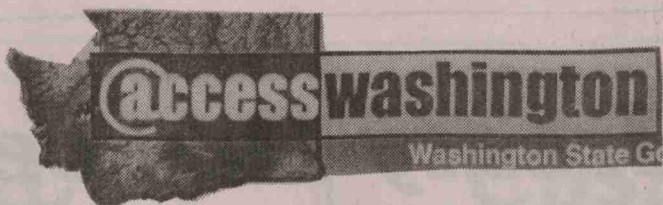


OPPOSITION

TARGET ISSUES for the Citizens Stand-Up Committee are government-to-government issues which cause serious disagreements between the sovereign Yakama tribal government and its neighbors. These are: A sovereign-operated electrical power that controls basic life service for non-sovereign members; and the pending tribal alcohol ban that regulates non-sovereign citizens, businesses and properties. See PAGE 6.



ACCESS WASHINGTON, the state's award-winning website, added significant new information on websites for 10 state tribes, a tabulation of 13 Stevens treaties in Washington, Idaho and Montana, and a listing of 11 Executive Orders which created other reservations, plus the Hood Canal Coordinating Council. See PAGE 5.

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Tribe may buy two hydro dams

TOPPENISH - The Yakama Nation is considering pursuing ownership of two Grant County Public Utility District hydroelectric dams, the Tri-City Herald reported May 25.

The PUD's license for operating the Priest Rapids hydro project expires in 2005, and the tribe may file a competing relicensing application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the newspaper said.

If successful, the tribe essentially would buy the dams, which produce almost 2,000 megawatts of some of the country's cheapest electricity, most of which already is tied up in long-term sales contracts. The dams generate almost enough power to light two cities the size of Seattle.

The Yakama Tribal Council, still debating whether to start its own electric utility, hasn't yet decided whether it wants to file the application.

In the meantime, other utilities also are asking federal regulators whether they can file competing applications. Grant PUD Manager Don Godard said the utility shouldn't be forced to hand the project over because it built the dams and has operated them for half a century.

"This is an ongoing saga," Godard said. "We think it would be a gross miscarriage of justice."

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Tribe regains Castile Falls

331.15-acre timber buyback

BY RONNIE WASHINES
Yakama Nation Review

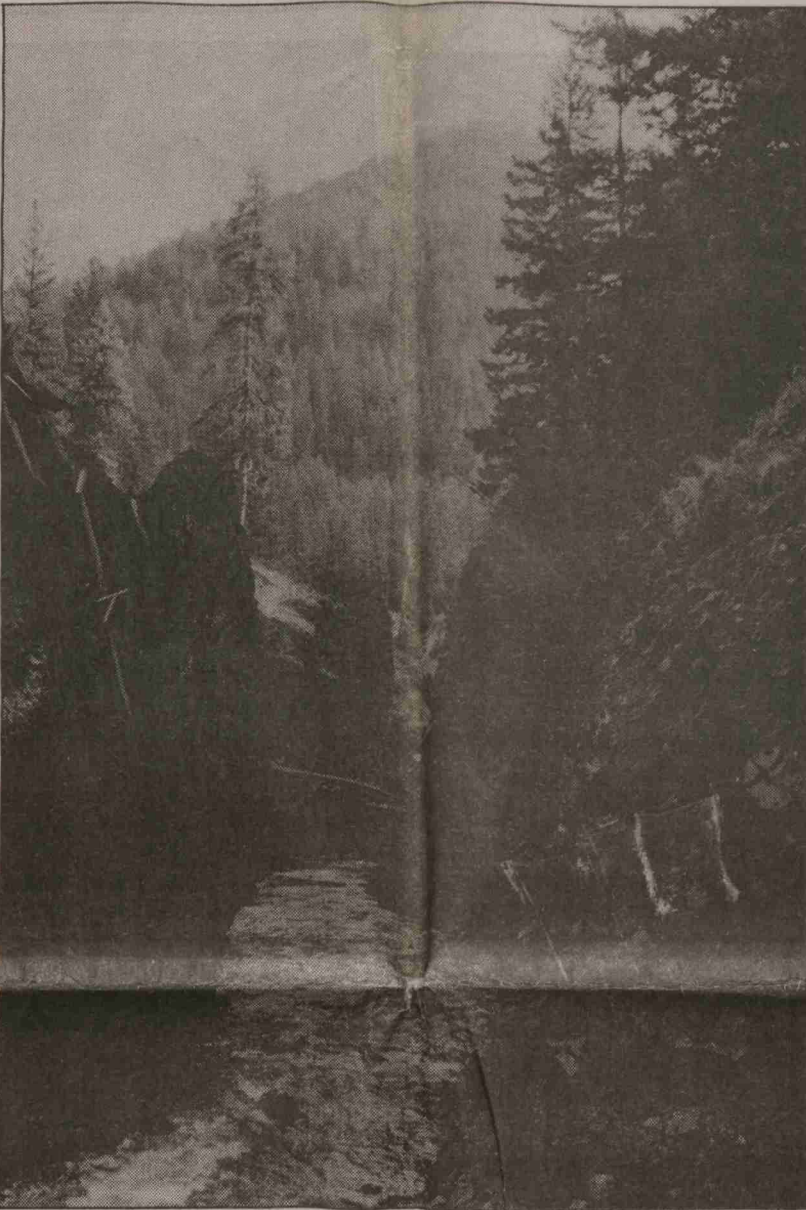
CAMP CHAPARRAL - The Yakama Nation will hold a special restoration ceremony May 31 for regaining full stewardship of the highly regarded cultural and religious area known as Castile Falls, located within the Closed Area of the reservation on the Klickitat River near Camp Chaparral.

The area contains 331.15 acres and hosts a timber and lush mountain grass area. Yakama members are very familiar with the area, which has been used as something like a central camping point from which they traversed to gather traditional foods. The river itself provided campers with a natural and highly revered site to harvest fish.

The return of the falls follows a long sequence of events, beginning with one of several 19th Century surveys of the Yakama Reservation boundary, which erroneously placed the location as being outside the reservation.

As a result, a claim was taken on the property under the federal public lands law by private parties and eventually, the land was purchased by Saint Regis Timber Co., the predecessor to Champion In-

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THE NATURALLY PATIENT Castile Falls and the Yakama Nation will once again run and breathe as one after the two were rejoined. - [YNR Photo by and courtesy of the Yakama Land Enterprise]

Jackson wins NEA heritage award

BY RICHARD LA COURSE
Yakama Nation Review

WHITE SWAN - Acclaimed Klickitat basketmaker Nettie Jackson of White Swan is one of 13 recipients of the 2000 National Heritage Fellowships, the country's most prestigious honor in the folk and traditional arts, the National Endowment for the Arts announced May 24 in the capital.

Thirteen fellowships, which include a one-time award of \$10,000 each, will be presented to artists from nine states and Puerto Rico this autumn.

Since 1982, the NEA has awarded over 235 National Heritage Fellowships. An awards ceremony and concert featuring the honorees will be held in September in Washington, D.C.

Among those chosen are a Klickitat basketmaker, a traditional Appalachian weaver, a Tejano accordionist/singer, an African-American gospel quartet, a Native Hawaiian singer and ukulele player, a blues piano player, a



BASKETMAKER Nettie Jackson, of White Swan wins national honors for Klickitat traditional art.

Greek icon woodcarver and a Lindy Hop pioneer dancer and choreographer.

Bill Ivey, Chairman of the Na-

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Clinton-Hastert plan for distressed areas

BY DAVID ESPO

WASHINGTON (AP) - Six months after pledging to work together to help impoverished areas, President Clinton and House Speaker Dennis Hastert are ready to unveil their handiwork, a multibillion-dollar package of tax breaks and other incentives.

"Working together, the Congress and the president can accomplish good things for the American people," Hastert, R-Ill., said in a statement May 22 as an agreement was reached.

At the White House, Clinton's top economics adviser, Gene Sperling, said, "This will be one of the most important pieces of legislation for bringing investment and capital into low-income areas that has been passed in decades."

Sperling said aides were still calculating the total cost of the proposed legislation to be trumpeted at today's White House

ceremony. He put the initial estimate at \$5 billion to \$7 billion over five years.

The agreement is a blend of Clinton's proposed "new markets" initiative and Hastert's call for 40 renewal communities.

Certain capital gains taxes would be eliminated in these areas, to be called "Renewal Communities," and businesses would be eligible for a credit on some wages as well certain expenses related to environmental cleanup, officials said.

Officials said an existing program of empowerment zones, also designed to help economically distressed areas, would be expanded in size and in scope.

The agreement also calls for a "new markets tax credit" for taxpayers who invest in low income areas, whether the empowerment zones or the new renewal communities, a provision the White House had sought as energetically as Republicans pressed for the zero capital gains tax.

Another area of agreement would make churches and other so-called faith-based institutions eligible to receive federal grants to run substance abuse programs. Aides said this provision would apply throughout the nation, regardless of whether the program was operated inside a distressed area.

Clinton has toured places like the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota to dramatize the plight of communities left behind in the current economic expansion. Pine Ridge has high rates of unemployment and poverty.

For his part, Hastert visited the Chicago district of Rep. Danny Davis, D-Ill., to underscore his own interest in attacking poverty.

The president and the speaker appeared together in Chicago in November - during a partisan budget battle - and pledged to work together on an effort to alleviate economic distress.

They have negotiated in the months since, through aides as well as in person. According to aides to both men, Hastert handed the president his most recent in a series of back-and-forth offers last week, and the two men were together for the signing of trade legislation relating to Africa and the Carib-

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Babbitt eyes Hanford Reach

RICHLAND (AP) - Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt floated the Hanford Reach on May 16 and all but claimed the last free-flowing stretch of the Columbia River as a national monument.

He even raised the possibility that virtually all of the Hanford lands, not just the river corridor or the existing wildlife refuges, would gain additional federal protection under an executive order signed by President Clinton.

"You can't meaningfully protect the river and its resources without dealing with the valley on both sides," Babbitt said.

Monument status would create a "powerful incentive" to make Hanford cleanup a higher national priority, Babbitt said.

"This area ought to be and can be and will be a shining example of what restoration is about," he said.

County commissioners from Benton, Franklin and Grant counties are opposed to federal control of the reach. They got about an hour alone to try to persuade Babbitt that their plan for federal-state-county management of the reach was superior to national monument status.

"We didn't change his mind," said Max Benitz Jr., Benton County Commission chairman.

"His mind is made up," said Deborah Moore, a Grant County commissioner.

At a public meeting the night of May 16 in Richland, Babbitt invited suggestions. But that didn't mollify Benitz.

"There is no indication that he is going to utilize any of the input in making his determination," Benitz said.

House amendment would halt Babbitt

WASHINGTON (AP) - A House subcommittee has included provisions in a must-pass spending bill that could delay a massive land-use plan into next year, where it would face an uncertain fate if George W. Bush is elected president.

An amendment by Rep. George Nethercutt, R-Wash., would prohibit federal spending for the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project until authors of the plan study its effect on small business.

Another amendment, by Rep. James Hansen, R-Utah, would prevent Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt from designating the Hanford Reach as a national monument.

Babbitt, who floated down the reach May 16, said he wants to protect the free-flowing stretch of the Columbia River in south-central Washington state.

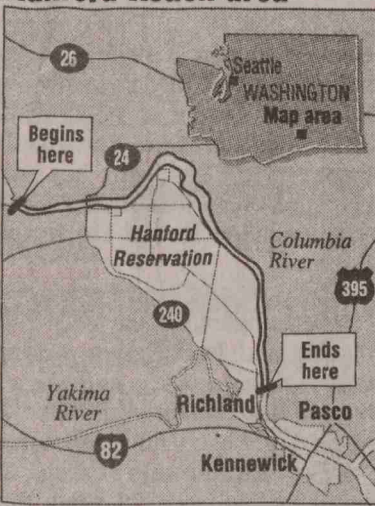
The Hansen amendment would prevent the Interior Department, Forest Service and other agencies

Babbitt, accompanied by environmentalists and Northwest tribal leaders, toured the reach and the Arid Lands Ecology Reserve on what was dubbed a fact-finding mission.

The group stopped for lunch at a beach named for Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., who prompted the secretary's visit in her bid for per-

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Hanford Reach area



Track of treaty celebrations

TOPPENISH - The Yakama Nation 145th Treaty Day Commemoration Powi-Ya-Lux-Simit or "All Gather Together" events will start June 8 with the following schedule:

June 8: Traditional Ceremonials; Flag Raising by Yakama Nation Warriors Assn. Memorials, Giveaways, Joining, Rejoining, Treaty Signers Commemoration Dinner at Toppenish Creek Longhouse in White Swan.

June 9: 8:00 a.m.: Invocation with Flag Raising Ceremony at east entrance CHC Giftshop in Toppenish by Yakama Warriors Assn. at 8:15 a.m. and welcome at 9:00 a.m. Performances at 9:30 a.m.

The Cultural Heritage Center 20th Anniversary event scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.: Yakama Nation Museum with free admission and Special Guest from Crow's Shadow Institute of Pendleton, Ore.

The Cultural Heritage Center has invited children to participate in creating various art forms will be on display. Demonstrations by tribal artists Helen Jim, Elsie Selam, Mabel George, Elsie Dick,



TREATY DAY GRAND MARSHALS: Delores George, General Council Interpreter, left, and LaRena Sohapp, language and cultural teacher, are Grand Marshals for the June 9 Treaty Day Parade at the Cultural Heritage Center. - (YNR Photos by Richard La Course.)

Ateline George, Carla George, Eugene Andy Sr., Esther Alexander, Roderick Authur,



Merris Whiz, and Lucille Nez

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Seven seeks titles during Treaty Day celebration

TOPPENISH - Following is a slate of candidates for positions of royalty during the Treaty Day Celebration across the Yakama Nation:

Miss Yakama Nation:

Two young women are vying for the prestigious Miss Yakama Nation:

Crystal Rae Estrada, 20. Her Indian name is "Moo-nox." Her parents are Gloria Jim and Jess Estrada. Her maternal grandparents are Howard and the late Maggie Waters Jim. She's graduating from Pace Alternative, this coming June 6. She was born in The Dalles, Ore., on Feb. 10, 1980. She has three brothers who are John, Raymond and Keals.

She says: "I learned of commercial fishing, when I fished with my uncle Lester, at Celilo and Maryhill. My grandmother Maggie Waters Jim showed me how to dig roots, prepare, and serve. We use to camp at Cougar Rock to pick huckleberries. There I learned to can berries. She told us of legend stories that made us laugh.

"I have been a traditional dancer since my tiny tot age. I have traveled in the Northwest area and some parts of Canada. My past titles are Jr Miss Tiinowit, Jr Miss Washington Birthday, Jr Miss Celilo Wyam, Jr Miss Mid-Columbia Powwow, Miss Veteran's Day, Jr. Miss Weasletail, Miss Indian Summer, Sr. Miss Celilo Wyam, Sr. Miss Mid-Columbia Powwow, and Miss Matalyma of Kamiah, Ida. I also like going Wahshat, Medicine dances, I've also been at Peyote meeting and Shaker Church.

"I work at Yakama Nation Legends Casino as a cook in the buffet area for two years. I started out as a Kitchen Assistant I, in between finishing my schooling. I also enjoy playing volleyball, basketball, reading and writing besides what I have been traditionally taught.

"I believe in being drug- and alcohol-free. Alcohol and drugs are a big issue, it effects our tribe immensely. A lot of families are hurt by the drugs, alcoholism, drug addicts, foster homes, gangs, and the homeless. That one day our children will live healthy lives and be able to be educated and succeed in life. Keep the culture and beliefs going. I am also proud of our new developments, such as the Yakama Nation Legends Casino and the Yakamart.

"I have a older brother John, 25 years old who has cerebral palsy. I have learned alot from him; he taught me patience and respect for others. I started helping taking of him since I realized he needed help.

"For two years I have been wanting to run for the title Miss Yakama Nation. This has been on my mind so I can get more ex-



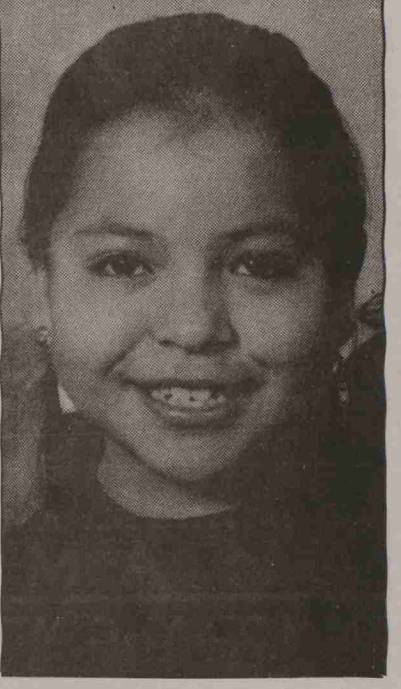
ANNIE JO HEEMSAH



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CAMILLE MARTINEZ



CHRISTINA LUNA

perience in public and our traditional ways. I have made myself available to Longhouse, powwows or wherever I was asked to participate in any ceremonial doings. I have participated in several powwow committees and school activities. I also have family members who have previously carried the Miss Yakama Nation title and they have told me the enjoyable experiences they have had: like traveling, meeting new people, and seeing dances they have never seen before. Ever since I was young, I have been learning our ways of Longhouse, been to Shaker Church, traveled with aunt and uncle to Arizona to help in their Teepee Meetings, something I've never done before. The Miss Yakama Nation title, who represents the Yakama Tribe, is an honor, because we are proud people. It would be an honor to hold the Miss Yakama Nation title."

Annie Jo Heemsaah, 20, is attending Yakima Valley Community College in Yakima. She also served as the 1998-99 All-Indian Basketball Tournament Queen in Wapato.

Annie Jo is a 1998 graduate of Wapato High School. She was active on the Native American Student Association serving as 1998 president, 1997 vice-president, 1996 secretary and 1995 ninth grade representative. She also was Student of the Month for Wapato High School for January 1998 and March 1996. Annie received Departmental Awards in 1998 in English, Algebra II, and Band and in 1997, Band.

Annie Jo worked in the summers of 1996-98 in Yakama Nation Silviculture and summer of 1999 Yakama Nation GIS Forestry and currently is employed as a fisheries technician in the Yakama Nation Fisheries Department.

Her parents are Carol Sue Speedis and Terry Heemsaah and her maternal grandparents are the late Walter J. and Esther Sohappay Speedis. Her paternal grandparents are Barbara Cloud Heemsaah of Satus and the late Lespy Heemsaah.

Jr Miss Yakama Nation:

Christina Luna, Indian name "Tutmi" is a candidate for Jr. Miss Yakama Nation. She is 14 years and attends eighth grade at Wapato Middle School.

Christina felt honored to belong to the Wapato Middle School Indian Club and had the opportunity to travel to Manhattan Island, New York last November, and was the Wapato Longhouse Christmas Celebration Queen for 1998-99. She also belongs to the Jazz Band and enjoys playing basketball.

Miss Luna says of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, "These things are bad and I really don't like my family members doing these. All three of these should be banned."

On Gangs: "I always ask myself...why people would want to be in a gang? There's no reason for them."

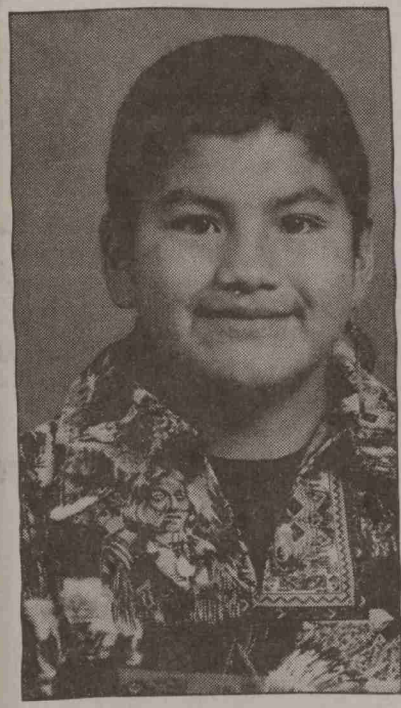
Why are her mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandparents, best friends are important? "They are very important to me and I would do anything for them. My family and friends comes first before anything."

What do you do on weekends? "I go to a powwow, visit my mom and the rest of the time stay home and clean house."

Christina's parents are Angela G. Stahi and Irineo Luna and grandparents, Caroline Smartlowit



FARRAH MALATARE



NICHOLAS W. MARTINEZ



KODA-WATAKA ROBINSON

Stahi and the late Leroy Stahi; and Rose Washington Smartlowit and the late Stan Smartlowit.

Camille Morning Owl Martinez, Indian name "Enewit" also is a Jr. Miss Yakama Nation candidate for 2000-2001. She is 13 years and attends eighth grade at Yakama Tribal School in Toppenish.

Miss Martinez has earned 2.94 gpa; 90 percent School Attendance; math is her favorite subject. She plays softball and basketball. She also enjoys performing the Swan Dance and Welcome Dance. Camille held the Toppenish Creek New Year's Powwow Sr. Queen title in 1998-99; 10-Day Encampment Jr. Queen in 1995; 60th Annual Fourth of July Powwow and Rodeo Jr. Queen in 1992; White Swan Headstart Mini-Powwow Jr. Princess in 1989; and has participated every year since 1988 at the Pendleton Round-Up Beauty Pageant.

She attends the Toppenish Creek Longhouse; she goes root digging and huckleberry picking; enjoys riding horses; and she's a traditional dancer, but likes to jingle dance every now and then.

Miss Martinez says of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, "I think that people should not do these because they are bad for their health."

On Gangs: "Gangs are just a bad influence and they make the tribe look bad."

Why her Family is important: "They are very important to me because I love them very much and they are somebody to look up to."

What do you do on weekends? "I try to do my school work."

Camille's parents are Delilah and Marvin Martinez Sr.; her maternal grandparents are Ira and Delores Smison Martin and the late Oscar Sockzehigh; her paternal grandparents are the late Bennie and Lynna Martinez Sr.

Treaty Day Princess Farrah Malatare: Her Indian name is "Now-ish-tunt-mi," and her parents are Lewis Yah-tun-tit and Marilyn Wah-la-husta Malatare of Yakima, and grandparents are Amelia Sohappay of Wapato, and the late Laritta Sohappay and Wilfred Yallup of Satus and the Antoine "Tony" Skahan Jr. of Yakima and the late Evelyn Seelatee Yniguez.

Miss Malatare attends Eisenhower High School and enjoys playing soccer and basketball and powwow dancing and going to rodeos. Farrah recently gave up her 1999 Jr Miss First Nations crown representing University of

Washington annual powwow and 1999 Lil Miss Kyl-Yo representing University of Montana.

"I'm not just an Indian by blood; but, by birth named Farrah Malatare. As a Native American, it has been my pleasure to participate in multiple cultural experiences."

"Presently, I represent the Yakama Nation as Junior Miss Yakama Nation; and as such, have traveled throughout Washington, Idaho, Oregon, California, Nevada, and Montana. Part of the requirement for achieving this title included participating in a talent

show where I, along with my cousin, danced a medley of Yakama traditional dances and won first place.

"Additionally, I traveled to the high mountains to pick berries and participate in rootdigging, learning and involving myself in our sacred culture. As a representative of Native Americans, I must uphold the traditions of the tribes, be gracious, speak well, have abiding respect of Elders, and respect for our Earth.

"My birthright assures me a place on Mother Earth, not only as a Native American for my Tribe,

but, to all people.

Lil Warrior:

Koda-Wataka Robinson, Indian name is "Un-mee-kee-loosh" meaning "Winterhawk" is seven years old and attends kindergarten at St. Joseph in Vancouver.

Koda is active with the CYO Swim team; T-ball; American State Karate; CYO Soccer; and speaks Spanish and Japanese fluently. The Yakama tribal member has been named the Most Improved Swimmer for 1999-2000 by the St. Joseph School, and also earned five individual swimming awards for the year. Koda earned his gold belt in karate last February, and earned awards for his participation on the Chinook Archers Club and Archery World Club, both of Vancouver. He competes with a traditional and a long bow.

His parents are Billy and Nanette M. (Isadore) Robinson of Vancouver; paternal grandparents Ruth Robinson of Cherokee, N.C., and the late Gregory Robinson; maternal grandparents, Diane Randall Renteria of Portland, Ore., and the late Donald 'Dondie' Isadore.

Nicholas Weslee Martinez, whose Indian name is "One who tell Stories by the River," is 12 years old and attends sixth grade at Wapato Middle School.

Nicholas belongs to the Wapato Indian Club, Pep Club, and LISTEN Together Program. He enjoys playing basketball, football, baseball, going to mountains to hunt and fish, and enjoys riding his horse, powwows, tournaments, and digging roots. He has earned Perfect Attendance, Wapato School HED Award, Higher Ed.; Best Defense in Grid Kid Football.

Nick says, "I enjoy going to powwows to meet new friends and I hope all my friends, relatives, and family will support me. I hope to see you all at the next powwow. Thank you."

His parents are Marvin Jr. and Selina Martinez of Wapato; and Valerie Smartlowit of Toppenish; paternal grandparents are Marvin Sr. and Delilah Martinez of White Swan and Sybil Queahpama, also of White Swan; maternal grandparents Albert Brown of Spokane and the late Wilma Brown, the late Thomas and Nina Randall and Ted and Nettie Moses of Wapato, and Lee and Iola Totus of Toppenish; great grandparents includes, Helen Nappier of White Swan and the late Benny and Lynna Martinez.

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bean.

The agreement comes only a few days before the House is scheduled to vote on legislation granting permanent normal trade relations with China. Aides refused to speculate Monday night on the impact of the agreement - likely to benefit the districts of many members of the Congressional Black Caucus - on the China vote.

Several black caucus members are on a list of Democrats who remain uncommitted on the China measure, which is expected to produce a close vote in the House.

According to material distributed by Hastert's office, individuals would pay no capital gains on the sale of renewal community business or business assets held for more than five years. Small businesses would be able to take immediate deductions for certain equipment. Businesses would receive a tax break for a portion of the wages they pay, as well as for certain environmental cleanup expenses. A tax deduction also would be available for rehabilitating buildings inside the renewal community.

Sperling said the agreement calls for \$200 million in increased funding in the upcoming fiscal year for empowerment zones. The proposal also would create nine new zones, and apply new tax breaks, including the wage credit, to businesses that locate in any of the existing or new zones.

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Yakima's St. Joseph's to be rebuilt

YAKIMA (AP) - Contracts have been signed to rebuild the fire-gutted chapel of historic St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Last summer's blaze made people outside central Washington's largest Catholic congregation realize St. Joseph's importance to Yakima, said Mary Bischoff, the downtown church's pastoral administrator.

The parish has signed contracts with architects and a contractor to rebuild the 95-year-old stone chapel. Engineers have yet to decide whether the damaged walls are sound enough, or if new ones will have to be built.

The parish began planning to rebuild shortly after the last July 30 blaze, which also caused minor damage to the church's main structure.

Raymond Arthur Fenn, a 29-year-old drifter, had been seen rummaging through a free clothing bin in the church before the fire began. Witnesses later saw Fenn walk behind the altar, but no one saw the fire start.

In March, Fenn pleaded guilty to first-degree reckless burning in a plea agreement with prosecutors. Prosecutors say the fire probably was an accident stemming from a theft attempt.

The parish had money on hand to refurbish the church at the time of the fire. That \$700,000 fund has grown since the fire and will be used for the rebuilding project, Bischoff said.

Eastern Wash. VA offices closing

YAKIMA (AP) - Three state Veterans Affairs offices in Eastern Washington will close by July as part of an experiment to change how services are delivered to veterans.

The change means state workers will bring services to veterans, rather than waiting for them to walk into offices in Yakima, Walla Walla and Wenatchee, officials said.

Opponents contend the plan will cost veterans their connection to government.

The centers, where state workers give veterans advice on services and assist them with paperwork required for benefits, will close June 30 as a part of a pilot program.

Workers from the centers will be trained to seek out veterans who need help with benefit claims.

One Western Washington center, in Bremerton, also faces closure in June.

The change will leave Spokane with the only operating state Veterans Affairs office in Eastern Washington.

If the experiment works, the state Department of Veterans Affairs plans to close the rest of its 12 service offices, Deputy Director John Lee said May 17.

New fish ladder at Milton-Freewater

WALLA WALLA - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will start building a new fish ladder in June at the Nursery Street Bridge on the Walla Walla River in Milton-Freewater, Ore., according to the agency's project manager for the job.

The ACE started the project in 1994, explained Chris Hyland, a project manager at ACE's Walla Walla District headquarters. The sponsor for the project is the Milton-Freewater Water Control District, which is the entity responsible for operation and maintenance of the Corps' levees in this area. Cooperating partners in the project include the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA).

The new fish ladder is designed to improve adult and juvenile fish passage on the Walla Walla River. Project costs are estimated at \$3.6 million and will benefit listed steelhead and bull trout stocks in the Walla Walla River basin.

The contract was awarded to Intermountain Electric Inc., of Spokane, this month.

Need blood sugar screening?

TOPPENISH - Any tribal members who have relatives with diabetes have the possibility of developing diabetes sometime in their life. The health problems caused by diabetes can be decreased through early detection and treatment. This is an opportunity for anyone that is concerned about this to get information and have their blood sugar checked.

Remember that if you have diabetes, your children are at risk as well. The Yakama Nation rate is two times higher than the national average. In the Yakama Nation, diabetes is starting at an earlier age, in the late teens and early 20s.

Blood Sugar Screening will be held at the following areas:

June 14: Heritage Cultural Center (Gift Shop Lobby) at 8:30 a.m.

July 19: Stanley Smartlowit Center Lobby at 8:30 a.m.

Aug. 16: Yakama Agency Lobby at 8:30 a.m.

Sept. 20: Health Annex Bldg. at 8:30 a.m.

Oct. 18: White Swan Substation at 1:30 p.m.

Nov. 1: Stanley Smartlowit Center 3:00 p.m. from 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 13: Yakama Agency Lobby at 8:30 a.m.

For more information contact Donna Chasing Hawk, LPN, at (509) 865-7965; Melissa Schafer, RN, BSN, at (509) 865-2102, Ext. 356; Lori Stora, RN, BSN at (509) 865-7965; abd Monika Frantz, MPH-RD at (509) 865-2101, Ext. 351.

New faces in the work force

TOPPENISH - The Yakama Nation's new tribal employees totals 37 from Apr. 26 to May 25, courtesy of Yakama Nation Personnel Dept. These are as follows:

NATURAL RESOURCES: Fisheries: Arnold Barney, Steven F. Blodgett, technician I, temp. appt.; Flora A. Wallahee, technician II, temp. appt.; Eric J. Theiss, biologist II. Wildlife: Leroy Hudson, technician I, temp. appt. Forest Development: Alan R. Maldonado, Ralph P. Andrews, resource worker I. Transportation: Bernice G. Owens, office asst II, temp. appt.; Loverne A. George, bookkeeper II. Forestry: Hollyanna D. Pinkham, surveyor; Ryan A. Spencer, forester. Water Program: Elizabeth F. Capetillo, bookkeeper II. Environmental Protection: Doo Jung Jin, environmental specialist, temp.

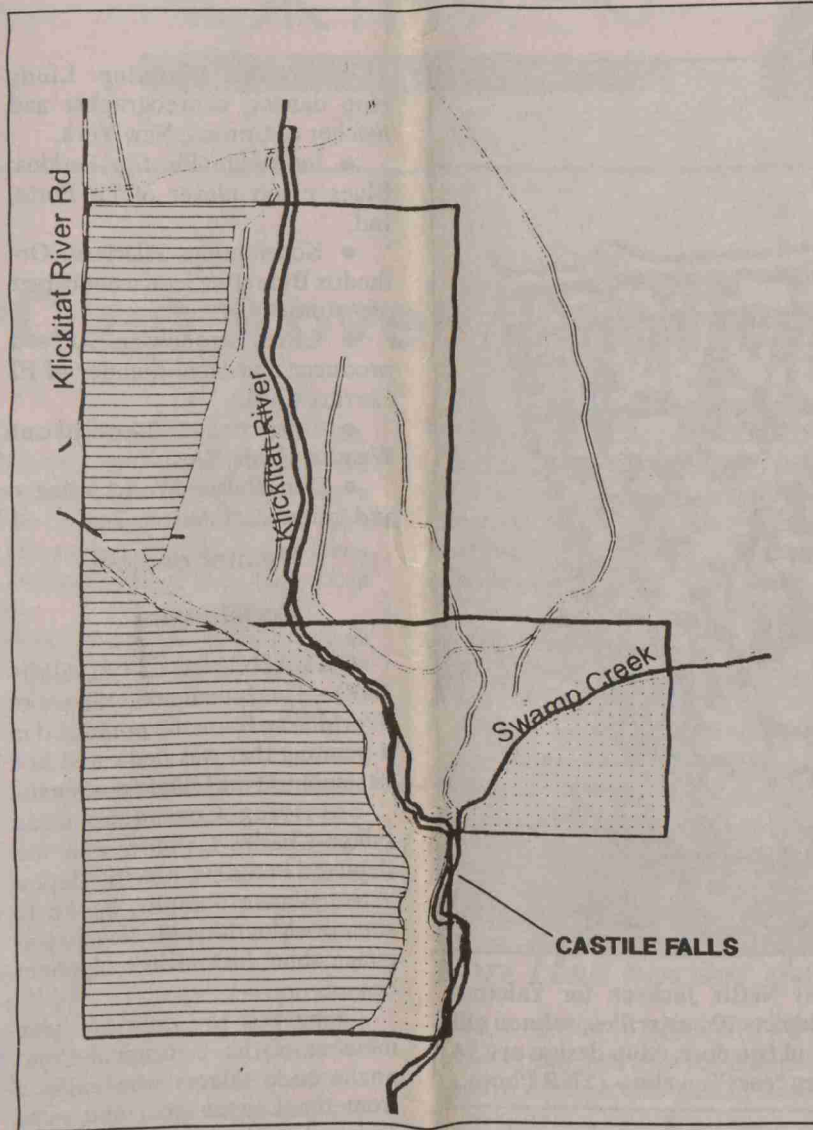
SUPPORT SERVICES: Data Processing: Jim N. Aleck Jr., micro computer specialist. Tribal Insurance: Kathleen Alexander, office assist. III, Laura J. Day, claims examiner. Facility Management: John W. Hoptowit, carpenter, temp. appt. Personnel Office: Mildred I. Onepennee, office assist. II.

JUDICIAL SERVICES: Public Defenders Office: Yolanda J. Abraham, legal secretary.

HUMAN SERVICES: Headstart: Eugene A. Andy Jr., custodian, Vergina W. Talpocken, custodian, temp. appt.; Anna Hogan, Family and Community advocate; Vicky L. Owens, Tracie L. Slockish, office assistant, Antonia M. Stevens, office assistant II, temp. appt. Welfare to Work: Leslie L. Dick, office Assistant; IAM CARES: Rhonda A. Billy, retention specialist. Voc Rehab: Wendy K. Dick, office Asst I, temp. appt. Tribal School: Leah D. Smartlowit, teacher's aide. WIC: Tawnia P. Roberts, clerk-certifier; Laurie M. Kermani, coordinator-trainee. Youth Treatment Center: Noreen K. George, comm. health aide II.

TRIBAL COUNCIL SUPPORT STAFF: Ana J. Lopez, Secretary. **HERITAGE CENTER:** Simone E. Blodgett, waitress, on call Jennifer J. Coyle, waitress, on call; Danielle E. Padilla, waitress, on call; Annette M. Tomaskin, Sales Clerk.

Castile Falls regained by tribe



MAP CITES LOCATION OF CASTILE FALLS IN CLOSED AREA

Tribe eyes two hydro dams

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Preston Harrison, the Yakama Nation's economic development coordinator, said staffers likely will recommend the tribe pursue ownership of the dams. They not only produce cheap electricity, but they also would provide a source of revenue to boost the tribe's own fish and wildlife programs, he said.

Further, Harrison said the Yakamas have a good track record of being a good steward of their land, which could lend them credibility.

"From the staff level, we'd say, 'Yes, let's take a look at it,'" Harrison said.

Yakama hopes are further buoyed by news the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation in Central Oregon will acquire a share of two dams on the Deschutes River. The tribes signed an agreement last month with Portland General Electric allowing them to own one-third of the dams, which border the reservation and produce about 465 megawatts. The deal will take effect when the new

license period begins in 2002.

The confederated tribes began their quest by filing a competing application with federal regulators, just as the Yakamas are considering doing, then made their case to the commission. The deal reached with PGE could allow the tribes to become a majority owner in years to come.

Jim Manion, general manager of Warm Springs Power Enterprises, which will manage the Central Oregon project, said revenues will be used to pay for basic services on the reservation and a multimillion-dollar fish and wildlife program.

Members of the Yakama Nation are expected to meet with members of the Warm Springs confederated tribes early next month to learn more about the Oregon acquisition. Harrison said the news bodes well for the Yakama efforts.

"I think it contributes to the momentum," he said. "To see that other tribes are moving in the same direction and are farther along than we are just really gets the adrenaline going."

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international Corp., which has headquarters in Connecticut.

The more current history on the return of the land to the tribe involved jurisdictions all the way up to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"In early 1991, the Yakama Tribal Council, by enactment of Resolution T-25-91, commenced regulation of Champion's timber harvesting on its lands within the Yakama Reservation Closed Area," said Yakama Tribal Councilman Jack W. Fiander.

"The resolution was based upon the authority recognized in Brendale Confederated Tribes, in which the U.S. Supreme Court acknowledged the 'executive jurisdiction' of the Yakama Nation to regulate land use within the Yakama Reservation Closed Area."

The company sued in U.S. District Court in December 1994, challenging the tribe's authority to regulate the manner of its timber harvests. A mediated settlement between Champion enabled the Yakama Nation to rebuy the property and restore it to tribal ownership.

The action followed the mandates outlined in the Yakama Nation Land and Natural Resources Policies Plan, adopted by the Yakama Tribal Council in 1987 [T-92-87], which stated the tribe was to develop strategies to get deeded lands under tribal jurisdiction and regulation.

The Yakama Tribal Council, working through the Yakama Nation Land Enterprise, has long been seeking the return of the area to tribal hands. In 1993 the Yakama Tribal Council's Timber Committee presented a resolution, which passed by the full council on Feb. 3, 1993, to find the means to get back the 35,000 acres of non-Yakama owned lands within the Closed Area. Champion Corp. then held over 30,000 acres of the lands sought, including Castile Falls.

"Many tribal members erroneously thought we [the tribe] already owned Castile Falls," said Leigh John, the YNLE manager. "Champion International Corp. acquired these acreages from St. Regis Corp. As the timber is harvested, they have been cooperatively negotiating to sell the acreage the tribe."

John added that Champion owns in excess of 30,000 acres of land within the Yakama Nation Closed Area. The tribe, through the YNLE has completed four

negotiations for buy-back, including the Castile Falls acreage, which was completed July 15, 1998.

John gave the specific legal description as Lot 3; Lot 4; E 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec. 18; and, Lot 1; Lot 2; NW 1/4 NE 1/4; NE 1/4, NW 1/4, Sec. 19, T9N R 13E, W.M. Washington, containing 331.15 acres, more or less.

In recognition of the return of Castile Falls, the Yakama Nation will hold a special restoration ceremony on May 31 at the site. John said the ceremony will start at 10:30 a.m. with a Washat religious rite followed by oral presentations on the tribal significance of the area by members of the Yakama Tribal and General Councils.

"Tribal members are invited to participate," John said. "Due to its location, arrangements to accommodate people and vehicles into the area are being investigated. The area will not be altered in any way, so that it will remain in its native state."

A number of tribal members have stepped forward to prepare the dinner scheduled to follow the ceremony and served at Camp Chaparral.

The Castile Falls and Camp Chaparral are about 70 miles west of Toppenish, with a driving time of about two hours through pristine forest on paved and gravel roads. Logging operations are going on, so those heading to the ceremony need to drive with extra caution, John said.

Utah Utes seek Colorado hunting

DENVER, Colo. (AP) - A Utah-based Indian tribe that was pushed out of Colorado more than a century ago wants to reclaim hunting rights on more than 1 million acres of western Colorado land.

The Northern Ute Tribe, based in Fort Duchesne, Utah, has sent letters to Colorado Attorney General Ken Salazar asking for hunting rights similar to those granted to the Ute Mountain Utes, a Colorado tribe.

The Northern Utes want are seeking permission to hunt on a portion of land signed over to the U.S. government by three Ute tribes under the Brunot Agreement. In that pact, the Utes gave up 3.4 million acres in southwestern Colorado in return for hunting

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Trail of Yakama treaty events

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throughout the day's festivities.

10:00 a.m. Treaty Day Parade begins and CHC 20th Reception.

12:00 Noon: Salmon Bake at Winter Lodge; Salmon prepared by Yakama Nation Fisheries Dept.

2:00 p.m.: Miss Yakama Nation Pageant and Fashion Show at CHC Theater. For more information call (509) 877-3847 or (509) 865-5121, Ext. 4632.

June 9: Yakama Nation Employee Golf Scramble, Suntides Golf Club in Yakima. Call (509) 865-2198, Ext. 779 or Ext. 786 or call (509) 865-4779.

June 9-11: Ancient Ceremonial Encampment Grounds, White Swan, call (509) 865-2800, Ext. 1 for more information. Grand Entry begins at 7:00 p.m. with Registration opening at 10:00 a.m. at Cultural Heritage Center. PA system provided. All teepees will be paid and poles provided. Food rations provided Saturday.

Specials: Thelma Johnson Cowapoo Memorial Contest, Women's 50 yrs. and Older Traditional; "Wild Rose" Drum Contest, 1st, \$2,000 and 12 Jack-ets; 2nd, \$1,000 and Jackets. On June 9, Tiny Tots Special, (Boys and Girls) Sponsored by Evelyn Um-tuch Family; on June 10 afternoon, "Tiny Tots Special" (Boys and Girls) Sponsored by Tracy and Erwin 'Bear' Scabbyrobe and Family; and Miss Yakama Nation "Women's Special."

June 9-11: All-Indian Men's Softball Tournament, Yakama Nation Sports Complex. Call (509) 865-5121, Ext. 4333 for more information.

June 9-11: 3rd Annual Men and Women Basket-ball Tournament in Toppenish. Call (509) 574-7765 for more information.

June 9-11: 2nd Annual Stars and Strikes All-Indian Bowling Tournament at Minda Lanes in Yakima. Call (509) 865-4778 for more information.

June 10: 7th Annual White Swan Community Parade starting at 10:00 a.m. Parade entries can be accepted at the Cougar Den. There will be many different categories.

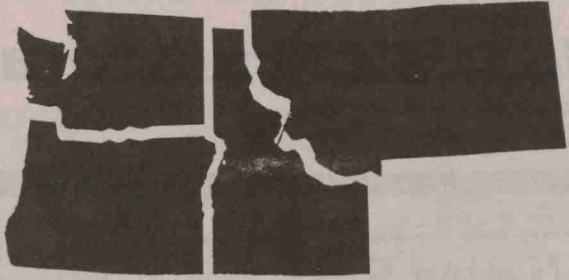
Also in conjunction with the Community Parade, a Bake Sale and Car Wash will be set up at the Cougar Den area sponsored by the local Boy Scouts organization; and White Swan Community Flea Market which will be set up along Main Street immediately following the parade. For more information call (509) 874-2090 or (509) 874-2153.

June 10-11: All-Indian Women's Softball Tournam-ent, Yakama Nation Sports Complex in Toppenish. Call (509) 865-2180, Ext. 5 or (509) 865-5121 Ext. 82-6677 for more information.

June 10-11: All-Indian Rodeo in White Swan. Call (509) 865-5121 or Rodeo Office at (509) 874-2220 for more information.

June 10-11: Treaty Day Open Golf Tournament with sponsors Yakama Nation Golf Association and Mt. Adams Golf Course in Toppenish. Contact (509) 865-4779 for more information.

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NPPC approves Nez Perce salmon hatchery

PORTLAND, Ore. - The Northwest Power Plan-ning Council (NPPC) on May 17 approved the final design of a salmon production facility that will be built and operated by the Nez Perce Tribe to raise juvenile salmon for release into the Clearwater River and its tributaries, where salmon runs have been declining for decades.

Funding for the \$16 million facility will come from the Bonneville Power Administration, which uses revenues from electricity ratepayers to mitigate the impact of hydropower dams on fish and wildlife of the Columbia River Basin.

NPPC Chairman Larry Cassidy said: "The Coun-cil, Bonneville, the Nez Perce Tribe and others have spent literally years carefully planning this important artificial production facility. I am pleased that we were able to agree on a plan to use it to rebuild natural production of salmon in a way that protects the genetic integrity of the remaining runs."

The Nez Perce hatchery is designed to produce 625,000 juvenile spring chinook, and 400 million juvenile fall chinook, and 400,000 early-run fall chinook salmon to supplement existing salmon populations and introduce fish in streams that currently do not have salmon.

The hatchery will consist of a number of facilities built at sites in the Clearwater Basin where the tribe historically fished for salmon and where habitat exists to support fish production. The complex will include a central incubation and rearing facility, an adult fish-holding facility and five acclimation-release facilities.

The NPPC initially approved the hatchery master plan in 1992 as part of its Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program, which is designed to protect, mitigate and enhance fish and wildlife affected by hydropower dams.

At that time, the Council noted there were con-cerns about generic risk assessment and asked Bon-neville and the tribe to resolve them. That same year the tribe completed a genetic risk assessment that analyzed the unique genetic origins of chinook populations in Clearwater River tributaries.

The assessment also identified genetic risks of the proposed supplementation program and offered recommendations for reducing the risks. The master plan incorporates recommendations by the NPPC's Independent Scientific Review Panel about the size of the facility and a plan for genetic monitoring.

The NPPC is an agency of the states of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington, and is charged

by the Northwest Power Act of 1990 with developing a program to protect, mitigate and enhance fish and wildlife of the Columbia River Basin that have been affected by hydropower dams while also assuring the Northwest an adequate, efficient, economical and reliable power supply.

The hatchery will be built in phases, with increas-ing fish production in each phase. But in order to move from one phase to the next, success indicates called "biological triggers" will have to be met.

This is consistent with another recommendation of the Independent Scientific Review Panel that sup-plementation be considered experimental and that its use not be expanded in the Columbia River Basin unless its success first is demonstrated.

Bingham County opposes Fort Hall border deal

BLACKFOOT, Ida. (AP) - The Shoshone-Ban-nock Tribes want to reintroduce native cutthroat trout to the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

Bingham County officials argue the tribes' proposed fish hatchery would swallow up tax money and bring Indian land too close for comfort.

Tribal fisheries official Lionel Boyer hopes to use 20 federal acres near Springfield for a hatchery to release native cutthroat and redband trout back into reservation waters. McTucker Creek is on the land, making it perfect for that purpose, he said.

But Bingham County officials said it would take away from potential tax money and would allow the reservation to extend its border across the Snake River.

County Commissioner Kay Gneiting does not like the idea of reservation land encroaching on county ground.

The county would not be able to enforce county zoning laws on it nor would it collect taxes once the tribes take over, he said. The county has not been able to receive taxes from the land since the government bought it in 1998.

"I don't think the federal government should own it either. It's not in the best interest of private owners," he said.

The county received less than \$300 in taxes on the land per year before the government took over, coun-ty Prosecutor Carter Mackley said.

The tribes are getting the parcel as a Bureau of Indian Affairs trust from the Interior Department. The Bonneville Power Administration bought it from Boise's North Fork Energy Co.

The hatchery would not be like the larger state-run operations because the tribes want to develop a small facility that ties in with the stream and surrounding environment.

"It will be a complement to the county," Boyer said.

It is the first phase of endeavors by the tribes to obtain county land near the reservation or buy back Indian lands sold off years ago, he said.

Mackley last week notified the federal bureau the county opposes the deal. The county should have been involved because of the potential tax loss, the lack of environmental studies and how it would affect recreation on nearby McTucker Island, he said.

The land deal will not be complete until the tribes receive final government approval.

fur trappers as well as Cowlitz and non-Cowlitz women who were only loosely associated with the historical Upper and Lower Cowlitz tribes.

The Quinault also argue that Gover's findings are tainted, claiming a government anthropologist was biased in favor of the Cowlitz's petition for recogni-tion.

Cowlitz representatives say the appeal is a politi-cally motivated attempt by the Quinault to block Cowlitz claims to lands on the Quinault's richly tim-bered 200,000-plus-acre coastal reservation in Western Washington.

Cowlitz attorney Dennis Whittlesey told the Portland Oregonian the Quinault recently offered to drop its opposition if the Cowlitz would give up its interests and rights in the Quinault reservation.

"It's right down the line a political matter," said Stephen Dow Beckham, a Lewis and Clark College historian who has helped the Cowlitz in their petition. "They are attempting to use historical and anthropological information to win their political argu-ment."

Hanford waste shipments beginning in mid-June

RICHLAND - Hanford's first shipment of tran-suranic wastes to a New Mexico storage site will likely head out in mid-June, the official in charge of the effort told the Tri-City Herald on May 16.

The schedule depends on New Mexico approving a permit for Hanford to ship the radioactive wastes to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, said Mark French, the Department of Energy's transuranic wastes pro-gram manager.

That shipment, whenever it occurs, will be the first radioactive waste to be permanently removed from Hanford.

"Everyone I know is very excited about getting the first shipment on its way," French said at a public briefing on May 16 in Richland on Hanford sending wastes to WIPP.

Transuranic wastes include contaminated clothes, tools, paint cans, buckets, wires, and sliced-up equip-ment - all stored in 55-gallon barrels in west central Hanford.

The "transuranic" radioactive substances in these items have a higher atomic weight than uranium - such as plutonium - which means the radioactivity takes longer to decay than low-level radioactive was-tes.

DOE's master plan is to truck these wastes to WIPP, which is a huge manmade half-mile-deep cavern near Carlsbad, New Mex.

The WIPP is expected to eventually hold 1.2 mil-lion cubic feet of wastes from 10 DOE sites, collect-ing the barrels over 30 to 35 years.

Right now, the site is receiving two to three ship-ments a week from Rocky Flats. Eventually, it will receive 17 shipments a week from the 10 former weapons production facilities around the nation.

Hanford is expected to ship 80,000 barrels in about 2,500 truckloads to WIPP through 2032.

Hanford will start with sending about one truck a month carrying up to 42 barrels to WIPP, French said.

The route from Hanford to WIPP will be com-pletely on interstate highways going from Richland to Umatilla to Ontario on the Oregon-Idaho border and beyond.

DOE is supposed to give the states along the route 14 days advance notice of the first truckload. After that, DOE is to provide an updated shipping schedule each week.

Tribal data added to state website

BY RICHARD LA COURSE
Yakama Nation Review

TOPPENISH - Beginning in May, Washington state's "Access Washington" has added significant new information on websites for 10 tribes, a tabula-tion of 13 Stevens treaties in Washington, Idaho and Montana, and a listing of 11 Executive Orders which created other reservations, and the Hood Canal Coordinating Council.

Access Washington is Website: [http://ac-cess.wa.gov/](http://access.wa.gov/). Once there, click on "Government," then "Tribal," for websites created by the tribes themselves.

• These individual tribal websites are:

Chehalis - Today we live on a reservation between the Black and Chehalis rivers near Oakville. We operate tribal programs, a convenience store, a health clinic, a housing authority, and the Chehalis Tribal Bingo. Our major focus, however, is maintaining a salmon fisheries program.

Website: <http://cahe.wsu.edu/~chehalis/>

Colville - We are proud to say that we are one of 26 American Indian Tribes located in the State of Washington. With over 8,000 members in our tribal society, we are the second largest tribe in the Northwest. Today, our homeland, the Colville Indian Reser-vation, covers 1.4 million acres located in North Central Washington.

Website: <http://www.colville-tribal.com/>

Elwha Klallam Tribe - This website contains information on fisheries and river restoration activities.

Website: <http://elwha.org>

Makah Nation - Whaling and links to many other activities are featured.

Website: <http://www.makah.com/>

Quinault - Headquartered in beautiful Taholah, Washington.

Website: <http://ghrpc/quinpage.htm>

Sauk-Suiattle Tribe - This site features an excerpt from Chief Seattle's speech addressed to Governor Stevens in 1854.

Website: <http://www.sauk-suiattle.com/>

Skokomish Tribe - The Skokomish People work to save their River and their Land.

Website: <http://www.nwifc.wa.gov/tribes/skok/index.html>

Spokane Tribe - The official page of the Spokane Indian Tribe. This page has been built to allow others to share and learn from the Spokane as a people.

Website: <http://www.spokanetribe.com/main.htm>

Suquamish Tribe - The Port Madison Indian Reservation is located on the Kitsap Peninsula in Washington State. Situated on the waterfront across the Puget Sound from Seattle, the reserva-tion is home to the Suquamish people, a fishing tribe whose leader was Chief Seattle, after whom the city took its name.

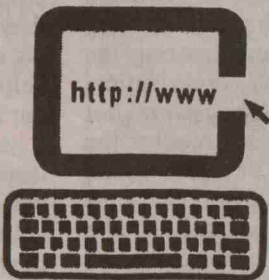
Website: <http://www.suquamish.nsn.us/home.htm>

Tulalip Tribes - Located in Marysville, Washington.

Website: <http://www.tulaliptribes.com/>

• **Indian Treaties** - click on the desired treaty:

Treaty of Medicine Creek, Dec. 26, 1854; Nisqually, Puyallup, Steilacoom, Squaxin.



Treaty of Point Elliott, Jan. 22, 1855: Duwamish, Suquamish, Sammamish, Snoqualmie, Stillaguamish, Snohomish, Skagit, Swinomish, Skykomish, Lummi, Nooksack, Tulalip, Sauk-Suiat-tle.

Treaty of Point No Point, Jan. 26, 1855: Klallam, Skokomish, Twanoh, Chimacum.

Treaty of Neah Bay, Jan. 31, 1855: Makah, Ozette.

Walla Walla Treaty of Camp Stevens, June 9, 1855: Walla Walla, Cayuse, Umatilla.

Yakama Treaty of Camp Stevens, June 9, 1855: Yakama, Palouse, Wenatchee, Klickitat.

Nez Perce Treaty of Camp Stevens, June 11, 1855: Nez Perce.

Treaty of Hell Gate, July 16, 1855: Flathead, Pend Oreille, Kootenai.

Blackfeet Treaty of Fort Benton, Oct. 17, 1855: Blackfeet, Piegan, Blood, Gros Ventres with Flathead, Pend Oreille, Kootenai, and Nez Perce as 3rd parties.

Quinault Treaty, Jan. 25, 1856: Quinault, Quillayute.

Treaty of Lapwai, June 9, 1863: Nez Perce (2nd treaty).

Third Nez Perce Treaty, Aug. 13, 1868: Nez Perce.

Treaty with Chief Moses, July 7, 1883: Moses, Columbia.

• **Executive Orders establishing other reserva-tions:**

Puyallup and Nisqually Reservations, 1857.

Port Madison Reservation, 1864.

Coeur D'Alene and Port Hall Reservations, 1870.

Columbia Reservation, 1872.

Wallowa Reservation, 1873.

Puyallup Reservation, 1873.

Columbia Reservation, 1873.

Moses Reservation, 1879.

Spokane Reservation, 1881.

Moses Reservation, 1885.

Nez Perce Reservation, 1895.

• **Hood Canal Coordinating Council** - A Council of Governments consisting of: Jefferson, Kitsap and Mason Counties; Port Gamble S'Klallam and Skokomish Tribes; State and Federal Agencies.

Website: <http://www.hccc.cog.wa.us/>

This data was established by US GenWeb Ar-chives under Washington Archives Manager Kevin Fraley.

WASHINGTON

Reconsider Cowlitz status, Quinault appeals to board

WASHINGTON - The Quinault Nation May 17 asked a federal appeals panel to reconsider the government's decision to recognize the Cowlitz Tribe of Longview, as a sovereign tribal nation.

The appeal to the Interior Board of Indian Ap-peals delays implementation of a Feb. 14 decision by U.S. Assistant Interior Secretary Kevin Gover to extend to the Cowlitz tribe the rights and privileges shared by the 556 federally recognized tribes in the United States.

The recognition process has been closely watched by some Oregon tribes, including the Grand Ronde. That's because the Cowlitz, if recognized, would have the legal standing to build a casino potentially within an hour's drive of Portland and compete with Oregon tribal casinos. The Grand Ronde operate Oregon's largest tribal casino, Spirit Mountain.

The Cowlitz tribe has been seeking recognition for the past 25 years through the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Branch of Acknowledgment and Research. Three years ago, the bureau found in favor of the Cowlitz - a preliminary finding that the Quinault opposed. Then in February, the bureau made its final determination, again in favor of the Cowlitz.

But the Quinault, located in Western Washington and whose members include individuals from seven historic tribes, including the Cowlitz, on May 17 asked a three-member panel to review the evidence in the case.

An attorney for the Quinault argues in the 53-page appeal that a re-analysis of the evidence, among other things, would likely show the Upper and Lower Cowlitz bands ceased to exist as functioning tribal entities in the late 19th century.

The Quinault argue that the current Cowlitz derive from an organization formed early this century to press claims against the federal government, and that they descend from families of French Canadian

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Gore wants more study on breaching option

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - Prodded by both local Democrats and his Republican presidential rival, Vice President Al Gore dipped a toe into the debate over salmon preservation, saying he wants scientists and businessmen to study the effects of breaching Snake River dams.

"I feel it is irresponsible to make a decision or draw a conclusion without consulting all of the parties involved and without utilizing hard science," Gore told about 200 people May 12 at Portland Community College.

"I refuse to prejudge or play politics with this issue," he said. "We can develop a plan that can both protect the rivers and restore salmon runs. Extinction here is not an option."



The vice president had been urged by Democratic Gov. John Kitzhaber to speak up on the issue.

On May 11, Republican rival George W. Bush chimed in, telling KGW-TV in Portland: "My opponent ought to take a position on this important issue, and the fact that he will not may indicate what kind of president he will be."

Bush has pledged to block any attempt to breach the dams.

Other Republicans, such as Sen. Slade Gorton of Washington, had ridiculed Gore for saying South Carolina should take down the Confederate flag over its statehouse while saying salmon recovery should be left to the states.

The debate centers on whether to breach four dams across the Snake River to help save the region's famous but endangered salmon. Industry and labor officials say that would threaten businesses and jobs.

Oregon Sen. Gordon Smith, a Republican who opposes dam breaching, said Gore "ducked the tough call" by not declaring an opinion on the issue when Smith thinks the vice president has already made up his mind in favor of breaching the dams.

"I do think people need to take a position, particularly on an issue of such fundamental importance to the environmental and economic health of the Pacific Northwest," Smith said.

But Kitzhaber, who had criticized Gore last week for not addressing the issue, said he was pleased with the meeting he had with the vice president before his speech.

"It was a good conversation. It's clear it will be a high priority. He's open to looking at all the options," said Kitzhaber, the first major elected official to publicly advocate tearing down the dams. "He clearly has committed himself to restoring the ecosystem."

Gore also won praise from U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden.

"The vice president made it clear that he's not going to prejudge this issue," the Oregon Democrat said. "He made it clear he's not going to trash can the science. And number three, he said he's going to make sure all the stakeholders are at the table."

"I've had town meetings in every one of Oregon's 36 counties over the last few years and I can tell you those three principles are what the people of Oregon are looking for."

Gore's appearance at the community college, a few days before Oregon's May 16 presidential primary, focused on possible Social Security changes and the vice president's disagreements with Bush on the subject.

Environmentalists said they would seek an injunction on May 19 that could shut down farming on thousands of acres in Idaho, Washington state and Oregon - a move aimed at increasing pressure to remove four Snake River dams.

The environmentalists argue in an injunction request to be filed in Portland, Ore., that the Bureau of Reclamation is illegally diverting Snake and Columbia river water to farmers for irrigation. The water instead should be used to help threatened and endangered salmon, the green activists say.

They will ask U.S. District Judge Malcolm Marsh to halt the diversions.

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Willman: Citizens' stand-up committee

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It is with a deep faith in communication that I share these views with your readers. A new grassroots community action group has formed, and it is important to each member of our group that all Native Americans understand what our purpose is, and what it is not.

The action group is called the Citizens Stand-Up. Committee members meet each Tuesday night at the Toppenish Eagles at 7:00 p.m.

This group includes members of all cultures - Native American, Hispanic and Anglo. This group values all cultures and speaks respectfully of none. The Citizens Stand-Up Committee cherishes and encourages cultural diversity because that is the reality of our communities, and of the population living upon the Yakama Reservation. We see not one culture as more important or less important than another. We see not one person as more important or less important than another person.

The issues concerning the Citizens Stand-Up Committee are government-to-government issues that sometimes cause serious disagreements between the sovereign government and democratic government coexisting upon the Yakama Reservation. It's very reasonable to understand that two governments will at times disagree, and citizens of two governments may at times disagree.

Our members are strongly encouraged to do their own independent study and homework on issues causing concern in our communities. Thereafter, we seek group consensus to form our action plans. Two specific issues upon which citizens and our governments disagree are:

- A sovereign-operated electrical power that controls basic life service for non-sovereign members;
- A Tribal Alcohol Ban that regulates non-sovereign citizens, businesses and properties.

By the Treaty of Camp Stevens of June 9, 1855, the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation are a treaty-governed, dependent sovereign nation, with a reservation of approximately 1,377,034 acres. Within the nation's reservation boundaries are 9,988 taxable parcels owned by non-Indians who are not members of the sovereign government.

The residents on these parcels hold allegiance to a different government - the United States, State of Washington, Yakima County and three municipalities on the Yakama Nation.

Some 80 percent of the population of the Yakama Reservation reside on only 11 percent of Yakama Nation land. However, it is this 11 percent of land that contributes property and other taxes that support local schools, law enforcement, and many other needed public services available to all cultures and citizens.

So what are we "standing up" for? Why has a rapidly growing community action group formed? We are standing up for our freedom to think independently. We are standing up for the democracy we belong to that allows us to study and form our own thoughts and then speak them freely. We are standing up to not be governed by a sovereignty of which we are not members.

We mean no disrespect to the sovereign government. We simply understand and accept that we have no voice, and therefore no freedom, within such sovereignty, and we will not, therefore, be governed by it. We will not.

We will resist through the courts, we will resist in every conceivable effort to obey and belong to only one government, that of the United States - a democracy.

Nor do our senior citizens, on very low, fixed-incomes deserve to depend on a sovereign government to provide electrical service to their homes, dialysis machines and ventilators. Nor do our businesses or farms need the burden and cost of dual government-operated

utilities, having voice in only one.

Nor do any American citizens deserve to have their personal right to drink or not drink, to speak or not speak, to dance or not dance...or any personal choices, regulated away by a sovereignty in which there is no voice.

The disagreement concerns sovereignty overwhelming local democracy. Democracy does not overwhelm; in fact, it has significantly furthered the growth of sovereignties. Democracy is the hand that feeds and nurtures sovereignty. As sovereign government would diminish that hand, or its citizens locally or across the country, everybody loses.

Historically, had Americans lost the Revolutionary War, this continent would likely still be under British Rule, without a single Native American reservation or government in existence. Historically, in 1855, the Treaty of Camp Stevens 1855, forced or not, provided land, schools, blacksmiths, businesses, health resources and money for each Native American.

In this same year of 1855, Americans were still buying and selling Blacks as slaves. Their children did not even have boarding schools with real education and real food. Their children were not

allowed to be educated at all. It took 10 more years, 1865, to end slavery, and nearly a hundred more years to enact the Civil Rights Act, offering a ray of hope for equality for all Americans.

In the same year of 1855, American women were considered property in most states, and were not allowed to own property. In this same year of 1855, only white male property owners could vote, even in our democracy. It took nearly another 70 years for women to be able to vote. We've all come a very long way. We all have much farther to go.

One last comment on a different note: The beginning of recovery from alcohol addiction is the drinking person's recognition of personal accountability.

To be free of responsibility for addiction - "The taverns cause me to drink," "the liquor stores cause me to drink" - is the very worst possible approach to reduce the number of addicted drinkers on the reservation. Yakama Nation has the resources to have an in-place treatment facility that would make Sundown M Ranch, pale in comparison. Yakama Nation has treaty language that, if enforced, would immediately reduce the number of addicted-drinking enrolled members.

Alcoholism is a self-inflicted beast, that can only be tamed with self-imposed honesty and effort, supported by outstanding alcoholism recovery resources. Prohibition simply avoids individual accountability.

The Year 2000 is a great year for sovereign governments to honor the democracy from which they derive. It is a very good year too for sovereign governments to take good care of its enrolled members and be good partners, respectful of sovereign jurisdiction and the freedoms and jurisdictions of non-sovereign neighbors.

The Citizens Stand-Up Committee is dedicated to preserving local democracy and local freedoms. We stand up and speak up, and welcome others to do likewise. We mean no disrespect to the sovereign government. We will, however, do all that we must to preserve our freedom from sovereign governance.

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Treaty anchored in Yakama culture

REVIEW:

Believe it or not, it is about our cultural ways. How much are you willing to give up? I would like to put in my two cents to ask or clarify our Yakama traditional ways of Life.

Being away for awhile from our reservation, I still receive the Yakama Nation Review and the article concerning "ardent spirits" is the topic of our people.

First of all, it is plain and clear, when non-Indian people - whether they are traveling through our reservation, or if they have made up their minds to bring their families or their businesses to Yakama Reservation - the sign clearly states, you are now entering the boundaries of the Yakama Nation, Treaty of 1855. They were not forced or persuaded to enter the boundaries of the Yakama Nation. They made up their own decisions to live on our reservation. Just like any other town, city, county, or state, we have laws of the Yakama Nation.

In the year 1855, Governor Isaac Stevens of Washington Territory made a Treaty with our 14 Yakama Chiefs, the Treaty of 1855. In the year 2000, Gov. Gary Locke of Washington state, today, is he trying to break our treaty rights? Say this is not so.

Our Yakama Chiefs who signed their name must have thought about the generations yet to come. To the Yakama tribal members, our 14 Treaty Signers of the Yakama Nation must have put this clause down on paper about ardent spirits not allowed on our reservation.

They all must have agreed on what effects, the damage ardent spirits would, do to their people, their generations, and to those Yakamas yet unborn.

Now, today we are facing many difficult problems with alcohol, drugs, ardent spirits. As Yakama tribal members, we are, in one way or another been through tragedy with a family member or a loved one that has passed on due to ardent spirits. Many of our Yakama people, their lives cut short, have not lived a full life. We keep them in loving memory.

Our Yakama Nation A.A. (Alcohol Anonymous) counselors, they deserve all the blessings and a big thank you for their devotion to helping our people, our families, our nation.

And to our present day council leaders, God our Creator will be with you, I'm sure many of our churches and longhouses, their prayers are with you daily. No matter who comes up against you, I pray that you stand firm, to protect our 14 chiefs' signatures on the Yakama Treaty of 1855. For many, many years, this clause of ardent spirits was either overlooked or was never brought out for interpretation. It is not too late to abide by our treaty rights, uphold our 14 Chiefs' names and respect our present day council leaders are doing the right thing.

Maybe you might not notice the appreciation, but there are Yakama tribal members that will thank you council leaders for what you are standing up for and that's our treaty rights.

Here's what we are facing up against in our daily lives. You see it wherever you go. In many stores today, fast food stores, gas stations, there are lots of beer products on sale in big bold letters clear across all the windows. Bright neon signs of ardent spirits, beer products of every name on the face of this world. It is as though it's their number one priority to sell as much as they can to the customer.

This part is protected by the Constitution of the United States of America - Freedom of Speech. Talk about false advertisements. Take a good long look at what your children are watching on your television sets: ardent spirits, beer commercials on the hour, morning, day and night.

Catching the eye of younger generation, they see beautiful young women, handsome young men holding a beer product, smiling, laughing, having the time of their lives, as though there is no tomorrow. But in reality, we all know that it's not like that. Don't be fooled, it's uncool. Drinking ardent spirits does not make you look more beautiful or more handsome, nor does it make you more vibrant, happy or make you look happy.

Big beer corporations, there just like these cigarette companies. It's the dollar signs in their eyes. They don't care who you are, what race or color you are, it doesn't matter how much you consume of ardent spirits. It doesn't matter if you're rich or poor, and through advertisement, television, billboards, newspapers, stores, they are definitely reaching our younger generation.

These giant beer corporations, they can put any name, design or label on the product as long as it is patented or has a seal of approval. They may be protected by the Constitution by way of freedom of speech.

But we as Yakamas also have our own constitution. We call it our Treaty Rights of 1855. We are protected by all the rights of our treaty. Look this up in your nearest dictionary. The word "corporation" means Pot Belly. Beer plus Corporation equals Pot Belly. Do you have a corporation?

Coming back to the present day, Gov. Locke of Washington state and Washington Attorney General Christine Gregoire, it is my understanding that it is clear, they have educational background on governmental laws, both Washington state laws and United States law? If so, then it should be clear that they also have knowledge

A stranger in our land

REVIEW:

There is a stranger in our land who proclaims to be the savior of the Yakama Nation. A man who writes words to incite discord between neighbor's and friends. A man who was not raised here or worked here for a very long period of time, an outside agitator who thinks he can tell us what is right and wrong on our reservation.

Long Standing Bear Chief does not speak for all Yakamas. The Tribal Council will not pay attention to the unrest this man creates because it is a diversion from the real problem that faces all residents on the reservation.

The ban of alcohol is not about who drinks and who does not drink. As a wife, mother and 'chief shopper' of my family, I know what this ban of alcohol means. I will have to drive further to save a buck,

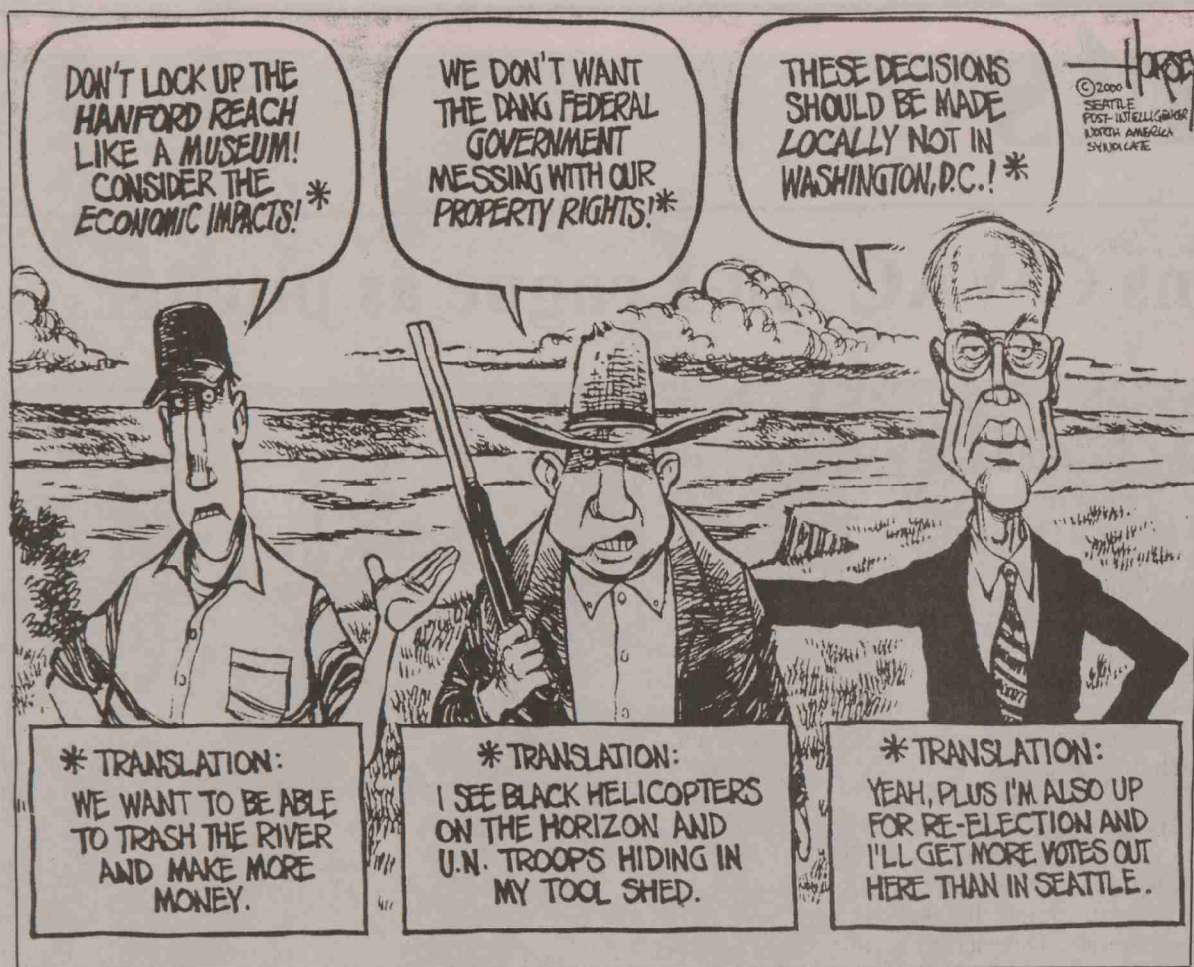
not on a six-pack or a half-rack, I am talking about bread, milk and eggs.

As a young single parent, I had to walk to Safeway to get my groceries because I did not own a car. What will happen to the families who do not have a good running rig or own a car, or our elders who have limited income? Where will they shop when the stores close?

When the ban of alcohol goes into effect, it won't be just bars that close.

This is also about the tribe paying someone to defend its actions. How much will this cost and how many years will it take? Where are the funds coming from to pay for litigation? How many jobs will this create?

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Clinton should act on Reach

SEATTLE - The Seattle Post-Intelligencer last May 15 editorialized on the future of the Hanford Reach:

President Clinton should bite the bullet and designate the Hanford Reach a national monument before he leaves office.

It's the right thing to do. With all the taxpayer money being spent on salmon protection, it makes no sense to invite degradation of the most healthy and productive wild salmon habitat left on the Columbia River.

Local county commissioners, agribusiness interests and irrigation districts have opposed federal

protection for the reach, and years of effort to get legislation to protect it have failed in Congress.

There's not much left of the dammed Columbia that qualifies for protection under the U.S. Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Miraculously, this 51-mile stretch does. Being free of dams, it's where the last healthy wild chinook run on the river comes home to spawn.

The adjoining White Bluffs ought to be part of the designation. Development or agriculture would pose an unacceptable runoff and erosion risk to the salmon nursery below.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt will visit the reach. His message to Clinton should be to resolve this impasse by presidential edict.

OUT OF OUR MAILBAG:

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of the laws between the Yakama Nation and Washington state, and also other Indian tribes of Washington state.

The Yakama Treaty of 1855 is a written agreement signed by our Yakama Chiefs and the United States Government with Washington [Territory].

Gov. Locke and Attorney State General C. Gregoire both have knowledge of this written agreement of the Treaty of 1855.

The Treaty of 1855 of the Yakama Tribe is a written document and the records of our Yakama Treaty are in Olympia, the capital of Washington state.

Now, so many years have gone by and the Washington State Liquor Control Board have continuously agreed, approved and signed for state-owned, contracted agencies, and private retail stores to bring wholesale distribution and retail sales of hard liquor, wines and malt beverages onto the Reservation of the Yakama Nation.

Are they - the Governor, Attorney General, and Washington State Liquor Control Board - breaking trust laws of the Yakamas Treaty of 1855 by knowingly allowing ardent spirits of any kind onto the interior boundaries of the Yakama Reservation?

We Yakamas have our Treaty and our treaty rights. Is it Washington state or the U.S. government or both the caretakers? And are they or are they not obligated to protect our Yakama treaty rights?

We, as Yakamas do have a voice in our Yakama politics and also in Washington state politics. I've witnessed our Yakama Nation Youth Council and our former Council Leader Ray Olney testify in front of the Washington State Liquor Control Board. We had about eight to 10 Yakama youth and our Y.N. Youth Council Chairman Russell McCloud speak on behalf of our young people. The subject at the time was Crazy Horse Malt Liquor.

Our Yakama Nation Youth Council and its members made a big impact and their voice was heard. The Washington State Liquor Control Board denied the distribution and sales of Crazy Horse Malt Liquor into the state of Washington. Our Yakama youth achieved a big victory.

And today, there are many young people, the Yakama youth, that do not want drugs, alcohol, or ardent spirits on our Yakama Reservation.

I know this for a fact. It is against the law for underage children, 20 years and under to drink alcohol. I

write to my own children and tell them the same. It's a Washington state law. Keep telling this to your children.

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Since cradle: Poor attitude of parents shows in kids

REVIEW:

Our people used to have a "Whip Man" who went from village to village to whip the kids who were getting out of line and acting rowdy. When the Whip Man came into a village and found only a few kids who were getting out of line, he knew that the parents, Elders and leaders were setting a pretty good example. But as time went on, he found that more and more kids were lined up - and most were repeat offenders. This told the Whip Man that the parents, Elders and leaders were starting to show the signs of a deteriorating attitude.

It wasn't the kids who were dictating the attitudes of their Elders. The poor attitude of the people always shows up in the kids.

Every person has their basic personality and character programmed into them before they are six years old. They begin to learn how to act from the time they are in the cradleboard.

The people who are the loudest and do the most complaining about the kids must have kids that they can be proud of, since their own kids followed their parents' ex-

ample.

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Trust responsibility

REVIEW:

I am a little confused. The Native Americans in this country have been claiming that they are a sovereign nation and have the right to make their own laws and uphold their culture. These ideals have manifested themselves in tribal gaming - which goes a great deal toward providing much needed money to support their community. And as another example, the Yakama tribe is now outlawing the sale of alcohol on their reservation in an effort to counter the immense problems that they have had with alcohol and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. Finally the Makah tribe is once again being allowed to hunt whales in order to celebrate their culture.

I think that it is great that tribes are asserting their rights - after all, they were here before us and were treated very unfairly by the "invading" Europeans who claimed this country as theirs.

Why are my tax dollars going to pay for protecting an act I personally do not support? Why haven't the Makahs raised the money themselves to provide their own security force to protect their rights?

The tribe needs to stop asking "other nations" for help in enforcing their own laws and cultures.

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[EDITOR'S NOTE: The federal trust responsibility, which arises from U.S.-Indian Nation treaties, extends across the entirety of the federal government under law as trustee, including the U.S. Coast Guard.]

Of libel & slander

THE REVISED YAKAMA CODE adopted by the Yakama Tribal Council on Mar. 1, 1977 contains specific language spelling out the definitions of "libel" and "slander" on the Yakama Nation. These legal concepts touch directly upon what is proper to write - and to have printed - in the Yakama Nation Review. Following is the verbatim text of Section 10.01.99:

"ANY PERSON who shall with intent to harm the reputation of another willfully writes a person a falsehood about another, knowing the same to be untrue shall be guilty of the offense of LIBEL, any person who shall, with intent to harm the reputation of another person, willfully speaks a falsehood about another, knowing the same to be untrue, shall be guilty of an offense of SLANDER, and upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to confinement for a period of not more than ninety (90) days or to pay a fine of not more than \$300.00 and may be required to make public retraction of the written or spoken falsehood."

Cooperative clean up restores scenic route



HAULING OFF illegal dumped appliances along Pumphouse Road are crew members of the tribe's Roads, Transportation Dept., Salmon Corps and B.I.A. - [Photo by Ronnie Washines, Y.N. Review]

BY RONNIE WASHINES

Yakama Nation Review

TOPPENISH - Taking Spring Cleaning seriously and doing something about it was the forefront for the cleanup project, which took place May 16 on Pumphouse Road south of here.

In a cooperative effort, the Yakama Nation Transportation's Road Maintenance Program, Yakama Waste Management, the Yakama Nation Salmon Corps, Bureau of Indian Affairs' Roads Dept., and BIA. 638 Roads Maintenance picked up and hauled over 100 cubic yards of roadside debris.

"I would like to give recognition and thanks to everyone involved with the clean up project," said Gordon Thomas, an engineer with the tribe's transportation office.

"A total team effort was needed in order to accomplish the clean up of the ever-growing presence of refrigerators, stoves, dish washers, tires, sheds, animal carcasses and many more items being dumped along the roadway."

The cleanup was initiated because, under a BIA 638 contract, the Yakama Nation is responsible for the maintenance of several roads located on the reservation. This cleanup, started from Highway 97, ran for 11 miles.

Project coordinators said garbage dumping is a continuing problem on tribally-maintained roads and the cleanup costs were covered by the program and the tribe.

Thomas said he had a tremendous response from the people asked to help on the project, including the Salmon Corps supervised by Gina George. He also

said Mike Slack of Waste Management of Yakima and Ted Woodard of Waste Management of Wenatchee donated the use of the 30-yard dumpsters and the drivers who hauled the garbage to the Cheyenne Landfill near Zillah.

"A special thanks to Gordon 'Jenks' Smartlowit, BIA Roads and Stewart Estrada, 638 Roads Maintenance foreman for their efforts in overseeing and coordinating between all parties involved with the clean up project," Thomas said. "Lastly, a special thanks to Mr. Harris Teo Jr., for the financial support. This will allow us to complete the cleanup of the Pumphouse Road."

Thomas added their efforts to eliminate any future illegal garbage dumping includes posting No Littering signs, with reference to the Yakama Nation Revised Law and Order Code section on littering, and in which the Yakama Tribal Police can cite offenders for to the Yakama Tribal Court.

But the latest project coordinators hopes that people will not let it come to that. "People need to start taking pride to keep the roadways clear of garbage," Smartlowit said. "We should all be concerned with keeping our roadways clean."

The public can also help by reporting illegal dumping, by calling Thomas, Estrada or Raymond Jack at (509) 865-5121, ext. 4245 or (509) 874-8891.

In a related note, Smartlowit said that section of Pumphouse Road is scheduled to be used as a detour route when the Washington State Department of Transportation closes Hwy. 97 because of work in the bridge crossing at Toppenish Creek sometime this summer.

House moves to block Babbitt

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funded under the bill from spending money to designate monuments under the 1906 Antiquities Act.

Both amendments were attached May 17 to a \$14.6 billion spending bill, one of 13 funding measures Congress passes each year to keep the government operating.

Rep. Norm Dicks, D-Wash., predicted the amendments - if they become law - would draw Presidential vetoes.

The interior subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee - which has Dicks and Nethercutt as members - approved the bill Wednesday and sent it to the full committee, which is expected to take up the measure May 24.

The Columbia Basin plan, the largest federal land-use plan ever proposed, covers 63 million acres of Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management land in Eastern Washington, eastern Oregon, Idaho and western Montana.

The 3-inch-thick document - six years in the making before it was released in draft form last month - would automatically amend 62 local land-use plans if it gains final approval by the end of the year.

But Nethercutt said plan authors should first conduct an analysis required under the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. If they don't, the plan could be attacked in the courts and ruled invalid, he said.

Susan Giannettino, the project manager, said she did not know how long the plan would be delayed if federal officials are forced to comply with the act.

She said the project should not have to comply with the act because federal officials are amending land-use plans, not writing a new federal rule.

But Nethercutt said lawyers for the General Accounting Office - Congress' investigative arm - wrote in 1997 that a national forest and resource management plan is considered a "rule" under the act.

Republicans have unsuccessfully tried before to derail the basin plan, which industry groups say will

restrict their access to federal lands.

Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., said early this month that the plan should be delayed so that the next president - Republican Gov. Bush of Texas or Democratic Vice President Al Gore - could decide whether to implement it.

But Dicks said not completing the basin plan would be a waste of time and money. The plan has cost \$47 million so far.

Dicks also said not completing the plan could lead to lawsuits from environmental groups, which could result in no logging rather than reduced harvest levels.

Utah Utes seek Colorado hunting

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rights there "for so long as the game lasts and Indians are at peace with white people." The area is within parts of eight counties, marked roughly by a rectangle formed by Naturita, Lake City, Pagosa Springs and Cortez.

But Colorado officials disagree with the Northern Utes' claim.

Ken Lane, of the Colorado attorney general's office, said the historical agreement was broken in 1879 when Utes killed settlers during the Meeker massacre.

The Ute Mountain Utes, headquartered at Towaoc in southwestern Colorado, sued the state in 1978 for their historical hunting rights. The state granted the tribe those rights under a consent decree, avoiding what would have been a lengthy and costly trial.

The Southern Ute Tribe, based in Ignacio, had previously ceded its Brunot hunting rights to the state in return for the state's agreement not to enforce hunting regulations on the boundaries of inholdings within the tribe's checkerboard reservation lands.

Northern Ute attorney Rob Thompson would not say if the Utah tribe planned to follow the example of the Ute Mountain Utes and sue for its rights.

Babbitt floats Hanford Reach

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manent protection of the best fall chinook spawning grounds on the Columbia River.

Babbitt stopped short of saying he would recommend national monument status under the Antiquities Act of 1906, but the river and the surrounding lands clearly intrigued him.

"It's really an unimaginable vignette of what this whole country must have been like at one time," he said.

Babbitt's Hanford stop was his latest in a string of visits to potential national monument sites across the West, many of which Clinton is expected to designate by the end of his term.

The reach is the last free-flowing stretch of the Columbia River in the United States.

The area has been protected from development for decades by the U.S. Department of Energy, because it is adjacent to the Hanford nuclear reservation, a former nuclear weapons materials production site.

Deciding the future of the area has spawned a battle between those who want to preserve the reach as a wild area, and local officials who want to develop the area. Two Washington state Republicans have urged Babbitt to consult local officials on the fate of the pristine stretch of water.

• Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., told Babbitt in a letter May 15 that local officials want to settle the fate of the reach without the decision "being forced upon them" from Washington, D.C.

• U.S. Rep. Doc Hastings, R-Wash., also wrote Babbitt, asking him to meet with affected county officials.

• Murray has introduced legislation to protect the reach under the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

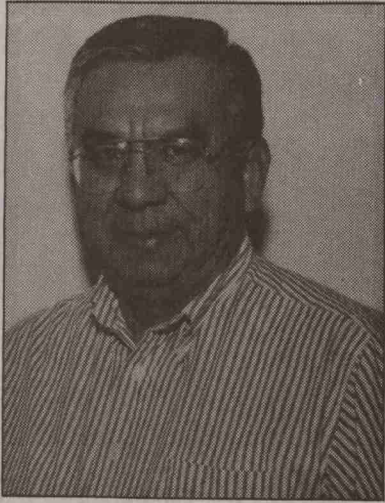
Gorton and Hastings have opposed federal protection, saying that state and local governments could protect the reach and its salmon spawning beds.

Sports

SPORTS WITH LEHIGH JOHN

Rodeo needs to rebuild, success depends on people

The re-organized Yakama Indian Rodeo Association in White Swan begins the new millennium with their 43rd Annual Yakama Nation Treaty Days All-Indian Rodeo June 10 and 11. They are multi-sanctioned through the Western States Indian Rodeo Association. Through the years, this annual event built a very good rodeo reputation to many Northwest fans. However, the consensus of many of their annual followers was that this rodeo began to lose its popularity. They even lost their sanctions.



The Yakama Nation Basketball Association which is just a few years older than this local Association experienced similar problems. It almost always happens in most organizations that some individual or sometimes more than one individual think they can do a better job of running their event than the people that have been involved in it for many years. Usually what happens is an overthrow of these long time association members. If they are successful in a change of officers, then it becomes the responsibility of these new people to continue with the tradition. Oftentimes, these new group of people recognize that it is not as simple as it appears to sponsor an event. After a few years of effort, they simply step out of the picture because they lose interest or they find its more work than its worth. Then, efforts to rebuild this same event start all over again. Again, oftentimes with a depleted association treasury account.

I believe some of the powwow groups have experienced same such problems. Besides these powwows, the All-Indian rodeo and basketball tournament are probably the largest Indian spectator attended events on the Reservation. These events do not occur on their own. Behind the scenes are countless volunteers that attend weekly meetings to plan their annual event. Their only reward is to be part of a group that provides quality entertainment to their Tribe. Without such volunteers, these events would not gain the national stature that these have achieved through the years.

If you're into rodeos, you understand that a good rodeo is judged on how fast the contestants and each rodeo event is presented. If its slow between contestants and events, people lose interest. If you've gone to the Ellensburg Rodeo, Pendleton Round-up and even the Toppenish Powwow and Rodeo, their rodeo events (most of the time) all flow smoothly with little to no waiting. This is what most local rodeos strive for.

Also, good rodeo stock attracts good cowboys. Large purses attract good cowboys. Fair rodeo judging and quick rodeo payoffs to the winners also attract talented contestants. In other words, talented cowboys, good stock, large purses and good rodeo judges all add up to an outstanding rodeo. This is the goal of the new Treaty Days Rodeo Association. As long as they can stabilize the association into a viable working group with all the same goals, this rodeo will rebuild itself into its former reputation.

They have new sponsors, namely Legends Casino and Wheeler Logging, that have agreed to assist the Association. There will not be a Friday night performance this year. Friday afternoon beginning at 12:00 Noon will be devoted to slack with no admission charge. They did have problems with their lighting system, but this has been fixed. They still decided to have the slack during the afternoon.

Special events for the rodeo are Century team roping (age must equal 100 years of age; I.D. required), Wild cow milking, wild horse race; squaw race; pony express race; and Saturday only, Kids Pony Race. All special events are All-Indian and must be from a recognized Tribe. Rodeo announcer this year is Jake Grossmiller

Returning this year are the Eagle Seelatsee family to sponsor a buckle for the enrolled Yakama that wins the most money in the rodeo. Eagle was a prominent Yakama elder who served many years on the Tribal Council. He was always involved with this Rodeo and led the grand entry dressed in his Indian regalia for many years. It was an awesome entry opening the rodeo.

The new Treaty Day Rodeo Queen this year is 17-year old Jamie Lynn Gunnier, daughter of Ed and Debbie Gunnier. She is a junior at Wapato High School. Her first princess is Jeanette Esther Wyman, daughter of Charles and Sandy Wyman. She is a graduate of White Swan High School.

General admission to the rodeo is: Adults, \$7.00; Seniors, \$5.00 and Youth, \$4.00. If all goes as planned, this new millennium association is on the road to its former reputation of having one of the best All-Indian Rodeos in the area.



Eagle Seelatsee leading the White Swan Rodeo Grand Entry in pre-grandstand days. -[A Seelatsee Family Album Photograph]

Beavert earns CWAC All-League as pitcher

BY RONNIE WASHINES
Yakama Nation Review

WAPATO - A Wapato High School senior has led the Wolves' varsity team to the state 2A fastpitch tournament this coming Memorial Day weekend.

Tia S. Beavert, 18, is the leading pitcher for Wapato and the team defeated Omak, 7-0, last May 20 in Othello for a state berth. Beavert earned Central Washington Athletic Conference South All-League Second Team honors.

Beavert is a 4-year Wapato varsity fastpitch player, earning the team's Most Valuable Player award, named to the Mid-Valley South Second Team, named to the CWAC Team for four years, an Athlete-of-the-Week, and two years Best Defense and Best Offense, all at either an infield or outfield position.

"I played fastpitch softball since I was small or young with many players that I still play with like Leslie Tithin," Beavert said. "We've played together for many years."

The Yakama tribal member has also been a member of the W.H.S. National Honor Society for three years; the Letterman's Club for four years and its current president; the Mathematics, Engineering & Science Achievement Club; the Spanish Club; the Native American Student Association Sergeant-At-Arms; a Student-of-the-Month, a Business & Marketing Student-of-the-Month; the Central Washington Alumni Association High School Honor Scholar; and in Who's Who Among High School Students.

An Honor Roll student, Beavert carries a cumulative grade point average of 3.77 and earned perfect attendance awards. She has also earned departmental awards at Wa-



SPECIAL 'K' DELIVERY from Wapato High School pitcher, Tia S. Beavert (12) in an early season game against Sunnyside. She received defensive support from Wolves' players Leslie Tithin (10) at first base and Savannah Strom at third base. - [Photo courtesy of Charlie Beavert]

pato High in physical education, biology, advanced math, English, Spanish, Student Athlete & Scholar, Academic Excellence, and the Physical Education Presidential Physical Fitness Award.

Earlier this week she was notified that she will be the recipient of the coveted Robert B. Jim Sr. Memorial Scholarship Award for graduating seniors.

"I plan on attending Yakima Valley Community College to play fastpitch and pursue my education," Beavert said.

The 5-foot-5 right-hander has also found time to volunteer as a Wapato Middle School assistant fastpitch coach.

"The most memorable time for me is coaching, because I was able to teach and coach," Beavert said.

She also volunteers for the Wapato Community Day, the National Honor Society Blood Drive. Beavert has worked summers for the Wapato City Hall as an office assistant and at the Camas Elementary School as a teacher's assistant for two summers.

She is the daughter of Charlie Beavert of Wapato.

Wapato fastpitch teammates who made the CWAC All-League team were Shavon Cordova, 1st Team' outfielder; Diane Gonzalez, 2nd Team infielder, and Erin Fulker, honorable mention.



TIA S. BEAVERT

Gunnier crowned 2000 Treaty Days Rodeo Queen

BY STELLA SPEEDIS
Special for the Yakama Nation Review

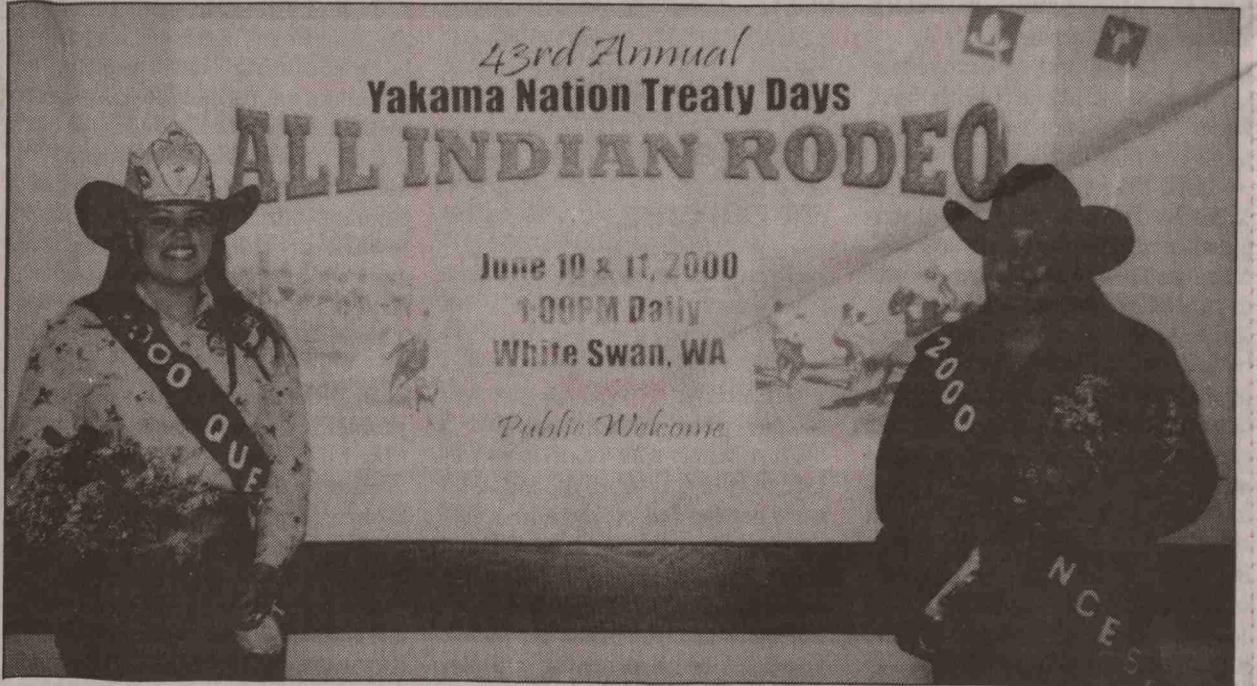
TOPPENISH - The 43rd Annual Treaty Day White Swan All-Indian Rodeo held its queen coronation Friday, May 19th at the Cultural Heritage Center's 14 Tribes Room in Toppenish.

The Yakama Indian Rodeo Association Committee crowned 17-year-old Jaime Gunnier, of Wapato, as the Year 2000 Rodeo Queen. Along with her court, Princess Jeanette Wyman, a 20-year-old of White Swan.

The girls contestants were judged on riding ability, poise, personality, public speaking, western attire, and ticket sales. Both girls put forth some great effort, so the rodeo will be well represented.

Miss Yakama Nation, Emily Washines and Miss Indian Washington, Kim Agiak graced the banquet with their presence, giving the girls support and encouragement.

The rodeo kicks off Treaty Day weekend with slack at noon Friday,



RIDING ROYAL, Queen Jaime Gunnier, left, and Princess Jeanette Wyman. - [Photo by Stella Speedis]

June 9. The rodeo performance begins Saturday, June 10 at 1 p.m.

The royalty will begin their reign at this time and will represent the Treaty Day Rodeo at various ro-

deos, powwows and parades throughout the western states.

Originally, there were three rodeo queen candidates, but due to a family emergency, Tonya Louann

Bennett had to return to her native Colville Reservation and was unable to make final competition and was withdrawn from the final competition.

Yakama tribal members get 'square' in 18th annual tournament

BY TED DONATO
Special to the Yakama Nation Review

TOPPENISH - The 18th Annual Kirkwood Four Square Tournament recently concluded here on the Kirkwood campus on May 24 with final rounds of the three grade-level tournaments.

The following third graders advanced to the 3rd grade finals from an original field of 43 players: Freddy Avila, Oscar Ramirez, Benito Garcia, Cintia Gil, Preciliano Martinez, Brian Orozco, Ernesto Cervantes, Alberto Diaz and Chalmers Day.

At the end of the final round of third grade play, Day finished in second place. Diaz came in third, Ramirez in second and Gil took first place honors.

The field of 60 fourth graders was reduced to the following finalists: Eric Pinon, Alberto Mendoza, Edgar Gil, Adan Martinez, Tanner Houle, Alileao Brito, Ryan Yazzie, Gustavo Garcia, Murry Eagle

Claw, Adrian Jimenez, Adrian Garcia, Brady Carl and David Osorio.

The top four place finishers were Brito in fourth, Pinon and Yazzie tied for third, Osorio in second and Garcia took first place in this year's fourth grade tourney.

Twelve 5th graders from a field of 48 advanced to the final day of play - Gustov Pinon, Nick Salinas, Armondo Castro, Laylin Espinoza, Daniel Ramirez, Adrian Hernandez, Elvis Camacho, Zach Mauch, Mario Diaz, Ermeth Jimenez, Ramiro Gonzalez and Fernando Casteneda.

The end of the final round resulted in Salinas finishing fourth, Ramirez third, Pinon second and tying for first place were Camacho, Mauch and Casteneda.

As all players making the final rounds received a ball, the final round simply determined the best player in a particular grade at that particular time. Hustle, a consistently good serve, and ball place-

ment determined the difference from merely being in the final and placing first through fourth.

Tournament coordinator, Ted Donato, would like to offer his

Women's softball tournament scheduled

TOPPENISH - The 13th Annual All-Indian Women's Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament has been scheduled for play here June 10-11 on the Yakama Nation Sports Complex.

The tournament bracket will be limited to twelve teams. The team entry fee is \$250. Awards include 1st-4th place, 15 all-stars, team sportsmanship and an MVP letterman's jacket.

For further information, contact Felicia Smiscon, (509) 865-5121, ext. 4751; (509) 848-2875, or Jamie Brisbois at (509) 865-5121, ext. 82-6677 or (509) 877-7947. Entries (check or money order) made payable to Brisbois can be

mailed to 173 Daisy Lane, Wapato, WA 98951.

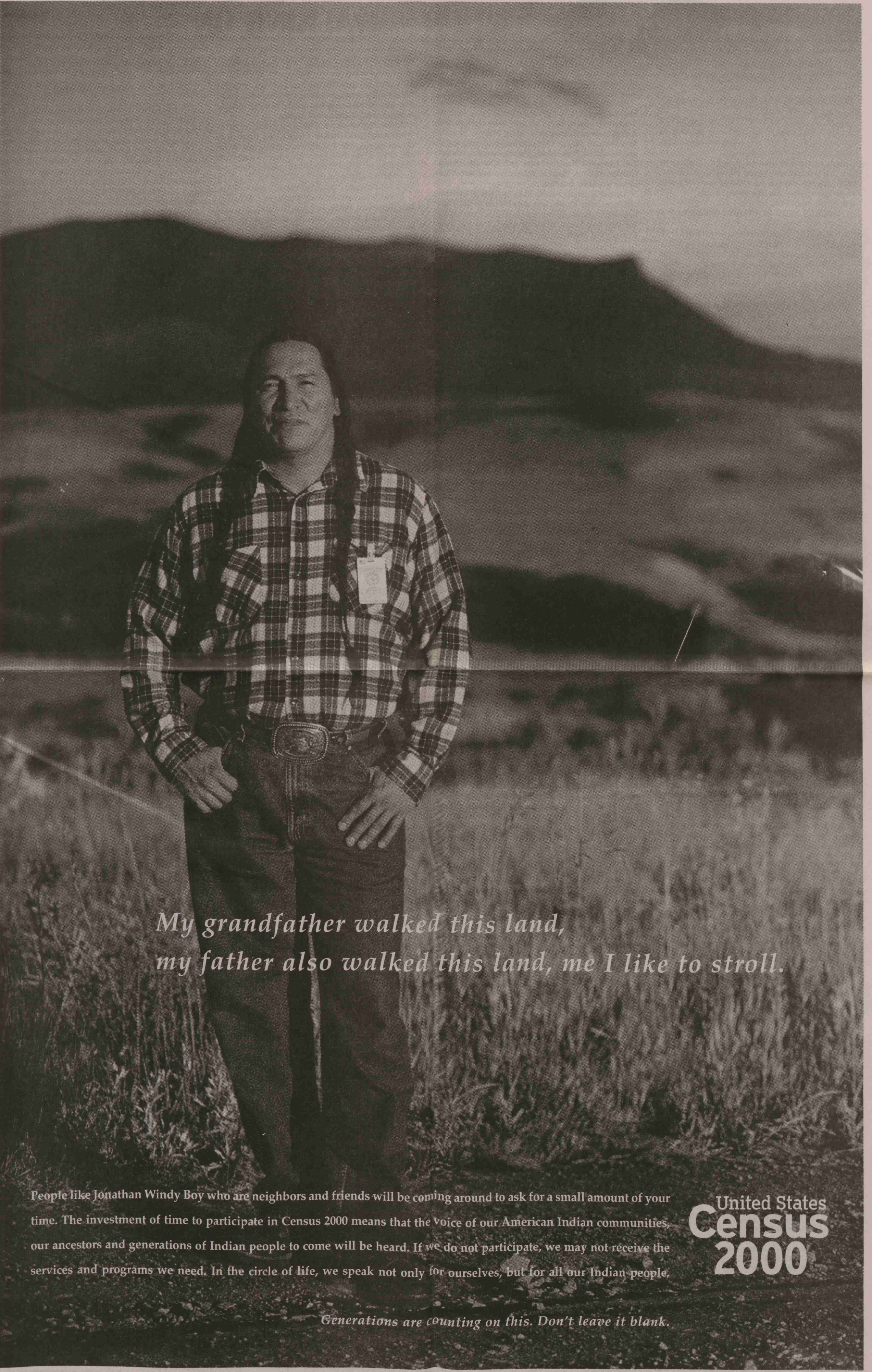
AAU tourneys scheduled

YAKIMA - The Yakima Valley Sports Authority and AAU will host the 2000 AAU/Pacific Northwest High School Basketball Championships.

Teams can play in both weekends - June 16-18 or June 30-July 2. Fee is \$150 and due two weeks before the event.

High schools play as teams, while 8th grade and lower need not come from the same school.

Phone (509) 453-2696 or e-mail to paul@ynv.com for information.



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my father also walked this land, me I like to stroll.*

People like Jonathan Windy Boy who are neighbors and friends will be coming around to ask for a small amount of your time. The investment of time to participate in Census 2000 means that the voice of our American Indian communities, our ancestors and generations of Indian people to come will be heard. If we do not participate, we may not receive the services and programs we need. In the circle of life, we speak not only for ourselves, but for all our Indian people.

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MARIE FARRON FERELL

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. - Marie Farron Ferrell, 83, died Aug. 15, 1999, in her home.

Marie was born Nov. 25, 1915, the daughter of Charles L. and Lena (Silas) Farron in the state of Washington. Mrs. Ferrell was a homemaker and enrolled member of Yakama Nation.

She is survived by one son, A.K. Ferrell of Lewisville, Tex. Her husband preceded her in death. Berardinelli Family Funeral Services of Santa Fe was entrusted with Mrs. Ferrell's arrangements.

ARLENE ROSE HOPTOWIT WILBUR

SPOKANE - Arlene Rose Hoptowit Wilbur, 90, went to her Lord on May 11, while surrounded by her children at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane.

In 1930, she married Claude Wilbur and together they raised 11 children. In 1959, they relocated with the family from Pasco to Anacortes. After Claude's passing in 1971, Arlene went to work for the Washington State Ferry System as a housekeeper, retiring when she was 70 years of age. Arlene resided in Anacortes and Toppenish. She was preceded in death by three of her children, Mary Margaret Wilbur, Norman August Wilbur, and Claudine Marie Wilbur Dye. She is survived by eight of her children, Mildred Hilliard, Olive Ruff, David Wilbur, Irene Hickman, Claude Wilbur 'J.R.', Arlene Gaeth, Teresa Martin, Ray Wilbur, 58 grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Rosary for Arlene was held at Merritt Funeral Home in Wapato on May 14. Mass for Arlene took place on May 15, at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, with burial immediately following at the West Wapato Cemetery.

FRED PAUL JOHANSEN

TOPPENISH - Fred Paul Johansen, 78, died May 12 in Toppenish.

Mr. Johansen was born to Fred and Annie Johansen in Toppenish on Aug. 13, 1921. Fred was a member of the Yakima Nation. He served his country as a member of the U.S. Navy during World War II. Fred was very athletic as a young man and loved to fish, hunt and spend time outdoors. His greatest love, however, was his family.

Mr. Johansen is survived by his son, Patrick Johansen of Walla Walla, a daughter-in-law, Charlene Johansen of Granger, a granddaughter, Tonya Johansen-Pena and husband Javier and four children of Prosser, a granddaughter, Shannon Johansen-Austin and husband Richard and two children of Riverton, Wyo., grandson, Paul Johansen and wife Charia and two children of Riverton, Wyo., grandson Jeremy Johansen of Forks, and granddaughter, Teresa Johansen of The Dalles, Ore., nephew, Walter Holmes and wife Dori and seven children of Status, niece Joann Ranes and children of Granger. Memorials may be made to The Children's Hospital of Seattle in care of Colonial Funeral Home.

ISABELLE MARLENE THOMAS

WAPATO - Isabelle Marlene Thomas, 50, of Wapato went to be with her Creator on May 21 at Yakima Providence Medical Center.

Isabelle was born Sept. 10, 1949, in Toppenish to Tommy and Helen (Yelechchin) Thomas. She was raised and educated on the Yakama Reservation. Isabelle was a member of the Yakama Nation and Washat Religion. She enjoyed salmon fishing, picking huckleberries, making people happy, tending to

her house, beadwork, sewing, going to yard sales, and most importantly taking care of her grandchildren.

Isabelle is survived by her son, Jayla 'Jimmy' Owens, daughter Sunflower Helen Suppah, both of Wapato; brothers, Leroy Hudson, Abe Hudson and Jonathan Whitefoot, sisters, Mary Nelson, Matilda Smiskin and Helen Queahpama, four wonderful grandchildren, Jewel Marie Owens, Joey Jorge Smiskin, Raymond Xavier Owens and Charisma Anna Gardee, an aunt, Virginia Yelechchin and numerous nieces nephews and cousins.

Dressing services were held in Merritt Funeral Home on May 22. She was then moved to the Toppenish Longhouse for overnight services. Concluding services and burial were on May 23 in the Pete Cemetery at Mabton.

ELEANOR JANE NEAMAN

ZILLAH - Eleanor Jane Neaman, 73, passed away on May 22 in Zillah.

She was born on Mar. 10, 1927, in Washakie, Utah, to Jim John Neaman Sr. and Emmeline (Pabawena) Neaman. She was a member of the Northwestern Band of Shoshoni Nation. However, spent the majority of her life living in Satus.

Eleanor spent her childhood days in Washakie, Utah. There she labored at the L.D.S. farm in Washakie. She graduated from Riverside Indian School at Riverside, Calif., and attended Clark College in Vancouver, where she earned a nursing degree. Her days of employment found her working at Vancouver Hospital, Tahola IHS Clinic, Yakama Nation IHS Clinic, and Providence Hospital in Toppenish. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Zillah Ward.

Eleanor loved to care for her pet cats, dogs, and horses. Her hobbies included knitting, crochet work, playing board games, working on crossword puzzles, and babysitting. She possessed a beautiful alto voice and sang at church functions. Her homemade bread was famous at family gatherings. Although, having no children of her own, she had many nieces, nephews, and grandchildren to call her own. Eleanor was lovingly and affectionately known as 'Auntie' by all those who knew her. Even the non-Native American population knew Eleanor by this name.

Eleanor is survived by her brothers Jim John Neaman Jr., of Satus, Kenneth Neaman, of Pocatello, Ida., and sister Lana Presnell of Woodbridge, Va. She is also survived by the Neaman, Blodgett, and Johnson families of Satus. She was preceded in death by four brothers, Lee Allen Neaman, Raymond Neaman and two male infant brothers.

Viewing took place on May 25 at the Valley Hills Funeral Home, 607 2nd. Ave. in Zillah. Funeral service were held May 26 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Chapel in Toppenish. Final viewing took place prior to funeral services. The funeral procession departed for concluding service and burial at Pete Cemetery in Mabton.

LOUISE LEO JACKSON JAMES

TOPPENISH -Louise "Mom" Leo Jackson James, 85, of Toppenish, went home to God, Mother Mary, and Jesus on May 22. She passed away at home.

She was born May 30, 1914, in White Swan to Lucy Paul and John Leo Jackson. Louise was raised in the White Swan area and attended school there. She spent many years over at the Cello Village during fishing season and lived along the Columbia River area before moving to Brownstown. She told stories of working in orchards, hops, and berries as a young

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lady. She enjoyed raising her children, going to Potato Hill to camp, pick huckleberries and dig roots. She also loved doing beadwork, sewing, reading, doing yard work and housekeeping.

Louise was an enrolled Yakama and Elder of the White Swan 1910 Shaker Church. She traveled to church meetings and yearly conventions in California, Oregon, the Northwest area and Canada. She was proud to see her children and grandchildren join the Shaker Religion on their own. She will be greatly missed at the church meetings, dinners, and holidays.

Louise is survived by three daughters, Cecilia Yalup, Genevieve Frank and her husband, Reginald Frank, and Lorraine Hunt, all of Toppenish, and Leroy DeCoteau of Glenwood, a dear nephew, Victor Andrews of White Swan, a dear niece, Nesha Jackson of Harrah; 20 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Joshua James, two aunts, Elizabeth Crow and Elan Smartlowit, Lewellyn Andrews, Glenda Jerry, sister Maggie Leo Jackson Andrews, two brothers Joseph and Albert Jackson, Daughter Catherine (Cookie) Albert Green, foster daughter Wilma Sam, nephews Melvin Andrews and James Parker, niece Nellie Andrews, grandchildren, Otis, Daniel, and Sandra Andrews and Garland Jerry.

Dressing services were held May 24 in the Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Following the dressing she was taken to the 1910 Shaker Church in White Swan. On May 25, funeral services were conducted at the church. Concluding services and burial followed in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in White Swan.

WILLIAM RUEBEN WILSON

WHITE SWAN - A Stonesetting and Memorial were set for June 15 at the Independent Shaker Church in White Swan for William Rueben Wilson.

The Stonesetting will take place at the Toppenish Creek Cemetery, south of White Swan on the date of June 14. Then Dinner and Giveaway will follow on June 15. His mother is Mabel Nappier; his aunt is Annie Smartlowit.

TIONNA JOSEPHINE TOTUS

WHITE SWAN - A Stonesetting and Memorial is set for Tionna Josephine Totus, also scheduled along with William R. Wilson memorial date of June 15 at the Independent Shaker Church.

The Stonesetting is June 14 at the Toppenish Creek Cemetery in the morning. Her parents are Randy Totus and Chrystal Kahclamat Totus and grandparents Lee and Lola Totus; Annie Alexander and the late Elder Kahclamat.

LEONA DARLENE SMISCON MEMORIAL

WHITE SWAN - The children of Leona "Darlene" Smiscon will have her Stonesetting and Memorial for their beloved Mother on June 17 at the 1910 Shaker Church in White Swan. The earlier date of June 24 was changed to June 17.

The Stonesetting will start at 9:00 a.m. at the 1910 Shaker Church Cemetery. Immediately following services, the family members will have their mother's memorial at the 1910 Shaker Church. All family and friends are welcome to join Darlene's children and grandchildren on this special day in remembrance and honor of their loved one.

RAID ON PROGRESSIVE ROAD

Culps sentenced in drug bust

BY RICHARD LA COURSE
Yakama Nation Review

YAKIMA - A sentencing hearing for Juan Scott Lewis and Levi Lee Culps in a June 1999 drug bust at a home between Harrah and White Swan was held before U.S. District Judge Alan McDonald May 18 in Eastern District Court.

A lengthy investigation using informants was conducted from Feb. 1, 1996 to June 17, 1999 preceded the drug raid.

The June 17, 1999 drug raid was conducted under search warrants by Drug Enforcement Administration agents and Lower Valley Task Force at the home on 14661 Progressive Road near Harrah on the Yakama Reservation. Agents then confiscated marijuana, paraphernalia and 18 firearms from the residence.

A total of 195 shots were fired at the residence in the utility room, bathroom, bedroom and bathroom during the raid. Roy Lloyd Culps, Levi Culps and Juan Scott Lewis were subsequently charged.

• Juan Scott Lewis, 34, sentenced to 30 days, then would be freed on three-year probation with no drug or alcohol use, subject to random searches, not own a firearm, and take anger management treatment. He was fined \$200.

Lewis had served five months in jail, then was freed for a period, and rejailed for 166 days. He had pleaded guilty to two counts of distribution of a controlled substance. Two counts against him had been dismissed. Lewis had made a statement accepting responsibility to the court.

CARD OF THANKS

To my people: Thank you for great sympathy and kind concern shown during the time as our Mother left to be with the Creator. During this time, family, relatives, friends and people that were acquainted with our Mother found their way to her home to be with her during her last days on earth. Due to her beliefs, her wishes were of great concern to the immediate family. If as family, individual, acquaintances, you feel you were unable to be recognized during her last days, please feel a great comfort in your heart because the prayers that were shared were felt, the songs that were sung were heard, the flowers that were brought will be remembered.

The many types of food and cultural food shared was very medicinal for all involved. As her people the way you gave with deep love from your hearts it was deeply appreciated by the immediate family. At this time, the family knows your heart is filled with sadness and it also holds many wonderful memories, which you and she shared. With your presence in her home, your heartfelt memories were given to her children that were left behind.

As her family goes on, they feel all her people have made her journey a lighted path to the Creator and because of this has strengthened the family to complete in one year a memorial for our beloved mother.

As her children, we know that what has taken place and will happen in the future is the way she would like it. Thanks my people. FAMILY OF IDA TAHKEAL

Former Blackfeet judge

Yellow Kidney dies at 69

BROWNING, Mont. (AP) - Funeral services for former Blackfeet Tribal Judge John "Buster" Yellow Kidney will be Saturday at the family cemetery in here.

Yellow Kidney, known for tireless efforts to preserve and pass on Blackfeet culture and traditions, died of cancer Monday at his home in Browning.

A former vice chairman of the Blackfeet tribe, Yellow Kidney spent most of his life working to protect the Blackfeet way of life and its people. He helped secure the Badger-Two Medicine sacred area, for which he was featured in National Geographic, and initiated, developed and saw the passage and implementation of the Native American Graves Repatriation Act for the Blackfeet nation.

He received an honorary associate of arts degree from Blackfeet Community College, where he was a board member.

Born April 21, 1931, in Two Medicine, Yellow Kidney served with the U.S. Army in the Korean war.

He had been a semipro football player in Europe. He had worked for the Blackfeet Tribal Housing Authority, Hungry Horse Dam, the railroad, as a firefighter, in irrigation jobs and as a big game hunting guide.

In addition to ranching, he was later chief of police, served as a city and tribal special investigator, and was a Glacier County deputy sheriff. He also was a prosecutor and defender, associate judge and chief judge of the tribal appellate court.

Yellow Kidney was vice chairman of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council, Montana Indian Firefighters Association and the Benefis Rehabilitation Board.

In 1954 he married Thelma Jane Spotted Bear in Cardston, Alberta. She died in 1986. In 1988 he married Elizabeth Owens.



Ceremonial Calendar

MAY

May 26-28 **FOURTH ANNUAL CELEBRATION TWO RIVERS CASINO POWWOW**, Powwow Grounds, Wellpinit. Hwy. 2 to Davenport. MC: David BrownEagle; All drums invited (please bring own chairs). Grand Entry at 7:00 p.m. Tiny Tots, non-contestant dancers and Golden Age are paid daily. Mens Traditional Style Contest - one winner in each category: Duck and Dive; Old Style Straight; and Sneak-up, \$600. Saturday Specials: Sibling Owl Dance Contest; Women's Grass Dance Contest; Iron Mens and Iron Womens, \$500 and three consolation \$100. For info on Vendors call Kim or Anissa at (509) 258-9114; for powwow info call Ivan at (509) 258-9114 or BrownEagle at (509) 258-4581.

May 26-29: **INDIAN ART NORTHWEST**, Columbia to Salmon and 9th to Park, Portland, Ore. For more information contact Gail Chehak at (503) 224-8650; or E-mail: indianways@aol.com

May 27-28: **TRADITIONAL POWWOW**, South Bend High School Gym, South Bend. For more information contact Valerie Rowe at (360) 875-6518.

JUNE

June 1-2: **MILL BAY CASINO 6TH ANNIVERSARY POWWOW**, held on Grass Range right next to the Mill Bay Casino. Elder (50 years plus) Men and Women, and Men and Women (19-49 yrs): 1st, \$1,000; 2nd, \$500; 3rd, \$250. Team Dancing; Owl Dancing; Round Bustle; Hand Drum Special; Teepee Contest limited to 50 entries; Stickgame Tournament with \$200 Entry Fee: 1st, \$8,000; 2nd, \$5,000; 3rd, \$3,000; 4th, \$2,000; 5th, \$1,500; 6th, \$500. On June 4th: Mass services under the Big Tent; Honor the Veterans at 1:00 p.m.; Jr. Stickgame (16 yrs and under) Five players per team; with \$50 Registration fee. Vendor deadline is May 26th: No Exceptions. For information call the Mill Bay Casino 1-800-648-2946, Ext. 4214.

June 9: **CULTURAL HERITAGE CENTER 20TH ANNIVERSARY**, Cultural Heritage Center, Toppenish. Flag Raising: Yakama Nation Warriors; Emcee: Joe Jay Pinkham and Tony Washines. With Anniversary Celebration and Reception and Parade. Miss Yakama Nation Pageant at 2:00 p.m. at Heritage Theater. For more information for Reception, contact Marilyn Malatare or Pam Fabela at (509)

865-2800, Ext. 1 or (509) 865-5121, Ext. 4719 or Ext. 4724; for Parade info, contact Felicia Smiscon at (509) 865-2800, Ext. 5; Salmon Bake, contact Sheryl Antelope at (509) 865-2800, Ext. 5; and for Vendors: Theresa Washines at (509) 865-2800, Ext. 5; and for Miss Yakama Nation Pageant, contact LaRena Brown at (509) 877-3847 or Karen Umtuch at (509) 865-5121, Ext. 2632.

June 9-11: **Yakama Nation and Legends Casino 145TH TREATY DAY COMMEMORATION 'POWI-YA-LUX-SIMIT' or 'All Gather Together'**, White Swan Ancient Encampment Grounds, White Swan. MC: Thomas MorningOwl; Host Drum: Local drums picked daily. On June 8: Memorial Dinner at Toppenish Creek Longhouse, White Swan. Specials: On June 9: Tiny Tots Special sponsored by Evelyn Umtuch and Family. Boys and Girls will compete separately and must be in full regalia. On June 10: Tiny Tots Special sponsored by Tracy and Erwin 'Bear' Scabby Robe and family. Boys and Girls will compete separately and must be in full regalia. Wildrose Drum Contest, Judged daily, sponsored by Casey Wallahee and family and Arlen and Theresa Washines and family with 1st, \$2,000, 12 Jackets, Drum and Bag and Drum sticks and Bag; 2nd, \$1,000 and 12 Jackets; 3rd, Caps and other prizes. Veterans Mens Special sponsored by Outgoing Jr Miss Yakama Nation, Starla Betty Moses-Hyipeer and family: 1st, \$400, prizes, Pendleton blanket and Mens Traditional Cloth Outfit; 2nd, \$300, prizes and Pendleton blanket; 3rd, \$200, prizes and Pendleton blanket; 4th, \$100, prizes and Pendleton blanket; Four Consolation places with \$50 each plus prizes. Womens Traditional, 50 years and older, Memorial Contest in Honoring of Mother, Thelma Jean Johnson Cowapoo sponsored by her children, Ronna Cowapoo Begay, Alveda, Roddena, Tammy Cowapoo, and son, Roderick Gibb Cowapoo Jr. For more information contact Treaty Day Powwow Chairman Arlen Washines at (509) 865-5121, Ext. 4330; for Vendors, contact Theresa Washines at (509) 865-5121, Ext. 4750; Drums: Frankie Brown at (509) 877-3847.

June 10: **5TH ANNUAL SUPER SATURDAY NATIVE ARTS FAIR**, The Longhouse Education and Cultural Center, Evergreen State College, Olympia. Free public event. Native performing arts stage: Tsimshian Haay Uuk Dance Troupe, Shabubesh-asali (Native Youth theatre), Poet Warrior, and Powwow Dance Exhibition. Native Art Sales, Fine Art Show, Weaving and Carving Demonstrations, Salmon Bake, Indian Tacos. For more information call (360) 866-6000, Ext. 6413.

June 10-11: **43RD ANNUAL YAKAMA NATION TREATY DAYS ALL-INDIAN RODEO**, White Swan Rodeo Grounds, White Swan. President, Joe Moses; Vice-President, Rick Watlamet; Secretary, Stella Speedis; Treasurer, Isabelle Yallup; Historian: Kalea Benson; Sgt-at-Arms: Terri Benson; Board of Directors: Gene Yallup, Annie Rae Benson, Otis Phillips, Arlen Moses Sr., Arlen Moses Jr., Ladawn Yallup, Carson Bedonie. For more information contact: for Central Entry Standard Events, Rhonda Strom at (509) 848-2854; for Local and Special Events, Stella Speedis or Isabelle Yallup at the Rodeo Office (509) 874-2220; and for Concessions, Kalea Benson at (509) 848-2840.

Telephone (509) 865-5121

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Employment

FORESTRY TECHNICIAN I: (2 positions) Forestry, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. **Involved** with waste scaling or timber sale administration assignments. Waste scaling duties to determine volume (basis for payment for Indian-owned timber) and to assure log ownership and control procedures are followed. Involved in selected assignments to fulfill training phases of timber sale admin. Work performed or logging supervised has significant impact on forest environment and ecology. **Recruiting Indicators/Requires:** Entry level position with minimal previous forestry experience. An interest in natural resource or agriculture fields. Valid state driver's license. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-139. Closes: May 30, 2000.

WEEKEND SECURITY & CUSTODIAN: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. D.O.Q. Part-time. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Primary responsibility** to ensure camp security. Does routine custodial duties and minor repairs/maintenance. Maintains weekend camp visitor log. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Be mature, stable and prudent in behavior, action and judgment. Be drug- and alcohol-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. Able to document work experienced/training in areas of custodial, repairs, maintenance and security work. Physically able to perform manual labor. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-140. Closes: May 30, 2000.

CUSTODIAN: (2 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$7.58/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for the sanitary, hygienic, cleanliness and safety of camp facilities and grounds. May transport campers and staff on field trips and in emergencies. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Be physically able to do challenging, sometimes unpleasant work. Be mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug- and alcohol-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. Have demonstrated 2 years' experience in a custodial/janitorial and/or repairs and maintenance work. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-141. Closes: May 30, 2000.

ASSISTANT CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Primary responsibilities** to ensure safety, security, sanitary and healthful environment for camp users. In absence of supervisors, responsible to ensure camp and systems are operational and scheduled activities are completed. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Physically able to push, pull, bend, lift, carry, stack, move, large bulky items. Willing to do challenging, sometimes unpleasant tasks. Be mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug- and alcohol-free. At least 2 years' custodial/maintenance work experience. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-142. Closes: May 30, 2000.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$10.24/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible**, on a 24-hour basis, for ensuring camp facilities and grounds are safe, sanitary and secure for camp users on an established day-to-day schedule. **Qualifications:** Pass a drug and alcohol test. Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and prudent in behavior, judgment and decisions. Be drug- alcohol- and tobacco-free. Demonstrated work experience in custodial, repairs and maintenance. Be physically capable of doing manual labor. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-143. Closes: May 30, 2000.

FOOD SERVICE WORKER: (2 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$6.55/Hr. Temporary. 2½ months. No benefits. **Does tasks** in every area of camp's food service program. Helps plan menu and prepares food. Contributes to overall food service quality by taking part in meetings, training and safety programs. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug- and alcohol-free. Physically fit to move, lift, carry heavy, bulky objects. Able to stand for long periods of time.

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Document successful experience assisting in kitchen and/or preparing food for large numbers. Valid Food Handler's Card. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-144. Closes: May 30, 2000.

COOK: (2 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$7.58/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Prepares** food according to set menu and USDA requirements. Assists in serving food, cleanup, maintaining clean hygiene. Assists in supervision, guidance, orientation and training of food service subordinates. Attends staff meetings. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Physically able to stand, lift, carry, move, bend. Be cooperative, courteous and willing to work as a team member. Have a genuine concern and care for children. Be drug-, tobacco- and alcohol-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. Have documented successful institutional cooking work experience. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-145. Closes: May 30, 2000.

FOOD SERVICE MANAGER: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. Temporary. **Responsible** for overall planning, organizing, implementing and monitoring camp food service program according to tribal and USDA requirements. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Be mature, stable and prudent in judgment, action and behavior. Have a valid Food Handler's Card. Have a valid First-Aid and CPR Card. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Be drug-, tobacco- and alcohol-free. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Professional:** Successful completion of an approved course of study for being a chef evidenced by a certificate with 2 years' documented successful completion of work experience as a cook or chef in a work environment requiring serving 200+ people per meal. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-146. Closes: May 30, 2000.

CAMP COUNSELOR: (20 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$9.73/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. **Supervises**, responsible for camp cabin and assigned campers to ensure safety, health, clean hygiene and security for overall program. Works with other counselors to ensure equal, fair and humane treatment for all campers. Reports and/or refers any and all actions affecting the mental and/or physical health of the campers to the appropriate department. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Be drug-, alcohol and tobacco-free. Mature, stable and prudent in action, behavior and judgment. Willing/able to work with children and must understand need for ensuring their safety, security, mental and physical health, and able develop a plan to do the same. No history of child abuse/neglect. Have or able to get a First-Aid/CPR Card and a Food Handler's Card. Preference given high school graduates entering higher learning and to those currently enrolled in higher learning. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-147. Closes: May 31, 2000.

COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE: (4 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$9.73/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** to work as a member of the camp's Health Physical Fitness & Wellness Team, which plans camp activities appropriate to camp environment and which may be natural resources- and culturally-related. May teach other staff activities to increase adult participation and supervision with children. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Preference to college-level student working towards a degree in physical ed., health or related field, or college experience with work experience in physical fitness and wellness working with children from pre-school to 8th grade. Mature, stable and prudent to make decisions and judgments. Be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free. Have a sense of humor and sincerely care about children. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-148. Closes: May 31, 2000.

HEALTH EDUCATOR: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$13.75/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for planning, supervising and oversight of the physical fitness and wellness activities for the camp. This includes planning individual, dual,

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team and group activities appropriate for camp environment, and all requisition all supplies, materials and equipment needed for activities. Trains/supervises staff to carry out activities. Identifies resource people and follows procedures in getting said people to camp for presentations. Close of camp, insures supplies, materials and equipment are sorted, properly disposed of, inventories and boxed for storage, with a master list to camp base office. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and able to make prudent decisions and judgments. Be alcohol-, drug- and tobacco-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Professional:** Prefer masters in education, health or related field, or bachelors degree in education, health or related field with experience working with children. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-149. Closes: May 31, 2000.

NATURAL RESOURCES CULTURAL SPECIALIST: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$12.50/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for planning, organizing and implementing camp fishing activities, the camp pond and pond safety. Also conducts water safety lessons. Selects appropriate fishing gear, arranges boats for lake fishing; arranges staffing for natural resource activities in forest. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. 2 years' working experience in natural resources, with preference for knowledge about fisheries and water. 2 years' college level professional field of studies in natural resources. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-150. Closes: May 31, 2000.

CULTURAL SPECIALIST: (3 positions) Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$11.88/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Works** as part of the core Cultural Team responsible for appropriate cultural learning activities for the camp, including Yakama language, Yakama legends, Yakama stories; natural foods and medicines; spirituality; dress, shelter, economy, arts, crafts; drumming, singing, dancing; Yakama government; Yakama historical documents. Identifies resource people for special camp activities and/or presentations. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug-alcohol- and tobacco-free. No history of child abuse/neglect. Be physically able to perform creative and challenging work. Be qualified in one or more areas - traditional culture and understanding of Yakama customs; speak and/or understand a Yakama language dialect; understand, able to teach arts/crafts, oral traditions, spiritual concepts, food gathering, preparation and preservation and unwritten laws concerning the same; survival; songs, dances and other cultural areas that enhances positive development of self-esteem and self-worth of Yakama children. Note: Applicants encouraged to submit additional pages describing knowledge, skills, abilities in above areas, and can include photos or other media and how they can contribute to camp. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-151. Closes: May 31, 2000.

LEAD CULTURAL SPECIALIST: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$12.50/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for providing leadership, guidance and supervision of camp Cultural Learning Activities. Plans, organizes and implements activities. Shares workload by teaching groups of children and assisting in preparing cultural activities. Oversees, approves all related purchases. Responsible for ensuring inventory is completed prior, during and after camp. Strives to incorporate teachings that include Yakama language, legends, stories, natural foods, medicines, spiritual, dress, shelter, economy, arts, crafts, drumming, singing, dancing, history and government. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Be mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free. No history of child abuse/neglect. Be physically able to perform creative and challenging work. Be qualified in one or more of the following: traditional culture and understanding of Yakama customs; able to speak/understand a Yakama language dialect; understand and able to teach arts, crafts, oral traditions, spiritual concepts, food gathering, preparation and preservation and unwritten laws concerning the same; survival, songs, dances, other cultural areas enhancing positive development of self-esteem and self-worth of

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Yakama children. Applicants are encouraged to submit additional pages describing knowledge, skills, abilities in above areas; may include photos, etc. describing how they can contribute to camp. **Special Qualifications:** 2 years' supervisory or lead worker experience. Planning, organizational and implementation experience. Math and calculation skills. Writing skills; lesson planning experience helpful. Budget and purchasing knowledge. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-152. Closes: May 31, 2000.

EDUCATION SPECIALIST: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$14.46/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for overall planning, organizing, coordinating, implementing and monitoring daily natural resource education schedule. Orders needed curriculum supplies, materials, resources and equipment. Identifies and schedules natural resource technical staff. Responsible for orientation and training camp staff for natural resource activities and provides on-site staff supervision, who teach curriculum, and will participate as team member to carry out curriculum. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Alcohol-, drug- and tobacco-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Professional Qualifications Preferred:** Masters degree in natural resources, with appropriate teacher certification, or, a bachelors degree in education with a major in natural resources or related field, with demonstrated successful work experience in similar or closely related work environment. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-153. Closes: May 31, 2000.

OFFICE ASSISTANT III: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. Temporary. Location: Camp Chaparral. **Provides** office support to camp director and staff. Responsible for preparing and maintaining fiscal and programmatic data needed to ensure compliance with respective Yakama tribal policies and procedures for: Finance, Personnel, Payroll, Purchasing and for USDA. Communicates on a regular basis with Smartlowit Center bookkeeper. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and prudent in action, judgment and behavior. Be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free. Have or obtain a Food Handler's Card. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-154. Closes: May 31, 2000.

OFFICES ASSISTANT III: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation \$8.81/Hr. Temporary. Location: Smartlowit Ed. Center. **Provides** office support, working out of the base office and under supervision of the camp bookkeeper. Prepares, processes fiscal and programmatic documents used for program financial audits. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature, stable and able to make prudent decisions and judgments. Be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. **Professional:** Certificate of completion at a bonafide secretarial course of study from accredited or approved college, private or public vocational school, or, demonstrated successful work experience as a office assistant II. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-155. Closes: May 31, 2000.

CAMP DIRECTOR: Camp Chaparral, Yakama Nation. \$14.46/Hr. Temporary - 2½ months. No benefits. **Responsible** for providing overall camp leadership, supervision and guidance. Responsible for ensuring children and staff are safe, secure and have appropriate food, supplies and materials. Plans, organizes, implements, monitors, evaluates camp activities. Designs a program that is enjoyable for children and appropriate for the age and development levels of children. Ensures camp is for kids - fun and makes children happy. **Qualifications:** Enrolled Yakama Preference. Mature and stable in behavior and judgment. Be drug-, tobacco and alcohol-free. Able to get a tribal driver's permit. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Professional:** Masters in education, a natural resource field or related field, or, a bachelors degree in education, natural resources or related field with demonstrated successful work experience in similar or closely related work environment. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-156. Closes: May 31, 2000.

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BOOKKEEPER II: Central Accounting, Yakama Nation. \$10.24/Hr. **Responsible** for completion of varied bookkeeping duties in accounts payable. Performs moderately complex bookkeeping functions with an emphasis on data entry. The class is distinguished from the lower level series class by a greater degree of complexity, a greater variety of tasks of a more responsible nature, and the more serious consequences of errors. **Minimum Recruiting Indicators:** 1 year progressively responsible clerical accounts maintenance of closely related experience, or, substituting on a month-for-month basis, successful completion of course work or training in bookkeeping, accounting or closely related subject. Desire typing speed of 50 wpm and ability to 10-key by touch. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-157. Closes: May 30, 2000.

OFFICE ASSISTANT III: Transportation Department, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. **Responsible** for providing highly efficient and accurate office support work involving a wide variety of responsibilities and activities including planning and accomplishing designated workload. Will be required to work independently on all but the most complicated matters. **Recruiting Indicators:** H.S./GED diploma; or experience demonstrating ability to perform the work. Two year's progressively responsible secretary or general office work experience at a level equivalent to Office Assistant II. Valid state driver's license and able to secure a Yakama driver's permit. Enrolled Yakama Nation Preference. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-161. Closes: May 31, 2000.

SUMMER YOUTH COUNSELOR: WIA-Supplement Youth Services, Yakama Nation. \$10.78/Hr. **Responsible** for routine daily counseling and referral functions dealing with youth in an employment placement setting; for establishing and maintaining participant files to meet Workforce Investment Act standards in regards to training/employment plan, daily contacts and group sessions. Assists with dissemination of program information, worksite development, worksite monitors, intake and selection process, client eligibility determination, required budget, regulations and policies. **Recruiting Indicators:** Previous experience with counseling activities, knowledge of acceptable office procedures, sensitivity in working with youth, sensitivity for Yakama Nation culture and traditional practices, and possess ability to work with the general public and professional staff in the Yakama Nation government organization. Must be of good character and good role model for youth. Documented driver's license and liability insurance. Must be able to use personal vehicle for job related activities. 2 year's college course work demonstrating ability to coordinate counseling activities for youth. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-160. Closes: May 30, 2000.

OFFICE ASSISTANT III: WIA-Supplement Youth Services, Yakama Nation. \$8.81/Hr. **Performs** complex office support work. Will direct and maintain an extensive specialized record keeping operations, relieve administrative official of non-technical tasks. Work may involve planning and organizing office workflow to meet unit needs. Work performed independently with Workforce Investment Act staff available for advise and guidance on a regular basis. Employee exercises independence, discretion and judgement in applying to work situations. **Recruiting Indicators:** 1 year progressively responsible or general office work experience at a level equal to an office assistant II, or substituting on a month-to-month basis, successful completion of course work or training in office principles and practices for the minimum experience to a maximum of 6 months, or any experience or education demonstrating ability to do the work. Valid driver's license not a requirement. Pass a drug and alcohol test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-159. Closes: May 30, 2000.

MECHANICAL SUPERVISOR: Facility Management, Yakama Nation. \$10.78/Hr. **Responsible** for supervising the work activities of skilled trades workers in maintenance of all electrical, heating, air conditioning, plumbing, wiring and other related trades functions. Coordinates, schedules and supervises work on a daily basis. Prioritizes work re-

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quests and provides technical advise and guidance in completion of work assignments as necessary. **Recruiting Indicators:** 3 years' work and supervisory experience in one or more of the plant management trades and completion of training in a vocational school or college in related area. **Requires:** Valid state driver's license. Good health, long standing, climbing, bending; paint and roof work. Skill using power tools, equipment associated with the job. Pass an alcohol and drug test. **Apply:** Y.N. Personnel; P.O. Box 151; Toppenish, WA 98948. Refer to job announcement 2000-158. Closes: June 5, 2000.

EZ/EC SPECIALIST: For USDA, Rural Development in Yakima, Washington. Works closely with rural communities in identifying rural issues and needs, assist in developing and implementing strategic plans, meets with various groups and provides information on rural development programs. Part Time/20 hours a week, Federal position. Starting salary \$20.04 per hour. For additional information call 509-454-5743.

Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS/COMMENTS
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997
Prior to adoption of any policies and procedures needed to comply with 34 CFR § 300.148 and 300.280-284, the Bureau of Indian Affairs is required to make proposed policies and procedures available to the general public; hold public hearings and provide for comments by the general public. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the B.I.A. has developed a draft Eligibility Document, to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 1997 (IDEA), which contains the current and proposed special education policies and procedures. The public is requested to participate in public hearings, review and make comments concerning the contents of the draft Eligibility Document. After the public makes comments, the B.I.A. will review and consider all public comments and make any necessary modifications. The public will be notified when the Department of Education approves the policies and procedures and how to access copies of the document. The draft Eligibility Document will be available for review and comment for 15 days following the date of this notice at:
Yakama Nation Tribal School & Yakama Nation Library
Comments must be submitted on the Eligibility Document form provided by the Education Line Officer. The form identifies Eligibility Document section, area of concern, comment, or recommendation and date. All comment forms will be submitted to the Education Line Officer in Portland, OR. Public Hearings will be held on the draft Eligibility Document:
Thursday, June 1 at Yakama Nation Tribal School, Rm 8 from **12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
Oral or/and written comments will be received at the public hearing. Questions regarding this notice can be directed to Teri Giesy, Special Services Coordinator, Yakama Nation Tribal School, (509) 865-5121, ext. 4292.

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1995 Chevrolet Camaro (maroon) 2-dr, 5-speed, 3.4 V-6, power steering, power brakes, AM/FM cassette, air conditioning, aluminum wheels, rear spoiler, cloth interior, very clean, 87,260 miles. Starting bid: \$7,200.
1990 Toyota 4X4 (silver) P/U. 5-speed, V-6, Dlx. extra-cab, air conditioning, FM/AM cassette, aluminum wheels, very clean, 164,192 miles. Starting bid: \$6,800
1995 Ford Mustang (silver) 2-dr., V-6 automatic, AM/FM cassette, air conditioning, pwr windows, pwr seats, pwr locks, cited vanities, 17" alloy wheels, keyless remote. Very clean, 68,711 miles. Starting bid: \$8,750.
1995 GMC Yukon (black) 2-dr., 4X4, V-6 automatic, cruise control, AM/FM cassette, power windows, power locks, air conditioning, leather seats, luxury sport vehicle, very clean, 97,788 miles. Starting bid: \$15,000.
2 Franklin Grapple Skidders. Starting bids: \$10,000 each.
1995 Hood Log Loader. Starting bid: \$10,000.
Closing date for all bids: May 19, 2000.
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