before Judge King adjourned the proceedings on May 7, he had this to say "Well, thank you very much for your presentation. It's been very helpful. It's a very interesting case, and there will be a number of decisions that the Court will have to make, and I appreciate the efforts and the information that you've been able to give us."

I'm happy to have met everyone that's here. Although I didn't meet you personally, we spent enough time together that I'm beginning to know you," King continued.

It was agreed not to give oral closing arguments and both Yakama and Wenatchis will file simultaneous briefs (with a 35 page limit, with neither party required to use all 35 pages) by June 6 and simultaneous replies by June 20. The Court is not likely to make a decision until after the end of the 2008 fishing season.

The post trial meeting gave the attorneys and council members time to address the members of the Wenatchi constituent members and witnesses.

"Every one of you guys that was a witness could not have done a better job for yourselves and Wenatchi," said Harry Sachse. "The testimony of the tribal people told the story and was very impressive and moving. We are very pleased with the way thing went."

Colville Business Council Chairman Mike Marchand said "We have been strong for over 100 years and am thankful we had this day. I'm just very proud of everybody."

Andy Joseph, Jr., took a moment to address the group. "Remember what got us all here. We heard our testimony and it comes down to our land, our culture and spirits. And keep that in our hearts. I think that is going to show," he said.

"I'm glad for Wenatchi. My heart goes out to those that had a voice today and previous days," said Councilman Mike Finley.

The Colville Wenatchi Fishery for Spring Chinook at Icicle Creek is now open only to Colville Wenatchi fishers as of May 22.

Contact the Fish and Wildlife Department to obtain updated fishing dates, regulations and to get your tribal permit.

## BRYSON EDWARD MARCHAND

### MEMORIAL

GIVEAWAY  
&  
DINNER

All of Bryson's family and  
Friends are welcome to attend

**WHERE: OMAK LONG HOUSE**

**DATE: JUNE 21, 2008**

**TIME: 11:00 am**



"I've failed over and over again  
in my life...  
And that is why I succeed"



Name:	Mike Marchand, Omak District		
Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
04/01/08	Olympia, WA	Meet with Governor Gregoire	\$ 495.62
04/04/08	Chelan, WA	Bee Bee Springs Group Meeting	\$ 82.26
04/06/08	Portland, OR	BPA/BIOP meeting with ATNI Staff	\$ 872.79
04/10/08	Worley, ID	ATNI Executive Board Meeting	\$ 327.80
4/14/2008	Lummi, WA	BIA Roads Policy Meeting	\$ 616.90
4/17/2008	Walla Walla, WA	Meet with Colonel Hoffman, COE	\$ 357.72
4/21/2008	Albuquerque, NM	CERT and ITMA Meetings	\$ 1,607.97
04/27/08	Seattle, WA	Honoring Governor Gregoire	\$ 541.89
04/29/08	Grand Mound, WA	Tribal Leaders, BPA/MOA Meetings	\$ 528.95
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 5,431.90</b>

Douglas J. Seymour Incheilium District Council April Report			
No Travel for April			

Jeanne A. Jerred Keller Council District April Report			
4/14/2008	Republic, Wa	Intergovernmental Planning Meeting	\$74.60
4/19/2008	San Diego, Ca	NIGA	\$2,347.00
<b>Total for April</b>			<b>\$2,421.60</b>

Name:	Brian Nissen, Nespelem District		
Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
04/29/08	Dallasport, WA	Columbia Basin Agreement	\$ 127.17
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 127.17</b>

Cherie Moomaw Omak District Council			
4/21/2008	San Diego, Ca.	NIGC Consultation	\$396.46
4/22/2008	Portland, Or	BPA Funding Review	\$324.86
<b>TOTAL FOR APRIL</b>			<b>\$721.32</b>

Name:	Ted Bessette, Omak District Council		
Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
04/01/08	Tulalip, WA	PNW TERO Region	\$ 888.31
04/07/08	Worley, ID	2nd Annual Veterans Symposium	\$ 452.39
04/14/08	Portland, OR	Trading at the River Conference	\$ 1,275.29
04/22/08	Keremeus, BC	Enloe Dam Issues	\$ 89.84
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 2,505.83</b>

Karen Condon Omak Council District April Report			
4/2/2008	Bellingham, Wa	Meeting with NWIC President	\$795.07
4/9/2008	Spokane, Wa	MAC Meeting	\$118.18
4/11/2008	Seattle, Wa	Tribal Leader's Summit	\$526.89
4/14/2008	Albuquerque, NM	477 Workshop	\$1,557.83
4/18/2008	Suquamish, Wa	TLC Meeting	\$455.79
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$3,453.76</b>

John F. Stensgar Keller Council District			
4/11/2008	Airway Hgts, Wa	MOU w/Airway, Hgts, Wa.	\$141.86
4/14/2008	Republic, Wa.	Ferry County Commissioners	\$74.60
<b>TOTAL FOR APRIL</b>			<b>\$216.46</b>

Virgil Seymour Incheilium District Council April Report			
4/11/2008	Spokane, Wa	Mou w/Airway Heights Correction Fac	\$144.77
4/14/2008	Republic, Wa	Intergovernmental Planning Meeting	\$63.44
4/20/2008	Seattle, Wa	Meeting w/State (Teck Cominco)	\$896.87
4/23/2008	Spokane, Wa	Teck Cominco Strategy Meeting	\$175.73
4/8/2008		Travel Reimbursement for Feb 2008	(\$211.40)
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$1,069.41</b>

Name:	Mike Finley, Incheilium District		
Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
04/22/08	Albuquerque, NM	ITMA on Trust Funds	\$ 1,377.86
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 1,377.86</b>

Name:	Susie Mason, Incheilium District		
Date	Location	Purpose	Total Cost
04/07/08	Worley, ID	2nd Annual Veterans Symposium	\$ 394.19
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 394.19</b>

Gene Joseph Nespelem Council District			
4/21/2008	Spokane, Wa	May 6th testimony-Icicle Fishery	\$134.51
4/22/2008	Portland, Or.	BPA-181-D annual pymnt calculation	\$634.98
4/23/2008		Reimbursement from cancellation of 04/22/2008 trip.	(\$634.98)
<b>TOTAL FOR APRIL</b>			<b>\$134.51</b>

Wilfred 'Deb' Louie Nespelem District Council April Report			
4/3/2008	Chelan, Wa	Meeting with Sen. Linda Evans Parlette	\$222.89
4/7/2008	Worley, ID	Veteran's Symposium	\$520.38
4/16/2008	Walla Walla, Wa	Meeting with Lt. Col. Anthony J. Hofman	\$473.55
4/29/2008		ATNI Registration	\$150.00
4/30/2008		NCAI Registration	\$325.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$1,691.82</b>

ANDREW C. JOSEPH, JR NESPELEM DISTRICT COUNCIL			
4/9/2008	Shelton, Wa.	Indian Policy Advisory Committee Mtg	\$481.40
4/11/2008	Seattle, Wa.	UW Tribal Leader Summit	\$485.85
4/28/2008	Las Vegas, Nv	Tribal Self-Governance/HIS Mtg.	\$722.24
4/16/2008		Reimbursements from March travel	(\$3,328.49)
<b>TOTAL FOR APRIL</b>			<b>\$1,689.49</b>

## COLVILLE TRIBAL COURT

# Tribal Court Convictions

Resolution #2000-740 requires the Court to list all convictions in the Tribal Court. Here is the first edition of what will be a monthly report. This report has the case file number, name (with date of birth because of the number of people with similar names), the charges, a finding (guilty – by plea or trial, dismissed, not guilty – by trial, or other disposition), the fine amount due and the jail sentence (total days sentenced and days suspended). Each months report will be for the month prior. This first report is for the month of April, 2008.

Listed by: Case Format, Defendant Name, Charge Description, Finding Description, Fine, Jail Days, Suspended.

CR-2007-030117, Mcclung, Ronald Thomas 06/03/1954, Driving Without A Valid Driver's License, Guilty, 290, 360, 350. CR-2007-030027, Mawdsley, Chelcia T 07/10/1988, Malicious Mischief, Dismissal without Prejudice, 0. CR-2004-027002, Atlin, Robin Ilene 03/06/1984, Attempt, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031078, Lanni, Shyanna Kristine 08/24/1987, Reckless Driving, Continuance of Prosecution, 10. CR-2008-031084, Atkins, Jon Daniel 03/28/1964, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Continuance of Prosecution, 10. CR-2006-029131, Watt, Richard Allen 03/11/1958, Domestic Violence Battery, Dismissal with Prejudice, 0. CR-2006-029131, Watt, Richard Allen 03/11/1958, Battery, Dismissal with Prejudice, 0. CR-2007-030115, Hall, Daniel Issac 01/17/1981, Driving While Intoxicated, Guilty, 530, 180, 75. CR-2007-030115, Hall, Daniel Issac 01/17/1981, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030115, Hall, Daniel Issac 01/17/1981, Obstructing Justice, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031017, Watt, Richard Allen 03/11/1958, Battery, Guilty, 630, 360, 180. CR-2008-031017, Watt, Richard Allen 03/11/1958, Disobedience of a Lawful Court Order, Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030147, Stensgar, Kimberly Deanne 09/13/1983, Battery, Not Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030275, Marchand, Tammy Marie 12/14/1976, Driving

While License Suspended or Revoked, DISMISSED, 0. CR-2007-030042, Williams, Joanne Patricia 05/27/1988, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Guilty, 60. CR-2007-030236, Cesmaest, Charmayne Lynn 08/24/1980, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Guilty, 210, 360, 355. CR-2008-031020, Smith, Irene Louise 11/01/1964, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Guilty, 50. CR-2008-031047, Mccartney, Andrew Narcisse 12/13/1983, Battery, Guilty, 720, 360, 270. CR-2008-031047, Mccartney, Andrew Narcisse 12/13/1983, Battery, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031027, Desautel, Michael Dwayne Sr. 04/10/1969, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Dismissal with Prejudice, 0. CR-2006-029181, Lee, Louise Mary 08/20/1984, Prohibited Acts (Drug Paraphernalia), Guilty, 110, 90, 90. CR-2007-030258, Yallup, Patrick Antoine Jr. 04/04/1984, Public Nuisance, Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030259, Saulque, Vernon Mason Jr 09/03/1982, Public Nuisance, Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030277, Manuel-Snidarich, Toni Jean 01/29/1972, Domestic Violence Battery, Dismissal without Prejudice, 0. CR-2008-031042, Lowery, Forest Justin 12/10/1978, Domestic Violence Battery, Dismissal without Prejudice, 0. CR-2007-030120, Cleparty, Alberian Darwin 04/18/1975, Vehicular Assault, Guilty, 1020, 720, 630. CR-2007-030120, Cleparty, Alberian Darwin 04/18/1975, Hit and Run/Attended, Guilty, 0. CR-2007-030184, Brotherton, Levi Garrett 07/10/1986, Prohibited

Acts (Drug Paraphernalia), Guilty, 0, 360, 300. CR-2007-030184, Brotherton, Levi Garrett 07/10/1986, Prohibited Acts (Possession), Guilty, 370, 360, 300. CR-2007-030246, Coons, Grant Edmond 08/19/1959, Driving While Intoxicated, Guilty, 720, 360, 345. CR-2007-030246, Coons, Grant Edmond 08/19/1959, Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031043, Brooks, Samuel Lee Jr 03/02/1981, Theft, Guilty, 360, 180, 150. CR-2008-031076, Circle, Nicholas Jay 01/29/1986, Domestic Violence Battery, Dismissal with Prejudice, 0. CR-2008-031076, Circle, Nicholas Jay 01/29/1986, Disobedience of a Lawful Court Order, Guilty, 510, 180, 120. CR-2008-031102, Davis, James Dean 07/03/1958, Domestic Violence Abuse of a Vulnerable Adult, Guilty, 10, 180, 90. CR-2008-031051, Nugent, Wilda Marie 01/29/1957, Endangering the Welfare of A Child, DISMISSED, 0. CR-2008-031111, Pakootas, Jamie Lynn 06/19/1983, Reckless Driving, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031111, Pakootas, Jamie Lynn 06/19/1983, Driving Without A Valid Driver's License, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031000, Martin, Joshua John 08/14/1982, Hit and Run/Attended, DISMISSED, 520, 90, 80. CR-2008-031000, Martin, Joshua John 08/14/1982, Battery, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031000, Martin, Joshua John 08/14/1982, Driving Without A Valid Driver's License, Guilty, 0. CR-2008-031015, Carden, Doreen Louise 12/27/1989, Driving Without A Valid Driver's License, Guilty, 10.

## COLVILLE TRIBAL COURT ANNOUNCEMENT

On Wednesday, June 25, 2008, the Colville Tribal Court will be having open court starting at 1:00 PM for anyone that has outstanding warrants. For these individuals, please report to Court Building 1 by 12:30 PM so your file can be processed by 1:00 PM.

## Shuttle

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tribe. It is the tribe's hope that this first public transportation system will expand from the Omak-to-Coulee Dam route to include other reaches of the reservation so that transportation between the inter-communities will be possible for all."

Barbara-Covington Garry, a member of the Colville Business Council Support Staff, said the bus has been nothing shy of a godsend.

"I saw the flyer and called. I was driving the van and paying 40 dollars every other day to get here and I only live 15 miles from here. I couldn't continue to work if I had to continue paying that much."

The shuttle runs twice per day, departing from Omak at 6:30 a.m. at the Eastside Community Center. From there it stops at the Nespelem Gas Station at 7:10 a.m. to the Colville Agency (Northside of the Trading Post) at 7:15 a.m. on to Coulee Dam Casino at 7:40 a.m. And at 7:55 a.m., the shuttle departs from the Trading Post en route back to Omak. The later shuttle runs the same route starting in Omak at 2:30 p.m.

Covington-Garry said getting the bus to pick her up each morning has been a great alternative to driving for her and other daily passengers and that the process is simple upon dialing the toll-free number.

"The bus followed me home one night. They have to make sure it fits the bus's regulations for picking me up," she said. "The program called me and said it was fine and they would pick me up in the morning and that was it."

"It's the best thing that ever happened to us," Covington-Garry added.

She said that aside from getting people from Omak to work in the morning, the shuttle serves great for those who need to get to doctors appointments and cannot drive.

"There's one guy that takes care of a cancer patient who catches a ride to go take care of him all day," Covington-Garry said. "We've got the older people that ride it to come over to keep their appointments from Omak to Indian Health Services."

"You get different groups every day," she continued. "Someday it's full and someday there are only two or three passengers. Tribal people pay 60 dollars per pay period to ride the van."

One thing Covington-Garry doesn't worry about is the van overloading with passengers. She said through talks with the bus driver that they could look into getting a bigger bus or add another time slot between the two set times.

"One night we had so many people we had two people riding on the steps of the bus," she said.

"That's why she started talking to her superior because it could be a liability."

For those that worry about the hygiene of the bus, Covington-Garry was quick to point out how comfortable it is.

"It has a Colville Tribal license plate and it's so nice, airy and in good condition," she said.

Shuttle rides offered Monday through Friday at no cost. Riders must be picked up at pre-arranged stops on Highway 155 between Omak and Nespelem. Riders must call 1-(800) 635-4391 before 5 p.m. the day before the ride is needed to arrange for pick-ups along Highway 155. Riders must be at the pre-approved location that allows the bus to pull completely off Highway 155 safely and does not require the bus to back-up to return to the highway. The bus will not go up driveways or side roads. The bus will not stop for persons walking along the side of the road where there is not a safe place to pull off.



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### LEGAL NOTICES

In the Children's Court of the Colville Confederated Tribes  
**NOTICE AND SUMMONS**  
No. CV-CU-2006-26088  
In re the Welfare of Donovan Nysti Veronica & Donald Woodward, Petitioners, v. Carol & Darnell Sam, Rita Woods and Mark Nysti, Respondents.  
To: Rita Woods and Mark Nysti  
A lawsuit has been filed against you in the Colville Tribal Children's Court by the Petitioners named above. Petitioners' claim is stated in the written Petition, a

copy of which may be obtained from the Colville Tribal Court Clerk (1-800-440-1457). The Petitioners are requesting that the Court grant them custody of Donovan Nysti.

In order to defend against this lawsuit, you must answer the Petition by stating your defense in writing, filing it with the Court and serving a copy on the Petitioners within twenty (20) days after the day you were served this Notice, exclusive of the day you were served. If service is made on you outside the Reservation, you shall have thirty (30) days in which to appear and answer the petition. If you fail to answer timely, a default judgment may be entered against you. A default judgment is a judgment entered against a respondent who has failed to plead or otherwise defend against a claim and such a judgment may grant petitioners' claim in its entirety.

If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written answer, if any, may be served on time.

This Notice and Summons is issued pursuant to sections 1-1-432, 2-2-70 and 2-2-71 of the Colville Tribal Law and Order Code.

Furthermore, you are hereby given notice that a Show Cause/Custody Hearing pursuant to the Colville Tribal Code will be held at the Colville Tribal Courthouse, Agency Campus, Nespalem, WA on the 8th day of July, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the hearing will be to determine whether temporary custody of the above-named minor should be awarded to the Petitioners pending the Custody Trial.

You are hereby summoned to appear at this hearing. Failure to appear may result in an Order of Default against you.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2008.  
Veronica & Donald Woodward, Petitioners  
TT: 6/21/2008 (2 of 2)

Susan M. Derrickson-Thompson

Plaintiff

vs.

Jose Trevino

Defendant

case no. CV-OC-2005-25410

Lis Penders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an action has been commenced in the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Reservation; the plaintiff above-named against the above-named defendant; that the object of this action is to establish and quiet plaintiff's title in and to the lands and premises hereinafter describes against the claim of the defendants and to bar the defendant

from having or asserting any right, title, estate, lien, or interest to said lands and premises to fee simple title thereto; and that actions affects title to the following real estate within the boundaries of the Colville Indian Reservation: 603(4) Gold Lake Road and five acres more or less appurtenant thereto.

IN ORDER TO DEFEND against this lawsuit, you may answer the petition by stating your defense in writing in writing, and filing with the court and serving a copy of it on the Petitioner herein within 20 days after the publication date of said notice.

If you fail to do this a DEFAULT may be entered against you. A default is one where the is entitled to what he/she is asking for in the petition because you have not answered the Petition in writing.

If you wish to seek the advise of an attorney in this matter you should do so promptly so that your written answer if any may be served on time.

This notice (Summons), is issued in pursuant to section 2-270 of the Colville Tribal Law and Order Code.

DATED this 29th day of April, 2008.

Susan M. Derrickson

P.O. Box 243

Nespelem, Washington 99155

### VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE

Were you, or someone you know a student at St. Mary's Mission, located near Omak, WA during the period of 1966 to 1973 and also a victim of sexual abuse at that school? If so, you may retain certain rights for damages as a victim of childhood sexual abuse at St. Mary's Mission.

For a confidential interview and evaluation of your claim, please call Tamaki Law Offices at: (509) 248-8338 or (Toll free at 1-800-801-9564) for an appointment.

Important: If you were a victim of sex abuse at St. Mary's Mission, you must act immediately to preserve your rights to file your claim for damages.

**TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINE**  
**Tuesday, June 17th**

**CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE COLVILLE RESERVATION**  
In the Custody of: William Russell Carden and Beverlee Jay Abrahamson

Beverly Abrahamson and Allen Abrahamson } Case Number: CV-CU-2007-27062

Vs. } **NOTICE/SUMMONS (Civil)**

Harriet L. Abrahamson, Matthew R. Carden R., and Unkramen Father, } Respondents

**TO THE RESPONDENTS:**

A lawsuit has been filed against you in the above-entitled court by the Petitioner(s) indicated above. Petitioner's claim is stated in the written Petition, a copy of which is attached.

In order to defend against this lawsuit, you must answer the Petition by stating your defense in writing, and filing it with the court and serving a copy of it on the Petitioner herein within 20 days after the day you were served this Notice, exclusive of the day you were served. If you were served off the Reservation, you have 30 days, not 20 days, to respond. If you fail to do this a DEFAULT JUDGMENT may be entered against you. A default judgment is one where the Petitioner is entitled to what he or she is asking for in the Petition because you have not answered the Petition in writing.

If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written answer, if any may be served on time.

This notice (Summons), is issued pursuant to Section 2-2-71 or 1-1-43 of the Tribal Law and Order Code.

Dated this 31st day of March 2008.

Petitioner's Name: Beverly Abrahamson & Allen Abrahamson  
Address: Box 534 Box 522  
Nespelem WA 99155 Omak WA 98841

Original Response to Colville Tribal Court, P.O. Box 150, Nespelem WA 99155  
SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON: (XX) Petitioner Or ( ) Petitioner's Attorney at the address

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POST OFFICE BOX 150  
NESPELEM WA 99155  
(509) 634-2300

### CenturyTel offers telephone assistance to individuals living on Tribal Lands

Consumers living on a federally-recognized tribal land may qualify for assistance programs that discount initial telephone installation and basic monthly residential service. CenturyTel is spreading the word about the programs so tribal residents who participate in federal or state assistance programs may apply for the phone discounts.

The assistance programs, known as Link-Up and Enhanced Tribal Lifeline, are available to qualifying tribal residents and vary from state to state, depending on whether the state has its own Lifeline program. Link-Up support for tribal lands provides a discount on the initial installation of a traditional, wireline telephone for a primary residence. The Enhanced Tribal Lifeline Assistance program enables participants to receive basic monthly telephone service, depending on current rates, at their primary residence for as little as one dollar a month.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline discounts of up to \$35 per month on basic monthly telephone service and up to \$70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the following programs: Medicaid, food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Head Start, Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF), Tribal National School Lunch Program, and Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, or have a household annual gross income at or below 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

Individuals living in a CenturyTel service area should call 800-201-4099 and ask for Tribal Lifeline or visit [www.centurytel.com/lifeline](http://www.centurytel.com/lifeline) to inquire about eligibility. Residents living outside of the CenturyTel service area should contact their local phone company for more information.

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## Breast Cancer Awareness

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that breast cancer can be prevented," said Reyes. "If it's diagnosed early it is not deadly. I want to raise money in the area for breast cancer and all cancer survivors. Not a terminal disease."

Reyes knows first-hand the damage breast cancer can cause from both treating victims and surviving the cancer herself.

"It was very scary, I was in the medical field and I looked at it from the other side: taking care of patients with breast cancer," Reyes said. "When I was diagnosed myself, it was a flipside to it."

"The diagnosis took a while, it was first noticed that February and took till the end of April to treat," she continued. "I had surgery a whole mastectomy on the left side. Toward the end of the month I healed from the surgery itself."

"I went through four bouts with chemotherapy and lost my hair," Reyes laughed.

While Reyes could laugh about losing her hair, it was no laughing matter when her breast cancer was discovered.

"I had a 13 year old daughter and I was married," she said. "To tell her and my family; it scared them. It came out of nowhere. I had relatives that weren't that close that had gotten it but no one else. At the time I was only 35 years old."

"I have seven sisters and the statistics are one in seven will get the cancer," Reyes continued. "I have numerous nieces and daughters that I'm concerned that they'll get breast cancer."

Reyes said her main concern was fighting the cancer to see her daughter graduate from high school and college.

She's also using her experience to try and help other's suffering from it.

"I know that we've been working on different programs to get all women mammograms," Reyes said. "Last year one of our nurses collaborated with Washington Cervical Health Program to service patients that were in need. It helped save contract help dollars by covering tribal members too."

"And we used to offer the mammogram van sponsored by Washington Breast and Cervical Health Program. This year we're going to initiate it," she continued. "If it goes well and people show up, than we can get it so it can be offered more frequently throughout the year."

Reyes said that most of the time women come in for any type of appointment, IHS will check their record to see if they're following up on their women's health needs so it's not too late to do anything about it.

"It can be detected if people are educated on what to look for and how to do mammograms every year for not only breast cancer but any cancer," she said.

If you're interested in helping raise breast cancer awareness, Reyes said that different areas of the nation participate in different activities to raise money for research, education and other different programs throughout the United States.

"This year we didn't get the turnout we'd hoped for," she said. "We're hoping to raise more awareness next year and start early."

More information for the Susan G. Komen foundation - Inland Northwest Chapter can be found online at <http://www.komenspokane.org>.



**4th of July Celebration**  
**~POWWOW~**  
**July 11th - 13th, 2008**

July 10<sup>th</sup>, Thurs: 7:00 p.m. Warm-up & Family Specials Night

**Grand Entry Times**

July 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday: 7:00 p.m.

July 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

July 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: 1:00 p.m.

**Contest Categories**

Adult Men: Golden Age, Traditional, Grass & Fancy

Adult Women: Golden Age, Traditional, Jingle & Fancy

Teen & Jr. Boys: Traditional, Grass & Fancy

Teen & Jr. Girls: Traditional, Jingle & Fancy

Tiny Tots will be paid

MC: Sonny Quinto

Arena Director: Grant Timentwa

Specials: TBA, Veterans' Honor Dance, Saturday at 9:00 p.m.

**Contact Information**

[www.colvilletribes.com](http://www.colvilletribes.com)

Powwow Hotline: (509) 634-2000

Please leave a message for your call to be returned!

### Celebration Schedule of Events

July 4<sup>th</sup>: 12:00 p.m. Dinner

July 5<sup>th</sup>: 12:00 p.m. Traditional Horse Parade, Memorials, Family Specials

July 6<sup>th</sup>: 12:00 p.m. Family Fun Day

July 7<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 p.m. Bingo

July 8<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 p.m. Bingo

July 9<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 p.m. Bingo

July 10<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 p.m. Warm-up Night

July 11<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 p.m. Powwow, point system begins

July 12<sup>th</sup>: 1pm & 7pm Powwow, dance

registration closes at 2pm

July 13<sup>th</sup>: 1:00 p.m. Powwow

Camping available; alcohol, drugs, weapons, fireworks prohibited.

Celebration committee is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged property; short-funded travelers, divorces or break-ups. Event schedule is subject to change.

**Have a happy and safe 4th of July!**

