



Quinault Nation Welcomes Sacred Blueback Salmon in Annual Ceremony

Article By Michael Patten

In May, the Quinault Indian Nation gathered to celebrate the return of an essential cultural and ecological relative—the Blueback salmon.

Also known by its scientific name *Oncorhynchus nerka*, the Blueback is one of only seven kinds of sockeye salmon in the Pacific Northwest. What makes this species especially important to the Quinault people is its unique life history, which is specifically adapted to the Quinault River system.

Although Blueback salmon are relatively resilient compared to other salmon populations, their numbers have been declining since the 1950s. Key causes include the removal of old-growth forests, natural logjams, and large woody debris—all of which previously helped form stable, off-channel habitats critical to Blueback spawning success.

The Blueback is one of the first fish to return to the Quinault River each spring, helping to bridge a seasonal gap in fish availability. While some begin entering the river as early as December, the majority arrive in May and June. They then spend months maturing in Lake Quinault before spawning in November and December.

To honor their return, the Quinault Nation holds a salmon ceremony each spring—except in years when closures



Miss Quinault, Kylie Dan (left) and Helen Martin lead a procession down the street along the river with the first salmon. Photo by Trevor Pyle

are necessary for conservation. During the ceremony, a salmon is selected for a traditional blessing. It filleted horizontally to preserve the bones, a prayer is then said before the remains are carefully returned to the river and then the meat is respectfully fire-roasted and

consumed. Quinault Nation President Guy Capoean described the ceremony as “a time to honor and welcome our relatives back home.” In Quinault culture, salmon—especially the Blueback—are regarded as sacred relatives. They are more than just a

food source; they are an integral part of the ecosystem and a vital element of Quinault identity and survival. This ceremony not only honors ancestral traditions but also offers prayers for a strong and sustainable fishing season ahead.

Raising Their Voices: Taholah Youth Bring Awareness to MMIP

Article by Michael Patten, Photos by Jinny Marchand



On May 5th, 2025, students, teachers, and community members came together in a powerful display of unity to raise awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP). Organized by Marquel Waugh, the

event aimed to educate and engage students while honoring those affected by the ongoing crisis.

“I prefer to use the term MMIP rather than MMIW,” Marquel explained. “It’s important to acknowledge and bring awareness to all Indigenous people who are missing or have been murdered—not just women.”

The day began at 11:00

a.m. as elementary students, Queets Head Start, and Taholah Day Care joined together to walk two laps around the field. This symbolic gesture allowed younger children to take part in a meaningful way without being exposed to the heavier facts surrounding MMIP.

At 12:30 p.m., the school hosted an exhibit displaying student work and research on MMIP. The displays offered

students an opportunity to have their voices heard and to share what they have learned with classmates and the broader community.

At 1:00 p.m., everyone gathered in the gymnasium for a special presentation by Tyler Crossguns, Stephanie Terrell. Following the presentation, the entire group donned red shirts and walked through the village, singing songs in soli-

darity. The walk ended at the seawall, where participants shared reflections and healing words before returning to the school to conclude the day.

The event served as a reminder of the strength and unity within the community, as well as the importance of continuing to raise awareness about MMIP.

Electric Vehicle Showcase for QIN



Several people had the opportunity to ride in an all electric boat on the Quinault River on June 12th. It was part of the Electric vehicle showcase. It gave a chance to test drive many kinds of electrical powered vehicles. See page 10 for more photos and story. Photo by Larry Workman

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Nugguam

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Photo by Larry Workman with Michael Patten



If you need to reserve the Taholah Community Center for an event or to get training on the kitchen appliances, please contact Jerome Obi
CommunityCenterInfo@quinault.org

Request Form accessible to:
QIN Staff - IINX Engage
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Quinault Cultural Advisory Committee

Meets the first Friday of the month
Currently zoom meetings only

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CHIEF TAHOLAH DAYS

July 1st -4th

Most QIN offices will be closed these days

2025-2026 Quinault Indian Nation Tribal Council (Business Committee)				
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Quinault Child Support Services Program hereby notifies the Respondent, Stacey-Tae A. Roberts that their presence is required on August 19, 2025 at 1:30 p.m., for a hearing in the Quinault Tribal Court in Taholah, Grays Harbor County, Washington. Failure to appear or respond within 45 days, from the first date of Publication, may result in a default. For more information, please call (360) 276-8211 ext. 2222.

Perspectives

The letters printed here are the opinions of the individual authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Nugguam staff, QIN, or the Tribal Council.

Thank you!



I would like to thank the Native American Apprentice Program for the financial help that made it easier for me as a union laborer to get to work and pay my bills.

I appreciate all the help that is offered. William Pink

Thank you!



Here is Caleb’s graduation with his friend and the Quinault Shawl that I made him showing Quinault Nation and a Pacific Northwest bear paw. His graduation was June 9th. The tribe provided the shawl and I had the embroidery done local, then touched it off with shells.

Hope I did well on representing our heritage at his graduation. He was proud to wear it as he is one of the newer tribal members now.

Thanks for all that you do.
Donna Madsen

LEGAL NOTICE OF UNLOCATED INDIAN ALLOTTEE

Re: Randall Peterson Booth - Longview, WA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BIA Taholah Agency Superintendent, as Trustee of Quinault Reservation Allotted Trust Lands, seeks a **Power of Attorney** from the above-named individual in connection with a proposed **trust timber sale** on allotment land held under the trust of the United States Department of the Interior pursuant to **25 CFR § 163.20**.

Despite diligent search efforts, he cannot be located. Under federal law, the Secretary is authorized to proceed after notice by publication when an Indian owner cannot be located after reasonable effort.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that you must:

1. Respond **within 30 days** from the publication date of this newspaper (July 1, 2025).

2. Contact the **QIN Forestry Department at the Quinault Division of Natural Resources** at the contact information provided below, to discuss and provide a response to the requested Power of Attorney documents.

If no response is filed within the statutory time period, the U. S. Sec. of the Interior may proceed with representation or appointment of a guardian/power of attorney to complete the trust timber sale without your direct participation, as allowed by law.

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You may press 4 to speak with an indigenous counselor

Quinault Business Committee Meeting Schedule

Legal Session (Closed) @ 2:00 pm
Regular Session (Open) @ 5:30 pm

July 14th & 28th

Legislative Sessions:
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
July 17th and 18th (Closed Meeting)
(Closed Meeting)
Meetings are held in Taholah at the Joe DeLaCruz Council Chambers.
Meeting in Queets are held at the Gymnasium.

The subcommittee meetings are held in the Joseph DeLaCruz Council Chambers Schedule subject to change. (These meetings are open to the public)

Justice & Governance Subcommittee
July 7th and 21st 10:00 a.m.
Gina James – Chair
Jim Sellers, Kaylah Mail, Hannah Curley, Brittany Bryson.

Natural Resource & Community Development Subcommittee
July 7th & 21st 1:00 p.m.
Tyson Johnston – Chair
Mandy Hudson-Howard, Kristeen Mowitch,James Sellers, John Bryson.

Prosperity, Health & Human Services Subcommittee
July 8th & 22nd 10:00 a.m.
Hannah Curley – Chair
Noreen Jackson Underwood, John Bryson, Gina James,Tyson Johnston.

Education & Community Services Subcommittee
July 8th & 22nd 1:00 p.m.
Kristeen Mowitch – Chair
Mandy Hudson-Howard, Noreen Jackson-Underwood James Brittany Bryson, John Bryson.

Fisheries Monthly Committee Meetings

Ocean
TBD

Quinault River
1st Wednesday of every month
10:00 a.m.

Queets River
1st Thursday of every month
4:00 p.m.

Off Reservation River
2nd Tuesday of every month
10:00 a.m.

Overall Fish and Game
TBD

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QDNR Permits Office

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Or email to address below and either one of us will respond
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2025 - 2026 Hunting Season



2025-26 Hunting Season
QDNR Permits is requesting appointments for Hunting tags. Current QIN Tribal ID Card is required (CIB not accepted). Tags will be mailed or can be picked up later in the day.

Photo by Larry Workman

Office of the President

Guy Capoeiman



I'm pleased to share that the state legislature has again invested in our village relocation efforts. We have secured the funding needed to clear Allotment 100,

keeping the momentum going in Queets. And they awarded funding to support continuation of the cleanup of the lower Village. We also will have \$1.5 million to begin the important work of designing our own Long House. When we were in Olympia last March, we shared how critical a place where we can all gather and celebrate is for our culture, our spirit, our history, and the legislature listened. Thanks to the good work of our QDNR staff, contractors and

consultants, legislators continue to provide \$2 million in funding for restoration of the Upper Quinault River, supporting the return of our iconic Blueback. All told, after additional grants we've secured, the Nation will receive about \$8 million from the state over the next two years. This is on top of more than \$50 million we received in the previous two years for relocation efforts, the Quinault Wellness Center, land acquisition, and habitat restoration.

Office of the Tribal Secretary

Mandy Hudson-Howard



I hope you were not thinking I forgot you all! I have been busy as your secretary since the 2025 Annual General Council. April 6 – 11, I traveled to Chandler, Arizona to attend the 50th Self Governance Conference. I was so happy to be there and witness the presentations about all the Tribes' journey to becoming Self Governance.

The most inspirational was watching a short documentary of Former President Joseph DeLaCruz and the other Tribal Leaders that was instrumental with bringing Self Governance to Indian Country. I also saw President Capoeiman, 4th Councilman Johnston, Julie Burnett, Director of Public Works, Alyssa Johnston Relocation Project Manager give a presentation on Quinault Indian Nation's Relocation Project for Queets and Taholah. They did a great job on telling our story. I was very proud of each of them contributing to discussion.

The focus of the conference Panels was discussing how the different tribes are having to deal with DOGE and Funding Reductions due to the current Administration. Secretary Robert Kennedy Jr. was a part of a Panel discussing the Department of Health & Human Services. He mentioned in one of his answers the current Administration is focusing on AI, and the goal is to have medical issues handled remotely. Meaning, people would not be seeing a medical professional in-person. That did not go over very well, the whole auditorium echoed with Boos.

May 5-8, 2025, was the Business Committee Reorganization Meeting. We discussed the 2 General Session Item from the Annual General Council Meeting, obtained our assignments to Subcommittees and Liaisons to Committees internally and externally. I have been assigned to Education and Community Services (ECS)

and Natural Resource & Community Development (NRCD) Subcommittees. The following are the Committees I am assigned as a Liaison either as a Delegate or an Alternate:

- TERO
- Planning Commission
- Workplace Compensation Committee
- ATNI
- NCAI
- NWIFC
- Pacific Fisheries Management Committee
- 1% Committee
- National Contract Support Cost Work Group
- National Inter-Tribal Tax Alliance
- WAZZU Advisory
- Tribal-Interior Budget Council
- Short Capital Budget

AGC 2025 General Session Item # 1 – Membership Fuel Discount from all QIN Gas Stations was approved by Voice Vote. On June 9, 2025, the Business Committee had approved Resolution 25-133-103 providing a thirty cent (.30) up to 100 gallons monthly discount for the Quinault Members.

AGC 2025 General Session Item #2 – Business Committee Office Space and minimum 32 hour per week in the office unless on Travel Status. Was approved by Voice Vote. Fortunately, at the time this item was presented the Business Committee had already begun construction on 4 office spaces for the full-time Business Committee Members found within the Administration Wing of the Tribal Administration Complex (Tribal Office).

Since my election as the Secretary, I have been promoting the management of seals and pinnipeds (Sea Lions) due to them being an invasive species and the number of Fish they consume as well as their aggressiveness and vandalism to fishermen's vessels and equipment. I have been passionate about this topic for over 30 years.

I am so excited that my fellow Business Committee Members have been supporting me, someone will pave the way for me to start my discussion.

I am being guided on how to speak and remember to speak on behalf of all the fishermen and not make the issue about me. I have had the opportunity to speak on the issue regarding pin-

nipeds with the Administrator of NOAA, Jennifer Quan, I had an opportunity during Lobby Days at the Washington State Capitol in February to speak to the Director of WDNR asking for them to be a partner to help Quinault Indian Nation to address these animals.

This topic with the work of 3rd Councilman Bryson and 7th Councilwoman Mowitch has now reached the offices in Washington DC. I can't express how much I appreciate all the Council Members for their encouragement to grow.

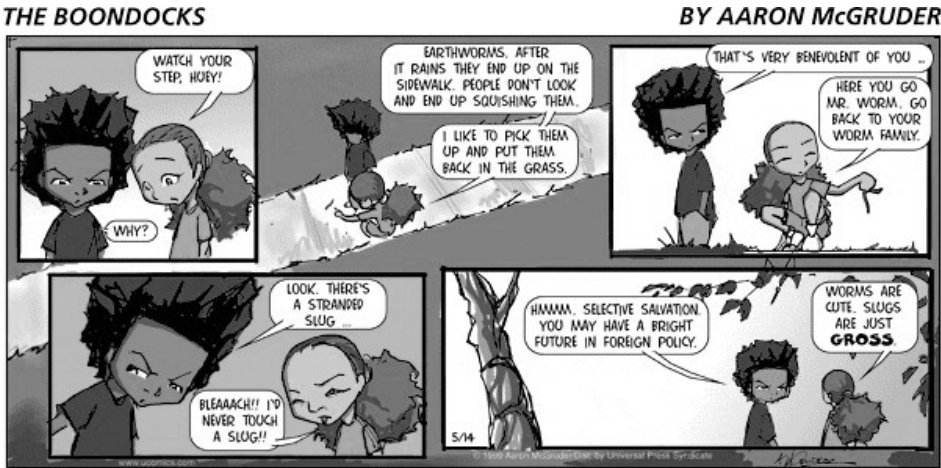
I want to take a moment to give recognition and gratitude to staff members, Celina Charley, Cynthia Ralston, Aiyana Underwood, Shavaughna Underwood, Dawneen DeLaCruz and our new addition to the team David Montgomery. Celina is a big help, and she is learning so quickly, she is hearing impaired, so she was instrumental in helping me in organizing the Closed Caption for the AGC 2025.

I found out that I have allergies which are interfering with my hearing, so we have a good time trying to obtain each other's attention. She jumps out at me and scares me or waves her hands at me, I sometime tried to get her attention by tossing my pen caps or paper clips at her back. We just have fun working with each other. We have been talking using paperclips to flick rubber bands to get each other's attention. We have also started to arrange, eliminating the time clocks at the AGCs and having the clocks on the screens. Cynthia she is an amazing help and provides suggestions on organizing or processing. Aiyana helps me with calendars, and she is the zoom guru, Dawneen is magical with her words and phrases, Shavaughna helps me with new ideas. David is trying to streamline me. I appreciate each and every one of them, we are building a great team. I am looking forward to the next two years having them work with me.

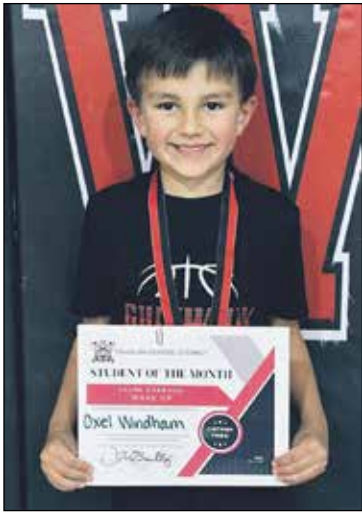
Siokwil for voting me in as your secretary. As I stated I am learning so much I will be able to carry this experience on with me when I am no longer your Secretary. I appreciate you all for keeping me grounded.



Comic Corner



April Chitwhins of the Month - Teachings of Skunk Cabbage



Kindergarten
Oxel Windham

Oxel continuously is like Skunk cabbage that reminds us to pay attention and use our senses to interact with the world around us. Oxel is always reminding us to pay attention and focus, and I appreciate that. Oxel notices sights, smells, sounds, tastes, and textures in nature around him and is always curious! Oxel is one of the students that pays attention to detail and always informs others around him of important information. Oxel is a natural leader amongst our kindergarten class and inspires those around him to make positive choices. Good work, Oxel!



1st grade
Kameron Sotomish

Kameron’s energy and enthusiasm inspire everyone to work hard and enjoy school. He has greatly improved his ability to focus and complete his assignments, and that has helped him to significantly develop his reading skills. Great Job Kameron!



2nd grade
Liahm Reeves

Liahm is a cheerful young man who is respectful to adults and friendly to everyone. He is concientious; always wanting to do what is right and complete his work. Like the skunk cabbage, he is filled with wonde when he discovers or learns something new.



Symplocarpus foetidus, commonly known as skunk cabbage or togwakə in Quinault. Top photo by Larry Workman



Taholah School District would like to congratulate our April Chitwhins of the Month. These students have followed the teachings of skunk cabbage- wake up. Skunk Cabbage is the first plants to emerge from the darkness of winter. Her golden flowers seem to gather, the spring light. Skunk cabbage reminds us to pay attention to our senses, to interact with the world around us. How can we strengthen our own senses to notice sights, smells, sounds, tastes and textures? The following students have focused on paying attention to detail and noticing the world around them. They have been leaders in transitional times and are a constant amidst chaos. Way to go Chitwhins!

“We evolved to move and to learn with all our five senses!”
-Martha Beck



3rd grade
Latyus Youckton

Anyone who speaks to Latyus knows he is a sponge of facts and information about his life which he loves to share. He has been working hard on using those skills to help him in his school work. He has been doing a great job managing himself and letting us know when he needs help or a short break. He is very excited about school and enjoys being with his friends and participating in class. He always makes sure to ask clarifying questions and checking about the schedule and other information he needs to have a positive day.



3rd grade
Tallulah Tackett

Tallulah is a thoughtful person who is constantly aware of her surroundings. She has been working hard to use those skills to help her identify when she needs help or when she or her friends are becoming overwhelmed and need a break. Tallulah is a wonderful advocate for her needs and struggles. She is always alert, even when she is sick, and tries her best even on her rough days.



4th grade
Willa Grover

Willa is working harder than ever, showing improvements in Math and science. She helps the students around her after completion of her work. I see nothing but good things for this student.

The class withe the best attendance is:
1st place Grade 3 with 93% attendance rate



5th grade
We’vana Valenzuela

- We’yana shows up early with a quiet strength, noticing the small things that matter. She brings a calm, steady presence that helps others feel grounded, especially during times of change. I can always count on her to be on time, prepared, and focused. She pays attention in class and works hard to get things done, showing care in everything she does.



6th grade
Katalaya Mason

- Katalya has really begun to learn lessons from the skunk cabbages. Kat has really been focusing in the classroom leading to improved grades and better organization. She is taking the time to think about her actions and words and the impact it has on those around her. Way to go Kat! Continue to grow and improve in everything you do and encourage the same from others.



7th grade
Nyeshia Rosander

Nyeshia is goal driven. She understand the importance of hard work pays off. She is supportive of her classmates and family. If someone is having a bad day she is their to offer encouragement or guidance. She is easy to talk to, which is why many people are drawn to her and like to be around her.



7th grade
Dylan Mowtich Purser

Dylan like the skunk cabbage is bursting out of the ground ready to show what he is capable of. He has shown great improvements in his assignments and meeting his deadlines. He will help others when they need it. He keeps track of his grades and works on improving them and doing better. Keep up the hard work Dylan.



8th grade
Jacob Grundvig

Jacob is a model student and leader amongst his peers. He stays on task in class and is respectful to adults and classmates. Like the skunk cabbage that guides us along so does Jacob.



9th Grade
Caleb Gonzales

Caleb is improving himself as a student and a person. He is here every day and also has the attitude of wanting to be here. He understands the perks of getting work done right away so he can relax and not stress about getting assignments at the last minute. He also truly listens to feedback and is respectful to what his teachers and mentors tell him.



10th Grade
Culeone Comenout

Culeone works hard and is willing to help his classmates when they are stuck. He is constantly pushing himself out of his comfort zone and trying new things or even participate in things that are difficult. He leads by working with others to improve our school.



12th Grade -
Krista Goodface

Krista is the type of student we wish we could give student of the month to every month. She has been working hard all year. She builds up others with her kindness and respect. Krista’s personality encourages others to be comfortable with who they are. Like the skunk cabbage she is the first burst of color after a long winter. Thank you for bringing brightness into Taholah School. We will miss you greatly next year but we are excited to see what is ahead for you.



Perfect Chitwhin award



Congratulations



Leonard Stearns



Derrick Waugh



A big shout out to the families that encouraged your students

May Chitwhins of the Month - Teachings of Devils Club



Kindergarten Maurice Martin

Maurice has consistently shown love and support for others. He is always the first to offer to help pick up a spill made by someone else, offer a helping hand when someone is struggling, and always so loving! Maurice is a pleasure to have in class and shows up for others by protecting others. His is an ally that show up and confidently faces his fears on a daily basis. We are so lucky to have Maurice in our classroom. Keep it up, Maurice!

Taholah School District would like to congratulate our May Chitwhins of the Month. These students have followed the teachings of Devil’s Club - protection. Devil’s Club is a warrior plant its armored stems protect fragile landscapes by stabilizing the ecosystem and protecting smaller plants. They grow in communities and create networks to remind us to walk slow and be present. Devil’s club provides strength when they are vulnerable. It is a protective ally when you need strength and connection. The following students have stepped up to protect and care for others. They are allies that show up confidently and face their fears.

“People protect what they love. ”
Jacques Yves Cousteau



Perfect Chitwhin Award



3rd grade Lorenzo Villa Villa

Lorenzo is a natural leader and a person who lets adults know if someone needs help. He is a hard worker who always tries to be the best version of himself even when it is hard. He has a strong understanding of fairness and loyalty which is mature for his age.



6th grade Lynden St. Germaine

Lynden provides protection in many aspects of his life. As a brother, a student and a Quinault member. He protects his loved ones, and will be the first to provide comfort. He is an amazing student that protects his learning environment reminding those to keep it a place to learn. He is a protector of his lands and culture by sharing with others his experiences and knowledge. He provides many of us with strength and connection.



10th Grade Noah Charlie

Noah is a strong supporter of his community, he is always cheering on his classmates. He enjoys jumping in and helping others. He has really grown into the upperclassman he is about to be by owning his responsibility.



Taholah students racking up the awards!



1st grade Millie Piffero

Millie is a great example of protection and support in our classroom. She stands up for what she needs, and also helps to take care of the rest of the students and make sure they get what they need. In addition to that, her hard work and persistence are a real asset to our classroom. Over the last month, her reading and math skills have also significantly improved. Great Job Millie!



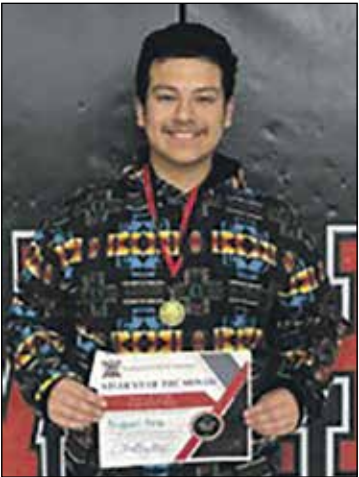
4th grade Cecilia Brown

CeCe, like the Devils-Club, is very protective of her 4th grade peers. She will go out of her way to help someone in need. She helps others during class to get their work done.



7th grade Laayoni Valenzuela

Nonnie is confident in who she is as a person and her abilities. She is a strong class leader in her class because she either defends them or holds them accountable. She is good at including her community and building them up.



11th Grade Nyguel Pena

Nyguel is just a great student, person and sibling. Everyone feels good and protected around Nyguel. He offers prayers and guidance when needed. He is focused on his academics and running start leading others on a good path.



2nd grade Catalina Tapia

Catalina is a soft spoken, humble child with tremendous inner strength. Her generous capacity for empathy and love for others is a stabilizing force in our class. Catalina shows up, sees what’s needed, and gives service when no one else is listening, let alone helping. She cares deeply for others and, like Devil's Club, stands as an ally to anyone who needs emotional strength and connection.



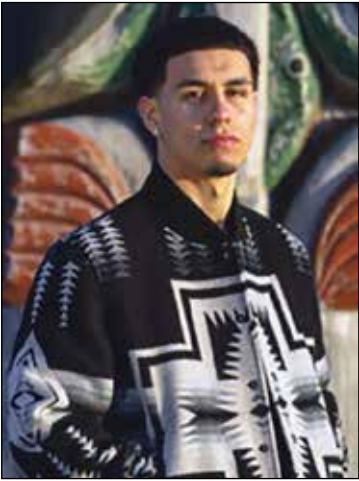
5th grade Alayla Kreiman

Alayla, you have grown so much throughout this year. You have conquered many obstacles and faced challenges head on. We have seen you step up to be a friend when you see someone in need. You do amazing things! Keep it up!



9th Grade Lailani Turpin

Lailani looks after everyone in the class, not just her people. If anyone is not treated right she will be the first to stick up for them.



12th Grade Isaac Valenzuela

He’s been focused and dedicated on barber school, coming to school and graduating. He is a protector of his own future finding his way, exploring different options and schools.



Excellent Blueback Award



Oplopanax horridus commonly known as Devils Club or sk̓aəkač in Quinault. Photo by Larry Workman

Quinault Nation COO Update

M'liss DeWald

I'm excited to announce that the COO's office is fully staffed, and that Melanie Montgomery, a Quinault citizen, has filled the position of Deputy Chief Operating Officer!

Prior to joining the COO's office, Melanie worked as a Consultant for the Shandel Group, where she supported individuals and organizations through leadership development, communication train-

ing, executive coaching, and organizational development initiatives. She began her career in the Hospitality and Gaming industries, where she held several leadership roles, including Executive Director of Hospitality at Quinault Beach Resort and Casino and Chairwoman of the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board. Throughout her career, Melanie has been driven by a passion for leadership and

a commitment to fostering strong, positive organizational cultures. Melanie holds a master's degree in organizational leadership with a concentration in change leadership from Gonzaga University, and a bachelor's degree in hospitality business management from Washington State University. She has also completed many continuing education programs, including a certificate

in Diversity and Inclusion from Cornell University, the University of Washington's Tribal Gaming and Hospitality Certificate Program, and Leadership Grays Harbor. Melanie deeply values giving back to her community. She is a founding member of the Cæppak Fund board, the nonprofit charitable arm of the Quinault Indian Nation, focused on cultural preservation and village relocation.

She also served as Board President of Native Action Network, a nonprofit dedicated to advancing leadership development and creating opportunities for Native women. As she steps into this new chapter, Melanie is honored and excited to come home and contribute her experience and passion to serve the Quinault Indian Nation.

Public Works Quarterly Report

Julie Burnett, Public Works Director

The Public Works Division consists of the following departments and Managers: Administration: Julie Burnett, Public Works Director
Tootie James, Public Works Deputy Director
Utilities: Dave Hinchin, Manager
Maintenance, Robert Shale, Manager
Custodial: April Smith-Capoe-man, Manager
BIA Roads, Donald Waugh, Manager
Planning and Community Development, Emily Wheaton, Manager
Beautification, Jaren Ancheta, Supervisor
The Public Works division currently oversee many proj-

ects. We have been working on state-funded CCA projects for relocation in both the Taholah and Queets villages. I would like to thank the Planning, and Construction departments for their hard work on the relocation projects. The relocation projects are only a few of the projects that we are currently overseeing in the Public Works Division. We are near completion in the following projects in June 2025: Quia'Tso Queets Generations facility. This facility will house the Quinault Indian Nation Early Learning and Elders programs. Construction should be complete by the end of June 2025.

Taholah Water Improvement, Upper Village
Three water towers are being constructed in the relocation area of Taholah. The three tanks will hold 474,000 gallons of water, which will provide water for the upper village, relocation areas. Queets Relocation Design
We have been working with Red Plains firm to plan and design the Queets village relocation. The plans should be complete the by the end of June 2025. Allotment 100 has been identified as the site for Queets relocation. We will begin clearing Allotment 100 hopefully this summer.



The new Queets Generations Facility. Photo by Julie Burnett

Public Safety Report

Mark James, Public Safety Director

Law, EMS, Fire department, Emergency Management and Resource Enforcement responded to a catastrophic incident at the new water tower construction site for the new upper Taholah Village. Just after 3:00 p.m. Tuesday May 13th, members of numerous first responder agencies were called to assist Quinault fire, law, and EMS departments for a construction accident in Taholah.

Four construction workers had a scaffolding collapse, and they fell 30-40 feet into a water tank under construction. Thurston County Special Operations were requested, and members of Grays Harbor County Special Operations were included. Members from Hoquiam Fire, Aberdeen Fire, Grays Harbor Fire District #2, and East Grays Harbor Fire and Rescue responded with Thurston County resources and Coast Guard to help res-

cue the trapped patients. Two of the victims were in critical condition and two were ambulatory. I am proud of our staff and how they worked together under extremely stressful conditions to provide the needed services to bring this incident to a successful conclusion. Resource Officer Robert Harrison is doing a great job in his field training program after completing the Police Academy. It is anticipated he will be on his own sometime in the second week of July.

Emergency Management conducted a tabletop exercise with programs and provided great training and skills to a wide variety of staff. They continue to work with the Nation's leadership provide scenario-based training to develop necessary skill sets that will allow programs to respond seamlessly when an event occurs. EMS continues to work very hard to provide services all over the reservation. While understaffed they continue to cover District 4 calls while still covering calls for Taholah, and Q-Village. This has severely strained their staffing capacity, but I am proud of their commitment to the Nation and our people as they provide this vital service.

Animal Control: Public Safety is still working to fill two open Animal Control positions. In the interim, Law Officers will continue to respond to dangerous animal complaints and address them appropriately. Pets for Life continues to provide necessary pet services to the community and we are grateful for all the hard work and services Coordinator Kira Ferrier-Curley continues to provide to the community.



IT Quarterly Update

Chris Frank, Director of Technology

Teamwork Making the Dream Work

Our IT Department has been working through and supporting many changes for QIN. We have been actively and proactively helping review current and new solutions to help our nation improve how we use technology. A key to our success within QIN IT is having open communication between our IT team and the many departments we support. We do our best to provide timely help from our daily operations to our ongoing initiatives and projects.

IT Projects / Work Highlights

Annual General Council Meeting – Taholah / All of QIN

Our IT Team, led by Chris Frank, helped meet the needs of our 2025 Annual General Council Meeting. This was a great collaborative effort which included audio / video / printing / voting / Wi-Fi. Chris wants to share another big THANK YOU to our IT Team, our Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard, the Taholah School staff and everyone who helped with this year's GC meeting!

Community Broadband – Lower Village, Taholah

Continued broadband upgrades in the Lower Village with a focus on replacing aging

connectivity equipment. Our IT team is currently working with QIN leadership to find creative ways to help better plan for our communities we support.

Queets Generations Building – Queets

We have been working directly with needed QIN departments to fulfill all the IT needs of the Queets Generations Building. We will continue to support the remaining needs around this great effort and look forward to seeing those doors open for the community!

Court & TANF Moves – Taholah

Our IT Team helped with many moves surrounding both the Court and TANF departments/staff. We worked directly with leaders from each of these departments to ensure the staff were able to continue providing their great services. We had a luncheon in mid-April with our IT and Maintenance departments, which was a great way to celebrate the commendable efforts to support the moves.

Thank You from IT

Our IT Team here at QIN looks forward to continuing to serve the Nation and improve our level of service. Thank you for your ongoing support!



Rescue worker lowered into the water tank from the Coast Guard helicopter to aid accident victims. Photo by Ryan Hendricks

Have a safe Quinault Treaty Day and Chief Taholah Days!

Education, Training and Cultural Division Report

Debbie Martin, ETC Director

Education

QIN Education and the Boys & Girls Club had a successful Spring Quarter, supporting Youth Opportunity Program (YOP) students and college students. During this quarter, QIN Education funded 79 Quinault students attending colleges across the country. The Education Department plans to collaborate closely with the Grays Harbor College TRIO Program and the Native Pathways Program this coming fall. We aim to establish quarterly meetings and work together with the GHC board to increase awareness of QIN Education.

The Boys & Girls Club will begin their summer programming on June 23, 2025, from 12 to 2 PM in Taholah. This will be our summer kick-off event, held at the Taholah High School softball field. The Queet Boys & Girls Club Summer kickoff event will take place on June 24, 2025, from 12 to 2 PM pm at the Queets baseball field.

We celebrated the graduation of several Quinault students this quarter, including both high school and college graduates. We hosted a recognition dinner for our high school graduates, and we plan to make next year’s event even bigger (see page 16 for Quinault graduates

Recently, we hired a new Teen Center Cultural Specialist, Nicholas (Nick) Pittack. Initially in an on-call position, he has now accepted a full-time role and is eager to create plans for the teens over the summer.

TERO

TERO has been busy with a new project through PAC Mountain working with our 18-24 youth. A more detailed article will occur in next month’s Nugguam. As always TERO is busy working with contractors on or near the reservation with job placement for our TERO clients.

Another project TERO assisted with is the Native American Apprentice Assistance Program. Four tribal members was able to take advantage of this program. The picture below is William Pink. William would like to thank the Native American Apprentice Assistance Program for the funding that sent to QIN for distribution. This funding was allocated to help union workers pay for bills during the slower season. If you have any questions on this program, please contact Evelyne Kalama at 360-276-8211, et. 4805

Language

Fall Language Class deadline is August 30th. We conduct classes in Taholah, Queets and Hoquiam. Our schedule is based upon a first come, first served basis. Get your application in early to attain your preferred class time. Keep an eye out for our digital dictionary to be hosted on Webonary soon. We will post notices when it’s available online. Also, we attained the Arts WA grant that will fund our Language Family Nights beginning in Queets in the Fall.

TANF

TANF is preparing for

camp. We are excited to be celebrating our 15th year of offering camp to our youth. Camp is July 13th through the 18th in Shelton WA. The Queets office site is being prepped, thank you to the QIN Construction Program. The program will be transitioning to US Bank to provide gift cards, monthly assistance payments and Diversion services. The goal is to streamline the payment and reduce the administrative process. The Intergovernmental Agreement process has begun. The agreement must be complete by Sept. 30, 2025. This allows the TANF Program to receive state funding and continue to provide services to the community. We currently have vacancies and are working with Human Resources to fill the positions. The Taholah Lead Caseworker, two Intake Specialists, and a caseworker are currently being advertised. We look forward to new staff joining the program as we continue to improve service delivery and provide services that fit the needs of the families. There are six youth that are graduating this year. Congratulations to the youth and the family that have supported them.

New Opportunities has hired a new coordinator. Gail Parker has been promoted into the position. Gail has worked for TANF for almost two years. Her knowledge of the program has allowed for a smooth transition. Gail will be providing services Monday and Wednesday in Taholah and Tuesday and Thurs-

days in Hoquiam. She goes to Queets one Wednesday out of the month. This may need to increase should the number of participants increase. Most cases being served include medical and treatment exempt. With those that are treatment exempt, staff have been working closely with the Quinault Wellness Center to support those in recovery. Thank you to the Wellness Center for the work they are doing.

Child Support

QIN Child Support Services program is located at 214 4th St. in Taholah. Our program can establish parentage, child support orders, or modify orders. We can also verify Treaty income and garnish, so orders are based on actual income not presumed. We can establish orders on individuals living on the reservation, or those who receive Public Assistance through QIN TANF. We can also refer cases to the State or other States. Please contact us if you have any questions! Gina James, Program Manager.

Museum

The museum is currently in its busy season, we receive visitors from all over. Currently we’ve had 100+ visitors since the beginning of May. We hosted a Q+A session with Architecture students from Washington State University as they plan to design the new phase of the relocation for the nation. We also received staff from Lake Quinault Lodge as we plan to co-host a tribal art exhibition. Museum staff have

also issued 46 cedar harvest permits.

We are excited to continue planning our new museum. The planning stage is in the process of being unfrozen and we will continue working alongside the planning and language department on designing the building. Looking forward to July we are planning our group trip to Bowerman Basin (aka Grays Harbor Wildlife Refuge) to harvest sweetgrass.”

Early Learning

This has been a busy quarter for the Early Learning program. Graduation for our head start students is always a joyous time for our staff and parents as they see the children ready for kindergarten. We had five graduates in Queets this year. Their graduation theme was centered around princesses, and they were all magical and beautiful. Taholah head start graduates had a Circus theme with twelve graduates at their ceremony. We appreciate our parents that entrust us with the learning and cultural activities that our program has to offer. We also appreciate the time and effort our parents and staff put into making the graduation evening a special event for our kiddos.

We will start our enrollment for next year’s Head Start program soon. Look for posted notices.

Tips to Help Your Picky Eater

Denise Ross, Health and Wellness Director

Good nutrition is important for young children to help them grow healthy and strong. Children need a variety of nutritious foods each day for healthy growth and brain development. Early eating experiences can also affect how people eat as they get older. This is why it is important to introduce young children to healthy foods, including a variety of fruits and vegetables.

Follow these tips to help your picky eater try new foods.

- Try eating the food first to show them you like it. Then, let them try it.
- Make funny faces with the food on their plate. It may help them get excited to eat it.
- Give them a choice of different foods to try. Let them decide which one to try today.
- Serve new foods with foods you know they like.
- Try freezing small bites of leftover foods. You can use these later.
- Wait a couple of days before offering the food again. It can take more than 10 times before your child likes it.

As children get older, they may start refusing foods they used to like or start showing signs of being a picky eater. Favoring just a couple of foods or not wanting foods to touch each other on the plate are normal behaviors. These behaviors often go away by the time the child is about 5.

Giving your child foods with a variety of different [tastes and textures](#) can help them learn to accept and like a variety of foods. You can let your child try a variety of textures including:

- Smooth (strained or pureed).
- Mashed or lumpy.
- Finely chopped or ground.

Start with smooth or mashed foods first and then move towards finely chopped or ground foods as they get older. This can help your child develop chewing skills, as well as fine motor skills like pinching and picking up food with their fingers. Be sure to offer foods in the right size, consistency, and shape for your child’s age and development to help prevent choking.



Developed with the CDC Foundation.



Unlocking Access: A Critical Pathway to Health Equity

Access to quality, timely, and culturally competent care remains the cornerstone of health equity. Yet, millions in vulnerable, underserved communities, particularly communities of color and rural communities, face persistent barriers to preventive services, lifesaving treatments, and essential healthcare innovations. NMQF believes that as the healthcare landscape shifts, it is imperative to remove obstacles caused by socioeconomic disparities, geographic isolation, and structural inequities. Ensuring equitable access is not just a moral imperative but a necessary step toward reducing preventable morbidity and mortality in underserved populations.

Aligning Healthcare with Human and Biological Needs

NMQF believes that true health equity requires aligning healthcare delivery with the biological and social realities that shape individual health outcomes. Policies must be recalibrated

to reflect the natural processes of human biology and the diverse needs of marginalized communities. Misaligned policies perpetuate disparities and disrupt care continuity.

“By fostering alignment between healthcare systems”, Dr. Gary Puckrein, President, National Minority Quality Forum, “community priorities, and patient-centered approaches, we can advance evidence-based solutions that acknowledge the interconnectedness of biology, environment, and lived experiences”.

Taking Action to Protect Vulnerable Communities in Uncertain Times

NMQF urges policymakers, clinicians, and advocates to take bold, coordinated action to reduce patient risk, prevent avoidable deaths, and drive transformative change in healthcare delivery. Pathways to optimal care can be unlocked through sustained collaboration and decisive action, ensuring that no community is left behind in the pursuit of health equity.

“Health Unlocked: Access, Alignment, Action” serves as a rallying call for healthcare leaders, policymakers, and advocates to commit to systemic change that removes barriers, centers human needs, and advances equitable outcomes.

Sorry, no reports were submitted from Social Service or Natural Resources

Watch the 25-minute video *TROUBLE IN THE HEADWATERS* about what can happen when there is clearcutting in the headwater near Grand Forks in British Columbia. Add in climate change and the results of flooding and landslides is greatly increased. You may watch it on YouTube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WjG8olqgLVU&t=23s>

Quinault Planning Office

8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Monday – Friday

For Building Permits,
request applications
by calling or emailing

Rose Johnson (Admin. Assist.)
360-276-8211 ext: 6821
Rose.Johnson@quinault.org

Max Howard (Jr. Planner)
360-276-8211 ext: 6824
Max.Howard@quinault.org

Or email
landuse@quinault.org

Building Permits needed for, but
not limited to:

Roofing, construction, fencing
(greater than 6ft), electrical, re-
models, accessory structures, etc.
(On Reservation)

QUINAULT NATION ENTERPRISE BOARD

Community Meeting

QNEB Quarterly Reports

July 31, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

Taholah Community Center

TOPIC

Review of quarterly
Enterprise reports.

MENU

TBD.

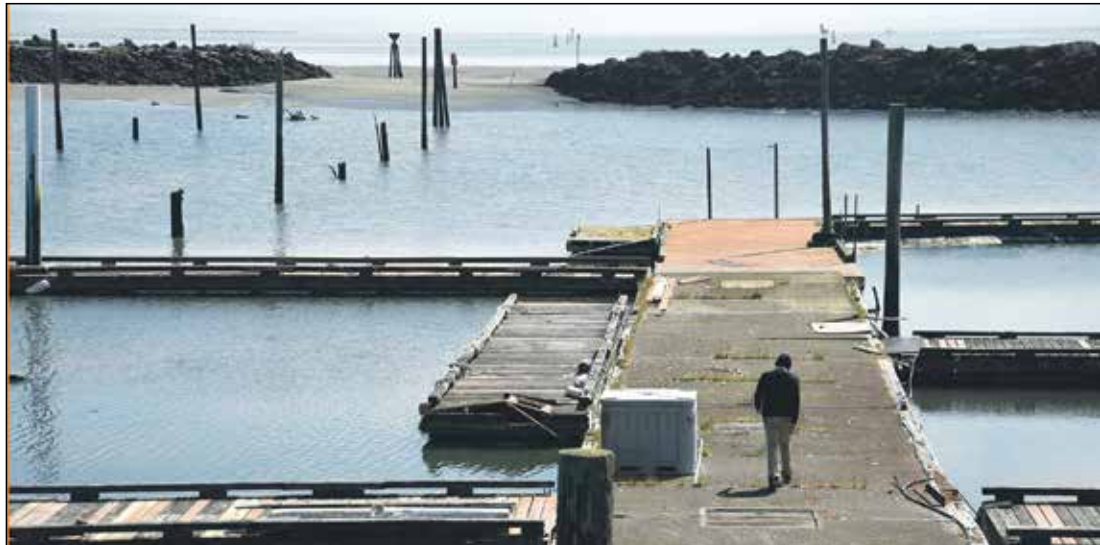
If you have any questions, please email Anthony Enzler
Tony.enzler@quinault.org or Latosha Underwood LUNDERWOOD@quinault.org.

Unprecedented Storm Damage Forces Indefinite Closure of Quinault RV Park and Marina

By Tony Enzler - QNEB COO



There is extensive erosion at the Quinault RV Park. Photos by Larry Workman



The Quinault Marina at Ocean Shores is filling in with silt and sand now blocks the entrance into the marina from the bay.

Following an exceptionally harsh winter, the Quinault RV Park and Marina in Ocean Shores have sustained extensive damage, leading to indefinite closure. Violent coastal storms wreaked havoc on the property, compromising the RV park’s essential infrastructure, including major damage to sewer and electrical systems. Severe beach erosion also eliminated several waterfront RV sites, drastically altering the landscape.

The destruction has left the grounds with significant challenges to operational recovery. Quinault Corporate has worked closely with the City of Ocean Shores to address beach erosion and the increasing sediment into the marina making it unsafe/unusable for any vessels. Quinault Corporate is assessing our financial responsibility and costs associated with damaged infrastructure.

Given the magnitude of the damage and lingering uncertainty, Quinault RV Park and Marina

will remain closed for the foreseeable future. Quinault Corporate management will continue to review avenues for its reopening but must prioritize safety and the long-term viability of the property. Quinault Nation Enterprises management and Quinault Nation Enterprise Board remain committed to updating the public as the situation progresses and express deep gratitude for the community’s ongoing support.

Damon Point has been closed since late January and the city of Ocean Shores declared an erosion emergency in early February. Also in late January, Ocean Shores commissioned the construction of a temporary cobble berm to replace a sand berm along the south shore that had suffered storm damage. Further efforts to combat the effects of coastal erosion are slated to begin in 2026 or are stymied by the loss of federal grant programs.

TAALA FUND

CEDAR ROOT

Business Center

A Taala Fund Initiative

Accelerator Program

Excitement filled the atmosphere as Cedar Root Business Center participated in a dynamic business accelerator program hosted by The Nature Conservancy. This impactful event, held in Jamestown S’Klallam territory, focused on problem-solving and reframing ideas about the future of local entrepreneurship. Participants were energized by discussions that aimed to tackle pressing challenges while also exploring innovative pathways for growth. The accelerator program was thoughtfully designed to empower attendees with valuable resources, mentorship opportunities, and networking connections. Each session provided insights that encouraged participants to think outside the box, helping them envision a brighter future for their businesses. One of the key goals for Cedar Root Business Center is to strengthen connections between surrounding tribal communities and the Quinault Indian Nation. By offering tailored business services and training, CRBC aims to provide the support needed for local entrepreneurs to thrive. In the spirit of fostering innovation and competition, Cedar Root is also planning an exciting upcoming business contest, so entrepreneurs should definitely stay tuned for details!

Seabrook Saturday Markets are back!

Last month, we launched our inaugural Seabrook Saturday Market. We invite you to join us every Saturday throughout the summer. Our offerings will include local and indigenous artwork, along with body products and NDN tea.

If you are an artist or a local maker we would love to feature your wares. Please contact Cat Raya at catheriner@taalafund.org.

Throughout the event, the engagement from participants highlighted a strong desire for collaboration among the tribes. The opportunity to exchange ideas and share experiences created a supportive environment that reinforced the importance of community ties in the entrepreneurial journey. As Cedar Root Business Center continues to develop programs and services for local entrepreneurs, it remains committed to cultivating an atmosphere where creativity and ambition can flourish, forging links that benefit not only individual businesses but the community as a whole.

CATHERINER@TAALAFUND.ORG

WWW.CEDARROOTBUSINESSCENTER.COM

Taala Fund Closures

Taala Fund will be closed for Chief Taholah Days on July1-4 2025

Visit the Quinault Museum and Cultural Center in Taholah

Save at the Pump!

QMart has set up a public email for issues or applications for QMart Rewards Cards. If you have questions, or would like to sign up for a Rewards Card, please email your request or concerns to this email:

QMart_Rewards@quinault.org

Please join the Diabetes Wellness Team on Mondays at 11 am for education, snacks and fun. Felicity Andersen and Lynn Bumgarner are doing most of the coordination.

360-276-8215
Felicity ext. 8648
Lynn ext. 8642

Roger Saux Health Center Nail Care Services



Nail care is available for established patients with diabetes or other chronic disease. Nail care is provided by trained nurses. If you would like to receive nail care please call: 276-4405 ext. 8640 and your name will be placed on the list.



Stay Active & Independent for Life (SAIL)

A strength, balance and fun fitness class for adults

SAIL Fitness Classes

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10:30am-11:30am

@ New Generations Conf.Rm w/ Diabetes Wellness & Fitness Staff

Boardwalk Repair



The boardwalk between the fishhouse and the Riverside Fitness Center under repair on June 19 by Hultman Construction & Environmental Inc. Photo by Larry Workman



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Sacred Healing Journey

We serve victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, harassment, stalking, adults’ survivors of childhood sex and abuse and more. Our vision is to empower individuals to restore healthy family’s structure where everyone is safe, honored and respected. Available services include crisis intervention, information and referral, advocacy,

outreach and awareness. We also have the Sacred Healing House that provides temporary shelter for DV or SA victims and their children.

Please reach out if you are needing services.

Follow our Facebook page for updates and events.

360-276-8211 ext. 8151



Women’s Health Corner

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer in women. Early detection with mammograms starting at age 40, along with provider and self- breast examinations are key to early detection and prevention of breast cancer. If you have any changes in your breasts or notice a lump, you should contact your provider as soon as possible. Roger Saux Health Center has a breast health program, partnered with Harbors Regional Health Imaging in Aberdeen to coordinate mammograms. The breast health program provides transportation if needed and lunch on the day of your scheduled mammogram appointment.

To schedule a mammogram or to find out about other women’s health services that are available contact Roger Saux Health Center Lynn Bumgarner or Cheryl Turchan @ 360-276-4404 ext. 8642

HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES

WHAT TO LOOK FOR	WHAT TO DO
HEAT STROKE • High body temperature (103°F or higher) • Hot, red, dry, or damp skin • Fast, strong pulse • Headache • Dizziness • Nausea • Confusion • Losing consciousness (passing out)	• Call 911 right away-heat stroke is a medical emergency • Move the person to a cooler place • Help lower the person’s temperature with cool cloths or a cool bath • Do not give the person anything to drink
HEAT EXHAUSTION • Heavy sweating • Cold, pale, and clammy skin • Fast, weak pulse • Nausea or vomiting • Muscle cramps • Tiredness or weakness • Dizziness • Headache • Fainting (passing out)	• Move to a cool place • Loosen your clothes • Put cool, wet cloths on your body or take a cool bath • Sip water Get medical help right away if: • You are throwing up • Your symptoms get worse • Your symptoms last longer than 1 hour
HEAT CRAMPS • Heavy sweating during intense exercise • Muscle pain or spasms	• Stop physical activity and move to a cool place • Drink water or a sports drink • Wait for cramps to go away before you do any more physical activity Get medical help right away if: • Cramps last longer than 1 hour • You’re on a low-sodium diet • You have heart problems
SUNBURN • Painful, red, and warm skin • Blisters on the skin	• Stay out of the sun until your sunburn heals • Put cool cloths on sunburned areas or take a cool bath • Put moisturizing lotion on sunburned areas • Do not break blisters
HEAT RASH • Red clusters of small blisters that look like pimples on the skin (usually on the neck, chest, groin, or in elbow creases)	• Stay in a cool, dry place • Keep the rash dry • Use powder (like baby powder) to soothe the rash



Heat Exhaustion

ACT FAST

- Move to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don’t improve

Dizziness

Thirst

Heavy Sweating

Nausea

Weakness

Heat Stroke

ACT FAST

CALL 911

- Move person to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing and remove extra layers
- Cool with water or ice

Confusion

Dizziness

Becomes Unconscious



Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.



Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated, Stay Informed!



Thomas Finley Mail, Sr.

February 11, 1951– April 20, 2025

Thomas Finley Mail, Sr., age 74, a lifelong resident of the Harbor, died on April 20, 2025, at Harbor Regional Hospital in Aberdeen. Tom was born on February 11, 1951, in Aberdeen to Andrew Conrad Mail and Mildred Rose (McCrory) Mail.

He had worked as a commercial fisherman, construction worker and for the Quinault Indian Nation as a caretaker for the RV Park.

Surviving relatives include his son Aaron Matthew Mail of Shelton; brothers, John Winfield Mail of Taholah and James Craig Mail of Aberdeen; a sister, Winona Irene Weber (Steve)



of Hoquiam; grandchildren, Luca Mail, Asher Mail, Isaac Mail-Quintero. Thomas Finley Mail-Quintero, Micah Mail (Tristin) and Madison Mail and stepchildren Ryan Cornwall and Julie Cornwall.

His wife, Patty Smith Mail, three

children, James Todd Mail, Thomas Finley Mail Jr, and Leslie Lynn Mail; and five siblings, Robin Francis Mail, Veronica Mail Getty, Andrew Conrad Mail, Michael Duane Mail and Michelle Cisneros died previously.

Visitation was held at the Coleman Mortuary on Friday, April 25, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

A dinner was held at 2:00 PM on May 2, 2025, at the Ocean Shores Lions Club. A paddle out tribute followed.

Please record your thoughts for the family by signing the online register at: www.colemanmortuary.net

Tevin Summarell

January 4, 1992 – May 26, 2025



Tevin Scott Summarell; His first sunset was on January 4, 1992, to Yvonne & Ted Summarell in Bremerton, Washington. His last sunset was on May 26, 2025, at his parents' home in Suquamish, Washington.

He lived his 33 years

in Kitsap County, where he graduated from North Kitsap High School in 2010. He later went on to Olympic College, where he studied welding. He was proud to be an enrolled member of the Quinault Indian Nation. Tevin, a Son, Uncle, Nephew, Brother, Grandson, Cousin, and dear friend, shall be greatly missed. He is survived by his Parents, Ted & Yvonne, Aunt Carol, Brother Michael, Nieces Lyla & Maya, Nephew Vincent, and many relatives throughout the Country.

Family members who passed before him were: From Washington, Sister Tawney Lynne, Aunt Della, Grandpa

Jim, Grandma Lil. From Utah, Grandpa Tom, Uncle William, Aunts Vicki, and Penny. Auntie Bertha & Uncle Reggie.

His viewing was private, held on June 6, 2025 in Port Orchard, Washington. His remains were then cremated. A celebration of life was held in Suquamish at the House of Awakened Culture - HOAC (Near the slab) on June 23, 2025 from 12-2 PM. There will be a dinner served, people were asked to bring a dish or dessert. Burial will be private at a later date with Family at 1671 Mountain View Road, N.W., Silverdale, Washington. Postings shall also be on James Banda's Facebook page.

Requesting a Burial at the Taholah Cemetery



If you would like to request a burial at the Taholah cemetery, lease contact the following people to schedule a service.

☞ *Hannah Curley, Enrollment Administrator can assist you with a Burial Assistance application. hannah.curley@quinault.org, 360-276-8211 ext. 7219.*

☞ *If you live outside the QIN service area,*

there are additional equirements that need to be followed.

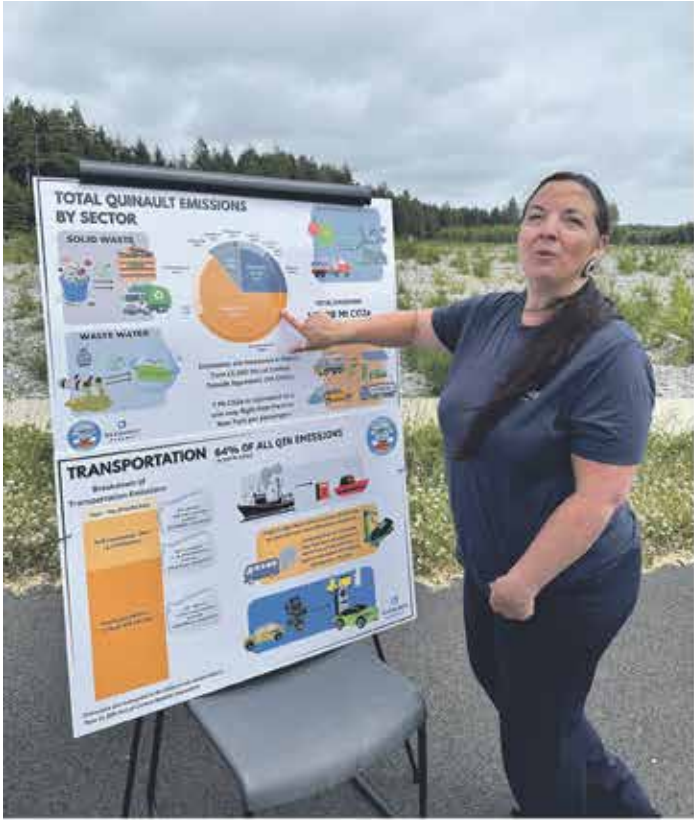
☞ *Contact a funeral home for arrangements.*

☞ *If you are a QIN Tribal member, and would like to utilize he QIN Taholah cemetery or columbarium, you will need to contact Community Services a minimum of three days prior to the service*

date. This is so we can make arrangements with the BIA to stop logging the road, and to coordinate with the grave diggers. Jerome Obi can be contacted at: Jerome.obi@quinault.org, or 360-276-8211, ext. 6206. Jerome will contact the grave digging crew.

Powering A Greener Future QIN Hosts EV Showcase

Photos and Article By Michael Pattem



The Quinault Indian Nation (QIN), in partnership with Resource Synergy, hosted an Electric Vehicle (EV) & Equipment Showcase on June 12 at the Taholah Generations Building — an event dedicated to exploring clean energy solutions and reducing the Nation's transportation emissions.

From 2 to 6 PM, staff and community members gathered to test out electric vehicles ranging from trucks and e-bikes to zero-emission lawn mow-

ers. Vendors such as Forth Mobility and Signature Yachts were on hand to answer questions, demonstrate equipment, and discuss what a clean-energy future could look like for QIN.

A major highlight of the event was the electric boat demonstrations, which took place every hour on the Quinault River. Attendees had the rare opportunity to board an emission-free vessel — with priority given to those who use boats for their work. There was also

an electric side-by-side utility vehicle available for test drives.

Signature Yachts' electric vessel offering quiet, clean-powered rides along the river.

A display highlighting QIN's emissions showed that 64% of the Nation's carbon output comes from transportation — reinforcing the importance of alternative solutions. Feedback forms handed out during the event helped gather thoughts from attendees, with

gift card drawings and reusable water bottles offered as incentives for input.

Free snacks and community conversation rounded out the afternoon, making the event both educational and enjoyable for all involved. Many left feeling excited about what's possible — and hopeful that more clean-energy options could soon be implemented across QIN departments and enterprises.

Darrin Glasgow

Head Chef/Cook



Darrin Glasgow has joined the kitchen crew at Taholah Day Care and Head Start located at our

Generations Building on April 28th 2025. After working as the head chef over at the Green Lantern Pub in Copalis for three years He decided it was a time for a change. Darrin heard that the QIN was a great place to work and his prior experience with the Green Lantern, Golden Cove and the Homeport makes him a great fit. In this new role Darrin will be responsible for ordering food and supplies and cooking for the children,

in the event that a child has dietary needs Darrin makes adjustments to meals as needed. When Darrin isn't in the kitchen, he enjoys hobbies such as Bow hunting, snowmobiling and fishing. When asked about his family Darrin shares that he has been married to his wife for 35 years and has three daughters and 6 grandchildren. Welcome Chef Darrin, The QIN is glad you are here.

Destiny Boome

Queets Custodial



Destiny Boome has begun her first full time position for the Queets

custodial department. Before becoming full time, Destiny was working part time and was there for three months. Job duties for Destiny will be to clean and maintain sanitation for the offices in Queets. Being a tribal member Destiny wanted to use her new role as a way to become closer with her tribe and to be her for what needs to be done. Destiny belongs to multiple families with-

in the tribe having connections to the Boome, Kowoosh and the Obi's. When she has free time Destiny likes to head for herself. When asked about prior training Destiny shares that she has her GED, CPR as well as a food handles permit. Destiny is excited to gain more experience and hopes to keep growing as a worker moving forward.

Maximus Comenout

Custodial



Maximus Comenout is a new custodial employee here in the nation. Armed with the task of making sure our

nation's offices are clean, Max is more than up for the challenge. After stepping away from his gear work position Max decided to apply within custodial following his 3-week stint as an on-call worker. Max says that he wanted to do more than sit at home and this new position allows him to have more to do with his day. When asked about his family, Max says that

he is a tribal member, and that he and his three sisters were raised by a single mother with no close connection with his father. When interest and hobbies were brought up Max shared that he enjoys the outdoors and likes to explore the woods as well as hunt and fish. Congrats to our newest custodial team member.

Alex Rocco

Habitat Management Biologist V



Alex Rocco is the Quinault Indian Nation's new Habitat Management Biologist as of April 14, 2025. Prior to accepting this position, Alex completed his PhD in Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology at North Carolina State University, where he studied the population dynamics of North Carolina's blue crab stock using modeling and mark-recapture techniques. Alex will be working with Quinault Division of Natural Resource-

es and contractors to inform construction of engineered logjams (ELJs) in the upper Quinault, Queets, and Clearwater rivers, and assess the effects of ELJs on the rivers' Blueback, Coho, and Steelhead populations. He will also be working with contractors on the Lake Quinault fertilization project, gathering fisheries data to evaluate the effectiveness of fertilization efforts in improving juvenile blueback abundance within the lake. He is looking forward to sinking his teeth into these new projects, working with new people, and contributing meaningfully to QDNR's fisheries program. Originally from the Chicagoland area, Alex has been running around the Southeast for roughly a decade before coming to Washington; in addition to his PhD from

North Carolina State, he holds an M.S. in Biology from Jacksonville State University in Alabama and a B.S. in Wildlife and Fisheries Science from Tennessee Tech University. He currently lives in Soap Lake, Washington with his fiancée, their dog and two cats, but is planning to move to the Olympic Peninsula in the near future. Alex is an avid angler, both conventional and on the fly, and is very excited to be working and living in an area with such great fishing opportunities. He also enjoys hiking with his fiancée and their dog, boating, and "herping" (looking for reptiles and amphibians). Alex encourages anyone curious about his work to reach out; he is always happy to talk about fish!

Quinault Elders gathered on Thursday May 22nd at QBRC for dinner and group photo



Quinault elders gathered at the Quinault Beach Resort and Casino for the Thursday night dinner on May 29th and for this group photo. Photo by Larry Workman

Taholah School Honors Longtime Employee Jerry Walther



Jerry wrapped in a blanket he received among many other gifts. Photos by Michael Patten and Larry Workman

Jerry Walther, a 33-year employee at the Taholah School, was honored at a school assembly on the morning of June 11th for his retirement. Jerry had worked in the Quinault Department of Natural Resources and as a probation officer before joining the school. Jerry received the Golden Apple Award for Exceptional Teaching and Education Innovation in 2021 for his exceptional teaching and education innovation. The innovation of the program that Jerry had created and implemented at the school is the Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses that emphasizes math and science frameworks. Included in his programs are courses on Ocean and Marine; Fish & Wildlife; Environmental Protection and Forestry areas. Jerry was also involved with the School sports programs. Many speakers got up and talked about Jerry and his dedication to the students.



Some of Jerry's family gathered after the program for this group photo.



Rebecca Black Interview - May 5, 2025

By Pearl Capoeman-Baller



Left to right: Millie, Rebecca and Pearl.

Rebecca Black descends from the Quileute Tribal family of Blacks; she is an enrolled Quinault member. Her family is the Carl Black (Violet Bright) family, which includes Gram Beatrice Black (Johnson Black). Today she shares part of her personal history of being a child of what is known as the SCOOP generation. What

is that? It’s tribal children that were taken from their families and adopted to non-tribal families. Becky (as some of us call her) is one of those children that was taken from her family home just as her mother was. Who was also one of these children. FYI this was all pre-Indian Child Welfare Laws. As I understand part of

this important message is, many tribal members were literally scooped up from their villages and taken away. Some of the children were walking within their village streets or were attending school and were literally stolen from their families. Neither a mom nor a grandmother knew when this was happening. During the time frame when Becky’s mom was literally stolen and stuffed into a car and relocated out of the area. Soon after she was adopted by a non-tribal family. Many of the tribal elders did not speak English and didn’t understand what was happening. Many felt that this type of action taken by the Government was happening and it was very similar to tribal members that were whisked away to various boarding schools. When children were taken, there were ads and pictures put in magazine ads depicting “save the poor Indian waifs”, they are available for adoption, take them to your home. The children were placed into a building called an orphanage; many tribal members were familiar with the old Cushman hospital. Her Mom had the bad ex-

perience of being kicked out of her adoptive home when she got pregnant at the age of 13. Her Mother ended up livings in the streets of Portland and Seattle. Thankfully in later years there were tribal leaders elected and non-elected that demanded change, people like Ramona Bennett and Hank Adams were strong advocates for Indian children. She did not know Joe DeLaCruz nor Billy Frank but felt that from everything that she read or heard, they were great leaders that were there for the people. Many years later the ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act) law was adopted. Families were discouraged from notifying Tribes or families that they were adopting Native children; they were fearful that families or Tribes would interfere via a legal process. There are some people that still today believe that this law is not adhered to. Becky being a strong Quileute/Quinault woman did not allow this childhood experience from destroying her. She admittedly had an alcohol problem and fought and beat that addiction. In later years she was able to reconnect with her mom who gave birth to her,

it took perseverance to finally locate her. The long short story is that Becky has been able to reconnect with her family from LaPush. Her cultural and spiritual beliefs guided her in many ways. She feels strongly that drugs and alcohol is not the way we heal, it’s who you are as native person that guides you. Spirits and prayer can protect and heal you. Today she has strong beliefs about participating in Annual Meetings and trying to make the best decisions that help all the members. She and her family are involved in tribal culture in various ways, they attend canoe journeys, (grandsons have pulled) participate with the songs, and make their traditional attire. She absolutely loves any seafood and would love some seal oil. And is anxiously waiting for the Makahs to catch their next whale, she would love to eat some. “The interviews presented in the Nugquam are brief highlights of the interview we do. The interviews are video recorded and at some point will be accessible to all tribal members”. - Pearl



Being Frank

Federal funding cuts threaten tribal treaty rights



Ed Johnstone Chairman - Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

Tribes in Western Washington are already seeing the impacts of presidential executive orders on funding that supports the management of treaty-reserved resources and the region’s robust economy. These funding cuts, coupled with mass layoffs of the federal scientists we work with to manage and protect our treaty-reserved resources, are contrary to the federal government’s trustee obligation to protect and implement the treaties we signed in the 1850s, reserving the right to fish, hunt and gather in our traditional areas. Our treaty rights have been upheld twice by the U.S. Supreme Court and are protected as property rights under the Fifth Amendment. In addition, the 2022 PUGET Save Our Sound Act legally obligates federal agencies to coordinate with tribes to set priorities to recover Puget Sound, designated an estuary of significance by the National Estuary Program.



Fisheries monitoring could be endangered. Photo by Larry Workman

Harvest management
Planning annual fishing seasons is challenging enough as tribal and state co-managers must divide up diminishing numbers of harvestable salmon. This year was even more difficult because of the hundreds of jobs eliminated at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Those who remained were constrained by budget cuts and agency reductions. So far, NOAA has received only half the annual funding it needs to implement ocean sampling programs, conduct chinook stock assessments and support habitat recovery efforts from Oregon to Alaska. This reduction impacts state and tribal salmon management and recovery efforts at a magnitude that exceeds our ability to find other funding to make up the shortfall. Managing sustainable fisheries depends on NOAA’s participation, which includes analysis and production of compliance documents. Even slight delays to these reports could cancel a tribal or state fishery, costing thousands of jobs, harming the national and international food supply, diminishing the exercise of our tribal treaty rights, and devastating the marine-based economy. Another program that could be cut is the Pacific Coast Salmon Recovery Fund, which would endanger more than 70 tribal jobs essential to fisheries monitoring and evaluation that support our treaty rights and the region’s fishing economy.

Hatchery programs
Federal cuts to NOAA and the Bureau of Indian Affairs also threaten the hatchery programs that provide more than 80% of salmon harvested by tribal and nontribal fishers in the Pacific Northwest. Tribal hatcheries release about 40 million salmon each year. Without federal funding, we won’t be able to maintain and upgrade aging facilities, implement hatchery management plans, or conduct the research and monitoring needed to rear

healthy broodstock. Also in danger is the U.S. Geological Survey Ecosystems Program, which includes the Fish Health Program at the Western Fisheries Research Center. This work is essential to ensuring we have the most up-to-date knowledge about pathogens to prevent their spread in salmon at all life-stages. **Tribal sovereignty**
Our tribal sovereignty to manage our own treaty-protected natural resources depends on funding from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), such as the Puget Sound Geographic Program, to support research and monitoring. EPA funding also supports our participation in bottom-up, cross-agency partnerships with federal, state and local agencies to steward fishery and wildlife resources. Even without cuts to specific programs, reductions in staff could delay disbursement of funds that enable tribes to participate in necessary processes to protect our treaty-reserved rights. These include intergovernmental fishery management processes, U.S./Canada fishing treaties, fisheries forecasts, watershed analyses and numerous other scientific exercises critical for adaptive management of treaty-reserved fishing. Federal funding supports tribes’ capacity to engage in these critical processes that are essential to upholding treaty rights and protecting resources such as salmon and shellfish—both economic drivers in the Pacific Northwest. Investing in salmon recovery directly and indirectly supports jobs in restoration projects, fishing, transportation and tourism. Government support of tribal natural resources management is not optional. The United States has a trust obligation to protect tribal treaty rights to fish, hunt and gather as we always have. That includes providing the funding we need and conducting necessary administrative functions in a timely manner to allow us to exercise our treaty rights and protect natural resources for the next seven generations.

Are you an elder interested in being interviewed?

We continue to interview the elders. We have interviewed members that are no longer enrolled in Quinault. Many of them grew up on the Quinault Reservation, either in Queets or Taholah. Or their involvement or participation in tribal activities was important to the Quinault Nation. We believe that each interview has been such an important part of history and wisdom that they are passing on. And the knowledge that our elders possess and have shared is an important piece of who we are. And we absolutely love their sense of humor.

So please contact us if you are willing to be interviewed, please call Pearl Capoeman-Baller (360)-276-8215 ext. 4605, we are located at the Conversion Center (right next to the Tribal Museum)



Be sure to check out the Summer issue of Coastal Currents which is mailed free to the residents of Grays Harbor County. It features QIN President Guy Capoeman and his canoe and totem carvings.

Trump pulls US out of agreement to help restore salmon in the Columbia River

SEATTLE — President Donald Trump on June 19th pulled the U.S. out of an agreement with Washington, Oregon and four American Indian tribes to work together to restore salmon populations and boost tribal clean energy development in the Pacific Northwest, deriding the plan as “radical environmentalism” that could have resulted in the breaching of four controversial dams on the Snake River.

The deal, known as the Resilient Columbia Basin Agreement, was reached in late 2023 and heralded by the Biden administration, tribes and conservationists as historic. It allowed for a pause in decades of litigation over the harm the federal government’s operation of dams in the Northwest has done to the fish.

“Donald Trump doesn’t know the first thing about the Northwest and our way of life — so of course, he is abruptly and unilaterally upending a historic agreement that finally put us on a path to salmon recovery, while preserving stable dam operations for growers and producers, public utilities, river users, ports and others throughout the Northwest,” Democratic U.S. Sen. Patty Murray of Washington said in a written statement. “This decision is grievously wrong and couldn’t be more shortsighted.”

Teachers Come to Quinault Nation

By Steve Robinson



The group visited the QIN beach to learn about clams, land ownership, Fee/Trust lands, invasive species, sovereignty, as well as climate change issues. Photo by Larry Workman



The group visited the US Forest Service Rain Forest Trail at Lake Quinault. Photo by Larry Workman



QIN President Guy Capoeman welcoming the group. Photo by Steve Robinson



The group at Penned Rearing. Photo by Larry Workman



Larry Workman (far left) talking with the group on the banks of the Quinault River. Photo by Michael Patten



Ryan Hendricks cooking Blueback salmon for the group. Photo by Michael Patten

Teachers from around the Olympic Peninsula came to Quinault Nation on June 16-17 to learn about “Tribes & Climate Change.” The educators’ workshop was hosted by Quinault Nation and produced by the Indigenous Climate Project, a partnership of non-profits Pacific Education Institute (PEI), Washington Wild and This Is Indian Country (TIIC), the latter organization co-founded by the late great Billy Frank Jr. M’liss Dewald, Quinault COO, co-emceed the event with Kathryn Kurtz, Executive Director of PEI..

The group of about 30 teachers and staff was welcomed by QIN President Guy Capoeman. Following the welcome President Capoeman joined Chairman Douglas Woodruff of the Quileute Tribe, Ed Johnstone, Quinault and Chairman of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission and moderator Kat

Brigham, former Chairwoman of the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla and Special Counsel to the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians on a panel to background the teachers on the impacts of climate change and other environmental challenges and the ways tribes are providing leadership in response to these challenges.

Participants were briefed about a new curriculum regarding these issues, available to them and the public on the website at:

www.thisisindiancountry.org.

The site also features 28 interviews with tribal leaders, the new video, “Climate Story” and an interactive map providing background information about tribes throughout the state. Elsewhere on the site are never-before-seen videos of tribal leaders, including Billy Frank, Jr., Hank Adams, Joe DeLaCruz and others.

Larry Workman, long-

time *Nugguam* Editor and Communications Manager for Quinault Nation, showed participants a slide show depicting the history and current environmental status of QIN. The rest of the afternoon was devoted to break out circles and classroom planning, coordinated by PEI staff. An extended version of the “Climate Story” video was presented by Michael Harris of TIIC, an award-winning filmmaker who worked with Billy Frank, Jr. to start the TIIC program.

Workman took the reins of the workshop on a second day by guiding a day-long bus tour of the QIN’s sites and environmental programs.

This was the second of three of these workshops, following an event hosted by the Tulalip Tribes last summer and preceding another on June 23-24 hosted by the Suquamish Tribe. Another is planned for eastern Washington next year,

and more could follow. The events gather teachers together with Native leaders from around the region in a forum to help educators understand and support traditional ecological knowledge, or TEK, and the wisdom, traditions and life-ways of Indigenous peoples.

In the last 10 years tribal-led restoration projects have boomed in Washington state — including the removal of the Elwha Dams, Nisqually’s Billy Frank Jr. Delta reclamation and the Qwuloolt Estuary re-wilding near Marysville. Hopefully, the workshops will encourage both teachers and students to learn more about the environment and get more involved with the cooperative effort to save it.

The workshops feature talks from renowned tribal leaders like Suquamish Chairman, President of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, and University of

Washington Regent Leonard Forsman, Tulalip Chair Teri Gobin, Jamestown S’Klallam CEO and Chairman W. Ron Allen, and Quinault leaders President Guy Capoeman, former President Fawn Sharp and Ed Johnstone, Chairman of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission.

“The goal of this effort is to reach hundreds of teachers and thousands of students in the Northwest with the voice of the tribes, and the lesson of environmental sustainability,” said Steve Robinson, curriculum writer, filmmaker and longtime tribal advocate.

The content of the www.Thisisindiancountry.org website will continue to expand, and keep pace with the ever-changing impacts of climate change, and is free and easily available to educators, researchers and all others, says Robinson.

School relocation funding on the Olympic Coast

Teachers and staff in low-lying schools along the Pacific Northwest coast face an unusual extra responsibility alongside educators’ usual duties: can they herd the entire student body to higher ground on foot in 20 minutes or less to escape a tsunami?

It’s a daunting challenge with the highest possible stakes should an offshore earthquake unleash a wall of incoming seawater. The last megathrust earthquake to hit the region was in 1700, and the Northwest is now in the window for the next magnitude 9.0+ Cascadia fault quake and tsunami.

“It’s something that’s always on your mind. You try not to let this take over,” said North Beach School District Superintendent Richard Zimmerman.

Funding

The Washington Legislature allocated \$151.5 million in the recently passed state construction budget to relocate three coastal schools out of the tsunami zone and build a refuge tower at a fourth. Zimmerman’s district is one of the beneficiaries, along with the Taholah, Cape Flattery, Ocean Shores and Pacific Beach schools.

Taholah

The relocation of the Ta-

holah K-12 public school is part of a larger, years-long process led by the Quinault Nation to move much of the lower village of Taholah about three-quarters of a mile uphill, out of danger from increasingly common floods, storm surges and a future tsunami. The new school will eventually be surrounded by neighborhoods, parks and ballfields to be built on freshlycleared forestland.

Taholah Superintendent Herman Lartigue Jr. said he hopes to welcome roughly 200 students to their new quake-ready school in 2027. He said the use of cedar planking on the outside of the school and exposed cedar beams and columns inside — as well as installations of tribal art — would give the building a distinctive appearance.

“This building is going to be indicative of the culture. It’s great,” Lartigue said.

Other Coastal Schools

The Cape Flattery School District is making a parallel push to incorporate tribal culture in the new Neah Bay K-12 campus, which will replace an elementary school and secondary school at sea level on the Makah reservation. The groundbreaking is tentatively scheduled for mid-July, with move-in anticipated in mid-2027.

The Makah Nation do-

minated a long-term lease on a hillside parcel about one mile inland from Neah Bay to build the new school with a capacity for about 600 students. District Superintendent Michelle Parkin said she harbored a lot of concern last winter upon reading about the budget shortfalls the 2025 Legislature had to grapple with.

“It’s such a relief,” the school relocation funding came through, Parkin said. “Our children are going to be safe.”

Seismic Program

Tharinger said the Legislature’s budget writers decided to be more prescriptive in the newly signed state budget by steering specific sums to projects ready to go in the most vulnerable coastal school districts. Hence, the green light to break ground in Ocean Shores, Taholah and Neah Bay.

Overall, the seismic safety program was renewed at a lower level than the state superintendent asked for in light of many other competing priorities for state construction dollars.

“It’s pretty exciting to have avoided a tragedy and to be able to start building schools in safer places,” Tharinger said.

From his perch in the state superintendent’s office, Newman wishes the Legis-

lature had funded additional school seismic projects in the new budget. Since 2021, he’s seen statefunded earthquake retrofits through to completion in Centralia, South Bend, Boistfort and Marysville — with Cosmopolis Elementary on deck to receive seismic strengthening this summer.

“We were happy with the funding level we received from the Legislature,” to now lift the highest priority schools out of the tsunami zone, Newman said in an interview last week.

Washington state has long lagged behind neighboring West Coast states and provinces in addressing earthquake risk in school buildings. The Oregon Legislature, way back in 2005, created a school seismic retrofit grant program on the scale now underway from Olympia. The provincial government of British Columbia started a seismic mitigation program for schools in 2004 and has shelled out more than \$1.9 billion since then.

Earthquake risk mitigation can also be done with local funding, which is how larger and wealthier Washington school districts have replaced

or modernized the majority of their buildings to withstand strong shaking. But small and rural districts with limited tax bases and tax-averse voters usually have trouble with that approach.

Waiting years in line for state grant funding for seismic upgrades is a gamble, but there’s a financial incentive for districts: taxpayers statewide foot the bill for at least two-thirds — if not close to 100% — of the school reconstruction costs.

“We know that districts have struggled to pass local bonds and levies to modernize their school facilities,” Newman said. “It’s a big lift to address all the seismic needs of aging school buildings.”



Simulation of a Tsunami heading toward the Taholah School. By Larry Workman

BC RESOLUTIONS

Submitted by Mandy Hudson-Howard via Shannon Bradley

Resolution attachments and the full resolutions may be viewed at the office of Records Management.

4/4/2025 Resolutions 25-00-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the QIN owns fee parcel No. 231023230010 legally described as Portion of Government Lot 6, Section 23, Township 23 North, Range 10 West, and Whereas, the Nation intends to continue to use the property to support Tribal Self-Determination, consolidate land ownership, and reduce ownership fragmentation; Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, QBC requests the Secretary of the Interior, or his designee, approve the QIN’s application to the BIA for fee to trust acquisition of on-Reservation including all tribally owned surface and subsurface rights and interests, and requests the United States to take said parcel of fee land into trust on behalf of the QIN.

4/9/2025 Resolutions 25-01-103 – Hand Carry

Whereas, the Nation wishes to contract with David Montgomery to fill the position Chief of Staff under the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement; Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the QBC approves the Employment Agreement between the Nation and David Montgomery for the position of Chief of Staff, effective April 14, 2025.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-02-103 – Consent 1

Whereas, the QIN adopted a tag limit of 88 for the 2025 Guided Bear Hunt season in an effort to limit the bear harvest numbers; and Whereas, one (1) additional tag will also now be donated to the ‘Bradley Misp’ Bryson’ scholarship” for a hunt with Guide John Bryson Jr.; Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the QBC approves the aforementioned donated tag for a guided bear hunt for John Bryson Jr.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-03-103 – Consent 2

QBC agrees to purchase undivided interests from Felicity Anderson.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-04-103 –Consent 6

Whereas, the engagement letter with IQTalent Partners expires on April 30, 2025, and a request has been made to extend the engagement through the end of Fiscal Year 2025 to allow IQTalent to complete the currently ongoing recruitment services; Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the extension of the engagement with IQTalent Partners for recruiting services through September 30, 2025.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-05-103 –Consent 7

Whereas, in accordance with the authority of the QBC and for the public safety of the QIN, the Public Safety Division requests the approval to purchase and lease through QIN Leasing an electronic traffic sign to be installed on Highway 109 within the boundaries of the Quinault Reservation; and Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the QBC approves the purchase and lease of the described electronic traffic sign through QIN Leasing.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-06-103 –Consent 8

Whereas, the QDNR staff concurs with authorizing WSDOT an easement within a portion of Parcels 211232410070 and 211232410090; and Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC N authorizes the President or his designee to grant and execute an easement to WSDOT for the stabilization slope project within a portion of fee simple of these Parcels for consideration of \$1,100.00 for a term of twenty-five (25) years, with an automatic renewal for an additional twenty-five (25) years.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-07-103 –Consent 9

Whereas, the Anderson and Middleton Logging Company (A&M) has offered to sell to the QIN their entire 11,042 acres m/l of forestland on the QIR in Grays Harbor and Jefferson Counties; Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that pursuant to its authority in the Constitution of the QIN, Article V, Section 3(f), the QBC hereby directs that President Guy Capoeman, David Martin, and Kenny McCoy undertake negotiations with Anderson and Middleton Logging Company to acquire the 11,042 acres m/l of A&M lands on the QIR for up to 17% above the fair market value as identified in an appraisal report completed by Atterbury Consultants, Inc. on April 2, 2025.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-08-103 –Consent 10

QDNR is hereby authorized to apply for the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) Program of up to \$900,000 with full indirect cost support and an in-kind match of \$226,146.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-09-103 –Consent 11

Whereas, the QBC is prioritizing the revitalization of our Quinault Language; and Whereas, Quinault members and communities will benefit from the opportunity to learn from an online dictionary; and Whereas, the Summer Institute of Linguistics (SIL) has agreed to a specific Terms of Service for their online platform ‘Webonary’; and Therefore Be It Resolved, that the QBC approves the specific Terms of Service with SIL.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-10-103 –Consent 14

Whereas, the RSHC wishes to secure the services of a dentist to provide services for qualified patients receiving care at the RSHC; and Whereas, the Nation desires to contract Smile Seattle Dentures as the contractor as provided in the attached contract; and Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the QBC hereby approves the attached Services Contract with Smile Seattle Denture.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-11-103 –Consent 13

Whereas, an allocation of \$150,000 from the BCQBC12 Capital Projects and Maintenance Fund-QIN would provide necessary funding for critical aspects of the Queets TANF Project, including but not limited to site preparation, modular setup and delivery, and operational needs, ensuring the successful implementation; Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the QBC hereby approves the allocation of \$150,000 to support the implementation and operational needs of the Queets TANF Project; and Be It Further Resolved, the QBC also approves the allocation of \$25,000 to be set aside for the removal costs associated with the modular unit; and Therefore Be It Further Resolved, that pursuant to the authority vested in the QBC, we authorize the necessary financial disbursements and oversight to ensure the effective utilization of these funds in alignment with the goals of the Queets TANF Project.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-11a-103 –Consent 13

WHEREAS, the QIN TANF Program, administered by the QIN, seeks to utilize a designated parcel of real property for administrative purposes by placing a modular office within the QIR; and Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that pursuant to the authority vested in the QBC, the exclusive use of Queets Block #9, Lot #2, Parcel #802400900200 is hereby approved for the Quinault TANF program’s administrative operations, subject to applicable laws and regulations.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-12-103 – Consent 15

Whereas, the QIN Museum and Cultural Center Design Project was one of the approved facilities to be moved to higher ground in an effort to provide a safe place for displaying cultural articles and to provide a place for cultural learning and activities; and Whereas, the BIA allocated \$438,261 for the design of the project; and Whereas, the current federal administration has enacted Executive Order 14154 to freeze federal funding; Therefore, be It Resolved, the QBC hereby pauses the Museum and Cultural Design Project until May 15, 2025, or until the BIA funds are unfrozen and the Department of Interior advises that projects should resume, whichever is later.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-13-103 – Consent 16

QBC agrees to purchase undivided interests from Juanita Topliff.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-14-103 – Consent 17

Whereas, QIN has collaborated with The Nature Conservancy and Trout Unlimited to develop a \$9,880,884 grant request to address restoration needs within the Queets, Clearwater and Upper Quinault River basins, Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the QWBC is in support of this request to be submitted by The Nature Conservancy for \$9.88 million to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which approximately \$3.07 million will be provided to the QDNR to support their responsibility in this project to accomplish restoration in parts of the Queets, Clearwater and Upper Quinault River basins; and Be It Further Resolved, the QDNR is hereby authorized to accept support from NOAA if awarded.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-14a-103 – Consent 18

Whereas, the QIN has received funding from the Washington State Department of Health through the Healthy Environment for All (HEAL) Act Tribal Capacity Grant for the purpose of building capacity to plan for and respond to environmental and emergency assessments and situations related to climate change; Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the attached “Modification to Standardized QIN Independent Contractor Agreement” dated 4/1/2025 with Katmai Solutions for a total of \$361,602 to provide services to update and enhance the QIN’s Emergency Operations in alignment with FEMA’s Comprehensive Preparedness Guide (CPG) 101 standards and community-specific needs

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-15-103–Action 1

Whereas, the QBC finds, that QBCRC management recommends replacing QBCRC’s existing outdated copiers and printers (“equipment”) with a lease for new equipment from Ricoh USA Inc. and Whereas, the QNEB finds pursuant to the Ricoh Agreements the cost will be \$129,387.24 paid over a thirty-six (36) month term on a capitalized lease; and WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation Business Committee finds that as a condition of the attached lease is the requirement of a limited waiver of the QBCRC’s sovereign immunity in favor of Ricoh up to a limit of \$250,000.00 and to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Washington for resolution of any disputes between the parties.

4/14/2025 Resolutions 25-16-103 –Action 3

Whereas, the Quinault Wildlife Section is requesting permission for up to 24 tribal youth from the Quinault Indian Nation, Skokomish Tribe, Makah Tribe, Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe, and Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, with supporting staff and chaperones, to camp at Point Haynisisoos for four nights from June 23rd through June 27th. 2025 for a week-long outdoor skills and wilderness survival course; Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the use of Point Haynisisoos for camping by participating tribal youth, staff, and chaperones between June 23rd and June 27th. 2025 and beach access permits while camping.

4/15/2025 Resolutions 25-17-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, to provide revenue for the conservation and forest management measures the Quinault Indian Nation has worked with the National Indian Carbon Coalition and Greenline Climate to engage in feasibility studies to explore the options of enrolling Quinault Indian Nation owned lands into a carbon credit project; the Quinault Indian Nation elected to enter into a Compliance Market carbon credit project and entered into a Forest Carbon Development Agreement with Greenline Climate;

4/15/2025 Resolutions 25-18-103 –Hand Carry

QBC hereby approves the attached engagement letter from Kilpatrick Townsend Stockton to provide legal services concerning the Nation’s treaty reserved hunting and fishing rights, including representation of the Quinault Indian Nation in U.S. v. Washington, to be added to the current General Matters engagement, beginning April 15, 2025, through September 2025,

4/16/2025 Resolutions 25-19-103 –Hand Carry

QBC approves a \$250.00 payment for its 2025 annual membership dues and has designated John Bryson Jr., as the official delegate, and Noreen Jackson-Underwood as the alternate to the ITC.

4/16/2025 Resolutions 25-20-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the Nation has grown in size with its employee base, the number of grants it administers, and the total amount of funds it administers; Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC approved the attached ‘Financial Management Policy’ and directs the Finance Division to implement the policies and procedures contained herein; and Be It Further Resolved, the QBC directs the Finance Division to maintain and improve this document as the Nation grows both in size and complexity.

4/21/2025 Resolutions 25-21-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the QBC wishes to engage Wipfli LLP to provide professional finance and accounting services and advice regarding the review and attestation of the Fiscal Year 2024 financial audit; Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the attached engagement letter with Wipfli LLP with an aggregate sum not to exceed \$120,000,

4/21/2025 Resolutions 25-22-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the Quinault Wellness Center (QWC) is securing two grants through the Department of Commerce; and Whereas, QWC wishes to work with Coast Title Company and Stewart Title Guaranty Company, for the purpose of performing certain title and escrow services in connection with the grants, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the attached Agreement Regarding Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and Consent to Jurisdiction and Venue and waives the QIN’s sovereign immunity in favor of Stewart Title Guaranty Company and Coast Title Company in accordance with the terms therein.

4/28/2025 Resolutions 25-23-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the Department of Justice for Victims of Crime (DOJVC) is requesting funding proposals for its Tribal Victims Set-Aside (TVSSA); and Whereas, it is in the best interest of the QIN to apply for funding from the DOJVC, to be used by the QIN Human Services Department to maintain continued operations of the Sacred Healing House that services victims and families impacted by violence; and Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QIN hereby, approves the submission of a grant application to the DOJ OVC, in the amount of up to \$3,000,000.00 with full indirect allowed, and no matching funds required.

4/28/2025 Resolutions 25-24-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the QIN to apply for funding from the Washington State Department of Commerce FY25 OCVA Victims of Crime, to be used by the QIN Social Services Department to obtain outreach specialist as well as fund client services, contracts, and staff travel and training; and Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QIN hereby, approves the submission of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Commerce FY25 OCVA Victims of Crime, in the amount of up to \$140,000.00 with full indirect allowed.

4/28/2025 Resolutions 25-25-103 –Action 2

QDNR is hereby authorized to apply for a grant from the Washington State Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$50,000 for two years, with no match required, for Steven’s Creek Knotweed Control Project.

4/28/2025 Resolutions 25-26-103 –Action 3

Whereas, the QIN adopted a tag limit of 88 for the 2025 Guided Bear Hunt season in an effort to limit the bear harvest numbers; and Whereas, one (1) additional tag will also now be donated to the “Youth Outdoor Unlimited” for a hunt with Tandy Charley.; Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the QBC approves the donated tag for a guided bear hunt for Tandy Charley.

4/29/2025 Resolutions 25-27-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the Quinault Tribal Court has identified WEconnect as a vendor that has an application that can provide on-going support and services; and Whereas, the Court wishes to enter into the attached Independent Contractor Agreement with WEconnect, the terms of which include \$150 per engaged member per month, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$32,400; and Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the QBC approves the attached Independent Contractor Agreement with WEconnect in the amount not to exceed \$32,400,

5/2/2025 Resolutions 25-28-103 –Hand Carry

, the QBC authorizes the QIN Department of Natural Resources to submit the grant application for \$1,995,828 to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, No. NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2025-29689 and supports the partnerships with the Taholah and Lake Quinault School Districts; and Be It Further Resolved, the QDNR is hereby authorized to accept support from NOAA.

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-29-103 –Consent 1

Considering the results of the feasibility studies, including carbon credit revenue projections and recognizing the forest management requirements of Voluntary and Compliance carbon projects, the Quinault Indian Nation elected to enter into a Compliance Market carbon credit project and entered into a Forest Carbon Development Agreement with Greenline Climate;

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-30-103 –Consent 2

Whereas, the Quinault Planning Department wishes to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Washington State University Professor Ayad Rahmani and eight of his students from the Senior Architectural Design Studio Arch 401 class for the purpose of initiating and developing a conceptual plan for the village of Taholah; and Whereas, the students will meet with the QBC and the Planning Department to engage on planning and architectural design for two areas within the Taholah Relocation Plan that may be candidates for further development with the QIN Master Plan: (1) Senior Cottages/Tiny Homes, and (2) the Southeast Neighborhood. Additionally, an unmarked area outside the current master plan and east of the Southeast Neighborhood will be assessed; and Whereas, the students will work with QIN to draft up two concept plans for the new Southeast Neighborhood and the expansion into Allotment 9 for the Taholah Relocation Plan, at no cost to QIN; and Now, Therefore, be It Resolved, the QBC hereby approves the attached MOA with Ayad Rahmani and his students.

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-31-103 –Consent 3

The Quinault Business Committee authorizes \$8,325.00 be paid out of the Office of Attorney General litigation budget (G901) and submitted to the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission for the Quinault Indian Nation’s share of the mediation fees in United States v. Washington, Subproceeding 01-1.

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-32-103 –Consent 4

Whereas, the QIN has received federal funding for the village relocation project and wishes to pass a portion of these funds to the Ceppak Strong Fund to hire an Executive Director who will be responsible for assisting the Nation in the Village Relocation Project; and Whereas, the attached Subrecipient Agreement is the mechanism by which the Nation will pass a portion of these funds to Ceppak and provides for the proper fiscal management of the funds on behalf of the Nation.

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-33-103 –Action 1

The QBC authorizes \$10,000.00 to be donated to the Grays Harbor YMCA in honor of Former Treasurer Lawrence Ralston.

5/12/2025 Resolutions 25-34-103 –Action 2

The QBC authorizes \$35,000 to be allocated to furnish the senior side of Queets Generations Building.

5/15/2025 Resolutions 25-35-103 –Hand Carry

Whereas, the QDNR is hereby authorized to apply for a grant from the Washington Department of Natural Resources (“Fish and Forest Support Agreement [FFSA]”) of up to \$ 204,257.00 for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2027 to fund staff positions and activities related to

maintaining Treaty Rights and protecting Treaty and Cultural resources in the U&A and Area of Interest (AOI), with no matching funds required; and Be It Further Resolved, the QDNR is hereby authorized to accept support from the Washington Department of Natural Resources if awarded.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-36-103 –Consent 2

WHEREAS, QBC wishes to find an arrangement that allows the Nation better access to the vehicles it needs for operations at the best cost; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC approves a Fleet Management Agreement with Enterprise that will best serve the interests of the Nation.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-37-103 – Consent 4

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code Enactment Process, the Prosperity, Health, and Human Services Subcommittee has committed to sponsor revisions to the following codes by order of priority for 2025-2026:

- Title 14, Elder & Vulnerable Adult (BC Sponsor Noreen Jacoson-Underwood)
- Title 20, Involuntary Treatment (BC Sponsor Noreen Jacoson-Underwood)
- Title 40, Business License (BC Sponsor John Bryson Jr.)

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-38-103 – Consent 5

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code Enactment Process, the Education & Community Services Subcommittee has committed to sponsor revisions to the following codes by order of priority for 2025-2026:

- Title 18, Public Nuisance (BC Sponsor Kristeen Mowitch)
- Title 98, Animal Control (Treatment (BC Sponsor Kristeen Mowitch)

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-39-103 – Consent 6

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code Enactment Process, the Natural Resources & Community Development Subcommittee has committed to sponsor revisions to the following codes by order of priority for 2025-2026:

- Water Code (BC Sponsor James Sellers, Tyson Johnston)
- Title 61a (BC Sponsor James Sellers, Tyson Johnston)

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-40-103 –Consent 7

WHEREAS, the QIN Chief Taholah Days Committee requested a \$39,750.00 budget for the 2025 Chief Taholah Days Celebration; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the QBC authorizes a \$36,800.00 distribution awarded to the Chief Taholah Days Committee to be used according to the following budget request

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-41-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to Greater Grays Harbor Inc. (GGH) from this date through the next annual general council meeting: President Guy Capoeman as the delegate and Vice President Noreen Jackson Underwood as the Alternate. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the QBC approves \$10,000.00 payment for the past due invoice and any payment for ongoing Diamond Level membership into GGH.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-42-103 –Consent 9

WHEREAS, the QIN TANF Program Client is seeking to dispense TANF benefits to individual recipients via Card Network-branded prepaid debit cards; WHEREAS, U.S. Bank is willing to issue prepaid debit cards and perform related services to support the TANF Program, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Prepaid Debit Card Agreement (ReliaCard); NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC approves the attached Prepaid Debit Card Agreement (ReliaCard) with U.S. Bank.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-43-103–Consent 10

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 25-11a-103, the QBC approved the use of a parcel of trust land identified as Queets Block #9, Lot #2, Parcel #802400900200 as the site of the mobile modular building for the TANF Program; and WHEREAS, Pacific Mobile Structures has provided the attached Quote, Lease Agreement, and Tribal Amendment to install the mobile modular building ; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC authorizes the execution of the Quote, Lease Agreements,& Tribal Amendment.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-44-103–Consent 11

WHEREAS, Chief Judge Leona Colegrove has requested the appointment of a new Associate Judge, and she recommends that Sarah Sotomish be appointed; and NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Business Committee hereby appoints Sarah Sotomish as Associate Judge for the Quinault Tribal Court.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-45-103 –Consent 12

WHEREAS, the Nation and QNEB have been using S3 Management Group, LLC (S3) to administer their respective unemployment insurance programs; and WHEREAS, all Quinault entities have been transferring their SUTA payments to a KeyBank account, which was recorded as a liability account by the Nation; and WHEREAS, in early 2025, the Nation elected to terminate its relationship with S3, but QNEB wishes to continue its relationship with S3; and WHEREAS, since the Nation is no longer using S3, QNEB’s SUTA funds must be transferred back to them so that they can be paid directly to S3. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC authorizes the transfer of SUTA funds back to QNEB and its respective enterprises.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-46-103 –Consent 13

WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation desires to contract with Albert Hawkes to provide elder care services for the Senior Program; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC hereby approves the attached “Standardized QIN Independent Contractor Agreement” with Albert Hawkes for \$20,000.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-47-103 –Consent 14

WHEREAS, the Quinault Indian Nation desires to contract with John Brown to provide elder care services for the Senior Program; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC hereby approves the attached “Standardized QIN Independent Contractor Agreement” with John Brown for \$20,000.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-48-103 –Consent 15

The Quinault Indian Nation agrees to form an oversight panel, which will oversee the prevention efforts and activities for the Tribal TTA Center’s Intensive TTA. Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Quinault Business Committee does hereby authorize and approve:

- acceptance for participation in the Tribal TTA Center’s Intensive TTA,
- participation in the Intensive TTA engagement activities,
- participation in the project evaluation process pertaining to data use and data sharing,
- the recommended name of the lead agency to house the project and to serve as fiscal monitor,
- the recommended lead contact and co-lead contact persons to facilitate the project implementation,
- the hiring of a community-based coordinator and/or consultants (if applicable) to implement the Community Prevention Plan/Community Sustainability Plan efforts, and
- the formation of an oversight panel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Quinault Business Committee hereby authorizes Health & Wellness Director Aliza Brown, or her designee, to execute the Contract on behalf of the Quinault Indian Nation.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-49-103– Consent 16

WHEREAS, the QIN Planning Commission rezoned a portion of Allotment 164A from Commercial to Residential on April 7, 2025; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC adopts the attached map as the Official Zoning Map to be posted in the Community Development and Planning office.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-50-103 – Action 3

QBC approves the attached Residential Lease with Evelyn McFarland (sellers) described particularly as 1040 Park Place, Block 48, Lot 10, Plat of Taholah, approximately 25 acres.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-51-103 –Consent 19

WHEREAS, the ArtsFund is offering grants to support Washington Tribal Communities’ arts and culture; WHEREAS, this non-restricted opportunity will provide support for Quinault Language activities; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC approves the application to the ArtsFund to support Washington Tribal Communities’ arts and culture.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-52-103 – Consent 20

WHEREAS, the Quinault Business Committee received a request to Sponsor Warm Current to host two (2) surf camps June 27-29, 2025 and August 29-September 1, 2025; and WHEREAS, Stephanie Terrell presented the item to the QBC, for permission for the Non-Quinault volunteers to have permission to camp on the Quinault Beaches during the camps; and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the QBC authorizes Warm Current camps to be held June 27-29, 2025 and August 29-September 1, 2025 and that volunteers have permission to camp on the beaches at Point Grenville Beach. Stephanie Terrell will be point of contact for both camps.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-53-103–Consent 24

WHEREAS, the QIN Fisheries Dept.issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) per Procurement Policy for a Senior Restoration Project Advisor to guide salmon habitat restoration projects of the Nation over the

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next three years funded by NOAA grant programs for Upper Quinault and Queets/Clearwater restoration projects; and WHEREAS, a single bidder, Eastman Ecofluvial, submitted a proposal that met the criteria of the RFP issued by the Nation; and WHEREAS, the QIN Fisheries Dept. wishes to contract with Eastman Ecofluvial, for continuing support, guidance, oversight and staff training for salmon habitat restoration projects, including current and future restoration projects of the QIN; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC hereby approves the attached Contractor Agreement with Eastman Ecofluvial.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-54-103 –Consent 25

QBC authorizes the Education Training and Culture Staff to submit the grant application for the Quinault Tribal Museum and Cultural Center to ArtsFund in the amount of \$25,000 for a one-year term, with no match required, for Tribal artifact procurement and Basketry of the Quinault republishing.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-55-103 – Consent 21

Whereas, Charlotte "Tott" Bryson made significant contributions to the Nation's success, particularly in the creation of QIN's first organized and detailed records system in it's entirety; and WHEREAS, Charlotte "Tott" Bryson consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic, meticulous attention to detail, and a commitment to ensuring the organization and accessibility of important records, thereby contributing significantly to the smooth operation of the QIN; and WHEREAS, it is fitting that we honor Charlotte "Tott" Bryson's memory and legacy by dedicating the Quinault Conversion Center and Archive Building in her honor; Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that QIN hereby dedicates the Conversion Center and Archive Building to Charlotte "Tott" Bryson, recognizing her outstanding service and commitment;

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-56-103 – Action 1

QBC instructs the Director of QDNR to issue permits for authorized Buyer/Agents Edward Boldt to purchase Razor Clams, once the Buyer/Agent has signed an agreement to abide by QIN criteria and requirements, including but not limited to paying a 3% buyers fee to the QIN on every purchase.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-57-103 – Action 2

QBC instructs the Director of QDNR to issue permits for authorized Buyer/Agents Sabrina Kramer and Arleen Kramer owners of Tulchu Seafoods to purchase Razor Clams, once the Buyer/Agent has signed an agreement to abide by QIN criteria and requirements, including but not limited to paying a 3% buyers fee to the QIN on every purchase.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-58-103 – Action 4

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC appoints James Stanley and Timm Haatia to the Ocean Committee with term expiring March 31, 2026.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-59-103 – Action 5

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and the QBC appoints Kenneth Corwin & Edward Johnstone Jr. to the Off-Reservation Fish Committee with term expiring March 31, 2026.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-60-103– Action 6

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and the QBC appoints Clay Butler, Queets River Guide Representative & Jesse Kowoosh to the Queets River Committee with term expiring March 31, 2026.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-61-103– Action 7

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and the QBC appoints Clay Butler to the Over-all Fish Committee with term expiring March 31, 2026.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-62-103 –Action 8

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and the QBC appoints Pauline Capoeman, Steve Charley (Quinault River Guide Representative), Gary Mowitch to the Quinault River Committee with term expiring March 31, 2026.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-63-103 –Action 10

WHEREAS, each applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the QBC hereby appoints Menan Juneau and Alice Morris to the Off-Reservation Fish Committee with term expiring May 27, 2028.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-64-103 –Action 11

WHEREAS, the applicant followed the appointment process according to the QIN CCB Policy; and the QBC hereby appoints Tiana Pulsifer and Clinton Underwood to the Enrollment Committee with term expiring March 27, 2029.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-65-103 –Action 14

The QBC hereby approves \$200.00 per Quinault student athlete that qualified for the High School 2025 Spring WIAA State Championships and \$500.00 per Quinault student athlete family or guardian, one per household, for travel expenses and ONLY if the parent/guardian is traveling to the 2025 WIAA High School Spring State Championship Tournament.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-66-103 –Action 13

WHEREAS, the QBC would like to prioritize relocation efforts by assigning the fifty-nine shovel-ready lots in the NE Neighborhood; and WHEREAS, twenty-six of the fifty-nine lots in the NE Neighborhood were assigned to the Quinault Housing Authority to begin constructing new homes; and WHEREAS, the remaining thirty-three lots will be assigned to the NE Neighborhood as part of the Community Driven Relocation Program (CDRP), in which their assignment is outlined in the "Phase 1 Relocation Policy" attached herein; and WHEREAS, the "Phase 1 Relocation Policy" identifies lot assignments policies that will prioritize the relocation of Quinault Tribal community members who face immediate and suspected climate change related threats; that the QBC approves the attached "Phase 1 Relocation Policy" for the CDRP to manage the operations brought forth by the policy.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-67-103 –Action 15

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General has drafted Title 15, General Welfare Code, the purpose of which is to affirm the QINs inherent sovereign rights to promote the general welfare of the Nation and provide qualifying assistance and program benefits on a tax-free basis and to memorialize the procedures used by the Nation in establishing programs for the promotion of the general welfare of the Nation and in developing program guidelines for compliance with the general welfare doctrine and Internal Revenue Code Section 139E; and public hearings were held at Taholah on June 24, 2024, and at Queets on November 12, 2024, the QBC approves and enacts the attached Title 15, General Welfare Code, effective as of the date of this resolution; and that the previous Title 15, Elder Programs Code, is hereby renumbered as Title 15A, effective as of the date of this resolution.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-68-103 –Action 16

WHEREAS, the QBC extensively reviewed the operating plans, unmet needs, and fiscal projections brought for consideration, and

has collectively validated the proposed additions; and the QBC approves the following:

- FY 2025 appropriation for the General Fund Supplemental 2 Budget of \$19,470,941 including adjustments of \$(0) as detailed in Attachment 1 – Budget Modification General Fund; and
- FY 2025 appropriation for the Self Governance - BIA Fund Supplemental 2 Budget of \$27,169,533 including adjustments of \$7,500 as detailed in Attachment 2 – Budget Modification BIA; and
- FY 2025 appropriation for the Non-Federal Fund Supplemental 2 Budget of \$21,025,126 including adjustments of \$900,000 as detailed in Attachment 3 – Other Non-Federal Funds.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-69-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the 2% Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman Kristeen Mowitch as the Delegate and Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-70-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Planning Commission from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Delegate and Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-71-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee Representative and Liaison to the Adult Wellness Court from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the delegate and Councilwoman Gina James as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-72-103 –Action 13

Quinault Business Committee hereby approves the following representatives to act as the Business Committee liaison to Association of WA Tribes from this date through the next annual general council meeting: President Guy Capoeman as the Delegate and Councilman Tyson Johnston as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-73-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaisons to the Cannabis AD HOC Committee from this date through the next AGC: President Guy Capoeman as the Delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-74-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee Chehalis Basin Partnership Policy Representative from this date through the next AGCmeeting: Councilman John Bryson Jr. as the delegate and Councilman Tyson Johnston as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-75-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Citizen Review Board from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Noreen Jackson-Underwood as the Delegate and Councilwoman Gina James as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-76-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee Representative to the Washington State Climate and Commitment Act from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman Tyson Johnston as the delegate and Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-77-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the Coastal Salmon Foundation Board Liaison from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman Tyson Johnston as the Delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-78-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians from this date through the next AGC meeting: President Guy Capoeman (Delegate) and Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood, Treasurer Hannah Curley, Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard, Councilmen Gina James, Jim Sellers, John Bryson Jr., Tyson Johnston, Brittany Bryson, Kaylah Mail and Kristeen Mowitch (alternates).

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-79-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to Department of Corrections from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the Delegate and Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Alternates'

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-80-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Department of Interior Self-Governance Advisory Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman Tyson Johnston as the delegate and Councilwoman Gina James as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-81-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaisons to the Enrollment Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Delegate and Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-82-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee Representative and Liaison to the Wellness Court from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the Delegate and Councilwoman Brittany Bryson as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-83-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to Grays Harbor Council of Governments from this date through the next AGC: President Guy Capoeman and Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood as the Delegate's.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-84-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Head Start Policy Council from this date through the next AGC: Vice President Jackson-Underwood as the Delegate and Councilwoman Brittany Bryson as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-85-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Health & Human Services Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman Tyson Johnston as the delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-86-103 –Action 13

QBC approves Intertribal Timber Council (ITC) Annual Dues and the

following individual(s) to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the ITC from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman John Bryson Jr. as the Delegate and Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-87-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the Indian Policy Advisory Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood as the delegate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-88-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Land Acquisition Team through the next AGC meeting: Councilman John Bryson Jr., as the Delegate and Councilman Tyson Johnston as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-89-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Native American Finance Officers Association from this date through the next AGC meeting: Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Delegate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-90-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the National Contract Support Cost Work Group from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Brittany Bryson as the Delegate and Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-91-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the National Congress of American Indians from this date through the next AGC meeting: President Guy Capoeman (Delegate) and Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood, Treasurer Hannah Curley, Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard, Councilmen Gina James, Jim Sellers, John Bryson Jr., Tyson Johnston, Brittany Bryson, Kaylah Mail and Kristeen Mowitch (alternates).

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-92-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to National Indian Council on Aging Liaisons or Elders Issues Representatives from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Gina James as the delegate and Councilwoman Brittany Bryson as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-93-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to National Indian Gaming Association from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the Delegate and Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-94-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission from this date through the next AGC meeting: QIN Fisheries Policy Spokesperson Cleve Jackson as the Delegate, QIN Salmon Policy Spokesperson Chet Tweed, President Guy Capoeman, Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood, Treasurer Hannah Curley, Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard, Councilwoman Gina James, Councilman Jim Sellers, Councilman John Bryson Jr., Councilman Tyson Johnston, Councilwoman Brittany Bryson, Councilwoman Kaylah Mail and Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch as the Alternates.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-95-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaisons to Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board from this date through the next AGC meeting: Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood as the delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-96-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual(s) to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the Ocean Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Delegate and Councilman John Bryson Jr. as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-97-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Off Rez River Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard as the Delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-98-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following representatives to act as the Business Committee liaisons to the 1% Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: President Guy Capoeman, Vice President Noreen Jackson-Underwood, Treasurer Hannah Curley, Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard, Councilwoman Gina James, Councilman Jim Sellers, Councilman John Bryson Jr., Councilman Tyson Johnston, Councilwoman Brittany Bryson, Councilwoman Kaylah Mail and Councilwoman Kristeen Mowitch.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-99-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individuals to act as the Business Committee liaison(s) to the Pacific Fishery Management Council from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilman John Bryson Jr. as the delegate and Secretary Mandy Hudson-Howard as the alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-100-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Quinault Housing Board of Commissioners from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Brittany Bryson as the Delegate and Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Alternate.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-101-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Quinault Indian Nation Cultural Advisory Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Councilwoman Kaylah Mail as the Delegate and Councilwoman Gina James as the Alternate.

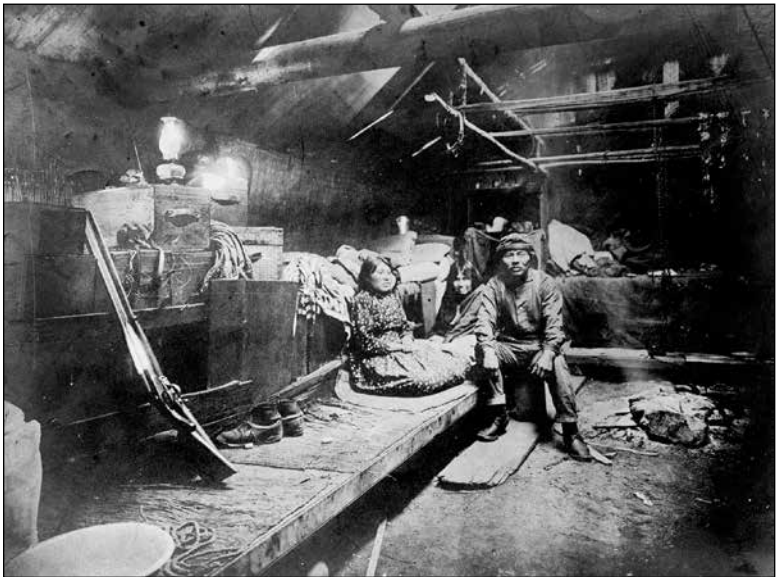
5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-102-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual to act as the Business Committee liaison to the Quinault Indian Nation Workplace Compensation Committee from this date through the next AGC meeting: Vice President Jackson-Underwood, Secretary Hudson-Howard and Councilwoman Gina James as the liaisons.

5/27/2025 Resolutions 25-103-103 –Action 13

QBC hereby approves the following individual(s) to act as the Business Committee liaisons to the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board from this date through the next AGC meeting: Treasurer Hannah Curley as the Delegate and Councilman Tyson Johnston as the Alternate.

Spirit of Grays Harbor



Quinault longhouse. Polson Museum file

The film *Spirit of Grays Harbor* premiered at the Bishop Center on Sunday June 8th to a nearly full house. The film is divided into four sections: **Pristine Country** using old black and white movie footage shows the pristine land in Grays Harbor before logging began. **Timber Train** shows vintage movie film of railroad logging and the lack of safety measures.

Quinault Spirit, using historic photos, shows the strength of the Quinault Indian Nation as the US government disrupted tradition and culture. And the final section, **We Love Grays Harbor** includes photos and artwork from Grays Harbor residents, including Larry Workman.

Part of the film is narrated by John Larson (John the History Guy) from



Mount Olympus as viewed from the Quinault Indian Reservation. Photo by Larry Workman QIN

the Polson Museum. The Grays Harbor Symphony orchestra, directed by Dr. Bill Dyer, played a score written by Cathryn Davis during the film. Cathryn also had the assistance of many others putting the film together, including Nicole Law and Aubrey Della at the Quinault Museum and Guy Capoeman who played a drum and sings during part of the Quinault Spirit section.

Lee Marriot and Kelly Calhoun at the Moclips by the Sea Museum also provide historic photos.

The film and music were commissioned by Grays Harbor College and the Karen Meikle Foundation.

The film should be available online by the end of August. We will put in a reminder in a future *Nugquam*.

Congratulations to all the 2025 Quinault Graduates



Malia Tweed
Northwest Indian College
AA Chemical Dependency



David Underwood
Spokane Community College
Auto Mechanics



Galvin Torres
Aberdeen HS



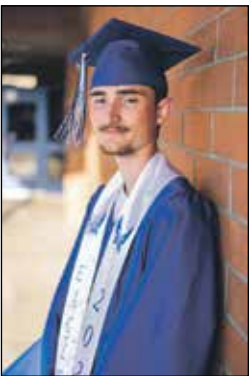
Ericka O'Connell
Bainbridge HS



Abaramham O'Connell
Bainbridge HS



Mikaelah Mowitch-Johnson
Elma



Brody Mullins
Elma HS



Cody Baller
Hoquiam HS



Jordan Billie
Hoquiam HS



Alfredo Black
Hoquiam HS



Lexi Black
Hoquiam HS



Ricky Estavillo
Hoquiam HS



Adrian Corder
Lake Quinault HS



Dianne Fowler
Lake Quinault HS



Zakiah Kimora Kowoosh
Lake Quinault HS



Kayla Lynch
Lindbergh HS



Caleb Michael Madsen
Mira Loma HS



Xeviea Mowitchman
Montesano



Katana Capoeman
North Beach HS



Trevis Christophersonn
North Beach HS



Franklin DeLaCruz III
North Beach HS



Joseph McCrory
North Beach HS



Noah Prigmore
Ocosta HS



Jade Charley
Taholah HS



Landon Comenout-Martin
Taholah HS



Xavier Davis
Taholah HS



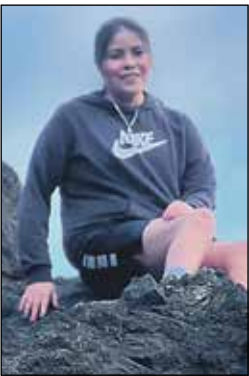
Krista Goodface
Taholah HS



Kaylie Hendricks
Taholah HS



William Howtopat
Taholah HS



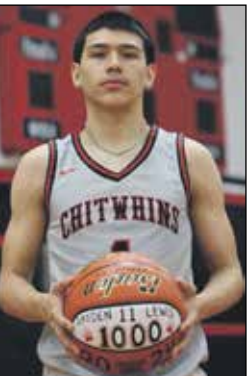
Ava James
Taholah HS



KhiLynn Krukoff
Taholah HS



Herman Lartigue
Taholah HS



Jayden Lewis
Taholah HS



Adrian Lorton
Taholah HS



Zak-Kylah Mason
Taholah HS



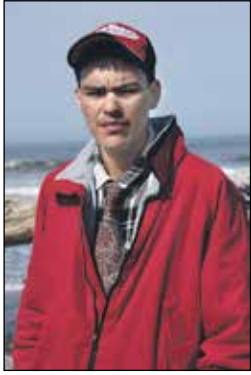
Keeli McCrory
Taholah HS



Fred Pope
Taholah HS



Elizabeht Purser
Taholah HS



Kaydin Serrano
Taholah HS



Issac Valenzuela
Taholah HS



Lilly Vargas
Taholah HS



Jayden Williams
Taholah HS

Head start Graduation



Taholah Head Start: From left to right
Austin Smith, Isabelle Vaughn, Lincoln Ralston, Ravleen Lahkonpal, Dason Purdy, Madix Moon, Euan Yoder, Jeremy Mail, Albert Smith,
Harmony Pink, Urijah Hart, Izayah Rapp-Bastian. *Photo by Michael Patten*



Queets Head Start: Left to right
Sophie Boome, Chloe Kowoosh, Kassie Lozier, Charlotte Vaughn,
Kinsley Jasper. *Photo by Michael Patten*



Tiki Rosander and Cleve Jackson with the crew. Photo by: Michael Patten

QIN Blesses the fish for safe passage on the US 101 project

Article by Evelyn Kalama

On a bright, beautiful day filled with spirit and community, the Coastal 29 Project held a traditional blessing ceremony at the Kiewit Construction site, marking a meaningful milestone in the effort to remove fish passage barriers along the coastline.

The event brought together tribal leaders, project partners, and community members in a shared moment of respect, prayer, and cultural connection. The ceremony was held to bless the land and water, and to ensure protection and safety of all construction workers as the restoration moves forward.

A powerful and heartfelt prayer was let by Quinault Elder Tiki Rosander, whose words reminded all in attendance of the deep spiritual work being done. The project team extends a heartfelt thanks to Francine Mail for bringing

Tiki to the site and making the blessing possible.

Cleve Jackson, fisheries spokesperson for the Quinault Indian Nation, also contributed to the ceremony by singing a traditional song, offering both cultural grounding and spiritual strength to the moment.

The Coastal 29 Project is a coordinated effort to remove fish barriers and restore vital spawning habitat for salmon and other native species. For tribes like Quinault, this work is both an environmental necessity and a cultural obligation – restoring ancestral waterways is key to fulfilling treaty rights and protecting future generations.

As the ceremony closed, a sense of unity and reverence lingered in the air-carried by the song, the prayer, and the shared hope for healthy streams and safe workers.



Tiki Rosander and Francine Mail.



Cleve Jackson.

Selling Our Public Lands

The Trump administration’s plan to sell federal public land for sprawl development could bulldoze endangered species habitat, canyons and forests across the West.

Nearly 500 separate areas deemed worthy of protection by the Bureau of Land Management or Congress, including dozens of national monuments and protected waterways, fall within the Interior Department’s target to sell roughly 400,000 acres to local governments and private developers.

The Interior Department is considering selling federal lands within 10 miles of cities and towns with a population greater than 5,000 people. That would sweep in dozens of wilderness areas and areas of

critical environmental concern — designated by the BLM as needing protection under federal law.

“We refuse to allow the reckless looting of our public lands by the Trump administration and his rich friends,” said Randi Spivak, public lands policy director at the Center. “We’ll do everything possible to keep Trump from paving over treasured places and wildlife habitat for sprawl development. Americans cherish their public lands and they know that once these lands are sold there’s no going back.

The Center for Biological Diversity is a national, nonprofit conservation organization dedicated to the protection of endangered species and wild places.

Big Changes on US 101 within the Quinault Reservation: Six Fish Barriers to Be Removed

Work has started on US 101 Queets between Lake Quinault and Queets. Be prepared for delays along this section of US 101 The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is in the process of a major project to remove six fish passage barriers

Fish barriers—like old or poorly designed culverts under roads—can make it hard or even impossible for salmon and steelhead to swim upstream. Fast currents, low water, or drops in elevation can block fish from reaching important places to spawn and grow, especially for younger fish who aren’t strong swimmers yet Fish barriers—like old or poorly designed cul-

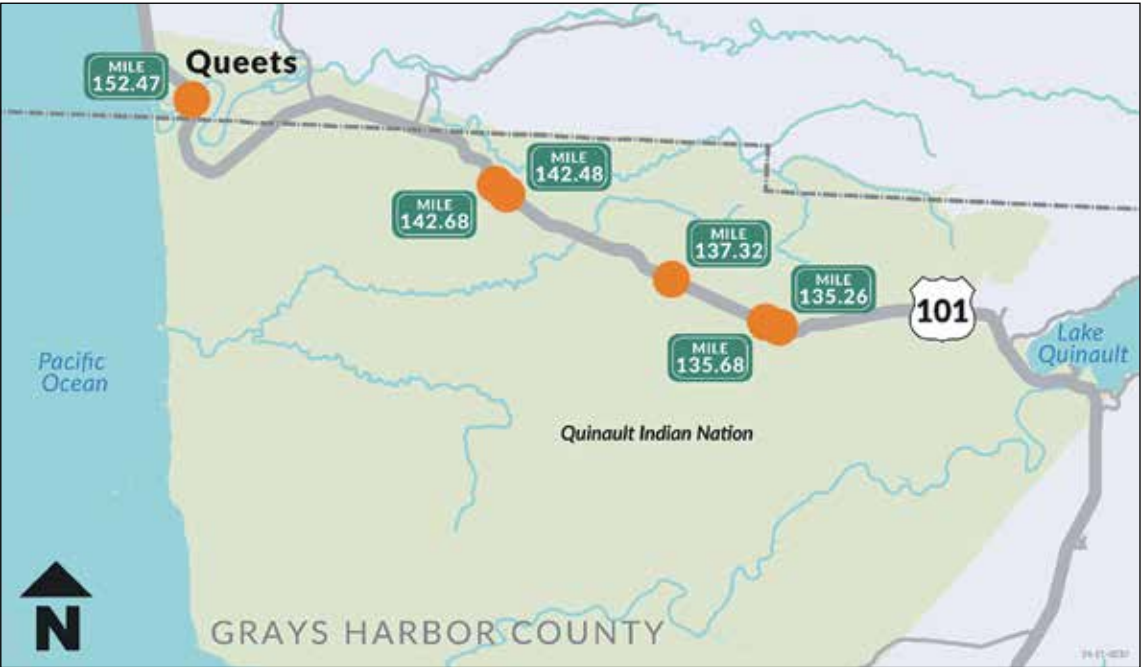
verts under roads—can make it hard or even impossible for salmon and steelhead to swim upstream. Fast currents, low water, or drops in elevation can block fish from reaching important places to spawn and grow, especially for younger fish who aren’t strong swimmers yet WSDOT has been working on this problem for years. Since launching its Fish Passage Program in 1991, the department has helped reopen more than 1,000 miles of fish habitat across the state.

This new project is also part of a larger effort required by a federal court order to fix fish-blocking culverts in western Washington The six US 101 sitesv under construction, located between milepost 135

and 153 from now through early winter 2025. The \$64.4 million project will restore natural stream flows, giving fish better access to the places they’ve been blocked from for decades—good news for the environment and local communities.

What to expect on the road:

Construction will take place weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., with some weekend work. In May and June, crews built temporary single-lane bypass roads. thatNow, drivers will see 24/7 traffic lights and reduced speed limits of 25 mph at each site. There will also be measures in place to protect the surrounding environment during the project.



Above are the markers that indicate where the projects are taking place

Olympic National Forest Summer 2025 Operations



Visitors to the Olympic National Forest should be aware of summer operations including office hours, campground opening dates, and construction projects occurring this summer. Those planning to visit Olympic National Park as well should make sure to review park operations and regulations as they differ from the national forest.

Visitor Information:

Effective April 21st all offices have transitioned to a primarily cashless system. Operating hours are currently in place until September 30th, 2025.

- **Supervisor’s Office**, 1835 Black Lake Blvd SW Olympia, WA 98512
 - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- **Forks Office**, 437 Tillicum Lane Forks, WA 98331
 - Open on the third Tuesday of the month, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- **Quinault Office**, 353 South Shore Road Quinault, WA 98575
 - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

All Quinault Area Campgrounds are open: Some are first come first served and other are by reservations. Reservations for campgrounds must be made at www.recreation.gov.

Boat Launches:

- The boat launch at Willaby Campground is now open.
- Visitors are reminded that Lake Quinault is managed by the Quinault Indian Nation. Permits can be purchased at the Rain Forest Resort and Quinault Mercantile; both located along South Shore Rd.

All information is subject to change dependent on staffing, weather conditions, or other factors. Visit www.fs.usda.gov/r06/olympic or contact a forest office for the most up to date information.

Sen. Murray, Rep. Randall reintroduce Wild Olympics bill

On May 13th, U.S. Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA) and U.S. Rep. Emily Randall (D, WA-06) reintroduced the Wild Olympics Wilderness & Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, legislation that would permanently protect more than 126,500 acres of Olympic National Forest as wilderness and 19 rivers and their major tributaries — a total of 464 river miles — as Wild and Scenic Rivers.

Designed through extensive community input to conserve ancient forests and pristine rivers, protect clean water and salmon habitat, and enhance outdoor recreation, the legislation would set aside the first new wilderness on

Olympic National Forest in over four decades and the first-ever protected wild and scenic rivers on the Olympic Peninsula.

With a strong foundation of local support, the bill has made steady progress each successive Congress — passing the House with bipartisan support twice before and passing out of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee last Congress for the first time in the bill’s history.

The Olympic Peninsula’s old growth forests, free-flowing rivers and its diverse ecosystems and beautiful landscapes, is a crown jewel of Washington state



Mount Rainier floats behind Moonlight Dome as viewed from near Gibson Peak. The area around Moonlight Dome would be included in the Wild Olympics. Note the steep terrain which would be nearly impossible to log. Photo by Larry Workman

Snapshots in Time

1 Year Ago – July 2024

- 1 US Supreme Court rules that the US president has immunity for official acts; sets a dangerous precedent.
- 5 Justin Harris Mason-Ward dies in tragic downing at mouth of the Quinault River.
- 7 Heat wave of 91°F plus continues in Grays Harbor.
- 13 Assassination attempt made on former president and presidential candidate Donald Trump.
- 19 Much of the world faced online disarray as a widespread technology outage affected companies and services across industries — grounding flights, knocking banks and hospital systems offline and media outlets off air. the problem occurred when CrowdStrike deployed a faulty update to computers running Microsoft Windows
- 21 President Biden withdrawal from re-election campaign and endorsed Vice President Kamala Harris.

25 Years Ago – July 2000

- 10 Helen W. Peterson, one of the most prominent Indian women of this century, dies at 84.
- 17 Bernie Whitebear, a tireless advocate for Indian recognition, dies at 62.
- 21 The Greenland ice sheet is losing 50 billion tons of water a year, contributing to rising sea levels.
- 25 A Concord crashes on take-off from Paris, killing everyone aboard.

50 Years Ago – July 1975



4 Horton Capoeman, Joe DeLaCruz and Jim Jackson appeared together in the Chief Taholah Days Parade. *Photo by Larry Workman*

- 8 Electric storm hits Harbor.
- 17 Americans and Russians dock in orbit.
- 28 70 acres wildfire in Queets Unit contained.
- ** 73,600 Blueback netted this season; best year since 1956.

75 Years Ago – July 1950

- 3 U.S. Forces see action for the first time in Korea.
- 7 U.S. orders draft of 600,000 men.
- 8 MacArthur named to head United Nation’s force in Korea.
- ** Blueback harvest tops 91,000 this season

100 Years Ago – July 1925

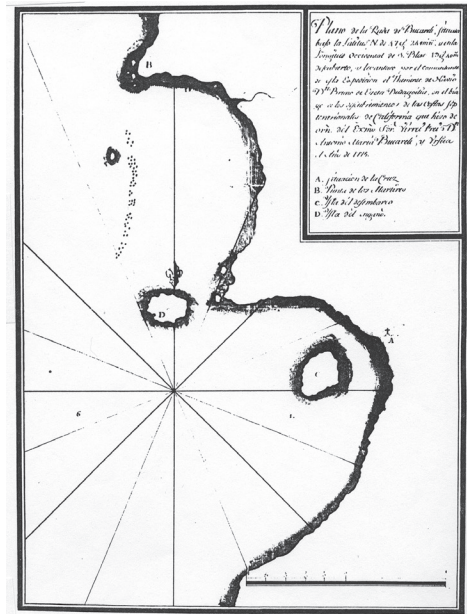
- 2 Flames sweep 10 sections of the Reservation near Moclips.
- 10 Scopes evolution tribal begins.
- 11 Stevens Pass Road opens.
- 26 William J. Bryan dies.

125 Years Ago – July 1900

- 6 The Indians who freight up the river to Lake Quinault, came up with one ton of goods for the store at the Lake.
- 6 Several hundred new phones have been placed in the county this spring.
- 13 The annual driving of pilings, to be used as fish traps, at the mouth of the Humptulips River by the Grays Harbor Packing Company. Other fisherman say that they are obstructions to navigation and they are prevented from using the best fishing spot on the Harbor and want the pilings removed.
- 27 A few Indians are at Lake Quinault from Granville on the reservation for summer vacations. The settlers are busy, so little news.
- 27 The Italians are greatly improving the railroad near Porter.

250 Years Ago – July 1775

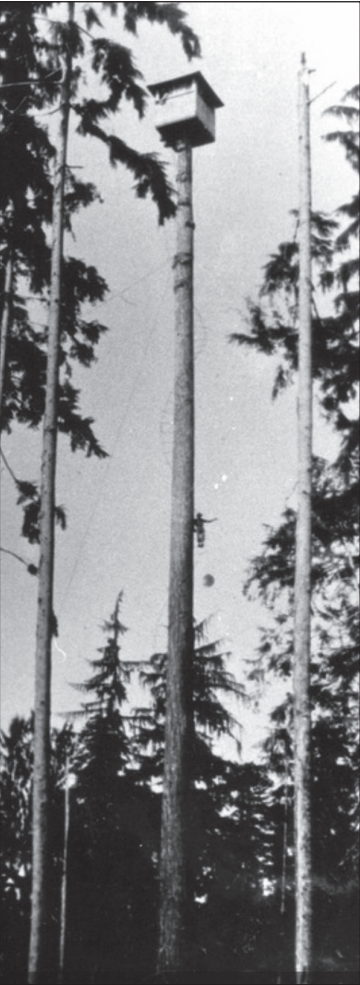
- 13 Spanish ships, *Santiago* and *Sonora*, anchor off coast. The crews engage in friendly trade with the Indians. (*The Santiago near Point Grenville, the Sonora near Cape Elizabeth and the mouth of the Quinault River.*)
- 14 Bruno de Hezeta from the ship *Santiago*, goes ashore in a cove (*in the lee of Point Grenville*), plants a cross, and claims the land for Spain.
- 14 Crew of the *Sonora*, under Bodega y Quadra, go ashore near the mouth of the Quinault River and are attacked and killed. Later a canoe of Indians is shot out of the water as they approach the *Sonora*.
- 14 Hezeta applies the name Bucareli’s roadstead (*Grenville Bay*) and Martyrs’ Point (*Cape Elizabeth*) to the map he makes of the area.



The map drawn by Hezeta. Since he drew it from his perspective (located just south of Arch Rock) it is foreshortened from the actual lay of the coastline.

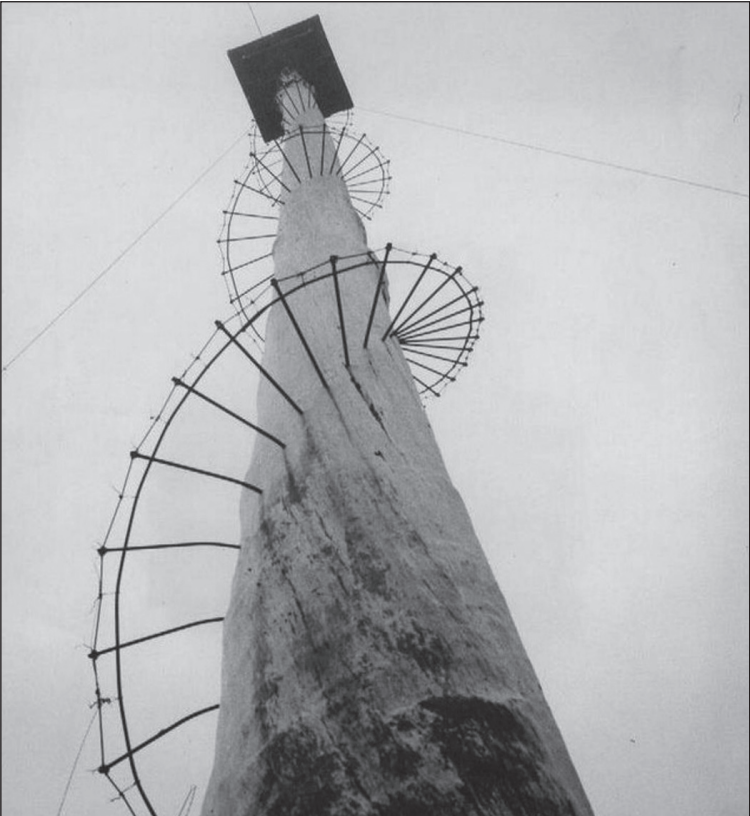
Unique Fire Lookout Built on the Quinault Reservation

By Henry B. Steer - Quinault Forest Manager for The Timberman (1929)



June 1929: “A Douglas fir tree, well over 200 feet in height and about six feet in diameter, standing on a high knoll overlooking the entire northeastern part of the Quinault Indian Reservation has been made into a unique fire lookout station by a co-operative arrangement between the Hobi Timber Co. and the forestry branch of the United States Indian Service. The lookout station proper is believed to be the highest from the ground in the United States, for the floor is 170 feet from the ground. The construction of this lookout station presented peculiar difficulties, for not everyone can climb 170 feet from the ground, to say nothing of constructing a seven by seven house that is a distance from terra firma. The tree was topped by high climbers at a point about 176 feet from the ground, and a house about seven feet square was built, leaving about four feet of tree trunk sticking up through the floor. An Osborne fire finder was mounted on the tree trunk at the convenient height of four feet above the floor of the house. Four railroad ties were set in notches in the tree and securely bolted in place, and two by eight timbers, seven feet long were nailed on all four sides of the ties, and the house built upon this foundation. The side walls of the house were framed on the ground and hauled up to the foundation by means of a hand winch and block. Openings six by three feet were left on each side of the house and a window frame with three sliding windows was placed in each. The roof was shingled with redcedar shingles, and cedar shiplap was used on the side walls.

Paul Meyer, civil engineer in the employ of the Hobi Timber Co. who designed the



These three photos from the National Archives in Seattle show the lookout sometime in the 1940s.



house and did a large part of the actual construction, stood on the peak of the roof of the house (about 180 feet from the ground), after he had finished shingling the roof, and told the men working with him that he could see the Pacific Ocean, about 30 miles away. It will be a long time before Mr. Meyer’s statement is corroborated.

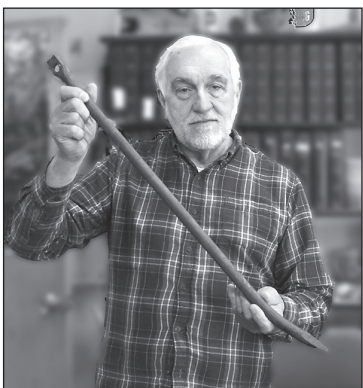
The lookout house is reached by means of a rod and rope ladder, and the house is entered through a trap door in the floor. The ladder was built in the following manner: Inch steel rods, about three feet long with a hole in one end, were driven about eight inches into the tree about sixteen inches apart in such a manner that they made a winding staircase. The ends of these rods were threaded by a steel cable which was securely fastened to the top of the tree and tightened at the bottom of the tree by a chain block. As the steel cable was tightened the ladder was made very taut because the ladder winds around the tree and the pressure made

by tightening the cable tends to hold the ladder tight against the tree.

The tree is securely guyed by three wire cables which are fastened to the tree just below the house and tightened around nearby stumps. These guy lines were tightened by means of a chain block.

The lookout house is connected by telephone to the headquarters of the Hobi Timber Co., and because this station overlooks a portion of the Olympic National Forest, another telephone line has been built connecting the lookout with the district Forest Service ranger at Quinault. The lookout, who is an employe of the forestry branch of the Indian Service, has been furnished with an Osborne fire finder, properly oriented, high-power binoculars, and maps of the surrounding country, and will be on duty in the tree during the present fire season.

The Cook Creek lookout station is the second fire lookout completed on the Quinault Indian Reservation.”



Left: Larry Workman at the base of the tree in November 1993 where he collected one of the steel rods for the Tribal Museum. The tree was cut off about 20 feet above the ground several decades before by the BIA as it was considered an attractive hazard. Michael Patten took the recent photo of Workman holding the steel rod he collected.

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday
01 Caprice Elizabeth Brown-Glendenning
01 Carl Lewis Lorton
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01 Cheniyah Naomi Wallace
01 Christopher David Charles
01 Denise Ashley Curleybear
01 Evergreen Anona Lafountaine
01 John Arthur Hebert
01 John Calvert Tumbaga
01 Kerstin Rae Myers
01 Kobe Lee Kalama
01 Leo Jordan Martinez-Brown
01 Melvin Le Roy Henderson
01 Satanta Chele'I Valenzuela
02 Ale'iana Skye Sotomish
02 Ashley Kristine Shale
02 August Maximus Barrett
02 Brody Vaughn Sharp
02 Corrine Elaine Sohm
02 Isis Lila Serrano
02 Ke-gat Ke-wet Nelson
02 Letty Rene Potter
02 Lynda Lorena Grau
02 Megan Renae Subitch
02 Rick Lee Grundvig
02 Riley-Dean Kaylynn Morse
02 Shirley Marie Mowitch
02 Stephanie Michelle Capoeman
02 Titus Isidro Edward Serrano
03 Avery Isobel Butler-Dan
03 Chipah Chatwhino James
03 Christopher Mark Johnstone
03 Dondi Lane Blackburn
03 Frankie Alberta John-Hall
03 Heather Rene Bodenhamer
03 Hunter Gavin Preston
03 Jaleh Roseane Heck
03 Kolton John Doyle
03 Noelani Charmaine McCrory
03 Roxanne Catherine Allan
03 Selah Athenia Marilyn Mason
03 Shanna Marie Estes
03 Tehya Elizabeth Bercier
04 Amanda Lyn Bryan
04 Ayden Edward Itterley
04 Charliz Ann Gutierrez
04 Emily Rae Lynch
04 Gordon Ira Hobucket
04 Haley Rae Taylor
04 Jessica Dene' Jack
04 John Evans Boome
04 Joseph Allen Chenois
04 Michael Glenn Goldman
04 Michael Ramos Almendarez
04 Noah Patrick Cole
04 Patricia Ann John
04 Regina Ann Elhard
04 Ruben Scott Mirabal
04 Winterlude Malia Martell
04 Zander Joel Lowery
05 Audrey Louise Branch
05 Brandon Lee Morgan
05 Brenden Allen Radonski
05 Candace Elaine Logan
05 Eugene Andrew Castello
05 Izarria Aicha-Rose Robinson
05 Jerry Je'an Lewis
05 Maria Rosario Janelle Castaneda
05 Rylee Jayne Clifton
05 Samual Lee Flaisig
05 Trisha Darlene Charlie
06 Anthony Michael Johnstone
06 Brody Vaughn Sharp II
06 Charles Robert Dozier Jr.
06 Dakota James Frank
06 Gregory John Stewart Jr.
06 Hai'den James Reyes Purdy
06 Janine Elaine Randall
06 Jerry Ray Scott
06 Joseph James David McCrory
06 Lynette Ione Charley
06 Nova Lynn Sellers
06 Phillip Gerald Sherman Charles McGraw
06 Richard Allan Sivonen

06 Rylah Rose Hiyada Smith
06 Sawyer June Verboomen
06 Stephen Roy Frank
06 Timothy James Ralston
07 Audon Thomas Allen
07 Dawn Nioma Radonski
07 Daymond Lee Cole III
07 Grayson Avery Graham
07 Harper Georgia Cummings
07 Harvey Phillip Dean Anderson
07 Jordan Ashley Woods-Shale
07 Leanna Rose Sansom
07 Marcus Gabriel Goldman
07 Sunnie Willow Drywater
08 Alexia Loree James
08 Ky'ler Lee Howard
08 Ledger Jude Causey
08 Lila America Flores Visarraga
08 Maylee Joel Larson-Twombly
08 Robert Scott Kemp
08 Shirley Dawnae Kalama
09 Braden Carter Vandermeulen
09 Carl Stephen Sotomish
09 Colten Wyatt Vandermeulen
09 David Steven Kalama
09 George Francis Buck
09 Haley Cheyenne Adair
09 Janet Marie Jackson
09 Kari Lynn Martin
09 Klayra Peyton James
09 Moses James Plumb
09 Natasha Adamika Butler
09 Nikki Jo Mason
09 Ronald Lee Russell Tadios-Tahkeal
09 Russell Tobey Snell
09 Skylani Amelia Amacher
09 Wendy Christine Green Shepard
10 Agustin Issiah Arreguin
10 Amelia Delese Blodgett DeLaCruz
10 Brooklyn McKinley Graves
10 Chylene Shirley Ralston
10 Clara Maybeth Dillinger
10 Inala Renee Rabang Cuartero
10 Isiah Matthew Brown
10 Joyce Sansom
10 Katie Sansom
10 Mitchell David Brooks
10 Nani'Pua Pua'Lani Thomas-Carson
10 Nyah Reign Priamos
10 Trevin William Charlie
11 Adrienne Grey Brandt
11 Buffy Georgette Cole
11 Charles Manford Saunders
11 Chase David Martin
11 Douglas Paul Gallington
11 Eric Arnold Capoeman
11 Guy Lambert Capoeman
11 Jason Eugene Strom
11 Kevin Wayne Herbert
11 Markimoho Travis Wortman
11 Shelly Susan Bryson-Sowers
11 William Gerald Robert Lazzar
11 Wynona Jane Pickernell
12 Addison Jo Hendricks
12 Alaya Jessica Tuigana Kaleak
12 Albert George Smith
12 Alexis Christine James
12 Angeline Gloria Ramirez
12 Brandyn Daniel Todd Ford
12 Christopher Allen Manwell
12 Cleve Allen Lorton
12 Dustin Terry Anthony Delacruz Stewart
12 Jackson Bruce Hill
12 Kalecia Elizabeth Underwood-Dan
12 Krista Marie Mohoric
12 Lenora Renee Underwood
12 Loriele Tehya Ayana Haugen-Goodell
12 Lucia Elena Charlie Garibay
12 Margaret Lois Payne
12 Patrick Dana Rodriguez
12 Roger Douglas Saux
12 Tori Jane Shale
13 Brian Lee Olson
13 Cari Virginia Bradley
13 Darla Dee Smith

13 Karen Diane Ethridge-Watkins
13 Kristopher Gregory Bryan
13 Leon Thomas Butler
13 Noah Bryan Hyun Buhm Jung
13 Richele Lynn Knaus
13 Summer Elizabeth Stigall
13 Susana Kailani Billie
13 Tommy Kounavong Charlie
14 Beverly Rose Parmelee
14 Cody Ray Baller
14 Franky Allen Pickernell
14 Jacqueline Katherine Gill
14 Janessa Mae Tarabochia
14 Juanita Lorraine Boldt
14 Lester Duane DeLaCruz
14 Levi Allen Noble
14 Mary J. Jackson
14 Neitra Dawn Butler
14 Samantha Josephine Fiscus
15 Anthony Joseph Salandro Jr.
15 Celena Cheyanne Taylor
15 Clifford John Mowitch
15 Idalia Angelica Sanchez
15 Jacob Josiah Grundvig
15 Julia Denise Rosander
15 Kalina Marie Ebling
15 Nicole Michelle Weber
15 Richard James Shirk
15 Sean Vincent Markishtum
15 Tacori Clementine Williams
16 Anilah Lynn Beltran
16 Anthony Angelo Perez
16 Antoinette Marie Sellers
16 Bryan William Misquez
16 Charley Dee-Ann Schimelpfenig
16 Craig Matthew Davis
16 Dianne Weaver
16 Erika Lynn Kramer
16 Grace Hannah Owens-Hall
16 James Leo Newlun
16 Jazira Jo Heath
16 John Curtis Pickernell
16 Kalypso Reign Barrett
16 Krissa Marie Berys
16 Laura Lee Bell Kalama
16 Merian Christine Juneau
16 Mia Rae Rios
16 Naya Fern-Noel Krienke
16 Scott Douglas MacDonald
17 Brian John Oliver
17 Celisha Maria Mae Ralston
17 Colby Alan Mitchell
17 Hazel Suzanne Jackson
17 Jose Luis Capoeman-Rivera
17 Julian Xavier Dominguez
17 Leonard Wayne Pluff
17 Robert Andrew Haataia
17 Sergio Lee Valdovinos
17 Teresa Annette Lazzar-Turner
17 Ulonda Ann Moon
18 Aliza Irene Brown
18 Bert Herbert Patrick
18 Charles Rodney Strom Jr.
18 Donald Floyd Reynolds
18 Gerald Stanley King
18 James Ryan Miller
18 Stephanie Nicole Terrell
18 Tyler Renee' Daniel
19 Auron Artemas Litvin
19 Bruce Wayne Mosqueda
19 Chelsie Lynn Tobeck
19 Elizabeth May Prior
19 Franklin David DeLaCruz Jr.
19 Kaleka Mary Yamabe
19 Latonnah Marie Jerome
19 Matthew Mick Queetser Sansom
19 R. Ann Kalilikane
20 Bryan Adam Sotomish
20 Caleb Michael Madsen
20 Derick Jayson Frank
20 Julian Roger Petersen
20 Ki'mya Suze-Ann Sansom
20 Linda Christine Hostetter
20 Loetta Pearl Paulsen
20 Molly Evelyn Misquez

20 Sahali Viola Sharp
20 Trina Lucille Capoeman
20 William Robert Law
20 Zayne Immanuel Lambert
21 Cheryl Ann Shale
21 Finn Patrick Myers
21 Hudson Lee Boldt
21 Ilene Violet Terry
21 James Luis Jackson
21 Javier Sanchez
21 Jesse William Kilbane Schwenk
21 Julie Elaine O'Byrne
21 Katalaya Nathalia-Mary Newton
21 Kurtis Lane Eckersley
21 Lois Jean Saxton
21 Nicholas Arnold Piffero
21 Payton Marie Laverne Kroum
21 Roni Tukilish Lynn Jackson
21 Ryan Charles Hendricks
21 Sateavia Dawn Knight
21 Stepheni Ellen Deese
21 Tayen Hazel Grover
21 Taylor Allen Graves
21 Xavier Yul Tum Streets James
22 Christina Joyce Cole
22 Christopher Charles Logan
22 Hazel Veanne Causey
22 Jennifer Anne Cumew
22 Lahlia Mowitchman
22 Liam Charles Aloysious Schreck
22 Millie Mae Woodward
22 Paisley Lee-Ann Pickernell
22 Steven Paul Roberts
22 Tabitha Raneer Purdy
22 Zavier Tyrone Davis
23 Aurora Maria Carmelita VanHoof
23 Brianna Marie Walsh
23 Catherine Bradley
23 Darrell Lee King
23 Deseree Leann Schultz
23 Jeremy Allen Bamer
23 Jesse William Vance Ellingson
23 Kaytlin Rose Newlun-Reynolds
23 Kyla Rose Wilder-Cook
23 Mary Ann Chambers
23 Ryder Jared Siddle
23 Samuel Dwayne Johnson
23 Skyelar John McCray
23 Trenton Kai Jay Comenout Riley
24 Allie Barbara May Bumgarner
24 Colin Joseph Ackerman
24 Dana Anne Huber
24 David Lee Chambers
24 Gabriel Elijah Daly
24 Gage David Olson
24 Hannah Gyda Curley
24 Lexi Elizabeth Black
24 Michael Conan Kelly
24 Nicole Louise Porter
24 Otto Guthrie Tanner
24 Ozrick Odell Obi
24 Qosos Lillyan Strom
24 Samantha Nicole Rae
24 Steve Little Elk Fryberg
25 Barbara Ann Dominick
25 Caitlin Hope Howard
25 Crystal Ann Bonga
25 Darius Jacob Saunders
25 Jae Byrd Drywater
25 John Bizer
25 Kelsey Corinne Stryker
25 Nevaeh Dee Ancheta
25 Ryan Charles Hendricks
25 Terry Anthony Johnson
25 Tiera May Sellers
25 Trisha Charmaigne Kautz
26 Brixton Knox Stephen Capoeman
26 Kara Ambrosia Blodgett
26 Kimana Michele Yaros
26 Mary Allison Russell
26 Melissa Lynn Bruce
26 Silas Andrew Glenn
26 Terrell Ma-toe Jones
27 Aleesha Lee Howard
27 Andria Klatush Hawkes

27 Avalyn Maquel Dan
27 Corbin Dean Barrett
27 Danielle Lee Thomas-Black
27 Ilene Inez Ralston
27 Jennifer Nicole Peters
27 Levi Cory Sandstrom
27 Malaki Lawrence Eaton
27 Meadow Shyllynn Renee Mowitch
27 Romeo Paul Mason
27 Samantha Jay Alison Smith-Kramer
27 Stephanie Athena Pine
27 Tiffany Savannah Marie Mowitch
27 Tommie Parks Grover
28 Brian Matthew Narvaez
28 Darrin Duane Fousie
28 Emma Leigh Rosander
28 Farrel Gene Starr
28 Freyja Deelyn Fiedler
28 Hannah Mae Herbert
28 Kaleal Cameron Comenout
28 Katalaya Adilene Quinonez
28 Khaylees Kay Nichole Sipai
28 Kyle Alfred Braden
28 Latrell Dewayne Wagner-Markishtum
28 Paula Jane Ramirez
28 Robert James Siddle Sr.
28 Tonya Napoleon Veach
28 Trevis Allen Christopherson
28 Tyrone Lee Chambers
28 Virgil Rudolph Bennett
29 Andrew Storm McGuire
29 Anthony Lewis Hobucket III
29 Ava Juliette Myers Marshall
29 Carson Dale Baller
29 Eddie Anthony Rosales-Serquinia
29 Eric Melvin James McGraw
29 Heather Rose Windham
29 Kasey Robert Hensley
29 Keenen Tyee Joseph Hendricks
29 Kimberly Donneil Madsen-Hanks
29 Lena Denae Narron
29 Miliana Nevaeh McCrory
29 Sofia Nicole Luna Galeana
29 Tamara June Parker
29 Teresa Ann Pope
29 Tiffany Evelyn Herndon
30 Alder Lloyd Cook
30 Audrey Daye Huelsman
30 Chauneen Young
30 Chloe Camilla Kowoosh
30 Eugenia Lynn Mason
30 Gabriel Royce Hill
30 Hannah Raye Han
30 Jessica Diane Sansom
30 Katherine Marie Rohr
30 Kimberly Kaye Cleveland
30 Mark Monroe Cole
30 Mateo Dejesus Mozqueda-Silva
30 Novalisse Xelalichin Chenois-Jackson
30 Omar Ivan Estrada
30 Summer Raye Mays
30 William Eugene Sharp
31 Anthony James Tumbaga
31 Brynley Louise Lorton
31 Eve Ann Owens-Hall
31 Joseph Connor Gordon
31 Joseph Jon Bryan
31 Julia Elaine Brown
31 Megan Lee James
31 Mikayla Lavender
31 Remy Austin Terrell
31 Timothy James Hearn

Anniversaries
04 Frank & Felicity Anderson
07 Yvonne & Josh Sansom
21 Archie & Mandy Howard
22 Ken & Jessie Stevens
27 Clarence & Ilene Sawyer
30 John & Virginia Brings Yellow
31 Charlie & Leslie Capoeman

Siokwil to Sarah Martin for review and updating the list.



To my son, Eric
Here's to getting another older
and wiser! I'd like to think that
each year that goes by, you
always have a memorable event
that you'll remember. I wish you
nothing but the best in the years
to come! Love Mom, Pauline!



Congratulations Cody,
We are so proud of you .
You were so awesome playing in Band.
You're an amazing grandson. Aim High
as you move forward
in college. Love always,
Gram and Grandpa

Happy birthday to my beautiful
niece Jackie
Happy birthday to you
Happy birthday dear Jackie
Happy birthday to you
Love always,
Me

Happy Birthday to:
Lenora
Cheri
Antha
Awleen
Kara
Kylo
Lil Dolly
&
Kyle
Love your family



Happy 14th Birthday
Remy!! We love
You and are so proud of
you! (July 31)
Love, Mom, Dad, Sonny
and Wesley

Happy birthday to my honey
Wayne Nations
Happy birthday to you
Happy birthday dear Wayne
Happy birthday to you
Love always,
Me

Wishing my mother
Tonya Napoleon Veach
A Happy Birthday on July 28th
We love you so much Kiya!!!!
-Samantha, Megan, Theron,
and Marietta

Special Wishes
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July deadline: noon June 17th
Send submissions to:v

Happy workversary to:
Ryan Eide in forestry 6 years
Kat K 9 years in QDNR
Cat Bean 8 years in fisheries.

Happy birthday to:
Amanda Mullikin July 1
Dawn Radonski 7th
Mark Mobbs 15th
Scott Mazzone 20th
Caprice Fasano 22nd
Hannah Curley 24th
Justin Madanifard 25th
and
Nick Schuldt 25th.
From all of us @ QDNR

Happy birthday Tonya Napoleon
Happy birthday to you
Happy birthday to my sister. I love
you

May you have a great day on your
birthday
love always,
Me



Happy 9th Birthday to my
Man, Timothy!
My most handsome
grandson! You are such
a joy to watch grow up. I
hope you have the
best birthday ever. Love
you Bud, grandma

Happy Anniversary John Baller
June 16th
May we have many more years,
And may you have lots of time to
Take care of my "when you have a
spare minute" list.
Love you, Pearl

Happy Birthday, Christopher
Wishes for the best birthday ever
Love Mom & Dad

Happy Birthday
Kenadee Baller
Hope your day is as special as
you are

A belated birthday shoutout
for June 6th.
Happy birthday Gemini Twins
Rich and Mio Charley.
Mama and brothers love you both!



For July 6th

Happy 9th Birthday to my first baby Timothy James Ralston!!!
You are so funny, smart, caring, loving, athletic, and determined.
Keep reaching for the stars my son
and you will achieve everything you put your mind to.
This momma is so proud of you. I will always be your number 1 fan.
I hope you have an amazing birthday, and all your wishes come true.
We love you to the moon and back times infinity.
From Mom, Lincoln, Daisy, and Naia.



Graduating from college with high
honors
You have accomplished so much,
being alcohol & drug free.
Wishing you continued success.
Love Aunty Pearl & Uncle John &
Baller familiest

July 29th
Happy Birthday Sarah
Many Happy Trails to you!
Love Dad



Happy birthday to Dad/Grandpa (Stephen Frank)
and Dakota Frank
(Both share a birthday on July 6)
Love, The whole Family

Congratulations to Chitwhin Class of 2025



Taholah HS Graduates From Left to Right: William Hotopat, Xavier Davis, Jayden Williams, Issac Valenzuela, Jade Charley, Keeli McCorry, Krista Goodface, Lilly Vargas, Kaydin Serrano, Jayden Lewis, Kaylie Hendricks, Fred Pope Jr., KhiLynn Krukoff, Herman Lartigue, Landon Comenout-Martin, Zah-Kylah Mason, and Adrian Lorton. **Missing:** Ava James and Elizabeth Purser.

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SATURDAY 9PM-MIDNIGHT

Erina McLaren



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SATURDAY NIGHT - FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT

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