



Women of Vision - Women Making A Difference

Our purpose is to create opportunities to effect change for the betterment of women of all nationalities through the development, support and promotion of women as leaders and through international and intercultural communication among women.

Our mission is to provide encouragement and opportunities for women to improve their status and that of their families.

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6TH ANNUAL LATINO YOUTH SUMMIT

Change Starts With you, Be Part of the Solution is the theme of a day committed to inspiring Latino Students in grades 8th-11th through workshops, inspirational speakers and a post secondary opportunities fair. The event is May 6, 2010 at Pacific Lutheran University, University Center from 7:30am-4:00pm. For information call Melody Rodriquez at 253-272-0771 x 121 or mrodriquez@northwestleadership.org. Also, learn about the "THE DREAM ACT- A PATHWAY TO CITIZENSHIP" a bipartisan proposal, which would create a pathway to citizenship for thousands of young students who were brought to the United States years ago as children. www.dreamact.com

PUTTIN ON THE PINK

"Puttin On The Pink", a fundraiser for the Breast Cancer Resource Center in Tacoma is May 6th. Want a ticket, just \$10, CALL 253-627-8130.



UNITED NATIONS
International Day of Families
May 15, 2010



FACT

HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTE

VAWA REAUTHORIZATION

April was Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and one of the areas that needs to be reauthorized and strengthened in the Violence Against Women's Act is free forensic exams for sexual assault victims. In 2005, Congress [revised VAWA](#) to hold states more accountable for free exams. Congress required state or local officials to pay for forensic exams even if a victim declined to cooperate with police. States that didn't comply would lose federal crime-fighting grants. Enforcement in this area is mixed according to news reports. This is an area that is so important to victims of abuse, go to Department of Justice, VAWA <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov> for up to date information. And learn more about the reauthorization.

INTERNATIONAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

In Congress is the International Violence Against Women Act, whose purpose is to prevent and respond to violence against women and girls around the world. At least one out of every three women worldwide are beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in her lifetime, with rates reaching 70% in some countries. For information www.AmnestyUSA.org

FORECLOSURE RATES STAY UP

Last year TAPCO Credit Union ran a report on Foreclosures, so I decided to look at 2010 reports from Realty Trac Inc. In 2008, one in 440 in US Housing received a foreclosure filing. This year in February the number was one in 418. In Tacoma one in 558, compared to the State one in 1,045. Call HUD 888-995-HOPE.

Day of 100 Drums

Date: Sunday, May 30, 2010 - 11:00am

Location: Portland Ave. Park, Tacoma

Who: Alliance for Restoring Native Names

What: Day of a Thousand Drums: Potlatch

Where: Portland Ave Park **When:** May 30, 2010, 11 am - 4 pm **Why:** To, restore that respect, honor and healing back to the mountain, the ancestors and the people **How:** we are looking for volunteers, people to help plan things, people to make drums, people to help get the word out, if u can help out some how some way, Contact email is kalvinsatiacum@live.com **What to Bring:** Your own PowWow Chair, an a HandDrum & Stick.

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Bates Technical College Offers an Associate of Technology Degree in Apprenticeship Studies, and in addition you receive journey level certification from the Washington State Apprenticeship Council. Get detailed information on apprenticeships from www.ini.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship. There will be an Apprenticeship Conference in Tacoma in May which you can also access at this site. Apprenticeship training at Bates:

Operating Engineers, Pacific NW Ironworkers and Employers Local #86, Pierce County Meat Cutters, Pierce Transit/ATU Local #758, Port of Tacoma, Skookum Corporation & Directorate of Logistics, Fort Lewis, Southwest WA Electrical, Southwest WA Pipe Trades, Aerospace Joint Apprenticeship. Tacoma Machinist, WA ST UBC-Carpenters, WA ST Firefighters, WA ST Parks & Recreation, Western WA Sheet Metal, WA ST Operating Engineers, Facilities, Custodial Services, Western WA Stationary Engineers.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL

WHEN: May 15 and 16, 2010 | 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

WHERE: At the Fircrest Community Center | 555 Contra Costa, Fircrest, WA

BBQ contest featuring Asian-Pacific Barbecued food

Awesome local Asian and Pacific Islander bands to entertain you.

Cultural Educational booths: Cambodia, India, Hawaii, Korea, Philippines, Samoa, Tonga, Thailand, Vietnam, China, Japan and Tahiti. (Located in the gym)

Cooking class from Korea, China, Japan, Samoa, Hawaii, India, Thailand and Vietnam

Cooking class fee: \$10 ea. or all for \$50 (APCC member: \$7 ea)

Cultural Education Booths Fee: \$10 for adult, Children 12 and under free, (APCC member: \$5 ea)

Free entrance to food booths and outside entertainment.

DIVERSITY CALENDAR

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ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

MAY 2-8 BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK

MAY 5 CINCO DE MAYO

MAY 12 SCHOOL NURSE DAY

MAY 17 ANNIVERSARY OF BROWN V. BOARD
OF EDUCATION

MAY 31 MEMORIAL DAY