

# Births

*Nayeli Teresa-Leah Torres* on November 5, 2007.  
 Noel Torres and Sabrina Plazola are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Nayeli Teresa-Leah Torres, born on November 5, 2007. Grandmother on the father's side is Teresa Diaz. Grandparents on the mother's side are Lalani Wolfe and Jose Plazola.

## Howlak Tichum

Robert Wayne Miller, 1945-2007

Robert Wayne Miller of Warm Springs passed away on November 4, 2007 at his home. He was 61.  
 Mr. Miller was born on December 1, 1945 at Redmond to parents Willis and Adeline (Moses) Miller.  
 Mr. Miller was a lifetime resident of Warm Springs, and was the health officer for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

He is survived by his mother Adeline Miller of Warm Springs; children Wayne Miller and Carol Miller of Warm Springs; sisters Eileen Spino and Phyllis Strong, both of Warm Springs; and four grandchildren. His father, a son, Willis, a brother, Harry, and a sister, Carol Miller preceded him in death.



VOCS staff gave Anna M'Kinne, third from left, a token of appreciation for items she recently donated.

## New staff at Victims of Crime Services

New staff members are hard at work with Victims of Crime Services.  
 Four new advocates began working with VOCS about a month ago.  
 The new staff members include Trissie Fuentes, Aurel Stinson, Tina Aguilar and Juanita Denney Villa.  
 Fuentes began working at VOCS after working for Eagle-Tech Systems in the new deli, she said.  
 Her favorite part of her new job, Fuentes added, is "just helping, being able to be a good listener."  
 Stinson began working at VOCS after be-

ing a victim herself, she said.  
 "Being a survivor is what inspired me to give the same hope or guide our victims to become survivors too," she said.  
 One of her favorite parts includes working with the other VOCS staff members, she added.  
 "We're all a variety of personalities that mesh well together," she said.  
 Another part she enjoys, Stinson said, is "going home with a good feeling, knowing I'm doing the best I can for our community."  
 — by Leslie Mitts

## NNI: Conference in Dec.

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*Capable governance* refers to the establishment of respected, stable, and non-politicized mechanisms for dispute-resolution, keeping politics out of business management, and building effective bureaucracies.  
*Cultural match* requires that a tribe's systems of government and leadership build upon traditional conceptions of authority.  
*Strategic orientation* means approaching development not as a quick fix, but as a means of building whole societies that work in the long-term.  
 Finally, *leadership* is embodied in individuals who know how things are done and can bring the community along with them in shaping the future.  
 "The upshot of the nation-building approach is to emphasize how interdependent all these aspects of a community really are," said Ian Record, Manger of NNI's Leadership and Management Programs.  
 "You can't have a working economy without a working government, but you can't have a working government without the people behind it. That means you have to have

rules and institutions that the people trust—this is where cultural match comes in, too. You have to be looking ahead and working for the long term, and you have to have the leadership to get you there.  
 "Our staff is experienced in helping tribes achieve those goals. We're looking forward to working with the people of Warm Springs, learning from your experience and offering you the benefit of ours."  
 The December conference format will be both interactive and interdisciplinary, spanning issues related to the economy, administration, Council, and judiciary.  
 The curriculum will be tailored to the tribe's specific needs, but presentations used in other settings have included titles such as:  
 "Why Are Some Native Nations More Successful Than Others?"  
 "Rethinking Tribal Government."  
 "Making Tribal Economies Work."  
 "Roles and Responsibilities," and "How Do You Move From the Standard Approach to the Nation-Building One?"

## Ignoring mandates, FERC recommends keeping dams

GRANTS PASS (AP) — Federal licensing authorities have recommended keeping PacifiCorp's four hydroelectric dams on the Klamath River, siding with the utility and ignoring calls from fisheries agencies to build fish ladders.  
 The final environmental impact statement from the staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission chose trapping and hauling fish around the dams rather than building expensive fish ladders and reducing power production to help salmon.  
 The statement described that while allowing for evaluation of restoring fish to the upper Klamath Basin for the first time in a century.  
 FERC spokeswoman Celeste Miller acknowledged that fish ladders and other improvements required by NOAA Fisheries and other federal agencies are "generally" included in the final license, leading salmon advocates to dismiss the latest evaluation as "legally infeasible."  
 Meanwhile, Indian tribes hoping to restore salmon runs that once were crucial to their cultures, Klamath Basin farmers who depend on cheap power and water for irrigation, and California commercial salmon fishermen suffering dramatic cutbacks in fishing seasons from declining Klamath River salmon runs, met in Redding, Calif. They are seeking a deal to remove the dams with state and federal help.

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