

# Clallam Connection

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May-June 2016

## 2016 HIRING & RESOURCE EVENT

We had a great turnout at the 2016 Hiring & Resource Event on March 23rd at the Vern Burton Memorial Center in Port Angeles. People of all ages and ability attended workshops, met employers and resources and filled out LOTS of applications. We were able to provide pizza, thanks to Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's 7 Cedars Casino, and water by Lower Elwha Tribe's Elwha River Casino. We had 277 participants and 45 Employers and Resource Agencies, with 27 of them hiring! We already are looking forward to planning next year's event.

Below are pictures from the event. Enjoy!



Happy  
Mother's  
Day

*Summer  
Begins!*

Memorial  
Day!

I don't believe you have to be better than everybody else. I believe you have to be better than you ever thought you could be.

- Ken Venturi



## UPDATE



Spring is the time that we are involved in Athletics (track and field) and Swimming. We had a regional swim meet two weeks ago and had great success. Our swimmers are amazing. It was a fun day at the King County Aquatics Center in Federal Way. Several of our athletes earned the right to compete at the summer games, which will be held the weekend of June 3rd - 5th.

Our regional meet for track and field will be held on this weekend. We are hoping for perfect weather and are looking forward to running, walking, throwing and jumping!! We have 15 athletes competing and they have been working really hard to prepare for this event. In June we will be moving on to softball and golf. Our regular softball coach has a work conflict this year so we are hoping to have some new help with coaching our team. If you are interested - please give me a call.

Special Olympics gives folks with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to train and compete in sporting activities but Special Olympics is much more than that. There are opportunities every day for athletes to become leaders, within Special Olympics and within their community. With mentors, they learn how to speak in public, sit on boards or help with coaching. Every single one of our athletes can be a leader in some way.

If you know someone who would like to be involved as an athlete, please let us know. New athletes are required to visit their doctor and have a form filled out that only needs to be updated every three years. We are always in need of dedicated volunteers for one-time events or long term. A background check is required for all volunteers.

If you are interested in participating as an athlete or volunteer - please contact Wendy Bonham at 360-477-4134 or through e-mail at [ClallamCountyOrcas@gmail.com](mailto:ClallamCountyOrcas@gmail.com).

### Events and Training



Washington State Department of Social and Health Services



Developmental Disabilities Administration

Do you need classes?

Are you interested in workshops and other events? You can go to DDA's website at: [www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/events-and-training/events-and-training](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/events-and-training/events-and-training) for up to date information.

# DON'T FORGET

- **DDAC Meetings**—Thursday, May 5th, 5:30-7:30pm at the Dungeness Community Church, 45 Eberle Lane, Sequim. No Videoconferencing. Thursday July 14th, 5:30-7:30pm at Concerned Citizens, 945 S. Forks Ave., Forks. No Videoconferencing.
- **BLAC Meeting**—“Business Leadership Advisory Committee”, a subcommittee of the DDAC, will be on May 25th, 5:15-7:30pm, Clallam County Board of Commissioners room. For more meeting dates, go to: [www.clallam.net/HHS/HumanServices/blac](http://www.clallam.net/HHS/HumanServices/blac)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**HOLIDAYS:**

Memorial Day—May 30th



**SPECIAL OCCASIONS:**

Mother’s Day—May 8th  
 Father’s Day—June 19th  
 First Day of Summer—June 20th





**EVENTS**

**APSE—June 21-23, Cincinnati, Ohio**



*Soaring to Employment First*

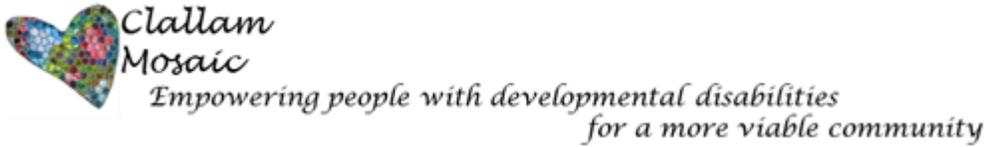
Our own Timothy Bruce, Clallam County Health & Human Services Developmental Disabilities Planner, will be a presenter at the conference this year!

For more information or to register, go to [www.apse.org](http://www.apse.org)

**Community Summit—June 14-16, Wenatchee.**



Go to: [www.communitysummit.ws](http://www.communitysummit.ws) to register!



# UPDATE

## Dates & Events to keep your eye out for:

Annual theater production: The Snappy Players Troupe of Clallam Mosaic will be performing the play **“Where’s Ward?”** on **Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** and **Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm** at the Olympic Theatre Arts Main Stage (414 N. Sequim Ave, Sequim). The show is a semi-improvisational production with vignettes that interweave dastardly plots, intrigue, high jinx, and drama with comedy and silliness.... **See pictures**



Summer sessions will run **July 11 - August 19**. Summer sessions will be much like last year with classes available 2 days per week (Tuesdays & Thursdays). One day of each week will be held at our Port Angeles facility and one day will be out and about on field trips.



The Fall 2016 Term will be **September 6 - December 15** with a 1 week break on Thanksgiving week (Nov 21-25).

## Dance dates

May 21	Pajama Party
June 18	Summer Celebration
July 23	Independence Day Dance
August 13	Beach Party
September 10	Fall Celebration
October 8	Halloween Party
November 12	Thanksgiving Celebration
December 10	Holiday Celebration



The First Bob Cup Golf Tournament to benefit “Mosaic House” will be held on **Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>** at the Cedars at Dungeness Golf Course (1965 Woodcock Rd, Sequim). The tournament profits will raise funds for a permanent program location for Clallam Mosaic. The tournament will be a full day event with Putt for Wine, Ball-in-the-Boat activities, raffle and a barbeque. The Barbeque will be open to both non-players and tournament competitors. For more information and/or to register go to: <http://www.clallammosaic.org/news-events-resources/>.

Clallam Mosaic’s Annual Gala will be happening on **Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The night will kick off with a Social Hour starting at 5 pm and will have a mix of activities that range from auctions to dinner to a showcase of participant talents. We hope that everyone will come out and support this critical fundraising event that raises almost 25% of the annual income needed to support Clallam Mosaic’s programs!

# EMPLOYMENT

Tourism is a \$17.7 billion dollar industry in Tennessee, and few names are known wider than the Grand Ole Opry. If you come to Nashville for a tour of the Opry House, you might be lucky enough to get a tour with Clancey! Her [#Way2Work](#) story shows how the power of positivity, and a networking opportunity with one of the biggest names in Country Music, can open any door!



See the video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZbcrJX2Jqs>



**Cerebral Palsy Guide**

**1.855.329.1008**

An easy to use, informative website that provides solutions for families.

[www.cerebralpalsyguide.com](http://www.cerebralpalsyguide.com)

**Upcoming Courthouse Closures:**

**May 30th—Memorial Day**

**HHS Office Closure:**

**May 25th—In-Service Training**

**WANTED!**

Diverse members with knowledge of and interest in services for people with developmental disabilities to serve on the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee.

If you are interested in joining, please contact Tim Bruce at (360) 417-2428 or [tbruce@co.clallam.wa.us](mailto:tbruce@co.clallam.wa.us)

## WELCOME KELLEY!

Our new Case Manager, Kelley Lawrence, who comes from KWA Home Care as their Regional Supervisor, started March 7th. She's busy contacting individuals and parents to set up Vendor Selection interviews and help them make a choice for a provider for job exploration and job coaching. She works with the Sequim School District High School Transition students, helping them to find providers who can get out into the community and see what they want to do with their future. She will also be making business connections and forming relationships to further develop inclusive job opportunities in Clallam County, as well as working with the Business Leadership Advisory Committee (BLAC), a subcommittee of the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee (DDAC) to open doors and mentor new businesses who are thinking about hiring individuals with developmental disabilities .

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## Ready, Set, Go 5210 in Clallam County!



The Ready, Set, Go 5210 initiative is a community-wide effort to help decrease chronic disease and improve the health of our citizens across the lifespan. For adults and children alike, and encompasses 5 servings of fruits and vegetables every day, 2 hours or less of recreational screen time, 1 hour of physical activity and 0 sugar-sweetened beverages have been proven to combat both obesity and chronic disease.



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## 2016 Vulnerable Populations Disaster Planning Conference

**JOIN US ON MAY 25, 2016**

*Mark your calendars for the 2016 Seattle UASI  
Regional Disaster Planning Conference*

### ***Building resilience to disasters: A community-wide strategy***

We live in a region with potential for catastrophic disasters, such as earthquakes and volcano eruptions, as well as everyday emergencies, such as heat and power outages. What can we do to ensure that the people who live in our communities are able to prepare for, absorb, and adapt to these challenges? Join us to discuss how new ways of thinking and innovative programming can make a difference!

**Date:** Wednesday, May 25, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 am-4:00 pm  
**Location:** Embassy Suites  
 3225 158th Avenue SE  
 Bellevue, WA 98008

*The conference is FREE for all participants; breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided.*

#### **Who should attend?**

- Community and Faith Based Organizations
- Human Services Agencies
- Emergency Managers
- First Responders
- Tribal Leaders
- Philanthropic Organizations
- Human Services Planners
- Public Information Officers
- Anyone interested in emergency planning related to vulnerable populations



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#### **Registration Link:**

<https://uasi2016resilienceconference.eventbrite.com>

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