



CHEHALIS TRIBAL

The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation
"People of the Sands"

NEWSLETTER

June 2012

Free

2012 Chehalis Tribal Days Memorial Baseball Tournament

Cemetery Clean Up: The morning of Friday, May 18 was when Elders, community members and employees met at the Community Center to prepare for the Memorial Weekend. After a prayer they moved out to their selected location. The sound of mowers, weed eaters and conversations could be heard throughout the four different cemeteries. This honorable tradition has been going on for many, many moons for those gone, but not forgotten. It's a time to share good memories from Elders who remembered the ones who passed on and learn about their family trees, never deterring from accomplishing their tasks. It was a good day!

Miss Tribal Days Pageant: On Wednesday, May 23 the Miss Chehalis Tribal Days Pageant was held at the Community Center. Tony Medina and his staff annual



Oakville Tomahawks, Lady Tomahawks and family members gather to honor in loving memory of Tomahawk Legend: Dale Klatush, Sr.

selection for our royalty again drew a large number of community and tribal members. Many participants came dressed in their personalized native regalia, giving their speeches on their family lineage and why they should be selected to represent the Tribe. Elders listened intently to each speech as they voted for the four finalist to be our princesses. Congratulations to the winners!

Chehalis Tribal Memorial Baseball Tournament: It was a busy two weeks in preparation for the Memorial Weekend baseball tournament referred to as "Chehalis

Tribal Days." It was three full days of baseball and softball played at our beloved Tomahawk Stadium. Mother Nature smiled down on the tournament with a sunny Saturday and a few overcast days with a few sprinkles. There were a few injuries during the weekend, but overall it was a great gathering to sit and visit with family rooting for your home team and watching some "Good Ol' Fashion Indian Baseball!"

There was a total of 20 teams that travelled to participate in this annual baseball tournament. Nine teams for the Men's hardball, nine teams for the Women's Slow-pitch and twelve Teams in the Coed softball. Teams gave it their all as they competed for the championship jackets for each division.

This tournament attracts native crafts, artwork and food vendors; creating a family atmosphere as they shopped, took a break to eat, and visit with family and friends throughout the tournament.

The Chehalis Tribal Days Memorial Baseball Tournament was dedicated by the Klatush

family in the memory for one our Baseball Legends, Dale Klatush Sr. who passed on before this tournament.

Salmon Pit: Volunteers were seen busy at the fish pit. Cooking our delicious spring chinook, clam and oyster plates and serving them up to awaiting customers. Due to limited supply,

The salmon plates were available on Saturday only. Great Job everyone!



Chehalis Tribal Days Princess for 2012-2013. Pictured (L-R) are Riley Smith, Payton Simmons, Ashley Parkinson, and Brooke Allen

Youth Activities: Saturday and Sunday you could hear the siren blasting across tomahawk stadium. Then came the thunder of little feet as they hustled over to the basketball court to enjoy what Youth Center games and prizes. All the youth came out a winner that day.

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Cemetery Clean-up Day is a time honored tradition in preparation for the Memorial weekend. It's great opportunity to learn from Tribal Elders as they shared memories while working in the cemetery.

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When Monday came around for the final day for those teams still in the tournament. Many players were tired, sore but still gave it their all. At the softball field players gave it their all with grit and determination

as many players were heard saying, "We play all day!" They did too, as women were seen competing in many games played that day in both the women's and co-ed softball tournament. It was a weekend

of comebacks as all of the loser bracket teams won the championship. Thanks to everyone who made this a successful tournament ending with a thundering fireworks show honored our Tomahawks legends.

The Youth Center had fun activities for youth to compete in during the Tribal Days weekend.



Tournament Summary

When the final game of the tournament ended, awards were handed out to each division: 1st Place received championship jackets; 2nd Place received hooded sweatshirts; 3rd Place received crew neck sweatshirts; 4th Place received T-shirts; All-stars received duffle bags; Special awards for MVP; Best Bat, Best Glove; and Best Catcher

Men's Hardball

Darrin Jones, Sonny Youckton Tournament Director
Russ Baker, Scorekeeper

1st Place- Little Boston Pistols
2nd Place-Little Boston

3rd Place-Rebels
4th Place-Tomahawks



Little Boston Pistols from Port Gamble S'Klallam won the men's hardball championship jackets. Coming through the losers bracket defeating the Little Boston Pistols in two games.

Women's Slow Pitch Softball

Cheryle Starr, Tournament Director
Carla Thomas, Dianne Pickernell, Scorekeepers

1st Place-Natives
2nd Place- Taholah Stars

3rd Place-Muckleshoot
4th Place-Cal Horizon



The Natives won the women's slow pitch championship. Battling back from the losers bracket and defeating the Taholah in the championship game.

Coed Slow Pitch Softball

Cheryle Starr, Tournament Director
Carla Thomas, Scorekeeper

1st Place-Taholah Stars
2nd Place-Cups & Cleavage

3rd Place- Muckleshoot
4th Place-Skokomish



The Taholah Stars won the Co-ed slow pitch championship. Battling back from the losers bracket and defeating Cups and Cleavage in a 9 inning championship game.

Chehalis Tribes 5th Annual Cancer Walk

By Orinda Goddard, Cancer Walk Coordinator

First of all, I would like to thank all the participants in the 2012 Annual Cancer walk.

The 5th Annual Cancer Walk was held on Sunday, May 27. We had over 200 walkers participate overall walking a total of over 400 miles for cancer awareness. There were 14 tribes represented throughout the walk. There were 45 raffle prizes that were donated for adults and 17 for kids. Everyone received shirts, water bottle, and a key chain.

The Cancer Walk route was changed this year, receiving a lot of compliments on how they enjoyed the new path. We had elders finish the walk which was a great sight to see. We have 12 community members that are all survivors or currently fighting cancer. There were 5 survivors that finished the walk. It was such a great success!

Thank You For the Donations

I would like to thank the following for their donations: Krazy Corn, Comp Cancer Program, Eagle's

Landing Hotel, Great Wolf Lodge, Lucky Eagle Casino, Nisqually Tribe, and Glenco.

The Tribal Departments that donated-Thank you: I.T., Women's Health, TGA, Culture, Youth, Clinic, Human Resources, Family Services, Diabetes, Colon Cancer, Community Events, Vocational Rehabilitation, Administration, Natural Resources, Newsletter and Planning.

Special thank you to the volunteers: Pam and Scott Youckton, Stacy

Youckton, Brenna Youckton, Winona Youckton, Derek Youckton, Veronica and Jarrod Johnson, Talisa and Russ Baker, Shannon Jones, Ray and Correna, Officer Kelly, Dan "Bones" Gleason, Joyleen McCrory, Cheryl Starr, and Derwin Goddard. These wonderful people helped make this walk successful.

I'm looking forward to next year's walk and hope that more people come out and support cancer awareness.



2012 Salmon Ceremony: Honor the Salmon People

Friday, May 18 the “Salmon Ceremony” was held at the original fish pit. The spring Chinook is a favorite salmon among many Chehalis Tribal People. Who would not love a delicious salmon dinner cooked in the traditional Chehalis style? The ceremony attracted many community members who came together to give thanks to the “Salmon People” for sharing a bountiful harvest.

The Fish Committee selected tribal fisherman to ceremonial harvest spring Chinook for the ceremony. It is considered an honor to fish for the ceremony. The first week didn’t produce many fish, but the fishermen’s patience and dedication was rewarded with ten fish caught in time for the ceremony. Excitement was in the air as preparations began. Elder Dianne Devlin, with the help of Elder’s Sally Pickutark and Evelyn Penn started working on giveaway items for everyone who was instrumental in making this ceremony a success.



At the Salmon Ceremony the spring chinook was cooked on an open alder wood fire in traditional Chehalis style.

The feast in honor of the “Salmon People” is what most community members attend.

Before the feast, the ceremony at the Chehalis River begins. The first salmon caught for the ceremony is filet and saved to be returned to the Chehalis River. This is the way we thank the Salmon People providing for our people. The “Salmon People” received prayers

and songs. We are saying in prayers the Chehalis People are a part of their tribe and we make our promise to them; to honor their homes and protect where they live. We also promise to take no more then we need. We sing songs to say the Chehalis are gracious and humble people and telling our fish brothers and sisters how important they are to continue returning to feed our people.

During the give-a-way we honored and recognized our leaders first. Business Committee members in attendance were gifted hand woven cedar basket necklaces with a jeweled feather attached. Followed by honoring the Fish Committee, Fisheries, Fishermen and people who helped with the event. Each was gifted a hand woven cedar basket necklaces with a small eagle feather attached to the basket. We recognized throughout the years each and every family in our community has been helped by the Chehalis tribal fishermen in times of need.

Tradition recognizes we are blessed by the oldest elder who come to witness the ceremony. This year Elder Katherine Barr who is 94 came to witness what we did. Every witness who attended was given a cedar carved salmon necklace to remember what was said and to share in the blessing we have from the Salmon People.



Tribal Health and Wellness News

■ 2012 Chehalis Tribal Health Fair “*Walking with you on your path to wellness!*”



The Health Fair attracted many vendors proving information and resources to inspire participants to live a healthy lifestyle.

By Christina Hicks, Community Health Coordinator

The Chehalis Tribal Health Fair was held on Wed. May 9, 2012, at the Community Center. The event was opened with a prayer from Dan Gleason Sr. then the new health director Doug Wangen was introduced to the community. The health fair was well attended by over 174 people to see what the wide variety of 56 vendors had to provide.

Upon arrival to the health fair a “Passport” was issued, which directed you to certain tables that were highlighted at the event. Upon completion of the passport each person earned a raffle ticket for the door prize items.

The health fair offered various health related information. There were free health screenings such as blood pressure checks (CTWC) or free blood sugar checks (SPDI). There was a mobile DSHS-CSO, which one could actually go inside and apply on the spot for food, medical or financial assistance. The mobile mammogram unit (Assured Imaging) was available for women age 40 and up to have a regular mammogram screening. The large

colon display allowed you to walk through and see the normal colon as it would progress to various stages of colon cancer, provided by Northwest Portland Area Indian health Board. There was a photo booth (CHP) that took a portrait and then framed the photo for you.

Some of the Chehalis Tribal programs that participated were: CTWC, Dental, CHS, Community Transformation Grant, Behavioral Health, Domestic Violence, Protective Services, Law Enforcement, Housing Authority, Vocational Rehabilitation Program, Rez Animal Resources and Education, NWWP, SPIPA Programs: Weatherization, CCCP, Tribal Bear, Colon Health, Olympic Area Agency on Aging.

Different agencies also participated: SHIBA, Lewis-Mason-Thurston AAA, Healthy Communities Foundation, Volunteer Chore Services, DSHS, Division of Child Support, Personal Service Providers, Liberty Country Place, Pope’s Kids Place, Alzheimer’s Association, Northwest Parkinson’s Foundation, JDRF, Together, Paratransit

Services, American Cancer Society, WA Relay, Puget Sound Affiliate of Susan G. Komen, Lewis Co. Breast Cancer Support Group, Providence Hospital and Medical Group, Big Brothers Big Sisters of SW Washington and many more. Care Medical & Rehabilitation Equipment offered a “Key to mobility & safety in using home and medical equipment”. Nisqually tribal community garden gave away veggie starts and offered Nettle Mint tea. Paddle to Squaxin 2012 was also present giving information on how you can volunteer at this year’s canoe journey. UW Native People for Cancer Control also had a table, they had a tree in which participants could write down on a leaf asked people to identify wellness practices that they already do or would like to incorporate in their lives. If you were lucky you also got to sit down and get a bit of a relaxation with Heal & Toes Therapeutic Reflexology, and Massage by Julia.

Some of the comments on the health fair were the impressive number of vendors and quality of the displays. “This fair was both educational and enjoyable which is a combination that not health fairs all achieve.”

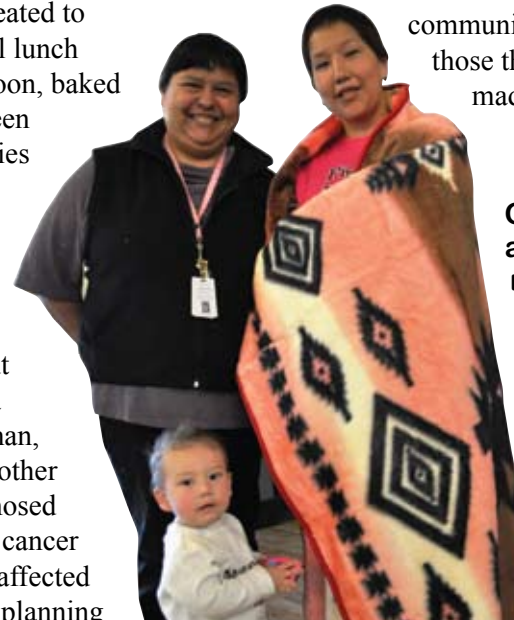
We were treated to a wonderful lunch served at noon, baked salmon, green salad, veggies and a roll.

Guest speaker, Sofie Sekishiro talked about her life as a young woman, wife and mother being diagnosed with breast cancer and how it affected her. She is planning

on participating in the Susan G. Komen 3 day walk in June. Sofie was honored with a blanket from the NWWP as a thank you for sharing her story and the importance of early screening in the prevention of cancer. One comment from a participate, “Your guest speaker on breast cancer really touched my heart, all the girls at our table were tearing up as she spoke about her recovery and family, I wish her all the best health.”

Passport Results: The passport asked specific health questions on the back here are the results: Do you smoke or use tobacco? Yes- 40, No- 104. Do you get at least 60 minutes of physical exercise a week? Yes- 102, No-38. Have you ever had cancer? If so, what kind: Yes-10 and Cervical, Breast and Skin. No-135. Do you do “Preventative Screenings?” Yes- 121, No-23. Did you find this health fair to be useful? Yes-144, No-0.

Thanks: This year’s health fair was made possible by a “Community Grant” from UW Native People for Cancer Control, I would like to thank them for giving the Chehalis Tribe this opportunity to bring all this information to our tribal community. Thanks to all those that helped out and made this a great event.



Guest speaker and tribal member, Sophie Sekishiro spoke about her life as a young woman, wife and mother being diagnosed with breast cancer and how it effected her life.

Wellness news continued.....

■ Is HIV a White Man's Disease?

In spite of the belief that HIV and other related sexually transmitted diseases are a "White Man's disease," the evidence points to this being a disease of people of color including the American Indian tribes.

Sexually transmitted diseases (STD's) occur in epidemic proportions in the United States, and the burden of disease is disproportionately high among minority race groups. In 2009, American Indians were just over four times more likely than Whites to get Chlamydia or Gonorrhea. These infections compromise not only individual well being, but the well being of the community as a whole. Testing and treatment are the keys to reducing disease and long term consequences of undiagnosed STD's. Increased STD screening and targeted awareness efforts are essential to build on current progress and reduce disparities.

High rates of sexually transmitted

diseases indicate high-risk behavior and vulnerability to HIV. People infected with an STD are 2 to 5 times more likely to become infected with HIV.

Women are more likely than men to contract genital herpes, HIV, Chlamydia, or gonorrhea. Women are biologically more susceptible than men to becoming infected if exposed to an STD, and STD's are more likely to remain undetected in women, resulting in delayed diagnosis and treatment.

The impact of STD's on teens is particularly notable. About two-thirds of new cases occur among 15-24-year-olds. By age 24, at least one in three sexually active people have had an STD. Teenage girls are especially vulnerable to STD's, which can more easily infect the immature cervix.

Untreated STD's can cause severe health consequences for women, including pelvic inflammatory

disease (PID), ectopic pregnancy, and infertility. Up to 40% of females with untreated Chlamydia infections develop PID, and 20% of those may become infertile.

As a tribal member, am I at risk for HIV? Because of factors such as rural geography, early sexual debut, close-knit sexual networks, and high rates of hepatitis C, substance use, and STD's, many experts now believe that HIV/AIDS is a "time bomb" that may reach epidemic proportions among Native communities. The number of American Indians and Alaska Natives diagnosed with AIDS has grown more rapidly than in any other ethnic group, increasing almost 800% from 1990 to 1999. In response, Tribes in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho have joined together to address this common concern by forming the Red Talon STD/HIV Coalition. The Coalition merged to create the Native Adolescent Health Alliance in late 2009. The Alliance meets

quarterly to share wisdom, data, and resources, identify and address common priorities, and develop strategies to eliminate STD-related disparities in addition to the prevention of suicide, drug, and alcohol use.

Visit Project Red Talon for more information and to obtain STD/HIV rates and trends among AI/AN's in the Pacific Northwest. Sexually Transmitted Diseases Surveillance 2009 has been published and is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/std/stats09/default.htm>.

Knowledge is power, and can be a means to strengthen the lives and well being of the tribal family members

"Give me Knowledge so I may have Kindness for All"
Plains Indian Proverb

Be Well . . . Willie O. Hunt ARNP

■ Early Screening in the Prevention of Cancer

The Chehalis Indian Tribe recently held their fifth annual cancer walk on May 27. Each participant who walked wrote down the names of those who have been affected by cancer and hung these names around their neck. While I was waiting to walk, I couldn't help but notice that there were a few cards that had many names written on them. It goes without saying that if you have lived for an extended period of time, chances are high that you have witnessed a friend or loved one lose their battle with cancer. The staff at the Wellness Center does not have a cure but, we can help with education and prevention.

Screening for cancer is an opportunity for you to take some control in preventing this disease.

Women are encouraged to get annual pap smears at 21 years of age or one year after becoming sexually active. Women also need to start screening for mammograms at age 40. Men, starting at age 50, are encouraged to get a colonoscopy annually. Everyone needs to see their physician once a year for a wellness check (physical). A full wellness check typically includes checking the prostate in men. It is recommended that men should have their prostate gland checked at age 45. This wellness check could prevent the start of cancer and help the medical provider in diagnosing other medical problems. If you have a relative who has been diagnosed with cancer, you are encouraged to talk to your medical provider about your family history.

This may prompt the provider to start screening you at an earlier age. Healthy behaviors (proper diet, exercise, etc.) will help to prevent not only cancer but also other chronic diseases.

The medical providers at the Wellness Center are here to assist you. This includes a medical provider who is present each Thursday that works exclusively with women's health. These medical providers will work with you directly or guide you in the proper direction, if needed, to obtain the necessary services. Community outreach staff who work here are passionate in making a positive difference in the health outcomes of the tribal community. Included in this community outreach is a colon

health program led by two members of the Wellness Center team. The community outreach staff can also help to provide educational material, answer your questions, guide you with proper nutrition advice, and lead you in community fitness classes.

The staff at the Wellness Center encourages you to take control of your medical well-being. Cancer screening is the best way to combat this cruel disease. We look forward to seeing you here at the clinic! On behalf of the Wellness Center team: Doug Wangen, Wellness Center Director

Thank you to Dr. Eugene Sine, Julianne Westlake, Pat Odiorne, and Christina Hicks for their contributions to this article.



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Seat Belts Saves Lives

Numbers. They're everywhere. From the price of a tank of gas to the bottom line on your pay stub, numbers matter. They help us see the significance in many things. But for some reason, there is a number often overlooked: the number of lives lost every year in traffic crashes. It's not a small number, either. In 2010, that number was 32,885 — of those, 22,187 were passenger vehicle occupants who were killed in motor vehicle crashes nationwide.

Fortunately, there is another number of great value — 12,000. On average every year, the use of seat belts in passenger vehicles saves approximately 12,000 lives. However, there are still far too many people who just won't buckle up, ignoring this number and the heavy weight of the associated loss of life.

This lack of seat belt use is a very real problem. Sadly, the number of unbuckled motorists is killing Native Americans, as 2 out of every 3 Native American passenger vehicle occupants killed in an average year were not buckled up at the time of the crash (based upon known restraint use). Over the 10-year period from 1999–2008, well over 6,000 Native Americans were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes across the nation!

Traveling unbuckled is also a major factor in fatal pickup truck and nighttime crashes. In 2010, well over half of the 10,647 passenger vehicle occupants who were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes overnight (6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m.)

were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the fatal crash.

And why are pickup truck drivers and passengers at a higher risk? Pickup trucks rollover twice as often as cars, and roll overs are one of the most deadly forms of crashes among passenger vehicles. Seat belts are better than 70 percent effective in preventing deaths in pickup rollover crashes.

Even with all of these numbers in favor of seat belts, every day numerous tickets are written to — and numerous fatalities are reported about — those who still do not buckle up. That's why from May 21 through June 3, officers from the Chehalis Tribal Police took part in the Click It or Ticket seat belt campaign, with other law enforcement from Thurston County.. Although tribal officers are out enforcing seat belt laws year-round, during this time tribal law enforcement intensified our efforts, making it a top priority to save more lives by cracking down on seat belt use violations. A ticket will definitely help those caught unbuckled to not forget the next time, because we tend to remember numbers when dollar signs are attached to them.

The Click It or Ticket strives to help lessen the number of preventable tragedies while reminding everyone of the importance of seat belts. For all ages, race and gender, seat belts save. Buckle up every time you go out, in every vehicle, on and off the reservation, and both day and night.

Fireworks Safety Tips to Protect Your Children

Fireworks and celebrations go together, especially during the Fourth of July. It is important to remember, Fireworks are not toys! They are explosives and they can cause devastating injuries.

As we kick-off another season of sales and fun please take a moment to remember nearly 10,000 people annually are injured and treated at emergency departments all over the country because of fireworks. Besides causing injuries, the National Fire Protection Association estimates that local fire departments respond to more than 50,000 fires caused by fireworks each year.

Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks without properly training them and appropriate parent supervision. Half of all fireworks accidents happened to children under the age of 16. Sparklers can reach temperatures hot enough to melt gold. Three sparklers together generate the same heat as a blowtorch. If you give a child a sparkler make sure they keep them away from their face, clothing and hair.

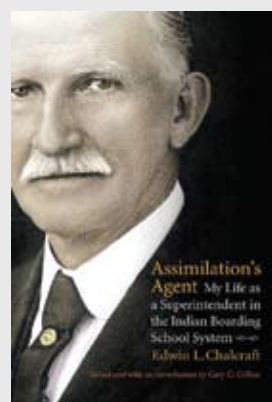
Here are some more facts and safety tips about fireworks to think about:

- Don't hold fireworks in your hand or have any part of your body over them while lighting. Wear

some sort of eye protection. The most common injuries are to hands, followed by the eyes and face.

- You see the explosion of a firework before hearing it because sound travels at 761 mph, but light travels at 671 million mph.
- The majority of firework related injuries happen at family or private parties.
- Never throw or point fireworks at other people.
- A rocket can reach speeds of 150 mph. A firework shell can reach as high as 200 meters.
- Point fireworks away from homes, and keep away from brush, leaves and other flammable substances. Soak all fireworks in a can of water for 15-20 minutes before throwing them in away.
- Never relight a dud. Don't let children pick up pieces of fireworks. They may still be ignited.
- Never try to make your own fireworks!

Fireworks are safer now than they have been in the past thanks to safety standards. Use, sell and enjoy them responsibly for the safety of everyone.



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Program News

Program Creates Opportunities For Tribal Members to Achieve Their Dreams

Chehalis Tribal Loan fund has been busy the last few months. We have started an Individual Development Account (IDT) for Tribal members. This is a match savings program, where you can set up an account and save up towards a goal of a future home, secondary education, existing, or start-up business. The program matches 2:1. What does this mean? Well if you can save \$50.00 a month for 12 months, you save \$600.00 and the CTLF program matches \$1,200.00; this would equal \$1,800.00 towards a payment toward new home, education or your business. The maximum amount to save up would be \$2,000; this takes time to save up, but in the future, you would have a goal or an asset that is your own.

CTLF will have other programs that are also in the beginning stages, such as Debt Consolidation loans, Credit Builders loans, Home Improvement Loans, etc. In 2013, we will be implementing a VITA Site program free tax preparation.

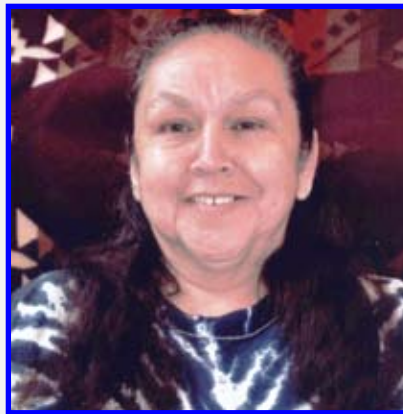
All of these programs have guidelines, and this is to help our tribal members build upon their

dreams. In addition, CTLF will have a new website page in the near future. So be on the lookout. Success Story: *Penny Gleason-Wheeler*

We have one Tribal member we would like to extend our congratulations to and this is Ms. Penny Gleason-Wheeler. Penny was born in Olympia, WA, has lived on the Chehalis Reservation for 25 years. Penny was previously employed in various jobs throughout the Chehalis Reservation, now she is currently employed as Maintenance Technician with the Chehalis Tribe.

Penny is now running her own business called *PeaceWorks*, which is a cleaning service on or off reservation.

➤ We asked Penny what her dreams were. She says, "For



Penny Gleason-Wheeler,
Tribal member

my business to be a success and to build my own home."

➤ If you have opened your own business, what advice would you have for other tribal members if they wanted to do the same? "Have confidence in yourself and get all the information and assistance you can from Chehalis Tribal Loan Fund program."

➤ Has it been easy for you to get work on and off the Chehalis Reservation? "With help from CTLF Director, I was able to get contracts off the reservation."

➤ How has the CTLF helped you? "The program gave me confidence in myself and be there for me to understand the business aspects."

➤ Do you feel Financial Education classes are informative? "The

classes are helpful and we are able to ask questions."

➤ Do you feel the CTLF is beneficial to Tribal members and the community? "I think that CTLF is very beneficial because it lets people realize that they can achieve their dream."

➤ Have you taken advantage of the other programs CTLF has to offer? "Not yet but I will in the future."

➤ What would you like to see from the CTLF? "I would like for other tribal members to have the same opportunity as I have. This is a very good step for US!"

With this interview and lot of hard work, our programs can be beneficial to help our tribal members work towards their dreams, assets, and goals. The programs are to achieve greater independence and economic well-being.

For more information or if you are interested in taking future classes contact the Chehalis Tribal Loan Fund program at 360-709-1631.

Tribe Hosts UW Native People Advisory Board for Cancer Control Site Visit

By Christina Hicks, Community Health Representative

On Tuesday, April 10th, Native People for Cancer Control Community Advisory Board & Steering Committee Annual Meeting was held, in the Gathering Room. The participants came from various states around the country: Lannesse Baker (UW), Heidi Brown (SPIPA), Dedra Buchwald (UW), Abigail Echohawk (UW), Colleen Echohawk (UW), Jeff Henderson (Black Hills Center for American Indian Health), Christina Hicks (Chehalis Tribe), Carrie Nass (UW), Robyn Pebeashy (UW), Jennifer Richards (Oglala Sioux Tribe), Renee Robinson (Southcentral Foundation), Angie Sam (Oglala Sioux Tribe), Jozieta Slatton (Arctic Slope Native Association), Kenneth Smoker (Fort Peck Tribes), Marc Taylor (Seattle



The Chehalis Tribe hosted a site visit for the UW Native People for Cancer Advisory Board. Top row Pictured (L-R) are: Carrie Nass, Dr. Jeff Henderson, Stephanie Pickernell, Cheryle Starr, David Burnett, Don Secena, Renee Robinson, Mark Taylor, Kenneth Smoker, Robyn Peheahsy, Abigail Echohawk, Jozieta Slatton, Amgoe Som. Bottom row (L-R) are Dan Gleason, Colleen Echohawk, D. Debra Buchwald, Lannesse Baker, Jennifer Richards, Jennifer Irving, Ming Zhao.

Indian Health Board), Ming Zhao (National Cancer Institute).

The group awarded the Chehalis Tribe with a Small Community Grant and picked two sites to visit and Chehalis Tribe was honored to be one site chosen. These groups work within their tribal communities and gave updates on their projects: Colon Cancer Research projects, Bioethics Supplement, Native Comic Book Project, Informed consent.

The Chehalis Tribal Business Committee joined the group for lunch and also participated in a group photo. Wrapping the visit up with a tour of the Wellness Center. We thank them for funding our health fair and for visiting our tribal community.

2012 Chehalis Tribal Spring Clean-up



On Spring Clean-up day employees targeted Howanut Niederman, Moon, Anderson, Balch and South Bank Roads to pick up road side debris.

On Wednesday, May 23 was the Annual Spring Clean-up day. Volunteers gathered at the Community Center to begin this worth while work to pick up trash along the reservation roads. Each participant received a raffle

ticked and treated to a meal at the Lucky Eagle Casino buffet. The eggs contained special awards that were left along the roadways. Congratulations and the roadways looked awesome!

Healthy Families Project Community Meeting

Thursday, June 21
From 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
At Community Center in the
Gathering Room

Door
Prizes



Dinner

For more information please contact
Beth Dodge @ 360-709-1627.

Everyone Welcome!!

Summer School & Youth Rec Programs

Starts July 9th – Sign Up Today!

Youth will enjoy 6 fun-filled weeks of educational and recreational programs including cultural arts classes, athletic competitions, field trips and much more!

You must fill out a permissions and guidelines packet in order for your child to participate. Pick up forms at the Youth Center or the Education Department to sign up. Questions? Call Nathan Floth at 360-709-1878.

Summer Youth Employment

Applications Due June 23

Submit completed applications to the Human Resources Department located in the Tribal Center no later than 4:00p.m. on 6/23/12. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Applications available at Tribal Center, Human Resources Department & Youth Center

Employment begins on July 9th with orientation at the Tribal Community Center. Work locations will be at Tribal Administration, Casino, Enterprises, Great Wolf Lodge, and local community organizations. Employment ends August 24th.

For More Information Contact:

Chehalis Tribe Human Resources Department:
420 Howanut Road; Oakville, WA 98568
Phone: 360-273-5911 Fax: 360-273-3861

Eligibility: If you are a Chehalis Tribal Member who is at least 14 years of age and currently in school, or a recent high school graduate, you may be eligible for the Summer Youth Employment Program.



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ACTIVITIES**

***Special sessions for 5-7 year olds!!**

We are a state licensed facility and accept DSHS. SPIPA funding is also available for those who qualify. Private pay costs are very reasonable and we will work with you.

Please contact Tawni Willis or Rikki Sisk to assist you with your childcare needs at 360-273-5514 or 360-709-1889

Attention: Native American Crafts People

The Lewis County Historical Museum in Chehalis would like to sell local Native American handmade crafts in the Museum gift shop. The gift shop has locking show cases available to protect items.

**Items needed are jewelry,
beadwork, baskets, glasswork,
woodcarving or any other
types of craft work.**

For more Information
contact:
Johanna Jones,
Director at
360-748-0831

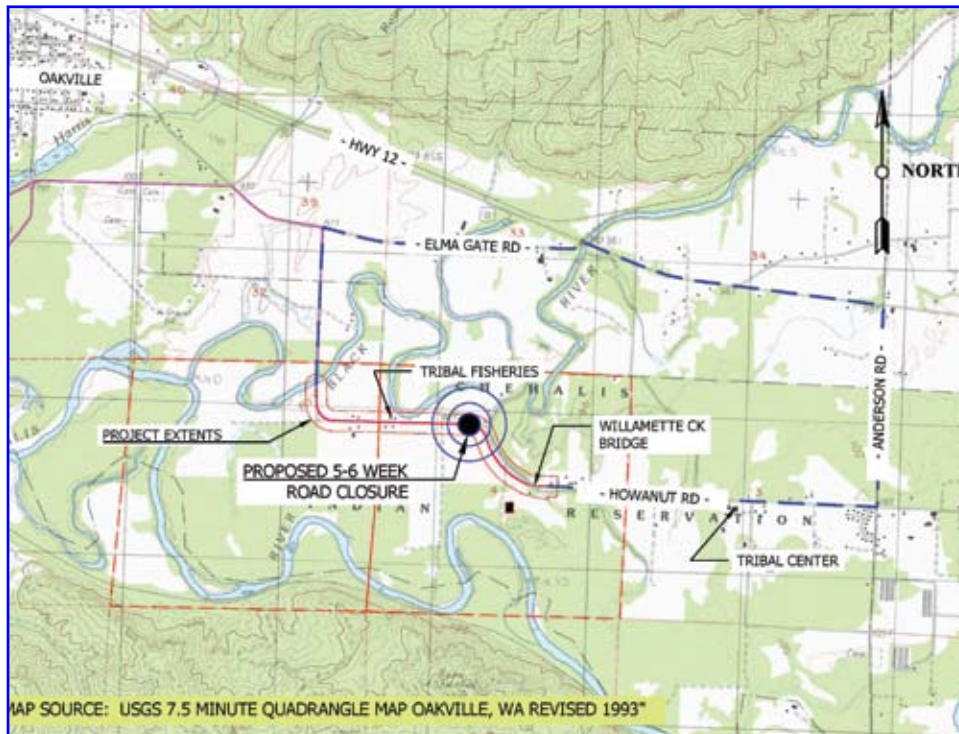
Road Projects

Community Input Needed on a Temporary Road Closure for the Howanut Road Realignment Project

By: Kayloe Dawson, Transportation Planner

This summer the Howanut Road Realignment project is planned for Construction from roughly June 15th to October 15th. The project rebuilds and realigns the existing road from the Willamette Creek Bridge to the Black River Bridge. The project also replaces a small bridge structure East of the Tribal Fisheries building.

In order to facilitate construction and to avoid excessive project costs and risk, it is proposed that during the replacement of the bridge structure, for roughly a 5 week time span during August and September, Howanut Road would be closed at the bridge structure. This closure will require drivers to go around the closure via U.S. Highway 12. The Contractor will be required to maintain access to all affected



This map explains proposed road closure for a 5 week time span during August and September. Howanut Road would be closed at the bridge structure.

residents living in or adjacent to the project work area. It is estimated that by closing the road during construction the Tribe will save approximately \$50,000 and also speed up construction and better ensure the project stays on schedule. The alternative to this temporary road closure is to build a diversion road around the bridge work area.

Please tell us how this possible road closure will affect you by contacting Kayloe Dawson at 360-709-1767, by email at kdawson@chehalistribe.org, or by visiting the Planning Department offices.

Due to the advancing project schedule, comments on the proposed road closure will be received until July 10, 2012.

Road Construction-Harris Creek Culvert Replacement Project

By: Kayloe Dawson, Transportation Planner

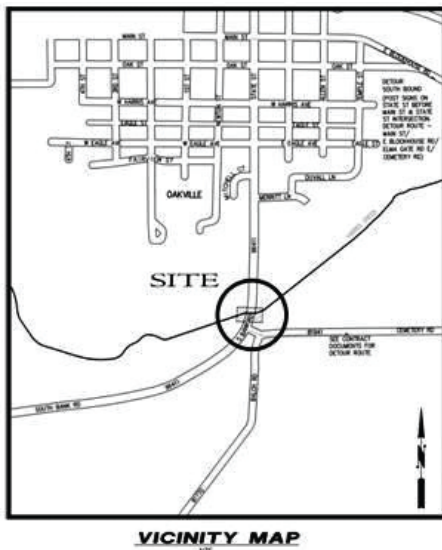
This summer the replacement of three existing metal pipe culverts at Harris Creek on South Bank Road is scheduled. The purpose

of this project is to improve fish passage and reduce upstream flood impacts by removing the constriction represented by the existing undersized culverts. The replacement structure will be a series of concrete box culverts spanning a total length of 98 ft. The project has an open fish window from July 15-Sept 15th where work below the ordinary high water line is allowed.

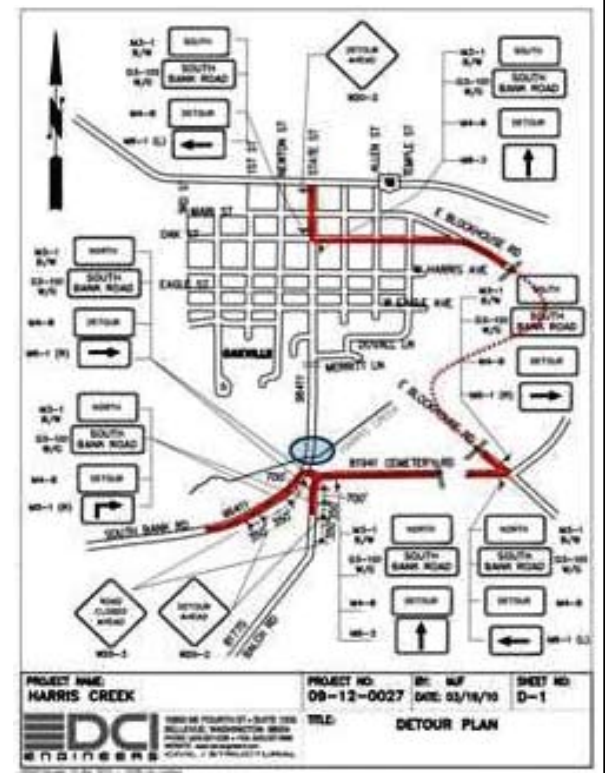
A total of 5 Construction Contractor bids were received on May 24th where the apparent low bidder was the Tribe's own- Confederated Construction Company, LLC.

The project will close South Bank Road for an expected 8 week time span anticipated to begin in mid to late July. Detoured traffic will be routed around the project site over to Oak Street, Blockhouse Road, and Cemetery Road according to the project detour plan shown.

For more information, please call Kayloe Dawson at 360-709-1767.



Alternative Route



Happy Birthday to Tribal Members Born in June!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Eric Beckwith Mario Robles	2 Payton Albert Roberta Combs
3 Billy Uden	4 Suzzanne Ortivez Nikki Sanders	5 Zach Baker Leroy Boyd	6 Allen Andrews Dustin Couillard Tyson Hoheisel Michael LeClaire	7	8 Tyler Beckwith Donna Choke Loyala Davis David Dupuis Lee Starr, Sr. Winona Youckton	9 June Jones Charlotte Karl Emily Pickernell
10 Jeffrey Klatush Duane Williams, Jr.	11 Malena Canales	12 Paul Klatush Lindsay Shadle	13 Leona Clary	14 Jeremy Klatush Rachael Mendez Levi Sanchez, Jr. Rick Sanchez	15 Keziah-Maray Gleason	16 .Warren Beckwith Charles Blacketer Latisha Boyd Susan Sanchez Brendon Torres Raquel Wellman
17 Marilyn Johnson	18 Adam Lower Anthony Youckton Stacy Youckton	19 Beverly Bishop Kaylena Delgado Sonya Sherman Cheryl Stein	20 Barnaby Canales Darian Washburn Marvin Youckton	21 Harold Pickernell, Jr. Bailey Revay-Fern	22	23 Jordan Eichelberger Erica Esselstrom Anastasya Lukianov Danika Pickernell Edward Sanchez, Sr. Heather Youckton



Chehalis Tribal Enterprise

Job Openings

Any offer of employment is conditional on the candidate passing a drug test, criminal records check and background check. Any felony conviction, written or oral false/untrue statement, or material omission in the recruitment and selection process will disqualify an applicant from consideration. Continued employment is depended on maintaining a clean and drug or criminal record check. Application and job information are availably by contacting Human Resources at the address and number below. Any application not completely filled out will not be considered.

For more information please contact Lindsey A. Fern, HR Assistant at 360-273-1251 or Email: lfern@chehalistribe.com

Continuously Accepting Applications:

Eagles Landing Hotel

Housekeeper: Maintain hotel rooms. Clean guest suites in an allotted time period using the proper procedures and chemicals as determined and provided by management. Education: High School diploma or GED. Experience: Familiarity with housekeeping including sanitation, laundry operations, and guest services.

End of the Trail Convenience Store:

Store Clerk: Support the operation of the End of the Trail store by providing excellent customer service that meets or exceeds customers' expectation. Assist customers with merchandise service and Operate POS Cash register and price and stock merchandise. Education: High school diploma or GED. Experience: General experience in related areas compatible to position duties.

United Gospel Church

Camp Meeting

August 2-5

at the Little White Church.

Everyone Welcome

For more information contact Marie Bird, Minister

Chehalis Tribal Newsletter

The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation...
"People of the Sands"

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and serving current
and future generations*

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Pet Vaccine Clinic

At the Community Center

**Saturday July 14th
at 3:30**

For all
enrolled
tribal
members
and anyone
living on the
Chehalis
Reservation

**Free pet exams,
vaccines and flea tx**

Step 1

Call (253) 370-6392 to schedule your pets
appointment or talk to Amy in the Planning
Dept.

Step 2

Bring your pet to the Community
Center at your scheduled time

Provided by:
Rez Animal Resources & Education
and
Ford's Prairie Animal Clinic

