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2020 **VOTER ENDORSEMENTS**

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Make Sure Your Voice is Heard

Referendum 90-Yes

Comprehensive age-appropriate sexual and reproductive health education plays an important role in teaching children about what kind of touching is appropriate and which is not. Education of teens about sexual health is critical to preventing unwanted pregnancy and STD/ STI's. This referendum affirms a bill passed by the Washington State Legislature in the beginning of 2020 while leaving an "opt out" option for all students.

Advisory Vote on 32- Maintain

This advisory vote upholds a bill passed earlier this year by the Washington State Legislature that prohibits businesses from using single-use plastic bags and requires an 8-cent pass through charge for each paper bag that it distributes to its customers.

Advisory Vote on 33- Maintain

This Advisory vote upholds a revenue-generating bill passed earlier this year the Washington State Legislature that imposes a tax on the rental of heavy equipment within the State equal to one and one-quarter percent of the rental price on each rental. The tax revenue generated will go into two state accounts that fund transportation projects in the State.

Advisory Vote on 34- Maintain

This Advisory vote upholds a revenue-generating bill passed earlier this year the Washington State Legislature that increases a business and occupation tax on certain businesses with the revenue generated by the increased tax will go

into the workforce education investment account Governor of Washington State and the Washington state general fund. Advisory Vote on 35- Maintain

This Advisory vote upholds a bill passed earlier this year the Washington State Legislature that changes taxes on certain businesses. This change should bring the state and the nation into compliance, and reduces the threat of retaliatory tariffs against Washington industries such as fish, wine, and intellectual property.

President/ Vice President of the United States Joseph R. Biden and Kamala D. Harris

Joe Biden and Kamala Harris are committed to upholding the U.S.'s trust responsibility to tribal nations, strengthening the Nation-to-Nation relationship between the United States and Indian tribes, and working to empower tribal nations to govern their own communities and make their own decisions. The current administration has attacked environmental protections, refused to condemn white supremacists and their mishandling of the pandemic has led to the death of over 215,000 Americans. America and tribal nations cannot afford four more years of Donald Trump.

US Representative Congressional District 2 Rick Larson

Congressman Larson has been a strong advocate for jobs, transportation, and infrastructure projects in the second District. Before serving in Congress, he served on the Snohomish County Council and worked on economic development for the City of Everett.

Jay Inslee

Under Inslee's leadership, Washington recovered from the last great recession to become the country's #1 rated economy, and our state is poised to rebound more quickly thanks to the Governor's progressive policies. Inslee's' continued work with tribes has helped support tribal sovereignty since the beginning of his time as Governor. His response to the pandemic has saved the lives of Washingtonians.

Lt. Governor of Washington State **Denny Heck**

Former Congressmen Denny Heck has represented Washington State at every level of government throughout his time he has been a staunch advocate for tribes in all those places. Denny was chief of staff for Governor Booth Gardner when they signed the Centennial Accord with Washington Tribes outlining the process by which tribes and Washington State will consult on a government-to-government level.

Secretary of State Gael Tarleton

Representative Tarleton has 30 years of experience as a defense intelligence and national security analyst. She will bring that knowledge to bear to protect our free and fair elections in the state of Washington Tarleton was also the prime sponsor of the House bill that resolved Tulalip's tax case against the State of Washington.

State Treasurer Mike Pellicciotti

Mike Pellicciotti

Representative Pellicciotti formerly worked as an economic crimes' prosecutor and Assistant Attorney General. Mike has never accepted corporate campaign donations and has been a strong advocate for financial transparency. He will bring a pragmatic approach to the office of State Treasurer.

State Auditor

Pat (Patrice) McCarthy

Pat is the current Washington State Auditor, and has been so since 2017 when she was the first women elected to the position. She previously served as the Pierce County Executive and Pierce County Auditor. She has been a lifelong Democrat.

Attorney General Bob Ferguson

Ferguson has served as Attorney General for the last 8 years where he has taken on large corporations like Comcast for defrauding its customers and won. He has taken on corporations and the Trump Administration, who have damaged our state's natural resources.

Commissioner of Public Lands Hillary Franz

As Commissioner, Hillary has worked hard to protect Washington's natural resources and public lands just as she did when she was an environmental attorney. Commissioner Franz has built a strong relationship with tribes around the state for her commitment to consultation on issues that affect tribal treaty rights.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal

Under Superintendent Reykdal graduation rates have risen steadily and Washington is on track to reach its 2027 targets. His challenger wants to send children back to school during this pandemic with no plan for how to deal with it. She also has no experience as an educator.

Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler

Kreidler has served as Insurance Commissioner since 2001. He is a retired Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves and Doctor of Optometry.

State Senator June Robinson

Senator Robinson was appointed to former

Senator John McCoy's (Tulalip) senate seat after his retirement. Prior to that, she served as the Position 1 State Rep. for the 38th district since 2013. Her expertise on Operating and Capital Budget matters has helped bring opportunity to our district.

State Representative Position 1 Emily Wicks

Representative Wicks was appointed to Position 1 when Senator Robinson replaced a retiring Senator McCoy (Tulalip). Wicks is the President of the National Women's Political Caucus of

 Official General Election Ballot November 3, 2020 		WENBERG - CS 23814488.		State Partisan Office	Snohomish Superior Court Nonpartisan Office
 Snohomish County, Washington 			Governor Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1	Insurance Commissioner Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1	Judge Position 8 Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1
	Referendum Measure	Advisory Votes	Jay Inslee (Prefers Democratic Party)	Mike Kreidler (Prefers Democratic Party)	Robert Grant
Instructions	Referendum Measure No. 90	Advisory Vote No. 35	Loren Culp (Prefers Republican Party)	Chirayu Avinash Patel (Prefers Republican Party)	Cassandra Lopez Shaw 🔤
	The legislature passed Engrossed	Engrossed Senate Bill 6690		Were-In	
How to vote	Substitute Senate Bill 5395 concerning comprehensive sexual health education. This bill would require	The legislature increased, without a vote of the people, the business and occupation tax on manufacturers of	e Lt. Governor Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1	Legislative Partisan Office	Public Utility Nonpartisan Office
-	school districts to adopt or develop, consistent with state standards,	commercial airplanes, including components or tooling, costing	Denny Heck (Prefers Democratic Party)	Legislative District 38	Public Utilities District No. 1
	comprehensive age-appropriate sexual health education, as defined,	\$1,024,000,000 in its first ten years, for government spending.	Marko Lilas (Prefers Democratic Party)	State Senator Unexpired 2 year term - Vote for 1	Commissioner District 1 Regular 6 year term - Vote for 1
- 3/ /	for all students, and excuse students if their parents request.	This tax increase should be:		June Robinson (Prefers Democratic Party)	Sidney (Sid) Logan 🔤
-	Should this bill be:	Repealed	Secretary of State Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1	Bernard Moody (Prefers Republican Party)	🔘 Rob Toyer 🛛 🔳
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 Do not use felt pen. 	Approved	Proposed Constitutional	Kim Wyman (Prefers Republican Party)	Legislative District 38	End of ballot.
 Voting more than once per question or 	Rejected	Amendment	Gael Tarleton (Prefers Democratic Party)	State Representative Pos. 1 Short & Full 2 year term - Vote for 1	Thank you for voting!
race will cancel that vote.		Engrossed Senate Joint Resolution		 Emily Wicks (Prefers Democratic Party) 	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
How to change a vote	Advisory Votes	No. 8212	Treasurer	- Bert Johnson	-
-	Advisory Vote No. 32 Engrossed Substitute Senate	The legislature has proposed a	Regular 4 year term - Vote for 1	(Prefers Republican Party)	_
Option 1	Bill 5323	constitutional amendment on investmer of public funds. This amendment would	Mike Pellicciotti	Write-In Legislative District 38	- 5
Oction 3	The legislature imposed, without a	allow public money held in a fund for long-term care services and supports to	(Prefers Democratic Party)	State Representative Pos. 2	-
	vote of the people, a retail sales tax on pass-through charges retail	be invested by governments as	(Prefers Republican Party)	Regular 2 year term - Vote for 1 Mike Sells	=
-	establishments collect for specified carryout bags, costing \$32,000,000 in	authorized by state law, including investments in private stocks.	Write-In	(Prefers Democratic Party)	-
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 You may then make another selection. 	This tax increase should be:	Approved	Pat (Patrice) McCarthy (Prefers Democratic Party)	State Supreme Court	-
 How to vote for a person not 	Repealed	Rejected	Chris Leyba (Prefers Republican Party)	Nonpartisan Office	-
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-		Federal Partisan Office	Attorney General	Dave Larson	_
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-	equipment rentals to consumers by heavy equipment rental property	Joseph R. Biden / Kamala D. Harris Democratic Party Nominees	(Prefers Republican Party)	Justice Position 4 Regular 6 year term - Vote for 1	=
-	dealers, costing \$103,000,000 in its first ten years, for government	Donald J. Trump / Michael R. Pence Republican Party Nominees	Write-In		-
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and fill in the oval.	This tax increase should be:	Libertarian Party Nominees Howie Hawkins / Angela Walker Green Party Nominees		Winte-In	=
 Refer to the ballot insert for more details. 	Repealed	Gloria La Riva / Sunil Freeman	Hilary Franz (Prefers Democratic Party)	Justice Position 6	
-	Maintained	Socialism and Liberation Party Nominees Alyson Kennedy / Malcolm M. Jarrett	Sue Kuehl Pederson (Prefers Republican Party)	Unexpired 2 year term - Vote for 1	-
-	Advisory Vote No. 34	Socialist Workers Party Nominées		Richard S. Serns	
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-	first ten years, for government spending.	prefers. A candidate's preference doe not imply that the candidate is	es =	Debra L. Stephens	-
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-		or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.	White-In	Court of Appeals	-
-	Repealed	Congressional District 2	-	Nonpartisan Office	-
-	Maintained	U.S. Representative Regular 2 year term - Vote for 1		Division 1, District 2 Judge Position 2	-
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For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates		(Prefers Republican Party)		D	
and ballot measure campaigns, visit		Wote-In		Write-In	
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Washington and was formerly the legislative aid Supreme Court. He co-chaired the Washington Judge since 2015 and is seeking election to the for outgoing Lt. Governor Cyrus Habib. She is State Minority Justice Commission for 24 years. the best choice for this race.

State Representative Position 2 Mike Sells

Mike was elected in 2005 and has been a strong progressive leader representing the 38th Legislative District in Olympia for 15 years. He is the Chair of the Labor and workforce development committee and has been a strong advocate for labor and education issues.

Washington State Supreme Court Justice **Position 3**

Raquel Montova-Lewis

Justice Raquel Montoya-Lewis is the first Native American woman in the Washington to be appointed to the Supreme Court. She is a strong advocate for children, families and justice. She is formally endorsed by the Tulalip Tribes and is the best candidate for the position.

Washington State Supreme Court Justice **Position 4**

Charles W. Johnson

Justice Johnson is running unopposed but his commitment to equity and justice has shown through in his nearly 30 years on the State

Washington State Supreme Court Justice **Position 6**

Helen G. Whitener

Justice Whitener was appointed in April and is running to retain her seat. She is the first black woman to sit on the Supreme Court for Washington. Rated as "exceptionally wellqualified" by a number of bar associations and having an endorsement from every current Supreme Court justice, she is clearly the best option for this position.

Washington State Supreme Court Justice **Position 7**

Debra L. Stephens

Stephens is the current Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and has served the court and the state of Washington since her appointment in 2008. She has been rated "exceptionally wellqualified" and has earned your support.

Court of Appeals Division 1, District 2, Judge **Position 2** Linda Coburn

Coburn has served as City of Edmonds Municipal

open Court of Appeals position. She emigrated to the U.S. from Taiwan at the age of four and earned her law degree from Seattle University. She has had a long and successful career and in law and is endorsed by many current and former justices.

Snohomish Superior Court, Judge Position 8 Cassandra Lopez Shaw

Lopez-Shaw has experience as an Attorney in civil, criminal and family law. In 2019, she was awarded the Domestic Violence Advocacy Award by the Washington Women Lawyers for her work to support victims. She is rated "exceptionally well qualified and "well qualified" by a number of bar associations. Both candidates are wellqualified, but we believe Cassandra is the best selection for this position.

PUD Commissioner

Sidney (Sid) Logan

Commissioner Logan is the incumbent in this race, he has advocated for programs that help customers reduce their carbon emissions. He is the best choice for this position.

Tulalip police welcome four new lateral officers

By Kalvin Valdillez

As the Tulalip Police Department continues to grow, they welcome aboard four new lateral officers to the tribal police force, bringing the total amount of TPD officers to nearly forty strong. Although some of the lateral officers have been a part of the crew from as early as May of this year, they were officially sworn-in to their positions on October 7, joining in celebration with the latest cohorts of cadetsturned-officers who just returned from three-months of intensive training at the U.S. Indian Police Academy

in New Mexico.

After vowing to protect the land and people of Tulalip and uphold the law, rights and constitution set forth by the Tribe, the lateral officers; Michel Carrington, Justin Lee, Austin Correa, and Theodore Ojeda, took a moment with Tulalip News to formally introduce themselves. They inform the community about their past experiences in law enforcement as well as their new journey, which takes place on the sduhubš' territory, known in modern times as the Tulalip Reservation.

Michel Carrington (Transferred from Sauk-Suiattle Fish and Wildlife)

Tulalip News: Welcome to Tulalip! How does it feel now that you are a swornin member of the Tulalip **Police Department?**

It's awesome. Growing up, I'm from the Sauk-Suiattle, I always shopped here and was always amazed at what the Tulalip Tribes has done for their reservation and governance. I didn't have too many role models growing, but all the police officers of my



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Officer Carrington.

community would stop and say hi and I looked up to them. They are who inspired me to become a police officer, I remember saying 'I want to be just like them.' The reason why I wanted to come to Tulalip is because there's lots of opportunity and you can see that the Tribe is going to keep growing.

Why do you believe it's important to keep that role model aspect of the job going for kids and people who want to become police officers?

The positive influence and impact it could have on the youth. For me growing up, it was the little things, when they would come around and ask how's your day's going. When they'd give me a sticker here and there, things like that, because not a lot of kids have that positive role model when they're growing up, especially in Indian Country.

How long was the process since you made the decision to go for it?

It was quite a while. I first wanted to be a fish and wildlife officer. Obviously, as a tribal member, hunting and fishing inspired me to become a fish and wildlife officer. Our fish and wildlife at Sauk-Suiattle was at the natural resources department. I applied as a technician and it got transferred back to the police department. And that's when I got my opportunity, because there wasn't a lot of officers, they were wanting tribal members to apply, so I took my chance and that's where I started.

Can you speak about the importance of serving a tribal community as a Native police officer?

People, especially kids, like to see their color, their same person, and will feel more open to talk to you. It's the same with adults too. They may respect you more or feel more open to talk to you because they're talking about deep personal stuff that not many can relate to or understand.

I bet having that understanding of tribal lifeways is definitely helpful out there. Now that you're a part of the squad, what are your future goals?

I plan on staying right here. There isn't a lot of call volume at home (Sauk-Suiattle), it's low crime. There's about 400 tribal members there, so it's real small. My goal was to come to a bigger department and bigger reservation and learn what they have to offer. My plan is to stay as long as I can. And my advice to anybody interested in following this career is train, learn the codes in your community, and get to know the local police officers because knowing people is a real big thing too. If you know somebody they'll help you and guide you to where you need to be.



Officer Lee.

Justin Lee (Transferred from Edmonds Police Department)

How does it feel joining the Tulalip force?

It feels great! This is my third agency. I've heard a lot of great things about this department. I've known Sgt. Bardsley for like 20 years, Chief Sutter – amazing guy, and of course Paul Arroyos, I've taken his undercover classes before. The more I get to know about this place - it's a great department.

What brought you to Tulalip?

To have this caliber of communication, training and caring. Police work is one thing, but being here you get to understand the culture and the community in interactions on any given day and that speaks volumes, because that translates to a better community and more support and better unity as a group.

In this day and age, communication has broken down and because of bad communication, there's misunderstanding and because of misunderstanding there is distrust and because of distrust there's the social issues we face. If we can change all that from the beginning, and work together, I think we're advancing as a group, community, and society. Everybody wins, except if you're a criminal, obviously.

What inspired you to become an officer of the law?

To protect and serve. I'm a minority. My family has been victims of crimes, I'm a second-generation immigrant, so I've seen that. I've been burglarized before and I also faced the racial tension – I've seen that and I experienced it as a police officer, both externally and internally. Having said that, I've always wanted to help people. That's the whole reason I became a police officer, to help Korean Americans initially. There're not many fluent Korean speaking officers in the state of Washington and I wanted to be a part of that. I've utilized my language skills in many ways, in many agencies throughout the years.

That was my catalyst, or beginning. Then when I got the experience, I fell in love with what we do. It's a mentality, a culture. When you bleed, you bleed blue. When you have that support, you build comradeship. I had five co-workers who are LL currently serving in other agencies who came to support me during the swearing-in celebration.

What are your overall thoughts of the department so far?

This is a great place; do we have room to improve? Absolutely. Are we on par with other agencies? Not really, but that's not everything. I think we have a great foundation, we're a young department, less than 20 years old. I think we have great leadership, I think those leaders understand the vision of the tribe and of the people. Having said that, is there room to improve, hearing that other departments receive better benefits, absolutely. Hopefully this will bring forth improvements too. We could have officers stay here, instead of providing them some of the best trainings and then when watching them leave because other departments have better benefits. Right now, there are a scarcity of good officers. We lose them left and right; they leave within a year or two here. I'm hoping that will change as we improve, whether it be benefits, pay, better overall package. I know we have the foundation, now it's time to build something solid so people can say that the Tulalip agency is where I want to work. Not because they are great officers but because of everything else that's offered here.

Austin Correa (Transferred from Tacoma Police Department)

What brought you to the Tulalip reservation?

Originally, I was born and raised in California. San Jose specifically. I moved to Tacoma, Washington about ten years ago and ever since then I lived in that vicinity. I began my law enforcement with Tacoma Police Department in 2018. I wanted a new change, the things down there weren't that great to me. I decided to venture out around the whole state, Tulalip was fortunately one of the departments



Officer Correa.

I applied to and they were the first department to offer me a position as a lateral officer, so I'm gracious to them and they were gracious to me, and I signed the final offer right there and then.

When did you start and what are your thoughts about the community?

I like the community, so far. I've been here since June and everyone has treated me with respect in the department as well as the community itself.

Right now, I'm in the position as a transport officer, so I do more social stuff like transporting those who have been arrested and bring them to court. I get to know them on a personal basis, it's kind of interesting where I'm at. I like it in this position, I plan on going back to patrol within a year or so. But where I'm at right now is where I'm comfortable both business-wise and personal-wise because I have a wife and a one-year-old son at home, so the schedule itself is amazing and is beneficial to my family.

What made you want to become a police officer?

Funny thing is I actually wanted to be a firefighter growing up. What influenced me was my grandfather and my uncle, they were prior law enforcement on the big island of Hawaii. I didn't see much of the career then because they both retired before I was born, but just the stories they told, the stuff they did on a day-to-day basis was something that pushed me to venture out to a career like this. My brother is also a police officer with the Tacoma Police Department and has been with them since 2015. With him recently becoming an officer and telling me the ways he was helping his community, that was something I wanted to do, to help change the life of someone in any way possible. That's what led me down the path of law enforcement.

You mentioned you were Hawaiian, why do you believe it's important for minorities to serve on the force, especially in a tribal community?

I feel like it provides a safe net for the community. We want the best for everybody because we know, Hawaiian, tribal, it's a tight knit family; we care for one another, we help one another. That's another reason that drew me to this department, the family aspect. I grew up with that all my life, being Hawaiian, family is key. We use the word ohana, that's a key aspect of why I wanted to come here. Seeing a minority being an officer could help influence positivity to our younger generations to this career and actually reach out to us and feel safe and know we'll do the job and help them in any way possible.

Since the incidents earlier this year, law enforcement has not been a great career to pursue, it's like people judge us based off the career. I want everyone to see that, yeah this is a career we chose, but we're all human inside and we want to do good, we know we can do good by you. I encourage more training, but in order for that training to happen we need money to be put in the departments. I feel like the defund the police that's going around, those monies should be put towards us getting more training, not taken away because I want everyone to feel safe to call law enforcement.

Theodore Ojeda (Transferred from Harris County Sherriff's Department, Houston, Texas)

Let's begin with your background, how did you make your journey to Tulalip?

I was a deputy sheriff in Houston, Texas. My children live here in Washington State. At the time when the four officers were shot in Lakewood, Washington (2009), I was trying to become a police officer. I tested, but no one was hiring. I talked to my uncle Jesse, who's in Houston, and he knew the sheriff. He said that they were actively hiring. I applied, they flew me down, and I signed on with them, thinking I was going just do the to the minimum two-year commitment and lateral back up here.

Well, something happened in my family dynamics that caused me to stay down there for eight years. I was flying back and forth every three to four months to see my children and spend time with them. One day, my daughter was cheerleading at the new football field in the Mission Beach area. There was an officer there and he said they were hiring. When I got back to Houston, I applied. I came up here on my own dime and I tested, went through the interview process and everything. I also applied to a few other agencies. I made a promise to myself that whatever agency saw my potential and made me an offer, that I would sign. Of all the other agencies that I tested for, because I was



Officer Ojeda ..

number one for Lacey, number two for Olympia, and Vancouver had me on their list too, Tulalip was the first to offer me a spot. I came here and I had the pleasure of meeting Angela and Chief, they sat me in the office and they interviewed me. Right afterwards, they made me an offer. It's funny, no sooner than I signed that offer, the other agencies reached out to me too, and I told them I appreciated it and that it meant a lot that they finally saw what I was worth, but I told him that I already signed with Tulalip, and so here I am.

What do you think of the community and the reservation so far?

I've been here since May and I love that the people have a lot of respect for each other, and the elders. I come from an agency that's 5,000 officers strong and we have a little bit of community policing out there and that's something that I'm trying to promote out here as well, getting involved with the community. Right now, I'm almost done with my shadow phase, my training. I know the Chief is excited for me to go out there and try to develop something. I was told that maybe I could head-up a bicycle patrol. When I was in Harris County Sheriff's Office, myself and a few other officers were involved with the homeless outreach team. We dealt a lot with the homeless and went to some nonprofit organizations and they were able to donate toothbrushes and toothpaste and that progressed to getting some attorneys and medical for those that needed help. I don't know if Tulalip has anything here yet because I'm going through the training but once I'm done, I would like to see if there's anything that we could possibly do to help the with the homeless out here.

What experience do you bring to Tulalip?

I bring a lot to Tulalip. There's a lot of things that they don't have here that I've experienced. I'm a rescue diver, bicycle patrolman part of this special response group when we hired to riot control and stuff like that, and the Honor Guard as well. We did the special funerals for our fallen officers, and for family members. I'm happy I'm here. I think the Chief sees something in me, and I'm grateful for that.

When did you know that you wanted to become a police officer?

I went into the Marine Corps in January of 1989. I did 14 years in the Marine Corps, and I met my wife, now my ex-wife, in Hawaii. I was stationed in Hawaii. When I came here, I fell in love with Washington State and told myself this is where I was going to make my home. But then when our family fell apart - I was from Texas, so I was planning this start over down there. But my kids are growing up and I wanted to be there for them. So, I applied up here. But what really got me into it, like I said, was the fallen four in Lakewood. That's actually what made me want to try to make a difference.

What are some of the things you wish to accomplish in your new position on the force?

Try to develop some type of game plan where we can get some of the tribal members that are homeless or are addicted to opioids, some type of help. Try to reintroduce them into life and make them part of the community again. That way, when we see them on the street, they're no longer looked at like an outcast. I think a lot of these people, from my experiences, just need somebody to talk to. If I could try to help at least one person, it's worth it to me to take that step.

Eventually, I would like to be a field training officer as well. I admire Chief Sutter, he's a good mentor. I asked him if there was a mentor program here, and I think that's something that we need. The way we do policing today is a lot different from what they used to do a long time ago. Today is more about talking to the citizens and finding out what we can do as officers to make the community better.

For a tribal community, do you find that the people are more willing to open up and talk to you as a minority-in-blue?

I always had that desire to help people, that gift to talk to people. It doesn't matter what color you are, what religion you are, what gender you are - if you're gay or lesbian, or transgender. If somebody is in need of my help, I'm there. I see people for people. I believe in honor, respect, loyalty.

Any message or words you would like to share with the Tulalip community?

I tell the Chief all the time

that I thank him for seeing my potential. And I'm just a small little seed right now. I hope that as time goes on, as I get to know more about the traditions of the people here and what's really expected from the community, I can partake and try to help. Like I said, even helping one person makes things satisfying for me.

The new TPD officers are excited to get acquainted with the Tulalip community. They have also expressed a strong desire to learn more about the traditions, culture and history of the people, so when you see them, be sure to say hello. And if you are interested in pursuing a career with the Tulalip Police Department, please reach out to Angela Davis, TPD Professional Standards Manager, to begin your new career journey. For further details, visit www. TulalipTribalPolice.org or call the non-emergency line at (360) 716-4608.

Pumpkin picking from front page





By Micheal Rios

The coronavirus continues to have its way with planet Earth's human civilizations. Worldwide there have been 40 million confirmed cases, 1.1 million deaths and, most importantly, over 30 million people have recovered. Seemingly every major news channel in the United States continues to break stories about surging spikes, outbreak hot spots, super spreader events and the dreaded second wave. Yet, life continues to adapt and find new ways to thrive. As is the natural order of all things.

Pumpkin picking is a perfect example. The typically mundane

tradition is done in the weeks leading up to a holiday where individuals pretend to be something else by wearing a costume in an effort to receive as many sugar-filled treats as possible. But now? Leaving the house, going outside in a social distancing friendly environment, and picking a plump pumpkin at the local farm is simply party business. More than that, it's a reassuring pickme-up during a global pandemic.

On Saturday, October 17, the greater Tulalip community and patients of the reservation's health clinic were cordially invited to Garden Treasurers organic farm for a host of fun activities, highlighted

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of course by roaming the make shift pumpkin patch. Over the last few months, Garden Treasures has become a sanctuary for those in desperate need of fresh air and sunshine. There people can take a leisurely stroll through acres of vegetable-fill greenhouses and flower gardens, while reconnecting with nature.

"We had 150+ community members participate in last weekend's farm tour and u-pick. In our 11-year history, that marks our largest non-ceremonial event ever!" marveled Veronica 'Roni' Leahy, manager of Tulalip's Diabetes Care and Prevention Program. "The enthusiasm of those who come and share their thoughts with us of how they want to use their harvested foods gives our team an opportunity to share our knowledge and cooking skills with them.

"For me personally, I love to listen to their hearts speak about the plants and their experiences with them," continued Roni. "I enjoy answering their questions about how the plants grow and how to care for them. Our team is well rounded at the farm, we have people with different skills and levels of understanding who eagerly want to share their gifts with others."

> Farmers markets and local organic farms are making the most of an otherwise dire situation this year. Under the scope pick-your-own of or u-pick, both considered a type of agritourism, booming business is during the growing seasons of Covid-19. As nationwide health concerns and pandemic-induced lockdowns continue to loom, farms, as food producers, are essential businesses and remain a healthy alternative to overly processed, prepackaged grocery stores. So many popular entertainment venues are closed, but people remain eager to get out and do

stuff. Especially parents seeking family activities. That's one of the reasons Josh and Danielle Fryberg attended the community farm day with seven kids and two grandparents in tow.

"It's a good time for us to be together as a family and benefit from something that one of our Tulalip departments put together for our community to stay healthy," said Josh. "We've participated in a few u-pick days now, and learned something new each time. We've been able to learn about what fruits and vegetables grow in which seasons, and realized how much healthier the foods are here than what's sold in stores. You can literally see the difference, taste the difference, and even smell the difference."

Eleven-year-old Kyla Fryberg displayed her picking prowess when she ventured off to the carrot field and then to the greenhouse where strawberries grow. She wanted to make sure she got the perfect snack foods for her two pet rabbits, and some carrots for herself.

"It was really nice," chuckled Kyla about her time roaming the farm. "There are pretty flowers and lots of carrots to pick. I like fruits and vegetables, mostly carrots and apples because they are my favorite. I think it's important for kids eat vegetables so we can grow to be big and strong."

For Tulalip citizens desiring to eat healthier and want to add a variety of vitamins and nutrients to their everyday meals that will naturally boost the immune system, fruits and vegetables are the answer. Nearly everyone left the farm with not only their own pumpkin, but a fresh bounty of organic food to add to their favorite meals. Those who eat more fruits and vegetables as part of an overall healthy diet are likely to have reduced risk of chronic diseases and have more energy to tackle every day stresses.

Sisters Marilyn and Denise Sheldon made the most of their afternoon farm visit. Their goal was to handpick a variety of

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beautiful flowers, ranging in colors and size, to make unique bouquets. Along the way they thoroughly enjoyed a brisk fall excursion while experiencing the joy shared by Tulalip youth able to spread their wings and run around.

"There were all kinds of organic fruits and vegetables," said Marilyn Sheldon. "What I liked most was seeing our people out here enjoying all of it. There were little ones running around being happy they were outside and able to pick something cool. There were adults and elders walking around with beautiful bouquets of flowers they created themselves."

"You can pick whatever you want!" added Denise. "I enjoy soaking up all the pleasant aromas from flowers to vegetables to herbs. Some of the herbs I hadn't seen in their farm grown form before and had to smell them in order to figure out what was what. I'm thankful to receive a large pumpkin because I've been excited to bake pumpkin seeds and try out a new recipe to make pumpkin bars."

Several children took full advantage of the on-site pumpkin carving demonstrations. Young Dalyn Jones spent his morning at the farm with his great-grandpa Dale. He put his carving skills to the test when he attempted a difficult owl design. After his first attempt didn't exactly go as planned, the owl had an unfortunate accident that couldn't be fixed, he skillfully carved an exquisite squiggly face design.

"Who doesn't like to carve pumpkins? Not me," shared 10-year-old Dalyn while showing off his jack-o-lantern. "I think it's so much fun. I call mine Squiggles. I'm excited to bring it home and put a candle inside. It'll go outside my house until Halloween. I can't wait for Halloween because I'm dressing up as a vending machine."

It was a day filled with laughter, excitement, and pleasant

stories shared by some who hadn't seen each other in months. One person after another roamed the pumpkin patch, but none did so quite like the younger kids who beamed with a sense of independence and pride as they picked the perfect pumpkin to claim as their own.

The community thrived in the open-air space Garden Treasures offers. From youth to adult to elders, there was something for everyone and activities to experience together. Roni and her Diabetes Prevention team are so thrilled with Tulalip's response to the farm days that they are already planning to expand future activities to include crafting, educational opportunities with native plants and berries, and more hands-on workshops.

"It's like watching a connection occur right before your eyes. It's like watching people you care for enjoy life's gifts," reflected Roni on the countless memories made from first time farm visitors and veteran food harvesters alike. "For example, watching kids experience the ocean waves for the first time, or catching their first fish. It is something that completely fills your heart. This is what our whole team experiences and why we have this driving force of motivation to share with others the opportunity to experience the farm with all our people.

"Peer-to-Peer motivational education seems to have the biggest impact on our lives," she added. "The farm, the clinic gardens, and our field trips give our multidisciplinary team the opportunity to bring people and nature together. Our days always end with our hearts filled with good memories and hopeful anticipation to create more. This is why we do this work; we believe that creating positive memories and connective experiences with our food sources truly helps in the development of a healthy and vibrant community."

Tulalip steps up for foster care children

By Kalvin Valdillez

The holidays are approaching and it is safe to say we could all use some good Halloween hocus pocus, Thanksgiving turkey and of course, Christmas cheer. A good yearly reminder that the holidays are near, for Tulalip members, employees and residents, is the annual announcement of beda?chelh's Sponsor-a-Child event that occurs during the last quarter of every year. Sponsor-a-Child is a great way for people to get involved with the community as well as ensure that each foster child from Tulalip receives gifts under the tree on the morning of December 25, while living with their placement families.

"Starting September, we gather all of our kiddos, count our numbers, start getting their lists together and come October, we start looking for the sponsors," explains Tea Marquez, Foster Care Specialist. "We advertise to the tribe and the community. Volunteers will usually just reach out and say they want to sponsor a kid, some of them even sponsor more than one. We send them the child's wish list and it doesn't include the child's name or anything, it just comes with their age, favorite colors, clothing size, shoe size, and their wants - what they would like to have for Christmas as well as some of their interests. Once the sponsors get those lists, we ask them to return the gifts unwrapped to beda?chelh by a certain date. This year it's November 23. Then we start delivering gifts to the kiddos. We bring them directly to the placement homes; the placements can then decide if the kids can open them right then or wait until Christmas."

Typically, the foster care team will send out multiple requests for sponsors throughout the entire holiday season and each request will provide an update stating how many children are still in need of gift donations. This year, however, every child has already received a sponsor within the first month of the event. Tea explained that in the face of a worldwide pandemic, Tribal departments stepped up in a major way, including the Tulalip Health Clinic, the Tulalip Legal department, and the Tulalip Resort Casino, to make sure that the Tulalip youth who are placed in the care of welcoming families this year receive some of the gifts that they both want and need.

Tea said, "We really want to thank the sponsors that have stepped up and continue to step up every year and make sure they're getting acknowledged and thanked properly. We do appreciate it, our kids appreciate it, our families appreciate it. We are in need of back-up sponsors now, because our numbers change so often. We can get kids in our care today or tomorrow, all the way up until Christmas time. Any help would be greatly appreciated so that we can get make sure that all of our kids are sponsored and get to open something special on Christmas. A lot of our kids are going through so much already, they have a lot of changes going on, and we don't want anybody to feel left out."

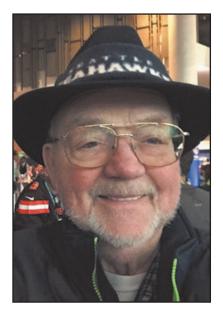
To sponsor-a-child and for more information, please contact Tea Marquez at (360) 716-4047 or via e-mail at DMarquez@ TulalipTribes-nsn.gov



Obituaries

Bert C. Robbinson March 30, 1937 -

October 16, 2020



Bert C. Robbinson passed peacefully in his home in Tulalip, Washington on October 16, 2020 following a long battle with cancer. Bert was born March 30, 1937 in Everett, WA. He was preceded in death by his father Orman Robbinson, mother Rosemary Stevens Robbinson, and his brothers Chuck, David, and Danny Robbinson. He is survived by his wife Cookie Fryberg Robbinson, children Bob (Sandy) Robbinson, Carol Wagner, Mike Robbinson, Leanne Fryberg, Steve Fryberg, Stephanie Fryberg, and Leonie Lindhorst; grandchildren Alisa, Rob, Chrissy, Jimmy, Albert, B.J., Brooke, Anthony, Bobby, Meika, Michael, Andrew, Randy, Anthony, Tyler, Steve, Rilla and DonDon (Double D); great grandchildren Sarah, Tela, McKenzie, Tyrone, Emma, Sadie, Koby, Kamrin, Kole, Aven, Alex, Chance, Melanie, Emily, Rian, Parker, and Carsyn; and great-great grandchildren Hazel, Troy, Arya, Elliana, and Rowan. His siblings Glen and Pat Robbinson, Steve and Sharon Robbinson, Robin Baker, Marilyn and Gary Bassett, and Karen Sue Robbinson, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Bert graduated from Longview High School in 1955. He spent most of his career as a computer programmer and systems analyst. A self-taught computer programmer in the early 70's when computers were relatively new. He spent most of his career developing and analyzing computer systems for REI, Egghead Software, Nintendo, Continental Foods (Sysco), and Costco. He retired in 2000 and spent the remainder of this life being an amazing husband, father, brother,

uncle, and grandpa to his family, as well as a great friend to many who loved and adored him. He loved watching football, especially the University of Washington Huskies and Seattle Seahawks, playing slots at the Q casino, and socializing with his dear friends at Don's. All that said, Bert was rarely seen anywhere without his life partner of 40 years, Cookie.

The family thanks all those who shared their love and friendship withBertovertheyears,butespecially when he was battling cancer. Bert Robbinson's graveside service was at Mission Beach Cemetery, Tulalip, WA on Wednesday, October 21 at 12:00 pm. There was a procession from Shafer-Shipman to the cemetery just before the service. Arrangements entrusted to Shaefer-Shipman Funeral Home.

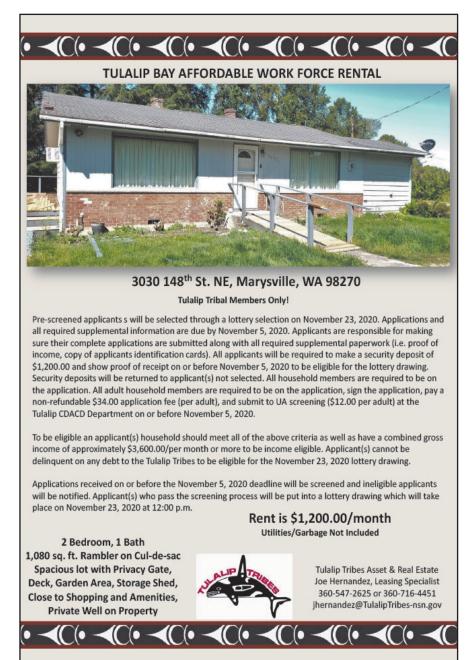
Court Notices

TUL-CV-YI-2014-0412 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Welfare of: A. M. T. TO: RAELYN LITTLEHAWK TOWNSEND and DYLAN JAMES WILSON: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Motion to Suspend Parental Rights was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant TTC 4.05. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above entitled action at a hearing on Tuesday, December 01, 2020 at 1:30 pm in Tulalip Tribal Court, 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. Should the Court rooms be closed due to Covid-19 you should call in to your hearing via GoToMeeting, phone number: 1-224-501-3412, access code: 212-638-629. NOTICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: October 3, 2020.

TUL-CV-DI-2019-0062 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. Hilarion Hernandez vs. Genevieve Hernandez. TO: Hilarion Hernandez, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition for Dissolution was filed in the above-entitled Court, Code Chapter 4.20. In order to defend against this petition you must respond to the complaint by stating your defense in person or by writing and serve a copy upon the Tulalip Tribal Court at 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271 and upon the petitioner within 60 days of the date of first publication. NOTICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: October 3, 2020.Ximusdaessin pro vellestiis aut et

THE TULALIP COURT Tulalip Indian Reservation Tulalip, WA No. TUL-CV-EX-2020-0427 Summons by Publication and & Notice of Petition for Exclusion THE TULALIP TRIBES, Petitioner vs. DOUGLAS NORBY, Respondent On June 24, 2020, a Petition for Exclusion was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 2.40. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that 1) that you are entitled to be represented by counsel, at your own expense; 2) that you may present testimony of witnesses and other evidence on your own behalf; and 3) that failure to attend the hearing may result in an order of temporary or permanent exclusion or removal; 4) that if you intend to call witnesses, a witness lists shall be filed no later than five judicial days before the hearing. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you file an answer to the exclusion petition no later than November 23, 2020 and serve a copy on the Office of the Reservation Attorney within five calendar days after filing with the Court, the matter shall be set for a hearing. The date and time of the hearing shall be set by the Clerk's Office and shall be held at the Tulalip Tribal Court located at: 6332 31st Ave. NE, Tulalip, WA 98271.

TUL-CV-YG-2020-0523. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Guardianship of: K.T. M. TO: GINGER ROSALIE ALLEN and JOHN ELLWOOD MYERS: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth Guardianship action was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 4.05 regarding the above mentioned youth. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above entitled action at a hearing on December 17, 2020 at 10:30 A.M. in Tulalip Tribal Court, 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. Should the Court rooms be closed due to covid-19 you should call in to your hearing via GoToMeeting, phone number: 1-571-317-3112, access code: 286-262-589. NOTICE: You have important legal rights and you must take steps to protect your interests. IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER JUDGMENT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU. Date first published: October 24, 2020.





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