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FYI

We hope you enjoy this issue with lots of Native movie ideas. We apologize for it's late publication due to family illness.

STEERING COMMITTEE

The August steering committee meeting will be held on the 2nd Thursday in August instead of the first. The time and place are the same: 6 pm at White Bison, 6145 Lehman Dr. The agenda will be full, so please plan to attend if you can arrange it at all.

Reports need to be given on 501c3 status and timeline for actions, fund raising efforts, CSIC board nominations, website status and training, CSIC logo and flyers/business cards, and a possible table at the Diversity fair on August 15, the same day as our community dinner.

EBay

Our first Sacagwea coin necklace sold on eBay and a series of four or five more are planned. We continue to have items of interest to list, but could use many more items if you have something to donate. The more variety of items for sale the more bidders will be drawn to our site.

Volunteer Coordinator

We have had no takers on applying to be the Indian Center volunteer coordinator, so we thought we would try seeing if anyone would like to be one of two volunteer coordinators so the load would be lighter. If you would be interested, visit the center's website for the job description and apply – making a note that you would want to be a co-coordinator with someone else. Or you can write the newsletter and let them know and they will connect you to who you need to talk to. thecampcrier@aol.com

New Location

The search and negotiations for our new offices with White Bison is progressing. We are due to be moved into the new quarters on November 1. At least one attractive site has enough room for all the White Bison space and for us to already have a library and thea-

ter type space in addition to our offices. We hope to have something to report about our location in the September newsletter, but it may have to wait until October. Stay tuned.

Community Connections

We are working on guidelines to create a community connections program to respond to the community requests to work together with us on common goals for both our community and the larger community. Recently Jim Ramirez has responded to requests to jointly create an Indian Market north of town, connections to some health care providers like SET, and connecting the sweat lodges to needed materials for lodge construction. Those guidelines will be forthcoming even as Jim continues to respond personally to the requests.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

The next Cultural Committee meeting will be 6 pm, Wednesday, August 19 from 6 to 8 pm. Although the Steering Committee is in charge of fund raising and receives the report on youth group fundraising, this committee is responsible for the youth program, as well as the monthly community dinners, community calendar, photographs, and elders gathering. So reports on all of these will be given and future plans discussed. If you are interested in serving on this committee, you are welcomed to attend if you are interested in helping in any of these areas.

Community Dinners

The next community dinner will be from 1-3 pm, Saturday, August 15, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 701 N. 20th St. (just north and west of 19th and Uintah). We hope you will be able to attend and bring a friend and dish to share, if you can. If you can't bring a dish, please come anyway. We also want to remind those who can to bring a non-perishable food items for Trinity's food bank for those from the community needing food.

The program after the dinner will be Zelna Joseph, who will speak about the SET program for medical help.

Youth Group Teams

Many thanks to those who attended the **youth basketball challenge** to the adults on July 11. The youth **raised \$95** for their activities. Thank you to the players, sellers, buyers, spectators and contributors. The adults won the first game by a score of 58 to 30. The teams then played a mixed age game that ended with a 24 to 22 score. A couple of new families attended for the first time and joined right in the game. Welcome.

The **next Youth Group meeting** will be Saturday, August 22, (postponed from our regular second Saturday date) from 10-12 am, Trinity United Methodist Church, 701 N. 20th St. This event will be a back-to-school celebration and giving input to what we will be doing this fall. Be sure to come if you can. Some exciting things are coming up and you may want to get in on them. We still have some treats that were not sold at the basketball fundraiser that the youth will have another chance to sell this month at the community dinner and the youth group meeting.

We have our first **shipment of recycled technology items** to send off and receive the check for our efforts. See page eight for drop off location information. Keep them coming!!!

OUR THANKS TO....

The ones helping to move the computers donated by Trinity Methodist to storage until we move into our new offices. They made the work light and the day enjoyable: **Caroline Mose, Kervis Mose, Jerome and Ladele Mose, Allen Mose, Jr., Julie and Virgil Weil**...and to the **Middlebrook family** for providing space in their recreation room to store the computers.



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Camp Crier news is a monthly online newsletter for the Pikes Peak region. Long ago, Camp Criers were respected people who went through the camp announcing important news of interest to the people.

How to submit material:
If you are interested in submitting news to us for publication consideration, we would be glad to hear from you. Our email address is thecamp-crier@wellbrietyindiancenter.org

Due to lack of space, we will be able to cover local news only and powwow information will be a link that lists upcoming regional powwows.

Youth Newsletter Section:

Youth Editors:

James Low Dog, Assiniboine
Patience Low Dog, Assiniboine
Alicia Chavez, Navajo/Apache

The youth articles and art section of the newsletter will be created and edited by Native youth in the area and they will be the sole creators of this section. The adult editors and staff will check for good journalistic taste, standards and procedures. Young writers and artists are encouraged to submit their articles, jokes, reviews, news and other material of interest to their Native peers. We hope to have regular information from different schools, as well as good stories, interviews, etc. We will feature a different school in each issue for a while and we have a form for you to fill out to give your ideas about what to tell about your school. If you are interested in seeing the form, call or write us to receive a copy.

TITLE VII DISTRICT 11 Austin Box, Southern Ute, spoke to the Summer TVII class during their visit to the local Starsmore Nature Center. These classes were held all during June for Native kids in the area. **Carolina Jackson,** Navajo, is the coordinator for the Title VII program.



UCCS
Professor Beccy Thompson, Director of WEST, spent the summer in Boston both taking and teaching classes. She will return refreshed to teach her classes at UCCS this fall which features minority women studies, including Native women.

Professor Michele' Companion, Mohawk, is currently working on community cooking classes designed to teach healthy eating for local families. Watch for that class announcement this fall.

Janice Gould, Maidu, has spent the summer preparing to teach her inaugural Native women classes to be offered this fall and she also is advising on setting up the acquisition and cataloging of Native material for the Indian Centers proposed family and research library.

Native Business Owners

If you are a Native business owner, you may be interested in visiting the Indian Country's Business News and Social Network. It is online and you

can look over what information and services they offer members. http://www.nativebiz.com/component/option.com_frontpage/Itemid,265/.

White Bison News

Now that the remarkable Journey of Forgiveness has ended, White Bison has printed and distributed 500 cards of thanks and a DVDs of the story and stops of the journey. These will go to everyone who donated to make the journey possible. The entire journey and its aftermath was a well organized class act.

White Bison continues to collect signatures asking President Obama to apologize for the treatment of Indian children in Indian boarding school in the US. To sign the petition, visit: <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/1/Apology-For-Indian-School-Abuses>.

Emblem of the Forgiveness Journey



Out of State Student Visitors

When the Indian Center volunteers were relocating the donated computer to a home in northeast Colorado Springs, we went to eat at Cici's Pizza where we were delighted to see two college summer students from the Crow Rez in Montana. **Derrick LittleLight,** Crow and **Trish WhiteClay-Beatty,** Crow/

Caddo. They are working here for the summer earning credits for their college degrees. What great young people they are. We will have a short article on their summer here in our city and we invited them to the community Dinner on August 15. Derrick thinks he will be able to attend and check out our basketball players. You can pick him out. He will be the tallest person at the dinner - basketball player tall. Wish they could stay longer than the summer.

SCHOLARSHIPS

If your student is in high school and plans to go to college, you need to start a file of sources for scholarship funding now. You can start with the American Indian College Fund website at http://www.collegefund.org/scholarships/schol_tcu.html where they list tribal college scholarships, tribal college special scholarships, and mainstream college special scholarships. The new funding cycle starts in January, so start checking them out now.

Here are a few from the mainstream college special scholarship section list:
Nissan North America, Inc. Amount, \$5000. Bachelors degree. Requirements: maintain 2.5 grade point average, proof of enrollment, demonstrate commitment to the Native community.

United Health Foundation Scholarship. Amount: \$5000, full time Requirements: Major in Health or related field, maintain 3.0 grade point average, proof of enrollment.
Stanley Morgan Scholarship Program. Amount \$10,000. Requirements: Major in business or financial services degree, 3.0 grade point average. All 3 of these require you maintain an exceptional academic record.

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NATIVE NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

FILMING OUR STORIES

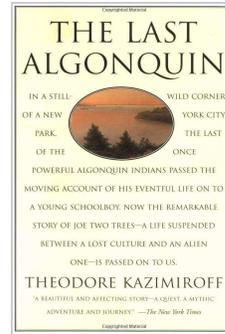
The big news of summer this year is all the good Native-made movies that are becoming available, either right now or eagerly expected soon. Here are a few reviewed in the August issue of *Native People* for you to watch for:

Barking Water is the highly praised new film from award winning Sterlin Harjo, Muscogee. It follows Frankie, an older, terminally ill man on a journey through modern Oklahoma's Indian country with his former significant other to see his adult children and grandchildren to make amends before he dies. Rich in character and landscape and highly praised at Sundance this year, it is on tour around the world, but should be available sometime in the next few months.

Before Tomorrow is winner of many top video prizes both in the US and Canada

this past year. Filmed in northern Quebec, it is the story of an Inuit grandmother and her grandson's 1840 fight to survive when they become cut off from the rest of their tribe. Filmed for Isuma Productions by two female directors teamed with a women's video collective group who are collecting and telling the stories of Inuit women. For more info, visit <http://www.beforetomorrow.ca/en/index.php>

March Point is a documentary film that resulted from three Swinomish teens ordered to do a film project as terms for their staying out of jail for drugs and alcohol use. They envisioned a movie about rap music and car crashes, but instead they were asked to document the impact on their tribal community by two oil refineries. The final product was aired on PBS' Independent Lens. Copies can be ordered at info@longhousemedia.org. Watch a preview here: <http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/marchpoint/>



BOOK TO MOVIE

Farther down the road, Arizona Film Productions is working on turning the impressive book *The Last Algonquin* into a film. The book is the true story of Joe Two Trees, an aged Algonquin man who

Joe Two Trees Story is the last of his tribe (the Weckquaesgek band). He tells the story of his life in the 1800s to the author's 12 year old father in the 1920s in order that people would not forget the Algonquin. The father told his son and the son wrote Joe Two Trees' story in this book. While we wait for the movie, we might want to read the book and impress upon our children and grandchildren to learn our languages, collect our stories and keep them going for the future.

CATCH THESE MOVIES IF YOU CAN



Mose YellowHorse, Pawnee, was the first full-blood Native American to play professional baseball.

Mose Yellow Horse, Skidi Pawnee, is the subject of a book and a soon to be movie called *60' 6" and Other Distances From Home: the (Baseball) Life of Mose YellowHorse*. The tells the story of Yellow Horse's life and career playing major league baseball. The 160 page book written by **Dr. Todd Fuller**, Pawnee, was published by Holy Cow Press in 2002. River Rock Entertainment obtained the movie rights to the book recently and brothers Mark Marshall and Mike Marshall will be the producers. Fuller and his wife Rani

LeClair are writing the screenplay for the film. Dr. Fuller is the President of Pawnee Nations College in Pawnee, OK.

Yellow Horse played baseball at Chilocco Indian School in Oklahoma before joining the Pittsburgh Pirates as a relief pitcher in 1921. He also played for Arkansas Travelers, Sacramento Senators, and Omaha before injuries forced him out of the game. He also began a sad fifteen year slide into alcoholism that finally ended when he quit alcohol cold turkey, remained sober the rest of his life and earned a living working at jobs in Pawnee until he managed to become one of the respected elders of his tribe.

It is not clear when the script will be complete, the roles cast and the completion of filming so watch for that announcement.

The producers have excellent resumes for bringing the well written story to the screen. Mark has worked with George Lucas and Steven Spielberg, and Mike has 20+ years experience as manager and field producer. *Article on 60' 6" and Other Distance from Home* http://nativetimes.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2218&Itemid=0

Native American Baseball Players

Indians have played in the Major League since 1897 when **Louis Sockalexis**, Penobscot, broke the color barrier, long before Jackie Robinson. **Jim Thorpe**, Sac & Fox,

played for the New York Giants from 1913-1919.

There are forty-seven Native Americans to date who have played in the Major Leagues. There are at least two Natives listed in the Baseball Hall of Fame: **Zack Wheat**, Cherokee, and **Charles Chief Bender**, Ojibwe, and Hall of Famers-Johnny Bench, Willie Stargel and Early Wynn proudly claim Indian heritage.

There are three currently active Major League baseball players: Joba **Chamberlain**, Winnebago, **Jacoby Ellsbury**, Navajo, and **Kyle Lohoe**, Nomlaki Wintun. (See link below for all the list.)

On the American Indian Baseball Players link below, there are three pictures of Indian school teams shown: 1903 Ft. Spokane School, 1908 Skitwich boys baseball team and 1912 Tulalip Indian School baseball team. Early all-Indian schools like Carlisle, Chilocco and Haskell also had baseball teams from the beginning. Visit

http://www.baseballalpac.com/legendary/american_indian_baseball_players.shtml

For more info on history of Natives integrating big league baseball in the past, read *The American Indian Integration of Baseball*, by Jeffrey Powell-Beth, University of Nebraska.

Speak your Peace Pipe

We have not been having good response to our questions, but would like to continue asking them for a while. As a change of pace, why not try either answering the current question or submitting one for the next issue. We will also be asking for responses and questions at the youth group meetings.

This month's question:

If you could make a movie on a subject or person of your choice, what would you choose and why? Any ideas for an article or suggestion for a new article category?

Send your good ideas to us and we will look them over. Also, if you would like to write a brief article on some subject, let us know and we will talk with you about your idea. It would be cool to hear from you.

Native Fashion

By Patience Low Dog

Tatanka Means is Oglala Lakota/Comanche/Dine'. He is posing here for Native American Men's Calendar. Eye Candy for all you girls.



GET INVOLVED AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The next youth group meeting will be celebrating with a back-to-school fun party. We will also be discussing plans for the group for the rest of the year.

Come and share your ideas of ways the three teams can create visibility for the group and the Indian Center, and what fun things we can do to achieve this.

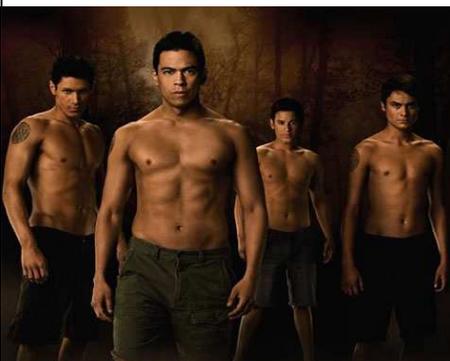
Come and get involved!.

Attention Students!!

If you would like to help us with some information about your school for the newsletter, fill in the form we gave you and send it to us.

If you do not have a form, call or write us and we will get one to you and help interview you. We want to include your school in the news.

NATIVE CONNECTIONS TO THE TWILIGHT SERIES STORIES



Wolf Pack actors for *Twilight* sequel *New Moon*: **Alex Meraz**, Tarasco, **Chaske Spencer**, Lakota, **Bronson Pelletier**, Cree-Metis, and **Kiowa Gordon**, Hualapai.

For fans of the *Twilight* book and movie, here is more information on the Native actors chosen to play the wolf pack - Natives who defend humans against vampires. The first novel, *Twilight*, was filmed in 2008 and has enjoyed great fan response. Due to be released in November this year is *New Moon*, the second

book which has an even stronger story involving the Quileute tribe and their town on La Push, seven miles west of Forks (both places are real locations).

All the wolf pack actors are card carrying tribal members: Alex Meraz, is Purepecha (Tarasco), playing **Paul**; Chaske Spencer, is Lakota, playing **Sam Uley**; Ronson Pelletier, is Cree/Metis, playing **Jared**; and Kiowa Gordon, is Hualapai, playing the part of **Emry Call**. They will join **Taylor Lautner**, Potawatomi/Ottawa, who is returning in the role of **Jacob Black**.

Not pictured in this promotion poster is **Tyson Houseman**, who plays **Quil Aterea**, a Cree chosen in open casting calls for Native actors. **Solomon Trimble**, Apache/Lakota, originally played the role of Sam.

You can learn more about the young men in the poster by visiting the following USA Today site: www.usatoday.com/life/movies/news/news/2009-04-21-newmoon-side_N.htm

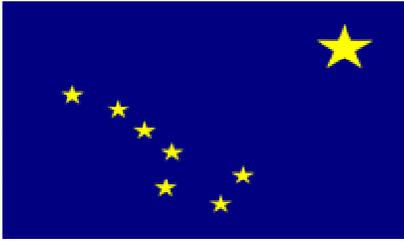
The Quileute language the actors had to learn for their roles is unrelated to any root language in the world. It has no nasal sounds and no 'm' or 'n' sounds. The tribe provided input to the movie makers on their language, as well as their lifestyle and culture.

Their creation story says they were changed from wolves into humans by a supernatural traveler.

La Push, a town of 350, takes a calm approach to the fame *Twilight* has brought. They invite anyone to their weekly dinners and drum circle. They have a tradition of hospitality that continues today - and will after the movie.

TEEN TOPICS PAGE

Alaska is 50 Years Old



The State Flag of Alaska

Benny Benson, a thirteen year old Aleut boy from the village of Chignik, designed the state flag of Alaska in a contest held at his school in 1926. The contest had over 700 entries from 7th-12th grade Alaskan students and Benny won. For his winning entry, Benny received a \$1,000 scholarship and a watch engraved with his name. Benny's flag became official when Alaska became a state in 1959.

Benny wrote this description to submit with his entry: "The blue field is for the Alaska sky and the forget-me-not, an Alaskan flower. The North Star is for the future state of Alaska, the most northerly in the union. The Dipper is the Great Bear—symbolizing strength."

Alaska became the 49th state of the USA in July 1959. Their state song is "Alaska's Flag."

You can read the story of Benny and his winning the flag contest in the book *Bennie's Flag*.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alaska%27s_Flag

TEEN AGE HEROES

Amiak, Alaska, is a small land locked village of about 750 people with an all-volunteer fire department. It is also home to an all-girl fire fighting and emergency medical team from the local high school, a specially trained volunteer group on call 24 hours/7 days a week.

They are called Dragon Slayers, and each member must make 90% of the fire calls, receive ongoing emergency trauma and firefighting training that takes place twice a week for two hours. They must remain drug and alcohol free, and maintain passing grades in school.

The Dragon Slayers program was begun by volunteer fire chief Pete Brown several years ago after his son was severely injured by a hit and run four-wheeler and was not found for several hours. The closest emergency treatment available was in Anchorage, 350 miles west by waterway. His son lived over the ordeal, but Brown was inspired to recruit high school volunteers to train in both emergency medical care and fire rescue to supplement the regular fire volunteers in the department. In their first year of service, calls for help jumped from 25 a year to 250 a year. They now serve an area that includes 14 villages with 3,000 residents.



Dragon Slayers, Yupik Inuit and Athabascan Indian teen age volunteer all female Fire Fighters at Aniak, Alaska

The program has been around several years and has built a record of turning out excellent grads who now are serving and studying in the medical field both inside and outside the village - several in the military, some in college and some in medical school. Many stay in the village to work in medically related jobs and many return home after they obtain an outside education.

All the Dragon Slayers through the years have stayed in medical related fields as a career.

As the alums grow up and leave, their ranks are replenished by other youth from the village who replace them when they go. In fact, there now is always a group of pre-teen students in similar medical training, preparing to step in when they are old enough. This group of junior Dragon Slayers are called "Lizard Killers."

Out and About

Jensen, Jayda and **Brandon Hartmann** are spending the last of summer vacation visiting relatives and sight-seeing on the Tohono O'odom reservation in Arizona, the tribal home of both their birth parents....One of our youth editor, **Patience Low Dog**, Assiniboine, is heading back to Flandreau Indian Boarding School for the rest of her senior year of high school. She has already submitted her Native fashion articles for the next two months. Thanks Pata....**Brianna**, age 10, and **Angelina**, age almost 7, **Barilla** will be attending school at the Imagine Classic Academy in Falcon School District 49. This will be the new schools first year in their new building.

You can be in this spot next issue. Just send us your news and we will do the rest!!!

APPETITE WORTHY FOOD



Native American Taco Stand taco

Christine Harris Almaraz, Cahuilla, is the energetic cook in a new local business that will interest our Indian community greatly. She is the owner and operator of the Native American Taco Stand (NATS) business currently operating on Saturdays at the northeast corner of Barnes and Austin Bluff Parkway. They are open from 11 am to 6 pm. Her husband is **Richard Almaraz**, from Gardena California, her business and marketing manager for the Saturday Market. Stop by and check out the great food they are turning out.

The menu includes Authentic Indian tacos built with the traditional fry bread and lots of choices to top it with: chili beans, seasoned beef (or for vegan customers, seasoned beans), fresh lettuce, cheese and tomatoes. They also serve just plain fry bread or desert tacos that include fry bread with cinnamon sugar and a choice of powdered sugar or honey.

The Almaraz' have been in business here since 2007 and have sold their food to rave reviews at events with One Nation Walking Together, and they sold 2500 tacos at the Tesoro Cultural Center in Morrison, CO (www.tesorofoundation.org/). Their stand over two days at the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo sold just short of 3000 tacos and brought high praise from the organizers as the best food at the rodeo.

Based on their reputation, they have been invited to sell at the KOA RV Park near Castle Rock.

Their stand at the busy corner of Barnes and Austin Bluff Parkway will be open through October. But their **big news** is they are inviting other Native businesses to join them at this busy corner each Saturday to make this a viable market for Native themed vendors, such as Native artists, artisans, or sellers of all natural, earth friendly products. Rental for the day is \$55. If you would be interested in getting more details about this, contact them at 719-359-1910, or email them at nativeamericaerntacostand@yahoo.com.



Native American Taco Stand Fry Bread

Christine lived on and off the Cahuilla reservation until she was about 15. She still has family living there. The rest of her growing up was in San Diego. Richard has recently earned his BA degree in Business Management and Marketing from Colorado Tech University. He also currently works at Praxair. They have three children, Khrystefer, 18, Kashoni, 10, and Nawhani, 8. NATS is an LLC business.

The couple's business plan is to build their business food stand until they can purchase a food vendor truck to sell from, and eventually to own their own restaurant serving Native dishes locally.

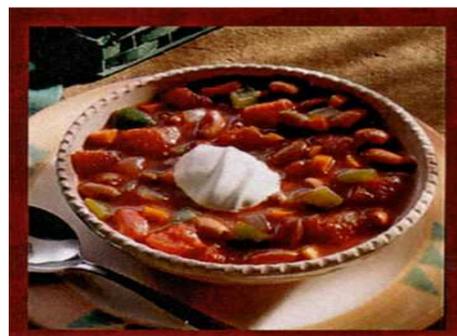
This summer, they are distributing a questionnaire form through the businesses in the area of Barnes and Austin Bluff Parkway. The purpose of collecting these surveys is to create a marketing plan and discover their customer base as little information is available regarding native cuisine. Customers can come by the stand on a Saturday and fill one out there. These comments will be used to promote the business and to include with an application for a bank loan to help purchase their vendor truck.

At a recent visit, the customers were lined up to eat. NATS are two tents on the corner, one where the food is prepared and serve, and one next to it with tables and seating where you can leisurely enjoy whatever you have purchased to eat. All comments overheard on this Saturday were highest praise for the meal.

In addition to the Saturday sales, NATS is also available year round for private catering, office parties, or just special requests. They will be closed August 15 for a family wedding in California.

The rest of the time, we can expect and appreciate having some great cultural food available for our enjoyment every Saturday. See you there.

Native American Taco Stand Stew



Ideas for Parents

If you or your child is interested in movies, try some of good Native films that are already out and keep up on newly released films together. As you know, parents need to monitor what they children are seeing that might impart the wrong information, as far as Natives are concerned. In our case, we need to watch this as much as following the PG, R or X ratings readily available.

The movies carried by most movie rental places are only the ones that have wide appeal to the general public, not necessarily a good barometer of good taste or authenticity. On page seven is info on just a few films that are coming out from Native American Public Telecommunications.

If you have a good movie you would like to recommend to other Native youth, send the info along to the newsletter and we will mention it in a future news issue. We also will pass it along to the people creating our Indian Center library, so they could make it available to others when there is library funding.

In the Youth Group Media Team, will be encouraging students to create short news or fun clips that can be made available on both the Indian Center's proposed website and to other Native places to post such film around the country. We are awaiting word on a grant submitted to buy media equipment and to send a couple of youth to Longhouse Media's summer classes in Seattle for training on making good short films.

SOME EXCITING MEDIA COMING OUT THIS FALL

The NAPT (Native American Public Telecommunication) has just released their list of new and popular movies for our viewing pleasure. You can order these online, or watch for them on Public Television. Here are a few on that list.

BREAKING THE CIRCLE: THE THREAT OF GANGS IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Producer: Mark Anthony Rolo (Bad RiverBand of Lake Superior Ojibwe)

Exploring increasing urban gang activity within tribal communities, Breaking the Circle also examines how Indian communities confront violence, drugs and other anti-social behavior that threatens Native American youth and the future of Indian Country. **Program Website:**

www.breakingmovie.com

FOR THE RIGHTS OF ALL: ENDING JIM CROW IN ALASKA

Producer: Jeffry Silverman, Blueberry Production. Fall of 2009

True-life story of an extraordinary Alaskan woman, Elizabeth Peratrovich, a young Tlingit mother of three who testified before the Alaska State Senate in 1945, swaying them to pass the first civil rights bill passed in the US since the Civil War.

Program Website: www.alaskacivilrights.org

GAMES OF THE NORTH

Producer: Star Seed Media

Follows the lives of four Native Alaskan athletes competing in the traditional sports of their culture stressing metal strength and physical endurance traditionally needed to survive in the artic. **Program Website:**

www.gamesofthenorth.com

JIM THORPE: THE WORLD'S GREATEST ATHLETE

Producer Tom Weidlinger Fall 2009

Biography of legendary Sac and Fox who won five Olympic gold medals in 1912 and was voted best athlete of the first half of Twentieth Century. He later played both professional baseball and football.

Program Website: www.jimthorpefilm.com

LA DONNA HARRIS: INDIAN 101

Producer Julianna Brannum* Fall 2010
Former First Lady of Oklahoma and wife of Fred Harris, La Donna has been active in political and social activism for several decades. **Movie Trailer:**

http://www.nativetelecom.org/ladonna_harris_indian_101_fundraising_trailer

LOSING GROUND

Producer: Jenni Monet* Fall 2010

The story of one Alaska village's fight to save their homelands from the effects of global warming.

NATIVE AMERICAN MARCHING BANDS

Producer: Cathleen O-Connell

Brass band music has been a part of Native culture for over a century. This film combines contemporary bands and archival material for an unexpected and surprising music film.

NATIVE CENTURY

Producers: Leslie Clark, Brian Wescott,* and Roberta Grossman

Events in the lives of Natives from WWI, Will Rogers stardom, Osage oil wealth, tourism and WWII. This the first of a four-part series concerning Natives in the Twentieth Century.

OSAGE MURDERS

Producers: Dan Bigbee,* Lily Sangreaux,* Big Productions

The true 1920s story of Osage wealth, plenty of people who wanted "their share" of that wealth and the ruthless murder of one Osage couple to get their money.

POWER PATHS

Producers: Bo Boudart, Norman Brown*, Chris Philipp, Independent Lens Fall 2009
Native quest to harness energy by tapping wind, solar, biomass and other power sources for their communities and cities across the country. Covers material from Lakota lands, across the Great Plains, and Navajo and Hopi desert lands in the southwest and the fierce opposition to changing energy habits.

Program website: <http://powerpaths.org/>

RIVER OF RENEWAL

Producer: Jack Kohler* Fall 2009

The salmon and water scarcity crisis in California's Klamath River basin where river flow quantities benefiting utility companies, farmers and rancher are endangering the salmon population and a major food source for tribes in the area. **Preview Trailer:**

<http://www.trxtrproductions.org/>

SACRED STICK

Producer: Michelle Danforth,* Patty Loew* Fall 2011

Looks at the culture, history and resurfacing of lacrosse as it relates to Natives and Non-Natives. It is a study of the history and communities, their traditional relationship to each other and the dominant culture. Every athlete should see this film.

TELEPHONE WARRIORS: THE STORY OF THE CHOCTAW CODE TALKERS

Producer: Valerie Red Horse

Choctaws and other Oklahoma Natives in the military in Europe during WWI were members of the U.S. American Expeditionary Forces. They were asked to use their native language to communicate information to our troops fighting German forces setting the precedent for code talking as an effective military weapon and becoming the original Code Talkers.

TO BROOKLYN AND BACK:

A MOHAWK JOURNEY

Producers: Reaghan Tarbell* and Paul Rickard* PBS Plus Fall 2009

The filmmakers interviewing women of the Mohawk families in the mid 1900s who help build *Little Caughnawaga*, one of the Iroquois neighborhoods, during the time the legendary Mohawk ironworkers were building the buildings that make up the skyline of New York City. One was the grandmother of Tarbell.

The proposed Indian Center Library hopes to carry some of these titles that our families can eventually check out.

**denotes the producers are Native Americans.*

More Ideas for Parents

If your child is old enough to be interested in the Twilight saga novels written by Stephenie Meyer, here is a list of what's published and upcoming.

1 **Twilight** (published & filmed)

2 **New Moon** (published & filmed)

3 **Eclipse** (published, casting film roles)

4 **Breaking Dawn** (published (Aug. 09, not scheduled for filming yet.)

There are plenty of websites devoted to this series, fan clubs, games, upcoming events, etc. etc. Even Vampire Baseball!

The 5th book, Midnight Sun, is in draft form, but is written from Edwards adult point of view. Good reviews of drafts.

Community Resources to Know About

Resources

2-1-1 Referrals for assistance:

The Wellbriety Indian Center is creating a resource list to help Native's in the area who need assistance. It is a long process and the finishing date for the project is not yet clear. However, in the meantime, we would like to furnish you with information about how to search online to get the help you may need.

First, follow these directions to reach an agency that may be able to help
Second, in the search box on your computer, type in <http://211colorado.org/>

Click #5 area on the first two maps that appear.

Third, You should now be on the Pikes Peak United Way page. Click the words "Get Help With 2-1-1" on the top left side of the page.

Fourth, in the Get/Give Help With 2-1-1 area on the left side of the page, click the underlined word "search." Either type in the type of assistance you need in the top keyword box, or click the one of the quick topics choices in the quick search box below. This will bring up all the agencies in the area that can help you with the needed assistance.

If you need help with this, the contact person for El Paso County is Annette Blackhart at Pikes Peak United Way, or email tapestry@ppunitedway.org, or call the Call Center at 719-955-0742.

One Nation Walking Together:

Offers local Natives assistance through their Project Pride Program. Donated items available include **food, clothing, appliances, housewares, school supplies, medical supplies, hygiene products, building materials, furniture**... whatever they have in stock. No need for personal information, they just ask that recipients help them by working at their warehouse for an agreed amount of labor. They are located at 45-A Commerce St. Phone 329-0251, email onenationwt@qwestoffice.net, website www.onenationwt.org/

Recycling information

The WICCS Youth Group is recycling the following items.

Cell phones, ink jet printer cartridges, laptop computers, Apple iPods, digital cameras and digital video cameras.

Unusable donations are fine. Proceeds from this fund raiser go to fund Youth Group Activities. Thank you!

You can drop them off at the collection box at either **White Bison** or the **Conservation Hardware store** at 409 N. Tejon, Ste. 206. Pick up some energy saving supplies while you are there. You can visit their website here: <http://www.conservathardware.org/>

Computers, monitors: Any Goodwill store or manned collection center.
Televisions: Sony, Samsung and LG will take back used TV sets free.
Computers: Dell recycles its equipment for free; Staples will accept any drop-offs.

Local Substance Abuse Treatment Centers

Go to <http://dasis3.samhsa.gov/>, click on state, fill in location info (you can just use the cities name or your zip code), click distance from your location (from 5 to 100 miles). The programs are displayed 10 at a time

(there are 36 programs within 20 miles of downtown C/S).

Local Alcoholics Anonymous meetings

Visit here <http://www.coloradospringsaa.org/> and click on "meeting schedule" for a list of when and where meetings are going on each day of the week. One Native American meeting is "Down By the Creek" that meets Thursdays at 7 pm. All are welcome.

Education resources

Pikes Peak Community College

Multicultural Retention Program for Men at PPCC
Coach Eddie Hughes, Room A306, Centennial Campus,
Phone: 502-2265 office 494-7891 cell

Native American Student Alliance, Carisa Gonzales-Yazzie.
cerisegonz77@hotmail.com, or Prof. Joanna Grey, 502-3190.

UCCS

Pre-Collegiate Development Program (PCDP)

Middle school and beginning high school student preparation for college.
<http://www.uccs.edu/~pcdp/> Rm. 303A, 262-3039, Main Hall, Josephine Benevidez Aragon.

American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)

All Native American students, sponsor Marguerite Cantu, Rm. CoH 3042, phone 255-4124 ext. 3042.

Colorado College

Native American Student Union

Sponsor **Susie Nashida**, Southwest Studies building, 389-6649. **Rochelle Mason** is Director of Minority Student Life, 389-6338.
<http://www.coloradocollege.edu/students/nasu/index.htm> NASU website, audio on CC <http://www.tigerbca.com/2008/12/taa-dixon-speaks/>
Face Space <http://www.coloradocollege.edu/students/nasu/NASU%20Face%20Space.htm> (info on current Native students.)

Ft. Lewis College, Durango, CO

Offers free tuition to any Native student. Has several Native student organizations, understanding instructors and lots of support. For Info http://www.fortlewis.edu/student_life/native_american_center/scholarships_internships.aspx (scholarships)
http://www.fortlewis.edu/student_life/native_american_center/clubs_organizations.aspx (Native clubs)
http://www.fortlewis.edu/student_life/native_american_center/gallery.aspx (link to video and slide show)

CPCD Free Preschool Program

Free pre-school education programs preschool and infant/toddlers prepare children for school. special needs children are welcome. Families must qualify, however income is not a limiting factor for programs.
www.cpcdheadstart.org

REZKAST INFORMATION

All Indian website. You can visit or post your own info, music/videos. Categories include: members, videos, comedy, activities, politics, or you can start your own community group. www.rezkast.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thurs., Aug. 13, 6 pm, Steering Committee Meeting, White Bison office, 6145 Lehman Dr.

Sat., Aug. 15, 1-3 pm, CSIC community dinner, Trinity United Methodist Church, 701 N. 20th St. If you can, bring a dish to share and a non-perishable food donation for Trinity's food bank.

Sat., Aug. 15, 10 am to 4 pm, Everybody Welcome, a Celebration of Culture and Diversity, America the Beautiful Park

Wed., Aug. 19, 6 pm, Cultural Committee Meeting, White Bison office, 6145 Lehman Dr.

Sat., Aug. 22, 10-12 am, Youth Group Back to School Celebration, Trinity United Methodist Church, 701 N. 20th St.