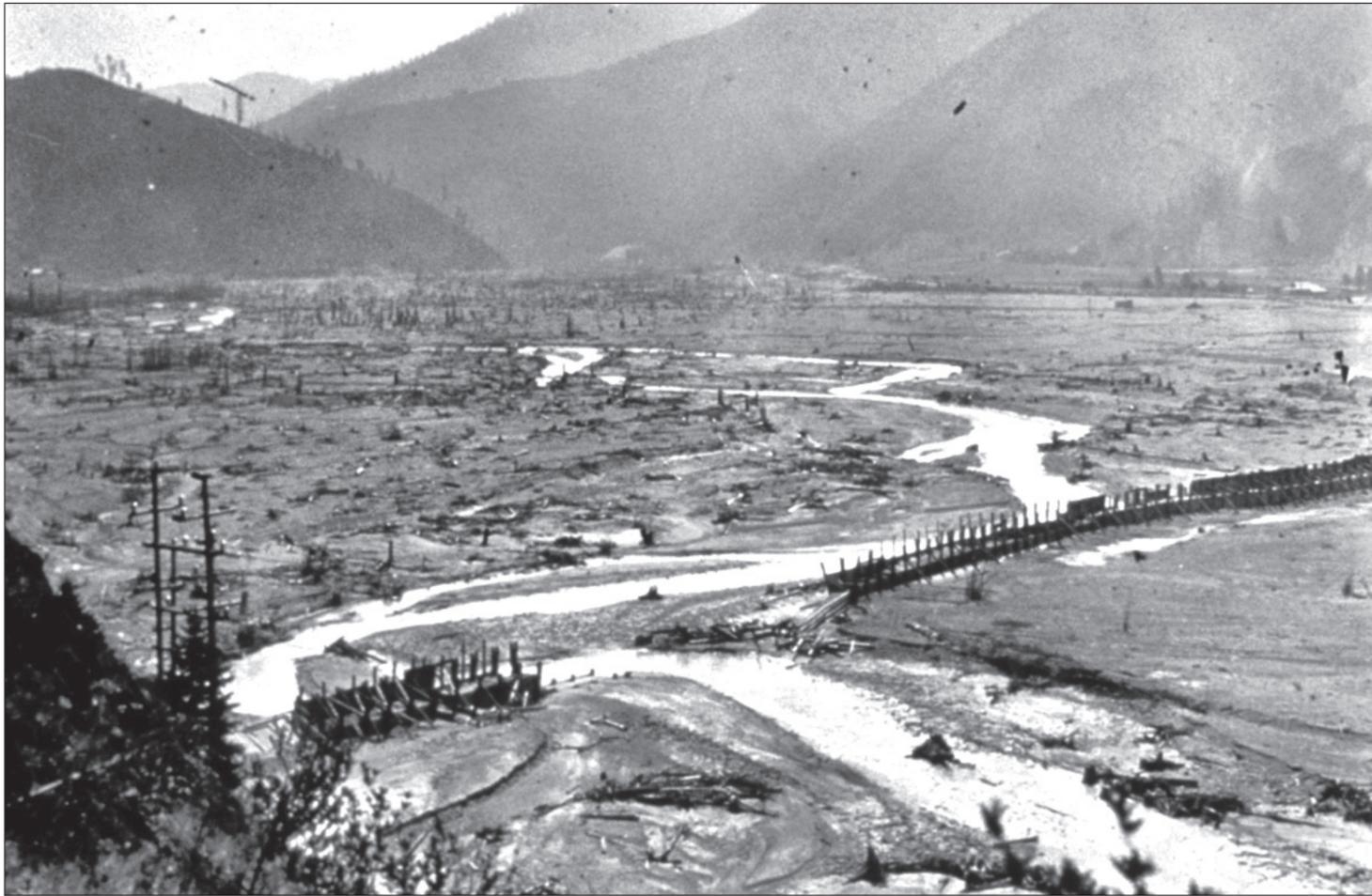


Coeur d'Alene Tribe - Council Fires -

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Settlement reached on Bunker Hill Superfund Site, \$263 million to be paid



This historical photo of the Bunker Hill Superfund Site shows the barren land affected by mining runoffs in the Silver Valley.

Alecia Warren
Coeur d'Alene Press

Mining waste cleanup in the Coeur d'Alene Basin will receive an impressive financial boost, thanks to a settlement over one of the largest cases ever filed under the Superfund statute.

Hecla Mining Company has agreed to pay \$263.4 million plus interest to the federal government, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and the state of Idaho to resolve claims over environmental damages caused by the Coeur d'Alene company's mining waste.

This is among the 10 largest cash settlements achieved under Superfund, said Dan Opalski, Superfund director for the Environmental Protection Agency.

"We are feeling extremely good about this settlement as something that we really hope signals a new day in the Silver Valley, in terms of moving

beyond a significant and ongoing phase of litigation," Opalski said after the announcement on Monday.

The settlement is the denouement of a 20-year-old lawsuit that sought damages for injuries to clean water, fish and birds, caused by millions of tons of mining waste released into the South Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River and its tributaries.

The cleanup of this damage has been the focus of Superfund work that the Environmental Protection Agency and Idaho have been involved in since the early '80s.

"In the basin we have been dealing with the intersection of some significant legacy issues, as well as the very strong interests there and the continuing of an industry that has been part of the culture," Opalski said of why the settlement took so long. "It's been a difficult conversation. I think it's really a telling

accomplishment of folks on both the government side as well as on the Hecla Mining Company side to finally say 'Enough is enough. We both have priority work to do, let's get on with it.'"

Hecla spokespeople could not be reached for comment.

About 75 percent of the settlement funds will go toward the EPA and other natural-resource related agencies within the federal government.

The remaining 25 percent will be divided among the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, the state and federal natural resource trustees.

All dollars will go toward continuing cleanup efforts in the lower and upper Coeur d'Alene basins.

This new injection of dollars should ramp up efforts, said Cami Grandinetti, Coeur d'Alene Team manager, and likely lead to more cleanup-related jobs.

"How many more jobs, I don't know, but there will be more jobs," Grandinetti said.

There is still roughly \$2 billion worth of cleanup that needs to be done, she said.

"The costs are significant remaining, absolutely," Grandinetti said.

The settlement will help fund more cleanup of metal-contaminated properties throughout the basin, Opalski said, which could take another two years to complete.

There will also be more focus on addressing tailings ponds that are leaching into tributaries, he said. Long-term water treatment and protecting finished cleanup work are other goals.

The EPA is still sorting through comments submitted on the proposed Upper Basin Cleanup plan, Opalski said when asked if the funds would go toward that.

"Resources here are another piece of the puzzle in providing us more ability to do more work," he said.

Don Ferguson, a Cataldo contractor who has been working on yard cleanup projects, said he is relieved to hear about the settlement.

There has been uncertainty about how long cleanup contracts will last, he said, and whether more jobs will be available.

"The federal government is subject to budgets, the

same as everybody else," said Ferguson, who was working on a yard cleanup in Wallace on Monday. "At least now they have this pot of money set aside specifically for reclamation."

More cleanup projects being funded should add some security to his own budget, he added.

"As far as contracts, there will be more opportunities for me to bid on," Ferguson said.

The settlement, released in a proposed consent decree, also includes a provision for coordinating future cleanup activities with Hecla's mining operations.

"There have been ongoing discussions and debate as to how cleanup can be moved forward as we provide opportunities and space for active mining to proceed," Opalski said. "We believe the decree and its provisions help provide much more coordinating and framework for that to move forward."

The consent decree, lodged in the U.S. District Court for the District of Idaho, is subject to a 30-day public comment period and approval by the federal court.

A copy can be viewed at: www.justice.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html.

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe originally brought the suit against Hecla and other mining companies in 1991. The U.S. joined the suit in 1996.

The state of Idaho also joined the suit on Monday to participate in the settlement and resolve its claims against Hecla.

The lawsuit had a 78-day trial in 2001.

ASARCO, the other primary defendant named in the suit, reached a settlement to pay \$494 million in 2008, when the company was emerging from bankruptcy.

The U.S., the Tribe and state have already settled claims against other defendants named in the suit, including Sunshine Mining and Corps Mining.

Chief Allan, Chairman of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, lauded the former tribal leaders responsible for the suit.

"As we move from litigation to restoration, I'm certain they are smiling down on us today," Allan said. "The Tribe is hopeful that this settlement marks a new chapter in the stewardship of the land we all hold dear."

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- 138(11)** Approved amend chapter 41 Tribal Employment Rights; 5 for 1 against.
- 143(11)** Approved Information Technology (IT) amend CDA resolution 52 (2011) approve engineering contract Black Diamond Engineering; 5 for 0 against.
- 144(11)** Approved Information Technology (IT) USDA-RUS form 674 appoint security administrator data collection system; 5 for 0 against.
- 145(11)** U N - A V A I L - A B L E
- 146(11)** U N - A V A I L - A B L E
- 147(11)** Approved Natural Re-

- source department Land Services agricultural 4 year lease on allotment 61 to Haas Farms with conditions to follow; 6 for 0 against.
- 148(11)** Approved Natural Resources department Land Services agricultural 10 year lease on allotment 439 to Randy Duncan with conditions to follow; 6 for 0 against.
- 149(11)** Approved Natural Resource department Land Services agricultural 10 year lease on allotment 445c (t) to Randy Duncan with conditions to follow; 6 for 0 against.
- 150(11)** Approved Natural Resources department Land Services agricultural 5 year lease on allotment 457A(T) to William Mellick, with conditions to follow; 6 for 0 against.

- 151(11)** Approved Natural Resources department Fisheries program Coeur d'Alene Lake Predator Evaluation CDA resolution 151(2011); 6 for 0 against.
- 152(11)** Approved Annual Lease approval of Tribal Beds and Banks for calendar year 2011; 6 for 0 against.
- 153(11)** Approved C D A Early Childhood Learning Center Early Head Start/Head Start Program DHHS 3 year grant for \$1,087,516; 6 for 0 against.
- 154(11)** Approved Executive Operations CDA approval consent decree with HELCA Limited, et al. (HECLA); 6 for 0 against.
- 155(11)** U N - A V A I L - A B L E

- 156(11)** Approved Natural Resource department Land Services request to assign agricultural lease on allotment 61 from Terrel Baune to Haas Farms; 4 for 0 against 1 out.
- 157(11)** Approved Natural resource department Land Services-assignment of homesite lease Althea Ford to Robin Holt CDA Tribal tract No. 639.5; 4 for 0 against 1 out.
- 158(11)** Approved Natural Resources Forestry North Idaho annual operating plan (FIRE); 5 for 0 against.
- 159(11)** Approved Natural Resources department Wildlife program 2011 Moose Lottery Revisions; 5 for 0 against.

- 160(11)** Approved Natural Resource department Wildlife program approval of UCUT appropriations; 5 for 0 against.
- 161(11)** Approved Public Works department Indian Reservation Roads program inventory list fiscal year 2011; 5 for 0 against.
- 162(11)** Approved Natural Resource department Environmental programs office approve Memorandum of agreement with Washington State University; 5 for 0 against.
- 163(11)** Approved Executive Operations certification of Tribal school Board Election June 3, 2011; Anna M. Peone, Incumbent, Vicki Mahoney, three year term; 6 for 0 against.

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Lawrence Nicodemus and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's Language Department provided the paper with the following translation of *sgwelp tgwe'l 'ya'(pqi'n'm* which describes a fire made for the purposes of gathering or meeting.

Forestry faced with delays due to unseasonably wet and cool spring

Hopefully summer will show up soon and the ground will dry out to allow field work to get into full swing. We are currently advertising project work for this year including several timber sales, fuels contracts and Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) projects. Contact the forestry department or visit the Tribe's website under Natural Resources/Forestry for additional, up to date information.

Firewood permits are now being issued. Stop by or contact the forestry office at 686-1227 to get a permit. As the weather continues to be wet, please stay off soft muddy roads to prevent damage and erosion.

Timber Sales: Three timber sales have bid openings scheduled for the month of June. We are hoping that they all sell for good prices, and that scheduled timber management to improve growing conditions in these forest stands will take place. By the time the sales are sold and contracts signed, the ground should be dry enough to allow logging. Two of the sales are adjacent to Plummer, so be prepared to see log trucks on local roads. The third sale is north of the Windfall Pass Road. The Chadalamalqwn sale is scheduled for a bid opening on June 10, followed by Tamiyel on June 21 and Sachri on June 22.

Four summer youth workers will be arriving soon to learn what it is like to work in the Tribal Forestry

Department. These workers will be placed in Forest Development, Timber Sales, Fuels Management, and Fire Management. We are also getting started preparing a new timber sale around Worley.

The late snowmelt continues to delay the restart of logging in the Eagle Peak area. The Tenthree sale has a couple weeks of logging to go and we need additional reconnaissance and field tours for a follow up sale in the same area.

Fuels Program: A small burn window opened up for the Moose Paddle Prescribed Burn, which we burned an estimated 46 acres. This occurred on June 4-6 and is on the Cherry Creek Tribal block. The area was burned to prep the site for planting and reduce the accumulated dead and downed and activity fuels.

The Fuels Program is beginning bid and award contracting work for this year. The Windfall/Peedee Contract has been postponed and will be reevaluated next month. The Timber Agricultural Interface Fuel Break Project (TAIFBP) #5 project located off Benewah and Windfall Pass Road has an estimated 306 acres that was awarded on May 25. The contract has been routed, and the work will start once it is approved and signed.

The TAIFBP #6 contact has an estimated 287 acres with bids due June 10. Once the contract is awarded and routed work will

begin.

We are scheduling more contract work for the summer in the Little Butte Area and off of Minaloosa Road. The Fuels Crew has completed an estimated 81 acres of thinning and pruning and 66 acres of mastication. Currently, they are working near the rest area and treating A8 with a thinning, pruning, and a combination of hand piling and machine mastication. They will also be working on A316 in the Little Butte Area this summer. Please be cautious near the above mentioned areas and signs are posted during active operations. If you have any questions, contact Chuck Simpson - Fuels Specialist - at (208) 686-5030.

Forest Development: Low elevation tree planting was completed in May and now that the snow has melted and we can access the higher elevations, tree planting will finish up by mid-June. High elevation planting includes the Moose Paddle Logging Unit on Cherry Creek and a unit on

the North Tensed sale. Spot spraying on various plantations to control grass and other vegetative competition will also be completed as weather conditions allow.

The TSI project on Windfall Pass has restarted and should finish up by the later part of June. Additional TSI contracts will be out for bid in the near future. Look for posted fliers or visit the tribal website under Natural Resources/Forestry/Forest Development.

FOREST ROADS: The processing of natural resource materials is constant to make a usable or reusable material for the community's needs. It has been a struggle to finish up wood products this spring, due to the rain, for mulch, fuel chips and compost but slowly its happening. Screening rock materials is our next step for upcoming tribal projects this summer, along with that we have set up bins for landscape materials for sale to the public. You are welcome to the work site to look at what is available. Call (208) 686-1885 or 582-2517.

Monthly deadlines for Council Fires

In order for our publication to be printed in a timely fashion we need to request outside material by certain times in the month so that we meet our print dates.

The priority deadline is the 12th of every month meeting this deadline will ensure your item is printed.

Our final deadline is the 20th of every month.

Items received after the priority deadline will be printed on a first come first serve basis depending on space.

Alcohol Anonymous & Narcotics Anonymous Meeting Schedule

Mon. – Big Book
Tues. – Women's Group
Wed. – N.A.
Thurs. – A.A.
Fri. – A.A.

Meetings begin at 7 p.m.
LOCATION: VETRAN'S BLDG.
30030 First Street
Worley, ID
(bldg. next to Lakeside school bus shop)

~ Chairman's Corner ~

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On July 6, 2011 I am looking forward to participating in a groundbreaking ceremony for our new Benewah Medical Center. The new center is something that the Coeur d'Alene Tribe has wished for many years, and I believe it will be a big part of keeping our families and community healthy in the future.

The new center will be built on about 6 acres west of the highway, only about a mile from the current BMC, and it will be a big improvement from our existing center. For one thing, instead of having five different buildings to house our healthcare services, the new BMC will provide all services under one roof. Included in the new 50,000 square foot facility will be medical, dental, pharmacy, lab, x-ray, community health, and counseling services, finance, human resources, facilities and other administrative offices. It is one more way that our Tribe

continues to move forward and look out for the future wellbeing of our community. I hope that it is also another source of pride when our Membership looks out on the horizon of changes and growth the Coeur d'Alene Tribe has enjoyed in the last few decades.

Speaking of good health, I also have to give a shout out to John Mahoney, Jr. who will be competing in the Ironman in Coeur d'Alene on June 26th. The race is an ultra distance triathlon consisting of a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride and 26.2 mile run. John will be the third Tribal Member to participate in this race of endurance and strength and it is a pretty awesome accomplishment.

While John is toughing out the Ironman, I hope that many of you also get to participate in the next Hoopfest tournament too. This year they are expecting 6,700 teams, and about 200,000 players on 428 different courts



Artist's rendering of the future Benewah Medical Center

in Spokane, so it should be a enjoyable and busy weekend.

Lastly, the Fourth of July is quickly approaching. Please have fun during the holiday, and enjoy it with family and friends. And if you are traveling, please

be safe and responsible.

Keep the faith that sunshine and warm weather will come eventually! Before you know it, summertime will really be here with hot days full of taking a swim at the lake, outdoor

barbequing and having fun in the sun!

Regards,

Chief Allan



JULY - 2011



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~ Community Announcements ~ s n w i ' m

Westside Rendezvous scheduled for July 15-17

The Westside Rendezvous Committee is pleased to announce that this year's Westside Rendezvous will take place July 15, 16 and 17. Festivities will include a parade, vendors, and the traditional Sunday community potluck picnic. A carnival is tentatively planned for Friday, and details will be shared with the community as soon as they are finalized.

The parade is scheduled to take place on Saturday at 10 a.m. Groups wishing to register a float in the parade should contact Yolanda Bone at 755-6633 or Christine Hodgson at 987-0053 for more information. Immediately following the parade, there will be vendors setup at the Plummer Community Center through approximately 2:30 p.m.

Community Breakfast to start at 6:00 am with coffee and followed by breakfast at 6:30 at the Plummer Legion Center. The Community Potluck Picnic, sponsored by PCAT, will take place at 12:00 on Sunday. PCAT will provide hot dogs, and community members are invited to bring a favorite dish to share. There will be musical guests, as well as an open jam session for local musicians to share their talents.

For more information, please contact Kathy Kolar at 686-1366. We look forward to seeing you this year!

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• **Benewah Medical Center Groundbreaking** •
• **Wednesday - July 6, 2011 - 10:30 am** •
• **Anne Antelope Road** •
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PUBLIC NOTICES

SUMMONS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF PETITION/HEARING RE: RELINQUISHMENT OF CHILD/TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF: CADE JACKSON MITCHELL-GREGG, FKA Baby Boy Pierce-Swan, DOB: 06-05-2010. Person(s) under the age of eighteen

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe to the said: "John Doe" biological father of CADE JACKSON MITCHELL-GREGG, FKA BABY BOY PIERCE-SWAN (DOB 06/05/2010), or anyone with a paternal interest.

You are hereby summoned to appear within thirty (30) days after the date of first publication of this Summons, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and answer the Petition of the Petitioners, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorney for Petitioners at the office below stated; if you fail to do so, judgment may be rendered against you according to the request of the Petition which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in this Court, a Petition praying that the parent-child relationship between parents of the above-named child and the above-named child be terminated. The object of this action is to seek an order relinquishing the child to the Petitioners for adoption and to terminate the parent-child relationship.

The child was born June 5, 2010, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The child's biological mother is Gina Pierce-Swan. The child's biological father is "John Doe".

The Court hearing on this matter shall be on the 4th day of August, 2011, at 3:00 p.m., in the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court, Plummer, Idaho 83851.

YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING MAY RESULT IN A DEFAULT ORDER PERMANENTLY TERMINATING ALL OF YOUR RIGHTS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD.

You are further notified that any non-consenting parent or alleged father has a right to be represented by an attorney, and an attorney will be appointed for an indigent parent who requests an attorney.

You are further notified that your failure to file a claim of paternity within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this notice or to respond to the Petitioners within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this notice is grounds to terminate your parent-child relationship with respect to the child.

One method of filing your response and serving a copy on the petitioner is to send your response by certified mail with return receipt requested.

DATED this 14th day of June, 2011.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Ramona Daniels, has been appointed Personal Representative for the Estate of Leila M. Daniels by the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, Plummer, Idaho.

All creditors having claims against the deceased, Leila M. Daniels, are to serve such claims upon the Personal Representative and to file them with the Clerk of the Tribal Court within two (2) months from the date of the first publication of this notice which is April 7, 2011.

The Personal Representative may be served by mailing copies of the claims to him/her at:

Ramona Daniels
P.O. Box 364
Worley, ID, 83876

Copies of the claims may be filed with the court by mailing copies to:

Clerk of the Court
Coeur d'Alene Justice Center
29 Route 22
Plummer ID 83851.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

JAMIE McCOY, has been appointed Personal Representative for the Estate of DEBRA McCOY by the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, Plummer, Idaho.

All creditors having claims against the deceased, DEBEA McCOY, are to serve such claims upon the Personal Representative and to file them with the Clerk of the Tribal Court within two (2) months from the date of the first publication of this notice which is June 8, 2011

The Personal Representative may be served by mailing copies of the claims to him at:

Jamie McCoy
P.O. Box 307
DeSmet, ID 83824.

Copies of the claims may be filed with the court by mailing copies to:

Clerk of the Court
Coeur d'Alene Justice Center
29 Route 22
Plummer ID 83851.

Yamaha boat motor up for bids

The Natural Resources Department's branch of Fisheries is declaring the following property (attached pictures) as excess to the Program's current needs. The original property was purchased by BPA for our electro-shocking boat and hasn't been utilized since 2003. We have since received permission from BPA to in-house transfer or disposal. It was declined for in-house transfer and therefore is eligible for transfer to the Tribal member with the highest bid.



1997 Yamaha Outboard 130hp motor, two stroke. It did run but had idle problems; estimated cost to repair due to power head problem was around \$3000.

We are requesting that interested

tribal members submit a bid to the attention of Angelo Vitale, Fisheries Program Manager. The deadline for accepting bids is July 13, 2011.

Idaho Transportation public notice

The Idaho transportation Department (ITD) announces the following proposed percentages for the Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Annual Participation Goals (APG) in each administrative mode for United States Department of transportation (USDOT)-assisted contracts. The proposed goals for Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are 0% for Federal Fiscal Year 2012 (FFY12) through Federal Fiscal Year 2014 (FFY14). ITD is proposing a reduction to the goal for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) during FFY12 through Federal Fiscal Year 2013 (FFY13) to 6%. These goals have been developed based on data obtained in ITD's Disparity and Availability Study and annual goal-setting methodology process.

ITD has filed information regarding the methodology used in the establishment of the APGs with FAA, FHWA and FTA. This information is available for inspection at the ITD External Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office, 3311 West State Street, Boise, Idaho during normal business hours for 30 days following the date of this notice.

Comments on any of the three goals may be sent for 45 days following the date of this notice to: Julie Caldwell, ITD EEO Contract Compliance Officer, P.O. Box 7129, Boise, Idaho 83707-1129. Comments on the FAA goal may be sent to Christine Whitehead, External Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, NW Mountain Region, 1601 Lind Ave, SW Anm-9, Renton, Washington 98055. Comments on the FHWA goal may be sent to Jeffrey Kuck, FHWA Civil Rights Program Manager, 3050, Lakeharbor Lane, Suite 126, Boise, Idaho 83703. Comments on the FTA goal may be sent to Monica McCallum, Civil Rights Officer, Federal Transit Administration, Region Ten, 915 Second Ave. Suite 3142, Seattle, Washington 98174-1002.

Annual Buckles-Nicholai Skins Golf and Horseshoe Tourney In Memory of Miah

July 16, 2011

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\$40.00 per player for skins plus Green Fees



at the Circling Raven Golf Course Worley, ID

Tee Times start @ 7:00 a.m

Please call 1-800-523-2464 Pro Shop to schedule your tee times



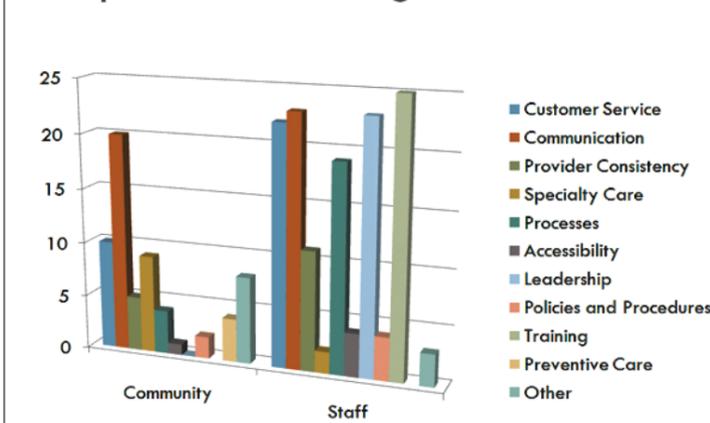
Horseshoe Tournament held @ the Nicholai's on L Street, Plummer, ID

Contact person: Violet Nicholai 208-568-0558



BMC/WC conduct listening meetings with community

Comparison: Strategies and Actions



By Laura Laumatia

The Benewah Medical Center and Wellness Center recently wrapped up a series of community listening sessions across the Reservation where community members and BMCWC staff had an opportunity to share their concerns and their hopes for health care.

Approximately 50 community members and more than 60 staff took place in a series of facilitated discussions about what quality health care should look like, and what issues and obstacles we face in achieving quality health care. BMCWC clients and staff were able to generate hundreds

of suggestions for improving patient care and services that are now being incorporated into the BMCWC strategic plan for FY 2012.

Two of the primary themes that came out of the discussions were issues surrounding communication and customer service. These concerns came from clients and staff alike, but they were also able to suggest concrete ways for the BMCWC to make improvements. BMCWC managers and staff have had a chance to hear the specific concerns of community expressed during their community meetings, and consider what individual and departmental changes they might consider to address those

concerns.

The managers, directors and Health Board of BMCWC will be using all of the input from community and staff in the coming weeks to develop specific goals and objectives that, once approved by the Health Board, will be shared with the community. Benewah Medical Center/Wellness Center Administration has already expressed commitment to taking immediate steps to build stronger communication with the community. There are many wonderful ideas being considered that would provide greater information to the community about programs, policies and changes that will be acted on coming months.

Community members who have concerns about their individual care and would like assistance can also contact Deann Janson, Sharilyn Kidder, or Chanda Heer as BMC patient advocates at the BMC, at 686-1931.

The BMC WC staff wishes to thank everyone who participated in the meetings for their participation. Your voices have been heard, and we will continue to work hard to make sure that an inclusive, welcoming environment exists for our entire community.

Bible camp teaches spirituality lessons



Attendees and speakers at the Summer Bible Camp held at the DeSmet Tribal School. Photo by Lynn Lowley

This year's Summer Bible camp had 30 young children attending a week of Bible stories, movies, swimming and other activities. Each day a special snack was provided that went with the daily study.

Volunteers aged 14 through 24 from St. Pious Catholic parish Church in Coeur d'Alene provided the curriculum. One volunteer came into the program when she was 7 years old, this is her 10th year being involved, also there are others who are into their 5th and 9th year sharing what they believe in.

The camp is held every summer at the DeSmet Tribal School. For more information contact Cindy at (208)274-5871.

Teachers explain summer school activities

Heidi Broenneke - 5th Grade Teacher

I am primarily providing additional math and reading skills to middle school students as recommended by their teachers. For math, we are focusing on filling in learning gaps from this past school year and improving problem solving skills using a variety of strategies.

Traditionally, these word problems are a challenge for most students at the Tribal School. One student has been especially excited, saying, "I think I'm smarter already!", and when I thanked her for working so hard on such intense material, she said, "I like this; it's fun math!" In reading, we are doing a novel study on Lois Lowry's *The Giver*, which has provided lots of opportunity for discussion and has prompted the students to examine the structure of our own society more closely.

I have been pleased by the excitement and eagerness of the girls I am working with. They cannot wait to come to my classroom to get to work, which is especially impressive as they are middle schoolers. The other children in the program are excited as well, and enjoy not only the activities, but spending time with us at recess and lunch, too. It is wonderful to see an environment where students and staff are learning and laughing together.

TS Teacher- Judi Hiecksen

My sessions concentrated on science. We used forests as our theme. The students came in groups and the three groups cycled through my room in the morning and right after lunch. Groups consisted of 2nd-3rd graders, 3rd-4th graders, and 5th-7th graders. Each group met for about 70 minutes which gave us time to:

A. Read a continued story of a young girl exploring in a deciduous forest in the eastern United States and compare the environ-

ment with our coniferous forests

B. Explore the kinds of animals and birds mentioned in the story, confirming whether we have them in our forests and listen to various bird songs, which helped us identify local birds

C. Learn about trees, the various kinds, how they grow, and what they do for us (examining cross sections of tree limbs and tree trunks, leaves, branches, and cones of various trees)

D. Create a forest on the walls of a room divider showing the various layers of the forest along with animals and plants found in each layer

E. Discuss photosynthesis

F. Extract chlorophyll from leaves

G. Create a "necklace" from the cross-section of a limb

The Forestry department came to the school after they took us on a field trip to a wooded area, and they gave a PowerPoint presentation that showed how the Department works within the Tribe, managing the forests on the reservation. It illustrated jobs that the foresters do and reinforced what was learned on the field trip. It also provided us with information that we were able to use to wrap up our unit demonstrating the importance of conservation and management of our resources.

The children learned about various species of trees (White Pine, Ponderosa Pine, and Tamarack or Western Larch) that were growing there. They learned how to tell their approximate age by counting the whorls of branches rather than having to cut into the tree to see the rings.

As follow-up the children learned about the life-cycle of the tree and planted a pine tree seed in a peat pot to take home and grow—and hopefully transplant outside eventually. They also got to taste a pine seed (pignoli nut), which is an impor-

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Medical Center's annual Block Party a huge success



Ernie Campbell and granddaughter Mataiyah get a stamp of approval from Dr. Ross at the BMC Block party.

Over 200 participants joined 27 vendors for a day of fun, food and health information ranging from infants to adults. Vendor information included latch key children, healthy foods to plant and information on local Tribal services.

Numerous outdoor family activities promoted this year's theme "Healthy Families Start Here." Participants of all ages tested their skills at hula hooping and croquet. Our smallest participants brought their stuffed animals and dolls to the Teddy Bear/ Doll Check up Station provided by Dr. Dale Ross.

Vendors also included Coeur d'Alene Tribal departments who were available to inform attendees of the services provided through their programs.

The STOP violence group was on hand advocating peace and strength and Tribal Forestry were handing out gardening gloves and saplings.

Vendors from outside the Tribal umbrella were also present. A bike shop from St. Maries, Idaho was on hand to inform of their services and raffle off two children's bikes; St. Vincent De Paul informed of the housing efforts they are making for lower income options and NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) provided pamphlets on the services available to those suffering with mental illness.

Activities for children were also available - a diaper derby was held for the smallest kids, spin art and sand art stations were also present along with an obstacle course for the kids to compete in.

This year's annual event was a huge success, we would like to thank our community and vendors for participating and being a part of our effort to provide healthy information in a fun and active way.



Happy 1st Birthday to Jaxson Seltice Fletcher on July 26, 2011.

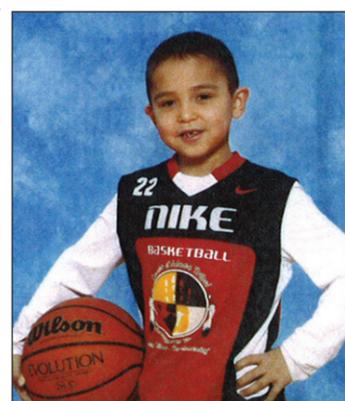
You have made our lives so much better - we love you more every day. Happy Birthday Munchkin!

Love- Mama and Daddy



Happy 1st Birthday Guiliana! We love you so much angel!

Love Daddy, Mommy, and Brother



I would like to wish my baby boy Jasper Abuan a very Happy Birthday.

Your family loves you so much.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL



Joseph Shaquille Vallee graduated from Lewiston High School on June 4, 2011.

Joseph was a four-year letterman in wrestling, reaching the state finals in 2011 and finishing in sixth place. He was also honored for maintaining a grade point average above a 3.0 during the wrestling season.

Joseph plans to attend Lewis & Clark State College next fall to study professional technical business management. He hopes to work for the Tribe after graduating college and become involved in tribal politics. He will work at the Circling

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Joe Givens graduated from Newport High School in Bellevue, WA this on June 3, 2011. He is the son of tribal member Jeanne Givens and former Cd'A Tribal Attorney Ray Givens. He is the nephew of Sue Garry, David Zarate, Judy Greene, Teresa Williams and Jackie Coelbel. He is the grandson of Selina Gary Goolsby.

Joe plans to attend the Brooks Institute of photography in California in the fall.



Janice L. Jordan graduated from the University of Idaho with her EMBA (Executive Master of Business Administration) on May 9, 2011.

Much love and a special thank you to all my children; Georgianna, Jordan, Jonathan, Nathan, David, Grace and Arianna for seeing me through the long, last 2 years! We did it!



Katherine M. Groom graduated from Tekoa High School with her high School Diploma on June 4, 2011.

While there she was crowned Miss Tekoa 2009-2010, received the Dollars for Scholars Scholarship, worked at Tekoa Medical Clinic, and obtained her Certified Nursing Aid Certificate.

She plans to attend Lewis & Clark State College, to obtain her nursing degree.

Her father, mother, sisters Becky, Kimberly and Melissa love her and are very proud of her. Katherine is the daughter of the Tribe's Finance Director.



Anthony Lowley graduated from Garfield-Palouse High School on June 4, 2011. He is the son of Ray Lowley of Post Falls and Diana Lowley of Farmington.

His paternal grandma is Irene Lowley of Worley and his maternal grandparents are Royce and Doris Johnson of Farmington. Anthony is currently working for the Tribes Fuel Department and wants to become a wild land fire fighter and mechanic. He is enrolled at NIC this fall to begin the diesel tech. program so that he can fix the equipment that he will be using in his firefighting career. We are all very proud of him and wish him good luck in all his future endeavors.

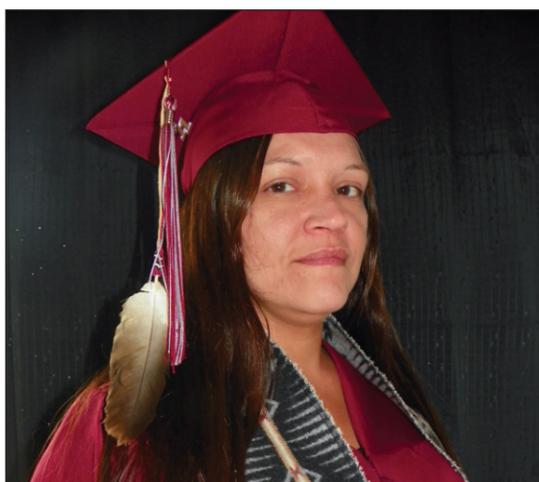


Rebecca Campbell attended University of Washington in Tacoma and received her Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies, Autumn of 2010. Her future plans are to return to graduate school in the fall of 2012 to study urban planning or another similar field.



Andrew Edward Boyd, grandson of N. Jeanie Louie, graduated from Lakeside High School in Plummer, Idaho on May 28, 2011.

Congratulations!



Toni LaDeaux graduated from North Idaho College on May 13, 2011 with her Associate of Science degree in Social Work, she also minored in Psychology.

She finished with a cumulative GPA of 3.582, she was also a member of the American Indian Student Alliance while there.

At the moment I'm going to take a break and spend more time with my children. Eventually I plan going to LCSC to pursue my Bachelors degree in

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Victor James SiJohn graduated from Havermale High School in Spokane, Washington June 10, 2011.

Victor Enlisted United States Marine Corps. USMC shipped out June 12, 2011 to MCRD Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California

He is the son of Francis "Frenchy" SiJohn and Bridget Whitehorse Navajo Nation, Victor James SiJohn received his high school diploma June 10, 2011 from Havermale High School in Spokane, Wa. Victor received a Target

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ALL OUR 2011 GRADUATES!



Carolann Joy Parker graduated from Kootenai High school graduated on June 4, 2011. She plans to attend U of Idaho, where she will major early childhood development. She is the daughter of Julianna Parker and James Parker. Her maternal grandmother is Bernadine Nomee and maternal Great grandmother, Lucy Finley

“Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail.” - Ralph Waldo Emerson



Jennifer Eileen Mc Call graduated from from Gonzaga University earning a Master of Initial Teaching in Special education.

She is currently employed by the Easter Seals as a Play project consultant.

She is the daughter of Julianna Parker and Terry McCall; her maternal Grandmother is Bernadine Nomee and her maternal Great grandmother is Lucy Finley.

“Time is not measured by the passing of years but by what one does, what one feels, and what one achieves.”



Sunita Rose Michael graduated on May 20, 2011 from Chemawa Indian School in Salem, Oregon.

While in school she got to paint a mural of our Tribal Symbol, the first CDA Tribal mural at the school (in picture). She plans on attending the University of Idaho and studying for a Business Degree in Personal Information.

I would like to thank my family for being there for me and pushing me to further my education. I would also like to thank my friends for making school fun!

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Raven Golf Club this summer.

Joseph’s parents are Pete Vallee and Juanita Picard. Joseph wished to thank Chief for assisting him with his college application.

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Social Work.

I would like to thank the Department of Education and Evanlene Meltingtallow, American Indian Student Advisor at North Idaho College. I would also like to thank my mom, dad and sister for always supporting me while I was attending North Idaho College. Special thanks goes to my daughters Sophia and Lily for always knowing when it was study time for mommy.

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Award at graduation, which is an award for setting academic goals at Havermale when he was a sophomore and completed by senior year.

Victor has always had a dream of serving in the military. He begun the delayed entry program with the United States Marine Corps earlier in the school year and was shipped out to MCRD Recruit Depot, San Diego, California June 12, 2011. On June 27, 2011 Victor will celebrate his 18th birthday at boot camp!

His family and friends are so proud of him and his determination. Victor will make a fine marine! Francis and Alexis SiJohn would like to thank the friends and family that was able to celebrate with us at Luigi’s Italian Restaurant all of Victor’s accomplishments.

You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world.

-Tom Brokaw

Early Childhood Learning Center’s 2011 Pre-School class



~Casino Corner~

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Mitzner turns on the heat, stays cool with training



Hands on. Jake Mitzner helps keep us cool or warm, whichever is needed, with his growing knowledge of HVAC.

Photo by Bob Bostwick

By Bob Bostwick

Jake Mitzner will likely spend all his working life with a tool in his hand and a tool belt around his middle. He likes it that way. So much, in fact, that he just completed four grueling years at North Idaho College, completing his apprenticeship as a Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) technician.

He completed the program with

honors, achieving an overall 94% score. But here's the good part: He did it all working full time right here, in Mechanical Maintenance.

Mitzner took advantage of a program long in place here at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort. Working with some guidance from Training Coordinator James Glessner, Mitzner's tuition was covered through the training program available in Human Resources.

Mitzner gains, and, with his expanded expertise on site, so do we all.

"I went to H.R. about the possibility of federal or state scholarship programs," said Mitzner. "That's when I was shown the program here. They provided the packet and worked with me, taking me through it step by step."

The schooling meant almost no free Saturdays. He spent 678 hours in the classroom, not to mention time for study and other school requirements. But Mitzner's goal was always in sight, a long way off in the beginning, but ever closer as time passed.

"I really like facilities maintenance," said Mitzner. "I like it because it's a hands on craft. In the job here, my interest began growing for HVAC, and I made a decision to take my skills and experience to the next level."

With his apprenticeship accomplished, there's another "next level." His greater goal is to become a licensed journeyman, another daunting task that requires working 8,000 hours, directly under the guidance of an already licensed journeyman. That part of the journey is now in its planning stage.

Behind him are the seemingly endless classes, ranging from basic safety to control systems to system integration to project management.

It was not easy. It was worth it.

"I've always been comfortable here and I like the people and the benefits," Mitzner said. "I will always be learning. I'll always be progressing. And, I'll soon be going back to school."

To study what?

"Boilers."

Wilson, Yovanovich earn Casino's Star Performer Awards

By Bob Bostwick

A smile, a greeting and a little personal attention don't take much effort. But they all have great impact. In this case, the impact was on mystery shoppers and they singled out cage teller Ailia Wilson and machine tech supervisor Juli Yovanovich.

Each is the winner of a Star Performer award, including a pin and a \$100 bonus. The pins are available by stopping at the desk of Jeanette Buckles in the Executive Offices.

The two are the latest in a growing list of employees who have made strong impressions on mystery shoppers. The shoppers may show up on any day and at any time, never identifying themselves.

And in both cases here, they didn't have to. Customer service was front and center. Yovanovich, quick to greet and smile, also provided some personal attention.

"I asked (her) where a good place for lunch would be," wrote

the mystery shopper. "She was very helpful, taking me over to the buffet area and showing me the daily menu. She was very helpful and friendly."

Mystery shoppers will dine at restaurants, buy items in the gift shop, play machines and cash tickets. They will stay in the hotel and they may even play golf. In the process of all that, their job is to interact and evaluate employee performances in every area possible.

With Wilson, a stop by the cage and a few questions about the resort brought on not only the help sought, but a dose of pride in the new venues.

"I approached this employee and asked her what was new about the casino," wrote the shopper. "She did a nice job of pointing out the new additions and she seemed proud of them."

Mystery shoppers will continue visiting the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort for an indefinite period of time.

Focusing now on training, maintenance

With almost everything in place or planted, subcontractors are now busy with many on our own staff, providing training for overall and even unique maintenance of the new facilities and grounds.

"In many cases, there are certain ways to take care of floors, windows and fixtures," said project coordinator Francis SiJohn. "The maintenance in many areas is different from what we've done with the existing facilities, so we're working to be skilled toward doing things properly and effectively."

Facilities Maintenance will be responsible for electrical systems, lighting, machinery and equipment, repairs and other areas, SiJohn said. Training will equip those people with the knowledge they need to keep things in operation.

More landscaping and planting will continue outdoors. Blue grass will grow in the front yard areas. Natural Palouse grasses will be showing soon in the currently barren areas around the front entrance.

Casino/Resort Lounge entertainment also expands

By Dustin Brouse
Food & Beverage Manager CCR

The casino has expanded its square footage, now its time for the live entertainment to do so. The Nighthawk lounge has established itself as a great venue to come enjoy all types of music over the past seven years, opening its doors in late April 2004. Guests have enjoyed the likes of *PJ Destiny*, *Four on the Floor*, *County Line* and so many more. With the unveiling of the new expansion in late April of this year, our guests now have the opportunity to enjoy an expanded portfolio of music while they enjoy our beautiful property.

Starting in mid June and continuing every Wednesday & Friday from 8pm-11pm, The Welukws "Quiet Bar" will be offering acoustical acts out on the deck. This is going to be our Fireside Series featuring local artists from the Inland Northwest. Names like Harmony Clayton, Bill Bozly, Justin Landtrip and many others will be playing soothing sounds for guests gathering around the fire pit.

Drink specials from our distinguished bar staff and great appetizers from our signature steakhouse will be a great addition to this fun, yet elegant experience for our guests.

The Fire Side music series will run through mid September.

The Hy'ya'(pq)'n'n "A Gathering Place" will be showcasing a variety of local artists over the course of the next few months. Every second and fourth Saturday of each month, our very own Music, Micros & BBQ series will allow customers to gather for great food and tasty beers from local breweries throughout the Northwest, all while listening to a variety of music from local artists and even groups as far away as Seattle & Portland.

Allen Stone (Seattle, Wa) will kick off this event July 9th, along with Laughing Dog Brewery (Sandpoint, Id) on-site promoting our signature Uprooted Amber Ale. The chef's are slow roasting a whole pig and serving traditional BBQ sides for this event. Other artist that you will see for this event include: *Eclectic Approach* (Seattle, Wa), Ron Greene,

Generation Gap and *The Ryan Larsen Band*.

On the softer side, every Sunday from 6pm-9pm acoustical acts and piano soloist will take stage, to give our guests something soothing to listen to, as they wind down from the hectic summer weekends. Jimi Finn, Dan the Piano Man, Nate Ostrander, Dean Smith, Eric E., Bob Sletner & Aubrey Borders will bring all types of music from originals to covers, and you might want to sing along.

If you would like more detailed information about these acts, please contact me at dbrouse@cdacaso.com or look them up on the web. Most of the acts have web-pages. Have a great summer and enjoy the music!

Eaglet Award winners revealed

By Cassandra Weaver-Sykes
Human Resources

We recently held nominations for the Eaglet Awards. The Eaglet Award was designed to recognize those employees who exemplify the ideal standard of a Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel employee. For the second quarter of the 2010-2011 Fiscal year, the following employees were nominated:

Food & Beverage Division nominees: Pete Pesetti

Hospitality Division: Michael Hairychin

Property Maintenance/Security: Carol SiJohn, Adam Yovanovich, and Michael Sifford.

Gaming Division: Gracie Raines,

Kristy Huber, Michael Vance, Spirit Mendoza, Robin Grimes, Patricia Aubin, and Ruth Newkirk

Back Office Division: Nicole Deviny and Dean Kahler.

All nominees are recognized as for excelling in at least one of the following areas: Customer Service/Hospitality, Job Performance, Embracing Change, Team Spirit, Job Improvement and/or Safety. In appreciation for their work, all nominees receive will receive a \$10 CCRH gift certificate that they can pick up at HR.

Out of the nominations one Eaglet Award was designated for each division.

Pete Pesetti, Michael Hairychin, Michael Sifford, Patricia Aubin, and Nicole Deviny were identified by the awards committee as the employees who constantly exemplify the ideal standard of a Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel employee. They will each receive an Eaglet Lapel pin, certificate, and \$100 in appreciation for their dedication to the Casino.

Eaglet Awards will continue to be awarded each quarter with the Silver and Golden Eagle awards being issued on an annual basis.

BINGO NEWS: Big Bang on July 4th

By Leslie Morris

On Monday, July 4th we will have a very special bingo session. It's the \$31,000 "More Bang For Your Buck!"

The buy-in is a ridiculously low price of \$5.00 for one paper 6-on & \$25.00 for the electronics with five 6-ons.

We are giving away \$10,000 on the Crystal Ball Jackpot with a 5-3-2 split. That's one game that only costs \$2.00 to play.

Be the "town crier" after you read the Camp Crier and let your friends and family know about this fabulously fun bingo session. Doors open at noon and the session starts at 4pm.

~ People in the News ~

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DeLorme and Mahoney compete in Ironman



Lori DeLorme works on the bike race portion of the 2011 Ironman Coeur d'Alene athletic competition. She finished the race (consisting of a swim, bike and running segments) with a time of 16 hours, 35 minutes and 17 seconds. This isn't the first time she has undertaken the grueling task, she also competed in 2009's race.

Photo by Lindsey Boyd

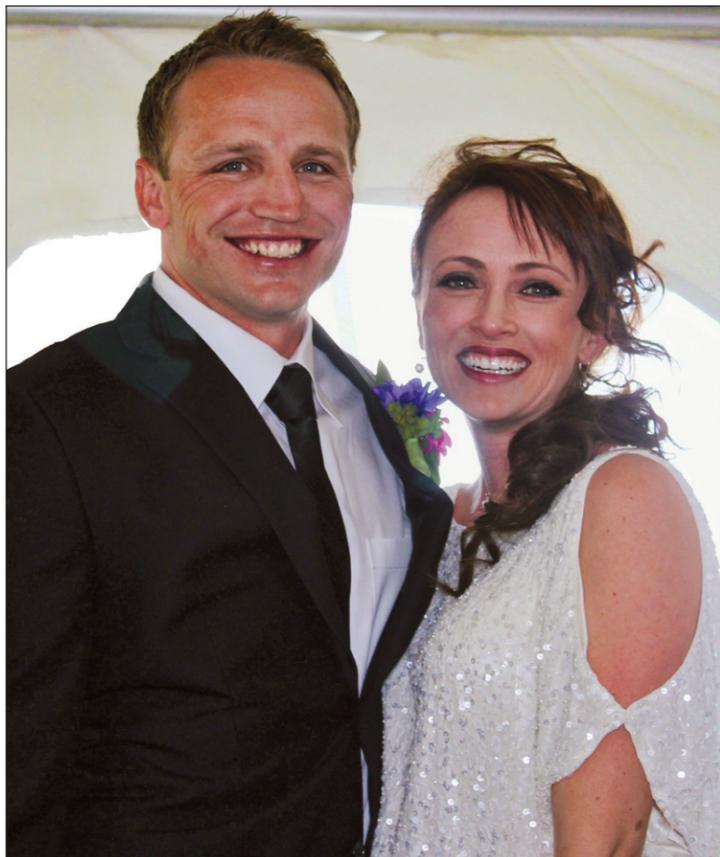
Coeur d'Alene Tribal member John Mahoney jr. nears the end of the endurance challenge of Ironman. The race is a 2.4 mile swim in Lake Coeur d'Alene, a 112 mile bike course and ending in a marathon - 26 miles of running.

John completed his race in 11 hours, 44 minutes and 52 seconds, placing him 515 overall and 82nd of over 300 in his division.

Photo by Lindsey Boyd



Tribal director Hancock marries in Moscow, Idaho



Mary Kathryn Talbot and Helaman "Helo" Scott Hancock were married May 21, 2011, at the home of friends, Timothy and Patricia Greene, outside Moscow, Idaho. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Scott B. Hancock, father of the groom. Max, the couple's yellow lab, was outfitted in a doggy tux and was the ring bearer. The bride is the daughter of Mike and Mary Lou Talbot of Montpelier. She is a graduate of Bear Lake High School (1996) and Idaho State University (2002) and is currently employed by Astellas as their medical sales regional director. The groom is the son of Scott and Holly Hancock of Rigby. He is a graduate of Rigby High School (1996), the University of Utah (2002) and the University of Idaho School of Law (2005) and is currently employed as the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's Legislative Director and is acting CEO of Echelon LLC, a tribally-owned military defense contractor. The couple spent a week in Jamaica and now reside in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

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tant foraging food for Natives in the southwestern states.

Many children and adults view "summer school" with suspicion, wondering how the children will deal with "more school". I have worked with the summer programs here for many years now, and we have always tried to make it a special time with active learning that departs from the usual "sit at your desk and work on your paper" format. I make an effort to even transform the library into a different environment so that when the children come in, they are immediately removed from any ideas of "school as usual." I expect to have fun and if they come dragging in because they are already unaccustomed to getting to school by 8:00,

I try to stir them out of their lethargy. Sure enough, by the end of the summer session, the children were excited about what they were learning and digging in with enthusiasm.

Everyone seemed to have had a good time this year while being exposed to vocabulary and concepts that will be useful to them throughout their lives.

The children were comparing among themselves today which classes they liked the best—and recess and lunch weren't even mentioned!

Mr. Madison

During the 2011 CDA Tribal Summer School program I was privileged to teach the students that attended Math and Social Studies. Our math this summer was unique because we learned about financial literacy. This

program had two groups one was 2-4th grade and the other was 5-7th which highlighted many opportunities for the children to understand money as they see it now and how it was in the past. The children in the 2-4th groups learned about how they can save, share, and spend money. What the differences and similarities are in saving with a bank vs. saving at home. The students also learned many different aspects of what a producer and consumer is. There were many fun activities that went along with this program. One activity was the students made their own Gatorade and went around to each class making sure they had enough supply for the demand in the classes.

The older students also went through a financial literacy program that highlighted many different as-

New Tribal prosecutor Marty Raap



By Jennifer Fletcher

Please welcome to the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court system our new prosecutor Marty Raap. He comes to us with a wealth of experience in both prosecution and defense criminal law.

He has been with the Tribe for three months and in that time he has learned just how different Tribal law is from that of state, county and city law. In the latter areas, specific cases are handled by specific lawyers depending upon their specialty and the realm under which the crime falls. Here with the tribe he is a "Jack-of-all-trades" lawyer in that he hears and prosecutes cases ranging from social service situations to criminal cases.

His previous experience comes from 18 years of practicing law for the City of Coeur d'Alene and Kootenai County. While with the County, he sat as their Chief Deputy for 2 years and also served as the Senior Felony Attorney.

His previous experience includes the high profile prosecution of Joseph Duncan who was accused and eventually pleaded guilty to abducting Shasta and Dylan Groene and murdering their mother, brother and their mother's boyfriend.

"After you do a case like Duncan, there's really nothing worse you could ever do," reflected Raap.

Seeing, hearing and processing all the bad that he has over his years of being a lawyer was a motivating factor in Raap seeking a new position.

"Part of the reason I came here," said Raap, "was that I have done

the worst of the worst kind of cases; I felt like I was done with that and I just needed something new."

The Tribe also affords him an opportunity to pursue a new license as a Special Assistant US Attorney that will allow him to represent the Tribe in court cases which are deferred to the federal level.

"We're still in the early stages of that, but it's very flattering that the Tribe has asked me to do that," said Raap. "Hopefully in the future I'll be able to be a little more hands on in Federal Court on behalf of the Tribe."

"After you do a case like [Joseph] Duncan, there's really nothing worse that you could ever do."

Tribal law also gives him the chance to create and redefine the laws of the Tribe as needed – he sits on the Tribe's Law and Order Committee which is responsible for creating, amending and adjusting the Tribal Codes. One effort he hopes to pursue is defining conditions and penalties regarding Tribal Elder Abuse.

On a personal note, Raap is married to woman he met while attending college in Chicago. He "up-rooted" her and brought her back to the Inland Northwest, which is where he is originally from – graduating from Wallace High School and attending Gonzaga University. He has two daughters and his family currently resides in Post Falls, Idaho.

"I am very happy to be here working for the Tribe, it's been a good experience so far," said Raap. "I think that Tribal residents deserve the same kind of level of protection and competence in their court system that any other resident would of any other city. Hopefully I can bring that to the Tribe."

pects of finance. One in particular was becoming an entrepreneur. We discussed what it takes to become an entrepreneur, who they are, and what they do each and every day. We used Mr. Chase and his restaurant as an example they all could grasp. This was a huge success this summer because they truly learned what supply and demand is and the numerous things that an entrepreneur would have to deal with each and every day. Too much supply means it is time for a special.

In social studies this summer the younger groups learned about numerous famous people in history like Betsy Ross, George Washington, Pocahontas, Dred Scott and slavery. This was a fun experience for the kids because there were many activities like creating their own flag for

their own country as Betsy Ross did. The older students had many learning opportunities as well in social studies. They learned about the history and symbols of branding. They learned about the two great depressions in 1892-1897 and the 1930's. They also learned about the Northwest passages and what became of the Northwest after the Railroads were completed in the area.

I feel the summer program started and ended very positively. The students have stayed engaged throughout the course of summer school and have learned many new things that may have not been covered throughout a regular school year. This was my first go around with the summer program and I have enjoyed being with the kids each and every day. We are truly all learning together.

~ Editorials ~

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Mahoney-LaSarte: thank you

Thank you for your support
With humble appreciation, thank you for electing me to the Tribal School board. Thank you to all my family, friends, and all those who supported me. I will give the board position my all. Lim Lemtsh,

Vicki Mahoney-LaSarte

Campbell: initiative denied for ballot

As the sponsor of the 50% net gaming revenue initiative I write this letter to update the membership of the outcome. On June 24th I received a letter from tribal council stating that the initiative would not be put on the ballot for a vote. One reason that was given in the council letter to me stated executive privilege of tribal council could and would trow this initiative.

Therefore, I will not move forward with any other action unless I hear from the people that they support this initiative. You may contact me at 1-208-686-0269 or P.O. Box 203 Worley, Idaho 83876.

Thank you for your support.

*Sincerely,
Ernest Campbell
Tribal Member*

LWM: Helping others helps us

Submitted by Diane Allen

“Why are you helping Pine Ridge when we have our own needy families here?” That is a question Living Water Ministries (LWM) gets asked a lot.

LWM helps families here too. Their mission is to bring followers of Christ together from any denomination to meet community spiritual and physical needs. They help elderly and poor families on our reservation with firewood, minor home repairs, and a multitude of other needs.

Last year, they expanded their efforts to help the needy families on the Pine Ridge Reservation in North Dakota.

“Our activities in Pine Ridge were a response to their state of emergency,” says Duane Garvais-Lawrence, LWM’s Youth Pastor. But LWM members are quick to point out that what they do in Pine Ridge serves our reservation as much as it serves theirs.

Their greatest gain came in the form of life-transformations. For example, the youth group last year performed break dancing and held a basketball tournament on the Pine Ridge basketball courts. They participated with Lakota youth in a Healing the Heart conference. They helped put up playground equipment in an area that had none. They distributed water, prayer, and encouraging words to the homeless. The goals were to give hope to those who needed it and to support the ministries located there. Yet, our own children returned home transformed--making positive life changes as a result of their time in Pine Ridge. Even the adults who went say they are forever changed.

“The Oglala Lakota people are among the strongest people



we have ever met,” says Dianne Allen. “They are kind and beautiful. They gifted us as much, if not more, than we gifted them. Their needs are great, not because of who they are, but because of where they are.”

With an unemployment rate of 85%, most families live in poverty. One small home may have as many as three families living in it. About 30% of the homes have no running water. Their reservation borders the badlands and offers limited resources for economic development.

While there are lots of reasons for high suicide, LWM found lots of hope dwelling there too. They plan to return this summer. They started their fundraising efforts with a 3-on-3 basketball tournament. Individuals and groups interested in donating can deposit their donation directly into the Pine Ridge account at Sterling Savings Bank in Plummer or they can contact Mike Allen (755-3043), Duane Garvais-Lawrence (509-499-0516), or Caj Matheson (651-8204).

LWM hopes their activities will result in lasting friendships among the Oglala Lakota and together, they will continue to help people here, there, or wherever they are located.

Living Water Ministries

Trahan: Where are the jobs in Indian Country?

The Bureau of Labor Statistics started a frenzy when it released its latest job report, showing that only 54,000 jobs were added to the economy in May.

The White House says don’t worry too much about those numbers; it only represents one month. Austan Goolsbee, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, told The Associated Press that the addition of a million new jobs over the past six months shows “we have improved a long way from when the economy was in rescue mode.”

That’s true. And, I think the White House ought to get more credit for keeping the economy from falling off the cliff. But at the same time, the future prospects for job creation are bleak. Why? The Republicans are demanding a policy of major government contraction while the White House is “negotiating” for a policy for some contraction. Either way all governments are shrinking. The economy is going to lose a you-know-what load of jobs or a mega-load of jobs. Either way there are a lot of minus-signs ahead.

The May jobs report hints at what’s to come. First, it said, long-term unemployed -- those out of work for 27 weeks or more -- continued to grow by 361,000 to 6.2 million people and “their share of unemployment increased to 45.1 percent,” the BLS said.

So what’s the government doing for the long-term unemployed? Not a damn thing. The overriding idea is that some magical private sector beans are going to be planted

soon and grow jobs for millions of people.

At the same time the numbers of long-term unemployed continue to grow, the government sector is cutting its own workforce. Big time. “Employment in local government continued to decline over the month,” the report said. Local government lost 28,000 jobs last month and 446,000 jobs since a peak in September 2008. That’s just the beginning. If the trillion dollars worth of cuts demanded by Republicans come into being those job losses will look small by comparison.

Another industry hit by government contraction: Construction. When government at all levels cuts back on infrastructure, there are fewer jobs building roads, schools, buildings. Here is what the Bureau of Labor Statistics report says about that: “Construction employment was essentially unchanged in May. Employment in the industry has shown little movement on net since early 2010, after having fallen sharply during the 2007-09 period.”

How does Indian Country fit into this picture? That’s a tough question to answer because so much of the data is old and often unreliable. (More than ever: Indian Country needs real time data, but that’s another column.) But we do know for certain that unemployment is significantly higher in American Indian and Alaska Native communities. The Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Population and Labor Force Report pegs it at near 50 percent nationally

(showing South Dakota with the highest unemployment rate at 83 percent of the adult workforce). While a report last year by the Economic Policy Institute, using a different methodology, showed an unemployment rate of 21.3 percent in the first half of 2010. (EPI also found unemployment rates significantly higher in the Great Plains.)

Of course the problem with all of those numbers -- bleak as they are -- is that they look backward, not forward. What are the prospects for Indian Country in this new environment of contraction? Remember government, at all levels, is in a job-cutting mode. Tribal and village governments have spent the past decade essentially creating jobs both in government and in the private sector (but even private jobs, are often tied to government through construction and other infrastructure projects). The problem is those jobs have not kept up with an expanding population because Indian Country is a younger workforce.

When it comes to jobs -- nationally and in Indian Country -- there is an insurmountable mathematical obstacle. The more jobs that are cut by the government, mean that many more must be created to put the long-term unemployed back to work.

It’s been said that Indian Country is in a permanent recession. But the sad truth is it could get a lot worse -- and it’s a path we’re on right now.

Mark Trahan

Lady Kers take first place at AAU “Jam On It”

Submitted by Lindsey Holt

Featured in the picture are members of the Lady Kers basketball team. Bottom row left to right, Koyama Young (12), Karee Bourgeau (12), Gabriella Santana (12), Iris Domebo (12), Evelyn Bohnee (12). Top row left to right, Shinish Holt (12), Camielle Champman (12), Chantal Ellenwood (19), Shareya Scoot (12), Britnee Lussoro (11).

The Lady Kers were invited to participate in the “AAU Jam On It” basketball tournament that occurred over Memorial Day weekend. The Lady Kers traveled to Reno, Nevada to partake in the invitational Amateur (AAU) Tournament, which is the largest AAU tournament in the world. The girls played in the 6th grade level III division, and placed first, with 5 wins and 0 losses. Iris and Shinish are members of the Coeur d’ Alene Tribe and would like to take the opportunity to express their gratitude to all those who supported them in their endeavor and especially to the Coeur d’ Alene Tribe. Both girls are extremely proud of their Coeur d’ Alene heritage.

Iris Domebo, is the daughter of Tonia Aripa and Antonio Domebo of Lapwai, Idaho. Her paternal grandfather is Louis Aripa of DeSmet, Idaho & her great grandfather is the late Henry Aripa from Plummer, Idaho. Iris’ maternal grandmother is Glorri Moody of Pullman, Washing-



ton and her great grandmother is the late Marijayne Garner of Lapwai, Idaho.

Shinish Holt, is the daughter of Joseph and Lindsey Holt of Lapwai Idaho. Her maternal grandmother is Martha Youckton of Plummer, Idaho & her great grandmother is the late Bernadine Seelatsee also from Plummer, Idaho. Her paternal grandparents are Levi Holt and Vi Allen of Lapwai Idaho. Her paternal great grandmother is the late Cora Longoria of Toppenish, Washington & her great grandfather is the late Phillip Allen Sr. of Lapwai, Idaho.

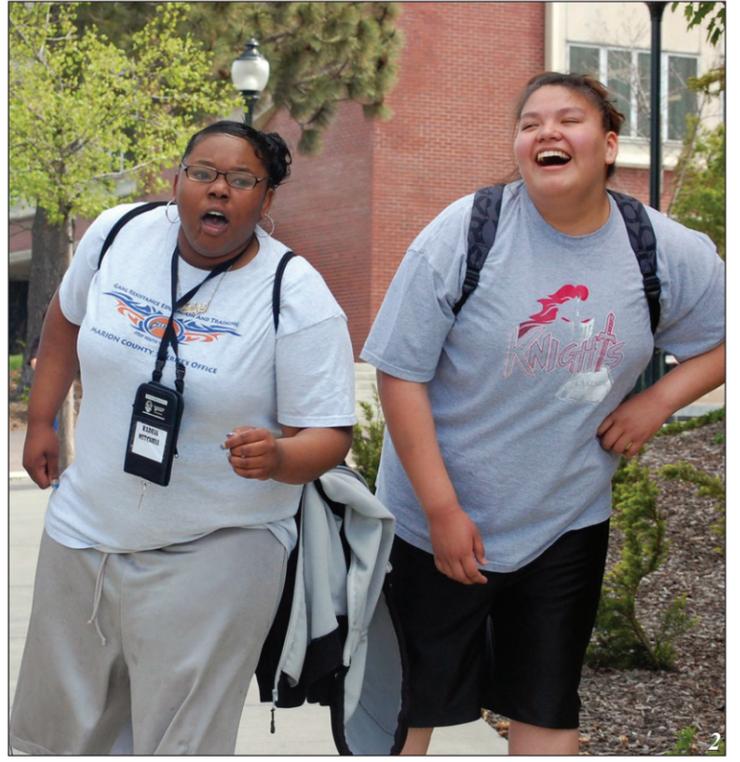
They have a strong devotion to the “love of the game” in their words. They play with all their heart, whether it is against older girls or boys. They have had a successful season within their 6th grade girls division. They have had many opportunities to build on their skills by participating in numerous co-ed, holiday, and AAU tournaments. They were

undefeated in their Boys & Girls Club division and in March took championship in the BAAD tournament held in Mission, Oregon on the Umatilla reservation. In addition, they have taken 1st place in multiple AAU tournaments including a Spokane AAU tournament in April. With summer here, they are now beginning the 3 on 3 season and have planned to attend basketball camps to enhance their skill development.

Both girls understand the concept “money does not grow on trees”, therefore requiring them to work hard to raise funds to attend these various tournaments and camps, giving them a strong sense of appreciation for all the contributions. They would also like to give a shout out to their coach Chantal Ellenwood and her family who have volunteered numerous hours over the season traveling with the team – a big THANK YOU!

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Summer programs keeping youth active and engaged



The photos on this page were taken at various youth activities this past month. Their descriptions are as follows:

- 1. Youth gather for a group trust activity during the WSU Leadership Camp. Photo by Lorraina Smith
- 2. Girls goof off and have fun on their way to classes during the WSU Leadership camp. Photo by Lorraina Smith
- 3. A young girl organizes an English activity during the Tribal Schools Summer School program. Photo by Lynn Lowley
- 4. A student in the Tribal Summer School program takes part in a paper folding activity. Photo by Lynn Lowley
- 5. Woodchip necklaces made by students at the Tribal School's summer program are shown. Photo by Lynn Lowley
- 6. Students participate in a self-defense class at the WSU Leadership camp. Photo by Lorraina Smith
- 7. WSU Leadership camp students raise their heartbeats with a game of indoor soccer. Photo by Lorraina Smith
- 8. Success Center participants put on a production of the Pied Piper on June 17, 2011. Photo by Jennifer L. Fletcher

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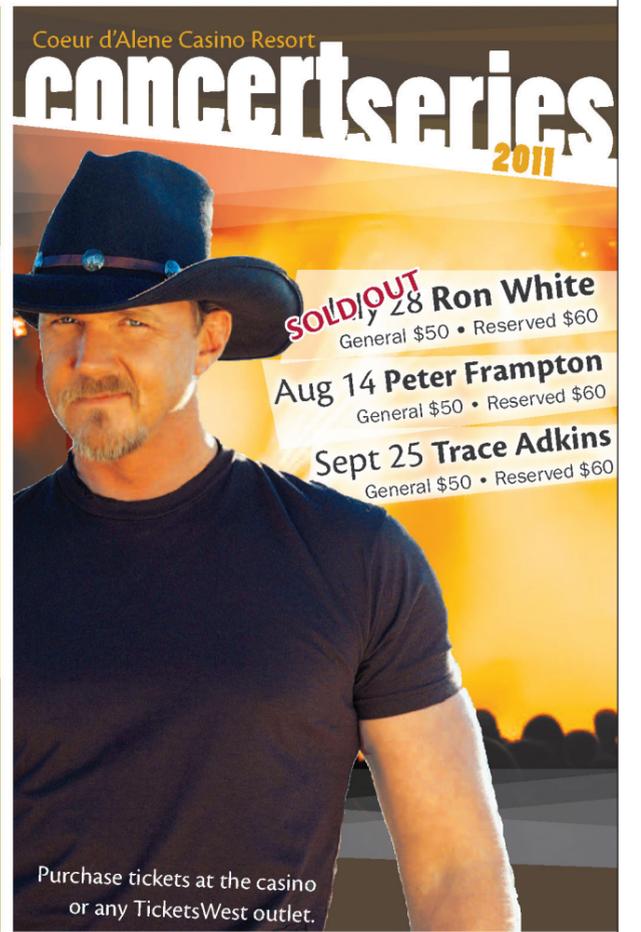
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