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### Recently Constructed NiiMiiPuu Longhouse Holds Opening Ceremony



Lee Whiteplume explains the longhouse structure and what each element represents; the beams, traditionally tipi poles, symbolize the men and the boards, traditionally the hide around the poles, symbolize the women.

The NiiMiiPuu Longhouse (Longhouse) has been an ongoing project for a number of years. Many changes occurred along the way, but the project has been seen through to completion. On Friday, November 1, 2019 the Longhouse conducted a small dedi-

cation. The following Sunday, they held their official opening.

Located on Thunder Hill Road in Lapwai, Idaho; the Longhouse was created to be used for a variety of traditional ceremonies. Longhouse people now have a venue, large enough to carry out these traditions and accommodate everyone. The new location includes restrooms with showers, a commercial size kitchen, and accessibility for all.

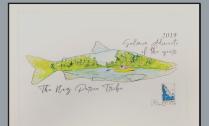
During Friday's dedication, a group of folks gathered in the recently constructed Longhouse. They followed traditional protocols, and sang songs. Following, several folks spoke and shared their words. Throughout everyone's speeches there was one resounding desire; for everyone to feel welcome in the Longhouse.

Many of the speakers elaborated on the emotions and feelings of having the new Longhouse complete. They spoke of the pride, and anticipation for the greatness this will bring to the community. Many spoke of their hope that more folks will begin attending, and more people can learn the traditional ways of the Longhouse; to continue carrying on for future generations.

On Sunday, the official sunrise ceremony occurred and the Longhouse was blessed. Folks traveled from other reservations to be a part of the occasion. This momentous day, is just the start of many ceremonies to come in the new Longhouse.

# Rock On Nimiipuu

Nez Perce Tribe October Employee of the Month Bruce Lawrence



Nez Perce Tribe Receives 2019 Salmon Advocate of the Year from Idaho Rivers United



Emmit "Mitaat" Taylor III, North Idaho College has several D1 offeres. NCAA Commitment Day begins November 13th, 2019.



"My goal this year is to play 110% on both ends of the court. I expect us to take 1 game at a time and never look past any opponent. If we do that, we will be successful and bring that National Championship back to Caldwell."

-Ivory Miles-Williams, College Of Idaho. #Yotes





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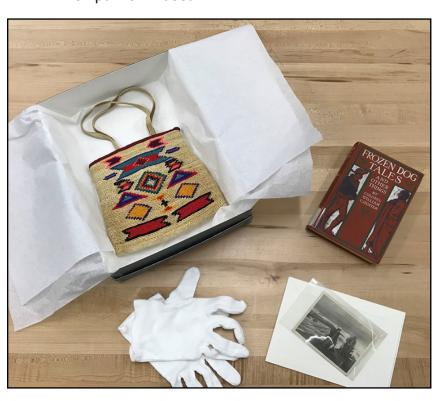
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### **National Park Offers Care for Heirlooms**

Nez Perce National Histori-Saturday November

LAPWAI, Idaho – The curator and archivist will share tips, tricks, and best cal Park holds Caring for practices to care for your your Collections Talk. If you keepsakes during a presenhave family heirlooms, pho-tation that starts at 10 a.m. tographs, textiles or books After the talk, items from you want to preserve for the park collection will be future generations? Learn brought up for visitors to how to care for these items see. "These are items that at Nez Perce National His- are not normally on display torical Park's Caring for or visible to the public. This Your Collections program is a special opportunity to 23, learn about and see more of 2019 from 10 a.m.-noon. the park collection" says Mu-The park's museum seum Curator Kristine Leier.





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Portland Area Indian Health Board's Response Circles project.

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### Nez Perce Tribal Member Prepares to Embark on a Journey to Tokyo

bee, enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe. My parents are, Roberta Jose-Bisbee and Michael Bisbee Jr. My siblings are, Madden Bisbee, Memphis Bisbee, and late brother Michael Bisbee III.

I am traveling to Tokyo, Japan! I will be in japan for two full weeks! I will fly out for Tokyo on December 24, and I will fly home January 8. So, I will get to celebrate Christmas and New Years in Japan!

Holidays and celebrations have not been the same for me the past 6 years. I wanted to try something new, so I decided to go to Japan! And my parents didn't say no, so I had to take advantage of this opportunity! I also realized that I

My name is Micah Bis- could do my capstone proiect (senior project) about my trip!

> I don't have set plans, but I feel like I don't have to create an agenda for this trip! I love the culture and I am looking forward to taking it all in with my own eyes! I am looking forward to the experience in general! I mean how many times will you get to visit Japan in your lifetime? One thing I really want to do is watch the sunrise at Mount Fuji! Oh and go thrift shopping! Tokyo is thrift shopping heaven!

> I am going with some friends that I have made throughout my life! They are fun to be around and just a great group of people to experience these new adventures with! Thank you, Micah Bisbee.



### Idaho Governor's Office Recognizes Indigenous Peoples Day

BY NICOLE FOY OF THE IDAHO STATESMAN

With Capitol offices closed around her for Columbus Day, 13-year-old Danielle Keith read the first proclamation of Indigenous Peoples Day in Idaho.

"Whereas Indigenous Peoples Day shall be used to reflect upon ongoing resilience of indigenous people on this land, and to celebrate the thriving culture and value that indigenous people add to our Idaho," Keith read in front of a crowd gathered in the rotunda Monday morning.

Idaho Gov. Brad Little issued a proclamation designating Oct. 14, 2019, Indigenous Peoples Day, joining a national movement of localities adding to or replacing Columbus Day. Moscow was the first Idaho city to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day in 2017 and Boise followed in 2018, but this was the first statewide proclamation in Idaho. Cities such as Los Angeles and Seattle recently replaced Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day entirely. Columbus Day was not celebrated in the nation's capital, either; the Washington, D.C, Council voted earlier this month to replace it.

Opposition to local and national holidays commemorating Italian explorer Christopher Columbus has been steadily building for years. Critics say the holiday glorifies the

genocide and slavery of indigenous American peoples initiated by Columbus' 1492 landfall—and his expeditions didn't even make it to North America.

Little was in Washington, D.C., and unavailable to read the proclamation, according to his spokeswoman, Marissa Morrison. No state officials besides Johanna Jones, Indian education coordinator for the Idaho State Department of Education, participated in the ceremony.

The governor's proclamation honored Idaho's five federally recognized tribes — the Ktunaxa (Kootenai), Nimiipuu (Nez Perce), Newe (Shoshone-Bannock and Shoshone-Paiute) and Schitsu'umsh (Coeur d'Alene) — and promised to "promote the prosperity and well-being of the Native American, Alaskan Native, First Nations and Indigenous community in Idaho."

Monday's proclamation did not make Indigenous Peoples Day an official state holiday in Idaho or even an annual event. That would require legislative action, something Tai Simpson, one of the event's main organizers, said she hopes can be tackled in 2021.

"Idaho was indigenous land first," Simpson, a member of the Nez Perce nation, told the crowd Monday. "We are here this morning because our ancestors survived and were resilient, so we



Photo credit: Mary Johnson of "A Creative Asset"



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could survive and be resilient."

Simpson and other organizers tapped Keith, a Treasure Valley teen of the Athabascan and Haida peoples indigenous to Alaska, to read the proclamation on Little's behalf because of her involvement in the local community. Her grandmother, Jennie Mc-Cammon, and mother, Treasa Keith, are past board members of the Red River Pow Wow held in Caldwell each fall. McCammon said Keith is active in the Pow Wow and Native American Coalition of Boise events, which they attend together.

"She's really proud to do this for the Idaho nations, because they're really the people who are mentioned in the proclamation," McCammon said. "It's quite an honor for them to just pick her out of everybody."

McCammon, who is from the Haida Gwaii archipelago, moved to Idaho from Alaska 25 years ago. She said the recognition from the proclamation is important because those people indigenous to Idaho should not have their contributions or vibrant existence forgotten or erased from the state's history.

"Everybody wants to be remembered," McCammon said. "No matter who you are and where you're from, it's nice to be remembered."

Other ceremony participants included Jason Pretty Boy from the Indigenous Idaho Alli-

ance, Boise City Council member Lisa Sanchez and Lightning Creek, a drum group from the Nez Perce Tribe in Lapwai. Leaders from Idaho's five federally recognized tribes, including Kevin Callahan of the Shoshone Bannocks, Ted Howard of the Shoshone Paiutes and Chantelle Greene of the Nez Perce, said the celebration Monday was a "great thing" for Idaho's indigenous people.

Stacia Morfin had tears in her eyes as she tried to explain what the day meant to her. She drove from Lewiston and brought her 2-year-old daughter, Kalila, to attend the ceremony.

"I know the sacrifice it took our ancestors to still speak our language and keep our traditions," Morfin said. "Sacrifices which let us be able to live and be who we are."

While Lightning Creek played a closing honor song, Morfin danced on the edges of the Capitol rotunda in a ceremonial dress she created for the occasion. She said the dance and the design of the dress were meant to represent healing for all indigenous nations. Her daughter played on the floor in a matching dress of her own.

"I wanted her to be able to experience this," Morfin said. "Because we're not only honoring our past, but our present and future generations."

# **Moses Places First at National Native American Fish & Wildlife Conservation Shoot Competition**



Gregory Moses, Nez Perce Tribe Fisheries Conservation Enforcement Officer, placed first in the Conservation Officer Shoot Competition at the 2019 National Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (NAFWS) Conference on May 20th through the 23rd. The Conference was sponsored by the Pacific region, and hosted at the Yakama Nation Police Shooting Range, by the tribes of the Yakama nation.

NAFWS is a communication network organization and hosts a national conference each year. NAFWS is divided into seven regional areas in the U.S. which includes the Pacific, Great Plains, Great Lakes, Northeast, Southeast, Southwest, and Alaska regions. Each year one of these regions, on a rotating basis, will host with a tribe from that region the National NAFWS Conference (Conference).

Conference, At the Tuesday and Thursday were discussion days where representatives from different tribes spoke on certain aspects of wildlife enhancement, restoration, and conservation. Wednesday was the shoot competition for the conservation officers, to see who would represent the Pacific cadence. "I had to be aware region and compete at nationals against the other regions' top shooters. Eleven shooters, comprised of three Nez Perce and eight Yakama, shot the course three times with their side arms under direction of Conservation Officer Shoot Coordinator, Ted Lamebull.

The top six shooters earned their spot on the Pacific Region Shoot Team. Moses was awarded top shooter with the highest score. His coworker, Officer Jerrod Rickman, made the shoot team with the third highest score. The rest of the team was comprised of Yakama Nation Police Conservation Officers.

As a Conservation Officer, some of Moses' everyday job duties include patrolling areas within the Nez Perce Reservation and the Nez Perce Tribe's usual and accustomed areas. He is grateful for the opportunities to experience the things he has in this field.

While attending U.S. Indian Police Academy, Moses was promoted to Platoon Leader. Moses' duties as platoon leader consisted of many things from deciding if everyone was wearing a jacket for the day, to marching the platoon; all the while calling

of issues my cadets may have encountered, from arguments with each other, to their dorms flooding, and all the while keeping up with my own responsibilities as a cadet at academy trying to pass," said Moses.

Moses is the son of Aaron and Amiee Moses, grandson of Candace Greene and Gregory Moses, and the greatgrandson of the late Jess and Regina Greene and Gabriel and Delores Moses. He would like to thank Ashley Winter for supporting him throughout his career, and all its high demands; also for the support while he is gone, especially while he was away at academy. "Three months was, and is, the longest stint I have ever been away from her in the ten years we have been together, and she handled it and took care of our girls while I was away and I couldn't thank her enough," Moses said. He would also like to thank his parents and siblings who were a huge source of support and help as well.

The 38th **National** NAFWS Conference, where the Pacific Region Shoot Team will compete against the other Regions, will be held in May 2020 in Florida on the Miccosukee Reservation.

## Kamiah Celebrates First Annual Indigenous Peoples Day

History was made when the Governor of Idaho, Brad Little, declared October 14, 2019 Indigenous Peoples Day. Governor Little, signed and issued a proclamation declaring the designation. Although cities in Idaho have made the proclamation in past years, this was the first time the state took the initiative.

In honor of this momentous occasion, an event was held in Kamiah, Idaho. The event was co-hosted by the Kamiah School District Indian Education Parent Committee, the Kamiah Nez Perce Language Program, the Kamiah Community Library and was led by Stella (Penney) Sammaripa. Community members from Lapwai, Orofino, Kamiah and Kooskia attended the first annual National Indigenous Day event at the Wa-A'Yas Community Center.

"It was a huge step for our area in gathering to celebrate Indigenous People's Day," Sammaripa said, "the stewards of this land were my people, the Nimipuu. We are Nimipuu. We are resilient and are still here. We celebrate our people by honoring our past, reflecting on our present, and looking forward to our future. "



### Cultural Resources has Another Successful Summer with Interns

For the past three summers the Cultural Resources Program (CRP) has received generous funding from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) (Katherine Coddington, Vale District, Baker RA) and philanthropist Mark Headley to develop a youth internship program. Between 5-10 intern positions have been available each year since 2017. The 2019 cohort was comprised of nine students ranging from first-year interns in high school, multi-year interns transitioning into college, as well as one college student studying community health and traditional plants. Internship positions were held by: Wesley Krieger, Kai Naranjo, Glory Sobotta, JC Sabotta, Tre Bybee, Payton Sabotta, Ashley Hendren, Grace Sabotta and Tamashat Blackeagle.

Three of the positions were funded by the BLM, and multi-year interns were able to attend a rafting trip on the Grand Ronde River with BLM and National Forest archeologists/staff to visit cultural sites along the river. This trip started off with the sharing of cultural background knowledge provided by Nimiipuu elders Allen Pinkham Sr. and Chuckie Axtell. This gave the interns a clear picture of the ways that traditional knowledge and technical field work can complement and work together to protect the land. Several weeks later these interns developed and presented a report on their trip at the Baker City BLM office. Overall, the internship program is designed to introduce Nimiipuu high school students to the academic fields of archaeology, ethnography and linguistics- the disciplines that make up the core of the CRP's professional work force and operate collectively to promote and protect traditional Nez Perce cultural values and resources.

For most students the internship is their first exposure to the technical skills and knowledge required of CRP



Group Photo: Interns (L to R) JC Sabotta, Tre Bybee, Payton Sabotta, Ashley Hendren, Grace Sabotta, and Tamashat Blackeagle stand in front of a tipi they erected at the Nez Perce National Historical Park.

this effort is a desire to assist tribal students to connect to the value of their own culture, family history, and place. This is done so that students can explore their academic interests in the rich cultural context the Tribe has to offer. The goal is to help students identify a clear path forward while they consider the kind of technical training needed to be successful at this kind of work. In this respect the internship program acts as a recruitment tool to help bridge the gap and empower students to make choices that can enrich their lives while also giving back to the Tribe. The internship program motto is, "Remember Together: Learn, Work, Serve." The goal is not only to offer students exposure to the professional work force- or to gain knowledge and skills to assist them with their transition from high school- but also to provide interns with hands on, servicelearning opportunities that contribute to cultural preservation and the work of the CRP.

While this experience focuses on 'using many hands to make light work,' it's also centered on cultivating seeds of leadership in students and helping them develop appreciation and respect for Nez Perce cultural values of the land and community. Together these aspirations translated into a weekly field trip designed to punctuate the end of each work week with a thought provoking memory. Program site visits and field trips included employees. At the heart of hands on work experience as

well as opportunities for interns to connect to traditional practices, stories, and locations.

Cultural Resources staff worked to organize a variety of experiences for the interns to assist with program work in the office and field. This year field work included: archeological experience at Musselshell Meadow, the Hanford Nuclear Reservation, Ata'siin and two rock shelters; ethnography and language experience that included transcribing and assisting with translation and traditional practices that included tipi construction and origin story. Students also got to attend several field trips to learn how to identify and gather traditional use plants. This included collecting hotóoto (Indian tobacco) near creeks in the mountains, identifying kikeeye (serviceberry) or qe'emu (dogbane) up river, to gathering tóko (tule) down river, along with learning about other varieties as well as resident birds.

Serval excursions included learning about the use of field equipment such as screen sifts, field guides, and binoculars. To learn more about research for their reports, the interns also had a chance to visit the Nez Perce National Historic Park archives for an introduction to using original source data and to become more familiar with traditional tools and regalia styles. Additionally, the interns that participated in Hanford site visits got to see the Wanapum Heritage Center.

One way the interns learned to cultivate awareness about the importance of their experiences, values, and teaching opportunities, was to keep a reflective journal where they recorded their thoughts, observations and questions, documenting weekly activities. This practice was implemented to help the students articulate their thoughts and questions as an aspect of leadership. Their journals were also used to help them develop a personal resource to reference for a reflective essay required of each intern at the end of the position.

Finally, the program hosted several inter-departmental presentations (from the wildlife and water resources divisions) as well as a final field trip involving a jet boat tour up the Snake River with CRP staff to visit culturally significant sites and learn about the ecology of the landscape. In the middle of August, this year's interns ended their 8 week paid positions during an afternoon of reflective presentations about what they learned during their unique summer job. Several interns had moving presentations and shared form their heart about what the privilege of the internship meant to them.



## Hattie Kauffman is Inducted into the **National Native American Hall of Fame**



The Nez Perce Tribe would like to congratulate Hattie Kauffman on her induction into the National Native American Hall of Fame. The Tribe is extremely proud that Hattie has been chosen for this honor and to see her work and accomplishments recognized in conjunction with other notable and respected Native American leaders. Hattie's life and work exemplify the ideals of leadership, sacrifice, contributions to Indian Country, and mentorship identified by the Native American Hall of Fame as qualities that merit induction.

Her trailblazing work

in television broadcasting and investigative journalism not only make Hattie a role model for aspiring Native American journalists, but also serves as a mechanism to explore native issues and stories in unique and insightful ways. In addition, her willingness to write a book sharing her own faith journey allows natives and non-natives to learn and grow from Hattie's life experiences. Most important is her ability to relate and understand people which has helped Hattie to excel in her career and teach and tell stories in meaningful and substantive ways.

### Tribe Welcomes New AmeriCorps Vista to the Economic Development Team

Hello, my name is Alaina Doll! I grew up in Western New York, just south of Buffalo. I graduated with my Bachelor's of Science in Environmental Policy & Management with a minor in Economics in December of 2018 from the University of North Carolina at Asheville. For about six years I lived in the Western NC Blue Ridge Mountains of the Appalachian Mountain Range, teaching piano lessons and working in animal welfare while I completed my degree. I worked with horses for many years, beginning to ride around age six; I cared for horses through an SPCA cruelty investigation and I learned how to work draft horses. I helped to run a program with Asheville Humane Society that provided free or low-cost assistance to pet-owners facing barriers to accessing resources such as veterinary care, training, transportation, parasite prevention, food, and other supplies. Our program was designed to support communities in pet retention, decreasing the number of animals entering shelters to alleviate the pet overpopula-

tion crisis. We also combated the spread of preventable diseases and informed families of resources not only pertaining to pet-ownership but to general wellness, as well (I often explained my role as a mix between veterinary and social work). One of our main focuses was spay & neuter my record was transporting 24 pets to the clinic in one morning! In addition, I managed a monthly mobile vaccine clinic and weekly outreach tables. After graduating, I returned home to be with my family and did an internship with Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper where I researched funding sources for sourcewater protection. I simultaneously worked for and volunteered at the Adult Day Center in my hometown (a program for folks with Alzheimer's, dementia etc.).

My passion is at the nexus of economics and environmental science; it could be referred to as environmental economics which considers sustainable development through the mechanisms of existing infrastructure. I dream of a world in which true costs

internalizing of externalities that transcend the outdated Nez Perce to expand my proand oversimplified marker of fessional skills and to promote profit and a world in which we the goals of AmeriCorps VISTA no longer discount the future. in this beautiful community.

are expressed through the I am very happy to have the opportunity to work with the



# Oatman and Wheeler Meet Salazar at Bellwood Lecture



"(Climate change) is in fact a reality, in my view, that we need to address as a global community and as a nation," encouraged Ken Salazar, former Secretary for the U.S. Department of Interior. Salazar provided a lecture on Climate Change and the Future of Energy during a Bellwood Memorial Lecture, hosted by the University of Idaho.

Salazar addressed that lawmakers need to do more to face climate change and produce real results. He commented that by year 2050 we could possibly see an ice-free Arctic Ocean and a glacier-free Glacier Nation Park. Since 2005, we have already seen nine of the ten warmest days on record.

"There are some (people) in Washington who will argue that climate change is just not real... that it's not something we have to address," Salazar said. "I think the statistics and the realities tell us otherwise."

The Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee (NPTEC) also had representation at Salazar's lecture. Both Shannon Wheeler, Chairman, and McCoy Oatman, member, attended. NPTEC Member Oatman participated in a panel discussion on Federalism &

Native Lands, alongside Salazar and Chief James Allan, Coeur d'Alene Tribe Vice-Chairman. Following, both NPTEC Member Oatman and NPTEC Chairman Wheeler, joined Salazar for lunch.

Salazar served as U.S. Secretary of the Interior from 2009-2013 under the Obama Administration. Among many tasks during this time, he led the nation's efforts to develop and implement a framework for America's energy independence. He also led the President's initiatives in creating a new chapter with Native American tribes and Alaska Natives. This effort included the resolution of longstanding conflicts like the Cobell litigation, water rights cases, and permitting energy and solar projects in Indian country.

"... (Salazar's) work as Secretary of the Interior resulted in direct and positive impacts to the environment, including the air we breathe and the water we need to sustain ourselves, as well as all of the natural resources with which we share on this vast planet," said NPTEC Chairman Wheeler. "... thank you for your service on behalf of the American people, including Indian Tribes."

### NPTEC Vice-Chairman Miles Meets New NCAI President Fawn Sharp

"I had the opportunity to go to NCAI in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on October 21-25, 2019 as the alternate delegate. The week-long conference was filled with topics that spoke to concerns particular to tribal peoples. First off, a report was made by long holding Resolution Co-Chair, Nimiipuu's own Yvonne Oberly. In her opening remarks she acknowledged the late Juanita Ahtone, her co-chair, who passed on the week before. Later on in the week we listened to those running for offices of President, First Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer. Fawn Sharp was elected President. Since she was from the Northwest Region she came and sat near me after her swearing in, used my pen to make it official and then had her picture taken, first with me and then with Yvonne Oberly and myself. What a wonderful closure to NCAI that embraced our concerns in a practical manner yet captured our Indian humor daily in our discussions." Mary Jane Miles, NPTEC Vice-Chairman.



Fawn Sharp, President, with Mary Jane Miles, NPTEC Vice-Chair



Yvonne Oberly, Resolution Co-Chair and Fawn Sharp, President, with Mary Jane Miles, NPTEC Vice-Chair

### **FEMA Administrator Visits Nez Perce Nation**

Tribal nations across the country face unique challenges, in a number of forms. It takes visiting, and spending time within those nations to gain a true understanding. Many friends and partners of the Nez Perce Tribe have taken the initiative to gain a better understanding by paying a visit. Most recently the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator and staff, made the trip to the Nez Perce reservation.

Pete Gaynor, FEMA Administrator, made the request to meet with the Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe) in order to learn more about the Tribe's emergency management needs and show their support for the Tribe's efforts in preparedness. On October 28, 2019 the two groups met in Lapwai, to have an informal discussion.

The meeting was interactive. They discussed the Tribe's emergency management challenges, how the Tribe interacts with the state, priorities and unmet needs, and how FEMA can be more helpful. Each NPTEC member and staff that were present had questions and/or shared their experiences, and FEMA reps responded to each one. The meeting resulted in all parties agreeing to meet more regularly, at least on an annual or bi-annual basis.

Following the meeting, the FEMA reps were taken on a tour to various sites in the community. They visited the Lapwai Community Sweat House, the new Nii-miipuu Longhouse, and the Nez Perce National Historical Park. They were also able to hear oral stories and history of some of the cultural sites and traditional uses for those sites.

Upon completion of the tour, the FEMA reps stated how impressed they were. They also expressed their appreciation for all of the provided information and how they each gained a better knowledge of the region along with the rich history and culture of the Nez Perce people.



## Nez Perce Tribe Continues to Promote Dig For The Truth Campaign

(Tribe) formally stated their opposition to the proposed Midas Gold project in 2018. Since then the Tribe has crafted a campaign for the opposition, which has been coined as Dig For The Truth (DFTT). In several areas throughout Idaho, DFTT has been shared and promoted.

The opposition is a high priority as this proposed mine site would be located in the headwaters of the south fork salmon river, a traditional spawning area for salmon and steelhead. The Nez Perce Tribe has always assumed the responsibility to speak for those that cannot. This has driven the Tribe to fight

The Nez Perce Tribe and protect the salmon, water, and wildlife; which this mine would directly impact.

> The most recent efforts included two events on October 12, 2019. The first was a collaborative effort with the Save the South Fork group, who organized a McCall community rally supporting the opposition. Over 250 people attended and participated including representatives from Earth Works, Nimiipuu Protecting the Environment, and Idaho Conservation League. Folks were able to hear from a number of speakers, explaining why this proposed mine would be devastating.

From the Tribe, there

was representation from Nez that stated 'I Love Salmon'. Perce Tribe Executive Committee Treasurer, Casey Mitchel. Treasurer Mitchel, along with Theo Williamson, opened the event with an honor song and blessing. Treasurer Mitchel also provided a short speech about the importance of continuing this effort. The two drummers, also closed the event with a circle dance, and final prayer.

The second event was in Boise at the Boise State University (BSU) football game. This was a packed out event, with folks from all over. Nez Perce Tribe Enterprises set up a booth and handed out swag, with items featuring a DFTT image as well as items

Many conversations occurred on why there is a concern and why we need to be proactive.

After all items had been claimed, you could see attendees of all ages sporting the gear. Overall there was a large interest and curiosity regarding the project. Over the course of the following week, traffic on the digforthetruth. website increased. org

Stay tuned for future events, promoting DFTT. There is strength in numbers and we want to continue getting the word out on why the proposed Midas Gold Project, is bad for Idaho. Encourage everyone to dig for the truth!





# CJF Queen Loreal Ellenwood



### Q: What motivated you to run for Royalty, and why?

What motivated me was that I wanted to try something different and that involved horses.

#### Q: Who has impacted you the most in your life, and why?

The person that impacted me the most in my life is my dad, Quincy Ellenwood. No one has a bond like me and my dad, its unbreakable. He has always been there for me during my good and bad times. He has also guided me through those times. He motivates me to do great things every day. I couldn't do any of the things I accomplished without his support. He will always be my number one supporter in anything, from sports to my royalty events. He made me the person I am today. He taught me to never give up on anything, to always have hope. He is the person that has impacted me the most in my life.

#### Q: What have you learned from being CJF Royalty?

I have learned a lot of new horsemanship from riding to dressing my horse in regalia. I have also learned to talk in front of a large group of people, but the biggest one is to have patience; patience with people and my horse.

Q: Was there anything you needed to learn or improve on to carry out your responsibilities as CJF Royalty?

One thing that I can improve on is probably public speaking. I got better at it but I know one day I will be excellent and won't have to say it in my head multiple times.

#### Q: What was your favorite thing about being CJF Royalty?

My favorite thing was meeting new people, for example the other royalty groups. It was a blast getting to know all of them.

#### Q: What is your best memory serving as CJF Royalty?

My best memory was when us royalty girls were finally running in, at the Grangeville rodeo.

#### Q: What are your future plans once your reign as CJF Royalty comes to an end?

My future plans is to improve and continue on my barrel racing and sports.

#### Q: What kind of bond have you created with your other CJF **Royalty sisters?**

I have made a strong bond with the both of my princesses. Mya and I have always been close, we knew each other for quite some time now. She makes me laugh in the 100-degree weather, she is outgoing and it wouldn't be the same without her. Sakey and I really grew a bond over the summer. They both have a special place in my heart and they mean a lot to me, it wouldn't be the same without my princesses.

#### Q: What advice do you have for young girls who now want to be CJF Royalty?

My advice is to work hard. Work hard during riding and making that bond with a horse. Also to never be scared to step up and talk first during speeches. The last thing is to always have a great attitude because you never know who is watching you and wishing they were

#### Q: Is there anyone you would like to personally thank for your success?

I would personally thank my grandpa Doug Marsh. I thank him for letting me use my grandmas beautiful dress, and providing beadwork.

#### Q: Is there anyone you would like to thank in the Chief Joseph Foundation?

I would like to thank uncle Mike for hauling our horses everywhere. I would also like to thank Kim, she always made sure I was ok with everything, and was always there to help when we needed. Lastly I would like to thank all the parents that chaperoned us to all the rodeo events. They made sure we had everything we needed and helped us.

### CJF First Princess Mya Dammon-Marsh

### Q: What motivated you to run for Royalty, and why?

I like the idea of influencing children and I wanted to become more familiar with the rodeo circuit.

### Q: Who has impacted you the most in your life, and why?

My grandparents because they have taught me all I know about my culture.

#### Q: What have you learned from being CJF Royalty?

I've learned better horsemanship skills and more about the rodeo circuit.

#### Q: Was there anything you needed to learn or improve on to carry out your responsibilities as CJF Royalty?

In the beginning I needed more work on pulic speaking, but now I feel very comfortable with it.

#### Q: What was your favorite thing about being CJF Royalty? People's reactions to our appearances and getting to interact with

them. Q: What is your best memory serving as CJF Royalty?

### Walla Walla Rodeo because it was one of our biggest appearances

#### Q: What are your future plans once your reign as CJF Royalty comes to an end?

Work with my horse and try out for other royalty courts.

### O: What kind of bond have you created with your other CJF **Royalty sisters?**

We have become a lot closer and I enjoy having them by my side at events. We all support each other.

O: What advice do you have for young girls who now want to be CJF Royalty?

Don't be scared to talk to people, be yourself, be brave, and have fun. Q: Is there anyone you would like to personally thank for your success?

Thank you to my grandparents, Doug and Lorna Marsh, and to my parents Shain Dammon and Lorena Hunt for providing me with endless support throughout the entire year.

#### Q: Is there anyone you would like to thank in the Chief Joseph Foundation?

Thank you to Granny, uncle Mike, Lucy, Nakia and Kim for giving me the wonderful opportunity to represent the Chief Joseph Foundation.



## CJF Princess Sayq'is Greene

#### Q: What motivated you to run for Royalty, and why?

I was motivated by my sister Stacia Morfin, she is on the CJF board. She told me this would be a fun experience.

#### Q: Who has impacted you the most in your life, and why?

Someone who has impacted me the most in life is my sister Stacia Morfin, she has impacted me by always being a leader, starting new things in life, and always being positive. She has always pushed me to be the best in life and I couldn't thank her enough for everything she has helped me accomplish.

#### Q: What have you learned from being CJF Royalty?

Being CJF royalty I learned that our Native American Culture is very beautiful and amazing.

## Q: Was there anything you needed to learn or improve on to carry out your responsibilities as CJF Royalty?

I definitely needed to improve on all of it, such as public speaking. I was very shy before I started my title. Also riding skills, everyone can improve on that. I even had to improve on being positive all the time, on the early mornings to the late nights I had to stay positive.

#### Q: What was your favorite thing about being CJF Royalty?

My favorite thing about being CJF royalty was getting to see every single person be so amazed to see us, every event we had!

#### Q: What is your best memory serving as CJF Royalty?

My favorite memory was when we went to Walla Walla Frontier Days, that was my favorite rodeo it was super fun and we made lots of memories while we were there.

### Q: What are your future plans once your reign as CJF Royalty comes to an end?

My future plan after my reign is to focus on school and sports, this past year I truly committed to the CJF and I missed out on lots of my sports activities.

## Q: What kind of bond have you created with your other CJF Royalty sisters?

With my royalty sisters I created a bond that is so hard to describe. We had so many funny, great, and annoying memories. The bond we created was something special.

## Q: What advice do you have for young girls who now want to be CJF Royalty?

The advice I have for the young girls that want to now be CJF royalty is always be happy no matter what the situation is, things do get



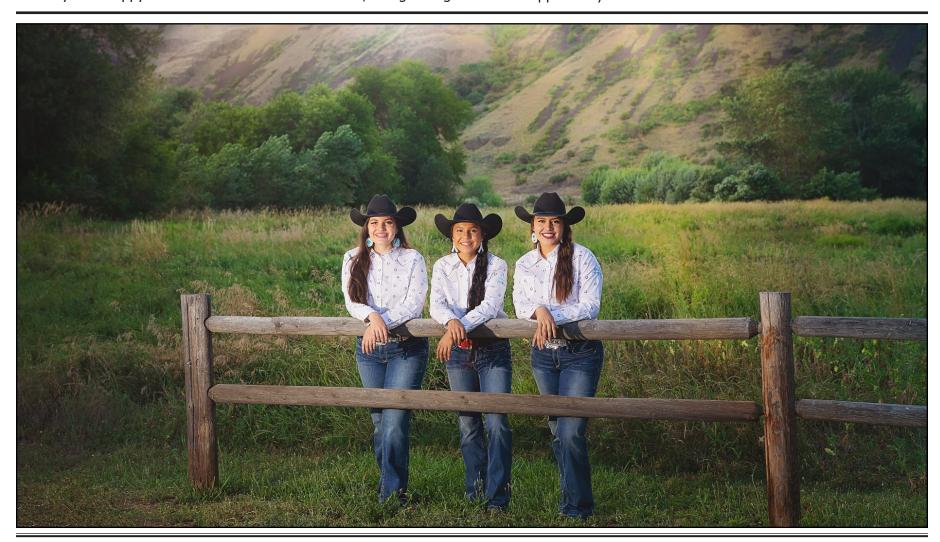
stressful but being positive is the only thing that can help in those situations. Also, just be yourself. A lot of the fans don't like the fake personalities, they like to see the true beauty of a young Native American woman.

## Q: Is there anyone you would like to personally thank for your success?

I would personally like to thank my cousin Lucy Samuels, my mom Jaime Ewing, my dad Solo Greene, my grandpas Bill Ewing & Mick Ewing; they are the ones that got me connected with horses and I couldn't thank them enough. I know during my reign I was making them proud. I would also like to thank the CJF Board, Queen Loreal and her parents, and Mya Marsh-Dammon and her parents. A huge huge thank you to the Clearwater River Casino and the Nez Perce Tribe enterprise

## Q: Is there anyone you would like to thank in the Chief Joseph Foundation?

In the Chief Joseph Foundation I would like to thank the whole board, they all taught me so much! They all added things to make me a better person and a better performer. I really can't thank them enough for this opportunity.



# Nimiipuu Defeat Umatilla in Battle of the Blues Golf Scramble



The 2019 Battle of the Blues was played at the newly purchased Clarkston Golf & Country Club, October 11 - 13. The idea for the event started in 2010. After ironing out all the details, the first competitions and the inaugural "Battle of the Blues" was born in 2012, with Nez Perce visiting the Wild Horse Resort Golf Club in Pendleton, Oregon.

The golf match was similar to the PGA Ryder Cup, between the USA and Great Britain, where two teams play each other in four different formats of golf, in match play. The formats played are scramble, best ball, chapman and mano-a-mano with each match being worth one-

point each. There were 45 total points available. The winning team must have had a total of 23 of the possible 45 points to win the team match.

Day one consisted of nine two-member teams competing against each other in the scramble format for nine holes then best ball for nineholes, with the possibility of 18 points on the first day. Day two consisted of nine twomember teams competing in a nine-hole chapman format, for a total of nine points available for that portion of competition. The final nine-hole match was mano-a-mano where each individual team member competed against an opponent from the visiting team with an opportunity of earning one point per match, for a total of 18 points available in that portion of the competition.

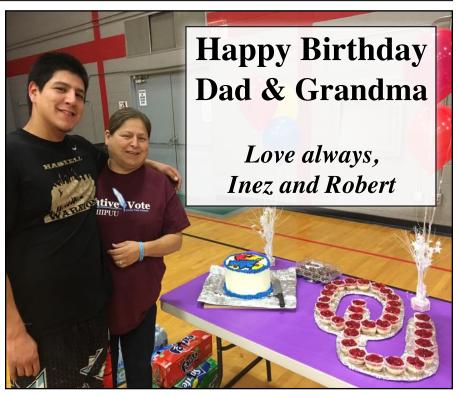
The 2019 Battle, was won by the Nez Perce Golf Association 30-15; leading the series with four victories and two losses. The Nez Perce have bragging rights for one year, along with jackets provided by Wild Horse. The 2019 team members were Captain Shannon Wheeler, Co-Captain Austin Domebo, Pro Tucker Keyes, Pro Loren Jeglun, Aaron Webb, Tony Domebo, Jon VanWoerkom, Ray Ellenwood Sr., Red Sky Chimburis, Terrell Domebo, Kermit Mankiller, Angelo Domebo, Rick Hernandez, Rich Ramsey, James Simpson,

Tim McCormack, Dion Cloud, Ike Young and Zeke Domebo.

The competition was designed to develop friend-ships and goodwill with one another; to place integrity, justice, fortitude and humility into the lives of the golfer and build character to help in their everyday lives. The event has accomplished this and will continue to build these characteristics in all those that compete in future events.

The Nez Perce Golf Association would like to thank Wild Horse Resort Golf Club for this year's competition, and the Clarkston Golf & Country Club staff for having the course in immaculate shape for this year's event.





# Community Welcomes New Head Coach for Lapwai High School

Lapwai has always been a community proud to support the Wildcats. This year, the Boys' Basketball Varsity team will have the support of a new coach. Zachary Eastman has been selected as the head coach for the 2019-2020 season. Eastman applied for the position based on his ability to relate to the youth. He feels that he can get them to the next level. "I am very excited to become the new coach," Eastman stated. "I am going to put 110% into this position, and want to see every player succeed on the court, and in the classroom."

Basketball and coaching are both familiar to Eastman. He played the sport in high school while also participating in AAU. He then played throughout college at Bemidji State University in Minnesota, and later, Haskell Indian University, in Kansas. Eastman has also coached on a variety of levels; assistant coach for a college team alongside his father, different AAU programs, and a number of basketball camps. For the last ten years, he has taken to officiating basketball games as well. "I have always looked up to my father, he coached college football and basketball my whole life. I grew up on the field and in the gym," Eastman acknowledged. "When my father passed away, I wanted to continue his legacy as a coach, and one day join him in the Hall of Fame."

As the new head coach, Eastman plans to find a solid team of players that can work together. He believes everyone has different talents and abilities, but he plans to teach all his players what it takes to be strong young men on, and off the court. Eastman says their strongest assets will be their teamwork and work ethic. "I will make sure that every game we are prepared and that our players give their all," he assured.

Eastman is well aware of how much basketball means to the Lapwai community, and thanks them for the continued support. "I want to start another great dynasty, just like the 1987-89 state championship teams. I believe our boys have enough talent and youth to make history," Eastman concluded.



## Lapwai's 2019 Middle School Football Team has Undefeated Season



Photo: Back row (L to R)- 8th grade: Vincent Villa, Ahlius Yearout, Quentin Kipp, Kase Wynott, Owen Gould, Sage Lone Bear, Christopher Bohnee, Layson Morrell, Mason Brown, Joseph Payne, Brooklyn Williamson, not pictured-Gionni McCormack. Front row (Lto R)-7th grade: Montgomery Miller, Michael Wilson, Julian Barros, Divarius Bisbee, DaRon Wheeler, Marcisio Noriego.

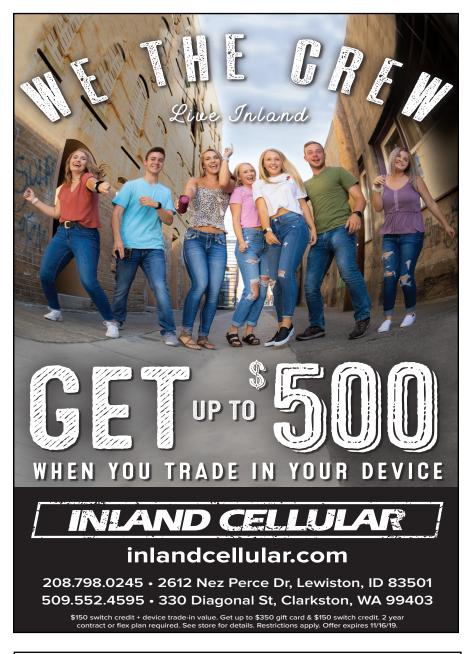
Lapwai- On October 22, the Lapwai Wildcat's middle school football team topped off another dominating season by defeating Lakeside of Plummer, 53-7. This is the second consecutive undefeated season for the 7th and 8th grade team that is lead by head coach Tui Moliga and assistant coaches Deaneal McKnight and Randy Brown. The Wildcats scored 363 points in the 2019 season compared to their opponent's total of 19 points (52-3 win average over 7 games).

During the post-game speech, Coach Moliga pointed out that the 8th grader's win streak dates back to 5th grade. Lapwai player Brooklyn Williamson exclaimed, "we haven't lost since 2nd grade!" The coaches praised the team for their hard work and commitment to being students first before athletes. They encouraged the 7th graders to be ready to step up next year to fill starting spots. Every high school team has a goal to win a state title, which hasn't happened for Lapwai football since 1979. This standard was therefore stressed to the 8th graders as something they could achieve, with other classes, if they stay focused on improving as football players and student athletes.

Team Statistics: Scored a touchdown on every offensive trip for the season. Average starting field position was their own 34 yard line. Zero turnovers for the season. 30 receiving touchdowns. 20 rushing touchdowns. 30 tackles per game. 1,171 passing/receiving yards and 785 rushing yards.

### 2019 Scoreboard

Lapwai 46, Lewis County 0
Lapwai 56, Kamiah 0
Lapwai 48, Timberline 0
Lapwai 54, CV 6
Lapwai 47, Prairie 0
Lapwai 59, Lewis County 6
Lapwai 53, Lakeside 7







# Hop into 2020 As an LCSC Warrior

The Nez Perce Tribe Education Department and **LCSC Native American, Minority & Veteran Services** 



Join Us II



Friday, November 22, 2019

**Explore and/or Prepare for the Spring 2020 Semester** Or Upcoming 2020-2021 Academic Year

PRE-REGISTER BY Friday, November 15, 2019

Email: Kay Seven at kseven@nezperce.org Call: Adult Education 208-843-7316

WHERE: Lewis-Clark State College, Athletic Center West 136

TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

WHO: New and Returning Students

NOTE: Continental Breakfast & Lunch Provided

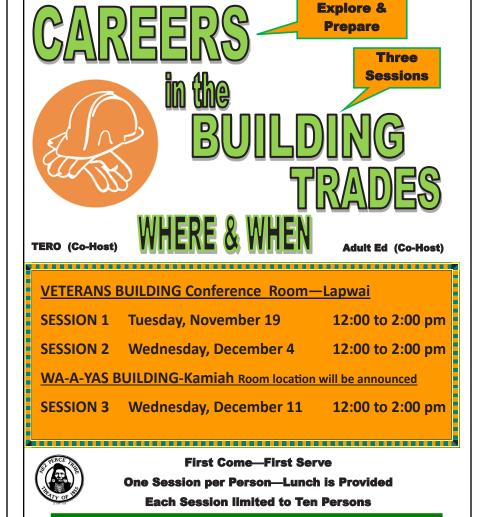
Transportation Provided upon Request

TOPICS: Admissions, Advising, Testing Center, Financial Aid, Registrar, Student Panel, Academic Programs, Career Technical Education Programs, Campus Tour

Lewis-Clark State College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, gender identity, protected veteran status, or xual orientation. This policy applies to all programs, services, and facilities, including applications, admissions, and employment. The Director of Human Resource Services has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies and can be reached at 208-792-2269 or at the Administration Building, Room 102, on LCSC's campus, 500 8th Avenue, Lewiston, ID 83501. TTY 1-800-377-3529.

\*To request disability accommodations, please contact event organizer, Bob Sobotta (208-792-2812 or bsobotta@lcsc.edu)

at least one week prior to the event date.



PRE-REGISTER a week prior to a session

Email: Kay Seven at kseven@nezperce.org

Call: Adult Education 208-843-7316

# Artist Call for Applications: Public Art for Downtown McCall

Application Deadline: Monday, November 25, 2019 Project budget: \$60,000

The City of McCall invites artists or artist-teams to apply for an opportunity to design and fabricate artwork to complement the recently-completed reconstruction of 2nd Street at the heart of the city's downtown core. The artwork should:

- \*Originate from a design process led by community input \*Contribute to 2nd Street as the city's center and a flexible
- event and gathering place
  \*Highlight and celebrate McCall's unique history, character
  and/or environment
- \*Be interactive and/or functional to maximize community engagement with the artwork
- \*Be durable, low maintenance and appropriate for McCall's climate

The full Public Art for Downtown McCall project description and application instructions can be found at www.mccall.id.us/public-art









# ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### FITNESS EQUIPMENT UP FOR BID

Equipment purchased by NMPH Diabetes Program

#### Learn about:

- Equipment up for bi
- Open bid amounts
- Who to contact

### Cybex MG500 Gym

A compact multi-gym for all fitness levels, this unit is 10ft x 6ft on the floor and 7ft in height. Users have 30+ biomechanically correct exercise options for full body strength workouts. Push - pull attachments and bench are included in the package. This unit has been serviced every year and is in excellent condition. NMPH Facilities can load onto your truck or trailer but you must set unit up yourself. **Opening bid \$200!** 

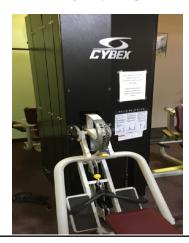
### Hammer Strength Chin/Dip/Leg Raise unit

This 3-in-1, space saving piece of equipment is ideal for upper body and core conditioning. Hammer Strength is the No. 1 global brand of plate loaded equipment. This unit was purchased in 2006 and is valued at \$1,446. **Opening bid is** \$100!

### Bidding closes Mon., November 25, 2019 at 5pm

**To place your bid** for 1 or both units, email Merrell Beck Simpson at merrells@nimiipuu.org

Wendy Strack, NMPH Fitness Coordinator, will be happy to show you the equipment in the Fitness Center. Please call 208-843-2271 x 2847 to inquire.









### Winter Hours at NP National Historical Park

LAPWAI, Idaho – Winter hours begin at Nez Perce National Historical Park visitor center Sunday, November 10, 2019. The visitor center will be open 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. All 38 park sites will remain open and accessible daily. You can learn about the

Nez Perce people and culture at the park's winter events and programs. Upcoming events include a Museum Collections Day on Saturday, November 23, 2019 and the 23rd Annual Beadwork Bazaar on Saturday, December 7, 2019. More information on these and other winter events to follow.

### **Attention All Hunters**

Radio collars or telemetry transmitter devices are used by wildlife managers and researchers throughout the region to estimate and monitor the survival of big game populations that are managed through hunting. The data held within the devices may be very important to the future of Treaty wildlife.

When Tribal members harvest an animal wearing a collar, the Nez Perce Wildlife Division asks that collars be removed without cutting or damaging the device in any way.

Collars can be removed by simply unbolting the collar or sliding it off the neck of the animal. Cutting the band can damage the electronic components that extend into the belt material.

The Nez Perce Tribe Wildlife Division encourages anyone who finds or harvests an animal with a radio collar to return it as soon as possible to the Tribe's Wildlife Division for reuse on a new animal.

Please return or arrange for it to be picked up by calling the Nez Perce Tribe Wildlife Division at: 208-843-2162

### **Amendments to the Nez Perce Tribal Code**

This notice is being posted Wednesday, October 23, 2019, according to the Nez Perce Tribal Code § 1-4-2 to request written comments for the following proposed amendments: Authorize posting of a new chapter to the Nez Perce Tribal Code, Chapter 3-3 Water Resources, Nez Perce Tribal Water Rights Administration Code for a period of 30 days.

#### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

The purposes of the Nez Perce Tribal Water Rights Administration Code are as follows:

(a)To provide an orderly system for the protection, allocation, regulation, dispute-resolution, and use of Tribal water rights consistent with the needs of ecosystems, natural resources, and cultural resources.

(b)To carry out the SRBA Agreement and the Snake River Water Rights Act of 2004.

(c)To ensure that the rights of Allottees to the use of water in quantities necessary to carry out the purposes of a trust allotment are secured as provided under the General Allotment Act, 25 U.S.C. Section 381.

### WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD:

The Law and Order & Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee will be accepting written comments on the proposed amendment being applied to the Code. Please submit written comments to: Liz Arthur-Attao, Chairman, Law and Order Subcommittee, P. O. Box 305, Lapwai, ID 83540; email to liza@nezperce. org, fax to (208) 843-7354 or hand deliver to the NPTEC offices in Lapwai. The deadline for receipt and consideration of such comments is Friday, December 6th, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

To view the amendment visit: https://www.nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/2019-10-23-Notice-New-Chapter-for-Communications-email.pdf

### Thank You

The families of Darryle (Dow) Broncheau would like to extend our heartfelt Thank You to all our families, friends, neighbors near and far that called/messaged us, that sent cards and beautiful flowers, and for visiting our home providing delicious food during our time of shock and bereavement. Him'eeqis Qe'ci'yew'yew (Big Thank You) to our head cooks Alan & Lora Reuben, Mike Penney and his drummers & singers; Tom Williamson and his drummers and singers for honoring our beloved during his final journey. Thank you Buzz Cree and Randy Nipah Bowen for being with us throughout the duration. Dr. Rev. Mary Jane Miles and Marilyn Bowen CRE Elder for delivering a beautiful service. Brother Al Wheeler for reading the Obituary and Dallon Wheeler for delivering the eulogy. And the Nimiipuu Prayer Warriors for the beautiful Nimiipuut timt hymns. Special thank you to Bob & Amy Wilcox, Kamiah Nimiipuu Health, Dr. Andrew Jones, Korena Popp and the Kamiah Ambulance for providing compassionate care our for our beloved during his illness. And thank you to our neighbors and friends that nourished us with delicious food after the services. Adam Porter for helping at the cemetery. The Nez Perce Tribal Police for their escort and Nez Perce Tribe Social Services, Taricia Moliga; Nez Perce Tribe Executive Direction and the Wa-a'yas Community Center Etta Axtell & staff. Special appreciation to granddaughters, Ally, Channel, Shanda and Alina for gathering photos for the memorial cards and songs for the memorial slide show. Thank you to our neighbors Ted & Tiffany Weeks and Vicki Grimm for accommodating our over flow parking, and to Simmons Sanitation, Robert & Sheila Simmons for their assistance. Loving thanks to Marilyn Bowen, Nancy Wheeler, Stephanie Oatman, Michaela Garrison, Brandon McCone, Renne Stanton and many others for the love and support that fed our souls, the food that nourished our bodies and the many prayers that gave us hope and the strength to help our family through this most difficult time. Our family plans to have "Dow Broncheau Memorial Men's Fast & Fancy Team Dance Special during the Chief Lookingglas Powwow 2020. Dow was well known throughout the Pow-wow trail in his younger years for his championship Fast & Fancy style. In closing, we love you and God Bless you all! Yox Kalo'. Sincerely.

Angela, Abraham, Casey, Alex, Feather, Delores, Zachary, Timothy Broncheau and families.

# **Resolution Committee Meetings**

Attention Nez Perce Tribal Members: Nez Perce Tribe Resolution Committee Meetings are scheduled for November 18th, at the Pi-Nee-waus Community Center in Lapwai and December 9th, at the Teweepuu Community Center in Orofino. All meetings are held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All Nez Perce Tribal members are welcome to attend. Nez Perce Tribal members can call into the meeting: 208-621-4600. For more information, please contact <u>resloutionscommittee</u> @nezperce.org

# **Employment Rights Commission**

Nez Perce Tribal Employment Rights Commission Regular Monthly Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Lapwai in the Pi-Nee-Waus Conference Room. For more information call Bruce Lawrence at 208-843-2853.

# **OBITUARIES**

### Bobby Tuell, 80, Lapwai, ID



Bobby LeRoy Tuell passed peacefully Monday, Oct. 28, 2019, at his home in Lapwai, from lung cancer. He was 80.

Bob was born Jan. 23, 1939, in Wichita, Kan., to Melvin L. Tuell and Farrell Winnifred (Morris) Tuell. His early years were spent in Kansas, and during his teenage years he moved to Lewiston. He attended Lewiston High School for three years, from 1954 to 1956. In 1956, he entered the military before graduation at 17. He received his GED and is considered a member the LHS Class of 1957.

In June of 1956, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served on the USS Intrepid aircraft carrier and at the U.S.

Naval Air Station Oceana in Virginia Beach, Va. He was a lieutenant junior grade (LTJG), United States Navy Reserve (USNR), Separation Officer. He was also stationed in Korea for his foreign service. Bob finished his naval service in 1959, and he returned to Lewiston.

On July 1, 1960, Bob married Vera Ann McCormack, of Lapwai. Then he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He served as a member of the 7th Cavalry, Army Post Office (APO) 24. Bob also proudly served in the Army Honor Guard at the Presidio of San Francisco. He and Vera fondly remembered their times in San Francisco in the 1960s, and their military housing with views of the Golden Gate Bridge. After being stationed in Germany, Bob retired from military service in 1965 as a sergeant.

In 1965, the family returned to Idaho. He and Vera moved to the Nez Perce Reservation in the town of Lapwai. He then built the family home on Lolo Street, where he resided for the last 54 years. In this home they raised six children, and welcomed many grandchildren and great-

grandchildren over the years.

Bob was a hard worker and could "MacGyver" anything. He began his civilian career at the Nelson Fabric Tree in Lewiston, where he sold and repaired sewing machines. In 1972, Bob began his career at Omark-Blount. He worked there from 1972 to 1998. He worked as an assistant supervisor in the production environment, over the years working in the bullet manufacturing, plastics and ammo metal parts departments. In 1998, after retirement from Omark-Blount, he worked at the Clearwater River Casino in the security department. He eventually enjoyed working part time at the local Valley Foods & Gas stores in Lapwai.

Bob believed in lifelong education and encouraged his six children to further their education. He never stopped learning and reading books. From 1972 to 1989, he attended Lewis-Clark State College while working full time. He completed 114 credits, with a grade point average of 3.55, toward a degree in business management. Bob also completed Omark-Blount in-house

supervisory management for leadership skills courses and the Intermountain Management Associates Supervisory Development Institute. Finally, Bob completed the Nighthawk Security training for the Clearwater River Casino.

In March of 1997, Bob lost the love of his life, Vera. He later officially retired and devoted time to family and friends. Over the years, he was a member of the Nez Perce Golf Club Association, in the 1970s, and Fraternal Order of Eagles. He was a member of the Omark Credit Union Board. He enjoyed playing Santa Claus at the annual Valley Foods Christmas celebration and fondly recalled helicoptering into the event. One of his favorite pastimes was attending, with his high school classmates, the informal LHS Coffee Tuesdays group and annual Super Bowl party. He enjoyed traveling around the world in the Navy and Army, but was content to stay home in later years.

In his retirement years, Bob enjoyed passing his time with friends in Lapwai at PK's

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### Larry Marek, 66, Flagstaff, AZ



Our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Larry D. Marek, known as Waliim K'upnin (Broken Arrow), walked on to meet his Creator on October 21st, 2019. He was surrounded by his loving family when he left.

Larry is survived by his wife of 44 years, Martha (nee Lomayesva). Larry was a devoted husband, proud father and grandfather to his chil-

dren Veronica, Ora, Cecilia, Isabel, and Larry J. as well as his son-in-law Victor; grand-children Brandan, Joshua, Victor, Alessandro, and Appolonia; and great-granddaughters Sophia and Olivia. He joins his mother Helen, father Joseph, brother Reggie, and his grandson Jordan on the other side.

Larry was born in 1953 in Seattle, Washington to Helen Marek (nee Weaskus) and Joseph Marek Sr. He was the sixth child of Helen Marek and is survived by his sisters Jackie Chumley, Agnes Weaskus, Joanna Marek, Jenny Marek and his brothers Leonard Weaskus, Richard Marek, and Joe Marek Jr., as well as numerous cousins.

Larry grew up as a rancher in Fort Simcoe, Washington and was a proud bronc rider. He often told stories about growing up on the ranch, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his siblings and friends, and living an extraordinary life in the Pacific Northwest. After graduating from White Swan High School in 1972, Larry attended Haskell Indian Junior College in Lawrence, Kansas where he met his loving wife Martha across the foosball table. Larry and Martha were married in Fort Simcoe, Washington in a small family ceremony in December 1975, and in a traditional Navajo wedding ceremony in Flagstaff, Arizona in 1976. After completing his AA at Haskell, Larry and Martha moved to Lapwai, Idaho and planted roots in the community. In 1994, the Marek family moved to Flagstaff, Arizona where Larry lived out the rest of his days in happiness and love.

He was a fisherman, hunter, storyteller, jeweler, artist, printer, photographer, and a carpenter. Larry was passionate about sharing his Nez Perce culture and language, and was asked to present at many schools within the Flagstaff Unified School District throughout the years, something he spoke very fondly about. Larry was well known for his beautiful and powerful singing ability, and sang for many people. Larry was also a proud Alumni of Northern Arizona University. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

A celebration of life service will start at 11am Sunday 10/27/19 at the Pi-Nee-Waus in Lapwai. Larry was a lifetime blood donor to the Red Cross and the family asks that in lieu of flowers, blood donations be made in Larry's memory.

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Place and Valley Foods. He was known for his style, and he enjoyed sporting his collection of hats and fancy shirts while cruising in his convertible and later, his red Fiat. Bob was very charismatic, and many of the women in the community will miss his Valentine roses. In January of 2019, Bob celebrated his 80th birthday milestone at the Lindsay Creek Vineyards, where he expressed his love and appreciation for his friends and family, as well as his neighbors and friends on Lolo Street.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Melvin L. Tuell; mother F. Winnifred Simpson; brother Larry Tuell; and his wife, Vera A. (McCormack) Tuell.

He is survived by his six children, Terry Senn (Steve Senn), of Kent, Wash.; Loretta Tuell (Richard Guest), of Redlands, Calif.; Patricia White Temple (Sam White Temple), of Lewiston; Robert Tuell (Anne Tuell), of Fort Hall,

Idaho; Michael Tuell, of Lewiston; and Laura Conner (Patrick Conner), of Lewiston; his brother, Jim Criswell, of Albuquerque, N.M.; sisters-in-law Loretta Halfmoon (Ron Halfmoon) and Marge McCormack; his 14 grandchildren, Simone Staley, Camille Ricciardelli, Gabrielle Guest, Skyler White Temple, Samantha White Temple, Ethan White Temple, Maxine White Temple, Robert Tuell, DeRena Tuell, Josephine Tuell, Keith Moore, Tyler Moore, Michaela Tuell and Loretta Tuell; his eight greatgrandchildren, Jennilia White Temple, Tyrone White Temple, Tiana Wheeler, Benjamin Tuell, Zoey Tuell, Hunter Klein, Ellis Moore and Aaron Moore. He is also survived by all his many nieces and nephews, and all those who loved him.

A rosary is set for 9 a.m. and service at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lapwai, followed by burial at Grant Family Cemetery. A meal will follow at St. Kateri Hall.

### Noreen Allen-Broncheau, 67, Lapwai, ID

Noreen S. Allen-Broncheau was born June 3, 1952, to Phill Allen Sr. and Clarice McConville in Lewiston, and passed Thursday, Oct. 17, 2019, surrounded by family.

Noreen was raised in and attended school in Lap-wai before moving on to take courses at Lewis-Clark State College. From 1994 to 1997, she was employed by Ameri-Corps Nez Perce Salmon Corps, first as a squad leader and then as a field director.

Noreen enjoyed reading, traveling to powwows, camping in the mountains, picking berries and spending quality time with her kids. She liked watching her kids, as well as her grandchildren, dance and sing, playing board games and video games on both Nintendo and Sega. Noreen had a reputation, as a talented solitaire player as well as a talented gambler.

Noreen met her husband, Frank Broncheau Sr., in 1979. Over the 40 years they shared together, they built a large, beautiful family. Noreen and Frank raised seven children, Lillian Snipe (Ben), Esther Bronceheau (Gideon Standing Rock), Frank Broncheau Jr. (Chenoah), Andrew Broncheau (Anna), Albert J. Broncheau (Robert Sr.) and Charlene Broncheau (David Sagebark). In addition to their children, they also share 16 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son Albert J. Broncheau and grandson Aaron D.L. Broncheau. Noreen is survived by her brothers and sisters Wes Allen, Vi Allen (Dean), Phill Allen Jr., Nadine Allen and Nelson Allen, as well as numerous nephews and nieces.

A memorial service and dinner was held Monday. Seven Drum services will be at 8 a.m. today. Cremation will follow Seven Drum services. Arrangements will be handled by Malcom's Browen-Wann Funeral Home.

### Johnson Leighton, 52, Lenore, ID



Johnson Edward Leighton Sr., of Lenore, at the Nez Perce Tribe Reservation, age 52, passed away peacefully Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019, with his partner, Kim Pate, by his side.

He was born on the island of Oahu to Darlene (Greene Leighton) and Josh Leighton Sr. in 1967. After traveling the country with his family while his father was in the U.S. Navy, his family put down roots in Lapwai when he was in the fourth grade.

At Lapwai High School, he excelled in football, basketball and baseball. He was a member of the 1984 state basketball championship team. Johnson graduated from Lapwai High School in 1985. He earned a scholarship to play basketball at Blue Mountain Community College following high school. After a year there, Johnson transferred to Lewis-Clark State College to play basketball alongside his brother and friends.

Johnson had three marriages to Casey (Boyer) Gibbins, Danielle (Bohn) Scott and Heather Kinley, of Lummi, Wash. Johnson lived on the Lummi Reservation near Bellingham, Wash., for much of his adult life.

Johnson and his partner, Kim, recently moved home to the Nez Perce Reservation. It was everything he had ever wanted. They lived happily in their home on the Clearwater River. They enjoyed traveling and exploring all while keeping up with grandkids' events. Johnson and Kim had an incredible "next level" love that will only continue.

Johnson was a skilled artist, whose work can be seen all over our local community and the country. He enjoyed practicing the traditional ways of the Nimiipuu, and his most treasured artwork was inspired by his people. He built a business called Riverbend Metal Arts in the spring of 2018. He was proud to have accomplished this and felt his work was healing to others.

Johnson is survived by his children Skyler White Temple, Tileena Johnson, Johnson (Jay) Leighton Jr., Kayeloni Scott, Akela Scott, Lakisha Williamson, Alianna Cash, Winterhawk Leighton, Watiko Leighton and Jai'e Leighton; his sister Judah (Sis) Leighton and brothers Josh Leighton Jr., Gem (Tudi/ Kota) Leighton, Jesse Leighton and Paris Leighton, and stepbrothers Randi Bennett, Mark Grosvenor and Brent Grosvenor, and step-sister Diana Wells; his grandchildren Jennilia White Temple and Tyrone White Temple; Layla Johnson, Adison Johnson and Sawyer Johnson; Jayden Leighton and Cason Leighton; and Kamai Crane; parents Darlene and Alfred Pinkham and Josh and Nancy Leighton; along with many uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He will be remembered for the unique individual and great man that he was. He was an amazing artist, athlete, hunter, fisherman and so much more that made this man a powerful force of nature. His love for life was felt by all who knew him. But now, "he will fight no more forever," a favorite quote from a man he admired so, Chief Joseph.

Memorial services will be at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Pi-Nee-Waus in Lapwai. Funeral services will be at the Pi-Nee-Waus at 10 a.m. Friday with a burial and dinner to follow. In lieu of flowers, a memorial account is set up at Lewis Clark Credit Union in his name. Online condolences and memories can be shared at malcomsfuneralhome.com.

