Tribe Grieves Loss of Three Tribal Members, Including Longtime Tribal Chairman David Lopeman

David E. Lopeman, longtime Chairman of the Squaxin Island Tribe passed away peacefully on January 9, 2019 at his residence in Kamilche. He was 75.

David was born in Shelton on September 27, 1943 to Ernest (Osage) and Mary Whitener Lopeman (Squaxin Island). He was raised and lived most of his life in Kamilche. He married the love of his life, Shirley Ann Rogers, in 1967.

David served on the Squaxin Island Tribal Council for 30 years, 24 of those years as the Tribal Chairman. David was a commercial treaty fisherman. He and longtime friend Mike Brownfield also had a business making fire trails for the federal forest service and an automobile repair business. After becoming Chairman, he gave all that up to devote his time and attention to the Tribe.

David loved old cars and had many trophies from car shows in recent years.

He also loved watching sports, especially the Seahawks and Mariners. He had many adventures out hunting, providing for his family. One of his most memorable times was hunting buffalo with his grandson, David (they each got one!). He showed great pride in both of his grandsons, and was very happy when Steven was elected to the Tribal Council.

David fought for tribal fishing rights as far back as the late 1960s and was first elected to Tribal Council in 1981.

He led Squaxin Island Tribe through some turbulent times working with federal, state, and local governments to uphold federal treaty rights and responsibilities.

During his tenure on the Tribal Council, the Tribe saw an enormous amount of growth in enterprises and services to the people.

He was at the helm during planning and construction of the Tribal Center, the Elders building, Little Creek Casino Resort, the Sally Selvidge Health Center, the Museum Library and Research Center, the childcare center, the Veterans Memorial, and Skookum Creek Tobacco Factory.

He was also Chairman during the implementation of the shellfish ruling, and repatriation laws, the transition into tribal self-governance, tribal/state tax agreements, resurgence of Canoe Journeys, development of Northwest Indian...
Walking On

Mary Whitener Fletcher

Miriam Ramona (Whitener) Fletcher, aka Mary Bell, of Kamilche, WA, passed away on Wednesday, December 26, 2018, peacefully at her home, after a long journey with Cancer. She was 80 years old.

Mary was born on February 25, 1938, to Percy and Ethel (Richards) Whiten in Kamilche Washington.

Knowing Mary was a blessing. Her love for God, family and community was always evident in her actions. She wrote to God every single day of her life, grateful for a new day, and everything it would bring. She asked for guidance, strength and wisdom.

As a child, she came to be known as Mary Bell because of her aunt Belle. She loved to climb trees, be in nature, ride bikes, roller-skate and swim in Little Creek with her brother, sisters and cousins. She so enjoyed the water.

Mary was a Kamilche girl through and through. She loved to run around with her friends and family all over Kamilche. If you couldn’t find her at home, she was at her aunt and uncles’ or at her grandmother’s house getting spoiled. On Sunday you would find her at the creek where her mother, Ethel Whitener held Sunday school.

Mary was the second of four children and loved her parents very much. In her late teens, she lost her father in a car accident and her grief was profound. She was, however, always grateful that at least one of her children, Donald Lynn, was able to meet her father and be a very big part of his life.

One time, her sister Martha invited Mary to go to the dance hall on the Lewis-McCord Army base. It was there that she met her future husband, Harold Ford. The first song they danced to was White Lightning. She held this dance dear to her heart.

She moved to Houston with her husband where she had five children. When they got divorced, Mary returned to Kamilche and opened THE famous “Mary’s INDIAN Fireworks,” on Steamboat Island Road which she operated for 35 years. She and Harold remained friends their entire lives.

She later married Irvin Fletcher. She was very happy to extend her family with his boys whom she loved very much. They enjoyed fishing, clam digging and garage saleing.

She was the mother of the tribe, many came to her for guidance, love and support. She endlessly helped our community members who were in need, and opening doors for AA meetings was her passion.

I don’t know if there’s anyone who loved the Casino as much as Mary did. Her favorite thing to do was to get a room and gamble a bit, visiting with her friends. Here she saw the despair of so many and always had a helping hand for those less fortunate. Sometimes, she would spend three weeks at a time at the hotel. I think her nephew once told her: “I should see if I can make a permanent
parking spot just for you Aunt Mary.”

She had the privilege to meet Martin Sequak with whom she lived until the day she passed. Martin was her very special friend until the end, and she often said he kept her young.

Mary kept a JOURNAL of prayers and daily doings. Her prayers to God were very personal, but there are some prayers that we would like to share:

First, she always began with “Dear God, I thank you for this day,” and she continued from there.

In 1989, Mary wrote, “Today is what I have, and Father I ask not my will, but Thy will be done on my life today. Let me pray as you would have me pray. Say and do what you would have me do. I pray for my children, my community, my leaders, that you have your way in their lives.”

On her birthday, February 25, 2011, she wrote, “Thank you father for another day, thank you for your love, mercy and grace. You are lord of lords and king of kings, there is nothing impossible for you. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for giving me another birthday. I really feel that you have blessed me more than I’ve deserved. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for my health, my family and friends. Jesus you are king of kings and lord of lords. You have the whole world in your hands, and yet you have time for my wants and needs. Thank you for loving us so much. We can cast all our cares on you. I commit my life, my work to you. I ask that you be with me always to help me in every decision. I want to be where you want me to be and do and say what you want me to. Father, I pray for our children, our grandchildren, the hungry, the homeless and the sick.”

Mary was a strong person and this strength shone through during her long fight with cancer. Even though she was in tremendous pain, she always remained strong and never wanted attention focused on her disease. She wanted everyone to continue with their lives and was more concerned with how we were doing and if we were happy.

We learned a lot from Mary. We learned how important family is, and to enjoy spending time with parents and relatives. We learned an appreciation for the outdoors. We learned how important a strong work ethic is, and how remaining positive can help us get through life’s biggest challenges. She often said, “This too shall pass.” May she rest in peace with God and the angels.

Mary was survived by her sister Ruby Fuller, her son Donald L. Whitener, her daughters, Rebeckah Ford, Tammy Ford Pfaff, and Rachel Ford, step-children Jamie Fletcher, David Fletcher, Jason Fletcher, six grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She is preceded in death by her parents, by husbands Harold Ford and Irvin Fletcher, brother David W. Whitener, sister Martha, and son Darren W. Ford.

Thank You!
The family would like to thank Lydia Trinidad for making Mary’s favorite two cakes, Kevin Lyon for serving, Brooks for singing and Davey for being the emcee. They would also like to thank Tully Kruger and all of the maintenance crew for setting up the gym and taking care of all the preparations at the burial site. Thanks to Patti Puhn, Pam, Tracy, Sarah, Cassidy, Mayling, Vicky and Vicki, Holly, Alfred, Lydia, Tonya, Rosie, Steven, Morgan and all of the IS staff, TLC, Keeshia, Julie. Thanks to all of you who attended the services and helped in so many ways showing your love to our family. We appreciate, love and thank you all!
Community

Walking On

Charles "Chuck" Bloomfield

Charles (Chuck) Eugene Bloomfield III, age 57, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday December 8th, in his Shelton home.

He was born June 28, 1961, in Port Townsend, WA, to Charles Eugene Bloomfield II (JR) and Carolyn Knivila. Chuck grew up in Jefferson County and graduated in 1979 from Quilcene High School. Chuck joined the Marine Corps in 1981 and served until 1984, including service in Okinawa, Japan. After the Marine Corp, Chuck got his maritime license and worked as a Tug boat Captain in Ketchikan, AK from 1985 to 1991.

In 1991, Chuck moved back to the Pacific Northwest and worked for Wild Olympic Salmon doing stream restoration for several years with his Father, Charles Eugene Bloomfield II.

He then began operating his own logging and excavation business in which he continued to service the Olympic Peninsula and Hood Canal areas up until his death.

He was a proud member of the Squaxin Island Tribe near Shelton, WA and gave back to the community through many projects over the years. Chuck was an active hunter and fisherman; and was an avid outdoors man who enjoyed hiking with his daughters and grandchildren. From the time he could walk he wanted to be outside.

He was predeceased by his sister Darlene Bloomfield and his father Charles Eugene Bloomfield II.

He is survived by his mother, Carolyn Knivila (and husband, Ted) of Port Orchard; son, Kevin M. Bloomfield of Shelton, MT; daughter, Blair J. Bloomfield of Ketchikan, AK; daughter, Danielle L. Bloomfield of Spokane, WA; brother, Rocky Bloomfield of Bremerton, WA; nieces, Trilaina Ledbetter [Bloomfield] of Port Orchard, nephew, Chris Bloomfield of Bremerton, WA; and four grandchildren, Taylor, Summer, Ryin, and Blaike.

A celebration of life was held at the Squaxin Island Gymnasium at 1:00 p.m. January 5th.

David Lopeman

One of David’s main priorities was increasing the tribal land base. Hundreds of acres have been added since 1981, including Church Point, where the Indian Shaker Church originated.

As David went about his council work he would often mention that he hoped future generations would look back and say, "I’m sure glad they did that."

His door was always open - not just his office door, but his home as well - to hear concerns of the people. David was not pretentious - whether you were a tribal member, the governor or other federal/state government official, another tribal leader, or a person down on their luck, or in prison - he was there for everyone; he listened and treated everyone the same. He didn’t dress up for anyone.

David was instrumental in forging the only agreement in the country between a Native American Tribe and a state government that allows Native American inmates to pay last visits to family members who are passing away and attend their funerals under tribal jurisdiction.

David was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Shirley; and granddaughter, Cynthia.

He is survived by daughter, Donna Baker; grandsons, Steven Dorland and David (and Melanie) Dorland; brother, Billy Lopeman; and five grandchildren, Owen, Zane, Finn, Lilly, and Tottten, all of Kamilche.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. on January 13th, 2019 at Little Creek Casino Resort Event Center with viewing at 9:00 a.m. Graveside burial followed at the Squaxin Island Tribe Sacred Grounds.

He was laid to rest next to his wife, Shirley, and granddaughter, Cynthia.

Arrangements were made by McComb & Wagner Family Funeral Home and Crematory.

The family would like to thank Kenny Farmer for officiating the service, Chairman Cooper for speaking on behalf of the Tribe, Squaxin Island Drummers and Singers and the Sundance Drummers and Singers, the maintenance crew for setup and burial preparations, Sally Brownfield, Mary Williams and others for cooking, Jenna and Dickie Adams, Poncho and Jimmy, Heidi and Mariah Williams, Hattie Keith, Sydney, Rose Henry, Patti Puhn, Margaret Foley, LCCR staff, other tribes for donating delicious seafood (including 100 pounds of Dungeness crab), NR for cooking salmon, and everyone who attended the services and sent prayers and gifts.

Pall Bearers: Kenny Selvidge, David Dorland, Poncho, Terry Patten, Dennis Poitra, and Justin Lopeman.
Davi Lopeman

Planting a tree to dedicate the new Sally Selvidge Health Center

The first Sa’Heh’Wa’Mish Powwow with Joe Kalama
David presents Governor Lowry with a Theresa Nason basket at the Indian Health Care Reform Summit in 1994

David Lopeman

Governor Locke (red tie)

Get Away to Little Creek and Let the Games Begin

Governor Locke

Tribal Chairman David Lopeman signs a loan agreement with West One Bank officials for the Cultural Center

Tribal Chairman David Lopeman and guests of the groundbreaking ceremony prayed with Shaker Minister Rose Allen as she lit a spiritual candle to bless the Little Creek Casino site on January 14.
Community

The Flu is Here
I just saw my first confirmed case of the flu here. Please get your flu shot, if you haven’t already. Strictly follow precautions like frequent hand washing and hand sanitizing, not sharing drinks or cups, and making sure your kids do these things as well. Thanks!
- Angela Tobias

Governor Gregoire and her husband

LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT & SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE PRESENT THE 11TH ANNUAL
SA’HEH’WA’MISH DAYS POW-WOW
FEBRUARY 16-17, 2019
GRAND ENTRY TIMES 1PM AND 7PM SATURDAY, 1PM SUNDAY

Masters of Ceremony:
Ray Fryberg - Tulalip | Sonny Eaglespeaker - Blood | Casey Mac Wallahee - Yakama

Arena Directors:
Marcus Wallahee - Yakama | Jack ScabbyRobe - Blackfeet/Cree | Ethan Wallahee - Yakama

Drumming Contest - ALL DRUMS WELCOME
First drum roll call Saturday, February 16 @12:45 SHARP!!!
1st $10,000.00 • 2nd $5,000.00 • 3rd $7,000.00 • 4th $6,000.00

Head Man Dancer:
Chad Browneagle
Spokane Tribe, Usk, Washington

Head Woman Dancer:
Amanda Ironstar
Nakota/Lakota
Ocean man First Nation SK, Canada

“Women’s Jingle Wopilla Special”
Sponsored by: Head Woman Dancer - Amanda Ironstar
Old Style-First Round
Contemporary Style Second Round
Finalist Spotlight their own style

“Mr. Smooth” Spotlight Grass Dance Special
Sponsored by: Head Man Dancer - Chad Browneagle
1st Place $600 + Jacket + Blanket + Trophies
2nd Place $400 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift
3rd Place $300 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift

“Mother’s with Daughter ages over 10+ year old”
Sponsored by: The Family of Ato Win Pratt
1st Place $600 + Jacket + Blanket + Trophies
2nd Place $400 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift
3rd Place $300 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift

“Mother’s with Daughter under 10+ years old”
Sponsored by: The Family of Ato Win Pratt
1st Place $300 + Jacket + Blanket + Trophies
2nd Place $200 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift
3rd Place $100 + Sweaters + Blanket + Trophies + Gift

“Men’s 250 lbs + All Around Special”
FANCY, GRASS, CHICKEN/ROUND BUSTLE, CLOWN
$5000.00 + Star Quilts, Horses, Trophy’s
Sponsored by Justus Cree Family and Friends
Clams! Clams! Clams!
The 2017-18 clam season ended well with a new record Manila clam harvest for the Tribe. For the twelve months running from December 2017 through November 2018 the total Manila clam harvest reached just over 700,000 pounds. To put that in perspective, just 8 or 9 years ago we were harvesting around half of that amount. This was no small task considering reaching this mark took 152 different harvests on 79 different beaches. Every single week there were clam harvests and most weeks had 2 or 3 digs. Digging every week means that we are having to dig not just on the lowest of the tide runs but on whatever tides are available each week. Maybe you have experienced a dig where all of the clams aren’t exposed until right at low tide only to have them get covered up as the tide rushed back in? We schedule around this as much as possible by saving the beaches with clams higher on the beach for these not so low tides - Squaxin Island and our beaches in Totten Inlet are good for this.

This past season we had 28 regular “Group” digs for each group. For the “List or Lease” digs each group had 21 digs which provided from 438 to 440 individual harvester opportunities per each group. This past season there were also 14 Senior harvest in Little Skookum, the Clam Fresh Nursery and Blakely beaches, as well as on the Senior beach in Oakland Bay.

Squaxin Island Projected to split in two by 2100
“We know we’re losing a lot of our island,” said Candace Penn, Climate Change Ecologist for the Tribe.

The Tribe used Light Detection And Ranging (LIDAR) technology to produce a detailed digital elevation map of Squaxin Island, a model of predicted future sea levels, and maps of shellfish and forage fish habitats.

The Tribe is looking at the effect sea level rise will have on the natural resources tribal members depend on. “The beaches on Squaxin Island sustain us with their shellfish,” Candace said. “Sea level rise is going to damage shellfish populations, and we want to understand how. If there are no clams to harvest, we can’t teach the next generation those traditional harvest techniques.”

The Tribe estimates that a third of the shellfish habitat on the island is going to disappear. “This will be a major loss for us and for everyone that depends on shellfish harvesting,” said Andy Whitener, Natural Resources Director for the Tribe.

The Tribe will expand its analysis to predict the loss of shellfish habitat in nearby Oakland Bay. Oakland Bay supplies more than half of the nation’s Manila clams and will likely see a similar habitat loss as Squaxin Island.

“Sea level rise will impact everyone, not only tribal members,” Andy said. “Shellfish harvesting supports hundreds of tribal and non-tribal households in our community.”

The Tribe has used the projections to assess risk associated with sea level rise and to develop an adaptation plan. “Now that we know what is at risk, we can plan today to help have a better tomorrow,” Candace said.

“We’re going to be here long after sea level rise,” Andy said. “We need to start figuring out how to survive.”

“We see the island as a place that brings us together,” Candace said. “Fishermen camp out there during the fishing season, we dig clams out there and we hunt on the island.”
Community

Squaxin Island Tribe’s Committee/Commission Advisory Boards

The public’s trust in their government may be sustained only as long as the public remains involved in the deliberations essential to responsible decision-making by that government. The Tribal Council wishes to preserve this public trust by openly seeking advice, ideas and recommendations from the Squaxin Island Tribal Community. Accordingly, the Council wishes to provide equal opportunities for public service and encourages Tribal members to serve on commissions, committees, and special advisory boards to the Council.

The following committees and commissions have vacancies available. If you are interested in serving on one of these committees/commissions please contact Cassidy Gott at 360-426-9781, or cgott@squaxin.us by February 11, 2019. If you are interested in serving on a Committee, Commission or Board that does not currently have vacancies you may still submit a letter of interest.

One Percent Commission: Implements the one percent distribution provisions of Appendix X of the Tribal-State Compact for Class III Gaming. Distributes revenues derived from the TLS to nonprofit charitable organizations.

Aquatics Committee: The Aquatics Committee provides advice and recommendations concerning the management, harvest and perpetuation of sub-tidal shellfish resources.

Business Administration Board: To incorporate new businesses in Indian country, and to regulate commerce in Indian country.

Childcare Board: The Childcare Board provides advice and recommendations concerning the Child Development Center.

Education Commission: Provides representation for all eligible students participating in educational programs. Determines and grants monetary awards assisting tribal members to reach their educational goals.

Elections Committee: The Elections Committee helps the Executive Staff prepare for and conduct the election portion of the General Body Meeting.

Gaming Commission: The Squaxin Island Gaming Commission, as established under the Tribal/State Compact between the Squaxin Island Tribe and the State of Washington, shall ensure on-site regulation, control and security of the gaming operation, and protect the health, welfare and safety of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, and guests.

Housing Commission: Provide recommendations and advice to the Tribal Council and to the Tribal Department of Community Development. The commission is authorized to define policies, identify rules and regulations to the Tribal Council for enactment.
Building Infrastructure for Squaxin’s Future

The sustainable growth of the Tribe depends on a secure, affordable supply of water and power.

- During the summer of 2015, it became clear that the Tribe was using more water than it could reliably produce during periods of drought.
- We can’t increase the volume of water going through our water and wastewater treatment plant without increasing its processing and reclaimed water storage capacity.
- Additionally, a significant amount of new electrical power will be needed for casino and enterprise expansion.

To address these critical needs, in early FY 18, Council directed that Tribal government, LCCR and IEI form a work group charged with the roughly 5-year process of acquiring these essential resources.

The team assembled for this ambitious undertaking includes Executive Services, DCD’s Construction and Utilities units, Natural Resources, Finance, Legal and Information Services, and executive leadership from LCCR and IEI.

At appropriate times, members of the Tribe’s working group engaged external partners where our interests intersect and align. These partners are Taylor Shellfish and Mason PUD 3.

Water

We have to develop a new water supply before we can build new housing, community facilities or grow our enterprises.

The Tribe is now dependent on production wells that draw from a single water source, the Kamilche Valley aquifer. We can’t solve the water shortage issue by drilling new wells—it would be like putting one more straw in the same glass of water, hoping to get more water out of it.

For a number of years, the Tribe has been in informal talks with Taylor Shellfish about partnering in the development of a private well on their property at Taylor Town that could support the growth of both the Tribe and Taylor’s operations.

In 2017, we began formal negotiations and pursuit of a water rights permit from the Department of Ecology. A Memorandum of Understanding between the Tribe and Taylor was executed October 6, 2017.

Natural Resources has the lead on working with Ecology through the process of obtaining a water rights permit. Our application has been submitted and NR will continue to monitor its progress and expedite approval to the extent possible. The Department of Ecology controls the timing of the water rights permit approval. This process can take a year or more.
As our application moves forward, we will begin to design and build the infrastructure to deliver and integrate the new water supply into our existing system. This will involve construction of a pipeline from Taylor Town to a connection point with our water storage tank on the hill above the Clary property.

**Power**

Representatives from the Tribe and LCCR began to meet with Mason PUD 3 in September 2017 to discuss the Tribe’s future power needs. Based on current and projected usage, PUD 3 determined that a new substation is needed to secure the capacity we will need.

To bring the new substation online by late 2019, the Tribe entered into an agreement with PUD 3 to provide the district with the funding needed to initiate the project. Going forward, PUD 3 will credit the Tribe for services until those costs are equal to our up-front investment. At that point, the Tribe will pay for services per Mason PUD 3 policy.

In a separate negotiation with Taylor Shellfish, the Tribe will purchase land from Taylor Shellfish for the Skookum Substation site.

**Water Reclamation and Treatment (“The Plant”)**

With funding allocated by Tribal Council, DCD has been working since early 2018 on the long-overdue upgrade of the Water Reclamation and Treatment Plant.

This is a complex project that involves coordination of several specialized engineering firms, expert plumbing and electrical contractors and the selection, installation and testing of new operating and safety equipment.

With the upgrades and expansion of the interior processing components, the plant is now not only operating at its highest level of efficiency; it has additional capacity needed to manage unexpected events.

Construction of two new holding tanks on the existing footprint of the site will be the final phase in the expansion of the plant and will double the capacity of the plant from 150,000 gallons per day to 300,000 gallons per day.

This work will begin when funding is secured.

**Attention**

**Housing Waiting List Applicants...**

REMINDER: If you are on the Squaxin Island Tribal Housing Waiting List, it is time to update your housing application. The application update was mailed to the last known address that the Office of Housing has for you. If you have recently moved or have a change of mailing address please call Lisa Peters, Housing Counselor at (360) 432-3871. Per policy, if you do not update your application by March 31, 2019, your name will be removed from the housing waiting list.

### Unbelievable

Gus the Doggie Guy - There are millions and millions of dogs and cats in the world, and no wonder. Consider the reproductive power of these animals:

**DOGS** are able to reproduce twice a year, from as young as six months old. In just six years, two dogs and their offspring can theoretically produce 67,000 puppies.

**CATS** can have three litters a year. In that same six-year period, two cats and their offspring may produce as many as 390,000 kittens.

These statistics are certainly a testimonial for spaying and neutering!

### Checklist for Free Tax Return Preparation

- Proof of identification (photo ID)
- Social Security cards for you, your spouse and dependents
- An Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) assignment letter may be substituted for you, your spouse and your dependents if you do not have a Social Security number
- Proof of foreign status, if applying for an ITIN
- Birth dates for you, your spouse and dependents on the tax return
- Wage and earning statements (Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R, 1099-Misc) from all employers
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099)
- Health Insurance Exemption Certificate, if received
- A copy of last year’s federal and state returns, if available
- Proof of bank account routing and account numbers for direct deposit such as a blank check
- To file taxes electronically on a married-filing-joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms
- Total paid for daycare provider and the daycare provider’s tax identifying number such as their Social Security number or business Employer ID#
- Forms 1095-A, B and C, Health Coverage Statements
- Copies of income transcripts from IRS and state, if applicable
Our blessed elders certainly deserve our respect. Though traditions and ways of life vary from tribe to tribe, showing respect to our elders is a way to remember traditions, pay homage to our ancestry, and to carry our beliefs forward to our upcoming generations of new leaders.

With this in mind, Indian Country Today, has compiled a list of ways we can continue to show our elders that we respect them, honor them, care about them, and will take their advice forward to be the best we can be.

**Listen More**
The old adage “We have two ears and one mouth for a reason” applies here. When in the presence of an elder, make sure to listen more than you speak as an elder’s words come from a place with many decades of experience.

**Be Polite**
Acting in a polite way to an elder is a demonstration of respect. If you’re in the presence of an elder, be polite. This means if they are talking, listen, if they ask you a question, respond respectfully and with a calm tone. Do not interrupt them, and always ask if they need anything.

**Ask for Advice**
It’s a shame to think an elder, who has had a lifetime of experience, would ever be overlooked for their advice. If you are ever in need of advice about how to respond in a life situation, take some time out of your day to seek the counsel of an elder. Their advice may be better than what the doctor ordered.

**Visit With Them**
Sometimes our elders may spend time without the benefit of their communities because they may be at home, in an elder retirement facility or simply sitting alone during a pow wow or other social occasion. It is a great show of respect to visit with them and bring the community to them.

**Let Them Eat First**
In many tribal communities it goes without saying that at any social event, the elders eat first. In any case you can show an elder respect by offering to get them a plate before you get anything for yourself. This is especially true if they are not able to stand for a period of time or could use any sort of assistance.

**Ask About Traditions**
It’s a great show of respect to ask the elders of the tribe to tell you about your traditions and culture. You can also learn from them in the process, which not only is respectful, but to benefit to learning the ways of your ancestors—a definite win-win. If they speak your tribe’s traditional language—-speak with them. Whether you know the language of your tribe or not, offering to speak words, learn words and share the language is a nod of respect for the ways of your tribe. You will learn in the process no matter how well you speak, if you don’t speak the language it is a great way to start.

**Ask About Their Lives**
By asking an elder about their life, you can hear some of the most amazing stories. It also shows that you’re interested in them, and that you care. Something as simple as asking an elder to tell you their stories shows a great deal of respect and reverence for an elder who deserves it.

**Give Them a Call**
Sometimes we are not close enough to see an elder in person, but this certainly does not mean we cannot reach out to them in a personal way. In our busy lives it’s easy to forget the amount of meaning an elder will experience if we take time out of our day to say hello.

**Tell Them You Respect and Appreciate Them**
Though we may practice respect to our elders by listening, being polite or visiting, how often do we actually say, “I respect you greatly and appreciate that you are here.” This may seem simple, but it can be overlooked. If possible the next time you see an elder that has been a positive force in your life, tell them this message of respect.
Teen Program News
Jaimie Cruz - I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. In December, the Teen Program and Smoking Cessation Program partnered to take teens to dinner and the Zoolights exhibit in Tacoma. Eight teens accompanied Taylor Owens and I on Saturday, December 15th. The youth enjoyed watching the boats that had Christmas lights on them as they paraded around Anthony’s. That was a great way to kick off our evening. We ventured up to the Point Defiance Zoo to find it crowded, but the teens were still able to have a great time. Thank you to all the teens who signed up and came. Please be on the lookout for more collaborations between the Teen Program and the Smoking Cessation Program.

For the month of January, Skokomish youth reached out to do songs and dances for the Jam being hosted by Skokomish on January 26, 2019. We would like to open the invitation to the Squaxin community to come support our youth on that day.

The teens and I enjoyed watching Shelton High girls' basketball against Capital High School. Squaxin has members on both teams, and we were happy to be able to support all the players. The Teen Program is always looking for adult volunteers, so please contact me to fill out the appropriate forms. My email is jaimiecruz1@gmail.com

Youth Afterschool Program
Jerilynn Vail-Powell - If any parents need to speak with their youth in the after-school program the number to the Rec Room is 360-432-3955. If you wish to speak to a staff member, they arrive at 3:00 p.m., or you can call Jerilynn at 360-432-3922. Please remind your youth to clean out their cubbies here at the TLC. We have a lost and found bin in the hallway if your youth is missing any coats or sweatshirts. If you need to update any contact information on your youth registration form, please stop by or call.

A couple other things to note for February:
• Mid-Winter break for Shelton School District is this month, February 18th and 19th. We have some fun activities planned for the youth and will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. those dates.
• Our youth will be participating in Session Three of Inter-Tribal Basketball, with a focus on grades 4-6 of the elementary grades. When we have home games, we will still offer arts-n-crafts for the youth.

Homework Support and GED Preparation Classes
Jamie Burris - Homework Support is here, and GED Preparation classes have resumed! I will be here to help you study Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Please note that there will be no homework support and no GED preparation classes during school breaks.

The GED test has 4 subjects: language arts (reading/writing), math, science and social studies. The test is made up of multiple choice, drag and drop, fill in the blank, short answer and extended response type of questions. Each test has a different amount of time allotted for it - ranging from 70 to 150 minutes. If you are a tribal member, the Tribe will pay for your testing (saving you at least $30 per test!). For study tips, go to: www.test-guide.com. For more information, please email me at jburris@mccleary.wednet.edu or go online at www.ged.com.
Higher Education Update
Mandy Valley - Each month I will be highlighting a different technical or vocational college in Washington State. This month, we take a closer look at Bates Technical College in Tacoma.

Bates Technical College
Located in Tacoma, Washington Bates Technical College has been providing education and job training for 65 years. Bates is the largest technical college in Washington State, serving more than 5,000 full-time career training students annually at three campuses. Nearly all degree programs are skills-based and self-paced, with open enrollment throughout the college’s 11-month academic year: Fall, Winter, Spring, and a 33-day Summer Quarter. Career training students may register Monday through Friday, and begin on any Monday, provided there is a program opening.

Bates’ career specialists understand the importance of your career decision, and work with students to help match strengths, interests, and abilities with appropriate career choices in the following categories:
- Advanced Technologies
- Automotive Mechanical Technologies
- Business and Office
- Commercial Driving
- Communications Technology
- Computer Sciences
- Construction Trades
- Engineering Design and CAD
- Fire Protection
- Health and Medical
- Marketing and Sales
- Personal and Public Services

Students learn in classroom settings that mirror the workplace, providing opportunities to practice and develop skills to levels required for successful employment. Most students attending Bates enroll to advance their job skills through career training programs. The college works closely with industry to continually review and refine curriculum and validate elements covered in more than 350 career areas ranging from apparel construction to the high tech industry. For a complete listing of career training programs, please visit their website at http://www.bates.ctc.edu.

Students in career training programs are with their instructors six to eight hours each day. The faculty are industry experts who bring a unique blend of industry knowledge and commitment to education. Students may, with appropriate approval, supplement their program instruction with paid and unpaid work-based learning experiences in businesses throughout the Puget Sound area. The purpose of these work-based learning experiences is to use the workplace environment to apply the skills and workplace behaviors required in the program, and to prepare for lifelong learning.

Bates has among the highest job placement rates of any college in the area, in part, because of strong links with business and industry. On average, more than 90 percent of graduates find jobs in their chosen field with average starting salaries that surpass the state average.

If you have any questions about Bates Technical College or any other college, please feel free to contact me at (360)432-3882 or by email at mvalley@squaxin.us.

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**Squaxin Youth Education, Recreation and Activities Calendar**

**TLC Hours:** M-F 7:30am-7:00pm  
**Front Desk:** 360-432-3958  
**Rec Rm:** 360-432-3955 (only 3-6pm)

**All activities are drug, alcohol and tobacco free.**

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Rec Rm: 2:30-6pm  
Arts-n-Crafts: 5-6pm  
Open Gym: 2:30-6pm  
**ITL Basketball**  
Elem-Bye & Jr High-Away  
Open Swim: 3-6pm | Rec Rm: 3-6pm  
Crafty Kitchen: 5-6pm  
Open Gym: 3-4:30pm  
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Rec Rm: 1:30-6pm  
Pool Party 3-4:30pm  
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Open Gym: 3-4:30pm  
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Movie Night: 5-7pm  
Open Gym: 3-4:30pm  
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Open Swim: 5-8pm |
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Computer Lab:  
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Homework Help, GED Prep: | M-F 3-4:45pm  
M-Th 3-6:30pm  
M-Th 4:30-6:30pm  
T/W 4-6:30pm & Th 3-5pm | **ER = Early Release**  
WHL = Wa-He-Lut Indian School  
SSD = Shelton School District  
GSD = Griffin School District | **ITL = Inter-Tribal Basketball League**  
High School: 9-12 Grade  
Jr. High: 7-8 Grade  
Elementary: 4-6 Grade |
## Learning Center

### Youth Council

### Presenting to Tribal Council

## February

### Squaxin Teens

Jaimie Cruz Teen Advocate

Check Facebook @ Squaxin Teens for updates to Calendar!

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| CultureFest @ UW Saturday February 2nd 3-pm-10pm |
| Valentines Gift Making 3:00-6:00 | Craft Class 3:00-5:00 Drum Group 5-7 | Lushootseed Class 5-6pm | Winona LaDuke @ SPSCC TBD Youth Council 5:00-6:00 | 1 1/2 Hour Early Release |
| No School | No School | | | 15 Basketball Practice 3:30-4:30 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | | 21 22 FeR.E Summit at SPSCC |
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The FIRE Summit started as an annual event 11 years ago. It has grown into a partnership between SPSCC and the four surrounding tribes - the Nisqually Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, and the Skokomish Tribe. The FIRE Summit is a day-long experience designed to ignite Native youth, giving them a place to start dreaming while exploring their future academic possibilities.

**Gyasi Ross** is a Native American speaker, author, and musician from the Blackfeet Nation. A mentor and luminary, he travels the country speaking on issues of race, historical trauma, social justice, privilege and their unique intersections with Native American culture. Ross’ unique and authentic form of storytelling brings forward a vital message of hope, resilience, and purpose.
**Health Clinic**

**WIC at SPIPA**  
(For Women, Infants, and Children)  
provides healthy foods & nutrition information for you and your child up to age 5.  
Please bring:  
Your child, Provider One Card or paystub and identification for you & your child

Contact at SPIPA for an appointment:  
Debbie Gardipee-Reyes 360-462-3227  
gardipee@spipa.org  
or Patty Suskin 360-462-3224,  
wicnutrition@spipa.org

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.  
Washington State WIC Nutrition Program doesn’t discriminate.

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**Foot Exam Day with Dr. Kochhar (Foot Doctor)**

**Friday, February 8th, 2019**

1—4 pm  
**At the Clinic**

Priority for people with Diabetes  
Others will be seen if space is available.

Contact Patty Suskin,  
Diabetes Coordinator for an appt.  
360. 432.3929  
psuskin@squaxin.us

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**Tips to Keep your Family Active in Cold, Rainy Weather**


2. Put one strip of tape on the floor. Put a **laundry basket** or bucket a few feet away. Have your child stand behind the tape & throw bean bags, a soft ball into the basket. Keep moving the basket further away.

3. Create your own masking tape game— even **hopscotch**!

4. **Box Mania**: Find boxes with many sizes. Stack them and knock them down. Build a building, jump over them.

5. **Dance, Dance, Dance!** Move to your favorite tunes.

6. Create an **obstacle course & compete for shortest time**.

7. Walk inside your **local mall**— maybe even make it a competition to see how long you can walk without stopping to shop!

8. Don’t wait for spring for a thorough **house cleaning**. Wash the inside of your windows, vacuum or shampoo the carpet, or clean out your closets.

9. Get outside at a break in the rain & **puddle jump**!

10. **Follow an exercise DVD** or video online instead of a movie

11. **Go ice skating**  
https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1310/  
Sprinker-Recreation-Center

12. **Head to the mountains** for sledding, snow angle-making, snow-ball fights.

13. **Ranger-Led snowshoe walks at Mt Rainier** details:  
https://visitrainier.com/ranger-led-snowshoe-walks/

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**Diabetes and Your Heart: What about those statin drugs?**

Everyone is welcome— those with Diabetes or not.  
Come for a few minutes or the whole time

**Monday, February 11th during Elder’s Lunch**  
in the lunch room  
at Elder’s Building  
12:15 - 12:45 pm

Angela Tobias, MD, guest speaker

You can Take Charge of your Diabetes & Live a Long, Healthy Life

Questions? Contact Patty Suskin,  
Diabetes Coordinator at (360)432-3929
**Doctor's Corner**

**Should I Be Screened For Lung Cancer?**

Submitted by Angela Tobias, MD - Cancer is always a scary topic. Our knowledge of cancer and how it works has expanded remarkably over the last few decades, though. Many types of cancer are much more survivable than they used to be, but it’s still universally true that catching a cancer early gives you your best shot.

This is especially true of lung cancer. For many years, we didn’t have an effective means to screen for very early lung cancer. Chest x-rays miss too many small tumors, and while CT scans can detect small tumors, it is not practical to do regular CT scans on everyone who has ever smoked. But a new recommendation came out a couple of years ago, designed to catch the group of people at the highest risk of lung cancer for screening with CT scans.

If you are between the ages of 55-80, are still smoking or quit less than 15 years ago, and have at least a 30 pack year smoking history (one pack per day for 30 years, or two packs per day for 15 years, etc.), then you qualify for an annual screening lung CT scan. Like other cancer screening tests, this should be covered with no out of pocket cost if you have insurance.

As with all screening tests, it’s important to know that these tests are not perfect, and that something may be found that leads us to recommend further testing. But you have the option to decide at each point whether or not you want to continue with further testing. You should always have a conversation with your provider about the risks and benefits of any test for your specific situation, but getting screened is a good idea for almost everyone who qualifies for screening.

If you don’t fit into this category but are still worried about lung cancer, there are still things you can do. If you smoke, of course it’s good to think about quitting. There are a lot of options to help you with this, and we’re always happy to see you to figure out the best way to support your efforts to quit smoking.

And of course, everyone is always welcome to come in for a checkup. We can be sure you are up to date with all the other preventive health screenings that are recommended for your age and health status, if we haven’t already reviewed this at another visit. Good medicine is just as much about prevention as it is about treatment!
Zoolights 2018
On December 15th, 2018, Taylor Owens, the Tobacco Cessation Specialist, and Jaimie Cruz-Lehman, the Teen Advocate, teamed up to take eight Squaxin youth to Anthony’s at Point Defiance restaurant and Zoolights afterward. If you did not know, Zoolights is when the Point Defiance Zoo in Tacoma lights up the entire zoo with Christmas lights at night. The trip was meant to promote adventure and having fun without the use of any substances and discourage the use of tobacco, drugs, and alcohol. The teens signed a pledge to not use any substances while participating in this program and forever. The kids had a blast from seeing the animals, the beautiful view from the restaurant, and a couple even got to ride a camel! We all had a lot of fun and hope to have a lot more fun in 2019!
February Happy Birthdays

1  Camden Bear Adams-Lewis  
   Harry James Johns Jr.  
   Winter Raven Perez

2  Donald John Briggs  
   Mistifawn Andi Martinez  
   Tatum Jeanette Guijosa-Bryson

3  Isaiah Lewis Rees  
   James Arnold Cooper  
   Kalea Anne Johns  
   Lareciana Broussard-James  
   Larry J. Bradley Jr.  
   Lydia Anna Trinidad

4  Anthony Andrew Pinon  
   Dylan Lee Suarez  
   John Clayton Briggs  
   Shannon R Cooper

5  Donald John Briggs  
   Mistifawn Andi Martinez  
   Tatum Jeanette Guijosa-Bryson

6  Stephanie Jeanne James

7  John Edward Tobin  
   Michael James Mosier  
   Ruth Ann Lopeman  
   Sebastian R. Rivera

8  Apisai Taule’ale’a Moliga Jr.  
   Barbara Lynn Knudsen  
   Fawn Patricia Ann Tadios  
   Justin Scott Lopeman-Dobson

9  Michael Sheldon Henderson  
   Stefanie D. Kenyon

10  Aries Mae Blueback  
    Crisaleena Nevaeh- Marie Rees

11  Alei Leslie- Renea Henderson  
    Hunter Merriman  
    Shaelynn Dawn Peterson

12  Che-Yonne J. Obi  
    Emilio Hernandez-Capoeman  
    Russ M. Addison

13  Addison Maralee Henry  
    Eugene R. Cooper  
    Ramona Lee Mosier

14  Michael James Furtado

15  Alicia Nicole Boyette  
    Sean Daniel Jones  
    Sonja Mae Clementson

16  Jean Deanna Henry  
    Jennifer Lynn Reboin  
    Justine Susan Crone

17  Antone Hidalgo-Hawks  
    Clayton Mc Cloud Bethea  
    Derrick Ray Wily  
    Micheal Scott Kenyon  
    Raul Cristian Avalos  
    Sophia Lynne Martin

18  Haley Nicole Wilson  
    Kimberli Anne Burrow-Elam  
    Steven Mitchell Peters

19  Benjamin Q. Parker  
    Katalina Michelle Lewis  
    Rachel Fame Ford  
    Robert Wesley Whitener Jr.

20  Cheryl Louise Sept

21  Annie Martha Ruddell  
    Jordan D. Sweitzer  
    Kristopher Klabsch Peters  
    Margaret Mary Witcraft  
    Steven Ray Peters  
    Timothy Lee Linn

22  Grace Marie Pughe  
    Kimberly Ann Allen

23  Joshua Darryl Melton  
    Lydia Cecile Parrott  
    Marlo Lynice Andrews  
    Marvin Dale Newell Jr.

24  Jonathon Joseph Fry  
    Zachariah Ashton Mirka

25  Katrina F. Parker  
    Samuel Joseph Penn

26  Alex Ryan Salgado  
    Cameron Fitzgerald Henry  
    Juana Cherati Rose Barkley  
    Leilani Georgia Blueback

27  Katherine Mae Ackerman

28  Dennis Lloyd Sigo

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**Ouh là là* Valentine’s Day Makeovers**

It’s that time of year Ladies and Gentlemen! Let’s get gorgeous!!

Squaxin Island Museum  
Tuesday February 13, 2019  
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

- Malia Henry & Alisa Ramirez (you know they look gooooooood♥) will give tips and tricks.
- Come in for a new look, or
- Improve your technique with hair, nails and make-up tutorials.
- Olympia Cosmetology students will show you how! SMOKEY CAT EYE ANYONE?
- Make it a date, do this for him and for her. Really! You’ll feel great!
- Bring your own makeup to see how to make it work for you. (Not required).

**For more information:**
Lisa Johns (360) 432-3843

* French for “Wow you look gorgeous!”
What's Happening in February

1 - Friday
Housing Commission

4 - Monday
Bible Study, Elders Building 6:00 - 7:00

5 - Tuesday
Tobacco Cessation
Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Culture Night
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Drum Group 5:00 - 6:00

Criminal/Civil Court

Shelton School District Information Night
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Community Kitchen

6 - Wednesday
AA & ALANON - 7:30 p.m.
Elders Committee
Lushootseed Language Class
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

7 - Thursday
Utilities Commission
Family Court

8 - Friday
SPIPA Board

11 - Monday
Childcare Board of Directors
Bible Study, Elders Building 6:00 - 7:00

12 - Tuesday
Enrollment Committee
Tobacco Cessation
Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Culture Night
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Drum Group 5:00 - 6:00

Criminal/Civil Court

13 - Wednesday
AA & ALANON - 7:30 p.m.
Golf Advisory Committee
Aquatics Committee
Lushootseed Language Class 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

14 - Thursday
Tribal Council

15 - Friday
Education Commission

16 - Saturday
Sa’Heh’Wa’Mish Days Powwow
LCCR Event Center

17 - Sunday
Sa’Heh’Wa’Mish Days Powwow
LCCR Event Center

18 - Monday
Gaming Commission
Bible Study at Elders Building
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

25 - Monday
Bible Study at Elders Building
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

26 - Tuesday
Criminal/Civil Court
Tobacco Board of Directors
Tobacco Cessation
Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Culture Night
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Drum Group 5:00 - 6:00

27 - Wednesday
AA & ALANON - 7:30 p.m.
Culture Night - 7:30 p.m.
Lushootseed Language Class
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

28 - Thursday
Tribal Council

South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency

USDA Foods Program
February Dates

NISQUALLY 2/6/19
SQUAXIN ISLAND 2/12/19
SKOKOMISH 2/15/19
CHEHALIS 2/21/19
PT. GAMBLE S’KLALLAM 2/26/19

NOTE: Please check the monthly schedule for the USDA Commodity Food Program. Food distribution staff have other duties that they are responsible for on the days they are not issuing commodities.
If you are unable to make the date, please call and schedule an appointment with appropriate staff.
For USDA Food, call the Warehouse at Nisqually 360.438.4216
Medical Emergency Training
The Squaxin Island Tribe, in conjunction with the Skokomish Tribe co-sponsored Medical Countermeasures, Point of Dispensing (POD) training for two days, January 8th and 9th, 2019. The training was conducted by Texas A&M Engineering Extension Services (TEEX). The purpose of the training is to prepare both Tribal Governments to participate in the Statewide Washington State Department of Health’s Full Scale Exercise, which consists of establishing a Tribal POD and performing a mock medication distribution point. For more information, please contact John Taylor at (360) 432-3947 or email at jtaylor@squaxin.us.

Committees Commissions & Boards With Infrequent Meeting Times

Committee and Commissions
1% Committee (Bylaws & Appendix X2) - Charlene Krise, Vince Henry, Vicki Kruger
Elections Committee - None
Explorers Program Committee - None
Fireworks Committee (TC 6.04.040) - None
Gathering Committee - None
Law Enforcement Committee, Law and Order - None
Veterans’ Committee - None
Budget Commission - None
Business Administration Board (TC 6.24.010) - None
Little Creek Oversight Board (TC 2.26.010) - None
Museum Library and Research Board - None
Tourism Board (TC 2.34.010) - None
Island Enterprises Board - None
Skookum Creek Tobacco Board - None

Charlene Krise, Vince Henry, Vicki Kruger
None
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Charlene Krise
None
None
Vicki Kruger
None
Arnold Cooper, Vicki Kruger, Charlene Krise
Bev Hawks
Vacant
Arnold Cooper
Vinni Henry

Staff Rep.
Kris Peters
Tammy Ford
Rene Klueman
Rhonda Foster
Kevin Lyon
Glen Parker/Kim Kenyon
Kris Peters
Charlene Krise
Leslie Johnson
Dave Johns
Mike Araiza

Months
Feb., May, Aug., Nov.
March, April, May
May and June
Not yet determined
Not currently meeting
June and August
As needed
Sept., Dec., March, June

Committees and Commissions Listed on Calendar

Committee and Commissions
Aquatics Committee - Arnold Cooper
Elders Committee - Charlene Krise
Enrollment Committee - Charlene Krise
Fish Committee - Vicki Kruger
Golf Advisory Committee - Arnold Cooper
Hunting Committee - Arnold Cooper
Shellfish Committee - Arnold Cooper
Education Commission - Vicki Kruger
Gaming Commission (TC 6.08.090) - (Per Tribal Code) None
Housing Commission - Charlene Krise
Child Care Board of Directors - Vicki Kruger & Charlene Krise
Tobacco Board of Directors - Vacant
Utilities Commission (TC 11.08.010) - None
SPIPA Board of Directors - Vicki Kruger

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Vicki Kruger & Charlene Krise
Vacant
None
Vicki Kruger

Staff Rep.
Jeff Dickison
Traci Coffey
Tammy Ford
Joseph Peters
Kris Peters
Joseph Peters
Eric Sparkman
Gordon James
Dallas Burnett
Bert Miller
Ray Peters
Vacant
Patti Puhn

Meetings
2nd Wednesday in Feb., May, Aug., Nov.
1st Wednesday or Thursday
2nd Tuesday
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For more information, call Aaron Lake at 360-426-0276.

Mondays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Elders Building

For more information, call Aaron Lake at 360-426-0276.