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## Rosenbaum hired as managing editor

By Tribune staff

**NESPELEM** — Cary Rosenbaum has been hired as the new Media Services Manager for the Colville Confederated Tribes.

With that, Rosenbaum, 28, assumes duties as managing editor of the Tribes' monthly publication, The Tribal Tribune.

He joins the media services department after spending the last three months writing for The Coeur d'Alene Press, a 20,000 circulation daily newspaper owned by The Hagadone Corporation.

Rosenbaum's journalism experience also includes working for The Centralia Chronicle and The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle.

The 2008 journalism graduate of Eastern Washington University won two awards from the Society of Professional Journalists in 2013 for business reporting and news photography while working for The Chronicle of Omak.

He also served as a panelist on "Covering news in Indian Country" during the Society of Professional Journalist's Region X Conference in April at Gonzaga University.

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CARY ROSENBAUM/Tribune

Stevey Seymour, right, poses with her mother Shelly Boyd outside Council Chambers on Aug. 21.

## Sooner than Later

Seymour reflects on life as the youngest-ever business councilwoman

By Cary Rosenbaum  
Managing editor

**S**tevey Seymour imagined joining the Colville Business Council differently: The Inchelium woman would be older, her four children would have grown up — she would be ready to run for office.

But, on a whim, that vision became reality sooner than later, as the then-28-year-old would soon find out after she was elected in late June, becoming the youngest business councilwoman of all-time.

"I feel the creator puts us on the path we're supposed to go on," Seymour, now 29, said. "At the time, I asked myself, 'What are my passions? Why not run? Why not make a difference?'"

"I didn't expect to get in."

As a former Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) social worker, the motivation to make a difference was clear, she said.

"It always broke my heart to see people waiting, needing things they couldn't get," Seymour said. "It made me want to help on a larger scale."



CARY ROSENBAUM/Tribune

Seymour poses with Nselxcin language teacher Sarah 'Sam-tee-tshah' Peterson, who presented in front of the Culture Committee.

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## Court houses argument over \$193 million

**NESPELEM (ORA)** — The Colville Tribal Court held a preliminary hearing in the case of Swan v. Sirois, et al.

The Plaintiffs in the case are a small number of individual members of the Colville Tribe who are suing the Colville Tribe in Colville Tribal Court to have the Colville Tribal Court overturn resolutions of the Colville Business Council regarding expenditure of the \$193 Million dollars the Colville Tribe received in settlement from the federal government for mismanagement of the Tribe's trust assets.

The Colville Business Council has previously dispersed half of the settlement (\$96.5 million dollars) to the membership, and each tribal member has received approximately \$10,000.00. The Plaintiffs in the case seek to have the remaining money also dispersed to the tribal membership.

The Colville Business Council has adopted by resolution a plan to spend the remaining money for the benefit of both current and future members of the Tribe by funding language programs, community development programs, forest restoration, health and wellness programs, land purchases, and long term development and investment.

Attorneys for the Tribe argued that the Court lacks jurisdiction to hear this matter, and requested that the Court dismiss the case. A ruling on the Tribe's motion to dismiss is expected in the near future.

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JOAQUIN BUSTAMANTE/Courtesy

Suicide racers compete for title. See story on P15.

## Salmon stolen from fish hatchery

By Justus Caudell  
Tribal Tribune

**BRIDGEPORT** — While the Chief Joseph Dam and rocks will remain open for fishing, the reservation's North Shore Access Road will now be closed to both day and night use. This is a security step the Colville Tribal Fish and Wildlife Department (CTFW) has been forced

to take due to recent break-ins at the Chief Joe Hatchery (CJH), said Randy Friedlander, CTFW Interim Director.

In the early morning hours of Aug. 19, poachers broke for the first time into CJH and stole 42 wild summer Chinook. Excited to do the first spawning ever at the new facility that day, employees

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## Windstorm damages tribal building

By Justus Caudell  
Staff journalist

**COULEE DAM** — A severe windstorm on Sunday, Aug. 25, ripped from the front of the Coulee Dam Casino the roofing, folding heavy tin up over the fluorescent neon sign on the top of the building.

"It's just incredible," Casino General Manager Randy Williams said that morning. "The power. Look at it."

Across town, trees were down, branches littered the streets and roof wads stuck out from yards and lay across driveways.

The National Weather Service's Remote Automated Weathering System (RAWS) atop Grand Coulee Dam recorded speeds of 52 mph. The RAWS at Spring Canyon reported speeds of 65 mph.

Though the casino itself received very little damage to its interior,



JUSTUS CAUDELL/Tribune

The Coulee Dam Casino and CTFC headquarters where the window folded the metal roof up over the casino's sign.

Colville Tribal Federal Corporation (CTFC) offices, located on the second floor of the Casino, received water damage when rain poured in after the roof tore away.

Joe Pakootas, Chief Executive Officer of CTFC, said his office received water damage along with several others, noting much of the insulation on the south

and western sides of the building was ruined along with were ceiling tiles, which crumbled and fell to the floor.

He anticipated CTFC employees being out for three to four days.

Many documents were also damaged, and damage to electronics is likely though mostly undetermined at this point, he said.



## From the desk of Chairman Michael O. Finley:

“The Colville Business Council will hold the General Membership meeting on Oct. 12 at Keller Community Center. The agenda is forthcoming.”

### Finley to run for NCAI First Vice-President



Colville Business Council Chairman Michael O. Finley has entered candidacy for the National Conference of American Indian's First

incumbent who had served on the NCAI Board of Directors for more than ten years.

“I take this opportunity with great humility and honor,” said Finley. “I think my changes are greater today and I have gone to great lengths to better understand the national issues and tribal leaders to not only strengthen my candidacy, but to hopefully be a more effective leader if elected.”

In Special Session Thursday, Aug. 15, on recommendation of Management & Budget Committee and Tribal Government Committee, the CBC voted to publicly give approval and support for Finley's candidacy.

NCAI was formed in 1944 in response to termination and assimilation policies of the US government and continues today in similar function, protecting inherent and legal rights of tribes across the country.

Visit Finley's campaign page at [Facebook.com/Vote4Michael](https://www.facebook.com/Vote4Michael).

Vice-President position, an election that will be held at the NCAI 70th Annual Convention in October.

In an email to The Tribal Tribune, Finley stated, “This creates a wonderful opportunity to represent the Colville Tribes on a national level. It also creates a better opportunity to bring forward issues related not just to the Colville Tribes, but for the entire Indian Country.”

In 2011, Finley ran for the same position, losing 51% to 49%, a margin of about four tribal votes, to an



Courtesy photo

Councilmember Jack Ferguson and chairman Michael Finley look on as Chief Joseph Hatchery Manager Pat Phillips explains the hatchery's computer systems and alarms to Congressman Doc Hastings on a recent tour.

*Read more about the Hasting's visit and CJH on Page 4.*

## Nicholson update

By Billy Nicholson



“The Colville Business Council to get the budget balanced and approved before the beginning of our fiscal year on October 1.”

Greetings,  
We have been working hard to create numerous opportunities for a prosperous future. We have met with CTFC about the Omak Casino and Resort progress and the Sort Yard. Our tribal administration has been working hard on our Tribal Budget to ensure we will continue to provide services to our membership.

The Omak Casino and Resort is progressing but not as quick as we hoped. At this time, CTFC is working on the permit for the property development, transferring the gaming license, water and sewer infrastructure, and road development. In addition, CTFC is working to complete financing for the Omak Casino and Resort. As I am sure you all know, the processes take time

and CTFC is working hard to get all the processes complete.

The Sort Yard is operational. Our tribal logging companies and truckers are working to move our timber to different markets available at this time including the Omak Wood Products. The Sort Yard is working to increase logging and trucking capacity and stay in compliance with federal requirements. Omak Wood Products is gearing up for an October 7 Grand Opening (fingers crossed).

Our Tribal Administration has been working with our various programs to complete the budget. We have increased our tribal revenue streams, but we also have some additional needs we will have to prioritize. Our Tribal Administration will be working with the

Colville Business Council to get the budget balanced and approved before the beginning of our fiscal year on October 1. We have over 75 departments to serve our membership.

The first day of school has passed us again. I always enjoy this time of year when kids are asking inquisitive questions about various subjects. Youth football has started as well. I look forward to a great season for all of our kids. If you have time this fall, please come watch a game. The next Nespelem District Meeting will be Thursday, September 18, at the Nespelem Longhouse from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Ricky Gabriel is responsible for the meal and the agenda. Please plan on attending.

Thanks for reading,  
Billy Nicholson

## Palmanteer report

By Lynn Palmanteer-Holder



### One of Fourteen

The Tribe's current political and committee structure--is what it is?

I was told by a very wise man, “Don't run for council, until the political structure changes, you are only one of fourteen.”

WOW!!! The lessons I've learned have been remarkable and true to these words. Nonetheless, I have no regrets and have faith every life experience has a purpose and I will humbly continue my work as a professional. I hope to inform our membership, our elders and young people of my observation. Many have contacted me, concerned that my peers intentionally disrespected my education and qualifications during the recent reorganization. My response, the current political and committee structure is what it is? (Words...I was reminded by a very intelligent and good hearted friend).

Thank you Sir, you know who you are!

For well over a half a century, the Colville Tribe has been governed by a political structure inherited and in the image of the United States government. “How is it working for us?” A small difference, the Federal Government has three branches e.g., Legislative, Judicial and Executive compared to the Tribe's e.g., Legislative and Judicial. Like many Tribes, the Legislative branch governs the absent executive branch. Sadly, this has caused many conflicts and political interference in day to day operations. The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation's Constitution is foreign, a Non-Native Political template.

I'm thankful that I was encouraged by my late father, Eddie Palmanteer Jr. to study Federal Indian Law, Tribal Policy and Self-Governance (tribalism). For the Colvilles, the current political structure does not promote stable leadership, unfortunately, every year, seven of fourteen council are up for re-election. Another concern, DISTRICTITIS--Back in the 1930's, districts were identified and grouped by large percentages of district populations representing specific Tribes/Bands. Today, populations representing the four districts are members of multiple tribes unlike the former demographics consequently, separating our reservation by districts are in question? Therefore, I have a couple Constitutional Reform questions and

thoughts:

1. What if the Colville Tribal Government added an Executive Branch and the people voted for their Executive Director to administer the government's resources? (A1: Political interference may seize from day to day operations. A2: The notion of adopting, implementing and monitoring a Long-Term Strategic Plan is more likely to progress without political interference and annual changes.)

2. How would Reservation-Wide Voting benefit and stabilize the Tribe's Legislative Leadership? (A1: It wouldn't if we continued to elect seven CBC every year? A2: If the Tribe adopted scattered and longer terms, it is highly probable the Tribe would experience stable leadership? A3: Without an Executive Branch, how would it look to elect twelve .5 FTE Legislators, and the other .5 FTE requires those CBC to be employed? (Similar to Coeur d'Alene and Kalispel Tribes part-time elected officials). This might promote more accountability to CBC roles & responsibilities, save on costs to employ 14 FTE CBC as the Chairman and Vice-Chair would be the only full time Council and elected by the people.

3. How effective might it be if the Colville Tribe elected the Colville Business Council's Chair and Vice Chair? (A1: The current political structure promotes the concept of popularity [in the here & now] and has the potential to turnover every year. A2: If the Chair and Vice-Chair are Full time and elected by the membership, and terms extended it reinforces the concept of stable leadership.)

4. How efficient is the current Committee Structure and why are there so many? (A1: The Committee Structure was designed by former CBC; formally, there were six and then eight committees, former & long-term CBC shared that some CBC felt they needed to Chair a committee reasons we now have eleven? A2: Current committees do NOT have regular representatives, furthermore, administrative staff are absent in some committees? A3: Barrier: Committees lack clear missions, goals and priorities? A4: Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs with political agendas different than administrative can cause barriers and contribute to organizational delays? A5:

Committee Chairs, Vice-Chairs working with existing committee representatives that collaborate with Administrative Staff are likely to observe more productivity and success.)

Another barrier is the current committee structure does not align with the Tribe's organizational chart. Consequently, a disruptive current is continuous to the flow from policy to practice? The above questions are only a few to consider if we are to consider advancing Constitutional Reform. CBC's legislative committee structure is responsible to develop policy, prioritize policy agendas alongside department divisions responsible to implement and evaluate such policies. As policy-makers, we have a responsibility to ask, “How will this policy strengthen Tribal Sovereignty, Self-Sufficiency and promote Self-Determining Strategies and Self-Governance? A few basic policy questions, “What is the cost? What is the funding mechanism? Who are the stakeholders? What are the long-term benefits to the Tribe or not? Who has the skills to lead such policy, administer the budget, and monitor measurable outcomes with timelines?” Constitutionally, the Tribe's unstable political structure and specifically, the annual turnover in leadership cause chaos for administration and trickles down to services and business ventures. My opinion is until CBC collectively prioritizes to change this structure, we will continue this disorganized cycle.

“Ask not what your TRIBE can do for you...Ask what YOU can do for YOUR TRIBE!”

Back in February, a wise elder stopped by my office with this revised John F. Kennedy quote. He stated, “You need to share this quote with our people.” Today, he's retired and volunteers where needed; he donates food and offers to teach anyone that wants to learn the skills of preparing and preserving traditional foods. Another Elder, I highly respect, Andy Joseph Sr., has shared more than a half a century to his people and Tribe. He has taught our language, shared his history, and traditional knowledge. Today he works to complete his VISION to create a place for future generations to visit, experience and learn culture. He has planned and uses his own resources and personal land. He recently published a book, *The Country of Sen-om-tuse: Growing up the Traditional Colville-Okanogan Way*, an act to gift his story and knowledge to our people. Other Elders that give their linguistic knowledge to our people, (Elaine Emerson, Hazel Burke and Pauline Stensgar), along with many more not able to mention should all be honored by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. These Elders are our

Tribes' PhDs, they deserve such formal recognition. Many Tribal members such as myself have been fortunate to receive formal (Western) education; that said, our education did not allow us such titles as guardians of our language, traditional knowledge and practices. They hold skills in how to prepare and preserve traditional foods. They remind us of stories and songs that describe our spiritual & familia significance to the land, territories, each other and environment. Many of these Elders grew up with nothing, learned to work hard for the survival of their families and community, valued the act of generosity and didn't expect our Tribes to take care of their basic needs. These elders may not agree with the direction our Tribes has gone, however, they come from generations of men and women who understand work ethics and sacrifice for the collective not just the individual. Their work ethics allowed them to provide for their families and contribute to their neighboring communities. They lived through racism, classism, sexism etc. and yet, many became veterans to fight next to men of all ethnic backgrounds as ‘Americans’ defending the freedoms of the United States of America and the soils of this land, ironically our aboriginal lands. These brave men and women have much to teach us! Reasons, this Elder's wise words remind us to HONOR and RESPECT the WISDOM of those that continue to sacrifice for us, I pray to our Creator that we learn from them, listen to this native twist of Kennedy's quote. I share these as examples of Elders still contributing to our people, our communities. I know there are many others of all ages across this reservation that performs these actions of SERVICE and RESPECT. My hands are raised to you all!

Culture of our Tribe and Culture of our Organization?

The culture of the Colville Tribe's Organization has been and will continue to be what it is, UNTRUSTING and UNHEALTHY as long as we participate in or ignore lateral violence. I would like to see an end to this negative energy that seems to be ignited by our own people. Lateral violence is shaming, gossiping, humiliating, damaging, belittling and sometimes violent behavior directed toward a member of the same group. My elders have reminded me, the Colville Tribe has survived cultural and economic exploitations, even termination yet, we as peoples fight each other with razor sharp tongues and now pens, touch pads, cell phones and the internet. My hope is the Colville Business Council elevates policies that clearly defines, “The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation values our people, and will NOT Tolerate acts of Violence against CHILDREN, WOMEN, ELDERS or any

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## ONE OF FOURTEEN

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HUMAN residing or working within the Colville Reservation.

CBC can use our Power to develop such a Policy and do some good...

Honestly, I'm an idealist, a true optimist; Yes, I wear rosy glasses and I believe our people can come together. I'm not just saying this to make myself sound caring, people who know me understand I live this... Our children learn from us, they are watching our actions and WE must have faith and model RESPECT & HOPE. WE must acknowledge our diversity and

RESPECT each other for these differences. WE all have a responsibility to change this unhealthy culture; I'm calling on Tribal members who are interested in being a part of this change, let's search for solutions to our problems and start by, "Asking not what your TRIBE can do for you... Ask what YOU can do for YOUR TRIBE!" CBC can begin by asking our communities input while we develop a comprehensive strategic plan; reasons, it is our Tribal culture (Collective Visioning & Planning).

**WE Must Come Together!**  
For months now, I've raised concerns regarding our many social ills, the suicide epidemic and other preventable deaths impacting our children, youth and young adults, the spreading addictions of alcohol and drug abuse, and domestic violence. We have too many youth and adults incarcerated, to many of our youth failing in school, to many of our adults' unemployed, to many of our people sick with diabetes, cancer and cardiovascular disease. We have many elders living in substandard housing, homes that need maintenance, our convalescent center that houses our

most vulnerable elders is underfunded with too many unmet needs to list, we have to many children guardians of the courts, forced to live in out of home placements, babies born addicted to drugs and court orders separating our tribal families from their children. We need more foster homes, more certified in-home health care providers, child & family mental health specialists, prevention and early intervention specialists, teachers and counselors; we need jobs the list goes on. As a result of all the above, I will continue to work with other CBC and focus on reservation-wide solutions, constitutional reform, and the development of a comprehensive strategic plan that will guide our health, education & economic policy framework that includes advocating for funding plans that focus on our values.

I have HOPE, CBC is encouraging change, progress is being made, this past year CBC held the record for holding committee meetings with limited to no cancellations, we streamed live Specials and some E&E Committees! This CBC prioritized and passed the 2012-13 Budgets on time. I don't always agree with my colleagues yet, I respect them, the current political structure is not perfect, it's bureaucratic--not tribal, thus, we have a lot of work to do! Lastly, Administration is making progress through program evaluations, management reviews and reorganization. Pray for Peace among us, for change by way of collective solutions and Pray for faith...with prayer, anything is possible!

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## SEYMOUR

from P1

Another big reason was her four children, she said, and what the reservation would be like when they grow up.

"When you have kids, your whole perspective changes," Seymour said.

Overall, it's been going well for her, she said.

"It's been really good," Seymour said. "There's a learning curb.

"Michael Finley put it best when he compared it to putting your mouth over a fire hydrant and turning that fire hydrant on.

"I came in and they brought a stack of books this high," she said, gesturing about a foot in height.

When she first began to meet her fellow 13 council members, Seymour said she didn't think her age would be a big deal.

"I didn't think anyone would notice," she said.

Seymour is part of what she called, "almost a youth movement."

"We have this generation where a lot of us went to college," she said. "We left home but also felt this strong pull to the reservation, where the heart is.

"We're coming back."

**Culture committee chair**

As the elected culture committee chair, Seymour has enjoyed her role in bringing tradition into the forefront.

While she's only been on for a month, she already feels the support from her fellow councilmembers.

"I seen something cool come out of council with values I share," Seymour said. "Everybody, even those that may not be cultural or spiritual, they still gave me the support."

Perhaps the one that most relates to home for Seymour is language – something she took an interest in five years ago when she completed a four-week intensive course in Nselxcin.

Although her native language is only one of three remaining dialects of tribes within the confederation, she also knows the importance of trying to preserve the other two: Nxmancin and Nimiipuu (Nez Perce).

Seymour knows she's working against the clock in more than one sense: She only has a two years to accomplish all she can before campaigning again, and the languages are lost more as elders pass.

"Two years isn't a lot of time," she said.

With much of her term still ahead, she hopes to help put a traditional pit house in Inchelem.

She inherits the position during a time of great loss, not only with the Administration Building, but the Nez Perce Longhouse.

"It's heartbreaking to me," she said. "I think, 'How would I feel in Inchelem if Tom Louie's longhouse burned down?'"

Seymour, a Native American art buff, lost personal items in the fire, she said.



Courtesy photo

Stevey Seymour smiles for the camera with her best friend Loriel Phillips in 2006. Phillips died in 2007.

"I had a (collectible) doll I treasured, George Flett painting, Ric Gendron art," she said. "I had my eye on the doll for two years, got it for my birthday, brought it in and almost a week later it was lost."

**Her support system**

Stevey Seymour has two dads, and they both happen to have experience serving on the Colville Business Council: Virgil Seymour and her stepfather Jim Boyd.

Boyd currently serves alongside her on the business council.

"He's my dad as much as my dad is in ways," she said. "If I have a problem, they're the first ones I call."

But when it came to the strength she found to run for leadership, Seymour went to her mother, Shelly Boyd, for help.

"I owe a lot to the women in my life who taught me to be independent," she said.

"I am so proud of her," Boyd said. "Her great-great grandmother, Helen Toulou, was a councilwoman.

"Stevey's smart; she's an amazing young person who believes in our people, our culture and taking care of one another."

With what she's had to endure, a strong support system is what was needed.

She bounced around high schools from Inchelem to

Chemawa Indian School in Salem, Ore., and finally to Medicine Wheel Academy in Spokane.

The loss of her best friend Loriel 'Big L' Phillips in 2007 was devastating and life changing, she said.

"It definitely (changed my life)," she said. "If I wasn't pregnant when she passed away, I would be on a different path, for sure."

She would have a baby girl and name her Loriel, 'Little L,' in honor of her friend.

The tragic event led her to Sneeqquam, which she defined as jump dances or winter dances — an event Tom Louie would hold on occasion. She said she was introduced to it by her mother Shelly as well as Pat and Barry Moses.

"You get in and pray for your road," she said. "At the time after Loriel passed away, I needed a lot of people around me.

"That saved me," she added. "I started to know what I was wanting in life."

She credited her friend Bobbi Mollenberg, another best friend of Loriel's, as her rock during the time.

Sitting behind her desk, sometimes Stevey Seymour still wonders.

"I look at, 'How did I get to this place?'" she said. "Growing up everyone makes bad choices. The key is to learn from them or others' mistakes."

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# 'Wild Release!'

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Doc Hastings, Washington State's 7th District Representative and head of the Congressional Committee on Natural Resources, visited the Chief Joseph Hatchery (CJH) with Colville Tribal Fish and Wildlife (CTFW) administration, members from the Colville Business Council (CBC) and Hatchery Staff on Aug. 12. "This is a project we've been working on for several years," introduced CBC Chairman Michael O. Finley to Hastings, "It says a lot of who we are and where we want to go."

As the group toured the facility, learning about the state of the art equipment, the incubators, the computer systems, alarms, rearing ponds, and more, other members of the hatchery staff and the CTFW Selective Harvest Program processed fish coming up the short ladder leading to the hatchery.

From the small observation deck above the hatchery, CJH manager Pat Phillips pointed at the workers.

This is the function of Selective Harvest, which is an integral role in the overall CJH plan, Phillips explained, removing hatchery salmon from the water to decrease the number of hatchery fish at the breeding grounds.

The fish that are removed are distributed to the Colville membership. A small number of native salmon are also selected to be kept as broodstock for the hatchery.

By using native salmon in the hatchery, CJH augments the genetic strength of the salmon, ensuring a higher survival rate, explained Phillips.

The vast majority of native salmon are returned to the river to continue their migration.

For Phillips, the process creates integrated and segregated breeding programs that complement each other.

"This is something we want to do," added Finley. "The natural fish are especially tied to the ancestors as they have been for years."

"We have been reinvigorating our old ways of fish," continued Finley, "With the dams, we had to adapt to three-way snagging hooks and we held onto the fact salmon are good. Now we have started to bring back old ways we almost lost, especially scaffolds."

"This will be something to see," said Hastings as CBC Councilmember Ricky Gabriel explained the lost art of building scaffolds.

When CJH is fully functioning, there will be twelve scaffolds along the shore near the hatchery's ladder. Though there are issues concerning the construction, the scaffolds development is moving forward.

On the Okanogan River the same week, one half-mile down river from the Malott Bridge, the Selective Harvest Program re-constructed their weir to augment program efforts.

The weir is on its second year of a pilot program. From last year, their first year on the river, the program realized 17 changes for their new design that will better help capture hatchery salmon, count fish headed to breeding grounds in the Okanogan and study salmon behavior.

The weir, which is a traditional structure, was once used on the river so effectively, said CTFW scientist Keith Wolf, "whole runs could have been wiped out."

The modern structure looks similar to the traditional. Rather than wood, it is built of two inch PVC placed together in a tight fence across the river, black pipes angle out of the water at an acute angle.

An opening is provided on the west side for boats to pass.

On the east side for about thirty feet, pipes are placed three inches apart, allowing passage of small fish but preventing passage of Chinook. A fish trap sets in a deep pool, roughly one third the way across the river, and the fence angles into the trap to help force Chinook there.



MICHELLE CAMPOBASSO/CTFW  
Edward Carden loads a Chinook onto the distribution truck.



MICHELLE CAMPOBASSO/CTFW  
The weir just south of Malott Bridge during construction.

Wolf also explained cooler water will be introduced at the trap, which too will attract Chinook.

"When the thermal barrier breaks at the mouth Okanogan, thousands of fish will show up," said Wolf. The weir will give the chance for Selective Harvest to receive a complete census of the fish population, which, continued Wolf excitedly, "is huge in science."

Five cameras underwater will help in counting Chinook. One camera will look down on the weir, monitoring from above the water.

A walkway will bridge to the trap, and Wolf encourages visitors when Selective Harvest employees are present.

One takeaway from Wolf's excitement and which is repeated through CJH and Selective Harvest's other projects, is that science guides

each year's production numbers. Rewording the programs goal, Wolf explained the aim is to increase production while simultaneously increasing the number of natural salmon.

The biggest challenges the program faces are two.

On the Dream Catcher, Selective Harvest's purse seine, funding source dollars go toward the science. However, the task of the Dream Catcher is tasked to both collect data while decreasing the number of hatchery salmon and to distribute collected salmon to the Tribal membership.

The second challenge is the learning curve associated with Selective Harvest projects. This learning curve is especially apparent on the Dream Catcher where crew members work pulling in

lines, dispersing the net, setting the purse, drawing the net back in, identifying fish, and more.

On the boat, the work is very labor intensive and there is little room for error.

Being on their fifth year of operation, the boat's primary crew has become efficient with their orders and routine.

"The first two seasons," explained Mike Rayton, CTFW Fish Biologist and Dream Catcher Captain—a label Rayton laughs at, "We brought in consultants to help train us on the process and boat."

The end of the season in 2010 the crew was on their own. Each year, however, the majority of the crew rebuilds with seasonal workers who too must be trained.

This year, the crew consists of ten, including one volunteer and two Summer Youth Employees. By this time of the season, with the end of the thermal barrier that holds the Chinook and Sockeye in the Columbia at the mouth of the Okanogan, even the short experience is apparent.

The average day for the Dream Catcher crew starts by 5:30 a.m. and sometimes earlier. Generally they run four sets of the seine. In each set, the small skiff—manned by Tony Stanzak—pulls from the back of the Dream Catcher the dead end of the purse seine.

The two boats drive in separate directions. When the net is halfway in the water, the crew yells at the Rayton, who in turn takes a large loop back to come parallel with Stanzak.

The net, which is 720 feet in length, 30 feet deep, and constructed of three inch mesh on the majority and smaller mesh in what is called the moneybag, is carried behind the two parallel boats in a U for a short distance.

Eventually, Rayton signals Stanzak in the skiff and the two boats

turn toward each other, closing the U. Once they are parallel, Stanzak hands off his side of the seine to the crew who begin pulling together the bottom of the net to create a bowl shaped enclosure in which the Chinook—boiling against the edges—are trapped.

Slowly, the bowl—which is referred to as the purse—is drawn smaller until the fish are corralled into the moneybag, a manageable area for the crew to sort.

Two barges from CJH connect to the Dream Catcher, collecting a weekly quota of broodstock for CJH purposes. Any wild salmon not needed in the quota are released and hatchery salmon are collected for distribution.

Summer Youth Employee Anthony Carden made comment the job is great: "The only bad part is the mosquitoes," continued Carden.

Though the crew has not had the success they had last year, netting 3400 sockeye and roughly 600 hatchery Chinook to date, much of the low numbers can be attributed to the low number of returning salmon in this year's run. In turn, said Rayton, that number was likely impacted by a large mudslide in Lake Osoyoos four years ago.

Back at CJH, Phillips explained to Hastings and the rest of the crew how CJH is running at 60 percent capacity this year "to work out any kinks."

A recent lightning storm tested the system, which passed with flying colors reported Phillips.

"I look forward to you keeping us informed," said Hastings as he left. "I've always been a proponent of hatcheries, and I hope this works out as you've planned."

## SALMON

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instead found the blood spots, where the fish were pulled from holding pens, staining handrails and walkways when they arrived to work. Again, the following week, poachers broke in to steal more—at the time of this publication a definite count of the fish had not yet been found.

In a statement released after the first break in, Friedlander warned of treatments used on the fish for their use as broodstock; "These fish were treated with Formalin (a formaldehyde based substance) and are not fit for human consumption," wrote Friedlander. "Do not consumer or handle these fish as doing so could affect your health."

As broodstock, the fish are collected through the Hatchery's ladder or by the Colville Tribal Selective Harvest program's purse seine and weir to be used for breeding in the CJH program. The formalin is used as a disinfectant while fish are housed in the holding pens.

In calculating a monetary value, there are two standards associated with salmon. The first is a market value of the fish, which would equate around \$75,000 wrote Pat Phillips, CJH Manager, in a CTFW memorandum. A total sport value, a figure based on the cost for sports fishermen to harvest the fish, would equal over \$250,000. Both these figures discount man-hours, the cost of chemicals and hormones and other costs invested into broodstock.

While considering program goals, the monetary value of the fish does ignores the potential of the stolen

salmon.

A rough estimate suggests those fish removed from the CJH potentially would have produced nearly 60,000 offspring to have been released from the hatchery. Of those 60,000 fish, historic numbers show at least one percent is a normal return for the area. That means from the salmon stolen, 600 would have come back to the waters below the Dam to produce again.

CJH works on a temporal cycle that mirrors salmon breeding and migrating, noted Friedlander. Broodstock are collected on a daily basis based upon a week's quota. Not only do the stolen fish create a gap, the stolen fish create a gap of 600 returning salmon for a specific time.

As each female salmon provides approximately 5,000 eggs, told Phillips. Of the 600 potential fish lost when poachers removed their parent group, half would have been female. Therefore with the first poaching alone, a potential of over 1.5 million eggs were removed from future natural breeding in the river. Told Phillips, "The thermal barrier is going to break [at the mouth of the Okanogan] and soon the fish are going to be gone." When that occurs, replacement of the fish will be impossible.

As the Hatchery and CTFW report to their funding partners, Grant County PUD, Chelan County PUD, and Douglas County PUD, Phillips worried of budgetary effects the loss might create. The Hatchery will now have a 24 hour security officer, told



MICHELLE CAMPOBASSO/CTFW  
Pat Phillips helps during the first spawning at CJH the same day as the first break in.

Phillips. The new position may come at the expense of other opportunities that focus on salmon production rather than security.

Most importantly, there is the symbolic loss to the Tribes.

In a recent conversation with Congressman Doc Hastings at CJH, CBC Chair Michael O. Finley stated, "This is a project we've been working on for several years. It says a lot of who we are and where we want to go."

"The hatchery represents a huge accomplishment and celebration to the Tribes," said Phillips, who called the poaching an emotional blow. "It is too important culturally and emotionally to have anything like this jeopardize its significance."

Friedlander commented, "We were promised four hatcheries. We got three, and World War II prevented us from getting the fourth. It took us another sixty years to finally get that last hatchery. Every time they are stealing a fish, they are stealing a promise."

A \$500.00 reward is available for information leading to a conviction.

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## Models of Manners

By Shane Moses  
Staff journalist

**NESPELEM** — The Colville Tribal Foster Grandparent Program had its annual recognition dinner Aug. 2 at the Nespelem Catholic Longhouse. Certificates, blankets, awards and gifts were handed out. A dinner was served to those who came out to show their support and appreciation for the FGP Program.

Said Loretta Watt, FGP Manager. "There are so many people to thank. We want the children to know that someone cares for them."

Those in attendance were the FGP Volunteers, Tribal Councilmen Benny Marchand and Sneena Brooks of Omak District, and Tribal Councilwoman Nancy Johnson of Nespelem District, FGP Advisory board and community members.

"I am just so touched by this program because I've worked in Head Start for a number of years, and I got to see the impact having foster grandparents working with children," said Johnson. "From a cultural and traditional standpoint, that's who we are as people."

The children who are served by this program are officially assisted in matters of literacy, independent living skills, social development, culture and traditions. The actual experiences go far beyond that.

Each foster grandparent brings his or her own unique set of skills,

experiences, interests and philosophies into a personal relationship with a child.

"It is beyond words. It is just priceless for the work that you guys do," said Johnson. "My sincere thanks to all of you who are foster grandparents and work in this program to give to the children and make that difference in their lives."

Watt also wanted to recognize her Summer Youth workers, answering the phones, transferring calls, messages, copy machine, faxing and many more office skill that will benefit their careers later on in life.

Watt also wanted to recognize her Summer Youth workers, who were very much appreciated at the Colville Tribal FGP Program. Burgundy Day and Aiyana Picard worked as Summer Youth workers for the Colville Tribal FGP program and were a valuable asset to the Program. Some of the things they learned were filing, record keeping, answering the phones, transferring calls, messages, copy machine, faxing and many more office skill that will benefit their careers later on in life.

"Again I just want to thank everyone for showing up, I would like to thank Susie Zacherle for cooking all the food and her little helper, Emma (her daughter)," said Watt. "There's a lot of extra food, we need to take all this food and bring it, somewhere," said Watt, laughing.

## The Arrows Lakes Crowd

By Shane Moses  
Staff journalist

**INCHELIUM** — The Inchelium community came together for a night of Sinixt First Nation education, dinner and a movie for the Arrow Lakes meeting held July 31.

The evening began with an honor song, and after a salmon dinner, those in attendance, viewed a film called A Journey Upstream, which chronicles the displacement and reemergence of the Sinixt First Nation.

In the film, the voices of the Sinixt people and local residents of the West Kootenay and Vallican area in British Columbia come together to explain different webs and views of ancestral responsibility and personal attachment to the land.

The film was produced by Erica Kowsz, Nathan Goodale, Janet Simons, and Alissa Nauman, and highlights the complexities of legislating ethnic identity and the need for a new way forward.

Following the film, was a short presentation from Shelly Boyd of the Inchelium Language and Culture Association and LaRae Wiley from the Salish School of Spokane (SSOS).

Boyd and Wiley both took turns speaking in Salish, with one telling a little bit about the other in Salish and the other translating for the crowd.

Boyd was up first and started talking about where Wiley grew up, which was in Chewelah and that Wiley and her husband both have teaching degrees. Boyd also talked about how Salish is one of the most endangered languages in the world, according to the National Geographic Living Tongues Project.

"She first became committed to learning the language when her uncle Joe Barr passed away," said Boyd. "When she was at the funeral someone there at the funeral talked about how Joe was a great speaker of the language and then put out the challenge 'Who will speak our language for our family now?'" LaRae made her commitment that day."

Wiley's commitments did not stop there; she opened the Salish School of Spokane to teach children the language and to teach adults the language as well. Much of the curriculum they have created is on a website called, [www.interiosalish.com](http://www.interiosalish.com) where materials are available for free download.

Boyd who is from Kewa, studied in Canada at an immersion language house run by the Paul Creek Language Association. She also worked with Samtica and the Enowkin Center in Penticton, British Columbia.

Three years ago, Boyd began working with Wendy Phillips and the Inchelium Child Care to help train teachers to learn and teach the language to the young children at the childcare. A year later they formed the non-profit The Inchelium Language and Culture Association, which strives to revitalize and promote language and culture.

They have offered on-going classes in the evenings, in addition to assisting with the Salmon Ceremonies, Pow Wows and community gatherings. Their motto states, "Save the language and the language will save you."

# The new MV Sanpoil



JUSTUS CAUDELL/Tribune

The New M/V Sanpoil, onboard CCTDOT Director Jason Palmer and CBC Chairman Michael Finley take a break before inaugural voyage.

By Justus Caudell  
Staff journalist

**WILBUR** — On August 15, several hundred people, guests, locals, vacationers, elected officials, dignitaries, and elders who could remember the inaugural sailing of the previous ferry, the Martha S, attended on the Wilbur side of the route between Keller and Wilbur the Christening and Inaugural Sailing Event of the new, sleek MV Sanpoil.

"This ferry will transport not only our commerce, but our children, grandchildren and visitors to and from our beautiful valley," said Glen James to the large crowd before singing one song of faith and one song of friendship.

James, who recognized Colville Tribal Department of Transportation head Jason Palmer for inviting him to sing, noted he had not expected such a large crowd.

His point was reiterated by Councilman Ben Marchand, Jr. and Dan Edwards, who sang an honor song for the boat.

The new MV Sanpoil is 116 feet in length and carries 20 passenger vehicles.

"This new ferry vessel meets all the latest US Coast Guard requirements and is expected to provide decades of reliable service," said Mike Frucci, WSDOT acting regional administrator in a recent release. "The Sanpoil is also more fuel-efficient, carries an additional eight passenger vehicles per trip, and can handle longer trailer combinations as compared to the recently retired Martha S."

The Martha S ran for 65 years, and made roughly "one and one-half million trips" across the lake said Keith Metcalf, WSDOT Interim Chief Engineer.

On display at the event was a two foot section of Martha S' hull, rusted

away so badly holes leaked through light.

Said Metcalf at the event, "The Martha S served us well, but she served us for 65 years and she was getting a little tired. The last few years it has been apparent she needed to be replaced. Repairs became more frequent. Replacement of motors became pretty often. Some parts when they broke they were so old we had to manufacture the parts, hand make them, to make sure the boat could stay in service."

The new boat cost over \$12 million and was funded through a partnership between the Washington State Department of Transportation and the Tribes, who contributed \$2 million.

"Roads are really glorified paths," said Lynn Peterson, Secretary of Transportation, "They take us on our journey everyday. There was a lot of paths that had to cross in order

for this vessel to come together and be built."

"This is the only gateway to this part of the reservation," said Colville Business Council Chairman Michael O. Finley. "The Lake Roosevelt and the Columbia River has been a huge impediment even before the Grand Coulee Dam. It is very important to the people of Keller to be connected, especially our children."

Several speakers recognized the hard work by CCTDOT head Palmer and former Councilmember Jeannie Jarred. Jarred was selected to be the sponsor of the vessel christening, breaking the bottle of champagne against the boats hull.

After the event, regular operation began, where on the Keller side a small group of dances, a drum, a hand drum, and roughly a dozen locals waited to welcome the new ferry to the reservation.

## Three years strong

Eleven students take part in Tribal Police teen academy

By Shane Moses  
Staff journalist

**BUFFALO LAKE** — The annual Colville Tribal Teen Police Academy ran from Aug. 12 to the 16 and was held at Buffalo Lake's Reynolds Resort with 11 teens participating.

With a new group of youngsters for this year's camp, the academy provided a varying curriculum, including the basics in law enforcement, how to shoot a gun, driving ATV's, and mocking a traffic stop.

"This is our third time that we've done this and we've had a great turnout every year," said Tribal Police Chief, Cory Orr. "I'd like to thank Assistant Chief Henry Hix and Boyd Romero for coordinating this event for us this year. Without their help, we probably wouldn't have got this done, so thank all of you guys for coming out."

The week began with the students in the classroom where different police departments presented. The different departments included the investigations department, tobacco enforcement, patrol officers and the detectives office. The commander visited also.

"The group this year was a little bit different than the groups in the past. These guys have been a really quiet bunch, and we've had to almost cattle prod them to ask us questions," said Assistant Chief Hix. "But that's OK, because they were soaking up everything like a sponge."

The students also got to



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The 2013 Tribal Police's Teen Academy graduates, pictured with Assistant Chief Henry Hix and Officer Boyd Romero.

take part in DT, which is short for defensive tactics.

"They got taser instruction, fire-arm instruction. They got to drive not a full (Evoke) course, but they got to do serpentine," said Romero. "They get to drive forward and then backwards, which was pretty fun for them because it was something different, learning how to drive forward and then going the opposite way going backwards thought the course, so they thought it was pretty hilarious."

The students also got to help out with a traffic stop, but not an actual traffic stop, it was a mock traffic stop set up by the officers, to show them what it would be like.

"We had one set up where we had one of the officers play the person who got stopped, and then they [the students] came up and did the contact, and told them the reason why I stopped you, was, etc, so they had a lot of fun," said Romero. "Hopefully it was a good

experience for them."

This was Romero's first year of helping with the week long event.

"Kind of got volunteered by my boss," said Romero, as he was laughing. "But I don't mind, I like kids, so that's probably why they got me, because its me, good old Boyd, but it was fun, there not a talkative bunch, but there a good group of kids."

Towards the beginning of the BBQ, the students were asked by Assistant Chief Hix what they thought was one of the most important things they learned about being a police officer. When the time came for a response, the bunch hesitated with their answers, as they each looked around at the other waiting.

Finally the ice was broken, and a young student said that one thing she learned was going out there being safe and coming home to your family everyday

Then Police Chief Orr, said "Actually I think its fairly easy, we're going to

ask everybody, and you can't say the same thing as the other person did."

Here were some of the answers the quiet bunch gave Police Chief Orr, "One thing I learned was that guys have to get tasered, to use the taser."

"I learned that you can talk to your dogs in different languages."

"I learned to keep my finger off the trigger, until I'm ready to shoot."

"I learned the proper way to shoot a gun, like your stance."

"I learned how awkward it is to get tasered."

"I learned to keep your finger off the trigger."

"I learned don't point the gun at anything you don't intend to shoot at."

"I learned know what your backstop is."

"I learned that I'm a left-handed shooter." "It's very rewarding for us and it really is a lot of fun to be able to teach new people new stuff," said Commander Garry Zacherle, "We would like to see many of you back next year."



# Coming back from the 'real world'

I have always pondered how to define my love for home, a topic some non-Indian friends do not understand.

With all of the negative happenings on Indian reservations, it's easy to see the arguments of others.

You begin to understand why some people born and raised here up and leave and never come back.

I heard a statistic during a Culture Committee Meeting in Colville Business Council chambers on Aug. 21 that said only

around 40-45 percent of tribal members live on the reservation.

I'm not sure if that's true — as journalists

we're trained to take things with a grain of salt — but it makes you wonder.

When you're an American Indian off the reservation and you don't meet the stereotype, you're always looking for ways to explain who you are and where you come from — almost as if you have to justify yourself for being Native.

At times it can be an arduous task for a variety of reasons.

"Do you speak your Native tongue?"

"No."

"I thought Indians couldn't grow facial hair."

"Some do, I guess."

And if you're me:

"Rosenbaum ... is that an Indian name?"

I guess it doesn't carry the same weight as 'Redthunder.'

When we claim Indian amongst a non-Native group, it's almost a certainty that someone calls you 'Chief,' once they're comfortable with you. For me, a person far from a chief, this has happened at every place I've worked or made home outside of the reservation.

It always reminds me of **Adam Beach's** character in *Windtalkers*.

"How'd you know I was a chief? You must've seen me showering in my war bonnet."

We're not all fortunate in that sense. It's our detriment to not being full-blood or getting enough aboriginal DNA.

I trolled through a Wikipedia entry recently for **Notah Begay III**, a professional golfer of Navajo and Pueblo decent, and it mentioned that he is the first full-blooded Indian to golf on the PGA Tour.

I thought, "What about the half-breeds? Quarters? A person with just one non-Indian relative in their whole family tree?"

It seems there is and always will be a separation in certain eyes in that regard, perhaps rightfully so.

We should encourage more full-bloods to come together; it is special, however many there may be.

Perhaps for the naysayer it is easier to conceive an American Indian with white blood accomplishing the unheard of.

Pro Football Hall of Famer **Jim Thorpe**, the half-breed legend, was also known by some of his non-Indian peers as 'Chief.' As were many American Indian athletes back in the early days of professional sports.

It must have just seemed fun to play Cowboys and Indians with a real Indian — regardless of blood quantum.

"You're the chief."

OK, if you say so.

When interviewing **Stevy Seymour**, the youngest Colville Business Councilwoman ever, I was taken back by the way she described the way some of us younger folk relate to the reservation when we leave it for college, work or whatever reason.

"We left home but also felt this strong pull to the reservation, where the heart is," she said. "We're coming back." It instantly trumped my

way of describing it: "Oh yeah, tractor beam (woo)," a **Lloyd Christmas (Jim Carrey)** after meeting **Mary Swanson** for the first time in, "Dumb and Dumber."

Suicide racing is a dangerous game.

It's a business, too, as my younger brother **Tony Louie** would find out.

I was halfway to Omak from Cheney when I got the call on Sunday (my first day off).

"He got pulled."

End of story.

As a 22-year-old rookie rider, he courageously braved the Suicide Hill for three straight nights.

A year before, we

were riding bareback down to the river in Inchelium and I watched him explore his daredevil side.

He took some notable licks, but always got right back on the horse.

When it came time to race on the final day this year, where visibility isn't an issue, the owner of his horse elected to go with another rider.

He took it in stride.

For a first-timer, he did a heckuva job representing Inchelium.

Apparently they don't think we take horse riding seriously over there.

He took the initiative and said, "I saw others riding the hill and said, 'If they can do it, I can do it.'"

Now if we all had that mentality in life.

Come back to this reservation with good intention.

I want to set the bar as far as what this newspaper can become.

With the experience I've gained working at two daily newspapers and managing a weekly, I hope to translate the abilities learned to a produce a newspaper that you, the reader, thoroughly enjoy on a monthly basis.

A few years ago, I went to a person's house and saw a Tribal Tribune sitting unscathed next to the fireplace on a stack of other newspapers.

My goal is to make this newspaper more than just free fire starter to the Colville Tribal members we serve.

We have many challenges ahead of us as a Media Services staff, but I am confident we have the talent to set the bar on more than just a regional tribal scale, but turn heads on a national one.

To do so takes dedication from us, which we will try relentlessly to establish and prove to you.

We expect you to hold us accountable for any errors you may find or misinformation you may read; it benefits our staff and the public.

As we continue our transition to the Internet, we hope that you follow with us.

The time frame before our print edition perishes is unknown at this point, but is almost a certainty for our future.

It's as if we have been 'plagued,' similar to the feelings of being diagnosed with diabetes like **Karen Wapato**, a tribal member who will participate in an awareness swim from the San Francisco Bay to Alcatraz in October (see P8).

The message from that was to continue to do things right and to the best of your ability, and to not worry about an uncontrollable sentence.

Besides, losing the print edition isn't going to be the end of the world, but the beginning of a new one — one we should all strive to take part in.

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BEN DUPRIS/Tribune

Paddlers and volunteers help carry the Duwamish canoe named "The Raven" to shore at Point Grenville during the "Paddle to Quinault" canoe journey on Aug. 6.

## Sagebrush meets Cedar Shakes

### Fade in. Interior-dance arena surrounded by many Indians.

"We had to learn how to carve a canoe, at that point, when the journeys begin back in 1989. We didn't know how. We hadn't seen these hand dug out canoes on our waters for a hundred years, and then we begin to learn again."

I nodded respectfully, and thanked the elder for her words. I expected her to elaborate on the story but she just smiled and drifted on past our large movie camera, anchored in the center of the celebration tent. Like many traditional people, she didn't feel the need to introduce herself or over-explain.

Before I even lost sight of her, a young boy in full regalia of black and red felt and a woven headband shoved a handful of Cedar branches in my face.

"These are for the giveaway," he crackled, in that voice between boy and man. "Thanks," I said,

### On the Go

with Ben Dupris



and quickly stuffed them into the pocket of my jeans.

As an Indian directing a video project for the Quinault Nation, I was beginning to realize that many technical difficulties would arise but in a good way. I mean, I was a part of the story and blending perfectly as an extra in the movie I was creating.

I war hooped, and threw high fives to the singers. I removed my hat and prayed with the families who had something to share. I saw my grandmother in every elderly woman on the bench, whispering to themselves, gently wrapped in their pendleton blankets and fry bread. I was surrounded by uncles who teased me just like they were teasing

their own children.

It didn't matter that I was a Colville, an Entiat from Nespelem. Being from the plateau didn't seem to affect the way I was treated by the water people. Natives were Natives, and the Canoe Journey and I blended easily. "Almost like Pepsi and ice on a hot August day," I thought to myself. I needed to start filming but I was easily distracted.

Other camera crews were busy shooting uninterrupted, looking into the scene like there was a glass mirror in front of them. They weren't Indians. They were practically invisible, and they were getting a lot of material while I stood around enjoying myself.

I quickly took the lens cap off my camera, and pressed "record." I didn't care what I was shooting, I just had to start.

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## Welcome to meta-journalism

Suddenly, the authorial side of Tribal Tribune is exposed, and now we move into the reservation's form of meta-journalism. I re-read this as I write from my new office in the Colville Tribal Corrections building.

Behind those who are behind the scenes — and I was told when I started at the Tribune it is no secret to any readers perspectives were and are forever read and approved — are now here for the readership. Read this: I have been asked to write an article introducing myself to the readership and membership. Let them get to know you. This bombast is that introduction.

I am a non-tribal member. I am a writer. I grew up on the Colville Indian Reservation on the San Poil River near Bridge Creek. I was raised without a television, DVD player, or — then — a VHS player, and my brother and I read, worked with our parents and explored.

I first wrote freelance journalism in 2007 for The Great Falls Tribune. In 2012, I graduated from the California Institute of the Arts (Calarts) with a Master of Fine Arts in writing. I was honored with the Buetner Family Fellowship, an extremely exclusive fellowship that provides generous financial support to some students. I have been published in several literary journals, both fiction and creative non-fiction, for which I received in undergrad awards at that school. I have several blog entries at [www.blackclock.org/blog](http://www.blackclock.org/blog). Black Clock is an internationally distributed literary magazine with which I worked. My first national fiction publication came in the Spring 2012 edition of Washington Square Review.

And when I finished graduate school, I moved home and married **Ashley Zacherle** — who still at my prodding has yet to change her last name. This spring we had gave birth to one baby girl to total a house full of three girls, mom, big sister and

### In the Non-Diegetic

with Justus Caudell



little sister, two gelded horses, two female dogs, and me.

I am torn as I write this piece, between two thoughts. The first is I do not believe in meta-journalism out of what might be a romantic but well-told idea of the objectivity of a journalist. The second is I do know the relationship of any writer, including a journalist, to both his piece and his audience — the idea of a diegetic where the hidden narrator of all written words sits to tell a story is after all created by the writer each time he sets pen to paper or fingers to keys in my case.

While we are asked by profession to be objective, our writing, at least many of the topics, are appropriate or inappropriate based on CBC goals, which makes sense; we are a government-sponsored newspaper. I believe in many of the steps the CBC is taking for the Tribes, and in this way my job is easy; I can work with integrity and ethically while being proud of reporting on Tribal activities. At the same time, our bylines connote sometimes ambiguous floating heads, and it is important to put a backstory to the perspectives telling the stories, reporting the articles. As my editor put it to me, I understand what he intends, if he twists my arm. And to reiterate that point to myself, I will write the sentence twice — I understand what he intends, if he twists my arm.

We provide "Council Corner Briefs" so the readership knows the keystone guardians of all Tribal government, who is to whom the Tribal Tribune

provides service — the other half, the more important half, being the readership.

If this section, our writing, provides the perspective to the readership of the employees at Media Services, the program in which Tribune is housed, then this article is an introduction of my perspective while at the employed there.

An anthropologist once told me to provide complete honesty in an anthropological study would be to write the study in first person, stream-of-conscious, detailing meticulously every experience, even those seemingly not pertinent to the study. Even, she said, if a researcher goes — say to a religious ceremony — and deems nothing worthy of reporting — say if none of the subjects of the study showed — then he should report nothing was worthy of reporting and why. Included in that would be his or her emotion — in the example of being stood up. The grotesque exaggeration of this would be, of course, to achieve complete experience by readers of the anthropological study.

Though I do not believe this serves as a perfect parallel to my function at Media Services, perhaps we can provide if only slightly at the Tribune some of the experience so that you, our readership, can get to know who we are and what we do. Though I am not challenging my editor to let me write in first person — I do see the beauty of those experiential articles written in the past by **Roger Jack** and in this edition by **Ruth M. Wapato**, who both are terrific writers and storytellers — I will agree with my editor in introducing myself to the readership...if only I can bombast such as this.

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A group of Colville Confederated Tribal members from the Nez Perce-Chief Joseph band pose for a picture during their journey back to Wallowa Country in July.

# Back to Wallowa Country

## Guest Story

with Ruth M. Wapato



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Two cars arrived at our house to pick up Paul and I at 11 a.m. on July 8.

Lucy Luevano was driving one car with Grace Moore, Stan Timentwa, Chas Williams and his grandson, Quentin Williams. The driver in the other car was Crystal Miller Smith, our driver. We drove to Enterprise, Ore. through Clarkston, on the Rattlesnake Grade Highway.

At first the drive was tranquil, and I dozed off; then we approached the crossing of the Grand Ronde River, which requires many twisting curves as the road descends to the river and then climbs again to the Wallowa Plateau. The steep drop-offs were on my side of car, so I had to look away as I envisioned falling into those deep canyons.

It seemed a long time before we reached level ground. This route to Enterprise takes one past the Joseph Canyon Overlook which provides a spectacular view of the deep canyon of Joseph Creek, where the young Joseph is said to have been born in a cave near the canyon mouth.

The canyon is in northern Wallowa County, Ore. and her in southern Asotin County. We stopped at the National Park Service's Overlook for several minutes, enjoying the view and reading the interpretive panels installed there.

The Nez Perce name for Joseph Canyon is, 'An-an-a-socum,' which means, 'long rough canyon.' After the young Chief Joseph who was born in a cave in the Washington side in Asotin County. The Nez Perce used the bottom of the canyon as a route from the Wallowa country summer encampments to winter villages along the Grande Ronde and Snake Rivers.

After we checked into the Ponderosa Motel in Enterprise, we drove to the Russell Restaurant, at the head of Wallowa Lake, near Joseph, to have dinner. There, we were welcomed by Albert Andrews Redstar, Mario Redstar, Darius Redstar, Dr. Robbie Paul, Bill Timentwa and Tim Nitz of the Park Service. The restaurant was busy, so we joined them at outside tables. We received our drink orders, but by 7:30 p.m. haven't served

our food orders, and it was becoming chilly. I forgot my sweater so I was shivering. Albert said the food was greasy, but good. Finally, we found that tables were available inside, and were able to be served in more comfort. I ordered a meal very much like fish and chips; Paul ordered a hamburger. We were both given fries that were greasy and overcooked. I actually enjoyed the greasy meal. The waiter had promised us free ice cream for our long wait, but that never materialized. I kept thinking about the ice cream.

The next day was a busy day. Paul and I walked to a bakery that served many kinds of pastry. We ordered muffins and orange juice and coffee. Grace Moore joined us, while the rest of the party went to a nearby restaurant. About 9 a.m., we were on our way to the confluence of the Lostine and Wallowa Rivers. It was a very hot day and the ground was uneven for me with my arthritic problems. We had a beautiful view of a green meadow directly across from us, near the mouth of Lostine River. This favored campsite of the Wallowa band was known as 'Indian Town' by white settlers.

Near where we parked for this view was the original gravesite of old Chief Joseph, who died in 1871. In 1886, his grave was dug up by local people and his skull was removed and displayed at a dentist's office. In 1926 his remains were reburied in Joseph, Ore., at the foot of Wallowa Lake. A large, tall stone marker reads, "To The Memory of Old Chief Joseph, Died 1870." In 1992, the cemetery became a part of the National Historic Trail.

Leaving the Lostine Confluence where we went on to visit the Wallowa Band Nez Perce Interpretive Center in the town of Wallowa. Many residents of the Wallowa region know the history of their valley and the Nez Perce band which once occupied their beautiful surroundings. They understand that Chief Joseph never gave up hope of someday returning to Wallowa and the Imnaha valleys and they want to preserve that history.

People from local communities and Nez Perce from Lapwai, the Umatilla and the Colville

Reservations have come together as a group to pursue that goal.

Taz E.E. Connor of Mission, Ore. was very influential in creation of this organization. Gifts over the years have allowed to now have a 320 acre site, across the Wallowa River from downtown Wallowa, which has become the home of the Wallowa Band Homeland Project. Each July, the WBNPIC holds the Tamkaliks Celebration and Friendship Feast on these grounds.

We stopped at the arena where the pow-wow and parade takes place. Here, I was interviewed by Lucy Luevano. The scenery is spectacular views of bluffs and grassy uplands, mountains and camping and grazing areas. I felt sad that this was taken from us. My hope is that our children and grand children will know the history of the people who once lived here.

We visited the nearly-finished kitchen, where local members were at work, preparing it for the year's Tamkaliks. Next to it, a long house will be built, available for Washat services.

We stopped at the Wallowa Band Nez Perce Trail Interpretive Center, in a bank building in downtown Wallowa, where WBNPIC maintains their office and exhibits which tell the story of the Nez Perce Trail. There were many brochures for visitors to take, including the Forest Service-produced Auto Tour booklets, which lead tourists who wish to follow the Nez Perce National Historic Trail over the route of the events of the summer of 1877.

A Nez Perce Homeland pamphlet is also available, describing the WBNPIC programs to name a few. A large display shows the "Leaders of the Flight of 1877", including Chiefs Toohoolhoolzote, Joseph, Hahtalakin, Looking Glass, Ollokot, White Bird. Chief Lean Elk was left out because a picture of him could not be found. Another display shows the different seasons: camas between May and June; huckleberries between July and October. The animal foods; elk, deer, fish and grouse are identified.

Some items of regalia and artifacts incased in a cabinet on one wall, and a number of old books are displayed (not for

sale). On a large table, a map showing the Nez Perce Trail is displayed.

Many meetings are held at the Interpretive Center.

Our last stop of the day was a Forest Service lookout called Buckhorn Overlook, on the lip of Hell's Canyon at about a 5600 ft. elevation. It provides an impressive view of along sweep of the Canyon, with the Seven Devils ridge providing the eastern background. Dug Bar is not quite visible from here, being behind the fold of the eastern ridge of the Imnaha River canyon. It's clear that a trip to Dug Bar wouldn't be a walk in the park. However, the Buckhorn Area was the beginning of a common route to Dug Bar, a very large bar on the Snake River which, due to its size and good grass was a popular winter village site.

Dug Bar is also the Snake River crossing on the "short route" to Lapwai.

In 1877, the "Non-Treaty Nez Perce" were told by General Oliver Howard that they had 30 days to make their way to the reservation in Idaho. Crossing at Dug Bar on May 31, 1877 with cattle and horses was dangerous and they lost many cattle and horses. After crossing, they crossed the east ridge of the Canyon to descend to the Salmon River at White Bird.

Chief Joseph and Chief Ollokot were at Rocky Canyon with 12 horses loaded with meat when Two Moons met them shouting, "War has broke out. Three white men killed yesterday!"

When Chief Joseph and Ollokot arrived at camp at Tolo Lake, most of the tipis were down and people were packing their horses, ready to leave. Chief Joseph and Chief Ollokot tried to persuade them to wait for the army. White Bird and other leaders would not listen.

More killing of whites occurred making it more likely that war was unpreventable. When Chief Joseph's tipi was shot at, the two brothers told their people to pack up, that they were going to join the other non-treaty Indians.

Near the Buckhorn area, there was a camp area where the Nez Perce groups paused in the spring after climbing up from Dug Bar and the Imnaha. Most

would spend a few days before moving on to spring and summer sites in the Wallowa Valley or the nearby Joseph Canyon. Here, they peeled the bark off pine trees to eat the sweet, juicy cambium layer.

Lucy Luevano interviewed the members at this site, except for Leroy 'Chaz' Williams and Dr. Robbie Paul. Then Albert Andrews Redstar sang Indian songs often sung at ceremonial occasions. This was an emotional time for everyone, each with his own private thoughts. Albert stated that we should visit these old Nez Perce sites more often to keep up the memory of the past life of the Nez Perce.

On our way home on July 10, we stopped at the Old Chief Joseph grave site which, since 2009, is within I-we-tem-lay-kin Oregon State Park; the name means, 'At the edge of the lake.' In June of that year, my husband and I attended a dedication ceremony for that park. In attendance were members from the Colville, Nez Perce and Umatilla Indian Reservations, Gov. John Kitzhaber and his wife, Oregon State Park and National Park Service dignitaries.

Included in the park is Knight's Pond, a walking trail, native plants and views of the Wallowa mountains. A parking area and a rest room are available. We all stood in front of the large stone monument at the gravesite.

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Thanks to our excellent leaders, Crystal Miller-Smith and Lucy Luevano. I learned a lot about Wallowa by visiting key spots that were new to me and revisiting other spots familiar to me. It's important to learn from elders as they have lived through many changes and can teach the young people history of the Nez Perce people as they are part of that history.



# Tribal member presents in England

## Martinez shares personal experience as part of prestigious panel

By Cary Rosenbaum  
Managing editor

Shelli Martinez felt like an actress in a movie as she toured Oxford, England in early August.

The 32-year-old Physical Activities Lifestyle Specialist with the Tribal Diabetes Program came to Europe to present at a six-day symposium at Brasenose College, the 11th Annual International Symposium in School-Based Family Counseling. “It was an experience of a lifetime,” said Martinez, who was invited to speak on behalf of American Indian communities with a focus on the history of trauma with boarding schools. “They appreciated me being there and sharing the honest history of my family and personal trauma.”

How she ended up there was a journey all together — literally.

Martinez is going on her third straight year participating in the Preservation of Authentic Traditions and Healing (PATHSTAR) Alcatraz Swim in the San Francisco Bay to Alcatraz Island, a 1.5-mile swim.

While there, she befriended Dr. Nancy



Courtesy photo

Dr. Nancy Iverson and Shelli Martinez prepare to present at Brasenose College in Oxford, England.

Iverson, a pediatrician who founded the nonprofit organization in 2000.

Iverson initially invited Martinez to co-present at

the symposium in 2011, before Martinez said she had to cancel because of a death in the family.

This year, she was

finally able to tell her and her family’s story to the audience, who each paid up nearly \$2,000 to attend.

Martinez felt like she

was the only one there that wasn’t a doctor, she said, laughing, and that her discussion was received well.

“My focus was on diabetes issues with Native American communities and how the trauma of past generations has led to the inactive lifestyle, loss of culture and loss of identity,” she said.

In a testimonial on the organizations website, <http://www.pathstar.org>, Martinez said, “Our week in San Francisco emphasized the power of positive thinking and focusing on our goals not our problems.”

“The support system was set in place, education on proper diet and fitness was implemented, and we had obstacles to overcome daily. Our success was a community effort and came to light because others believed in our potential. When we forget to put daily effort into caring for ourselves mentally, emotionally and spiritually, we lead ourselves down an unhealthy path. The PATHSTAR program helps participants harness their great achievements to be recalled at times of need. When the path may be veering in the wrong direction, we have the power to choose the option that will increase our quality of life instead of hinder our progress.”

# Some call it, ‘The plague’

By Cary Rosenbaum  
Managing editor

Karen Wapato was crushed after being diagnosed with diabetes in 2004.

She, like many tribal members, has seen the effects of the disease in her family, and the high amount of American Indians that also suffer.

“Some people call it, ‘The plague,’ because we all get it,” she said. “I think that since then, I turned around and was able to learn how to control it by diet and exercise.”

Her goal of not needing medication by controlling diabetes by exercise and diet has been realized, she said. It’s been over three years now since she’s needed them.

The first year participant in the PATHSTAR swim to Alcatraz is just one of a group of local women going down to this year’s swim, from October 6 to 14.

The certified yoga instructor expects it to be a transformational event, similar to participating in a cursillo.

“I think that’s what the Alcatraz swim is: It’s not so much about the destination, it’s about getting there,” she said. “I can’t wait to see what the change in me is going to be; it helps you find things that you didn’t know were there.”

Joey Cohen, a non-diabetic going on her second year, said the swim is one of the most fulfilling things one could ever do.

“You just get this big rush, big high of achievement knowing you’ve done something like that,” she said. “I’m going back for a refresher.”

The experience includes living in a

controlled environment, where food and exercise are planned, Cohen said.

“You’ll train every day and lose a tremendous amount of weight,” she said.

The group regularly practices swimming between buoys for an hour in Omak Lake, Cohen said.

“We go up every day after work and swim,” she said.

The swim is difficult, but personal practice and the organization’s week-long training help the swimmers make it there, said Angela Rios, a 2012 participant.

“If they were not consistent with me every day, I probably wouldn’t have made that,” she said, laughing. “I hadn’t swam in two years.”

Rios was joined by Shelli Martinez, Lisa Edwards and Cohen last year, she said. While she won’t make the trip this year, she said a record number from the Colville Confederated Tribes could be in attendance.

“I think it’s a good program if other people would get involved and be aware of it,” Cohen said. “The hopes were that we would start something here, like at Twin Lakes (in Inchelium).”

The group continues to praise Martinez for her efforts.

“Shelli is relentless,” Cohen said, laughing.

They would also like to spread the word that they are short on donations.

“Anybody is more than welcome to get us donations, because we’re still fund raising,” Cohen said.

For more information on the event or to donate to the group, contact Shelli Martinez at (509)634-2983.



Courtesy photo

Above, last year’s local Alcatraz swimmers, from left: Joey Cohen, Lisa Edwards, Shelli Martinez and Angela Rios.



Courtesy photo

Last year’s Preservation of Authentic Healing and Traditions (PATHSTAR) group of Alcatraz swimmers pose in front of the Alcatraz Island / Golden Gate sign.



## WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY COLVILLE RESERVATION-FERRY COUNTY EXTENSION



KAYLA WELLS/WSU EXT.

4-Hers from Nespelem Creek Kids 4-H Club display how teamwork occurs with good communication.

### 4-H'ers Learn "Hands-on" Leadership!

Local 4-H Clubs worked to improve communication, teamwork, and leadership skills through the WSU Colville Reservation 4-H Challenge Canoe Program. With WSU Colville Reservation Extension, canoeing is about much more than just paddling around a lake. Participants learn valuable life-skills through planned challenge activities, while having a memorable experience. Two groups had those memorable experiences with the WSU Colville Reservation Canoe Program during the week of Aug. 5. The first group had their first-time canoe experience on Omak Lake with the help of Challenge volunteer Phil Linden and 4-H Challenge Coordinator Kayla Wells.

After learning technical skill for handling the 12 person 4-H Challenge canoe, 4-H members said they not only learned how to canoe better, they learned the names of the parts of the canoe and how to side-switch in a moving canoe. While the boys talked about the technical aspects of canoeing, their leader had a different viewpoint. When questioned about the day, Ann Fagerlie, WSU Okanogan County Extension Coordinator responded with, "It was a big step for these members to take on new challenges and to do something like canoeing. The experience helped them open up to bigger and better things and build new friendships. The most important part of the experience was that as far as leadership goes, the canoeing helped build noticeable confidence and teamwork in the group."

On the following day, another 4-H group of eight youth from the Nespelem Creek Kids 4-H Club had their own experience in the large canoe. As each day on the canoes is structured specifically for the group, their day was a little different from the previous day due to their prior experiences on the canoe. WSU Colville Reservation Extension 4-H Challenge Coordinator, Kayla Wells, decided to push the group's leadership abilities. "With an experienced group, I knew we had to do more to keep the second group engaged. Each youth was given an opportunity to either lead the canoe or steer the canoe, thus putting individuals in the group in charge of communicating to the rest of the group and leading them to the canoe's final destination," Kayla stated.

As the day progressed, the youth learned how to rely on each other, trust each other, and allow the leaders to lead. At the day's end, Kayla stated, "It's great to be with a group as they transition from individuals and start to function better as a cohesive group."

If your group is interested in having your own experience on the canoes, contact Kayla Wells, WSU Colville Reservation Extension 4-H Challenge Coordinator, at (509) 634-2306 or kayla.wells@wsu.edu.

Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local extension office.

## LAKE ROOSEVELT COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

San Poil Valley Community Health Center-Keller, WA  
Inchelium Community Health Center-Inchelium, WA



### New Dental Director

We would like to introduce you to your new Dental Director at the Lake Roosevelt Community Health Centers, Dr. James Graves (Jim).

Dr. Graves graduated from New Hampshire at Dartmouth College and attended dental school at the University of Washington.

He was born and raised in western Washington, living for most of his childhood south of Puyallup in Graham, WA. He lived for four years in New Hampshire while attending college. He also

served in the United States Peace Corps in the Fiji Islands in the South Pacific, during 2003-2004. Following the Peace Corps, Dr. Graves lived in Poulsbo, WA, teaching high school history and chemistry and then moved to Seattle to attend University of Washington School of Dentistry.

Dr. Graves truly enjoys getting to know the staff and the patients he serves, and is really excited about getting to know the community here in Inchelium and Keller.

When not at work, Dr.

Graves enjoys exploring, hiking, camping, biking, skiing and climbing. Dr. Graves believes this is a beautiful location, and is enthusiastic about being here. He looks forward to learning more about the area and the people. Dr. Graves's and his wife (Janessa) have a 11 month old baby boy (Teddy). They are all excited about moving to the northeastern side of Washington State.

### Team Colville Tribes: Triathlon Trials

PENTICTON, B.C.—The Colville Tribes was well-represented at the 2013 Challenge Pentiction, the triathlon of Pentiction B.C.

A year ago, Sonny Sellars and Spirit Peoples signed up in the newly formed team division. Sonny has 14 finishes in Iron-distance triathlons and Spirit Peoples has always been active in running and marathoning.

This year, Sonny swam the 2.4 miles in 1 hour 19 minutes 06 seconds and biked the 112 miles in 6 hours, 58 minutes 14 seconds.

"The water was very choppy and had big swells. Overnight, a few of the swim buoys used to mark the course were blown astray, making it difficult



COURTESY PHOTO

Spirit Peoples and Sonny Sellars after the race.

for swimmers to sight the course and get back to shore," told Sellars in a recent writing to Tribune. Cramps in his calf muscles slowed his swim and carried over into the bike—too there was a flat tire bike support raced to change.

Having lost 50lbs this year alone, Sellars still

had a bike ride an hour faster than his previous solo attempt.

Spirit Peoples ran the first half of his marathon in 1 hour 47 minutes. Cramping, Spirit had to fight his legs, the undulating hills, and the distance to bring it home after sunset in a marathon split of 5 hours 26 minutes. He finished the anchor leg, hand-in-hand with his fiancé, Viola Brown of Vernon, B.C.

The Colville Tribes team combined time put them in at 13 hours 14 minutes 39 seconds. They placed 70th out of 200 that signed up as teams.

Challenge Pentiction 2014 is open now for individual and team registration to race at the end of August of 2014.

### Challenge Program Hosts Youth Advocates Health!

On August 20, 2013 Colville Reservation 4-H Challenge hosted a 4-H group on the WSU Colville Reservation Extension Ropes Course at the Twin Lakes Tribal Youth Camp. The group chose to travel to the Colville Reservation as the ropes course at the Twin Lakes Youth Camp is the closest 4-H certified ropes course in the region.

The group is part of Youth Advocates for Health (YA4-H) and their goal for the day was for the teenagers to gain confidence in their leadership skills and practice working together. In order to accomplish their goal, Kayla Wells, WSU Colville Reservation Extension 4-H Challenge Coordinator, sequenced an experience combining energizing initiatives, experiential elements, and discussion circles.

When reflecting on their day, Gary Varrella, WSU Spokane County 4-H Youth

Development Educator, stated, "Our Youth Advocates for Health (aka YA4-H!) group really enjoyed their experience. They benefitted from the experiential elements as well as the thoughtful discussions and reflections conducted with us throughout the experience."

Wells stated, "At the end of their day, the youth showed a new understanding of the different roles they can play in their group, depending on the situation. The leader from one activity ended up being the follower in the next activity. One youth, who did not think she would do very well on an element ended up being the one to lead the group to success after a couple attempts were unsuccessful. 4-H Challenge is all about empowering the individuals to identify the strengths that they can bring to their group."

If you are ready for a low course experience, schedule one now before the

weather gets cold! If you have a group interested in scheduling a low ropes experience or you are interested in becoming a 4-H Challenge volunteer, contact Kayla Wells, WSU Colville Reservation Extension 4-H Challenge Coordinator at (509) 634-2306 or kayla.wells@wsu.edu. Reservation youth and Reservation adults who serve youth may schedule 4-H Challenge low ropes experiences at no cost to the group. For non-Reservation groups, there is a small cost associated with being able to use the ropes course. Non-Reservation based 4-H Clubs get a discount. Call or email for more details.

For information on these and other workshops contact the staff at the Colville Reservation Extension Office at (509) 634-2304. Or you may contact the educators directly: Linda McLean, 4-H/Ag. & Nat. Resources FRTEP Educator at (509) 634-2305 of ljmclean@wsu.edu, Kayla Wells, Family & Consumer Sciences Educator / 4-H Challenge Coordinator at (509) 634-2306 or kayla.wells@wsu.edu, Janine



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Working Together as a Team and Offering a Supporting Hand Allows a Group to Accomplish more than the Individual.

Koffel, OJJDP Grant Coordinator / Outdoor Educator at (509) 775-5225, ext. 1114 or janine.koffel@wsu.edu, Dan Fagerlie, WSU Extension Tribal Relations Liaison / Colville Reservation Extension Project Director at (509) 690-0009 or (509) 775-3087 or fagerlie@wsu.edu, or Debra Hansen, Interim County Director, (509) 775-5225 ext. 1116. Or you may contact the Okanogan County Extension office at (509) 422-7245.

## ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS



**✓PAPER**  
NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINES & CARDBOARD  
(INCLUDING PIZZA BOXES)

**✓PLASTICS**  
(MUST BE #1 OR #2 ONLY)  
PLASTIC BOTTLES  
PLASTIC CONTAINERS  
REMOVE LIDS/CAPS & RINSE

**✓ALUMINUM AND STEEL CANS**  
ALL TYPES OF STEEL CAN & ALUMINUM CANS  
RINSE OUT ALL FOOD SCRAPS

**✓APPLIANCES**  
ALL MAJOR APPLIANCES  
ALL SMALL APPLIANCES

**✓E-CYCLE**  
COMPUTERS



## UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

**✓NO**

**✓NO GLASS BOTTLES, WINDOW GLASS, BLUE GLASS, BROKEN GLASS, CERAMICS, CROCKERY, LIGHT BULBS, OR PYREX (I.E. CASSEROLE DISHES)**

**✓NO BUILDING MATERIALS OR PROCESS WOOD**

**✓NO PLASTIC BAGS (WAL-MART & SAFEWAY ACCEPT PLASTIC BAGS)**

**✓NO DISPOSABLE DIAPERS (NOT EVERYTHING IS RECYCLABLE)**

**✓NO FOOD SCRAPS**

**✓NO SYRINGES**

**✓NO WAXED CARDBOARDS (I.E. CREAM/MILK CARTONS, JUICE CARTONS)**

**✓NO FURNITURE, MATTRESSES, BOX SPRINGS, WOODEN DESKS**

**✓NO STYROFOAM CONTAINERS, CUPS, PACKAGING, COOLERS**

**✓NO BUBBLE WRAP**



Colville Tribes Recycling Program

Ph# 509-634-2416 64 School House Loop Rd. Nespelem, WA

Join the Recycling Program in October for dinner cooked by Recycling Manager Joaquin Bustamante and free raffles:

Omak	October 9	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Keller	October 10	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Inchelium	October 11	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.



## Happy Birthday!



Happy 5th Birthday C-Rose you will always be loved love Mom, Shondean, Zach, Zaland, Zachary, Talia, Harlen, Camryn, Grandma Joan, Feather, Dennis, and Kadin.



“Happy 18th Birthday, Sierra. And Congratulations to you and your brother Lance for achieving your GEDs when you were both 17!”

With Love from Dad and family.



Happy Belated 10th Birthday (8/7/03) to my little Boo .. Ryli Rayne... Love Ya Always Mom <3



1 Years Old. A very special blessing for family. Love your Grandma's, Grandpa's, Aunties, and all the family.

Happy Birthday to my “baby” boy!! Love you so very much, Bobby Dale! Love Always!! Mom

## Congratulations!



Shayce Robyn Boyd  
Born August 19th, 2013  
8lbs 13ozs - 20in long  
Parents Tesla Gorr & Kyle Boyd  
Brother Zyven Boyd 6 years old

## Thank you!

The Colville Tribal Convalescent Center would like to acknowledge this youth group for donating their time to repaint the Convalescent Center. This group was a mission team from the youth group of Moses Lake Presbyterian Church. Associate Pastor Curt McFarland was leading their trip. The group spent 2 days in very hot temperatures to make our building look brighter for our elders. We had a thank you barbeque on their last day to show our great appreciation for donating their time to our elders. Thank you! You can find more info about the church at [www.moseslakepres.org](http://www.moseslakepres.org).



## Internship Opportunity

The Colville Tribes Fish and Wildlife Department is recruiting for a college internship program. Through a cooperative agreement with Employment and Training, the Department is sponsoring an internship for one tribal member to complete a 4 year degree in Fisheries Biology.

The internship includes tuition, books, laptop computer and a \$3,000.00/month living stipend. The successful candidate will attend a regional university and work developmental summer assignment with the F&W Department. Application deadline is September 6, 2013.

For more information see the link at [http://www.colvil-letribes.com/page\\_document\\_get.php?page\\_id=4536](http://www.colvil-letribes.com/page_document_get.php?page_id=4536) or call Mike Sanders at 509-389-3709.

## Happy Birthday!



Sept. 8, 2013

Happy birthday to the most wonderful man of mine, and most awesome father figure anyone could ask for! Keep up the hard work and keep roping them steers!

We Love You Jesse Palmer!!!

Love always,  
Yolanda and Kamrynn

The next Tribal Tribune deadline is:  
**October 1, 2013**

## Service Directory

### Lost

July 16, 2013 at Veronica Tatshama's giveaway, I sent a small box of Red Rose Tea figurines. I am offering a \$50 reward to the return of them to me.

Thank you!  
Emby Stensgar  
509-322-0991

### Real Estate

In this edition, many of the real estate listings have been provided by Colette Adolph, Real Property Officer, contact number (509) 634-2344. Please contact her if another number is not provided.

### Inchelium Area Land Sales

Good opportunity for a homesite. This 5.0 acre tract of land is located off the Silver Creek Road, approximately 5 miles southerly of Inchelium, Washington. A deep well has been drilled and produces 5 gallons per minute. The driveway to this property has been rocked. The asking price for this 5.0 acre tract of land is \$25,000.

The land owners of Colville Allotment 101-5402 wish to sell 120 acres which is timbered land. This particular tract of land is located approximately 10 miles north off of the Hall Creek Road.

The land owner of Colville Allotment 101-5588-E wishes to sell 10.00 acres, the land is slightly timbered, idle and is located 1 mile northeast off of the Cobbs Creek Road.

Seller has 3 options for a 4 bedroom 2 bath property between Seylor Valley Road and the town of Inchelium. 1. Home and 5 acres 2. Home and 40 acres 3. Home and 140 acres.

### Keller Area Land Sales

This 9.70 acre site is nestled along the Columbia River and is a recreational haven. Located in the

Swawilla Basin area.

### Nespelem Area Land Sale

The land owner of Jim Billy Allotment 101-49-C wishes to sell 3.00 acres, the land is known as the “Rainbow House” along Hwy 155, between the town of Nespelem of the Colville Agency.

The Leith Log House Drive-inn is for sale. Located between the town of Nespelem and the Colville Agency. (Original Jim Billy Allotment 101-49-2, 101-49-G). This property could be the site of your future small business.

### Okanogan Area Land Sales

This 4 BR, 2.5 bath is home on 1.85 acres along the Okanogan River just outside of the East Omak community. This 3,600 feet home has detached garage is fenced and comes with a greenhouse fruit frees and some grapes. Seller is motivated to sell.

For Sale  
Trust property: 2.14 acres. Great homesite. 2.5 miles north of Malott exit at Highway 97. Road access, power close, this water well in place. Tribal members. 509-826-5931.

### Coulee Dam Area Land Sale

This land owner of wishes to sell Lots 7 & 8 Block 52, Town of Coulee Dam, containing .180. This site contains a 3 bedroom and 1 bath home and is located on Cedar Street.

The land owner wishes to sell Lots 24 & 25, Block 62 Town of Coulee Dam, containing .40 acre. This is a 3 bedroom 2 bath residence located at 1012 Central Drive.

### Fee Property Land Sale

Fee Property- Located approximately four (4) miles off of Highway 21 on the Bridge Creek Road is a 69.35 acre tract of fee property. Please contact Gregg Caudell for

specific information on the selling price. Gregg can be reached at 509-775-2130.

For specific information on any of these properties please call, Colette Adolph, Real Property Officer at (509) 634-2344

### Public Comment

Applicant Name: Jess O'Dell Application Number: 07-10-2013-01G Water Source: Well (Groundwater) Location: Township: 34N Range: 29E Section: 6 NE1/4 NE1/4 Purpose: Domestic use Water Usage: Approximately 5000 gallons per day. TT: 1 of 2

Applicant Name: Colville Indian Housing Authority Application Number: 04-30-2013-01G Water Source: Existing well Well Location: Township: 34N Range: 27E Section: 20 SW1/4 SE1/4 Purpose: Small-scale irrigation (playground & yard) Water Usage: Approximately 5000 gallons per day, April to October annually

Any person claiming their water rights may be adversely affected by issuing a permit for this water use may contact Lois Trevino (509)634-2430 or Bruce Wakefield (509)634-2423. TT: 2 of 2

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### Legal Notices

**In the Tribal Court of the CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE COLVILLE RESERVATION IN RE THE CUSTODY OF: Alexis Martin, DOB: 12/04/2004 Case No.: CV-CU-2012-35162**

Cory and Tiffany Peone, Petitioners, ORDER FOR SUBSTITUTED SERVICE vs. Audrey Leach and Moon Martin, Jr. Respondents, THIS MATTER came before this Court in Chambers on July 23, 2013, regarding a petitioner for custody filed by the Petitioners, Cory and Tiffany Peone requesting permanent custody of the minor named-above. The Court will allow substituted service for the Respondent, Moon Martin Jr.

The Court, being fully advised in the premises, finds that the court should allow service by substituted service.

Now, therefore IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A notice shall be published in the Tribal Tribune for two(2) consecutive issues or published for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Reservation District where the cause of action arose, which says the following: A lawsuit has been filed against you in the above-stated Comi by the Petitioner above. In order to defend against this lawsuit, you must answer the Petition for Custody by stating your defense in writing and filing it by mail or in person upon the Petitioner. If you fail to do this within twenty days if live on the Colville Indian Reservation or thirty days if you live off the Colville Indian Reservation, after the date of the first publication of this Summons, a default judgment may be entered against you. A default judgment is one where the Petitioner is entitled to receive what they are

asking for in the Petition because you have not answered the complaint in writing. A Custody Trial has been set for October 15, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the Colville Tribal Courthouse, Nespelem, Washington. 2. Additionally, this notice shall be posted at the Colville Tribal Headquarters and the Tribal Courthouse for three consecutive weeks. IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this 23rd day of July 2013 and signed this Monday of July 2013. TT: 2 of 2

### IN THE COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE COLVILLE RESERVATION NOTICE OF HEARING

Colville-Public Works v. Randy Gunn  
CASE NUMBER: CV-EV-2012-35187  
HEARING: Eviction Hearing DATE: November 18, 2013  
TIME: 10:00 AM  
PLEASE NOTE

This hearing, unless otherwise indicated, is the one and only opportunity you will have to present your version of the dispute in question and to present testimony from your witnesses. This testimony must be given in person at this hearing. Signed affidavits are generally not accepted as the opposing party cannot cross-examine a piece of paper.

If you have any questions or need to subpoena witnesses, contact your attorney or a Tribal Court Clerk for additional information.

IF YOU ARE NOT IN AGREEMENT WITH THE COURT DATE SET, YOU MUST NOTIFY OUR OFFICE, IN WRITING, WITH A MOTION TO CONTINUE THE DATE/TIME, SPECIFYING THE REASONS FOR THE REQUEST. THIS MOTION MUST BE FILED WITH THE COURT AT LEAST

FIVE WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR HEARING DATE/TIME, ACCOMPANIED BY PROOF OF SERVICE OF THE REQUEST ON THE OTHER PARTY (IES).

\*NOTE: It is your responsibility to serve Notice of this Civil Court Date/Time set to all Parties to this action. Failure to provide proof of services to the Court may cause this matter to be stricken from the Court's docket and then a new date/time will need to be requested by you. If you have questions on acceptable proof of services, please contact your attorney or the Civil Court Clerks.

The Eviction Hearing continued due to no notice to the Respondent. Petitioner will do publication

Comments:By: Alberta C. Thomas Dated: August 21, 2013

I hereby certify that I served a copy of this document on: Reservation Attorney Orlicc-ATIN: Anna Vargns-IM Randy Gunn-Unknown Address TT: 1 of 2

### NOTICE AND SUMMONS

No. MI-2013-33006  
In Re the Welfare of F.R.A., Minor child.

To: JACQUELINE ADAMS, AKA JACQUELINE TOULOU,

You are hereby given notice that a Hearing will be held at the Tribal Court, Agency Campus, Nespelem, WA on the 6th day of November 2013 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to determine permanent custody and Petition for name change of the above-mentioned minor.

You are hereby summoned to appear at this hearing. Failure to appear will result in a default against you.

Dated this 19 day of August 2013.

Jacquelyn R. Finley, Prosecutor TT: 1 of 2



# Raiders Ready for High School

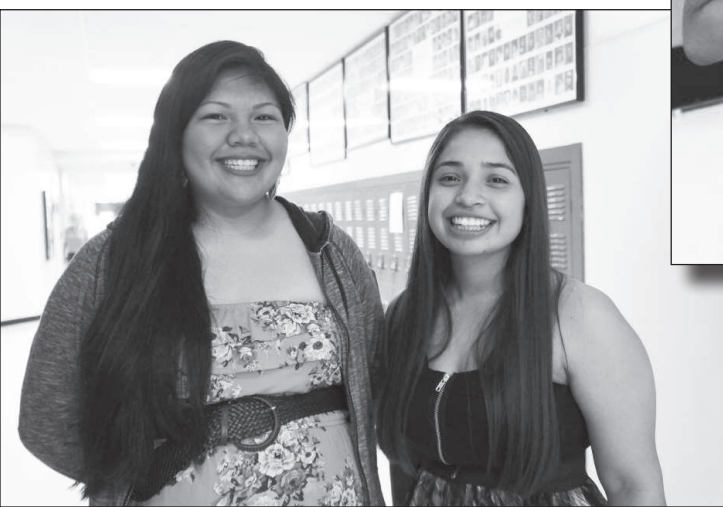
Photos by Cary Rosenbaum/Aug. 22/Tribune



Brandon Desautel stops to pose for the camera.



Chasity Williams puts her arm around her mother Rhonda Redstar in this family shot.



Sydney Matheson and Anissa Ostberg smile.



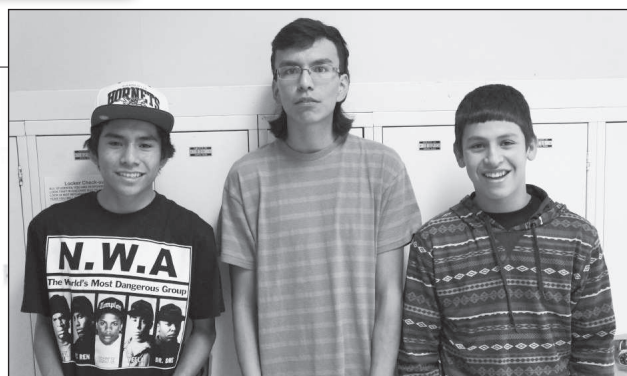
Kammi Jo Rosenbaum and Tony Desautel hang out near registration.



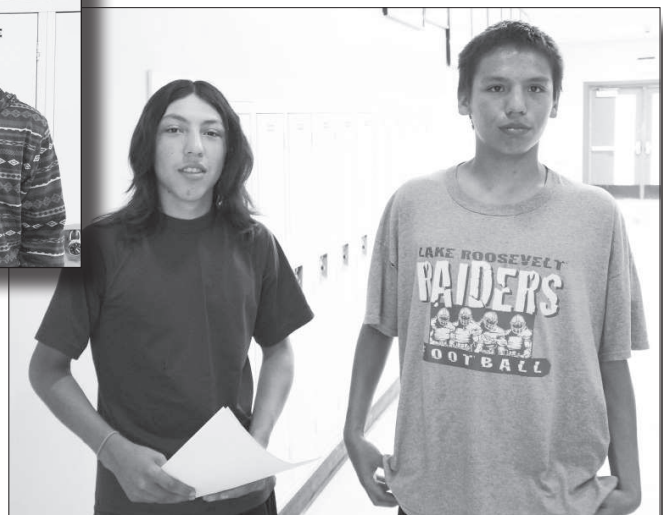
Alaynah Herman (right) and a friend smile big.



Kim Stanger and Marco Ruiz-Llamas, one of her favorite students.



Merle Picard, Raymond Yazzie and Tarren Meusy stop for a picture.



Oscar Pakootas and a friend hang out by the lockers.



Kyle Holt, Trey Nicholson, Austin Rosenbaum and Bubba Garcia pose outside the school.



Jake Palmer, Quincy Williams and a friend pose for a picture.





Amaya Simpson and her awards.



Adonis Seymour and Clell Finley



Shandi Evans' booth.

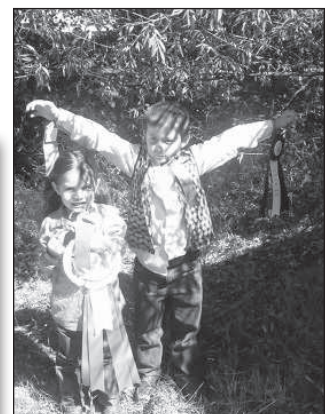


Shandi Evans holding a ribbon.

## Ferry County Fair Republic Aug. 30 - Sept. 1



Photos contributed by June Evans, Frankie Seymour, and Jim Smith.



The Tribal Tribune asks...

# “Where were you this month?”

Tribal members become the photographers with Facebook submissions.

All photos used with permission. Find us on Facebook and submit your photos for next month's edition!

**Softball tournament**  
Moses Lake  
Aug. 30 - Sept. 2



Marsha Pakootas holds a bat she won after winning the event's home run derby.

**Labor Day weekend Powwow**  
Wellpinit  
Aug. 30 - Sept. 2



Nevaeh Pakootas enjoys her first Tiny Tots dance.

**Methow Valley Rodeo**  
Winthrop  
Aug. 30 - Sept. 2



Marshall Peone riding saddle bronc. Peone said his saddle broke after his horse rolled over in the chute.

**Severe storm**  
Omak/Okanogan  
Aug. 29 - 30



From Sean Gorr's point of view in Omak around 3 or 4-ish, he said.



Joanne Sanchez shows her point of view.



Vanessa Lawson viewed the storm and its effects from several places.



Melinda Lezard's point of view.



# COMMUNITY

# OMAK STAMPEDE INDIAN ENCAMPMENT

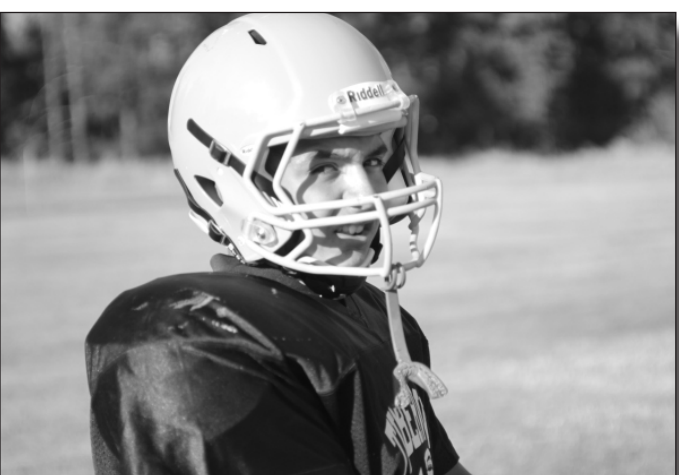
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## Timberwolves take to the gridiron in Inchelium

Photos by Cary Rosenbaum/Aug. 28/Tribune



Jaden Erickson smiles before a drill.



Roger Finley heads for a water break.



The T-Wolves' mascots enjoy the hot day.



Quarterback Thomas Cohen rolls out for a pass during an 8-on-8 drill.



Darius Garris and Thomas Cohen wait for water.



Quentin Holford shows his elusive side in 8-on-8 drills.



Mateo Silk performs a crawling drill.



Edward Stensgar runs during a drill.



Terrence Holford makes his way back to the practice field.



# 2013 Omak Stampede and Suicide Race



Loren Marchand and Taz, owned by Jim Phillips and trained by George Marchand, won again the Omak Stampede to become five time champions off Suicide Hill. This year, Taz won by distances no less than five lengths in the first three nights, solidifying his overall championship early in the weekend. By Sunday, Marchand looped Taz easily down the hill, celebrating as he tailed after the others who raced for overall second place. (Photos courtesy of Joaquin Bustamante.)

In all, 12 horses won money this year.

Unofficial overall standings (horse, jockey, owner)

1, Taz, Loren Marchand, Jim Phillips, 15 points.

2, Jake, Tyler Peasley, Tom Best, 8 points.

3, Progress, Rocky Timentwa, Arnold and Halee Abrahamson, 7 points.

4, AMP, Josh Cate, Milo Pakootas Sr., 6 points.

5-6, BowShay, Henry LaCourse, Angel Vargas, and Commando, Abe Grunlose, Lucille Pakootas, 4 points.

7-10,

Colonel, Tyler Peasley, Don Frazier, 3 points

SKARTAR, Ryan Cate, Leroy Cate, 3 points.

Eagle Boy, Tony Marchand, George Marchand, 3 points.

Blue, Tony Louie, Viola Burke and Hotdog Carden, 3 points.

11, Blue Maverick, Koda Ford, Jerry Ford, 2 points.

12, Shep, Oliver Pakootas, Kerry Carden, 1 point.

## Thursday

1, Taz, Loren Marchand, Jim Phillips.

2, BowShay, Henry LaCourse, Angel Vargas.

3, Colonel, Tyler Peasley, Don Frazier.

4, SKARTAR, Ryan Cate, Leroy Cate.

5, AMP, Josh Cate, Milo Pakootas Sr.

6, Eagle Boy, Tony Marchand, George Marchand.

## Friday

1, Taz, Loren Marchand, Jim Phillips.

2, AMP, Josh Cate, Milo Pakootas Sr.

3, Eagle Boy, Tony Marchand, George Marchand.

4, Progress, Rocky Timentwa, Arnold and Halee Abrahamson.

5, Commando, Abe Grunlose, Lucille Pakootas.

6, BowShay, Henry LaCourse, Angel Vargas.

## Saturday

1, Taz, Loren Marchand, Jim Phillips.

2, Jake, Tyler Peasley, Tom Best.

3, Commando, Abe Grunlose, Lucille Pakootas.

4, Blue MAVERICK, Koda Ford, Jerry Ford.

5, SKARTAR, Ryan Cate, Leroy Cate.

6, Eagle Boy, Tony Marchand, George Marchand.

## Sunday

1, Progress, Rocky Timentwa, Arnold and Halee Abrahamson.

2, Jake, Tyler Peasley, Tom Best.

3, Blue, Edward Marchand, Viola Burke and Hotdog Carden.

4, AMP, Josh Cate, Milo Pakootas Sr.

5, Shep, Oliver Pakootas, Kerry Carden.



Photos by Joaquin Bustamante

## Keeping the dream alive

### Tribal member survives cancer, follows in father's footsteps as bull rider

By Cary Rosenbaum  
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The Coeur d'Alene Press

Ryan Carden awoke to a lump 10 years ago that threatened to take his life as a Coeur d'Alene High School junior.

He was diagnosed with throat and nose cancer.

Nowadays, the lumps the 27-year-old wakes up with aren't nearly as life-threatening - which says something, considering he's participating in one of the world's most dangerous sports: Bull riding.

To the average person that gets whittled down to nearly 100 pounds by cancer treatments, taking on a beast up to 20 times that size would be inconceivable.

Not Carden.

With the mentality that he defeated cancer, he believes nothing can stop him, he said.

"If I set my mind to a goal or something," Carden said, "I can definitely achieve it if I work hard enough."

It gave him the confidence to cut a big corner in the rodeo industry - going from riding calves 15 years ago to bulls from 2011 to present.

Carden hasn't found the success he's been looking for yet, but hopes that destiny will soon be in his favor, he said.

The former North Idaho College golfer and current University of Idaho student would love for it to all come together this year.

"I've been waiting for success," said Carden, who received his first taste of it as the Cardinals' first golfer to make nationals when the team moved from club status to an NJCAA varsity sport in 2008.

Surviving the 'Big C,' as he calls it, is where some of his rodeo motivation lies, but most of it comes from another big 'C' - being a Carden.

The Carden family is well known in the rodeo arena in north-central Washington, where Ryan spent time with his father Gary, a former professional bull rider, during his childhood. His uncles were also successful, Gary said.

“Surviving cancer gave me a whole new perspective. It's given me self-confidence, belief in ones self, perseverance.”

—Ryan Carden, Tribal bull rider

"I guess (riding bulls is) in his blood," said his mother, Sherri Hamley, who has begged her son to quit on numerous occasions after nearly losing him twice to cancer, she said.

But no Carden provided more of an influence than his 26-year-old cousin Sev, of Omak, Wash.

Ryan was on hand to see the peak of Sev's success in 2010, when he won the bull riding competition at The Omak Stampede.

"He was pretty pumped, so that kind of helped him decide to go with it," Sev said.

At that moment, Carden felt it his destiny to at least give it a shot, he said. After all, Sev couldn't be the only Carden of his generation to keep the name alive.

"It just seemed like a lot of excitement, excitement that I wasn't getting from golf anymore," said Carden, who had been competing in semi-professional tournaments since his career concluded at NIC.

Immediately, he knew where to go to get back in the saddle.

"Any time you have your child wanting to do that, it makes you a little nervous," Gary said. "But how do you stop (an adult)? They're gonna do it whether you like it or not."

Carden began traveling with Sev and competing in rodeos all throughout the Northwest, taking on his father as his coach.

Ryan has come along pretty good thus far, Sev said, noting significant progress over the last three years.

"He's taken some bumps and bruises and keeps coming back and wanting to do it," he said.

Bumps and bruises aren't the half of it.

The 5-foot-9, 140-pound Carden has broken an ankle and multiple ribs, been



stepped on by a bull and kicked in the head, punctured a lung and needed his scalp stapled.

An additional injury may have brought the most pain, for reasons related to his cancer, he said.

Last June at the Bonner County Rodeo in Sandpoint - with his mother on hand - Carden's elbow was ripped completely out of the socket while riding a bull.

"(Seeing him get hurt) is very scary," Hamley said. "I was climbing the fence, actually; ready to take on the bull myself."

At the hospital, doctors noticed the anesthesia was having trouble putting him to sleep, she said.

"They couldn't knock him out because his body was too tolerant to the medication," Hamley said. "Even though it's been 10 years since he was diagnosed, they said his body still

remembers the medications."

Like any tough bullrider, Carden took the realignment in stride.

Hamley, on the other hand, did not.

"I get really, really upset (when he gets hurt)," she said. "I tell him, 'It's not fair,' because of what I went through when he was sick."

"He just says he can't help it."

Riding bulls is something his mother just has to accept, Carden said.

"We've always been pretty close since cancer," he said. "But she knows that it's my decision and that's what I want to do."

Carden refuses to quit, with over a dozen rodeos planned this fall. He hopes his career in the rodeo arena lasts at least three more years, with a goal to make the PRCA circuit finals.

Perhaps most important to him, Carden and his cousin are keeping the family name alive in rodeo.

"We really like to keep the name out there good," Sev said. "We come from a long line of Cardens from rodeo so it's nice for us to have that reputation out there."

Ryan dedicates his riding to his father, he said.

"I've really looked up to and try to use him as motivation to follow his footsteps in the success he had," he said.

While Sev, who's now in his 11th year of rodeo, is the only one of the two to earn a belt trophy (for a victory) thus far, he said that what Ryan's done in life is an even bigger accomplishment.

"He's a cancer survivor; I think that's a pretty good battle to win in itself," Sev said.

"Surviving cancer gave me a whole new perspective," Carden said. "It's given me self-confidence, belief in ones self, perseverance."



# Ena continues to refine others, define self

By Cary Rosenbaum  
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The Coeur d'Alene Press

Eti Ena finds himself at a loss for words when asked just how he has made it as far as he has coaching football.

The former Idaho Vandals defensive line coach has yet to define his journey.

The 39-year-old Samoan comes from humble beginnings in the one stoplight, 8-man football playing, hunting and fishing Indian reservation town of Inchelium.



Ena

"Some days I wish I was there, out hunting deer or fishing for salmon," said Ena, who transferred to Inchelium High School as a senior and led the team to a Class 1B state championship in 1991.

After the Vandals finished 1-11 last year, firing former head coach Robb Akey midseason, Ena soon found himself without a job.

"They said they were going to retain some coaches, and unfortunately I was not one of them," he said.

But it didn't take long for him to find a new position.

On June 1, Ena was introduced as the new defensive line coach at California Polytechnic State University, a Football Championship Subdivision team that joined the Big Sky Conference in 2012 and made the playoffs at 9-3.

"We got a nice team as far as returning a lot of starters from last year," he said from San Luis Obispo, Calif. "We're trying to make sure we build on that."

The Mustangs are ranked in the top 15 in multiple polls, recently No. 14 by The Sporting News.

"There are a lot of expectations," Ena said. "We have our work cut out for us this year."

**BENSON MAYOWA** was just one of Ena's projects at Idaho.

The 6-foot-3, 252-pound Seattle Seahawks defensive end said he benefitted greatly from having Ena coach him in Moscow.

"He's had a great impact, very good coach, good friend," said Mayowa, who was part of the first recruiting class signed when Ena was hired in 2009. "I still keep in contact with him today. He played a huge role in getting me where I am."

Mayowa, an undrafted rookie, made the team this year after recording 3.5 sacks in the preseason.

Watching the preseason game versus the San Diego Chargers on television, Ena was impressed. Mayowa recorded 1.5



Courtesy photo

Former Idaho Vandals defensive line coach Eti Ena coaches his players during a 2011 game. Ena will continue his coaching career at California Polytechnic (Cal-Poly) State University.

sacks and three quarterback hurries.

"I was really proud of him," Ena said. "Hopefully, he can continue that; it's about being able to contribute consistently."

Ena knew Mayowa had the potential all along, he said.

"I absolutely knew," he said. "I always thought he had to potential to (play in the NFL)."

"It's just a matter of getting there, proving it and doing it."

Mayowa is the third Vandal in Ena's tenure to make it to the NFL, although the others failed to make the final 53-man roster.

- Aaron Lavarias was signed as an undrafted free agent by the New England Patriots in July 2011, before being released in September. He is currently a member of the Montreal Alouettes in the Canadian Football League.

- Michael Cosgrove was signed as an undrafted free agent in April of 2012, before being released in August.

**ONE NFL** success story Ena did have a hand in was younger brother Justin's, who signed as a free agent with the Philadelphia Eagles in 2002 out of Brigham Young University and spent four years in the league as a linebacker.

"He's always been a mentor to me," said 35-year-old Justin, who's now the defensive coordinator of Southern Utah University. "Eti's done a great job coaching. He really got in the business before me and (older brother) Packy (who

coaches high school football in Hawaii).

"Eti has shown us the way of caring for the kid," he added. "His kids love playing for him."

Justin said he calls Eti all the time to talk about defensive line play.

"He's wise," Justin said. "I know they have a great defense, and he has an All-American defensive lineman (Sullivan Grosz) to coach."

"We always kind of compare notes," Eti said. "I think the best type of learning is basically conversation."

While Southern Utah and Cal-Poly do not meet in the regular season, Justin said "anything's possible," and that it would be awesome if they met in the postseason.

Eti echoed that statement.

"It would be fun to end up playing against him," Eti said.

**THE HIGHLIGHT** of Ena's four-year career at Idaho was the 2009 Humanitarian Bowl win over Bowling Green, he said — the first postseason win in 11 years for the program, and second all-time.

The game ended 43-42 with a Vandal touchdown and two-point conversion with four seconds remaining.

Cosgrove, Mayowa and Jonah Sataraka all had sacks in the game.

"I had a great time at Idaho," he said. "We had a lot of success there, and we learned a lot as far as coaching. Coach Akey was a great boss."

"It's unfortunate things happened the way they did, but I made a lot of good friends amongst that staff."

One challenge Ena singled out was pitting his d-linemen against former

Vandal Mike Lupati, an All-Pro guard for the NFC champion San Francisco 49ers.

"Big Mike had that work ethic that kind of proves the way he is," Ena said. "When we had guys going up against him, they had to bring their best."

"Practicing against a guy like that made the whole d-line that much better; it was just a blessing."

**IN INCHELIUM**, Ena is revered for the work he's done and continues to do for the Colville tribal community.

At a school that has won four state championships on the gridiron, he has been one of the few individual athletic success stories — making the long trek from 8-man to Division I football at Eastern Washington University.

That journey included stops at Snow College in Ephraim, Utah and Walla Walla (Wash.) College.

Michael O. Finley, chairman of the Colville Confederated Tribes, said Ena embodies many of the values tribal members hold true.

"Our community is very proud of Eti,"

Finley said. "Not only does he remain active in the community and is a family man, he stands as a role model to all youth — that through hard work and dedication, you can do anything."

Unfortunately for Ena, he suffered a career-ending shoulder injury his junior year with the Eagles.

He was hired as an assistant linebackers coach at Eastern in 2003, after coaching junior high and then high school football in Shelton, Wash., where his brother Justin played.

"When given the opportunity I had at EWU, I just worked hard at that," he said. "At that point in time, I decided that that's what I wanted to do — I wanted to be a coach, so I kind of dove in."

Ena also has a strong influence in the Polynesian culture, volunteering some of his offseason time to the All-Poly Football Camp in Salt Lake City, Utah.

"I've been doing that camp forever," he said. "I feel like it's a great opportunity to give back."

Ena finds many similarities between the culture he's from and the one he married into, he said.

"Whether it's a Polynesian kid or a Native American kid, a lot of us come from a place where they don't have a lot," said Ena, who married Latona Swan. "Football is a platform to get an education, a college degree, and better the life of our people in general."

After much conversation, it hit Ena like a quarterback sack; he was no longer at a loss in describing his journey.

"When you go from humble beginnings to where I am, the key is just 'working,'" he said.



Finley



Mayowa



Justin Ena



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