Programs Combine Fun and Resources for Families at Back-to-School Celebration

On Wednesday, August 21, the Chehalis Community Center Baseball Complex hosted the Annual Back-to-School Celebration. It was a beautiful, sunny day for those who came out to enjoy the activities.

The Kidz-N-Motion Entertainment and More, LLC provided fun games for the children to challenge themselves physically and mentally. The children were seen smiling and playing on the various slides and obstacle courses. The most challenging was the rock climbing wall. The children had looks of grim determination as they scaled the wall in order to get to the top. The sound of the buzzer echoed across the complex as the children successfully accomplished their goal of reaching to the summit. The smile of achievement

Tuesday, August 21 was Native

Nisqually, Suquamish, Puyallup,

American Day in Safeco Field

at the Mariners game. The



Programs gave out back packs and gift cards to assist families in preparing for the upcoming school year.

lit up their faces as they returned to the ground.

The youth workers volunteered their services at the cotton candy, popcorn and snow cone stations.

Tribal Canoe Families Gather Sharing Their Heritage and Spirituality at Safeco Field

Chehalis tribal canoe families

joined together to participate in

this honorable celebration. Native

American Day is special to many

The group of kids kept them busy while standing in line for treats.

The youth did an awesome job!

of baseball. There is no better way

for a fan to go to a Mariners game

and also be able to give tribute to

an awakening culture. Some say it

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Parks and Recreation Meeting Was a Success

By Jenee Penn, Grant Writer

On Tuesday August 20 a planning meeting was held at the Chehalis Tribal Community Center to plan future parks and recreation projects on the reservation. We had an amazing turnout with more than 50 people in attendance! Proposed project sites for a playground on Tahown, walking trails and an offroad vehicle park were presented. Meeting participants were also given a parks and recreation survey to complete.

The information collected at the event will guide future planning efforts. Jenee Penn is developing a Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan for the Chehalis Reservation. This document will enable the tribe to apply for park and recreation grant funds. If you are interested in serving on a Parks and Recreation Planning team please let Jenee know. We need a number of individuals who participate in a variety of recreational activities like hunting, quading, fishing, walking, and of course sports!

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Muckleshoot, Tulalip and the who love the time honored game Continued on Page 2 ROOTSPORTS ROOTSPORT

Coastal Salish Drummers, Singers and Dancers entering Safeco field in honor of Native American Day at the Mariners game.

and of course sports!

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It wasn't all fun and games though. It was also an opportunity to visit program personnel at the booths. Information was provided on what resources different programs have to offer each family. Networking is very important in assisting students to achieve their academic goals during the upcoming school year. The Youth Center and Education Program handed out gift cards and back packs. The gift cards helped families purchase school supplies for the upcoming school year.

It was a great family-oriented event! Thanks everyone, keep up the good work.



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is a show! Some say it is a gimmick! Some just say WOW!

It was a long day for the many volunteers who came to sing, drum and dance on Safeco field before the start of the night's game. In preparation for the performance the intertribal canoe families practiced in order to make the allotted time frame for the performance.

It was the greatest six minutes for those that came to make their

presence felt through their music, dance and prayers in a traditional manner. It was an opportunity to make a spiritual connection, as the drummers, singers and dancers entered the field. It was a moment to remember. Performers were dressed in full regalia, representing

each tribal canoe family sharing, breathing and living the experience of our tribal and coastal traditions for everyone to witness.

Thanks go to the canoe families and the Mariners for honoring of Native Americans everywhere.



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Tribal Members discussed, viewed. and voted on the proposed Parks and Recreation Plans at the Community Center.

Prior to the park and recreation planning meeting, youth were given surveys to complete. Dozens of surveys were administered. Here are the results, in order of preference, from the 47 children who completed the survey:

What do you want to see added on the reservation?

Batting Cages

New Park Bike Paths

Outdoor Basketball Court

Dog Park

Walking Trails Skateboard Park

Would you want to do any of these things?

Boxing

Cooking Classes

Karate

Nature Walks

Swimming Lessons

Skateboard

Dance Classes

Thank you to the members of the Planning Department who helped facilitate the meeting. And thank you to the members of the community who attended and made the meeting a success!

If you are interested in joining a Parks and Recreation Planning team or if you have questions please contact Jenee Penn at 360-709-1620 or e-mail jpenn@chehalistribe.org.

Vosper Community to Receive New Playground Equipment

The Planning Department will soon begin construction on another playground on the Chehalis Reservation!

Residents of the Vosper community were asked to give input on potential park locations. Thank you to all the community members that took the time to give feedback including the many residents on Sickman Loop

and the members of the Housing Committee. Community input is essential to developing parks for everyone to enjoy. The newest park will be constructed on Site 22.

Construction will begin soon and be completed by December. Similar to the park across from the Tribal Center, this new park will have toys for children of all ages including monkey bars, swings, slides and a spinning toy along with a sitting area for parents.

No traffic disruptions are expected with this project.



Program Available to Assist in Discovering Your Family Lineage

The Heritage Department is offering assistance in tracing your family tree. Bring the information you have and we can get started tracing as far back as we can in your lineage.

Also bring in your old photos and have them scanned and copied so we can document your family history.

To date we have been working on the Gleason, Klatush, and Penn family trees. It's so interesting to see how our families all connect to each other.

We are located in the Community Center in the Library area. For more information contact Lynn Hoheisel, Heritage Coordinator at 360-709-1748





If you recognize anyone in these photos, please contact Lynn Hoheisel, Heritage Coordinator

Tribal Health and Wellness News

Diabetes Program Starts Tenth Year

The Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) will begin its tenth year on October first. This Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) was modeled after the original Diabetes Prevention Program sponsored by the National Institute of Health. This three year scientific study demonstrated a 58% reduction in diabetes for the participants with pre-diabetes.

Changes were made in the "Lifestyle Balance" curriculum to make it a better fit to Native Americans. The purpose of this adapted Program was to demonstrate that Type 2 Diabetes could be delayed or prevented in Native American Communities. Native Americans have a 1 in 5 chance of developing Diabetes in their lifetime.

In 2004 the Chehalis Tribe was given the SDPI Diabetes Prevention (IHS) grant to begin the Demonstration Project in our community. After 3 years of planning and adapting the curriculum to Native Communities, the "Lifestyle Balance" classes were

started at the Chehalis Tribal Clinic and Wellness Center. The Project demonstrated that diabetes could also be prevented or delayed by 58% within Native Communities. With the high incidence of diabetes in Native Tribes this outcome was significant.

In these classes the participants learn about Healthy Eating and Exercise. The goal is to help participants to slowly lose 10-20 pounds. This small amount of weight loss will usually result in lowering their fasting blood sugar and thereby lowering the risk to developing diabetes. To date, in the Chehalis Tribal Community there have been 31 participants have started the Lifestyle Balance; 21 have completed the program with no conversions to Type 2 Diabetes.

How can you qualify for the "Lifestyle Balance" Program? Get your blood sugar tested at a screening event or better yet come to the clinic and ask to have it checked. Pre-diabetes is diagnosed with a Fasting Blood Sugar of 101-124 done at the clinic. Pre-diabetes

qualifies any Native American over 18 years to do the Program. The Program is an easy and fun way to "Get Healthy." For more information call the Chehalis Tribal Wellness Center at (360) 273-5504 and ask to speak with Gloria Jones or Pat Odiorne.

Good Morning Ladies and Gentlemen!

Just a brief note on the Back-to-School event that Pat Odiorne and Gloria participated in. We had a very nice turn out at all tables. Handouts on pre-diabetes and diabetes were given out as well as key chains and duffle bags to the middle school and high school athletes. Leroy and Shannon gave out t-shirts, water bottles, and small footballs. Christina Hicks gave socks, sunscreen and handouts for the next mammogram clinic. Trisha Shipp gave hand sanitizers and had a raffle for those over the age of 50.

All in all it was a great turnout and am we are looking forward to more of these type events here on the reservation.

Wait One Year For Your Family's Health

If you just had a preterm birth, the risk of having another one is higher. These five steps can help reduce the risk

- Take folic acid every day.
- Treat and prevent gum disease.
- Find healthy ways to reduce stress in your life.
- Stop smoking.
- Use a reliable birth control method.

Why it's important for you and your baby

Waiting one year before getting pregnant again

- Reduces the risk of another preterm birth.
- Allows your body to fully recover from pregnancy and birth.

A full-term pregnancy (at least 39 weeks) is best for the complete growth of a baby's

- Brain, lungs, and vital organs.
- Eyes and ears.

Planning for a future pregnancy

Meet with an obstetric health care provider within six weeks of your last pregnancy, and before you get pregnant again.

http://www.doh.wa.gov/ YouandYourFamily/ WomensHealth/Pregnancy/ WaitOneYear.aspx

Clinic Staff Profile: Community Wellness Manager

My name is Christina Hicks. I am an enrolled member of the Chehalis Tribe. I have lived here all my life and worked for the Tribe for over 19 years.

My new title here at the Chehalis Tribal Wellness Center is Community Wellness Manager. I oversee the Prevention Programs here at the Clinic. The Prevention Programs are Native Women's Wellness Program, SDPI (Diabetes Prevention), the Diabetes Program,



Christina Hicks Community Wellness Manager

the Outreach Prevention Specialists, the Community Transformation Grant, and Colon Health. I love working for our tribal community in the health field. I look forward to working closely with all the programs.

If you have any questions regarding any of these programs, please feel free to contact me at my direct line, 360-709-1741, or email me at **chicks@chehalistribe.org.**

Mammogram Clinic

Tuesday, September 24 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the CTWC

Tuesday, October 8 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the CTWC

Assured Imaging will be here for the Mammogram Clinic. If you are due for your mammogram please call the clinic at 360-273-5504 to schedule your appointment.

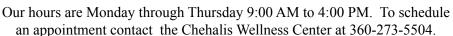
If you're a woman age 40 and up and haven't had one in the past year, please call Christina Hicks to see if you are eligible for a Mammogram.

Healthy Teeth - Healthy Life

Consistent dental care is essential to your well-being. Our Program is available to take care of your teeth. With a proactive approach you can avoid costly and time consuming procedures. Please schedule an appointment.

Our dental program can help with

- Common Dental Procedures
- Diabetes and Oral Care
- Gum Disease
- Oral Care for Children
- Oral Health Basics
- Sensitive Teeth
- Tooth Whitening







Community Health Walk

Every third Thursday of the month, the Diabetes Prevention Program has a community walk in competition with the other tribes Diabetes Prevention programs. Any physical activity can count as long as you sign up and do at lease 30 minutes of physical activity on the day of the walk.

Sign up sheets in the work out area for those who chose to be active independently or in the work out center. Raffle for all participants (drawing will be next day at noon).

For additional information, or to sign up in advance please contact the Chehalis Tribal Wellness Center 360-273-5504.

Attention: Chehalis Tribal Members

Indian Wills and Estate Planning Services are now being offered to all Chehalis Tribal Members who are 18 years and older.

This service is without cost to Chehalis Tribal members who currently do not have a Will.

Please call Christina Hicks at 360-709-1741 to set up an appointment and get the paperwork needed to get started.

WIC Program

October 3 November 7 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

For more information contact Deb Shortman at 306-709-1689

DSHS Program

Every Tuesday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

A representative from DSHS will be available. Contact the Chehalis Tribal Wellness Center at 360-273-5504 to schedule an appointment.

USIDA Food Distribution Dates

October 17 November 15 December 20

Pick up is at the Community Center from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. For more information contact Deb Shortman 360-273-5504

September 8-14 is National Suicide Prevention Week

Data / Statistics

Suicide is a sensitive issue, but one that is of great concern to many American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities. Data suggest that suicide is a significant problem throughout Indian Country, particularly among Native youth, males, veterans, and elders. From 2002-2006, the average suicide death rate was highest among AI/ AN aged 10-24 years at 27.72 cases per 100,000. In the Northwest (ID, OR, and WA), suicide is the 8th leading cause of death for AI/AN people and the 2nd leading cause of death for AI/AN's ages 15-24 years (this is the same for AI/AN youth throughout the U.S.).

We Are All Here for a Reason

Suicide is a big issue in the American Indian community today. In this complex and often overwhelming world, people sometimes find themselves feeling hopeless, as if their lives are insignificant, as if they don't matter. But each of us matter. Our lives have a purpose. The creator put you on Mother Earth for a reason. If someone you know is experiencing problems and may be thinking of suicide, your help can redirect them from hopelessness to wellness.

What to Look For

Knowing what to look for and the warning signs of suicide are crucial in being able to save a life. There are many signs that someone may show if they are feeling that life is too much. Some of these include thinking or talking about suicide, anger, and withdrawal from those and things around them. So if you see any of these signs get help immediately.

You Can Help

If you think a friend or family member may be thinking of suicide, you can help. It is important to take action; you can make the difference between life and death.

What To Do

If you see the warning signs of suicide in someone you should take immediate action. The first step is to talk to your friend or family member. This will help you assess the level of crisis in their life, whether they are in the early stages of suicidal thoughts or in immediate danger of hurting themselves.

If you feel the person isn't in immediate danger, acknowledge the pain as legitimate and offer to work together to get help. Make sure you follow through. This is one instance where you must be tenacious in your follow-up. Offer to help find an elder, community leader, educator, or doctor. Participate in making the first phone call, or go along to the first appointment.

Call Tsapowum Chehalis Tribal Behavioral Health at: **360-709-1733** for appointments or referrals.

Begin Talking About It

Your willingness to talk about suicide with a friend or family member can be the critical first step in prevention. Many people who are depressed cannot recognize their symptoms; you have to be their eyes and ears. You need to let your family member or friend know they can feel better, that suicidal thoughts are temporary and that there are people who can help them. If you don't know how you should start the conversation, here are some questions to ask your friend or family member:

- "Do you ever feel so badly that you think about suicide?"
- "Do you have a plan to take your life?"
- "Have you thought about when you would do it (today, tomorrow, next week)?"
- "Have you thought about what method you would use?"

You can also talk to an elder,

community leader, spiritual leader, teacher, physician or other trusted individual that can help you get more information and find help. Overall, help for someone you care about should be a team effort. Treatment should include those listed above as well as family members, friends, community members and any other significant people in your friend's life.

Never keep a plan for suicide a secret

Don't worry about the person you care about getting mad at you. You have bigger things to worry about—someone's life might be in danger! It is better to violate a confidence than it is to lose a loved one. They may later thank you for saving their life

Don't try to minimize problems or shame a person into changing their mind

Trying to convince a person that what they are feeling is not that bad, or that they have everything to live for may only increase their feelings of guilt and hopelessness. Let them know that help is available, that

suicidal feelings are temporary, that they are important members of the community, and that life can get better!

A suicidal person should see a doctor or mental health professional immediately. Calling the Native American Youth Hotline (877-209-1266) is a good first step towards getting the help you need. Calling 911 or going to a hospital emergency room are also options to prevent a suicide attempt or death. You can also call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255).

For more information:

http://www./npaihb.org//epicenter/project/thrive

http://www.saveorg



Call 24/7 1-800-273-8255

"Life is and always will be SACRED"

Chehalis Tribal 2nd Annual Suicide Prevention/Awareness Walk



Sunday, September 29 Starts at 10:30 AM Meet at the Gathering Room



Join us for a Memorial Walk in honor of Suicide Prevention Month

Walk will be followed by a lunch in the Community Cent.

Special Guest Speakers

RezHeads: Jason "Smoke" Nichols and Melissa "MiMi" Nichols Come support our families raising awareness to suicide prevention. Guest speakers. Food provided.

Sponsored by DBHR G2G Prevention Grant via Tsapowum Chehalis Tribal Behavioral Health 2513-13Community Services Block Grant via Chehalis Tribal Social Services

And the Lucky Eagle Casino

To All Organized Groups and/or Charities

Interested in Raising Funds? You can by providing the dinner at the next General Council Meeting! Please be prepared to provide for 40-50 people. You will need to provide dinner, beverages, plates, napkins, and utensils. Dessert are always appreciated!

If interested please contact the Business Committee Executive

Assistant Erin Delgado. You can e-mail me at edelgado@ chehalistribe.org or call me at 273-5911 at Extension 1841.

The next meeting is coming up fast so please let me know a.s.a.p.! Remember you have to be an organized group or charity. No individuals!

Drivers, Think Safety First to Protect Children at Bus Stop

With school beginning drivers should be aware. What is the most dangerous part of the school bus ride? The bus stop! Children are at greatest risk when they are getting on or off the school bus, because they become easily distracted and may start across the street without warning.

- Don't understand the danger of moving vehicles.
- Can't judge vehicle speed or distance.
- May be blocked from view by the bus.

School bus safety tips for drivers

- Prepare to stop when a slowing bus has its overhead yellow lights flashing
- Stop at least 20 feet away for busses when red lights are flashing
- Slow down in or near school and residential areas
- Look for clues such as safety patrols, crossing guards, bicycles, and playgrounds that indicate children might be in the area
- Watch for children between parked cars and other objects

School Bus are like traffic signals

- When overhead lights are flashing yellow: Prepare to stop
- When overhead lights are flashing red: Stop
- When hazard warning lights are flashing: Proceed with caution

School bus safety tips for students

- Always stay in sight of the bus driver
- Don't hurry off the bus; check traffic first
- Don't go back to the bus after exiting

Additional school bus safety information is available from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration American School Bus Council



Disclaimer: All dates and times are subject to change. Please call the contact numbers to verify the information regarding the event.

Free Firewood Available to Tribal Members!

Glen Connelly – Environmental Programs Manager

Tribal members can get a free firewood gathering permit at the Chehalis Department of Natural Resources. There's a pile of logs ready to be cut up into free firewood, all you need is a permit. You can cut up to 2 cords of wood for your household use. (The firewood cannot be sold and the permit holder must be present while cutting it up.)

Dry Firewood Burns Cleaner - Seasoned (dried) wood burns hotter and cleaner in your fireplace. This means more heat in your house, less soot in your chimney, and less smoke blowing towards your neighbor. Here are few reminders:

- Split your wood now and it will dry before this Winter.
- Store your wood off the ground, so air can circulate and dry it. (Old pallets work great.)
- Cover the wood pile with a tarp, or build a wood shed to keep the rain off of it.
- Never burn garbage, or wood that has been painted or treated. They produce toxic chemicals.

Wood smoke is the leading source of air pollution in our area and we all create some of it. Every little bit we do to reduce pollution from wood smoke makes your community healthier for the elders, the children and those folks with respiratory illnesses. So don't wait, get your firewood cut now, so you'll be ready for the season. Do your part and burn clean, dry wood.

Burn Ban Still in Effect

Although it has been raining, the warm weather is expected to return for most of September, so the Burn Ban is still in effect. We will post flyers at the tribal stores and tribal center when the Burn Ban is lifted.

For more information please contact Glen Connelly, Environmental Programs Manager at the Department of Natural Resources at 360-709-1554.

Chehalis Tribal Newsletter

The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation...

"People of the Sands"

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Chehalis Tribe's Vision Statement

To be a thriving, self-sufficient, sovereign people, honoring our past and serving current and future generations

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Happy Birthday to Tribal Members Born in September

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Karlea Youckton		Julie Miller		Eligah Quilt	Billy Palmer	Kelsey Potter
		Sean Shortman		John Secena	Robert Vigil	
				Roxanne Thompson		
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Chris Ortivez		Ruth Rogers	Nancy Romero	Norita Comeaux	Mason Combs	Billie Higheagle
Walter Pickernell-Daniels		Darrin Starr	George Sanchez, Jr.	Joaquina Coty	Gary Gunnels	Malikah McNair
Jake Tanner			Freddie Sanchez, Jr.	Ethan Owens	Nick Purcell	
				Jason Slighte, Jr.	Cody Revay	
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Trudy Marcellay	Ruben Lopez	Timothy Poling	Jimmy Burnett	Cammi Canales		Roger Shortman
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			Hernandez	Allen Jones		
			Jason Medina	Theresa Youckton		
			Eli Snell			
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	Richard Romo, Jr.					
	Bette "Sheena" Tanner					





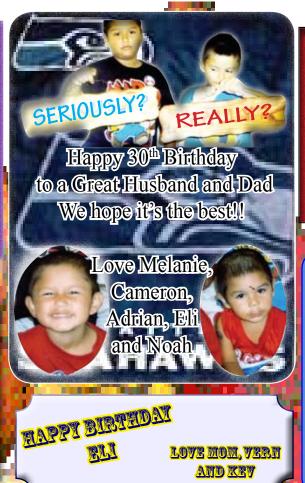
From all your sisters

Happy Birthday wishes to:

Charlie Phillip Latch III September 30th

> Thillip Gonzales September 25th

> > Love Gramma



Happy 36th
Birthday
to my Lil Brother
Sam Wright
With Love from
Ma, Lu, G,
Doobz, Snaz,
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the kids





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Love Nom, Johnie and Savanna

Chehalis Thibal Loan Fund News

IDA - Savings Match Program

If you meet income guidelines, (if you qualify for earned income on your taxes you will meet the guidelines), you may qualify for a savings match program with CTLF. You can use this program for

- A business, which includes fireworks inventory and more
- A down payment on a home. We can assist you with cleaning up your credit as well as to qualify for the Housing programs.
- Higher education, including tuition, a computer, etc.
- We now offer a savings match of 4:1. So if you save \$100.00, we match it with \$400.00.

You must save for a minimum of 6 months, be employed, and be a Chehalis Tribal member.

We now offer the Savings Match program to youth!







Julie Burnett, Executive Director 360-709-1831 Diana Pickernell, Loan Coordinator 360-709-1631

The Chehalis Tribal Loan Fund is now accepting applications for

HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS

Maximum Loan amount: \$25,000.00.

See us for terms and loan rates

Criteria:

- 1. Chehalis Tribal Member
- 2. Homeowner
- 3. Title Insurance
- 4. Appraisal Report
- 5. Verification of income, including copies of tax returns, proof of employment
- 6. Must have 3 bids from licensed contractors, and a construction contract signed off by CTLF
- 7. Verification of bank balance
- 8. Copy of deed or home buyer certification
- 9. Credit Report
- 10. Homeowners Insurance
- 11. All loans must be auto pay with either employer or your bank

Borrowers are responsible for obtaining all required building permits and other applicable fees.

Buying a car? It pays to do your homework. By Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson

Summer is in full swing, and so are car sales. Buying a car can be an overwhelming and intimidating experience. For many consumers a car — new or used — is the single most expensive purchase they ever make.

Buying a car can be a process fraught with peril as some unscrupulous sellers try to take advantage of even the most savvy of customers. Last year alone, my office received nearly 1,000 complaints related to auto-buying transactions.

The Attorney General's Office (AGO) is here to help safeguard consumers from fraud and unfair business practices — including providing information to help you confidently navigate the car buying process. Here are a few tips.

Determine the car that's best for you.

What kind of car is best for you and your family? What is your monthly budget for car payment, gas, insurance, and maintenance? Knowing your budget and the car that's best for your lifestyle before you shop will prevent you from being upsold into something you can't afford.

Identify your target sales price —

walk away if you don't get it!

Research a fair price for the car you want before visiting the dealer. Establishing your target price will give you confidence during negotiations with the dealer.

Check out the car dealer's reputation.

Before you walk into a dealer, make sure they're in good business standing with the Better Business Bureau (www. bbb.org). This is the first way to avoid a scam.

Aggressive or deceptive sales tactics

- **buyer beware.** Remember you are in charge and are free to walk away.
- Holding keys. Watch out for the salesperson who avoids returning your keys or driver's license after evaluating your trade in. The goal is to keep you from leaving. They have no right to withhold your property.
- Requiring cash deposits. You do not need to provide a cash deposit to show that you are serious about buying.
- *Binding statement*. You are only bound to a contract after all the

- detailed terms are in writing and you have agreed to, and signed, the final contract. Do not believe otherwise.
- Multiple salespeople. Some dealerships may pressure you by using different salespeople or engage in long negotiations to tire you out. You are always free to leave and return a different day.

Understand your financing.

Know the difference between leasing and buying. A lease is not simply another way to buy a car — you are actually agreeing to rent the vehicle long-term. Getting out of a lease early is a very expensive way to go. You may also owe big bucks at the end of the lease

Shop around for loans. If you buy, compare the loan rates and terms offered by the car dealer to other banks and credit unions. Securing pre-approved financing may help you avoid buying more vehicle than you can afford.

Check out warranties. Is there a manufacturer warranty? If the vehicle is not under a manufacturer's warranty, ask what the service contract covers.

You do not have to buy the service contract from the dealer. Get all promises in writing.

Know the Lemon Law. You also have protections under the Washington State Motor Vehicle 'Lemon Law,' which helps new vehicle owners who have substantial continuing problems with warranty repairs. The law allows you to request an arbitration hearing through the Attorney General's Office at any time within 30 months of your vehicle's original retail delivery date — at no charge to you!

Make it work for you. Remember, you don't have to sign anything. You can always walk away if you don't find the right deal for you. Arming yourself with information will put you in the driver's seat, not the dealer. The car you drive off the lot must be what's best for your lifestyle and budget.

When unscrupulous businesses don't play by the rules, the AGO will hold them accountable. In the unfortunate event you are the victim of scam, contact my office to file a complaint at www.atg.wa.gov/FileAComplaint.aspx.

Staff Profile: Emergency Management Coordinator

Greetings all! My name is Cal Bray, I am currently serving as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Chehalis Tribe and I am a tribal member. My program's objective is to reach out to the



Calvin Bray
Emergency Management
Coordinator

community to educate, inform and increase public awareness regarding their understanding of the various ways to prepare for possible natural hazards.

The tribe is unique in that we

are located on the far ends of two counties as well as within a known flood plain. It is my hope that we, as a community, can become more selfreliant and self-sufficient during times of

emergencies. I look forward to working with everyone within our community in helping build better habits that will improve the tribe's ability to respond to and recover from any crisis that may occur.

Emergency Management Plan

Emergency Information Phone Line 1-866-623-8883

When do I call the Emergency Phone Line? Any time you are concerned about adverse weather, power outages or other emergency situations.

For power outages call: Grays Harbor PUD: 1-888-541-5923

Thurston County PSE 1-888-225-5773

If your interested in learning more about the emergency management plan. We are looking for more volunteers to assist in case of an emergency.

Please contact Calvin Bray, Emergency Management Coordinator or Ralph Wyman, Director of Public Safety at 360-273-7051 or stop by the Public Safety Building.

Early Warning System Link

Check out the new link on our website - Chehalistribe.org. Click on Resources and follow the directions to the Early Warning System Link. This link provides current and up-to-date information.



Chehalis Tribal Emergency Operation Center gives updates on Emergencies through facebook.

Is Your Home Prepared for the Upcoming Winter Season?

It won't happen here. We can have a tendency to think that disasters will not happen where we live. Recent years however have proven it can - severe winter storms, floods, and extended power outages have occurred across our state. We must accept this as reality and assume responsibility by taking action to prepare ourselves, our loved ones, homes, pets and neighborhoods



ONE HOUR

of disaster preparedness activity

EACH MONTH

helps you be ready for disasters – whenever they occur.



www.emd.wa.gov/preparedness/prep_prepare_year.shtml

Compelling photos. Streaming videos. Illustrated step-by-step instructions

A complete list of local offices of emergency management can be found on our wesite at

 $www.emd.wa.gov/preparedness/prep_neighborhoods.shtml$



Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation Foster Family Licensing Program

BECOME A FOSTER PARENT

UPCOMING Foster Parent Training

"Extending our Families through Unity" is based on traditions and cultures of Indian people. It is designed to address issues Native American foster parents have identified as important. In Native cultures, children are considered sacred beings. The underlying philosophy of this training is to help children grow to meet their potential in mind, body, spirit and emotions.

GROUP SESSIONS:

SEPTEMBER 24th, 25th, & 26th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

CALL OR STOP BY FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP FOR THE UPCOMING SESSION

> Contact: Kim Burdick, Foster Care Licensor 360,709,1782 kburdick@chehalistribe.org

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SPIPA Healthy Families Project Presents:

POSITIVE INDIAN PARENTING



Every Tuesday beginning

September 10 through October 29

5:30 - 7:00 PM



CLASS SCHEDULE

9/10/13 - Traditional Parenting
9/17/13 - Lessons of the Storyteller
9/24/13 - Lessons of the Cradleboard
10/1/13 - Harmony in Child Rearing
10/8/13 - Traditional Behavior
Management

10/15/13 – Lessons of Mother Nature 10/22/13 – Praise in Traditional Parenting

10/29/13 – Choices in Parenting

To Sign Up Contact Beth Burnett Office: 360-709-1627 or Email **bdodge@chehalistribe.org**

Community Transformation Grant (CTG)



The goal of the Community Transformation Grant (CTG) is to work with the residents of the Chehalis Reservation and the community of Oakville to look at our community and see where we can make healthy changes.

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The CTG staff are guided by a Community Coalition made up of community residents, and a Leadership Team of local and regional leaders.

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The grant process began with talking with community residents, gathering data, and conducting surveys. We collaborated with other groups. Then we started conducting our own activities such as Community Gatherings and Health Screenings.

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We invite you to participate with our community 's transformation. It is easy to participate-take part in one of our exercise activities, Personal Opinion Surveys, or come to a Community Gathering or a Coalition Meeting. We do want to hear your voice. Transformation will not occur without it!



Contact Information: Cindy Gamble (360) 709-1658 Shannon Sullivan (360) 709-1771 Leroy Boyd (360) 709-1773





Emergency Preparedness Event

"Accidents Big or Small, Avoid Them All!!"

The Community Transformation Grant would like to invite the communities of Oakville and the Chehalis Reservation to participate in our Emergency Preparedness event.



October 24th from 3:00-6:00 PM in the Community Center's Gathering Room.

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2013 Marvin E. Youckton, Sr. Memorial Baseball Tournament



This was a 25th year tourney held in August, in our dads memory, Marvin F. Youckton. It was another wonderful tourney living our dad's dream!!! We

had many sponsors who helped make this a success. On behalf of the family I would like to thank everyone!

> Charlotte Lopez





Ol' Man Wooden Bat Memorial Tournament 2013

This was our 16th year celebrating our father's love for baseball and fishing. The wooden bat hardball tournament only drew in four local teams, but that was good. That meant at least the jackets would stay home this year. Congratulations go out to the Rebels for winning this year's tournament; they fought a long, hard battle to victory. The championship game was a good one.

Both teams played very hard. This is what our father would love to see. Good baseball and good food!

The fish dinner on Saturday went on without a hitch. There was plenty of food, with exception to Georgette's fry bread and chili. They always go first. There was, however, plenty of fish. We would like to thank Dan Jones and John Youckton for

helping Christopher and Don with cooking the fish. Chris said he learned a lot from them both and was very grateful for the opportunity to learn. Thank you to all those who donated food. It was very well received and devoured by everyone.

Thank you for coming out and enjoying good baseball and good food. See you next year.

The Secena Family

Tournament Results

Champions - Rebels 2nd Place - Chehalis Team 3rd place - Tomahawks 1 4th place -Tomahawks 2

MVP went to "Ray Ray" Lopez Best Pitcher went to Shawn Youckton

Tournament Results



Champions were the Rebels



2nd place went out to the Chehalis team

All Stars: Rebels: Tony Youckton, Alex Youckton, Dominic Angwood, and Rueben Lopez Chehalis: Ryan Burnett, Gary Ortivez III, Leroy Boyd, Joe Wittwer Tomahawks 1: Dustin Klatush, Nate Newton, Jared Newton, Josh Tomahawks 2: Dale Klatush Jr., Dale Klatush III (aka Smokey), Jordan Bird