

Congratulations Newly Elected Tribal Council Members



Kris Peters
Council Chair



Jeremie Walls
Council Member #1



Vicki Kruger
Council Member #2

Newly elected Tribal Council Members took their Oath of Office on May 18th. The oath was administered by Rhonda Foster, Cultural Resources Director/Tribal Historic Preservation Officer.

The Peoples Oath (2023)

You have been chosen by the Creator and our People to serve as our Honored Leader.
This is a promise you make to the Creator for your Ancestors, People, and future Children.

“The thickness of your skin will be seven thickness for you will be proof against anger, offensive action, and criticism. With endless patience, you shall carry out your duties, and your firmness shall be tempered with compassion for your People. Neither anger nor fear shall find lodgment in your mind or spirit, and all your words and actions shall be tempered with calm deliberation. In all your official acts, self-interest shall be cast aside. You shall look and listen to the welfare of the whole People, and have always in view, not only the past, present but the coming generations in your heart”
(1720 Iroquois Confederation giving charge to the new Leaders)

Always remember first the Creator’s loving kindness who will continue to bless us as long as we continue to lift Him up and give honor and thanks for all that He continues to provide to our People.

RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND and REPEAT AFTER ME -
"I (Kristopher Klabsch Peters, Vicki Penn Kruger, Jeremie Walls) accept this Oath as a warm blanket, to wrap it around me, and promise to carry it with me and lodge it in my heart . . .

We ask the Creator to guide and hold you for time immemorial.



Walking On ...



Lila Jacobs

Lila Mae Jacobs was born on April 9th, 1938 in Crescent City, CA to Roy Seymour and Clara Bagley Seymour.

She passed away at her home in Kamilche surrounded by her family on May 4th, 2023.

Lila married Moody Elzy Ellerbe on September 20, 1954 and, to this marriage, six children were born.

In 1971 she continued her education and became a nurse until she retired. She lived all over the country.

The last years she spent here at Squaxin Island Tribe. She enjoyed going on Canoe Journeys and Elder trips. She and her friend/cousin, Loretta, used to do what they called "going to work" at the casino, playing the slots. When Covid hit, she lost all those things.

She loved being an Auntie and Grandma. She will be missed! Taking pictures will not be the same; anyone who knows her will know why (Sexy wieners).

She is survived by her two daughters, Laurinda Thomas and Dorinda Thien of Shelton, WA; son, Moody Addison, and his wife, Ann of Galliano, LA; grandchildren, Clayton Bethea and wife, Katie, Eric Ellerbe and wife, Mia, of Shelton, WA, Evan Ellerbe and wife, Reyna, of Victoria TX, Felicia Thompson, Alicia Mikolasko and husband, Bryan, of Santa

Rosa CA, Guy Cain of Shelton, WA, Chris Cain, Russ Addison and wife, Suzette, Chas Addison of Galliano, LA; 14 great-grandchildren; and a great many loving nieces and nephews who loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Clara Seymour; sons, Elmer Ellerbe, Elroy Ellerbe, and Walter Ellerbe; and granddaughter, Robin Cain.

Her siblings are Louis Napoleon, Francis Napoleon Sr, Edward Claplanahoo, Arthur Martin, Sr, Lucille Martin Hause, Phillip Martin, Sr, Lavina Martin Reeves, Marjorie Seymour Hill, Joseph Seymour, Sr., Roy Harold Seymour, David Terry Seymour, Elizabeth Seymour Perez, and Mable Seymour.



Theresa Henderson

Theresa Ann Henderson was born on December 19, 1969 to Susan (Henry) and Larry McFarlane, Sr. in Shelton, WA.

She passed away on April 18, 2023 at Capital Medical Center in Olympia, WA.

Theresa began working as a Front Desk Receptionist for the Tribe in 1983 when she was just 14 years old and worked her way up to Office Manager.

She enjoyed fishing, clam digging, cooking, watching movies, reading books and keeping up with family and friends through Facebook and special events. She was a people person and loved talking. But family was her #1. She would put family before herself at all times.

Theresa was preceded in death by her parents, Susan and Larry McFarlane, Sr. and sister, Connie Uribe.

She is survived by her significant other, Doug Johns; daughters, Shiloh Henderson of Seattle and Tiffany Henderson of Kamilche; sons Michael Henderson and Jacob Johns, both of Olympia, WA; grandson, Aidan Sizemore of Kamilche; sisters, Misti Saenz-Garcia and Susan "Wicket" LaClair, both of Kamilche; brother, Larry McFarlane, Jr. of Kamilche; and numerous friends, nieces, and nephews.

The Celebration of the Life of Theresa Henderson was held on June 1st, 2023, at the Squaxin Island Tribe's Collier house at Arcadia.

Theresa will be greatly missed by all who knew her. To know her was to love her.

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Removing barriers to fish under State Route 108 this summer

Work to improve access for fish to make their way to spawning habitat in and around State Route 108 is scheduled to begin mid-July. The Walsh Group, a contractor working for the Washington State Department of Transportation, will launch this effort to replace existing culverts with fish-passable structures.

In 2013, a federal court injunction required the state to significantly increase efforts to remove state-owned culverts that block habitat for salmon, bull trout, and steelhead by 2030. This project is part of the WSDOT injunction.

During the first phase of the project, crews will focus on locations under SR 108.

To help protect habitat, in-water work can only be done during specific established time frames.

Travelers can expect two separate around-the-clock closures on SR 108. Each closure will last 14 days.

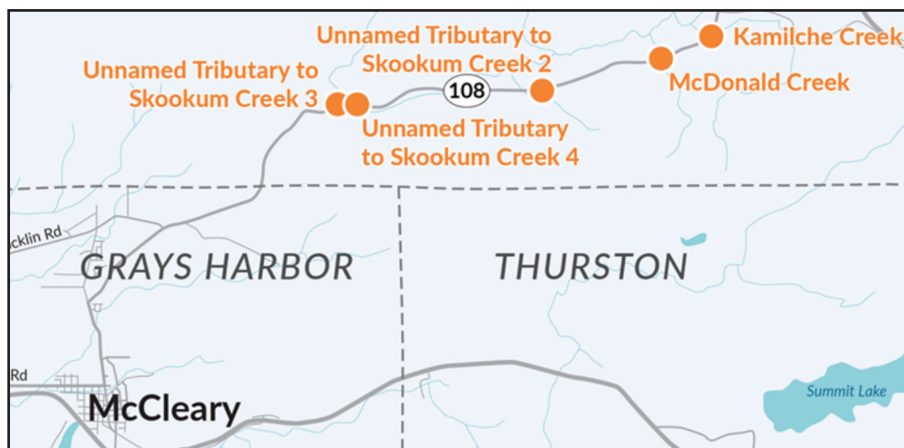
CSR 108 construction specifics

Travelers can expect two separate around-the-clock closures on SR 108.

Each closure will last 14 days.

Construction Start Date:

Estimated mid-June mobilization where the community may see minimal traffic effects and construction anticipated to ramp up by July 15th.



Fish swimming under a new bridge after a culvert was removed

Aug. 2-Aug. 16

- Closure located between milepost 5.5 and 5.54 northeast of McCleary
- Around-the-clock construction at two unnamed tributaries to Skookum Creek at milepost 5.5 and 5.54
- Detour via US 101, SR 8, and SR 108

Aug. 16 – Aug. 30

- Around-the-clock closure between milepost 7.6 and 8.9 (Milepost 8.9 is 8.2 miles west of West Hurley Waldrip Road)
- Roadway will be closed approaching an unnamed Tributary to Skookum Creek and McDonald Creek
- Detour via US 101, SR 8, and SR 108

Before and after each closure, travelers can expect occasional one-way alternating traffic. Expect heavy equipment to occasionally enter and leave the work zone.

“We know this is an inconvenience for a lot of people,” said WSDOT Project Engineer Casey Fraisure. “But each around-the-clock closure will shorten the duration of the construction timeline and keep this project moving forward so we can remove these barriers to fish.”

Around-the-clock closures are expected to reduce the overall construction timeline and leave a smaller environmental footprint. The approach will also reduce construction inside well-established riparian habitat along the edges of the creeks.

Culverts are large pipes beneath roadways that allow water to flow, but are not suitable for fish to swim through. The water may be too swift or shallow, or the culvert may have a waterfall at one end.

During closures, crews will dig through the road surface to remove existing culverts. Workers will then build structures that are easier for fish to swim through and rebuild the roadway before reopening to travelers.

Stay connected

Construction schedules can change, and we want you to stay informed. More information is available on the project web page: [wsdot.wa.gov](https://wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/sr-108-us-101-mason-and-thurston-co-fish-barriers-remove-fish-barriers) and search: Kamilche - or wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/sr-108-us-101-mason-and-thurston-co-fish-barriers-remove-fish-barriers.

Travelers can get advance notification and real-time information on the WSDOT app and statewide travel map. Sign up for email updates for major roadwork on state highways in Mason County. People can also call the project hotline at (564) 225-3289.

Proposed work during 2024

Next year, WSDOT plans similar work on SR 108 at Kamilche Creek. Work is also planned on US 101 near the Mason/Thurston County line. WSDOT will do the work when it will have the least impact on fish; this means mid-July through October. Work not happening in the water could take place outside that timeframe.

WSDOT will ask for feedback about the construction approach well in advance of any work during 2024.



Project Q-code:





Kamilche Fire

Kelly Guy - On Saturday, May 13, the Puget Sound area was enjoying a long awaited arrival of summer weather. The temperatures heated up and warm, yet uncommon, east winds began to blow in memories of summers past and dreams of the summer to come. Mother Nature was also setting us up for prime wildfire conditions. With warm and strong east winds come a rise in temperatures and a significant drop in humidity, which dries out fuels.

While we were all basking in the warmth, breaking out the BBQ for Mother's Day, and running through sprinklers, a small wildfire broke out on Squaxin owned timberlands off Kamilche Point Road. Due to strong winds and low humidity, the fire quickly consumed a portion of the clear-cut. Alongside Mason County Fire District 4, WA DNR, and multiple other fire agencies, we began the age-old battle against land-consuming fire.

The winds quickly drove the fire past a natural fire break and into a much larger portion of the clear-cut. As it moved west, upwards of 15 foot flames drove fire personnel back even farther and caused them to abandon their second fire break line. Air operations were also working to protect the stand of timber to the south and assist ground personnel with controlling the spread of the fire through the clear-cut. Crews were aggressively attempting to contain the fire from spreading west and eventually were able to create a new fire break line that finally held as sundown neared. Temperatures and winds decreased, allowing for fire personnel to gain an upper hand on the blaze.

When responding to an emergency or disaster, life safety is always the first priority. Thankfully, no one was in any immediate danger. DNR and fire personnel will make notifications to the Tribe should any structure become threatened. There was no concern about the fire spreading toward the community.

The second priority is preventing the situation from getting worse, or stabilizing the incident. As Fire staff worked on controlling the fire and stabilizing the situation, Squaxin Island Tribe staff worked on the third priority, which is protection of property and the environment. Calls were made to both Natural Resources Department and Cultural Resources Department enquiring about any areas of concern in or near the impacted zone that may be damaged or in the path of the fire should it continue to spread. Our goal was to ensure that the approach that fire personnel took to control the blaze considered the areas that we would deem sensitive and areas that we would want to protect. DNR and Squaxin worked to apply appropriate firefighting tactics that limited damage to the areas of importance. Thankfully, the current footprint of the fire and firefighting efforts did not damage any sensitive habitat or culturally important areas, and the fire remained contained.

On Sunday, Mother's Day, fire personnel continued to battle hot spots by bringing in air support again. Cultural Resources Department also visited the site to conduct additional surveys. During the following week, over 75 fire personnel continued to work daily putting hot spots out and working in the edges of the fire that had spread slightly into the tree line. By Friday, May 19, the fire was considered safe to be left with continued monitoring for weeks to come to ensure that it is fully and safely out.

We are grateful for such quick responses by Mason County Fire District 4 and its local and state partners for their efforts to protect Squaxin property. It took a large coordinated effort between Mason Fire District 4 and Central Mason Fire, Mason Fire Districts 16, 11, 13, 6, and 18, as well as Thurston County Fire District 13, WA DNR, a team of engines from Thurston County, and a team comprised of various Puget Sound fire agencies. We are also grateful for a quick response from our Squaxin Departments. It allowed for Squaxin to take a proactive approach to communicating and protecting its resources of value.

CodeRed

In the future, should a fire or any emergency or disaster impact the Squaxin Island Tribe Reservation community, we invite you to sign up for our emergency notification system, called Code Red, which communicates immediate lifesaving information and keeps you up-to-date on any changes during emergencies or disasters. Tribal members living on the reservation can sign up for free to receive phone calls, text messages, and/or emails about situations that require immediate action by the community for their safety.

To sign up visit:

<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BF45D0023AFC>

Or, to learn more information, visit:

<https://squaxinland.org/codered>

If you need help signing up or have questions, please call Kelly Guy: (360) 463-8505.

If you do not live on the reservation, please consider signing up for your local county's emergency notification system:

THURSTON COUNTY:

<https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/departments/emergency-management/emergency-information/alert-and-notification>

MASON COUNTY:

<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFE39578CE91>

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY:

https://www.graysharbor.us/departments/emergency_management/DEMNotificationRequest.php



Photo by Sis Brownfield



Jeremie Walls



Auctioning a 2011 Evinrude E-tec 115HP Outboard Motor

The Natural Resources staff has determined that the department no longer has a need for an item. We would like to offer this item to the community in a sealed bid auction. We will accept sealed bids at the Natural Resources front desk until 4:00 PM on June 16th. Bids will be reviewed; the winner will be notified and have two weeks to pay. If the winning bidder fails to pay, then the next highest bid will be accepted. All items are sold "as-is". Any questions can be directed to Daniel Kuntz at 360-432-3859 or dkuntz@squaxin.us

2011 Evinrude E-tec 115HP
Outboard Motor

Unknown hours
Sold "as-is"
Buyer is responsible for transport



Calling all Hunters!!!

Do you know how Chronic Wasting Disease affects you?

The Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission Wildlife and Veterinary Program is holding meetings to discuss Chronic Wasting Disease and answer your questions. Dinner will be provided during the meeting!

Learn more about

- What CWD is
- History of CWD
- Effect CWD can have on hunting
- Ways to mitigate the risk of spreading CWD
- Food safety concerns with CWD positive animals

If you would be interested in attending a meeting in your area please scan this code and fill out the survey. You may also email Charlene Morotti at cmorotti@nwifc.org or reach out to your tribal wildlife biologist. Dates and Locations TBD



Public Hearing on SPIPA PL 102-477 Plan impacting CCDF and TANF programs

What: A Public Hearing on the SPIPA PL 102-477 Plan impacting Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) and Tribal Assistance for Native Families (TANF) programs.

Who: Supports the Chehalis, Nisqually, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish and Squaxin Island Tribes

When: June 4, 2023 from 3:00pm-5:00pm

Where: This public hearing will be held in-person at the IPC Classroom and will also be available virtually through zoom. If you have any questions or comments you wish to be addressed, please enter a comment below.

A copy of the plan and comment section is also available on spipa.org/public-notice



FAMILY SERVICES



Family Services Community Events

Family Services has been busy, and thank you for joining us in the many recent events. We also want to let the community know about the activities . . . keep coming, and join us if you haven't yet.

March 31st we had the Community Healing event at the Community Kitchen. Thank you for joining us and participating in listening to each other about healing from trauma and sharing your experiences in accessing help. Behavioral Health joined us, and we were honored to hear from many people. We were also glad to learn that many people have been using the journals, books, and other items provided. We highlighted our Community Healing event, VOCA, CSBG, DV and other programs. Those who followed-up found they were eligible for services. We also help with referrals to others, like Behavioral Health.

We have also held violence prevention healing work through basket weaving and drum making in collaboration with the Museum. The basket weaving event was held on April 13th and Kurt Poste was a very popular, knowledgeable instructor. Thanks again to the Museum for the space and traditional teachings, including providing food, which is an essential part of gatherings, as we all know. The drum making was held on May 18th, and Redwolf Krise was our wonderful instructor. The museum space was perfect and, again, the food was welcome and the staff there fantastic. Regalia-making was full of artists making gorgeous items and the space at the Community Kitchen was ideal.

On May 16th and 17th we had Being Healing Informed training at Little Creek Casino Resort with the Elders. Native Wellness Institute was our trainer, and we were lucky enough to have Theda Newbreast as our facilitator. Many did know Theda from previous trainings, and she also had many new fans from her recent appearance on Reservation Dogs. We had wonderful feedback, and the support during the sessions for each other was beautiful. There are many hurts carried forward from historical and recent traumas. The kindness we can show ourselves and each other is a lifelong lesson to carry forward.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events, including our event in June. More details to come.





LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT



What's happening at the Creek

Summer is coming and at the RESORT we are ready! Here's a look at what's coming up:

- **We love our Crumbl Cookies!** Seniors 50+ can claim their cookie voucher from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. each Monday with a cash drawing for \$1,000 at 7:00 p.m.!
- **Tuesdays and Wednesdays** it pays to be a Resort Reward member. The Rapid Fire promotion is your fast pass to cash and drawings are at 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 9:00 p.m.
- **Thursdays and Sundays** we're kicking on the cash cube with a Chamber of Fortune promotion. Drawings at 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., and 9:00 p.m. can land participants as much cash as they can catch!

Entertainment on the Horizon

Concert Announcements Coming Soon!

Thunder From Down Under – Two Shows – June 9th & 10th | On sale now

Aaron Lewis – The Acoustic Tour – June 17th | SOLD OUT

Other Exciting News

Little Creek Casino Mobile App - The resort officially launched an enhanced mobile app in May. The app showcases the dining venues, Salish Cliffs, and Seven Inlets Spa as well as allows a direct link to make a reservation or tee time! Resort Reward members can also log into their Players Club account to view their tier status, see their resort points, and checkout the current promotions. Download in the Google Or Apple Play stores today!

Salish Cliffs News

The golf course is undergoing bunker upgrades all summer. Near the end of summer and upon completion of this project, the resort will take new photos and videos of the course, weather permitting.

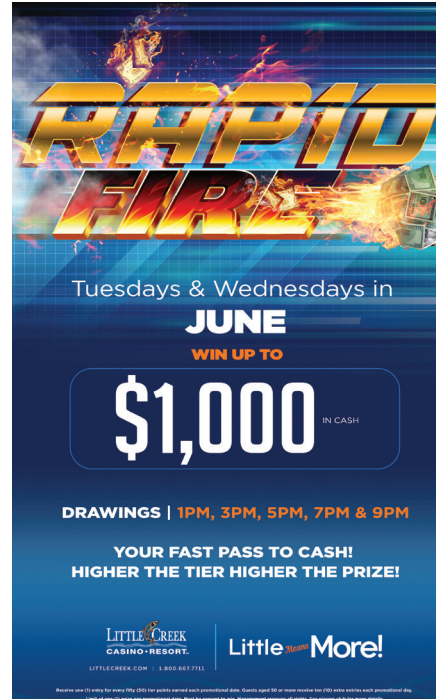
Back by popular demand, Salish Cliffs plans to continue to run the Ladies Wine and 9 promotion on Mondays and Beer, Brat and Shot promotion on Thursdays. Restrictions will apply. Start time is designated, so this offer is not available all day. Check the website for details!

MLRC Golf Tournament

Mark your calendars for June 5th! It's the 22nd annual MLRC Golf Tournament! Sponsorships are still available, reach out to Tyler Brown at tyler.brown@salishcliffs.com

Starlight

Starlight remains closed, but the project is moving along as scheduled and will reopen mid-July!





Inter-Tribal Host Luncheon

Traci Coffey - Our luncheon was a complete success and went off grand.

If you haven't already seen the photos on the Elders' web page, please check them out. There are great photos taken by several people, and we thank you all for sharing.

Special Thanks to:

Chairmen Kris Peters who did a great job as our MC for the day.

ALL Volunteers - this would not have been such a successful event if it weren't for all of you.

Veterans/Honor Guard - Thank you for posting of the Colors and all your support.

Vicki Kruger - Thank you for bringing in the kids to sing and dance.

Shelby Riley who stayed here along with me very late at night and was along every step of the way with me. You are the Best!

Rose Davis for providing our prayers.

Theresa Henderson and all others who took photos and shared with all of us. They are on Elders' web page for all to enjoy.

All departments who donated to us for our raffle ticket sales items (very successful).

All Elders and others (even if you weren't an Elder) who took the time to make gifts, hang out, and just be supportive of us.

I'm sure I missed someone, not intentionally by any means. You all were so awesome.

Please know that we are so thankful to all of you for making this so successful. Our hands up to everyone.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10, 2023

Cowlitz Artist Market
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

June 19, 2023

Swinomish's Summer Elders Inter-Tribal Luncheon

9:30-?

RSVP by 6/5/2023

Call Mandy at (360) 499-4056

This trip will be on your own.

June 24, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Cancer Awareness Color Run

For more information, call Clara at the clinic
(360) 427-9006

July 10, 2023

Grand Ronde Elders Honor Day

Two overnights at Spirit Mountain Casino
Hotel & Event Center

Call Traci at (360) 463-3385 to sign-up.

We will be providing transportation, so please let Traci know if you want to take our ride.





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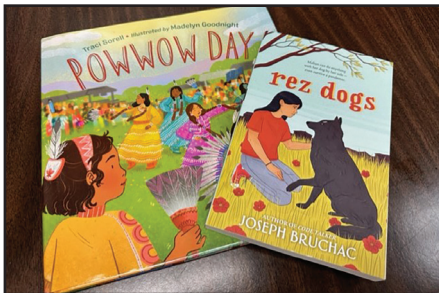
Bordeaux

Tamika Krise - Happy June to our beautiful Squaxin people! It has been a crazy past couple of weeks, but we have so much to look forward to! Our Bordeaux kiddos have been slammed with testing on top of the crazy heat. They are handling it all so well although they are all very eager for no more testing and summer that's right around the corner. So, let's dive into what else the kiddos have been up to!

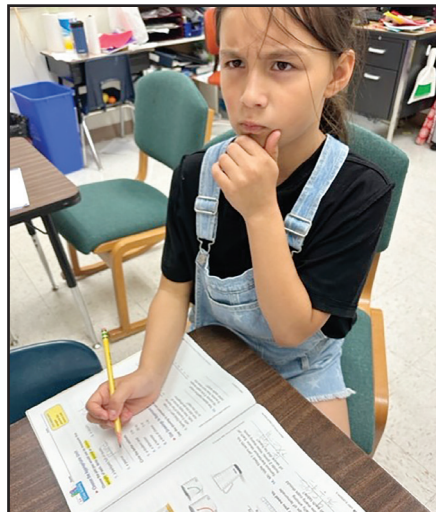
We have had tons of field trips and a few more to come. Kindergarten got to enjoy a day at Twanoh State Park. First graders did a day at the Collier house doing field experience, learning about marine life and watersheds! Second graders got to go to the Science Center in Seattle and told me it was tons of fun. They also have an upcoming field trip to the estuary in Skokomish. Third grade got to visit the aquarium. Lastly, our fourth graders patiently wait for the field trip to Mt. St. Helens.

The kids have been so pumped about all these awesome opportunities. For a lot of them, it is their first field trip experience since Covid. I am always so happy to hear about the cool stuff they got to see and learn about.

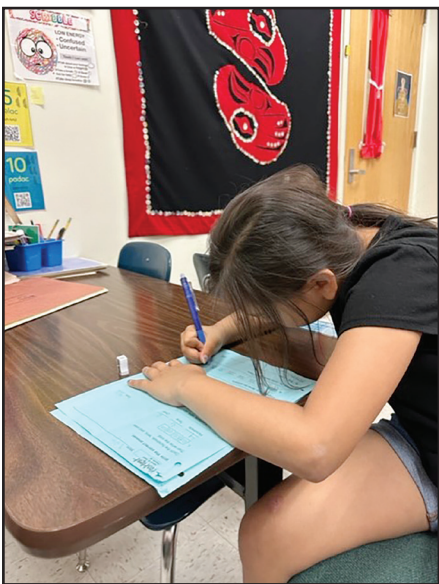
Now we are looking at the end of the year and ready for all of the summer excitement! Very proud of all of my Bordeaux Bulldogs this year!



New books for our Native Ed room!



*Milah Hawks caught mid thought!
Hawks girls in action!*



Ivy Hawks working hard on her math test



*Breezy Cooper Bush making signs for
Kiona Krise's senior night*



See you at Sgwi' Gwi



ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS *Graduating in 2023*

Do you know someone who is graduating high school, has received their GED, completed their AA, BA, MA Degree, or has received a certificate for a vocational/technical program?

**To be recognized please email your information to Mandy Valley by;
4:00pm Friday June 2nd, 2023.**

Please see contact information below

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council, Education Commission and the Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center would like to recognize and celebrate these individuals at the Twenty-sixth Annual Sgwi-gwi Celebration.

26th Annual Sgwi' Gwi Celebration

Thursday June 8th, 2023

Time 5:00pm, Squaxin Ball Field.

Please go to the following link below and fill out the questionnaire.

https://squaxin.formstack.com/forms/2023_graduates

Contact: Mandy Valley
10 SE Squaxin Lane
Shelton, WA 98584

Phone: (360) 432-3882
Fax: (360) 426-7897
email: mvalley@squaxin.us

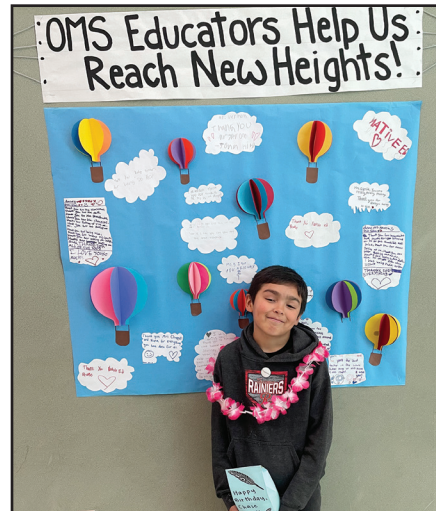


Olympic Middle School Walk-a-thon

Kiana Wily - OMS students walked for a good cause this past May 3rd! PTSO and school staff put on a fun walk-a-thon event involving ALL the kids in the school. The students had spent a week recruiting sponsors who pledged a donation amount, either based off the amount of laps a student did or just a flat donation. Many of the students put in literal miles, some making over three miles even in just their short period of walking, or in their case, sprinting! Wilson Johns and Dominick Henry were a couple of the boys who accomplished the three-mile mark. Amazing job boys! With just this single day of walking our students raised over \$4000 for our school's fund to buy our school some new PE equipment and fund some future field trips and assembly. Shout out to PTSO treasurer Amy Cooper for her coordination and to all the staff and parents who made the event possible. And a huge shout out to all the youth who put those laps in and supported a good cause. It's amazing what we accomplish when we all put our heads together! It's never too late to make a donation if you're interested in doing so! Contact OMSPTSOShelton@outlook.com for more information on making a donation to our Olympic Middle School.

Native Ed

We've been enjoying having our meetings more frequently and with the weather being so nice we've been able to get outside during our meeting times to play some games. Strawberries and fruits have been the snack of choice lately as we all hang out. All our Native Ed students helped to make posters for all the educators in the building in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week. They wrote thoughtful and some very funny messages on clouds to let their favorite adults in the building know how they help them to reach new heights. We spent the last couple weeks of May having each of the students work on and make a traditional craft. The 6th graders made blue Medicine bags, for many it was their very first time sewing. The 5th graders tried their hand at weaving, making cute little cattail mats. Native Ed celebrated the end of the year with a really fun pizza and float party. All our 6th graders received a going away gift bag. We are going to miss our 6th graders so much, but we wish them the best on their junior high journey, and we look forward to seeing all the upcoming 5th graders! Have an amazing Summer everyone!



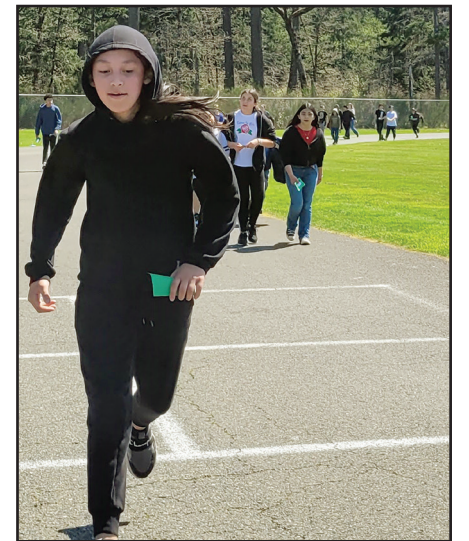
May Birthday- Chase Sparr-Raham



Dominick Hartwell did 12 laps totalling three miles



Emilio and his Native Ed buddies being silly and playing ball at a meeting



Wilson Johns showing his athleticism completing 12 laps



Heather making a stop at the hydration station



Chase and Liano enjoying snack



Will Weythman



Kiyote at OBJH

Oakland Bay Junior High

Caleb Kinzner - Hello all, we have less than 30 school days left before the school year is over.

I am extremely proud of every student, because they have grown so much since the beginning of the school year. These students have developed and polished many skills that will help them next year and so on. It sounds like many students cannot wait for the year to be over so they can start their summer already, but we still have a little bit of work left.

I am starting to notice that students are starting to miss a little more work than usual, so please continue to keep up on them at home. I believe that the biggest achievements the students have made this year is that they have improved their relationship with their teachers. This was the biggest struggle and divide that I noticed when I started working here in October, and I could not be prouder of the progress that each student has made.

We have been doing state testing in the month of May and many students have taken advantage of the extra time by beading and making posters in the Native Ed room.



Janelle, Kye, Will Ogden, Takoda at OBJH



Trey Cooper, Janelle Krise, Jordan Tinaza, Kiyote Sparr, and Skylehr Henry

Shelton High School

Hello everybody! First off, I would like to say congratulations to our senior class! We have four amazing seniors this year! Jacob Bethea, John (Bubba) Krise, Kiona Krise, and Gannon Mcfarland! I'm so proud of y'all's hard work, and look forward to seeing all of you at graduation! For our underclassman, I am extremely proud of you! I hope y'all have an amazing summer break, and I look forward to seeing everybody again soon!

Last month, we closed after school Homework Help one day to show support and love to Miss Kiona! It was her fastpitch senior night. Keesha made us some lovely signs to hold, and we were able to see Kiona and the rest of her senior teammates get honored right before their game. The rain was a bit of a bummer, but all the girls shined in their tiaras and sashes, so it made up for the weather. The Dream Team is very proud of you Kiona!!! You put two incredible years into fastpitch, and it was an absolute honor being your person at the high school. Just know I'm always in your corner cheering you on girl!





The Sunshine is Out and Summer Is on Its Way! May After School Activities

Mondays in May we did activities related to plants, and May's focus was Wild Rose.

Tuesdays in May we held on-going cultural activities, and the focus was cedar. The youth got to learn about the cedar trees and weave using cedar strips.

On Wednesday, May 3rd, we used water colors to create some amazing art work.

On Thursday, May 4th, the youth washed, cut, and prepared, mangos, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, lemons, limes and Honey Crisp apples into a fruit salsa. The youth also cut white corn tortillas into triangles to make their own tortilla chips. Kasia fried them and added cinnamon sugar to create cinnamon sugar chips for their fruit salsa! It was a big hit, and the youth ate every last bit!

On Friday May 5th, we created a STEM science experiment out of batteries, tape, plastic covered wire, and paper clips. The youth tried to create an electromagnet and did their best. Ultimately, we had some challenges, but it was fun to see them use their minds!

Saturdays in May we held open gym from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. every other week, temporarily with Billie, and then transitioned into weekly from 12:00 -5:00 p.m., with Brandon Blueback, TLC'S new pool team member!

On Wednesday, May 17th, the kids were able to create some beautiful beaded necklaces of their own and they did such a wonderful job.

On Thursday, May 18th, the youth made fun shaped fried peanut butter and jellies. They did such a great job shaping their sandwiches, and they really enjoyed trying something new.

Thursday, May 25th, we taught the youth how to make homemade healthy fruit roll-ups from fresh fruit. The youth got to wash, prepare, and smash up the fruits to create their roll ups. They got to take them home to eat at the end.

Summer R.O.O.T.S calendars went out, and sign-ups began May 15th. All QR codes for Formstack registration and the dates and times will be posted on the Remind app, Daily Scoop, and Parks & Rec Facebook page.

The last day of Squaxin Island Tribe's after school program is June 9th.

Stay updated on upcoming summer activities on our Facebook page, Squaxin Island Parks and Recreation Dept. or join our Remind app! Text @ SquaxinRec to 81010.

Kasia Seymour, Youth Activities Lead
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Sara Naranjo-Johns, Youth Recreation Mentor
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Summer R.O.O.T.S. 23/24



YAY, IT'S Summer

Squaxin Island Parks & Recreation
What's Happening In
June...

Mondays are Traditional Medicine day: Wild Strawberries

Tuesdays are the On-Going Cultural Activities: Medicine Bags

Thursday June 1st - Whipped Kool- Aid Drinks

Friday June 2nd STEM- Tessellation Creations

Saturdays are Open Gym: 2-5pm

Wednesday June 7th- Q-Tip Art

Thursday June 8th- Homemade Poptarts!!!

Friday June 9th STEM- Giant DIY Bubbles

ALSO THE LAST DAY OF THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM!!!!

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LEARNING CENTER



June 2023

Kasia: 360-432-3801 Kenna: 360-432-3895 Rec Room: 360-432-3986 After-School Rec Hours: Monday -- Friday: 3:00-6:00pm

2NMonday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Whipped Kool-Aid Drinks	2 STEM: Tessellation Creations	3 Open Gym 12-5pm
5 Plant Teaching Wild Strawberry	6 Medicine Bags	GSD ER @ 2:30 7 Q-Tip Painting	8 Homemade Pop-tarts	9 STEM: Giant DIY Bubbles LAST DAY OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	10 Open Gym 12-5pm
12 GETTING READY FOR SUMMER R.O.O.T.S. !!!!!!	13	14	15	16	17 Open Gym 12-5pm
19 GETTING READY FOR SUMMER R.O.O.T.S. !!!!!!	20	21	22	23	24 Open Gym 12-5pm
26 GETTING READY FOR SUMMER R.O.O.T.S. !!!!!!	27	28	29	30	

After School & Recreation programs are Tobacco, E-cigarette, Alcohol & Drug Free. Activities Calendar subject to change at any time.

*Shelton school 1.5 Hr. Early Release Open 1:30-6pm *Griffin School Early Release Every Wednesday open 2:30-6pm



Summer R.O.O.T.S July/ 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Closed For 4 th of July Holiday	4 Closed Happy 4 th of July	5 Welcoming Family Celebration	6 Welcome Week Intro to Lushootseed Icebreaker games & Activities , Swimming & Field Games	7 Hours: 8:30-1:00pm Intro to Lushootseed Playground & Field Games Lunch/Sign out
10 Culture Camp I Introduction to Lushootseed Language Posters, Lushootseed Bingo & Games	11 Introduction to Lushootseed, Swimming & Cedar Weaving	12 Lushootseed T'peeksin Park, Drumming & Singing, Traditional Art & Language Activities	13 Lushootseed Swimming, Making Paper Masks & Storytelling	14 Hours: 8:30-1:00pm Lushootseed Making Mini Paddles, Lunch /Sign out 8:30-12:00pm
17 Basketball & Soccer Camp Basketball Clinic with SPSCC 10-12pm Soccer Clinic with SPSCC 1-3pm Games & Art Activity	18 Basketball Clinic with SPSCC 10-12pm Soccer Clinic with SPSCC 1-3pm Swimming & DIY Activity	19 Basketball Clinic with SPSCC 10-12pm Soccer Clinic with SPSCC 1-3pm Make Mini Hoop, Games & Playground	20 Basketball Clinic with SPSCC 10-12pm Soccer Clinic with SPSCC 1-3pm Swimming & DIY Crafts	21 Hours: 8:30-1:00pm Basketball Clinic with SPSCC 10-12pm Soccer Clinic with SPSCC 1-3pm & Making Sports themed snacks
24 Squaxin Farm to table/ Traditional Foods Camp Planting Calendula , Social Emotional Kits, Games & Plant Teachings	25 Swimming, Lavender Soap, Playground & Gym time	26 Learn about the Squaxin Farm, bath soak, Dandelion Biscuits	27 Swimming, Wild berry crisp & Plant Bingo	28 Hours: 8:30-1:00pm Calming Spray, Fruit Leather, Lunch & sign Out 8:30-12:00pm
31 Outdoor Games /Outdoor Adventure Camp Outdoor Games, Nature Walk, Nature Art & T'peeksin Park	*Calendar is Subject to Change at any time. * Summer ROOTS is Tobacco/Vape, Drug and Alcohol-Free Program. Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-3:00pm & Fridays 8:30-12:00pm for Staff Development.			

Higher Education

Just a reminder that summer quarter is by special request only! You must write a special request letter to the Education Commission along with a Memorandum of Commitment, summer class schedule and official grades from spring 2022. The deadline for summer 2023 is June 12th. Also, August 4th is the deadline to turn in all completed paperwork for the 2023/2024 school year. New and returning students will need to complete the packet for the 2023 fall quarter/semester. Paperwork can be emailed or picked up at the Education Department between the hours of 7:30-4:00. If you have any questions or need any assistance please feel free to give me a call or email. Don't forget to turn your final grades and any receipts from spring quarter/semester in by July 7th.

Thank you,

Mandy Valley
Higher Education Coordinator
mvalley@squaxin.us
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LEARNING CENTER



Teens

Hello Squaxin Fam!

Summer is officially here, and we are so excited for our Stepping Stones program!

We decided to focus on cultural immersion this summer. We found that the youth have been missing out on diving into our culture since Covid caused us to stay so far away from each other.

This summer I wanted to provide a space that fills the youths' spirits by getting them geared up to attend Canoe Journey at Muckleshoot. The youth will be making their own regalia as well as making pulling and dancing paddles. They will be learning songs, drumming, and dancing.

I have found the youth light up when I do cultural activities with them, so I wanted to make this time all about giving them resources, knowledge, and the opportunity to experience Canoe Journey the way a lot of us did as youth.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out.

Keesha Vigil-Snook
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(360) 463-0682



June 2023 - Tu Ha' Buts Youth Center Calendar
All activities are drug, alcohol, e-cigarette and tobacco free.
Activities and Calendar are subject to change at any time.
Rec Room Phone Number: 360-432-3986



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 After-School: 3-6pm Whipped Kool Aid Drinks	2 After-School: 3-6pm STEM: Tessellation Creations	3 Open Gym: 12pm-5pm
5 After-School: 3-6pm Plant Teaching: Wild Strawberry	6 After-School: 3-6pm Cultural: First Aid Kits & Medicine Bags	7 After-School: 3-6pm Q-Tip Painting	8 After-School: 3-6pm Homemade Pop tarts	9 After-School: 3-6pm STEM: Giant DIY Bubbles LAST DAY OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	10 Open Gym: 12pm-5pm
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19 After-School: CLOSED Getting Ready for Summer R.O.O.T.S	20	21	22	23	24 Open Gym: 12pm-5pm
26 After-School: CLOSED Summer R.O.O.T.S Training Week	27	28	29 Summer R.O.O.T.S Welcoming Celebration for Families July 5 th	30 CLOSED for Tribal Member Services	Summer R.O.O.T.S Begins July 6 th See you there!
Key: SSD – Shelton School District GSD – Griffin School District		After-School Meal Times: Early Snack is offered: 3:00pm-3:45pm Late Snack is offered: 4:00pm-4:45pm		Activity Time: School-Age Youth from: 5:00-5:45pm	
				Contact: Kasia: 360-432-3801 Kenna: 360-432-3895 Sara: 360-432-3992	



School Attendance

Jaimie Cruz - Summer is here! Our young folks have been increasing their attendance over the last year. I am proud of our high school students who have previously been frequent fliers on my list and now their attendance has drastically increased! They are also passing their classes with C's or above. It truly takes a village and, although I want to name this specific young person I know when they read this, they will know it's about them.

Our youth at Bordeaux, Evergreen, Mountain View, Olympic Middle School, Oakland Bay Jr. High, Shelton High School, Cedar High School, and Choice High School have spent another post-Covid year getting back into the routine. Going to school in person can be challenging. You made it another 180 days (about six months) learning new things and taking healthy risks.

Over the summer, I encourage families to develop routines with their youth to ensure they are ready to be attending school regularly. This is not just for the academic opportunities; socially and emotionally, youth need to be around other youth.

If your family is able to, please encourage your youth to participate in sports, clubs, and family nights within their schools. The PTSO's have had some great evening activities, and it is a chance for the parents of the school to work together and host the kids. As always - be kind, be caring, and be sharing.

Please be on the lookout in the next two Klah-Che-Mins and social media pages for summer activities and the back-to-school backpack giveaway in August!

If you have not filled out a FERPA with the Education Department, please do so. Schools must have written permission from the parent or guardian to release any information from a student's education record. We use them so we can help advocate for our Squaxin students.



Pictured above are Jaimie Cruz, Truancy Prevention Specialist, and Julie Youngs, Education Director, with Shelton School District Superintendent Wyeth Jessee at their monthly meeting! They spent the last year meeting with Wyeth to discuss the many possibilities to address issues and come up with solutions within the Shelton School District for Squaxin students. Our hands are raised to Wyeth for making this commitment to our Squaxin students and community.





SQUAXIN ISLAND CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HONOR INDIGENOUS IDENTITY AND CULTURE THROUGH TRADITIONAL

**STORY TELLING
DANCE
DRUMMING
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BEADING
CARVING
GATHERING
MEDICINAL MEDICINE**

INTERESTED VOLUNTEERS REACHOUT TO MARTI PETERSON

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- Opioid treatment
- Outpatient services
- Treatment services, referrals & more

**Business Hours
Monday - Friday
8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

360-426-1582


**SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE
Behavioral Health
Outpatient Services**

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK BOX LOCATIONS

SHELTON

NEIL'S PHARMACY

MASON GENERAL HOSPITAL

SHELTON PHARMACY

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HUMAN RESOURCES



Christopher Brown **Salish Roots** **Program Assistant**

Hi! I have been hired as the program assistant with the Salish Roots. I am very family oriented. I love to help as much as I can to get things done. I have worked in so many environments; I've done warehouse, construction, and deliveries. I am just super excited to be part of a team and to help and show support. I am looking forward to being a team player to everyone and to help build and join the staff working with the new people. Let's all grow together!

Please note the following positions are continuously accepting applications:

- Treatment Attendant (Elma)
- Housekeeper/Cook (Elma)
- On-Call Cook (Elders Program)
- Police Officer

If you would like assistance updating a resume or have questions about any of our open positions, please reach out to Jessica in Human Resources.

Positions are updated each Friday at:
www.squaxinisland.org.



Vernon Sanchez **Salish Roots Field Tech**

Hi! I have been hired as a Field Tech at Salish Roots garden. I have my three grandkids living with me until the school year is up, and they are very proud of me. I am very excited to be back in the workforce doing things I love. I like to be outdoors, and I am a hard worker. I am looking forward to this job. Good Luck.



Shera Clark **Treatment Attendant**

Hi! I have been hired as a Treatment Attendant at the Northwest Indian Treatment Center. I have always been compassionate about helping those in need. I am excited to meet new people, help others, and make a difference. I look forward to working with you and I am excited to see where this position takes me.



Patricia Green **Salish Roots Field Tech**

Hi! I have been hired as a Garden Tech at Salish Roots. I've worked with several departments and entities throughout my working career with the Tribe. One of my passions is working outside, tending, gathering, and growing traditional or non-traditional foods and medicine. I look forward to visiting with you down at the garden or at the fruit stand!



Sarai Johnson **Classroom Assistant**

I have been hired as a Classroom Assistant with the Child Development Center. I am a first time mom of one boy, Jameson. My fiancé and his family grew up in the Tribe. I am a previous daycare teacher, and am excited to be



Juana Nelson **Administrative Assistant** **Planning and Community Development**

Hi! My Name is Juana Nelson. My mother was Paula Swan Krise. The love of my life is Jeromy "Jerbear" Meyer.

I have been employed with the Tribe for a total of 26 years, and in the Office of Housing for the last 15 years. It has been truly been an honor being able to work with the community and our tribal people. I am looking forward to new adventures and being able to continue being a part of building the future of our Tribe. My door is always open. Stop in and say, "Hi."



working with kids again after being on maternity leave. I am also excited to be outdoors and learn more about the culture. I am very excited to be a part of the team.



Prevention and Health Survey

Greetings!

Squaxin Island Health and Human Services is excited about June! We are focusing on bringing Cancer Prevention Awareness and Public Health information to the community. We have developed a public health survey to help us plan those services that are a priority for Tribal members. Please scan the QR code in this edition of the Klah-Che-Min to take our survey.

It's important to the well-being of the whole Tribe for everyone to be aware of the importance of prevention and early screening that is available to them. Our team is always available to assist you in determining what screening and tests you may need. We are having a special Color Run, Walk, Wheel event on June 24th. We hope you will come out and have a great day with us!

TELL US WHAT YOU NEED



SCAN ME! TO TAKE OUR SURVEY



GIVE US YOUR FEED BACK
OPEN YOUR PHONE CAMERA
AND SCAN THIS QR CODE!



[HTTPS://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/YDNLXNF](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YDNLXNF)

HHS Office REMINDERS

1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS

Our offices are closed for
administrative time

PLAN AHEAD

Pick up prescriptions prior to
noon!



TRIBAL MEMBER SERVICES

Jaclyn Meyer, Coordinator

Purchase Orders

- Call and tell us when, where and what the appointment is for.
- The referral must be made by one of our providers or the hospital.
- Please verify you have a purchase order before your appointment.
- Provide your PO number when you check in to your appointment.

They sent me a bill!!!

**Send it over to us
ASAP!!!**

You may receive bills for
ambulance, labs, radiology,
specialists, & doctors separately.



Contact Info

Here are all the ways you can
contact me:

- jmeyer@squaxin.us
- (360) 432-3922
- www.squaxinisland.org



Emergencies



- Notify the ER clerk that you are covered by Squaxin Island Tribal Health
- Call us within 72 hours (3 days).
- Let us know where you went!
- Did you go by ambulance?
- Date you checked in and out.
- What was the reason for the emergency visit?



What is Public Health?

Public Health is the science of protecting and improving the health of people and their communities. It is done by promoting healthy lifestyles, researching disease and injury prevention, and detecting, preventing and responding to infectious diseases. Public health is concentrated on protecting the health of local communities. Public health professionals try to prevent problems from happening or recurring through implanting educational programs, recommending policies, administering services, and conducting research, whereas clinical doctors and nurses, focus on treating individuals after they become ill or injured. Public health is promoting health care equity, quality, and accessibility. One example, instead of prescribing medication for high blood pressure, public health professionals examine the link among obesity, diabetes, and heart disease, then utilize the data to influence programs aimed at reducing these conditions.

Public health in Indigenous Communities

Indigenous communities endure severe health, socioeconomic, educational inequities - the result of colonization and subsequent ongoing trauma and cultural oppression. Despite these immense challenges, Indigenous cultural knowledge, teachings, and cultural practices offer lessons for creating a healthy lifestyle. They are grounded in the understanding of the interaction between physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual health, and respect for the interconnectivity of all beings. Despite these disparities in indigenous communities, there is an immense strength and resilience.



Reference:

Bloomberg School announces Expanded Center for Indigenous Health. Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. (n.d.). Retrieved April 6, 2023, from <https://publichealth.jhu.edu/2022/bloomberg-school-announces-expanded-center-for-indigenous-health>



MAMMOGRAM BUS DATES

JUNE 15, 2023
JULY 11, 2023
AUGUST 29, 2023
SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

Contact
Clara!

360-432-3930

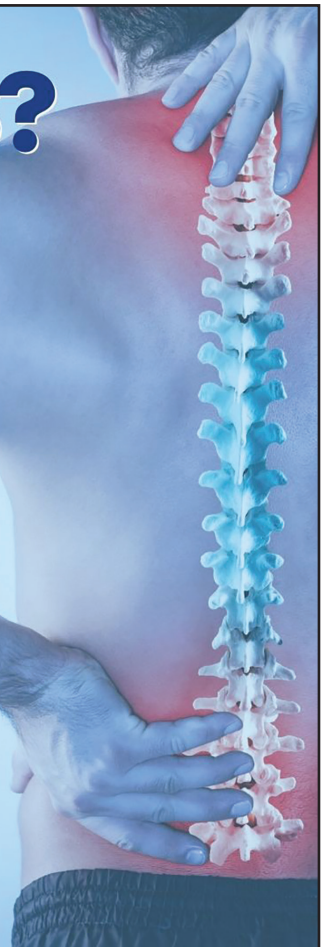


SCOLIOSIS?

Signs

- Body may look like it is tipping in one direction
- One shoulder might look higher than the other.
- Most common in pre-teens and teens.

Talk to your provider if you have any of these symptoms





Never give up.
Fight like a warrior.

Do you love someone
who has had cancer?

**COME TO OUR
COLOR RUN
JUNE 24TH**



Squaxin Island Tribe
People of the Water



Kamilche Pharmacy

Please submit your refill requests at least 5 days in advance.
HHS closes at noon the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.



(360) 432-3990

SQUAXIN ISLAND
Cancer
Awareness
Color Run!

● 24TH ● JUNE ● 11 AM ●

**LOCATION- START AT SQUAXIN
BASEBALL FIELD**

70 SE Squaxin Ln Shelton, WA 98584

A great opportunity to get out and get active while having lots of fun!
Spread awareness and show your support for cancer screening,
prevention and survivorship in our communities!
Event will begin at 11 AM. You can walk, run, or bike- the choice is
yours. Activity will be followed by an honoring of attending cancer
survivors. Lunch will be provided at 1 PM.
Please note : Color powder is non-toxic, gluten-free, environmentally
safe and may stain clothing.

Please pre register by **May 31st**
to guarantee a T-shirt ! →

SCAN ME



Food Pouches Are Expensive & Reduce Practice with Textures and Self feeding

<https://www.webmd.com/parenting/baby/features/do-baby-food-pouches-cause-eating-problems>

Why avoid pouches?

Using pouches may delay development
when children are learning to chew and
swallow soft foods.

By about 9 months, advance from pureed
foods to different textures and finger foods.
This is important for speech development .



**Having the opportunity to see, smell, and play with food
can increase a toddler's acceptance of new foods.**

Avoid food pouches and "meltaways"

Embrace the Mess!



What Can You Do?

- Limit or avoid food pouches
- Provide Family Meals together as much as possible
- Bring soft finger foods (not round) when out for errands and appointments.
- Read the food label & ingredient list —many pouches are filled with sugar which can damage the teeth and appetite.



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COMMUNITY



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Alexandrea Cooper-Lewis
Alonzo Johnny Grant
Jenene Joy Miller
Kenai Alexander Blueback

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Zachary Stuhqayo Johns

3
Francis Peterson
Jayde Christina Smith
Rocky Lane Bloomfield
Tyrone Jade Krise

4
James Patrick Sen
Malachi Richard Jean Johns
Victoria Skye Rodriguez
Wendy Schlottmann

5
Debra Kay Tennis
Emily L. D. Whitener
Julie Goodwin

6
Alyana Rose Van Horn
Dominique McFarlane

7
David Brian Elam
David Merle Krise
Kim Lindy Olson
Randall Gavin Aldrich
Trisha Rae Blueback

8
Elizabeth Marie Seymour
John Daniel Snyder

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George William Sumner
Julie Rose Van Horn
Kimberly R Peterson
Laken Nicole Gray
Pamela Sue Hillstrom

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Tamie Jo Rioux

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Hayze Dauntless Johns

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Andre Maxwell Roberts
Andrew Ernest Sigo
Dorothy May Huff
Kristin Robin Penn
Trent Anthony Brown
Yvonne Joy Bell



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Ronald John Whitener

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Beau Michael Henry Jr.
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Katherine Elizabeth Smith

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Arthur Richard Pleines
Candace Anne Sumner Dani

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Robert Lee Cooper

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Hurricane Lucinda James
Jeremiah Jack George
Sequoia Rose Goodfellow

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Fleet Thunder Sky Johns
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Kaitlyn Makenzie Burrow
Zachary Hetzler II

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To contact a
Squaxin Island
Police Officer Call:
360-426-4441

If it is an
EMERGENCY
CALL 911



Culture Night at the Museum

Wednesdays
5:30pm

Join us for food & fun to
celebrate Squaxin Culture



What's Happening

MLRC Golf Tourney June 5

Sgwi' Gwi June 8

Retirement Party
Kevin Lyon and Sharon Haensly June 9

Court:
Criminal/Civil Court: June 13
Family Court: June 29

WIC June 13
USDA June 7



AA MEETING
Every Wednesday
7:30-9:00 p.m.
Elders Building



Elders Menu . . . Fruit and salad at every meal

MONDAY 5:
Chicken Pot Pie

TUESDAY 6:
Broccoli Cheddar Soup,
Ham Sandwiches

WEDNESDAY 7:
Chalupas

THURSDAY 1:
Orange Chicken, Rice, Veggies

MONDAY 12:
Chicken Rice Casserole w/ Veggies

TUESDAY 13:
Italian Potato Sausage Soup,
Bread Sticks

WEDNESDAY 14:
Lo Mein w/ Veggies

THURSDAY 8:
Pizza

MONDAY 19:
Hamburgers, Potato Salad

TUESDAY 20:
Chili, Fry Bread

WEDNESDAY 21:
Twice Baked Potato Casserole,
Carrots

THURSDAY 15:
Pork Chops, Rice, Peas & Carrots

MONDAY 26:
Tuna Sandwiches, Chips

TUESDAY 27:
Tomato Basil Soup, Grilled Cheese

WEDNESDAY 28:
Sausage Pasta Bake w/ Spinach

THURSDAY 22:
Salmon, Red Potatoes, Spinach

THURSDAY 29:
Corn Chowder, Buckskin Bread

RETIREMENT PARTY
For Kevin Lyon
&
Sharon Haensly

JOIN US FOR AN OUTDOOR POTLUCK
FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

WHEN: FRIDAY JUNE 9TH
2:00 – 4:00 PM
WHERE: SQUAXIN ISLAND LEGAL DEPT
3711 SE OLD OLYMPIC HWY
SHELTON, WA 98584



South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency

USDA Foods Program June Dates



PT. GAMBLE S'KLALLAM	6/2/23
SQUAXIN ISLAND	6/7/23
SKOKOMISH	6/9/23
CHEHALIS	6/16/23
NISQUALY	6/20/23

NOTE: Please stick to 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're unable to make the date, please call and schedule an appointment with appropriate staff.

For USDA Food, call SPIPA at 360.426.3990

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South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency

LIHEAP

NEED HELP WITH YOUR LIGHT BILL?

SPIPA is still accepting applications for energy assistance. If you have not utilized LIHEAP benefits in the past year, you may be eligible for assistance.

LIHEAP APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

Chehalis	Debra Shortman	360.273.5504
Nisqually	Warehouse	360.436.4216
Shoalwater Bay	SPIPA IPC	360.426.3990
Squaxin Island	SPIPA IPC	360.426.3990
Skokomish	Rosetta LaClair	360.426.7788

Questions? call Debbie Gardipee at 360.462.3227



GOOD MOVES GOOD MOODS



IN-Person + Online
Monday's 5pm, 2023

**Squaxin Island Fitness
Center (Studio)**

Enroll for online sessions.
ZUMBA® with Ho'o & Paish
For Tribal Members & Community
Sponsored by SPIPA

- ✓ No Fuss Fitness
- ✓ No Worries
- ✓ Yes to FUN
- ✓ Yes to Health

Classes are subject to change,
please join our text updates.
Questions: WholeisticFit@gmail.com



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NEED A TRIBAL ID?

Enrollment ID's will be available by
appointment only.

Call Tammy at 360-426-9781.

Wednesdays from 11am-1pm



Squaxin Island WIC (Women, Infants, and Children)

provides healthy foods &
nutrition information for you
and your child up to age 5.

Please have available:

Your child's height & weight,
Provider One Card or paystub
and identification for you & your child

Contact at SPIPA for an appointment:
Patty at 360.462.3224,
wicnutrition@spipa.org

or

Debbie Gardipee-Reyes 360.462.3227
gardipee@spipa.org

Main SPIPA number: 360.426.3990

Next WIC:
Tues., June 13, 2023

**We are continuing
remote phone appointments
through August 2023 due to
the COVID-19 virus**
We will call you on your appt day



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