Program News
Get Financial Help Between Jobs or During College
The General Assistance Program is not a Welfare Program. It is a secondary program to help individuals with their basic financial needs between jobs, or when they are enrolled as full-time students in college. Clients are required to submit a denial letter from any other sources, such as TANF (welfare) or unemployment before being eligible for General Assistance. Clients are required to actively seek employment. All job searches are required to have written phone number and authorized signatures for our office to complete verification. The job search form is our tool to verify that our clients are honestly seeking employment.

The General Assistance Program will start taking applications starting in September. Office hours are Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact George Youckton, General Assistance Case Worker, at 360-273-5911 ext.1572 to schedule an appointment.

Program Offers Winter Activities to Help Community
The summer programs are wrapping up! The Organic Vegetable project had limited funding so the producer was given to Head Start and the Elders only.

Thanks go to Austin (Cindy Beck’s Son) for volunteering his time at the Tribal Community Center. He assisted with the Physical Fitness Program this summer and the youth eagerly looked forward to play games he scheduled. My favorite game was when the youth ran to one end of the gym screaming; if they stopped screaming they had to stop running. There are lots of youth with healthy lungs, because many of them ran all the way down to one end without stopping. This was a fantastic program and I want to thank the Youth Center for participating, and supporting this program.

They were great.

Prevention Winter Calendar
Healing Circle is held at the clinic starting October 1 and every Friday at 1:00 PM. This is for adults who would like to read books on wellness, rent or just share or listen. This is a time to get support concerning Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco. Talking about how we will continue to be held at TELO at 3:00 PM every Wednesday.

If you would like help to stop smoking, please make an appointment at the Clinic or contact Ralph Wyman, Director of Public Safety at 360-709-1717 or email ralphw@chehalistribe.org.

Process Available to Assist Tribal Members
If you have been stopped and issued a citation by any officer outside within the boundaries of the Chehalis Reservation a copy of your citation is enough to transfer your case to Chehalis Tribal Jurisdiction. You can officially request a transfer of jurisdiction through our Tribal Law Enforcement to have your case transferred to our jurisdiction.

For more information on this process, contact Ralph Wyman, Director of Public Safety at 360-273-7051 or email ralphw@chehalistribe.org.

Programs Provide Resources for Back to School Celebration
The annual Back-to-School Celebration on Wednesday, August 18 featured a water slide for the children and academic and health information for parents as they prepare for the new school year. Party Outfitters supplied the slides and tribal departments provided information and gifts.

Chehalis Tribal Education Program
Over 120 students have signed up for the 2010-2011 Chehalis Tribal Education Program which provides help to students on a one to one basis. Program staff members work in classrooms with students as well as provide academic support to teachers, principals, and other school staff.

Community members are encouraged to sign up for the program. Tribal members students who sign up receive a $50.00 Walmart gift card. Parents can help students succeed as well by making sure their children get enough sleep, develop good study habits and maintain consistent attendance.

Domestic Violence Program
Lucky Eagle staff cooked a delicious barbecue at the Back to School Event with food provided by the Domestic Violence Prevention and Vocational Rehabilitation Programs. The Domestic Violence Program also donated backpacks to Head Start to help with the cost of returning to school.

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Baseball is Played Through August at Tomahawk Stadium
In Memory of the Chehalis Tribal Elders
By Fred Shortman, Editor
August was a fan-filled month of baseball at Tomahawk Stadium. The tournaments were small, but fun for both spectators and players. Baseball has been an important part of summer here and on other reservations for many years with families dedicating games to relatives who encouraged and taught them the love of the sport. Baseball tournaments keep players practicing to take the game to the next level, and practicing helps them focus on positive outcomes.

An added plus of baseball play is seeing old friends and making new ones along the way. As you walk around the field you hear the bantering and laughter of jokes and stories being exchanged, AIBD announcer’s loud voice echoing across Tomahawk Stadium. Winning tournaments in a plus, but the competition, fun, and displays of good sportsmanship are what makes a successful weekend tournament during a good of fashioned Indian baseball tournament.

Marvin E. Youckton Memorial Baseball Tournament
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2010 Youth Workers gain summer work experience
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Tribe Strives to Keep Restoring the Chehalis River Floodplain
- Over the last 200 years, people in the Chehalis River Floodplain have been changing the natural flood plain of the river. Farms, roads, railroads, buildings, and levees have all impacted the way the river moves, especially during floods. The Chehalis Tribe knows that the best way to prevent damages from floods is to give the river room to move. The Tribe also knows the importance of restoring the natural river floodplain.

This year we started a project called the Wickett Bike Removal - Davis Creek Restoration Project. This project includes removing 3,100 feet of levee, removal of existing non-durable flood control structures and installing a new bridge across Davis Creek. This will open up about 15 stream miles for salmon spawning and restore about 140 acres of floodplain.

The river levee was built by the previous owners of the Wickett Property. The previous owner built a dirt levee across the farm to prevent flood waters from covering his fields. The levee was up to 12 feet high in some places and up to 30 feet wide. The levee stopped the river from spreading out naturally during a flood. Davis Creek is a small creek that flows off of the hills to the southwest of the Wickett Property. The upstream stream of the creek is in great shape, but the downstream section was completely blocked by an old farm access road that crosses the creek. The road crossing eroded a fish blockage so salmon could not access the upstream section for spawning.

The Tribes Natural Resources Department was awarded a grant from the Salmon Recovery Funding Board to remove the levee.

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The 2010 Summer Youth Worker Program is the 6th Annual Youth Worker Program. Seventeen youth were hired to work for the Chehalis Tribe. The program is designed to prepare youth for the workforce by providing them with opportunities to work, learn, and grow. The youth were placed in various positions throughout the tribe, including the Portland Zoo, and were expected to learn teamwork, money management, and other skills while earning money. Interested youth were required to qualify for the program to be hired.

The Portland Zoo provided a great opportunity for the youth to learn valuable job skills while earning money. The youth were scheduled to work on Thursdays at their placement locations with Fridays set aside for mandatory classroom activities. At the Portland Zoo, the youth were responsible for feeding the animals, cleaning the enclosures, and learning about animal behavior and care. The youth also had the opportunity to work with other staff members and learn about the animal care industry. The Portland Zoo staff members were very supportive and helped the youth along.

This is my second summer as a youth worker. It started out as a way to earn money for me. I usually don’t like doing work, but I came to like it. It introduced me to being responsible, learning to be on time for work, and making friends with people. The feeling of accomplishment and the positive influences of each experience has helped me grow.

Last year I was assigned to work with the Tribal Wellness Center staff. My supervisor was Cindy Gamble. I started out working in the Resource Center and learned about filing systems and how they are used. Later I was reassigned to the Vocation Education Program with Ruth Churchill, Orinda Goddard and Karlea Youckton. We’ve been given duties from making collages for class activities for Dawn Boley, Domestic Violence Advocate. It has been great, allowing us to be creative and work on the computer. What a great summer worker experience!

My hardworking family keeps me motivated whether it’s my parents working, cousins, aunts, or uncles. I always think about how they don’t give up. I am looking forward to working for the next two summers to come, and this training will prepare me for full-time jobs in the future. The only part I don’t like at all about summer youth work is the leaving part. I get attached to people and I don’t want to leave. But I am glad to see my new friends while walking around the tribal center.

The 2010 Summer Youth Worker Program hired seventeen youth and was assigned to various tribal programs. Program highlights include:

- Performing different tasks for the Vocational Rehabilitation and Domestic Programs teams.
- Enjoyed working in the Resource Center.
- Worked with other staff members and learned about the animal care industry.
- Grew established connections in the workplace.
- Learned teamwork, money management, and other skills while earning money.
- Established connections with employers.
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Youth seen at the Portland Zoo, smiling and laughing in the T-Ball Division of the Youth Worker Program. Pictured here are volunteers John Tanzy and Jerry Youckton with kids in the T-Ball Division of the Youth Worker Program. The youth were seen laughing and smiling in the T-Ball Division of the Youth Worker Program. They were given T-shirts. Great Job! Youth Strives to Rise Above Peer Pressure

Chayse Youckton-Bonifer has grown his hair for two and a half years to donate to Locks of Love to help financially disadvantaged children with cancer who cannot afford hair pieces. When youth lose their hair due to cancer, a lot of issues affect them such as low self-esteem and lack of self-confidence. Hair pieces boost their morale and enable them to face the world and their peers.

In the first grade Chayse was growing out his hair to donate, but gave in to extreme peer pressure to cut it. He immediately regretted his decision. After that he was determined not to let others influence his goals. Growing his hair was a decision he made to help Cancer Victims. On May 8, his goal was to grow his hair to donate. His hair is now long and he plans to grow it out and do it again. He is very proud of his hair and his success. His commitment to help makes him feel empowered.
and the old St. Helen's Hospital in Olympia in 1981. In 1983, Dr. Sine became a member of the Upper Chehalis Tribe.

Dr. Sine completed his undergraduate studies at Western Washington University in Bellingham where he later trained at UCLA in Los Angeles program in Medicine. He has accumulated more than 1,500 hours of formal acupuncture training and treatment of chronic degenerative diseases.

Dr. Sine weaves the element of acupuncture into his daily medical practice by helping people with chronic pain from their knees and neck pain, and degenerative arthritis of the joints. While acupuncture does not cure the problems, it seems to help elderly patients maintain a more active and pain-free existence. Dr. Sine’s philosophy is to treat all patients with the respect and dignity.

Since his medicalschool days, Dr. Sine is a renown wildlife photographer and naturalist. As a licensed pilot he loves to get away to quiet locations to fish and hike. Dr. Sine says he is enjoying his time here and continues to look forward to working with the Chehalis Tribal community to meet their medical needs.

CHEHALIS RIVER FLOOD PROGRAM MEETINGS

Wednesday, October 27

Swede Hall in Rochester

Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.

Program Content: The event is open to the public. For more information, please contact Diana R. Pickernell, Loan Coordinator at 360-709-1631 or email dpickernell@chehalistribe.org.

DEPOSITION OF CHEHALIS ELDERS:

March 19, 1927, Oakville, Washington from Mary Heck, Dan Secena, Marion Davis, and George Ben

 Submitted by Elaine McCloud, Heritage Coordinator

DEPOSITION OF CHEHALIS ELDERS: Staff Profile: CTWC Doctor

Dr. Gene Sine, the medical doctor for the Chehalis Tribe Wellness Center, has a long history of working with the American Native population. A fourth generation Washingtonian, Dr. Sine's grandparents homesteaded on Whidbey Island where his great grandmother was the doctor for the Chehalis Reservation.

Aside from his medical practice, Dr. Sine is a renown wildlife photographer and naturalist. As a licensed pilot he loves to get away to quiet locations to fish and hike. Dr. Sine says he is enjoying his time here and continues to look forward to working with the Chehalis Tribal community to meet their medical needs.

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Clinic Doctor

Hospital in Olympia as a ‘First Surgical Assistant’ in general, orthopedic, and neurosurgery procedures. Dr. Sine later trained and graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles program in medicine.

This was a land of plenty; there was lots of deer and lots of fish; all kinds of fish. They had elk and bear and a whole lot of little game – bear and otter and ink and fish. We had lots of birds, grous, ducks.

Marion Davis was produced as a witness for the claimant and sworn to tell the truth. His occupation is that of a farmer, that he is 76 years of age, that his residence is the Upper Chehalis Reservation and a member of the Upper Chehalis Tribe.

The prairie produced roots that the Indians used to dig to use for food and roast them in the ground. It was full of berries – all over, straw berries on every prairie.

They gather the acorns and put them in black mud and prepare it for food. Another animal they used a good deal was what we now call the mountain sheep. The meat is used for food and the skin is used and sewn together and made into blankets and cloaks. They have otter and mink and muskrat skins and nobody from this tribe ever go get the mountain sheep.

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In the early days, of course – that was in my boyhood – they used these berries of ferns, berries, dried salmon, fresh salmon and so on, meats and all kinds of berries.

George Ben was produced as a witness for the claimant and sworn to tell the truth, through an interpreter. His occupation is that of a farmer, that he is 70 years of age, that his place of residence is Oakville, WA, and that he is a member of the Upper Chehalis Tribe.

The prairies were full of things that the Indians hunted. The character of the land outside the prairies was good and rich. The food plants the Indians eat grow good. They have lots of birds, grouse, and quails. They have lots of smoke. Smoke has pollutants in it.

When he goes hunting now; I go four or five miles. I never see nothing, only the game warden. I go back around the same track and go right to your house. You can’t kill no deer today out here. I will put you in jail and I will arrest you.”

When asked if they were any other matter relative to the case, he answered he would like to have full privilege of fishing and hunting in the tribal territory of older times without being interfered by authorities of the State and Government, for his own use – food.

The Government hadn’t made good what he had promised, still the authorities of the State and the Government are interfering with their rights.

If he catches a trout a little bit out of line, he will get arrested. That is all, I guess.
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Party Outfitters had many fun games for the children to play at the Back to School Celebration sponsored by our TELO Program. Krisha Pickernell and Jennifer Young seen here rolling Hunter Ortizev towards the pins in the bowling game.

The Domestic Violence Program provided information sheets, brochures, and an assortment of pens and pencils with contact information. They handed out window clings, memo boards, and giveaways to attendees. The Great Wolf Lodge donated a an opportunity for children and families to enjoy their Waterpark. The Lucky Eagle Casino donated three dinner buffets for the drawing sponsored by the DV program. Any questions about Domestic Violence contact Dawn Boley at 360-709-1574.

Vocational Rehabilitation Program

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program helped support the Back to School event. The program is completing the first year of its five year project with the Department of Education and is looking forward to new projects in the coming year. The objective of the Vocational Rehabilitation Program is to provide vocational rehabilitation services to consumers through informed choice in an environment where an individual’s strengths, priorities, concerns, and abilities are respected and the outcome is gainful employment in a competitive market.

If you are interested in obtaining more information or have questions about the program please call Barb at 360-709-1633 or Orinda at 360-709-1735.

Youth Center

Youth Center staff participated in the event by helping with the TELO Back to School Carnival. They distributed gift cards to Target for students as well as backpacks with the Youth Center logo. The backpacks went fast, but more have been ordered for students who did not receive one and signed up on the waiting list. If you signed up for a backpack you will be contacted when they arrive. If you have questions about Youth Center offerings call 360-273-9674.

Cultural Program Provides Backpacks for “Back to School Blow-out”

The Chehalis Tribe Cultural Program provided backpacks with a special design for Head Start children attending the “Back to School Blow-out” event on August 18th.

The backpack design was created by Jessie Gleason and features a totem with images of an eagle and whale inside it. The totem is symbolic of Native People and the images within its outline were carefully chosen.

The Eagle represents “illumination,” becoming enlightened through learning. In the center of the totem the whale represents the family. Whales travel in pods, or families, with larger whales protecting their children by swimming on each side of them. Jessie wanted to express: How families protect and teach their children, and how our Tribe works as a group to protect and teach our children. Diane Devlin and Sally Pikutuk added a logo around Jessie’s design that says: “Our children are our future.”

Baseball (continued from page 1)

Winners in the Men’s Division of the Marvin Youckton Sr., Baseball Tournament pictured was on the back right wearing light blue are first place Tomahawks and on the left wearing dark blue are the second place Willis. Photos by Charlotte Lopez

The Ol’ Man All-Indian Baseball Tournament is a dedicated to Ray Secena, Sr. who was a mentor to many baseball players. Baseball and fishing were his two favorite past times. Pictured below are Ray Secena, Sr. descendent who honor his legacy with a fun loving and gathering style of baseball of having fun and seeing friends and family.

The 13th Annual Ol’ Man All-Indian Wood Bat Baseball Tournament was held at Tomahawk Stadium during the weekend of August 27, 28, and 29 in honor of Uncle Raymond who died 14 years ago. Uncle Raymond loved to play baseball, and he also loved to fish and often provided fish as a gift for a newly family. He was respected by many people who honor his legacy with this tournament.

When Ray Jr. was asked why he chose strictly wooden bats for the tournament, he replied, “It’s a tribute to my dad, he didn’t like to use aluminum bats. It was pretty tempting to call it a fish club tournament.” Tournament players and spectators enjoyed a tournament feast on Saturday, August 25th. The smell of wood smoke wafted through the air as Don Secena cooked salmon at the fish pit in grand Chehalis fashion. Other dishes included: pork and beans, potato salad, corn on the cob, rice crackers and desserts.

No one went away hungry that day. Thanks to the Secena Family and their volunteers for putting on such a successful tournament and salmon feast.

Six teams competed in the Ol’ Man All-Indian Wooden Bat Tournament, finishing in this order: 1st Little Boston, 2nd-Nisqually, 3rd Puyallup, 4th Tomahawks, 5th Tomahawks IL, 6th Willis.

At the Youth Tournament the Chehalis Basin Little League team took the best two out of three in the Little League Division. Many agreed it was a lot of FUN!