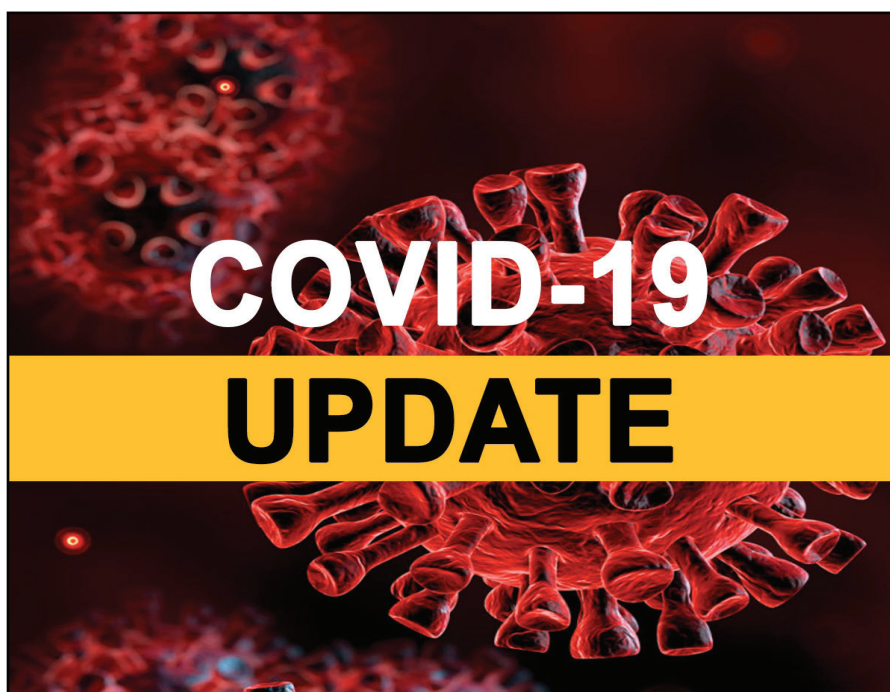


## Nez Perce Tribe COVID-19 Updates

On December 6, 2021 the Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe) released a statement in accordance with President Biden's COVID-19 Vaccination Mandate, authorizing Resolution #NP 22-073 to implement a mandatory vaccination policy that intended to go into effect immediately, requiring complete COVID-19 vaccinations for all tribal government employees by January 4, 2022. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) had created an emergency, temporary standard in November 2021 that required businesses with 100+ employees to vaccinate or test weekly.

However, the day following the Tribe's statement release, it was put on hold as the President's vaccine-or-test mandate was temporarily halted as well.

The vaccinate or test in the workplace emergency rule called "the Rule", required employers with 100 or more employees to either mandate employees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or require employees that are not fully vaccinated to test for COVID-19 weekly and wear a face covering. The Rule intended to go into effect immediately on November 5, 2021 with employers expected to comply by no later than January 4, 2022, but implementation was immediately halted due to pending legal challenges.



Immediately after OSHA created the temporary standard, many states' business and non-profit organizations challenged OSHA's rule in courts of appeals across the country. The Fifth Circuit, a Federal Court, agreed that OSHA was out of bounds and a "stay" was requested while both sides gathered evidence to present and dispute during litigation. The Fifth Circuit approved the "stay" which paused the mandate. The case then went to the Sixth Circuit court which disagreed with the plaintiffs and ruled that OSHA can proceed with the measures and policies.

The Rule immediately faced challenges from across the country. Lawsuits were

filed, challenging and seeking to block the Rule in the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. On November 6, just two days after the announcement of the Rule, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a temporary stay, blocking the Rule until it could more closely examine the legality of the Rule citing "grave statutory and constitutional issues." The stay temporarily halted the Rule's implementation and ordered that OSHA could not take any additional steps to implement or enforce the Rule.

The Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC) supports the President's efforts to reduce hospitalizations and death through vaccination against COVID-19 and its variants. In accordance with the Tribe's duty as an employer to provide and maintain a workplace that is free of known hazards, the Tribe intended to adopt this policy to safeguard the health of its employees and their families, customers and visitors, and the community-at-large from infectious diseases. In making this decision, the

NPTEC reviewed recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and local health officials.

Had this mandate been approved and gone into effect, all employees, regardless of work location or employment status, would be required to receive COVID-19 vaccinations by January 4, 2022, unless an exemption and a reasonable accommodation was approved.

The Tribe did include a possibility for employees to receive a medical or religious exemption, where applicable. Employees would have been required to provide proof of vaccination, a signed medical release form or obtain an approved exemption and reasonable accommodation to be exempted from the requirements before the stated deadlines.

The Court did approve requiring vaccinations for workers in nursing homes, hospitals and other facilities that receive Medicare and Medicaid payments from the federal government.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Rule applies to a number of enumerated healthcare services, support and suppliers that are regulated under CMS standards, including hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation clinics, and many other facilities that receive Medicare or Medicaid funds. The CMS Rule applies to all current and future employees at covered facilities, regardless of whether the employee holds a clinical or non-clinical position, and reaches anyone who provides treatment or services to the facility under contract or other arrangements.

There are current, ongoing lawsuits against this as well.





## Publisher's Post: Indigenous People Continue to Rise

On Tuesday, January 11, I read of the death of 85-year-old Anishinaabe activist and American Indian Movement (AIM) co-founder Clyde Bellecourt. He founded AIM with Russell Means and Dennis Banks in 1968. Means passed away in 2012 and Banks in 2017; Bellecourt is now reunited with them.

If you are unaware of who Bellecourt was, he's had a major role in shaping the world as we know it today. Without the fierce and brave work of AIM in the 1970s, many non-natives would not be aware of the changes in Indigenous land claims, court rulings and the racist logos in sports. Bellecourt spent his life fighting for Indigenous rights. He was also a fixture on TV shows, radio programs and in marches.

That same day, award winning musician, Mr. Vince Fontaine of Sagkeeng First Nation, died suddenly of a heart attack at the age 60.

Fontaine was the front



Dennis Banks, Russell Means, Clyde Bellecourt, AIM Headquarters, August 1971. (Cheryl Walsh Bellville Photo)

man of the award-winning bands Indian City and Eagle & Hawk. He was a fea-

tured performer who played around the world including at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. He played at the Native American Music Awards and at the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival. Fontaine was known for being exceptionally kind and giving, having mentored an entire generation of Indigenous musicians into rock and folk music stars.

The morning after those deaths news broke that Ojibway director and writer, Jacquie Black had suddenly died.

Black wrote and directed dozens of shows, such as Tipi Tales and Cashing In but is best known for her work on the documentary series Taken, which tells the stories of murdered and missing Indigenous women and girls.

Three Indigenous celebrities, gone within just 24 hours.

Not to forget three weeks ago Mi'kmaw comedian and TV host, Candy Palmater passed away on Christmas Day at the age of 53 from a rare organ disease.

Palmater was best known for appearing in Trailer

Park Boys and on numerous TV and radio shows including the talk show, The Social. Indigenous people knew her best though for her work on the groundbreaking program The Candy Show, which featured comedy about her identity as she says, a "gay native recovered-lawyer-turned-feminist-comic who was raised by bikers in the wilds of northern New Brunswick."

The Indigenous community has truly lost some great celebrities and we mourn their loss.

Drawing attention to the current wave of Indigenous peoples stepping into the spotlight and how they so elegantly represent their culture and Natives as a whole, we still have much to look forward to. Below are just a few examples of folks that are breaking glass ceilings and becoming household names. May we continue to support and encourage these individuals and those working toward similar goals. A win for one Indigenous person, as a win for all and inspiration for the generations to come.

Secretary Deb Haaland (Laguna Pueblo), first Native American to serve as a cabinet secretary; Charles "Chuck" Sams III (Cayuse and Walla Walla), first Native American Director of the National Park Service; Jamie Pinkham (Nez Perce), Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Zach Penney (Nez Perce), new Senior Advisor to the Department of Commerce on matters related to tribal fisheries; Quannah Chasinghorse (Hän Gwich'in of Eagle Village Alaska and Sicangu-Oglala Lakota of the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota), model who appeared on the 2020 Teen Vogue list of Top 21 under 21; Jana Schmeiding (Cheyenne River Lakota Sioux) comedian, actress, podcaster, and writer known for her roles hosting the podcast Woman of Size and writing/ acting on the sitcom Rutherford Falls.

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## Ezra Whitman, American Indian Teacher Program (AITP)

psucollegeofed.wordpress.com

Before PSU I was working in acute care and clinic research at OHSU, but something was missing. When the opportunity came up to teach, and when I caught wind of AITP (American Indian Teacher Program), there were a few reasons for my switch from healthcare into education. I was feeling depressed and not a part of my community, not helping my community experience inclusion.

"As a health care worker, I saw many health disparities that are preventable caused by different factors. How do we introduce and explore the topic of health for the youth of my community? I always thought about becoming a teacher and knew eventually that I would have to make it back to teaching, although I wasn't sure of what content area. At PSU, I got accredited in health and earned an MFA in English Language Arts, both great ways to engage and empower students from my community.

"I'm now at Roosevelt High School in Portland, and as a classroom teacher, this provides vital access in a school that is really becoming self-aware and evolving in this struggle. Roosevelt has an Evening Scholars program for youth unable to attend on a daily basis, so they can catch up on their studies. That would benefit my community as well,



Ezra Whitman graduated from PSU's College of Education in 2017 with a Master's in Education

struggling with the dropout rate, houselessness, and higher numbers of disciplinary actions. I am so happy I am in a position to be with people who are making success happen, increasing attendance, and developing curriculum that is more engaging and reflects the community. This is empowering youth through language and literacy, making our communities vibrant so that we uplift them rather than escape them. It's learnable, it is taking place, and people are doing it.

"Mentors and supporters were asking me to voice my experience, making room for me in a rigorous program of change-making thought around social justice, conversations about equity, and questioning educational traditions. Portland is surrounded by In-

digenous groups who are paying attention to what is happening at PSU. This is what is unique to Portland State, having been through different schools and different discipline areas, this path would be difficult to happen elsewhere. It is supposed to be a struggle. When you are trying to get trained in the midst of these hard conversations, it sometimes gets exhausting. Some research practices I wanted to question. We are constructing the path while walking on it.

"What is next for me is getting through the Administrative Licensure program and interning under a licensed administrator. I am trying my best to find my way to something fulfilling and proactive in my community. An early role model for me was an elemen-

tary principal on the Nez Perce Reservation. She was also my fifth and sixth grade teacher. As a traditional vice principal or principal, I would be overseeing the progress through specific and equitable goals, although right now I'm not sure I want to run the show.

"I am grateful for the struggles I've had, and being able to explore and learn about my own way of processing information. I learn differently from the mainstream in a personal and cultural way that includes artwork, being allowed to speak, and body movement. Everyone was surprised by my reaction to learning. That's a shout out to those who learn artistically and kinesthetically. Education can get tiring, but it gives me fulfillment. I'm finding my way home – back to my community."

## Nez Perce Language Class

[Credit offered through Wenatchee Valley College]

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January 5—March 25

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ZOOM# 810-773-4485

pw: nezperce

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For more information: Leslie.Moses@wsu.edu



## Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Newsletter—January 2022

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Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division - Solid Waste and Recycling Program  
 Lapwai Contacts: Jon Van Woerkom . (208) 791-3965 or Linda Nemeth . lindan@nezperce.org

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\*If it is not rinsed, it is considered contaminated and goes straight to the landfill—the exact opposite of what we are all trying to do!



Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.  
 - The Lorax

### Remember the Lorax?

It has been 50 years, but the message is still timely:



**Respect for the environment and all living creatures will help us preserve the planet for ourselves and future generations.**

## “Talkin’ Trash”

The biggest global problem no one’s *really* talking about? Trash

1. The average United States resident creates over 4 pounds of trash per day and up to 56 tons of trash per year.
2. Americans make up roughly 5% of the world’s population, but generate nearly 40% of the world’s total waste.
3. On a daily basis, the United States produces enough trash to fill 63,000 garbage trucks.
4. If every garbage truck we filled (annually) was placed end-to-end, it would cover half the distance to the moon or ~119,450 miles.
5. In a lifetime, the average American will leave a legacy of 90,000 pounds of trash for future generations.

Just something to think about in the new year...new goals...new actions, maybe new trash stats....



### Lapwai Recycling Schedule

#### Community Recycling

January 13 & 27  
 Páyniwaas Parking Lot , 11 am—1 pm

#### Office Collections

January 10 & 20

The way to change the world is through individual responsibility and taking local action in your own community -Jeff Bridges



## Stacia Morfin Receives YWCA Inspiring Woman 2021 Award

Stacia Morfin, CEO of Nez Perce Tourism and owner of Traditions Gift Shop received an award Tuesday January 11, 2022, naming her the YWCA Lewiston-Clarkston's Inspiring Woman of 2021. In November, 2021, Morfin spoke at the YWCA's annual Inspiring Women event on her experience growing up with domestic violence. Morfin was interviewed by Amanda Wilhelm, Director of Community Engagement, of the YWCA Lewiston-Clarkston. The Inspiring women segment aired live over zoom on November 5th, 2021.

"There are many reasons to find inspiration in Stacia", Wilhelm stated, "she has

been through many forms of trauma that break people, yet she has navigated through those dark spots only to come out shining." Wilhelm went on to say "She is an example to all of us, what truly overcoming obstacles looks like, and I don't think she is done yet, we will see more from her and she will continue to amaze us."

The relevance of the event was a closing to Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, and the kick off to Native American Heritage Month, November. Morfin is a member of the Nez Perce Tribe. This was the YWCA's 3rd Inspiring Women event.



## Grant Awarded to Develop Nez Perce Curriculum

Nonprofit group Hipéexnu' receives \$150,000 for language and cultural learning

By Kaylee Brewster,  
Lewiston Tribune

Hipéexnu', a nonprofit to develop Nez Perce language and culture in youth, received several grants including \$150,000 from NewSchools Racial Equity Venture Fund to help bolster the group's curriculum.

NewSchools helps organizations or nonprofits that want to start a school that provides more diverse options for students and families. The grant will allow Hipéexnu' to develop and research a curriculum, said Bessie Walker, founder of Hipéexnu'. Ultimately, Walker said they hope to open immersion school in two to three years. Walker founded Hipéexnu' after her grandfather, Nez Perce tribal elder Horace Axtell, died in 2015, to follow his humanitarian actions and dedication to family, people, culture and language. Walker also realized students were going to need more time with the Nez Perce language than 15 minutes of class time a day, or in some cases, two hours a year.

"That just wasn't sitting well with me," Walker

said. "We can't just have two hours of Nez Perce language." Now children at the Little Roots Learning Center get almost 100 hours a school year. The preschool began in 2019. Walker said toddlers ages 1-2 are best at learning and absorbing the language. Those skills can set the foundation for the kids as they grow older and become more fluent. Walker said their language fluency is based on a 20-tier system from beginner all the way to distinguished.

Last April, children in Little Roots dug for native roots, which are the type of programs Walker wants to develop for the school. "Just getting more hours with them and being able to do more, like the digging, doesn't happen in the school," Walker said. "Getting them out on the land where they should be ... not always in a stuffy classroom behind a desk." However, Hipéexnu' not only provides for youth, but all members of the community. Walker said Zoom classes offer Nez Perce language learning to adults in collaboration with Wenatchee Valley College.

When Walker taught Nez Perce in the schools, she said it was about 15 percent of the students from grades K-12 who were wanting to learn the language. "That's what the numbers have been across the whole community," she said.

Currently, the nonprofit doesn't have funding for a building, but would like to have its school in Lapwai. Walker said it's likely they would have to build the school themselves and are hoping to get a donor to fund it year after year as most grants don't cover maintenance.

"That is the whole dream," Walker said. "There's no place people can go and be immersed (in the language) ... The language is slowly disappearing; hopefully, it can be revived."

The nonprofit was gaining momentum in 2019, but then came to a halt with the COVID-19 pandemic. A couple of their language teachers — some of whom were fluent in Nez Perce — died, which has been hard for the program and the community. "It really sets us back,

but maybe it's making us push harder," she said.

Walker first learned about the grant opportunity from Ronnie Sachatello-Sawyer, from Hopa Mountain, based in Bozeman, Mont., which helps Native American nonprofit groups network to find funding support. Hipéexnu' was one of 25 organizations selected for the NewSchools grant and was notified in November.

Hipéexnu' also received a \$15,000 grant from the Avista Foundation and Native Voices Rising, which aims to develop youth programs that will begin in March with oral stories, visiting landmarks and developing curriculum. Another grant Hipéexnu' applied for is from the Christian Native American Ministry Foundation, also known as COOKNAM, based in Tempe, Ariz., but Walker doesn't know yet if they received the grant.

"There's not just basketball players here," Walker said about providing more opportunity for artists through the Native Voices Rising grant.

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## Salmon: The Original ‘Superabundant’ Food of the Pacific Northwest



Sean McConville (Nez Perce, Yakama) pulls in netted salmon with the help of two other fishermen at the Avery treaty fishing site on the Columbia River Gorge, Sept. 17, 2021. (Arya Surowidjojo / OPB Photo)

By Francisca Benitez,  
OPB.org

Few things unite the Pacific Northwest’s culture, economy and ecology like food. But sometimes the ingredients we eat are also divisive. Take salmon: Once these fish were superabundant throughout the region, but the arrival of western settlers — who introduced overfishing and dams — has taken a toll. Now, despite monumental efforts, some salmon species are endangered. Yet these fish remain crucial to the Indigenous cultures that learned how to sustainably manage the resource for millennia.

“Superabundant” is OPB’s video series dedicated to the stories behind the foods you love. As we examine salmon, we meet with Indigenous fishers, traders and scientists who have adapted to a changing world and who are working to bring these fish back to a state of superabundance.

Zach Penney, the fishery science department manager at the Columbia Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, shares a traditional story from the treaty tribes of the Co-

lumbia, about the creation of humans. In it, the Creator asked all the animals what they could do to help humans survive, as they didn’t know how to feed themselves. According to the legend, the salmon volunteered to help.

“Salmon was the first animal to stand up. It said, ‘I offer my body for sustenance for these new people,’” Penney said.

“I’ll go to far-off places and I’ll bring back gifts to the people. My requests are that they allow me to return to the place that I was born, and also, as I do these things for the people, I’ll lose my voice. Their role is to speak up for me in the times that I can’t speak for myself.”

The fish are used in important tribal ceremonies and the cultural knowledge of fishing and caring for salmon is central to many Native tribes’ way of life. Many tribes also continue to eat salmon as a major part of their diets.

“There is a lot of Indigenous knowledge within the landscape here in the Columbia River,” Penney explained.

“You don’t live in a place

for 16,000 years without learning something, and you don’t live in a place for 16,000 years by messing it up,” he said.

Family and tribal traditions today: Brigette McConville owns Salmon King on the Warm Springs Reservation in Warm Springs, Oregon. The store specializes in salmon and beads. Husband Sean McConville is a fisherman who provides fish for the store.

“The sale of fish is something that our people have always done,” Brigette McConville said. In addition to being a salmon trader, she is vice chair of the Warm Springs Tribal Council and a member of Warm Springs, Wasco and Northern Paiute tribes.

“I always look for the fish that have no blemishes or bruises. So there’s a clean cut and it’s pretty,” she said. “Our wind-dried salmon: It’s the oldest processing that we have. It hasn’t changed from forever.” In addition to the retail store, Salmon King has online shopping and delivery, catering, cultural experiences and education.

“Whoever works with fish, it’s important to be

happy. The old saying, ‘don’t cook when you’re mad,’ that’s true in every culture,” Brigette McConville said.

“My mind is thinking of happy thoughts — touching the food with happy thoughts of a young boy when he tastes candy for the first time when I’m catching every fish,” Sean McConville agreed.

“My dad was Nez Perce. My mom was Nez Perce/Yakama, but I consider myself from the Columbia River,” he said.

“I’m a fisherman. Born and raised a fisherman,” he said. “We’re fighting for our food. We’re not fighting just for a commercial fishery. We’re fighting for families to have food at home.”

As Penney, with the Columbia Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, put it: “The tribes have depended on this species, these animals since time immemorial. A lot of our wealth was accumulated from having abundant salmon runs,” he said.

A journey through rivers and through time: Salmon are famous for their big jour-

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ney from the ocean back to the freshwater place where they were born, where they spend their last weeks. The journey is a feat of nature that continues to impress even after millions of years.

By some estimates, before European contact, the Columbia River hosted runs of tens of millions of salmon per year. The fish reached as far inland as Canada and Idaho and could weigh more than 100 pounds.

As white settlers made their homes in the Pacific Northwest, that changed. Commercial fisheries and canneries depleted the runs, and dams changed the river, blocking the downstream passage of juvenile salmon.

In 1855, tribes in the Pacific Northwest ceded lands in treaties with the U.S. government. But those tribes also reserved the right to fish at their "usual and accustomed places." The government ac-

cepted "a trust responsibility" to assure the health and livelihood of the tribes.

Court cases in the 1960s and 1970s affirmed these rights and specified that tribal fishers were entitled to 50% of the harvestable fish in the Columbia.

While the Columbia is a salmon highway, many other rivers and streams in Oregon carry salmon too. On the Willamette, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde are taking action in their own way.

"Just to be able to provide those fishes for our ceremonies, it's kind of a big deal. We're doing that for all our people," said Bobby Mercier, a language and cultural specialist and ceremonial fisher for The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde. "Our bodies, our DNA knows this fish for forever," he said.

"That food goes into your body and it goes into your soul," Sean McConville said.

The runs continue to struggle. Fish ladders and

hatcheries help support salmon, but just a fraction of the fish successfully journey from ocean to spawning areas each year. Scientists with the tribes and the state keep track by tagging salmon and collecting DNA samples and other data.

"In some cases, they can tell you who the parents were of that fish and even some cases they can tell you who the grandparents were of that fish," Penney said.

"Age composition can give you some ideas about what's going to happen with their progeny in the next couple years," he said.

These measurements help predict salmon runs, which in turn helps set limits on how many fish can be safely caught, and when. Many Northwest salmon are caught in the ocean, but there would be no ocean salmon without the fish that first spawn in river hatcheries and stream beds.

"The Columbia River is probably one the bigger arteries of salmon production in the

Pacific Ocean," Penney said.

That knowledge informs many tribal members' efforts as they push for restoration and advocate for treaty rights.

"Let us fish. Let us practice our treaty rights on the Columbia River," advocates Warm Springs tribal council member Brigette McConville.

Salmon is so much more than a delicious Pacific Northwest dish. It's a livelihood for an entire industry and the center of a wealth of cultural history. It's not simply a delicacy, it's a need, a requirement and, to Native tribal members, a right.

Editor's note: The Columbia watershed is home to, and utilized by, many different tribes. In the video at the top of this story, the tribes referenced during discussion of the 1855 treaties (beginning at 08:13) are the Nez Perce, Umatilla, Warm Springs and Yakama. These are also the tribes the make up the Columbia River Inter-tribal Fishing Commission.

## TERO PROGRAM EMPLOYMENT UPDATE MEETING



### TOPICS:

UPCOMING PROJECTS, JOBS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED, OPEN TRAINING, UPDATING THE SKILLS BANK APPLICATION, SAFETY ON THE JOB SITE & DRAWINGS FOR THOSE THAT ATTEND ☺

**WHEN: JANUARY 26, 2022**

**TIME: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM**

**PLACE: PI-NEE-WAUS GYM LAPWAI**



### TRIBAL RIGHTS EMPLOYMENT OFFICE NEWS ☺

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## First Adult Offspring of Translocated Lamprey Returns to Columbia

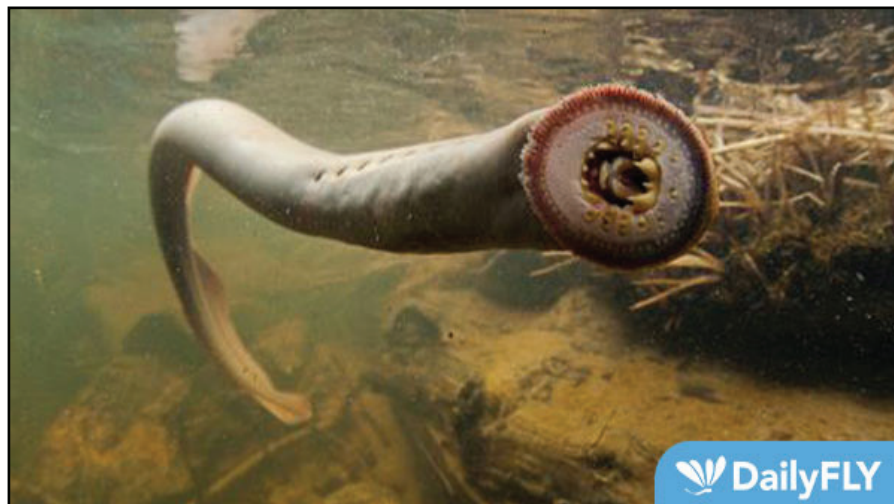
### First Adult Offspring of Translocated Lamprey Returns to Columbia

By Marisa Lloyd,  
lcvalleydailyfly.com

In 2007, the Nez Perce Tribe Fisheries Program's Pacific lamprey restoration team, led by the late Elmer Crow, released a group of lamprey into New-some Creek, a small tributary of the South Fork Clearwater River in Idaho. They had been collected from the lower Columbia River and transported 400 miles upriver to spare them from the risky journey passing the remaining dams and increasing their likelihood of reproducing.

Elmer Crow, Nez Perce Fisheries (right), and Jeff Yanke, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (left), released translocated lamprey into the Willowa River in northeastern Oregon in 2012.

While recently analyzing Pacific lamprey genetic samples from the 2020 adult return, CRITFC's Hagerman Fish Genetics Laboratory discovered that one was the offspring of two of the fish translocated in 2007. This is the first adult offspring produced by translocated parents to be identified since CRITFC and the member tribes began genetic monitoring of the Pacific



lamprey translocation programs.

The landmark fish was captured at a lower Columbia River dam by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation lamprey program for their translocation project. It was transported to eastern Oregon and released into the Grande Ronde River on September 21, 2020.

"This fish was born thanks to the forward-looking efforts of Elmer Crow and his team 14 years ago," said CRITFC Chair Quincy Ellenwood (Nez Perce). "That it ended up being helped upriver to produce offspring in the Snake River basin marks a fitting circle to the tribes' efforts to protect and restore lamprey."

Although this adult is the first to be identified, there are likely other adult translocation offspring that have returned and even larger numbers that are projected to return in future years.

"One adult Pacific lamprey returning up the Columbia River may not seem like much, but it's just the tip of the iceberg for these restoration actions," said CRITFC Commissioner James Marsh (Umatilla).

"Up until now, our knowledge of the translocation program's progress has consisted of information gathered from genetic analysis of larvae and juveniles growing in rivers, streams, and the Pacific Ocean," said CRITFC Senior

Fishery Geneticist Dr. Jon Hess. "We have found thousands of offspring from adults that were translocated by the Nez Perce Tribe, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and Yakama Nation."

Genetic monitoring of these translocation efforts has helped to fill in gaps in the biology of Pacific lamprey that have been difficult to study in the past. We still do not know what the average lifespan of Pacific lamprey may be, but because of this new discovery, we now know they can be 13 years old before beginning their migration to freshwater as adults.

The tribes' translocation efforts began in 2000 and are continuing today. The primary objective has been to increase larval abundance in waterways that historically supported lamprey populations as an interim measure while passage and habitat improvements are being made. The ultimate objective is that these translocations will lead to Columbia Basin Pacific lamprey populations that are healthy enough to support a sustainable tribal harvest as they had since time immemorial.

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## Making a Commitment to Change

Speakers share thoughts about equality and racism on MLK Day in Lewiston



Mikailah Thompson speaks via Zoom at the YWCA for Lewiston's 23rd annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day community celebration. (Lewiston Tribune Photo).

By Kaylee Brewster,  
Lewiston Tribune

Learn the system, work the system.

That's the motto of Mikailah Thompson as she works to create change and equality for the people of her community — Black, Nimiipuu and women. It's how Thompson came to talk about the intersectionality of race and gender as part of Lewiston's Martin Luther King Jr. Day community celebration Monday.

Thompson spoke via Zoom at the YWCA from her residence in Alexandria, Va. She is a member of the Nez Perce Tribe and graduated from Lewis-Clark State College in 2020 with a degree in business and communication and a minor in Nez Perce language. She owns *Beadwork by Mikailah*, is the founder of *Indigenous Creative* and co-hosts the *Quantum Theory Podcast*. She also helps direct the Juneteenth celebration on the Nimiipuu reservation.

For Thompson, she said she experiences discrimination in how people treat her as a Black person, Native American and as a woman. In the Lewiston-Clarkston Valley, Thompson said she is often the only person of color when she walks into a room. That feeling of not having people around like her makes her feel like her voice doesn't matter and she's afraid to share her opinion. If she shares that opinion too strongly, "I'm looked at as an angry Black woman."

Thompson then spoke to those in attendance at the event, asking them as members of the Lewiston-Clarkston Valley to support their youth, especially with representation within the schools and their faculty and resources.

"There are so many different books, so many different films with so many different messages that empower (underrepresented students)," she said.

Thompson challenged

teachers in schools to be allies for students of color against bullying and racism, which gives students someone to connect with and feel supported by. Land acknowledgements — making a statement in recognition of the tribal land a school or institution is on — is another way to support Native American students. Thompson said she didn't experience that until college.

"I remember feeling seen," she said. "Not only that I mattered, but that my ancestors were on the land I was being taught on."

To create the change needed to bring equality in our country, Thompson said people in the community need to speak up and understand the history faced by underrepresented cultures — and let people of color speak up.

"It's really important to come together and change the community and make it better and change it for the next generation so

they have a voice," she said.

After Thompson spoke, people in attendance participated in a candlelit march to the Lewis-Clark State College Center for Arts & History. At the Center, individuals presented vignettes on "Unsung Heroes of the Struggle for Human Rights," including Gov. Brad Little in a prerecorded message, and LCSC President Cynthia Pemberton.

Nez Perce Tribal chairman Samuel Penney also spoke about the history of civil rights, discussing a speech from Martin Luther King Jr. concerning freedom and equality. Penney compared that speech to a message from Chief Joseph, who spoke about his people — the Nez Perce — having the freedom to choose a future for themselves.

Penney shared that King said equality takes a personal commitment from the individual. "If we're going to make any change in this country," he said, "we have to make a personal commitment."



Don't Go Home to Radon

By Johna Boulafentis,  
ERWM Air Quality Program

Two in five homes in Idaho test high for radon, a natural radioactive gas that comes from the ground. You can't see, smell, or taste radon, so it may be a problem in your home. As you breathe, the radon gas can release tiny bursts of energy that can damage living lung tissue and lead to lung cancer over time. In fact, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer after smoking commercial tobacco. If you smoke and your home has high radon levels, your risk of lung cancer is higher.

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season to test in our climate since our closed-up homes act like big vacuums over the frozen/snow covered ground. Retesting is recommended every five years or after major

ground shifts like earthquakes.

The Nez Perce Tribe is one of nine tribes nationwide to receive funding through the Environmental Protection Agency's State Indoor Radon

Grant. ERWM Air Quality Program and Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority (NPTHA) are working together on radon community education, testing, and mitigation (fixing a radon issue). Stay-tuned for upcoming lunch and learn classes in Lapwai and Kamiyah. With the recent uptick in COVID-19 cases, we're working on creative ways to provide this education. We're also planning to conduct testing in 80 NPTHA rentals in February and March. Lastly, keep your eyes and ears peeled for radon radio spots and billboards.

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## The Red Cross Says There's a Blood Shortage Nationwide; Here's How You Can Help

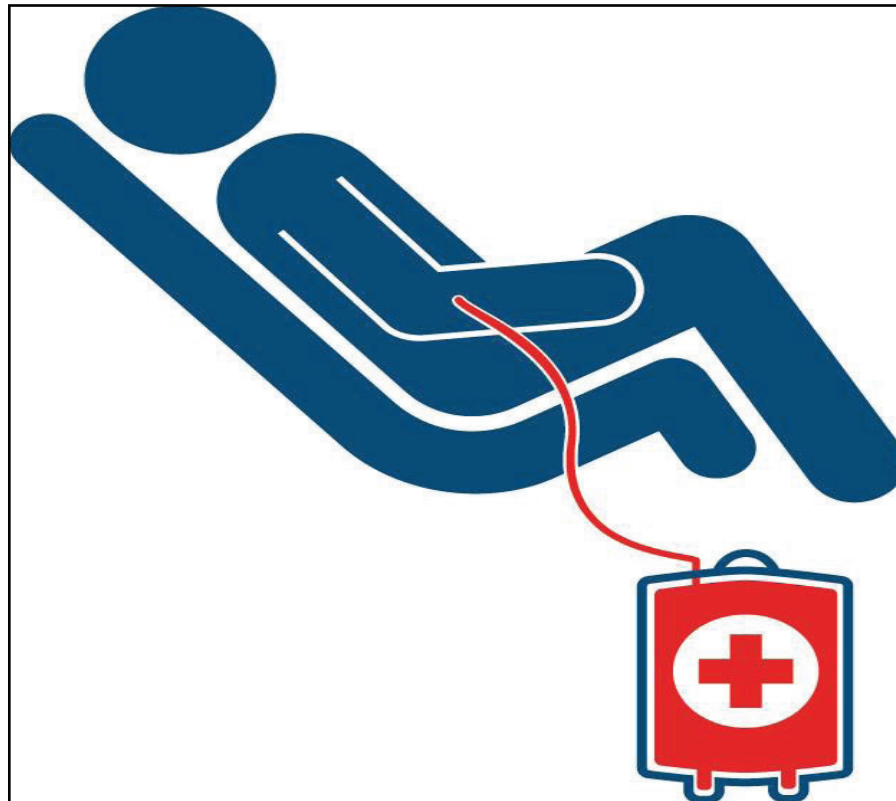
By Rachel Treisman,  
npr.org

The American Red Cross says the nation is facing its worst blood shortage in more than a decade, citing a drop in blood drives due to the pandemic.

The organization said on Tuesday that the "national blood crisis" is threatening patient care and forcing doctors to make tough choices about who is able to receive blood transfusions, and it's urging people to donate.

In recent weeks, the Red Cross — which provides some 40% of the nation's blood — has had less than a one-day supply of critical blood types and has had to limit blood product distributions to hospitals. It says that at times, up to one-quarter of hospital blood needs are not being met.

What's causing the shortage? There has been a significant drop in donations during the pandemic, and weather conditions and staffing limitations have caused ongoing cancelation of planned blood drives. There's been a 10% overall blood donation decline since March 2020, and a 62% drop in college



and high school blood drives during the pandemic, it says.

This is not the first such shortage since the onset of COVID-19 — in April 2020, for instance, the federal government loosened restrictions on receiving blood donations from gay men due to what it described as an unprecedented shortage in the U.S. blood supply (critics argue the ban is based on stigma rather than science in the first place). But by declaring this a historic crisis, offi-

cial are upping the urgency.

"Winter weather across the country and the recent surge of COVID-19 cases are compounding the already-dire situation facing the blood supply," Dr. Baia Lasky, medical director for the Red Cross, said in a statement. "Please, if you are eligible, make an appointment to give blood or platelets in the days and weeks ahead to ensure no patient is forced to wait for critical care."

Incentives for donating: The Red Cross is asking

donors of all blood types, but especially Type O, to make an appointment now to give in the weeks ahead. It's also seeking volunteers to help out at blood drives and transport blood products to hospitals.

It's asking donors to consider booking additional appointments in advance, as while "the availability of drives may be impacted, the need for blood remains constant." Blood can't be manufactured or stockpiled, it adds.

For an added incentive, the Red Cross is partnering with the NFL this month, which is National Blood Donor Month. People who donate blood, platelets or plasma will automatically be entered for a chance to win two tickets to the upcoming Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles, as well as a home theater package and a \$500 electronic gift card to watch the game at home.

You can make an appointment to give blood or platelets through the Red Cross Blood Donor app, on the organization's website or by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS. There are also regional and community blood banks across the country.

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## 11 Amazing Health Benefits of Elderberries

By Michael Jessimy,  
Food & Nutrition

Elderberries amazing health benefits includes aiding digestion, supporting cardiovascular health, enhancing respiratory health, boosting immunity, controlling diabetes, enhancing bone health, enhancing the skin, promoting weight loss, preventing cancer, a remedy for constipation, and reversing aging process.

What are Elderberries? Elderberry is a fruit from a plant called *Sambucus*; it is also commonly known as elderflower or elder. Elderberries are primarily found in the Northern hemisphere, especially in North America and Europe, while a few southern species grow in Australia.

Elderberries are dark blue or black, and usually have a sweet and sharp flavor that makes them a preferred ingredient for various desserts like syrups, jellies, jams, and spreads. You can also use them as a base for numerous beverages and cocktails. Also, elderberry wine is a popular drink which can be prepared easily at home.

The leaves, branches, and twigs of all elderberry species have trace elements of a toxin called cyanide, which can accumulate in the body and can be fatal, so you need to be careful!

**Nutrition Facts:** Despite the implicit health risks associated with elderberries, the fruit is rich in beneficial nutrients; therefore, elderberries have been an important element of traditional medicine for centuries.

Elderberries pack a hearty, nutritious punch and are rich in minerals such as potassium, iron, copper, and phosphorous. They also contain vitamins like vitamin B, vitamin A, and vitamin C. They are a good source of dietary fiber and proteins. The fruit also functions as an antioxidant and anti-inflammatory agent in your body.

**Elevin Amazing Health Benefits of Elderberries.** Elderberries have numerous benefits, some important health benefits include the ability to strengthen the function of immune sys-

tem, protect against infections and bacteria, retard the spread or growth of cancer, avert the development or progression of diabetes, enhance the digestive process, limit the speed and pain linked with autoimmune diseases, help control weight, alleviate allergies, reduce blood pressure, just to name a few.

Elderberries are rich in dietary fiber that helps eliminate or lower constipation, cut down excess gas, and improve your gastrointestinal health. Fiber is also helpful in increasing your nutrient uptake efficiency, allowing you to get more nutrients out of the food.

There is a strong link between fruit and vegetable intake and cardiovascular health. High fiber content in elderberries helps cut down excess cholesterol from your system to accommodate the good cholesterol your body needs, which can considerably lower your risk of developing atherosclerosis and similar cardiovascular problems.

Elderberries also have high potassium levels which can protect your heart by relaxing and calming the tension in the arteries and blood vessels. Potassium is also a vasodilator and can considerably lower your blood pressure, keeping your heart safe and healthy.

Elderberry juice can be an ideal choice for a cough, clearing up a sore throat, bronchitis, cold, or any issue that impairs the respiratory system. Elderberries, like cough syrups, contain ingredients (bioflavonoid such as anthocyanins) that help soothe irritation and inflammation. These ingredients also work as an expectorant to clear out phlegm and flush out foreign agents from the glands. Also, elderberry juice is suitable for asthma patients.

Elderberries have certain anti-infectious and antibacterial qualities and are often used to ward off cold and influenza especially during seasons when people are more susceptible to these illnesses. Moreover, elderberries can reinforce your immune system against itself, and guard against various autoimmune disorders.



A few active antioxidant ingredients found in elderberries work on your pancreas and help regulate glucose levels and insulin, providing more stability for individuals who have diabetes and assisting non-diabetics to avert the terrible condition.

The high content of essential minerals in elderberries helps improve bone strength as well as the formation of new bone tissues. Millions of individuals are afflicted with osteoporosis, but increasing your bone density in the younger decades can considerably delay the onset of this grave medical condition.

Elderberry is used in plenty of cosmetic applications, mainly as the bioflavonoid present in elderberries play a significant role in improving the skin. The high levels of vitamin A coupled with useful antioxidant activity, make elderberries ideal for lessening or preventing wrinkles, helping reduce age spots, and gradually improving the tone and glow of the body's most visible organ!

The high content of dietary fiber along with the metabolism-accelerating effects of mineral and vitamins make elderberries great for losing weight. The fiber makes you feel full, its modest calorie count has little effect on your intake, and you usually get plenty of other health benefits too.

Elderberry extracts contain anthocyanins, which have a wide spectrum of pharmacologic, therapeutic and anticarcinogenic qualities. Studies also indicate that elderberries have a few chemo preventive properties which delay, inhibit

or reverse cancer formation.

Elderberries promote both bowel movements and urination. Studies show that elderberries have natural diuretic effects, which means they promote the production of urine. Doctors often prescribe diuretics if your body retains excess fluids, and older adults often encounter this complication. Moreover, elderberry juice is a good laxative and facilitates natural bowel movement and is, therefore, a great remedy for constipation.

You do not need to splurge on a plethora of anti-aging products anymore. A small quantity of elderberry juice is important if a healthy and glowing skin is what you want. Elderberries are an ideal source of polyphenols, antioxidants, vitamins, carotenoids, phytochemicals, and flavonoids. They act as vital building blocks for a radiant and glowing skin.

Daily intake of small quantities of elderberry juice along with a healthy and balanced diet will protect your skin cells from degenerating and keep your skin soft and smooth and give it a natural and youthful glow. It will also make your skin firmer and prevent sagging. You can reverse skin aging by making elderberry juice your elixir.

Therefore, you should definitely try and incorporate elderberries in your diet. Consuming small quantities of this berry will provide you the many health benefits listed above. The bottom-line is that elderberries are great for your overall health and you should consume more of them.



# How to Make Elderberry Syrup to Avoid the Flu



A simple elderberry syrup recipe made with dried elderberries, honey and herbs for an immune boosting and delicious syrup. Can be used medicinally or on homemade pancakes or waffles.

Prep Time: 5 min. | Cook Time: 1 hr. | Total Time: 1 hr. 20 min.

Course: Remedy | Servings: 2 Cups | Calories: 6 kcal | Author: Katie Wells

## Ingredients:

3½ cups water

2/3 cup black elderberries (dried, or 1 1/3 cups fresh or frozen)

2 TBSP ginger (grated)

1 tsp cinnamon

½ tsp ground cloves

1 cup raw honey

## Instructions:

1. Pour the water into a medium saucepan and add the elderberries, ginger, cinnamon, and cloves.
2. Bring to a boil and then cover and reduce to a simmer for about 45 minutes to 1 hour until the liquid has reduced by almost half.
3. Remove from heat and let cool until it is cool enough to be handled.
4. Mash the berries carefully using a spoon or other flat utensil.
5. Pour through a strainer into a glass jar or bowl.
6. Discard the elderberries and let the liquid cool to lukewarm.
7. When it is no longer hot, add the honey and stir well.
8. When the honey is well mixed into the elderberry mixture, pour the syrup into a mason jar or 16 ounce glass bottle of some kind.
9. Ta-da! You just made homemade elderberry syrup! Store in the fridge and take daily for its immune boosting properties. Some sources recommend taking only during the week and not on the weekends to boost immunity.

## Notes

Instant Pot option: Put all ingredients except honey in pot, seal lid, and set manually for 9 minutes on high pressure. Vent pressure and strain. When cooled to room temperature, stir in the honey.

Standard dose is ½ - 1 teaspoon for kids and ½ - 1 tablespoon for adults. If the flu does strike, take the normal dose every 2-3 hours instead of once a day until symptoms disappear.

## Nutrition

Serving: 1 tsp | Calories: 6kcal | Carbohydrates: 1.7g | Fiber: 0.1g | Sugar: 1.5g





Dear Dr. Per Cap,

I'm a member of a tribe that pays a sizeable monthly per cap. Within the last five years the checks have really gone up, and our community is blessed to have this windfall; however, there have been problems, too. Specifically, we are starting to see freeloaders looking to marry tribal members so they can live off their per caps. Even worse, one of these gold diggers has her hooks into my younger brother. It's so obvious to the family that she is only using him for his money, but he just can't see it. She quit her job two weeks after they started dating and during the past six months he's bought her two cars, a diamond necklace, and more clothes than she can fit in her closet! The wedding is only two months away, but how can I make him understand that money can't buy love?

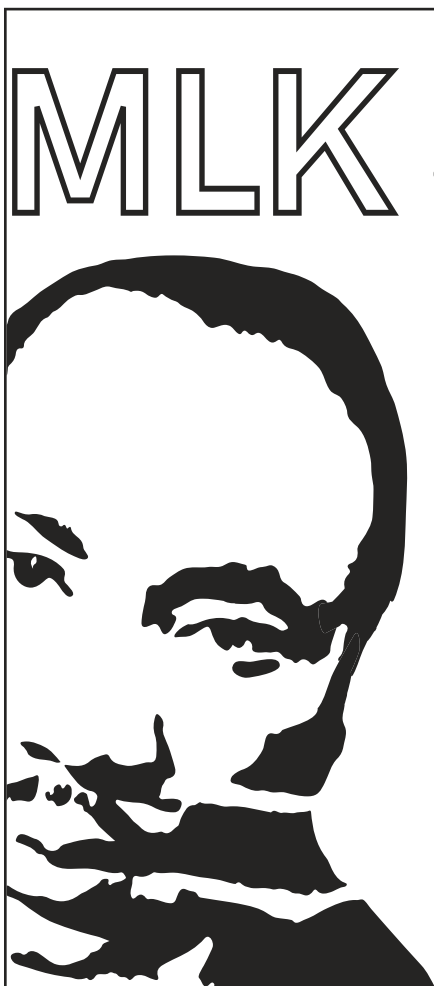
A Concerned Sister

Dear Concerned Sis,

Wow...this is a tough one. Let me begin by saying that I feel your pain and unfortunately, you're not the first person I've had express this concern. The sad reality is that money can bring out the vulture in people. Moreover, I'm not even going to try to assess the emotional and psychological aspects of your brother's relationship because I'm not that kind of doctor. Money ailments are the only thing I'm licensed to treat, and the best remedy I can offer your brother is a legal document called a prenuptial agreement.

A prenu is a binding agreement between two future spouses that states exactly how the couple's assets such as a home, cars, cash, and the Pendleton blanket collection will be divided in the event things don't work out. And considering the fact that the divorce rate in the United States is just over 50% it's definitely something to consider. How do you think Donald Trump has managed to hang onto his millions through all of his divorces? What's also important is that a prenu protects the interests of both parties in a marriage (which is something your brother might want to tell his fiancé if she objects). And to be fair let me also say that women aren't the only ones digging for gold. I've seen plenty of guys on the hunt for a per cap princess too.

Some people have strong feelings about prenuptial agreements, and haven't we all heard the old saying that true love doesn't come with conditions? Well maybe so, but I'm thinking the person who came up with that line wasn't sitting on a pile of cash like your brother. So sit down with him and take a laid back approach. It's probably best not to tell him all of that stuff about his future wife being a gold digger, because he won't want to hear it. But you can plant a bug in his ear about the financial risks he faces if the marriage goes south. An attorney can draft up a basic prenuptial agreement for about \$1,000. And even though it's no guarantee that he won't lose any money in a divorce, it's a whole lot better than nothing. My guess is this woman will hit the road faster than the Lone Ranger when she's asked to sign the prenu, and hopefully your brother can cut his losses and move on. But look on the bright side. Maybe she'll be ok with it too...yeah, right!



On August 28th, 1963 in front of the Lincoln Memorial, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his iconic "I have a dream" speech. With 250,000 in attendance, the event was instrumental in pressuring Congress to pass the Civil Rights Act of 1964. On April 3, 1968 King addressed a crowd in Memphis, Tennessee where he stated "I've seen the Promised Land. I may not get there with you, but I want you to know tonight that we as a people will get to the Promised Land." The next day, King was shot and killed while standing on a balcony in his hotel room. Eight days later, the U.S. Congress passed that landmark Civil Rights Act of 1968, which prohibits discrimination concerning the sale, rental, or financing of housing based on race, religion, national origin, and sex. An Act to prescribe penalties for certain acts of violence or intimidation, and for other purposes. King left an indelible mark on civil rights reform. He has since been celebrated as a national hero. In 1983, President Reagan signed into law the celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. day as a federal holiday to honor an American visionary, civil rights activist, and champion of the downtrodden. This year marked the 36th anniversary of the holiday. To many it's just another day off from school or work, but to millions across the country, it's a day to honor the man and the civil rights movement by lifting up the community. The reality is that volunteering helps your mental and physical health. You feel in control as it changes your perspective. It's a wonderful thing to do. What better way to celebrate Dr. King than to do something of purpose, and to live with more intention?

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## Nez Perce Tribe Moves to Stage 3

Effective January 12, 2022 The Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee has issued approval to revert back to a Modified Stage 3 pandemic response, limiting group sizes to no more than 50 people and restricting non-essential travel.

Face coverings will remain required when a six-foot distance cannot be maintained. Social distancing must continue where possible. Regular sanitation and hand washing is a must.

For events, every attempt should be made to host outdoors. If this is not feasible, event planners should aim for a venue with enough space to comfortably fit the desired attendance size with six-foot distancing, high ceilings and good ventilation. If a person feels sick, they are required to stay home and monitor symptoms. This change applies to funerals as well.

Our communities have surpassed the prior transition thresholds. After review of the data and prior transitions, we have surpassed the prior transition thresholds yesterday, 1.11.22 with 3.64 cases/day and a 27.42% positivity rate in the last 14 days. We have a positivity rate >20% since 1.5.22, with a cases per day rate of 1.43 over the prior 14 days. Our current cases per day is 4.36 with current active cases at 59 with a positivity rate of 32.24% for the month.

## COVID-19 Recommendations

Fully vaccinated people do not need to quarantine after contact with someone who had COVID-19 unless they have symptoms. Fully vaccinated people should be tested 3-5 days following a known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days or until they receive a negative test result. If you are asymptomatic, you may return to work.

Unvaccinated people who have COVID-19 symptoms and have taken part in any activity that puts them at higher risk such as travel, attending large social or mass gatherings, or being in crowded or poorly-ventilated indoor settings need a COVID-19 test.

Vaccinated and Unvaccinated individuals: If you have had close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with someone with confirmed COVID-19, you need to test. If you have been asked or referred to get tested by a healthcare provider, or state, tribal, local, external, or territorial health department,

you need to test. If you have had exposure from a known positive case (confirmed with test) within 6ft., more than 15 minutes without a mask you need to test and quarantine until your test results are available. If you were COVID-19 positive within the last three months, no need to test if you are symptom free.

Reminders: Employees who feel sick are NOT to come to work and patients who feel sick are NOT to come into the clinic before calling the triage nurse. Please call the triage nurse FIRST to be screened. 208-843-2271, ext. -2851 or call ext-2810, 2814 or 2821 to be placed on the phone triage list.

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**Lottery Drawing Winners**

All of the Nez Perce Tribe COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Lottery Drawings have taken place. The final drawing occurred January 5, 2022.

Drawings were held each week. Drawings started in November 2021 and finished in January 2022.

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**Employment Opportunities**

**Nez Perce Tribe**

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/January-10-2022.pdf>

**Nez Perce Tribal Enterprises**

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/1-10-2022.pdf>

**Nimiipuu Health**

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## Attention Hunters: Chronic Wasting Disease Announcement

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been detected in Idaho. New hunting and processing practices will be necessary to help safeguard your health, the health of your family, and the health of wildlife populations in our area.

CWD is a fatal disease that affects mule deer, white-tailed deer, elk, moose, and caribou. Once established in an area, CWD is nearly impossible to eradicate.

To date, there have been no reported cases of CWD infection in humans. However, public health experts, including the CDC, recommend that people avoid consuming meat from animals suspected or confirmed to be CWD positive. Some infected animals may exhibit no symptoms at all, clinical testing of an animal's lymph nodes is necessary to verify CWD infection.

More information and

current maps of enhanced surveillance zones within Idaho and Montana can be found at <https://nezpercewildlife.org/chronic-wasting-disease>.

Hunters please observe the following safety protocols when hunting deer, elk, or moose:

- Do not shoot, handle, or eat meat from animals that look sick or are acting strangely or are found dead (road-kill).
- Do not shoot animals in the head or neck.
- Mark or make note of the GPS location of your kill site for testing purposes.
- When field-dressing an animal:
  - o Quarter out or debone your animal at the kill site.
  - o Wear latex or rubber gloves when dressing the animal or handling the meat.
  - o Minimize how much you handle the organs of the animal, particularly the brain or spinal cord tissues.

o Do not use household knives or other kitchen utensils for field dressing.

- Do not transport whole carcasses or high-risk parts (including brain, spinal cord, eyes, lymph nodes in the head and neck, or tonsils) across state/province/territorial boundaries, into new areas, or out of a CWD enhanced surveillance zone. Current maps of regional enhanced surveillance zones can be found at <https://nezpercewildlife.org/chronic-wasting-disease>.
- If you harvest an animal within a CWD enhanced surveillance zone, strongly consider having the animal tested, especially before you eat the meat:
  - o Visit <https://idfg.idaho.gov/cwd/sampling/how-to> for information on how to collect a sample, where to send your sample, and other information. Collection of this sample should happen at the kill

site, if at all possible. Samples can also be dropped off (or extracted) at the Nez Perce Tribal Wildlife Division office (260 Phinney Ave., Lapwai, ID).

o If you are transporting a whole carcass and encounter a CWD sampling site or check station, please consider stopping to have your animal tested.

o If your animal tests positive for CWD, do not eat the meat. Allow extra time for the testing process and receipt of the results (4-6 weeks or more).

- If you return home with a whole carcass, all removed animal parts should be double-bagged and disposed of in a licensed landfill. Animal parts should NOT be discarded outdoors or returned to the field to decompose.
- If you have your animal commercially processed, consider asking that your animal be processed individually to avoid mixing meat from multiple animals.

## NEZ PERCE TRIBE

### EMERGENCY OPERATIONS



- \* In quarantine/isolation needing assistance with resources?
- \* Questions or safety concerns?
- \* Need safety recommendations for your event/activity?

**CONTACT THE NEZ PERCE TRIBE EOC**  
208-790-7343 or [NPTemergencyoperations@nezperce.org](mailto:NPTemergencyoperations@nezperce.org)

Tribal families: we know how challenging quarantine/isolation can be for you and your loved ones. If you find yourself in need of essential items please contact us. We will respond to your needs the best we can and as quickly as we can (dependent on time and volunteer availability). We do prefer you have a designated person to do your shopping for you, as they will know your preferences best. However, we hope to have volunteers to assist if a person cannot be designated.

Deliveries may occur evenings and weekends, depending on the volunteer availability. All requests require NMPH Healthcare Professional or designated Healthcare Professional verification. Your call/email will be received by the Nez Perce Tribe Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Team. Emails will be responded to in the order they are received and every effort will be made to respond to questions or concerns as quickly as possible.

**NEZ PERCE TRIBE EOC HOURS:**  
Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(Holidays/NPT Closures will vary)

## Nimiipuu Health

### Diabetes Program Fitness Challenge

JANUARY 2022

8 week challenge!

18 years & older!

\$25 to enter (due @ weigh-in)

Pre and post body comps will be taken and participants who want to qualify for top cash prizes -wear same clothes to have pictures taken for pre and post weigh-ins, (preferably t-shirt and shorts). A release form consenting to having pictures promoted will be required if participant is a top winner.


Weigh-in dates/locations

NMPH Fitness Center Lapwai - Monday Jan. 24 7:00am-1:30pm  
NMPH Clinic Lobby Kamiah - Tuesday Jan. 25 10:00am-1:00pm  
NMPH Fitness Center Lapwai - Wednesday Jan. 26 7:00am-1:30pm  
CRC Miyooxat (Chief) Room - Thursday Jan. 27 10:00am-1:30pm  
If the weigh-in times do not work for you, please reach out to Wendy

The top three winners will be selected by the following steps

1. Wendy will assess pre- and post-measurements of all participants; narrowing down the top 3 female and top 3 male participants with the biggest improvements in all measurements
2. From the 6 male and female participants, the diabetes team members will rate their before and after pictures. Scorers will be provided with a scorecard of objective points to note which will include front, side and back profiles with specific focuses on upper, mid and lower regions of the body.
3. Results from the scoring will be tallied and the top three participants who scored highest will have been objectively selected as having the biggest visual transformation.
4. The cash prize will be the entry fee from all participants - divided equally between the three winners.
5. We will post transformation winner's pictures to social media and/or make posters for fitness center.

ALL participants who complete the challenge with improvements in ANY measurement will receive a \$30 gift card!



For more info please contact the NMPH Fitness Center at 208.843.2271 ext. 2977



**Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is accepting applications for:**

**Grants Coordinator-HAF**

Full time Grants Coordinator for our new US Treasury Homeowners Assistance Fund. Develop, manage and report on required activities, thorough knowledge and understanding of mortgage financing and re-financing, and other administrative support functions. Bachelor degree in related field, two years administrative experience, excellent skills in customer service, math calculations, writing, organizing, office machines, computers & technology, valid driver's license and bondable. Open until filled. Nez Perce and Indian Preference applies. Submit NPTHA application to: Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority,

P.O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540. For job description or more information, please call (208)843-2229. Open until fill

**Maintenance / Construction Worker**

The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is accepting applications for a Maintenance/ Construction Worker for our rental units in the Lapwai area. Minimum four years experience in residential maintenance/construction, high school diploma or GED, valid driver's license and be insurable. Skilled in home repairs, construction knowledge in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, roofing, sheet rocking and painting. Legible writing, ability to document

all work performed on appropriate forms, communication skills and great customer service. Excellent benefits, Tribal & Indian Preference will apply. The NPTHA reserves the right to transform this position into a training position if sufficient Indian Preference applications are not received. Submit NPTHA employment application to: Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority, P.O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540. More info: (208) 843-2229. Open until filled

**Administrative Assistant**

The NPTHA is seeking an experienced Administrative Assistant to support multiple grant funded programs. Requires two-year degree or equivalent

in related college courses, two years of administrative experience and one-year supervisory experience preferred. Applicant must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, ability to work independently, excellent office management skills, excellent mathematical skills, proficient in various software applications, database mgmt., charts, graphs and presentation. Full time with benefits. Tribal and Indian Preference will apply. Please send NPTHA application to: Executive Director, Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority, P. O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540 or email NPTHA@nezperce.org. More info call 208 843-2229. Open until filled

**Lapwai School District Update**

Lapwai School District Health and Safety Update:  
January 12, 2022

The health and safety of Lapwai students will always be our highest priority.

With COVID cases rising in the community, we are seeking the support of our families in the prevention of transmission. Symptomatic students should not report to school. Parents are requested to notify the school when their child is staying home due to illness. These absences will be excused. Missing work will be provided for students absent due to illness.

Students identified with symptoms of illness while at school will be safely isolated and provided a mask. Parents/guardians will be contacted and required to pick-up the student promptly.

The Lapwai School District will continue with our rigorous health and safety protocols. Masks remain required. Our approach includes stringent sanitization of high-touch surfaces, efforts to limit cross exposure, and reinforcing appropriate hygiene and hand sanitization. Our detailed, research-based approach can be found on our website at [www.Lapwai.org](http://www.Lapwai.org)

The Lapwai School District continues to work closely with tribal and state health officials. This includes collaboration with contact tracing and confidential parent notifications as needed.

Although urgency will be provided to screening and monitoring the possibility of symptoms at school, your support in ensuring sick children stay home is necessary and greatly appreciated.

We would like to thank everyone for their caring support as we exhaust every effort to keep our schools open and ensure they are safe places for teaching and learning.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's school or the superintendent with any questions:  
Lapwai Elementary (208) 843-2960  
Lapwai Middle-High School (208) 843-2241  
Lapwai School District Superintendent (208) 843-2622

*Chris Porter*

*"We are all very proud of her for her dedication to the job and her family. She has been there since the old school days and into the new school ways of doing things. I felt at times that she was in charge of that department because she was always getting after people to make sure they got paperwork done or did it for them. She's never looked for any recognition in what she does and even now she will probably get after me for recognizing her publicly but she deserves every bit of it as a long time employee of the NPT but more importantly as my mom!"*

**Thank you for over 38 years of service! Happy Retirement!**

*Special Thanks From Water Resources. You Will Be Greatly Missed!*



## Nez Perce Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Nez Perce Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Services (NPTVRS) current reminders: Due to Covid-19 and its new variants, plus the winter months being the common cold/flu season, the NPTVRS program is taking the necessary precautions and intend to make sure to protect everyone with proper health and safety protocols. NPTVRS will continue to provide services by walk-ins, scheduled appointments and phone calls. However, if you are feeling sick, please call or text in advance to either complete a meeting over the phone or to reschedule your meeting. Temperature checks are still required as well as masks when entering the NPTVRS office. Gloves and masks are still provided for your appointment. NPTVRS also offers an orientation of the NPTVRS program for anyone who thinks they are interested and qualifies for our program, including transition students who are juniors and seniors in high school.

NPTVRS news stories: The NPTVRS program wants to welcome everyone into this new year of 2022. The staff of

NPTVRS look forward to continuing to provide the best services possible for the community. The NPTVRS have many new cultural trainings that they look forward to providing this year, and would like to hear your feedback on which kind you as NPTVRS participants and community members would like to participate in. The NPTVRS employment & outreach technician is also working on a new community Survey Monkey that will be available in February. Overall, the NPTVRS staff is fully committed to helping the participants become successful in their employment and work force trainings they desire. The NPTVRS welcome the new year with positive energy and wonderful outcomes for their participants and community members.

The NPTVRS program currently has five brand new CPUs for the training center. The CPUs are installed with the newest tools of Microsoft Office and the NPTVRS encourage participants in the program to stop by and use them to develop resumes, letters and job applications.

The NPTVRS program

also has openings for any eligible NPTVRS participants with a medically diagnosed disability who might be interested in completing a 16-week apprenticeship carpentry training. Other areas of interest also include; Twin Rivers Therapeutic Massage Academy LLC, Small Business Development, Accounting Fundamentals, Truck Driving, Welding, etc. If anyone who meets the NPTVRS qualifications are interested in these areas of employment and work force training options, please feel free to contact the NPTVRS with any questions and suggestions for other areas of interests you may have.

The NPTVRS also keeps close tabs on the recent job openings located within the Lewis-Clark Valley and any Vo-tech options located at Lewis-Clark State College. The NPTVRS program encourages any participants who are currently enrolled in the program to stop by for assistance with employment and work force training opportunities.

NPTVRS contact info: The new office location is at 271 B Street, Lapwai, ID in the Nez Perce Tribe Educa-

tion building. Please use the Voc. Rehab main entrance, which is located on the side of the building near the softball field. Direct contact line is 208-843-9395 for any further assistance. You may also contact NPTVRS via Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Nez-Perce-Tribe-Vocational-Rehabilitation-Services-112076830710100>. We consistently update our page with important and helpful information for the community, therefore swing on by and give our page a follow, we greatly appreciate the continued support.

The NPTVRS program also has our current online Survey Monkey available for the community as well. Please follow the link at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3X6XVTX>. NPTVRS would really appreciate your feedback. The NPTVRS program is also searching for a new NPTVRS specialist position. If you are interested in this employment, please feel free to reach out and contact the NPTVRS office. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The NPTVRS staff will be happy to assist you.

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**Vandals**

*Tribal Nations Night*

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**Anthony (Tiger) Wayne Henry, 60, Lapwai, ID**

Anthony (Tiger) Wayne Henry, aka Wachumyus (Rainbow), began his journey to be with Creator on Thursday, December 15, 2021 surrounded by his family.

Anthony was born February 25, 1961 to Billy D. Henry and Marilyn (Johnson) Lowery in Lewiston, ID. He was a proud member of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville reservation and a descendant of Old Lookingglass, the Asotin Band and Joseph Band.

Anthony grew up in Lapwai and lived his childhood years being raised by his grandparents Francis and Edwina Henry. Anthony attended Lapwai Schools, where he competed in football, basketball, and boxing. In his younger years Anthony was a Ol'Style Traditional dancer, and his lifelong love of the outdoors included riding motorcycles, hunting, fishing and being a provider for his family. He enjoyed fishing at the Lochsa and Rapid River and spent one season fishing on the Columbia River. Anthony had a love for rock and roll, fast cars and enjoyed spending time at the Spokane and Yakima Speedways.

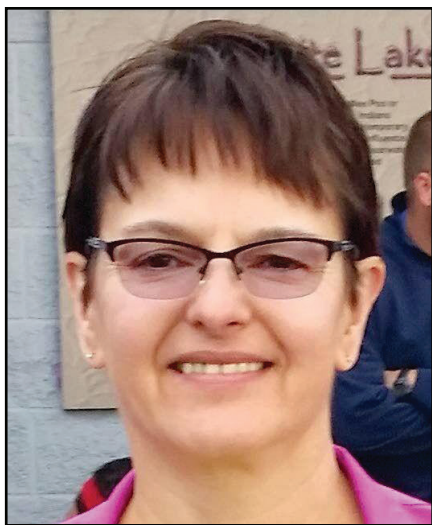
Anthony lived a fulfilling life which he accomplished many great and wonderful things Anthony married Tawna Bybee of Lapwai in June 1980 and had two children; they

later divorced. He held many jobs throughout his travels in the Pacific Northwest and was employed by Blount/ATK, Nez Perce National Historical Park, Burlington Railroad and did tree thinning. His greatest achievement was being a self-taught mechanic he loved working on cars and building things with his hands.

Anthony was preceded in death by his daughter Rainbow May Henry, granddaughter Amber Lee Henry, grandson JJ Rodriguez-Jim and Niece Charisse Holt; brothers; Darryl George, Jr., Adam Matthews and Billy Henry, Jr. Paternal Grandparents, Francis (Frenchy) and Edwina (Taylor) Henry; Maternal Grandparents, Moffett Johnson, and Theresa Higheagle. Anthony is survived by his parents; Billy D. (Donna) Henry of Lapwai and Marilyn (Jerry) Lowery of Wapato, WA.

Anthony lives on through his children; Billy J. (Tiffany) Henry, Dante Henry both of Lapwai, ID, Myrtle Jim and Antonio Henry-Garmon both of Yakima, WA. His Brother; Marcus (Moose) Matthews of Boise, ID, Sisters; Arleen Henry, Dawn Henry, Adrienne Henry, and Tracee Holt all Lapwai, ID; Andrea (Willie) Tomma of Wapato, WA, Debbie (Cyrus) Henry of Toppenish, WA and Jamie Garner of Boise, ID. His Aunt Kelly (Aqeel) Ahmed of the Country of Bahrain.

Anthony is survived by 19 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. A private dressing service and memorial were held on Friday, December 17, 2021 and funeral services, Saturday, December 18, 2021 at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center in Lapwai, ID. Final resting place and burial Jonah Cemetery, Sweetwater, ID

**Katharine Lee McPherson, 65, Lewiston, ID**

Katharine Lee McPherson passed away Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2021, after a brave fight with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma. Memorial services were held at the Orchards Community Church, 822 Bryden Ave., Lewiston.

She was born Aug. 22, 1956, in Driggs, Idaho, the first of five children to Lee C. and Mikell "Arnold" Mowreader. During her early years, the family lived in numerous Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming towns, following her dad's career with the Federal Highway Department. She was almost always the

"new girl" in every class, but with her natural enthusiasm for life, she always thrived.

In 1971, the family settled permanently in St. Maries. She was an extremely active high school student, participating in drill team and color guard, graduating with the class of 1974. It was in St. Maries, while working as a dispatcher for the Benewah County Sheriff's Department, where she met and married the love of her life, Doug McPherson on April 19, 1980. They continued to live in St. Maries for numerous years while she worked as the secretary for the prosecuting attorney. Kathy and Doug moved to Idaho Falls, where she started her career in the accounting world. After a brief stop in Coeur d'Alene, the couple relocated to Lewiston and that became their home. It was in Lewiston where Kathy and Doug welcomed their proudest accomplishment, daughter Rebecca Lee, on Jan. 14, 1990. In May 1990, she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in management from Lewis-

Clark State College and passed the Certified Public Accountant exam shortly after. She worked at several accounting jobs in Lewiston — including positions with a construction company, the Nez Perce Tribe and Washington State University — before finally landing her dream job as the director of business services with the Lewiston School District.

In September 2005, she earned her Master of Arts degree in organizational management from Gonzaga University. She was an extremely proud and enthusiastic Zag and a huge supporter of Zag basketball.

During her lifetime, Kathy was interested in everything. She loved God and the church family she joined. She was dedicated to the Lewiston School District and helped pass the levy that led to the building of the new high school, an accomplishment of which she was very proud. She was extremely health-conscious and enjoyed biking, running and walking. She encouraged everyone she knew to become a school bus

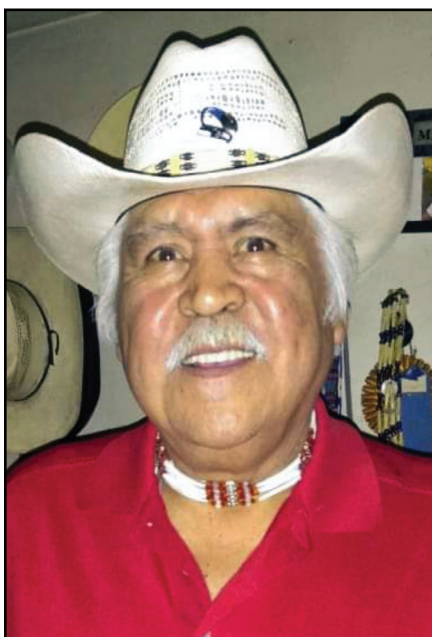
driver. But her favorite event was the birth of her grandson, Collin Henry, to her daughter and son-in-law on Sept. 29, 2015. Her smile would light up the room and that grin is on full display in every photograph of Kathy and Collin. She enjoyed traveling and recently went to Hawaii and Disney World with the family. She also loved whale watching on the Oregon coast and was always on the look-out for bald eagles.

In addition to her husband of 41 years, Kathy is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Rebecca and Jeffrey Reznicek; grandson, Collin Reznicek; four siblings, Sheryl (Floyd) McPherson, Jim Mowreader, Bob Mowreader and Janet (Rob) Denton; two nieces; two great-nieces; and a great-nephew. Also surviving are numerous cousins.

The family suggests donations to the charity of ones' choice or any of the charities she was passionate about: The North Idaho Food Bank, backpack program or Jackson Baldwin Pay It Forward Foundation.



## Mose Pierre Jr., 69, Lapwai, ID



Mose Pierre, Jr was called home January 11, 2022 at his home in Lapwai, Idaho. Mose was 69 years old. He was born in Lewis-

ton, Idaho to Mose Pierre, Sr. and Beatrice McAtty on August 26, 1952. He was a member of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes. He attended Lapwai High School and graduated in 1971. He also took several college classes at LCSC.

During his school years he stayed active in basketball, baseball and football. Mose spent a lot of his time making friends, spending time with his family, friends and his dog "Bess", taking part in stick gaming, attended powwows, mudsprings camp, and he was always the BBQ cook.

Mose worked all of his lifetime in several jobs. He worked with the Puyallup Tribe and Nez Perce Tribe. Some of

the jobs he was known for was the Nez Perce Express Cook/Cashier, CRC Shuttle driver, Asphalt Driver, General Laborer, Drug & Alcohol Counselor and Phone Operator.

He married Roxanne Harrison on May 23, 2009 at Spalding, Idaho. He had four other marriages that ended in divorce. Roxanne survives him at their Lapwai home. Mose is survived by his children Leslie Ann Pierre, Lucinda Pierre, Matthew Pierre, Beatrice Arquette, Cricket Hotch, Dawn Wheeler, Dom Harrison, Aillia Wilson, Damion Wilson, Jose Nomee. Sisters: Stella Charles, Judy Allen, Loretta Penney, Wilma Lawrence, Hazel Quiltanenock. Bothers: Michael Lawrence,

Mike Seymour. Mose is also survived by 31 grandchildren and 6 Great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, bother Melvin Pierre, Tyron Pierre, Theodore Palmanteer, Peter Cooper, James Allen, Gordon Lawrence, Richard Lawrence, and Bill Lawrence, Jr. Sisters: Susie Oseguera, Kimberlee Lawrence, Lucinda Pierre.

Viewing Services were held at Malcom's Brower-Waun on Saturday, January 15, 2022, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mose's ashes will be taken to that special place dear to his heart and a celebration of his life will be scheduled at a later date. Mose was a Seahawks fan, so please wear your Seahawks attire.

## Lydia "Bunty" Corbett Angle, 85, Coeur d'Alene, ID



Lydia "Bunty" Corbett Angle went to be with her precious Lord on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022, at the age of 85 at Kootenai Hospital in Coeur d'Alene, with her son and granddaughter by her side.

She was born May 5, 1936, at Cherokee, N.C., to Frank and Phoebe Corbett. Lydia was Choctaw and an enrolled Nez Perce Tribal member, an elder at First Indian Presbyterian Church of Kamiah.

Bunty married James Angle and they were later divorced. They had four children, Annette (Audon) Tomeo, of Glenwood, Wash., James (Marnie), of Culdesac, and Pat and LaDonna at the family home in Kamiah. Lydia was blessed with and loved with all her heart her grandchildren: Victoria, Michael, Kyle,

Stella, Nico, Tomei and Christian, and five great-grandchildren and one on the way. She has one sister, Frances Bokinskie, from Minnesota, and five nieces and two nephews. She enjoyed a good laugh, a ride along the Clearwater and Lochsa Rivers, a Zags game, Scrabble, lunching, or having breakfast with family and friends. She loved her dogs (they were family), Talmaks, the Brick House (her grandparents home in East Kamiah), and First Church.

In 1947, she began her teaching and ministry for the Lord in Sisseton, S.D., with a minister, Rev. Dr. Hunter Keen, and his wife, Barbra, and they became life-long friends. Lydia was a woman of God who was described as a "Hound of Heaven." She wanted everyone to be with the Lord. She quoted scripture by heart, lived her faith by example, had a beautiful voice and loved to sing hymns. She served on the Native American Consulting Committee of the Presbyterian Church for a decade in the 1970s. She first became an elder in Spokane in 1974.

Lydia was a good listener and was encouraging to many in good and bad times.

She was very generous, hospitable and loved everyone. She established the Lapwai and Kamiah Prayer Warriors; was named an elder for Ron Hutchcraft ministries; was instrumental in writing the grant for "Healing A Woman's Heart Retreat;" and a grant for the Nez Perce tribe's children's home.

Lydia began her 17 years in social work in Pierre, S.D., in the 1950s. This is where she received her bachelor's degree. She also had a master's degree in social work from Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash. In 1974 through 1977, Bunty worked for the Spokane Dis-

trict's Indian Education Program. She worked for the Nez Perce Tribal School and also for Washington State Division of Children and Family Services. Her loving spirit will be missed, but Heaven is rejoicing. She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Phoebe, and her brother, Rev. Dr. Cecil Corbett.

A celebration of life will be held at 10 a.m. Jan. 29 at First Indian Presbyterian Church. A lunch will follow. Rev. Dr. Mary Jane Miles will be officiating and COVID-19 protocol will be followed. Livestreamed services will be available for those who cannot attend.



*Free Notices*

Post free death notices, announcements, obituaries, and memorials in the Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune

communications@nezperce.org



## Amendments to the Nez Perce Tribal Code: Rules of Criminal Procedure

This notice is being posted November 2, 2021, according to the Nez Perce Tribal Code § 1-4-2 to request written comments for the following proposed amendments:

Proposed amendments to the Nez Perce Tribal Code,  
TITLE 2 RULES OF PROCEDURES—  
specifically, Chapter 2-1 (Rules of Criminal Procedure);

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: Criminal Procedures. The Nez Perce Tribe received a CTAS grant to update and revise the Nez Perce Tribal Code. Much work has been done to reorganize and clarify different provisions of the Code. The proposed edits and amendments to Chapter 2-1 have been reviewed with the Law & Order Subcommittee during work sessions and is now ready for public comment. Criminal procedure deals with the set of rules governing the series of proceedings (stages of a criminal case) through which the government enforces substantive criminal law. Please reference the ATTACHED GUIDE during your review.

If you want to review the full version online, go to the Tribal Code webpage at <https://nezperce.org/resources/tribal-code/>. Also, hard copies will be available at the NPTEC front office.

### WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD:

The Law and Order & Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee will be accepting written comments on the proposed amendments and reorganization being applied to the Code. Please submit written comments by mail, e-mail, fax, or hand delivery to:

Shirley Allman, Chairman, Law & Order Subcommittee  
P. O. Box 305, Lapwai, Idaho 83540  
E-mail to [nptec@nezperce.org](mailto:nptec@nezperce.org) • Fax to (208) 843-7354  
Hand Deliver to the NPTEC offices in Lapwai.

The DEADLINE for receipt and consideration of such comments is  
February 2, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

To see the full proposed amendment, visit:

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Proposed-amendments-to-Ch.-2-1.pdf>

Review guide at:

[https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Review-Guide\\_.pdf](https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Review-Guide_.pdf)

Review Chapter 2-1 CURRENT Rules of Criminal Procedure:

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Current-copy-of-Ch.-2-1.pdf>

## Amendments to the Nez Perce Tribal Code: Domestic Violence

This notice is being posted November 3, 2021, according to the Nez Perce Tribal Code § 1-4-2 to request written comments for the following proposed amendments: TITLE 7—specifically: CH. 7-1 TO 7-4 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The Nez Perce Tribe received a CTAS grant to update and revise the Nez Perce Tribal Code. Much work has been done to reorganize and clarify different provisions of the Code. The updates and clarifications to Domestic Violence (Title 7) has been reviewed with the Law & Order Subcommittee during work sessions and is now ready for public comment. Please reference the ATTACHED GUIDE during your review. If you want to review the full version online, go to the Tribal Code webpage at <https://nezperce.org/resources/tribal-code/>. Also, hard copies will be available at the NPTEC front office.

### WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD:

The Law and Order & Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee will be accepting written comments on the proposed amendments and reorganization being applied to the Code. Please submit written comments by mail, e-mail, fax, or hand delivery to:

Shirley Allman, Chairman, Law & Order Subcommittee  
P. O. Box 305, Lapwai, Idaho 83540  
E-mail to [nptec@nezperce.org](mailto:nptec@nezperce.org) • Fax to (208) 843-7354  
Hand Deliver to the NPTEC offices in Lapwai.

The DEADLINE for receipt and consideration of such comments is  
February 3, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

To see the full proposed amendment, visit:

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Proposed-Amendments-to-Title-7-Ch.-7-1-to-7-4.pdf>

Review guide at:

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Review-Guide.pdf>

Review Chapter 2-1 CURRENT Rules of Criminal Procedure:

<https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Current-copy-of-Title-7-Ch.-7-1-to-7-4.pdf>



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