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Section 2

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We are today suffering from the cutbacks in the above mentioned programs. If the Lummi Tribe says "No" to the taxing effort (sharing the resources) LIBC has no alternative but to mandate a RIF and to let these vitally important programs wither and die. No one would approve of this action either. We need the consideration and support of Lummi to survive the crisis!

Exact figures are obtainable for your understanding and consideration of what programs will be dropped.

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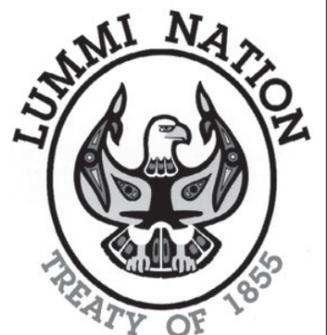
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## REMINDER

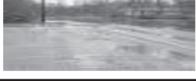
LIBC and the Lummi Clinic will be Closed on

Friday, January 22

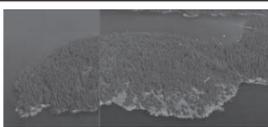
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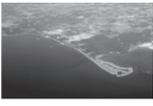
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	<b>Tsetesetse</b>			<b>San Juan Island</b>
	<b>Chulhtenem</b>			<b>Point Roberts</b>
	<b>Smo'qwech</b>			<b>West side of Point Roberts</b>
	<b>Aeleq'</b>			<b>Marietta</b>
	<b>Tetisen</b>			<b>Ferndale</b>
	<b>xwotqwem</b>			<b>Bellingham</b>
	<b>Shqweaqs</b>			<b>Obstruction Island</b>
	<b>Chu'shi'neng</b>			<b>Barnes and Clark Islands</b>
	<b>Smemieqw</b>			<b>Lummi Island</b>
	<b>Sqy'leqshen</b>			<b>Village Point</b>
	<b>Swalex</b>			<b>Orcas Island</b>
	<b>Nexw Welhq'yem</b>			<b>Old Smokehouse</b>
	<b>T'ets'ex</b>			<b>Cypress Island</b>
	<b>Sq'et'les</b>			<b>Sinclair Island</b>
	<b>Swalet</b>			<b>Lopez, San Juan Channel</b>
	<b>XemXemilhch</b>			<b>Blakely Island</b>
	<b>Peq'oles</b>			<b>Semiahmoo Village</b>
	<b>Siles</b>			<b>Point Francis</b>
	<b>Tel'talew</b>			<b>Many arms of River</b>
	<b>Lhelhinqwelh</b>			<b>Henry Island</b>
	<b>Shqwom</b>			<b>Birch Point (Birch Head)</b>

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Tle'ale'qwem			Ten Mile Creek
Tl'eqti'nes			Fort Bellingham
Ch'a'chu'sen			Lummi River Delta Mainland
Xwechi'exen			Cherry Point
Xwilhch			Onion Bay
Sxwa'iyem			Tennant Lake
Kwyl'shants			S.E. Point of Guemes
Xwileman			Lake Terrell
Te'poleqs			Semiahmoo
Peq'oles			White Rock
S'chets'qes			Point Williams
Swalet			Lopez Island
Xma'xas			North Main Land
Sqwemene			Shaw Island
Tetisen			Ferndale area
Tsa'wex			Birch Bay
Xwo'telh			Speiden Island
Sqwelechten			West Bellingham
T'amxwiq'sen			Gooseberry Point

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	Nesqwy'chenem			James Island
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	Ts'xheni			Waldron Island
	Qwengqwangten			Brant Island
	Kwelshan			Mount Baker
	Qwamoqwen			Flat Top Island
	Lhaq'lheq			Pea Pod Rocks
	S'chets'qes			Point Williams
	Peq'sean			Old Canoe Shed
	Xwet'tl'iqiem			Fish Point
	Tl'opi			West Shore
	Sleyeqsen			Sandy Point
	Nuxw Tsaq' Stol'lo			Nooksack River
	Nuxwyes'qen			Treaty Rock
	T'exwech			Eliza Island
	Nexwquolouxqem			Squalicum Creek
	Smo'qwech			Point Roberts West side
	Qw'qweni'ing			Viti Rocks/Sea gull Rocks
	Neweqsen			Point Whitehorn

# Head Start January Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p>MLK Day is not observed there will be Head Start school and Day Care. Lummi Nation Treaty Day is observed All LIBC (except non emergency) offices will be closed</p>	1	2			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 – New Moon ●
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	<p>MLK Day  Open for School</p>	19	20	<p>21 – 5 PM to 7 PM Family Activity Day Dental Hygiene </p>	<p>22  Honorable Day Offices Closed</p>	23 – Full Moon ○

## Reminder:

Headstart will be Open on Monday, January 18, Martain Luther King Jr. Day.

Lummi Indian Business Council & Lummi Clinic will be open as well



## Lummi Early Learning Programs

ECEAP helps children and families get ready for kindergarten.

New preschool program:

Starting January 4, 2016

Washington State's Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP)

Classes: 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

12:30 PM to 3:30

Children have to be 3 years old since last August 31, 2015. Call 360-312-2447 for application. Completed application must include income verification and birth certificate. Upon entry must obtain a well child check-up, dental, up to date immunizations, and health and nutrition history.

No transportation provided.

## Lummi Youth in Paris



# Lummi Youth Voicing what matters at UN COP21 Conference

Submitted by: Becky Kinley

The Lummi Youth Canoe Family has had the honor to travel to Paris, France for the United Nations COP21 Conference

December 3rd-13th, 2015. We stood up for the rights of indigenous people, especially considering that the Lummi Nation is fighting the the GPT at cherry point. "It is an honor to be a face and represent not only the Lummi Nation but the coast salish region of North America, says Rebecca Kinley, Lead coordinator for the trip, "It was our goal to make sure government officials from America acknowledge our rights in this legal binding contract." As many of you know, this COP was one special, every nation in the world gathered to reach an agreement that we can hold each other accountable for and has direct impact on our countries economies. Indigenous Voices will be heard and we will be seen. Here in Bellingham, we love and cherish our lands, water, wildlife, and life in general. We are facing a climate shift and it is becoming more and more upsetting. Many of us are experiencing direct impact due to climate change. We can't live off the water like we used to, says Richard Jefferson Jr. I am a fisherman, and i can't fish due to the water warming up. It hurts to see because I grew up on the water.



while attending the COP 21 conference our youth learned that this isn't just climate change, it is a culture change.

A culture shock, is not fair to us who live off the land and pollution is affecting our coast salish waters in such a negative way and the sad part is that it seems like nobody is doing anything about it. We need to make some drastic changes, says Alexander Phair, 18, youth leader. Our seafood/shellfish are depleting so significantly there will soon be no more for our people to gather nor for the future generations to come. Although this fight started with few it is growing day after day and when we all come together as one to fight for our mother earth is when she can begin her healing, so ask yourself, wouldn't you protect your mothers from harm so why not protect our mother earth from our ignorance and selfish lust for power?

The Lummi Youth aren't fighting simple for their right and culture they're fighting for their future kids and their mother earth because "THE EARTH IS ALIVE!" and we need to make this image clear you our leaders that they need to make a difference.

Indigenous communities all around the world shared how the climate is impacting their way of life. We came together as one and it was beautiful to witness says Angela Gaona, Parent Chaperone/Mentor to the youth. It is important that we hear what our elders are saying so we can continue to foresee the generations ahead of us. We all hear time and time again we need to listen to our youth, because they are the future. There was a delegation of 15 that came from the Lummi Nation, and a couple from Tulalip Tribes. Our voices will be heard not only with our ears but with our hearts.

Here is the few things that our youth learned while being in Paris, France during Dec-3rd,13th, 2015.

"I learned that there are far more people all around the world that are fighting to make this world a better place for our future generations and the amount of way these people around the world have found to help the harsh modern world transition into a for eco friendly place." says Mikko Hillaire, 19, Youth.

"What I learned from this trip is that the smallest things can have the biggest impacts, and if we as individuals take the time to speak our thoughts then we may have a chance to get the attention of importance." says Teralynn Gaona, 16, Youth

"What I've learned is that no matter what, we mustn't give up on our duties. no matter what we may think, It's still our

obligation to take responsibility in what we are doing, in who we are and that if we see something we can do to make a change, It's morally our responsibility to take action." Alex Phair, 18 Youth

This is just a few quotes from the youth

from the ages of 16-21 and being so youth the have learned so much instead of "in one ear out the other" they watched and listened and set an example for youth all around the world can learn focus on what matters most. So can you and as long as we all keep

fighting and teaching the each other about today we will soon save our mother earth and begin nurturing her back to proper health because right now we are suffocating her and she is dying and it hurts us all deeply who care to open our heart and our eyes enough to see what is really happening and how much we have taken this beautiful world for granted.

The Lummi Youth Canoe Family was able to go to paris and stand and represent us from generous supports like yourself on the gofundme.com website in the amount of \$16,715 and other misc fundraisers we were able to raise about \$11,000. Our hands go up to and give thanks as we continue to bring it forward and continue to work at large.

## UNITY RECEIVES "NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR" RECOGNITION FOR WORK WITH NATIVE YOUTH

American Indian Chamber to honor UNITY at annual awards ceremony on December 11

For Immediate Release Contact:

Mary Kim Titla, (480) 718-9793

Mesa, Arizona - December 2, 2015 - The United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc. (UNITY) has been selected as the 2015 Non-Profit of the Year for their outstanding work with Native youth throughout the country. The announcement was made this week by the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Arizona (AICCAZ) as they revealed the recipients of their 8th Annual Business Awards.

"What a great surprise it was to be notified that UNITY was selected for

this wonderful honor," said Mary Kim Titla, UNITY's Executive Director. "Our goal at UNITY is to constantly challenge ourselves to provide the best experiences and resources for the Native youth we serve. To be recognized for our efforts is never expected, but does give us encouragement that we are on the right track," added Titla.

"We are excited to have UNITY as the recipient of the 2015 Non-Profit of the Year award," said Loren Tapahe, CEO of the AICCAZ. "UNITY has done outstanding work with youth

programs and has developed a national reputation for helping and educating Native youth throughout the country," added Tapahe.

Other 2015 award recipients include:

- American Indian Business of the Year: Pima Awards & Promotional Products, Inc.
- Corporate Partner of the Year: Arizona Public Service (APS)
- Business Member of the Year (Non-Tribal): APN Staffing & Employment Solutions

- Diversity Program of the Year: Salt River Project (SRP)

- Tribal Enterprise of the Year: Salt River Materials Group (Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community)

The award presentation will take place on December 11, 2015 during the chamber's annual Holiday Awards Luncheon, Silent Auction and Toy Drive at the Hilton Phoenix/Mesa Hotel in Mesa, Arizona. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. MT with the program starting at 11:30 a.m. MT. Tickets are \$40 with a toy donation or \$55

without a toy. For more information and to purchase tickets for the event, visit the AICCAZ website at [www.aiccaz.com](http://www.aiccaz.com).

ABOUT UNITY, INC

Established 39 years ago, UNITY—United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc.—is a national organization promoting personal development, citizenship, and leadership among tribal youth. UNITY is composed of 159 affiliated youth councils in 36 states, sponsored by tribes, Alaska Native villages, high schools, colleges, and urban Native centers.

# Education

## BOYS & GIRLS CLUB BASKETBALL

<b>DATE</b>	<b>GRADE</b>	<b>GENDER</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>COACH</b>
Fri, Jan 08	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Girls	Ferndale Boys & Girls Club	06:30 PM	David Hillaire
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Sat, Jan 09	5 <sup>th</sup>	Boys	Vista Middle School	09:00 AM	Chris Phair
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Family and Friends: please send or submit your youth sports schedules to Lummi Communications at [squolquol@lummi-nsn.gov](mailto:squolquol@lummi-nsn.gov), or stop by our office in the Admin Bldg upstairs. Hy'shqe

## **Cobell Scholars Application Now Open**

# **WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF THE COBELL SCHOLARS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.**

The American Indian Graduate Center will manage the Cobell Scholars Program which was established as a result of the Cobell v. Salazar litigation. The Cobell Scholars Program is intended to provide financial assistance in the form of scholarships to American Indian and Alaska Native students to defray the cost of attendance at both post-secondary vocational schools and institutions of higher education, including graduate and professional schools.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Scholarships in various amounts are awarded to U.S. Federally-recognized American Indian and Alaska Native community members (students) who are vocational certificate-seeking or associate, bachelor, graduate and professional degree-seeking students in full-time, accredited, non-profit institutions in the United States; and who are able to demonstrate financial need through the submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

### **A complete application will consist of:**

A completed General Application (deadline June 1); and,  
 Completion of Cobell Scholars opportunity-specific questions (deadline June 1); and,  
 Tribal Eligibility Certificate (due July 15) which is also available at [aigcs.org](http://aigcs.org) in the Scholarships section titled Online Application Instructions; and,  
 Financial Needs Form (due July 15) which is also available at [aigcs.org](http://aigcs.org) in the Scholarships section titled Online Application Instructions.

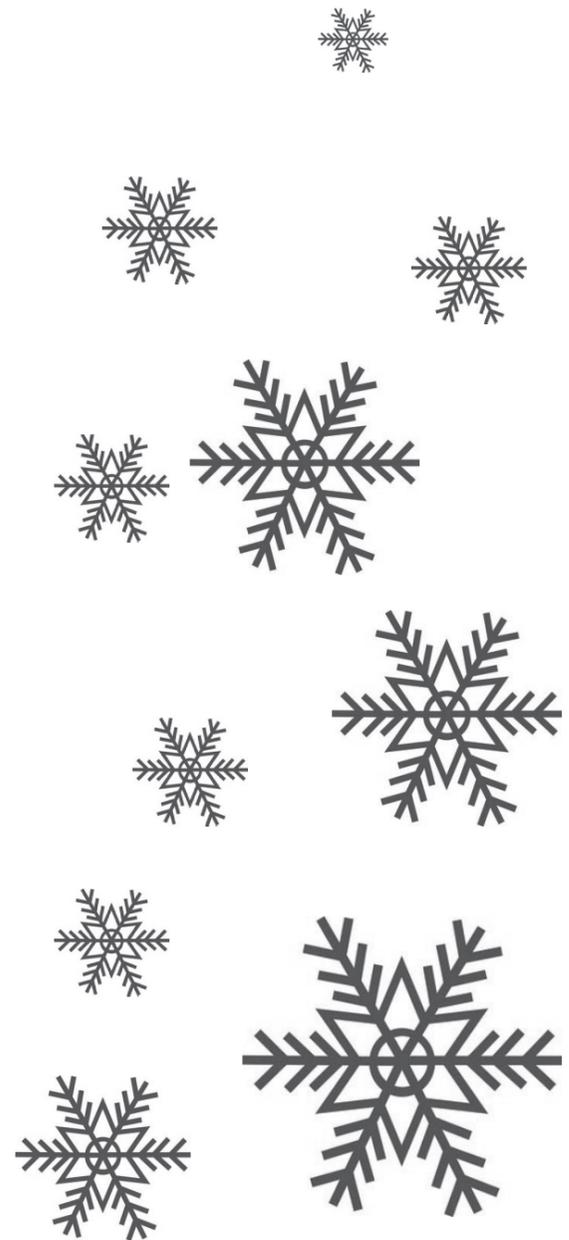
All eligible students are highly encouraged to complete the Cobell Scholars application for funding consideration. Take time to peruse the online application system as you may be eligible for other opportunities.

For more information and to apply, please visit [aigcs.org](http://aigcs.org), review the instructions and qualifications, then select "Apply/Check Status" on the right hand side of the page.

**In the Event of Inclement Weather  
 Call LIBC & Lummi Clinic Emergency Hotline Number  
 for Updates  
 360 - 380 - 6998**

# Community Updates

**PICKFORD THEATRE**  
**TREATY DAY FILM FESTIVAL**  
 January 23 2016 Saturday  
 10:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
 Clam Chowder Lunch Salmon Dinner  
 A Thousand Voices  
 Injunuity  
 What About Those Promises  
 Our Sacred Obligation  
 Pulling Back Together  
 Clearwater  
 Haida Gwaii: On the Edge of the World  
 Huli Ta Tum Uhw: The Earth is Alive  
 Admission - \$20  
 TICKETS ONLINE at BOX OFFICE & NEARBY SMOKE SHOPS (suggested):  
<http://www.pickfordfilmcenter.org/programs/pickford-2016-treaty-day-festival>



## Opportunity Council Energy Assistance

### WHATCOM AND ISLAND COUNTY

**REGULAR Energy Appointments will begin scheduling on Saturday, November 7th from 9am-2pm and CONTINUING afterwards during normal energy line hours in the following week(s).**

**You do not have to be in a crisis situation to call for the REGULAR appointments. We encourage any individuals/families on a low or limited budget to call even if they have a credit balance remaining or are able to make payments. At Energy Assistance, we look to see if you are income eligible to qualify for the programs available. We do not look at assets or your ability to pay in determining your benefit.**

**To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call the Energy & Home Improvement Scheduling & Information Line at (360) 255-2192 in Whatcom County and (360) 679-6577 in Island County.**

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### SAN JUAN COUNTY

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**San Juan Family Resource Center (Friday Harbor) – (360) 378-5246**

**Orcas Family Connections (Eastsound) – (360) 376-3184**

**Lopez Island Family Resource Center (Lopez Island) – (360) 468-4117**



Lummi Indian  
Business Council



**General Council  
Meeting**

**Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM  
February 10, 2016**

**Dinner Provided**



Wexliem ~ 360-312-2142

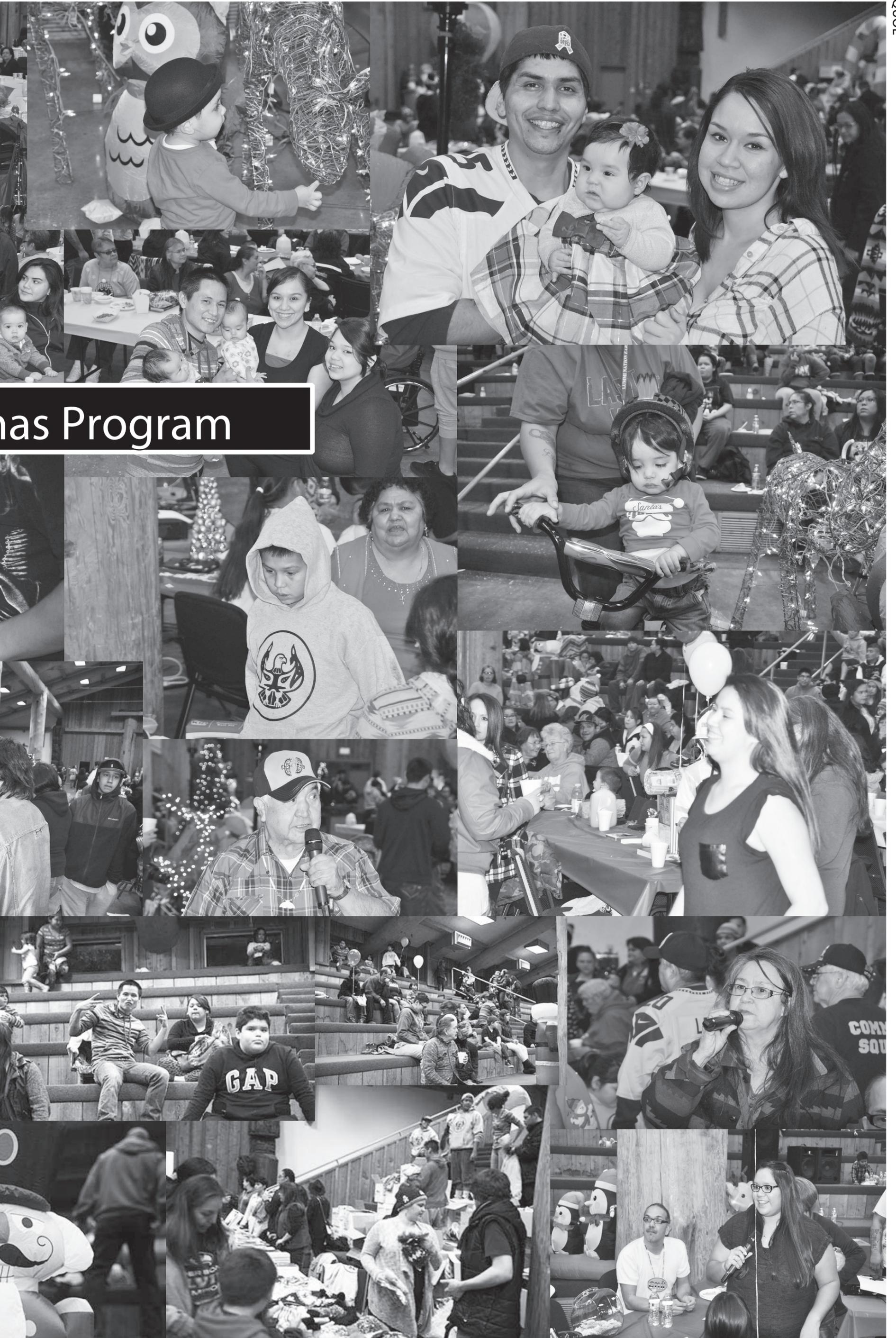


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# Annual Christmas





Christmas Program

# Community Updates



## JOM January 2016 Birthdays



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Garrett Kamkoff
3 Lexie Peters Erin Solomon	4 Caiden Revey Anthony Fitgibbon Hopper Toby-Williams	5 Tristan Julius Rian Rosillo	6 Dwayne Williams Matthew Ballew Anthony Joe Kimberlee Redfox	7 Duncan Stewardson Erin Eve Warbus	8 Nathan Kamkoff Collin Morris Cara Retasket-Sampson	9 Carmelo Mason Carson Bob Katrina Harper Kelly Harper
10	11 Kenee Bob Chelsea James Karolina Jimenez	12 Ethan Solomon Taylor George Aaron Lane Alyis Mike Natasha Sprague	13 Richard Morris Jonathon Alvarez Hank Hoskins Logan James Ryan Solomon	14 Antonio Lopez	15	16 Xavier Revey Carlos Castaneda Issac Jefferson Matthew Martin
17 Celena Finkbonner Leanne Humphreys Hunter Solomon	18 John Ballew Noah Lumbert	19	20 Ashley Miller Janaya Primeaux Solomon Starr	21 Frank Buck	22 Austin Lawrence Adam Ballew Nigel Hillaire Danielle Jefferson Norma Sanchez Paula Sanchez	23 Anthony Barrera Cordelia JamesBoome Ceona Rabang
24 Amaya Julius Talon Oreiro Sage Woodenlegs	25 Jonathan Barrowman Emanuel Scott	26 Justice Solomon Emily Herrera Zeta Landsem Meagan Wilbur	27 Deon Cooper Charles Eberli Emily Solomon-Jimmy Lindsey SpottedBear	28 Joseph Wilson	29 Keiahlee Bob Bailey Jefferson Caleb Revey Violetta Rodriguez	30
31 Isaiah Hill Angelo Jefferson Dorian Kinley	<b>Happy New Year!</b>					<b>2016</b>



### January 2016

Lummi Youth Wellness Center  
360-380-6636

\*\*Half Day and No School Day schedules are subject to change or vary

**Hours of Operation:**  
 Monday-Friday  
 Before School Session: 7:30AM-9:00AM  
 Bus Pick Up:  
 LNS: 7:50AM  
 FSD: 8:40AM  
 After School Session: 3:30PM-6:00PM  
 LNS Drop Off: 3:55PM  
 FSD Drop Off: 4:10PM  
**HALF DAY SCHEDULE:**  
 Before School Session: 7:30AM-9:00AM  
 Bus Pick Up:  
 LNS: 7:50AM  
 FSD: 8:40AM  
 After School Session: 1:00PM-6:00PM  
 • LNS Drop Off: 12:55PM  
 • FSD Drop Off: 1:30PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 FSD 1/2 Day K-12	14	15 LNS 1/2 Day K-12	16
17	18 FSD No School Teacher Work Day BASP: 8:00am to 5:00PM	19	20	21	22 No Before & After School LIBC Closed	23
24	25	26	27 LNS No School Teacher Work Day BASP: Hours 8:00am to 5:00pm	28	29 FSD No School Teacher Work Day LNS 1/2 Day BASP: Hours 8:00am to 5:00pm	30
31	<b>Important Date: No BASP January 22, 2016</b>					

# Community Updates

## 2016 LYR Athletics Important Dates

Here are some important dates to keep in mind for the Lummi Youth Recreations athletic department. The teams will participate in the Whatcom County Boys and Girls Club League. Most sports are offered to youth in the grades kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Flyers for each season with full details will be circulated when the time comes. Please contact Sarah Tom or Logan Toby for further information (via email- [saraht@lummi-nsn.gov](mailto:saraht@lummi-nsn.gov) or [logant@lummi-nsn.gov](mailto:logant@lummi-nsn.gov). via telephone- 380-6647).

SPORT	SIGN-UPS	FIRST PRACTICE	FIRST GAME	SEASON ENDS
Spring Baseball/Softball	February 1	March 14	April 11	May 26
Spring Girls Volleyball	February 1	March 14	April 11	May 30
Summer Baseball/Softball	May 17	May 23	June 13	July 21
Fall Flag Football	June 1	August 22	September 12 <sup>th</sup>	October 29
Fall Tackle Football	June 1	With Gear- August 1	Jamboree- August 27 Game- September 10	October 29
Fall Girls Volleyball	June 1	August 22	September 12	October 24
Winter 5-on-5 Basketball	September 5	October 31	December 1	February 4

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### Paying For College FAFSA Workshop

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Class of 2016 & Parents

Tuesday, January 26th at 5:30pm  
Northwest Indian College Log Building

Join us to get more information on what FAFSA is, the process to applying for FAFSA and why it is so important.



**\* Informational Presentation**

- \* Dinner will be provided
- \* Begin the FAFSA process
- \* Get answers to your FAFSA questions



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For more info, contact Anita James at 312-2101



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**Lummi Communications**

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Memorial Day  
Stommish

and for recognition of All Veterans



Email pictures to [squolquol@lummi-nsn.gov](mailto:squolquol@lummi-nsn.gov) or bring them by the Communications Office and we will scan them for you  
Questions: 360-312-2135 or 360-312-2134

## Lummi Elders – Senior Scene Sxweloxt

Submitted by: Kwoselwet, Diana Dixon

Happy New Year!

The grandchildren are back in school. Christmas trees and the decorations are put away. However, the Nativity scene remains until 12 days after Christmas. Saint Francis of Assisi created it for January 6th, the day the Wisemen arrived at the manger. The Magi or Wisemen visited Jesus bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Saint Francis was concerned the true meaning of Christmas was getting lost in the concept of gift exchanging.

Memoriam 2015

Our Beautiful Elders who went on their Journey to the other side. Always in our hearts and always in our prayers:

Julia Darlene Berger-son, January 4th

Anna Rose Jefferson, January 5th

Marie Antoinette James, February 5th

Henrietta Camille Alaniz Keeler, February 17th

Herman McCluskey, Jr, February 20th

Reginald Gilbert Wilson, February 27th

Esther Janice Ware Scott, March 7th

Sandra (Cha) Annette Morris, March 15th

David Lee Solomon, March 20th

George Anthony Charles, Sr. April 18th

Vesta Elizabeth Perkins Lane, May 10th

Darvine Adolph Lorenz, June 8th

Louis Donald Horne, Sr. July 12th

Dorathy Jean Wells Plaster, July 14th

Marie Yuki Egawa, July 29th

Michael James Law-

rence, August 8th

Howard Garcia, August 9th

Christopher David Chastain, August 18th

Amanda Marie Peters, August 28th

Stanley Ray Sellers, September 11th

Haynes Rodney Julius, September 30th

Westley Douglas Bob, October 1st

Alice Arlene Greene Williams, November 12th

Honored Veteran

Clifford Charles, U.S.Army World War II Veteran

Our Coast Salish culture, traditions, beliefs, and history were passed down orally through stories, songs, and dances. We have origination stories about how we came to be. All of our stories were told to us by our ancestors and passed from one generation to the next. Unfortunately, our culture and traditions are slowly fading away, providing evidence of the relationship between our history and the salmon culture.

Before the intruders came, there were no chemicals or dye in our foods. We ate an organic diet, living off of the land. My grandmother told me many stories. Every story had a point. That's how my grandmother taught me. She told stories of all creation. She taught me don't eat what the birds didn't eat thus Native knowledge. That was years before the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) told us what we could or could not eat. Marine biologists claim that sockeye salmon eat their last meal out in the ocean before entering the inland waters. However, the ancestors knew the

sockeye had several places to feed before going up stream to spawn. They fed on shrimp in the eel grass beds thus giving the salmon it's bright orange color. The ancestors provided evidence of the relationship between our history and the salmon culture. The FDA acted like they were teaching us something new.

Treaty Day

We are the Lhaq'temish, The people of the Salish Sea. The Point Elliott Treaty, January 22, 1855, signed by Isaac Stevens governor and superintendent of Indian Affairs for Washington Territory, and by Duwamish Chief Seattle, Snoqualmie Chief Patkanim, Lummi Chief Chow-its-hoot, and other allied and subordinate tribes. Like all treaties in Indian country, we were moved to reservations to make way for white settlers. We had no input thus giving up acres of tribal lands for \$150,000. However, the treaty tribes were given absolute control over their reservations. U.S. District Judge George Boldt's 1974 ruling that treaty tribes were entitled to half the annual harvest of salmon from Northwest waters. The Boldt decision had a significant impact on the tribes. It was somewhat an Indian economic Bill of Rights. It collaborated with Nixon's administrative push toward tribal self-governance and began a period of economic motivation.

Inclement Weather

This far, winter has been pretty mild. We had rain, howling winds and temperatures above and below average. If that's all the winter we're going to get, knock on wood. If not, please dress appropriately. Button up your coats, put on your scarf and hats, bundle up and be careful walking on ice and snow. A lot of injuries are preventable. However, one never knows when roads,

parking lots, sidewalks, steps, and stairs are going to be covered with snow, compact snow and ice, ice and freezing rain. All these attribute to hazardous driving and walking conditions. Use extreme caution when encountering black ice. One out of every three older persons fall. Older, those 65 and over.

Fisheries

The salmon runs; chinook, chum, coho, pink, and sockeye, are declining more each year. The estuaries have been altered by changes in water temperature, degraded water quality and pollution. The loss of estuarine habitat due to agriculture run off, clear cutting of forest lands and industrial waste has a serious impact on salmon runs. Warm water events in our rivers and streams has kept the salmon in cooler waters. The Nooksack River system is badly polluted including debris and log jams. Water quality, restoration of riparian and habitat is essential for returning salmon. For millenniums, the Lummi and other tribes had fished without adversely affecting the salmon runs. Beginning with the white man's arrival, however, the salmon population went into sharp decline. Overfishing, the compromise of salmon streams by logging practices, farming, and the proliferation of cities, were to blame. In addition, dams intersected large sections of rivers where salmon once propagated.

Estongetswoch

Visitors from the Mission of the World Ministries, a youth church group, spent several days with the Elders at Little Bear Creek, singing, guitar playing and demonstrating how to make flowers and other items out of paper.

December brought many community activities from dinner parties

with the Tribal School to dinner at the Silver Reef Casino. Little Bear Creek held their Birthday dinner combined with a Christmas party. Thanking the LBC staff for a memorable, fun filled occasion.

Winter Solstice

In the Northern Hemisphere it's the shortest day of the year. It is celebrated by many tribes with ceremonies related to the sun. One of the most sacred ceremonies is called the "Prayer-Offering Ceremony" because it is a time for saying prayers for the New Year and for wishing each other prosperity and health. According to the oral tradition passed from one generation to another: In Winter's Silence there is Knowledge, In Waiting there is Trust, In Darkness there is Beauty, In Opening there is Love. At Winter Solstice, the old ones whisper their mysteries through the darkness, sparking our rebirth. It is said the "sun stands still" and, once again, the year begins.

Eating Healthy

In today's trending designer foods, fast foods, fad diets, Monsanto and foods tainted with bacteria, it's hard to know which foods are safe to eat. We've been hearing a lot about Escherichia coli, or E.coli for short. According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), some types are pathogenic which means they can cause illness. Always wash your hands thoroughly after using the bathroom, changing diapers, before preparing or eating food and after contact with animals. Cook meats thoroughly. Don't drink raw milk, unpasteurized dairy products, and unpasteurized juices. To prevent cross contamination in the kitchen, wash your hands, counters, cutting boards, and utensils after handling raw meat.

## Notice:

Saturday, February 6th, Lummi Arts & Small Business Market. The artists all agreed that a regular market would be very good and will be trying it with the first Friday. This will keep it easy to remember. This is intended to be on the first Saturdays of most months and just like 1st Friday, there may be months that are skipped, such as January.

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# Opinions & Perspectives



Submitted by Bob Aiken

2015 turned out to be an interesting year. Many good things happened, and many bad things as well. The examples of the good things were: completing five years of doing this column, finally getting a chance to do a mountain bike leg of the Ski To Sea race in May, a road bike leg in the Bellingham Traverse, a 10-K run in September, and to have a really nice road bike practically fall into my lap and respond to my modifying and adjusting by being possibly the best bike I've ever owned.

Among some of the bad things: the loss of a good friend and co-worker, the loss of one of my cousins, the loss of our oldest cat, and the loss of a bike that I'd used to reel in hundreds of miles of pavement over many years.

There is one other loss, though, and since this is an automotive column, I feel it's appropriate to mention it here. The

old, rusty, red S-10 pickup that I'd owned for 17 years is gone. The engine seized its camshaft in July and I

couldn't see putting any more money into it. Everything argued against that. The words that I'd heard Stan Cospers, one of my former bosses, say to customers at his shop when they were faced potentially huge repair bills on aging vehicles, "...every car has a last owner...." rang in my ears. Until being faced with the reality myself, this had always remained an abstract concept.

Not so, now.

I had gotten it back in 1998 to replace a \$300 car that had locked its motor (My car-owning past is quite checkered to say the least.). A co-worker of mine had owned it as a daily driver while he was putting the final touches on his pride and joy – a 1968 Chevy Chevelle two-door hard top. He had just completed the Chevy and needed a few extra bucks, and I needed a vehicle. We did the deal for around two grand. It had everything

## Bob's Garage "A Parting"

that I wanted in a vehicle: a four-cylinder engine, a manual gearbox, and surprisingly good handling. It was also tough as nails. With the installation of a toolbox in the pickup bed behind the cab, I gained a makeshift trunk while still retaining a large load-carrying area in the back. As my hobbies evolved, so did the S-10's.

I was doing long bicycle rides on weekends, so the truck gained two clips that I mounted to the top of the bed's toolbox that would clip onto a bike's front fork. I could easily carry two bikes in the back of the truck – stored neatly upright – along with their front wheels and any other gear that I needed. When got interested in kayaking, I found a rack that a retired plumber was selling off the back of his Toyota truck. While the rack didn't fit perfectly, it did bolt in well enough and remained in place for so long that by the time that I cooked the engine in the truck, I'd forgotten that there'd been a time when I didn't have it. Most folks that Joyce and I know kind of assumed that it came from the factory with the rack on it.

In the seventeen years that I owned it, the rusty red S-10 grew to be an extension of me. Old habits still show up. If I climb into Joyce's truck, I'll still tromp the floor with my left foot momentarily to hit the non-existent clutch pedal before cranking the engine. I got so familiar with the machine that I could manage fairly acceptable drifts through turns in the thing. There was never very much power on tap from the engine, but managed to get reasonable acceleration by working the torque curve through the gears. I learned how to get the normally balky and awkward transmission through the shifts with a minimum of fuss.

By the time the engine yakked in July, it could be said that that tired old rig and I were joined at the hip. It seemed as though some cosmic force was aware of this because the day after I got the truck home and parked, Joyce called to tell me that there was an S-10 almost identical to mine listed in Craig's List. By that Saturday, I was back in the driver's seat of a vehicle that drove and felt exactly the way the old one had. There was a lot of

swapping of parts between the trucks, and the storage of other parts removed from the now-dead truck. Still, I couldn't let it go.

It wasn't until December when I finally realized that I had to say goodbye. There had been a lot of adventures in that truck, a lot of trips, and a lot of memories. One that stands out has to do with Joyce and I driving back to Lafayette, Louisiana from a fly-in in Reklaw, Texas. It was midday and cloudy. Joyce had dozed off while we were listening to "Star Trek" audio book in the truck's cassette player. We were sailing through the piney hills of east Texas wrapped in some of the most beautiful scenery around. For a little while, we were in the world's most perfect place.

I was thinking about that memory as the tow truck dragged the old, battered warrior away and out of sight. And it hurt. I guess I would be less than human if it hadn't.

Goodbye, old friend.



## Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

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## "Being Frank"

### More Salmon Habitat Protection Needed

Washington.

By Lorraine Loomis  
Chair  
Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

We've seen some incredible salmon habitat restoration projects the past few years, but there's a big difference between restoring habitat and protecting it. We must remember that restoration without protection does not lead us to recovery.

The Elwha River on the Olympic Peninsula continues to heal itself after the largest dam removal effort in U.S. history. Two dams on the river had blocked salmon migration and denied Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe's treaty fishing rights for more than 100 years.

In another big project, the Tulalip Tribes and partners recently returned tidal flow to the 400-acre Qwuloolt Estuary. The estuary was drained and diked for farming in the early 1900s, blocking access to important salmon habitat.

Both were huge, costly projects that took decades of cooperation to accomplish.

Every habitat restoration project – large or small – contributes to salmon recovery. But if we are going to achieve recovery, we must do an equally good job of protecting habitat, and that is not happening.

Treaty Indian tribes are seeking federal leadership to help turn this tide.

Salmon recovery efforts cross many federal, state and local jurisdictions, but it is the federal government that has both the legal and trust responsibility to recover salmon and honor tribal treaty-reserved rights. Through our Treaty Rights at Risk initiative, we are asking the federal government to lead a more coordinated and effective salmon recovery effort.

One way is to ensure that existing federal agency rules and regulations do not conflict with salmon recovery goals.

An example is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' jurisdictional boundary they use for permitting shoreline modifications. The Corps regulates construction of docks and bulkheads in marine waters, and uses a high water

mark based on an average of each day's two high tides to determine its jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act.

But the Clean Water Act specifies the protection boundary should be the single highest point that an incoming tide can reach.

In Puget Sound, the Corps' boundary is 1.5 to 2.5 feet below the highest tide. When you apply that to 2,000 miles tidelands, a large portion of important nearshore habitat is left unprotected.

That needs to change. We need to be protecting more habitat, not less.

Another example is agricultural easements issued by the federal Natural Resources Conservation Service that can block salmon habitat restoration efforts.

Federally funded agricultural easements pay landowners to lock in agricultural land uses permanently, regardless of whether those areas historically provided salmon habitat and need to be restored to support recovery.

The federal government

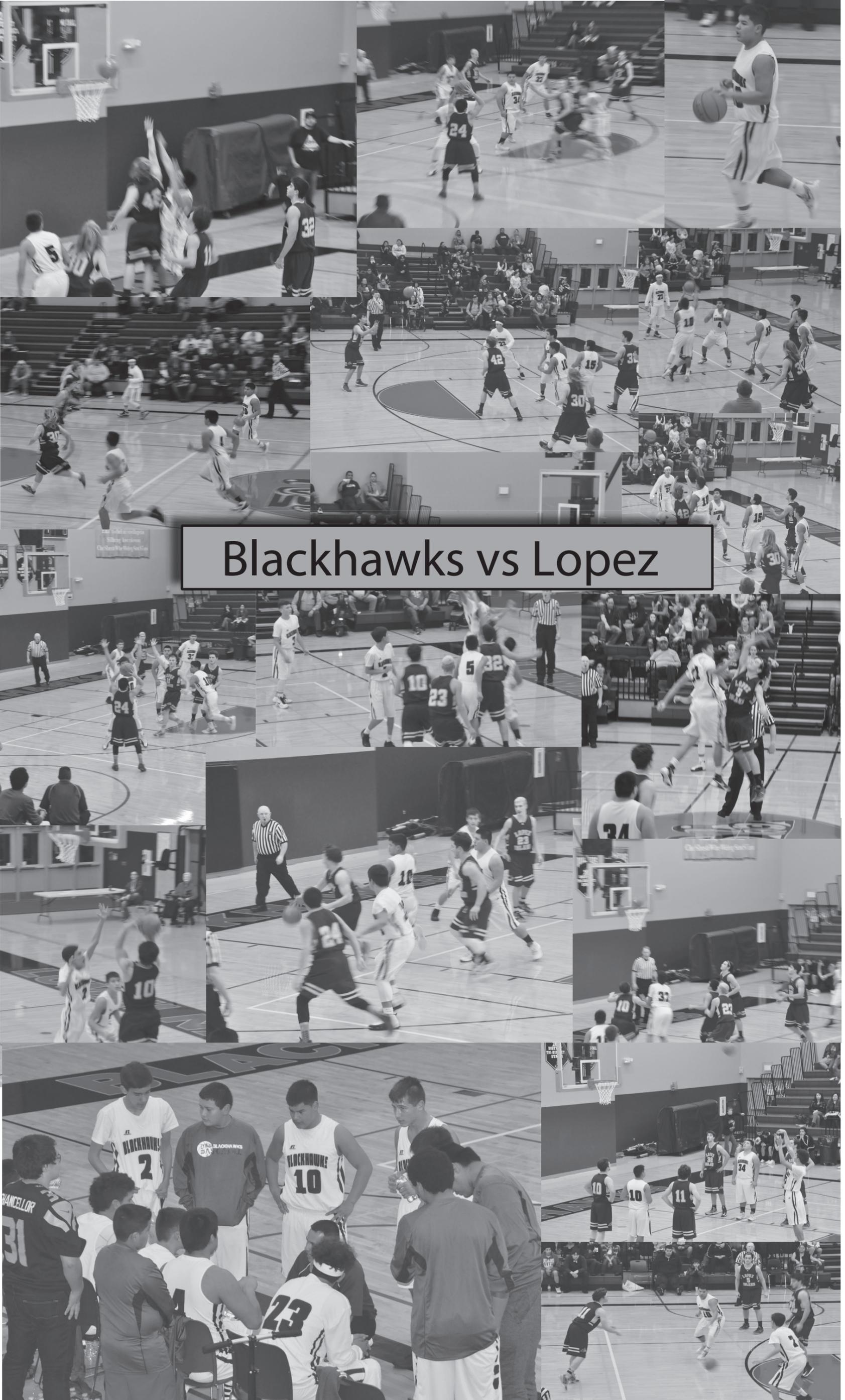
needs to change the program to ensure agricultural easements do not restrict habitat restoration and other salmon recovery efforts.

These are just a couple of examples of how federal actions can conflict with salmon recovery goals to slow and sometimes stall our progress.

We know that habitat is the key to salmon recovery. That's why we focus so much of our effort on restoring and protecting it. Many amazing restoration projects are being accomplished, but the more challenging task of protecting that habitat is falling short.

We must do everything we can to protect our remaining habitat as we work to restore even more. One way to do that is to harmonize federal actions and make certain they contribute effectively to recovering salmon, recognizing tribal treaty rights and protecting natural resources for everyone.

Contact: Tony Meyer or Emmett O'Connell (360) 438-1180, [www.nwifc.org](http://www.nwifc.org)



Blackhawks vs Lopez

The Announcements section is dedicated for community members to express their positive thoughts. These comments are the views of the submitter and not of the Squol Quol or LIBC . Please keep submissions in a positive light.

# Announcements

## Elders January Birthdays

Francis Alexander  
 Wayne Ballew  
 Georgia Collier (Finkbonner)  
 Leland Cooper  
 Patrick Crane  
 Michael Fell  
 Gerald Finkbonner  
 Joseph Finkbonner  
 William Finkbonner  
 Thomas George Jr.  
 Darrell Hillaire  
 Henry Hillaire  
 Willard Hillaire  
 Rosanne Hoxie (Rychlik)  
 James James  
 Mark Jansen  
 Martine Jefferson (Martin)  
 Velda Jefferson  
 Adrian Jefferson-Ayosa (Jefferson)  
 Jennifer Johnson  
 Joseph Johnson Jr.  
 Timothy Johnson  
 Steven Kinley  
 Joseph Laclair



George Lane Sr.  
 George Lawrence  
 Robert Lawrence  
 Lurita Martin (Brown)  
 Ronald Morris Jr.  
 George Nickolsen Sr.  
 Eleanor Patterson (Jones)  
 Shirley Placid (Placid)  
 Isabelle Plaster (Martin)  
 Marina Plaster (Williams)  
 Barbara Scott  
 Vera Scott (Lane)  
 Mary Smith (Mccluskey)  
 Kirk Solomon  
 Andres Soriano Jr.  
 Andrea Straycalf (Soriano)  
 Patrick Sturgeon  
 Robert Tally  
 William Tanner  
 Lynette Tipton (Phair)  
 Verle Toby Jr.  
 Walter Turner  
 Randall Wilson Sr.  
 Robin Wilson Sr.  
 Sharon Wolf (Woodruff)

## My dear family, friends, bros and community members...



I'm away for a while in Tulsa, Oklahoma getting the help that I need & deserve. I will miss you all and love you more and I will be back soon!

Hoyte  
 Stormy Days  
 Alberto Lane

# In Loving Memory

## Lonnie Leander Spencer 1957 - 2015

Lonnie Leander Spencer, age 58, of Lakewood, WA, and the Yakima Nation, passed away on Sunday, December 13, 2015. Lonnie was born March 24, 1957, in Toppenish, Washington to Vivian George and Roland Spencer. He grew up in Yakima and moved to Umatilla during his teenage years until he was 18 and lived with his grandmother. 1976 where he met his wife Claudia Ballew where they attended Seattle Central Community College and later moved to Yakima Valley.

Lonnie and Claudia got married January 1980 at the All Indians Church in Wapato, Washington. Lonnie worked in forestry and fisheries with the Yakima Tribe until 1989. Lonnie and his family moved to Seattle where he and his wife attended University of Washington where he studied Social Work and graduated with his Bachelors in Social Work in 1993, and was hired by Puyallup Tribe Children Services. He also worked for the DSHS in the Indian Child welfare in the CPS for the State of Washington in the Lanes Building and Delridge Building Unit until 1999, and retired from working with Puyallup Tribe Children services in June 2015.

Lonnie's interests were guns and owning a couple, he also enjoyed spending a lot of time with his wife Claudia and making sure he was always there for her. Lonnie is survived by his wife Claudia Spencer and his two kids, daughter, Yolanda Spencer and his son, Sonny Spencer.

A rosary service was held on Thursday, December 17, 2015 at Moles in downtown Ferndale. A funeral mass was held at St. Joachim Catholic Church at 10:30am on Friday, December 18, 2015, followed by burial at Lummi Nation Cemetery.

## Venessa Vesta James 1971 - 2015

Venessa Vesta James was born on January 25, 1971 in Bellingham, WA to Vincent II Piel and Joyce Warbus. She married David James in 1990. Some of her hobbies include sewing blankets and scarves and crocheting.

She is preceded in death by her father Floyd Tommy, grandparents Isabelle and Floyd Warbus, aunt Clara Spoonhunter, and nephew Vincent IV.

Survivors include her mother Joyce Tommy, father Vincent Piel II, husband David Allen James, brother Vincent Piel III, daughters Sybil James, Jeannette LaClair, and Serina James, son Lloyd James, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A prayer service will be held on Wednesday, 12/16 at 6pm at Wexliem and funeral service to be on Thursday, 12/17 at 10am at Wexliem.

## Justin Finkbonner "Squi-shea-mut"

Justin is survived by his Dad, Rick A. Finkbonner; sons, Kaiden (Nina Old Coyote) and Liam (McKenna Hoffman); brother Rob Sawyer of Boise, Idaho; nieces, Erica and Carlie Sawyer; Aunts, Uncles and numerous relatives.

Justin was preceded in death by his Mom, Barbara Lyall; Grandparents, Richard "Bronk" and Marlene (Williams) of Lummi and Mel and Shirley Schneider of Lake Stevens.

## Edward Charles LaClair Sr.

Edward Charles LaClair Sr. age 63 passed away December 24, 2015. His services were held at the Wexliem Community Building on Wednesday, December 30, 2015 and Thursday, December 31, 2015.

He is survived by: his mate, Vicki Turner; his sons: Smokey (Teresa) LaClair, Edward (Candy) LaClair Jr., Kyle (Tiffany) Turner, William (Mia) LaClair, and Marcell Martin; his daughters; Fekla LaClair, Elida (Clint) Cagey, Erica LaClair, Muriel LaClair, Victoria (Clifford) LaClair, and Vanessa (Pat) LaClair; his Stepchildren: Josh Corona, Jake, Jennifer and Anita Dubbs; his brothers; William (Barb) LaClair, Bernard (Cheryl) LaClair, Joseph (Julie) LaClair, Wilbert LaClair, Wilfred LaClair and Irving Johnnie; his sisters: Erma Ell, Lucy (Terry) Lewis and Renee (Nate) Lozier Rojas; 44 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; numerous nephews, nieces, grandnephews and grandnieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Cyril and Helen (Lane) LaClair; his daughter, Valentina LaClair; his granddaughter; Muriel Marie LaClair; his paternal grandparents: Edward & Elizabeth (Garde) LaClair; his maternal grandparents: Charles & Adeline (Warbus) Lane; his brothers: LaVander LaClair, Cyril "King" LaClair; his sisters: Yvonne Lane, Edith Simminds, Juanita Morris, Muriel (Geraldine) LaClair/Gibbs; and brother in laws: Samuel Dean Ell & Randall Turner.



## Harold "Buster" James

Harold Leroy "Buster" James age 76 of the Lummi Nation passed away peacefully at his residence at Little Bear Creek on December 19, 2015. Buster was born November 18, 1939 in Bellingham, WA to Mary Helen Jefferson-Cagey and Harold Peter James.

Services were held Tuesday, December 22, 2015 and Wednesday, December 23, 2015 at the Wexliem Community Building in Bellingham, Washington.

Buster was well known for his awesome boats and crosses that he had carved out of styrofoam and left hanging in the trees along side of the roads that he constantly walked. This is how he got the nickname of "Walks A Lot". Buster was also well known for his "I Love you Sometime". He had nicknames for all of his nieces, nephews and grand-babies who all loved him dearly. Buster was also known for the contraptions (rafts, swings, etc.) he made for all the children in his life. Buster was never without his camera and he would take pictures of whoever he ran into on that day whether it be family, fiends or strangers. If you caught his eye you got your picture taken. Buster loved to wear his t-shirts and he would always fringe the arms on them.

Buster is survived by his Mama Mary Helen Jefferson-Cagey; his children: Brad (Amy) James of Lummi, Brenda James of Nooksack, Betty James, Judy-Ann James, Brian James and Bradley (Cecilia) James all of Lummi. He is also survived by his sisters: Elaine Grinnel (Fred) of Jamestown, Iris James, Teresa (Ralph) Bob, Shirley Bob, Virginia "Ginny" Cagey, Linda Cagey, Mona Cagey (Darrell), Gayle James, Carol James; and one brother, Samuel (Wendy) Cagey, all of Lummi.

Buster was preceded in death by his grandparents: Norbert and Clara (Lear) James, Angelo and Helena (Lane) Jefferson; Father Harold and Step-Mother Freda James, Step-Father Sam Cagey Sr.; Infant brother and sister: Frank and Jennifer James; grandson Frank "Bunk" Lane; brothers: Joseph Cagey, Patrick James, Michael James, and Dennis James; and step-sisters: Virginia Plaster and Jeannette Brewer; brother in-law Wesley Bob; and infant granddaughter Bryanetta Jackson.

## Rena Ballew

Rena is survived by her daughters, Karen (Jefferson) Williams, Jacqueline Ballew, Aletha Ballew; sons, Levi Jefferson (Juli Jefferson), Wayne R Ballew Jr. (Marie Ballew), Cassimir Ballew, Matthew Ballew Sr. (Alva Victor); and 24 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews; sisters, Ernestine (Lane-Ballew) Gensaw, and Beverly (Solomon) Cagey.

She is preceded in death by her husband Wayne Ballew Sr.; daughter Charlene Ballew; grandson Levi Jefferson Jr.; parents Alfred Lane, Sadie Celestine (Lane) Jones, Matthew Jones; and Brother Glen Lane.

Do not stand at my grave and weep,  
I am not there, I do not sleep.  
I am in a thousand winds that blow,  
I am the softly falling snow.  
I am the gentle showers of rain,  
I am the fields of ripening grain.  
I am in the morning hush,  
I am in the graceful rush  
Of beautiful birds in circling flight,  
I am the star shine of the night.  
I am in the flowers that bloom,  
I am in a quiet room.  
I am in the birds that sing,  
I am in each lovely thing.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry,  
I am not there. I do not die.

--Mary Frye

## Tyler Matthew McLane Jr.

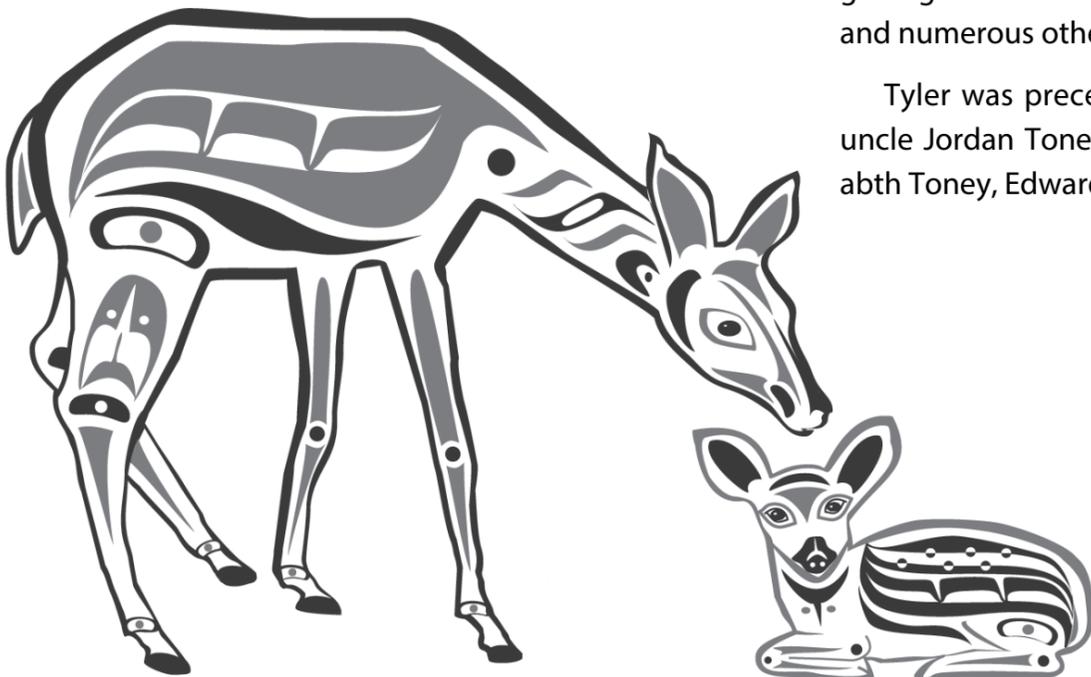
Tyler Matthew McLane Jr., age 4, passed away December 18, 2015.

He was born July 20, 2011 to Tyler Matthew McLane and Kerri Leanne (McKinley) McLane.

Tyler loved playing with trains and cars and watching movies.

He is survived by his parents Tyler and Kerri; sister Alyssa; grandmother Lovianne Solomon; aunt Lorena McKinley; uncle Kristoper McKinley; great grandmother Lovey Hillaire; great grandfather Jeff Solomon; God mom Luella Bob (Russel) and numerous other aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and family.

Tyler was preceded in death by his aunt Kariella Dalton; uncle Jordan Toney; great grandparents Wilfred Hillaire, Elizabeth Toney, Edward Tyell



# Announcements

The Announcements section is dedicated for community members to express their positive thoughts. These comments are the views of the submitter and not of the Squol Quol or LIBC . Please keep submissions in a positive light.



Shout out to my sister Angela Amelia Jan. 16. I love you so much and appreciate all you do for me enjoy your special day you deserve it.

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To my Prima Daedae Jan. 5 Happy Birthday love you.  
Love Donna Mae

I'd like to wish my brother Brocc a happy b-day (1-14)! I love you! From your sis in Chehalis :- ) Jean



Happy Birthday to Mariah Bumtay Jefferson Jan. 16th we love you Maya. Enjoy your special day. (heart) The girls @ Chehalis.

The Thomas Family would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to all of our loved ones born in January. The world is truly a better place with all of you in it.

- January:
- 2 Mariah Peters
  - 3 Lexie Anne Marie Peters
  - 7 Theresa A. Mike (RIP)
  - 12 Alyis Mike
  - 14 Dean Mike
  - 17 Juliet Arabella Mae Fryberg
  - 17 David James Hillaire Jr
  - 18 Noah Lumbert
  - 21 Mike Fell
  - 21 Makyah Johnson
  - 23 Carol Veale
  - 23 Lorelee Solomon
  - 27 Jalen Jonathan Pangelinan
  - 30 Alonzo Michael

Happy Birthday Grandma Norma! We love you so very much!  
Love, Snoop, Julie, Edna, Brandon, Trisha, Merle, Aubryana, Lorren, Alice



Want to wish a Happy Belated Birthday to my precious lovey James Valentino Revey# Dec 26. I love you Babe with all my heart and miss you so much xoxox, your wifey Donna Mae.

Also to my lil' Baby Boi Jaden Joseph Blake Revey Running Bear. Mama loves you son son. xoxoxox Dec. 9



2015 Whatcom County Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year... Darrell Hillaire w/Favorite Cuzin Candice Wilson



Happy Birthday to our Baby Bear, Miss Alice Francel! We love you and continue to be entertained & surprised with all that you teach us! Have a wonderful birthday Love Papa and Grandma



Thank YOU Lummi Nation High School Blackhawks... We LOVE You!!! We BELIEVE... Love The BLACKHAWK NATION Fans... The Parents, Grandparents, Aunties & Uncles, Sisters, Brothers, & Cuz'ins... All My Relations... of the Lummi Nation High School Blackhawks!!!



Welcome to the world to my grandson, Xavier Michael Amedeus Alvarado. Born December 17, 2015 at 8:56 am to proud parents Moriah Solomon and Juan Alvarado. Congratulations!

\*\*\*\*\*BERT JEFFERSON\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* January 3\*\*\*

Happy Birthday \*\*Dad\*\* We love you so much and Miss you everyday. Cant wait For you to come home. I hope You will have a good day on you Birthday. Always thinking of you  
Hugs & Kisses, Smile a mile.....



Happy Birthday to our grandson Xavier, wishing you much happiness, laughter , good times and lots of school work! Love Papa and Grandma

# Santa Visits Headstart



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