



Wildfire smoke covers the area in haze, makes for stunning sunrises



Smoke fills the valley surrounding Plummer, Idaho as wildfires in the region continue to burn and conditions remain stagnant.

Photo by Jennifer L. Fletcher

Major wildfires burning on the eastern slopes of the Cascade Range were relatively calm on Monday, but smoke continued to foul the air of many Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho communities.

The two biggest fires were reported as larger in size on Monday, but officials said that was due mostly to better mapping and the use of burn-outs to create fire lines. The Wenatchee complex of fires was reported Monday morning at 82 square miles, and

30 percent contained, while the Table Mountain fire was reported at nearly 57 square miles in size, and 10 percent contained.

"The big fires continue to creep on some uncontained edges," said Alan Hoffmeister, a spokesman on the Wenatchee complex.

Only a handful of structures have burned. More than 2,500 firefighters battled those blazes on Monday, he said. They continued setting burn-outs on Monday to build lines around the fires, he said.

The huge fires are hurting air quality across Eastern Washington.

State officials said air quality in the Wenatchee and Cashmere areas remains in the "hazardous" category, while Pateros, Entiat and Ellensburg had air rated as "very unhealthy." Many other Eastern Washington communities have "unhealthy" air quality. Heavy smoke hung in the air of Spokane, 200 miles to the east of the blazes, turning the sun a bright red color at times.

The smoke is being held in place

by inversions.

"We don't have a 'worse than hazardous' category," state Department of Ecology spokeswoman Jani Gilbert said. People who live in hazardous air areas should stay indoors and keep doors and windows closed, she said.

The heavy smoke was hampering aerial firefighters, Hoffmeister said. "Half the time they can't fly because of the smoke," he said.

Air quality isn't expected to

improve much soon, because only light winds are expected over the Cascades this week, the state Department of Ecology said.

"It's not looking very good for a quick clear-out," Gilbert said.

The wildfires were started by lightning in early September.

Several other wildfires were also burning in the state. The biggest was a nearly 14,000-acre fire that was 40 percent contained along the west flank of Mount Adams.

Field burning on the reservation has been banned due to conditions.

Benewah Medical Center prepares for Grand Opening of new building - services will be affected

Well it's finally here! The building is substantially complete and we are ready to move to the new Benewah Medical Center facility! Information was recently sent to all patient households and locally advertised noting the following schedule. The Wellness Center is

open daily with the exception of October 19.

Wednesday, October 10 – Open from 8:00 am to noon (no urgent care)

Closed Noon-6:00 pm

Thursday, October 11 – Closed all day

Friday, October 12 – Closed all day

Monday, October 15 – Open from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm-URGENT CARE ONLY

(Dental/Counseling/Community Health-open)

October 16, 17 & 18 – All

services open

Friday, October 19 – GRAND OPENING-BMWC CLOSED

During closures we will be physically moving our supplies, equipment, offices and staff as well as obtaining training and orientation to the new facility. Because of the complexity and time sensitivity of the move we will not be available for any services during this time.

Now for the Grand Opening! It is Friday, October 19, 2012 from 11am – 3pm. Our organization (including the Wellness Center) will be closed that day so we can all celebrate this wonderful achievement. Everyone is invited to join us for the opening ceremony which begins at 11am with lunch and open house to follow.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE GRAND OPENING:

The grand opening ceremony and lunch will be held in the parking lots at the new facility under large tents to accommodate several hundred people. Therefore, cars will not be allowed to drive up the new road (12th St at Anne Antelope) to the building as there will not be adequate space for all the expected vehicles. There are sidewalks and you can walk up to the site if you prefer. Bus transportation is going to be provided at four locations where you may park: Tribal headquarters, old BMC/Benewah Market, Wellness Center and Veteran's Memorial Park trailhead. Signs will be

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EPA, Tribe, State finalize plans for Bunker Hill



It has taken more than 30 years, but the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released the final version of a \$635 million plan to clean up one of the nation's biggest Superfund sites, in the Upper Coeur d'Alene River Basin.

The plan to clean up the Bunker Hill Mining and Metallurgical Complex Superfund Site was agreed to by the State of Idaho and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, the EPA said in a statement.

"We listened closely to all perspectives about how to provide the greatest environmental and human health improvement while balancing the duration and costs," said Dan Opalski, director of the

EPA's Seattle Superfund office, in the statement. "This decision sets forth an ambitious, yet thoughtful and methodical approach to reducing risks from metals, making the Coeur d'Alene Basin an even safer, healthier place to live, work and play."

Besides the tribe's and the state's endorsements, the federal agency said letters of support were received from Washington State, the Spokane Tribe, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS). The EPA also worked with the Basin Environmental Improvement Project Commission (Basin

Commission) to fine-tune the plan, the statement said.

The cleanup will not only clean up the pollution left by 100-plus years of mining but also will create hundreds of jobs in the process, Dan Opalski, EPA Region 10 Superfund director, told *The Spokesman-Review*.

The site was designated in 1983, according to EPA background information. Mining activity dating back to the late 1880s in the Upper Coeur d'Alene Basin dumped about 100 million tons of mine waste into the river system.

"Many Basin communities were built on mine wastes," the EPA's backgrounder says. "Until as late as 1968, tailings were deposited directly into the river. Over time, these wastes have spread throughout more than 160 miles of the Coeur d'Alene and Spokane Rivers, lakes, and floodplains."

In June the Hecla Mining Company agreed to pay \$263.4 million plus interest to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, the state of Idaho and the U.S. government to help in site remediation. The initial cleanup plan put forth in 2010 said it would cost \$1.3 billion and take more than 50 years, the Associated Press reported.

Tribe grants money for Skylert program

When a 12-year-old boy went missing Friday in Coeur d'Alene, school officials turned to a new emergency notification system to alert parents by email and phone. About 12,000 households received messages before the student was found unharmed Saturday morning.

The Coeur d'Alene School District has been testing its new Skylert emergency notification system, a \$12,000 subscription service covered by a grant from the Coeur d'Alene Tribe.

Early Saturday, before the boy had been found sitting alone in a Post Falls field, the school district turned to Skylert to send another email to more than 10,000 addresses of parents districtwide.

"We decided to send it out to everyone in the hopes that they could help look out for him and get the word out," Rumpler said. After police located the boy, she crafted another message to let families know he had been found and was OK, and to thank those who assisted in the search. That message went out via email

and more than 12,000 phone calls in a span of 20 minutes.

The district will use Skylert only for emergencies, such as snow closures, school lockdowns and anything that might interrupt the normal school routine. Parents will be able to log into the district's Family Access information system and configure how they wish to receive emergency notices, including the option of text messages.

If they'd rather get an email about snow days, and not an early morning phone call, they can make that change.

The Skylert application is being used by 280 customers of Skyward, which makes software products for school systems.

"It's amazing how much of an increase we're seeing in schools using this technology," said Ray Ackerlund, the company's director of marketing and product management.

School districts now can send unlimited messages in a variety of media and in multiple languages, Ackerlund said.

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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.

Lakeside Elementary welcomes new principal Mike Crabtree

By Lorraina Gentry

Lakeside kicks off the new school year with a touch of compassion, commitment and most importantly support. Those are just a few of examples of what the new Lakeside Elementary principle Mike Crabtree is planning to contribute to the school and his students.

Treating the students with respect is not the only priority Crabtree has, he has a firm belief in treating the staff and families with this loving hand as well. "How you focus, how you interact and how you treat people with respect, that is an honest discussion that I have with my staff, explains Crabtree. "If that

was your child or your grandchild sitting there that you're working with, or you're disciplining, or whatever, how would you want your child or your grandchild to be treated?"

After many years in the Spokane Washington school districts, Mike knew he was ready for a change. Still loving what he does, he was ready for slight change in the scenery and yet still continues to have the same connection with the children. One Sunday morning Mike's wife came across the job announcement and it was something he felt he needed to peruse. After going through the employment process, he spent a little time in the area and without a doubt knew this was where he



wanted to be. Once offered the position he accepted with no hesitation.

"From an outsider coming in, this community knows how to welcome people, "expressed

Crabtree. "There is the pride, the caring is really what I am seeing here, not just how nice people are but that sense of family, and to me

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Students organize "Back to School, Stay in School" carnival



Photo by Lorraina Gentry

Hello [our] names [are] Ruth Haynes and Analisha George. We put on a back to school carnival this year for our senior project and geared for school. We are so happy that is a huge success and that it brought many kids and parents out for the Elementary Open House. Approximately 250 people came and participated, enjoying all the activities from The Fun Guy.

With this we received \$1000, 00 to donate back to Athletic Fund we [presented] this to them on

September 21, 2012 at the football home game vs. Potlatch during half time.

Thank You to the Benewah Market for donating all the goods for our concession stands, all the booths that the community brought and set up at the carnival, the CDA Casino for donating the waters, a huge Thank You to the 4H for supporting us through it and covering the cost of the Fun Guy. Last our mentor through this project LaDonna Stensgar for pushing us till the end.

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.

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posted at these locations. Casino buses will begin transporting at 10am from each lot and run continuously back and forth until all visitors have been bussed to the site and then returned to their vehicles. *Elders will have special designated parking at the Natural Resources and Lake Management lots.* It should only take a few minutes to be transported to the site but be sure and leave enough time for this transportation to occur.

We sincerely appreciate your patience and cooperation during this exciting time. While we are working diligently to attend to hundreds of details regarding the move, our staff are ready to assist with any concerns or questions that may arise. We look forward to being with all of you to celebrate another major achievement in the development of the Benewah Medical & Wellness Center.

**Gary Leva, CEO
Benewah Medical &
Wellness Center**

~ Chairman's Corner ~

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Here we stand on the brink of another major milestone for Coeur d'Alenes, when on October 19th our Tribe will celebrate the grand opening of the new facilities for the Benewah Medical Center. Of course it is pretty impressive that the new BMC will be a 50,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art, top-notch medical resource for our community, but more than that, I am pleased that it shows the priority of our Membership, and that this new building stands for a brighter and healthier future for our families, friends and the entire

region. Bottom line is that when the doors open, not only will the occasion mark a new and important way for everyone to stay healthier, but it will also symbolize many years of hard work and dedication by our Tribe for the future wellbeing of each and every one of you. I hope that Tribal Members feel a sense of pride when they visit the new facility as well-- as we are one of the most important entities to provide medical services to the region, with over 170 staff members serving around 6,000

patients, and about 35,000 total visits annually. And not only are we serving our Tribal community with these benefits, but the entire community as a whole is enhanced because we are truly being good neighbors with our medical care. At the new medical center, there will be the latest technology in medical, dental, pharmacy, lab, x-ray, community health, and counseling services; in addition to finance, human resources, facilities and other administrative support offices. One of the best pieces of good news about the \$17 million project is that the total cost to the Tribe has come in less than initially anticipated. By being able to closely manage the construction, and with more efficiency in the process, the Tribes will pay only \$2.4 million versus the pledge of \$3 million that we initially budgeted, with the majority of the cost covered by an \$11.8 million grant funded by the Health Resources Services

Administration via President Obama's Affordable Care Act that was awarded in October. As I have watched the new building rise up, it has made me reflect on the enormous progress our Tribe has enjoyed in just my lifetime. But more importantly on a personal level, it has also been a confirmation that when all is said and done, our Tribe simply gets the job done. Politics, personal squabbles, financial challenges—some of the major hurdles that hem up other organizations in moving forward, don't affect us when it matters most. Because when it comes to even the most contentious issues, our Tribe always seems to be able to reach back to a value system that guides us and that allows for our progress, and allows for us to move forward. I want to especially thank the other members of our Tribal Council, past and present, who have been so instrumental in the success of the new BMC, and

for many other signs of progress that we have today as the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. I have seen enough to date to realize that the tenor of progress always starts with the leadership, and in that regard, my colleagues and many other leaders that we have throughout our community, quite simply, get things done. We have a good foundation. We have strong shoulders and backs that we stand on today from generations and generations of Coeur d'Alene Tribal leaders, that allow us to be strong and make progress. At Coeur d'Alene we can be proud to get things done. It's a good feeling to like the work you do, and I am grateful to be a part of it all here at home. I am proud to be Coeur d'Alene. I hope you are too.

Regards,
Chief Y Allan

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	1 Lakeside MS Football @ CDA Charter - 5:00 pm	2	3	4	5 Lakeside Football vs. Kootenai at 7:00 pm	6 Lakeside Volleyball Pea and Lentil Tournament @ Genesse - 8:00 am
7	8 Lakeside MS Football @ Clark Fork - 5:00 pm	9 2nd Harvest <i>Meet the Candidates Forum @ Stensgar Pavillion - 6pm</i>	10 Lakeside MS Football Tri Tourney beginning @ 4pm	11 Lakeside Volleyball vs. CDA Charter at 6:00 pm	12 Lakeside Football at Prarie at 7:00 pm Council Fires Priority Deadline	13 Lakeside MS Football St. Maries Tournament
14	15  Law & Order Meeting	16 Lakeside Volleyball District Championship Game - 6:00 pm	17 Lakeside MS Football vs. CDA Charter- 5:00 pm	18	19 Lakeside Football at Mullan at 7:00 pm Council Fires Final Deadline	20
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~ Community Announcements ~

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ADVERTISEMENT: SALE OF TIMBER - Kopaqhn Logging Unit COEUR D'ALENE INDIAN RESERVATION

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 A.M. local time at the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Forestry Office, 402 Anne Antelope Avenue, Plummer, Idaho on September 27, 2012. The sale is located in portions of Sections 27 and 31, Township 47 North, Range 4 West, and portions of Section 24, 26, 28, and 32, Township 47 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Kootenai County, Idaho.

Approximately 440 acres will be logged with an estimated volume of 2 million board feet (2 MMBF) of sawlogs and 315 tons of Mixed Fir Species tonwood. The minimum acceptable bids and estimated amounts are:

\$70/MBF for 110 MBF of ponderosa pine sawlogs (6 to 7 inch) (5.51 inch to 7.50 inch scaling diameter).

\$180/MBF for 970 MBF of ponderosa pine sawlogs (8 inch +) (7.51 inch and greater scaling diameter)

\$200/MBF for 920 MBF of Douglas-fir and Other Species sawlogs (5.51 inch and greater scaling diameter)

\$20/TON for 315 TONS of all Mixed Fir Species tonwood (4.0 to 5.51 inch scaling diameter)

Bidders will also have the option to purchase an undetermined amount of all species pulp & other products not meeting sawlog specifications at a flat rate of \$2 per ton. No bids are allowed on pulp and other products.

Stated volumes were estimated by timber cruising and are not guaranteed. A bid deposit in the form of a certified check payable to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, in the amount of not less than \$12,500 must accompany each sealed bid. Only bids from companies that have a current Coeur d'Alene Tribal Business license will be accepted and a fully signed copy of such license must be submitted with the bid package. Indian preference will be applied as per TERO Ordinance. For information call: Kurt Mettler - Tribal Forestry at (208) 686-1315. Prospectus, sample contract, and bid forms may be obtained by contacting the Forestry office or online from the Tribal website under natural resources/forestry at www.cdatribe-nsn.gov.

Dated this 28th day of August, 2012 at Plummer, Idaho, Robin White, Acting Superintendent, Coeur d'Alene Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

One Earth Grower's Market held every Wednesday



The community group One Sky One Earth Food Coalition is sponsoring a Grower's Market every Wednesday from 4 to 6:30PM in the grassy County lot next to the Gateway Café. We have had several new local vendors every week selling many types of vegetables including lettuce, Swiss chard, beets, carrots, cucumbers, potatoes, tomatoes, and zucchini. There have been many fresh, delicious baked goods such as scones, rolls,

pies, cookies and breads.

Vendors are selling fresh eggs and also canned peaches, jams, salsas. One vendor is selling rubs for grilling meat and spice packets for sour cream dips. Look for beautiful wooden furniture and many other handcrafted items. This is a huge diversity of products for a rural community so please support our vendors.

The market will run through October 10th Food Coalition participants include many local

citizens as well as staff from Benewah Wellness Center, Medical Center, the Tribe's Natural Resources Department, and University of Idaho Extension.

The November event will be a Lentil and Bean Cook-off November 13th. Judging will be from 10 to 11AM and then public sampling from 11AM-1PM.

For more information contact University of Idaho Extension: 208-686-1716.

Meet the Candidates - Election Forum at the Stensgar Pavillion

Hosted by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe

Tuesday, October 9 @ 6 p.m.

Learn more about candidates running for
state legislature,

Benewah and Kootenai County Sheriffs
and Benewah County Commissioner

Candidates will be available for questions.

All are welcome.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more information contact 208-686-5803

Christmas Family Coalition 2012

Over the past five years, the Christmas Families Coalition has helped hundreds of families living on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation to enjoy Christmas. Just last year, the Coalition brought Christmas gifts, clothing, and household supplies to 111 children.

The work of the Coalition is done completely by volunteers. The volunteers help find families, organizations, and churches who will adopt the Christmas families; organize the applications received and distribute them to the adopters; receive the donated gifts and set up the distribution sites; and give out the gifts to the Christmas families. Distribution sites are in DeSmet/Tensed, Plummer, and Worley.

Volunteers usually work in their own geographic communities.

At this time, the Coalition is very short on volunteers. Volunteers who can give even a few hours of time are desperately needed. Unless volunteers come forward, the Coalition will not be able to continue its work. Anyone of any age, who can give a few hours, can be a volunteer, even someone whose family will be receiving help from the Coalition. If you would like to volunteer to help this community service continue, please call Emily Bell 686-0106, after October 16.

If we do not have a sufficient number of volunteers we will not be able to provide this much needed help to our community.

Law and Order meeting is scheduled for
October 15th, 2012.

Please have any requests turned in to
Angella Pulkownik by
October 8th 2012.

Please provide any documentation
pertaining to your agenda item.

Forestry: locks installed at Eagle Peak - new rules apply

General: The Tribe has approved locking of the gates into Grassy Mountain off of Rosewood Drive and a new gate scheduled for installation in the Eagle Peak area. Forestry will be installing locks on both of these areas in September. There has been quite a bit of non-Indian traffic in the area with illegal hunting, camping and firewood theft being commonly observed. Installation of locks on these gates will hopefully reduce the illegal use of these areas. Tribal members can continue to access through the gates by stopping by the Forestry office to get a key.

The policy for the gates, as approved, is as follows: A new lock will be installed annually and maintained by Tribal Forestry. Keys will be made by Tribal Forestry. Keys will be issued at the Tribal Forestry Office during normal business hours Monday-Friday 7:30-4:00. After hours, keys will be issued at the Tribal Hardware store. Keys will only be issued to CDA Tribal members. Tribal ID must be shown. Keys can be given to other CDA Tribal Members. Please do not give them to any others! Keys can be received from Tribal Forestry or borrowed and returned. Keys will be good for a calendar year. (Each year in early summer a new lock will be installed.) Keys will be available for Staff and appropriate Fire personnel on an as needed basis for management activities.

The following information will be collected during key sign out; Name, Tribal ID #, Date, Contact Information and signature. Stop by the Tribal Forestry office for more information or to receive a key.

Fuels Program: The Fuels Program has 4 active hazardous fuels reductions (HFR) contracts going on at this time. Empire L & C has completed all their contract obligations on the Windfall/Peedee Project off of Coon Creek. Timber Agriculture Interface Fuel Break Project (TAIFBP) 8 is nearly finished A326 and they will be treating T1030 afterwards. The Evans II Contract has 1 mile completed of the 6.6 miles under contract with Empire L & C. The Moses Mountain Road Brushing Contract has been started by Sczenski Contracting. They are starting at the north and working to the south. The contract is over an estimated 16 miles of road brushing work from Alder Creek

up and over Moses Mountain down into Indian Creek. The Fuels Crew has completed a slashing project at A149B off of Mowry Road. In addition, they have completed the Minaloosa Block and A308 with the hand crew work. Those areas still need machine work for piling and mastication. The Fuels Crew started with site prep work for this fall's prescribed fire season. Currently, we have the prescribed fire areas prioritized with understory burns scheduled for A353, Ridge to Ridge south of Lovell Valley Road, and Mail Route Road off of King Valley/Desmet Roads. Please be cautious near the above mentioned areas and signs are posted during active operations. Chris Luke's last day was in mid-August to start school, so we wish him well in his academic endeavors. If you have any questions, contact Chuck Simpson - Fuels Specialist - at (208) 686-5030.

Fire Management: Fire season has finally hit the reservation. We have been running on some initial attack fires ranging from one tenth of an acre to thirty acres on our district and supporting the Idaho Department of lands.

The Bunny Hop fire was one half acre just outside of Tensed on Old Tensed road on September 5.

The Stubble fire was thirty acres on Benewah road on September 6.

The Mountain Side fire was one tenth of an acre out by Sanders road on September 9.

The Upper Echo fire was ten acres just outside of St Maries on Cherry Creek road on September 9.

The John Creek fire was 1 acre in the Alder creek drainage on September 9.

So with all of the fires occurring we would like to have everybody use good common sense when out and about in the forested areas and when driving in tall grass.

Besides the fires we have been working on T-145 thinning and pruning our plantation. Fire prevention had staff at the Kootenai County fair working at the Safety Village helping get the fire prevention message out along with other members of the North Idaho Fire Prevention Coop .

One last thing we have changed our work schedule back to Monday thru Friday 730am to 4:00 pm and are no longer working weekends.

Forest Development: The John Point timber stand improvement (TSI) project to suppress white

pine blister rust, improve growing conditions and remove ladder fuels on 291 acres is nearing completion. So far, we have been busy with quality control plots trying to keep up with the 3 crews working on the project. If progress continues at the current rate, the contractor could be done by mid-September. Ten acres of ponderosa pine were thinned on T149B by Forestry and Fuels Management staff. Fire Management is nearly done with TSI work on 37 acres of ponderosa pine plantation in T145 near the south end of Agency Road. A bid proposal was finally received for the mechanical site preparation contract to reduce brush and slash in two seed tree cuts in the Chadalamalqwn Logging Unit. We will be starting survival surveys soon to determine our planting success and to see if any replanting is needed.

Timber Sales: We are currently advertising our next Allotment sale in the Worley area for a September 27 bid opening. This sale, Kopaqhn, is about 2 million board feet. Stop by the forestry office or visit the Tribal website under DNR/Forestry for further information regarding the sale.

The Chsp'a'ahalqwtwn Logging Unit, located in the Eagle Peak area, was sold successfully to Hill Excavating of Bonner's Ferry, Idaho. Bid rates were: DF/WL - \$210/MBF, LP/ES/SAF - \$200/MBF, GF/H/OS - \$200/MBF, WRC - \$373/MBF. Tonwood - \$9.50/Ton. They are currently working through their paperwork in order to start work. The sale is about 3 mmbf and is to be completed by December 31, 2013. Ground operations up at Eagle are expected to start soon.

Upcoming timber sales include the Moses Mountain area. Moses is still being reconned for potential harvest units. After recon is complete the Environmental Assessment is started.

Evans II Road Clearing Project was successfully bid out to Empire L & C and the field work has started. An estimated 6.6 miles are to be cleared out up in the Evans area to better facilitate access for tribal staff and tribal membership.

Moses Mountain Road Clearing Project was successfully bid out to the Sczenski Contracting and the field work has started on the Alder Creek side and is proceeding south. An estimated 16.4 miles are to be cleared on various roads up in the Moses Mountain area.

Cottus Schitsu'umsh – ne' ulchiit'i'ch

By Angelo Vitale, Fisheries Program Manager

Scientists have found and described approximately 1.75 million species on Earth and new species are being discovered every day. If you just consider fish, there are almost too many species in the world to count and there are

The Coeur d'Alene language expression, ne' ulchiit'i'ch, refers to the sunrise, especially as it "pokes (its head) over the horizon, again." In this case it suggests a future event - the return of the language.

still some yet to be discovered; so far over 24,500 species. Far from being completely documented, the natural world continues to be a source of wonder. "It is estimated that well fewer than half the Earth's species have been described and named," says Bruce Beehler, Ph.D., senior research scientist with Conservation International, a research and environmental advocacy group based in Arlington, Va. "These many living species - known and unknown - support the well-being of humankind." The World Wildlife Fund says in a new report that at least 1,068 new species, including 519 plants, 279 fish, 88 frogs, 88 spiders, 46 lizards, 22 snakes, 15 mammals, four birds, four turtles, two salamanders and a toad, were discovered or newly identified from 1997 to 2007. Despite all of these recent discoveries, it is almost second nature to assume that this new frontier in science is being shaped in faraway lands and the most inaccessible corners of the world. Much closer to home, however, a newly described species may have found a name that forever links it to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and the landscape of the Schitsu'umsh.

A story worth telling began to unfold early this summer when the Fisheries Program received an unusual request from Michael Young, a research fisheries scientist with the USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station in Missoula, Montana. Dr. Young and several research associates had recently completed a comprehensive survey of sculpins, a family of small, benthic fishes, in the Upper Columbia and Missouri river basins. After sampling nearly 400 streams to identify sculpin distributions and looking at DNA to assign individuals to particular species, they concluded that a wholesale revision of the classification of

the same information that was once available only at prestigious universities.

The Language Department staff and tribal elders met on June 28, 2012 to review the request and deliberate.

Perhaps, not surprisingly, the elders were able to recollect seeing and hearing about

such a small fish which inhabits fast water and has a characteristic darting motion, even though it was not a part of the traditional subsistence diet. Irene Lowley recalled hearing stories from her paternal grandmother, Schlm'ta'l (nee Julia Ann Sol Louis, widow of chief Andrew Seltice), about a fish that "disappeared into the rocks" and remained hidden at certain times of the year. Also, her brother Herman reportedly felt an electric-like shock when he accidentally grabbed the sharp spines of this fish while fishing with his hands. Felix Aripa was also familiar with this fish and described it being found with 'eltumish (cutthroat trout) in places where the water was clean and pure. In fact, this fish is distributed throughout small, swift streams in the Coeur d'Alene and St. Joe River basins in Idaho, where it tends to be more abundant than any other fish. The history of mine pollution spreading from the Silver Valley, however, may have more recently reduced its distribution. Seemingly, the species has long been confused by various authors with the shorthead sculpin, mottled sculpin, or torrent sculpin. "We identified this species by accident," Dr. Young joked. "Although easily identifiable based on genetic data, it was a bit of an ordeal to find characteristics that would delineate this species from everything else."

With regard to assigning a Tribal name to this original native, the elders discussed the Coeur d'Alene clans who have inhabited these river systems, mountains, lakes, and prairies for eons. They talked for some time specifically about the hnhc'mchinmsh people from the mouth of the St. Joe and St. Maries rivers, and about the sq'wt'utmsh people from the area along the Coeur d'Alene River where the Old Mission was built. Before the large-scale organizations uniting different



the species was warranted. His request to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe was simple, "We gratefully seek your assistance in naming an undescribed species." Field biologists, like Dr. Young and his associates, increasingly are using interesting new tools to identify and catalog new species. Advanced microscopes can now be operated via remote control by scientists thousands of miles away. DNA analysis allows specimens to be precisely identified. And online digital images of plants and animals allow naturalists in developing countries access to

bands of extended families, it was more likely that people referred to themselves as "People of (a place)" and they were very proud of their clan associations. It was decided in the end that it would be most appropriate to give the new sculpin species the general name, the native term for the Coeur d'Alene people, in recognition of the collective peoples and the landscape of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. It is probably a happy historical coincidence that the term schitsu'umsh may actually



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Moose interrupt golfers at CRGC



Family time... This moose gathering features mom, dad and the youngster. Staffer Lois Wittrock snapped the shot as the three were grazing along the seventh hole today at Circling Raven. They did cause some delay among golf course maintenance crews, meandered off as the morning light, and the number of people grew.

Bikes roar into Casino, roar out

*By April Metler
Hotel Sales Manager*

If you heard the roaring on Saturday morning September 15th on Highway 95, it was because of the 125 motorcycle riders making a stop here at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel.

They had a pit stop here and enjoyed homemade chili made by Joseph Barrett, the world chili champion. The casino donated items for the raffle for this event.

The Kootenai County Police and Fire Memorial Foundation

is a privately funded non-profit public charity which provides financial grants for families who experience unforeseen catastrophic circumstances. It was a great pleasure to see so many riders supporting this foundation!

I also want to say "Thank You" to Michael Holt, Security Supervisor and his crew for assisting in escorting them into the casino and out of the casino parking lot. You made me understand that word of "team work"! The pictures come from the security personnel, thank you for sharing.

Cliff SiJohn among Governor's art honorees

*By Shaina Nomee
Cultural Awareness Assistant*

Mr. Cliff SiJohn, Director of Cultural Awareness for the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort, will join a select group of Idahoans over the last 42 years who have been so honored for their significant contributions to the arts in Idaho. Cliff will receive his award from the Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter and First Lady Lori Otter on Thursday September 27th 2012 at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

The Governor's Awards in the Arts was initiated in 1970 by the Idaho Commission on the Arts to stimulate awareness of the arts in the state. Idaho was among the first in the nation to establish such a program. Today, however, nearly all of the states bestow similar awards. Given every two years the

awards recognize and encourage excellence in the arts in Idaho and encourage and support the arts throughout the state. Nominees are Idaho residents, businesses based in Idaho, organizations or communities that have, through creative accomplishments or distinguished service, made a significant contribution to the cultural life of Idaho and to the arts.

Cliff has been employed at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort for 15 years. He was born and raised, and currently resides in Plummer, Idaho with his wife Lori. Mr. SiJohn has worked for regional tribes of the Inland Northwest for 35+ years in the following departments: education, building projects, gaming, and tribal government. Following his service in the United States Army, he served as a police officer in

Tacoma, Washington. Mr. SiJohn is a Coeur d'Alene tribal elder & a member of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Warrior Society.

Cliff has been a long serving member of the Julyamsh Powwow Committee, and initiated the first ever American Indian Art Show & Auction North Idaho in 1997 at the Julyamsh Powwow. He has been a longtime supporter of American Indian Artists, their work, and has given several wonderful opportunities to upcoming artists that are now well known throughout Indian Country. He has worked with several organizations including the Jacklin Arts & Cultural Center, the NW Museum of Arts & Culture, and the Coeur d'Alene Arts & Culture Alliance to increase public awareness of the beauty, traditions, and history of the Coeur d'Alene tribe and the culture of American Indian people.

Casino's Cultural Awareness sessions to resume

By Shaina Nomee

Employees have been expressing a great interest and keep asking the same question, "When are the Cultural Awareness sessions going to start again?" We finally have our 2012-2013 schedule ready to bring to our fellow employees of CCRH. Sessions coming up start in October and will commence in

March 2013.

One week each month, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, a session will be offered from 9-11a.m. in the upstairs conference area. Listed below are the dates and the titles of each session. Keep your eye on upcoming Camp Crier's for more details.

If you have any questions please call Cliff SiJohn, Director of Cultural Awareness, at extension

7276 or this writer at ext. 7408. Lim Lemtsh.

Dates: October 23rd and 25th - Movement of the People, November 13th and 15th Stickgame, December 11th and 13th -Storytelling and Oral History, January 22nd and 24th - Traditional Art, February 12th and 14th Traditional Music, March 12th and 14th - Breaking Winter.

Golfers "scramble" for Che'nshish scholarship

By Shaina Nomee

Golfers and friends of golfers, please don't forget to register your team for the 3rd Annual Che'nshish Golf Scramble at Circling Raven. The scramble is Friday September 28th with a

Shotgun Start at 10 a.m. The cost is \$400 a team and that includes Smokehouse BBQ and a tee prize. Please register your team by calling the Circling Raven Golf Club at 800 523 2464, ext. 7287.

All proceeds from the event

benefit the Che'nshish Scholarship fund for American Indian students and descendants that attend North Idaho College. For more information visit: <http://www.socialgolfnw.com/event/113>

Thank you!

Remodeling of Casino nears completion for the season



Finishing up. Landscaping is the last component of our most recent improvements, shown here near the entrance to the property as crews near completion of the site. We can expect still more visual improvements, but probably not until next spring.

Photo by Bob Bostwick

Busy schedule continues at CRGC

*By Tom Davidson
Director of Golf*

Here are the events we have remaining this season:

Che'nshish - NIC Scholarship Scramble; September 28th.

Back Tee Scramble; October 8th

Golf for the Cure - Breast Cancer Awareness fundraiser; October 22nd, Closing Day. We

will be hosting a cancer research fundraiser on our last day of the year, October 22nd, with 10:00 am shotgun start. The fee will be \$80 per player and include Golf, Box Lunch, Tee Prize, and \$20 per person will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. There will also be Hole Contests with chances to win some very cool items donated by some of our vendors.

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Andrad: we must all stand together

H! My name is Leona Andrad, or as some of you all know me as Mickie. I grew up here on the Rez. I remember going to the clinic on top of the mountain. The old agency being seen by Doctor Wooten, or even going over to the old clinic in Fairfield doctors Thiel & Thiel. Well, we can't bring back the old days or the most recent ones like Dr. Mary Baranaga or Dr. James Mullen, no relation but I called him uncle out of respect. Especially when he took care of my Dad – Charles Mullen – still no relation.

Well, we must all come together

on this as one family.

This includes everyone – if you ever been seen by our new doctors – and was told you will be cut off your pain medicine or cut down or told, you could not get your pain meds if you don't Do Physical Therapy. Call me- Please write down everything and we will take this to our beloved Tribal Council. Please do not punish all just because there's those that Abuse it. Not all do.

*Thank you,
Leona Andrad
Please call me 208.651.8095*

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome preventable

Fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS) is a common, yet preventable condition that results from prenatal alcohol exposure. The impairments that are part of fetal alcohol syndrome are irreversible and can include serious physical, mental, and behavioral problems with possible life-long implications. The severity of the impairments varies, with some individuals experiencing them to a far greater degree than others. As many as 40,000 babies are born with some type of alcohol-related impairment each year in the United States.

FAS is not a single birth defect; it is a cluster of related problems, the most severe of a group of consequences of prenatal alcohol exposure. Collectively, the range of disorders is known as fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). Signs of FAS may include distinctive facial features; heart, kidney, and bone defects; slow physical growth before and after birth; vision and/or hearing difficulties; small head circumference and brain size; poor coordination; sleep problems; intellectual impairments' delayed development' and learning disorders. Behavioral issues associated with FAS include short attention span; hyperactivity; extreme nervousness and anxiety; and poor impulse control, reasoning, and judgment skills.

The following is a quick overview of some of the job accommodations that might be useful for people with FAS. For accommodations related to hearing and vision limitations that may be present alongside FAS, please see those JAN publications on our A-Z of Disabilities page at <http://AskJAN.org/media/atoz.htm>. To discuss an accommodation situation in more detail with a consultant, contact JAN directly.

The Healing Tree

**LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
THRU THE ARTS -TRADITIONAL ARTS**



Time: 06:30
Date: Tuesdays

Life skills thru the ARTS

1. Canning i.e.-Jam Sept
2. Gathering for weaving baskets/items Oct
3. Regalia (to be announced) Nov
4. Beading - Jan
5. Cooking- Feb
6. Language Mar- Apr-May
7. Gathering - May-June
8. Planting - June-July

Others class drying Salmon, Moss, others possible Ask if you don't see what you want.

Each class will be for a month in development and completion. Participation is voluntary.

12 mos program (some classes may take longer than others to completion)

You may participate in all or part, if not enrolled you may provide your own supplies or ask for a kit

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that is everything.”

Looking at team building with his staff the new principle is focused on offering them the support and training needed to assist the children properly. Providing the staff with the tools to help the students with whatever may be going on in their lives, giving all of the students a positive environment for their days away from home.

“At this level I have never worked

with a bad child, I mean really a naughty kid, they are not. Maybe for whatever is going on in their life or what adverse situations or maybe at the time they are making some bad decisions, or they need additional attention, or maybe they just need some additional TLC, I will never get upset or mad at a child. In fact I always say to them, I care about you, maybe I don't like the choice you made, maybe the choice you made is not ok and we need to work on that but I think you as a person, you

Native American Financial Advice: The long and short of it

Welcome to Ask Dr. Per Cap, a financial advice column to help you travel on the winding roads toward financial independence. I will draw upon my experiences – some good, some bad! – to help you learn skills, tricks and strategies to take control of your financial future. And if we succeed, well, hopefully you won't make the same mistakes I did because you'll know better.

I've had a handful of great teachers in my life, and not all were school teachers. I met one of my best when I was 19 – Pete, the boyfriend of my older sister. Pete taught me many valuable lessons, but perhaps the most important was his unique view of the world that he called the long line and the short line.

“Some people see colors. I see lines.” This was Pete's reply when I once told him I was tired of always struggling to make my monthly rent and asked how was it that he never seemed to worry about money.

“At first glance, I don't notice a person's race or skin color. I also don't pay attention to what type of job they have, whether they have a college degree, or the car they drive. I could care less about any of that stuff,” Pete continued. “What I see instead are two types of people standing in two different lines. The first line is dreadfully long. It stretches for miles,

twisting and turning, packed with people. For whatever reason, most people are standing in this line and many are frustrated, unfulfilled, or bored because they are stuck waiting. They're waiting for a paycheck, waiting for a job interview, waiting for a break, or just waiting for a change. You name it and they're waiting for it. This long line barely moves because of all the people, many of whom will never get what they're waiting for or, if so, not for a very, very long time.

“But the other line I see is much shorter and without so many people. It moves quickly with a lot fewer hassles and delays. The people are more relaxed and at ease than the long liners. They're smiling and in good moods, and some are even laughing. It's almost as if they are breezing through life. The reason is that these people know how to manage their money better than the people in the long line. They also have a knack for getting around hurdles and avoiding setbacks. Some are born with this knowledge; others develop it over time. But whatever their backgrounds, short liners have the ability to overcome financial challenges. And whether it's getting a good deal on a car, handling an insurance claim, paying off a loan, or even starting a business, these folks have figured out how to come out on

top financially.”

So let me ask you the same question Pete asked me that day: Which line are you in? If you're like I was, you're probably waiting in the long line. If so, don't feel discouraged because my goal is to get you into that short line. It doesn't matter how much money you have at this moment, what your credit score is, what kind of job you have, or how old you are. It doesn't matter, because more than anything else, getting ahead financially is about creating an attitude, a mindset that allows you to see opportunities when others see obstacles. I haven't always been in the short line, but I changed my attitude and learned some skills to get out of the long line, and so can you. In the coming months I'll answer your questions on a wide range of financial topics and related issues that I think will make you look at the world in a whole new way and get you started on the path to financial wellness.

So ask yourself: Are you ready for the short line?

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Stanley: Cash is the fuel for all businesses

Cash to a business is like fuel to a car. A car without fuel will not run; a business without cash cannot pay employees and workers stop showing up, vendors that stop receiving payment for goods and services discontinue the supply, unpaid taxes are followed by warrants and monetary penalties –enlarging the amount due. Cash fuels a business's activities making cash flow essential.

There are a number of things to remember to help keep enough cash in a business which will increase the probability of success –also reducing a lot of stress and pain for the owner.

If it is unclear how many dollars a business can afford to distribute to the owner, keep the money in the business until the amount is known. This means resist the urge to buy more

things or distribute cash from the business's operating account to the owner's personal account – not as simple as it sounds when cash piles up during certain points in the business cycle.

Keep good financials. Over time the financials will tell a story. This story will provide a platform for making good decisions. Good decisions are likely to be followed by more net income and positive feelings associated with success. Bad decisions include pain and stress for the company.

If a business's plan is to grow sales it is likely the cash needs of a business will also increase. If a business owner plans to grow

sales by 30% and inventory is a component of the business model, the cash needed to purchase inventory is also likely to grow by 30% -this number should be simple to quantify. If a business model instead relies on transactional sales, employees like support staff and/or sales people are likely to increase.

Cash is fuel for a business.

Jim Stanley freely shares his knowledge and is a tribal member of the Quinault Nation, board member of the Northwest Native American Chamber, and Treasurer of the Tribal C-Store Summit. To contact Jim for comments, go to JimStanley.biz.

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originate in the region of the sculpin's habitat.

The process of recognizing a new species is complex and involves publishing a paper that names the fish, describing how it differs from all other species, and discussing what is known of the range and ecology of the new species. A scientific paper is being finalized to submit for publication at the time of this writing. If all goes well during this review process, a new species designation will be recognized and published, officially adding the Coeur d'Alene to the Latin classification in renaming *Cottus schitsuumsh*. A common name will also be

chosen by the scientists publishing this work. It is exciting to think about a time in the future when all the text books issued to students studying fisheries science will include this species name and description. We couldn't be happier to cement a Coeur d'Alene language name to a fish that will hereafter be known officially, among all scientists, as co-inhabitant with the Schitsu'umsh, the Coeur d'Alene people.

Native Pride: *Cottus schitsuumsh* *The Coeur d'Alene sculpin, Cottus schitsuumsh, newly named after the Coeur d'Alene People and the landscape of the Schitsu'umsh, may become one of the latest additions to the growing list of new species*

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