



October 2025

Elwha News

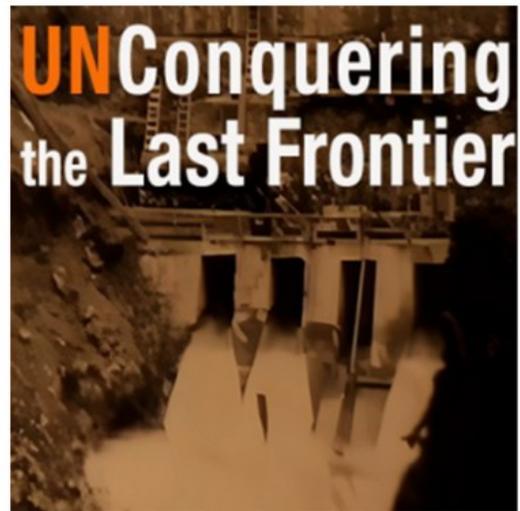
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UNCONQUERING THE LAST FRONTIER SCREENING AT THE ELWHA MUSEUM

A FILM BY ROBERT LUNDAHL

Featuring: Beatrice Charles, Adeline Smith, Bosco Charles, Dick Goin, Philip Johnson, Brian Witner, Harold Sisson, Rachel Hagaman, Mike McHenry, Larry Ward, Pat Crain, and Russell Hepfer

“Unconquering the Last Frontier” tells the story of “The Damming and Undamming of the Elwha River” in Washington State. It is a profound reflection on ambitions of power and progress in an earlier era, one moved forward in 1915 through illegal actions and the malfeasance of public officials, and one which would ultimately fail, setting destructive precedents across the entire Pacific Northwest. It is also an examination of abuses wreaked upon tribal inhabitants, the film focusing on the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe’s struggle to survive in the shadow of hydroelectric development and their fight to restore the ecosystem and fisheries, which had sustained them since time immemorial.



ELWHA KLALLAM MUSEUM

205 S LINCOLN STREET
360-452-8471, Ext. 2904

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LEKT Community
ONLY

FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 7TH
6:00 PM

LIMITED SEATING

October 2025

Dear Lower Elwha Tribal Members,

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I feel this is the only way I can communicate with you. I try to keep up with my letters every month but sometimes I can't help but skip the newsletter. To me, the biggest obstacle to our communication is that no one attends our General Community Council meetings every first Monday of the month. Sometimes I think that you, our community members, feel we are just doing a bang-up job, and you don't need to attend because you feel we have a handle on our issues, concerns and actions.

Let me start by saying that I don't have an active account on Facebook. It's been inactive for a number of years now. So, I know that my last statement is not true. I've heard of the cruel and nasty things said accusing our council of doing or not doing. I have worked with a number of councils, and we strive to do our best for our community. For me, this is not a job, it is a calling. I do my best each and every day to represent our tribe in a respectful manner. I try to make decisions based on the latest strategic plan, informed knowledge, information provided to me and my own research. I think that our community should be showing up at our



meetings and letting us hear your thoughts. Good or bad, we need and want to hear about concerns and maybe even tell us a good job and encouragement once in a while. I realize that a quorum is nearly impossible, but you can change

that. I still would like to see you at our community meetings.

A prime example of our community coming together is the 2025 Paddle to Elwha. I've attended meetings outside of Lower Elwha and folks are still talking about our successful hosting.

So, I know that we

care about our community and each other. We all pulled together, and the hosting was a success. I am so proud of you. Please come and attend your General Community Council meetings. We will send the agenda out a week before the meeting.

Now we are faced with the second time around of this federal administration. Nobody knows what's happening day to day. I feel the Lower Elwha Tribe will be okay through this fiscal year but who knows after that. I feel our council needs your help to get through these trying times. I am asking for your help.

Sincerely,

Russell N. (RAZZ) Hepfer

Stories of Our Ancestors

Two grants were recently awarded to the Klallam Language Program to publish two collections of stories: The first grant is called, Washington Stories Fund Grant and the second grant is called, Community Accelerator Grant from ArtsFund & Paul G. Allen Family Foundation.

This project is called, “Klallam Stories through art enriches us all”. This proposal will include stories in Klallam as told by our Ancestors: Tom Charles from Becher Bay, Ed Sampson from Elwha, Amy Allen from Jamestown, and Martha John from Port Gamble, compiled by Dr. Timothy Montler. Along with stories still told by our Elders about Klallam places of importance, compiled by Elder, Jamie Valadez. These stories could also be childhood memories. Here’s an example, “Every summer we’d walk from our homestead on the Elwha River to Freshwater Bay. We’d gather seafood and my mom would cook bread in the sand under the campfire! I remember the smell of cattails used to construct a tent and to sleep on.”
By Adeline Smith

Freshwater Bay was a special place of importance. There is so much seafood gathering that was done here, from octopus, clams, to trolling for salmon.

If you can remember any stories you were told by your Elders about a place of importance that you would like to share, please contact me. I can be reached at 360-460-5433. My email is jvaladez513@hotmail.com.

These stories will be enriched by Tribal



artist’s illustrations and photographs. If you are interested in submitting illustrations or photographs, please contact Wendy Sampson at wendy.sampson@elwha.org

Part of this grant is to have tribal artists give demonstrations of carving, painting, beading or weaving at the Middle/High School in the classes that Wendy teaches. So if you are interested in sharing your traditional artwork, reach out to Wendy. Youth will learn how to tell a story. Activities and games will be developed to provide enrichment opportunities for students to further explore the story through the Klallam language. Each semester, a cultural gathering will be organized by Wendy Sampson to have the students share their projects with the tribal community.

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Jamie Valadez

SOCIAL SERVICES

UPDATES

Our Social Services Team strives to offer great customer service and works hard every day to meet the needs of community members. For assistance or questions, contact us at 360-565-7257. Many of our forms and eligibility requirements can be found at the Tribal Website www.elwha.org/

CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF):

The TANF Program provides cash assistance and supportive services to income-eligible families with children. Its goal is to help families achieve economic self-sufficiency and reduce long-term need for assistance. The program also supports non-needy relatives or caretakers who care for children. In addition to cash assistance, TANF offers transitional support, employment and training opportunities, youth services, child support services, and other resources to strengthen families.

TANF Diversion Services:

Diversion Services are available to families who qualify for TANF and are under 300% of the federal poverty level. This program provides a one-time payment of up to \$2,000, available once every 366 days and limited to ten times over a lifetime. Families who receive Diversion Services are not eligible to apply for monthly cash assistance until the first day of the month, three months after receiving the diversion payment.

General Assistance (GA):

The GA Program provides limited cash assistance to help eligible individuals to cover shelter and basic living expenses. It also supports participants in developing skills to achieve self-sufficiency. To qualify, applicants must meet all eligibility requirements, live on the Lower Elwha Reservation or service area, and agree to follow an Individual Responsibility Plan (IRP).

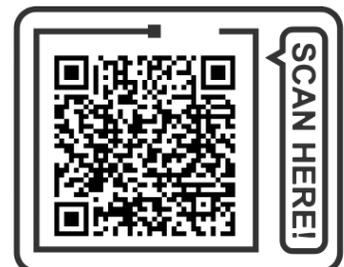
LIHEAP

LIHEAP is still accepting applications from households who have not used LIHEAP this program year (10/01/2024-09/30/2025).

If you have a question about eligibility, please call us at 360-565-7257.

Online applications are available on the Tribal website www.elwha.org.

Many of our program forms can be found at this QR Code



REGISTER NOW



WE HAVE A NEW DATABASE SYSTEM! REGISTER NOW!

Beginning October 2025, LEKT Food Bank will be utilizing a new database system for tracking our shoppers, client intake annual forms, inventory and reporting.

We will also be utilizing this new system to begin checking out shoppers.

Please register today using the QR code or weblink below signing up for the Food Pantry Software: <https://app.pantrysoft.com/login/elwha>

22 SPOKWES DR. PORT ANGELES, WA 98363
(360) 504-3678



HALLOWEEN



STAY TUNED FOR A SPOOKTACULAR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!

Keep an eye on social media and Rave alerts for updates!



EMPOWERING THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

TVR's mission is to assist is to provide a compassionate, holistic approach in serving Native Americans and Alaska Natives with disabilities. We support individuals in achieving meaningful and stable employment through training and supportive services, fostering self-sufficiency, reducing reliance on public assistance, and strengthening the Tribal community as a whole.

Eligibility for Services:

1. Enrolled with a State or Federally recognized tribe.
2. Reside within the service area.
3. Have a physical or mental disability, documented with a provider.
4. Employment barriers.
5. The applicant requires TVR services to obtain or maintain employment.

What may be considered a disability?

- Mental Health Diagnosis
- Substance use disorder diagnosis
- Blind/Low Vision
- Back/Brain/Limb injury or limitations
- Intellectual/developmental disabilities
- Hearing impairment
- Other physical or mental disabilities that prevent the person from finding and/or keeping employment.

Services Available:

- Vocational Skills Assessment
- Career Counseling & Guidance
- Vocational Training and Education
- Post employment services
- Transportation assistance for job related activities
- Supported employment services, including job placement and job coaching
- On-the-job training (OJT)
- Referral to other community resources
- Job Search Skill Development
- Assistance with work related support services: tools, equipment, license fees, work clothes, uniforms and safety equipment

TVR Team Information

Elwha Heritage Center - (360) 417-8545
 Jim Allen, Program Manager
 Keeoma Messenger, TVR Counselor

Elwha Social Services - (360) 565-7257
 Jeremy Acosta, TVR Counselor

More information at QR Code



www.facebook.com/LEKTVR

Hello, my name is Christina Matson. I am the TAP Coordinator and Court Clerk. My TAP duties include fingerprinting for our tribal programs. If you are being referred from a tribal program to complete fingerprints my scheduled hours are on Fridays from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. This is by appointment only.

You can reach me on 360-452-6759 ext. 2935 or 360-912-5948.

Court Announcements:

Please note: Our upcoming court dates and time: We have Traffic court on September 25 at 9 am, October 14 at 9 am, November 25 at 9 am and December 16 at 9 am. We have Criminal Court every month on the third Wednesday at 1 pm. You can also visit our website at <https://www.elwha.org/departments/tribal-court/> to view weekly dockets that have our proceedings, dates and times.

If you have any questions, please call me on 360-452-6759 ext. 2935 or email me at christina.matson@elwha.org.

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish the following family members a very happy birthday!

- Lonnie Charles
- Nancy Hamilton
- Marcos Garcia
- Levi Charles
- Maurice Pitchford
- Lucien Bolstrom
- Jhene Laungayan

Love Melaine & Kids!



Happiest birthday to my grandson Maurice Pitchford.
Love always
Grandma Dorene

Wishing my gorgeous granddaughter Jhené Rose a very happy birthday
Love always Grandma



Wishing my cousins a very happy birthday.
Lonnie, Levi & Darrell.

September 2025 Newsletter

Klallam Strong: Nutrition & Diabetes Newsletter

Dawn Travelstead, RD, MS,CDE, Lower Elwha Health Clinic

In this issue:

- * **Cholesterol Education**
- * **Culinary Medicine**
- * **CoQ10**



September is Cholesterol Education Month

Fact:

- High cholesterol has NO symptoms
- Raises your risk for heart disease

CoQ10 Nutrient

CoQ10 is a nutrient found naturally in the body and formed in the liver.



Its Functions:

- **Energy production**
- **Antioxidant activity**
- **Mitochondrial (cell) function**

Taking a statin (cholesterol) medication keeps the liver from making this important nutrient.

Symptoms of low CoQ10: fatigue, muscle pain and cramps

Food Sources of Q10: beef and chicken, eggs, whole grains, nuts and seeds.

If you take a statin and have symptoms, talk to your PCP about a supplement.

Culinary Medicine– Foods to Increase

- Tea, onions and apples. Contain flavonoids that can cut your heart disease risk in half.
- Oily fish. Tuna, sardines and salmon. Try for 3/week. Helps keep blood from getting too sticky.
- Extra Virgin Olive Oil (EVOO). Try for 1 tablespoon a day. Make your own salad dressing with Balsamic vinegar and EVOO:
 - 1/2 c EVOO 1/4 c. Balsamic vinegar
 - 1 tsp. honey 1 clove minced garlic
 - 1 tsp Dijon mustard
 Combine in a glass jar with a lid. Shake and ENJOY!
- Nuts, especially walnuts and almonds. Have 1 handful a day.
- Beans, peas and lentils. Try for 2 servings/week.

If you have diabetes, please remember to get your Yearly Eye Exam & Quarterly A1C test!!

If you would like a nutrition session, please call me @ 360-912-1500.



LOWER ELWHA HEAD START EARLY HEAD START

Goodies with Grandparnets



The House of Cedar has started a project to replace the sign at the Social Services Building. When it's done they'll take the old one down, refurbish it and hang it at the Food Bank. The shop always has people coming through to work on projects and folks will go just to sit and visit and watch the activities. Join us 9am—5:30pm in the shop behind the Tribal Center!



EDGE PROGRAM INTRO NIGHT

Thursday, October 2nd
5pm - 7pm

LEARN HOW THE EDGE PROGRAM COULD BENEFIT YOUR FAMILY. THIS VALUABLE PROGRAMMING WILL BE OFFERED THIS FALL & WINTER AT THE HERITAGE CENTER. MEET THE INSTRUCTORS AND DISCUSS THE MATERIALS AT THIS INTRODUCTORY EVENT!

EDGE is designed to help students learn foundational skills for healthy life choices. Our curriculum is geared to assist youth aged 10-19 in understanding that they are valuable - deserving of healthy relationships with boundaries that allow them to become their own best advocate for choices that benefit them now and in their future.



RSVP
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Contact: Nicole Volkmann
(360) 417-8545 x2912

Elwha Klallam Heritage
Center
401 E First St
Port Angeles WA 98362

CEDAR WEAVING CLASS

Join us at the Heritage Center
401 E First St | Port Angeles, WA 98362
(360) 417-8545

**OCTOBER 7TH & 9TH
10AM - 2PM**



Presented by TVR



**Your Instructor:
Jamie R. Valadez, ciyáʔut**

Jamie is an Elder of the Elwha Klallam Tribe. She taught Klallam Language, Washington State Tribal History, and U.S. History from the tribal perspective at Port Angeles High School for 20 years. She also worked with the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe's, Klallam Language and Culture program for over 30 years. Over the last 10 years, she has taught basketweaving at the annual NABA, Native American Basketweaving Association.

Sign up ↷

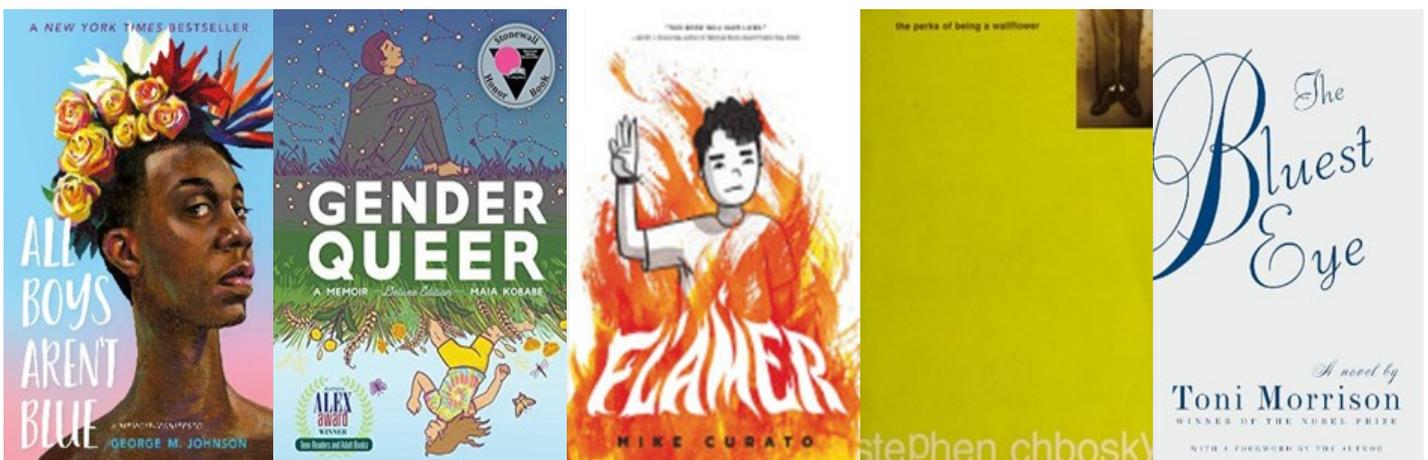


September is Banned Books Month in the Library

Here at the LEKT Library, one of our core values is supporting the intellectual freedom of our community members by providing access to books and information on a broad range of topics, regardless of viewpoint. That's why we celebrate Banned Books Month by featuring the top 10 (or more) banned or challenged books in the US for the previous year. As noted by the American Library Association, "When we ban books, we're closing off readers to people, places, and perspectives. But when we stand up for stories, we unleash the power that lies inside every book. We liberate the array of voices that need to be heard

and the scenes that need to be seen." In 2024, the ALA documented 821 attempts to ban library books in the US, a drop from 2023's 1,247, but still the 3rd highest number recorded since ALA began compiling this data over 20 years ago. By featuring (and reading) banned books, we are pushing back against those who wish to silence opposing points of view, and we come one step closer to insuring that everyone can have access to all perspectives and ensure that all voices can be heard. For more information, visit bannedbooksweek.org. Here are a few of the top banned books from 2024 that you can find in the Library:

- ***All Boys Aren't Blue* by George M. Jackson**
- ***Gender Queer: A Memoir* by Maia Kobabe**
- ***Flamer* by Mike Curato**
- ***The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky**
- ***The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison**



Weekly Classes Continue

The schedule can be found below. Classes labeled with NSDL have optional certification exams which can be used in job hunting. All classes are Wednesdays from 5pm-6pm and are offered through Microsoft Teams at the link you can find in the Education and Recreation channel of Camp Crier or at the QR code below and may be attended in-person upon request. One-on-one tutoring is also available upon request on a variety of digital literacy subjects; please email Jason M at Jason.morris@elwha.org for more information. Additionally, if there are days or times which work better for you to attend classes, please email Jason with your preferences.

Sept. 3: Basic Computer Skills (NSDL, in-person at the Library)

Sept. 10: Internet Basics (NSDL)

Sept. 17: Internet Safety for Parents

Sept. 24: Information Literacy in the Post-Truth Era:
How to Tell Fact from Fake

Oct. 1: AI Literacy: How to Use Artificial Intelligence
Responsibly and Avoid Being Fooled by It



Chloe would like thank her community for their continued support. For the 3rd consecutive year she has raised the 2nd most money in the entire country for the USA BMX foundations Race For Life. A fundraiser that benefits the leukemia and lymphoma society. Helping fund research for blood cancers treatments and hopefully one day a cure. This year she was able to raise a total that should surpass \$7,000. Putting her total raised in 3 years at an astonishing \$17,000. Our hands our raised to her amazing support network. Together we well continue to fight against cancer. Never forgetting the cancer warriors who lost their battles. Chloe dedicates her fight to her great grandmother Mona, her grandma Brenda and the rest of her Klallam people gone too soon.



October 2025

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Gym Hours 8am-8:30pm Bathrooms/Saunas close at 8:15pm Children's House of Learning 10am-11am Mon-Fri		1 Elder's Fitness Class 11 am-12pm After School Program 2:30 pm-4:30pm Adult Volleyball Open Gym 6:30 pm-8:30pm	2 Chair Volleyball 1 pm After School Program 2:30 pm-4:30 pm Adult Basketball 6:30 pm-8:30 pm	3 Elder's Fitness Class 11 am-12pm After School Program 2:30pm-4:30pm	4 10am-6:30 pm
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Recovery Jam

Lower Elwha Tribal Center

Jan. 31st 2026

dinner @ 4pm

Jam and recovery time
honoring to follow

Brought to you by:

The S.T.R.O.N.G.
Program

Klallam Counseling
Services



Contact Brad Holloway
360-461-6381
brad.holloway@elwha.org



LOWER ELWHA HOUSING AUTHORITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Still on the waiting list? Your information needs to be updated annually, call today!
- Recertification needs to be done annually. Call to schedule yours.
- Report work order issues **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**
- Bring in your fire extinguisher tag annually to swap out for a new one.
- ABC: Always Be Checking for leaks. Report any issues to housing immediately.

Call us
today!

360.457.5116



IN THE LOOP WITH LEHA

Your monthly update from the Lower Elwha Housing Authority. Stay informed, connected, and empowered with the latest news, programs, and community updates from the Lower Elwha Housing Authority. Whether you're a current resident, on the housing waitlist, or just looking to stay in the know—we're here to keep you in the loop.

First, Last, Deposit Program – One-Time Help for Renters!

Are you getting ready to move into a new rental? The First, Last, Deposit Program might be able to help!

This one-time assistance program is available to eligible renters who meet specific income guidelines. Here's what you need to know:

✔ Covers: First month's rent, last month's rent, and cleaning deposits

✘ Does NOT cover: Pet deposits

🔄 Cleaning deposits must be returned to Housing when you move out

REMEMBER!

If you're on the housing waiting list, make sure all your information is current. It's important to double or even triple check your file. Must be done **ANNUALLY!**

☎ Call us today **(360) 457-5116** to verify your information and keep your application active!

🍂 Fall Safety Check – Are You Ready?

As cooler weather approaches, it's time to make sure your home is safe and ready for fall:

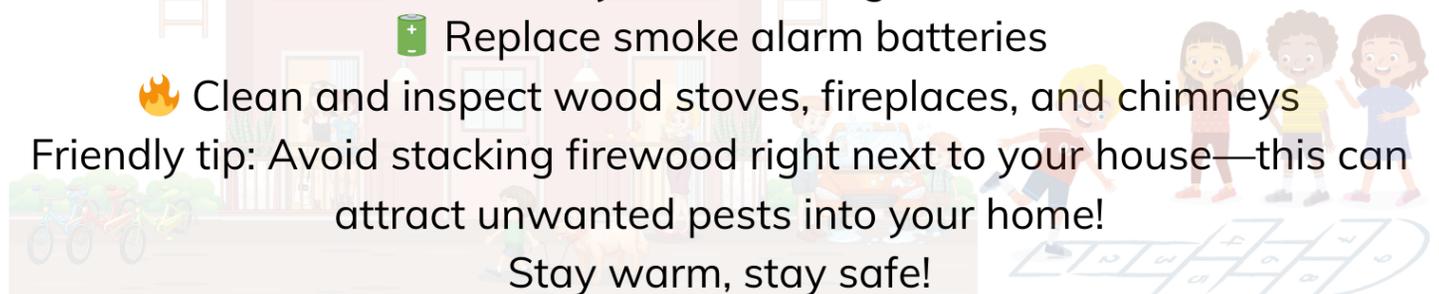
✔ Check your fire extinguishers

🔋 Replace smoke alarm batteries

🔥 Clean and inspect wood stoves, fireplaces, and chimneys

Friendly tip: Avoid stacking firewood right next to your house—this can attract unwanted pests into your home!

Stay warm, stay safe!



2025 Service Record	25-Aug
911 Hang-Up	7
Alarm/Alarm Check	3
Animal Calls	7
Boating Activity/Hunting	3
Business Check	208
Citizen Assist	10
Citizen Contact/paperwork / service	22
Civil	13
Community Oriented Policing	33
CPS/APS	1
Field Interview	1
Disturbance	10
DUI	1
DV	2
Follow Up	6
Fraud	2
Malicious Mischief	3
Missing Person	1
Info Misc	5
Mental/ITA	2

Open Door Window	5
Other Agency Assist	9
Patrol Request	140
Prisoner Transport	3
Report of Open Door/Window	7
Repossession	1
Parking Complaint	2
Suicide/Suicidal	3
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	9
Theft	5
Transport Courtesy	1
Traffic Stops/Control/Emphasis/Hazard	23
Trespass	1
Transport Inmate	3
Unwanted Person	1
Violation of Court Order	2
Weapons Discharge	1
Welfare Check	5
Warrant Attempts/Arrests	3
Total	564

Firearms Safety and Familiarization

Lt. Jim Thompson with the Lower Elwha Police Department is presenting a course on handgun familiarization and safety. After the presentation attendees will be able to identify components of a handgun, have a working knowledge of firearms safety, and a basic understanding of marksmanship.

This presentation is for information only and is not a substitute for hunter

safety. That is a separate course that will be offered by the Lower Elwha Police Department in the near future. This presentation is to familiarize people with firearms and hopefully be more comfortable handling them in the future. There isn't a date set yet, but the time and dates can be flexible.

Email Lt. Thompson if you're interested. Jimmy.thompson@elwha.org

2025 Shop With a Hero Silent Auction

The Shop With a Hero team is planning another silent auction this year. We skipped a year, but we're looking to make this year's bigger and better. We don't have a date set yet, but tentatively we are planning for early November. Keep an eye out for the announcement coming soon!

We are seeking donations from local artists and businesses. If you are an artist or have something you would like to donate, please reach out to Jim Thompson with the Police Department. If you don't have anything to donate, you can donate directly to the

cause with a cash donation.

Some things that we have had donated in the past include: local artwork, gift certificates from local businesses, family board game bundles, self-care baskets, and hand-made jewelry.

There was a generous donation of Seahawks tickets at our last auction! No donation is too small. So if you can find it in your heart to give, please reach out to Jim Thompson at the police department to coordinate getting your donation to the team.

Jimmy.thompson@elwha.org or drop in at the Justice Center



In remembrance. Greg Williams. His birthday is in September.

Congratulations Bridget Weed & Tatum Moses!!

Bridget Level II Sign and Track Certificate

Tatum Level I Sign and Track Certificate

The girls spent a weekend in Quinault with Tracker Certification of North America, completing their two day Track and Sign Certification Program. Way to go!



Tribal Center

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Klallam Counseling Services

243613 W Hwy 101,
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Justice Center

341 Spokwes Drive
360.452.6759
Sam White, Chief of Police Ext.
2922

Library, Ext 7430

Lower Elwha Food & Fuel

360.477.1170

**Natural Resources/Fish Hatch-
ery**

760 Stratton Road
360.457.4012
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Arlene Wheeler, Ext. 7437

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Council Member, Ext. 7413



Tia Skerbeck
Council Member, Ext. 7420

Dates to Remember:

- 10/2 EDGE Program Intro Night
- 10/7 Weaving Class w/ Jamie Valadez
- 10/9 Weaving Class w/ Jamie Valadez
- 10/10-10/12 Dungeness Crab Fest
- 10/13 Indigenous People's Day
- 10/14 Traffic Court
- 10/21 Domestic Violence Awareness Walk
- 10/31 Halloween



Happy Birthday to Nicole, Melissa, and Keeoma!

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