

bá·yak The Talking Raven

A Quileute Newsletter



QTS honors whales in 12th annual ceremony

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The Quileute Tribal School hosted its 12th annual "Welcoming the Whales" ceremony on March 29, 2019 to honor the gray whale. The celebration includes traditional dancing, drumming, and a salmon offering at First Beach in La Push, WA. A meal is shared at the Akalat Center where singing and dancing continues.

1. QTS students perform the Fan Dance. 2. The drummers get ready for the next song. 3. Students carefully wade into the ocean to make the offering. 4. Elders enjoy front row seating.

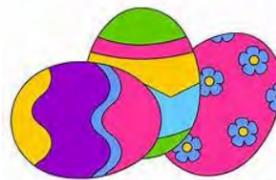
Quileute Housing Authority Youth Program's 22nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday April 20, 2019

For All Children 12 years and under

11:00 AM SHARP!

Quileute Oceanside Resort La Push
Separate age areas to hunt



Prize presented to the finder of the Secret Egg.

Special appearance by the Easter Bunny

Please Dress for the Weather!



THE **DEADLINE**
FOR ALL
SUBMISSIONS TO
BE CONSIDERED
FOR PRINT IN *THE
TALKING RAVEN* IS
**THE 3RD FRIDAY
OF EVERY
MONTH.**

From Council Chambers



Tony Foster, Zack Jones, Doug Woodruff, James Jackson, Skyler Foster - Photo By Cheryl Barth

Join us in welcoming the new River's Edge Restaurant Manager, Jenny Guckenberger, and the Tribe's new Chief Financial Officer, Navin Sinha. We are happy to have you at Quileute and look forward to working with you.

Traveling with Quileute Natural Resources (QNR) staff and Fish Committee members, councilmen Doug Woodruff and Zack Jones attended the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) meetings in Vancouver, WA March 7-10 and the North of Falcon meetings in Lynnwood March 19-21. These meetings are vital to fisheries management.

Vice Chair Zack Jones: PFMC and North of Falcon Meetings are highly important to attend; they entail the summer ocean trolling and fall in-

river fisheries. It's where concerns are brought forth and agreements are made with the state in efforts of co-management of these resources. This is a long process where all the work collected by QNR and the state is crunched together with the ocean forecast to produce the best possible schedule for our fishermen and resources while still ensuring a healthy escapement for future runs. QNR staff and fish committee, along with tribal leadership, work hard to achieve the schedule that you see every season.

The Quillayute Valley Scholarship Auction was held March 16-17 at the Forks High School. This is always a way for Quileute to help in continuing education for the youth of Forks and La Push. We donated two Pendleton blankets,

a cedar basket, cedar necklace, and stays at Oceanside Resort. Congratulations to the Class of 2019 on a record-breaking year, raising \$155,500!

The Forks Community Hospital Long Term Care presented to Council, requesting sponsorship of an ADA-compliant 14-passenger van that will provide transporta-

tion to residents of Long Term Care for not only appointments, but also recreational outings.

Secretary Skyler Foster: As Quileutes, we know the importance of helping our elders and making them comfortable. It was an easy decision to donate towards this cause, especially when some of our own family members and friends have been residents at the Forks Long Term Care. The visual provided by the hospital was moving; residents were asked what they would like to do or where they would like to travel if given the opportunity, and they responded: go to the stores and pick out things I want to buy; have a picnic in the park; buy my own clothes and try them on; visit our loved ones' graves and put flowers on them; go spend the day with my family; go to the library and pick out my own books; and see the ocean one more time, to name a few of their wishes. They are still raising funds for a van. If you would like to donate, visit the Forks Hospital Foundation Facebook page or call Shannon at 360-374-6271.

In Loving Memory

Our heartfelt condolences go to the family and friends of Douglas "Taco" Reid. May you find comfort and peace during this difficult time.

- Quileute Tribal Council

Get Well Soon

Best wishes are sent to Xavier Johnson on a speedy recovery. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

- Quileute Tribal Council

THE FABULOUS HARLEM CROWNS

BASKETBALL TEAM

Fantastic

Funny

Hilarious

DATE: Wednesday, April 10 TIME 6:00pm

PLACE Akalat Center - La Push, WA

OPPONENTS Quileute All-Stars

Department Briefs

Housing Authority

- Board meeting held on March 12
- QHA all staff team building training was held March 5-6
- Thank you to Kala Jackson for serving on the QHA Housing Board the last year and a half
- Congratulations to Carol Hatch for being appointed by Tribal Council for a four-year term
- All maintenance staff attended "Intro to Carpentry 1" training and "Countertop and Cabinet" training March 26-29
- REMINDER: rental inspections will be held April 9-18
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 20

Natural Resources

- Attended PFMC in Vancouver March 7-10
- Held Quileute Natural Resources Committee or "Fish Committee" meeting on March 6
- Fish Committee elections held March 13
- Halibut Tribes finalized agreement for 2019 sea-

son at PFMC

- Attended North of Falcon salmon negotiations on March 19-21
- Attended NWIFC meetings on March 25 and 26
- Held Special Fish Committee meeting on March 29 to finalize Revision to Fishing Ordinance and Penalty regulations

Health Center

- Carving Center has relocated to the new Hermison Road property
- Participated in the monthly Norwest Coast Tribal partnership meeting
- Diabetes Support Group met on March 5 and 19
- The QHC elevator is now fully operational
- A luncheon was held in honor of Sue Shane and her many years of service to the Tribe as a provider; a Pendleton blanket and beautiful basket was presented by Council members Doug Woodruff and James Jackson on March 6
- All Health Center Staff received CPR Certification on March 11
- Nurse Practitioner Deb Hoening finished her con-

tract with the Tribe and a new provider, Scott Smith, started on March 18

- Relational Life Skills Class was held on March 21; the topic was "self-care"
- Please welcome Ken Morris to the QHC team; Ken is a counselor focused on substance abuse and his first day was March 25
- The monthly senior luncheon was held on March 26 with a heart health bingo game and great prizes for each elder that participated
- Continue to have physician coverage every Friday
- The Health Director met with the American Indian Health Commission CEO to discuss state issues, concerns, and opportunities to collaborate
- The Health Director went on a tour of the Jamestown S'Klallam Health Clinic and learned about the services they provide, how they operate, and patient flow
- Page Foster is the Acting PRC Coordinator and Jolene Winger is the Acting Accounting Manager

Court

- Wellness Court had three

participants successfully phase up

- Thank You to Public Utilities for office rearrangement

Police

- 187 calls for service for the month of March
- Still looking to hire new officers for vacant positions; had several applicants apply
- Department received two new patrol vehicles from savings on grants
- Activity is picking up in the local area with warmer weather and spring break happening

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NOTICE OF HEARING

LOCATION: Quileute Tribal Court
21 Quileute Nation Street
La Push, WA. 98350

DATE: April 18, 2019

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

HEARING TYPE: Civil Anti-Harassment Order

This Notice is to inform **Latrina Black**, last know residence La Push, WA. 98350, that you are a respondent in a Civil Anti-Harassment case under the jurisdiction of the Quileute Tribal Court. Latrina Black must appear on April 18, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the Quileute Tribal Court or a default judgment may be entered in your absence.



Attention Hunters

Quileute Natural Resources (QNR) would like to remind hunters to return their deer and elk tags to QNR's front desk during the month of April 2019. It is important to return your tags even if you did not harvest an animal to ensure we have complete and accurate harvest data.

Quileutes Seniors Age 50+

If you would like to participate in applications review and interview committees, please visit the Human Resources Department and sign up; provide your name, phone number, and an email so that the department may contact you at any time. You will be compensated with a gift card for serving on a committee. For questions, call 360-374-4366.

Thank you,
HR Department

Changes to the Quileute Higher Education Scholarship Program

Effective on March 1, Heather Brux is now overseeing the Quileute Higher Education Scholarship Program in addition to her other duties with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and General Assistance at the Human Services Department.

"I'm so excited about taking on this program," Heather exclaimed. "And as someone who received the scholarship to go back to school and get my AA, I know firsthand about the opportunities that this program opens up for students."

Although the application deadline for the scholarship was on March 31, late applications are accepted. Funding is limited, so get your application in as soon as possible!

"I don't want to just hand people an application when they come into my office and send them on their way; I am willing to sit down and go over it and any questions a student may have," she explained. Heather also plans to be available at the Forks High

School with Title VII paraeducator, Micki Villicana, to discuss Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), scholarships, and higher education with Native American students.

The application, as well as a full listing of policies and procedures, can be found on the website at www.quileutenation.org on the Human Services page. The FAFSA must be completed before applying for the Quileute scholarship. Oftentimes, for first time students the FAFSA can seem like a daunting task. Feel free to schedule an appointment with Heather if you need help with this process.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be enrolled Quileute, enrolled in a nationally accredited school or institution and retain in-state residency, have completed FAFSA and have unmet need as determined by FAFSA, complete the student's financial aid packet for their institution, applied for at least two other scholarships, maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA and have completed all courses

enrolled in with no withdrawals or incompletes.

Heather also added that the program assists with the GED and COMPASS testing fees.

"We don't talk about education enough in Native communities. It took me until I was 34 years old to go back to school. I didn't even know what the FAFSA was when I went through high school. I'm the first college graduate in my family, and that's how it is for many Native Americans. As the Higher Education Scholarship Coordinator, I want to change that in our community. We should all be

encouraging our kids to continue their education, whether it's college or vocational school."

If you are interested in learning more about what the scholarship program has to offer, please feel free to talk with Heather about your options. Her office is located in the Human Services building and her office hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except for Wednesday mornings. Interested applicants may also contact her at 360-374-5185 or heather.brux@quileutenation.org.

Quileute Days Meeting

Come be a part of the Quileute Days planning committee! The next meeting is scheduled on:

April 22, 2019

2:00 p.m.

Tribal Office West Wing

Quileute Community Spring Clean Up 2019

Friday, April 19th

Coffee and doughnuts will be available at the following office buildings beginning at 8:15 AM:

Housing Authority
Natural Resources
Human Services
Tribal Office



Tribal Departments will have gloves and trash bags for participants

BBQ and *Prize Drawing at Akalat Center at 12 PM

*MUST participate in the Spring Clean Up in order to be eligible for the prize drawing
Must also be present to win

Quileute Head Start



Accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year!

Please, stop by the office or call **(360) 374-2631** for more information

You can also download an application at <http://www.quileutenation.org/head-start-program>

The Head Start program provides:

- Childhood classes four days a week for three to five year old children with a focus on: phonemic awareness, literacy, writing, math, science, nutrition, safety, and social studies
- Quileute language and culture
- Dental, vision, hearing, and developmental screenings
- Family support services
- Services for children with developmental, physical, emotional, and behavioural challenges
- Transportation to and from school via bus
- Breakfast, lunch, and snack
- Plus, a caring atmosphere of fun, learning, and acceptance!

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER July 24, 2019 MAY BE PLACED ON THE WAITLIST



*Quileute Head Start
PO Box 100, 8 By-Yak Loop
La Push, WA 98305*



91 Main Street
La Push, WA 98350
360-374-0777



Spring Hours

Beginning April 1, 2019

Sunday—Thursday

8 a.m. — 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday

8 a.m. — 9 p.m.

Hiba' Kwashkwash [HAY-buh quash-quash]: The Jay Squawks



Jay Powell transforming into kwashkwash, the Blue Jay.
Submitted Photo

Yachfsiyasiktiyat, Sprout Days (yach-tsee-yah-SAKE-tee-yah-t)

Springtime in Quileute Country

Ah, springtime! The Old-time Quileutes looked forward to spring just as we do. For them, April with its sprouts was the beginning of springtime, the first of the five Quileute seasons. Here is a list of the seasons and periods of the year as the Old People visualized the annual cycle:

Spring -

Totsalawaktiyat (time of new growth) starts at the beginning of the Sprout Days (April) moon and lasts through salmon-berry getting days (June)

Summer - **Taxafs** (when it's hot) starts at the beginning of the salalberry getting (July) moon

Early Fall - **Xwa'afs** (this season starts at the beginning of no berries moon in late August). Surprisingly, the name refers to the whalers' ritual, called **x^wa'afsal**, which also happened then. That ceremonial time at the end of the spring and summer whaling season involved a cloistering of those who had the whaling power and the whole village avoided activities that would irritate the spirit world. Early fall included king salmon getting moon (September). It was over when the devil's club turned red and it was time to go get elk, which were at their fattest then.

Late Fall - **Tsadafs** (the name of this season literally means "when it's almost".) It refers to the fact that October and November were when it's almost the end of the time for accumulating, preserving and storing provisions for winter. It's interesting that there was

such a tense awareness that it was the end of opportunity to get ready for winter.

Winter - **Titat** (Hal George thought the name referred to a time of darkness or grayness and the name of the season had the same root as the word **titak^wal**, gray whale). This end-of-year period was often inclement and overcast so the people were unable to keep track of the phases of the moon, and didn't worry about what moon it was. The new year would start with the arrival of the steelheads, a time that was still considered to be **titat**. Spring wouldn't start until sprouts appeared, around April.

So, now, it's 140 years since school teacher A. W. Smith was sent to La Push to open the Quileute School and teach the people about Whiteman's ways, including the calendar. Back then, the tribal members knew nothing about seven-day weeks, months that weren't visible moon phases, or 365-day years. They had their own annual cycle and knew more about phases of the moon and the growing things in the tribal territory than we do. We are lucky that knowledgeable elders explained the traditional folk-science so that we can understand and appreciate their beliefs. We know enough about the traditional Quileute year that we can visualize time, the seasons, and the annual cycle just as the ancestors did.

The fascinating thing about the traditional Quileute perception of the year is that they didn't have calendars to refer to. They kept track of the phases of the moon and had internalized knowledge of what foods were available during which moon and where they had to go to take advantage of what nature and the spirits provided.

Most of their moon-months ended in **-aliktiya**, meaning "days to go out and get something" or in **-yasiktiyat**, which means "the period of days when something is in season." So, have a good **Yachfsiyasiktiyat**, the moon when the ancestors' calendar told them that **yachfsi**, "sprouts" would happen. Smart people, those ancient Quileutes!

The Tribal School's Culture Curriculum Project

Because the Tribal School has made the Quileute culture program a priority, the school is compiling a number of types of cultural information as part of the culture curriculum. One of those sets of traditional info, is a set of the old tribal stories. Each story is told in detail and has an introduction and notes that are useful to teachers in the culture program or to community members to read.

Anthropologists call these traditional stories "cultural narratives." In the old days, these stories served as the tribe's answers to the question of origins, how the tribal territory, the people and the other living things were created.

Tribal members all know some of these stories. There are, in fact, over fifty stories that we know of. Many stories probably were forgotten and, thus, lost forever. Tribes that don't have their own stories often use collections of Indian stories from other tribes. The Quileutes are lucky to have their own stories. Some of them tell about **K^wati**, the Old People's "culture hero" who created the Quileutes and their neighbors and did other things to help the people long ago, back at the time of beginnings.

Of course, the Quileutes also have a "trickster" character in their stories... a raven who is known by the Quileute word for ravens, **Bayaq**. In fact, old Raven is still such an important traditional cultural figure for the Quileutes that this newsletter, the **Bayaq**, is named for Raven.

The Story of Bayaq the Raven and Crow

This is another Raven story in which, predictably, tricky old Raven fools others in order to eat their food. In this story it is **Ka'yo?**, Crow (pronounced KAH-ah-yoh) who finds a big king salmon that has just been thrown up by the waves onto the beach. Raven meets her on the way home. She is carrying the fish in her pack basket. And Raven, pretending to help her adjust her load, takes the salmon and replaces it with a stone.

Like Quileute mythic stories, in this tale Crow and

Raven are walking rather than flying. Raven has his identifiable big nose, but is still an Indian so he is walking, too. Later, he and the other birds and animals will get their feathered and furry costumes at Raven's "costume party" and they won't be able to take the costumes off. After that, the birds will be able to fly. Raven's nose will become his big beak.

In this story, Crow is a woman. She wears a woman's pack basket on her back, which is what women would use to go down to the beach and bring home mussels to eat or driftwood as firewood for cooking and heating. Many of the people that Raven tricks are women and girls, as is the case in this story and in other stories where he even tricks his wife, Mrs. Raven.

It is particularly interesting that in this story crows, including the crow children, often talk by singing. This is a common feature of the old stories. The "songs" that crow sings were the private property of the person telling the story. So, people would refer to the story as belonging to the owner, saying things like, "Ask Oldman Sixtis to tell his story about Raven and Crow." Most of those songs that accompanied the stories have been lost.

Nowadays, all of the old tribal stories are considered the common heritage of the entire tribe and anyone can tell the stories. Some individuals and families keep alive a tradition that one or another of the elders "gave me the story." Such "giving of stories" was, in fact, done during ancient times. However, the term "give" was used differently in those days. Stories and songs were "given" to others by being performed in front of them. Stories and songs then had a secrecy because they were thought to be originally handed down to the individual by spirit guardians. So, they were only told and sung by those original owners to special trusted friends or relatives. Back in 1916, Hal George told many of the Quileute stories to ethnographer Leo Frachtenberg, who wrote them down and recorded the songs; later they were published by Andrade. Decades later, in 1978, Hal said that since the stories had been published in a book and the songs had been put out on a Smithsonian record, these stories had been given to everyone.

It is an issue of respect that the stories and songs are recognized as Quileute and Hoh heritage property. Of course, if a family claims that a story belongs to them, this family tradition must be respected. But most stories were told in several

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Hiba' Kwashkwash [HAY-buh quash-quash]: The Jay Squawks

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versions and it was a particular version of a story that was owned. Other versions of the same story are now common tribal cultural property.

Some Quileute Words in the Story

To tell and understand this Quileute story, it helps to know the Quileute words that are used in telling the story like the elders did and still do. Elders who are good storytellers like Chris Morganroth III always use Quileute words when they tell stories. We include them here so you can learn them or return to them when you read or hear them. They are given below in the order in which they show up in the story.

Báyak, Raven (pronounced BAH-yah-k or sometimes BAH-ah-yah-k)

Ká'yo?, Crow (KAH-ah-yoh)

sáfs, king salmon (sah-ts)

báxoy, large burden basket worn on the back with a tump-line (BAH-hoo-ee)

dído?os-ti, nest literally "bird-house" (DAY-doe-oh-stee)

li?áts kal, thank you (lee-AHTS kahl)

ǰhidáǰhida, the noise of someone eating loudly, gulping (t-thi-DAHT-thid-dah)

Longer phrases and the words of songs that occur in the story aren't included in the list above, but they are translated with a guide to pronunciation when they occur in the story.

The Story of Raven and Crow

Old Lady **Ká'yo?**, the Crow was going down to the beach, looking for something to eat. Back in her house (called the nest, **dído?os-ti**), her hungry children were waiting for her to

return with food. She went out wearing her pack basket (**báxoy**) on her back which she carried with a tumpline across her forehead rather than with straps like a backpack.

When **Ká'yo?** got down to the beach, she was lucky to find a **sáfs**. That's a king salmon, which is also called a chinook, spring or tyee salmon. But the Quileutes always used to call it a king because they get really big. That big **sáfs** was in a pile of seaweed lying at the high-tide line. She was happy to find such a big fish, still fresh.

She put the fish in her **báxoy**, but it was too heavy to lift up and put on her back so she could pack it home. Luckily, there was another woman on the beach. So, she asked her for help. She sang that request for help as a song. She sang:

Tsiǰayósta ax^w, *push it up for me* (tsith-ah-YOH-stah uh-wh)

She repeated the words of the song four times, and then offered to give the woman some of the fish. But the woman said, "I don't eat **sáfs** because it makes me sick to my stomach. She helped Crow get the loaded basket up on her back. And then Old Lady **Ká'yo?** started walking back to her house, happy to be taking the fish home to her hungry girls.

On the way, she met Raven, who asked what she had in her basket. She said that she had been lucky to find a large **sáfs**. Raven was immediately interested, thinking of ways to get that fish away from Mrs. **Ká'yo?**. Everybody knew about Raven's reputation as a trickster who liked to eat the food of other people. So, **Ká'yo?** was firm. She wouldn't let Raven even touch her fish. But Raven said, "Your pack basket is crooked and the fish is going to fall out.

I'm only going to straighten and fix the basket so you don't lose that fish out of it. And while he was "fixing" the basket, he took the fish out of it and substituted a heavy rock for it. Crow didn't notice what he had done and she thanked him, saying **Li?áts kal**. And she continued walking home.

When she got there, the children were hungry and excited to learn that Mother Crow had found a big fish. But, when they looked in her basket, they only saw a stone. They laughed and started to sing and dance that Mother Crow had carried home a rock. They sang:

ǰaǰtaǰ^wayalátiks ka, *Mother carried a rock* (kah-tlah-yah-LAH-tiks kah)

Crow Mother realized immediately that Raven had swiped her fish and put the rock in her basket instead. She wasn't amused. She told her daughters to go over to Raven's house and demand to get their share of the fish back. So, the daughters, very hungry by now, walked over to the place where Raven lived. They called out to him to come out. And, they said they wanted their share of the fish.

Raven was already busy broiling the fish, just the way he liked it. But he smiled and said, "OK, you've caught me. The fish is roasting and will be done soon. You girls go out and play and I will call you when the fish is ready."

The girls agreed and went back out to play in front of Raven's house. And, Raven immediately went in and removed the fish from the fire. And he ate it all...the whole big fish. The Old People used to say, **ǰhidáǰhida**. That's the noise of someone chomping down big gulps.

And as soon as he had eaten the last gulp, he called the girls and said, "What a shame, it all went up in smoke." He sang the bad news like this:

Bastsá! ǰowaǰ^wálitax^w ǰ^watsǰa?áyitóǰ^w, *What a shame! It all went up in smoke* (bah-s-TSAH toe-wah KWAH-lee-tuh-hw quah-ts-thah-AH-yee-toke).

The girls went home and told their mother that the great fish had evaporated. The story was told and every Quileute heard how Old Lady Crow had gone out to get food for her hungry children and that she had gone home with a big, heavy stone in her pack basket and that her children had gone to bed hungry.

Tsósa?á. ǰsoló?oǰol yix ix^wakawoǰ. So much for that. That's the end of the story (TSOH-suh. tsoh-LOH-oh-poh-l yik ick-WAH-kuh-woh-th).

Epilogue

And that's the story of how Raven tricked Crow. It's such a Quileute story and we are lucky to have the words that Crow and Raven sang as the story was told in traditional Quileute narrative style.

A final issue that Quileute readers and listeners ought to know is that this story explains a Quileute cultural issue that was a tribal habit of the Old People. Quileutes who were raised in the old days hearing these stories, would call out whenever they saw a crow on the ground looking for something to eat:

Kitáx tix^wal, Ka?yo?. Wa?alish ax^w ǰáǰta ǰáǰxi. *Go on home, Crow. There aren't any stones here.* (kee-TUCK TEE-hwahl, KAH-ah-yoh. Wah-ah-LISH uck-hw. KAH-aht-lah HAH-hay.)

In 1972, I heard Old Man Fred Woodruff, longtime Quileute chief councilor, say that to a crow that he saw in front of his house in the village. I asked him, "What does that mean?" And he told me this shortened version of the story.

"There is an old **Báyak** story about how wily Raven stole a fish from Mrs. Crow's pack basket and put a rock in the basket instead. Mrs. **Ká'yo?** carried that stone home. And when she got there, she told her kids, "I've got a fish for you to eat." But when the kids looked in the basket, there was nothing there but a rock. So, the crow kids had to go to bed hungry.

"So now we say to hungry-looking crows, **Kitáx tix^wal, Ka?yo?. Wa?alish ax^w ǰáǰta ǰáǰxi**. *Go on home, Crow. There aren't any stones here.*" (kee-TUCK TEE-hwahl, KAH-ah-yoh. Wah-ah-LISH uh-wh KAH-aht-lah HAH-hay.)"

And that is the story that explains the old-time Quileute trait of making fun of crows.

The Quileute Words of the Week for March

Here are some words and phrases for you to use during the month. Remember that using your traditional language is the easiest and most effective way to say, "I'm a Quileute and I'm proud of it."

April 1-7: **Kitáx tix^wal**, *Go home, go on home* (kee-TUCK TEE-hwahl).

This phrase, "Go on home!" is fun and useful whether one is speaking to a person or a pet. It's also a phrase that was traditionally used by the Old-time Quileutes, of all things, to talk to crows! Practice it a few

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times. It's an easy Quileute phrase to learn. **Kitáx t́xʷal!** **Kitáx t́xʷal!** **Kitáx t́xʷal!**

April 8-14: **Wisá Tsalíqtiya**, Happy Easter (wiss SAH tsah-LEEK-tee-yah).

We know lots of holidays and other celebrations at which we wish others a happy day: **Wisá Kísbis**. *Merry Christmas* and **Wisá kopłaktiyáʷat**, *Happy Birthday* are two of them. The word for Easter is interesting. The Old People heard missionaries talking about the Biblical account of "rising from the dead" and so made up a word for Easter, **Tsalíqtiya**, which means standing up day. The Quileute root word **tsal** means to get up (in the morning), rise up or go up.

April 15-21: **Yalowáti**, *springtime, the spring season*

(yah-loh-WAH-th-ee).

The word for the spring season is interesting because none of the elders that I spoke to in 1969 could tell me what that word for the spring season really means. Here are words that may have the same root as the springtime word, but none of them have any aspect of meaning that seems to refer to what spring is like:

Yalóʷwa, means alongside, near, nearby.

Yalóta, means wife.

Yalóxʷa, means to preserve by drying.

Yalowátsil, means the east wind.

Such words could derive from an ancient term that is now lost, and we won't know about that until they invent a time machine and we can travel back and check on the origin of the word. Or possibly the word

could be borrowed from the language of a neighboring tribe. Quileute is such an interesting language, with some mysteries! In any case, the word for springtime is **yalowáti**. So, **wisá yalowáti, xabá**, *Happy springtime, everybody!*

April 22-28: **Kidaʷádadaq** (kay-dah-AH-dah-duck) *A pest! A real 'pain in the neck' person.*

It's a "woman's word" that ladies used to use to talk about men. It literally means "somebody who is always doing irritating things."

April 29-May 5: **Wilochiyaʷwatátsit**, *the word for long, winter underwear (wayloh-chee-yah-ah-wah-TAH-tsit).*

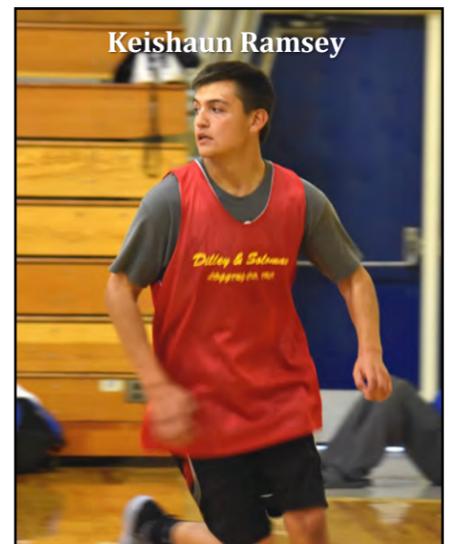
This Word of the Week is one that you don't need to bother to memorize. But it's interesting to look at Quileute words that have their own histo-

ry. Here's a word that the people needed a century ago when the winters were longer and colder. People don't wear long underwear anymore. But, when I first started spending time with the elders back in 1969, I heard that word for long winter underwear often. It's such a long word made up of these parts: long (wilo-), underneath (chiya-), for wearing (-ta), woven or made with the hands (-tsi), thing (-t). And the reason that the word for long winter underwear came to mind this week is that I once heard Porky Payne say, "May! It's May. I remember that my grandfather, Tommy Payne (born in 1870) used to say, that on the first of May it was the family habit to take off their long underwear for the summer."

And that's the Kwashkwash Squawk for April.

-Kwashkwash (Jay Powell) jayvpowell@hotmail.com

Nate Crippen Basketball Tournament Action





Quileute Tribe

MOVE TO HIGHER GROUND

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE: APR. 23

Project Advisory Team Meeting 2:00 – 3:30 PM
Community Open House 4:00 – 7:00 PM
Tribal Office West Wing — April 23

Please join the MTHG and QTS Project Advisory Team for an update on the overall Move to Higher Ground as well as the Quileute Tribal School replacement project. A lot has happened since we submitted our 20% Design to the BIA in February of 2018, including receiving the full funding for the K-12 school replacement.

We will have open house “stations” set up to talk about:

- Move to Higher Ground Master Plan (Education Campus, Tribal Services Campus, Community Campus, and Housing)

- Quileute Tribal School Operations – floor plan and space needs, including the BIA-approved Program of Requirements
- Quileute Tribal School Design – site plan, landscape, interiors, and aesthetics
- Quileute Tribal School Construction – schedule, budget, opportunities to get involved
- Culture Enhancement Committee – opportunities for Quileute artisans and craftspeople to get involved in the school design and construction

This is an informal session, and no presentation is planned. Please contact Susan Devine if you have any questions: 360-280-6155 or susan.devine@quileutetribe.com



QUILEUTE TRIBAL SCHOOL REPLACEMENT (60,950sf)
 20% DESIGN CONCEPT
 SITE PLAN RENDERING



Flu activity surges, increasing demand on health care facilities

By Washington Department of Health

Influenza activity is high across the state and the number of cases, hospitalizations and deaths have increased sharply over the past several weeks, according to health officials at the Washington State Department of Health. Medical facilities, particularly in western Washington, are seeing high numbers of patients for flu symptoms.

“Most healthy people who get the flu don’t need medical care in a facility. To make sure urgent care facilities and emergency rooms can treat other critical health conditions, we encourage people to learn which flu symptoms require emergency medical treatment,” said Dr. Scott Lindquist, the state epidemiologist for communicable diseases.

While many flu symptoms can be managed at

home, people who are in a high risk group, are very sick or are worried about their illness should contact their health care provider immediately.

Health care providers decide if patients need influenza testing and treatment and may prescribe antiviral drugs to shorten the length of the illness and make symptoms milder. In addition to medical treatment, it’s important to prevent the spread of flu by staying home if you’re sick.

Flu vaccine is the first line of defense for protection against this serious disease and there is still time to get vaccinated. Flu vaccine is recommended for everyone six months of age and up, including pregnant women. It’s especially important for people who are at increased risk for severe complications from the flu, and for health care provid-



ers who are in close contact with patients with suspected flu.

“Last year the flu killed 296 people in Washington and thousands more were hospitalized – which is why you should get a new flu vaccine every year as soon as it’s available,” Dr. Lindquist said.

Washington state provides all recommended vaccines at no cost for kids from

birth through age 18, including flu vaccine. Providers may charge an office visit fee or a vaccine administration fee, but any family that can’t afford to pay can ask to waive the administration fee.

For help finding a health care provider or an immunization clinic, or to learn the signs and symptoms of flu, visit KnockOutFlu.org.

Black-Perete advances to corporal



Mario Black-Perete advances to corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps. Congratulations Mario! We are so proud of you!
—Love Grandpa, Grandma and siblings

Jackson recognized at QNR



Quileute Natural Resources recognized Dean Jackson, pictured left, for working at the department for 15 years. QNR Director Frank Geyer presented Dean with a plaque and gift cards from QNR staff.

QVSA SETS A NEW RECORD OF \$155,500!

The 55th annual Quillayute Valley Scholarship Auction was held in Forks, WA on March 16-17 and raised a total of \$155,500. **Below:** The Quileute Tribe donated two Pendleton blankets, two baskets made by Anne Walker, and gift certificates for tribal businesses. **Right:** Bertha Wallerstedt places a bid in the live auction. *Photo by Lonnie Archibald*



Power to Inspire: A QTS Project

Submitted by Jordan Jackson

Students in grades 7-12 at Quileute Tribal School have been completing the Dear Evan Hansen 'Power to Inspire' projects.

Students focus on writing an inspirational letter or poem. They consider universal feelings everyone has felt at some point in their lives, such as loneliness or sadness, then write words of inspiration and motivation either to a specific person, group, or themselves.

We will continue to print letters and poems and we hope they help to inspire the community as much as our students.

Letters and poems will be printed anonymously unless otherwise requested by the author. They are also left unedited.

Just Say Hello

You think you're all alone
and you're about to moan.
There is nobody around
You will not be found.
You feel sadness.

Get up and look around.
There is nothing keeping you
bound.

Just say Hello

There are people over there.
Take precaution and care.
Just one step at a time.

Though, you may not be at
your prime.

Just say Hello.

You are not alone.
You have friends.

Your friendship never ends.
Just look at yourself and be
true

There is nothing stopping you.

Just say Hello

Dear Me,

Okay let me start off
with life won't always be easy
on your reservation. You're at
a stage in your life where
you're leaving all your child-
hood habits behind and start-
ing new ones. It'll be a bit hard
and I know you and I know
you'll need a break every now
and then. You'll take a walk,
listen to music, you'll do any-
thing in your power to get
stuff off your mind then when
your all refreshed, I know
you'll be ready to go up
against anything because
you'll have a time where you'll
want to quit and give up, but
your strong and intelligent up
in your mind. You got this!

You as yourself already
know your weaknesses and
your strengths so keep on the
path of your strengths even
though you got to already
know by now you will have to
face challenges. Your weak-
nesses will get to you but use
your strengths to defeat your
weaknesses because this

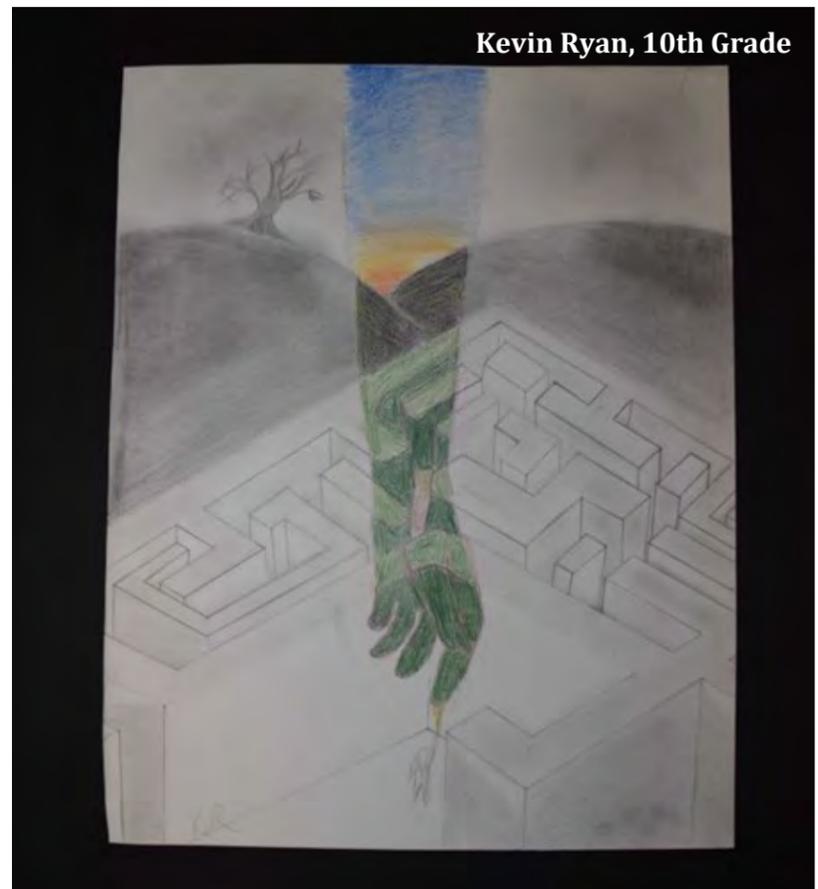
world isn't all sunshine and
rainbows like you pictured as
a kid. Nope, you're going into
your teen years, life starts to
hit you harder than ever if
your off guard for too long.
Life will come and hit you on
your blindside and you'll nev-
er see it coming but you al-
ways will have you. Nothing
can stop you from achieving
your goals.

You've already had
hard problems hit you, but
you've gotten through all of
them! I believe and you should
too. With just you, yourself,
you can get through anything
and I mean anything life
throws at you. You yourself
got the mental strength to

power through these prob-
lems and continue through
life. There should be absolute-
ly no reason for you to be
wanting to quit on any part of
your life cause you yourself
have a prefect life and guys
your age around the world
don't and probably never will
have a chance to have a life
like you so be happy you got
what you got because it could
all be way harder on you. I
love you. I really love the per-
son you've become and your
gonna become!

I wrote this because I
know you best and I thought
this would help so I really
hope it did!

From, Me



Kevin Ryan, 10th Grade

We Want Your Help Naming the Hermison Road Property!



The Tribe purchased 57 acres at Hermison Road, east of La Push, and needs your help to rename the property!

The vision for this property includes a wellness center that expands on services offered by the Quileute Health Center and Human Services. Health Center staff proposed the following programs and services to be offered initially at the new facility: day treatment; substance use disorder and mental health counseling; case management/advocacy; groups; transitional support; peer recovery coach access; psychiatry; carving center; sweat lodge; traditional plant/medicine gardens; healing ceremonies; family services; and parenting supports/reunification assistance. There is a three-story home on the property and the carving program has already relocated to a shop on the property.

Please submit name proposals and logo ideas to Roseann Fonzi at the Quileute Health Center by 4 p.m. on April 26. If you have any questions, contact Roseann at 360-374-3303.

Happy Birthday to Enrolled Quileute Tribal Members

May Birthdays:

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



***Bá·yaḵ* The Talking Raven welcomes feedback!**

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

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