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## Seattle Art Museum opens Quileute exhibit

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THE **DEADLINE** FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PRINT IN *THE TALKING RAVEN* IS THE **3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH.**

After a year in the making, the Seattle Art Museum (SAM) has brought the public an exhibit focusing on Quileute culture, titled *Behind the Scenes: The Real Story of the Quileute Wolves*. SAM invited the Quileute Tribe to the opening of the exhibit on Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup> in downtown Seattle. Approximately 100 tribal members attended the event.

SAM first presented a short film to tribal members. Interviews of elders and youth were featured in the video; youth discussed the differences between real Quileutes and the Quileutes portrayed in the *Twilight Saga*, which received many laughs from the audience. After the viewing, the exhibit was blessed.

Quileutes also performed for a packed audience in celebration of the exhibit opening. Preparation lasted weeks, which included making regalia, practicing songs and dances, and getting ready spiritually. The event was open to the public.

Tribal Council and TANF helped fund transportation and lodging for any tribal member interested in going to the exhibit opening. Youth also took advantage of the close vicinity between SAM and the Art Institute of Seattle and went on a tour of the vocational school before the exhibit opening.

SAM Native American Art Curator Barbara Brotherton headed the project to open a Quileute exhibit. She visited La Push throughout the

year and consulted with a Quileute committee. At the opening, it was explained that an exhibit like *Behind the Scenes: The Real Story of the Quileute Wolves* would usually take four years to organize.

Barbara has a few words of thanks to share with the community: "The staff of the Seattle Art Museum would like to give a heartfelt thank you to the Quileute Nation for the incredible performance of their culture through song, dance and art. We have heard from many

in attendance that they had never seen anything so moving and didn't realize how vibrant the culture is today. The dancers performed flawlessly for three hours and they were awesome! There were 1,640 visitors who saw the Quileute dancers on Saturday - this is a record! The exhibit will be on view until August 2011, so we hope that all tribal members will be able to see it. SAM will provide complimentary admission at any time. Contact Barbara Brotherton at 206-654-3139. *Hych-ka.*"



The Quileute group performed in the SAM lobby, where several cars are suspended from the ceiling.

## Upcoming Events

**Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>:** Stephenie Meyer Weekend

**Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>:** Statewide Tsunami and Earthquake Drill

**Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>:** Elders Luncheon Trip (Sign up at Senior Center)

**Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Softball Tournament at La Push

**Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>:** Community Picnic at First Beach

**Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>:** GED and Family Literacy Classes Begin

**Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>:** QTS Open House

**Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Last Chance Salmon Derby

**Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Community Bonfire with Storytelling on First Beach

**Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>:** Children's Halloween Carnival

**Contact Events Coordinator Jamie Hart at (360) 374-5095  
for more information on upcoming events!**

Photo by Cheryl Barth

## Elder Abuse has become frequent in Indian Country—learn the risk factors!

Abuse and neglect of Native American elders now occurs with alarming frequency in tribal communities. Nationally, neglect is the most frequent form of elder abuse. Emotional and psychological abuse, physical abuse, financial and material exploitation, and abandonment are the next most common forms of abuse.

Adult children are most likely to be the perpetrators of abuse. Spouses, other relatives, and grandchildren are also likely to be the perpetrators of abuse. Some tribal social service providers have estimated that close to 80% of those abusing native elders are immediate family members and that 10% of the abusers are extended family members.

### Risk Factors

- Female elders are abused at a significantly higher rate than male elders. The oldest of the elderly are also at a higher risk for abuse.

- Those 80 years of age or older are abused and neglected at two to three times their proportion of the elderly population.

- Researchers have found that poverty is a leading risk factor for elder abuse in native communities. Rates of abuse of native elders are highest in families where income levels for the elder and for the abuser/caregiver are extremely low. Caregiver unemployment also appears to be a risk factor for abuse in Indian communities.

- Physical frailty and inability to care for oneself are also risk factors. Three out of four victims of elder abuse suffer from physical frailty. Close to half of substantiated incidents of abuse and neglect involve elderly persons who are unable to care for themselves. About 28% of substantiated incidents of abuse and neglect involve elderly persons who are able to only marginally care for themselves.

- Social isolation is another significant risk factor for abuse.

- Abuse rates are higher when the elder lives in the same home as the primary caregiver. Caregivers who feel overwhelmed by their duties also present a higher risk for abuse.

If you suspect that someone you know is suffering from elder abuse or if you are being abused yourself, it is important to know that this is not your fault and to seek help!

For more information or assistance, contact the **Quileute Tribe's New Beginnings** program. The program office is located in the Department of Human Services building and an advocate is available to assist you. You can also contact that advocate via phone: **374-5110** or email: [monica.henry@quileutenation.org](mailto:monica.henry@quileutenation.org).



## When should you call 911?

Call 911 whenever you need help from police, fire, or medical personnel. If you are unsure you have an emergency, dial 9-1-1 and let the communications center decide what action to take. You do not receive all the benefits of 911 if you do not use it. Information about your call to 911 is considered personal and is used only to direct emergency response.

As a rule of thumb, calls should only be placed to 911 for potentially life-threatening situations for humans. The following list is certainly not all-inclusive but should provide an idea of what constitutes a legitimate reason for dialing 911:

- People involved in an automobile accident have been killed or injured or trapped in a vehicle.
- Someone has collapsed, is suffering a heart attack, has been seriously burned or is in some other form of distress.
- Someone is being threatened or has been attacked by someone or a group of people.
- Gunshots have been heard or gunfire has been witnessed in a public place.
- A house or building is on fire.
- A boat carrying people has over-

turned.

The following situations are improper reasons for calling 911:

- Calling to get information such as the time, weather forecast, traffic conditions, travel directions or telephone numbers.
- Someone needs help for non-emergency issues such as chronic aches or pains, flu symptoms, minor cuts or needs a ride to the doctor's office or medical center.
- Calling to ask why emergency personnel are at another house or business in the area.
- Reporting bursting pipes or loss of power.
- Playing a prank or calling for a joke.

In some cases, people making improper calls to 911 have ended up as the subject of news stories, so resist the temptation to dial 911 simply because of anger, frustration or out of curiosity. It may not only be a criminal offense in certain areas, it could place the life of somebody else, who is truly in need of help, in greater jeopardy. Be sure that the call is legitimate and that someone's life or property is truly in danger before calling 911.

## ATNI Logo Contest

*Grand Prize: \$1,500*

The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians is soliciting artists from member tribes to design a new logo! In addition to Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Washington, current members include tribes in Alaska, California and Nevada.

Please visit the website at [atntribes.org](http://atntribes.org) to view the ATNI history and their mission statement. The winning submission will become the exclusive property of ATNI.

All submissions must be submitted electronically to:  
[atni@atntribes.org](mailto:atni@atntribes.org).

The deadline is **Midnight PDT, September 15, 2010.**

Please contact Kristen Potts for any questions at (503) 249-5770.

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## Department Updates

### "Living Well with Chronic Conditions" Workshop

The Quileute Health Center, in collaboration with The Olympic Area Agency on Aging, has scheduled a free workshop open to the public: Living Well With Chronic Conditions, to be held one day a week (2.5 hours, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.) for six consecutive weeks beginning Thursday September 9, 2010 at the Quileute Health Center, 560 Quileute Heights, LaPush, WA. The workshop will be facilitated by two trained leaders. All of the materials individuals will be using were developed by Stanford University's Chronic Disease-Self Management Program. This program is designed to help individuals who suffer from a chronic condition, including diabetes, asthma, heart disease, chronic pain, arthritis, and hypertension just to name a few, to lessen their stress and frustration, manage symptoms, and deal with fatigue. Those caring for a loved one with a chronic condition may also benefit from this workshop. Each participant will have access to a 'Living Well With Chronic Conditions' book. The goal of the program is to help you live a healthy life with your chronic conditions by managing your symptoms. Space for the workshop is limited so please register early. For more information and registration, please call 1-866-582-1487 or (360) 538-2457.

### Personnel Department

An employee/community member recognition program has been implemented within the tribe. The first awards were given to Mark Williams and Charlie Sampson for the month of July. Thank you for your hard work!

### Quileute Tribal School

Pictures for Day Care/Head Start will be on Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and pictures for QTS will be on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Quileute Housing Authority

The building of eight houses across from Raven Crest has commenced, with three other houses also being built in scattered sites around the village.



Photos by Tommy Baker Jr.

### Family Pictures

Sponsored by TANF  
One free packet per family

**Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup>**  
at the Tribal School

To schedule an appointment you must stop at the school's front desk and sign your name and phone number.

Appointments will start at 2 p.m. and end at 7 p.m. or 8 p.m.

**No appointments will be made by phone.**

### Statewide Tsunami Drill

**Tsunami Siren Test**  
**September 15, 2010**  
**10:15 a.m.**

If the ground shakes...  
If you hear a siren...  
If the ocean recedes from the shoreline...

Immediately head to higher ground!

*Meet at the Akalat following the drill.*

## Quileute Head Start hosts Open House on September 21<sup>st</sup>

The Quileute Head Start Program will be hosting an Open House complete with a BBQ Dinner on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Families and community members are welcome to come and meet the staff, see what the students have been doing in school, and learn more about the Head Start Program. Shasta Jaksha, who has been with Head Start for five years as our Bus Monitor, is now our cook and will be serving a meal of

barbequed hot dogs and hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, fruit, and dessert.

We are excited to be starting our year fully enrolled with 96% Native American three and four year old students. Our waiting list is filled with both native and non-native children that we will pull from throughout the year as openings in the classrooms become available. Remember to fill out an application as soon as possible so we can plan for your child

when they turn three.

Head Start is a community based program. We are successful because of Quileute community involvement and support. So come by Tuesday for a hamburger and allow us to thank you for your support and perhaps even talk you into another great year of working together for our children and families!

## Great turnout for Take Back The Night!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Quileute Tribe’s “Take Back The Night” (TBTN) was held on August, 19<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Akalat. Approximately 300 people attended the event.

TBTN is a free event organized by New Beginnings Victim Advocate, Monica Henry, and the New Beginnings Advisory Committee. Financial support is provided by New Beginnings, TANF, Quileute Tribal Council and the various departments and individuals that provide donations for the door prizes. TBTN brings awareness to issues of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, elder abuse, and child abuse within the community.

The event started off with an afternoon community walk, which raised awareness and excitement for TBTN. Human Services staff and YOP workers also decorated sidewalks with chalk in front of the store and the Tribal Office to advertise TBTN.

Free cookies, popcorn and beverages were available at the event. There were also informational booths related to the topics of the evening. Activities included finger nail painting, face painting, decorating t-shirts for the clothesline project, silent witness exhibit, door prizes, decorating luminary bags and posters, live music by Sue Zalokar, and a “Hands Are Not For Hitting” puppet show. Participants were also encouraged to share their experiences and express their feelings throughout TBTN. Chance Rush of the Three Affiliated Tribes (Hidatsa) was the emcee again this year.

TBTN was originally started by women in the 1970s to bring attention to violence against women. These events focused on unsafe streets, cities and college campuses, where women and supporters would gather to protest the violence against women that occurs in these unsafe areas. Quileute Tribe’s TBTN brings attention to many forms of abuse that affect this

community.

Monica Henry of New Beginnings shares, “The tremendous amount of support for this year’s TBTN was overwhelming and I can’t possibly thank the volunteers enough for making TBTN a huge success. I was thrilled to see so many participants and to hear community members share their stories. It was emotional but very powerful. I hope that this encourages others to shatter the silence and speak out against violence.”

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, stalking 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 email [newbeginnings@quileutenation.org](mailto:newbeginnings@quileutenation.org).



1. Luminary bags were decorated in support of survivors and in memory of those lost to abuse.
2. Face painting was a very popular station among children. Volunteer Annie Crippen paints a young boy’s face.
3. The puppet show was also a hit, with approximately 50 people in attendance. Eileen Penn narrated the show while Nicole Earls, Jeffrey Schumack and Dimitri Sampson were the puppeteers.

## Vandalism at the Akalat

Recently, the Akalat building and the water tank by the Akalat parking lot were vandalized. The words, “Native” and “Native Pride” were ironically spray painted on the structures. There are other ways to show your Native Pride—not by disrespecting a Tribal School building that the Quileute people love and use for activities and special events.

Please, show consideration for other people’s feelings. Many community members are upset by this graffiti. “Whoever did it should be ashamed of themselves,” said Ron Fonzi, Akalat Maintenance. The buildings have already been repainted.



## Letter from the QTS Superintendent

Dear Community Members, Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Welcome back to another school year. We look forward to a great year.

There are a couple of very important points for this year I wish to remind the community of. We will be focusing on reducing the dropout rate, improving attendance, and to continue to increase our participation on state testing. We have a challenge in having our students to school on time and on a daily basis prepared and ready to learn. We will be using the formula that three tardies will count as a day’s absence. Five days absence in a month, and/or a total of 10 or more days through the year will warrant a petition to a court for compliance of student attendance. As always, we will try to contact and request a meeting with parents and guardians about this need prior to a court petition. A revised school compact is in place to remind each of us of our responsibilities.

To offer quality services, our requirement and thus those for our students becomes stronger. The classes of 2011 and 2012 must pass

the Washington assessment (MSP), an approved alternative, or a specific assessment for students in special education in reading and writing in order to earn a high school diploma. Students can meet the state’s math requirement by passing the high school math exam or by earning two math credits after 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The class of 2013 and beyond will be required to pass reading, writing, math, and science, an approved alternative, or a specific assessment for students in special education. They will also have to pass two math end-of-course exams. The two math credits after 10<sup>th</sup> grade option will no longer be available for those of the class of 2013. With the reauthorization of No Child Left Behind Act, a few more changes may be coming our way.

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 ensure safety for our students and the organization. This has always been in

place and is especially important with the Quileute Tribe being in the world focus with the notoriety from the “Twilight” phenomenon. We seem to have a lot of visitors on and near the campus. Again, the Akalat Center is in lockdown mode, to keep the visiting tourist from helping themselves to the building to ensure uninterrupted safe and secure educational time. Please respect the checking in and out of your children during the school year with a connection to the front desk (374-5648).

In closing, I’d like to say it has been an honor to work at a great school, a school that continues to grow in meeting our students’ and community needs. Have a wonderful school year regardless of where you go to school. Whatever it takes, please help all students to study hard, sleep enough, eat well, and take care of themselves, and most importantly yourselves as their primary point of support.

Respectfully,  
Franklin S. Hanson, Supt.

## Counselor's Corner



Fighting Domestic Violence is Monica Henry's passion. I think La Push is very blessed to have someone of her talent, energy, and obvious dedication to ending violence within the family

framework. I am so amazed with how dedicated Monica is and I would like to thank her for her work. *I also wish to thank all of you that participate with Monica in the struggle. I see you and respect you greatly! Not one domestic violence episode is okay. Not ever!*

We all need to help ring the bell of freedom for all that suffer in anyway because of domestic violence or abuse. But sometimes I think about what abuse is. Maybe just not helping a person that needs help can be a type of abuse. Is it? How about this: an example could be the elder or disabled needing a caregiver. By and large caregivers are angels. Often they have to help bathe, clean, and perform tasks the unfortunate can no longer do. But withholding some of that help could be called abuse, couldn't it?

Over the weekend I took a person who recently became very physically disabled to the Clallam County Drug Court picnic. Unfortunately, he had to go use the facilities. I found out real quickly how tough care giving work is. He couldn't do anything without me helping him. In helping him, I also recognized how easily someone could take advantage of a person in his condition. Again, almost all caregivers are angels, but it could be that some are abusive, too. So know your helpers!

Another abuse of elders and the disabled can be financial. My friend Carol, the little elderly lady that some of you might remember from her visits here, inherited over \$150,000 a few years ago. Her half-brother was in charge of her trust fund. Over a couple years he took about \$125,000 out of the fund, eventually leaving her nothing. He had answers for everything and she trusted him. I reported it as elder abuse to DSHS and the police long before all the money was gone, but nothing concrete was done. So, maybe I should have flown to his town in Nevada and really done something? The money was gone and her dreams of comfort were shattered. What a terrible shame. Should I have done far more to try and help her? Maybe even *not doing* everything humanly possible to help her is wrong, too? These

are things I think about.

And finally, maybe elder/disabled abuse can come by way of their suffering restrictions of movement. Some elders/disabled folks can't even get out of bed without help. La Push folks are awesome with helping their elder family members, but maybe some nursing homes and other caregivers may not be. I now believe that everyone, regardless of their situation, should be entitled to get help and be able to enjoy something outside their home. Since I have recently been visiting a nursing home I see this is a huge need. I also now believe it is a type of abuse to not provide this. Is it? You might think not, but let's at least think about these things.

My friend in the nursing home was a counselor in Neah Bay; now he is bedridden in that nursing home after suffering several strokes. We weren't close friends but I've made a decision to be his angel and I am sure you can do the same for someone, too. A lot of you already are angels for others! "*Angels for Others.*" Sounds nice, don't you think?

*Stay sober, sane and blessed!*

Kevin McCall

### Relay For Life results: Quileute Team raised \$1,800

Team	Online	General	Team Totals
Puddle Jumpers	\$0.00	\$5,071.55	\$5,071.55
Friends for Life	\$0.00	\$3,969.17	\$3,969.17
St. Anne's Saints	\$70.00	\$3,835.00	\$3,905.00
Forks Outfitters	\$0.00	\$3,378.23	\$3,378.23
PT Cruisers	\$0.00	\$3,009.00	\$3,009.00
Quileute Tribe	\$0.00	\$1,800.73	\$1,800.73
Rayonier	\$0.00	\$1,314.78	\$1,314.78
Just a Bunch of Us	\$0.00	\$1,222.40	\$1,222.40
Forks Assembly of God	\$165.00	\$697.00	\$862.00
Traveling Gypsies	\$165.00	\$399.37	\$564.37
Care Bears	\$0.00	\$461.11	\$461.11
Prince of Peace	\$0.00	\$352.50	\$352.50

(chart reflects current totals, not end of year totals)

## Jackie Jacobs Reporting

If I had to give a brief synopsis for the month of August it would be that August was filled with Awesome Adventures!

As mentioned in July's newsletter, during the first week of August the Twilight Cruisers came through the Olympic Peninsula and five buses paid a visit to La Push to buy from the artisans. They gave a gift of **\$500** to the Senior Center.



Mr. Chris Morganroth III was a featured guest aboard the "Twilight Fan Cruise" ship and delighted the guests with his Quileute storytelling.

Linda Wolf, tour organizer, had this to say about his appearance: "Oh my gosh! Having Chris and Arlene on board was just amazing! Chris did a great job telling stories...and he always had time to chat with anyone who asked him a question. He is a fine gentleman and he added a very special touch to our program. Our passengers were delighted to meet an actual Quileute Tribal Elder."

The group donated **\$1,000** (50% of the proceeds from a charity auction onboard the ship) to the Quileute Tribal School.

The following week was truly magical as the Seattle Art Museum launched the exhibit, [Behind the Scenes: the Real Story of the Quileute Wolves](#). This exhibit was a culmination of over a year of hard work and is such an important milestone for the tribe. It was so amazing to witness the powerful performances that visitors are still talking about today! Congratulations to all who contributed and collaborated on

this project.

As you know, the exhibit is up for a year and there are additional plans regarding future programs that will be shared at a later date.

The Seattle Times ran a front page story and Seattle Weekly featured the exhibit on the cover. There was also press in the Seattle PI, The Wall Street Journal, City Arts Magazine, Seattle Magazine, NPR KUOW radio and the Peninsula Daily News, as well as numerous arts blogs and "Twilight" fan sites.

Thanks to all who contributed quotes to the media during the launch of the exhibit. It confirms that the world is truly interested in who you are and what you have to say and it is so helpful when you share your thoughts.

A close-out sale of 2009 Quileute Days gear was announced on the e-commerce site as a means to liquidate merchandise and introduce new items. The orders are pouring in as we continue to research what will make the e-commerce site the most viable economically for the tribe and provide long term sustainability. We are so grateful to Cheryl Barth for all the pro-bono photography work she has done for us for the website. A special "Thank you" to our volunteer model Sky Penn as well!

Nick Myers presented his final presentation regarding the e-commerce store to the Quileute Tribal Council and I will report on those findings next month. It is difficult to say goodbye to Nick, as he exceeded all of my expectations professionally and personally. He embraced this nation and his position here on levels I did not anticipate. He is truly "Team Quileute" in every sense of the word. Again, Nick's position was funded by a \$15,000 grant awarded by the BIA that I applied for back in the spring after reaching out to the Michael Verchot,

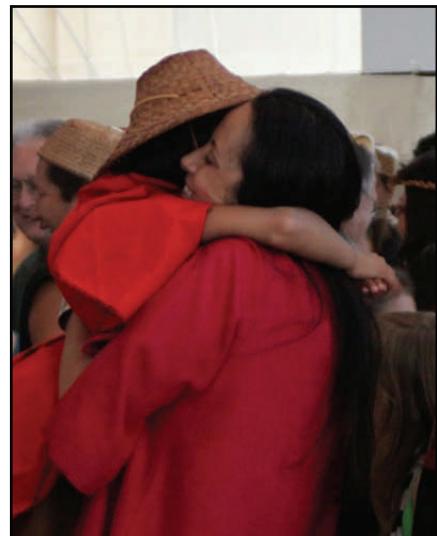
the Director of the UW School of Business. Michael told me about the grant and I applied the same day.

We were very fortunate to have been awarded the grant, and I know it has opened a door between the UW Business School and the Quileute that will benefit the tribe for generations to come.

Deana Dart-Newton from the UW Burke Museum presented the website "Truth vs. Twilight" for final approval by the tribal council. The website should launch in September.

It is my pleasure to serve you. And please remember if you are interested in participating in the media requests I receive or if you would like to volunteer model for the e-commerce site or the upcoming PSA being produced by Microsoft, please call me at 206-388-9200 or email me at [jj@jtalentgroup.com](mailto:jj@jtalentgroup.com)

Again, August was filled with Awesome Adventures!



Jackie receives a huge hug from Miranda Jackson-Ward after the friendship dance at the Seattle Art Museum. Photo by Choon Mun Dore

## Hiba' Kwashkwash [HAY-buh quash-quash] : The Jay Squawks

Piyáqalo ókił chi? bókwałsoti Si-yátłalki. [pee-YAH-kah-lo O-kith bow-QUAH-tso-tee see-YAHT-thil-kee]

*"The show at the museum (house of cherished things) in Seattle"*

The opening of the Seattle Art Museum show was a great tribute to the Quileutes and Quileute culture. It was a chance for Quileutes to say, "Here's who we are! We were created in Quileute country and we're still there." Like the Quileute School chant says:

Hílo K<sup>w</sup>o'lyof → *We are Quileute*

Lawałsákił-ñi → *Made from wolves.*

The exhibit had a lot of information and a chance to see many old Quileute cultural artifacts from museum and archival collections. As I looked at those old objects, I thought about the reason that there are few truly old artifacts from La Push in museum collections. That's because of the great fire of 1889 that destroyed almost all the masks and other ceremonial items, tools, hunting and fishing gear, storage boxes and their contents, decorated houseposts and traditional plank longhouses.

Most Quileutes know the story of that fire, but let me tell it again in detail, according to the information known by Hal George, Bill Penn, Chris Morganroth II and others, and according to the diaries and letters of A.W. Smith, who was the teacher and Indian Agent in La Push at the time. The story starts in the early 1870s. The first white settlers were starting to arrive, and shortly after that time, a fur buying station was established near the mouth of the river. This business developed into a permanent trading post which was taken over by the Washington Fur Company in the 1880s. The manager, Dan Pullen, married A. W. Smith's sister, Harriet, and built a large house near

the site of the old Coast Guard station which is now the QTS admin building. Although Pullen sold the fur buying business to Sutcliffe Baxter in 1886, he continued to operate it. Tensions arose between the villagers and Pullen because he applied for a homestead patent on the La Push village site, the 160 acres covering the village and river lagoon (since the river still exited straight out at Mora). His application was in clear contravention of a regulation forbidding homesteading on previously and continuously occupied Indian land.

In fact, the Quileutes had not "removed" from the traditional village and they continued to live there. And, in February of 1889, approximately one square mile of land, including that claimed by Pullen, was set aside for the Quileutes as a reservation by Presidential executive order. In September of that year, though, while the Quileutes were away picking hops in Puyallup, Pullen set fire to the village, hoping to prove his false claim that the village was no longer occupied. The fire literally burned every house to the ground. Then Pullen, with the help of local scoundrel K.O. Ericson, leveled the site with a plow, planted grass seed throughout the area, and built a barbed wire fence around it. Upon their return, the Quileutes were dissuaded by threats of violence from rebuilding on their customary house sites. They built new houses on the beach, which were flooded out that winter during high tides and storms. Even though Dan Pullen was A.W. Smith's brother-in-law, Smith wrote letters to the government on behalf of the Quileutes. And, on the earnest request of the Office of Indian Affairs, Dan Pullen's homestead application was ultimately turned down and the Indians were allowed to return to their village site, where for the most part they built new whiteman-style houses on surveyed lots.

That fire resulted in the irretrievable destruction of the tribe's pre-

contact cultural artifacts. And that's the reason that there are few Quileute artifacts in Museum collections. The staff of the Seattle Art Museum, especially Dr. Barbara Brotherton, worked with the advice of a committee of La Push community members to gather some of those objects and to make sure that the message of the exhibit was the one the Quileutes wanted to tell. And, of course on opening day, Quileute speakers and the enthusiastic dancers emphasized the message that Quileute spirit and traditions are alive and well.

Among the Quileute cultural artifacts on exhibit that I appreciated most were the century-old drawings by Quileute schoolchildren. These pictures show in wonderful detail the ceremonies and everyday life in the village during the early 1900s. They were drawn in pencil by young students at the village school in 1906. Albert Reagan, the schoolmaster who replaced A.W. Smith in 1904, collected many of the drawings and they are like a set of intimate pictures of the life and times of La Push when new technology, foods and ideas were changing village life, but the old ways were still being practiced. The pictures make us realize the value of listening to the stories of our elders and paying attention to the tribal life going on around us. Kids then were very observant. Maybe their elders had told them as Dewey Cleveland told me when I told him that I was interested in finding out about Quileute traditional culture:

Táñil ax<sup>w</sup> wákiłaxíslí híxat piyáqali - táñil k'ax-tilóx<sup>w</sup> ax<sup>w</sup>.

*"Keep on listening and watching – keep your eyes open."*

-Jay Powell

## Letter of thanks from family of “Pepsi Duke”

Quileute tribal elders, council members and longtime friends and loved ones:

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude for your kindness, support and heartfelt words at the loss of our Uncle William Dukabish James, known affectionately as “Pepsi Duke”.

It was with great sadness I would return home to bury the last James family brother. Thank you to James Jaime, Chris Morganroth, Russell Woodruff, Allen Black, John & Rhonda Pinion, Gene Baker, and

Tom Jackson for standing to share stories and bring much laughter to the family in our time of need.

Thank you to Dana Williams, Charles Harrison, Leticia Jaime, Nicole Bender, Darrin Rosander, and Jack Eastman for organizing, cooking and caring for the smallest of details. These are a few of the people who helped, as I know there were a lot of hands and hearts at work. Thank you. Watalichasosto.

Thank you to the kind and compassionate staff at the Quileute

Tribal Clinic for your dedication and care for Uncle when he was last in La Push.

I know how deeply my Uncle loved to live in La Push and how proud he was to be Quileute. It brought the family great peace to be able to bury him, next to his brothers and sisters, who no doubt, were on the other side of the river waiting to greet him with love.

Melisa Eyle  
For the James-Hudson family

## QVSD hosts Title VII BBQ for Native American families

Title VII is the federal funding Quillayute Valley School District (QVSD) receives through a grant application to provide support services for our Native American students. Last spring, I approached Diana Reaume, Superintendent, and Kyle Weakley, Director of Student Services (which includes overseeing the Title VII program), and asked if they would consider bringing tribal council members and administrators together to open up dialogue about the education of our district's Native students; listen to concerns, desires, frustrations, etc. They were very open to the idea, and we began discussing how best to make this a reality.

At our last Title VII Parent Advisory meeting of the school year at Hoh River, we discussed the idea and the suggestion that we expand it to include families and students in an informal back-to-school BBQ setting. The BBQ was provided by Jerry Lepell, and salads were donated by the

elementary school's Relay For Life team, the Puddle Jumpers.

Eileen Penn was honored for her 30+ years as an instructional assistant for the elementary school's Native American students and was given a Forks Spartan sweatshirt. Vi Riebe, who was unable to attend, was also recognized for her years as an instructional assistant for Native students at the intermediate school. Cathy Salazar accepted a Spartan sweatshirt for Vi. Gifts of Spartan t-shirts were given to Roger Jackson, retired school board member for QTS and National Indian Education Association, Anna Rose Counsell-Geyer, Quileute Chairwoman, and Title VII Parent Advisory Council members Ann Penn-Charles, Cathy Salazar and Vienna Medina. Student Council Representatives Raymond Hoekstra and Gloria Salazar also received Spartan t-shirts.

Several parents had the opportunity to thank the school district for the BBQ and voice concerns as

well as encourage parents to be advocates for their children's education. The ONRC Social Hall was full, with an estimated 100 people in attendance.

-Sandy Heinrich, FHS Readiness To Learn Coordinator/Family Support Advocate



Eileen Penn proudly displays the FHS sweatshirt she received at the BBQ.

### Corrections

In the August issue, it was reported that Ardis Pullen donated her hair to the charity, *Locks of Love*. It was actually Gabe Pullen who donated his hair.

### Open House at Forks Schools

Open House for the Elementary School is scheduled for **September 9<sup>th</sup>** from 5:30 p.m. through 6:30 p.m., while the Middle School Open House is the same night from 6:45 p.m. through 7:45 p.m.

## Quileute Days merchandise on sale



The Quileute Tribe and the Quileute Store are excited to announce a liquidation sale on Quileute Days Gear. Prices on 2009 Quileute Days t-shirts are cut 50% while supplies last. Quileute Days is the annual festival celebrating Quileute culture and heritage, held in Late July. Attendees of past festivals include "Twilight" stars Tinsel Korey (Emily) in 2009, and Gil Birmingham (Billy Black) in 2010. Supplies are limited, so hurry to [www.quileute-store.com](http://www.quileute-store.com) to purchase your t-shirt now! The shirts can be

found under the link for "Quileute Days Gear." While at the Quileute Store, also be sure to check out other authentic Quileute and "Twilight Saga" inspired merchandise

We are also thrilled to be presenting for sale 2010 Quileute Days t-shirts! The shirt's back design portrays a traditional Quileute dancer designed by Quileute local artist and carver, Dave Jackson, Jr. Quantities and sizes are limited, so be sure to check out our new offerings today!

## GCN team volunteered in La Push

A group of nine Americans and 1 Canadian visited La Push from August 14<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> to take part in community events, enjoy the beautiful scenery, and to help out on local projects. The team was sponsored by Global Citizens Network, and this was the 10<sup>th</sup> GCN team to visit the Quileute Nation.

The team was made up of seven adults and three kids. Throughout the week the group helped paint the trim at the Ocean-side Resort and weed the garden at the QNR. They also beaded some necklaces with Ann Penn-Charles, helped Sue Payne prepare for the church rummage sale, and joined up with the Youth Opportunity Program to help clear some yards of grass and debris.

The GCN volunteers would like to thank everyone in the community for the warm welcome they received, saying that they were amazed at how openly the people of the community welcomed the group into the Family Fun Night and drumming circle events.

Global Citizens Network (GCN) sponsors 1- 3 week trips for

teams of 8 to 12 people to primarily indigenous communities throughout the world. Located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, GCN connects individuals and communities that are interested in sharing their culture and friendship through partnership and solidarity. It is GCN's belief that through such interaction, people of diverse cultures who share common global values will begin to develop creative and effective local solutions to global problems.

Other cultural trips in support of community development planned for the coming year include: Tanzania, Kenya, Peru, Nepal, Kenya, Brazil, Ecuador, Canada, Arizona and Minnesota. For more information about GCN's 2010/2011 schedule, please call (800) 644-9292 or visit the website at [www.globalcitizens.org](http://www.globalcitizens.org)

GCN plans to visit La Push again in June and August of 2011. If you have an idea for a project that could benefit from GCN's participation, please contact Jamie Hart at (360) 374-5095.

### The Other Counselor's Corner

It's been about a month-and-a-half since the July 7<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard helicopter crash. Norm Englund, at the Quileute Health Clinic, wants to remind folks who witnessed or responded to this event that common responses to traumatic events like this include:

- Headaches
- Difficulty sleeping
- Flashbacks
- Anxiety
- Inability to concentrate
- Crying spells
- Lack of appetite
- Increased anger or irritability
- Depression

If this sounds like you, please do not use alcohol or drugs to cope. And don't isolate yourself from family, friends and co-workers. And please remember that help is available. Norm's direct line at the clinic is 374-4320.

## Stephenie Meyer Weekend 2010 Schedule

### Friday—September 10<sup>th</sup>

9pm-1am: **Bella's Ball at Twilight Lounge**

### Saturday—September 11<sup>th</sup>

8am-11am: **Bella's Birthday Breakfast at Forks Congregational Church**

8am-8pm: **Twilight Scavenger Hunt**

9am-1pm: **"Bella Loves Books" book sale at Forks Memorial Library**

10am-6pm: **Vendors at Tillicum Park**

11am-1pm: **FHS Tours**

12:30pm: **Music in Tillicum Park**

1:30pm: **Mayor of Forks Proclamation**

2pm: **Group Photo at Tillicum Park**

2:30pm: **"Twilight" Characters Look-alike Contest at Tillicum Park**

3:30pm: **Decorated "Twilight" Car Judging at Forks Memorial Library**

7pm: **Quileute Dancing and Drumming in La Push**

7pm-9pm: **Forks "Twilight" Fashion Show at Twilight Lounge**

8:30pm: **Bonfire and Quileute Storytelling in La Push**

9pm-11pm: **Mitch Hansen Band at Twilight Lounge**

### Sunday—September 12<sup>th</sup>

8am-12pm: **Bella's Birthday Breakfast at The Lodge**

10am-4:30pm: **Vendors at Tillicum Park**

11am: **Music in Tillicum Park**

1pm: **Bella's Birthday Cake at Tillicum Park**

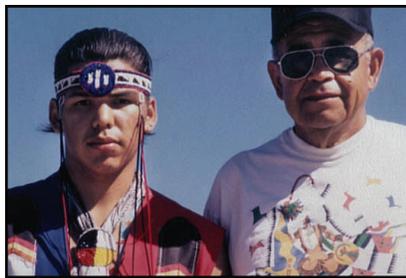
2pm: **Group Photo in Tillicum Park**

2:30pm: **Bella's Truck Giveaway in Tillicum Park**

3pm: **"Twilight" Team Trivia at Tillicum Park**

Photo by Lindsay Douglas

### Quileute Fancy Dancer gets 1<sup>st</sup> at Chief Seattle Days Powwow



Congratulations to John William Jackson of La Push for receiving 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Men's Fancy Dancing category at the Chief Seattle Days Powwow in Suquamish on August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

John has been fancy dancing since he was young; he is the grandson of Roger and Arlene Jackson, and the son of Roger Jackson Jr.

### August Family Fun Night



**Left:** Stephanie Calderon dishes up a plate of precut meats and veggies. Everyone at Family Fun Night had to make their own shish kabobs for dinner.

**Right:** Heather Schumack and Korina Eyle throw kabobs onto the grill. They also helped others who had never used a barbecue before.



## Meet the new employees



Greetings, I'm Gavin M Simkins, the new public defender at the tribal court. I am available to help defend those charged with violations of the

Quileute Law and Order Code,

and parents involved in ICW matters. I work Mondays, Tuesdays and some Wednesdays; my office is in the tribal court building on the upper floor. I can be reached at 374-4305 or email me at: [gavin.simkins@quileutenation.org](mailto:gavin.simkins@quileutenation.org).

I am a graduate of Seattle University School of Law, and the University of Washington (B.A. English Literature). I am from Tacoma.

It is truly an honor for me

to work for the Quilute Tribe. I am deeply interested in learning all I can about the culture, traditions and history of the tribe. I look forward to living and working in such a beautiful place.

Please feel free stop by to see me any time if I can be of assistance to you.

Gavin Simkins

My name is Terri Black and I have been hired as a full-time housekeeper at Oceanside Resort. My goal in this position is to provide good customer service for guests and to communicate with the other employees and work as a team. So far, I love my job and my coworkers. My previous work experience includes being a janitor as well as the switchboard operator for the tribe.

Terri Black

Some of my hobbies include being a mentor for the drum group and supporting people in their sobriety. I like to play Bingo at the Senior Center with the children. Thank you to the Tribal School and the Seniors Program for making it a monthly activity that my husband and I look forward to. I also enjoy cooking for family functions and events. In fact, I would love to start having family meals that I can share with

my siblings, uncles, aunties, cousins, children and grandkids, like Gram Lillian Pullen used to do.



I would like to introduce myself. My name is Gina R. Lowry, and I was born and raised in Juneau, Alaska (SE Alaska). I

am 1/2 Tlingit Indian. I love to hunt and fish, which is what I call "living off the land." I come from

a family of twelve, and most of my family still resides in Juneau and Sitka, AK. I am also the wife to Senior Chief Scott W. Lowry of the USCG Station Quillayute River. We have five children between us, all grown ups.

I am the new ICW Case Aid, assistant to the ICW Case Worker. I have hands-on experience with Tribal Government and with Tlingit & Haida Head Start. I have also been an Administrative

Assistant at Douglas Indian Association, Accounts Receivable Clerk for SE AK Regional Health Consortium, worked for Alaska Native Brotherhood Café, and been an Office Clerk at Chinook Tribe. With officially being hired, I look forward to working for the Quileute Tribe and would like to continue to build my success at ICW.

Gina Lowry

## Quileute Tribe

# Happy Birthday to Enrolled Quileute Tribal Members September Birthdays:

Jack Eastman	1	Donna Mae Jaime	7	Mary Martinez	20
Leanna Justus		Fern Penn	10	Michael Jackson	
Magnolia Stacey		Duane Jones Jr.	11	Joshua Hoskins	21
Russell Woodruff Jr.	2	James Williams Sr.	12	Stephanie Ward	
Bryson King		Chelsey Beebe		Tashina Ward	
Ronald Ramsey	3	Page Foster		Rosita Martinez	22
Shadow Rosander		William Hatch	14	Bert Black	24
Gene Harrison	4	David Stillwell-Black	15	Saygan Medina	
Jonathan Jackson		Virginia Sablan	16	Mark Williams	25
Rigoberto Manzanares		Michael Ward		Jeremy Hamm	
Sandy Jaime	5	Mary Eastman	17	Toby Morganroth	26
Andre Ward	6	Bonita Cleveland		Bonnie Sampson	
Jose Payne		Cassandra Perete-Black		James Tumbaga	27
Alyssa Foster		Charles Rice	18	Frank Jackson	
Jeremiah Green Jr.		Perry Black		Kimberlee Shaffer	28
Pauline Flores	7	Isabelle Pullen		Jason Eastman	30
Jessica Black		Dean Penn	19		
Precious Jackson		Karl Cleveland			

## Summer Jam Fest has a winner!



After 13 weeks of exercise and eating healthier foods, Selina Foster has been named the "Biggest Loser" of Summer Jam Fest. The

winner of the \$5,000 contribution from Tribal Council still needs to be determined in a prize drawing. There are a total of six people whose names will be entered to win that

money.

Congratulations to the 38 participants on their hard work! Together, the group has lost a combined 417.8 lbs!

The next competition, Fall Fitness, will begin on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Those who want to participate in the next weight loss challenge will need to sign up and weigh in with Penny Winn or Tara Newman by 1 p.m. on September 10<sup>th</sup>. The registration fee is \$40 and all Quileute tribal members and tribal employees are welcome to join the program.

If people are continuing on from Summer Jam Fest into Fall Fitness and participated in the August 27<sup>th</sup> weigh in, they can choose to use their ending weight for Summer Jam Fest as their initial weight for Fall Fitness. If participants from Summer Jam Fest want to continue on with Fall Fitness and did not weigh in for the August 27<sup>th</sup> weigh in, they MUST weigh in the week of September 6<sup>th</sup> to begin the Fall Fitness program.

For more information, contact Penny at (360) 374-3149 or Tara at (360) 374-2631.

## Join the EMAIL List!

*The Talking Raven* now has an Email List! Join today to be contacted when new issues are posted on the Quileute Nation website. Send your name and email address to:

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