



# Elwha News

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## LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM

### New Klallam Counseling Services Building Opens

The new Klallam Counseling Services building opened its doors to the community on September 13, 2017. The Tribal Council, tribal community, staff and clients gathered to witness the blessing of the new building with singing, drumming and dancing by the Klallam Dance Group.. Chairwoman Frances Charles shared her gratitude to all those who helped to raise this new building, including tribal members who worked on the project, tribal maintenance crew, PNE Construction company, KCS staff and others. The building shares a similar design to the Elwha Health Clinic and is built on tribal property next door. Services provided include behavior health treatment services to native and non-natives and their families. More photos on Page 14.



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## Vice Chairman's Letter to the Community

Dear Lower Elwha Community Members,



I have been busy the last couple of months. I took time off to go visit my nephew in Indiana. He has been very sick. I got to spend almost a week with him. When I got back home I took time to exercise our treaty right by participating in the marine set net king fishery. I didn't get rich like the old days but it sure was fun. Plus I had some fresh king frozen, smoked and candy smoked. That is the first time I actually took time off like that in 18 years. It was good for my heart and better for my soul. Thank you.

I have been going to the Federal Courthouse in Seattle attending mediation with the State of Washington and the tribes over the Resource Management Plan (RMP). We haven't had a plan over the last few years as the old one expired. As with the old RMP, the new one has to be agreed upon by both parties and be court-approved. We have been at it since May of this year. Needless to say, we are having a hard time getting the tribes to agree, than the state has to agree with the tribes. Only then will the court approve the plan. By the way, this has to be complete by December 1, 2017. If we don't agree, potentially we won't be able to fish. None of the parties want that. So we have been meeting every Wednesday trying to complete the process.

I also attended the Tribal Lands and Environmental Forum held in Tulsa, Oklahoma with the National Tribal Toxics Council (NTTC) of which I am a member. I am the only Tribal Leader on our Council so I was honored to open our plenary session. It was felt by NTTC members that a Tribal Leader was needed to make the group more legitimate. They heard about my Fish Consumption Rate work and asked me to join. I asked our Council and they approved of me joining. This group assures that the tribal voice is heard at EPA Headquarters in Washington D. C. We also translate for our nations Tribal Leaders in a way that is understandable. Most of us leaders aren't scientists, we don't know how chemicals affect us or what the long complicated chemical names mean. NTTC tries to explain

that. It's a real interesting group. I am glad for our Council's approval.

I am so excited about our enterprises. Our store is doing very well. In fact we are going to co-operate a CFN card type business for diesel. That way we can accommodate large diesel trucks and fleets. We are in a prime location for that. Better yet, we collect taxes off all that fuel, although the taxes have strings tied to it. We can only spend the funds earned on roads or law enforcement.

Our Klallam Counseling Service (KCS) is complete. In fact, it is open and accepting patients. I am so proud of this one also. It took me two times to get clean and sober. Without the assistance of our KCS I couldn't have done it. I know it will continue to be successful in the years to come.

I continue to be involved with the vessel traffic issue. We need to be ready for all the traffic that is coming through our front yard. Not only the oil and coal ships, but the cruise ships and the Navy. I call the Navy the 800 pound gorilla in the room. They are growing by leaps and bounds. I am a veteran and appreciate protecting our country, but they need to address our treaty rights.

The fish consumption rate is still an issue. We thought that we had a done deal with protection for our members and other state citizens. But with a new national administration, who knows what is going to happen. We tribes continue to let Governor Inslee know our position and try to educate him so he hopefully will make an informed decision.

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## Remembering John Williamson

John, as a young man, worked in the cedar mills to put himself through college and graduated from University of Washington, with a bachelor's degree in business. He also received a master's degree from the Navy Postgraduate School in National Security Affairs. He was a Husky through and through. John was most proud of his Navy work while in Honduras where he was Deputy Director for two years. He was stationed at Bryan College Station and coordinated working with regional Reserve Units in a large engineering enterprise designing roads, schools and base camps for third world countries; he supervised and coordinated their construction. John spent 23 years in the military before retiring from the Army as a Lieutenant, Colonel Corps of Engineers with the Readiness Group at Fort Lewis on August 31, 1992.



John began his career December 1992 in Indian housing with the Lower Elwha Housing Authority. John's devotion to help Native American's like himself afford housing was a 24 year journey he committed to us at the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe. In his time here he built 80 single family homeownership homes, 12 apartments, 3 Elder HIP homes, 10 NAHASDA rental Units, 3 fully handicap accessible units, the Daycare center, the Veteran's Center, the housing office and 45 Tax Credit Units as well as purchasing most of the land the homes sit on.

He was quoted in an interview with Washington State Housing Finance Commission stating that *"The work is pretty much never ending. It takes these kinds of projects to break that cycle of poverty, to get kids some place stable so they can study and have a stable home environment to come home to. You start seeing those results when you've been in the business as long as I have. With those houses we built in '93, '94, I've got quite a few success stories. These kids have grown up, gone to college and gotten jobs."* John always supported education; he donated to the NWIHA youth scholarship program, he pushed colleagues to support it and he made sure we promoted it to our community.

John spent a lot of time living out of a suitcase to make sure Lower Elwha and all other Tribe's were given a fair shake. He served as a Board of Director on the Northwest

Indian Housing Association Board from 2003-2007 and again from 2009-2013. He also served on the Board of Directors for the National American Indian Housing Council as a Liaison or an alternate from 1999-2005; John stepped down from 2005-2007 to focus on the Low Income Housing Tax Credit project. He jumped right back in from 2009-2015. He also sat on several committees creating policies to make sure funding found its way to Native Americans. He even rallied Patty Murray on a flight to the legislative conference in Washington DC.

In 2008 John received the Executive Director's award at the NWIHA meeting. He was nominated by David Bell, Southern Puget Sound Inter Tribal Housing Authority. "Not only has John supported

his own housing Authority- he's supported all members of the NWIHA through his involvement on the Board of NAIHC. John has a long and successful record, attested to by his many years of service to Indian Country." He also received the Washington State Housing Finance Commission Friend of Housing Award in 2012. For exemplary work in improving housing conditions at the Lower Elwha Housing Authority, through the use of the Low Income Tax Credits.

John loved to hunt and fish. He went on several hunting and fishing trips every year. John and his good friend Dave went to Canada on a guided fishing trip a couple weeks before he passed away and returned home with a lot of fish!

John has touched a lot of lives in Indian Country across the nation and will be missed by all who knew him. He is already missed every day in our office. Here's to you John... thanks for all the knowledge, love and compassion you shared with all of us!

## CEO Update

Greetings to all. I want to take a few minutes to express my appreciation for the warm reception I have received from many of the Tribal members, and from the tribal staff. As I have shared with some of you, there is an enormous feeling of “coming home” associated with this job, and I really didn’t expect that, so it is a most pleasant surprise.

Aside from that, I would like to share my initial impressions with you of what I observe today versus 30 years ago when I first worked here. It is amazing what has been accomplished! You may not see it, if you are here and see the small steps every day, but to come back and see the new construction, the expansion of programs, the commercial efforts along the highway and in town, the REMOVAL OF THE DAMS, the restoration work and other environmental stewardship activities, the presence of your own clinic and health services...wow! It leaves me in a slight state of awe.

What I also see is that the support systems to keep this all running smoothly haven’t necessarily kept up with the growth. I might compare it to a kid growing up, and you don’t always see the growth every day, but then suddenly you realize you need to buy them new clothes because they have out grown everything. The operation of any governmental organization, including this one, needs certain systems in place to hire people, to pay them, to monitor and direct their work, to purchase equipment and supplies, to give them the tools they need for the job and a place to work. In governmental services lingo, that is your departments of finance, human resources, facilities, and information technology. One of my major goals will be to improve these services so that the Tribal efforts can continue to grow and expand.

And, like the support that a child needs, the organization must also provide direction, opportunities, experiences and guidance. In work lingo, those service de-

partments are planning, enterprise development, and the business council. But all that would be for naught if not for the direct service programs meeting the needs of the individual tribal members, from enrollment to elder care, from day care to police services, from housing to health care and education. And in

my visits with department heads and staff, I continue to be impressed with the level of commitment, dedication, enthusiasm and professionalism I find. You really are blessed to have such talent serving your needs, and I look forward to working more closely with all of them.

My one regret so far is that many of my friends and relations from the past have passed on. I also regret I haven’t had the time or opportunity to visit individually with many of you, on a personal level, to reacquaint myself and share my story with you. But I look forward to those chances eagerly.

So let me close by saying that it’s good to be “back home”. As a Tribe, you never adopted me, but you have always held a special place in my heart and I have adopted you. And I will work as hard for you as I would for my own Tribe, because you are my friends, and my family, and once you scrape off the labels of Tribal names, we are all one people, the indigenous people of North America.

*William (Bill) White*





## Vice Chairman’s Letter to the Community Continued from Page 2

The Culvert Decision is being appealed by the State of Washington. Our lawyers have been busy keeping up with that also. Hopefully the decision will continue to go in our favor. The Elwha Tribe and our staff had a lot to do with the previous decisions because of our testimony. I am proud of us again.

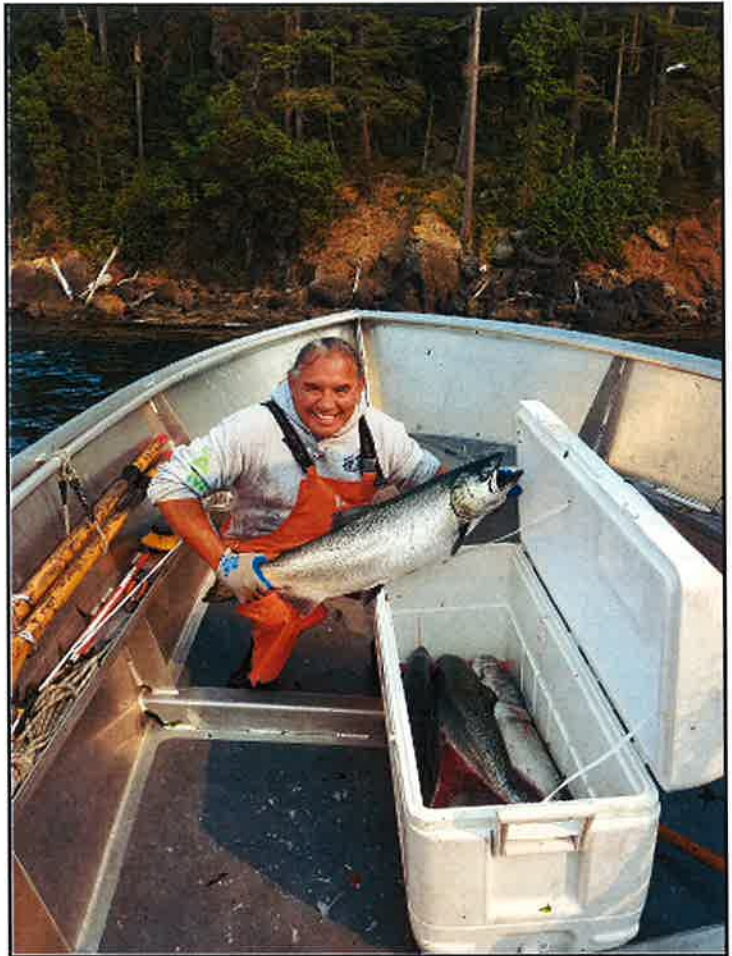
The Lummi Usual and Accustomed court case is on, hopefully its last appeal. This is also a court case that we have won in previous court decisions. We have been at this for about twenty years. It needs to come to an end.

Council and various senior staff have been working diligently on our budget. We spent a week going over each and every department fiscal request, requirements and needs, trying to figure out a balanced budget. We also have to ensure that we meet each departments needs to continue to serve our community.

It is so sad that we are losing our community members at a fast rate due to death. I pray for each and every family that has lost someone. There are a lot of us that are older now. We need to take care of ourselves and one another. So I encourage you to look out for each other. Not only in the time of need but all the time.

Respectfully,

Russell N.  
(RAZZ) Hepfer



Vice Chairman Russ Hepfer exercising his treaty rights fishing for Kings.

### Elwha Housing Authority

**The dumpster on Charles Hopie is ONLY FOR THOSE 10 RESIDENCES!**

**It is NOT a public dumpster!**

**Time to start preparing for winter!** Gutters and chimneys need to be cleaned, septic screens need to be cleaned, and firewood should not be stacked against the house.

Also some Inspections are coming up, and annual recertification’s are required by your lease agreement so make sure and check your mail **REGULARLY.**



## Tribal Members Attend Native Wellness Conference



Lower Elwha Participants met every morning with all groups for breakfast. Each Tribe was invited to share during opening prayer for the day. The LEKT group shared the Klallam Help Song this day.

Photo by George Charles

### Lower Elwha Mental Health Services

Mental Health counseling is available to all tribal members and their household at the Lower Elwha Health Clinic. To access services, please call us at 360-565-7264. Your call is very important to us, so please leave us a message with a phone number so we can call you back right away.

You can also request help through your doctor at the Clinic or CD Counselor at Klallam Counseling Services. If your doctor or CD counselor makes a referral for you, it can take a few days for the referral to be routed to us. If you don't hear back from us within 7 business days, please call us directly at 360-565-7264, extension 7662. If we are away from the phone, please leave a message with your name, phone number, and a brief description of what you are calling about. Please note that in the case of in-house referrals, if Lower Elwha Mental Health does not have a signed HIPAA form on file with the Clinic or permission to leave a voicemail, we are unable to

leave a message.

We are committed to serving the community, and Idalis Larson, our Program Assistant, is here to help tribal members access mental health services.

Thank you very much for the privilege to serve,

Your Lower Elwha Mental Health Team

360-565-7264





## Tribal Business Council Resolution List

Resolution Number	Date	Resolution Title
57-17	6/26/2017	Elwha Health Clinic access improvements by Roglins Inc.-Approved
58-17	6/26/2017	Elwha Health Clinic access improvements construction services-Approved
59-17	7/3/2017	Increase blood quantum of Virgil K. Johnson Jr.-Approved
60-17	7/3/2017	Increase blood quantum of Edward V. Johnson-Approved
61-17	7/3/2017	Relinquishment of Rachel Sullivan-Approved
62-17	7/3/2017	Relinquishment of Angelita Elofson-Approved
63-17	7/3/2017	Enrollment of Treaven Cayenne-Approved
64-17	7/3/2017	Enrollment of Alison Contreras-Approved
65-17	7/3/2017	Enrollment of Tristan Contreras-Approved
66-17	7/3/2017	Enrollment of Dasan Sawyer-Lucas-Approved
67-17	7/3/2017	Enrollment of Reighlynn Charles-Elofson-Approved
68-17	7/10/2017	Adoption of hunting regulations FY 2017-2018-Approved
69-17	7/10/2017	Appointment of Investment Committee & Insurance Committee-Approved
70-17	7/10/2017	Approval of By-laws of the LEKT Retirement Committee-Approved
71-17	7/10/2017	Approval of additional 3% employer match to 401k contribution FY2017-Approved
72-17	7/17/2017	Authorization to submit FY2017 Pacific Salmon Treaty implementation project proposal and FY2016 annual report-Approved
73-17	7/17/2017	Approval of employee benefit custody agreement between LEKT and Charles Schwab Bank, with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity-Approved
74-17	7/17/2017	Architectural contract with KMB Architects for Head Start Construction-Approved
75-17	7/17/2017	Approval of the appointment of the LEKT delegation to the Indian Policy Advisory Committee-Approved
76-17	8/14/2017	Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Washington State Patrol and LEKT for access to criminal history record information-Approved
77-17	8/14/2017	Approval of the AIA document B 101-2007 Standard Agreement between LEKT and KMB Architects, Inc. with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the design of the Childcare facility in the Children's House of Learning-Approved
78-17	8/25/2017	Revised form of Tribal member contract for access to select Department of Natural Resources gates-Approved
79-17	8/25/2017	Submission of FY2018 Tribal Wildlife grant proposal to US Fish & Wildlife Service for Restoration of former Mills Reservoir-Approved
80-17	8/25/2017	Submission of FY2018 Tribal Wildlife grant proposal to US Fish & Wildlife Service for research on Pacific Lamprey in the Elwha River-Approved



## Back to School Parent Night

Lower Elwha Tribe hosted our first ever Back to School Parent Night on our reservation Tuesday, August 29, 2017. This event was a huge success, as we welcomed representatives from: Port Angeles High School, Lincoln High School, Crescent School District, Stevens Middle School, Port Angeles School District, Dry Creek Elementary & PTO, and Clallam County Juvenile Services. All school and representatives brought their expertise, advice and many resources for Elwha community parents. We were grateful for their acceptance of our invitation. All of the schools requested that we make this an annual event for our tribal community before school starts. This first time hosting this event, there were 120 signed in guests that attended!

We acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the PASD Native American Interventionists: Ralena Cornelson, Marci Laungayan, and Jessica Elofson; and we acknowledged Elwha Education staff: Gayla Johnson and Lynn Risenhoover. Members of the Planning committee sponsored a themed gift basket to gift these amazing women for the support they provide our Elwha youth everyday. Their work is so important to help our kids succeed!

The following Elwha Tribal departments also shared: Lower Elwha Mental Health, Klallam Counseling Services, Elwha Education, Elwha TANF, Elwha Health Clinic, Elwha Dental Clinic, Elwha Systems of Care, Elwha Youth Coalition and Elwha Strong Youth, Elwha Johnson O'Malley Committee, Elwha Head Start and the Elwha Police Department.

There was also a Back to School



clothes exchange table that was organized and ran by Dawn Stephan.

Thank you Dawn for your dedication to the planning team and running a successful school clothes exchange table. There were over 5 tables filled with donated clothes, coats, sweat-shirts, winter hats, and shoes. At the end of the event there were only 2 medium sized boxes of donation that remained. The remaining donations were given to local clothes banks. Many families and community members benefited by the donated items. Thank you to all of the people that donated.

Thank you to the Klallam Dance Group for singing for our event and guests. We greatly appreciated the sharing of our traditional songs. Thank you to Debbie Hales for sharing the opening and dinner prayer for our event!

A huge shout out to Elwha River Casino for sponsoring the food and for our amazing cooks: Ben Cooper, Mike Watson, Gina Williams and Brandy Williams. The dinner was absolutely amazing. We also were blessed with fresh crab from Ralena Cornelson, Dennis and Rachel Hagaman, Joseph Luce, and Robert Elofson. Thank you to Joseph Luce for cooking the crab at his work shed.

We also had an amazing raffle at the conclusion of our presentations. Thank you to the following people and department for their donations: Lynn

Risenhoover and family, Darrell Charles Jr., Monica Henry, Serena Antioquia, Rachel Johnson, Danielle Johnson, Melaine Wheeler, Arlene Wheeler, Jessica Egnew, Leilani Barkley, Gayla Johnson, Raymond and Lola Moses, Elwha Food & Fuel, Olympic Peninsula Massage, Elwha TANF Program, Rachel Johnson Lularue, Thunder Ridge Cross Fit, Elwha Dental Clinic, Elwha Mental Health, Port Angeles High School, Elwha Education department, and Elwha Housing Authority.

Thank you to our solid and committed Planning Committee for this successful event: Tammie Stevens, Becky Charles, Melissa Gilman, Rachel Johnson, Dawn Stephan, Idalis Larson, Aleilah Lawson, Lola Moses, Wihinna Robideau, Donna Goldsbury, Elsie Miller, and Melaine Wheeler. Thank you to our guest emcee: Jonathan Arakawa. Thank you to the Summer Youth Employment Program for helping set up. Thank you to the library staff for offering an activity during our event in the Elwha Library. Thank you to our partners in hosting this event: Elwha River Casino, Elwha TANF, Lower Elwha Mental Health Department, Lower Elwha Education Department, Elwha Police Department, Klallam Counseling Services Lower Elwha Tribal Council and Elwha Strong Youth. *Lola Moses*





# Police Department Report for August 2017

Service Logs for Law & Order	Total
911 Hang-Up	4
Alarm/Alarm Check	7
Animal Calls	6
Arrest Warrant & Attempts	9
Burglary	3
Business Check	31
CA&N/Elder Abuse	1
Citizen Assist	5
Citizen Contact	27
Civil	5
Community Oriented Policing	42
Court Paperwork/Service	6
CPR	1
Courtesy Transport	4
Dead Animal	1
Death/Unattended Death	1
Disturbance	4
Drug Violation	3
Erratic Vehicle	1
Fishing Violation	2
Follow-Up	16
Found/Recovered/Lost property	2
Fraud	2
Frequent Patrol Request	2
Junk Vehicle	1
Malicious Mischief	2

Misc. Info/False Reporting	4
Other Agency Assist	31
Overdue Person	1
Prisoner Transport	2
Prowler/Vehicle Prowler	2
Report of open door/window	2
Resisting/Obstructing/Delay	1
Sex Offense/Monitor	1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	7
Theft	3
Threats	1
Traffic Control/Emphasis/ Hazard	1
Traffic Stops	55
Trespass	2
Vehicle Accidents	2
Vehicle Lockouts	2
Welfare Check	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>311</b>

### Arrests for August

**Joseph Kenney**-Violation of Court Order

**Danette Gilbert**-Assault-Clallam County

**Odessia Cargo**-Violation of Court Order

### Elwha Community Suicide Prevention Awareness Day

Lower Elwha Tribe hosted an Elwha Community Suicide Prevention Day on Tuesday, September 26, 2017. Lower Elwha Mental Health shared a Suicide Prevention presentation at the Billy Whiteshoes Memorial Park, and food was generously provided by the Special Diabetes Program for Indians. There were also two "Beware & Care" Community Kickball games. There was an Elwha Suicide Prevention Awareness "Warrior Walk" from the Tribal Center to the Billy Whiteshoes Memorial Park. Everyone was asked to wear yellow to show support. This event was a collaboration between Lower Elwha Systems of Care, Lower Elwha Mental Health, Lower Elwha Prevention Health, Lower Elwha Family Advocacy Program, Elwha Strong Youth Drug Free Initiative and Special Diabetes Program for Indians. *Lola Moses*



# Elwha Early Head Start & Early Head Start

360- 452-2587    1 INFORMATION    2 TRANSPORTATION (Carol Jo/Francis)  
3 HEALTH MANAGER (Deanna)  
4 FAMILY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MGR/ENROLLMENT (Michelle)  
6 EDUCATION MANAGER (Sarah Lovejoy)

**sxwúpc̓ 2017**  
**October (Old Fish)**

**ᶑaᶑiyuᶑéᶑč (Chipmunks) & čaᶑmús (Otters)**

Over this last month both the Chipmunk and Otters classes have experienced some staff changes. Teacher Tashena has started in the Chipmunk room, Teacher Jennifer has moved to the Otters class, and Teacher Karlee is floating in between both classes during the day. The children have adjusted well to these changes and we look forward to what is in store for both classes over the coming months with our now fully staffed classrooms!

Please keep in mind the changing weather when bringing your children to school. In both classes we plan to be outside as often as possible so the children will need warm clothing, shoes, and coats.

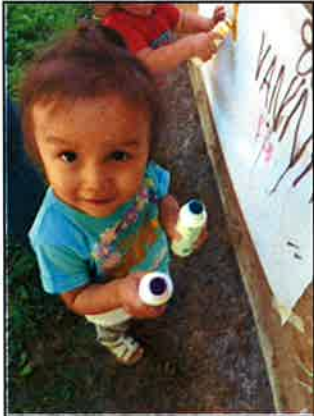
Thank you for dropping off and picking up your children on time! As a reminder, if your child will be late or cannot make it to school please let the center or the child's teacher know so that they may plan accordingly. Call 360-452-2587 x3 or x4 when your child is absent.

**DAILY REMINDER: Be courteous**

Reminder: Pick your child up on time as most teachers are on a set, limited, daily schedule. Please let teachers know if you will be late, even if it is 5-10 minutes of being tardy pickup.

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(Thank you friend)





# Elwha Head Start

## Bears' Bulletin(sčq<sup>w</sup>áyəč)

Please help us welcome Teacher Rose to our Bears classroom as a new teacher. Please also welcome Teacher Peggy as a substitute teacher who is available in all classrooms.

We are off to a great start in the Bears classroom the first week as you know was slow start. Kids are slowly adjusting to school and are having a grrrowing good time. We are actively exploring centers and developing new friendships. We are also testing our boundaries and getting to know the class schedule and routines. We are looking forward to a Bear-riffic time in our class.

Feel free to come in and visit or call anytime you have any questions. It's an exciting new year.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

October 6, Friday.....Picture Day

October 19, Thursday.....Family Night

### Dental Visits

HS classes @ dental clinic:

17th/Tuesday., 19th/Thursday., 26th Thursday

### Dentist @ EHS:

31st/Tuesday



**IMPORTANT:** Do you have your contact and release information updated? If you have a new number or want new people to pick up your child, we must have in writing. Please update!

### łaqłápt (Butterfly)



The Butterfly Prenatal Program is always accepting applications. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn and earn "baby bucks" as you go. Baby bucks can be used to 'buy' new items for your baby. We also go over fetal development, milestones, as well as learn some practical skills like budgeting. If you are interested please contact Summer Cooper Early Head Start Prenatal Educator 360-565-6364

## K<sup>w</sup>áynsən Korner



**The K'weynsen class has had to be without Teacher Mary due to medical reasons.**

**Thank you to Director Debbie and all other staff who have been able to help in the Eagles class in her absence. It's truly been a team effort by all staff to ensure consistency.**

**We hope that Mary will be able to return to work soon.**

**Reminder that parents are always welcome to sit in class, come eat lunch with your child or come volunteer anytime!**



## Education & Library

### Education

It was wonderful to see most of our children at school everyday in September!

Your child's success in school is greatly influenced by attendance!

Please help your children learn how to set their alarm clock and get ready for school the night before. A simple check list is a very useful tool.

### Walk-In homework help

Up to 15 students have visited us daily in the library since school started. After snack children usually read, work on homework and or play in the gym! Life can get quite lively at times! We can't wait for a larger building some day!!



Parents, please feel free to come in during this time if you have any questions about your child's homework. Dry Creek is using a new math curriculum. I can help explain it to you!

*Lynn Risenhoover*

**2 Absences per month**  
**x 9 Months of school**

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**Less likely to graduate**

All data on elementary school students who miss just two days per month are more likely to fail seventh and less likely to graduate high school.

Find help at: [AbsencesAddUp.org](http://AbsencesAddUp.org)

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**NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH**

**2017** Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. **YOU CAN.**



## Elwha Dental Clinic

**Dental Hygiene:** October is National Dental Hygiene Month. Dental Hygienists have a goal of preventing dental diseases such as cavities, gingivitis and periodontal disease. They strive to help each patient find an oral hygiene routine that works for them. A dental hygienist cleans places on your teeth you can't reach to help prevent tooth and bone loss. The mouth is quite complicated and even a person with no cavities can develop periodontal disease. Periodontal disease can raise your risk for heart disease, lung disease or strokes. It is possible to live a life without ever getting a cavity so make sure you get your children to the dentist on a regular basis.



**Find Your Routine:** Your mouth plays a big part in your health. Everyone should see the dental team two to four times a year. If you have other health issues, such as periodontal disease, diabetes or high blood pressure, dental visits should be a part of your health management. People who have full dentures should see the dental team at least once a year. The dentist and dental hygienist can address discomfort in your mouth such as dry mouth caused by your health conditions and medications.

**Baby Teeth Matter:** baby teeth have many purposes. It is important to get babies in when they get their first tooth. Getting them in this early will get comfortable with the dental team, hold the place for the adult teeth, and get them started on good routine. Remember "first tooth, first visit".



**Upcoming Events:** October 24 is DIABETES DAY. Diabetes is not an easy condition to manage and takes a large team of different providers to manage or reverse diabetes. The Lower Elwha Health Clinic does a great job of opening all departments specifically for diabetes patients on one day routinely. The dental departments' role in diabetes

is to take an overall look in the mouth, hear any concerns and to provide an oral cancer screening. Diabetes and oral health effects each other. Getting inflammation under control will help lower your A1c.

The **Halloween Party** is coming up! Stop by the dental table and have some fun! *Wendy Walsh*

# 3 on 3 Youth Basketball Tournament

Roster Deadline October 27th

10am: 10U Boys & Girls

12pm: 12U Boys & Girls

2pm: 12U Boys & Girls

4pm: 14U Boys & Girls

October 31st

No School! Lower Elwha Gym

10U, 12U, 14U, 18U

Boys or Girls (No Coed Teams)

4 Players Max. per Team

Please show up 30 minutes before your age group time slot!

Game times subject to change.

Please contact Recreation for more information

Jason Wheeler or Jared Moses

360-452-8471, Ext 7440



## New Klallam Counseling Services Building



Elwha Dance and Drum Group performed at the opening of the new Klallam Counseling Services building.

Services include providing structure to make the lifestyle choices and changes that will give clients a sense of freedom and overall improved quality of life.

Office hours are 8am-5pm, Monday through Friday. Closed for lunch.

Please call for an appointment.

Design elements included Pendleton blankets created by native artists Marvin Oliver and Susan Point. Blankets adorn the reception area, three Group rooms, and each counselor's office. They add warmth, color and a calm sense of healing to the building.





# New Klallam Counseling Services Building



Tribal women performed traditional dances in the reception area of the new Klallam Counseling Building. Tribal member Luana Arakawa opening the gathering with prayer prior to the dancing.

KCS counselors provide assessment, referrals, urinalysis, intensive outpatient treatment, intensive relapse prevention, youth counseling, anger managements, family programs, native American group, and other services.

Photos by Mark Schlitter

The Group Room is set with chairs in a circle for adult and youth services. The “Raven and the Book of Knowledge” Pendleton blanket graces the wall.



Keri Ellis, Health Administrative Coordinator, shared her gratitude for the new building which will serve tribal members, other Native Americans, and the greater community.

KCS is a state approved treatment agency.






Klallam Language

# nəxʷsλayəmúçən

## Immersion Class

### October 2017-Traditional Holiday Crafts

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Class 4-6 pm	3 Class 3-5 pm	4	5	6	7
8	9 Class 4-6 pm	10 Class 3-5 pm Drum Group	11	12	13	14
15	16 Class 4-6 pm	17 Class 3-5 pm	18 Intertribal @ Jamestown	19	20	21
22	23 Class 4-6 pm	24 Class 3-5 pm Drum Group	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 				

# Monday & Tuesday in the Dining Hall

## Earn high school Credits & TANF/GA hours!!

Rides home provided (on reservation) by Elwha Transit.

# Everyone is encouraged to come!

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Klallam Language

# nəxʷsʔayəmúçən *Immersion Class*

## November 2017—Calendar Making

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	<b>ANA Language Staff on training</b>					
12	13 Class 4-6 pm	14 Drum Group	15	16	17	18
19	20 Class 4-6 pm	21 Class 4-6 pm	22	23	24	25
26	27 Class 4-6 pm	28 Drum Group	29	30		

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## Klallam Culture



2017-2018

### Klallam Language & Culture After School Program

Oct. 10 17–May 2018.

**1-3 grades on Mondays & Wednesdays**

**4-6 grades on Tuesdays & Thursdays**

**Fun Fridays for grades 1-6!**

*This program will focus on the Klallam language, culture and traditional arts and is separate from the Library Drop-In program which focuses on academic support. Each day students will take the school bus to the tribal center. They will play in the gym, then head to the language building for snack and learning. We'll end our day with songs and 15 minutes of gym time before rides home at 4:30.*

**Applications available in library. Students & parents required to sign participation contracts. Enrollment is on a first come-first serve LEKT preference basis. Call Justine Clifford for more info 670-7147.**

### **LEKT SONG & DANCE GROUP**

**Regular Practice will be Oct 10th and 24th in the Dining Hall at 4:30pm.**

*Dinner served at 4:30 followed by singing and dancing. Helpers needed for cooking & clean-up.*

*Transportation home available sponsored by the Elwha Transit Program*

**Intertribal Practice will be  
Wednesday, Oct. 18th  
in Jamestown**

*Dinner served at 5:30 pm, followed by singing  
& dancing. Van leaving Elwha at 4:30*

**Call Wendy Sampson at 775-9434  
for more information.**





# Elwha River Casino

## ELWHA RIVER CASINO

### Promotions and Events

#### Senior Day

Wednesdays 10-8PM,  
Seniors 55+ 2x pts | 30%  
off meals | Hot Seats

#### Hawks Gear Giveaway

Thursdays

Earn 500 points in the  
gaming day for a  
sweatshirt

#### Pigskin Pick' Em

Elwha Reward members must  
earn 10 points and select their  
favorite team for a chance to  
win cash prizes.

#### Pumpkins and Cash

Join us on Tuesday, October  
31st from 10am- 10pm to vote  
for your favorite pumpkin and  
you could win up to \$75

### River's Edge Grill

#### October Specials

1st -15th

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes &  
gravy, veggies and a roll \$8.95

16th-31<sup>st</sup>

Beef Stew and Grilled cheese  
sandwich \$8.95



## Pig Skin Pick 'Em are back!

Elwha Reward members must earn 10 points in the gaming day and select their favorite team for a chance to win cash prizes. 1st place- \$150 2nd place- \$100 3rd place- \$50, winners will be announced on Tuesday around noon.

**Go Seahawks!**



## Back to school bash!

Thank you to everyone who came to the back to school bash it was a fun time and enjoyed by everyone!





Systems of Care Corner nəsá?c’əŋ cx<sup>w</sup>

# nəsá?c’əŋ cx<sup>w</sup> Systems of Care Corner:

Lower Elwha Systems of Care (SOC) is a new way of caring for our youth and families. nəsá?c’əŋ cx<sup>w</sup> means “you are my very breath” in Klallam, we’ve chosen these words to express the importance of our youth. We use the Wraparound approach in our Systems of Care Program. Our program is for community members that are birth thru 21 years of age with a mental health diagnosis/severe behavioral issues. Wraparound is an approach to wellness within a systems of care. It draws upon the strengths and resources of a group of people that a client identifies as their formal and informal supports: family, friends, professionals, community members, etc. We streamline services and promote communication amongst providers. The SOC Team will work closely with tribal and outside agencies to develop an individualized service plan that is youth guided and family driven.

**September UPDATE:**

**Suicide Prevention Awareness:**

SOC collaborated with LEKT Prevention Health and LEKT Mental Health on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to bring awareness to suicide prevention. A light snack was provided in the gym along with a prevention message from the mental health staff followed by a suicide prevention walk from the tribal center to Billy White Shoes Memorial Park. The youth released yellow balloons with either prevention or personal messages followed by a game of kick ball.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among youths aged 15-24. Young people attempt suicide at an alarmingly high rate: among 15-24 year olds, there is one suicide for every 100-200 attempts. Suicide is the sixth leading cause of death among youth aged 5-14. A youth suicide (aged 15-24) occurs every 100 minutes.

Caruso, Kevin. “Teen Suicide and Youth Suicide”  
Suicide.org - Suicide Prevention, Awareness, and Support  
Suicide.org is a 501c3 NON-PROFIT Organization and Website.

**Suicide Prevention Hotlines:**

1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433) or  
1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255) or  
1-866-4-U-TREVOR (1-866-488-7386) and  
TEXT “HELP” to 741 741

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Candy Drive:**

SOC will be holding a candy drive for the annual Fall/Halloween Celebration, donations will be greatly appreciated, and can be dropped off at the social services building to Elsie Miller.

\* Halloween Party-October 26

**SOC GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE:**

Currently SOC has eight (8) committees that requires community involvement, SOC is Family driven, Youth guided. **Please join one of our teams; your voice and opinions are important. Come be a part of the healing in your community!**

Ad-Hoc group: 10/6/17 @10 AM  
with Lola Moses

Workforce Development: 10/17/17 @3 PM  
With Nancy Hamilton

Executive Committee: 10/30/17 @3 PM

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Elsie at 360-565-7257 Ext.7661

**Systems of Care Staff- Program Director:** Kelly Bradley

**Project Manager:** Lola Moses

**Grant Manager:** Melaine Wheeler

**Care Coordinator:** Wihinna Robideau

**Family Advocate:** Nancy Hamilton

**Youth Advocate:** Donna Goldsbury

**Admin. Assistant:** Elsie Miller



## Community Halloween Party

**Elwha Community Halloween Celebration**

**Thursday, October 26th, 2017**

**5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

**Lower Elwha Gymnasium**

**We will be hosting a Michael Jackson Thriller Dance Contest**

**Games tables with prizes and candy!**

**Costume Contests for all ages**

**Food and beverages will be served**



**Volunteers are needed to run the game booths, for set up and clean up.**

**Donations are needed for the cake walk.**

**Please contact Jason Wheeler at extension 7440, or  
Lola Moses at extension 7701 for more information.**



### Tribal Members Birthday List for October 2017

10/24-Dennis R. Sullivan	10/29-Benjamin Kenneth Charles Jr.	10/8-William Michael Bennett	10/15-Emily Deann Deason
10/23-John Joseph Gasper	10/14-Darrell Wayne Charles Jr.	10/9-Jason Charles Kardonsky	10/25-Jayden Michael Tejano
10/19-Norma Verna Adams	10/22-Janelle Ravae Clifford	10/4-Samantha Rose Dawson	10/30-Cydne Marie Moore
10/4-Janet Marie Francis	10/4-Molly Elizabeth Williams	10/4-Joleen Anne Svec	10/18-Eli Scott Tipler
10/29-Frank Daniel Charles	10/18-Keeoma Lee Messenger	10/20-Daniel John Romero	10/21-Oliver William Martinez
10/31-Joseph Anthony Turrey	10/27-Levi Mitchell Charles	10/24-Kelsie Nicole Gish	10/28-Christina Martha Jane Charles Bennett
10/17-Carla Jo Elofson	10/1-Lonnie Jay Charles	10/8-Jordynn Jennifer Spencer	10/5-Caige Gregory Lovell
10/5-Nelie Francesca Gloria	10/14-Robert Joseph Reynolds	10/9-David Ramon Bolstrom Jr.	10/23-Maurice Pitchford
10/31-Luana Lynn Arakawa	10/18-Ryan Mark Romero	10/19-Kody Daniel Muck	10/8-Teagan Rylee Bolstrom
10/17-Cathy Aileen Hervin	10/11-Cody Gene Bankson	10/13-Dale Foster Charles	10/17-Teyah Renee Elofson-Cross
10/30-Margie Lee Sampson	10/17-Melissa Ann Gilman	10/1-Nicholas Charles Kasakan	10/8-Kaleenah Bri Holden
10/2-Serena Leilani Barkley	10/26-Rachel Erin Schaeffer-Karrer	10/5-Robin Lee Ryan	10/11-Lucien Damian Bolstrom
10/3-Luelia Mae Charles	10/15-Joshua Lee Charles	10/28-Jallicyn Rae-Brooke Clark	
10/4-Robert Lewis Charles	10/22-Joey Anthony Ray Gloria	10/31-Robert James Lee Francis IV	
10/12-Charles Eugene Mike Jr.	10/25-Nichola Orlando Runningwolf	10/9-Jesse Thomas Bolstrom	
10/30-Alvin Charles Francis	10/30-Mary Stella Contreras	10/7-Crystal Carolann Dam	
10/14-Terry Lynn Stevens	10/13-Christina Katherine Sampson	10/26-Paisley Jo Charles	
10/17-Steve Duane Lauderback	10/27-Wesley Arron Wilson	10/3-Anthony Michael Francis	
10/20-Jacqueline Michelle Hodge	10/7-Mario Joseph Laungayan	10/23-Ariel Quinn Springer	
10/31-Daniel Charles Bennett Sr.	10/15-Preston Earl Poirier	10/23-Kiara Bree Springer	
10/15-Dorene Rene Charles		10/28-Kirsten Ravae Charles	
10/13-Kenneth Lagrande Chace III		10/29-Thomas Henry Carter	

### *Staff Birthday List for October 2017*

1st-Lonnie Charles	12th-Wendy Walsh	21st-Darla Owens
2nd-Mike McHenry	13th-Becky Shimko	26th-Brittany Johnson
6th-Patrick Graham	14th-Sissi Bruch	27th-Levi Charles
6th-Nancy Hamilton	14th-Terry Stevens	27th-Nick Boss
6th-Nancy Wickam	15th-Dorene Charles	31st-Luana Arakawa
7th-Beatriz Arakawa	15th-Carolyn St. James	31st-Brenda Kambeitz
10th-Gayla Johnson	17th-Melissa Gilman	
11th-Michael Peters	18th-Debbie Hales	



# Social Services Employment Program

We hope you all had a great summer and are ready for the nice winter months. Our TANF team has been preparing for the new fiscal year with budgets and reconciliations.

TANF offered a Car Maintenance workshop in September to get our families ready for the change in seasons. Remember to maintain your vehicles, especially when the seasons change.

### Highlights of the month:

We have quite a few wonderful people to congratulate this month on their hard work and success!

- Lisa Joe was recently hired on at the hospital in the radiology department, congratulation Lisa!
- Jeannette Weichman has successfully completed treatment, drug court and was just married! Congratulations on creating a wonderful new life Jeannette!
- Brenda Kambeitz started working as a stylist at Smart Style located at Walmart, so go see her and get your hair styled!
- Nicole Jackson has been hired full time at LaPush childcare, congratulations!

### September TANF Calendar

10/4, 11, 18, 25 Klallam Cooks Every Wednesday for 6 weeks Heritage Center Art room and kitchen, 12 to 2pm



10/17, 24, 31 Positive Indian Parenting Every Tuesday for 9 Weeks Heritage Center Art Room 12 to 2:30 pm



**Questions or registration- Please contact Melissa Gilman 360-417-8545 Ext 2912 or**

**Email Melissa.gilman@elwha.org**

Dear Lower Elwha Tribal Members,

I hope each and every one of you have enjoyed your Summer Break. Time sure has flown by and it sure was a busy one!

For the last month of summer, it was a busy time with meetings and travel. I and other youth have been very with the establishment of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Elwha Tribal Youth Council. We plan to get recognized by the Tribal Council as an organization in the Tribe. We are excited to get this Youth Council up and running. Doing this work takes a lot of time and effort, but it's worth doing this for us, the youth and the future generations to come who will be active members and Governing Board members of the Youth Council. But we are VERY excited to get the Youth Council re-established and up and running.

Sunday, September 17, 2017, marked six (6) years since the Elwha Dam Removal Celebration. The whole Elwha River Restoration Ecosystem has increasingly since the complete removal of the Elwha Dams. We are still seeing changing within the ecosystem; however, it's so awesome and beautiful to how this part of Mother Earth is changing and expanding. This was one of the biggest accomplishments that our Tribe made. Our ancestors, elders, past and present leaders fought to have the Dams removed. We must

continue to pray to see the abundance of sčánnəxʷ (salmon) come through ʔéʔłxʷaʔ stúʔwiʔł (our Elwha River) once again.

I hope and pray you have a great and safe month of October. Halloween is coming, and we must ensure that our Tribal youth are safe when go to enjoy the festivities. This time and age has changed so much from years ago, and a lot times these types of holidays can be very unsafe for our youth, even our adults. Please be safe.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Respectfully,

Jonathan J. Arakawa, Executive Committee Member  
Youth Sector Representative



## Tribal Police Cross-Commissioned



On Monday September 25th, Port Angeles City Police Chief Brian Smith cross-commissioned LEKT Police Department Officers Ricardo Gonzalez, Dylan Heck and Sheenieka Dolan. This marks the first time in the history of the long relationship between the two police agencies that all of our tribal law enforcement officers are cross-commissioned in the City of Port Angeles. These officers may now enforce all laws within the city limits of Port Angeles.

*Glen Roddenbuck*

## Tribal Employee Spotlight

Please join me in welcoming our new Wellness Manager, **Jody Potter**. Jody started this week and will be responsible for our Community Health, Preventative (Recreation), Drug Free Communities, and the Community Garden programs. This is a key position on the Health Department management team as the programs within the Wellness Department are critical in our ongoing program integration as well as community outreach and wellness education initiatives.

Jody came to us from the Port Angeles School District and has previous experience with Tribes on the Olympic Peninsula earlier in her career as an RN before becoming a career educator/education administrator.

Jody is temporarily located in the Nutritionists office in the Clinic building and has email up and running, so drop her a note as a welcome or go old-school and stop by and say hi.

Thanks and welcome to the LEHD Team, Jody!

*Lance Colby, Health Services Director*







## Announcements



Happy Birthday to our Momma and  
Baby Sis!  
Hope you have a great day.  
We love you!  
Love,  
Dad, Deshie, Lei, D, Wilson, Z, Mars,  
Justy, Dules, Keeters and Ju!

### ELDERS GIFT CARDS

Given out on the 3rd Friday of every month  
at the Social Services and Veterans Building.

Next date

**OCTOBER 20**

Social Services Building

8am—12 noon

Veterans Building

1pm-4pm



**Head start**

**Picture Day**

**October 6**

### Services to the Tribal Community:

I continue to see clients in my home as well as home visits, hospital visits, convalescent homes, and juvie. I see clients for relationship issues, personal issues such as depression, anxiety, PTSD, anger management, and other personal issues such as spiritual issues that require some assistance from whatever your path is on, or crisis calls. I can see people with Medicaid, Regence, Premara, Aetna, Veterans Choice and others as needed. Please call or text me for an appointment at 360-460-5963.

Interfaith Devotions will be held at the Elders Lounge starting at 7:00-8:30 pm on October 12 and 26th. Snacks will be following Devotions as well as fellowship. You are all very welcome to come and share the spiritual path you are on and it will be so part of the Unity of our community. So bright is the Light of Unity it can illuminate the whole world. Hope to see you there. Call or text 360-460-5963 if you find you can't attend but wish prayers to be said on your behalf and they will all be offered for you. Hope to see you there!

*Roberta Charles*



# October Gym Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	<p><b>615-730am</b> AM Boot Camp <b>1030-1130am</b> Elders Fitness <b>230-330pm</b> Futsal Soccer <b>7-9pm</b> Adult Open Gym</p>	<p><b>215-330pm</b> Basketball 101 <b>330-430</b> Basketball 101 <b>7-9pm</b> Adult Volleyball</p>	<p><b>615-730am</b> AM Boot Camp <b>1030-1130am</b> Elders Fitness <b>230-430pm</b> Dodgeball <b>7-9pm</b> Adult Open Gym</p>	<p><b>215-330pm</b> Mat Ball <b>330-430</b> Basketball <b>7-9pm</b> Elwha Basketball League</p>	<p><b>No School</b> <b>1130am-130pm</b> Flag Football @Billy White-shoes Park <b>2-5pm</b> Youth Basketball Drills and Games All ages</p>	7	
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**Clallam County Veterans**

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*Homeless veterans, veterans in need,  
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**Oct. 5**  
**9am to 3pm**

**Clallam County**  
**Fairgrounds**