

Coeur d'Alene Tribe - Council Fires -

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Highway 95 through Worley to undergo major facelift during summer months



An artist's rendering shows what the highway 95 construction project through Worley will look like once it's been completed.

Construction on US Highway 95 running through Worley has begun.

The \$6 million project, funded by the Federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program, will complete a 15-year, 190 million dollar re-

alignment and reconstruction effort to upgrade 28 miles of US 95 that was a narrow and winding road with virtually no shoulders, to a highway meeting current design and safety standards that is easier to operate and maintain.

This project will specifically

address the remaining highway deficiencies that exist on U.S. 95 through the City of Worley, Idaho, related to the large volume of heavy weight trucks, non-existent shoulders, channelization, bicycle and pedestrian provisions, intersection illumination,

storm water runoff control, and accommodation for the hourly rural public transit service currently provided to the community

Senior ITD planner Don Davis said the project has requested funding for 5 years from the state and was finally approved for this year.

The original intent of the Idaho Transportation Board was to construct the Worley to Setters project on a 6.8 mile stretch of U.S. 95 which included the highway through the city of Worley. As right of way was being acquired in 2006, the owner of a Coeur d'Alene Tribe allotment parcel at the west city limit of Worley refused the state's fair market value offer. Without the owner's right of way parcel the project would be delayed putting the use of available GARVEE funding in jeopardy. The decision was made to change the Worley to Setters project into two projects: Worley North, Stage 1 starting

at the north edge of the subject owner's property and continuing for 4.1 miles and Worley North, Stage 2 through the city of Worley and through the subject allotment parcel.

The Worley North, Stage 2 project was a high priority for the Idaho Transportation Board. However, without extending the State's bonding authority for more GARVEE funds, and with insufficient federal formula funds or state funds to apply to anything beyond operations, preservation or restoration projects, TIGER funds would be one of the few federal funding opportunities available to use on the project. If TIGER funding was not made available to this project it would most likely be seven to ten years before federal formula or state funds could be applied to Worley North, Stage 2.

The project is expected to be completed by October 31, 2015.

**Coeur d'Alene
Tribal Council Elections
will be held on
May 2, 2015 from 8am - 8pm
at the Tribal Headquarters
in Plummer, ID**

Candidate information can be found inside
this issue on pages 6-7

Paulette Jordan to serve as NIGA Secretary of Executive Board



Paulette Jordan is a member of the Idaho House of Representatives. Ms. Jordan is a native and life-long resident of Idaho, as well as an enrolled member of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, who has been involved in local politics and community activism for years. She has served three years as a member of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council.

Ms. Jordan, who holds three degrees from the University of

Washington, and a Certificate of Study in Conflict Resolutions and Strategic Negotiations from The Washington Center in Washington D.C., is a strong voice and advocate of issues that matter most to the local community. David Bean, Tribal Councilmember for the Puyallup Tribe of Indians read a letter on behalf of Ms. Jordan, in part:

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Historical letter: Indian leader explains how his change of heart came about

The Coeur d'Alene Tepee, published at DeSmet, Idaho, headquarters of the Sacred Heart Mission, is devoted to Indian culture and contains much interesting information about the Coeur d'Alene reservation and the people residing there, Paschal George writes what is virtually his life history. It is reprinted herewith, almost in full.

By Paschal George Assistant Chief of the Coeur d'Alenes

I was born at Garden Springs in the west end of Spokane in 1888. As near as I can find out I was born during the summer, about July. The question of my birth arose when I applied for a driver's license some years back.

Not knowing the exact date of my birth, the official in charge wrote it down as July 4, 1888. As being one of the only true Americans, I was satisfied with Independence day as the day I was born.

My grandfather from my father's side was called Whistellis-chan, or Walking Horn, in English. He had a small homestead at what is now known as Garden Springs, called by the Indians Pok-pok-coe-ose, meaning, Boulders-Lying-on-Bluffs. He was a member of the small tribe living on what is now called Hangman creek, just below Garden Springs. This part of the creek is called by the Indians, Sin-ta-ta-ol'ie. The Indians living in and around there were named after this creek, and called Sin-ta-ta-ol'ie, or, if now, Hangman Creek Indians.

Every band of Indians around what is now known as the Inland Empire was named after the place where they lived. I cannot at the present explain the names of the different bands of Spokane Indians. As far as I know, they were divided into four different bands and each of these bands had different names.

The Sin-ta-ta-ol'ie Indians were friendly little tribe to all their neighboring tribes living around the Inland Empire and also with the Flatheads away over in Montana.

Two weeks after I was born, my father was killed at Garden Springs. He was stabbed to death in a drunken brawl. Grandfather Whis-tells-chan died shortly afterward from grief over his only son.

It was told to me that grandfather stood over the dead body of my father and without the least quiver of emotion spoke these words: "My son, here you lie dead at my feet. What have I repeatedly told you? That, if you keep on drinking the white man's poisoned water, it would cut your life short. You have disobeyed me. Now you are dead. I have no hard feelings against the one that killed you, but I do have against what caused it."

They say he turned around and walked a few steps and stopped and in a loud voice gave vent to his sorrow.

After my father's death, mother left Spokane and went back to live near old Fort Spokane. She stayed there two or three years, then left for the Coeur d'Alene reservation over in Idaho, leaving me with my aunt near what is now known as Ford, Wash.

I was about 4 or 5 when my

sister, with her husband, came after me from my aunt's place on the Spokane reservation. They brought me to the DeSmet mission, where my mother and stepfather were living.

That same year, in January, my stepfather Sebastian, or called by the Indians, Quil-il-lackin, meaning Sunshine-on-the-Arm, brought me up to the church and had me baptized by Father Cocchi, S.J., in 1893.

From the doubting apostle's name, my name was changed to Paschal. My stepfather was stuck on the name of Paschal, so without my consent I was baptized and my name changed. I wouldn't care so much if the old fool would have my name as it was, for I have a great liking for the doubting Thomas. At that I think St. Thomas and St. Paschal have a little argument in heaven once in a while over who should be my patron saint.

My stepfather was the nearest of having any chief's aristocratic blood, for he was a first cousin of old Chief Vincent anyway, he was the one sent by Father Joseph Joset and Chief Vincent to deliver the message to Colonel Wright that the Coeur d'Alenes wanted to make peace at the Cataldo mission.

I was shoved into school at the DeSmet mission the same year I was baptized. I was too young to remember my first school days. In later years Father George De la Motte, S.J., told me that he was the superior when I was put in school and that I had long braids when I entered, and that the Jesuit fathers did not cut off my braids till about two years afterwards and that I served benediction with long hair combed away below my shoulders. I sure must have looked like a little girl.

I stayed at the mission school until about 1901 or 1902. Then I left school because I was too smart, or at least I thought I was. I was in school about three years when Chief Andrew Seltice had me adopted into the Coeur d'Alene tribe, so I became a Coeur d'Alene by request and not by my consent.

I was sent by the government to the Chemawa Indian school (near Salem Ore.) in the late fall of 1904 with our present chief, Joseph Seltice.

If I was told then that he would

be our future chief, I would have the person telling me understand that I thought that he was "nuts", as they didn't know Joe like I did.

When we first went to Chemawa, it was with the understanding that we could come home during vacation time, Seltice got permission to come home. After he left, I felt lost, so I asked to come home but was turned down. I left Chemawa on the quiet.

When school started that same fall, I was there jolly on the spot, not losing a day, but that did not prevent me from reimbursing the government some three or four dollars for telephone expenses in their trying to head me off on my way home. There was a \$25 reward but I didn't have to pay this as no one claimed the reward. I stayed in Chemawa from 1904 to late fall of 1908.

In the same fall of 1908, I was appointed interpreter for the Coeur d'Alene agency, then stationed at Tekoa, Wash.

I worked on this job until 1911 when I was married by Father Joseph Mary Caruana, S.J., to Miss Mary Susan Gregory of the Coeur d'Alene reservation. From this marriage, we have two sons living.

My two sons have aristocratic blood of chiefs, from the late Peter Moctelme to away back of Chief Sitting Bull of the Coeur d'Alenes, for my wife is a direct descendant of Bull Sitting Down who is her grandfather, she is always throwing up her aristocratic heritage to belittle me. I worked for the government for over 20 years off and on.

I forgot to state that my grandfather from my mother's side was a great hunter. He hunted the hills from Tekoa mountain clear to where our Indian agency is now. They say he was over 6 feet tall and wore a ling stovepipe hat, given to him from someone in Spokane. He was called Che-loupa-kan, or Raven Head.

I inherited this name. Some of the older Indians call me by this name. I do not know whether he was a Catholic, but his wife Susan (Hen-quem-quem-gin or Beautiful Talker), my grandmother and her two daughters, my mother and aunt were Catholics from childhood. Their brother, (Whis-tee-gh or Walking Robe), my uncle was

not a Catholic.

Let me state some facts about myself. Before coming to the Coeur d'Alene reservation, I was a Presbyterian in faith. My name was Thomas, called by the Spokane Indians, Tommy. To this day, a few of the old-timers still call me by this name.

I had two sisters, the oldest Mattie, came a year after I did to this reservation. She was baptized in 1894. Her name was changed to Mary Agatha. A year or so after, she married Morris Antelope. My sister that came two years before I did was called Lucy and after she was baptized, she was called Christine.

It may seem queer to you that mother and auntie were Catholics and us children Presbyterians.

Well, our father's name was Amos George. He was also a Presbyterian. He had promised mother that he would become a Catholic in the fall of the same year he was killed. He intended to leave Spokane and settle on this reservation.

First, I was a Spokane, then changed into a Coeur d'Alene. Second, I was a Presbyterian; then changed into a Catholic. Third, my name was Thomas; then changed to Paschal. Fourth, I lived on the Spokane reservation; then I was moved to this one.

Let me say, as you all know, that I was no angel in the past—in fact, far from being one. I had my faults and plenty of them.

I kept the government officials on the jump, but I was always one jump ahead. I was a sharp thorn pricking them all the time. The more I hurt them, the better I enjoyed it. In fact I had no use for any of them.

There was one thing I always kept in mind and that was to be honest to the older people. I was always fair and honest to them in all my interpreting and dealings with them.

For this, most of the older ones respect me. They gave me plenty of good advice, with sound logic facts, but I threw them to the four winds.

Almost four years ago, I awoke to the real facts and found out that I was the biggest darn fool walking on two legs. Right there and then I made a right about face. I made a resolution that from there onward, I was going to help my people, the Coeur d'Alenes, in everything that may bring honest and useful achievement in their future progress. I have stuck to this resolution ever since.

About two years ago, I was elected by my people as temporary tribal councilman. From there on, you, my people, know the rest of my story. As for myself, I am not going to change from this new road I have chosen. I am going on, onward and onward, in giving you what little I have in me for you.

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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.

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 deadline for submissions will stand at the 20th of every month or the previous business day

Please have any and all items you wish to see in the next issue to our office by this time.

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"I am humbled to be asked by our leadership to serve in this capacity. I love our people and the vision our leaders have laid before us. It is truly my honor and privilege to uphold this vision for our youth, our veterans, our communities and our sovereignty for the benefit of each and every one—including the generations yet to come."

~ Chairman's Corner ~

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The Idaho Legislative session is over, but the issue of Instant Racing isn't closed yet. At the end of the Legislative Session last month, the House and Senate had both passed our bill banning Instant Racing with more than two-thirds majority in each chamber and the bill was delivered to the Governor's desk for the final step in the process. Governor Otter had a choice to make as he does with each bill that passes the legislative process – he could have signed the bill into law, he could have done nothing and allowed the bill to become law without his signature, or he could've chosen to veto the bill within 5 days.

Unfortunately, the Governor chose to ignore Idaho's Constitution, and he chose to ignore his constituents and

veto the bill. Under normal circumstances, this would've been the death knell for the bill until the next legislative session next year. But this time, it appears that the Governor did not follow the appropriate procedures under the laws for a veto and he waited to return the vetoed bill to the Legislature after the 5 day deadline.

However, this issue is far from over. Because the Governor violated the statues dealing with the veto process, we believe the veto is unconstitutional and invalid and that the ban on instant racing will be the law of the land. However, this is an issue that will need to be decided by the courts. Our Tribal Council is reviewing the law and considering our options and we will continue to push this issue through the

proper channels to ensure the laws of the State are upheld. The record clearly shows that the Governor didn't issue the veto on time and at the end of the day, we are confident that we will prevail and that the law will be upheld.

On a different note, May means its election time on the reservation again. Our Tribal Council Elections are May 2. Beyond Instant Racing, we have a lot of important issues that are facing our Tribe right now. We have 3 Council positions up for election and we have a lot of good people who are ready to serve their Tribe and have put themselves forward to run for election. Everyone running for Council has enthusiasm, optimism and hope for the future of our Tribe and I commend all of the



candidates who are running.

Voting is the best way to make sure we aren't left out or that we aren't left behind. So make sure you get out and vote for the people who you want to represent our Tribe for the next three years – it's your duty!

In the meantime, enjoy the springtime and the end of the school year!

Chief Allan

MAY - 2015

SUNDAY <i>st(eti'wes</i>	MONDAY <i>chdi'k'w</i>	TUESDAY <i>asasq'it</i>	WEDNESDAY <i>cha'lasq'it</i>	THURSDAY <i>mosq'it</i>	FRIDAY <i>tse'lchsq'it</i>	SATURDAY <i>chli'i'</i>
					1 LES: pride assembly @ 9:00 am	2 CdA Tribal Council ELECTION DAY
3	4	5 LES: Water Awareness field trip - 6th grade	6 LES: Water Awareness field trip - 4/5th grade	7	8	9 BMC: Childbirth classes at BMC classroom 9:00 am - Noon
10 <i>Mother's Day</i>	11	12	13 Fatherhood/ Motherhood is sacred class @ Wellness Center 9am - 3:30 pm	14 Success Center: Spring Showcase Family Night 5-7 pm	15 LES: class picture day	16
17	18	19	20 Fatherhood/ Motherhood is sacred class @ Wellness Center 9am - 3:30 pm	21 BMC: Mediterranean cooking Demo Community Health Kitchen 12-2pm & 4-6pm	22 LES: Wonderful Wizard of Oz Opera @ 9:30 am	23
24	25 CDA HQ CLOSED <i>Memorial Day</i>	26	27 Fatherhood/ Motherhood is sacred class @ Wellness Center 9am - 3:30 pm	28 BMC: Having a personal Summer 12:00 -2:00 pm	29	30
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~ Community Announcements ~

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Concessions opportunity arises again for Tribal members

Here's an opportunity for you to run the food concession stand at the CDA Casino inside the event center during the Stick Game Tournaments held at the CDA Casino 3x's a year. Our next tournament is on July 24, 25, 26, 2015.

Here are the guidelines in order to be considered to run the food stand at the CDA Casino during the mentioned events only. We strongly encourage OUR Tribal Membership to submit a letter for this opportunity.

Concessions- Stick game concessions will be available to CDA Tribal Members only. Individuals wanting to run the

stick game concessions will have to submit a letter and a menu to the Stick Game Committee at least one month prior of the tournament. The next deadline for the July Tournament to submit your letter will be no later than June 30th, 2015.

At least one person working in stand must have a food handler's card. You can contact a Mr. James Helmstetter @ 208-686-6412 or by email address jhelmstetter@cdatrIBE-nSN.gov to apply for a food card.

The concession stand will be required to be open at a minimum, of the following times and days:

Friday- 4pm-3am - Saturday- 9am-3am (varies on opening time due to our feed this day) - Sunday- 9am-4pm.

The Stick Game Committee will meet and check over all the submitted letters and make the decision of who is awarded the concession stand. The committee will then notify all who submitted a letter of the decision made by the Committee.

Please submit your letters to the following address: Stick Game Committee Chairperson / CDA Casino - Attn: Stickgame - P.O. Box 236 - Worley, Idaho. 83876 - Office: 208-769-2644.

Fireworks applications for 2015 can be picked up beginning May 4, 2015 from Jess Arthur at Tribal Headquarters.

All applications are due on May 18, 2015 by 4:30 pm.

NOTICE OF HEARING

In the Tribal Court of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe of Indians on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation. In the matter of the application of Treva Marie Callahan for name change. Such petition will be heard at such time as the court may appoint, and objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name. Dated 20th day of April 2015.

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

In re: Coeur d'Alene Tribe No. CV-CS-2014-0284 Catherine M. Crape, Petitioner, ODER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION and Titan J. Smith Respondent, TCSP 14-094/tl.

You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed against you in the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court, 1115 B Street, Plummer, Idaho, by the above-named Petitioner, and you are hereby summoned to appear within twenty (20) days after the date of first publication of this Summons, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and to file a written Answer or written Motion in defense of the said Petition; and that unless you do so with the time herein specified, the Petitioner may take Judgment against you as prayed for in the Petition.

You are further notified that the nature of the claim against you is: Petition for Recognition of Foreign Judgment, praying for the recognition of a foreign child support order, and designation of the child's entitlements, for the child born April 17, 2012.

Titan J. Smith shall appear in person before this court at the place and time below, which allows for the 20/60 day response period (pursuant to Coeur d'Alene Tribal Code § 9-5.09.03) and show cause why the relief requested in the motion should not be granted.

Date: Tuesday, July 14th, 2015 Time: 1:00p.m. Place: Coeur d'Alene Tribal Justice Center, 1115 B Street, Plummer, Idaho 83851

Your failure to appear as set forth at the time, date and place thereof may cause the Tribal Court to issue a bench warrant for your apprehension and confinement in jail until such time as the matter can be heard, unless bail is furnished as proved in such bench warrant. (CDA Tribal Code §9-7.12.06).

If you fail to appear in person and defend at these proceedings the Tribal Court may grant all of the relief requested and/or issue a bench warrant for your arrest without further notice to you.

If imprisonment is requested in the motion and you cannot afford an attorney, you may request the court to appoint an attorney to represent you.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2015

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

In re: Coeur d'Alene Tribe No. CV-CS-2014-0319 Veronica O. Biaggi, Petitioner, ODER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION and Kyle J. Davis-Smith, Respondent, TCSP 14-0385/tc.

You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed against you in the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court, 1115 B Street, Plummer, Idaho, by the above-named Petitioner, and you are hereby summoned to appear within twenty (20) days after the date of first publication of this Summons, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and to file a written Answer or written Motion in defense of the said Petition; and that unless you do so within the time herein specified, the Petitioner may take Judgment against you as prayed for in the Petition.

You are further notified that the nature of the claim against you is: Petition for Recognition of Foreign Judgment, praying for the recognition of a foreign child support order, entered in Kootenai County, Idaho, for the children born September 16, 2011, and August 13, 2013.

Shall appear in person before this court at the place and time below, which allows for the 20/60 day response period (pursuant to Coeur d'Alene Tribal Code § 9-5.09.03) and show cause why the relief requested in the motion should not be granted.

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Dated this 8th day of April, 2015.

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May 8, 9, and 10, 2015

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2 brackets a Women's brackets and a Men's bracket the winners of each bracket will meet to have a 'BATTLE OF THE SEXES!'

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For more information contact: Joe Matt 1-208-215-6860 or at jmatt@cdacASINO.com or Philip 1-208-660-5091 or Charley 1-208-987-0366 or Stacy 1-208-661-9286

Saturday Battle of the Sexes Stick Game Tournament Registration opens at noon and closes at 4p.m.



Benewah Medical Center update: new services to be offered in coming months

Our 25th Anniversary celebration on June 5th is now right around the corner and you don't want to miss it! BMWC will be closed that day and the Wellness Center closes at 11am. An open house at the Medical Center will be from 9-11am, opening ceremony at the Wellness Center at 1pm, pow-wow from 2-5pm and dinner 5-6:30pm. All events are open to the public and we hope to see a strong turnout of family and friends to celebrate one of the most memorable Coeur d'Alene tribal accomplishments! Please save the date!!

One of the redeeming values BMWC is noted for is progressiveness, that resilient motivation to continually focus on the patient/client/member experience by upholding the highest standards of care and the constant pursuit to bring additional health care services to the Rez. BMWC does not focus on roadblocks; rather it has a 'can do' attitude that eliminates barriers to make good things happen.

With the above in mind, we are introducing two new services over the next few

months. The first is what we refer to as 'Behavioral Health Integration', a cutting edge model of health care delivery that has proven to significantly impact the health of a community, modeled after the Cherokee Health System in Knoxville, Tennessee who has successfully integrated this model for 17 years. BMWC received a two year grant to learn, launch and implement this model. The heart of this model is the placement of a trained 'Health Coach' as part of the medical team that very briefly (10-12 minutes) connects with patients to assist with meeting health care targets/wellness goals, which are small incremental changes that patient's choose as part of their overall health care plan. These brief interventions have resulted in improved patient coordination of care one step at a time and have achieved healthier outcomes for a variety of diagnoses such as chronic medical conditions, stress, weight management and depression. It's important to note this model does not replace traditional counseling services which will continue

to be available. There is much more to this that will unfold over time and we will keep you informed as we move ahead.

The second service that's coming to BMWC is the outpatient specialty of nephrology. Nephrologists treat kidney disease and assist with the management of chronic diseases similar to an Internal Medicine physician. We are excited to add this service to our medical capabilities and will serve as a much needed link to the development of a potential dialysis center proposed in Phase V. The plan is to begin this service in May/June.

Technology advances has provided us a wonderful opportunity to communicate with patients we could not have imagined even ten years ago. Please note that BMWC has an impressive new technology feature titled the 'NextMD Patient Portal'. This technology has online access to help coordinate your care. The Patient Portal allows you to log into a secure website provided to us by our electronic medical records system, NextGen. Through the

Portal you can request your records for viewing or printing, send communications to your Provider team, and can even request appointments for the Medical Clinic. Our plan is to add the Dental department so you can request appointments in Dental as well. There are many other features within the portal that we plan to offer in the future. The Patient Portal does require you to have an email address to get signed up, but no information is shared through your email. Messages you receive in your email will tell you to visit the NextMD website where you can log into your Portal to view messages. You can visit the Portal website at www.nextmd.com, most browsers like Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, and Google Chrome work with the Portal website. You will need Adobe Reader which is a free program to view certain items like letters, or lab documents that are sent to you through the Portal. Please call First Impressions or speak with your medical Provider's team at your next appointment to get signed up!

Please make note of the

following upcoming events:

May 9: Childbirth Class, BMC classrooms from 9-Noon; a light snack provided

May 21: Mediterranean Cooking Demo, Community Health Kitchen, 12-2pm and 4-6pm

May 28: HAVING A PERSONAL SUMMER: Understanding Menopause & Women's Health; BMC classrooms from 12-2, a light snack provided; June Griffin, FNP will be the guest speaker

As a reminder, BMWC has an informative "Medical Advice Hour" on KWIS Radio called Uchqhes Live! meaning "We are Well". Please join a different provider or guest from noon until 1pm every Friday on 88.3 discussing various health topics and answering questions from our listeners. Please send your questions to us at uchqhes@gmail.com or visit us on Facebook page Uchqhes.

Please contact us if we can answer any questions about our services or programs we provide at BMWC.

Gary Leva, CEO

Social Services department offers aid to prevent abuse

April was Child Abuse and Sexual Abuse awareness month. So many things have been happening around the community and I would like to commend all those awesome employees at our Tribal Early Childhood Learning Center for their amazing activities and the tremendous job they do educating and caring for our children in ways that even most parents don't know and understand.

The Indian Child Welfare Child Protection department at Tribal Social Services has their own way of helping and supporting children and families. Because of a Grant to Tribal Social Services there has been a move in the direction of providing better interventions and services to families. There has been structure, direction and education provided to the Child Protection Team in support of all agencies involved to collaborate and communicates to provide oversight, technical assistance and service provision to the Indian Child Welfare department.

Among the many services

that have been coordinated and connected with resources for, include assessments, therapy and educational support for children that are in ICW care. The direction is going to be to provide a full wrap-around system of care for these children in hope that the issues these children deal with can be helped and support as the families come back together.

Positive Indian Parenting classes have started; there have been two Sexual Abuse awareness presentations at the Wellness center and the Tribal School. The training will be provided to the community to any department or agency as requested in the future.

A Sexual Awareness T-shirt making activity was conducted on April 11, 2015 at the Wellness Center to take part in the Clothesline Project in Coeur d'Alene on April 25, 2015. Anyone still interested in making a t-shirt can still take part.

The Indian Child Welfare department is planning a collaboration workshop with the support of the Idaho Department of Health and

Welfare on June 2, 2015 at the Coeur d'Alene Casino in an attempt to bring together service providers and professionals together to provide more services to the children and families. The workshop will also make available educational training on Trauma informed Care, abuse/neglect information and a collaboration information presentation on how to collaborate services in the community for Drug Endangered Children.

The ICW department is moving in the direction of connecting children and families to the necessary resources that will give them what they need to bring their families back together in a healthier manner to be more successful in their future.

If anyone is interested in learning more about the program or connection to available resources feel free to contact the Indian Child Welfare department at Coeur d'Alene Tribal Social Services. Sharon Randle, Manager 208-686-2071 or Frances Coffey, Family Education Outreach Coordinator 208-686-0675.

Pow-wow swinsh

~Dancers and Non-dancers welcome~

Exercise classes will focus on Men & Women dance categories!
Will include category specific workout prescriptions and aerobic exercises!
Conducted with Pow-wow music to help get in Pow-wow shape!

Date: Beginning Monday May 4th

Classes will be held every Monday & Tuesday

Time: 5:00 pm

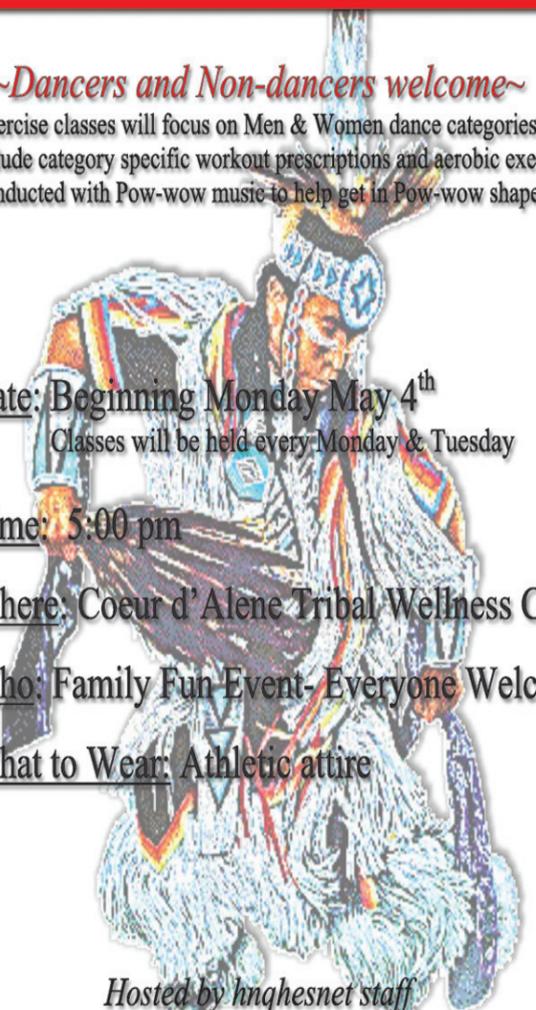
Where: Coeur d'Alene Tribal Wellness Center

Who: Family Fun Event- Everyone Welcome

What to Wear: Athletic attire

Hosted by hmqhesnet staff

Questions? (208) 686-9355 ext 281 or ext 207





2015 Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council

INCUMBENTS



First and foremost, thank you for the honor and privilege of letting me represent you these past twelve years. I have had the greatest job in the world

representing you – the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. Every spring it is our duty to elect our leaders who will represent us for the next three years and this year we have a list

of great candidates. It has been truly a blessing and as this fourth term comes to a close, I still feel strongly about serving my Tribe and the people, and I ask for your support for another term.

I have learned and observed many things on my journey so far. Growing up on the reservation, I learned about simple blessings, like getting together with family and friends, and being grateful for the beautiful land we call our reservation. I also learned about hardships like the reality of substance abuse and poverty. In college, I learned the value of an education and in meeting people of all shapes and backgrounds. Working for my Tribe, I have learned that as individuals, we struggle. But when we come together watch out – we accomplish many things and at the end of the day we have the right to determine our future.

My focus has always been and will always be unity in our membership as a whole. We must stick together because our

enemies will always try to bring us down. Our past Tribal leaders and people fought too hard to keep us strong and we cannot let that fall apart not now and not never. More work and sacrifice still remains ahead for us so that all our members and families can win the struggles they face. I see that we are a very diverse people; we have many different last names, different traditional ways and skills. But we all have the same blood that runs through our veins as Coeur d'Alene Tribal people, and we have a shared vision to see our Tribe persevere.

The will of our people will always be to not settle for less, to strive for solutions and change. I feel grateful and blessed to be a part of it – the good and not so good, because I have learned so much. But above all else, I am grateful to be a part of our will to govern ourselves and decide our own destiny, instead of it being in the hands of others who don't know our ways, our culture and our needs. That is a blessing given

to us by the Creator that can't be taken away by anyone.

We are a blessed people. I believe that God has shined his light on us and given us the tools we need to succeed. If you look around to other reservations around the country, you will see that we are fortunate – we have preserved much of our land, culture, sense of family and identity. When we look back, we have much to be proud of, and when we look ahead, we have much work to do so that our children can be just as proud.

As before, I don't make promises on this issue or that issue instead, I promise to continue to love my Tribe, to work hard, and give the best that I am able to give.

I thank you and again ask for your support and vote on May 2nd. I look forward to serving you, God-willing, day-in, day-out for another three years.

God Bless,

Chief Allan

To begin, I would respectfully ask for your support on Saturday May 2, 2015. This is the third time I have served on the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council. I first served from 2002-2008, and 2013 to present, including 2 years as secretary treasurer of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe.

My participation in regional and national Indian organizations has made me familiar with all levels of government. I serve as the tribal delegate to the Northwest Indian Health Board; Alternate Board of Director for the Healing Lodge of the seven Nations, and chairperson of the Coeur d'Alene Housing Board. I pride myself as an outspoken advocate focusing my energies on health care and environmental issues, fair housing, child protection, and tribal sovereignty.

At this time I am director of managed care for the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, serving as the Purchased and Referred Care Manager (formally Contract

Health). Benewah Medical Center has been my employer for the past eighteen years. In 1991, the Benewah Medical Center opened its doors; our clinic is a nationally recognized health care facility that serves nearly 7,000 people annually.

My first year on council I had the honor to make the motion as a Coeur d'Alene Council Women to begin to remove the word "squaw" off the map on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation name places. Environmental concerns lead me to challenge practices used by an outside company Gober LLC who was dumping sewage on our homeland. This council put a stop to this practice. In the past my commitment to my community and recognizing the need for care and compassion motivated me to serve as a volunteer on the Worley Ambulance.

I come from a family that has served on tribal council over the generations of established tribal government. First to

serve was my grand uncle Bazil Campbell 1934-1948; Uncle Noel Campbell 1973-1975; Brother Norman Campbell 1994-1999. My cousins Dave, and his son Chairpah, cousins Chuck and Marjorie, and from my Anasta family Roberta Garrick Juneau

It is an honor to serve on council at a time when this council has lead the Coeur d'Alene Tribe to its most successful economic era. I believe the Tribe's government and business operations should be a transparent conduit to our membership. I have demonstrated that I have the courage to make necessary changes when needed. I believe the Casino needs to pay the people first than construct if management sees fit.

Following the traditions of our Tribe I share the care and concern for our families, children and people of our community. I live in Worley Idaho with my five grandchildren age five, six, twelve and two fifteen year olds. It is possible to be a grandmother,



caretaker and serve when you put the people first.

I respectfully ask for your support in the upcoming Tribal

Elections on May 2

Sincerely,
Leta Campbell



Once again I am coming before you to ask for your vote for Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council. When I was first elected three years ago I knew I had a lot to learn, and I have done that to the best of my ability. I have tried to meet with as many of you as possible about any questions and concerns you have had, and I hope you will continue to come to me with those questions and concerns. I believe by working together we can resolve issues that arise.

During my term of office I have tried to remain true to my major beliefs:

- Will my decisions be in the best interest of the tribe?
- Will my decisions and activities be in the best interest of my tribal family?
- How can we as a tribe move forward for the good of all tribal

members?

I have been working on many projects these past 3 years. We just recently returned from Boise where we fought hard for the tribal rights regarding the horse racing machines. This fight is not over, and I will continue to fight for our tribe on this issue. We have many other issues facing our tribe, and we need to work together to keep our tribe involved in a positive position to any new activities as they arise.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, to talk with me, and most of all thank you for your vote on election day. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns

Sincerely,
Don Sczenski
208.582.3914

Tribal Council Elections are May 2, 2015 at Tribal Headquarters in Plummer, Idaho from 8am - 8pm

You must bring your Tribal ID in order to vote

Council Election Candidates



NEW CANDIDATES



My name is Andrew J Davison my parents were Francine M. Tinney and Leonard F. Davison their family names were Bohn and Antelope

More transparency and

accountability within our tribe is my goal. The Membership and Tribal council together should participate to influence policy. As a membership we could tackle current situations and discuss possible solutions alongside our Tribal Council in more membership meetings.

For example use some of our education dollars as incentive for our children to stay in school after graduation?

I have seen some young adults graduate from high school with no desire to continue their education. Remember our children are the future

It is ultimately up to you, the membership to cast a vote for who you believe will best represent the tribe as a whole. When we stand

together our voices will be heard. Please vote Andrew J. Davison in the upcoming tribal elections MAY 2, 2015. A change is on the horizon now is the time to make a difference with your vote. With your help we can make this happen on MAY 2nd

For those you who don't know me, my name is Charles P Michael Sr, I often go by "Charlie Moon",

my parents are Arnold Michael Sr and mother is Julianne Wilson, both enrolled CDA Tribal members and lifetime residents of Worley. I have lived on this reservation for 48yrs of my life and I will be a lifetime resident.

I have decided to run for council

this term because of my extensive work history with the tribe in general in various different depts. I have worked for the Coeur d'Alene Tribe as a Casino beverage server, in Facilities Maintenance, at Tribal Housing, and currently still working as an outside Maintenance worker at the casino. In all departments that I have worked for, I have heard about certain issues and frustrations of others, Tribal and Non-Tribal, and internal problems in these departments.

I encourage your thoughts and ideas so we can head down a new path for change. I will continue to support our Natural Resources preservation and Lake Management efforts for our Tribe, this will be the path for our selahs to come. I'm going to be



the straight arrow shooting for a chance to make a change for our Tribal council and its members.

Vote for me on May 2, 2015 Charles P Michael Sr, Charlie "Moon"

Hello to all, I am extremely proud to announce my running for Tribal Council most of you know me as Butch Nomee, and on payday I go by Henry Nomee. You know my family and most of you grew up with me so I won't go on and on about myself and talk about ideas, the maybes, or make promises. I have solutions, strategic plans, and I want to work for YOU. For most of my life I have lived on our reservation and attended tribal school in DeSmet, Worley and graduated from Lakeside in 1991.



During this time, I have witnessed and have been a part of watching us, as a tribe, start from humble beginnings into a self-sustaining tribe that provides so much to not only our community but all

of Northern Idaho. We have our own government, justice system, medical center, and have so many other programs and departments that are growing and I am excited to see what happens in the future

and how we grow and provide for future generations. I am very proud to say I am Coeur d'Alene.

Not only have I watched our tribe go from the bottom to the top, I have watched classmates, cousins, and myself go from the bottom to the top. I started working for the casino in 1995 as a security officer and had worked my way up from officer to sergeant. In 2000, I was recruited to join the tribal police department. I attended the Idaho POST academy and was the 2nd from our tribe to graduate. This was one of the proudest moments in my life. I enjoyed every minute as a police officer for our tribe. As a police officer I treated everyone fair regardless if we were related

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My name is Margaret SiJohn; I am running for a position on Tribal Council. I would like to thank everyone for your support and request your continued support for this coming election on May 2, 2015.



I am 35 years old and have been living here on the reservation for most of my life. I have two children Tyson and Laila ages 7 and 5 and they keep me busy! My parents are Robert SiJohn and Juansetta "Zetta" Matt Wynne. My grandparents are MaryAnn SiJohn, Alice Frank Hendrickx, Garry Hendrickx and David Matt Sr. My great-grandparents are Isaac "Ike" SiJohn, Ebbie BonManache' SiJohn, Marge St.Peter SiJohn and Francis Frank. I come from a very large family and have always been proud to be part of them. Like all families we aren't perfect but I am blessed with their unconditional love and support and they have mine - who could ask for anything more.

With sincere thanks to our Tribe I was able to earn two college

degrees. My first degree came from Eastern Washington University, where I graduated in 2002 with a Bachelors Degree in Social Work. Most recently, while working full time and raising my two young children, I graduated in 2013 with an Executive Master's in Business Administration from the University of Idaho. It wasn't easy by any means but when I received my MBA diploma, the magnitude

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After having worked for the tribe for over 11 years, and seeing many of the needs and problems facing the tribe, I want to be able to do more. This is why

I have petitioned to run for Tribal Council.

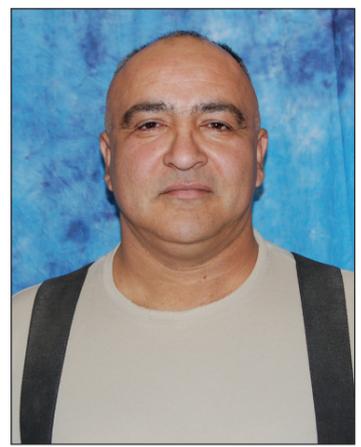
In the past years the Coeur d'Alene Tribe has dedicated themselves for the development of "self-determination" and their Natural Resources. The results of this dedication have been a growth in tribal economy, more employment and many more positive operations. To cope with the problems that go with such a growth, the responsibility of the success or failure has fallen on our Tribal Council. Because of this, we must have dedicated and experienced people in the Tribal Council positions.

During the past 8 years or so, I have served on Head Start Point Policy Council as Chairman from

1995-96, Even Start Committee as member in 2001, Spokane Housing Authority Board Member in 2001, TERO Board of Commissioners as Secretary in 2005-07, Culture Committee member in 2006-09, Elected to Coeur d'Alene Tribal School Board as Secretary in 2007-10, Natural Resource Committee member in 2005-09, Gaming Board of Commissioners member 2006-11, Coeur d'Alene Tribal Housing Authority Board member in 2009-12, and Enrollment Committee member from 2013-15.

I have been official representative of our people at several conferences that covered all subjects that I mentioned above. I also

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Ah his'laqlaht ulsteemilgwes aulsnukwschint. Hello Friends and Relatives and Fellow Tribesmen.

My tribal lines come from the Hayden Lake area, Twisted Earth thru Stela'm, and Philip Massislaw through Mary Massaslaw and Joe Falcon, Chippewa Cree, and their daughter Matilda 'Tillie' Falcon, my grandmother. My grandfather's side comes from the Flathead and Rocky boy Cree. Andrew Nomee and Madeline Vallee through Henry Willard 'Bill' Nomee and through my mother Lydia 'Buggs' Nomee and Ron Torpey, the Tensed

Taxi. I am married to Veronica Keyonnie Torpey, Navajo tribe; we have three kids, a daughter in law and three grandkids. All of them are special and dear to us. I graduated at Lakeside in '82. After high school I attended SCC in Spokane for a few semesters and realized that wasn't going to continue due to no funds. So in '83 I joined the Navy and ended up in the Navy SeaBee's, Construction Battalions; building a wide variety of facilities in third world countries. Meeting indigenous people from those countries, it was a teaching experience; it taught me that we have it good at home here. But most of all it taught me about service to other people, providing for them, helping to facilitate aid to others and watching the pride on the faces of a people who have nothing, it made me think hard of our ancestors when they had to go through the change of worlds. I was honorably discharged in '90; I came home and worked various jobs utilizing the skill sets that I acquired in the construction trade. I worked BIA Roads until that was

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My given name is Roberta Marie White, and my family and friends know me as Bobbie.

My parents are Philomena Nomee of Worley, Idaho; my maternal grandparents are the late Bill and Tillie Nomee. My father is the late Robert Twoteeth, Chippewa Cree Tribe, and my paternal grandparents are the late John and Rose Twoteeth. I currently make my home in Plummer, Idaho with my husband Larry White Jr. and our two children Emmitt and Dahyit'hi.

I have and continue to represent The Coeur d'Alene Tribe for over 20 years in various positions. Currently I am in the Natural Resources Fisheries Outreach & Education Program. I have organized and implemented

multiple culturally relevant events important to preserving our Tribal culture. In my current position, I have provided education to Tribal programs, schools in Coeur d'Alene, Spokane School District, and numerous public presentations at venues such as the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture, Coeur d'Alene Human Rights Institute, University of Idaho, North Idaho College. I enjoy my job and the people I work with. I am also a senior at University of Idaho and will graduate in December with my Bachelor's in Organizational Sciences.

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~Casino Corner~

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Matheson: we have a "Dream Team" right here



Shelli Sonder is the new Director of Gaming Operations.

By Dave Matheson, CEO

Congratulations everyone on a job well done. I've never heard of a mature business or industry anywhere in the nation in this economy showing a 42% increase in profits. We are doing it the old fashioned way: through hard work, belief in ourselves, the power to make a difference and true team spirit.

Remember the Dream Team of Olympic Basketball fame? Well they are junior varsity compared to the bright stars of hope, positive attitude and customer service you all are! And, we just keep getting better and better. Gold medals for all. I am so very proud of the growth we have to enjoy, but not just in profits. I'm speaking of the personal growth in confidence and professional capabilities of our entire CCRH team and family. What an amazing story of success you/we all are.

You are showing the region and the world what genuine teamwork can really do, that the total actually is more than the sum of the parts, and how a team makes us all more as individuals, while bringing the

invisible sense of something magical to our resort property. And then, everything else just comes together, operations and work functions are smooth and seamless, and, somehow, work isn't work at all, for it is filled with a sense of joy and satisfaction.

I really do believe in people, that if given the chance and empowered with the support and confidence of servant-minded leaders, who all together take ownership of the mission and vision, then they all really will reach into the depths of mind and body, finding the indomitable human spirit and a greatness that can overcome any obstacle, every challenge. Even more than this, new ideas come out, a better way to do things becomes evident, and things just look and feel more inviting, beautiful and even enchanting. We are gaining ground, increasing market share and customers seem to know: there's just "something special" going on here, the best food, the best entertainment, the greatest ambience and atmosphere to make an escape to enjoy a night out feel like a true sense of belonging to something special and magical.

If we stay focused with positive reinforcement now, there's no telling how much farther we can still go, how much success still awaits us and how our personal lives can be improved. But we must find that other gear before we let complacency settle in.

To find the mix and change up that will encourage new growth and help bring more success, I selected Debbie Louie McGee as our new COO. To bring in fresh ideas and new enthusiasm, Debbie and I, working with Dan Hansen and Zeke Domebo, VGS Executive Managers, decided to reorganize a few things on the casino resort gaming floor. Dan will be moving to a MOD position and Zeke to Circling Raven Golf Course. Shelli Sonder has been selected as Director for Gaming Operations. Shelli has most recently served as MOD, but also worked as VGS Manager and worked her way up from the casino floor.

Shelly is one of our most capable and respected managers. She is reliable, makes decisions, works any and all shifts assigned to her and leads by example. She is not afraid of hard work, never fails to encourage or help a fellow employee no matter the problem or what department they work in, and she cares about our resort with a devoted passion to succeed that is downright contagious!

Great appreciation for a job well done must go to Dan Hansen and Zeke Domebo. Much of the success we have enjoyed and enjoy today, no doubt, is from their efforts. I am sure you all join me in wishing them well in their next endeavors. Thank you, Dan. Thank you, Zeke.

If we can dream it, we can achieve it. If we hope together, believe together and all work together, a greatness is born and it will grow in our midst, touch all our lives, families and homes. I can't wait! 2015: a year of destiny.

Golf promotion adds players at CRGC

By Bob Bostwick

Give a golfer an inch and he'll take a gimme putt. Give a golfer a \$15 discount and he'll drive 40 miles.

Golfers can, and are, doing both at Circling Raven this month. A promotion offering \$15 off on rounds played Sunday through Wednesday has generated 215 rounds at the region's premier public course.

It's world class golf at a working class price.

Guests access the discount coupon via the Circling Raven website, www.cdacasino.com. Staff from the course and the resort have promoted the promotion at golf shows from Seattle to Edmonton this year, emphasizing the opportunity to play and save.

"This has had a great impact on the local market," said Director of Golf Tom Davidson. "Spokane and the

region, being as golf friendly as it is, has a great many players and a great many quality places to play. Golf in the region is also relatively inexpensive, and the discount is making a huge difference."

From opening day to this week, Circling Raven has hosted 823 rounds. Over the same time in April of 2014, the course hosted 517 rounds. That's a 63 percent increase. Further, a mild spring, continuing good weather and a reputation for great golf are contributing to an increase in play from Thursday through Saturday.

"Of course, the great weather we've had this year has been a big help," Davidson said. "But any way you look at it, the promotion has been a terrific success. With all we've seen so far in April, I believe we'll carry this momentum into late spring and summer."

Crystal Lake Boutique sees change



By Bob Bostwick

The Crystal Lake Boutique is undergoing dramatic change, along with a rather dramatic clearance sale, as we transform it from "boutique" style shopping to more of a haberdashery, items with our logo being the main products.

A name change is likely, at least dropping the "boutique" from it, and Manager Will Lake is considering putting the new title up as a contest.

"If someone comes up with a name Dave Matheson and everyone likes, we will give them a \$50 gift card," Lake said. "We'll work details out, but we hope that's something we can look forward to."

Meanwhile, everything in the store is on clearance sale, items going for as much as 75 percent off. And, the shelves are clearing.

"The sale is going real well," Lake said. "Employees are also taking advantage of it."

Shelves and racks will come with the change, expected to be complete sometime in late May. That means jackets, hats, t-shirts and a variety of memorabilia items, all with the Coeur d'Alene Casino logo.

"We have a great many guests who want to take something home for themselves with our name on it," Lake said. "But they also may want to take a gift back to a friend or family member, the same as many of us do when we travel and bring something home from it."

OTB launches at CdA Casino/Resort

By Tim Yovanovich

We kicked off the new OTB launch party on Monday, May 20th, the event running all week. Aimee Barnes and her Direct Mailing team mailed postcards to the patrons who wagered on our old system in hope they will return to try the new future of pari-mutuel wagering

machines.

We randomly draw tickets between 10:00 am and 8:00 pm for customers to win their choice of several prizes or they can choose an item that contains between \$5 to \$50 EPC.

The new system looks scary to the customer, although after

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Tobacco waste good news for the Casino Family Fund

By Joyce Oshanick

The Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel's efforts generated \$2,334.00 to Keep America Beautiful and Santa Fe Natural Tobacco Company (American Spirit Cigarettes) has matched that amount in a one-time philanthropic donation to the Casino Family Fund.

Santa Fe Natural Tobacco

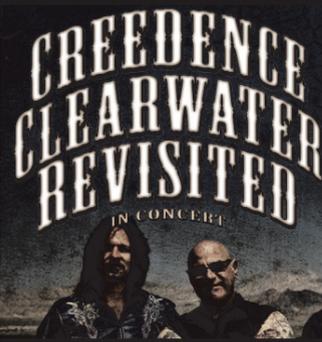
Company paid for the boxes, bags, shipping, \$2,000.00 per ton to glean the unwanted waste from our donation and the \$28 a pound it costs to make it a re-useable resource.

A year ago we launched a tobacco waste recycling project in collaboration with Santa Fe Natural Tobacco Company and TerraCycle. Our goal was to capture the cigarette waste

produced here at the casino and send it to TerraCycle to be recycled into industrial pallets, outdoor lawn furniture parts and garden containers. SFNTC established the tobacco waste recycling project with TerraCycle and designated Keep America Beautiful as the recipient a dollar per pound for all tobacco waste

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May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		JULY 16TH R \$55 G \$45	<i>New and Improved</i> OFF-TRACK BETTING <i>Now Open</i>		1 May Day	2
3	4 Senior Day \$5 EPC	5 Cinco De Mayo Piñata Mayhem Drawings noon - 8 pm	6 WhirlWIN Wednesdays noon - 8 pm Blackjack Tournament 5 pm	7 Mammogram Coach 9 am - 3 pm	8 Cosmic Bingo 10:30 pm Event Center Cosmic Blackjack 11:30 pm COSMIC BINGO	9
10 Mothers Day \$2,500 Mom's Gone Wild Drawings noon - 8 pm	11 Senior Day \$5 EPC	12 Mayhem Point Multipliers 8 am - midnight	13 WhirlWIN Wednesdays noon - 8 pm	14 \$15,000 Money Mayhem Giveaway 5x Points - 8 am - noon EPC Drawings - 1 - 5 pm \$15,000 Giveaway - 7 pm 3x Points - 8 pm - midnight	15	16
17	18 Senior Day \$5 EPC	19 Havoc Hot Seats noon - 8 pm	20 WhirlWIN Wednesdays noon - 8 pm Blackjack Tournament 5 pm	21 Salt N Pepa Concert 7 pm Event Center	22 Cosmic Bingo 10:30 pm Event Center Cosmic Blackjack 11:30 pm COSMIC BINGO	23 Hotel California Concert Tribute to The Eagles 7 pm Chinook Meadow
24 Birthday Celebration 9 am - 9 pm	25 Memorial Day \$15,000 Memorial Day Mayhem Giveaway 5x Points - 8 am - noon EPC Drawings - 1 - 5 pm \$15,000 Giveaway - 7 pm 3x Points - 8 pm - midnight No Senior Day	26 Mayhem Point Multipliers 8 am - midnight	27 WhirlWIN Wednesdays noon - 8 pm	28	29	30
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STARTING MAY 1ST RECEIVE ONE DRAWING TICKET FOR EVERY 500 POINTS EARNED ON MACHINE PLAY.

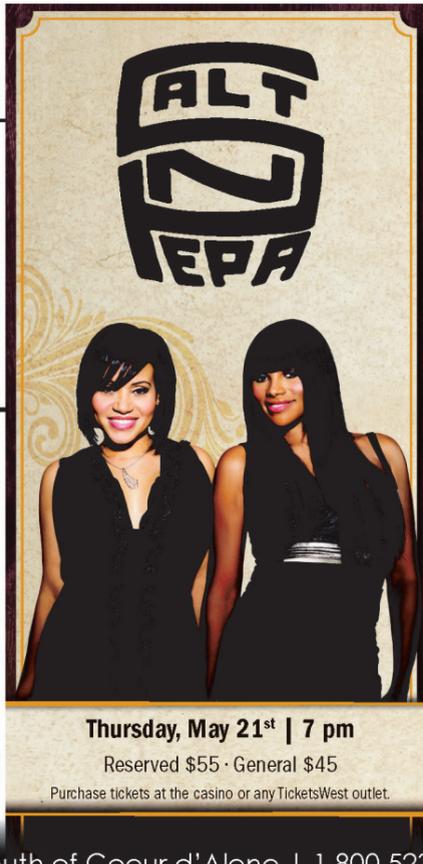
\$30,000 MONEY MAYHEM GIVEAWAY

\$15,000 THURS, MAY 14TH - 7 PM

\$15,000 MON, MAY 25TH - 7 PM



SALT N PEPA



Thursday, May 21st | 7 pm

Reserved \$55 - General \$45

Purchase tickets at the casino or any TicketsWest outlet.

COSMIC BINGO



May 8th & 22th - 10:30 PM

Tribal Discounts

Show your Tribal ID for dining, spa, hotel, bingo and shopping to receive 20% off.

Does not include tobacco or alcohol.



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~ Editorials ~

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White: marijuana can produce negative results if legalized

Over the last few months, I have heard a lot of discussion about a petition that is going around our community that proposes to legalize marijuana on our Reservation. Until recently, I was personally undecided on the issue. However, I recently attended a panel session hosted by the University Of Idaho College Of Law on marijuana legalization, and the information I learned there has changed my perspective.

Until now, I thought about the argument about legalization as being restricted to whether or not it is harmful to individuals, and I know that there is much debate around its status as a "gateway" drug, its medicinal use, and whether or not it is more or less harmful than alcohol. What I heard about at this panel, however, alarmed me to the risks that marijuana legalization would pose for our Tribal community, and I think that it's critical that our community has full access to this information.

At the panel, we heard from three speakers: former USDA Tribal Liaison and attorney Janie Hipp, Nez Perce Tribal Attorney Anne Kelher, and Nez Perce Tribal Chief of Police David Rogers. All three spoke about the regulatory risks and burdens that Idaho Tribes would face if they are to pursue legalization.

One of the biggest arguments I have heard about legalization is that it would be an economic boom for the Tribe. But one thing I learned is that because Idaho does not have legal marijuana, the Tribe would only be able to sell to Tribal

members. All others would be at risk for immediate arrest the second they came into possession. We could not sell to Washington, because transporting marijuana across state lines is still a felony offense.

Another big point was that the economic and regulatory infrastructure for legalizing marijuana is huge. We would need regulations about sales, amounts, age, and where it could be sold. And one critical point: as long as it is still federally illegal, we don't even know if sales or possession on federal lands would be prosecuted. All of the speakers cautioned that the government could still look at our trust lands as federal lands, and we could put individual tribal members at risk of criminal offense. They also said that the BIA and other federal departments have not issued any support of the Department of Justice's memo that opened up a discussion on this issue; in other words, if we break federal laws, we could jeopardize our federal funds.

Finally, the speakers shared what I thought was the most important consideration—the health of our youth and our community. They showed statistics that showed that where marijuana has been legalized, youth rates of use have gone up significantly. Our Native youth already use marijuana at earlier ages and at rates more than double that of non-Native youth. Why would we want to do something that would increase the risk of our teens getting into drugs? Aren't we working as a

community to try to stop this? We have so many major issues in our community that need our time and our resources. Our culture and our language are struggling to survive. We have many of our members struggling with historic trauma. What are our community core values? How would legalizing marijuana further those values? As part of the Qhestilsh Community Drug Action group, I hear the pain and frustration of my fellow community members as they talk about their families' struggles with substance abuse. How does this help them move forward?

I realize this is a complicated issue, but I would urge my fellow Tribal members to consider all of the ramifications of legalization before making a decision. It's not a simple choice about whether or not smoking pot is bad for you. It is a choice about where we put our dollars, our legal resources, and our time and energy. It's what we say to ourselves about who we are as Schitsu'umsh people, and what we prioritize for our future. Many people might see this as an opportunity to exercise our sovereignty. The truth is, this may risk our future to govern ourselves as a sovereign nation, and to what end? Please, let's urge our leadership to focus our sovereignty and our resources on our land, our culture, and the health of our people for our future.

Respectfully
Bobbie White
Coeur d'Alene Tribal
Member

Measuring and reporting outcomes to produce results

Tribes may reinforce trust with their respective community by communicating benefit through outcomes. An outcome is a result reached following action and may be reported annually to measure performance from year to year. Consistent measurement and reporting allows leadership and management to agree upon goals for an organization while the community is clear on the benefit they receive from the government and/or tribally owned enterprises. Outcome Examples:

Number of jobs created and retained

Dollars paid to fishermen

Acres of land acquired by tribe

Scholarship dollars awarded and total number of tribal members in college

A cross-organization understanding of results produced from operations is likely to promote positive alignment between stakeholders (community, leadership, management and staff). Alignment allows all to collaborate which means everyone understands their role and responsibility for action. Example:

Leadership is able to support management by approving operational plans produced by management and better equipped to answer community member questions.

Management is enabled to produce plans that outline objectives necessary to achieve goals. Goals are prioritized by

the outcomes the community and leadership express as most important.

Employees better understand how their daily activities drive a business or government program to achieve results.

The Community understands the benefits they receive and better able to show support because of access to information. Better information also provides an opportunity to share concern and identify areas of improvement.

Keys to Success:

All stakeholders view the same information so confusion is minimized and meaningful discussion may take place about issues that matter most.

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Reyes: the significance of Mother's Day

Mother's Day is May 10 of this year. Let's define Mother's Day more. It is 24 hours, 1,440 minutes 86,400 seconds. It is a day of reflection, to think about the woman that gave us life. How many of us actually thought about it recently, that it is a blessing to be able to experience the fruit of life. If not for our moms we would have never existed.

Although some of you may have never known your mother or was not raised by your mom, you may feel that this inscription does not pertain to you, oh' but it does in so many ways. For one way, those of you that have that special somebody, or you may have a best friend, give thanks to their mothers. Some of you maybe new- mother's, or have little ones that do not understand yet what mother's day means. For when those little ones cry out to you or reach out to you for comfort, is that not louder than a voiced, I love you...

Those of you that have access to a phone, call... Those of you

that love to write, write, send a card... Those or you that drive, take a trip, spend the day with your family, spending time is precious...

For those of you that can't reach out by a phone, letter, or a visit, how about saying a prayer for your mom. My mom is Rose Gonzales of Plummer, Idaho. She is the strongest woman I know. She has a strong and powerful soul that is gentle, forgiving and very caring. Mom thank you for giving me life. When I was little you were there to chase the monsters away when I had bad dreams, you were there to mend over me when I was sick, you were there to kiss my boo-boo's when I got hurt, you were there to kiss me goodnight, and you were there to make me smile and laugh when I was feeling sad. I miss you and love you. Also, to my little sister Susan Purcell, Happy Mother's Day

Love Always, Jose C. Reyes
Walla Walla, WA.

Moffitt: hearts are suffering

Pitiful, there you have it; It's hard to give much away when you're the subject of widespread disapproval and your heart is leaking from puncture wounds... That is true you got punctured a lot, - but you still gave a lot you surely did.

Julie Moffitt

Mission: Thank you Pluff family



The Sacred Heart Mission would like to thank the Ken, Alice and family for always stepping up on Easter Sunday. The Pluff family has been coloring the real eggs for 30 plus years. This tradition has been carried by all in the family. It started out with their children and now has grown to the grandchildren. They also not only color those eggs, but they also hide them. As well as 500 plastic ones too. Ken & Alice's kids help them every year. Without you and your family this would not happen. So once again thank you for all you do. When I spoke to Ken, he said that his Uncle Robert was the Easter Bunny and his Uncle Happy also would help.

Mission: thank you Thunderin' Buffaloes

The Sacred Hear Mission would like to give a big thanks to the Thunderin' Buffaloes Bike Club for donating 500 plastic eggs for our annual Easter Egg hunt.

I can't tell you how much this was appreciated. I know this was a big task for all who were involved because they also did 500 for the Worley hunt as well. Thank you Thunderin' Buffaloes for all you guys do for the community. Safe Travels

Training certifies tribal employees



Thank you to Bernie LaSarte & the Stop Violence Program: Tamara Curtis and Mona Daniels would like to thank Bernie LaSarte and the Stop Violence Program for sponsoring their certification in the Fatherhood is Sacred & Motherhood is Sacred facilitator training that was held in Sacramento, CA on March 31, 2015 – April 1, 2015. We are excited to bring this program to our community to promote safe and happy families.

May Crowning of Mary

May 10, 2015
Mother's day

Mass will be celebrated the following times
Worley: 8:00 a.m.
Plummer: 10:00 a.m.
DeSmet: 12:00 noon

The First Holy Communion ceremony will also take place. One student will receive their First Holy Communion in Worley and four students will receive theirs in DeSmet.

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submitted across the country. When we launched the program, we were instructed to designate our Casino Family Fund as the recipient of our donation. We found out in October of last year that the Casino Family Fund would not receive money from our efforts because of the original pact formed with Keep America Beautiful. We continued to collect waste and overcome hurdles in this project knowing that it would have a very positive effect on our environment.

Our custodial maintenance department and facilities maintenance did an amazing job. In just 10 months we collected 2,334 net pounds of

cigarette butts. Note: There are approximately 2,200 butts in a pound. That means 5,134,800 butts did not find their way to our local landfill!

Because of our tireless efforts to do what no company has done on such a grand scale and the confusion over who would receive the moneys for our contribution, Keith Grover and Cooper Gillespie of Santa Fe Natural Tobacco Company set out to find a way to see that our Casino Family Fund was not forgotten.

I would like to thank Cooper Gillespie and Keith Grover of SFNTC for their commitment to sustainability but more so for going the extra mile for our families in need.

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volunteered my services at ATNI for registration, tribal credentials, and election committee. I am a proud volunteer for Get Out to Vote committee with the tribe by poll watching and participating in all committee activities. It has been challenging and rewarding and as long as I can contribute to the Tribe, I want to serve.

The most difficult part in being a board/committee/commissioner member is to hear issues against a very close friend and/or relative. Through experience and training, it is possible. You must weigh out each issue against the other and come up with a definite decision. You must be right and not be influenced by anyone. I have faced this for many years as a representative of the tribe, and if elected will carry this experience and training on to the Tribal Council.

There are many Local, Regional, and National issues that all Indian people must face and fight every day. I am familiar with all issues currently presented to the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. Knowledge, dedication, concern, experience, all must be weighed against indifference, self-esteem, negative

attitude, and influence from outside factions.

We must look ahead for improvements in our community, operations and wellbeing. We must look back and remember our past that is responsible for our present attitude and feelings for the children to come.

Becoming a member of the Tribal Council does not mean that I would be able to make immediate changes, and certainly not have all the issues decided the way that I might feel is best for the Tribe. We must remember that there are also six other members on our council that deal with our Tribal issues and problems.

I believe that we must be able to accept change, and we must be prepared for what the future might bring, be it good or bad.

If elected to the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council I will do my best, not just for individuals, but for all our members of our proud Tribe. With my experience, concern for the Coeur d'Alene people, and my past ability I would appreciate your support.

Exercise your right as a Coeur d'Alene Tribal member VOTE!
Lim lemt.sh!
CarylDene Swan

Food stands offer dining options on Cd'A reservation



Cindy Williams, owner and operator of Cinfully Delicious prepares her stuffed frybread.
By Lee Zahir



Richard Williams stands outside his Daddio's food trailer in Plummer, Idaho.

You may have noticed that there are a couple new places to get your lunch on the rez these days. Not that you could ever get tired of Chicken strip sandwiches at the Benewah Market or a nice Belly Buster at Zips, but now you can even calm your frybread cravings whether you're in Worley or Plummer.

Just as you make your way into Worley, or heading out of Worley if you are heading North, you will find a small trailer in the parking lot in front and to the side of the Worley Liquor store. Often times as you pull up you can already smell the mouth-watering goodness being prepared inside. Inside you will find Cindy Williams to greet you with one of the

biggest smiles on the rez and a warm greeting.

Cindy opened up her food stand, which she affectionately calls "Cinfully Delecious", back in November. Having worked in the construction field for 20 plus years, she felt it was time to move on to something new that was a little less physically demanding. "Sometimes I miss going out to the construction jobs and the people I worked with, but I just wasn't enjoying it anymore. Now I get to be my own boss and love what I'm doing," she said about her new venture.

Competition isn't much of worry for her, since her brother opened up his food stand in Plummer not too long ago. "I

tell people they got to try what he has too. Like his Philly Cheesteak, they definitely got to try that." When asked who had the best frybread Cindy said, "I do of course."

Cinfully Delicious is opened Monday through Friday 12 pm to 7 pm for now. Soon she plans to try and hit the Powwow and Stickgame trails. Her menu has frybread, taco in a bag, ndn taco in a bag, powwow burgers, and stuffed frybread, the powwow BLT, and chili cheese curly fries. Not only will you find some good food but if you take a selfie and post it on Facebook and tag her in it you will receive one dollar off of your next order.

Further on down the road, just as you get into Plummer you will find Daddio's food stand. It's not quite as easy to see from the highway like Cindy's but it is just behind the Police station in yet another small trailer. Daddio's is owned by Richard Williams, Cindy's brother. Daddio is what Richards children call him.

The main seller at Daddio's would be the Philly Cheesesteak stuffed frybread. Richard would like to try more recipes with stuffed frybread. "Frybread can go with just about anything." So in the future you may see some new stuffed frybread items on the menu.

Daddio's also participates in local charities and fundraisers. Coming up they will be selling fries for a dollar and all the proceeds will go to Cydni Matheson's fundraiser. Daddio's also has a Facebook page you can follow for events and specials coming up. They are opened Monday through Saturday 9 am to 6 pm.

Both stands have excellent menus and great service. And both will leave your tummy filled. Go on down and check them both out and don't forget your Facebook selfie to show everyone what the special of the day is.

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of what I had accomplished and with so much support was overwhelming.

For the last 7 years I have been working at our own Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel. I am currently the Hotel Director and manage 6 departments with approximately 200 employees. I oversee and am responsible for the financial success of the Hotel, Spa, Child Care, Call Center, Hotel Guest Service and Banquet/Catering. I have learned so much and appreciate the great opportunities I have been afforded in my life with my career and here at home on the Reservation.

I have decided to run for Tribal Council because I want to be able to utilize all the tools, skills and education I have received. It would be a great honor to be able to give back and find positive opportunities for our membership. I was fortunate to grow up in a time where there were opportunities and with my family who were always a positive influence in my life choices. I made mistakes but I

learned from them and have grown into an independent, responsible and hardworking adult. Through my children I have learned to see the importance of having a healthy community in order for them to prosper and become the next generation of positive growth for our Tribe. This is my hope for all of our children and members of our Tribe. It is our job to help shape the future of our Tribe and the more positive influences we have on our children the better chance they have to become healthy productive members of the Tribe and Society. I believe this is the ultimate hope for all of us.

I pride myself in being hardworking, honest and reasonable. These are the skills I can bring to the table to help assist in moving our Tribe in a forward, positive direction. Working together instead of against one another is very important to me as I realize we all want the same successes. We need to work quickly to find resolutions and compromise in order to stand as one to make the Tribe stronger. I believe I would be able to provide valuable

perspective to the reasons behind the "why's" and the "how's." Everyday is a new opportunity for us to better ourselves and nothing is impossible, especially if we work together just like our ancestors once did.

In closing, I am not running for Tribal Council because I have a personal agenda to benefit my family or myself. I want to help support our current elected officials in finding opportunities for all of our wellbeing. I firmly believe that if we can take care of our Tribe, it will help keep our Tribe strong and resilient for future generations to come. The Tribe is facing many challenges and we need to find this strength to continue on a productive, highly successful path. I respect our unique and different qualities and I want you to know how much I respect our Tribe.

Thank you for your time as I hope to earn or maintain your support with your vote in this upcoming election.

Sincerely,
Margaret A. SiJohn

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contracted by the tribe. Eventually I ended up working within the tribe 16 years with the Natural Resourced Dept, forestry and fire. Now I am currently employed as a millwright in Spokane.

Asking to be a council representative I believe my experiences and my interest in our culture and traditions, my goals to learn as much as I can about our tribal history will reflect in any decision that is made for the betterment of the whole community. To learn and understand how our ancestors had to make tough choices, it can only be just as tough today because of the diversity of our community. I realize we have a lot of changes going on. The dynamics of our reservation includes many people, not just tribal members and it's important that we acknowledge that because we are all related by association, living together in one area and I communicate regularly with many in our community. As a representative it is a duty to work together and make a better effort to create a more cohesive relationship with our friends here locally.

Asking to be your council representative I would be a stickler that our tribal government was created to protect the tribal member's rights, to provide services for the Elderly and most of all our children, they are the future and we have to keep nurturing that future with strong minds and strong hearts. More than anything I want to see that happen, not only for my children and my sile' and ghipe's, but for everyone's children. They are the real owners of our decision making and as a council representative we need to do it correctly, efficiently and done right the first time.

To be your council representative I would promote and support a local economy, incubating and supporting individual tribal members to initiate their own business. We do need to diversify into new ventures beyond the casino, but they need to be thought

out more thoroughly with support and input from the ones who are experienced in business or proper technical fields. Also we have old ventures that should be looked at and maybe consider their feasibility to be restarted. And there are many.

As your representative I would advocate the inclusion of our elders and our business people in a friendlier manner, let them be involved and help with decision making by creating a more inclusive government for the People, letting everyone feel valued as a contributing member of this community. There are many people with ideas; we need to hear those ideas more. We have quite a few people that are business owners, or experienced managers of businesses. There is an untapped knowledge of information amongst us and we need to open that line of communication to hear more.

The biggest issue that I have heard from many of you is accountability. As an elected representative it is imperative to have open communication and transparency of the government. I would support more inclusion for everyone, that we all are on the same page and know what is best for our People by listening to the very People we are representing. Even if we are not elected, we still represent the People everywhere we go. We have a radio station and a tribal newspaper, they should be utilized to their full potential as a communications tool, there is no reason that tribal members are not informed of what their government is doing for them.

I am a candidate for Tribal council, I would hope that you would have confidence in me that I would do the right thing, that I would be fair, be stern, respect everyone and most of all look out for the ones who can't speak for themselves. Ultimately that is who and what we are working for.

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they place a couple of bets they become comfortable with it.

It does lack a few standard exotic bets which Social Gaming's engineers are working to provide. The quenelle, the daily doubles and the picks are very popular with our patrons and we hope to have them soon.

The launch took considerable teamwork from many people and departments. Direct Mailing sent postcards and set us up to give EPC, Graphics provided several art for multiple items. Marketing got the word out in ads, rack cards, video for the LCD screens and postings to Social Media.

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I have also served the Coeur d'Alene Tribe in different capacities outside of my job and as a Tribal member. My leadership skills have been evident in my service on the Benewah Medical Center Health Board for the past nine years. I also have worked on educational issues, serving as the chair of the Indian Education Committee for the Coeur d'Alene School District 2014, and on the Plummer/Worley school Board for two years. I co-chair of the Julyamsh Powwow committee, as well as this year's 1st Annual Schitsu'umsh Powwow. I work together with an awesome team called the Qhesti'lish group. This group was developed out of a general membership meeting. Tribal and community members have come together to bring concerns of drugs and alcohol that have affected our community. We have also addressed areas that we would like to empower Tribal members to take on positive roles in making positive change in our community

I was also privileged to be selected for two years for the

Food and Beverage provided a stocked cooler of refreshing barley pop, aka beer, and trained the OTB crew how to use Micros.

IT helped in many ways along with Security, Maintenance, Bench Techs and others that I am sure that I missed.

We will have Social Gaming representatives on site over the weekend to assist with signups and answer any questions that customers might have.

Employees are welcome to sign up and receive the \$10.00 signup bonus. You can see how simple the signup process is and learn a little about the wagering process, so you can pass your experience on to our customers.

Healthy Native Communities Fellowship, an intensive two years of training during which I learned a lot about conflict resolution addressing community issues, bringing community together, and building healthy relationship in the work place. I feel strongly that I have a role to play in helping people to heal and get past barriers so they can work effectively together.

I am happy and grateful to run for our Tribal Council to represent my Tribe to the best of my abilities. When making decisions that will affect all Tribal members, past, present and future, I will focus on our cultural values of honor, respect, love, honesty, and humility. I see the hurt and pain that our families are suffering from. I don't have the answers but would like to be part of the process of trying to find ways that we can make change in our community together. I, too, have the same sadness and sorrow of seeing people we love hurting and wishing we could help them. Being a part of groups such as Health Board and Qhesti'lish has given me insight into how we can get their voices heard by our

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There needs to be someone who is the keeper of the information so that reporting is consistent. This person may also reiterate the vision.

Stakeholders agree on teamwork to encourage transparency and face tough problems by reinforcing trust so that problems are defined and fixed in a reasonable amount of time.

Jim Stanley freely shares his knowledge in an effort to foster economic success in Indian Country. He is a Tribal member of the Quinault Indian Nation, Treasurer of the Tribal C-Store Summit Group, and Chairman of the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board.

leadership and to see how we can work together to make a better community.

Being in a leadership role is about representing your tribe at all times. It means being supportive of the vision and mission of our tribe, it is empowering others to be part of the process at all levels. It is about guiding and giving direction to where you would like to see our tribe moving toward. It is about deep listening and hearing the voices of our past, present and our future. It is about bringing a group of people together - not tearing them down.

I would also like to say good luck to the rest of the candidates: Chief Allan, Leta Campbell, Donnie Sczenski, Andy Davison, Charlie Moon, Marcy Morris, Butch Nomee, Margret SiJohn, CarylDene Swan, and George Torpey. To whoever wins this year's election, I pray for the Creator to guide you through your term as Coeur d'Alene Tribal Councilmen/women. Respectfully,

Roberta (Bobbie) White
Daughter, wife, mother, friend,
Coeur d'Alene Tribal member.

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or not I did my job to the best of my abilities. Regardless of the issue I will not pull myself from the issue because of our relationship or friendship I will do what is right and best for our tribe. My door, home, and phone number is always open for any issues and that is a guarantee.

Now, most of you know my situation and what happened to me and my second in command at the casino in February of 2014. You may have heard rumors, facts, or maybe you don't know. That issue was not the only issue and I am not the only tribal member that has suffered from the bureaucratic system specifically that is enforced by upper management and I know it has not stopped. The casino was put in place for economic sustainability for our tribe but was also a way to employ our tribal membership. I have seen tribal members that were qualified to work in some of the management areas and had put in for these positions and then have the position pulled and either the job description was changed so that they no longer met the minimum requirements and the position was then given to a non-tribal member.

To the position being pulled and having one tribal member who met the minimum requirements be told that the position has been closed and they will be doing an internal reorganization within the department.

Why are our tribal members being left as the coffee servers, dish washers, etc? Why are our tribal members being terminated? If you are not in the circle of upper management you are looked down on and thrown out when they are done with you. This mistreatment of our tribal members needs to end. We have several tribal members with degrees and certifications to have positions of management and can't get a foot in the door because you are not liked by any of those in upper management. If you have met or talked to anyone in upper management you get the same excuses. I can't just create a position. Yet new positions are being made almost daily. The issues at the casino are growing larger and if something isn't done you as the front line will no longer be there. We could sit here and talk until we're blue in the face about the issues that are happening daily or we can take a stand as tribal members and make the changes needed to ensure the economic

sustainability and jobs for our tribal members. The nepotism, entitlement, mistreatment, all need to stop or we won't succeed. Upper management needs to be held accountable and follow the same policies and procedures that middle management and front line employees have to follow.

My second issue that I have fallen victim to as well as fellow tribal members are centered around our Contract Health Department. We have done everything that is asked of us when using our Medical Center.

-Go to your appointment and if it's something that our care givers cannot take care of then you are referred out.

-Make your referral appointment and if needed you are scheduled for surgery. You then follow back up with the Medical Center.

-You make your surgery date and go thru surgery then again follow up with the Medical Center and do everything that has be prescribe to you along with follow up visits with your care giver.

Months later you receive a bill in the mail for the services that you were referred out by contract health. You won't know any of this is happening until you need to go purchase something where they

run your credit and then you have several medical bills that have been sent to collections because the services that you received have not been paid by Contract Health.

This is an ongoing issue that affects all of us. Even after all the bills have finally been covered and paid these still show up as a mark on our credit. If you are going to try to buy a car or a house or anything that your credit is used you now have a lower credit score and might not be able to finance it. If you have been referred and have followed all the guide lines set forth by the Medical Center's Contract Healthy Department. why are these expenses not covered? My solution for this ongoing issue is to see what is needed so that Contract Health can do their job more efficiently, effectively, and support their personnel by working together to better serve our tribal members.

Thirdly, there has been a petition to have the tribe start into the manufacturing of marijuana. That is the most absurd idea that could come from council members with tribal members support. I know that we need other business endeavors to ensure our financial success as a tribe and to fund our programs that provide for our future

generations, but there are better business ventures like tourism, manufacturing green products, and other ways that don't go against our values, customs, and culture. This petition and conversation needs to be shut down immediately.

In closing, I won't sit back and make you promises, I won't tell you what I think you want to hear. Regardless of the issue I will tell you what needs to be done and will stand by my word. I am my own person and have my own thoughts and ideas and will use all of these areas to make decisions that is best for our tribe and for you as the individual tribal member. I will be in the trenches with the rest of council and although at times it will be tough I will vote for the most optimum measure that benefits all of us as a tribe. I want to be your voice, stand up for what is right, and make sure that no one is left behind or forgotten. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I wish all the candidates good luck!

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