



CHEHALIS TRIBAL NEWSLETTER

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

November 2013

Free

Vendors Provide Resources and Information to Communities in Case of Natural Disasters

By Shannon Sullivan, CTG Coordinator

We all know every year we get flooded in and have power outages. The Community Transformation Grant thought it would be a good idea to inform the community about natural disasters. The CTG staff took on the challenge of the Emergency Preparedness event in hopes that people think about natural disasters and how to prepare for them. Over 100 community members from Oakville and the tribal community visited the informational tables getting tips on emergency preparedness.



Oakville Residents sign in before visiting the vendors providing resources and information at the Emergency Preparedness Event.

The Community Transformation Grant hosted the Emergency Preparedness event

on October 24 at the Community Center. The event was a great success with all the vendors:

Emergency Preparedness for the Chehalis Tribe, Chehalis Tribal

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Youth Program Annual Pumpkin Patch Trip Makes for a Great Fun-filled Family Day

On Friday, October 11 the youth center travelled to Schilter Family Farm in the Nisqually Valley in Olympia. This is an annual event for children and their families to select their pumpkin to carve for the upcoming Halloween.

Children were seen climbing on the hay bales for a photo session. They enjoyed the hay ride and going through the mazes. Parents were seen smiling taking pictures. All the while the children played, explored and enjoyed the



Children enjoyed the day at the pumpkin patch climbing on the big hay bales at the Schilter Family Farms.

other fun activities the farm has to offer.

Tony reminded the kids, "You can have any pumpkin you want, but you need to be able to pack it out yourself."

After leaving the farm, they all went and enjoyed pizza afterwards. It was a day well spent doing family activities.

Thanks Tony and the youth center for providing such a great day!

More photos on page 10

Getting Smart About Indian Education Means Looking for Alternative Approaches

By Jerad Koepp and Jason Medina

Public education has failed the Indian for 150 years, yet so many of us continue to put faith in its reform. We have become too familiar with the disappointing statistics. According to the National Indian Education Association, only 71 percent of Natives have a high school diploma and of those, only 44.6 percent of males graduate with a regular diploma. For those high school graduates, only 11 percent earn a bachelor's degree.

Each year, tribes across the United States contribute millions of dollars to their local school districts hoping an increase in funding will provide better educational opportunities to Native students. And each year the statistics remain unchanged. Some tribes have even taken the courageous step of creating their own schools—unfortunately often with the same results as the public schools. The fault does not lie with our students but with the method

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Housing, 211, Office Depot, Oakville Fire Department, Red Cross, West Thurston County Fire Department, Lucky Eagle Casino, Grays Harbor Emergency Preparedness, Canning by Mary Sanders, Crisis Clinic for Thurston County and Mason County, Thurston County Emergency Management, PUD, Oakville Timberland Library, Rez Animal Resources and Education, Grays Harbor Fire Department #1, and SDPI Prevention.

CTG had a health screening table which screened for blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol, we screened 36 community members. That is the most screened among all the events we have done. Thank you Mary Weber, Pat Odiorne, Trish

Shipp, Sandra Burnett, and Cindy Gamble for making that happen. These screenings are going to be very helpful in our community health needs assessment. Thank you to all community members who participated in that.

We had a homemade stew, chicken noodle soup, yeast wheat rolls, and Jello with fresh fruit prepared for everyone throughout the event.

I am so glad this event was a success! I couldn't have done it without all of my helpers! Thank you to all who helped out to make this event happen. I also want to thank the vendors who brought amazing information to share with the community.



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of instruction and the institutional failure built into public education.

Rather than continually funding failing schools and districts, we must embrace alternatives. Our students thrive in project-based learning environments, where what they learn can be tied to immediate practical application. Student success and achievement should be based on progress rather than failure to meet state standardized test scores. Tribes must exercise their sovereignty in education.

For many Natives, education is about survival and not the delayed achievement of future goals. Native students also learn with all of their senses and the spiritual, physical, and emotional sides must be educated as much as the mental. What works for Native students works for all students, but only tribes have the ability to adapt and

fund progressive, student-centered education that works. Tribal schools are a great start but often fail to provide the intended opportunities to students because they are too often facsimiles of the culturally illiterate public schools. We must not only teach our culture, but culturally teach.

Imagine a tribal school built upon truly transformative education. Integrated curriculum taught by culturally literate, highly-skilled teachers and administrators. Imagine a school built around not only college, but also career and technical education with ties to relevant tribal enterprises and departments. Whether for college or career we must educate our children to be leaders in our communities. Imagine a Native student who loves science and excels in a class that works with tribal fish and wildlife. Here, education meets immediate

application and a career. There is no need to “teach to the test” because effective, culturally relevant teaching is the bedrock of this system.

Tribes have many options in rethinking education, including creating project-based, holistic, and career focused tribal schools, creating a liaison school with a neighboring school district, or hiring certified, culturally literate teachers for tribal education departments. We can’t extol a universal right answer or model without simultaneously forgetting our diversity as Native peoples. What works for the Apache may not work for the Seminole. Our education programs must necessarily be as unique as the people they serve. The methods are proven. How we choose to use them will determine our outcome.

In addition to the many educational

alternatives, tribes need to put as much attention into hiring. Continuing to hire culturally-illiterate, dominant culture teachers will only reproduce the same problems. For 150 years, we have sent our students, by choice or by force, to public schools in good faith with no return. It is time we take our children back.

Jerad Koepp and Jason Medina are certified teachers in Washington State. Medina is a career and technical education teacher and Koepp is a middle and high school social studies and history teacher. Both have committed their careers to Indian education.

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2013/09/30/getting-smart-about-indian-education-means-looking-alternative-approaches-151443>



November is American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. Heritage Month is a time to celebrate the rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people. Heritage Month is also an opportune time to educate the general public about tribes, to raise a general awareness about the unique challenges Native people have faced both historically and in the present, and the ways in which tribal citizens have worked to conquer these challenges.

This provides an opportunity for Native Americans to share their history, culture, traditions, music, crafts, dance, and concepts of life. The month also seeks to recognize Native American contributions and to ensure cross-cultural, educational dialogue between the “First Americans.”

What started at the turn of the 21st century as

an effort to gain a day of recognition for the significant contributions Native Americans made to the establishment and growth of the U.S. has resulted in a whole month being designated for that purpose.

In 1990 President George H. W. Bush approved a joint resolution designating November 1990 “National American Indian Heritage Month.” Similar proclamations, under variations of the name (including “Native American Heritage Month” and “National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month”) have been issued each year since 1994.

In 2013, President Barack Obama proclaimed “November 2013 as National Native American Heritage Month. I call upon all Americans to commemorate this month with appropriate programs and activities, and to celebrate November 29, 2013, as Native American Heritage Day.”

Challenge Yourself to Learn More

Challenge yourself to read and learn about the history of your tribe and Native Americans during American Indian Heritage Month, read biographies of famous American Indians, learn more about your tribe and culture, and find stats and facts about other tribes and reservations. There is so much more to learn.

Some Suggested Resources about Native American Heritage Month

<http://www.infoplease.com/american-indian-heritage-month/#ixzz2kjTrGu00>

NativeAmericanHeritageMonth.org

studentmedia.uab.edu/2013/11/celebrate-native-american-heritage-month

Tribal Health and Wellness News

Making Holiday Traditions Healthy

The holiday season is about family and food—and all too often, adding a few extra pounds around our waists. Many of us will gain 8-10 pounds between Thanksgiving and New



■ Choose fresh fruits and vegetables to use in your dishes.

Smart Choices

■ Outsmart the bird. Reach for the more white pieces of meat; they have fewer calories and less fat than the darker ones. Save calories by not eating the skin.

Years. Planning ahead for that “Turkey Day” meal, you can make it tasty but also healthy. Get other family members involved to find recipes for those favorite holiday foods. Working together to prepare the meal makes for fun and great family memories. Below you will find some ideas that may help you with menu planning for that special day.

Smart substitutions for your favorite holiday meals:

For Baking

- Instead of butter, substitute equal parts cinnamon-flavored, no sugar added applesauce.
- Use lower-calorie sugar substitutes.
- Substitute low fat, skim milk or skim evaporated milk instead of whole milk or heavy cream.
- Instead of using only white flour, use half white and half whole-wheat flour.
- Instead of adding chocolate chips or candies, use dried fruit like cranberries or cherries.

For Cooking

- Use small amounts of vegetable oil such as olive or canola oil instead of butter.
- Use whole-grain breads and pastas instead of white. Bake, boil, broil or grill meats instead of frying.

■ Keep portions in check. A serving of meat is 3 oz., about the size of a deck of cards. Be conscious of how much you put on your plate, and pass on second helpings.

■ Watchout for the gravy train. Turkey usually comes with gravy, which can add excess fat, calories and sodium. Limit gravy to a tablespoon, and keep it off other items, like the dressing.

■ Call it what it is. Dressing is intended to be a complement to your meal, not an entrée. To keep calories and excess in check, aim for a 1/4 cup portion (or about half a scoop with a serving spoon).

■ Desserts: Treat yourself right. Enjoy a sweet or two by “sampling” instead of having a full serving. Sharing with friends or family members is another way of staying “in control.”

Above all—have a great Thanksgiving!

For questions or additional ideas contact:

Pat Odiorne, Nutritionist
Chehalis Tribal Wellness Center
(360) 273-5504

Article from the
2013 “*Holiday Healthy Eating Guide*”

Mammogram Dates

with Swedish Mobile Mammography

Feb 19, 2014

Mar 18, 2014

May 6, 2014

For more information contact Christina Hicks
Community Wellness Manager, CTWC at
360-709-1741

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.

WIC Program

November 7

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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

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.

USDA Food Distribution Dates

December 20

Pick up is at the Community Center from
10:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

For more information contact Deb Shortman
360-273-5504.



On Thursday, November 14 employees wore pink in support of finding a cure for National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Community Transformation Grant Meeting (CTG)

All Tribal Members Are Welcome!

If you are a community member interested in being part of the “Communities Transform to Make Healthy Living Easier” contact: Shannon Sullivan at 360-709-1771 or email: ssullivan@chehalistribe.org.

Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month:

**Wednesday, December 11
2:00-3:30 PM
at the Eagles Landing Hotel
Conference Room, 5th Floor**

Letter to the Chehalis Tribal Community

Hello Chehalis Tribe CTG Community Coalition,

I am very sad to inform you that I have resigned from my position at the Chehalis Tribe. After 6 years, and working several positions here, it is time to move on.

I am especially sad to leave our CTG Family. After 2 years of capacity building, we are ready to turn up the intensity on our CTG Community work on the Chehalis Reservation and in Oakville. It was very gratifying to hear our CDC Project Officer tell us in a recent call that the Chehalis CTG Project “is sitting pretty,” that we are in good shape, and have done a good job.

As you all know, Capacity Building is a critical process if we are working towards meaningful change. I believe that the CTG staff, especially our 2 community member staff—Shannon Sullivan and

Leroy Boyd, have really assisted in the successful capacity building process. Shannon and Leroy are going to be able to carry this work on. They live in this community, they know this community and they really care about what happens here.

We also have support from Jhon Valencia, our first Community Coalition Coordinator and now CTWC Director, and Christina Hicks, the new Community Wellness and Prevention Manager, and other members of the Prevention Team and the CTWC staff.

It is important for us all to remember that the old way of doing things has not worked—we are still overweight and obese, not physically active enough and not eating as healthy as we could be—which results in chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, arthritis and so on. The

Community Coalition members and the CTG staff, along with the CTWC Prevention Team, must continue this hard work of planning and implementing environmental change on the Chehalis Reservation and in Oakville. To help “*Make the healthy choice the easy choice,*” as they say.

Some of the upcoming events that CTG is facilitating, participating in or supporting include: Monthly Cooking Demonstrations at the community center, the Biggest Loser Competition, Zumba classes at the Oakville School, Health Screenings, Chronic Disease Self-Management classes in Oakville, and other Community Gatherings.

The Community Coalition members have given good direction on the work we have done and will continue to do. We have exciting days ahead—working on the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System survey, having Mark Fenton come and work with

the community on how to build walking and biking trails, work with the Head Start parents and other community members on cooking skills, and Healthy Recipe cooking demonstrations monthly, hire a communication staff and develop a plan to begin targeted health messaging, and the physical activity and healthy eating (community gardening). It will be a busy year! I will truly miss being a part of it.

It has been so good to work with each and every one of you. I really do love this work, and I know that the good work will continue, especially with your participation and guidance. I do hope you will continue to support Shannon and Leroy and the CTG work.

Thank you again for all of your hard work and participation. It has been such a pleasure to work with you!

Respectfully, Cindy Gamble,
M.P.H. Community Transformation Grant Manager



Enjoy Safe Holidays With These Keep the Party Off the Road Tips

Keep the Party Off the Road: *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*

Drunk driving is a killer on the roads all year round, but data shows that the tradition of celebrating the holidays with alcohol leads to an increase of traffic crashes and resulting deaths and injuries.

■ From Dec. 13, 2013, through Jan. 1, 2014, state and local law enforcement will be out in force cracking down on drunk drivers.

■ Nationwide, the holiday season is a particularly deadly time due to the high number of drunk drivers on the roads. In 2011, 760 people lost their lives as a result of drunk-driving-related crashes during the month of December.

■ During the Decembers from 2007 to 2011 there were 4,169 people killed in crashes that involved drivers with a blood alcohol concentrations of .08 grams per deciliter or higher.

■ According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 32,367 people were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2011, and 31 percent (9,878) of those fatalities occurred in drunk-driving-related crashes.

■ Drinking and driving endangers yourself, your passengers, and those on the road around you. Whether you've had one or one too many, always hand the keys to a sober driver.

The Consequences of Driving Drunk Are Deadly Serious

■ Driving while impaired is a crime that seriously risks your safety and the safety of those around you. Whether you have had one too many or are way over the limit, drunk driving is not worth causing a traffic crash, serious injury, or worse—death.

■ The legal and financial costs of driving while impaired can

be significant. Drunk-driving violators often face jail time, the loss of their driver licenses, higher insurance rates, and dozens of other unanticipated expenses ranging from attorney fees, court costs, car towing and repairs, and lost wages due to time off from work.

■ Refusing to take a breath test in many jurisdictions results in immediate arrest, the loss of your driver's license on the spot and the impoundment of your vehicle. Also, there's the added embarrassment, humiliation, and consequences of telling family, friends and employers of your arrest.

Plan Ahead and Never Drink and Drive

■ Even one drink can impair your judgment and increase the risk of getting arrested for driving drunk—or worse, the risk of having a crash while driving.

■ If you will be drinking, do not plan on driving. Plan ahead; designate a sober driver before the party begins.

■ If you have been drinking, do not drive. Call a taxi, phone a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation.

■ Be responsible. If someone you know is drinking, do not let that person get behind the wheel.

■ If you see an impaired driver on the road, contact law enforcement. Your actions may save someone's life, and inaction could cost a life.

Remember

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

For more information, visit www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov

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 link on our website ChehalisTribes.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.

Rochester Fruits would like to extend the Discount offer to the Tribal Members of the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation

ROCHESTER FRUITS
9402 US HWY 12
8AM TO 7PM MONDAY - SUNDAY

25% Discount

Please show your Chehalis Tribal Enrollment Identification card at the Register, to receive this discount.



Men's Basketball Tourney

December 6th, 7th & 8th
at the Community Center Gym



\$300.00 entry fee
All Native Plus 1 token
1st- 4th Place Awards.

For more information contact
Cheryle Starr or Philip Youckton at 360-273-5911.

Email Cstarr@chehalistribe.org
or Pyouckton@chehalistribe.org

Survey Available for Future Chehalis Tribal Development Projects

The Planning Department would like all tribal members, employees and community members to fill out a survey on future community development. This is the same survey from the annual meeting on Saturday so if you completed it then please disregard this notice. The survey will take approximately 3-5 minutes to complete.

For more information or to fill out a survey please contact the Planning Department at 360-273-5911.

Website Available:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CRL66FP>

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 two 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.

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

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. Desserts 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!



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"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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Coordinator



Happy Birthday to Tribal Members Born in November

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Madoleen Goddard-Boyd Luwanna Sanchez Mia Vigil	2 Courtney House Lucille Hill Athena Lopez Katy Fox Christopher Yawn Pam Youckton
3	4 Gerald Aldrich Daphne Burke Joseph Revay, Sr. Kane Simmons	5 Kenneth Brown, Jr. Herbert Klatush Payton Simmons	6 Tracy Stroup April Thompson	7 Lori Tovrea	8 Heather Hoyle Marguerite Robles	9
10 Casilda Garcia-Starr Amil Starr, Jr.	11	12 Tyanna Canales Grace Quilt Carrie Squally	13 Nathan Boyd Madeline Colson Aurora Ortivez Ashley Ortivez Terry Palmer Lorilee Pickernell	14 Kevin Albert Sofie Sekishiro	15 Taryn Baker Tayleena Klatush	16 Anthony Gomez Benjamin Johns, Jr. Jaylee Cayenne Joyleen McCrory Wayne Ortivez
17 Joan Martin Lisa McCloud Rachell Wells	18 Maynard Starr	19	20 Randy Cornwell	21 Chris Richardson	22 Orinda Goddard Benjamin Johns, Jr. Monique Lopez Marcus Youckton	23 Dylan Gleason-Wheeler Rachel Simmons Ryan White
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Happy Birthday

To the most Beautiful Girl in the world!

An amazing mother, most loving sister, sweetest aunt and incredible Daughter!



WE love you very much Babee Doll!!!
<3 Falisity, Taren, your brothers, Joe & Mom

Happy 15th Birthday to my daughter Valerie

Love Dad

Happy Birthday Maynard Starr

From all your family

Thank You!!!

I would like to thank everyone for assisting me in getting my van returned to me. Especially the two young men that were able to locate it.

I would like to extend a personal thank you to those who helped me travel around to places I needed to get to.

Lucy Cush

Happy Birthday Daphne Burke

Love Jodie, Mercedes, Tony

Happy Birthday Booner

Have a Great Day! From Your Family

Congatulations Mr. & Mrs. James Cayenne II for getting married

We wish you luck on your future!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PAYTON SIMMONS



FROM YOUR SIMMONS FAMILY!

New Community Center Building Provides Improved Workspace for Programs and Tribal Artist

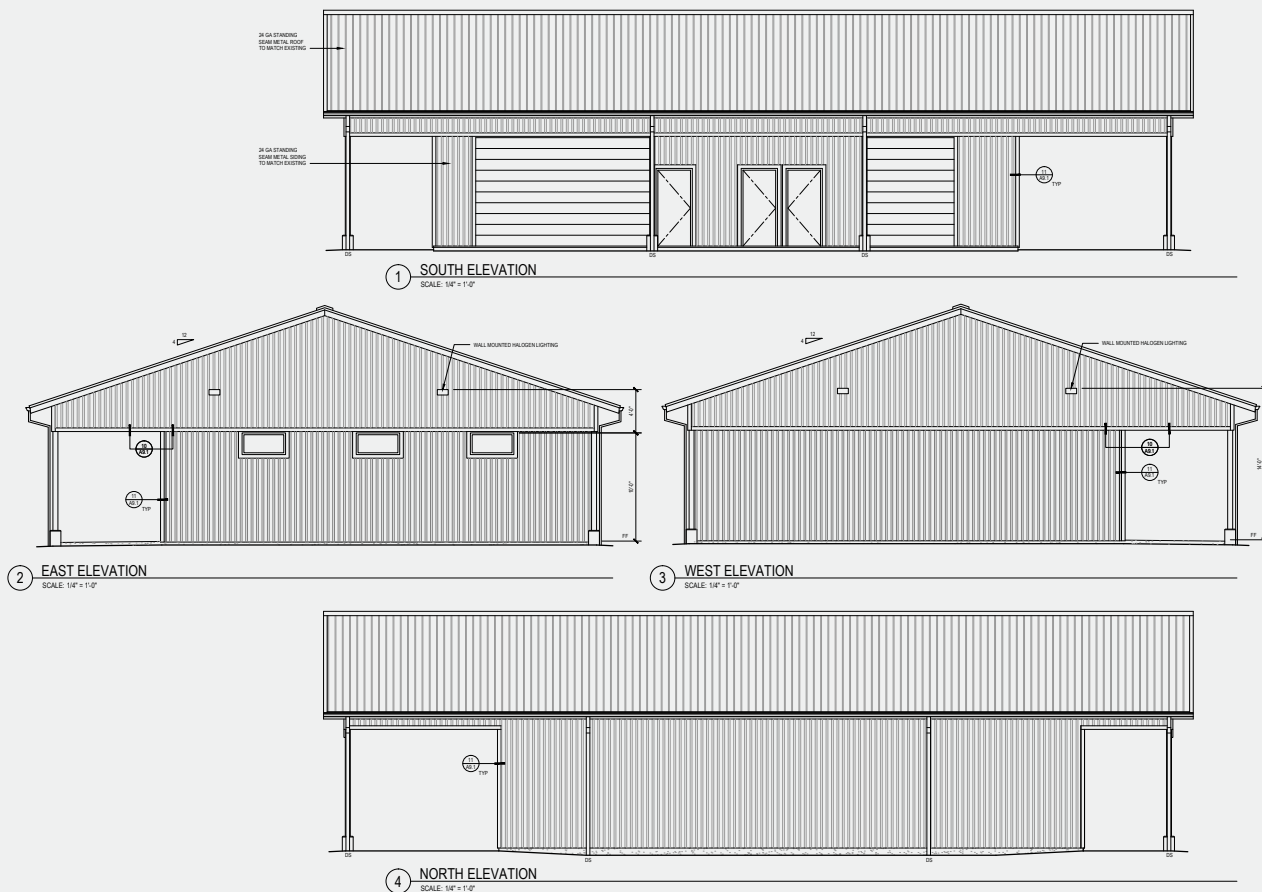
The Planning Department has been assisting Facilities in designing and constructing a much needed new maintenance and wood shop auxiliary building near the Chehalis Tribal Community Center. Construction of the new facility began late last month near the northeast corner of the Community Center. The building is designed to meet the needs of the Tribal Facilities crew as well as provide an improved workspace for Tribal artists.

The 2,160 square foot building will have separate spaces to serve as a Maintenance Shop, complete with an outdoor, covered area for grounds keeping equipment, and a new community Wood Shop space, also with a covered outdoor area for carvers. Both areas will be a considerable improvement over the current facilities available. At this time, the Facilities crew work out of the old EDA/Law Enforcement building near the Tribal Center and the wood shop is tucked into the back of the old Bingo Hall across

from End of the Trail 2. Their locations are inconvenient and neither current facility has adequate

space, the new building will correct both these concerns.

Construction is scheduled to be completed in February of 2014.



KWB
design groups, inc. p.s.
architectural design group
interior design group
6025 7th Avenue SE
Olympia, WA 98501
360.352.8883



KWB Project # D1325

AUXILIARY BUILDING
Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation
COMMUNITY CENTER
491 Seneca Road, Oakville, WA 98568

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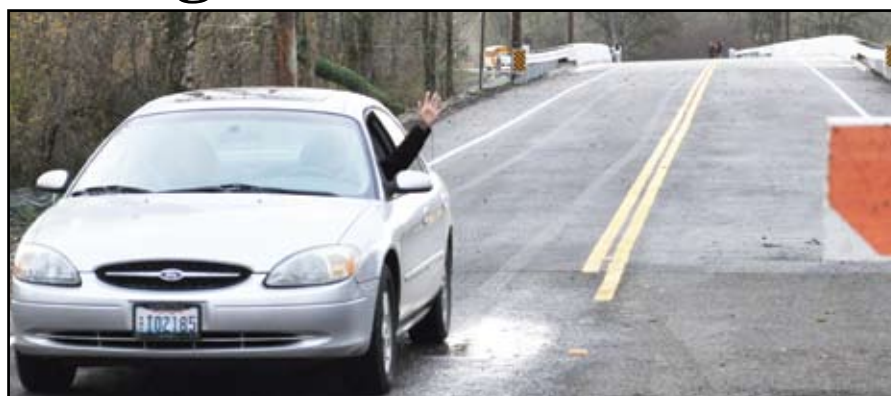
CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

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Flood Relief Bridge Finished on South Bank Road

On Tuesday, November 5th, the new flood relief bridge on South Bank Road was completed and opened to traffic. A small group of tribal elders and community members attended a blessing before the bridge was opened.

Historically, South Bank Road was built on wooden piers through the lowlands that lead up to the Sickman Ford Bridge. In the 1960's, Grays Harbor County tore down the piers and elevated the road on a dirt levee, for safe access to Sickman Ford Bridge during a flood. Unfortunately, that new fill created a back-watering effect during floods, pushing water further up onto the reservation and causing the waters to eventually cross South



After the blessing of the bridge, Elder Dan Gleason waves as he travels across the newly completed flood relief bridge on South Bank Road.

Bank Road with increased force, damaging the road and Tribal lands. The new flood relief bridge will allow flood waters to return to their historic flood channels, thereby reducing the back-watering effect

and improving the natural functions of the flood plain. The lowered flood waters will keep South Bank Road open longer during a major flood.

This project was started in March

and will be completely finished in November. The funding for the bridge was a combination of a State of Washington flood relief grant (95% of funding) and from the Tribe's transportation funds (5% of funding). The project was managed by Kayloe Dawson from the Tribe's Planning Dept. and Glen Connelly from the Tribe's Dept. of Natural Resources. Steve Burnett from Chehalis Construction Co. was the on-site Tribal representative. The bridge was completed on budget and in accordance with State Dept. of Transportation standards. Due to all the rain we got in September, bridge construction was a little delayed, but it is now complete and ready for the coming flood season.

Chehalis Tribe Students of the Month

Desiray Klatush-Pope (9-12)



Desiray Klatush-Pope, is a sophomore at Oakville High School. Her current GPA is 3.85.

Desiray enjoys math and playing sports, she is participant in Cheer, Volleyball and Fast Pitch.

After high school Desiray wants to go the University of Washington to study nursing.

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Samuel Starr-Wright (6-8)

Samuel Starr-Wright is in the 7th grade at Oakville Middle School. His current GPA is 3.37.

His favorite class is wood shop. Samuel enjoys playing basketball and baseball.

After high school, Samuel plans on attending University of Oregon.



Madoleen Goddard (K-5)

Madoleen Goddard is in Kindergarten at Rochester Primary. Madoleen enjoys math.

When she grows up she wants to go to her gram's and Disneyland.



From the Education Department: As a reward for their commitment to school and personal growth, each student of the month will receive a \$50.00 gift card from the Education & Development Department. Congratulations. Keep up the good work!

Oakville Schools Harvest Feast

Oakville Elementary, Middle, High Schools will be hosting a harvest Feast on Tuesday, November 26th, for family members (parents, grandparents, guardians, etc.). Students will have the opportunity to invite their guests by making a reservation with RSVP cards sent home with students.

This is an exciting time of year to share with students, and Oakville School District faculty and staff invite you to take the time to come and enjoy a Thanksgiving meal to celebrate with your family.

The lunch will be as follows:

High School and Middle School: 11:13

Kindergarten - 3rd grade: 11:45

4th - 6th Grade: 12:15

CHEHALIS TRIBAL ELDERS BAZAAR

Open to the public

Saturday, Dec 7
9:00 AM-5:00 PM
at the
Lucky Eagle Event Center

Baskets, beadwork, jewelry, food,
and MUCH, MUCH more!!



Oakville Tree Lighting & Dinner



Saturday,
November 30th

*Presented by Oakville
Chamber and Fire
Department Auxiliary*

*Come out and join the
festivities!!*

*Where: Oakville Fire Hall
When: Dinner 5:30 PM
Tree Lighting
and Caroling 6:30 PM*

*We will be serving
spaghetti, salad, garlic
bread, coffee & cocoa*

*Bring the family, friends,
neighbors ~ everyone!!*

Chehalis Tribal Community Christmas Party

Saturday, December 21
at the
Community Center

There will be food and fun activities,
pictures with Santa, games for the kids,
prizes and raffles.



Looking for Volunteers for the Christmas
Committee contact Cheryle Starr or Philip
Youckton at 360-273-5911.



Breakfast with Santa

Great Wolf Lodge® invites all Tribal members
to have breakfast with Santa!

Come and enjoy the fun! Bring Your Family and your camera to take
photos with Santa and Mrs. Clause

Saturday, December 21
8:00 to 11:00 AM
At the Great Wolf Lodge
- Conference Room -

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Chehalis Tribal Early Learning Celebrates Halloween



This year Early Learning celebrated Halloween with classroom parties. We invited our families to our classroom to join in on the fun. Early Learning would like to thank all of the departments for their donations so our little ones could have a great party!

Thank you to the Eagles Landing Hotel, End of the Trail Stores 1 & 2, Wellness Center, IT, Planning, Law Enforcement, Community Transformation Grant, and the Front Desk.



**No School, No Childcare
 on 11/27, 11/28 & 11/29 for the
 Thanksgiving Holiday**

Thank You For Your Support and Prayers!!

The family of Jolene Lovelett would like to thank all those who showed support and comfort during Jolene's illness and upon her passing.

During her stay at St. Peter Hospital there were many faces and changes of floors, nurses and doctors but three stand out, the ER nurse Ashlynn, 5th floor nurse, Phillip and Dr. Davies showed much care and compassion while working with Jolene and the family. We are humbly grateful for the gentle kindness you put into your difficult profession.

The Chehalis Social Services Department was there for Jolene and the family, especially Heather and Nancy throughout this difficult time.

The rain subsided and it was a beautiful sunny day as she was laid to rest on Friday, November, 8th. We would like to thank the Chehalis Tribe and all those that helped with the service: Officials Rose Davis and Frances Starr, and Speakers Dave Burnett and Nancy Dufraire. Burial site preparation is so important. We appreciate the work of Ray, Dustin, Ken, and Wayne for this. The cooks did a great job in preparing a fabulous dinner. Thank you Dolly, Joan, and Bones and to Don, John, Dennis, and Fred for the fish. Heather, Melanie, and Chris put together the beautiful remembrance folder.

Joyleen made sure lots of details came together including the table decorations. The pall bearers, Mike, Don, Jerry, Nick, Alan, and Gene carried Jolene to her final resting place in the Benn section of the cemetery next to her mother and grandfather.



**Joyleen Lovelett
 1976 - 2013**