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#### **QTS competes at Science Olympiad**

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THE 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY
OF EVERY
MONTH.

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For the second year in a row, the Quileute Tribal School (QTS) competed in the Science Olympiad, which was held at Seattle Central Community College on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. This year, QTS added the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class to the competition. There were 36 QTS students ranging from grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> who participated.

Events are based in genetics, earth science, chemistry, anatomy, physics, geology, mechanical engineering and technology, with event titles such as Dynamic Planet, Game On, Mousetrap Vehicle, Mystery Architecture, Write It Do It, Crime Busters, and Experimental Design. The Science Olympiad encourages teamwork, which is an important skill to have in most scientific careers.

Head Coach Alice
Ryan proudly reported that
QTS received two medals,
"One for determination and
effort shown by our students, in taking on this
enormous challenge, as a
new team the competition
is extreme and intimidating. The second medal was
to recognize the future and
the competitions that they
expect to see QTS take on
as we grow in skill."

Leading up to the Science Olympiad, QTS students were given the opportunity to study or work on their projects after school with coaches Alice Ryan and Margery Marshall.

Kevin Ryan, a 9th grader, competed in Game On and Dynamic Planet. For Game On, he had to create a maze-based video game that involved the ecosystem. "I almost finished the game," he said, "I came in 7th place overall. That's not bad out of 30 teams, but not as good as I did last year. I could have done way better."

Johnny Jackson-



Cruz, also in 9th grade, participated in Helicopters. The goal was to build a wooden helicopter and fly it for as long as possible. He and his teammate Austin Black had a flight time of approximately five seconds.

"Our biggest challenge was hoping it would not break," Johnny said. "When we were getting ready, it was breaking a lot. We had to use super glue to put it back together." Overall, he liked the Science Olympiad and would do it again. "I have a couple ideas for next year on how to improve our helicopter and what other events I'd like to participate in."

Johnny also described the encouragement he and his peers had for each other during the Science Olympiad. "I went to watch a couple friends and support them. A lot of people came to see me and Austin. It made us feel good, like we stood out. We had a large crowd cheering for us."

Nakita Ward-Bender, a 6th grader, was involved in three events: Write It Do It, Optics, and Hovercraft. Another 6th grade competitor, Serena Escobar, was in Roller Coaster and Rocks and Minerals. She described the rules of various events, "Some competitions, they let us bring notes. Sometimes a binder, and sometimes just a sheet of paper."



Following the rules and requirements is a major part of the Science Olympiad. Margery said that as a coach, next year she wants to focus on the little details of each event since the QTS teams were caught up in technicalities.

Nakita said, "The biggest challenge for me was handling the pressure of everything that was going on."

Serena interjected, "But the best experience was being there and hopefully next year we will do better."

"Yep, we're going to do better," Nakita added.

Margery said her favorite parts of the competition were watching students who were nervous in the beginning blossom throughout the event. "They came back and said they did really good. It was neat to watch them. Another highlight was watching the students come back

from some real hardships and witnessing their resilience. They were positive. Most of them talked about what they're going to do next year. Some of them are already looking at how they're going to change their designs and what they might try. The students showed amazing maturity and grace under pressure."

"We were one of the only schools that didn't have a major company helping us, explained Kevin. "Some of the schools had Boeing helping them for their planes, or Microsoft or Nintendo helping, and we didn't have that. And some of them would have guest speakers come in and teach about subjects, whereas we had to do all of it on our own. It was a hard competition. We didn't win, but we sure as well got far."

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#### **From Council Chambers**



Doug Woodruff, Zachary Jones, James Jackson, Skyler Foster, Tony Foster

Quileute Tribal Council has done some traveling recently for several fisheries related meetings: Pacific Fishery Management Council in California (March 7-13) and two North of Falcon processes in Olympia, WA (March 21-23) and Lynnwood, WA (April 2-4).

Member at Large Zach Jones: I attended the North of Falcon meetings. They were very informational and gave me a whole lot of respect for our QNR management. You can't put enough out there to our department for maintaining our fisheries for as long as we have. When we look at other tribes that are fighting for hours a year to fish, it gives you a whole new outlook for our department. The guys are *crunching the numbers daily* and gathering the information that are allowing us to continue to fish the runs every year. We're fortunate to have the management we have. It's an awesome thing for our fishermen.

Chairman Doug Woodruff: It's easy to look at a schedule and say we're fishing three days this week, until you attend the meetings and get to that three days to see where it comes from. It's a long process to determine the fishing schedules, and QNR staff and Fish Committee know they are accountable for each fish that comes over the bank.

The full Council also attended the Billy Frank, Jr. Pacific Salmon Summit on March 19<sup>th</sup>, hosted by Tulalip.

Secretary James Jackson: It was a full day spent honoring the legacy of the late Billy Frank, who committed his life to the protection of treaty rights and the resources. The event brought together leaders from all over Washington and beyond to discuss policies, the current state of our salmon, and salmon recovery. One of the highlights was the statement made against Atlantic salmon net-pen farming on the west coast. We united in our stance. It was powerful. As Billy had said, "It is going to take all of us working together to turn the tide for the salmon." And that quote takes on much more meaning with the challenges we will face in the future.

Member at Large Zach Jones: It was an honor to attend because of the work that Billy Frank, Jr. has done for fishing rights. He is a big part of the Boldt Decision, as well as setting up the Salmon Defense. His efforts were not only to maintain salmon but to make everyone aware of the importance of clean water resources. It was a great ceremony.

Aside from fisheries meetings, Councilmembers Zach Jones and Skyler Foster attended the Washington Indian Gaming Association meeting on March 14th at Chehalis, and Doug Woodruff witnessed Governor Inslee signing an executive order in Seattle on March 14th to protect orcas and Chinook salmon.

The tribe is always a proud supporter of the Quillayute Valley Scholarship Auction (QVSA), and this year was no different. It was held on March 16th and 17th at the Forks High School, with all funds raised going towards

scholarships for graduates of Forks and La Push.

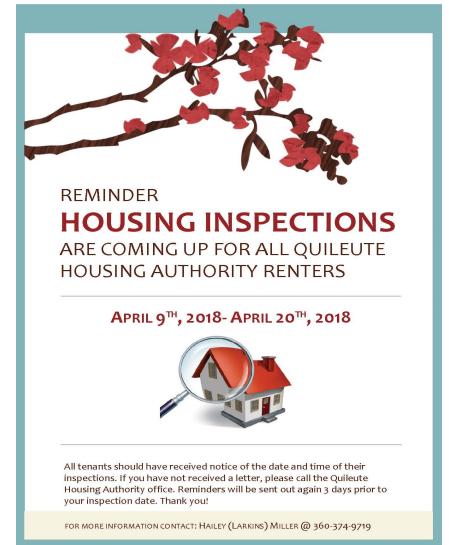
Treasurer Skyler Foster: We donated a cedar paddle, rattle, and baskets made by our local Quileute carvers and basket weavers. On top of that, stays at the Oceanside Resort and use of the marina boat ramp for one year were also donated to the auction. It was also nice to see donations by members of our community, such as fresh crab, beadwork, and wool hats, socks, and headbands.

It was a heartfelt gesture of the QVSA committee to recognize the late Lonnie Foster with a moment of silence during the auction. Lonnie, a Quileute elder, had been a big contributor to QVSA since the 1990s, donating his bounty of fresh seafood and smoked steelhead. His generous spirit was certainly missed.

On March 30<sup>th</sup>, Welcoming the Whales was hosted by the Quileute Tribal School at First Beach. Gray whales were active that day, making an appearance at the north side of the beach. This may have been the largest crowd for the ceremony since it first began 11 years ago.

Chairman Doug Woodruff: I thought there was a good turnout, and I was happy to see everyone who showed *up—the visitors, especially* those from neighboring tribes. *I have to say the kids did really* well in their performances. After all, they work hard and *practice for months in advance* and they even help create the gifts that are given away at the ceremony. Our hands go up to all the students, the staff, and the Events Department for organizing a wonderful event.

The Quileute Community Spring Clean Up is scheduled on April 20th beginning at 8:15 a.m. In accordance with Earth Day, we spend one day out of the year as a community picking up our village. We provide all the trash bags, gloves, coffee, doughnuts, and even offer a prize drawing for those who participate, so please join us!



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#### **Department Briefs**

#### **Natural Resources**

- Quileute Natural Resources Committee or "Fish Committee" elections were held in March: welcome newly elected members James King, Gary Ratliff, Archie Black, and reelected member Marty Penn. Thank you to Doug Woodruff, Brent Ramsey, and Darryl Penn for serving.
- Nellie Ratliff and Quileute Tribal Council attended the Billy Frank, Jr. Pacific Salmon Summit in Tulalip on March 19th
- Staff traveled to North of Falcon in Lacey, WA on March 22-23; North of Falcon 2 was held in Lynnwood, WA on April 2-4
- PFMC was held at Rohnert Park, CA on March 8-14; staff, policy, and Tribal Council attended. Most of the focus was on preliminary salmon negotiations for the ocean and in-river fishery
- The Intergovernmental Policy Council (IPC) annual meeting was hosted by Quileute this year; it was well attended by the coastal tribes, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary (OCNMS) staff and the head of the National Marine Sanctuary, John Armour.
- Harvest Management Biologist Baine Etherton attended training in Seattle for halibut sampling on March 20<sup>th</sup>
- The halibut tribes signed an agreement for this year's fishery. It is a new one-year experimental plan that offers tribes flexibility to conduct their fishery, providing better opportunity for tribes to be successful. The official international start date is March 24th. The Tribal allocation for our area is down from last year, from 1.32 million pounds to 1.19 million pounds for all of Catch Area 2A.
- Staff attended first aid training in Forks on March 30<sup>th</sup>

#### **Health Center**

- On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Vern Rondeau RN began work as Lead Nurse in the Medical Clinic
- We are recruiting a Chemi-

- cal Dependency Program Coordinator
- We are recruiting a second nurse for Medical Clinic
- Community Healing Carving Project continues at the Kitla Center, Monday through Friday
- Women's Talking Circle continues in its new location, the upstairs meeting room at the Quileute Health Center, on April 5, 19, and 26.
- On April 6<sup>th</sup>, the New Beginnings program will host a walk to begin Sexual Assault Action Month, ending at the Tribal Office with information and refreshments
- On April 11-13, Jeremy NeVilles (Mending the Sacred Hoop) will bring four community workshops on Cultural Competence/ Lateral Violence
- On April 19, there will be a Relational Life Skills workshop about "Personal Space" from 2-3 pm at the Tribal Court
- QHC is coordinating a Health Fair, with a focus on Quileute elders, for Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

#### **Public Works**

- Jonathan Trainor is currently enrolled in commercial drive school through Peninsula College, working on his Class A CDL
- Carl Moore is a recent addition to our janitorial and maintenance staff
- The crew cleared the path to the beach from the youth ball field for access for the Welcoming the Whales ceremony

#### **Human Services**

- Job Club is continuing to happen every month. TANF and GA clients and any tribal members who are currently job searching are welcome. Please be on time. We start promptly at 2 p.m. and cannot allow someone to attend the session if they arrive late.
- April 9th is the next scheduled ICW Community
   Meeting. We will be going over the first section of the Legal Process Map. We welcome your input and participation!
- If you have received assistance from the Kinship Navigator program in the

- past, please contact Dawn Ward at the Senior Center. There is new funding to assist with camp costs for older youth this summer or daycare costs for younger children. We also have access to Woodland Park Zoo and Seattle Aquarium passes for Kinship Families. If you are interested in the passes, please contact Dawn at (360) 374-0756.
- A Family Garden Project will begin in May. Advertisement will start in April and then open applications and start building in May. It will be open with priority for current TANF recipients. There will be up to 10 planter boxes at individuals' homes and Izzy will provide guidance for planting and keeping plants alive over the growing season. There will be an application process to determine eligibility.

#### **Housing Authority**

- Attended the West End Housing Network meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup>
- Attended Credit Counseling training on March 27th
   -28th
- The house that we have been rehabilitating will be completed soon
- QHA currently has a onebedroom duplex available
- Completed 12 of 18 work orders
- Reminder to residents that inspections are coming up in April
- QHA is excited to have hosted the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Easter egg hunt on March 31<sup>st</sup>

#### **Planning**

- We are in final stages of being awarded two grants:
  - Federal Transit grant of \$235,000 for purchase of new transit busses
  - FEMA Pre-disaster mitigation grant for installation of emergency generators, \$325,000
- We have applied for new grants from the Department of Justice for Police Hiring, Tribal Wellness Court, and Violence Against Women.
- Larry Burtness attended the annual BIA Regional Transportation Symposi-

um, where Parametrix, Inc. received an award from the BIA for contractor support for the Quileute Tribe in the completion of our Tribal Long-Range Transportation Plan, Transportation Safety Plan, and Road Inventory update work.

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#### **Move to Higher Ground Updates**



#### By Susan Devine

Now that there is visible progress of the school project, with the site logged of timber, you may be wondering what else is happening with the Higher Ground. The MTHG project continues to move forward on several fronts, including the school, housing, transportation network, and the other "campus" areas (tribal services, community/cultural services). The top priorities for Higher Ground have always been children, elders, and housing. In 2018, we are working to further develop those priorities with action plans. The following is a summary by topic area. Please contact any of the MTHG team members if you would like additional information, including Susan Devine (Project Manager), Larry Burtness (planning and grants), Frank Geyer (natural resources), and Kylie Kimble (housing).

#### School Replacement Project

The BIA is currently reviewing all the documentation for the 20% Design Concept. Once we have feedback, we will make changes that may be needed, and then work with the BIA to produce the documents needed in order for them to hire a Design/ Build contractor. Of the 10 schools that were selected for the replacement funds through the No Child Left Behind Act, the Quileute Tribal School is the second on the list. We are waiting to hear official word on funding, as the BIA has not released formal statements on timing of dollars or construction. Since the spending bill was just passed a few weeks ago, we expect that this could take some time. As soon as we have official word, we will be able to put together a schedule for design and construction, as well as any additional work on clearing the site.

#### Transportation

The Tribe recently won an award from the BIA for full compliance with the Transportation Program requirements. A lot of work was done to prepare a Transportation Plan, Transportation Safety Plan, update the roadway inventory, and prepare all the items that allow the Tribe to access and spend the BIA transportation dollars. A grant was submitted for potential improvements at the Second Beach Trail Head, as well as extension of the pedestrian path from its current stopping place at the transit stop up to the school site. The grant winners have not yet been announced, but we should be hearing more on that very soon. In the meantime, we continue to work on the conceptual design of the pathway, so that it can be constructed with the school project.

#### Infrastructure

Speaking of grants, we recently learned that the Tribe is being selected to provide additional information to FE-MA for receipt of five new generators. This will help to ensure that there is backup power to key locations in the village, including the water pump stations and wastewater treatment plant, as well as the Akalat, HHS, and the Early Childhood Center. Larry Burtness will be working with FEMA to provide the needed information and start the process of securing the generators. Keeping water supply and wastewater treatment functions in tact during power outages is a serious human health concern, so the new generators will help to ensure that not only lights and heat, but also water and sewer will be provided during emergencies.

#### Housing

Kylie Kimble, QHA Director, distributed a housing needs survey earlier this year. Responses continue to come in and will be tabulated and summarized. Once that data is available, it will help direct the type, location, and density of housing needs in the village. Look for more to come on housing as we move into summer, as this will be a major focus for the MTHG team, in-

cluding doing the environmental permitting work for Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Although we have received full environmental clearance from the BIA already, we do need to coordinate with other possible funding entities (such as HUD and the USDA), if we want to access their dollars. The team is working closely with Frank Geyer to ensure we are consistent in our environmental documentation and reporting, and we are also continuing to work with the US Army Corps of Engineers, to get additional studies completed as part of the overall MTHG environmental strategy.

#### **Tribal Services**

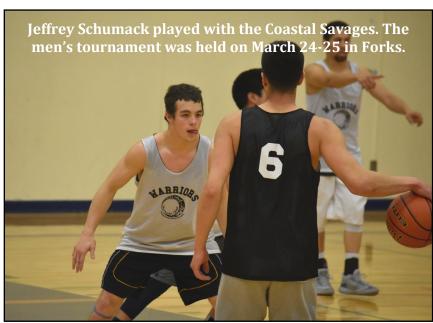
The MTHG team will be working with the community this spring and summer to refine the Tribal Services campus site plan. This area of Higher Ground, on the north side of La Push Road, would eventually include tribal government, administration, wellness/medical facilities, and other services that support tribal sovereignty, health, and safety. A portion of this cam-

pus could also include an expanded Justice Center, with court administration and other space to address identified needs. These facilities are NOT YET FUNDED, but, as with the school, we need to be ready with plans and concepts in order to compete for grant dollars that may become available.

#### **Community Services**

In addition to relocating the school children to safety on Higher Ground, ensuring a safe space for elders has been a Tribal Council priority. The community services campus could incorporate a new elder's center, cultural center, and community-focused retail, as well as recreation, outdoor cooking, and places designed for carving and other cultural activities. This area would be in the central part of the Higher Ground, just across La Push Road from the tribal services campus. There are currently no design or construction funds for these facilities, and the team will focus on refining the site plans and looking for dollars and grants.

#### **Nate Crippen Tournament Action**





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#### Mystery fish found on First Beach identified

On March 24th, Quileute Natural Resources Fish Technician Jack Davis had a sharp eye and noticed an unusual carcass had washed up on First Beach. Gloria Salazar also happened to be on scene and alerted QNR with pictures of the fish. I met up with Jack who had placed the specimen in the Tech Trailer freezer. We stretched the whole thing out and I was able to identify it. The carcass was of an open water pelagic species called a Longnosed Lancetfish (Alepisaurus ferox), which is a species native to this area, though uncommon to wash ashore due to normal proximity (also a fascinating fish taxonomically, possibly a close relative of salmon).

We want to make sure that unusual landings are being reported. If this had been a warm water species, that could have indicated warm water conditions. Mass dieoffs or strandings can indicate low oxygen zones offshore. Jack and Gloria did a great job in responding and documenting the event. If you or someone you know finds something strange wash up on the beaches, please:

- 1. Approach with care (specimens may still be alive, carrying diseases, have spines, etc.)
- 2. Take detailed, clear photos (especially of the head and fins)
- 3. Call me or another fisheries/marine biologist from QNR for identification/confirmation
- J. Baine Etherton QNR Harvest Management Biologist Work Cell: (360) 640-0342 Office: (360) 374-6074





Photos By Baine Etherton

#### WE NEED COMMUNITY MEMBERS!

#### Community meetings are happening!

We will provide updates on the Technical Assistance Project and ask for advice and ideas for improving the Quileute Child Welfare program.

Every month will be a new topic!
Please join us & be a part of program development

April 9, 2018 at 1:00 PM - West Wing Quileute Technical Assistance Project Legal Intervention Process—Part 1 Maps/Policy/Procedure

May 14, 2018 at 1:00 PM - West Wing Quileute Child Welfare

Legal Intervention Process—Part 2

Maps/Policy/Procedure





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#### **Quileute Words of the Week for April**

#### By Jay "Kwashkwash" Powell

This year the moon that is April (Yachisiyaiktiyat, Sprout Days, pronounced yah-ch-see-yah-SAKE-tee yaht) has five Mondays. So we need to have five Words of the Week.

The month starts with Easter Sunday. That is said in Quileute simply with the way the Old People pronounced the English words: **İsta Sádti** (EEstah SAH-d-tee). We already know the word for *happy*, wisá, so you could have greeted others at church or on the street Wisá **İsta** (wiss-SAH EE-stah).

Here are the five new Words of the Week for April.

**April 2-8:** tax<sup>w</sup>ówo<sup>7</sup>ot (pronounced tuck-WOE-woeoat) *Rainbow* 

April is the month for

"April Showers," so we can expect to have lots of rain and occasional rainbows. The Quileute word actually means "bow in the sky." The first part of the word is the same root as the word for a bow that you shoot arrows with: Táx<sup>w</sup>ło? (TUCK-hw-th-oh-oh).

There is a creek on the North Fork of the Calawah River called Rainbow Creek. It is a translation of the Quileute name tax<sup>w</sup>ówo<sup>9</sup>ot, our Word of the Week. And the Old People didn't call it that because the water was multi-colored but because the mouth of the creek was the home of a many-colored woman, abandoned long ago by her wandering hunter husband. And when they saw a rainbow, they would say, "There's rainbow woman out looking for her old man." Other Quileute and Hoh

families told a story that the rainbow was a colored snake that crawled across the sky.

#### **April 9-15:**

sibáx<sup>w</sup>olayo<sup>?</sup> (pronounced see-BAH-ho-lie-yoh) *The Whalers' Spirit Society* 

April is also the time that the whales start to come through Quileute country and the young people welcome back the whales. In the old days, those Quileutes who had the whaling spirit power would have ceremonies in which they would sing their spirit songs. The name of the Whalers' Spirit Society literally means "oily voiced song" referring to the fact that those whalers drank a lot of whale oil.

The last whale killed by a Quileute was in 1908, when Joe Pullen beached a whale on the spit in front of the village.

But the Whalers' Spirit Society members continued to sing their oily voice songs in Tyler Hobucket's traditional longhouse for decades.

April 16-22: hohóßwal (pronounced ho-HO-qual) goose

This Word of the Week is the Quileute word for the Canadian Goose that flies over in big V-formations about this time of year. With global warming, many of these geese have started to overwinter in the north. The Quileute word is the Old People's imitation of the noise that these geese make. English speakers usually say that geese say "honk honk" but traditional Quileutes heard them say, "ho-hók."

April 23-29: Holísli (pronounced ho-LISS-lee) Brown Water, the river got high

With April showers come high water in the river called "brown water." When a run of fish is schooled up at the mouth of the river that brown water is what they are waiting for. It's the signal to start heading upriver. So, when a fisherman calls up another fisherman and says, Holísli, that means to get your fishing gear and head down to your canoe.

April 30-May 6: bítsas sá<sup>a</sup> (pronounced BAY-tsuh-s SAH-ah) *That's the end of it, that's all there is, that's all, folks!* 

This phrase doesn't just apply to the end of the month. It is the phrase that was used at the end of a story when Quileute grammas and family headmen would tell the mythic narratives and family history.

Bítsas sá'a, So much for that!
And you can also say it with the tone of voice that was used when Porky Pig used to say at the end a cartoon, "That's all, folks."

## QUILEUTE TRIBE NEW BEGINNINGS PRESENTS JEREMY NEVILLES MENDING THE SACRED HOOP

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# Free Training: Cultural Competency Lateral Violence Horizontal Hostility Wed. April 11 or Fri.April 13

#### **Culture Competency Cultural Humility**

Culture does not determine behavior, but affords group members a repertoire of ideas and possible actions, providing the framework through which we understand ourselves, our environment, and our experiences. Culture is a complex set of relationships, responses, and interpretations that must be understood, not as a body of discrete traits, but as an integrated system of orientations and practices generated within a specific socioeconomic context. Culture is ever changing and it is not possible to predict the beliefs and behaviors of individuals based on race, ethnicity, or national origin. In its zeal to encourage respect for cultural difference, the cultural competency movement has sometimes lost sight of these important features of the concept of culture. Instead it has too often represented culture as a decontextualized set of traits providing a template for the perceptions and behaviors of group members. This presentation will focus on Cultural Humility and the understanding that one cannot be an expert or "competent" on a culture other than their own so one must be humble and commit to a lifelong process of self-reflection and self-critique to develop a respectful partnership with each person and understand each one's priorities, goals, and capacities.

#### Lateral Violence Horizontal Hostility

Lateral violence is displaced violence directed against one's peers rather than the oppressor. This lateral violence often explains minority-on-minority violence in developed nations. Lateral violence is a learned behavior resulting from colonialism and patriarchal methods of governing in developing society. For Native people, this form of violence stems directly from colonial measures including: assimilation tactics, abuse in residential schools, discrimination and racism. Due to the complexity of such oppressive measures, Native people were forced to stop practicing traditional teachings of oneness. Because of this trauma, some indigenous people have developed social skills and work practices that do not necessarily create healthy workplaces or communities. A grassroots movement toward creating awareness and restoring more traditional social practices to ensure healthy relationship dynamics has been growing in indigenous communities world-wide.

#### Register now and enter the Early Bird Raffle! (Walk-ins Welcome!)

Door Prizes plus Refreshments Will be Served

Thank you for your interest on this topic! For more information:

Quileute Tribe New Beginnings: 374-3349 newbeginnings@quileutenation.org

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## Thank You For Sharing

A big thank you goes out to Mark and Tie Williams, Dusty Jackson, and Pokie Woodruff for delivering a plate of their first catch of spring salmon. We are really grateful, especially for them thinking of an elder who gave a lot for her family and the community.

Thank you, Mary A. Eastman VOLUME 13, ISSUE 4 PAGE 7

#### Title VII para educator position filled at QVSD



At the Quillayute Valley School District (QVSD), Micaela "Micki" Villicana works as the Title VII Para Educator. Micki, a 2014 Forks High School graduate and Makah tribal member, was hired in December. The purpose of her position is to raise graduation rates and improve attendance rates among Native American students. The position is funded through a

grant from the US Department of Education Office of Indian Education.

"I can help all students district-wide, but my main focus is on Native Americans," she said. Although her office is at Forks High School, she can support students in any grade at QVSD.

She has assisted students by providing a space for them to do homework, revis-

ing essays, or just checking in on them as needed. She acts as a liaison for students, teachers, and parents and guardians.

Lately, she is helping seniors with their dreaded senior projects where they complete a minimum of 30 hours of community service, compile a portfolio, and make a presentation to a panel of judges. It is a district requirement to graduate.

Micki partners with other programs like Readiness to Learn, Forks Abuse Program, and the Quileute Youth and Family Intervention Program. With Forks Abuse, she co-facilitates groups at the junior high school to teach children about healthy relationships. She has also brought students to Quileute events such as One Billion Rising and Welcoming the Whales Ceremony.

"I benefited from this same program when I was in

high school," she explained.
"MJ Ashue was the Title VII
Para Educator and I didn't realize that was his role. But he helped me throughout high school, so I know firsthand how this program helps students."

"When I first got here, I tried to introduce myself to the kids and what my title is—this is what I'm here for. They didn't want to talk to me. But now, I have a lot of kids coming in to work in my office or just to talk. I have seen communication increase. Grades are definitely going up and attendance is better."

Micki started her job in December, so she is still learning and has plans to attend trainings. She looks forward to continuing to build relationships with the more students and their families. If parents or guardians would like talk to Micki or set up a meeting, contact her at (360) 374-6262 ext. 242.

#### First Springer Traditions

Traditionally, the first spring Chinook caught in the Quillayute River is to be cooked on sticks over a fire (k²w ákspat) and shared with all the tribal fishermen in the village. This meal is supposed to be for fishermen only. It's a fishermen's party that all river fishermen are invited to. Following the fish bake, the bones of the salmon are returned to the river. This is a prayer meant to bring us good fortune in future seasons.

Sharing the first springer is not just one family's tradition. It is a Quileute tradition among all families

I learned from the older fishermen—my dad James Williams, uncles Leo and Howard Williams, and other elders such as Butch Sampson, Gary Jackson, Roger Jackson, Tommy Jackson, and many more. They taught me these ways. Years ago, I remember catching the first springer. It was 50-pounds and I shared with all the fishermen. We were standing around waiting for it to cook and it broke the k<sup>w</sup>ákspat stick in half from the weight.

We are getting away from the fishermen's tradition in the last 20 years and I wanted to share my knowledge. This is the way I was brought up.

Sincerely,

Mark L. Williams



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#### **Program Updates at Human Services**



#### Kinship Navigator Program

The Kinship Navigator Program is back on track after it had been without a Kinship Navigator for six months. Quileute tribal member Dawn Ward filled the position at the beginning of March.

This program provides referral and follow-up services to grandparents or other relatives who are raising children, who do not qualify for other services. Kinship Care helps to prevent children from going into foster care. The program is grant-funded for one year, with possibility of renewal to continue services for the community.

Those who qualify are all families on the Quileute reservation and Native American families in Forks and the surrounding area. Quileute tribal members have preference for services, but any tribal member can seek assistance through the Kinship Navigator Program.

"We can help with school supplies, medical referrals, transportation, bills, clothes, and much more," explained Dawn. "We are able to get a little creative in assisting caregivers with their financial needs, finding a way to help take some pressure off the caregivers so they can provide better for the children."

"My goal is to help out as many families as I can and to be supportive of their situations," Dawn said. "Being from this community, I'm hoping it will be easier for people to come in and feel comfortable talking to me. Not only am I someone who is a community member of La Push, but I have gone through their same situation. I have personal experience with his program as a client." Dawn stressed that everything is 100% confidential.

After reviewing paperwork and feedback from previous clients, Dawn is working to improve the program. She is also participating in an online training for her position.

Currently, her office hours are typically 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Senior Center. Assistance will vary from family to family. For more information about the program, contact Dawn at (360) 374-0756 or drop by her office.

#### **Indian Child Welfare**

Quileute tribal member Charlene Meneely was recently hired as the Indian Child Welfare (ICW) Program Manager.

Previously, in 1998-1999, she was the Quileute ICW caseworker; and for a combined 10 years between 2000 and 2006 and later 2009 to 2013, she worked at the tribal courthouse as Chief Court Clerk and Court Administrator. From 2013 to 2018, Charlene was the Conservatorships and Representative

Payee Program Assistant for El Dorado County Public Guardians Office; she had an average caseload of 20 people at a time who she helped with bills, social security funds, probate, medical appointments, and more.

Charlene's job as ICW Program Manager is to handle all administrative duties and supervision of caseworkers. She will not have a caseload. Some of her short-term goals include: hire two case workers; develop a supervision form for caseworkers; create meeting schedules with caseworkers; and complete an internal case file audit. Longterm goals are: create a Child Protection Team, which is a multidisciplinary team that caseworkers can consult with and ask for recommendations about complex cases; hold a mandated reporter training for tribal employees; maintain a close working relationship with the prosecutor; establish foster care licensing; and develop a strategic plan.

"I love strategic plans. I am a process-oriented person, so I like having plans for everything and measurable goals that show this is what we need to do, how we're going to do it, and what we've done. Having something in place helps me keep on track, and this is a program that needs

parameters in place."

Charlene is starting at Quileute ICW during a pivotal time since ICW policies and procedures are being overhauled with the help of Capacity Building Center for Tribes. These policies and procedures need to reflect what is in the Quileute Family Code.

"I'm happy to be coming in at a stage where things can be rebuilt," Charlene stated. "I think it's going to be a challenge. We value the community's input on these policies and procedures. This is your chance to voice your opinions and concerns." Please attend the community ICW meetings held in the Tribal Office West Wing. The next one is scheduled for April 9th at 1 p.m. and it will cover the legal intervention process.

Charlene would like to remind everyone that if you ever suspect child abuse or neglect, call the hotline: 1-866 -END-HARM. You may choose to be anonymous, but regardless, everything would remain confidential.

"If you see something that doesn't look right, please call. A lot of the times we get that gut feeling that something doesn't look okay, or maybe a bruise looks a little weird. It's better to be safe and report what you witnessed."



Lunch will be available for purchase:

Sandwich wraps Fruit and Veggie cups

- Teams of 6Bake sale and
- lunch for saleActivities for children
- Bring the whole family!

Akalat Center 1 Bayak Way

La Push, WA 98350

Saturday April 21, 2018 8:30am to 4:30pm

To register, message us on Facebook at the Forks Abuse Program page or call



360-374-6411 and ask for Nikki



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#### **Fish Committee Meeting Notice**

Quileute Natural Resources Committee Meeting Wednesday, April 18, 2018 10 a.m.

Quileute Natural Resources Conference Room

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# JOB CLUB April 10 & 24 Human Services Conference Room 2:00 PM

# April 19 Quileute Natural Resources Conference Room 2:00 PM

# **EVERYONE IS**WELCOME

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN ABOUT JOB READINESS SKILLS?

THIS MONTH WE WILL BE WORKING ON INTERVIEWING SKILLS

"10 THINGS EMPLOYERS EXPECT EMPLOYEES TO KNOW"

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT HUMAN SERVICES: (360) 374-4306

#### **Easter at Oceanside Resort**







The Quileute Housing Authority organizes an annual Easter Egg Hunt. This year's hunt was held on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

- 1. And they're off! Photo by Mike Estrada
- 2. Cassie Black (Easter Bunny) and Aubree Davis-Hoekstra
- 3. Miken Estrada was happy to find a prize in his egg!
- 4. Jeremiah Williams on the hunt
- 5. Kylie Flores and her daughter MacKenzy
- 6. Lined up waiting for the hunt to start promptly at 11 a.m.

#### Photo Request

The James family is searching for photos. Any photos of the following family members would be appreciated for an upcoming family reunion:

> Louise James Nora James William "Pepsi" Duke James Cyrus James Harvey "Duffy" James Annie James

Please contact me at the number below.

Thank you, Terry Dale (James) (360) 214-4900







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#### **QTS Students Attend Hamilton Education Program**

#### By Ms. Jackson and Mr. Rahal

This year Quileute
Tribal School (QTS) had the
unique opportunity to be a
part of the Hamilton Education Program and attend a
matinee of the acclaimed
Broadway musical Hamilton,
created by Lin ManuelMiranda, based on the biography of Alexander Hamilton
written by Ron Chernow.

Ms. Jackson, the middle and high school Social Studies educator, signed QTS up for a school lottery offered by The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, which gave us the chance to have students attend the performance at only \$10.00 a ticket. "I received an email with this opportunity and I couldn't pass it up," says Ms. Jackson, "especially considering tickets to this musical can range from \$300-\$1000. I entered our school and we had to wait and see if they selected us." The school was notified in Ianuary that it had been chosen to attend.

Hamilton opened in 2015 and is considered one of the most successful Broadway musicals. The show portrays the life of Alexander Hamilton and the American Revolution through hip-hop and rap songs performed by actors and actresses of color, making it especially entertaining and relevant to students today. "This helped me understand the founding era better...the struggles and disputes...the whole play will stick with me because it was full of emotion and drama. You couldn't look away," reflects Bonnie Owens. For many students it was their first time viewing a musical and they enjoyed more than just the songs and characters. "The whole play was phenomenal," says Kenneth Ward, "but I really liked the lights. I never knew that lights could make you feel so much emotion with just a flicker or color." The most inspirational aspect of the musical, according to Mr. Rahal, the middle and high school English educator, was the fact that Hamilton found his voice through his writing. He was born into poverty, had no family to rely on, yet he climbed his way to become Treasury Secretary of the United States through his craft as a writer. While working in the White House, Hamilton produced some of the most influential documents and systems that continue to shape our society.

Students involved in the program were required to complete a curriculum focused on the same process Miranda used to turn a historically accurate biography into a creative performance. Students studied primary sources from the founding era, looking for key words and key ideas. Then, they compared their findings to the lyrics of songs from Hamilton to examine how Miranda stayed historically accurate while still integrating his own artistic expression into his performance. Finally, students were asked to choose an event or person from the founding era and to research, analyze, and create their own performance pieces. "I think the best part of the project was when we were writing our own poems because we got to know what it was like for Miranda to write this play," reflects Joanne Jackson, who worked with Cassie Perete-Black and Stephanie Ward on their performance piece.

Many students focused their poems on Tecumseh, a Shawnee warrior and chief, who famously became the leader of a multi-tribal confederacy with aims to stop American expansion and assimilation westward. Kevin Ryan chose to focus his performance on the famous argument and duel between Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr, which concluded with Hamilton's death.

You can read the following performance pieces created by the students involved in the program. These pieces are based off primary sources written over 200 years ago. The language used in the poems reflects the language used at the time. Anything in quotations comes from the primary sources. Performances are in order of grade level.

#### I am Tecumseh

By Stephanie Ward, Joanne Jackson, and Cassie Perete-Black

I am a leader
I wonder if natives will ever
be free
I hear the footsteps of the

American troops



QTS students in front of the Paramount in Seattle, WA where they watched Hamilton. *Submitted photo* 

I see Prophetstown going down in flames

I want our "rivers to stain the great waters with their blood"

I pretend the king is our father

I feel betrayed by the white people for using us

I touch the hearts of the people I talk to

I worry about losing our people and our land

I cry out "Brothers, we must be united"

I am afraid that if we don't unite they will win and take our land and kill us all

I am a trickster

I say to the white people "my people want peace"

I know that there will be no peace with them around

I am confused, they come to us weakened and sick

I am nice and help them become strong

I am angry

I am angry because now they want to kill us all

I dream of the time before the white people

I try to stay strong, like my brother the Prophet I hope "our father the king" gets his revenge on our enemies

I see that my people are brave and numerous

I am Tecumseh

### I am the Leader By Kenneth Ward and Bonnie Owens

I am Tecumseh, oratory and motivational

I wonder if the whites will be the ruin of us

I hear the Great Spirit's cries I see our victory on the hori-

I want us all to unite and cause the "river to stain the great waters with their blood"

I am Tecumseh, oratory and motivational

I pretend to have more warriors than I do

I feel our Great Father will send us resources

I touch the happiness of the "red children"

I worry the enemies will destroy us

I cry for the fallen warriors

I am Tecumseh, oratory and motivational

I understand your fear to go to war with the white men

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I say we must fight each other's battles!

I dream we will "stain the earth with the poisonous serpents' blood"

I try to express the importance of the defeats of the whites

I hope my effort is not in vain I am Tecumseh, oratory and motivational

#### **Battle of Tongues**

By Kevin Ryan

#### **Hamilton:**

Why is it that you Have called for me Burr, sir? Is there something you would like to converse

Or are you here to make matters worse, sir?

#### **Burr:**

Can you go one sentence without besmirching my name "with derogatory terms" behind my back?

Will you apologize or continue

to insult me

Without much tact?

#### Hamilton:

I've done no such thing
I have just told why
"Jefferson must win"
And, If you could stop thinking
of yourself

you might see that we need him

#### **Burr:**

So far all you've done is gain my ire

If you don't change your actions

Things will become dire

#### **Hamilton:**

The only thing dire is your mental state.

If you think you stood a chance

when your mind

Is constantly filled with hate Jefferson may be terrible,

but you are so much worse. He is smarter,

wealthier, and more honora-

ble than you

And will do more for this country

than you will ever do

#### **Burr**:

Hamilton...

#### Hamilton:

No, it's my turn to talk now.
You think my lies are bad?
Coming from the man
Who, if he was president
would let his country die?
You have nothing to say to me
I don't know why you try

#### **Burr:**

You talk of wealth and yet previously

You had none. Also, your father

Left you when you were young

So, now that you are grown up you can't handle being called

So, don't talk to me because in the "regard of hon-

or,"

you've got none

#### Hamilton:

You talk of honor, yet
You bring up facts about my
past

You might as well

Have stabbed a dagger in my back

#### **Burr**:

You won't give up
And neither will I
So, let's let
This battle of tongues

This battle of tongues die And let bullets fly

#### **Hamilton:**

Is this a duel you suggest? If so, I accept

#### Burr:

Then for one of us this battle will be our last...

\*The Hamilton soundtrack is free to enjoy on Youtube.com

#### **UW Pipeline Program returns to La Push for spring break**

Each spring, students from the University of Washington come to La Push to teach environmental science at the Quileute Tribal School. The Quileute community looks forward to their five-day visit every year.

Nik Anderson, who returned this year with the program, stated, "Thanks to the support of the Quileute community, and QTS faculty and staff, UW students like us have had the pleasure of visiting La Push since 2000 through the NASA-funded Environmental Alternative Spring Break program. The group of us could not have imagined a more fun and fulfilling way to spend our Spring Break. This year, we taught subjects centered on ocean ecosystems, soil science, microbiology and climate science to the enthusiastic and truly outstanding students at QTS. Many excited students told us they enjoyed what they learned, wanted to go to college, or even go on to be scientists! We believe they can, as long as they believe it, too. We had an unforgettable experience, and (if you'll



have us) I hope you'll see many of us again next year!"

- 1. UW Pipeline students took a QTS classroom to tour the Lonesome Creek Hatchery with Hatchery Manager Brent Ramsey
- 2. The UW Pipeline students: Nikolaus Anderson, Malise Yun, Brandy Do, Ana Silverstein, Jalene Weatherholt, Molly Henling, Cade Wiger, Linnea Stavney (Not Pictured: Christina Sun)
- 3. At the end of the week, the QTS students are presented with certificates for a job well done





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#### **Volunteer Opportunity with Washington CoastSavers**

Did you know that winter's prevailing winds and surface currents tend to push marine debris toward the Washington coast? In winter, the flotilla of debris arrives to get trapped high on our shores, on the rocks and sand, back in the beach logs and dunes. In summer, it's the opposite - surface waters tend to move offshore and less debris arrives. Spring is an important time for people to respond, to get the plastics and other garbage off the beach and out of circulation. You can join the effort and enjoy an outing to the shore. Volunteer for a CoastSavers beach cleanup on April 21 by registering online at www.coastsavers.org and se-

Every April, Washington CoastSavers, its partners and volunteers join forces to clean plastics and other debris from our shores, to reduce injury to wildlife and pollution and to remove the unnatural garbage. In recognition of this effort, Governor Jay Inslee has declared, Saturday, April 21 "Washington Coast Cleanup Day."

lecting the beach of your

choice.

Volunteers who participate in the Washington Coast Cleanup are part of something bigger than themselves. Large coordinated beach cleanups, like April's Washington Coast Cleanup or the International Coastal Cleanup in September, are big in scale and impact. Washington Coast Cleanup is a convergence of hundreds of volunteers, covering over 300 miles of Washington's shoreline, removing many tons of trash. "The Washington Coast Cleanup is an inspirational collaborative effort that includes many organizations, volunteers and agencies that care about our beaches and wildlife," said Don Hoch.

All along the outer coast and into the Strait of Juan de Fuca, volunteers contribute to the cause, find adventure, and are rewarded for their efforts. You and friends can join a gathering of volunteers at multiple BBQs, meals and snack tables provided by partners including Surfrider Foundation, Washington State Park Ranger Association, Friends of Olympic National Park, Chito Beach Resort, Lions Clubs and other organizations. On April 21, you will also find the River and Ocean

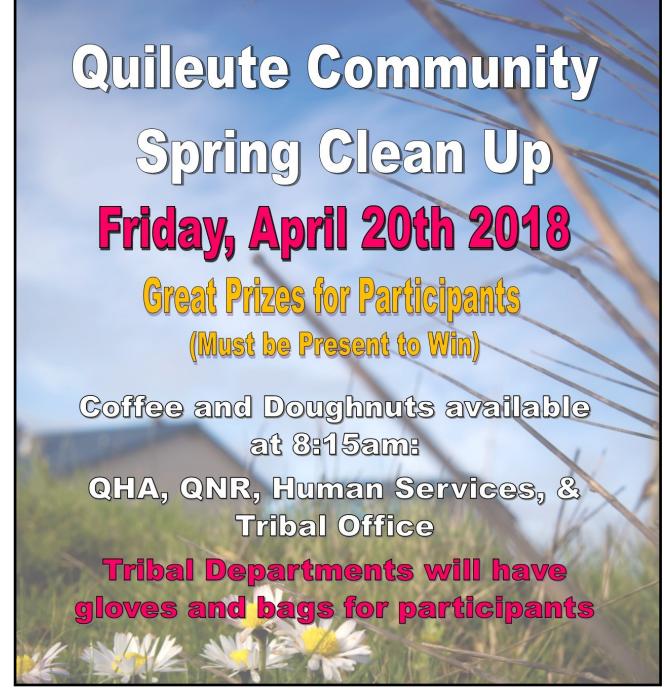
Film Festival and other Rain-Fest events in Forks, razor clam digs on the outer coast, and Long Beach Razor Clam Festival, and much more to enjoy on a visit to the coast.

For those who are more adventurous, many beaches in Olympic National Park are also being cleaned on April 21. The park's wilderness coast presents unique challenges where everything has to be taken off the beach by foot. "Olympic National Park protects over 70 miles of the most primitive, natural coastline in the lower 48 states," said park superintendent Sarah Creachbaum. "Unfortunately, our beautiful and remote coast is subject to a nearly continuous flow of marine debris and single-use plastics that are harmful to wildlife and the marine ecosystem. Thanks to the help of our partners at CoastSavers and all of the wonderful volunteers each year, the natural beauty of the coast is preserved and our beaches are kept clean." Camping in the coastal campgrounds of Olympic National Park (Kalaloch,

Mora and Ozette) is free for volunteers on Friday and Saturday nights of the beach cleanup weekend. Backcountry camping fees are also waived for volunteers staying overnight on wilderness beaches of Olympic National Park.

At some locations, such as Ozette and Shi Shi, dedicated volunteers hike several miles just to reach the beach. Then, they gather the trash and haul it back to the trailhead or road. Actually, this can be a lot of fun! From the shore at these remote locations, you are looking out at waters of Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary. "We live in a unique area that offers great protections of our coastal resources, yet we still see large amounts of marine debris washing up on our shores. We depend on the efforts of dedicated volunteers to help us keep these treasured areas pristine, "said Carol Bernthal, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary superintendent. Besides using garbage bags to haul out debris, some volunteers tie multiple buoys or floats to their framed backpacks. Other volunteers roll tires out one by one. It takes all kinds of ingenuity and lots of sweat to keep the coast clean.

Washington CoastSavers is an alliance of partners and volunteers dedicated to clearing harmful and unsightly trash from the state's beaches. The alliance behind the CoastSavers program includes representatives from Clallam County government, Discover Your Northwest, Grass Roots Garbage Gang, Lions Club International, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary, Olympic National Park, Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association, Surfrider Foundation, and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. Since 2007, their efforts have removed tens of tons of trash off the beach during the Washington Coast Cleanup that occurs every April on Earth Day weekend. To learn more about Washington CoastSavers and pre-register for the **Washington Coast Cleanup** visit www.coastsavers.org.



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## RainFest 2018 EVENT SCHEDULE

All events are free unless noted otherwise Schedule subject to change without notice.

#### FRI/APRIL 20

9am-4pm Quilt Class – "French Twist" 4pm-6pm RainFest Book Sale – Forks Library pre-register at PiecemakersQuiltClub.org

Noon-4pm Forever Twilight – RAC Alcove 7pm-9:30pm Dance Lessons – RAC

Noon-6pm Quilt Show and Vendors – FHS Auxiliary Gym 7:30pm-9pm Quilter's Trunk Show & Lecture – DNR Conference Room

#### SAT/APRIL 21

10am-6pm	Library Make and Take – Forks Library	7pm-9pm	River & Ocean Film Festival
10am-6pm	RainFest Book Sale – Forks Library	6pm-9pm	Solid Waste Re-Imagination Contest on display – RAC
10am-6pm	Quilt Show and Vendors – FHS Auxiliary Gym	6pm-9pm	Clallam County Solid Waste Re-Imagination Contest on display – RAC
10am-5pm	John's Beachcombing Museum Special Early Season Opening (admission charged)	6pm-9pm	Doors open for the River & Ocean Film Festival – RAC
9am-4pm	visit <u>www.facebook.com/opgaforks</u> .  Quilt Class – pre-register at PiecemakersQuiltClub.org	6pm-7pm	Forkestra – RAC
9am-2pm	Free River Floats. For more details	Noon-4pm	(Thriftway) Forever Twilight – RAC Alcove
9am-Noon	Spartan Ave. Children's Book Giveaway – ICN Building	Noon-2pm	Building Free Rootbeer Floats – Forks Outfitters
9am-Noon	http://www.coastsavers.org Umbrella Decorating – ICN Building at 71 N	Noon-1pm	Crazy River Creatures Umbrella Parade: ICN
Morning	Washington Coast Cleanup. Register online at:	11am-4pm	Art for All Ages – RAC

#### **SUN/APRIL 22**

Noon-4pm Quilt Show and Vendors – FHS Auxiliary Gym Noon-4pm Art League Show and Sale – RAC Foyer

Noon-4pm Fiber Arts/Spinning Circle – RAC 12:30pm Cedar Weaving Class: Preregister to dfinley001@centurytel.net – RAC



10am-6pm







RAC







Far West Art League Show and Sale – RAC







### **Quillayute Valley Scholarship Auction**

The Quillayute Valley Scholarship Auction was held on March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at the Forks High School. The Quileute Tribal Council is always a proud supporter of the auction. Congratulations to the class of 2018 for raising a record-breaking \$141,500!

- 1. Colorful cedar basket made by Cathy Salazar and donated by the Tribal Council
- 2. Michele Pullen, Misty Smith, Hailey Woodruff and Renee Woodruff helped make frybread for the Senior Parent Café
- 3. Paddle carved and painted by David Jackson, Jr. and donated by the Tribal Council





#### **Happy Birthday to Enrolled Quileute Tribal Members**

#### May Birthdays:

Andrea Smith	1	Jonathan James	10	Jackie Davis	22
Anthalone Casto		William James		Kaeloni Eastman	
Crystal Lyons	2	Rodney Hatch	11	Trent Harrison	
Juanita Penn		John Rush		Deserae Butler	
Earla Penn		Henrietta Jackson	12	Logan Ramsey	
Tony Foster		Gary Jackson Jr.		Chelsea Jackson	
Kansas Jackson	3	Casey Jackson		Sable Jackson-Cheer	
Kendall Marshall		Tyrone Huling		Frank Ward	23
Dewey Penn		Skyler Foster		David Penn	
Shaiz Ward		Frank Jackson-Mckenney		MacKenzy Flores-Young	
John Jones		Dean Jackson		Terra Sheriff-Penn	24
Danielle Sabia	4	Jesse Schumack-Jones	13	Christina Wooding	
Barbara Penn		Mycal Medina Jr.		Timothy Jacobson	
Lovita Tenorio	5	Sarah Schumack	14	Cynthia McCausland	
Randy Eastman Sr.		Gary Jackson III		Tonya Armstrong	25
Beverly Loudon		Rhonda Flores		Maki'Lynna Eastman	26
Thomas Baker Sr.	6	Laura Ward	15	Kenneth Abrahams	27
Jerry Jackson		Margarita Guerrero		Spencer Daman	
Roy Moreno		Nakita Ward-Bender		Nancy Chaussee	
Lucio Gonzalez		Darrell Mesplie III	16	Steven Smith	28
James Mobley	7	Austin Reames		Charlotte Penn	
Ryan Eastman		Azariah Gaddie		Danita Matson	29
Morningstarr LeClair		Dorothea Ward	17	Kenneth Daman	
Donovan Ward		Patricia Hice	18	Harmony Harrison-Hill	
Charlene Meneely		Roseann Fonzi		Sharra Woodruff	
Carl Moore	8	April Obi-Boling		Dennis Bender	
Billie Jones		Aubree Davis-Hoekstra		Douglas Woodruff Jr.	30
Ileana Salazar	9	Gabriel Pullen	19	Isaiah Jackson	
Pennie Derryberry		Jenny Apker		Zachary Jones	31
Sunny Woodruff	10	Brayley Matson			
Winona Jackson		Mila Adamire			
Kobe Ward		Evan Jacobson	20		
Anna Rose Counsell-Geyer		Qwillyn Dugger	21		

#### Welcoming the Whales Ceremony



The Quileute Tribal School hosted the Welcoming the Whales Ceremony on Friday, March  $30^{\rm th}$ . An article and more photos to follow in the May issue of Bayak the Talking Raven.

# ELDERS WEEK Save the Date



May 22-25, 2018

#### Bá·yak The Talking Raven welcomes feedback!

Do you have an idea for an article, an announcement for the Quileute community, or photo opportunity? Please feel free to share your suggestions with:

**Emily Foster** (360) 374-7760

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If you have any other general feedback, let us know what you think. We strive to improve your newsletter!