

Coeur d'Alene Tribe - Council Fires -

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Environmental reviewers visit Cd'A Tribal sites



Members from the BPA, ISRP and the Northwest Power Conservation Council visit the Benewah Creek restoration sites with employees of the Fish, Water and Wildlife department to discuss the project and results of the efforts put forth by the tribe to restore the creek to its historical meander and repopulate the West Slope Cutthroat Trout to the area.

Photo by Jennifer L. Fletcher

Members of the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Independent Science Review Panel (ISRP) and the Northwest Power and Conservation Council met with employees of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's Fish, Water and Wildlife department to begin the review process of the Tribal efforts to re-direct streams to their historical meandering path and to re-invigorate the West Slope Cutthroat Trout population to the area.

On September 21st the group toured the Benewah Creek and Hangman Creek areas of the reservation to learn of the efforts of the Tribe to bring the area back to its historically thriving levels. The purpose of the review is to "highlight issues that become apparent when looking at similar

projects collectively." The Tribe is just one of the groups being looked at in the review. The hope is to eliminate any redundancy amongst the studies in order to gain a better understanding of the efforts and needs of the projects.

The Tribe has been working on this project for years and is seeing varying levels of success through their efforts. The streams are taking well to their new path and are forming deeper pools that have temperature variants that support a healthy eco-system.

The West Slope Cutthroat population is also responding well to the changes. The Tribe has been able to track the growth and movements of tagged fish in the creeks and are seeing results that support the idea that the efforts being made are in fact making the

population thrive at levels not seen in years. The fish are responding well, spawning and living longer lives – all of which are necessary in order to bring the environment back to a healthier state.

One problem posed to the visitors is the presence of predators in the lake cutting down the populations. Some of these predators were introduced to the area and are causing damage to the natural wildlife of the area; the northern pike and smallmouth bass are especially problematic to the trout population of the area.

The group was shown the efforts to help create a more conducive environment for fish and vegetation of the area through the creation of natural dams (made

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Meeting on land, hunting rights yields no agreement

A meeting organized by Benewah County Prosecutor Doug Payne with Benewah County residents regarding the hunting and fishing rights of Tribal members on land within the reservation ended much as it began, with no resolution.

On September 27, 2011 in the Plummer Community Center a group of Benewah County residents

and officials, plus numerous Coeur d'Alene tribal members, leaders and supporters gathered to discuss whether tribal members have the right to hunt and fish on privately owned lands within reservation boundaries.

US Attorney Wendy Olson was on hand to help decipher current laws and how she felt those laws should be read. She was in agreement with

the Tribe regarding hunting rights – the Tribal Constitution states that within the aboriginal territory lines, tribal members have the right to hunt and fish those lands, regardless of whom owns the land. Olson agrees that the law is being interpreted correctly by the Tribe and its members; Payne adamantly

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Members, constructors get sneak peak of Gathering Place apartments



People wait below units at the Gathering Place for a preview of the apartments before they are occupied by Tribal members.

By Lorraine Smith

It was a perfectly sunny day for the Grand Opening for the Gathering Place. The crowd trickled in and out to get a glimpse of the latest Housing accomplishment. All staff was on hand to give tours, answer questions and just enjoy this major feat.

This project has had some setbacks due to weather restrictions, constructions conflicts etc. However, for those who attended the delay seemed well worth the wait. There are currently 3 building structures ready for occupancy, and will house approximately 18 families.

These are straw bale insulated homes with a stucco finish, beautiful hard wood floors throughout the units with energy efficient appliances, and a fire place in every home. There is a large patio area in the center of all the units to allow a setting that accompanies the title of the Gathering Place.

Currently there are plans to add a small play area for the tenants,

possibly a community wood pile and discussions on refurbishing the old jail that still stands tall on Agency Hill. However the old jail will be converted to maintenance storage.

The landscaping throughout the grounds of the Gathering Place consists of freshly laid bark, grass, and paved walk ways. The housing staff worked to the very last minute to have it ready for Grand Opening which proved to be a successful event.

The Ceremony was humble with music from the Rose Creek Drummers, and a opening blessing by Housing Authority Executive Director Rosanna Allen, where she gave thanks to all of the patience and hard work from Tribal Council, the Tribal Housing Board, the Housing Staff, construction crews and all that help with the completion of this project.

After the ceremony a catered lunch by the Coeur d'Alene Casino was provided. The Housing Authority is currently taking applications for these units. If you are interested in applying or learning more please contact 686-1927.

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~ Tribal Council Business ~

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207(11) Approved Executive Operations Budget for fiscal year 2012 in the amount of \$67,528,780.63. The Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council hereby directs the Chairmen, Administrative Director and the Financial Director to take the necessary steps to close financial year 2011 and open

the fiscal year 2012 in accordance with the Financial Policies and Procedures manual of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. 6 FOR 0 AGAINST

208(11) Approved Human Resources Department Medical, Dental, Vision insurance with Regence BlueShield of Idaho for the 2012

fiscal year. 6 FOR 0 AGAINST

209(11) Approved that the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council will be compensated per diem, registration, travel to attend the 2011 Annual Conference if the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians hosted by the Tulalip Tribe. The Coeur

d'Alene Tribal Council hereby approved the voting delegates for the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. 6 FOR 0 AGAINST

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211(11) Approved Lake Management Department BIA

funding request for work related to water rights, authorization for four grant proposals to NW Regional office of the BIA Water Resources Management, Planning and Pre-Development (Water Rights) Program and Water Right Negotiation/Litigation (Water Rights) Program. 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.

Chairman Chief Allan receives award for being top 40 Natives under 40



Coeur d'Alene tribal chairman, Chief Allan, will be named a recipient of the Native American 40 Under 40 Award based on his impact on economic development. This prestigious award, now in just its third year, was presented at the 36th Annual Indian Progress in Business event on September 6 hosted by the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

This award comes from the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED). The award was established to highlight 40 American Indian leaders under 40 years of age who have demonstrated leadership and initiative which has caused significant contributions to their communities and to Indian Country in general.

In a press release from the tribe, Chairman Allan was quoted saying, "It is really an honor to be chosen for this award and I am humbled by the company of leadership I am privileged to join today. I truly appreciate the recognition of work for my community and feel energized to keep moving forward in ways that help and empower more tribal people in the years to come."

Chief Allan is now going into his 7th year as tribal chairman. His decisions have helped guide the tribe in many ways, including financial stability. The tribe has a thriving economy and is now the largest employer in the Idaho panhandle. It provides over 3,900 jobs and over 308 million dollars in direct and indirect sales activities. Five new business ventures have been created during these past seven years in attempting to diversify their business ventures for long term stability. The largest of these new businesses is Berg Integrated Systems which makes steel structures that can be placed in remote areas for military and disaster relief efforts and also large capacity collapsible fuel tanks.

Asked what he was perhaps most proud of during his tenure as chairman, Chairman Allan responded, "I would say the expansion of the casino. I think

it's top-of-the-line super." This past spring the latest expansion of the casino/resort was completed. It added 98 additional hotel rooms, a huge spa, a new steak house and bar, and extensive changes in the landscaping and parking facilities at a total cost of something less than the \$75 million budgeted.

Allan has an undergraduate degree from Eastern Washington University in political science.

Ernie Stensgar attended the award ceremony in Florida with Chief Allan. That's very appropriate as Stensgar served as chairman of the tribe for a number of years and is current vice chairman. When Allan was asked who he gave most credit to for mentoring him his immediate response was, "I give all the credit to Ernie. He's been pretty spectacular in that."

Allan also pointed out with pride that another of the recipients of this year's awards is another tribal member, Dennis Worden.

He is now Legislative Director of the Native American Contractors Association in Washington, D.C. "He worked in my office way back when," Allan commented. "He interned for me and Quanah Spencer and he's doing really well in Washington, D.C. now so he was selected as well."

The 40 men and women being honored this year by NCAIED come from across the U.S. and Canada. Winners range from business entrepreneurs and leaders of economic development to tribal officials, attorneys, educators and athletes, and museum and tourism directors. They were all nominated for the award and final selection was by a panel of NCAIED representatives.

Chairman Chief Allan added, "You know me. I'm a pretty humble person. I don't like these kinds of things. I'm just thankful to the tribe for giving me the opportunity to do so many things in such a short period of time."

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disagreed with her.

The problem on hand is the occasion when landowners are not notified of hunters yielding weapons on their land; a matter of public and personal safety. Coeur d'Alene Tribal Chairman Chief Allan, along with the rest of the Council, agreed that any and all hunters, regardless of tribal affiliation, should be asking permission from the land owners before crossing onto their property with a weapon.

"We have been hunting our homeland forever [and] we are a respectful people. If there is a problem, we want to know about it," said Allan.

Allan pointed out that for a majority, the Tribal members do ask permission and are respectful of the land when they are on it, but it's that 1% of the population, which he stated was present in every community across the

nation, that creates problems for the rest.

Allan then pleaded to the Benewah County residents to contact their County Commissioners and ask them to please meet with the Tribe in order to resolve all the issues that are standing in the way of a friendly relationship between the two. He pointed that the Council has been trying to meet with Benewah County for years and come to a compromise on the issues they are dealing with, much like they have done with Kootenai County.

By the end of the meeting, 90 minutes later, no agreement or consensus on the law was reached. The Tribe wants to avoid years of litigation – which Olson promised would be inevitable if brought to court – and come to an agreement, all that's left is for Benewah County to accept.

"I guess we can just say we agree that we disagree on this point," said Allan.

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.

~ Chairman's Corner ~

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Hopefully the children in your lives are adjusting to a new year of school, and that they are feeling excited content about the upcoming academic year. And hopefully the rest of us are adjusting to the fall season that is now here after what seemed like such a short summer.

It is with great pride that our Tribe unveiled the Gathering Place last week. This new housing development is another step in the right direction as we continue to use the resources that we are blessed with today to make lives better tomorrow for our membership.

I hope that the Gathering Place becomes an integral part of healthy families, and community, in the years to come.

Right now, even though it seems early, we are already beginning to look at initiatives and directions that we will be undertaking for the upcoming legislative sessions in Congress and the state. As these develop, I will be in touch to keep the Tribal community involved and informed.

Until then, take good care!

Sincerely,

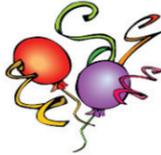
Chief Yellon



Inside one of the units of the Gathering Place.

Photo by Lorraina Smith

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~ Community Announcements ~

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Sacred Encounters exhibit to open October 15th

In the mid-1990s, an exhibit titled "Sacred Encounters" toured the United States. It related the convergence of two cultures: the Jesuit Order of the Catholic Church, or "Black Robes," with Native cultures. That exhibit, essentially retired after 1996, is now being refurbished and updated with current technology, and will become a permanent exhibit at Old Mission State Park in northern Idaho.



Christianity and the Catholic faith. A lot of our elders still have close ties to that. They're the ones that wanted this [state park] building to be erected and the story to be told for future generations."

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe has been a major contributor to the restoration and relocation of the exhibit. The history goes way back to the 1700s. Cultural Resources Director Quannah Matheson spoke of that history. "It goes back to one of our chiefs. His name was Circling Raven. He was the chief for nearly a hundred years and very respected. He had a vision that people with crossed sticks would come and teach a new way of living. He never got to see the Black Robes, but he told the tribe about it over many years. He passed on, but his son, Twisted Earth, kept up that vision. Twisted Earth got to see the Black Robes."

Coeur d'Alene tribal members helped to build the old mission church, the oldest building still standing in the state. Begun in 1850, it was completed in 1853. "It was built by about 300 Coeur d'Alenes with no nails and no building experience. It's a testament to their faith and willingness to take on that new religion.

Jesuit priests arrived in the 1840s. "They [Coeur d'Alenes] welcomed the religion and looked for it, asked for it," Matheson explained. "It was in that spirit the tribe took on

"That's part of the story the elders want to be told."

The original exhibit required about 8,000 square feet of space. Much of the exhibit consisted of audio-visual material that was state-of-the-art at the time but is now outdated. Upgrades to modern technology are being made, and it's hoped the project will be completed and in place in time for the annual Indian Feast

of the Assumption pilgrimage to the mission next Aug. 15. Old Mission State Park had a small museum, but nothing with the size or desired temperature, lighting and humidity controls for such an exhibit. That museum building was demolished last summer and a new building has been completed. It is 8,000 square feet, with 5,000 square feet dedicated to the updated version of Sacred Encounters, and will meet all of its environmental needs to assure its protection.

The exhibit will contain about 80 percent Coeur d'Alene reservation material, since it will now be associated with this tribe, and about 20 percent from the Flathead reservation in Montana. There will also be a lot of Jesuit material from the Rev. Pierre-Jean DeSmet, some of it from St. Louis and some from Belgium, where he was born.

The grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony will take place Saturday - October 15, 2011 beginning at 10:00 am. This ceremony is free and open to the public and will host curators of the exhibit, the tribal council and the donors and lenders to the exhibit. Refreshments will also be provided.

For more information please contact Culture Director Quannah Matheson at 208-686-0675.

BMC art contest for new facility

BMC is very pleased to announce an art contest for the new facility. The art piece will be located on a lobby wall, approximately 5 ft. 8 in. tall and 10 ft wide. Here are the details:

- Theme:** "Many Cultures-One Community" that speaks to the entire community and tribal culture/healing/wellness/health care for all
- Eligibility:** Any Native person living on the Cd'A Rez
- Due Date:** By 5:00 pm. on November 11
- What to Submit:** Your design no larger than 24 in tall and 36 in wide with your name and contact information included on the entry
- Where to Submit:** BMC/ATTN: Gary Leva by any of the following:
 - a. email: gleva@bmc.portland.ihs.gov
 - b. fax: 208-686-0242
 - c. drop off at BMC front desk
 - d. mail: P.O. Box 388, Plummer ID 83851

Selection Notice: By December 31, 2011
 Winner Receives: \$500 upon satisfactory completion of the mural in the new building (projected October, 2012)

This wall mural will be very visible in the BMC lobby. We encourage creativity that speaks to who and what we are and what BMC represents. BMC has an internal culture committee that will judge the entries. Please contact Gary Leva at BMC at 686-1931 if you have questions about this announcement.

Christmas Coalition gearing up for holidays

The Christmas Families Coalition is revving up for another successful year. In the past three years, we have provided Christmas gifts and food baskets for 271 families on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation. Last year we brought Christmas to 229 individuals. The Coalition is made up of individuals, clubs, churches, businesses, and Tribal departments from all over the Reservation who come together to assist needy families at Christmas time. Reflecting the tough economic times that everyone is experiencing, both those being assisted and those offering assistance, gifts will be available any child who is 13 years of age or younger and who has a DeSmet, Plummer, Tensed, or Worley home address. The identities of the families served are guarded and known to only one

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COME JOIN THE LOWLEY FAMILY ON
OCT. 29, 2011 at 1:00 pm
FOR THE GIVE AWAY FOR JOE LOWLEY.
AT THE TENSED GRANGE HALL,
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED.

Bids being accepted for boat motor



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.

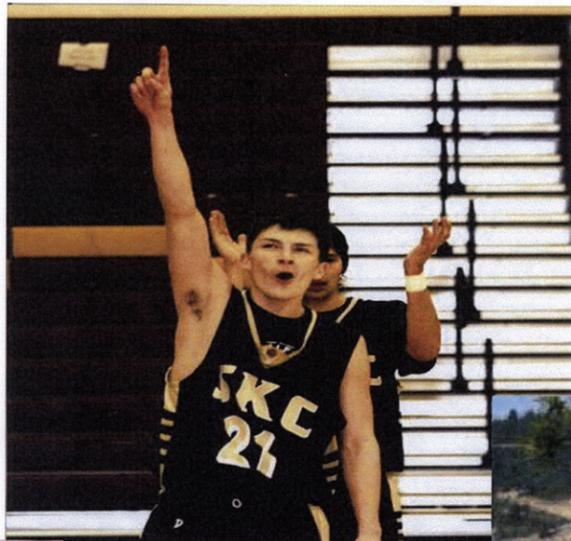
1997 Yamaha Outboard 130hp motor, two stroke. It did run but had idle problems; estimated cost to repair due to power head problem was around \$3000.

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.

2nd Annual Tim Wolfe Memorial Open Men's Basketball Tournament

OCTOBER 14, 15 AND 16TH 2011

- Prizes**
Champs—Letterman's Jackets
2nd Place: Sports Jackets
3rd Place: Sweaters
4th Place: Long Sleeve Tee's
M.V.P.—Pendleton Jacket
All Stars—Duffel bags
- Other Awards**
Mr. Hustle
Sportsmanship
Slam Dunk



Entry Fee:
\$350.00
Half Of Entry Due on September 15, 2011 to hold spot.



Event held at:

Tim Wolfe Memorial Gym (Wellness Center)
 801 A. Street
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Lakeside Middle School
 801 J. Street
 Plummer, Idaho
 9 miles south of CDA Casino

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Forestry Department: firewood and burning season is here

General: Market conditions have improved slightly since spring which allowed several sales to start operations. The Chadalamalqwn and Tamiyel sales have logs moving. The Sachri sale has sold but we are waiting on additional funding and paperwork before operations can commence.

The Douglas Fir Tussock Moth (DFTM) defoliation was pretty widespread but has stopped for the year. This is because the caterpillars that were eating the needles went into cocoons and are now appearing as moths. The moths do not damage the trees but will be laying eggs for the life cycle to start again next year. There has been an increase in the natural controls of the DFTM but it is too early to tell if the population will collapse next year or not. We will continue to monitor and field check throughout the fall.

As a reminder concerning firewood cutting. Conditions are very dry so be careful when getting your wood. Start early in the morning, bring along a shovel and water and ensure your saw has a spark arrestor. Also make sure you know whose land you are cutting on. Tribal firewood permits are only valid for cutting on Tribal land. You need special permission from the allotment landowners to cut firewood from Allotment land.

Timber Sales: The Chsp'a'qhalqwtsn EA was presented to the Natural Resources Committee on September 6, 2011. It was discussed in detail and the proposed timber sale action passed unanimously. Identified issues were discussed as were all three alternatives, a new road to be constructed in conjunction with Idaho Department of Lands and the installation of gates up at Eagle Peak.

The EA is currently being routed through the ID team for signature and is expected to be presented to Council on in September. A Notice of Availability will be posted throughout the Reservation; typically posted at the Benewah Market, various Post Offices, and other public buildings.

Log trucks are busy moving logs off of the two active allotment sales, Tamiyel and Chadalamalqwn. The third allotment sale, Sachri, should be starting soon. Dry roads and soil conditions are ideal for logging right now, except for all the dust. Log trucks can be spotted from a long distance due to the dust cloud, which allows a driver to

take evasive action. Timber sale staff are also preparing next year's allotment sale, Kopaqhn, in the Worley area. Field work on this sale is planned for fall and early winter. Per information from the Language program, this sale will be named after Charlie Cooper, the man who donated land for both the cemetery and the landfill in Worley. He was a relative of (Spokane chief) Peter Silas, who settled on the northern part of the Coeur d'Alene Reservation with almost eight dozen others, mostly Upper Spokanes from the Peaceful Valley area of Spokane, WA and the Peone Prairie. Charlie Cooper's Indian name was kopaqhn, literally 'upper arm,' perhaps so named because of a physical deformity, or some story lost to the ages. Timber treatments in this sale will focus on maintaining tree vigor and a sustainable timber supply for future generations.

Fuels Program: The Fuels Program has 5 active contracts going at this time. The Timber Agricultural Interface Fuel Break Project (TAIFBP) 5 contract located off Benewah and Windfall Pass Road (A69A, A438, T59, and A62) has an estimated 219 accomplished hazardous fuels reduction (HFR) acres through Empire L & C. The TAIFBP 6 contract located off of Windfall Pass Road (T57 and A372) has an estimated 160 accomplished HFR acres through Empire L & C. The TAIFBP 7 in the Little Butte Area has been awarded and approved for allotted and Tribal lands: A310, T291, and A292 and will begin soon.

The Windfall/Peedee Contract has been awarded and approved and will begin soon as well. The 2009 Cherry Creek Shaded Fuels Break Project is near completion through Native Timber Services. The Fuels Crew has completed an estimated 145 acres of thinning and pruning; masticating an estimated 88 acres and hand piling an estimated 26 acres. Currently, they are finishing their work on A307 with a thinning, pruning, and a combination of hand piling and machine mastication and are planning to move east to A316 soon after. We have been working on prepping our prescribed fire treatment areas felling snags, refreshing firelines, and gathering data for: Tenthree harvesting area up at Eagle Peak, Andrew Springs in DeSmet, Homesites off Cottonwood Road, and Ridge to Ridge in Lovell Valley. Chris Luke had his last day on August 19, 2011, and we wish him well in his academic

endeavors. 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 ROADS: We have a large stockpile of firewood available to the community for firewood please take advantage of its availability right here in Plummer area at the tribal gravel pit while the wood is dry and ready for cutting. The projections for project work to do road side brushing in some of the Tribal timber areas is on the agenda later this summer and fall to open up some areas for tribal recreation and management purposes so expect to see some brushing equipment around. Don't forget the garden materials we have available to grow your own foods. Call (208) 686-1885 or (208) 582-2517 for more information.

Forest Development: Worman Forest Management was the only bidder on 58 acres advertised on August 10 for the 2011 Cherry Creek Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) contract. The contract is being routed for approval in hopes that work can be completed this fall before the area is snowed in. This work is possible thanks to EQIP funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). Staff has examined 196 acres in the John Point area to identify TSI needs for contracting in 2012.

We are preparing for fall burning and planting in areas that are not accessible in the spring, primarily at Eagle Butte to reforest after wind damage was salvaged. We are also coordinating with the Fisheries program for large scale afforestation on former cropland in the Lake Creek watershed and with the NRCS to comply with the Conservation Reserve Program requirements.

Forest Management Inventory & Planning: The inventory analysis program was tested on plots in the Eagle Butte Management Unit to determine whether mortality has been exceeding growth in the mature stands in the area. The environmental analysis (EA) for a proposed timber sale in the area led to the question of whether those stands have stopped adding volume due to crowding or mortality. From 1997 to 2008, the average volume growth was 513 board feet per acre per year, even after deducting mortality. Other than wind damage in 2009, and 5 or 6 stands planned for harvest, stands in the area are still growing well.

BMC making changes to better serve

Benewah Medical & Wellness Center continues to move forward with a renewed spirit of service, high energy and commitment to the best of care and service. This past month we were privileged to have a visit from the U.S. Surgeon General, Dr. Regina Benjamin. This was the first time a Surgeon General has come to the Coeur d'Alene reservation. She was very gracious in allowing all staff to personally meet her in their respective work places and took the time for many pictures and conversation. She presented us with a plaque and individual certificates to Tribal Council & Health Board members. We hope to have her back for the new facility grand opening next year.

The 'meet and greet' community dinner and welcome celebrating the arrival of our new medical providers and the quality and care all of our providers deliver was a big success. We appreciate and thank those that attended. We plan to schedule other community events throughout the year and will keep you informed as to what, when and where. Now for some updates.

Dental Department: This month we are featuring our highly trained dental provider team. We have provided pictures and biographies of our dental providers. In addition to these providers the dental department could not function without terrific dental assistants. They are: Evie Gardipe, Ellie Brown, Erika Lehman, Barb Grieser, Anna Curley and Anna Morrison.

Dental Appointments: In September we announced changes in how medical appointments are scheduled. I am pleased to report that effective NOW, you are no longer required to call in the evening before for dental appointments. We have changed how we allocate appointment slots which have increased the availability and we are also allowing appointments to be made up to 30 days out. To make a dental appointment, please call the main number, 686-1931. Please be mindful that we will make every effort to schedule you as soon as possible.

Pharmacy: A very exciting enhanced automated pharmacy process to request prescription refills will be here shortly. The Pharmacy will be implementing an automated prescription line which will be accessible to you 24 hours a day 7 days a week. We are currently testing the system to make sure it's ready for implementation. We will communicate with you once it is ready to go. As a brief introduction, within the next few

weeks you will be able to begin using the system on our dedicated refill line, 208-686-1007. As long as you call in advance and have your current medication container with the prescription # on the container you will be able to make that request. It will be very simple with an easy to understand process. If you do not have your container, you may still call the pharmacy directly for assistance. Stay tuned for more updates.

Medical: Last month we announced the availability of on-site specialty care: an OB/GYN physician twice a month and a cardiologist once a month. We are very close to finalizing a nephrologist (kidney diseases) to provide an on-site clinic. We will keep you informed once this service is ready for scheduling. Your primary care provider can assist you in being connected to these specialists as needed.

During specific days in October BMC will sponsor no-cost flu shot clinics which will be available to the community. Be on the lookout for announcements once the days have been determined.

Keeping Your Appointment-It's Vital: In order for BMC to remain efficient and to best accommodate all those who need to be seen for various services, showing up for your appointment is vital. The effectiveness of the changes we are now implementing is very dependent on patients keeping their scheduled appointments. When a patient is unable to attend a scheduled appointment and does not notify BMC within two hours before the appointment, it is considered a "No-Show" and impacts access to health care for other BMC patients. Our "No-Show/Cancellation" policy is described below. We understand that sometimes circumstances occur that prevent keeping an appointment. Please communicate your inability to attend a scheduled appointment with as much advance notice as possible which may allow BMC to schedule another patient for that appointment slot. The financial and operational success of your Medical Center is dependent on services being utilized with a full schedule.

Please note a summary of our policy on No-Shows/Cancellations: A patient must be present for a scheduled appointment within 10 minutes of check-in time to avoid being a No-Show. A patient must cancel an appointment within a 2 hour period or this will also be considered a No-Show.

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person. Applications are available at the Plummer and Worley City Halls, the Food Distribution Warehouse in Worley, the Big Store in Tensed, the DeSmet post office, and from various Coeur d'Alene Tribal and State social services programs. Applications must be returned before November 18; however, the earlier applications are returned, the easier it will be to find sponsors for those applying. We will once again be sponsoring a non-perishable food and household supplies drive in the local schools. Gifts and food will be distributed the week before Christmas.

The Christmas assistance can have a profound effect on the families, ranging from joy and excitement to recovery and inspiration. Sponsoring a Christmas family brings equal joy and fulfillment to those who are sponsoring. Individuals, families, businesses, clubs, and churches can participate by adopting a family and buying gifts for them, donating money for the purchase of gifts for a family, donating food or other needed items, or donating time to help wrap gifts, packing food boxes, delivering packages. If your family, club, church, or business would like to participate, please call Emily Bell at 686-0106.



Urgent care or Emergency?

- ❖ In a life-threatening situation, a call to 911 or a emergency room is always your best choice.
- ❖ But for minor illnesses at times when you can't see your own doctor, Benewah Medical Center offers an urgent care clinic Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:30 pm

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ EMERGENCY ROOM OR 911 ❖ Chest pain with shortness of breath and/or sweating ❖ Difficulty breathing ❖ Uncontrollable bleeding ❖ Trauma or head injury ❖ Sudden dizziness, difficulty seeing, slurred speech, confusion, numbness, or paralysis. ❖ Unconsciousness ❖ Poisoning ❖ Severe injury, burns, or electrical shock ❖ New vaginal bleeding (beyond spotting) in pregnancy, if BMC not available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Benewah Medical Center URGENT CARE ❖ Sore throats, coughs, congestion, fever, and other flu or cold symptoms ❖ Cuts that require stitches ❖ Mild or moderate asthma attacks ❖ Earaches and eye or skin infection * ❖ Insect Bites or rashes ❖ Urinary tract infections ❖ Sprains, strains, deep bruises ❖ Diarrhea* ❖ * If these symptoms are so severe as to seem an emergency, then consider an Emergency Room evaluation.
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Citylink Bus Barn nearing completion



Lots of room and quality work areas are ahead for Citylink. The new maintenance building in Plummer will be completed sometime this fall. It covers 9,000 square feet, including areas for maintaining, repairing and cleaning buses. It will also house offices, locker rooms and other space for staff. The facility, which will also take care of casino shuttles, could be open as early as December. *Photo submitted by Andrew Murphy*

Maintenance breathes easier with carpet install complete

By Jason Lundmark
Facilities Maintenance Mgr.

The Facility Maintenance Department was busy during the carpet install. I can't be more proud of the department and their efforts that we put forth. Not only replacing carpet but we are replacing the surface on the bridge and doing some Maintenance on the Sunset Hotel entrance

I want to offer a big thanks to all the other departments that were working around the clock making the new carpet install go as smooth as possible. Another big thanks goes to the Bench Techs and their efforts.

A huge thank you goes to the

Electrician Dave Kaiserman for all the hours he gave the Casino and helping the Bench Techs in getting the machines up and running. Also, Tim Ferguson, Jon Gress and Gaylen Carson deserve credit for the extra hours they are working moving carpet rolls, furniture and assisting in the carpet install.

A huge thanks to all the guys that helped remove the two big trees in the middle of the Casino in record time. It felt like I should have called Mike Rowe to help out. It was one dirty job. It didn't seem that long ago that I was helping installing those trees and carpet. How time flies and things change.

Great job everyone.

Culinary meets culture food for the soul

By Gabe Cruz
Executive Sous Chef

I would like to take this opportunity to thank staff members for all their help in organizing and executing the Culinary Cultural Awareness class that was held at the casino Thursday, September 22nd.

First and foremost, thank you Cliff SiJohn for your wisdom and dedication in keeping the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's history alive and well. I was greatly honored to sit and listen to you speak about days gone by, as well as to hear about the prosperous future to come for the Schitsu'umsh tribe and Coeur d'Alene Casino.

Thank you to Shaina Nomee for your professionalism and amazing organizational skills that kept all the information flowing between team members, smooth and efficient. This class would not have been possible without her.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Raymond Brinkman and Kim Matheson, Coeur d'Alene Tribal Language Program

teachers, and their enthusiastic staff for their diligence to keep the Schitsu'umsh language alive. Thank you also to Rich Lovelace and Ed Springer, Audio Visual, for sights and sounds at the presentation, not to mention smiles, laughter and rainbows.

Thanks also to Dr. Jill Wagner and associates, CdA Cultural Center, for their work with preserving and documenting the physical history of the CdA tribe such as photographs and artifacts. Edzel Pugh and Gene James demonstrated the power of food by preparing outstanding stew and frybread for everyone. You warmed our tummies and our souls.

This is the first in a series of Cultural Awareness Classes. Thank you to all 106 staff members that showed up. You are the reason the CdA Casino is what it is today. So until next time, practice your Schitsu'umsh language and always remember to welcome our guests into our home with smiles, laughter and sincerity. Lim lemt.sh

More events planned for October at Circling Raven

October is the final month for play at Circling Raven, the course scheduled for closure on the 17th. But that still allows time for not only some competition, but competition that will test players from the back tees and another that will be the Raven's swan song for 2011.

Circling Raven's Back Tee Scramble is set for Monday, Oct. 10th. In this event, two man teams will compete in a scramble format. The teams may be made up of one pro and one amateur, or two amateurs.

Only gross scores will count, meaning that this competition will likely draw low handicap golfers along with a number of

professionals.

Entry for the Back Tee Scramble is \$100, cash only. A \$20 skins game will also be available. The deadline for entry is Friday, Oct. 7th. Players will be treated to a steak dinner, along with all the other amenities Circling Raven has to offer.

With Daylight Savings Time approaching, Circling Raven's final event will come Oct. 17th. Some details are still being worked out, but the closing day of play will include tee prizes and food. Tournament Director Mark Nelson predicts that some side games are likely to spring up.

In recent years, Circling Raven has hosted its one-

time only "Walk on the Wild Side." In those events, players who'd been clamoring to walk, rather than ride the course, got their wish. At 7-plus miles of walking, the number of players willing to make the trek diminished, creating reasons to look for another type of event for the final day.

"Despite the early season poor weather, we recovered pretty well and business at the course has been terrific since late June," said Director of Golf Tom Davidson. "For most of the summer, we've been blessed with good weather and that seems to be continuing in the early fall. It's no secret that weather is the key."

WSU Women pull away to win CR Invitational

Washington State University women golfers tied for the first round lead, then slowly pulled away from the 22-team Sept. 12th and 13th to win the 2nd Annual Circling Raven Collegiate Invitational. Washington State's 913 total over three rounds was 11 shots better than the University of San Francisco.

Gonzaga University, the host team, matched the tournament's best third round, boosting the Bulldogs to a sixth place finish.

Cougar Kristen Allard's 54-hole total of 225 was a team best and good enough to earn her 5th place in the individual competition.

Caitlin McCleary of Seattle University fired 70, 70, 76 for an even par score of 216, earning medalist honors.

Defending team champion Northern Arizona led the tournament after the first round, but fell back in rounds two and three, finishing a distant 12th overall.

The collegians played 36 holes during the Monday competition and 18 holes to complete the event on Tuesday, the second day. With practice rounds starting as early as Wednesday of the previous week, players were treated to a streak of perfect weather for the 2011 event.

All 22 teams stayed at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort. The resort and Circling Raven Golf Club, along with Gonzaga, began hosting the tournament last year.

Tour given to Idaho Dept. Commerce



We're always getting better. Chief Executive Officer Dave Matheson talks to a group of writers touring the reservation this week. The group was here on a familiarization tour sponsored by the Idaho Department of Commerce. The writers, representing numerous national and international publications, took a tour of the resort and were hosted with a spectacular lunch in the steakhouse.

Photo by Bob Bostwick

Moose loose on the palouse

By Bob Bostwick

When the Circling Raven golf course maintenance crew goes to work in pre-dawn hours, they have company.

Big company.

A family of Moose have been making themselves at home in areas around the golf course in recent days, a problem of sorts due to the late play in the Circling Raven Collegiate Invitational tournament and, therefore, the need to do maintenance work in the early hours rather than evenings.

Superintendent Brian Woster was up close and personal with a big bull when he came upon it sleeping on No. 5 green around first light on a mid-September morning.

"I was driving up to the green and, although it was still pretty dark, I could make out a big black spot in the middle of the green," Woster said. "As I got closer, I could see it was a bull, and he was not in a hurry to wake up and move on. I was not scared, but I was certainly cautious. I was maybe within 50 feet of him, trying to get

him to move off, but not scare him or startle him in a way that would wind up creating damage to the green."

A cow and two calves were also present, just behind the green. Woster, an avid hunter and outdoorsman, is also well aware that this is the rut season. Bulls are in no mood for human company or anything, for that matter, that interrupts their seasonal romance.

"He finally got to his feet, but he wasn't afraid of me, that's for sure," Woster said. "He made a bluff charge, but then moved off into the wetland toward No. 4 green."

But the plot thickens. A full maintenance crew was setting up to mow No. 4. All these folks around was making the big fella grumpy.

"The bull moved through the wetlands, came up on No. 4 green and found my crew there," Woster said. "He made another bluff charge and the crew scattered."

All the excitement slowed the work effort, but the three

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US Surgeon General visits BMC staff and sites



On September 7th, 2011 the Benewah Medical Center had a great honor bestowed on them. America's Doctor, Regina M. Benjamin, MD, MBA is the 18th Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service took a tour of the humble tribal facility. She took time to meet employees and community members. She was presented with a Pendleton blanket and asked to return when the new facility is complete. Here she is pictured with the members of the Benewah Medical Center Board: JR Gustin, Bobbi White, Bernie LaSarte, Marlene Lambert, Matt Stensgar and Debbie Chapman.

Fight Night at the Worley Longhouse



Two Coeur d'Alene tribal members connect a punch during a match at the Worley Longhouse, the boys are members of the Wellness Center Boxing Club. In dark trunks is Enrique Medrano and red trunks Jacob Brown, Enrique won the match held on September 17, 2011.

Photo by Lynn Lowley

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moose slipped away into the early darkness, no harm, no foul. Damage to the greens was minimal.

The big bulls, which can easily weigh 1,500 lbs or more, are known to be dangerous when human

types get too close or accidentally startle the animals. Moose are common to the area and have been frequently seen on the golf course since it opened eight years ago.

Everyone loves to see 'em, magnificent as they are. But, it's a critter best seen from a safe distance.

Fire Management ready for burns

Fire Management is getting ready to implement some prescribed fire around the reservation. These areas include the Eagle Peak, T-1082 old sub agency, A-578 on cottonwood road by Worley, Andrews Spring off of Farmington road by the old dump site, and the Ridge to Ridge burn on the ridge between Lovell Valley Road and highway 60. These projects are dependent on weather so weather permitting we will start burning with the next couple weeks.

The benefits of prescribed burning, removes accumulated fuels and therefore reduces the risk of intense fires. Arson, human carelessness, and lightning will inevitably ignite fires on Trust lands within the Reservation. The rate of spread and damage caused by the resulting fires are directly

related to fuel types and volumes. Fire intensity is much lower in grasses and small shrubs. Fuel reduction will not necessarily decrease the number of fires on Trust lands, but will make those fires easier to control. Prescribed burning must be repeated at regular intervals to maintain the protective effect of reduced vegetative fuels. In the long growing seasons of the Northwest, it takes only four to five years for fuels to return to hazardous levels.

One last note our fire season is not quite over yet as historically September is our most active month for fire activity. So far we have responded to 8 small fires and supported the State of Idaho on 3 incidents. If you have any questions feel free to call us at 208-686-1199.

So let's be careful when using fire and enjoy our outdoors.

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recurring No-Show's...will not be allowed to make a pre-appointment for the remainder of the [calendar] year. Patients will still be able to use urgent care and make same day appointments.

As we described in our September Council Fires article, BMC offers several options for your convenience; urgent care, same day appointment or you may make pre-appointments. Below is a great tool to assist you to understand when to use urgent care as opposed to an emergency room. Please note that pre-appointments with your primary care provider are best utilized to manage your health and chronic conditions. If you go to the emergency room, are hospitalized for any reason or visit another provider please communicate this visit to your primary care provider so that we may work with other health care specialists to coordinate your care. Utilizing your primary care provider as the center of your health care services provides you the best, coordinated health care BMC is able to provide.

New Facility: These next several

weeks the construction crews are working on the new roads to the site including the installation of utilities, water and sewer. We have begun excavation for the foundations and have completed partial concrete footings. Foundation work will continue throughout October. We are also placing site cameras in different locations so anyone can view the progress from our website. These should be operational very soon. Please go to our website, www.bmcwc.com to check on the status as we expect these to be fully functional prior to the next Council Fires article. Also, please see the announcement about the art contest in this issue.

With a new fiscal year upon us, we are enthusiastically looking forward to this next year with new ideas, better service, increased communication and a beautiful new facility on its way. As always please let us know what we can do to better your experience at BM/WC. Keep your comments and suggestions coming. We are appreciative of the opportunity to serve the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and community!

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SiJohn: thank you to Josiah, congrats to son Victor

We would like to thank LCPL Josiah Hillman (son of Leanne Campbell) for attending MCRD Family Day Ceremony September 8, 2011 for Pvt. Victor SiJohn. We all were glad that Josiah took time from his duty station at Camp Pendleton to attend Victor MOTO RUN and visit us all during Family Day at MCRD San Diego. We are all very proud of both Victor and Josiah. LCPL Josiah Hillman has already served one tour Afghanistan. We are proud of all their accomplishments, both Victor and Josiah have represented in a honorable way their Family, Community and Tribe while serving in the USMC.

Pvt. Victor SiJohn (left) has recently completed Marine Corp Boot Camp at MCRD San Diego Calif. September 9, 2011. Victor will be continuing his MCT Marine Combat Training at Camp Pendleton starting September 20, 2011. Victor is the son of Francis SiJohn Cd'a Tribe and Bridget Whitehorse Navajo Nation.

SiJohn Family



Aripa: thank you for all the support

On behalf of the Aripa Family, we would like to take this time to THANK all of you for your help and comfort in our time of loss of our Beloved Louis H. Aripa, Sr.

Louie was a huge asset to our Family and we will greatly miss him. Louie was such a Great Man to all of us, blessing us with his laughter and wisdom. We would like to especially thank: The Coeur d'Alene Tribe for assisting us during this difficult time, Warriors Society for their Beautiful Services they provided, Debbie Louie McGee for the wonderful poem she read for Louie, Jeanie Louie for helping us with the arrangements, dressing, and making Louie's moccasins, Carydene Swan for providing food for our Family at Louie's home and helping Barbie with the ribbon shirts, and spending time with us, Arna Michael for her help with the ribbon shirts, Blu Andrews & Daveena Michelle for cooking for us at Louie's home, Rudy Aripa & Roberta Matt for providing the Pendleton and the Air Conditioner and their help with everything, all the flowers and food, The Seven Drum Singers, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and, Tribal Facilities.

We would like to send a special Thank You to Jr. Gustin, Joanna Curley, Boom George, Felicity Payne, Ida Curley and any one else who may have been helping in the kitchen. Kevin Garcia for drying the meat. There were some of you that called and texted, or stopped by to give a hug or share a story and you will be in our hearts forever. If there is anyone that we may have overlooked it isn't intentional and we apologize.

This was such a shock to all of us and we wouldn't have been able to respect our Dad, Brother Grandfather, Son, Nephew, Uncle, Fellow Marine, Veteran, and Friend with out the helping hands and hearts of all, Thank You Again! May Louis Henry Aripa, Sr. Rest in Peace, AMEN!!

Cindy Aripa & Family

Killer Cancer; there are natural options for treatment

By Anthony J. Cichoke, MA, DC, DACBN, PhD

Most people have been deeply touched by cancer in some way or other. Maybe you suffer from cancer yourself or know of a family member or friend who has cancer. Nearly 12 million Americans are living with this dreaded disease and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe is no exception. What's worse, one and one-half million new cases will be diagnosed this year (this figure doesn't include the 2 million diagnosed with skin cancer every year). The American Cancer Society estimates that half of all men and one-third of all women in the US will develop cancer during their lifetime.

Cancer is deadly and found in all parts of the body, but the top cancer sites for American Indians appear to be the Kidney, the Renal Pelvis, Liver, Intrahepatic Bile Duct (IBD) and the Stomach. According to statistics (2003-2007) from the Office of Minority Health, American Indian/Alaska Native men were 80% more likely to have liver and IBD cancer plus 1.8 times as likely to have stomach cancer and twice as likely to die from that disease as non-Hispanic White men. Further, American Indian/Alaska Native women are 2.6 times more likely to have and twice as likely to die from liver and IBD cancer plus; in addition, 40% are more likely to have kidney/renal pelvis cancer as non-

Hispanic White women.

Why so much cancer? What causes it? Cancer occurs when your cells' DNA is damaged. When this happens, instead of growing, dividing and eventually dying as they normally do, cells in your body grow uncontrollably and then spread. Death results when this spread is not controlled.

Cancer isn't a disease as much as it is a *process* that can involve the entire body, because DNA is in every cell. The trick is to avoid cancer as well as avoiding anything that can damage your DNA. Because of our modern lifestyles, this is easier said than done. But, I've found that you can improve your odds of avoiding cancer, and maybe even beating it once it occurs (as I did), by addressing all of your body's needs—physical, mental and nutritional. When I found I had cancer, I returned to the "OLD WAYS", following many Traditional Native American Healing Practices and used the following five steps to fight and to control my cancer. If I can do it, so can you! Here are the FIVE STEPS:

Detoxification helps the body eliminate poisonous toxins that negatively impact your health and alter your DNA.

Rid your body of toxins by drinking clear, clean water; by fasting; and by using coffee enemas.

If you use tobacco in any form, quit and quit now. Tobacco is a major risk factor for cancer and other diseases (one out of every 5

deaths in the US is due to tobacco). Cigarette smoking, alone, is responsible for more than 30% of all cancer deaths.

Ultraviolet rays can cause skin cancer, so limit your sun time. Half of all new cancers in the US are skin cancers.

Avoid pesticides, herbicides, asbestos, radon, and other pollutants; they can cause cancer.

Avoid consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Exercise improves your body's production of antioxidants, stimulates circulation and enzymatic activity, and helps eliminate toxins.

A positive mental attitude (PMA) improves your health, helps you battle the depression that often accompanies a cancer diagnosis and affects your success in fighting the disease.

Diet. Improving your diet is critical for staying healthy and beating cancer.

Eat less fat and more live, enzyme rich fresh fruits, vegetables, berries, herbs, whole grains, plus dietary fiber. Fresh fruits and vegetables (and their juices) are natural sources of enzymes and phytonutrients (plant-based nutrients).

Eliminate salt, all processed and junk foods, vinegar, and alcohol. Eat only wild fowl and fish from fresh streams or deep water.

Poor diet and inactivity are related to one-third of all cancers.

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Spokane's unveil Chief Garry monument

It's a great day for a great event," Spokane Tribe of Indians tribal council chairman Greg Abrahamson commented. "Chief Garry was significant not only to the tribe but to the area. He was the first tribal leader to learn the foreign language—English."

It was a day to formally dedicate a monument to replace a statue of Chief Spokane Garry, which had been destroyed over time by both weather and vandals. This was a day three years in the making and a large crowd gathered in Chief Garry Park in Spokane, Washington to view the new monument and to hear tribal leaders and Garry's descendents speak of the man and his life. He died in 1892 but passed on a strong legacy to the tribe and his descendents.

Garry was born in 1811, the son of Illum Spokane. At 14, he was sent by his father to the Red River missionary school in Ontario, Canada where he learned not only English but French, along with agriculture, religion and the Bible. These abilities were to benefit him, and Native American people throughout the region, as an educator, translator, and negotiator with the United States.

Two of Garry's direct descendents were on hand to represent the family and a third sent a written message. All three are sisters, Coeur d'Alene tribal members, and great great granddaughters of Garry.

Jeanne Givens, one of the sisters, said "I think commemorating Garry is very important. He was

the region's first educator. He continually fought for his Upper Spokane and Middle Spokane people to have a permanent homeland. Garry was a Christian and baptized many of his own people. As an interpreter during treaty negotiations, his language skills helped amplify the voice of tribal leaders of their concerns and frustrations, and strengthened their positions for what was fair for their people."

Another sister, Teresa Ayall-Williams, explained more of the family lineage. "I am the granddaughter of Ignus Garry who knew Spokane Garry as a young boy. He lived with him in his teepee. I tell you this because of the great pride we have today to represent Chief Garry. How very fitting this is called the Gathering Place. It brings honor to a place that recognizes Chief Spokane Garry."

"Spokane Garry was first and foremost a teacher," she continued, then told of subsequent generations. Ayall-Williams is the principal of an elementary school. Her daughter, Nikki Santos, works in higher education with tribal colleges across the country. Givens is a retired teacher as well as the first Native American woman to hold the office of State Representative in Idaho. Mildred Parr Ayall, a great great niece of Garry, was the longest serving teacher in Washington State. Joseph Garry, a great great grandson of Garry was the first

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Native Business: No is not forever

Regardless of business, it is people that make it or break it. The most successful business men and women are those that understand "No's" are the foundation to building stronger bonds. Winners grow relationships on top of a "No." No, is an opportunity to reevaluate a business plan and make it better. No, is a chance to gain clarity through feedback and collect information to work smarter.

People that push forward after receiving a "no" build a reputation on tenacity. Opportunity finds tenacious people and lenders want these folks in their portfolio. Remembering "No is not forever" is a good Indian trick when deciding to persevere.

When a lender or investor is approached with an opportunity to lend they often ask a lot of questions to gain an understanding of the business plan. The first pass of questions tests the borrower on how well they understand where their business is today and how they will get to where they want to go in the

future. The second and third layers of questions challenge assumptions, surface relevant economic factors, and construct performance conditions; all the while evaluating the borrower's responses to inquiry.

The way a borrower responds is as important as the information they provide. A lender or investor will remember the speed of a response and completeness of information provided. Business men and women that perform well by keeping cool and providing thorough response tend to have a higher probability of success in obtaining capital.



Other times a turndown is the only result. It is impressive when

a prospective borrower receives a turndown and takes the time to understand what would qualify their business for financing and then re-applies when the time is right. No is not forever.

Jim Stanley is a tribal member of the Quinault Nation, Vice President of the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board, and board member of the Northwest Native American Chamber. He is a Senior Vice President of Enterprise Cascadia, a loan fund, and freely shares his knowledge. Jim can be reached at: overeigndevelopment@hotmail.com.



THERE'S A NEW DEALER IN TOWN.

These days, teens don't have to go out looking for drugs; they can just go to the medicine cabinet. Even as teen use of "street drugs" is on the decline, the abuse of prescription drugs is increasing. The perception is that they're safe even though abuse can lead to paranoia, addiction, seizures, and death. You can prevent abuse by safeguarding and monitoring your family's medications. Educate yourself. Find out more at theantidrug.com. You can stop the dealer.

Open wide! Meet the dental team from the Benewah Medical Center



Frank Allen was born in Lovell, Wyoming. Lovell, Wyoming is 30 miles from the famous Medicine Wheel. As a boy growing in a very small town in Wyoming, he learned to love

hunting and fishing. Even today hunting and fishing is a big part of his life. He is married to his wife Colleen and has seven adult children, four girls and three boys.

He graduated from Byron High School and then went on to Northwest Community College. He got his Bachelors Degree from Brigham Young University in Provo, UT. From Provo he went to Portland, OR and attended the University of Oregon Health Science Center and received his dental degree.

His first dental office was in Hermiston, Oregon. He and his family moved to Post Falls, Idaho and started a dental practice before becoming a part of the Benewah Medical Center Dental Team for the past three years. He loves and enjoys working here at BMC. The patients and staff have been so kind and helpful. This is a blessing and very rewarding experience.



James Allen was born and raised in North Western Wyoming, near Yellowstone Park. His father and mother were school teachers. He loved the outdoor activities that Northern Wyoming are famous for. He has two brothers which one is a twin. His family is raised and he has three boys and two girls. He did his undergraduate work in Wyoming and was accepted to the University of Oregon Dental School.

After graduating he practiced dentistry in Montana, Oregon and Idaho. For the last five years he has worked for the Benewah Medical Center. This has been a very rewarding experience for him.

His interests are gardening, reading, fishing, hunting and traveling with his wife.

Cathy Britschgi was born at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming. She moved to Southern Idaho in grade school and graduated from Idaho Falls High School in 1983. She attended Boise State and Idaho State University where she graduated with her dental hygiene degree. After graduating, Cathy moved to St. Maries in 1991 where she worked for several dentists in St. Maries and Coeur d'Alene. Since September of 2002, she has worked in the BMC dental department as a fill-in hygienist.



She has one son, Joseph, who is a 2nd lieutenant in the Armor Division at Ft. Lewis/McCord. Cathy enjoys hunting, fishing, running, bicycling, kayaking, and skiing as well as welding and boat making. She is a member of the North Idaho Dental Hygienist Association and a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church.



John Coburn DMD, dentist
John Coburn was born and raised in the foothills of mount Spokane. He attended the East Valley school district until the completion of Mt. Spokane high school and finished high school there. In 2002 he graduated George Fox University with a B.S. in Chemistry and went on to Oregon Health and Science University where he graduated with a DMD in dentistry.

He has been married to his wife Melissa since December 2001. They have three wonderful children Preston, Bryton and Archer.

Since graduating dental school in 2007 he has worked in Montana and Coeur d'Alene, for the last 3 years as the dental director for the Dirne community health center.

His interests include: anything outdoors more specifically, skiing, hiking, camping with his family, hunting and fishing. He enjoys reading and is a member of the local dental society.



Kim Legaspi was raised in North Idaho where she was active raising and showing horses.

She attended North Idaho College and completed Associate of Science and Associate of Arts degrees.

She was then accepted into the Dental Hygiene Program at Idaho State University where she was elected President of her graduating class.

Kim graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Science degree and has since practiced dental Hygiene in North Idaho and Eastern Washington.



Jeff Regelin was raised in various parts of Alaska, as his father's job for Fish and Game moved frequently. He graduated with honors from Whitman College, with a major in biology and a minor in chemistry. Prior to attending dental school, he worked in a variety of professions from commercial fishing to biochemistry.

After deciding that he preferred working with people to test tubes, he attended Oregon Health Sciences University for his dental degree. After graduating with honors in 2006 he moved to the Inland Northwest and began working for the BMC. He currently has the two cutest kids in the Spokane area and a wonderful wife.

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Local schools undergo changes as new principals take reigns at Lakeside, DeSmet

Coeur d'Alene Tribal School



Stories by Lorraina Smith

Donovan Chase has worked for the Tribal School for the last 9 years, and over the last 3 years he has taken on the title of principle however, this is his first year as principle for kindergarten through 8th grade. While he was attending school, he worked for the Tribal Wellness Center which opened up the door for his career at the school.

The Tribal School is an intimate setting, with approximately 100 students for the entire school. It allows for a different relationship with the staff, students and

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Native American senator from Idaho. "These kinds of miracles just don't happen by happenstance," Ayall-Williams said. "It can teach us the strength of family values. It runs deep in our family."

Mike Spencer, Spokane Tribal Council vice chairman, described the origin of the design for the monument. "The idea came during a gathering at Wellpinit High School. Parents, elders, and teachers joined about a dozen young freshmen students who were having difficulty transitioning from middle school to high school. A traditional drum was set up in the middle of the classroom and songs from our ancestors were sung. Words of encouragement were shared. The young students were reminded about Chief Spokan Garry and his early education at the school away from his family."

This circular arrangement, and Garry's involvement with education, led to the monument's

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Nutritional supplements. Vitamin and mineral supplements help ensure proper nutrient intake. Enzyme supplements improve digestion and are also known to 1) break down the fibrin that cancer cells hide behind, leaving them open for attack by our immune fighters, and 2) remove the "glue" by which cancer cells attach themselves to vessel walls and tissues.

If you suspect you have cancer, see your physician immediately. Early diagnosis can dramatically improve your odds of beating this disease. Your physician will devise a treatment plan for you. I chose to fight my cancer with alternative means, using "THE OLD WAYS", but you may decide to fight your cancer with chemotherapy and radiation. If so, there are many herbs (peppermint, milk thistle, goldenseal, Echinacea, Oregon grape, and calendula) traditionally used by the Coeur d'Alene tribe that can help relieve

families.

"I think building that communication, between admin and the teachers, teachers and the students, I think that kind of makes it open for people to come in and talk," described Chase. "It makes it to where no one is afraid to come in and talk to us about their concerns."

For the last 3 years the Tribal School has made the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) status, it is Donovan's goal to reach it again this year. But he sees there is more to school then just the education aspect of it.

"There are more things that are important then just reading and math; maybe it makes the kid and makes them want to perform better," said Chase. "I really don't see any negatives; I just think this is a fun school."

Over the 9 years that Chase has been with the school, he sees a big change with staff, family involvement and even the students. He owes much of the success to the teachers and their dedication, and eager to see what this next year will bring.

design. "Every element of this monument has special meaning," Spencer said, the flagstone entry, the circles of basaltic columns, the salmon, the drum, and the sun circle, and how they relate to the tribe. "The word Spokane, or Spokane, translates to sun and we're commonly known as the 'children of the sun.'"

Many people helped raise funds for the monument and all were thanked. A young girl, Victoria Schauer, received the loudest ovation. She was the first person to donate. At 8, she began donating her allowance. On that day she represented all the children who collectively raised almost \$30,000. Victoria is now 12 and was thanked with the gift of a Pendleton blanket.

Several speakers, including City of Spokane Mayor Mary Verner, also praised the leadership of Jamie SiJohn, a spokesperson for the Spokane Tribe, in getting the monument designed and constructed.

some of the potential side effects of chemotherapy and radiation which often include nausea, vomiting, fatigue, constipation or diarrhea, skin changes, appetite changes, and an increased susceptibility to infection. If you are currently undergoing treatment for cancer, be sure to let your doctor know about any herbs you may be taking. Some herbs can increase the effectiveness of certain medicines (which can be dangerous), while others can interfere with their action.

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Lakeside Elementary School



Monique English is the Lakeside Elementary principle; starting her career off as an elementary teacher, and then vice principle she is now into her second year as the head principle for the elementary. Her career started in the Lakeland and

Coeur d'Alene school district, this is currently her fourth year in an administrative position.

There are three major goals that she has for the school this year, approve school attendance, staff attendance and parent involvement.

"I think that it is obvious that the parents want to see their children succeed," explained English. "Having that closeness is unique."

One of the steps they have put into place this year was to make sure and make it a school initiative that the backpacks that have been provided by the tribe are coming home every night. Every back pack has been fit to size for each student so there is no excuse, there are also blue communication folders that will

be sent home to allow an extra form of communication between the teachers and the parents.

"We want parents to provide a note as to where their kiddo is to go the next day" said English. "To communicate with the teacher that so and so has this going on right now, just a quick note, and a way to get the structure back and forth."

English is holding all of her teachers accountable for what is being taught in the classroom, utilizing those tools in the nightly homework and rewarding the classrooms that are meeting those goals. She has a very hands on approach and mostly wants families to know they are always welcome to volunteer or even observe what is going on in the classrooms.

Lakeside Middle & High School



year John Brumley took on the task of principle for both middle school and high school.

"I really have enjoyed the kids; I have gotten to know some of them really well," describes Brumley. "It is one of those jobs that you go home and really feel like you've made a difference."

He came on board just to see the completion of the school year 2010/2011 but as his time there grew more comfortable he made the decision to stay for at least one more year. The schools have had some shifting of staff positions, but so far the transitions seem to be making a positive difference.

Brumley joins Lakeside with an impressive history. He has been in

the education field for approximately 36 years, from teaching, coach, vice principle, and principle. Most of his experience has been in large school settings; however he does have experience in a small community.

Last March, he came out of retirement to assist Lakeside; there have been 5 principles in the last 3.5 years. There is no determination as to how long he will be on board but for now; he is enjoying the progress they are making.

"I've met some great people, I have a great team," explained Brumley. "I've really enjoyed the community, the ball games and all the activities this Fall. I've met some really good people and I feel like we are doing some really good things."

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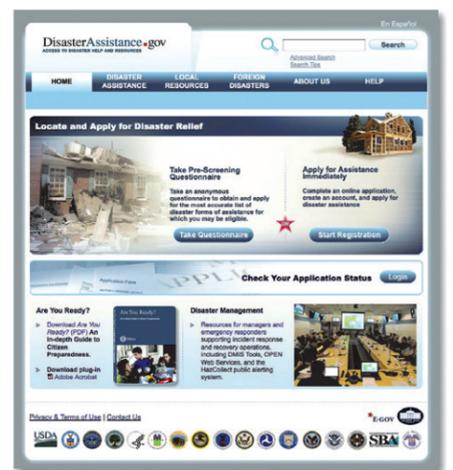
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Gracie Lynn Marie Lahey was born August 26, 2011, to CDA Tribal member John Robert Lahey and his wife, Kaylee. Gracie weighed in at 6lbs 12 oz and was 20 inches long. Gracie's maternal grandparents are Bob and Barbara Noonan of Beech Grove, IN, and Kelly and Lotte Hudson of Fortville, IN. Her maternal great-grandparents are Nan and the late John Lowman of Indianapolis, IN, and the late Ned and Constance Hudson of Fortville, IN. Her qine' is Cda Tribal member Brenda Palmer of Spokane, Wa., her qhipe' is John Abraham of Plummer, Idaho. Her paternal grandfather is Bob Lahey, of Beech Grove, IN. Her paternal great-grandparents are John and Pat Lahey of Greenfield, IN. Her tup ye' is Mariane Nomee of Plummer, Idaho, her great grandfathers are the late Gene Hurley and the late Joseph LaMere. Gracie is descended from the late Bill and Tillie Nomee. She joins a brother, Kayden John Lahey of Beech Grove, Indiana.



Sonny Wolf Brown was born on September 19, 2011 delivered by his dad. He weighed 7 lbs and 5 oz and was 19.5 inches long. Sonny's parents are Rebecca Davison and Joshua W. Brown Sr. and he has a two year old brother Joshua W. Brown Jr. His paternal grandparents are Rose Davidson of Worley ID and Leonard Davison of Desmet ID, and great grandparents the late Seraphie and George Cherrapkin. Paternal grandparents are Deena Jorgensen of Lewiston ID, and Bill Brown and great grandparents are Henrietta and Duane Brown. Sonny also joins his Auntie Anna Juarez, Uncle Francis Davison and numerous cousin, aunties and uncles.



Andrew Nicholas SiJohn was born on July 28, 2011 at Sacred Heart Hospital, in Spokane Washington. At birth Andrew weighed 7lbs 16oz and was 21 inches long. His parents are Francis "Frenchy" SiJohn, Cd'a Tribe and Alexis C. Domebo, Nez Perce Tribe. His maternal Grandparents are Zeke Domebo and Jamie Olson Nez Perce Tribe. His Paternal Grandparents: Cliff SiJohn, Cd'a Tribe and Merrita Ford, Colville Tribe



Kiron Quinnmosee Morrell was born to Sheri Felsman and Duane Morrell, Jr, of Charlo, MT on August 21, 2011, at St. Luke Community Hospital Ronan, MT. Kiron weighed 7 lbs. 15oz at birth and joins siblings Brayden, Tristan, Basil and Duane III.

Annual Nomee Family Pow Wow
 October 21, 22 & 23, 2011
 at the Coeur d'Alene Resort / Casino
 For more information regarding this event, please contact
 Milton Nomee at 509-671-3504



**Happy Birthday to our princesses
 Alexa Abrahamson & Amya Sines**

Love Mommy, Daddy, & Baby Sis Aralynn



**Happy 4th Birthday
 Tyson LeRoy on
 October 25, 2011.**

**Love,
 Mom and Laila**

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from woods around the area) and with the restoration of the creeks which allow for a more natural disbursement of the waters when the seasons change. For example, the new pathways allow the waters to flood in certain areas – as they did historically – which will provide the proper environment for the native plants to thrive and grow, rather than being solely planted.

The outcome of the proposal and review process is of great importance to the Tribal Fisheries and Wildlife Programs because virtually 95% of the funding comes from BPA. The solicitation and the resulting funding recommendations will span up to

five years (2013 through 2017) and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe anticipates developing funding requests that exceed \$10 million for this time period.



**Happy 8th Birthday on
 October 21, 2011 Isaiah.
 We are very proud of you
 in everything you do!**

**We love you. Dad, Mom,
 brother & sister.**



**Happy 6th birthday on
 October 16, 2011 to our very
 special Princess, Serenity!
 You are such a great big
 helper all the time.**

**Mommy, Daddy & brothers
 Love you very much.**

Come and Celebrate Water Potato Day!

Join us in learning about the traditional foods and harvesting practices of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe!

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