

April 2008

Newsletter



San Francisco Community Council

Calendar of Events 2008

May 10 – 11: Stanford Indian POW
Wow Hospitality gathering

June 5, 6, & 7: Sealaska
Celebration in Juneau, Alaska.

General Meeting - Rockridge
Library in Oakland (address below)

Saturday June 28th, 2008

**Sealaska Annual Board Meeting in
San Francisco**

**The Summer Picnic and Culture
Celebration in the fall, dates will be
announced next news letter.**

**Rockridge Branch Library, room #
2, 5366 College Ave. Oakland, CA
94618. (510) 597-5017**

EXHIBITION:

Robert Davidson, Eagle of the Dawn:
Northwest Coast Master
On exhibit: April 1 – June 11, 2008

An exhibition of sculpture, works on paper, hide drums, cloth, copper, and woven spruce-root basketry by renowned Haida artist Robert Davidson. Davidson is only the second First Nations artist to have a solo show at the National Gallery of Canada in Ottawa. He has also been essential to the 20th-century renaissance of Haida culture and has been awarded three honorary doctorates and the prestigious Order of Canada in 1996 in recognition of his artistic and cultural achievements. Works by Reg Davidson, Claude Davidson, Robert Davidson Sr. and Charles Edenshaw will also be on display.

<http://gormanmuseum.ucdavis.edu>

The C.N. Gorman Museum is located at
1316 Hart Hall on the main UC Davis campus
Museum hours: Monday-Friday from 12-5 PM
All events and exhibitions are FREE

(530) 752-6567; email: CNGorman@ucdavis.edu

General Assembly 2008
by Jackie Clark

The "Convention" was busy from day one. Former President Ed Thomas held a four hour Roberts Rules of Order class before the convention started, which was well attended and was very well done. A first time ever Grand Entrance of convention delegates was done, many of the 120 delegates brought their regalia. That was followed by welcome speeches and reports, which was later followed by a welcome dinner. Day 2 highlights was nominations and campaign speeches. Day 3, election. Our own Bill Martin (who lived in Fremont) was elected (with 94 votes) for the Central Council President of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, That was so exciting. It took the delegates a while to elect the 6 vice presidents. The day ended with an Honor dinner for Ed Thomas, with many speakers honoring Ed. It was announced that Ed Thomas was elected by unanimous consent to be Central Council President Emeritus. A repatriation ceremony also took place at the dinner. On day four, 43 resolutions were presented, and the elections were completed. Our adopted nephew,

Tom Wheaters, also attended the convention, which was so special to us.

Margaret Wolley on the convention:

Congratulations to Will Micklin, elected for one of the V.P.s

The new new electric voting machines were very interesting and we got through each new voting much faster.

At the welcome dinner, the subject of burning down our smokehouses was an interesting issue, and our guest from the forest service talked about trying to understand more about our culture, I feel they may have left with a better understanding.

Ketchikans resolution to stop the commercializing of our Black Seaweed passed without debate. and our scholarship 50-50 raffle did really well, the winner was Ed Thomas, and he donated it back to Juneau T&H.

And we won the community of the year award, and that was a good thing.

Scholarship application must be in on June 1st or post marked on the 1st of June.

Repatriation By Jackie Clark

Harold Jacobs, of Central Council, worked to repatriate four articles that were presented to the clan leaders in a ceremony during a dinner at the Annual General Assembly in Juneau. A Chilkat Tunic was presented to Nora Dauenhauer to be returned to the village of Klukwan. La Verne Wise was presented a Chilkat Tunic belonging to the Disheetann Clan to be returned to Sitka. A Chilkat Blanket, with a killer whale design and a head dress belonging to the Naanyaa.aayi Clan was presented to John Feller to be returned to Wrangell. It was great when the Matriarch of the Naanyaa.aayi clan asked those of us present to escort the blanket out, so we

danced out with John Feller. Harold Jacobs continues to locate our Native regalia that is in many Museum's through out the country

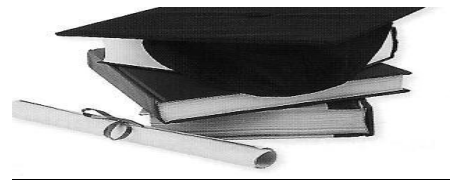


One of our own recipients of the San Francisco T & H Scholarship, Morrigan Shaw will be graduating with the Bachelors of Art

in American Indian Studies just finalized this semester. She is the first student to have completed these requirements at San Francisco State University. In recognition of both grades and personal contributions to the community, Morrigan has been selected as this year's Hood Recipient by the College of Ethnic Studies.

Every May, of the 8,000 students graduating, 1 Hood Recipient is chosen to represent their fellow students from each of SFSU's eight academic colleges. The Hood Recipients, who wear symbolic hoods at Commencement, are outstanding students with unique stories and ambitious plans for the future.

The actual graduation date, including the hooding ceremony, is Saturday May 24 at 12 pm, Cox Stadium, SF State University and tickets are limited. **WE ARE ALL INVITED TO A RECEPTION THE DAY BEFORE** at American Indian Studies Department, Friday May 23 at 4pm. The reception does not require tickets and not limited to the number of guests. We are hoping the members of SF T&H will bring regalia and drums. This will be in the Cesar Chavez Student Center, Richard Oakes Room at San Francisco State University. There is a link to a campus map here: <http://www.sfsu.edu/~sfsumap/> RSVP TO MORRIGAN SHAW, KEETGIRL@GMAIL.COM. Kathryn



SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Each year the scholarship committee accepts new and returning applicants. Completed applications must be received by June 1, 2008. If you are interested, read additional information or wish to request an application for the 2008 school year, please contact the **new** scholarship chairperson,

Margaret Wolley at: (925) 371-1968

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Mail to: 1127 Via Cristobal St. Livermore, CA 94550.

To be eligible, you must be enrolled with Tlingit/Haida Central Council and registered with

San Francisco Community Council. You must be attending a university, college or trade school. If you are a high school student, you may also apply for scholarship. High school students must successfully complete high school, and be enrolled in a college or trade school before being given the money. Until then, the money sits in an account. You may apply all four years of high school, which could potentially add up!

(Interest earned will go back into the scholarship fund)

For any interested scholarship applicants, here is a list of what needs to be collected while you request an official application form:

1. Transcripts of all studies taken beyond high school.
2. Official high school transcripts IF you have not completed at least one full year of study beyond the high school level.
3. A letter of recommendation from a faculty Counselor.
4. A letter of recommendation from an employer or professional Associate. If you have not had significant professional employment, The letter may be from a clan leader, a community leader, or Clergy person with whom you are personally acquainted.
5. A short essay on your goals and ambitions--tell us about you!

The website for Native American Scholarships www.aigc.com

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