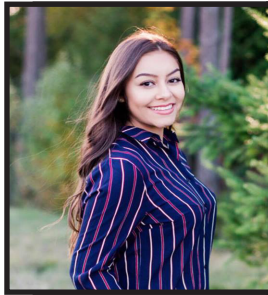




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## “Fisheries Is a Man’s Job”- *Not If Women Have Anything to Do with It*



Tish Whitman, Lautis Shebala, Kayla Warden - Nez Perce women working for the Department of Fisheries Resources Management

Ruth Lange is one of America’s first women in Fisheries. She was hired and worked part time at the Kooskia National Fish Hatchery in 1970, when it was constructed. Lange was the first woman ever hired by the Federal Government as a “hatchery man”. Today, the Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe) Department of Fisheries Resources Management (DFRM) hires more women than in the 70’s, however there are still only a handful working in the field.

Tish Whitman is a present-day employee of the Tribe’s

DFRM. She has worked with the DFRM for a total of 18 years, and counting. She currently works in the Production Division as an Administrative Specialist III where she provides administrative support for ten different production projects.

“Working with fisheries during my intern years taught me to be responsible at a young age,” Whitman said, “One of my first supervisors in Fisheries was the late Merle Powau-kee. He was strict about showing up to work every day, being on time and keeping us busy. That really helped prepare me for my future years in the workforce and in Fisheries.”

It all started for her in 1994 when Whitman interned with fisheries as a high school freshman. During her internship she traveled to different areas for field work. “We visited many tributaries of the Snake River and traveled the Columbia River,” said Whitman, “I enjoyed working outdoors, directly with the fish, and witnessing all the work done to ensure the survival of our resources.”

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### White Bird Memorial *(June 17th 1877)*

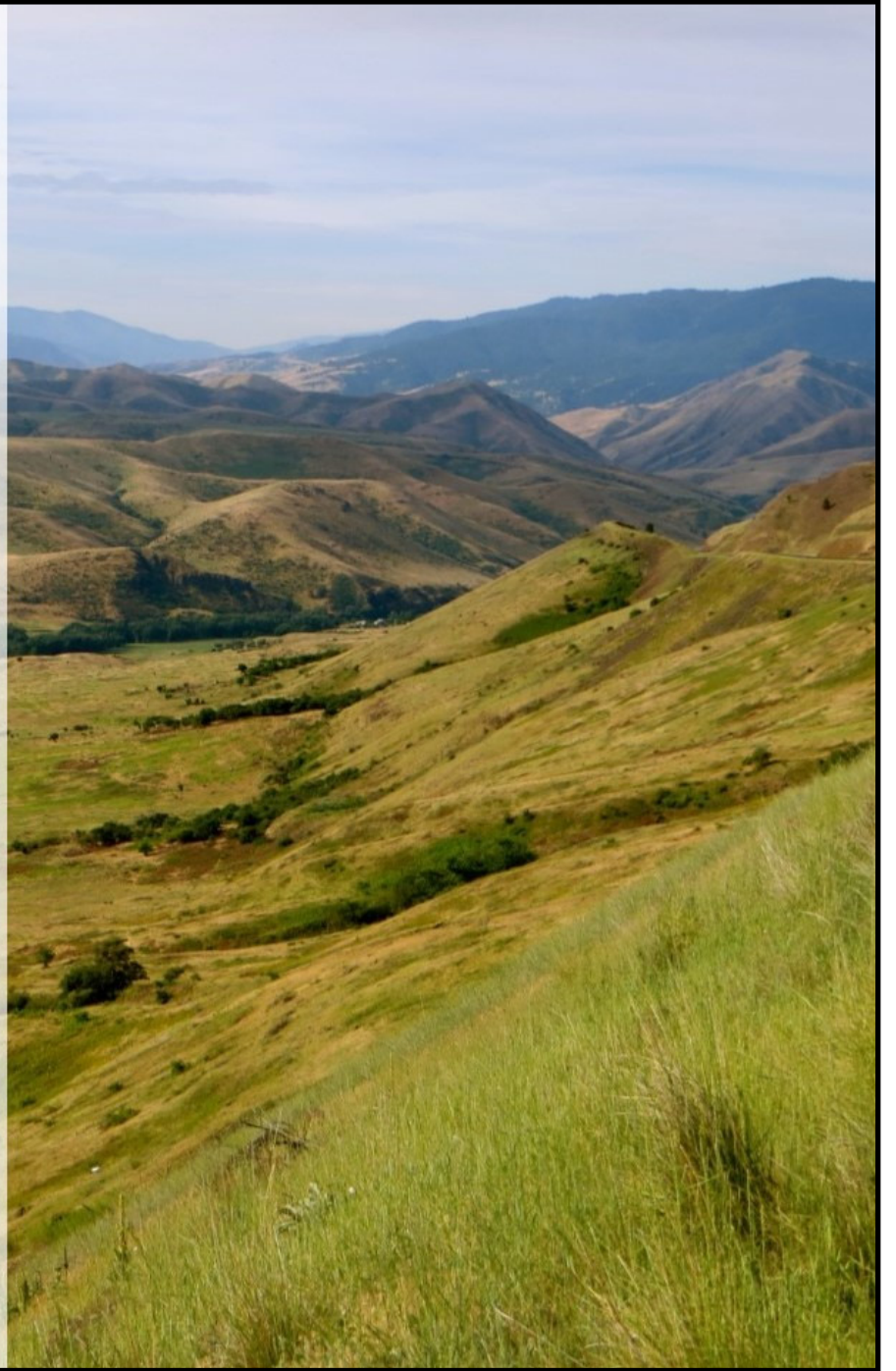
The events leading up to the battle of White Bird, began in the Spring of 1877 when the Nimiipuu were given orders by General Oliver O. Howard for any Tribal members living outside the boundaries of the 1863 treaty to relocate. The Nimiipuu were given 30 days.

On June 15th, Captain David Perry led 106 cavalry men, along with 11 civilian volunteers to the site. This was after word was received that settlers lives along the Salmon River had been taken.

Upon the cavalry's arrival on June 17th, they found close to 70 Nimiipuu warriors. The Nimiipuu sent a peace party, consisting of 6 men. Upon their approach to the cavalry, Arthur Chapman, a volunteer civilian, opened fire. The tribal warriors responded to the shots, and the Battle of White Bird began.

Captain Perry ended up retreating, with 34 casualties. What was left of his cavalry, returned to the area of Grangeville. Some of the Nimiipuu warriors were wounded, but no lives were lost.

This became the first battle of the Nez Perce Flight of 1877. Following the events of June 17th, the band fled to find safety, ultimately traveling on a 126-day journey, covering 1,170 miles, and 4 states.



## NIMIIPUU TRIBAL TRIBUNE

The Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune is published twice a month, on the first and third Wednesday. Our mission is to publish a timely and credible resource for our loyal readers and provide local information relevant to the Nimiipuu people and surrounding communities. Our vision is to disseminate content of interest to readers and to ensure this news publication is accessible by all.

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## Congratulations

### 2019 Northwest Indian College Graduates:



**Santia Arthur**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Nikesa Aubertin**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Raneisha Erevia**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Lapit Teminah Greene**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Josh Henry**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Maurita Oatman**

(Bachelor of Native Environmental Science Degree)

**Sandra Wahsise**

(Bachelor of Tribal Governance and Business Management)

**Lindy Warden**

(Associates of Arts & Science, Direct Transfer Degree)

**Letitia Whitman**

(Bachelor of Native Environmental Science Degree)

## Fall 2019 Scholarships

## NEZ PERCE TRIBAL STUDENTS

- \* 2-year Degree
- \* 4-year Degree
- \* Masters
- \* Doctorate

- \* Business School
- \* Technical School
- \* Trade School
- \* Dual Credit (HS)

### Deadlines:

**Application opens: June 1**

**Final Deadline: September 15**

\*Per Scholarship Plan of Operation, NPTEC Resolution, NP17-224 Amended, 4/25/17.

### Online application:

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/nptscholarshipFA19](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nptscholarshipFA19)

### New & Transfer Students:

*Complete Application, Admission Letter, Class Schedule, Transcript from High School, GED, or previous colleges attended, Tribal ID or CIB, and Personal Letter*

### Active Scholarship Recipients (funded in Spring 2019):

*Complete Application, Class Schedule, and Full Transcript from current college. (Degree audit if entering 3<sup>rd</sup> year)*

**IMPORTANT: Have you filed your FAFSA and other financial aid forms?**

For more information: Joyce McFarland, Education Manager, 208-621-4610 or [education@nezperce.org](mailto:education@nezperce.org)

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*Celebrate graduates of 2019 with a FREE graduation shout out.*

*Email grad's picture and information to [communications@nezperce.org](mailto:communications@nezperce.org) or deliver in person to the Communications office, located in Executive Direction.*

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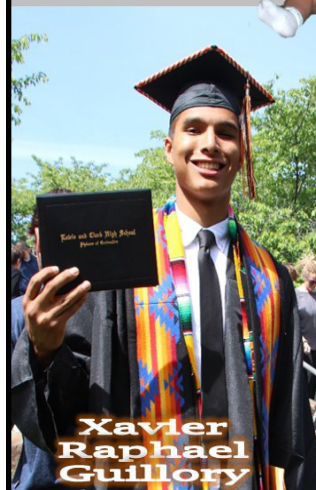
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Raphael  
Guillory**



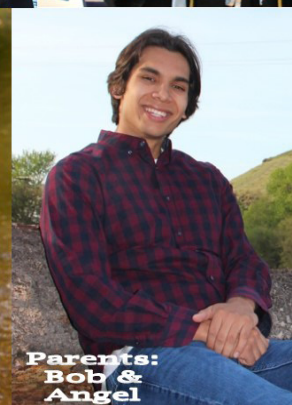
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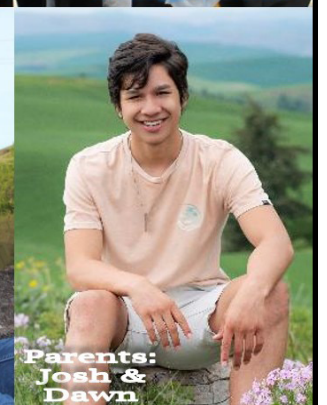
**Kendall  
Drew  
Leighton**



**Parents:  
Raphael  
& Gloria**



**Parents:  
Bob &  
Angel**



**Parents:  
Josh &  
Dawn**

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Whitman processes personnel paperwork, yearly project funding contracts, creates and tracks project budgets, and assists with both quarterly and yearly reporting. Whitman occasionally gets to go out in the field; assisting with fish spawning, tagging, collecting testing samples, data entry, transporting, and releasing. She is currently working towards earning her Bachelor's Degree in Native Environmental Science, in hopes of moving into a biologist position, or similar field. This will allow her to work in the field more.

Lautis Shebala has worked in the DFRM Production Division as a Biologist, for the last two years at the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery. Her job duties range from all things related to fish production; depending on the season.

This previous year she implemented feed programs for fish, observed their health and overall growth, while ensuring cleaning schedules for the raceways are met in time for their release goals. Additionally, Shebala arranged marking plans for fish transport and transfer groups, developed a release plan for on-site groups, and released 1.7 million spring Chinook smolts directly into the North Fork.

Shebala grew up in Kooskia, Idaho and was raised along Clear Creek. She and her siblings would often take walks through the hatchery on their

mini fishing and swimming adventures. "I was also very fortunate to have been raised with horses; I was taught that if you take care of your animals and work hard for them, they will in turn take care of you," said Shebala, "This is something I have found to be very true, it is also something that I carry over into this field in relation to our fish."

Shebala is preparing for the oncoming 2019 spring Chinook season, awaiting the return of the adult salmon and preparing for the upcoming spawning and incubation seasons. She also hopes to be involved in the Hatchery's Steelhead program someday and to continue learning of ways she can advance her career in Fisheries. "I really appreciate all the encouragement and guidance I have been fortunate to receive," said Shebala.

At the Kooskia National Fish Hatchery, Technician II-Fish Culturist, Kayla Warden works in the Production Division. She has worked under the Dworshak Complex with Fisheries for three years now. Warden and her co-workers face many challenges, especially during the winter months. They operate Clear Creek's water flows and have to keep the water flowing through the hatchery. There are occasions where they get alarm calls at 2:00 and 3:00 a.m.; having to clean the intake screen until there is enough water flowing through the hatchery.

Fisheries became Warden's career of interest at the

age of ten, when she and her family went fishing at Rapid River. During her family's fishing trip, she visited the Rapid River Fish Hatchery. While watching her dad and older brothers catch fish, Warden would document on a note pad the date, how many fish they caught, if the fish was male or female, and even the time they had caught the fish. "I had taken the harvest numbers that year for my family," Warden said, unaware at the time that it was forming a love for Fisheries.

Warden was a high school intern for Fisheries for two years, she graduated from Kamiah High School in 2008. In 2012, Warden graduated with her Associates Degree from Northwest Indian College (NWIC). She continued her education with NWIC, earning her Bachelor's Degree in Native Environmental Science in 2014.

When asked what it is like working in a field that is predominantly male employed, Warden says she views her

work no different and states that women can, and do, work just as hard as any man. "I believe all the steps I took in furthering my education has prepared myself in this field with the help from the Tribe, my family and mentors in life has made it an easy transition," concluded Warden.

In 1970, these women would have been considered "hatchery men", fortunately this has evolved over the years thanks to women like Lange, Whitman, Shebala, and Warden. Today, there are 33 women working behind the scenes and contributing to the restoration of our fish populations.

Thank you to all of the women, and men, working for the Tribe's DFRM who collaborate with each other; restoring, protecting, and caring for our fish. Each division plays a role that is vital to the management of fisheries. Without you, we would not be seeing the progress and growth we have seen over the years.





May  
Employee  
of the  
month  
JT Reynolds



Thank You!

The family of Jaylah Enick would like to thank those who supported our girl. We held a raffle Oct- Dec 2018, Salad Bar in April 2019 and received donations from family & friends throughout our community. We are thankful to share she had a successful surgery May 3rd and seven days of recovery.

She will have additional surgeries in the fall to complete the process. To help with medical/ travel costs to Seattle Children's Hospital we will be raffling a rifle donated by Amy & Heath Wilson September 6th at 12:30 pm.

Words could never express our hearts at the support of our family, friends, community, and tribe. We are grateful for each prayer given for our girl. Qeeciwyew!

## Visit Firework Stands on the Nez Perce Reservation



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Lapwai, ID 83540

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Lapwai

Ben Arthur  
Highway 3  
Juliaetta

Ben Arthur  
Highway 95  
Lapwai

Virgil Miller  
Highway 12  
Orofino

Teri Krause  
Highway 12  
Kamiah

Douglas DeLorme  
50951 Highway 95 South  
Culdesac

Douglas DeLorme  
34098 Highway 12  
Lenore

Howard Teasley  
Lapwai United Methodist  
Church & Highway 95  
Lapwai

Judy Oatman  
Highway 12  
Kooskia

### WHOLESALE

Ben Arthur  
Highway 3  
Juliaetta

James White  
Highway 95  
Lapwai

Quintin Ellenwood  
26504 White Road  
Lapwai

Howard Teasley  
Lapwai United Methodist  
Church & Highway 95  
Lapwai

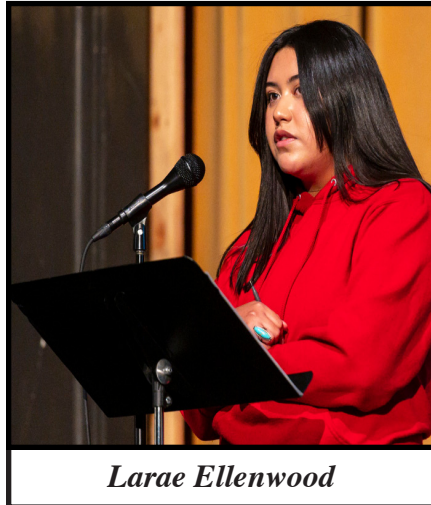
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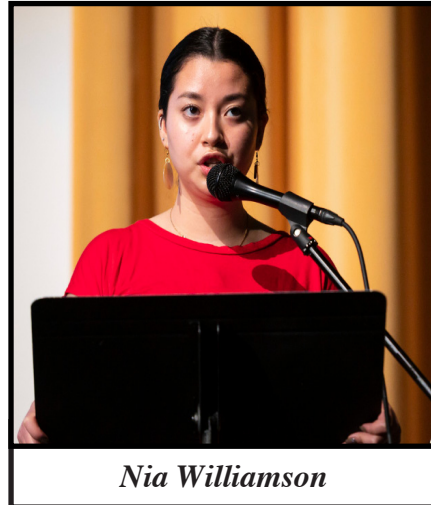
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## Two Students Take Charge & Change History for Portland School

Two Nez Perce girls changed history for Grover Cleveland High School (Cleveland) in Portland, Oregon. The Cleveland dance team's name was unsettling for these two Native American students. Larae Ellenwood was a junior when she and, sophomore, Nia Williamson were sitting in Cleveland's annual homecoming assembly. The school welcomes and announced the dance team- "The Sundancers".



*Larae Ellenwood*



*Nia Williamson*

Ellenwood and Williamson found the team name to be offensive. Everyone applauded as the dance team took stage and performed. This dance team was using a sacred Native American practice and belief for their name and claiming it as their own. In 1988, Cleveland changed its mascot from the Indians to the Warriors, and the school's newspaper went from The Tomahawk to The Clarion. Cleveland's current principal, Ayesha Freeman, stated that the school would not allow any of Cleveland's clubs or athletic groups to be culturally insensitive.

In 2016 Ellenwood and Williamson brought attention to the matter. They asked that Cleveland's dance team change their name to a non-native affiliated name. The dance team then changed their name to the Sun Dance Team; leaving the two girls in disbelief. This was still not acceptable. However, by renaming the Sundancers to the Sun Dance Team, Freeman had hoped to respectfully get away from any appropriating. After seeing little movement from the school, the girls decided to branch out and ask for additional support on this issue. "It is imperative that we do more than discuss; we must act on those con-

versations and create changes," said Williamson.

Ellenwood started by speaking at the Oregon Leadership Network in April of 2017. There, she was able to voice the situation to bring awareness and seek guidance. "That is when we started receiving invitations to tell our story to people that wanted to listen and so Natives no longer have to suffer in silence," said Ellenwood.

The duo spoke twice at the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI). There they met Johnny Buck and Mariana Harvey who invited them to speak at the Native Youth Leadership Alliance. They also traveled to Salem, Oregon where Ellenwood spoke to different Oregon legislative representatives. Ellenwood was also invited to testify on the Sen-

ate Bill 13 for Oregon schools to develop Native American history into their curriculum. "Every time we told our story, the feedback got better and better," Ellenwood said, "and once we gained our support, we returned to the school with confidence and motivation."

In 2018, after meeting with the dance team, the dancers wanted to collaborate with Ellenwood and Williamson to select a new name. "I recommended that they reach out to the local native communities, specifically the Native American Youth and Family Center," Williamson said. As Cleveland continued to undergo a renaming process, Williamson continued to advocate for the school community through her senior year.

Williamson and Ellenwood encouraged the com-

munity to educate themselves on Native Americans locally, and nationally. "These issues should not be an inconvenience to just the dance team or the Native students. This should be an inconvenience for the whole school because the school did not do justice for Cleveland's history of Native appropriation," Ellenwood added, "and by coming together, we can achieve that justice and lay the school's racist history to rest for good, but we must first bring attention to it."

"I advocate for my people and my history," Ellenwood said, "When this began three years ago, I made sure to tell our families and everyone that has worked with us that we need to be deliberate and approach this situation with the hope for positive change and do what we can to educate where we need to, and to take this as an opportunity to educate ourselves as Native American women."

After three years of increasing awareness and advocating for change, the Cleveland dance team has officially been renamed. They are now the Cleveland Tenacity Dance Team.

Ellenwood graduated from Cleveland in 2018 and currently attends Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington continuing in Native Studies. She is the daughter of Ray Ellenwood Jr. and Laura John. Her grandparents are Raymond Sr. and Bernadine Ellenwood (Nez Perce); Dale John (Seneca) and Sidney Stone Brown (Blackfeet). Williamson graduated from Cleveland this June. She is the daughter of John Williamson and Emily Wang. Her grandparents are Harold (Skip) and Patricia (Patty) Williamson (Nez Perce); and John (Ming Kai) and Mary (Ong Ying) Wang.



## Graduate Leaves High School with Diploma and Associates Degree



Jeyyonce Cuevas is a 2019 graduate from Emerald Ridge High School in Puyallup, Washington. The day Cuevas graduated, she graduated with more than just her high school diploma.

Her junior year of high school, Cuevas applied for a program called the Running Start Program. This program allows a select few students to take college courses while in high school. Once accepted into the program, Cuevas enrolled into classes at Pierce College in Puyallup, and upon completion was presented with her Associates Degree alongside her high school diploma.

The coursework was very time consuming, according to Cuevas. "It took a little while for me to adjust to the demands of college expectations, versus high school," she said. Cuevas was also employed, and had very little time in between balancing her school and work schedules. However, with self-discipline and time management, Cuevas was able to overcome those challenges.

Cuevas advises any stu-

dents who plans to take college courses while in high school, to really understand that this is a great program and to always apply discipline because this opportunity can be lost very quickly. She also encourages students to attend their college classes as much as possible, to learn all that they can.

Cuevas is the daughter of Awilda Cuevas-Jimenez and Christopher Hughes, the granddaughter of Willa Stevens and Pablo Cuevas-Jimenez, and the great-granddaughter of Bill and Genny Stevens. She is Nez Perce and Confederated Salish and Kootenai.

Cuevas would like to give a shout out to her mom for helping her get through the times when she wanted to give up. She would also like to thank her family for checking up on her and keeping her motivated to finish her studies. "I am very happy I took this opportunity and finished it," said Cuevas. In the fall she will be attending the University of Washington and has been accepted into the Social Work Program, "Go Dawgs!" Cuevas concluded.

**Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Newsletter—June 2019**

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Lapwai Contacts: Jon Van Woerkom . (208) 791-3965 or Linda Nemeth . lindan@nezperce.org

**Lapwai Community Recycling 2019**

Month	Total Pounds
Feb	0
Mar	63
Apr	69
May	226

We would like to acknowledge all of you who are using our recycling services!! Our land and future generations are grateful.... Qe'ciyew'yew'

**"Talkin' Trash"**

**Lapwai Community Recycling Update:**

May numbers are up!

118 lbs. of plastics #1 & #2  
(29 lbs. in Mar./ 50 lbs. in Apr.)

40 lbs. of Aluminum cans  
(12 lbs. in Mar./ 11 lbs. in Apr.)

21 lbs. of Tin cans  
(6 lbs. in Mar./ 8 lbs. in Apr.)

Jon will be attending ITEP's course on "Implementing and Managing Tribal Recycling Programs" in Milwaukee, June 25-27. Topics include: Current Recycling Markets - Challenges & Opportunities; Running & Growing Efficient Recycling Operations; Leveraging Your Resources and Trying New Approaches; a Panel Discussion with Local Recycling Businesses; and a Tour of Local Recycling Facilities. We are very excited for Jon to have this opportunity and thank him for caring and taking the time to attend!

**In the Spotlight**

← Our In the Spotlight column highlights people doing good things for our earth and our people. This month we are putting the program's own Jon Van Woerkom in the Spotlight for always going the extra mile and doing everything he can to make the program better. He will be attending ITEP recycling training for a week in June. Way to go Jon!

Qe'ciyew'yew'

On our way to zero waste!

After a traumatic event, problems may come and go. It's important to know when to ask for help.

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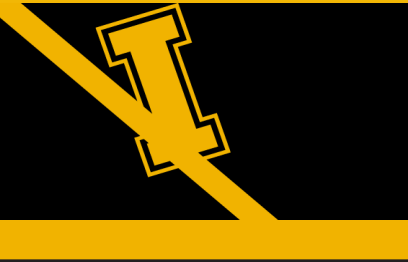
### Iron Warriors Pay Visit to Tribal Police Officer Josh Rigney



The Iron Warriors Motorcycle Club (Club) is a family friendly group comprised of active and retired first responders. They regularly conduct fundraisers to provide funding for injured and fallen officers. On Monday, June 10th they made a special trip to Lapwai, Idaho to visit Officer Josh Rigney. Officer Rigney was off-duty, preparing for a nap, when a man knocked on his door and opened fire. Officer Rigney suffered two gunshot wounds; one in the chest and another in his knee. He spent 10 days in the hospital and is still recovering from the wounds. Club President, Steve Stedtfeld had heard of Officer Rigney’s situation on the news. After a little research by another member, President Stedtfeld contacted Nez Perce Tribe Chief of Police, Harold Scott. Together, they made plans for the Club to pay a visit. Eight members from the Club’s Boise Chapter made the drive. There they were able to meet officers, staff, Officer Rigney, and his wife. They shared lunch, exchanged stories, and President Stedtfeld presented Officer Rigney with a donation to help with any expenses. “I really appreciate it; thank you guys for coming up here. It means a lot,” Officer Rigney said to the Club members.

### Ecological Forest Management Field Tour

The University of Idaho Extension is offering an Ecological Forest Management Field Tour Thursday, June 27, 2019, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The tour will view alternative forest management strategies that reference natural disturbance patterns and emphasize historic forest structures and species composition for enhancing biodiversity as well as increasing resilience to wildfire, climate change, and other disturbance. Please call the UI Extension office to register and get directions at 208-476-4434 or email [clearwater@uidaho.edu](mailto:clearwater@uidaho.edu) to request detailed program information. \$10.00 per person registration fee is required. Registration & payment due by Friday, June 20, 2019.



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### Cultural Learning Opportunities at the Nez Perce National Historical Park

Nez Perce National Historical Park announces an exciting speaker and demonstrator schedule for this summer. You are invited to join and learn about the Nez Perce culture through the listed events.

June 22	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	Cultural Ecology Talk
July 6	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Drum Making Demonstration
July 13	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	Preserving the Language Talk
July 20	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Drum Making Demonstration
August 3	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Beadwork Demonstration
August 10	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	Butterfly Talk
August 10	8 p.m.- 11p.m.	Night Sky Program (Perseid)
August 17	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Beadwork Demonstration

The Spaulding Visitor Center, located at 39063 U.S. Highway 95 in Lapwai, is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Park administration is free year round. For more information, please contact the Nez Perce National Historical Park at 208-843-7009, or visit [www.nps.gov/nepe](http://www.nps.gov/nepe) or visit them on Facebook.



## Erin Yallup - 'Lock Your Liquor' LCC Poster Contest Winner



The Lapwai Community Coalition (LCC) received the Idaho State Liquor Division 2018-2019 Alcohol Mini Grant. LCC will use this grant to promote the Alcohol Sticker Shock Campaign and bring visual education and awareness about buying alcohol for minors and to "Lock Your Liquor". LCC will make stickers, shirts, posters, floor mats for Valley Foods and PK's Place; from the artwork of the poster contest winner Erin Yallup, third grader at Lapwai Elementary.

LCC wanted to gain the Lapwai Youths' perspective on how to keep them substance free, and of all the artwork submitted for the contest,

there was an overwhelming theme of "culture is prevention, and teaching or participating in our native ways, and staying away from alcohol."

Educating our youth on staying drug and alcohol free as well as empowering them to express how it affects them in their community, is a key element of this campaign and as always the main focus of what LCC works towards.

The LCC would like to thank our funder, the Idaho State Liquor Division for making this campaign possible and to the Lapwai School District and Lapwai Elementary School for your continued partnership, participation and support.

## Community Center Restrooms Open

Restrooms are officially open at both community centers. On May 1st, 2019 the Wa-A'Yas Community Center in Kamiah, Idaho celebrated the unveiling of the restroom reconstruction; being completed just in time for the Spring General Council. The Pi-Nee-Waus in Lapwai, Idaho had their unveiling on June 10th, 2019. This project had been underway since December of 2018.

This was a large project that had been in the works for a few years. Elders were approached with the question of what community project they saw as being most beneficial. The majority said fixing the restrooms in the community centers, and making them handicap accessible. From there, the Economic Development Planning Office began searching for funding.

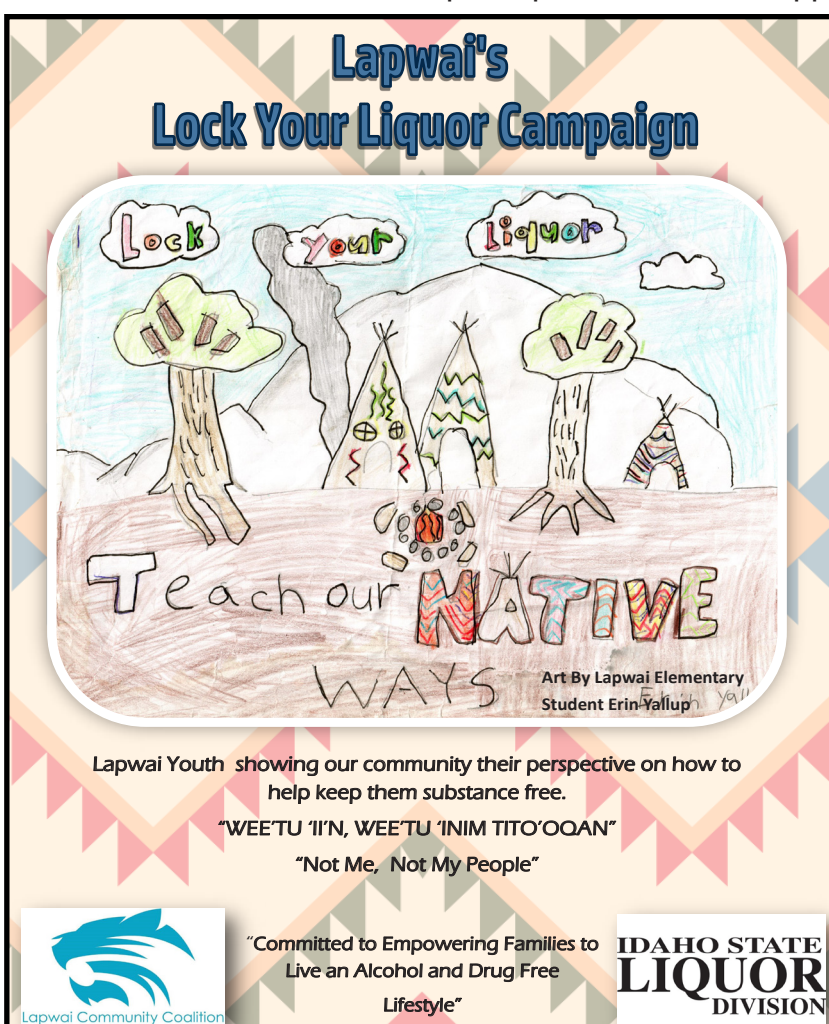
They were awarded the first grant in 2015, which allowed for the program to begin designing and developing plans for the remodel. They contracted Dan Whittaker, Architect with Womer & Associates, a Native owned business, to draw up the plans. Once plans were complete they worked to find funding to implement the plans.

Upon being awarded the funding necessary from the Snake River Basin Adjudication Fund, SRBA, National Native American Construction (NNAC), out of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, also a Native owned business, was given the contract to manage the project,

with Josh Walker supervising. The project plan was for both the Pi-Nee-Waus, the Wa-A'Yas, and the restrooms in the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee Office. Ann McCormack, Economic Development Planner, acted as project manager for this project. It included rebuilding plumbing, increasing the number of restroom stalls, constructing family restrooms, constructing individual shower stalls, installing new surfacing, and making all facilities ADA compliant.






The design was well thought out to reflect both Nez Perce culture and nature. The walls and flooring were tiled. The design of the facilities is based on nature with elements of Nez Perce weavings; the background coloration mimics the river canyons and uses a traditional woven border pattern detail surrounding each room. In addition, the facilities were remodeled with new equipment to make them more energy efficient.

Even with the finding of asbestos in the Wa-A'Yas delaying the project, through an abatement process the Community Center is now 100% asbestos free. All projects are now near completion and the restrooms are open to the public, with the final result providing more than anticipated. An enormous thank you to everyone involved in the project, along with great appreciation for everyone's patience and understanding during this process.




**I VISION PROGRAM PRESENTS:**

**JUNE 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>**  
**THE 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL**  
**WALLOWA**  
**YOUTH RETREAT**  
**WALLOWA, OREGON**

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## David Miles Jr., 70, Lapwai, ID



David James Miles Jr. also known as "Stone" and "Kubla Kahn," passed away on Sunday, June 2, 2019, surrounded by his family, at Kootenai Medical Center in Coeur d'Alene. He succumbed to complications of pneumonia. His Nez Perce name was Wat-yet-mas ya-one ya-one, meaning "moving swan." He was 70 years old.

David was born to the late Rev. David J. Miles Sr. and the late Beatrice Oatman-Miles on March 12, 1949, in Phoenix. David attended schools at Orchards Elementary, Sacajawea Junior High, Lapwai High School, Kamiah High School and Oakley High School in Idaho, and graduated from Echo High School in Echo, Ore., in 1968.

After graduating from high school, David attended Bacone College in Muskogee, Okla. He and Diane "Annie" Wasson were married at the Faith Tabernacle in Kamiah. They had their first child, Aaron, in December of 1969. They lived in San Diego while David was enlisted in the U.S. Navy. David served the Navy from April 1969 through September 1970. While at sea, he crossed the line and earned Ancient Order of the Deep rites in July 1969. David also received the National Defense Service Medal. After David's military service, the family returned to the Lewiston-Clarkston Valley. They then had three more children, Justine, Rebecca and Delores, and settled on Goldner Road near Lapwai to raise their family.

David began working

for Potlatch Forest Inc.'s pulp and paper mill at Lewiston. He worked at the mill for several years, until he became employed as the community services manager for the Nez Perce Tribe in 1980. David was encouraged by his parents to earn a post-secondary degree to advance his career. He received a Bachelor of Arts in business administration from Lewis-Clark State College in 1982, and later transitioned into the Finance Department for the tribe as an accountant.

David left the tribe to work for the state of Washington Department of Social and Health Services at Clarkston to gain more experience as an accountant. During his employment there, he began working on a master's degree program at the University of Idaho, and later would attain a Master of Education from UI in adult and vocational education with a secondary teaching certificate in 1989.

David began teaching at Lapwai High School as a business education/study skills instructor. After teaching at Lapwai High School and Kendrick High School, he returned to work for the Tribal Employment Rights Office as an employment counselor in June of 1993. His work in TERO would eventually lead to his employment as the director for Nez Perce Vocational Rehabilitation Services. David was known as a leader and educator among different communities and his job allowed him to provide technical assistance to Nez Perce tribal members. He advocated for people in need and always sought different ideas for business development and economic growth of the Nez Perce people. He was a highly educated man who counseled many people throughout his career and gained many friends throughout his travels. After retiring from the tribe, he continued to help people in need, whether it was financial or just to listen to them. He donated to the homeless and was of service and

a resource to people from all walks of life. He was working toward completing his doctorate at the time of his death.

Two of David's passions were to fish for salmon at Rapid River and to immerse himself into the basketball season on all levels. He often would go fishing with his brother-in-law, Jonesy Scott, and his first cousin, Kenny Oatman. They would go to different tributaries to fish as young men. He later taught his grandchildren how to fish and was always there to mentor them. He was a devout fan of the Lapwai boys' and girls' basketball teams, beginning back in the mid-1970s. He was proud of the state championship teams and he played a part in the development of the three-time, undefeated state championship teams of 1987, '88 and '89 (his son played on the '87 and '88 teams). David was known as a leaper and on the court, even as an old man, he could jump high. During the old days, Bob Sobotta Jr. would round up the guys to play ABA ball and David would be one of the guys he called upon.

His kids were part of championship teams at Lapwai High School for both the boys' and girls' basketball. In later years, you would find David, always behind the Lapwai Wildcat team bench, cheering on his granddaughters, his grandsons and his daughter, Rebecca, as the Lapwai Wildcat boys' basketball head coach. He would also support his grandkids on the Palouse who played for Moscow and Pullman high schools. Each of his grandchildren led their respective teams in several sports to the state playoffs and contributed to the championship trophies brought home.

David fell into his favorite role as a grandfather. He was a grandfather to many children. Bloodlines did not matter. He made any child who was close to his children or grandchildren feel at home and he took care of them. He was fondly called "Umpa" by many of the grandchildren.

As an employee of the Nez Perce Tribe, David was by far the largest financial contributor to the Employee Donation Fund for the Boys and Girls Club of Lapwai. He cared very deeply for the youth of our community and wanted to see them thrive. He encouraged his kids to use sports as a means to learn and be successful in life by transitioning into a career. David was an avid fan of all youth, encouraging them to pursue their education: in the classroom, on the field, on the court, in ceremony, on the river or in the mountains.

David was the kind of man who would give his last dollar to a perfect stranger if they needed it. He was a servant to his beliefs. He would often just stop by his children's workplace to pray for them. He was definitely one of a kind. Even when he was told not to keep dyeing his hair blue by his daughter, he continued to anyway.

He often read Bible scriptures to his kids and was a servant of the Lord. He believed in the power of God and prayed for his family every day. David was a member of Faith Tabernacle Church in Lewiston. He was mentored by the Rev. Raymond Tucker when Faith Tabernacle began at 10th and 10th in Lewiston. Later, David would often call on Pastor Greg Pedersen for prayer and counseling.

David was close to his maternal grandparents, Jim and Jane (Allen) Oatman of Kamiah, and his paternal grandparents, James and Mary (Penney) Miles of Sweetwater. As a Nez Perce, he was proud of his bloodline. He was a descendant of the Wallowa and Whitebird bands from his father's side, and was a direct descendant of Old Chief Lookingglass from his mother's family lineage.

Survivors include his ex-wife, Diane Mallickan of Sweetwater; a son, Aaron Miles Sr. (Julie), of Pullman; three daughters, Justine Miles

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Ramsey (Rich), Rebecca Miles and Delores Miles, all of Lapwai; and a sister, Mary Jane Miles, of Culdesac. David is also survived by eight grandchildren and one great-grandson and referred to them as his "8 Stones + 1." As a Rolling Stones fanatic he referred to his grandchildren as his stones. The grandchildren from oldest to youngest are Selina Miles, Celilo Miles, AJ Miles, Erin Ramsey, Tre Miles-Williams, James Joseph Miles, Ivory Miles-Williams, Jalisco Miles and his great-grandson, Riston Gary Johnson Miles, who was the "new caboose" for David. Many nephews and nieces also sur-

vive, whom he cared for dearly. He was preceded in death by his parents, David and Beatrice Miles; sisters Mary Elizabeth Miles, Geraldine Miles-Webb, Loretta Burke-Scott and Anita Two Moons; and two brothers who died in infancy, Levi VanPelt Jr. and Theodore Burke.

A memorial service was conducted and a funeral on Thursday, with Pastor Greg Pedersen of Faith Tabernacle Church officiating both services. The services will be held at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center at Lapwai. The burial will be at Jonah Cemetery at Sweetwater, with a dinner following at the Pi-Nee-Waus. Malcom's Brower-Wann handled the funeral arrangements.

## Phillip Ellenwood, 86, Yakima, WA



Philip Ellenwood, 86, passed away on June 1, 2019, at Park West Rehab. He was born on June 28, 1932 in Stites, Idaho to Joseph Ellenwood and Ellen Hill.

Philip went to college and got a degree. He worked

at Wapato Irrigational for 32 years. He married Rebecca Selam and his children include; Gladys Wheeler Ellenwood, Colleen White, and Amy Baker.

He loved playing basketball, pool, watching his sports, traveling, going to stick games, and spending time with family.

Survivors include his son, Mike Ellenwood, Daughter JoEllen Ellenwood of Seattle, WA, Tawya Ellenwood of Oregon, Terri Ellenwood of Yakima, and Rebecca Selam of White Swan, WA.

He is Preceded in death by his sons, Zack Ellenwood, Tom Ellenwood, and Philip Ellenwood Jr., his parents and numerous brothers and sisters.

## Rovella F. Bosse, 74, Orofino, ID



Wednesday, June 13th Rovella began her journey to reunite with loved ones and the Lord from her home in Orofino, ID. She was 74 and an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe.

Rovella was born October 14th, 1944 in Lewiston to Elas Ed Eckard and Mary Grace Alfrey Eckard. She was raised in the Kooskia area for most of her childhood years before setting off on adventures that took her and her siblings to such places as Ainsworth< Nebraska, and Oklahoma. Her and her siblings returned to Idaho and attended Catholic Boarding schools in Idaho. As an adult, Rovella attended and received a degree in Substance Abuse and Mental Health from Treasure Valley College in Ontario, Oregon. Some years later she moved to the Colville Reservation at Nespelem, Washington with her children and mother where she worked for the Coville Tribe as a dispatcher for the Tribal Police Department.

Around 1980, Rovella moved her family and mother to Lapwai, Idaho. She applied with the Nez Perce Tribe and was offered a job as a substance abuse counselor in Orofino. After a couple years she was promoted to a position in Lapwai where she spent a majority of the rest of her working career helping everyone and anyone in need. Rovella was so dedicated to her job that she opened her home to many of her clients, to come and have a meal, a cup of coffee, or just an ear to listen. Day or night, Rovella would drop what she was doing to assist anyone that needed her.

In August of 1988, Rovella married Stephen Bosse and they made their home in

Orofino. Steve and Rovella enjoyed time camping, hunting and fishing, as well as time with their kids and grandkids. Rovella would spend much of her extra time picking huckleberries, collecting mountain tea and various traditional roots. She was involved with the Senior Citizen Program for the Nez Perce Tribe and devoted many hours teaching things such as crafts, baking and canning. She traveled to various Elder day functions around the Northwest with many of her friends. She also enjoyed spending time playing Keno and playing the games at almost any casino.

Rovella is survived by her husband Steve at the family home in Orofino. A son Paul Vigil and his wife Jen of Keiser, Oregon, daughter Jeanette Moon and husband Randy Kheel of Inchelium, Washington, son James Vigil and wife Kathy of Lewiston, son Brent Bosse and wife Sally of Meridian, and son Adam Bosse of Lewiston. She is also survived by a sister Luvella Reilly of San Jose, California, a brother Wally Eckard and wife Bertie of Waha, Idaho, niece Michelle Ensminger and husband Dusty of Inchelium, Washington, nephew Douglas Nanpuya and significate other Cindy Laramie also of Inchelium. She is also survived by her grandchildren Anastasia Vigil, A.J. Vigil, Madison Vigil, William Vigil, Eren Moon and Ryan Moon.

She was proceeded in death by her parents Ellis and Mary Grace, a son Apolino Vigil and a sister Genice Nanpuya, and brother-in-law Jim Reilly.

A memorial service will be held Monday, June 17 at 6 p.m. at the Lapwai Methodist Church, the family requests that you bring your favorite story or memory to share of Rovella. The funeral service will be held Tuesday, June 18th at 9:30 a.m. at the Pi Nee Waus, in Lapwai. She will be entered into rest at the Tribal Cemetery immediately after the service, with a dinner to follow at the Pi Nee Waus.

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