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ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY CAN HELP IN SCHOOL AND WORK

Apple Inc. has great Apps for iPad, iPhone or iTouch devices which can help you organize your day or help you to learn how to do daily tasks through a step by step process. There are Apps for just about anything! Here are a few that are noteworthy. For a more comprehensive list of Apps you can use when on the job or at home go to our webpage at: <http://www.clallam.net/HHS/HumanServices/DevelopmentalDisabilities.html>



Visual Impact Pro

Just like downloading songs in iTunes, Visual Impact lets you download multimedia task instructions for nearly any activity!

Pictello

Pictello™ is a simple way to create talking photo albums and talking books on your iPad, iPhone and iPod touch. Anyone can make a story to share important events or their latest holiday pictures with family who live far away.



First Then Visual Schedule

Visual schedules provide positive behavior support through the use of images that show daily events (i.e. morning routine or therapy schedule) or steps needed to complete a specific activity, (i.e. using the restroom).

- Nancy Wiltshire

"All of us might wish at times that we lived in a more tranquil world, but we don't. And if our times are difficult and perplexing, so are they challenging and filled with opportunity."
- Robert Kennedy

CLALLAM COUNTY DD FACEBOOK PAGE

Enhancing Inclusive Choices for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities



The photo collage above is our new cover photo for our Facebook page! Thank you to Concerned Citizens and Toby Conlow (pictured left and right) and Sarah Galipeau (middle) for providing wonderful, on-the-job photos for us to share with everyone.

Lets keep working together to get everyone employed in a job they love!

Thank you all! See us on Facebook at [facebook.com/ClallamCountyDD](https://www.facebook.com/ClallamCountyDD)

US Labor Department's Office of Disability Employment Policy Announces 2012 Theme for National Disability Employment Awareness Month

In May, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy announced the official theme for October's National Disability Employment Awareness Month as: "A Strong Workforce is an Inclusive Workforce: What Can YOU Do?" The theme promotes the benefits of a diverse workforce that includes workers with disabilities, who represent a highly skilled talent pool.

As quoted by the U.S. Department of Labor, "Employers who ensure that inclusive workplace policies and practices are woven into the fabric and culture of the organization create an environment that encourages all workers — including those of us with disabilities — to work to their full capacity and contribute fully to the organization's success," said Kathy Martinez, assistant secretary of labor for disability employment policy.

History: Public Law 176, enacted by Congress in 1945, designated the first week in October each year as "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week." President Harry S. Truman designated the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities to carry out the observance. In 1962, the word "physically" was removed from the week's name to acknowledge the employment needs of all Americans with disabilities. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a month and changed the name to "National Disability Awareness Month," which eventually evolved to the current name.

DON'T FORGET

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DDAC Meeting — Thursday, October 4th; 5:30 - 7:30 at the Board of Commissioners Meeting Room, Clallam County Courthouse and Videoconferencing: District Court, Forks.
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Mosaic Dances — “Fall Ball” on September 2nd and the “Halloween Monster Bash” on October 27th, from 2-4pm at the Olympic Vineyard Christian Fellowship, 3415 S. Peabody Street, Port Angeles. Each dance will begin with a show featuring singers or dancers and potluck dinner. For more information contact Bonne Smith at 681-8642.

AND AROUND TOWN



Sequim Balloon Festival—September 1st, 2nd & 3rd, West Sequim Bay Road, Sequim. All day events. Vendors, car show, balloon rides, etc. Go to www.sequimballoonfestival.com for more information and purchase tickets.

USSBA Sprint Boat Races—National Finals Championship. September 8th at the Extreme Sports Park, 2917 W. Edgewood Dr., Port Angeles. All day event, \$20.00 per adult, \$10.00 for children 7-12, free for children under 6. Camping overnight available for \$20.00. Contact Kelie Morrision at 360-460-2601.



Rock, Gem & Jewelry Show—Saturday September 8th at Vern Burton Community Center, Port Angeles. Demonstrations of faceting, cabochon making, wire jewelry and wire wrapping. Admission is free. Contact Jennie Bourassa at jednen-nie@msn.com

11th Annual Bear Creek Chili Cookoff Potluck—Saturday, September 8th, at the Hungry Bear Café, milepost 206 on Highway 101 in Sappho. Starts at 8am, all day event, free hamburgers and hot dogs and share the chili! For more information, call 360-327-3225.



Stephanie Meyer Day/Bella's Birthday Weekend (for Twilight Fans) September 14-16, Forks, WA All day events. Vendors, ice cream social, tours, market. Go to www.stephaniemeyerdays.com for more information.



Sequim City Band Concert—September 16th, 3-5pm at the James Center for Performing Arts, 202 N Blake Ave, Sequim, and October 28th, 3-5pm at the Sequim High School Auditorium, 503 N Sequim Ave., Sequim. Free admission.

13th Annual Dungeness River Festival & 4th Annual Driftwood Art Show—Saturday, September 29th, 9am-4pm at the Dungeness River Audubon Center at Railroad Bridge Park, 2151 W. Hendrickson Rd, Sequim. Activities, food and fun for all ages. For more information, call 681-4076.



SAYING GOODBYE

Our Vendor Selection Case Manager , Nancy Wiltshire, will be leaving us the end of August. She will be moving out of the area. She was with us for 11 months and organized the 13th annual Transition fair in May, created the Business Leadership Advisory Committee and helped many people with developmental disabilities interview with local providers for assistance with employment opportunities.

We will definitely miss her bright mind and fun loving attitude. Please join us in wishing her well in her future endeavors!



Nancy Wiltshire

A potential replacement as the Vendor Selection Case Manager has been interviewed. We will update everyone at a later date.

*- Nan Furford, Clallam County Health & Human Services Administrative Specialist
& Tim Bruce, Clallam County Health & Human Services Planner*

United Way Day of Caring – September 8th

Day of Caring is United Way's annual campaign kick off event where volunteers get out into the community and volunteer at agencies, in our community parks, or helping other community members. Volunteer as a business team, a family or by yourself because you want to make a difference. Contact Jodi Moss or T. Scott Brandon to volunteer – email info@unitedwayclallam.org

BLAC (BUSINESS LEADERSHIP ADVISORY)

Clallam County Health and Human Services and the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Council (DDAC) held our 2nd Business Leadership Advisory Committee (BLAC) meeting on July 10th. We had in attendance Eric Schneider from Lee Shore Boats, Kathy Burrer of Dungeness Courte, Debra Moriarty of the Feiro Marine Life Center, Liz Miller from the State of Washington's Division of Vocational Rehab and Dorothy Bristow of WorkSource. Also in attendance were representatives from a few of our local vocational providers and DDAC member, Jayme Wisecup. All of the business leaders in attendance indicated their enthusiasm of being a part of the BLAC membership. They generated great ideas on how to get more businesses to hire individuals with developmental disabilities and confirmed their commitment to serve on the committee in the future. They chose to meet every two months. Our next BLAC meeting is scheduled to meet on Thursday, September 27th in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room from 5:15 PM to 7:30 PM. All business leaders are welcome to come and participate on the BLAC. For more information about the BLAC, contact Tim Bruce, Clallam County Developmental Disabilities Planner at 360-417-2428 or email tbruce@co.clallam.wa.us.

"There are those who look at things the way they are, and ask why...
I dream of things that never were, and ask why not?"
-Robert Kennedy



**Clallam
County
Orcas**



**Special Olympics
Washington**

-In The News-

The Orcas' softball team and 2 golfers earned gold medals at the regional competition and are going to the State competition in Everett.



Bowling!



Bowling will begin Thursday, September 20th. We will have practices on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, including one in Sequim. Please call Wendy Bonham at 360-477-4134 for times.



2012 Fall Quarter Classes

Recreation

Tuesday Sequim Recreation Club ~ 12 classes ~ \$48

Tuesdays ~ 3 – 5 p.m. ~ Sequim High School Classroom

Sept. 11, 18, 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 27; Dec. 4

Having a great time and meeting old friends and making new friends in Sequim. Enjoy hands-on activities like art, birthday bingo, games, music, skits and other activities with Donna Morris

Friday Port Angeles Recreation Club ~ 12 classes \$48

Fridays ~ 2- 4 p.m. ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 14, 21, 28; Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30; Dec. 7

Recreational activities with Emma Easton, explore the fun of games, music, dancing, listening to stories.

Living & Healthy Choices

Exercise ~ 12 classes ~ \$36 *Wear loose fitting clothing*

Wednesdays ~ 10 - 11 a.m. ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 12, 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 14, 28; Dec. 5

The class explores exercise and workouts for range of motion, balance, building stamina and flexibility led by Donna Morris with guest fitness experts.

Healthy Eating & Cooking ~ 12 classes ~ \$60

Includes ingredient fee

Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 12, 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 14, 28; Dec. 5

Cooking for a healthy lifestyle, prepare a delicious and nutritious meal every week and learn why eating food grown close to home builds a better community with Donna Morris and Bonne Smith.

Outreach ~ Sequim ~ 12 classes ~ \$48

Thursdays ~ Noon - 2 p.m. ~ (Locations to be selected call 681-8642)

Sept. 13, 20, 27; Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29; Dec. 6

Bring your lunch and dress in layers prepared for warm or cool days for outside or inside work.
Building community and breaking barriers. Refresh and practice your work skills while making your community a better place to live in by helping others with Donna Morris.

Culture & Science

Voyager Traveler's ~12 classes ~ \$48

Wednesdays ~ 2- 4 p.m. ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 12, 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 14, 28; Dec. 5

An anthropological tour of the world. Exploring world cultures; current news, music, art, food, historic sites, religion; learning how we fit into the world around us with Bonne Smith.



Music & Dance

Drumming with Dave ~ 12 classes ~ \$48

Thursdays 3 - 4:30 p.m. ~ Sequim High School Classroom

Sept. 13, 20, 27; Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29; Dec 6

Join Dave in the drum circle with hand drums and rhythm instruments.

Drums supplied, or bring your own.

Saturday Dances ~ 4 potluck Dances and Show ~ \$10

Saturdays ~ 2 - 4 p.m. ~ Olympic Vineyard Church

Sept. 22 ~ Fall Ball; Oct. 27 ~ Halloween Bash; Nov. 17 ~ Harvest Feast;

Dec. 8 ~ Holiday Ball

Bring your favorite dish for a sit-down dinner and enjoy an entertaining performance show from 2-2:30 p.m. followed by the tunes that rock you and make you want to dance and shout.

Arts

Exploration of Home Arts ~ 12 classes ~ \$48 *Includes supplies fee*

Fridays Noon - 1:30 p.m. ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 14, 21, 28; Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30; Dec. 7

Art of the home. From fixing buttons to making useful items for home use out of recycled material or just for arts sake led by Bonne Smith.

Theater

Theater ~ Snappy Players Troupe ~ 12 classes ~ \$48

Tuesdays ~ 10 - Noon ~ Olympic Theater Arts

Sept. 11, 18, 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 27; Dec. 4

In its fourth year, the Snappy Players create, design and produce the story of the time traveling KSNAP Radio Variety Show cast and crew as they are cross back in time to 1859 in Atlantic City Wyoming.

Theater ~ Design & Create ~ 12 classes ~ \$48

Fridays ~ 10-Noon ~ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles

Sept. 14, 21, 28; Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30; Dec. 7

Design and construct, props, sets and costumes for the Snappy Players Troupe the time-traveling KSNAP Radio Variety Show cast and crew who cross back in time to 1859 and land in Atlantic City, Wyoming.

Theater ~ Show Performance ~ 4 performances ~ \$40

Saturdays ~ 1- 3 p.m. ~ Olympic Vineyard Church

Fall Ball, September 22 ~ Halloween Bash, October 27

Harvest Feast, November 17 ~ Holiday Ball, December 8

A new exciting performance venue for the singer, dancers and Masters of Ceremonies. In response to those whose heart and talent yearns for the spotlight, performers will be the opening act for the Mosaic Potluck Dances. Bring your own music and costumes. We'll provide warm -up rehearsal, microphone, sound system and admission to the Potluck Dances is included.

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