



What's Poppin'? TPD and Education dept join forces to promote positive interactions with local teens

Kalvin Valdillez

There was popcorn. There was Coca-Cola. There was Sprite. And of course, there was some Pepsi, also fondly known as 'bepsi' on reservations all throughout the nation. The salty snack and sugary beverages provided an opportunity for the Tulalip Police Department to connect with the future of the Tribe on the evening of January 29 at this year's first Pop with a Cop gathering.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS General Council and Election

VOTING SCHEDULE

Friday, April 11

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday, April 12

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Tulalip Resort Casino

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday, April 12

Starting at 9:00 AM

Tulalip Resort Casino

NOTE: *The Board has rescheduled the General Council meeting from March to April to ensure it is six months apart from the previous meeting.*

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Pop with a cop from front page



Nearly 20 local youth participated in the event at the Teen Center, which made for some fun and unforgettable interactions with Tulalip’s finest. Following a motivational speech by Sergeant Jira, the kids had a chance to play some one-on-one against him, as he was the only one to step up to protect the rep of TPD. While a handful of kids faced off with Jira on the court, the remaining kids excitedly cheered on their friends from the sidelines, while also taking the chance to ask the other officers about their day-to-day duties as tribal police officers.

As the laughter and playful smack talk ensued, TPD Officer and Tribal member, Alyshia Ramon dished out bags of freshly popped popcorn as well as activity bags to the kiddos. Taking a moment to speak with Tulalip News, Alyshia shared, “We teamed up with the Tulalip Education department and what we wanted to do was have some fun interaction with the kids and have some positive engagement with them. Sergeant Jira rounded up the kids today and talked to them about excelling in sports and getting good grades at the same time, so they can be really productive and successful when they go to college. And we just wanted to let them know that we

are here to support them and that we want to be here with them.”

Alyshia then stressed that they felt it was important to reiterate to the teens that they are here to serve and protect them. Which is something that tends to get lost in today’s political climate as the women and men in blue are often times painted in a negative light.

Said Alyshia, “When you see all the stuff that’s happening on the news today, we thought it was really important for the kids to know that we are here for them. We want to support them and hopefully inspire them to take up a career in law enforcement. Because to me, this is the best job in the world – ever. It’s the only place where you’re going to learn three types of law; federal law, state law, and tribal law. And at the same time, engage with your community.”

She continued, “When they see someone who comes from the same community, grew up in the same neighborhoods, knowing my path doesn’t look any different from theirs, that we can choose the choices we make, they can do whatever they want in life. And that’s what I hope to inspire these kids to do – one, use your voice, and two, they can do anything and be whoever they want to be. And



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whatever they choose, they got us behind them to support them 100%.”

It can be challenging to get teens to speak on feelings, and about how they are affected in a positive manner during certain events. That could be said about the three teens who we caught up with, following the Pop with a Cop event. Actions and expressions often speak louder than words, and

for Enrique Shrock, Hailey Craig, and Emma Barnes, the big smiles and hearty laughter were very telling.

After catching his breath following an intense battle with Jira, Enrique exclaimed, “Yeah, I had fun. Today, I played one-on-one with a cop, and I was shooting threes to try to win a prize. I think this was important so we could make new friends.”

Once Hailey and Emma got their picture with two officers, they gave quick statements before returning to their conversations with the policemen.

Hailey stated simply, “It was awesome and a lot of fun!”

Emma echoed, “Today was amazing. All the officers are really nice and they’re fun too. And they have cool haircuts!”

Although, the the event was

only an hour long, it is safe to say the youth had a blast at Pop with a Cop. Alyshia shared that there will be two more gatherings at the Teen Center on February 12 and 26, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30. She also mentioned that she is in talks with the Tulalip Boys and Girls Club to create a similar event to help build and foster relationships with the younger kiddos as well.

One-on-One with Arlington H.S. senior Kierra Reese



By Micheal Rios

Tulalip tribal member Kierra Reese is in the midst of her senior year at Arlington High School. During her four-year tenure with the Arlington Eagles girls basketball team, she’s best known as a 3-point sniper and creative passer who gets buckets against 4A Wesco competition.

High school scouts and prep talent evaluators at Prep Girls Hoops offer the following player evaluation: Kierra is a wing who handles the ball like a guard. Her smooth handles lead to many

crafty plays by her. She knows how to get to the bucket smoothly and how to use her 6’0” frame well to finish around the rim. Her game has taken a step forward since last season, being more well rounded on both sides of the ball and still being a lights out shooter.

After an anticipated matchup with the #18 ranked Archbishop Murphy Wildcats, Tulalip News caught up with the 18-year-old, blonde bucket-getter to discuss her relationship with basketball and where she sees herself after graduation.



Q: What does basketball mean to you?

A: “For a long time now, basketball has always been my out. I grew up being pretty aggressive and having basketball has an outlet was a perfect way to release that aggression. So, you can say beyond being my favorite sport, it’s also my favorite stress reliever.”

Q: How has your role on the court changed during your four years at Arlington?

A: “Since my freshman year, I’ve been a leader. That leadership looks different from year to year depending on what the team looks like. I went from being the youngest to now the oldest.”

Q: For those you haven’t watched you play, how would you describe

your game?

A: “I like to shoot a lot. Most of the time I’m around the perimeter looking for space in the defense or creating space for my teammates. I’ll drive, too, though. I have a strong attack dribble with my right hand. So, yeah, I’m definitely more of an offensive player.”

Q: What are your plans after high school?

A: “My dream scenario is to earn a scholarship spot for Western Washington University. If the scholarship doesn’t happen, then I plan to make the team as a walk-on. I’ve watched their team play and think I could be a good addition to what they are building.”

Q: As a student-athlete, student being the operative word, what do you plan to study in college? And

what professions are of interest to you?

A: “I plan on studying Kinesiology and sporty psychology. That way I can become a coach in the future and use what I’ve learned to help players physically and mentally become their best selves. If the coaching route doesn’t happen, then I definitely want to remain in the sports field, like with athletic training or physical therapy.”

Q: How much have your parents meant to you during this basketball journey of yours?

A: “My parents have been everything. I literally cannot thank them enough for all the time they’ve committed to driving me to practices, games, and tournaments. It’s been so great to have my mom and dad as like an actual support system. During the toughest of times, they’ve always been there for me and been on my side most of the time. The times they weren’t on my side, they were giving me the constructive criticism that I needed to hear.”

Q: Being Tulalip, have you enjoyed the extra support you get as an athlete and local hooper?

A: “I’ll always be grateful for the Tribe and entire community for being so supportive. Something I’ll never forget about is during my freshman year, Tulalip TV featured me in a spotlight. It was done by Cody Faye. I’ve always felt supported on and off the court.”

Q: Last question. If you could have the game of any basketball player, NBA or WNBA, who would it be?

A: “Caitlin Clark. Not just because we both wear #22, but because I love her range and how she is so effective at getting to the basket and finishing tough shots. I like her fieriness and her aggressiveness. When you watch her play, you can see just how much takes every game and every possession seriously. So, Caitlin Clark, most definitely.”

One-on-One with Archbishop sophomore Kyla Fryberg

By Micheal Rios

For the uninformed, Archbishop Murphy girls basketball is one of the best programs going right now. They are currently 17-1 and ranked #18 in the State of Washington. Their only loss was a 54-58 nail biter to

the #11 ranked Lynden Christian.

Carving out a role for herself on Archbishop’s varsity team is 15-year-old Tulalip tribal member Kyla Fryberg. She’s normally a featurette on the junior varsity team, but because of her prowess as a defensive stopper

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and someone who can knock down the corner 3-ball, Archbishop head coach Ebany Herd has promoted Kyla into the big league rotation.

During a recent matchup with Arlington High School, Kyla received playing time in the 2nd

half and, in doing so, shared the court with fellow Tulalip tribal member Kierra Reese who balls for Arlington. It may be the first time ever two Tulalips shared the court while playing for the Archbishop Wildcats and Arlington Eagles.

If not the first time, it's definitely one of the only times, making it a noteworthy story in the long lineage of Tulalip hoopers.

Following the matchup, Kyla was gracious enough to sit down with Tulalip News for a quick Q&A.

Q: How excited are to be getting Varsity run in your sophomore season?

A: "It's an amazing opportunity. Playing on both JV and Varsity is letting me get to know so many of my teammates and to develop new skills. My time practicing and playing with Varsity is really making me better. I'm having fun."

Q: What is your role when playing with the Varsity team?

A: "My role, specifically, is to bring energy and be a defensive threat. I'm comfortable picking up

full court and using my speed [and agility] to stay with the player I'm guarding."

Q: There was a lot of community support in the gym. Do you get nervous playing in front of so many friends and family?

A: "No, not really. When I'm playing, I don't really pay attention to who's watching or what's happening off the court."

Q: Last question. If you could have the game of any basketball player, NBA or WNBA, who would it be?

A: "LaMelo Ball. He just doesn't care about what anyone says or is doing to try to stop him."

He knows that he's the best player on the court and doesn't bother with all the stuff that doesn't matter. Two years from now, I hope be leading Archbishop to a deep playoff run and be ballin' like LaMelo."

Emerging victorious after the journey

By Wade Sheldon

MP wrestling's season reached a moment of poetic symmetry as the team warmed up to Journey's *Only the Young*—a song from the 1985 film *Vision Quest*. The movie follows Loudon Swain, a Spokane wrestler played by Matthew Modine, who drops a weight class to take on one of the toughest competitors in the state.

Fittingly, *Vision Quest* debuted the same year MP assistant coach Tony Hatch wrestled for the program, tying past and present together.

On January 30, MP's quest for an undefeated season reached its defining moment: a showdown against hometown rival Marysville Getchell. The team delivered a dominant performance with history on the line,



securing multiple pins and decisive victories to etch their names into the record books.

With a score of 15-62, the squad dominated the day in front of a packed house at Marysville Getchell High School. As the final match ended, the gym erupted in cheers, and wrestlers' families rushed to the floor.

After a thrilling day on the mats, a few MP victors and their parents shared their thoughts on an incredible season and a winning night.

Tulalip tribal member and junior Dylan Reeves said, "We've worked hard until now, but the work is not done. We have districts coming up, followed by the state tournament. So, we aren't finished.

It's a big accomplishment, but it's just a small piece of the puzzle. I believe we have many people on the team who will go to State and place there, so as cool as it is to have this achievement, we must keep going."

Patrick Reeves, the father of twins Dylan and Garret, said, "I'm very proud; I haven't missed a match this season. I feel confident that my boys will go the distance."

Proud tribal member dad Sam Davis, shared his thoughts on his son, senior Joseph Davis, after he earned his 100th high school win. "It's a special night to be a part of. I have watched his wrestling and athletics since he was a little kid. Sitting in his corner and observing all the hard work he has

put in, from the weight room to the extra camps he has attended, has been remarkable.

"I've witnessed it all, from the highs to the lows, especially after he was hurt last year. As a freshman, he missed half of his matches because of COVID. So, it's extraordinary for him and great for me to share in that experience. It's really cool."

Joseph cemented the moment by pinning his opponent in just 1:34, securing his milestone victory in dominant fashion.

When speaking to Joseph about his accomplishments, he said, "It feels good to reach 100 wins, but it's on to the postseason now."

With their dominant performance against Marysville Getchell, MP proved they were a force to be reckoned with. But for this squad, the job isn't done. With districts on the horizon and State within reach, their focus remains sharp, and their work ethic is relentless. The road to the podium continues, and MP is ready to rise to the challenge.

Districts begin on February 7 at Lakewood High School, where ten teams will battle for a chance to advance to State. For updates and start times, visit Marysville Pilchuck Wrestling on Facebook.



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February 26

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—OR—



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February 11	May 20	August 26
April 22	June 10	November 18
	July 22	

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 FRI & SAT: 11AM - 4AM

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TUESDAY

1PM: REG. \$200 - \$6/6-ON
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WEDNESDAY

1PM: REG. \$200 - \$6/6-ON
 6:45PM: REG. \$250 - \$6/6-ON
 DBL. \$500 - \$12/6-ON | TRP. \$750 - \$12/3-ON
Single Winner Cry pays \$100!

THURSDAY

1PM: REG. \$400 - \$8/6-ON
 6:45PM: REG. \$6/6-ON | DBL. \$12/6-ON
 DOUBLE Pyramid Bingo: B/O - \$200/\$400
 I/G - \$300/\$600 | N - \$500/\$1,000
Single Winner Cry pays \$100!

FRIDAY

1PM: \$1,000 Games - \$11/6-ON
 6:45PM: \$1,000 Games - \$11/6-ON
Neon Late Night Bingo
 10:30PM: \$15/9-ON – 10 Games pay \$250

SATURDAY

1PM: \$1,000 Games - \$11/6-ON
 6:45PM: \$1,000 Games - \$11/6-ON
Neon Late Night Bingo
 10:30PM: \$15/9-ON – 10 Games pay \$250

SUNDAY

1PM: \$1,000 Games - \$11/6-ON
 6:45PM: REG. \$6/6-ON | DBL. \$12/6-ON
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An evening service was held Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 6 PM at the Tulalip Gathering Hall. A celebration of his life was held Thursday, January 30, 2025 at 10:00 AM at the Gathering Hall with burial following at Mission Beach Cemetery.

Court notices

TUL-CV-YI-2024-0987. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION Tulalip Tribal Court, Tulalip WA. In Re the Welfare of: A. G. III TO: ANDRES GOMEZ, JR., AND SAMANTHA BIRD GOSHORN, YOU ARE BOTH HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Youth in Need of Care action was filed in the above-entitled Court pursuant to TTC 4.05. You are both hereby summoned to appear and defend regarding the above-entitled action at an IN PERSON Adjudicatory Hearing on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025, at 09:00 A.M. – IN PERSON; This will be an IN PERSON hearing in Tulalip Tribal Court; go to 6332 31st Ave NE, Suite B, Tulalip, WA 98271. 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: December 21, 2024.

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