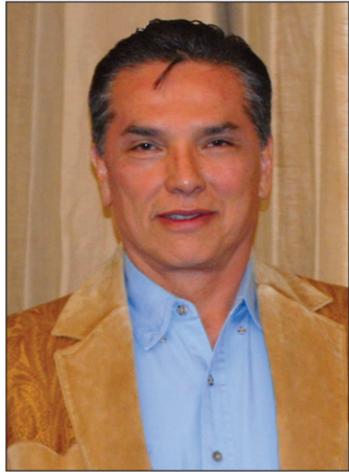




Matheson named CEO of Cd'A Casino & Resort



The Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council has selected Dave Matheson as the new Chief Executive Officer of the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel- a position Matheson previously held from 1994-2006.

A statement issued from the Tribal Council reads, "The Tribal Council felt that Dave Matheson was the most qualified candidate interviewed and that the time

was right to offer Dave a second chance. We are willing to put the issues of the past to rest and move forward with the continued success of our tribal gaming enterprise. The issues that surrounded Dave's prior departure were ultimately resolved outside of litigation. Today is a new day."

Recently the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel underwent a multi-million dollar expansion that includes two new hotel wings, upscale restaurant, bar, spa, and a state-of-the-art water treatment facility. The casino also boasts the largest workforce in the region with about 1,200 people employed by the enterprise.

"I appreciate the vote of confidence in my abilities to lead the casino," said Dave Matheson. "I am grateful the Tribal Council has given me another opportunity, and I look forward to being a part of the gaming operation again as we continue to grow and meet new challenges in the future."

On Friday August 19, 2011 the

Casino employees were hosted by Matheson and members of the Tribal Council for a meet (or re-meet) and greet. This gave Matheson and the council members a chance to express their hopes for the future.

Morale is high amongst the employees - many of whom have expressed great satisfaction with Matheson being re-named the CEO. LaSarte-Meeks was well liked, but employees say Matheson brings with him an air that lifts the spirits and productivity of the employees at the Resort.

Before his recent selection as CEO, Matheson was working as a consultant to other tribes and tribal businesses around the country. Matheson was appointed as Deputy Commissioner for Indian Affairs for the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. prior to his role as the Tribe's gaming director in 1994. Matheson earned an Executive MBA from the University of Washington.

Changes abundant as BMC hires new providers, prepares for move



Gary Leva
Executive Director

During the past year, Benewah Medical & Wellness Center has experienced numerous challenges that were unusual for this organization. We are confident these challenges will ultimately result in a stronger, more productive facility with noticeable improvements in providing high quality health care, better internal and external customer service, increased Tribal/community communication and easier, friendlier access to all of our services. These objectives and more are all part of our Fiscal Year 2012 Strategic Plan that many of you helped develop a few months ago. We appreciated your comments and suggestions. Keep them coming! Our plan is to continue these important discussions and reach out to you throughout the year. Now for some updates.

'Meet and Greet' the new Medical Provider Team: You will notice we have provided pictures and biographies of our 'new' provider team (*please see page 10 of this issue*). We want you to know what a highly trained and talented pool of medical providers we have at BMWC. Two new physicians, Drs. Aragundi and Gonzalez, a husband and wife team, recently joined us and we are thrilled to have them as part of

our team. In order to welcome our new providers and to recognize the outstanding health care all of our medical staff provide, we are sponsoring an informal 'meet and greet' on Monday, September 12 from 6pm-8pm at the Wellness Center. This event is open to the entire community and dinner will be provided.

Medical Appointments: We are making some long awaited changes to our medical appointment system. We are fully aware the previous call in system was not acceptable and we are pleased to introduce this new system. This will be a work in progress and it's an opportunity to go in a different direction. Effective NOW, you are no longer required to call in the evening before for appointments. Our ability to open more appointment slots has significantly increased and we are now allowing appointments to be made up to 30 days out. To make a medical appointment, please call the main number, 686-1931. Please be mindful that we will make every effort to see you as soon as possible as appointment slots are available.

We would like each of our patients to find a Primary Care Provider that is just right for them. Talk with the provider that you see next, to begin that process. We now provide some on-site specialty care. Currently we have an OB/GYN physician twice a month and a cardiologist once a month. Your primary care provider can assist you in being connected to these specialists as needed. We are also in discussions with a rheumatologist and pain management specialist. We continue to search for providers who are interested in providing services here to minimize your travel time and to better coordinate

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Annual Feast of Assumption held at Cataldo



ABOVE: Priests of the Mission of the Sacred Heart gather with Coeur d'Alene Tribal members and others from the surrounding areas to celebrate the annual Feast of Assumption held every August 15th at the Cataldo Mission. People take the pilgrimage from several different states to the Mission for this yearly opportunity to celebrate "the bodily taking up of the Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her life." After a Mass concluded, the crowd was treated to lunch and entertainment by the Shooting Star Dancers, whose goal is to "promote and maintain the uniqueness of Native peoples across the United States by sharing traditional songs and dances."

LEFT: Antique prayer robes are on permanent display inside the Cataldo Mission and seen during the Feast of Assumption.

Photos by Lorraina Smith



Tribe, State respond to allegations regarding education funds

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe is in compliance with its gaming compact with Idaho, reports Idaho Lottery Director Jeff Anderson.

"I consider them good stewards of their gaming activities and generous neighbors to the communities on or near the reservation as well as to other good causes," wrote Anderson, in an email sent to The Coeur d'Alene Press.

In response to a story published Saturday in The Press, Tribe Legislative Director Helo Hancock also said the Tribe is in compliance with its gaming compact. However, neither Hancock nor Anderson would provide proof of that compliance.

Saturday's story reported that the

Tribe will not disclose the details of its contributions of 5 percent of its annual net gaming income to support education.

"The determination of how and when the amounts are distributed each fiscal year is at the sole discretion of the Tribe per the compact," Anderson wrote. "Details of those distributions can be obtained from the Tribe."

The Press story further reported that superintendents and business managers for the Coeur d'Alene, Post Falls, Lakeland, Plummer-Worley and St. Maries school districts all reported last week that their districts had not received a contribution of funds from the

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187(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Land Services twenty-five (25) - Homesite lease CDA Tribal Tract No. 639.5 to Althea Ford. Lessee shall abide by all conditions of this non-transferable lease as well as all covenants conditions, and restrictions (CCR) as Homesite Lease Addendum and incorporated by reference into the lease. If said land is abandoned, the lease shall be terminated and premises shall be maintained. 6 for 0 against.

188(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Land Services twenty-five (25) - Homesite lease CDA Tribal Tract No. 1132 & 1144 to Heather Harper. Lessee shall

abide by all conditions of this non-transferable lease as well as all covenants conditions, and restrictions (CCR) as Homesite Lease Addendum and incorporated by reference into the lease. If said land is abandoned, the lease shall be terminated and premises shall be maintained. 6 for 0 against.

189(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Land Services twenty-five (25) - Homesite lease CDA Tribal Tract No. 1040 to Vicky Abraham. Lessee shall abide by all conditions of this non-transferable lease as well as all covenants conditions, and restrictions (CCR) as Homesite Lease Addendum and incorporated by reference into the lease. If said land is abandoned, the lease shall be terminated and premises shall be maintained. 6 for 0 against.

190(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Land Services twenty-five (25) - Homesite lease CDA Tribal Tract No. 1125 to Hazel Arthur Henry. Lessee shall abide by all conditions of this non-transferable lease as well as all covenants conditions, and restrictions (CCR) as Homesite Lease Addendum and incorporated by reference into the lease. If said land is abandoned, the lease shall be terminated and premises shall be maintained. 6 for 0 against.

191(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Land Services twenty-five (25) - Homesite lease CDA Tribal Tract No. 1040 to Bryan R. Lozon. Lessee shall abide by all conditions of this non-transferable lease as well as all covenants conditions,

and restrictions (CCR) as Homesite Lease Addendum and incorporated by reference into the lease. If said land is abandoned, the lease shall be terminated and premises shall be maintained. 6 for 0 against.

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195(11) Approved Natural Resources Department Environmental Programs request to enter into the attached Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Department of defense to receive \$67,000 with no Tribal match to address the former Atlas E Missile Site. 5 for 1 out 0 against

196(11) Approved the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council hereby approves the 2011 Coeur d'Alene Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan. 6 for 0 against

197(11) Approved Public Works Department Planning Division Citylink request to accept ITD FY 2012 Award. Idaho Department of Transportation Department will award to the Public Works Department in the amount of \$234,604. with a cash match from the Casino in the amount of \$234,604. 6 for 0 against

198(11) Approved L a k e

Management Department approval of Cultural Resources Information Brochure. The approval, production, and distribution of this brochure will satisfy public outreach management objectives under the Cultural Resource Management Plan which was developed in response to managing al cultural resources affected by Post Falls Dam. 6 for 0 against

199(11) Approved the Department of Human Health Serviced Administration of Children and Families grant for immediate submission, which if approved, will potentially fund the Tribes Social Services Department "Preventive Efforts" and minimize the departments overall caseload. 5 for 1 out 0 against

200(11)
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201(11) Approved Human resources Department Coeur d'Alene Tribe 401k plan change, in service distribution age 59 1/2. The plan would like to offer employees the option to receive in service distribution a age 59 1/2 to coincide with IRS distribution eligibility. 6 for 0 against

203(11) Approved Executive Operations approval of consent decree with Alice Consolidated Mines, INC.; Hypotheek Mining and Milling Co.; Callahan Consolidated Mines, INC.; Constitution Mining Co.; Goloconda Mining Corp.; Highland Surprise Mining Co.; and Nevada-Stewart Mining Co. 6 for 0 against

204(11) Approved Public Works Department Planning Division Citylink request to accept ITD FY 2012 Award. Idaho Department of Transportation Department will award to the Public Works Department in the amount of \$234,604. with a cash match from the Casino in the amount of \$234,604. 5 for 0 against 1 abstain

205(11) Approved Public Works Department Desmet sewer system headworks and sewer main improvements and memorandum of agreement. 6 for 0 against

206(11) Approved Law and Order Administration Tax Commission Amend Tribal Code, Chapter 24, Tobacco and Liquor. There is levied and there shall be collected as hereinafter provided, a tax upon the distribution of all cigarettes and tobacco products sold or distributed by a Tobacco or Liquor Outlet in an amount not to exceed Strike: twenty Insert: thirty (Strike: 20 Insert: 30) cents per package, the actual amount of the tax being presently established to be Strike: ten Insert: twenty (Strike 10 Insert: 20) cents per package. The tribal Council may, by appropriate resolution, adjust and change said excise tax on cigarettes within said Strike: twenty Insert: thirty (Strike: 20 Insert: 30) cent limit Insert: The rate of tax on other tobacco products other than cigarettes will be ten percent (10%) of the wholesale price and levy additional taxes upon Strike: other tobacco and liquor products as it deem desirable. 6 for 0 against

Coeur d'Alene Tribe Council Fires



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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.

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Tribes since July 2009. Hancock told The Press the Tribe has made its mandated contributions, including donations to two local schools in 2010. The Press confirmed that a donation of \$10,000 was made by the tribe to the Plummer-Worley School District in December 2010. Those funds, according to Marcia Hoffman, the district's business manager, were for junior high basketball uniforms.

Another \$10,000 donation was made in February 2010 to the Parent Teacher Organization at West Ridge Elementary School in the Post Falls district. The contributions to support educational programs on or near the reservation have been a requirement of the Tribe's compact with Idaho since 2002, when voters approved an amendment to the Tribe's 1992 gaming compact. Coeur d'Alene Tribe Chairman Chief Allan said the Tribe's decision to not disclose details

of the education contributions does not mean they have not been made. "When the Coeur d'Alene Tribe makes a promise, we keep it and we always have," Allan said. "Any suggestion that we have not kept our promise to donate 5 percent of our gaming revenues to education is simply untrue and quite frankly, offensive." Lottery director Anderson provided The Press with the "audited amounts for distribution to education by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe" for the last three fiscal years.

According to the gaming compact, "Disbursements of these funds shall be at the sole discretion of the Tribe." While it is up to the Tribe to determine where their contributions go and in what amounts, Hancock said some schools have come to expect and in some cases even demand funds from the Tribe. In the past, there have been hard feelings when educational organizations did not receive what they felt they were entitled to.

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.

In 2008, the amount was \$1.8 million. The Tribe officially announced the disbursement details of those funds during a ceremony held on the reservation in July 2009. For fiscal year 2009, 5 percent of the Tribe's annual net gaming income was \$1.76 million, and in 2010 it was \$1.5 million. "We take a significant amount of pride in making these contributions - we do it willingly and we are happy to do it," Hancock said. "We've chosen not to announce them publicly for a reason."

"That's exactly what we're trying to avoid," Hancock said. On Monday, two days after The Press story ran, the Plummer-Worley School District, which lies on the reservation, received a donation of \$210,000 from the Tribe. Hancock said the decision to make that contribution was made by the Tribe several weeks ago, along with others. The Tribe made a \$150,000 donation to the Idaho Meth Project in December 2010, he said. On Thursday, Hancock was unwilling to disclose any other contributions.

~Chairman's Corner~

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Recently there have been a few instances that really made me reflect on the lessons I have learned in the past nine years of serving in an elected capacity for our Tribe. And

again and again, when I think of past successes that I have been witness to, and also looking over past challenges, the bottom line is that not one person ever makes up the whole story.

That is the beauty of being a Tribal person, part of a Tribal community. Not one person makes up the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, but rather we all, collectively, make up the rich community that is our Tribe.

Ernie Stensgar has taught me a lot throughout the years with two lessons in particular that I have never forgotten. The first is, "The most important person is the Tribal Member that is sitting across from you." The second being, "If you take care of the Tribe, in turn, the Tribe will take care of you."

Simple, sweet, and to the point. I have always appreciated Ernie's advice. And each and every day I strive to make these things a regular practice, part of my day, and reflective of every activity I take part in.

It is with great pride that I look out across the landscape and see all the progress that we have been able to benefit from—and it is with determination

that I also plan for and assess tomorrow's challenges. But again, the one lesson I have learned, the most important lesson, is that no matter what, I am never alone as a member of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal community. For this I am blessed.

Blessed to stand on the shoulders of so many who have come before and blessed to know that many will come after as well. We come from great people. Our progress today is a testament to the wisdom and insight so many generations had before us. And we can't stop now; we always have to remember, especially during times of turmoil and challenge, that we are never alone. It is never just one man, woman or child.

Our strength and our future lies in our ability to be a community. A community that cares for each other, that looks out for each other, that wants

to do right by each other. This is the value system we live by, and the value system we have to teach our kids. If we begin to think that just one person alone can do it, we are lost.

On that note, the Tribal Council is proud to assist some of the most important in our community—our school kids. Once again this year we will be handing out backpacks that include school supplies that we hope will inspire and help each young person achieve the academic excellence we all know they are capable of.

So here's to a good school year for all those kids out there! Be proud, you are part of an amazing community—the Schitsu'umsh, *Those Who Are Found Here*.

Regards,

Chief Allan

SEPTEMBER - 2011

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**Coeur d'Alene Tribe's
STOP Violence Program
Presents:
A Comprehensive Response
To Sexual Assault Conference
August 31 & September 1, 2011
Cd'A Tribal Wellness Center
Plummer, Idaho 83851**



Day 1 AGENDA

8:00-8:30 Welcome & Opening Prayer
(Bernie LaSarte & Chairpah Matheson)

8:30-10:00 Child Sex Offenders/
Children Molesting Children
(Presenter: Toni Jones, LCC, MA)

10:15-11:50 Teen Sex Offenders
(Presenter: Toni Jones)

11:50-1:00 Lunch on your own

1:00-2:00 Adult Sex Offenders (Presenter:
Marla Howard, Dept. of Corrections)

2:00-3:15 "Grooming" Children
(Presenter: Marla Howard)

3:30-4:30 Compassionate Care Video

Day 2 AGENDA

8:00-8:30 Welcome & Opening Prayer
(Bernie LaSarte & Chairpah Matheson)

8:30-10:30 Forensic Sexual Assault Exam
(Presenter: Darcy Luckett, SANE R.N.)

10:45-12:00 Forensic Laboratory Exam
(Presenter: Anne Nord, ISP Lab)

12:00-1:00 Lunch on your own

1:00-2:30 Sex Offender Registry in Indian
Country
(Presenter: Umatilla Tribal Police)

3:00 Closing

This conference is FREE and is for
general & professional audience members.
For more information contact: Bernie LaSarte 686-0900
Or Angella Pulkownik 686-5098

2011 Cd'A Moose Lottery results

Results of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's annual Moose Lottery drawing are as follows:

On-Res: Theresa Ann Lasarte, Garry Hendrickx, Geneva Entezar, Harold White, Debbie Chapman, Sarah Sijohn-Peone, Beatrice Ward, Shailee Rose Zachary, Elijah Allan, Todd Johnson, Frank Bybee, Cindy Jordan, Roberta Matt, Kadeja Mitchell and Jessica Ludlam.

Ceded: Glenn Dupree, Josh Sanchez, Cody Harroun, Adrian Sonder, Jackie Williams, Shamara Brown, August Matt, JoAnn Brown Sonder, Elyssa Manybears, Wendell Matt, Loretta Carrillo, Debra Aripa and Francis Davison.

Archery: Jordan Meshell and Lyle George.

The drawing was held on August 12, 2011 at the Natural Resources building. All names submitted for the drawing were divided by hunting preference and then placed into a blind container which the names were then drawn from by natural resources employees.

Memorial will honor Fallen Warriors

The Spokane VA Medical Center American Indian Veterans Advisory Council is proud to sponsor a Veteran's Memorial Ceremony to honor the Fallen Warriors from our Member Nations



September 10, 2011
10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
VA Medical Center
4815 N. Assembly
Spokane, WA
(rear of the main building)

Please bring lawn chairs or blankets for sitting

VA employees will be available to assist veterans in applying for medical and other veteran benefits

Early Childhood Learning Center releases USDA food program guidelines

Today the Coeur d'Alene Tribe Early Childhood Learning Center announced its sponsorship of the USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program. Meals will be made available to enrolled children at no separate charge "In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer." Household income determines the amount of money USDA will reimburse us to provide meals to enrolled children and in the case of Head Start programs, the siblings of enrolled children. The income eligibility guidelines listed below are used to determine our reimbursement from USDA. Children from households whose monthly income is at or below these levels are eligible to be counted for free and reduced-price meal reimbursements.

**Child and Adult Care Food Program
Income Eligibility Guidelines
Effective from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012**

FEDERAL INCOME CHART			
Effective Dates July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012			
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	20,147	1,679	388
2	27,214	2,268	524
3	34,281	2,857	660
4	41,348	3,446	796
5	48,415	4,035	932
6	55,482	4,624	1,067
7	62,549	5,213	1,203
8	69,616	5,802	1,339
Each additional person:	+7,067	+589	+136

Meals will be provided at:

Coeur d'Alene Tribe ECLC, 350 Anne Antelope Avenue, Plummer, ID

JBF offers financial relief to parents

According to a recent report by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, children who were born in 2010 will cost a middle-income family nearly \$227,000 through the age of 18. Sadly, this almost-unbelievable amount does not include college tuition.

According to the study, which has tracked the cost of raising a child for 50 years, it cost slightly more than \$25,000 to raise a child to the age of 18 in 1960. There are many factors that impact the significant increase to parents, but Just Between Friends (JBF), the nation's leading children's consignment sales event franchise, is helping families earn valuable income on their children's outgrown and unused items, as well as providing opportunities to purchase needed items for growing families at a fraction of the retail cost.

"Just Between Friends is based on a family-first concept that drives

everything from easy, online sign-up to free barcoding tagging that allows moms to track their sales and participate in multiple events with the click of a button," said Susan Moore, owner and coordinator of the JBF event in Coeur d'Alene. "Our events are run by volunteers who help out at the sales in order to earn more for their sold items and/or shop first at a private pre-sale we have before opening the sale to the public. Our goal is to put as much money back into the pockets of local families as possible."

JBF community children's consignment events allow local moms to shop from tens of thousands of new and gently-used items like clothing, toys, baby gear, movies, arts and crafts supplies, nursery décor, maternity and books at 50% to 90% off retail pricing. Moms who sell their items make up to 70% on their

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**Meet & Greet with the
Benewah Medical Center team**

September 12, 2011 ~ 6pm to 8pm

at Cd'A Tribal Wellness Center

Plummer, Idaho

Dinner to be provided





The October opening of the *Sacred Encounters* exhibit at the Coeur d'Alenes Old Mission State Park will feature a display of tribal materials owned by institutions around the world. Some will emerge from local storage; others will be on loan of varying lengths. Among the latter is a family of Coeur d'Alene dolls created for the purpose of donation to the Smithsonian in 1901. The original dolls will be loaned to the *Sacred Encounters* exhibit for a couple of years, during which time local artists and craftsmen will reproduce them, so that copies will become a permanent part of the exhibit.

Peter Wildshoe, then Second Chief of the Coeur d'Alenes, was the contact and correspondent of an Army lieutenant, Campbell E. Babcock, from the (Fort) Vancouver barracks. The letters between the two, and between Lt. Babcock and the Smithsonian, have been retrieved from the Smithsonian's accession records and provided to us by Michele Austin Dennehy, an independent conservator who works for the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History and the National Museum of the American Indian. They tell the story of Wildshoe collecting baskets and asking tribal member(s) to make dolls for the lieutenant, talk of the fair price for the items, and detail Babcock's donation of the baskets and dolls to the Smithsonian.

The chief's letters are instructive. He mentions the historical decline in basket-making, the prices for craft work at the time, and his pride in his children's education--they handled his correspondence for him--among other topics. Notable, too, are his descriptions of the process of basketry and the manner in which the dolls are outfitted. His humorous explanation of the method of boiling foods in woven baskets takes a dig at those who underestimate tribal ingenuity, while his anecdote of the Medicine man highlights Wildshoe's point that all of the items have purposes beyond 'show.'

Lieutenant Babcock's letters hardly contain his excitement over acquiring the items, while Peter

Wildshoe likewise expresses his gratitude for the man's interest in the Coeur d'Alene arts.

Those letters are what follows:

DeSmet. P.O. Idaho April 7, 1901

**Campbell E. Babcock
Vancouver Barracks, Wash.**

Dear Sir,

Your letter of March twenty-ninth is in hand and I will endeavor to collect some Indian hand work baskets, although scarce in these days, now, as Indians dont [sic] make them very often. they do bead working most now but I will surely send you five or six of those baskets accordding [sic] to size the owner will ask of I will give, as you will return the expense to me, and by what time do you wish to have them.

Yours respectfully
Peter Weildsho [sic]

DeSmet, P.O., Idaho April 29, 1901
Campbell E. Babcock,
Vancouver Barracks Wash.

Dear Sir,

I have collected six baskets or sacks from these Indians, four of them are of the same size, nearly a yard long, and three of them quite new, the price of these three first ones is three dollars a piece and the fourth one somewhat old is two dollars, the fifth basket is a very curious one though not as large as the others is worth three dollars and a half, you may imagine that of a fisher's basket without cover but this one will hold water as well as a wooden bucket, the sixth one is made from hide and painted in different colors with fringes around price \$1.50, to accompany the industrious [sic] hand work of the Coeur d'Alenes at the expossion [sic] I have ordered two dolls to be made, man & woman with her baby, dressed in buckskin worked with beads, the woman is about twice as tall as this sheet of paper and the man one or two inches taller; as you did not ask for them. I do not insist on you in taking them, but there is really fun about

them. the whole family is worth \$10.00. Good friend, do not think that we wish to robe [sic] you, but among Indians handwork are very expenses [sic], as for you they are of no use only as a little show, and I have done all my best to please you as well as I appreciated your kind attention at my tribe's work.

Yours, respectfully,
Peter Wildsho.
2nd chief of Coeurd Alenes
Vancouver Barracks, WA May 7th 1901
Prof. [G][O] R Mason
Curator Div., Ethnol[ogy]
Smithsonian Institution

Sir:

I am glad to inform you that I think I will be able to procure for the Government some Coeur d'Alene Indian Basket work.

After much correspondence with the 2nd Chief of the Coeur d'Alenes, he informs me [about the materials].

I have written for him to send me the whole lot (including the dolls) I now write you for further instruction. Sent him a check for the amount stated I would like to know if you can give me authority to purchase them for the Govt. or will I have to make a personal donation?

How about forwarding them from here? Have you no franks or forms? The one you gave me was for printed matter.

Trusting this will find you well & awaiting a reply I am

Very respectfully,
Campbell E. Babcock

DeSmet, Idaho May 20, 1901
1st Lieut. Campbell E. Babcock,
Vancouver Barracks, Wash.

Dear Sir,

I have just send to your address by express the dolls and baskets together and hope that you will be satisfied with every thing; I will also be glad if you tell me what you think of the Indian dolls, as for myself I am fully pleased with the twenty five dollars and thank you

for the same.

I will give you a short description of how Indians make those baskets and with what kind of plant it is made from. They are made from corn when it is ripe and dry which is fixed in fine threads and binding twine is used, fine yarn of what ever color is to be market is used and it is made something like what the loomer makes his carpets. The last one is indeed a very wonderful basket as it is very useful in every way; about fifty years ago it was the only pot the Indian used to cook his meat, fisk [sic], or any roots and plants that had been prepared & put away for the winter, now many might think that this basket is placed over a blazing fire as we do with the black pot of today; Oh! no for certainly it would burn up while the hungry Indian is waiting for his cooking, but however wild the savage Indian was he had a quick and genius brain and knew how to get along in every way; he first throws good sized stones in a blazing fire and when these are red as the blacksmith's iron they are rolled aside and the basket-pot containg [sic] water & fish or whatever is desired to be cooked is placed over this which in a few minutes comes to the boiling & cooked [obscure]. They are many different shapes of these baskets. I have seen some that were as large and round, as a washing dish pan, but all used for the same purpose, for carrying water, or used for picking berries etc. An amazing little story is connected with this basket. Now the Medicine man was considered a very powerful being by his tribe, who could take away the life of a man at his word or cure a sick & dying person. His power depended on some wild beasts that are generily [sic] fierce & powerful and he carried constantly around his body some parts of the animal, such as a piece of the tail or other parts. This man to show his power paints himself and is naked sings & dances round in which all Indians join him than he goes to this basket containing cold water and he sings while every one is watching him in awe. than he slowly takes the red heated stones in both hands, and drops them into the basket of cold water in this way the water is heated, and not a blister or burn is to be seen on his hands. These baskets are made from grass way on the high mountains and some have

their natural color, others are dyed. they are commonly called in Indian [unclear].

The dolls are dressed and painted when he is ready to go to a war dance after he has gained the victory over his enemy carrying [sic] his only weapon across his shoulder; when he is on horse back his arrow in case goes on his back, but while walking it goes in front. The woman carries her papoes [sic] on her back, but if she is on horse back she hangs it on the saddle in front of her on either side.

This is all so far I can explain you about those arctles [sic] I send you, now I wish to tell you dear sir, that you have surprised one from the first in writing to me; I was pleased & honored to have your attention, I wish to see you, please send me your picture, I will be glad.

My children do all the writing and composition of my letters to you. I am sure you will be pleased to know this.

Yours respectfully
Peter Wildsho 2d Chief of Coeurd Alenes

Headquarters 7th U.S. Infy. Vancouver Barracks Wash. June 27-1901

Prof. Mason.
United States National Museum Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I send by Wells Fargo express today, six Indian baskets & two dolls with "baby", the workmanship of the Coeur d'Alene Indians of Idaho.

Enclose herewith letters from Peter Wildsho, 2nd chief of the Coeur d'Alen's [sic] which is self explanatory.

I have paid twenty-five dollars (\$25.) for the articles and one dollar & eighty cents \$1.80 freight charges on them. Total \$26.80.

If your Institution will take them off my hands I will be greatly obliged, however if not, I will take great pleasure in presenting them. As you will undoubtedly [sic] observe, the baskets are very old & it was only with the greatest difficulty I obtained them.

Very respectfully,
Campbell E. Babcock,
1st Lieut. & att. Adj 7 Infy.



Peter Wildshoe with grand daughter Rosie in an undated photo.



Circling Raven complaint policy aims to satisfy guests



By Bob Bostwick

Just as the squeaky wheel gets the grease, the complaining customer gets the attention—or else.

But, complaints and problems that customers bring to us are also opportunities. Solving a problem or resolving a complaint will sometimes make an even bigger impression than a problem-free, complaint-free visit.

Most here know that happy customers speak up; unhappy customers speak up far louder and far more often.

At Circling Raven Golf Club,

Director of Golf Tom Davidson and staff operate on a policy by which they give quick and decisive responses when a visitor complains. Satisfaction may require a price break. It may require buying someone lunch. It may even come with an added touch of a free cap or counter item.

It may just come for being a good listener.

“These days, guests expect a great deal,” Davidson said. “They may have a problem with the people they’re paired with, or the pace of play when the course is very busy. They’ve had problems recently

with noise from construction and even dust. Regardless, we take it up with them and do something to make it all better.”

Davidson believes the results are extraordinary.

“If justified, we’re going to provide them something,” he said. “We find that a person who is happy and satisfied here will tell a great many people. An unsatisfied person will tell a great many more. But, what we seek is to ensure the good and even great experience at Circling Raven. When someone feels they’ve had a problem and they get some satisfaction, they like us more than ever.”

Circling Raven team wins Palouse Cup

By Mark Nelson, PGA Tournament Director

For the second year in a row, the proud team of the Circling Raven Golf Club wins the Palouse Cup against the team from Wildhorse Resort and Casino. Circling Raven won in convincing fashion, 25 1/2 points against 14 1/2 points.

This was the third annual event. Wildhorse won the first year. The Palouse Cup competition alternates each year between here and the Wildhorse Resort in Pendleton, Oregon.

The local team consisted of 16 male and female Circling Raven players against Wildhorse’s best 16 players. Each nine holes are played in match play format, with points awarded for the winner of each match.

The Raven team was represented by: Jess Arthur, Rob SiJohn, Zeke Domebo (captain), Lyle George, Ralph Stevens, Duane Smith, Mike Samuels, Ryan Higgins, Sam Eli, Jack Harkins, Wakai Pluff, Ernie Stensgar, Kae Mae Lowley, Dixie Stensgar, Jamie Olson and Laura Stensgar.

Bingo at Cd’A Casino busy in August

By Charlie Morris

Our Monday Matinee has been very successful this month. Our crowd count rivals our busiest Saturday Matinee count.

As a reminder, we have two more coming up this month, August 22nd and August 29th. We have been hearing for quite awhile now that some of the players would love to have a week day matinee so it’s been “Give The Customers What They Want” time.

We have to switch gears for September though. Monday Matinee Bingo is put on hold this month because of the need to stage our new carpet in the event center. Carpet installers will be working out of a corner of the event center prepping the

new carpet for installation.

We will be back in business in October for the Monday Matinee. This will be held on Monday, October, 10th. Each senior will be given a \$2 off coupon good towards the purchase of their bingo pack. I want to say THANK YOU to the entire maintenance crew. These folks do an awesome job setting up bingo tables, moving heavy equipment, etc.

This past weekend they were particularly busy tearing down Saturday’s bingo setup, setting up for the classic rocker Peter Frampton (which was an excellent concert), tearing that down then setting up for Monday Matinee bingo. All this was done in a 30 hour period. Fantastic job fellow associates!

Stellar service at spa recognized



To: Kellee Heydon, Spa Director

The first weekend in August, I brought a friend of mine to the new spa to celebrate her 60th birthday.

I am not sure if I already wrote you, but sure would like you to pass it along to the spa manager, Kellee, that her employee, Candy, was just wonderful. She made sure that all of our needs were met. She has such a warm and bubbly personality and customer service is a huge priority with her.

This was all of my second visit to your spa with another friend celebrating her special birthday. The setting, the employees, and the service there is top notch. My friend had a pedicure and I had a facial with Stephanie. It was a great experience.

Thanks for passing this along.....it was way overdue.

Joyce Coopwood

From bingo to casino to resort, we’re built on customer service

By Bob Bostwick

When it comes to customer service, we all have heard of the good, bad and even ugly experiences that inevitably come with an enterprise of magnitude such as ours. Call it an observation, but we may spend too much time relishing the good, and not enough addressing—and correcting-- the bad and the ugly.

Coeur d’Alene Bingo opened in March 1993 with an incredible, even uplifting atmosphere of enthusiasm, staff welcoming and bending over backwards for customers. Employees, all 90 of them, weren’t just smiling, they were grinning; glowing, too, with the opportunities and expectations of the biggest single job expansion in modern tribal history on this reservation.

That little bingo hall was built with a lot more than bricks, mortar and steel. Traditional tribal hospitality flowed from every nook and cranny, creating both foundation and cornerstone for an enterprise that has grown to become a world-class destination resort and a livelihood for over 1,200 current employees.

The Coeur d’Alene Tribe, rather than seek out corporate sponsors and partners, relied on its own humanity and vision, including that of original general manager and now (again) chief executive Dave Matheson, whom we have seen these past two weeks providing a touch of his own “customer service” toward rank and file employees throughout the property.

Perhaps the challenge, as a result of massive growth in size and numbers of employees, is to do all we can to prevent our traditions of customer service and tribal hospitality from becoming diluted,



less frequent and even non-existent in the wake of expansion and progress. Matheson will take dead aim at that question during Friday’s All Hands meeting.

Scott Kramer, while serving as acting CEO, laid out a directive of sorts, calling on all of us here to commit “random acts of customer service,” wisely adding the caveat that any employee, anywhere, would have freedom to act. In other words, if at all possible, you’re free to drop what you’re doing and serve a customer or solve his problem. If not free, then free to find someone who can.

Kramer feels, as do many others here, that each and every employee, regardless of status or responsibility, can show a customer the way somewhere; take the customer’s bags up an elevator, bus a table, pour a beverage or even park a car, among other things.

The idea is working. It may not be working universally or perfectly, but people are taking it to heart, taking ownership of it and applying it.

Our customer service reputation, whether it’s to be good or bad, belongs to all of us. It takes all of us own it and to build it, yet only one or two to tear it down. Both a smile and a frown can go a long way, but in different directions. Which direction is up to us.

Adam Hegsted is national finalist; goes to New York for Blend-Off

Adam Hegsted, Executive Chef at the Coeur d’Alene Casino Resort, claims yet another honor this summer, joining chefs from around the country who create special foods, drinks and flavors—all using a Vitamix brand blender.



The 2011 Vitamix Challenge will take place October 4th at the 6th Annual StarChefs.com International Chefs Congress. Six finalists will travel to New York City to compete at this one-of-a-kind blend-off, creating dishes that showcase the Vitamix blender in unusual and innovative ways.

The 2010 Vitamix Challenge featured all-star chef judges Marcus Samuelsson of Red Rooster, Michael Anthony of Gramercy Tavern, and Harold Dieterle of Perilla and Kin Shop. Vitamix Challenge Winner Pastry Chef Vincent Pantoliano of Meat Market Miami took home the grand prize: a Vita-Prep 3, a

Vitamix XL, and the all-new The Quiet One by Vitamix, plus a \$500 American Express gift certificate. To read more about last year’s competition, please visit our wrap up.

Vitamix Challenge 2011 Competitors: Clayton Miller – Trummer’s On Main, Clifton, VA; Dirk Flanigan – The Gage / Henri, Chicago, IL; Seth Siegel-Gardiner – Kata Robata, Houston, TX; Jamie Bissonnette – Coppa & Toro, Boston, MA; Adam Hegsted – Coeur d’Alene Casino and Resort, Spokane, WA; Asbel Reyes – SideBern’s Restaurant, Tampa, FL

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Coeur d'Alene Tribal Police bid farewell to Hutcheson, Tango; welcomes K-9 officer Mo



By Lorraina Smith

Faces are changing at the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Police station. Tribal Police Chief Keith Hutcheson is moving on after his contract expires in October, he is currently seeking the Sheriff's position in Coeur d'Alene. Also changing, the department bids farewell to faithful K-9 officer Tango who has retired, they welcome his replacement Mo.

Hutcheson has been the tribe's chief for the past six years and previously worked for the Kootenai County Sheriff's Department for eight years, including as the senior K-9 handler. With the tribe, Hutcheson said he has built a department that had one computer and no records and processing systems to one that has laptops in patrol cars and is on the brink of implementing e-ticketing. Among many changes, Hutcheson implemented a foot patrol program. He now oversees 17 full-time employees and four reserves.

Tribal police is also welcoming Mo, the new K-9 officer, to the

force. After former K9 Tango retired Mo was brought in to bring a new bark to the team. He has only been assigned to the Tribal Police for approximately two months yet has already been on a dozen calls. And so far, has proven that he is up to the task.

Mo is a German Sheppard, he also understands German. He is W.S.P.C.A., W.A.C. certified and Schutzhund trained. The first 5 years of his life he spent in training. The Schutzhund training is so intense, that there is a test going into the training to see if a particular dog has what it takes to do this line demanding work.

Schutzhund is German for protection dog. Schutzhund was developed in Germany in the early 1900s as a breed suitability test for the German Shepherd Dog. Through this test it would show if the dog possessed the needed strengths to be a proper working German Shepherd Dog. Currently it is used as a sport where many breeds can compete; it is no longer isolated to that one particular breed. This is an extremely demanding test for any dog and only a select few are able to pass.

"The actual training will test a dog in a variety of specific behaviors that are ideal for police work, including tracking, sniffing, protection, and retrieving," According to How to be an Alpha Dog. "Most Schutzhund dog training will begin when the dog is no more than a few weeks old and will continue for weeks or even months to make sure the dog is

well matched for the job."

Mo is certified in Idaho, where he specializes in evidence search, building search, and tracking. He is certified in anything connected to patrol work, through both Washington and Idaho. He is currently working with Officer Jason Robinson. Robinson has been with the department for approximately 4 years, and began working with K9's February of this year. Jason has done decoy work with both Tango and Mo for the last 2 years.

"Mo is doing excellent," boasted Robinson. "I'm a little biased but I think he graduated top in his class, he is very obedient and hard driven, and



K-9 officer Mo waits to perform for a crowd at the fair.

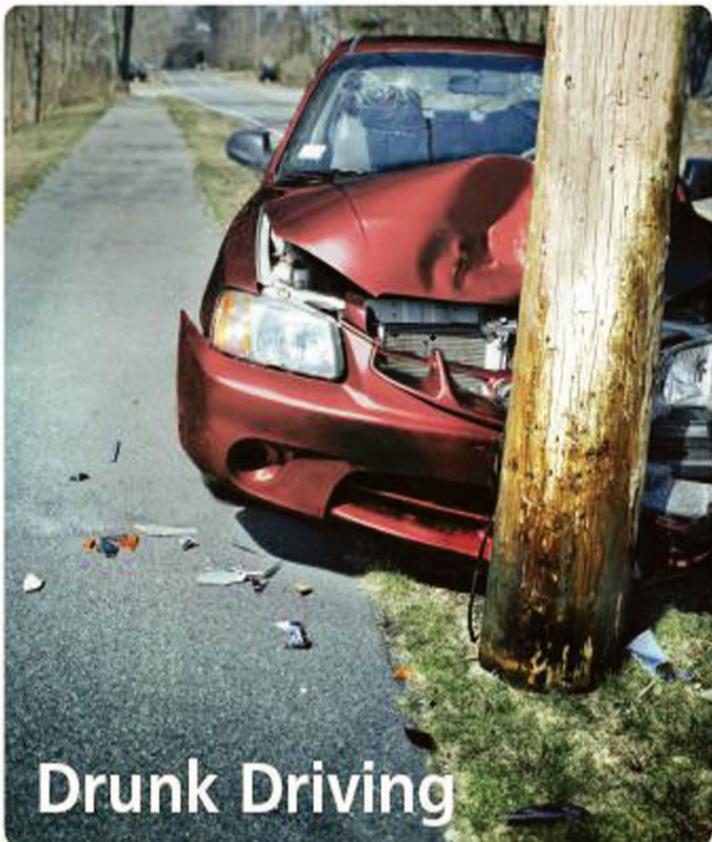
he is a good family good to".

Mo is almost 6 years old, which is typically old for a police dog to just start his career. But due to his extensive training he has

been able to transition very easily to this work. The Tribal Police is thrilled to Mo on the team, and expects many years of service with him.



Mo performs a demonstration with a handler at the Kootenai County Fair in Coeur d'Alene on August 25, 2011. The Tribal Police Department had an information booth set-up at the fair. Photo by L. Smith



Buzed driving is drunk driving.

Casino employees/customers gather donations for school kids



Doug Barnett and Leona Andrade load up the bus to bring donated school supplies to the Kroc Center to stuff backpacks that will be handed out to school aged children. They have been doing "Tools For Schools" for the past 5 years. "It is really great to see so much stuff donated and some of the things are so cool - back packs, note books and even some of the calculators which are so outstanding that only a kid can turn them on."

Photographer Ken Blackbird visits Coeur d'Alene Tribal reservation



Members of the Nomee family pose while Kenneth Blackbird snaps their photograph during one of the 3 days he was here on the reservation taking pictures of Tribal Members and activities around the area. The photographs are typically used for the annual Tribal calendar and Community Report. Photo by Lorraina Smith

Member Spotted Blanket builds playground for kids



Photo and Story
By Lorraina Smith

Local community and Tribal member has a vision that will bring a smile to faces of the children in Worley housing. Upon moving back to the reservation, Willard Spotted Blanket saw an empty lot and a need for more activities for the children in the Worley area. What began as a small idea has since turned into a project that will hopefully keep growing and growing until a welcoming community park is complete.

There is currently a city park in Worley but for small children it is a little bit of a distance to travel. And as a parent himself, something more convenient for the children seemed appropriate. So with an empty lot directly next to his residence, this seemed like a prime location.

Willard began this project with the idea for a safe place for his children to play but as he pondered

with the idea he soon realized the need for this goes beyond his own children. That is when he began to work with Robert Spaulding grants coordinator for the Tribe. With approval from Tribal council to use the empty lot, they began seeking out grants, and breaking ground.

"I feel good about myself," explained Spotted Blanket. "If people see me then maybe people will build one in Desmet, Worley, we can keep adding so kids don't get bored".

Potlatch Corporation walked them through the steps they needed to do to properly apply for a grant, but as he got busier with the ground work he had forgotten about it, until one day Jason Brown from the Fish and Wildlife Program brought him a check. This was through Adopt a Project Program.

With only being about 2 months into this project and very little man power to make it happen, Spotted Blanket can already see his vision

coming to life. The Air force base has donated basketball hoops; there are toy structures from the Potlatch Corporation. He is currently trying to collect \$1500 dollars to match a donation for a custom totem pole. Wood is also being gathered and donated for a walk way.

"The boardwalk is to inspire working out, a place to watch all the little kids play," described Willard. "You see everyone say Native Pride but I want to see everyone take pride and take care of our parks and our kids".

If you are interested in helping with the park, Willard is accepting donations of wood for the walkway, cement or money to match the funds for the totem pole or any physical help offered. He would like to recognize the help from his family, Calvin Nomee, and Jasmine Aripa who is working on this for her senior project. If your would like to offer assistance please contact Willard at 208-686-1743.

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Meet the new team of providers at the Benewah Medical Center



Soraya Aragundi, MD: I was born and raised in Ecuador, one of 10 siblings. I was granted a full scholarship to attend Medical School in Havana, Cuba, where I was not only fortunate to receive my Doctor of Medicine degree with a strong emphasis on preventive medicine, but I also was blessed with meeting and marrying Dr. Julian Gonzalez, my husband and colleague of 30 years.

After Medical School my husband and I worked for one year as Medical volunteers in Sudan, taking care of Ethiopian Refugees and the local Sudanese population.

Upon returning to the USA and while preparing to take my Medical Board exam, I continued

to volunteer at a migrant workers health clinic in California, then moved to New York to attend and complete a Residency training in the specialty of Family Medicine at the State University of New York in Brooklyn.

Our next home was in Alaska where we lived for 18 years. We worked with the Inuit population of Kotzebue and Barrow, providing a full spectrum of services in Family Medicine, from Newborn to Geriatrics, acute and emergency care as well as Prenatal care and deliveries. The past 18 months I worked in Anchorage at the Primary Care Native Center with South Central Foundation in the outpatient department.

My husband and I are committed to provide care for the whole family and firmly believe in preventive care, the promotion of a healthy life style and to provide guidance to our patients to achieve the health status that they desire.

Personally, I enjoy swimming, running, bicycling and hiking. It gives me pleasure to learn about different cultures and to travel both nationally and internationally.

I look forward to be part of the Northern Idaho community and to work with you and your families.

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Dale Ross, MD: I came from a large family, both immediate and extended, here in North Idaho. I've been a logger, served in the Marines and am a father. I lived in Japan for several years, as well as third world locations. I strove to gain insight into life by seeking out those who knew best those cultures foreign to me, the community elders. The world that I have experienced has led me back home. I have found too many of the best people, with the best examples to share, are leaving this world before they need to. I am home to see if someone can be helped by what I have experienced and learned, so that a way of life is neither lost nor forgotten before it can be passed on once again.

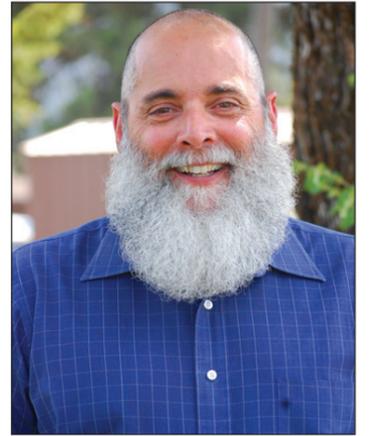
My medicine is founded on what

our bodies were created for and what we do to them that interferes with that function and ability. I have been called a Natural Doctor because of my approach and advice. I look to understand what is wrong in the body, and then look to address that and what led to it first. I prescribe prescription medications when I need to, herbal recommendations where appropriate, and thought out reasoning always. I have found, however, that personal involvement and commitment from the patient can out do anything that I can offer, or conversely, undo anything that I attempt to use, the high majority of the time.

College – *North Idaho College, Coeur d'Alene Idaho* – Associates of Science, Chemistry & *University of Idaho, Moscow Idaho* – Summa Cum Laude Major: Bachelor of Science (Microbiology), Bachelor of Science (Molecular Biology & Biochemistry), Minor: Psychology, Chemistry
Medical School - *Dartmouth Medical School*

Residency – *University of Wyoming Family Medicine* – Chief Resident

Specialty – *Family Practice* with an emphasis of Women's Health, OB/Gyn services



Julian Gonzalez, MD: Born in New York, first generation Cuban American, raised in Florida. Served active duty in the military from 1968 to 1971 at Navy Seabees and SEAL TEAM base in Coronado, California. Tour of duty in Vietnam 1971 to 1972. This experience opened up the path to practice medicine in community health because of work as a hospital corpsman flying Medevacs, Medical Civillian Acton Programs (MEDCAPS) as volunteer duty with the Army 57th Dust Off Unit and Army Psychological Operations in the Mekong Delta. Also volunteered care at local orphanages. Active reserves with Inshore Undersea Warfare Group (IUWG) Sand Diego, California from 1972 to 1976.

Attended Southwestern College and University of California in San Diego in Biology after returning from Vietnam. Worked as Physician Assistant for one year after University, working with Migrant Mexican Workers; involved in pesticide issues with United Farm Workers union. Received scholarship to Medical School at the University of Havana in Cuba, where the emphasis was on community

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Nancy Nichols, MD: I'm originally from Florida from a large family of six girls. Four years of my childhood were spent in Korea while my parents were serving as medical missionaries. I returned to Florida to attain B.S. Biology from University of South Florida. I earned my M.D. from American University of the Caribbean and completed an Internal Medicine Residency at WV University.

After completing residency at WV University, I did some

moonlighting at the VA hospital in Clarksburg, WV and joined a small practice in Kingwood, WV. After a little over a year of working in this practice, I joined a hospital based primary care clinic in Grafton, WV. In WV, I practiced in a rural setting, caring for inpatients and outpatients.

After my husband completed his residency program, we moved to Washington. We chose to move to Washington to live in a setting with

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Jessica Sholtz, Family Nurse Practitioner: hails from Collierville, Tennessee, where she was born and raised in the area. Since first grade she knew she wanted to be in medicine and work on a reservation so she went back to school for her NP. After graduating high school she started nursing school and working at a local hospital as a nursing assistant.

After graduation from nursing school she worked as a burn nurse, emergency room nurse and in the pediatric intensive care unit. She has been in management and teaching positions during this time but always enjoyed the bedside.

After graduation from NP school she worked in a family clinic, pediatric ER, orthopedic surgery and was fill in for several local family doctors and internist. When the opportunity came to work on a reservation she took it and her husband and 2 children moved to Idaho leaving all family and friends behind. She is excited to be living her dream of helping people

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Susan Hildebrandt Family Nurse Practitioner: Susan was born and raised in Columbus Ohio, number three out of 7 children. She has always been interested in medicine and was the one who helped attend to injuries incurred with raising a large family.

She moved to Southern California with friends at age 22 for a new adventure and ended up meeting the love of her life. She has been married over 22 years and has three children. She and her family have been living in North Idaho for over

18 years after visiting the area and following in love with the climate, beauty and people.

She enjoyed working as a volunteer Intermediate EMT in Post Falls for 5 years before becoming a RN. She worked 3 years at Deaconess on the Ortho/Neuro floor and enjoyed it immensely. She was able to transfer to Valley Hospital and worked in the ER for the past 5 years before completing her Master degree.

Her interests are very varied. She enjoys any time outside with her family and attempts to find time for camping, hunting and fishing if possible. She has participated in many duathalons, half marathons and recently completed her first marathon last year.

College – *North Idaho College, Coeur d'Alene Idaho* – ASN Registered Nurse & *Lewis Clark University* - Bachelor of Science Registered Nurse

Medical School- *Gonzaga University* – Master of Science, Nursing

Specialty – *Family Nurse Practitioner* with an emphasis of Diabetes, Hypertension



Robert Davis, Physician Assistant-Certified: Robert Davis was born and raised in Northern Idaho. His family was employed in the mining industry and he attended Mullan School District K-12. In 1991, he graduated from High School and immediately joined the Navy. He served as a Hospital Corpsman from 1991-1998, in the United States Navy and Naval Reserve. He has been married to his wife Emily since October, 1997. They have two wonderful children Christian and Morgan and reside in the Coeur d'Alene area.

He attended the University of Montana and North Idaho College

completing Surgical Technologist Training and prerequisites for the Physician Assistant Program. Prior to Physician Assistant Training, he was previously employed at Sacred Heart Medical Center and Kootenai Medical Center as a Surgical Assistant working in Open Heart Surgery.

In 2006, he was accepted into MEDEX Northwest at the University of Washington. He graduated with honors in August, 2008. Upon graduation, he began to work at Benewah Medical Center.

His interests are broad and varied. When he is not working, he loves to read, to travel, camping and fishing with family and friends, competing in Triathlons, sports, skiing at Lookout Pass and to learn.

College – *North Idaho College, Coeur d'Alene Idaho* – Associates of Science & *University of Montana, Missoula Montana* – Surgical Technologist Training

Medical School- *University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle WA* – MEDEX Northwest Physician Assistant Program, Bachelors Degree

Specialty – *Family Practice* with an emphasis in Diabetes, Asthma, and Dermatology.

Arson destroys DeSmet Wellness Center



The relatively new wellness center built behind the old Tribal School in DeSmet, Idaho was found ablaze early on the morning of August 22nd. The building suffered major structure damage and serious smoke damage internally and is said to be a total loss. Tribal police officers are investigating the blaze, which is being considered an arson case, and are currently looking at some persons of interest in connection to the blaze. Photo provided by Perry Kitt

**The U.S. Surgeon General
will be taking a tour
of the BMC on
September 7, 2011**

**Please look for information
from BMC staff in the future**

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your care.

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Pharmacy: We are continually evaluating our pharmacy inventory of drugs and have stepped up this review. Our pharmacy cannot provide every medication that is prescribed, due to factors including whether similar drugs are available, safety, cost and space considerations. We are not a retail operation like Wal-Mart,

ShopKo, Safeway, Walgreens, etc. Our limited inventory is called a 'formulary'. We have a clinical committee that reviews the formulary to determine what drugs we carry, what we need to add, delete, etc.

One of our recurring pharmacy challenges is being asked to provide a prescription from an outside provider. Many times patients show up at the pharmacy expecting this prescription to be immediately filled. We may not carry that drug and/or it's so specialized that it's difficult to obtain or other factors as previously stated. We understand and appreciate the anxiety or frustration that has created because of this difficult situation.

To effectively address this we need your assistance. Any time you receive a prescription from an outside provider (specialist, emergency room, etc.), it's critical that you ASK THE PROVIDER OR THEIR STAFF, BEFORE YOU LEAVE, TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE BMWC PHARMACY TO DETERMINE IF WE CARRY THAT MEDICATION. This one phone call alone will save everyone considerable time and expense. It may be that, if unavailable, a substitute can be prescribed/used until it can be resolved. This is a decision best guided by that provider and our pharmacy and may need the input of your primary care provider. If you receive a prescription after hours, if possible, please call the pharmacy first thing the next morning to inquire if we carry that medication. We will make every effort to assist you in obtaining the right medications.

Many patients receive prescriptions when being discharged from the hospital. As an example, at Deaconess, their outpatient pharmacy is closed on weekends. If you or a family member are

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College – *Colegio Nacional Guayaquil, Guayaquil Ecuador- Chemistry and Biology; Universidad Vicente Rocafuerte, Guayaquil Ecuador- School of Economic Science.*

Medical School- *Instituto*

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medicine.

In medical school met Soraya Aragundi and wisely married her. Now married 30 years and have worked together as colleagues since that time. After medical school went to Sudan, Africa with Dr. Aragundi as volunteers to help in the Ethiopian famine crisis of the late eighties with American Refugee Committee. Served as Chief Health Coordinator for 60 bed hospital and feeding program in the desert.

Attended State University of New York, Brooklyn Family Medicine Residency in Brooklyn, New York after work in Sudan. After residency training went to Alaska and has been there since working the native villages of the Inuit. While in Alaska completed the Masters in Public Health program at Johns Hopkins University.

The focus of my career has been working with medically underserved communities in

Superior de Ciencias Medicas de Havana- School of Medicine

Residency – State University of New York, Brooklyn – Family Medicine Residency Program

Specialty – Family Practice with an emphasis in women health and also studied Medical Acupuncture.

community oriented health improvement.

Personal interests in hiking, exercise, reading, travel, writing (occasional newspaper guest columns), movies and critiquing any and all politicians who advance their political welfare ahead of the social-cultural welfare of the country.

College – *South Western College, Chula Vista – Biology & University of California, La Jolla, CA – Bachelor of Science, Nursing*

Medical School- *Charles Drew Postgraduate Medical School – Physician Assistant Program & Instituto Superior de Ciencias Medicas de Havana- School of Medicine*

Residency – State University of New York, Brooklyn – Family Medicine Residency Program & Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD – School of Public Health and Hygiene

Specialty – Family Practice with an emphasis in smoking cessation, health promotion, exercise.

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taller mountains and more snow. I've been working at BMC through a temporary agency since December 2010. My hobbies include hiking, downhill skiing, and Great Danes.

College – University of South Florida Bachelor of Biology

Medical School- American University of the Caribbean- Medical Doctor & Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara.

Residency – West Virginia University & Ruby Memorial Hospital

Specialty – Internal Medicine with an emphasis in headache medicine, hypertension and diabetes.

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on the reservation.

She has been married for almost 11 years and has one boy 4 and one girl 18 months. She loves animals, farming and the University of Alabama football!

College – *Northwest Community College, Senatobia Mississippi - Associates degree of Nursing & University of Mississippi, Jackson Mississippi – Bachelor of Science, Nursing*

Medical School- *University of Mississippi, Jackson Mississippi – Master of Science, Nursing*

Specialty – Family Nurse Practitioner with an emphasis of Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics.

discharged from Deaconess at night or on the weekend and need pharmacy, IT IS IMPORTANT TO TALK WITH THE HOSPITAL STAFF BEFORE YOU LEAVE TO INQUIRE ABOUT HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR MEDICATION THAT DAY or EVENING. Sacred Heart outpatient pharmacy is open on the weekends so they may be able to assist you in filling that prescription. Please follow these steps to avoid unnecessary travel and aggravation. We will continue to thoroughly evaluate each request for non-formulary drugs. Just understand we are not able to fulfill every request but will do our best to search for alternatives so your health status is not jeopardized.

Contract Health: Contract Health pays for health care services provided outside BMWC, such as specialty care, hospitalizations, special labs, etc. The billing for these services can be confusing. We want you to be knowledgeable as to how services are billed. For example, for surgery you will most likely receive a separate bill from each provider involved in your care such as the surgeon, anesthesiology & radiology. Contract health services must be provided with a copy of each bill you receive. Because government and insurance rules do not permit doctors to bill or collect money for each other, each doctor must send you a separate bill and collect payment separately. For Emergency Room visits, emergency room discharge summaries are thoroughly reviewed by medical staff to determine if they are indeed an emergency. Contract health will pay for emergency room visits if that visit meets all the medical criteria as well as general contract health guidelines.

For each contract health service, it is critical that you provide ALL of your insurance information

including Idaho/Washington Medicaid, Medicare, Private Insurance, etc. Failure to do this may result in a denial of payment of the service. Contract health dollars must be stretched to serve as many people as possible. If you are not forthcoming with your insurance, this may result in our inability to help another tribal member during the year and could ultimately result in restricting our ability to pay for the things that tribal members have received in the past. Contract health is designed to pay claims for as many eligible members as possible but there is a limit, so please follow the above guidelines.

Because having some kind of health care insurance is such an important piece of stretching our limited contract health dollars, we will soon designate a person full time to assist with Medicaid and Medicare applications as well as identify other resources to assist with paying contract health claims. We understand how difficult this process can be so we want to make sure you have assistance.

Contract health staff will do their best to help you with questions and guide you through any of our services as well as provide accurate and timely information. If you have questions please contact the contract health office directly at 686-0255.

Patient Advocates: At BMWC we have designated patient advocates who are available each day to assist you with questions, concerns, etc. Our lead patient advocate is Dee Janson in Administration and her backups are Tim Horlacher, Clinic Services Director; Sharilyn Kidder, Quality Improvement Coordinator and Chanda Heer, Nurse Manager. These experienced and dedicated staff may be reached at our main line, 208-686-1931. In addition, all of our department managers are expected to assist you as well

and may be reached at the same number. Please ask to be directed to the department manager regarding questions or concerns in that respective department. Please note that our patient advocates as well as other staff will assist you in writing your concerns or expressed verbally to document and track the issue accordingly. This helps to keep our communication straightforward and responsive.

New Facility: We are pleased to report that the new facility project is full speed ahead. What you saw initially at the site was road construction. That will continue for the next several weeks until temporarily completed in preparation for the winter. The road will be paved and finished next year. A few weeks ago we received final authorization and approval from our grant that allowed us to begin the facility construction which is now well underway. The delay in receiving the authorization from the grantor set the schedule back somewhat but we expect to do what we can get done before winter. Right now we remain on schedule to open in October, 2012. We have a very solid project team who are working and communicating well. We expect the tribe will be provided with a first class, quality facility. We are off to a great start and will continue to provide updates on each phase of the project.

With a transitional year behind us we are enthused about our new direction. We would not exist without the Tribal Council, Health Board, tribal members, the community and all who access services at BMWC. The staff thanks you for standing with us and for giving us an awesome place to work. We are truly appreciative. More news and developments will be forthcoming. We hope to see you at our 'Meet and Greet' on September 12th!

~ Editorials ~

sne'kunmn

DeLorme: thanks for support during Ironman competition

On June 26th, I crossed the finish line of Ironman Coeur d'Alene in 16 hours, 35 minutes, and 17 seconds. This was my second finish and the best experience yet. This was also my fourth Ironman race. Last year, I struggled and failed to finish both races in which I entered. As I have continued on my own journey to wellness, there have been moments when I doubted myself. Fortunately for me I have had so many people who have always believed in me and helped me along the way. I cannot possibly list all those who have supported me on this journey but know that I love and appreciate all the encouragement and support everyone have shown.

I would like to thank those who without them this would have never been possible. To my coaches at Multisports.com: especially Paul Huddle and Paula Newby-Fraser. Thanks for all the insight, humor and training knowledge. To my providers at the BMC: Robert, Darcy and Sara who have seen me through all the aches and pains and got me to the starting line in good health.

To my bosses, co-workers and friends at the Wellness Center who understand my training needs and always willing to work around my

schedule. To Todd Davis, 3 yrs ago you inspired me to go after my dream, you have changed my life. To Lindsey Boyd, thank you for your support and all the pictures you have taken to help capture the moment. You are so talented. To my cousin, John Mahoney, You are an IRONMAN! I am so proud of you.

To my BFF, Erin Willard, who is always willing to train with me and be my support crew, even at 4 am. You are the best! To Paulette Smith & Family, love you guys. Thanks for being there. To Kjell Schioberg, you are an amazing coach & friend. Thank you for listening to all my hopes and fears and keeping me on track. To Father Jerry, thank you for the blessing, I will always race with the heart of a warrior.

To my family, I love you all and appreciate all the sacrifices you must make for me to live my dream. I know it is tough. Having you at the finish line was a dream come true. To my girlies, Amya, Alexa, and Aralynn, you are my sunshine, laughter and everything good in life. Always remember, the most important thing is to have fun and SMILE.

Lori DeLorme

Iyall-Williams: thank you for letting Nikki represent as Head Woman

On behalf of the family of Celina Garry Goolsby, I'd like to thank the Coeur d'Alene Tribe for giving my daughter the wonderful opportunity to represent the Coeur d'Alene Tribe as Head Woman Dancer at Julyamsh, 2011. We did our best to represent our mother, Celina and our great grandmother, Yaya Lucy SiJohn Garry by sponsoring the "Short Fringe Special" on Saturday night.



Thank you to Cliff SiJohn, for speaking on behalf of the family. Your words were uplifting and sent an important message to those who were present. Thank you to all the dancers who participated in her Special. Thank you to all who have helped Nikki on her journey to discover her Couer d'Alene tribal culture through encouragement and kind words.

I thank my brother, David Garry Zarate, my sisters Sue Garry and Jeanne Givens who dressed in their regalia to support Nikki.

It's with great pride and gratitude that I offer my heartfelt thank you to the pow wow committee for the opportunity for my daughter to serve as your Head Woman Dancer for Julyamsh, 2011.

Teresa Iyall-Williams

Allen: Pineridge donation update

I have selected September 16, 2011 as our day to make our return trip to Pine Ridge, South Dakota, with coats and blankets. I am tied up with business obligations until Aug. 28, 2011 so I will be ready to organize our trip to Pine Ridge starting Aug. 29, 2011. If you have donations, I will gladly pick them up. You can call at 208-755-3043 or email at michaelbuck@rezmail.com starting Aug. 29, 2011.

area. We already have donations, some anonymous, and we thank everyone for them. We especially thank ECLC staff for 2 truckloads of donations. There will be a lot of smiles among Pine Ridge children this fall. One of the members of our group Duane Gravais Lawrence has left for Pine Ridge Aug.18, 2011. He took a small group over to help with home repairs for some of the people we connected with on our prior trips. He also took a U-Haul full of donations too. There people here are awesome.

*Limlemtsh,
Michael Buck Allen*

Louie: youth summer program/UNITY successful

This year the youth programs decided to have a Culture Week, a Hunter Safety Course and UNITY week all in four jam packed days. Many of our staff worked 14 to 16 hour days all week. Rock n' the Rez has been going strong for 13 years and I am also very grateful to have staff at one point in our program it was me and 25 youth leaders running the camp.

We have dedicated devoted, talented and just outright outstanding staff. I would like to thank them for their commitment to our youth and our community. Cheyenne Meshell, James LaSarte-Whistocken, David Seres, Rachel Gallegos, Cheffrey Sailto, Karina Allery, Cheyenne Sepulveda, Jaycee Goudy, Rebecca Waldrod, Jacque Hoffman, Yolonda Bone, Melvin Moses, Bert Benally, Julie Miller, Tom Bob and our cooks Becca Jordan, Josie Lozeau and Rochelle Lafountain. We are very fortunate to have our Tribal Natural Resources Outreach and Education Specialist Bobbie White and Gina Baughn and the University of Idaho Extension office Laura



Laumatia, Kamille Sims and Cheryl Lockard. Our youth staff LaMont Higgins, Shamika Havier, Sydney Wakan, Michelle Whaley, Franky Skwanqhqn, Ashley LaSarte, Charlie Zahir, Katisha Milus and our volunteer Jr. Staff; Cailyn Dohrman, Leroy Arroyo and Jillian Fetterhoff-LaDeaux.

I am so very proud of Cheyenne Meshell as our UNITY Representative she did an amazing job planning organizing and running UNITY week! She had amazing staff to help her and support her. When Chy got elected to the National UNITY council it

brought tears to my eyes she has been in Rock n' the Rez since she was a little girl we have watched her grow into a young woman and give back to her community! As I reflect back seeing Chy, Jaycee, David, KK and Cheyenne now young adults working at Rock n' the Rez and giving back to our community is what I have worked my whole life for, that is what Rock n' the Rez is all about.

I would like to thank our tribe for always supporting our youth.

*LoVina Louie
Youth Program Supervisor*

Nicholai: thank you for helping as we grieved this year

The parents of Jeremiah Z Nicholai aka "Miah", Nick and Violet Nicholai, sister Joey and her family, son and daughter of Miah, Bryce and Maliah Nicholai, the Erb Family would like to thank everyone that had helped the family through this last year of grievance, and also the people that had helped and were there for moral support with the Memorial Dinner and Giveaway which includes: Uncle Frankie SiJohn for leading the prayer at the cemetery, Shannon SiJohn, Uncle Merle SiJohn being there in prayer and thoughts, Merve Bearcub, Kristen Lowley, Uncle Jim SiJohn for being the eldest and leading the prayer for the dinner and Aunt Charlene

SiJohn of Wellpinit, WA, Jamie SiJohn and daughter Michelle of Spokane, WA., James Samuels Sr. for being there in prayer and thoughts.

A very big thank you to: Jayelynn Matt, Charlotte Nilson, Jay and Debbie Matt, for listening and caring for our family in the time of need, but mostly for understanding of what we were going through.

I would like to thank the following people for the donations to the Giveaway, it was very much appreciated: Becky Dixon and family of Elma, NY, Charlotte Nilson and family, Jay and Debbie Matt, Joey and JC Bohlman and family, Scott and Carol Buckles of Chandler, AZ., and Becca Jordan.

Also Miah's extended family and friends from the Omak area, Bob and Mildred Erb, Christie Erb, Gail and Nicolette, PeeWee and Faustina, the Edwards Family, all family and friends from the Omak area. I do realize there were many more people from the Omak area that donated items, thank you to all of them.

We do realize the hurt we will always carry, but to take it day to day and that he will be in hearts forever.

Thank you very much for your support in one way or another.

*Nick and Violet Nicholai
In Memory of Jeremiah
"Miah" Nicholai*

Meshell: attending UNITY has inspired me and my life



Meshell with actor Chaske Spencer

The United National Indian Tribal Youth Inc. (UNITY) conference was held in Minneapolis, MN on July 8-12, 2011. This national youth networking organization began in 1976 with the goal of developing leadership among native youth, which now has more than 250 affiliated youth councils.

LoVina and I brought 12 youth council members this year and I can honestly say this was one of the most memorable conferences I

have attended. This year, I served my Youth Council as the Female Representative for the national organization as well as the Northwest Region Representative. This year's theme was "Following in the footsteps of our ancestors; leading the way for future generations".

Throughout the week, there were various cultural, social, emotional and leadership activities in which the Youth Council represented the Coeur d'Alene Tribe very well as they interacted with youth from all over Indian Country. UNITY had influential guest speakers from Obama's administration at the white house, actors Danny Glover and Chaske Spencer, Tribal Leaders, well known motivators all with a strong message of motivating native youth to make a change in their communities. It takes 7 generations to change and

we are the 7th generation it's time for us to take action.

I have been affiliated with UNITY for 7 years now and have served as the Female Representative for 5 years. Being a Representative to me is a huge deal because I'm not only representing my Youth Council, I am representing my FAMILY, ELDERS, ROLE MODELS, the YOUTH, and most of all I represent the COEUR D'ALENE TRIBE which is a huge blessing in its own. Being a part of UNITY inspired me to do all the great things I have done and will do in my life.

Each year, the National UNITY Council (All Youth Council Representatives) elects 10 members to serve on the Executive Committee who all serve as a voice for the youth in Indian Country. They elect one female

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WE'VE BEEN
ANGRY.
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WE CAN HELP US

HEAR FROM
 OTHER TEENS
 that have been
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text WeCanHelpUs to 30364 or go to reachout.com

~ In P a s s i n g ~ gu'lo lkhwalqw



Louie Henry Aripa, Sr. was born June 27, 1950 in Orofino to Mary Francis James and Henry Norbert Aripa. He attended Mary Immaculate Boarding School, Riverside Indian School, and finished high school in Plummer where he was graduated in 1969. Louie then enlisted in the Marine Corps, serving in Vietnam, and was honorably discharged in

December 1970.

Louie married Patsy Perry in 1973 and they had a son, Louis H. Aripa Jr., who died in 1993. The couple was later divorced.

Louie later married Donna Johnston and they had a daughter Mary Francis Morningstar Aripa. The couple later divorced. Louie married Glorri Moody of Lapwai, and his daughter Antonia L. Aripa was born.

Louie then moved to Warm Springs, Oregon where he worked for the Warm Springs Tribe as a logger, an accountant and an administrative assistant for the next 15 years.

Louie married Karen Broncho while in Oregon. He returned to the Coeur d'Alene reservation in 1990, and was employed by the Coeur d'Alene Casino and then as an accountant for the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Housing department.

Louie then had a relationship

with Glenda Matt and they had Alexander Aripa in 1993. Louie has worked for Tribal Housing department for the past 12 years.

Louie's hobbies were spending time with his Families (Aripa's, Warm springs & Housing), Playing at the Casino, Watching the Mariners on T.V., Spending time with his Best Friend Pat Galler, & Stick Game.

Louie was a member of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Warm Springs, Oregon V.F.W. Post, the Joseph Garry American Legion Post at DeSmet, and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's Warrior Society.

Survivors include his three children, Mary Francis Aripa-Ling of Warrensburg, Mo.; Tonia Aripa of Lapwai; and stepson Alexander Aripa; brothers, Thomas Aripa of Plummer; George Aripa of Sanders; Oswald George Jr. of Plummer;

Mike George, Sr. of Tensed; James Albertsen of Keller, Wash.; Rudy Aripa of Worley; sisters Bonnie Albertsen of Clarkston; Elizabeth Albertsen of Keller; Caroline Kuehne of Keller; Marrietta Aripa of Plummer; Suzette Aripa of Nespelam; Lucinda Aripa of Tensed; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; his uncle, Skip Skanen of Plummer and great uncle, Felix Aripa of Hayden, numerous nieces & nephews and step children.

A Mass of Christian Burial was Aug. 18, 2011 at the Evan Abraham Tribal Longhouse at DeSmet. Burial followed at the DeSmet Mission Cemetery with military honors. Rosary was recited Aug. 17 at the Longhouse. Father Jerry Graham officiated at the services.

Kramer Funeral Home of Tekoa was in charge of the arrangements.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Lucinda Aripa Dubois has been appointed personal representative for the estate of Louis Henry Aripa Sr. by the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation, Plummer, Idaho.

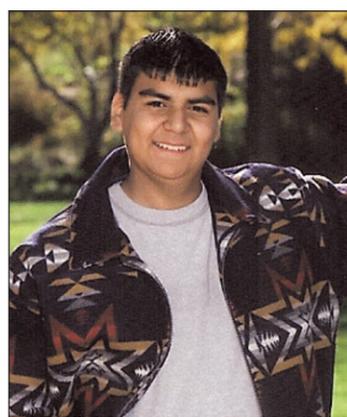
All creditors having claims against the deceased, Louis Henry Aripa Sr., are to serve such claims upon the personal representative and to file them with the Clerk of the Tribal Court within two (2) months from the date of the first publication of this notice which is August 25, 2011.

The Personal Representative may be served by mailing copies of the claims to:
Lucinda Aripa Dubois – PO Box 727 – Plummer, ID 83851.

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.



Happy 13th b-day to you beautiful young ladies Kendall SiJohn & Corin Peone (pic taken in 2005-growing too fast!) We love you SO much!! Love moms, dads, grams, gramps, aunties, uncles, and cousins!



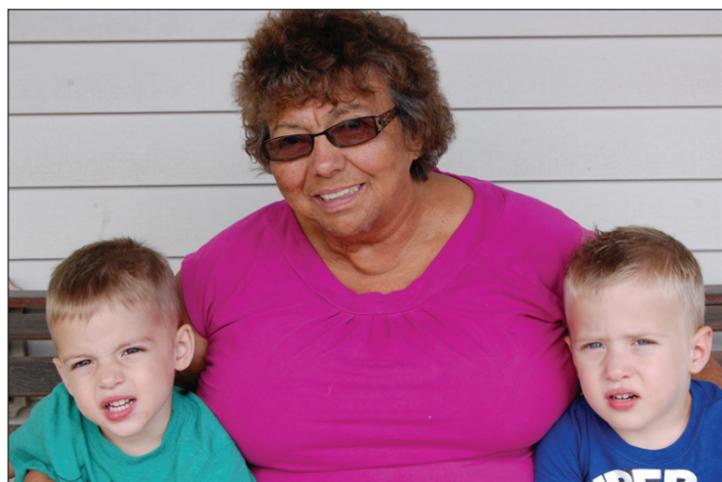
I would like to send a "big congratulations" to Heather Harper & Micheal Matt for doing so well with their college Studies. Micheal holds a 3.95 grade point average and has maintained a high point average since starting his internet college classes and taking classes thru North Idaho College.

There would be times when he would just stop by for just five minutes and he would tell me that he needed to get home and do his homework.

Even thou I talked with my son on a daily basis, he would pretty much tell me a lot about his class that he's done for that day.

The best advise that I can give to all young adults that going to school is that one day you can really smile and say "ah yes I did it" and all the encouragement does pay off.

His close friend Heather is going to school full time, and is doing well also.



A year older and a year cuter. Kayden, Jean and Mayka

September Upcoming Events At ECLC

ECLC Policy Council Voting September 22nd Front Desk
Please vote so you know that the parents on PC are representing you!

Open House September 22nd from 4:30 to 6:30 at ECLC.
Stop by ECLC and take a tour of your child's school, meet staff, talk with other parents and learn new things!
For more information contact Alison Dundas at 686-6409

I scream you scream we all scream for Ice cream!
September 6th – 29th. ECLC Classrooms. Parents we need your help, the classroom with the best attendance for this month will win a prize.

Remember ECLC will be CLOSED September 23rd

Love and Logic Starting September 28th from 5 to 6.
This is a great way to learn more about child guidance and child development!
Call Alison at 686-6409 for more information. Child care and dinner will be provided!

Pedestrian Safety Information September 29th
ECLC will be giving out great information about pedestrian safety and talking with children about the importance of looking both ways and holding a grown-ups hand!

We would like to wish Tracy Sines Jr a very Happy Birthday he will be turning 27 on August 31, 2011. Have an awesome day love your family.

I would also like to wish my mom Angelina Parr a very Happy Birthday on August 30, 2011 we love you some much Mommy have a wonderful day. Love your kids Cynthia, Olivia, Christian and your awesome grandchildren Sergio, Jasper, Dre'don, and Audrina.



Happy SWEET 16th Birthday Son & Happy 14th Birthday Daughter Love Mom, Paul, Cassie & PJ

Thinning of trees underway, preparing for prescribed burns - firewood available now

Fuels Program: The Fuels Program has begun contracting work for this year. The Timber Agricultural Interface Fuel Break Project (TAIFBP) 5 contract located off Benewah and Windfall Pass Road (A69A, A438, T59, and A62) has about 158 accomplished hazardous fuels reduction (HFR) acres by Empire L & C. The TAIFBP 6 contract located off of Windfall Pass Road (T57 and A372) has about 50 HFR worked at this time, also by Empire L & C. The TAIFBP 7 in the Little Butte Area has been awarded and we are waiting on contract approval/signature. This contract is on A310, T291, and A292.

The Windfall/Peedee Contract will be out for bid and awarded very soon off of Coon Creek Road on the very top of the ridgeline. The Fuels Crew has completed an estimated 110 acres of thinning, pruning and masticating on about 70 acres. Currently, they are working on A307. We will also be starting our pre-work and getting our prescribed fire treatment areas

prepped and data gathered for: Tenthree Logging unit harvest area up on Eagle Peak, Andrew Springs in DeSmet, Homesites off Cottonwood Road, and Ridge to Ridge in Lovell Valley. 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: The program is running full bore. So far we have been providing rip rap materials for Fisheries restoration sites such as Lake Creek, Benewah Creek and Hangman Creek for fish habitat projects. The new medical center project site and the Natural Resource building project is also projected to use some of the tribal resource. We have a large stockpile of firewood available to the community for firewood cutting. Please take advantage of its availability right here in the Plummer area at the tribal gravel pit while the wood is dry and ready for cutting. Other items available

are rock, gravel, decoration bark, sand, garden mulch, compost as well as a disposal site for yard and wood waste. 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. Community members interested in product or a price list please Call (208) 686-1885 or (208) 582-2517.

Timber Sales: Feedback from the Field Tour up at Eagle Peak has been implemented into the Eagle II EA. One of the feedback items is the name of the project. Eagle II will now be known as Chsp'a'aqhalqwtsn or Chsp'a' for short. This name means to "heal the forest on the border (of the Tribal territory)." Thanks to Felix Aripa who helped come up with the name. The border refers to the Reservation boundary. This will name the EA and the Logging Unit.

The Chsp'a'aqhalqwtsn EA is being worked on and the Final Draft is expected to be completed sometime this month. It is hoped to get the EA signed off by Council and the general public will have a chance to give input for 30-days. A Notice of Availability will be posted throughout the Reservation; typically posted at the Benewah Market, various Post Offices, and other public buildings.

The ground operations for Tenthree Logging Unit started and finished last month. This included cutting, skidding, and hauling. The Field Tour up at Eagle Peak allowed participants the opportunity to watch some of the line skidding operations during the lunch break.

Tribal forestry staff are making the most of the good weather and dry road conditions to complete necessary field work for getting out future timber sales in the Worley area. Based on this reconnaissance, detailed silvicultural prescriptions will be developed which will document what is being done in

the timber stands and why. It will also provide staff working on preparing the sale with guidance on which trees should be marked for cutting, and which should be left. The recently sold Chadalamalqwn timber sale in the Plummer area should become active any day now, as will the Tamiyel sale which is just north of the Windfall Pass Road. The Sachri sale, which did not sell last month, is out for advertisement again with a bid date of August 18. Contact the forestry office if interested in this sale.

Forestry staff are participating on a working group of stakeholders to update the Best Management Practices that are heavily used in the State of Idaho to guide logging operations to reduce resource damage.

Forest Development : Native Lands West completed the first 30 acres advertised for the Cherry Creek TSI contract. The remaining 58 acres is being advertised for an August 10 bid opening. We are doing field work to prepare similar projects in the John Point area.

Spiritual lives shaken within the Catholic Church by highly publicized indiscretions of leaders

This letter has been reprinted at the request of a Tribal Member.

I recently downloaded a list of Jesuits-priests, brothers and deacons-who have been accused of sexual abuse of children and, presumably, adult parishioners as well. The list is more than 130 names and gives the year of ordination, current status (accused, sued, settled or convicted) and the diocese in which each served at the time of the alleged or proven abuse. And this is only a partial list, for some Jesuit provinces in the U.S. are not yet included.

The list does not include information as to whether the victims/accusers were Native American students in mission schools, although the location of some of the dioceses would indicate that it was likely not the case.

Although it is always good to see justice done, I do feel some pain at these revelations. It can be said that I was born a Catholic, for I was baptized within an hour of my birth by a man in our reservation community who was a Catechist (a layman who conducted Catholic prayer meetings-usually in Lakota-in the absence of a priest). My mother told me that I was convulsing at birth and it appeared that I would not live, so the Catechist was called to baptize me. The man happened to be my uncle, John Fast Wolf who, like the Lakota holy man Black Elk, was both a traditional holy man and a Catholic Catechist. I was raised Catholic by my mother, who was a very devout member of the Church. My father, who died when I was not yet 2 years old, was not a

Catholic but respected my mother's wish for all 13 of their children to be baptized, and the 11 of us who survived beyond childhood to be raised as Catholics.

But except for funeral services, I have not been in a church for many years. I am having my own personal crisis of faith, due in part to the exposition of the phenomenal numbers of predatory priests and the damage they have done and are doing to children and their families. And the damage they have done and are doing to people who want to believe, who want to have faith, and whose spiritual life is shaken by these rogue pastors.

Thus it hurts to see so many priests as vile perpetrators. But when a man, in the name of Jesus Christ, instructs an innocent mind on the infinite love of God, or on the other hand instills fear of the almighty Lord, and uses that teaching and trust and fear to impose himself on a child for his sexual gratification, I am horrified and sickened. I can't imagine Dante himself devising a place horrible enough in the depths of the Inferno to cast such persons unrepentant. For me, there is no comfort to be found in the fact that the exposed pedophiles in the Catholic clergy represent only a portion of trusted adults preying on children in their care-children of all races and religions. The local newspaper here in Omaha reports almost weekly of scout leaders, coaches, teachers, and clergy of various faiths being accused, brought to trial, and in most cases convicted of sexual exploitation of children in their care. The Omaha School District, and

presumably many other districts, is wrestling with requirements on reporting and handling accusations or suspicions of such abuse.

There is no comfort because I remain a Catholic, albeit a weak and wayward member of the Church. As a Catholic, I should take ownership of the Church, as one might take ownership of any corporation in which he is invested. And, as an owner, as a faithful investor, I should encourage all efforts to rid our Church of scoundrels and criminals who prey on the congregations,

especially on the children. And as a Catholic member of the Lakota Oyate and the Native community as a whole, I especially decry and condemn the sexual, physical and psychological abuse of Native children who have been placed in the care of people entrusted with their education-particularly the clergy and government teachers and administrators of Indian schools.

Finally, as a Catholic citizen of the United States, bound by the laws of the Nation and committed to abide by them and uphold them,

I should urge the leaders of my Church to abide by the laws of our Nation, and to see to the perfection of those laws in the Courts-to bind the accused, suspected or admitted offenders over to civil authority.

This I believe and, as a Catholic, I will insist on. But first I must put myself right with the Church, and begin again, after so many years, to practice the faith. This, I intend to do.

Having expressed outrage against

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sold items, which is significantly more than traditional consignment options. Volunteers help with things like drop-off inspection of items, keeping the event neat and organized, and shopper check out. You do not need to have any prior training or knowledge to volunteer and you do not have to consign in order to participate.

JBF North Idaho will host their semi-annual Fall/Winter sales event at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds, 4056 N. Government Way Coeur d'Alene, on Saturday, October 8th (9am-5pm) and

Sunday, October 9th (9am-2pm) 50% Off Sale Day.

"There are so many household costs that are beyond our control, but Just Between Friends is one area where moms are empowered and excited about saving big on the quality items we all want for our children," said Susan, Coeur d'Alene tribal member and mother of two. "JBF provides an opportunity for moms to recoup a fair amount on the name brand items they have purchased for their family and recycle amazing bargains within their own community, which means more money is available for things like

the rising costs of gas and food."

Just Between Friends' events are open to the public, although everyone who signs up on their mailing list receives a free admission pass prior to each event. The cost of the event is \$3 on Saturday only, all other days are free. Free admission passes and sale information is available for groups, by simple request.

To sign up for any Just Between Friends events and for all other information, please go to www.jbfsale.com

Contact: Susan Moore, Owner - Just Between Friends of North Idaho - 208-699-0447.

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and one male co-president, one vice president, secretary, 3 female and 3 male members-at-large.

This year, I was elected to serve on the executive committee as one of the female members-at-large! This is a huge accomplishment for me and I'm very honored, excited, and blessed to represent my tribe as well as all youth in Indian Country because I know that one of my biggest influences, LoVina

Louie, was the first co-president, and to know that she was standing right next to me when they called my name, assures me I will most definitely "follow the footsteps of our ancestors; lead the way for future generations". This was an amazing experience and I made memories that I will carry in my heart forever.

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~ Cradleboard News ~

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Evan Raidon Long was born on May 6th 2011 at 4:10 p.m. and weighed in at 2lbs 4oz, 14 inches long, at Sacred Heart Children's Hospital. Even was born 2.5 month early at 27.5 weeks. He has been in the hospital since birth and just got discharged on July 30th, and is on a heart rate monitor.

Evan was born to Amanda Aripa and Ryan Long of Plummer ID and has one big brother Marcus Lowley. Evan's maternal grandparents are Debbie Aripa and George Aripa and paternal grandparents are Randy Long and Annette Attles. Evan has lots of aunties and uncles and cousins, great aunts and great uncles. Evan joins a big family who loves him very much!

Evans Story: Evan's mom Amanda Aripa was admitted to KMC (Kootenai Medical Center) on April 27th late night with a ruptured water. KMC transported Amanda to Sacred Heart Children's Hospital where she stayed on bed rest and got steroid injections to mature baby Evan's lungs. They were able to keep Amanda pregnant for a little over a week before she started bleeding and they had to take Evan by c-section. Evan was born healthy but early so he had to stay in the NICU at Sacred Heart. Evan is home and the family is happy and now complete. We love you Evan and thank you creator for watching over him.



Mackenzie Rose Emtman was born on 6-11-11 at 11:00 p.m. at Deaconess Medical Center. At birth she weighed 7lbs 2 oz and 18 inches long. Her parents are Bryan C. Emtman and tribal member Debra Hurley-Arteaga. Her siblings are Gitana Arteaga age 12, Zhana Emtman age 14, and Bryan A Emtman age 10, all residing in Spokane WA.

Mackenzie's maternal grandparents are Mariane Nomee and the late Gene Hurley of Tensed, ID. Great grandparents are the late Bill & Tillie Nomee; DeSmet ID and late Earnie and Marjorie Hurley; Latah WA. Paternal grandparents are Nancy & Ralph Emtman of Spokane WA. Great grandparents the late Charles & Lydia Nelson; Spokane WA and Ralph & Emma Emtman; Cheney WA. Mackenzie is already aunt to 5 nephews and her first niece is on the way.



On June 28th tribal member Julia Koelbel, age 17, competed in the team and trio categories in the 2011 eSynchro Age Championships at Federal Way, Washington. She is the daughter of Steve and Jackie Koelbel, and niece of Sue Garry, Jeanne Givens, Judy Greene, Teresa Williams and Dave Zarate.



Happy 1st Birthday Elijah!!!
Love: Mom, Dad, Isaac and Family



Happy Birthday MOM!
We love you with all we have & all that we are!!
Love dad, your 7 kids & 17 grandkids



September 17th, I'd like to wish a Happy Birthday and a late anniversary wish to my beautiful wife Rose "Damper".

Love a Grateful Husband Tino.



"Happy 12th Birthday "Susie" (Susep). We're all very proud of you.

Love Always Mom, Dad, Yaya, and ALL the family!

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the crimes of so many Catholic clergy, especially against Native American children entrusted to them in their schools, I will in later columns, talk about why I criticize and dispute some accusations against the Jesuit-run Indian boarding school I attended for all my school years from 1940 to 1952. In so doing, I wish to provide perspective that will help younger generations deal with the reality of boarding school experience, at

least my first hand experiences in such an institution, and maybe help them reconcile any feelings of intergenerational trauma.

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