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LUMMIS DEDICATE AQUACULTURE PROJECT

On March 30 the Lummi Indian Tribe in Bellingham, dedicated its unique Indian project in Aquaculture, the cultivation and harvesting of food in the sea, before representatives of State, Federal and civic executives as well as representatives of hundreds of Indian tribes from throughout the nation.

The program of dedication included a speech by Governor Daniel J. Evans, a complete tour of the Aquaculture "ranch", and a munificent buffet of seafoods prepared from the harvest of the new industry.

To quote from the brochure on the new industry, "The Lummi Indians of Northwest Washington, who traditionally have drawn their sustenance from the sea, are leading the way into a new development in aquaculture. Working 12 hours a day, 7 days a week, the Lummis have built the first phases of the most advanced aquafarm in the United States in an all-out effort under extremely difficult construction conditions.

At the heart of the new industry is a series of ponds and dikes constructed on the Lummi tideflats by Lummi men working earth moving equipment in a daring race against winter storms, rain, fog and 60 m.p.h. winds. By working around

the clock the job was completed in one-half the time predicted by engineers.

The Lummi aquafarm grows Donaldson's "super trout" (a new breed) in sea water, seed oysters for market, and baitworms. A new program has also been developed by the Lummis to harvest red seaweed which is used in ice cream, tooth paste, cosmetics, printers' ink, etc.

Lummi research has produced the first oyster hatchery in the Northwest which has already spawned millions of microscopic oysters now growing on Lummi-designed fiberglass rafts; pioneered the first red algae harvest industry on the West Coast and the first mechanized sub-tidal harvest system in the world; and converted rainbow trout to sea water in one month's time.

On a series of rafts made by the Lummi crews from fiberglass pipe, poles, rope, and styrofoam are hung strings of oyster shells bearing young oyster seed which are home grown at the Lummi Indian Shellfish Hatchery. It is estimated by the Washington Department of Fisheries that if one half of the shallow waters in Puget Sound were to be developed for raft shellfish culture, six billion pounds of seafood could be produced yearly. This is equivalent to the total annual fish catch of the United States.

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Sharing the ponds with the oysters are schools of "super trout" which double their weight in a few weeks in sea water and are marketable in six to ten months. It is estimated that about 3000 pounds of trout per acre per year can be harvested. In addition, steelhead will be sent on their journey into the open seas from an adjacent fresh water pond to return in eighteen months at which time they will be harvested. This is known as "Sea ranching". When the project is completed an estimated 2,000 acres of water surface will be circulated or "pumped" by the tides through the ponds and controlled to insure optimum conditions for the Lummi crops.

Starting in June of 1969 more than 45 Lummis were employed during the first 9 months of the project in all phases of the work - research, construction, and training. During the same period, the Lummi Indian Business Council was able to manage over \$500,000 of Federal, state and private funding at less than 7% administrative costs.

The Lummi Council estimates that within the next decade the Lummi Aquaculture Project will create 500 new jobs on the reservation, thus winning a major socio-economic victory for maintaining and enhancing the future of the reservation. The income from this tribal industry will have a major economic impact of millions of dollars on Whatcom County and the neighboring communities. The council also expresses the hope that their efforts may be used to help and inspire other tribes that have similar natural and human resource potential."

Financial support for the project came from many agencies and organizations as well as government.

- APR. 1 - Episcopal Church, Issaquah
 2 - Skyway Methodist Church
 7:30 p.m.
 3 - Human Relations, Magnolia,
 8 to 10 p.m.
 6 - King County Environmental
 Health, 12:30 p.m.
 7 - Queen Anne Hi School Minor-
 ities class
 UGN Agency Advisory Comm.
 Noon.
 8 - St. Anthony's School, Ren-
 ton, 1:45 p.m.
 Jefferson House Board Mtg.
 3 p.m.
 9 - Kentridge Hi School, 1 p.m.
 A.I.W.S.L. Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
 10 - Operating Comm. Mtg, noon
 11 - Voting Registration Mtg.
 with Lud Kramer's Office,
 2 to 4 p.m.
 12 - Clam Bake at Jamestown
 (Had a good time)
 13 - Mountlake Terrace Hi at
 12:30 p.m.
 Panel at Democratic Hdqtrs.
 9 p.m.
 14 - Finhill Jr. Hi, Kirkland,
 Indian Law Seminar, U. of
 W., 5 to 7 p.m.
 15 - Martha Martin, 1st Meth.
 Church Women, 1:30 p.m.
 UGN Agency Exec., U.W.
 YMCA, 2 to 10 a.m.
 Left for Peninsula, Port
 Angeles, Neah Bay, Forks
 LaPush, Queets.
 17 - Central Advisory Committee
 for Public Assistance
 18 - Horizon Club, Camp Wasko-
 witz, North Bend
 20 - Blvd Park School, 3rd grde.
 24 - K.C. Comprehensive Health
 25 - Talk to teens from Idaho
 27 - 3 classes, Sprit Ridge
 Elem. Sch., at Center
 Workshop, N.W. Christian
 Church Women
 28 - Westgate Elem., Edmonds
 Environmental Health Mtg.
 29 - Interlake School

CALENDAR OF INDIAN EVENTS, SUMMER

- MAY: 15-19 - 3rd Annual "Smookeshin" Franklin Park, Northtown, Spokane (Teepee poles provided.)
 16-17 - Tygh Valley All-Indian Rodeo, Oregon
 29-30-
 31 - Klamath Falls All-Indian Rodeo, Oregon
 31 - Derby Day Canoe Races starting time, 10 a.m. Taholah, Washington on Quinault Reservation.
- JUNE: - Lummi Stommish - Lummi Reservation
 (Early June) - All Indian Rodeo - White Swan Rodeo grounds on Fort Road east of White Swan, Wa. Features Indian games, cowboy dance, salmon bake.
 (Late June) LaGrande, Oregon, festival of Arts.
- JULY: 4 - Annual Indian Encampment (10 days) located on Toppenish Creek next to White Swan Long House on Yost Road about 3 miles south of White Swan. Tribal dances and Indian games nightly. Food and refreshment stands available. (Always begins on the Friday before the 4th, ending Monday following and including the 4th. No admission charge.)
 4 - Warm Springs, Oregon Fun Daze
 6 - Calgary Stampede, Calgary, Canada
 9 - North American Indian Days, Browning, Mont.
 16 - State banquet, Seattle (Check after June 1 for time, place and information at Seattle Indian Center)
 17-18-
 19 -Seattle War Dance
 (Late July) Suds' and Sun, Soap Lake.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS, INDIAN CENTER

- MAY: 9: AFN, 1:30, Indian Center
 14: Annual banquet and meeting of American Indian Women's Service League. All members come and bring food to share. 6:30 p.m.
 18: Noon lunch and meeting of Indian Center Advisory Board.
 4-11-Math presentations, 7 p.m.
 5-12-19-26: GED classes, 7 p.m. Classes will continue during the summer.
 6-13-20-27: Family night, 7 p.m.
 7-14-21-28: Coast dancing, 7 p.m. Will continue thru summer months.

Indian Events

- AUG. 1: Coast Potlatch, Seattle
 2: TENTH ANNUAL SALMON BAKE at Alki Park, Seattle, Hosts are the American Indian Women's Service League, sponsors of the Indian Center. Serving starts at 1 p.m.
 7, 8, 9: Northwest Intertribal Encampment, Marymoor Park, Redmond, Wa.
 (Last weekend in August) - Makah Days, Neah Bay, Wa.

(We offer our humble apologies to sponsors of Indian events that are either unmentioned or are un-dated in this calendar. We have asked for this information in the last two issues of the News. PLEASE, NEXT YEAR, let us know early enough for our last issue which goes to Press the first of May.)

HAVE A HAPPY INDIAN SUMMER!!!

NEWS RELEASE:

ELWHA INDIAN COMMUNITY TO PREPARE
MEMBERSHIP ROLL

and be considered to be associated with the community, must be of at least 1/2 Indian blood, and not a member of any other reservation tribe.

Applications for official membership

in the Lower Elwha Tribal Community can now be made, according to Gilbert Charles, Chairman of the Lower Elwha Community Council. Applications can be secured on the reservation from the Tribal Secretary, Viola Charles, or from the Western

Washington Agency, Federal Building, Everett, Wa., 98201.

Written applications must be submitted by or on behalf of every person, Charles said. He said membership will be important to identify officially members of the community and will be the basis of confirming previous land assignments on the reservation. He said the roll also will establish Indian blood degree and eligibility to participate in community and other Indian programs.

The Constitution of the Community, approved April 29, 1968, provides that membership is open to those who signed the Articles of Association and By-Laws of the Elwha Valley Community Association in 1939 and to anyone who received an assignment on the reservation by action of members before the constitution was approved April 29, 1968. Wives or husbands of Indian blood also are eligible. Members' children of any degree of Indian blood who were born before April 29, 1968, can qualify but must be 1/2 or more Indian blood after that date.

Individuals who do not qualify for regular membership may apply for adoption. On April 6, the Community passed an ordinance specifying that an applicant for adoption must be listed on the 1925 Clallam payment roll or have a lineal ancestor listed on that roll, must be living on the reservation or in the vicinity

Applications to be placed on the first membership roll are being accepted until June 30. After that date, new applications will be accepted upon yearly. The first roll is expected to have about 200 names on it.

The Chairman emphasized that applications for the Elwha membership roll have no connection with the Clallam claim seeking additional payment for tribal land which the United States took from the Clallam Tribe at the time of the Treaty in 1855. This claim is still pending before the Indian Claims Commission, and if the Commission awards a judgment, Congress will then have to pass a law determining how the funds will be distributed and separate applications will have to be made to share in it after the law is passed.

Elwha members can also belong to the organization representing all Clallam Indians who are interested in the claim.

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Elwha Community Council
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Port Angeles, Washington
Phone: 452-2267

LAST DAY:

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The last Saturday we will give out school clothes is May 9, 1970. We have no more funds available for school shoes, sorry to say. Maybe in the fall we will be able to pick up this needed service. This is one of many of our programs that depends on contributions.

FROM THE

TEEPEES

Mary Jo Butterfield took a three day plane trip to Texas to visit her son Ralph who is currently finishing his stay in the army after returning from Vietnam. Ralph is hopeful of returning home soon and going to school.

R. H. DeLorm of Olympia recently celebrated his 75th birthday with 7 of his 9 children present. Attending from Seattle were Zena and Roger DeLorm and Linda DeLorm.

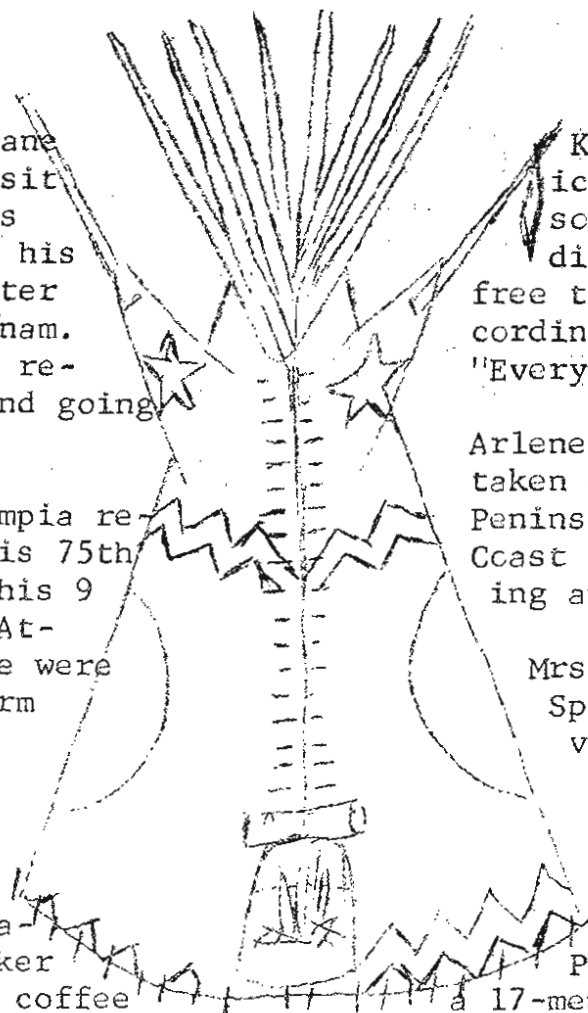
Pearl Warren took a 2-day trip to the Olympic Peninsula - on business and pleasure. Meredith Parker donated 2 pounds of coffee to us. It was enjoyed by many at the Indian Center.

The Jamestown clam-bake was well attended by many people. Going over from Seattle were the Garcia family, Lombards, Butterfields and Warrens ---especially enjoyed the steamed oysters. The weather cooperated with lots of sunshine.

William L Paul, Sr. celebrates his 85th birthday on May 7. Mrs. Paul is in Swedish Hospital recovering from a heart problem.

Lowell Hall of Lapwai was a recent visitor to Seattle, Port Angeles and Tacoma where he visited his children.

Mickey Judson (Mrs. Chad) is recovering from more surgery on her foot (her third operation as a result of an accident two years ago). She was a patient at Virginia Mason. 5



The Indian Center, Kanatchitapi, the American Indian Student Association and United Indians were recipients of free tickets to "Hair". According to what we heard "Everyone enjoyed themselves

Arlene and Jim Lamanna have taken a two week trip on the Peninsula and to the Oregon Coast - fishing, beachcombing and loafing.

Mrs. Clara Moody of Warm Springs was a recent visitor to Seattle, coming up to visit her daughter, Cindy Doney and family.

RECENT APPOINTMENT

Pearl Warren was one of a 17-member citizens task force that was named to advise in the final planning and development of the city's central waterfront park. The new task force was chosen to represent a greater cross section of public opinion. (From the Seattle PI, Wed. Apr. 22, 1970)

JOKE:(from the Chicago Indian Center Newspaper "The Warrior")

Question: Why did you Indians always want to scalp the white man?

Indian: We have always wondered about that too. We never have uncovered anything.

Annette and Rusty Lane and family are moving out of town and preparing to make their home near Tillamock, Oregon. Good Luck To You.

Greetings come from Lola Buxton, now living in Oakland, Calif. We Miss You

G.E.D. REPORT:

Students are doing well and we have only five more weeks before several will go up for their final tests. The volunteers are doing an excellent job.

We have lost 4 students. Some are working nights and some have other conflicts.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

We gave out six scholarships during the last two months for a total of \$457. Two scholarships are loans and will be paid back by June. Thanks go to Mrs. William Forland who donated \$40; Mr. Stan Gray, \$100; and the "Hair" company who donated \$50. The Education Committee earned \$46 on a rummage sale plus \$50 more from the National Endowment for the Humanities for stuffing envelopes and mailing three more pamphlets.

So you can see that it is a constant effort to keep this fund going - and there is a continuing need to help students.

POTLATCH

The Indian Center Coast Dancers are planning a "Potlatch" this summer (Saturday, August 1). We have to have a hall and if there is anyone out there we can reach to help us in anyway, please let us know.

All the dancing and singing will be by Northwest Coast dancers and singers. So, if any of you Lummi, Makahs, Quileutes, Quinaults, Skokomish, Claycoits, Haidas, Tlingits Swinomish, Nocksack, Suquamish,

Kwakiutls and any other Coast or Western-Canadian tribes want to come and help us we sure need you.

This "Potlatch" will be a "first", and we want it to be a success. We would love to see all dancers and singers in their costumes.

Anyone wanting to help us please call the Indian Center, MA 2 4980, Mary Jo Butterfield, LA 2 2781, or Joycelle Smythe CH4 2788.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SEATTLE INDIAN CENTER

(Balance of March)	
Andrea Rondum	\$ 1.00
1st Baptist Church	10.00
1st Presbyterian Church	100.00
Plymouth Congregational	10.00
C. J. Higman	20.00
Ann Carlson ICN	3.00
Helen Johns	10.00
Stella Roberson	5.00
NEH	10.99
(April)	
Jane March	5.00
Curtis Mack ICN	1.00
Ethel Courtney	3.50
University Unitarian Women's Alliance	12.50
Ruth Obi	5.00
Tlingit and Haida Indians of Alaska (Washington Chapt.)	10.00
Mrs. William Forland	10.00
Maxine R. Corliss ICN	1.00
Gertrude Forbes	10.00
Earl Scott	10.00
G. D. Remenschneider ICN	1.00
Mrs. Robert McCaw	6.00
Dorothy Crouse	5.50
James J. Somday, Sr. ICN	2.00
Sara Tryggvi	5.00
Tl. and Haida Ind. - Wa. Chap	10.00
Dorothy Crouse	5.00
American Indian Women's Service League	158.33

MISS INDIAN CENTER

WITH THE EDUCATION COUNSELORS

The judging for Miss Indian Center took place at noon May 2, at the Center. Judges were: Pearl Warren (Makah), Executive Director; Lee Piper (Cherokee), President of the American Indian Women's Service League; Julie Johnson (Lummi), member of the AIWSL; Bill Jeffries (Cherokee), Governor's Aide; Gary Bass (Colville), Attorney-at-law.

Those running for Miss Indian Center were: Joddie Ray (Makah), Jenny Smith (Sioux, Raynette Morris (Lummi), Bernadette Warbus (Lummi).

To be crowned Queen at the Service League meeting, May 14, is RAYNETTE MORRIS, 18 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Morris of Bellingham. She will enter Seattle University as a Pre-Law major in September.

She and her two princesses, Joddie Ray, daughter of Joddie and Lawrence Ray of Neah Bay, and Jennie Smith daughter of Winifred Smith of Seattle, will participate in all Indian and Seafair events of the year. Miss Morris will participate in the Miss Seafair Queen contest.

CONGRATULATIONS RAYNETTE!!

Please remember to circle your calendar for Saturday August 1 for the Potlatch and Sun. August 2 for the Annual salmon bake in Alki Park.

Helen White Eagle has been absent from her job at the Indian Center for the entire month of April due to illness. Hurry up and get well Helen. You are missed.

Two outstanding events occurred this month, the Spokane Youth Conference and the Seabeck Conference. The Spokane Youth Conference was held the week-end of April 24 and 25. Bertha did an excellent job with this wonderful group of students and my week-end over there was rewarding

Our Seabeck Conference over the past week-end was very good. The Conference was planned by Indian students from various schools throughout the Northwest. The planning committee decided on the speakers and chose the dates. The rest of the students came from recommendations of student counselors. This year we honored the seniors with beaded necklaces. My thanks to all the students for making this conference one of the best and special thanks to Jan and Frank for joining us.

GED testing for the Muckleshoot adult basic education classes two nights a week. This group has worked hard on their lessons and are now finishing up and passing the tests. By the time the tests have been completed all of the ones will have their GED diploma. Other activities during the month included Upward Bound recall at WWSC, Apr. 18 and 19, Youth Serving Agencies and Evelyn Wood reading dynamics. C. Doney.

Meetings were held with funding agencies, employment agencies, Mayor's Youth Council, tribal, church and school officials. Attended and assisted at the Spokane and Seabeck Youth Conferences and attended meetings in Toppenish and Wapato. We're presently planning the Teachers' Workshop. James Somday.

LEGEND

Once upon a time there was a girl. Her name was Ahus-se-qua. She was a mean girl and couldn't get along with anyone. The people in the village got tired of her being so mean, so they decided to leave the village. One night everyone packed up and left the village to Ahus-se-qua.

In the morning she woke up and everything was quiet and she went to the beach and there was no one around and she went from house to house and all she found were some dogs.

One morning she was sitting on a log on the beach and she was cold and hungry. She heard a crow say "caw-caw" and the crow dropped a mussel shell with a hot coal in it. Her grandmother sent it to her so she wouldn't be cold and hungry and she could start a fire and cook. One day she went to dig clams and she was suspicious of the dogs so she put her coat over her clam stick and sneaked up to the house to see what the dogs were doing. They shed their fur and they were dancing and singing and they turned out to be people dancing. So she grabbed the pile of fur and put it in the fire, so the people could not be dogs any more but stayed as people.

Ahus-se-qua turned out to be the kindest of them all, as she had learned her lesson.

From Helen Peterson (Makah)

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