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Quileute Tribe

Canoe Journeys

The Paddle to Suquamish 2009 celebrated twenty years of this cultural tradition. The Ocean Going Society, which is what the Quileute paddlers call themselves, had a great turnout of youth and first-timers who participated in the paddle this year.

It was a two week journey for the Quileute canoes. They made six stops along the way: Neah Bay, Pillar Point, Hollywood Beach, Jamestown, Port Townsend and Port Gamble. They tried to stop at Wyatch, but faced decent sized swells and fog, so the support boat towed them to Neah Bay. This decision was made due to safety concerns. One canoe from Quinault had already tipped over at the mouth of the Quinault River. Their bow broke, but it was repaired and most of the people in that canoe continued on to finish the journey.

Some of the most memorable moments this year included the Makah performance at Suquamish. They had approximately 50 dancers, which was more than what any other tribe had. It was exciting because they were also extending invita-

tions as hosts for next year's Paddle to Makah. Another unforgettable moment occurred when Tommy Jackson was lifted up in the canoe by Navy men and women. Suquamish wanted to honor Tommy for his years of participation in the paddle as well as his dedication to guiding the youth. He is a respected canoe captain who has been able to mentor young people and share his cultural knowledge.

The initial paddle was much more different than today's. There were no pushers, also known as the ground crew. These are the people supporting the paddlers by cooking, pitching tents, waking everyone up and taking care of the canoes and possessions. The people in the canoes are called the pullers. Back then, the pullers were the pushers.

The first Quileute paddlers also had more to do in preparation for the journey. They made their own regalia, gifts and paddles, which many of them frantically tried to finish while on the journey. They also practiced how to paddle and made items to sell in order



to finance their journey. The only program funds available 20 years ago were from the Enrichment Program, and even then the Ocean Going Society was given enough money just for gas for their vehicles.

In the past there were numerous elders who taught the Quileute paddlers their valuable crafts, such as regalia making, weaving and beading. Everybody shared their craft, and anybody who wanted to learn could participate.

The Suquamish have invited the Quileutes to start at their reservation in 2010 for the Paddle to Makah. Anyone is allowed to participate. The journeys are an important way of sharing culture through gift giving, singing, dancing and eating meals together. The Quileute tribe would like to see more participate.

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From the Desk of Chairwoman Hatch



On behalf of Tribal Council, I would like to congratulate all the paddlers for a successful canoe journey to Suquamish and a safe

return back home to La Push. We are aware of the commitment and dedication necessary to prepare for and complete this amazing experience and we commend you for your efforts.

We are proud of the tradition and culture you represent and share on behalf of the Quileute Nation.

We look forward to seeing you next year at the Paddle to Makah!

With that said, I hope everyone had a nice summer. Thank you to all the tribal youth employees for their job well done, and to their supervisors, Fern Penn and Ramona Ward.

Sincerely,

Carol Hatch

Executive Director's Report



Quileute Days was a success because of volunteers that dedicated their time and funding from the

Quileute Tribal Council. I have been asked about the funds that were used and whether gaming revenue was utilized.

Quileute Days generated \$80,000 in gross revenue that resulted from Quileute Tribal Council funding of \$50,000. Gross revenue includes sales from business enterprises including the resort, store and marina. Gross revenue also includes entrance fees ranging from vendor booths to baseball tournaments and exceeded \$10,000. Funding from the Quileute Tribal Council covered costs including a spectacular fireworks display, prizes for competitions such as the bone

games and baseball tournament, and entertainment including Native American dancing and a street dance.

Quileute Days was financed through cash flow that generated \$30,000 in gross profit. Gaming revenue was not used. The Quileute Tribal Council has adopted the following allocation for gaming revenues:

- 24.9% Essential Tribal Government Operations/Services
- 8.3% Education
- 12.5% Health
- 24.9% Economic Development
- 12.5% Retained Capital
- 16.9% Per Capita Dividends

If Quileute Days had **not** generated a profit, the Quileute Tribal Council could consider using economic development funds, but they could **never** consider using per capita dividends. Stated simply, the Quileute Tribal Council manages six check books for you. If

"QUILEUTE DAYS IS NOT ABOUT MAKING PROFIT, IT'S ABOUT SHARING QUILEUTE CULTURE." - BILL PEACH

you want to know what is in your account or the checks that have been written to access your account, please

see me. I have an open door policy and always work late.

Quileute Days' financial success occurred because of the volunteers and commitment from the Quileute Tribal Council. The commitment is not to financial success, it is to something far more important—cultural values. Quileute Days is not about making profit, it's about sharing Quileute culture. It was a success because of you.

Thank You,
Bill Peach

Profile on Porky



Born December 7, 1922 to Wilson and Amy Payne, Kenneth G Payne is the eldest of his five siblings. Today, at the age of 86, he

is the eldest in the Quileute Tribe and is known as Porky. Ken's little brother was nicknamed Beans, and so Ken received the nickname Pork because of the duo, Pork and Beans. Eventually, everyone started calling him Porky.

Porky is the father of four adult children: Daniel, Laura, Susan and Teresa. He has 11 grandchildren and one great granddaughter named Amy after Porky's mother.

As a young boy, Porky was sent to a Catholic boarding school with his brother and sisters. They attended St. Anne's Boarding School near Tacoma. He remembers he and his friends would walk along the highway looking for cigarette butts to smoke. Other than that, he said it was a normal school and he got along well there, hardly every getting into trouble.

Porky and his siblings lost their mother at the early age of 29. Being the oldest, he carried a lot of responsibilities trying to care for his family. He learned how to fish and made a living doing so. He recalls fishing at Hoh River, Queets, as well as the Quillayute, moving from one reservation to another. There were more fish back then, and less fishermen, having the ability to make \$1,000 per day. Porky was also the first crab fisherman in La Push, captaining

the SeaPal.

Besides fishing, he has worked as a logger, teacher, served in the Air Force, and has even worked for Boeing. His proudest accomplishment

**"MY PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT IS BEING IN THE SERVICE."
-PORKY**

was serving in World War II. Porky was drafted in the war and stationed in England with the 445th Bomb Group and flew in B-52s.

He went on 35 bombing missions over Germany, and served as a tail gunner, observer, and finally nose gunner. As a nose gunner his job was to release bombs. A lead plane would fly in front of the US fleet and release a smoke bomb. This was the signal for the nose gunners to release their own bombs. During his days off in the military, which were called "liberty days," Porky and his friends headed to London, where he says they "loafed," meaning relaxed.

Porky's first language is English, but he also speaks Quileute. In fact, he used to teach children the Quileute language off and on for about 10-15 years. Although it was an unpaid position, Porky was happy to share his knowledge of the culture.

It saddens Porky that children receive all their information and advice from books today, rather than from their family and elders. So go ahead and ask him anything you want to know about, because he is happy to answer questions or just chat for a bit. He has much to share about culture and history.

Meet the Editor

My name is Emily Foster, daughter of Lonnie Foster and Karen Sims. I enjoy writing and editing, and I am very excited for this challenging opportunity to revive *The Talking Raven*.

I graduated from the University of Washington in December 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in American Ethnic Studies and a minor in American Indian Studies. I also studied some Business, but felt that was not the major for me. The topic of my 30 page senior exit thesis was Contemporary Fishing Issues among the Quileutes, which is a subject I am passionate about.

While at UW, I also had the chance to study ethnic film and literature under Professor Sherman Alexie, noted Native American author and screenwriter. This opportunity was pretty much the highlight of my college career.

If you ever have questions, comments, or ideas for stories, I would love to hear from you. You can reach me at emily.foster@quileutenation.org, 374-7760, or you can stop by my office at QNR.

A Note from Vanessa

I'm delighted in the news the Quileute Tribal Council has found a bright and talented editor who is a tribal member to revive *The Talking Raven*. The hardest thing in leaving La Push, next to missing everyone and the fabulous smoked salmon, was knowing there was no successor for my position. Having talked with Emily and hearing the enthusiasm in her voice, I can tell she's not only going to revive *The Talking Raven*, but will also take it to the level I had always dreamed it could reach.

As she embarks on this new journey, I encourage all of you to walk it with her and support her in the same way you did me. After all, this newsletter is your newsletter and can only be as strong as the community it covers.

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Quileute Housing Authority

QHA has entered into a contract with Adair Homes and construction of eight new homes will begin soon at the Raven Crest Addition. Four of the homes will have two bedrooms, the other four will have three bedrooms, and all of them will have two bathrooms. QHA looks forward to placing tribal families into these beautiful homes with fully enclosed two-car garages, wood stoves and appliances.



Model of the new 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom homes

Youth Center:

The Blue Shed is open Monday-Friday, from 1pm-7:30pm. Karen Beyer and Darci Black are the supervisors, and some of the activities include arts and crafts, playing board games, watching movies and planting flowers. Snacks are provided.

Fire Department

Chimney sweeps begin September 1st. Call Chris Morganroth IV, Fire Chief, at 374-3373 for the free service.

Fire Department meetings are on Tuesdays at 6pm at the Community Center. Anyone is welcome to attend, and the department is always accepting new volunteers.

Health Center

- Students, please get your sports physicals **now!** Not having a physical in time for sports means not being able to participate. Keep in mind that it takes a few days to get an appointment for this.

- No matter your age, make sure your immunization records are up-to-date.

- Swine Flu vaccine will be available mid to late October.

- Sue Shane is in the clinic every other Friday, mornings only. She will be there September 4th, September 18th, etc.

- Women aged 40+ are highly recommended to get mammograms, which will be available in October. No exact date yet, so look for more info next month.

- Dr. Peterson will be in the clinic on September 18th for the quarterly podiatry clinic.

- The Health Center will have an informational booth set up at Take Back the Night, August 27th.

Amanda Cash, nutritionist, holds a presentation from 12pm-1pm every 4th Tuesday of the Month in the upstairs clinic lunchroom. Anyone can attend, and the best thing is that it is during lunch time, so tribal employees are able to participate.

The Quileute Health Clinic is hosting the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board October 19-22. The Akalat Center will be closed to the public during this time. Representatives from 43 tribes will be in attendance, and the entire Ocean Side Resort is

booked for those dates by conference attendees.

Tracy Eastman continues working on the Biotoxin Study, which has switched locations from Fisheries to the Clinic. The purpose of this study is to find what the effects are of shellfish consumption. To sign up, see Tracy at the Clinic.

Need braces? In order to be considered for braces, you must be Quileute and living within Clallam County. Once your treatment plan is completed at the La Push Dental Clinic, you will be referred to Dana Shaltry DDS MS in Port Angeles.

Oceanside Resort

While the culture/welcoming center is a huge task, the resort also has some preventive maintenance projects to put out to bid for the 2010 season. Some of the projects identified are:

Photograph project for the Thunderbird and Whale motel, new roofs on older cabins, new bedding for all of the cabins, new draperies for the older cabins and hotel rooms and new fire rings and picnic tables for the RV park. Renee Rux, director of the resort, will be asking for approval from Council and then put the jobs up for bid. Renee says she is always open to suggestions on how improvements can be made for the resort.

Quileute Tribal School

The first day of school is Tuesday, September 1st. If you have not received a school registration packet they are available at the Housing office. They will also be at the school booth during the "Annual Housing Residents Fair" on Friday August 28th at the Akalat Center

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from 10am–1pm. Please return completed packets to the Housing office or the school's booth during the fair.

A raffle ticket will go into a drawing for each completed packet for the chance to win \$25.00 in cash. The drawing will be at 1pm when the fair ends. You do not need to be present to win.

If you have any questions please call Stephanie Doebbler at 374-5648.

Letter from Superintendent:

Dear Community Members,

This is the Quileute Tribal School's 30th-year anniversary. We appreciate your continued support. We look forward to a very productive and fun year, with this SY09-10 Elders' week embracing our anniversary celebration.

Our new principal, Mr. Al Zantua will be taking the K-12 reigns. Mr. Strom, our past principal, will be joining us throughout the year for special events and specific high school guidance counseling on a monthly basis. Mr. Victor Velazquez continues his second year as our Post Secondary Counselor. It is time to make contact with Mr. Velazquez (374-5657) as college classes begin by mid September. Our Early Childhood program continues to be in transition with a third round of applications being reviewed for the director position. Currently, Mrs. Joanne Harrison (374-5633) is acting interim director.

We have also been able to break our classrooms into a new 5th and 6th grade split through stimulus funds. I would also like to intro-

duce Ms. Pearla-Mar Garcia Konig as our new teacher.

School will start Tuesday, September 1, 2009. We will be hosting breakfast and opening circle at the Akalat. Please join us for a kick off to a great year. Breakfast will be served at 8:15am and "Opening Circle" at 8:45am.

QTS's K-12 program will continue with every Wednesday for early release at 1pm. This is specifically for staffing on student needs as a continuation of our Response to Interventions (RTI). Every other Friday is an early release for staff development as well. These two carved out times are for the teachers, administrators, parents, and staff to fully meet our student needs and continue professional development. We continue to be thankful for this opportunity. It truly helps us become a better school in meeting individual needs and ongoing development.

A couple of improvement points: we continue to work on reducing the dropout rate, and we also continue to increase our participation on state testing. Likewise, better attendance is a very big concern for the tribal school, as well as any public school. You have to be involved in education to get ahead.

Again, this year we'd love to have you visit and view your child's school and working classroom. If you do intend to visit, please remember to check in at the front office for a visitor's badge. It is a process we have in place to insure safety for our students and the organization. The Akalat Center is in lockdown mode, to keep the visiting tourists from helping themselves to the building. Please

respect the checking in and out of your children during the school year with a connection to the front desk (374-5648).

According to the Public Law 107-110, the No Child Left Behind Act, you as a parent or guardian have a right to know the qualifications of your children's teacher and paraprofessionals. You may request the qualifications of our staff should you choose so. All our teaching staff are certified by the State of Washington. Mrs. Crippen (1 & 2) is certified with a Conditional Teaching Certificate while she works toward her permanent endorsement. The law requires that we let you know this, as she does not meet the definition of "highly qualified" under the NCLB. The reality of the situation: the Quileute Tribal School Board has complete confidence in her ability and supports all teaching positions of QTS.

Again, thank you for your support of the tribal school each and every year. We are uniquely situated and qualified to help students improve in their academic abilities, as well as offer support for other challenging needs. Please contact our new principal, Mr. Zantua (374-5642) for more information regarding the K-12 program.

In closing, I'd like to say it has been an honor to help establish a great school meeting our community needs and a school that continues to grow in our service ability. Have a wonderful school year. Study hard, sleep enough, eat well, and take care of yourselves.

Respectfully,

Franklin S. Hanson

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Quileute Natural Resources

Lonesome Creek Hatchery is making improvements to the hatchery water system using funds administered by the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission. Degassing columns will be installed at the spring discharge and at each outdoor raceway. These degassing columns will release any excess dissolved gasses that are in the hatchery water system. High dissolved gasses can cause trauma to fish's blood vessels resulting in what is known as gas bubble disease. Another part of this project will be the installation of a new water holding tank. This tank will be used to separate spring water from water pumped out of Lonesome Creek. When this project is complete, hatchery staff will be able to send pumped creek water to the outdoor raceways while providing spring water to the incubation building. Spring water is preferred for incubation because it is pathogen free and maintains a more constant temperature. In the cold winter months the spring is warmer than the creek and this warmer water will aid in the development of incubating eggs/alevin.

Public Works

In preparation for Quileute Days, the employees installed bases and home run fences on the ball fields. The morning before the games the fields were marked for play. They were also involved in having the banner hung in Forks and in getting the train into the parade for the West End Business and Professional Association. The Public Works Department would like to thank Fern Penn, Frank Ward, Ramona Ward and the YOP crew

for their help.

There were some water leaks that needed repair, including a small one at the Bogachiel Bridge and a major one at the lower Quileute Tribal School. A fire hydrant has also been installed at the Lonesome Creek RV Park.

Public Works collaborated with Lakeside Industries and Clallam County on the road paving project in La Push.

One project that has been in the works for sometime is the Thunder Road Cabins. Danny Hinchey, Public Works director, hopes the foundations and utilities are completed by the end of September.

Personnel

For a list of jobs available, please see the Quileute Nation website or the bulletins at the Tribal Office or Personnel Office.

Police Department

There were no incidents with tribal members during Quileute Days.

Please dial 911 for service. It is the easiest and fastest way to get a hold of the La Push Police since they are not always in the office due to frequent patrolling. 911 dispatchers are in constant communication with police via radio.

Congratulations to Sean Hoban and Michael Foster for graduating from the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission.

Human Services

Betty Taaffe, director of Human Services, has been in La Push for nine months now. Human Services has hired two very critical ICW workers, two additional TANF

workers and a mental health counselor and substance abuse counselor will be starting in August. Another worker relocated to the alcohol and tobacco prevention position. Hopefully a Head Start Director, Family/Health specialist and another TANF worker will soon be hired.

Head Start:

Betty encourages parents to get in touch with the Head Start office to enroll their children. There are limited spaces to fill. Most elementary school teachers can tell when a child has attended Head Start as the children do so much better once they start elementary school.

Head Start needs you! One area of potential improvement is community involvement. When a community member or parent volunteers for Head Start the time is calculated and added as in-kind donations. We need these hours for the continuation of a grant; the federal government wants to know that everyone in the community wants this program. Please consider reading stories, helping in the kitchen, playing with the children, making toys, cleaning the building/yard, or making things for the classroom. It really does take a village to raise a child.

Senior Center:

Reminder Seniors: The next Business Meeting will be August 31st at 2pm.

The Seattle Foundation Fund collaborated with the tribe in order to fund construction of new benches and railings for the Senior Center. While the Hawaiian canoe team, who participated in the canoe journey, built these structures for the

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Seniors. Thank you both for your time and donations!

Happy Birthday to Roberta Black on August 19th and Christina Sampson on August 22nd!

Indian Child Welfare:

The major goal of ICW is to unify parents and children and keep them on the reservation.

The new case manager for ICW is Margo Gilmore and her assistant is Tracy Kelly.

In cooperation with Concerned Citizens, ICW has provided approximately 25-35 hours a month of supervised visits with family members whose children are in ICW custody. ICW also provides gas money for visitation or transportation when necessary.

Mental Health:

Norm Englund is the new Mental Health Counselor, and he started

on Monday, August 24th. He specializes in areas concerning youth and family.

Chemical Dependency:

The new Chemical Dependency Counselor, Kevin McCall, starts Monday, August 31st. Kevin will have the opportunity to work with families in sessions, rather than with just one client at a time.

Quileute Students Working Against Tobacco (QSWAT) will be attending the Washington State Prevention Summit on October 30th and 31st in Yakima, WA. Chaperones are needed! In order to become a member of the QSWAT team, students of high school age must maintain a B average and attend school full-time. Contact Ann Penn-Charles at 374-2228 for more information about the Prevention Summit or QSWAT.

River Fishing Schedule

Aug. 31-Sept. 3
 Sept. 7-Sept. 10
 Sept. 14-Sept. 17
 Sept. 21-Sept. 24
 Sept. 28-Sept. 30
 Oct. 5-Oct. 7

Fishing is open from 6am on opening day through 6pm on the closing day. The rest of the schedule will be posted in the next issue of *The Talking Raven*. If you have any questions about rules and regulations, contact QNR at 374-2248.

Constitution Meeting

The Constitution Meeting was held on August 25th from 10am-12pm at the Akalat. A volunteer constitution committee has been assembled, and the members are Rio Jaime, Ann Penn Charles, Mary Eastman, Charlene Meenie (Morganroth) and Eugene Jackson Sr.

These meetings are about proposed changes to the Quileute Tribe's constitution. The topics of this meeting included residency, voting age requirements, blood quantum, and the election process.

The next meeting will be Saturday, October 10th at 10am at the Akalat. All Quileute Tribal Members can attend.

Visitor Shares Her Culture with Council



Keyanna Williams of Austrailia presented her family's artwork to Tribal Council as a gift. In return, Council gave Keyanna a cedar bracelet.

Softball Challenge

YOP has challenged Tribal Employees to a softball game on August 28th at 12pm. There will also be a BBQ to thank Quileute Days' volunteers. It would not have been a success without you!

Take Back the Night

The New Beginnings Advisory Committee is hosting “Take Back the Night” (TBTN) on August 27th from 7pm-9pm at the Akalat Center. TBTN is a free event with an awareness walk, art projects and other activities designed to bring awareness to issues of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, elder abuse, child abuse and substance abuse in the tribal community.

The event will start off with an afternoon Community Walk to raise awareness and excitement for TBTN. The committee and volunteers will meet at Lonesome Creek Store at 12pm and end at the Tribal Office at 1pm. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in the Community Walk.

Starting at 7pm, ice cream, cookies, soda and water will be available. There will also be informational booths related to the topics of the evening. The activities will consist of a short film, ongoing door prizes/drawings, finger nail painting with colors that represent different forms of violence, decorating t-shirts and luminary bags, as

well as a hands are not for hitting wall. The Closing Ceremony will include sharing stories, a candle light vigil and a prayer.

Chance Rush, an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes (Hidatsa), has been selected as the emcee for the evening. He has experience as a life coach, spokesman, comedian, advocate for culture and education, and much more.

TBTN was originally started in the 1970s by women to combat violence. These events focused on unsafe streets, cities, and college campuses, where they would gather to protest the violence against women that occurs in those specific areas. However, La Push’s TBTN will focus on violence as well as substance abuse, so it includes everyone—men, women, boys and girls.

The Quileute Tribe’s New Beginnings program provides advocacy services to those living on or near the Quileute and Hoh River Reservations who are, or have been, victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual violence, stalk-

ing or elder abuse as well as provides support to their family and friends. To learn more about New Beginnings or “Take Back the Night,” contact Monica Henry at (360) 374-5110 or newbeginnings@quileutenation.org.



Church Camp

La Push Assembly of God and local parents would like to thank the Quileute Tribal Council for funding scholarships for children and teens to attend Camp Bethel. We would also like to extend our appreciation to the Tribal School for providing the bus, drivers and fuel to ensure the safe transportation of our youth. This summer, 32 Quileute youth attended Camp Bethel—11 teens and 21 children.

Special thanks goes out to Arnold Black Jr. as the bus driver and Beverly Loudon as bus chaperone, and our hats off to Anna Sablan and her sister, Yvonne Aponte, who cooked for the Kids Camp.

Of special note – Isabele Pullen, Iris Pullen and Shayrena Penn earned some major awards at Kids Camp.

Northwest Native Women’s Conference

The Muckleshoot Pentecostal Church will be hosting the Northwest Native Women’s Conference on October 9-11, located in Auburn, WA. The agenda consists of teachings on marriage relations, total forgiveness, domestic violence and its effects, respect and honor of elders and the power of prayer. There is no registration fee but it is asked that everyone pre-registers and to include name, ad-

dress, phone number and tribe. Free meals will be served. No children are allowed at the conference.

Flyers will also be posted around La Push for more information, or you can call Rita Kallappa at (360) 640-3139, Pat Walker at (253) 380-4347 or access the website at www.firestarters-ministries.org and click on NW Native Women’s Conference at the bottom of the page.



Quileute Head Start

The Quileute Head Start program is now taking enrollment applications for the 2009-2010 school year.

To set up an enrollment appointment or for more information, please call 374-2613. If no one is in the office, just leave your name and number and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Our program offers the following services for all students enrolled:

Dental, Vision, Hearing and Developmental screenings, as well as Disability and Nutrition Services. We provide breakfast, lunch and snacks, and transportation to and from school.

The Quileute Head Start is a developmentally appropriate program that introduces children to phonemic awareness, phonics, literacy, writing, math, science, nutrition, safety, social studies and the Quileute language and culture in an atmosphere of fun and acceptance.

We also provide services for children with any developmental, physical, emotional or behavioral challenges.

Forks Schools

- School starts September 2, 2009.
- Mike Annis, Josten's Representative, will meet with the Senior class on September 16th for graduation orders.
- If you would like to attend Business Week for Summer 2010, see Mr. Weekes.

Higher Education



Quick introduction: My name is Victor Velazquez Jr. For the past year I've been acting as the Quileute Vocational & Higher Education Director. There has been a recent outburst here on the Quileute Reservation of interested persons wanting to move onto Higher Education.

Let me emphasize that I would like to help any and all interested community members to continue their education. Whether you are looking to pursue an Adult Diploma, GED, Associate of Arts Degree, Bachelor's, Master's or any certificate from an accredited college;

I'm eager to help in any way I can. There are funds, support services and advice ready when you are.

I'm hoping for a Quileute Nation e-mail address soon, but in the meanwhile don't hesitate to e-mail me at quileutehighereducation@hotmail.com or call me at 374-5657.

Next newsletter I hope to have more information for you, but for now, I have one small important issue to inform you about.

Financial Aid (FAFSA) is always the first step to any degree. It takes the longest to do and they are very behind. Peninsula College courses are offered in Port Angeles, Forks, and online. It's not too late to register for a class or two to get your feet wet. If you want to go full-time apply for Financial Aid immediately.

Any questions? Contact me. I'm easy to talk to and look forward to helping as many people as possible.

Costco Donations

Costco has donated 50 backpacks for children at the Quileute Tribal School. They are filled with school supplies, such as glue, crayons, pencils and rulers. Every year the company picks schools to give these backpacks to, and this year two Sequim schools and the Quileute Tribal School have received these gifts. The backpacks will be available the week of August 24-28 to Quileute youth, regardless of what school they attend. Look for flyers for more

information.

The Take Back the Night event has also received donations of 20 blanket-pillows from Costco. There will be promotional Costco membership applications available at TBTN.

These applications are not offered in the store and they must be turned in to the Sequim location. Filling one out guarantees a free gift—usually a tote filled with Kirkland brand products.

Thank You, Costco!

Attention Artists

There are some job opportunities available for artists through Oceanside Resort. Due to the demand from tourists who want to experience Quileute culture, the resort is compiling a master list of artists who want to participate and offer their services for a fee. There have been requests for guided hikes, performances, basket weaving, and much more.

To give you an idea, the resort is looking for basket weavers, dancers, carvers, cooks, bakers, bead-ers, drum makers, storytellers, etc. If you want the chance to work with tourists and make some money, contact Roseann Fonzi at 374-4366 or Cody LeClair at 374-4637 and include your name, contact information and what your expertise is.



Terra Sheriff, Lucy Williams and Hailey Larkin build their own interpretation of the culture/welcoming center at the Youth Meeting.

Planning for the Future

The planning process has begun for the culture/welcoming center. Jones and Jones, the architectural firm, drafted blueprints of a culture center and met with the youth, elders and the rest of the community at three separate meetings on August 11th and 12th. The meetings allowed the architects to hear feedback from the community. The youth built models and shared ideas of what they felt should be included. Those models are on display in the community center, along with Jones and Jones'

first draft of the floor plans.

Jones and Jones will gather all the information they receive and compile new drawings for the review of the planning committee. Renee Rux, Oceanside Resort director, will also put together a five year revenue projection plan for the resort in order to show the financial possibilities the center will bring to the Quileute people. One way is that it will afford the opportunity for families in the village to perform or cook for guests if they wish to raise money.

Fishermen's Meeting Recap

A fishermen's meeting was held on Wednesday, August 12th from 10am-12pm. Approximately 30 people were in attendance at the meeting located in the Tribal Office West Wing. Fisheries folders were supplied to those who attended, which contained a) notice of the meeting, b) agenda with summary of topics, c) set net regulations, d) picture of net in question, e) draft whiting regulations for 2009, proposal from Pacific Seafoods, January 2008 letter to NOAA from Russell Woodruff requesting Quileute entry into whiting fishery, historic tribal harvest of whiting from 1998 to 2008, testimony of Mel Moon to PFMC, f) general Quileute fishing ordinances, g) fish committee minutes of June 11, 2009, and h) fish committee rules and procedures.

Whiting was discussed for the majority of the meeting. Overall, the major concerns raised about whiting were:

- By catch of salmon and the impact on river fishing
- Cost of the vessel is expensive
- Mixed feelings regarding the fishery due to unclarity of by catch regulations, training and tax issues

Points that were brought up:

- Training is provided to minimize by catch
- It can be a lucrative fishery
- 8,000 metric tons are allocated to the tribe

- Mid-water trawl has substantially less by catch than bottom trawl or dragger fishery

- There are federal rules to prevent overfishing

Upon the suggestion of Chris "Jiggs" Penn, a proposal will be written to summarize what the fishery could be like. This proposal will be submitted to the QNR fish committee for review.

The QNR fish committee would like to remind everyone that the meetings are open to all Quileute fishermen. These meetings occur usually once or twice a month. Look for meeting notices posted on the bulletin boards at QNR, Post Office and the Tribal Office.

Knotweed Eradication Project

Since 2003 the Quileute tribe has been awarded grants through the BIA and USFWS (US Fish and Wildlife Service) to eradicate an invasive plant species known as knotweed, which originates from Asia. It is problematic because it alters the natural ecosystem and negatively affects the food chain.

Knotweed is a bamboo-like plant with green or red stems and bright green leaves, it can stand up to 12 feet tall, blooms white flowers in late summer and is dormant in the winter. It is hard to eliminate; it can be manually dug up and pulled out if the infestation is brand new, but checking often for new sprouts is necessary. In large infestations this method is not feasible. Herbicides, both spray and non-spray, are another method used for controlling the spread.

In its sixth year, 2009, a crew of four at QNR has been eradicating knotweed with the use of herbicides in the Bogachiel watershed, as well as sites in and around the town of Forks. Work originally began in the Dickey watershed in 2003, and over the years QNR crews have moved on to the Calawah and Bogachiel rivers, while Clallam County has been focusing its efforts on the Sol Duc watershed. Frank Geyer, the coordinator of this project, hopes to secure a

grant next year to continue this effort along the Quillayute River, which will complete the project within the Quillayute watershed.

Knotweed threatens both fish and wildlife. It steals nutrients and out competes the native vegetation. During winter, the leaves and stems of knotweed die, leaving the earth exposed. When this weed takes over riverbanks, it leaves the soil bare, causing an increase in sediment loads in the river and erosion along the bank. If left alone, knotweed would become the dominant plant species. Trees that grow along the river, such as alder, would decrease in number. Alder is very important to fish because it provides shade and the decaying leaves of alder provide food for invertebrate species, such as various fly larvae, which are a food source for fish. When these trees fall into the river, they also provide cover and habitat for the fish. Streams with large amounts of wood in them correlate to greater populations of fish.

The tribe is already seeing tremendous results in areas they have treated. After removing a 10 acre patch of knotweed along the Dickey River, elk have begun using that land again, especially as a birthing and feeding area.

Tulalip Youth Visit La Push



Two young Tulalip ladies display the necklace and drum to be raffled off at the Akalat Center on September 1st.

Donald “Penoke” Hatch brought ten Tulalip youth to visit La Push from August 18-20. They played on the beach, had a bon fire, shared songs and told stories. Not only was it an opportunity to get away from home and meet the young people here, but they also brought donations for the Quileutes.

Tulalip donated shirts, sweatshirts and water bottles. They also gave the tribe items to raffle off, including a drum, necklace and four luggage bags that contain blankets and portfolios. The drawing will occur on September 1st at the Akalat Center, which is the first day back for the Tribal School. All proceeds will benefit the Quileute youth.

Thank you Tulalip for your generous donations!

TRIVIA

1. When was the La Push Reservation established?
2. How many tribal fishing boats are in the marina? What are their names?
3. What is the meaning of:

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CANNING CLASSES AVAILABLE

TANF provides canning classes for members of the community during the summer and fall. The course lasts a total of three days. Space is limited, so register today with Sharon Penn, 374-4278.



Jacob's Java is open!



Congrats on the opening of Jacob's Java, Heather Schumack and Rhonda Flores.

La Push Welcomes Twilight Moms



Twilight Moms visited La Push, where they had the opportunity to listen to Chris Morganroth III tell Quileute stories.

Activities for Youth and Families

Human Services will continue to offer a variety of events for youth of all ages as well as family friendly events:

- Take Back the Night from 7pm-9pm at the Akalat on Thursday, August 27th. Stop by our booth to get into a drawing for great gift packages and other free stuff!
- Boys groups and girls groups will

be starting up at the Tribal School, Forks Middle School, Forks High School and Clallam Bay School. Ask for information at your school to attend.

- Monthly luncheons for New and Expecting Moms will continue to be held. Free lunch, gift packages, and a helpful presentation will happen at each event. Stop by Human Services to get on our

mailing list!

- Family Fun Night will continue monthly. September 1st we will be having family cooking night from 5pm-7pm. Watch for signs for the location. Come join in the fun with your whole family!

For more information on any of these events please contact Theresa Breithaupt in the Human Services building or call 374-3138.

Trivia Answers: 1. February 22, 1889; 2. Twelve tribal boats, Bananas, CF Todd, Cindy B, Darlin, Julia R, Lorna, Miss Clarissa, Ocean Radiant, Seactus, Seeker, Shilaly, Vega; 3. "inform, come and give the news"

YOP in the Spotlight

This year's Youth Opportunity Program supervisors were Fern Penn and Ramona Ward. With a turnout of about 35 teenagers for summer 2009, Fern and Mona have kept busy transporting and managing the YOP employees, making sure they turned in daily logs and did their work. Not only did they supervise the teenagers, but they also pitched in and helped with the YOP employees' workload.

YOP teaches teamwork, how to interact with customers, to clock in and out, call in when sick, the im-

portance of being punctual and other basic job duties. Various other skills can be gained based on where the employees are located. There is the yard crew, which is where first year YOP workers are usually placed, while the veteran YOP employees can be placed at Oceanside Resort, the Marina, Lonesome Creek Store, Senior Center, Day Care, QNR, and other sites in La Push. There are even options to work at businesses in Forks.

Besides the usual end of the year trip, Fern suggested a softball

game between Tribal employees and the YOP crew. YOP showed up at the August 18th Leadership meeting and challenged the directors and all their employees to a game of softball. The challenge was accepted, and the game is scheduled for August 28th at noon. There will also be a barbeque.

In order to qualify for YOP, job candidates must be between the ages of 14 and 18 and submit an application before the program starts, which is usually the beginning of July. They must also pass a Urine Analysis test.



Top Left: Tiara Pullen poses with Justin Brewer, Alicia Black and Miranda Pelletier in Teacher Rachel's Room at Day Care.

Top Right: Warren Rosander rakes the grounds near the new Raven Crest Addition.

Left: John Rush pauses from weed eating for a quick picture.

Happy Birthday to Enrolled Quileute Tribal Members

August Birthdays:

Kevin Penn	3	Perry Pullen	9	Merle Ward	18
Kasie Mohr		Grace Jackson	10	Roberta Black	19
Jennie Black	4	Brandon Penn	12	Kevin Mobley	20
Emma Wegener		Valerie Black	13	Elijah Jackson	
Ronni Story		Charles Woodruff		Lonna Ward	
Priscilla Williams		Gene Gaddie	14	Michael Mata	21
Giles Jackson	5	Garth Colfax		Christina Sampson	22
James Williams		Frankie Baker	15	Shelley Wiedemeier	
Vernon Black	7	Steven Dumolt		Bryan Cramer	23
Kimberly Matson		Sadie Zimmerman		Kyle Rosander	
Michael Wallerstedt	8	Clarissa Black	17	Ernesto Garcia	24

Change of Command at USCG Station Quillayute River

A change of command ceremony was held on August 21st. Tribal Council presented retiring Coast Guard Chief William Johnson with a commemorative plaque and wrapped him and his wife, Catherine, in a Pendleton blanket. Thank you for your years of service, Chief Johnson! La Push also welcomes new USCG Chief Lowry.



Nicholas Jacobson	
Alex Black-Ensastequi	
Donald Jaime	25
Annika Christiansen	26
Donna Jaime	27
Brenda Graham	28
Evelyn Medel-Lopez	31
Dusty Jackson	
Stephanie Calderon	

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Honoring Our Past and Focusing on Our Future

I am honored to be greeting the Quileute Tribal School community as your new principal. This is a great school in one of the most beautiful places in the world. I grew up in the state of Washington and I am Tsimshian/Haida from Southeast Alaska. I have been working in Indian Education for 27 years as an administrator, teacher, artist, and advocate for Native students and culture. I have worked for Chief Leschi Schools, Tacoma Public Schools and the

Department of Education in Hawaii.

Quileute students benefit a great deal from attending school in a place rich in culture and tradition. While honoring that past, we can't forget their lives are aimed toward the future. Our educational goals need to be focused on the future, we need to be resourceful and face our challenges together; educators, community and parents. I look forward to working at improving

student achievement and sharing culture.

This year is also Quileute Tribal School's 30 year anniversary. I look forward to celebrating and recognizing contributions of staff, community and tribal leaders. I look forward to a variety of cultural celebrations and recognition within the school community.

Best Wishes,
Al Zantua