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September-October 2013

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

Held each October, National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) is a national campaign that seeks to raise awareness about disability employment issues and celebrates the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities. The theme for 2013 is "Because We Are EQUAL to the Task."



Fall Begins September 22nd



OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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What Can YOU Do?
www.dol.gov/odep

NDEAM's roots go back to 1945, when Congress enacted a law declaring the first week in October each year "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week." In 1962, the word "physically" was removed to acknowledge the employment needs and contributions of individuals with all types of disabilities. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a month and changed the name to "National Disability Employment Awareness Month." Upon its establishment in 2001, Office of Disability Employment Policy assumed responsibility for NDEAM and has worked to expand its reach and scope ever since.

- *United States Department of Labor*

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Success is not final, failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts.

- Winston Churchill



Mosaic is presenting the 2nd Annual Human Race, walk starting at 11 a.m. October 19th at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 Lopez Ave., Port Angeles. We invite community members to walk or run in support of healthy exercise for people with developmental disabilities. For more information on how to participate or be a sponsor contact Scott Schaefer at scott@nikola.com

Mosaic Fall Quarter classes begin September 10th for 12 weeks. Mosaic is happy to welcome you to our new classroom location in Sequim. We extend a thank you to Russ Bonham and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for hosting our Rec Club and Drumming classes on Tuesday and Exercise and Arts on Thursday.

Other news to note: "Drumming with Dave" begins September 24th for 10 weeks. We also have created the "Life-Long Literacy Project" for people interested in increasing math skills and reasoning for better understanding. Check it out!!! Join Class mentors, Ursula Schletter and Reily O'Neil. It will be fun to tease the brain and learn new skills. Also new is the "For Children Theater", a production class for veteran actors by student producers who will learn how to produce a children's theater production. "Green Eggs and Ham" will be created as a traveling show to be presented February 2014.

The Healthy Cooking class focus for Fall 2013 is local harvesting and food preparation of bulk vegetables, fruit, berries herbs, by drying, cooking and reducing, storage, and freezing. The class is from 10am to noon. Students will be able to bring home foods that they have prepared. In some classes we eat what we have prepared, but it is suggested that everyone bring a lunch on class days that extend through the noon hour.

Mosaic Fall Schedule is available at: www.clallamosaic.org or by calling 360-681-8642 and requesting a print version. Mosaic, P.O. Box 3081, Sequim, WA 98382

It's a Hit!

This Summer we posted the Chattanooga Fire Departments' video "Stayin' Alive" about CPR and we had many people that Liked it. If you want to see this video and learn CPR, go to our Facebook page at :

[facebook.com/ClallamCountyDD](https://www.facebook.com/ClallamCountyDD)



Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value. - Albert Einstein

DON'T FORGET

-  **DDAC Meeting** — Thursday September 5th, 5:30 - 7:30pm at the Board of County Commissioners Board Room, Clallam County Courthouse and Videoconferencing: District Court, Forks.
-  **BLAC Meeting** — “Business Leadership Advisory Committee”, a subcommittee of the DDAC ,will be held on Thursday October 24th, 5:15—7:30pm. Location to be determined. Please check the BLAC website for updated dates and locations at www.clallam.net/HHS/HumanServices/blac .
-  **Mosaic Potluck Dances & Show**— Saturday September 28th & October 26th, 2-4pm, Olympic Vineyard Christian Fellowship, 3415 S. Peabody, Port Angeles. \$10.00

AND AROUND TOWN



Sprint Boat Races—Saturday September 7th at the Extreme Sports Park, 2917 W. Edgewood Drive, Port Angeles. For tickets or more information go to www.extremesportspark.net.

19th Forest Storytelling Festival—October 18-20, Little Theatre, Peninsula College, Port Angeles. Professional storytellers will be telling stories from around the world. Call Cherie Trebon for more information or tickets at 417-5031 .



Bella's Birthday

7th Annual Stephanie Meyer Days—September 13-15, Forks. This year's theme will be “Breaking Dawn Pt 2”. Music, food vendors, blood drive, Vampire run/walk, car decorating, face art., Look-a-Like contest, photo op, auction/swap meet, ice cream social, softball game and storytelling. For more information go to www.stephaniemeyerdays2013.com



West End Thunder Drag Races - September 14th & 15th, 9am-5pm, Forks Airport. General admission \$10.00. For more information go to www.westendthunder.com

14th Annual Dungeness River Festival—September 27th & 28th, Railroad Bridge Park, 2151 W. Hendrickson Road, Sequim. Activities, food, plant and river walks, driftwood sculpture show, music, drumming, exhibits and more. Call 681-4076 for more information.



Harvest Celebration Farm Tour— Saturday October 5th, 10am-4pm. Call Patty McManus-Huber at 681-6274 for more information.

Dungeness Crab & Seafood Festival— October 11-13, Gateway Center, Port Angeles .



Downtown Trick or Treat — Thursday October 31st, 2-5pm, Port Angeles. Dress up and visit downtown merchants for treats.



ORCAS UPDATE

We just finished up a fun summer season, playing softball and golf. Our softball team, coached by Jan and Kevin Isett, received a bronze medal at the Regional Tournament. Way to go ORCAS!!! Stacey Shipley and Violet Snodgrass, both Individual Skills athletes received gold medals. WOO-HOO!!! Bonny Cates and Deni Isett received Silver medals. Way to go girls!



We had 4 Unified Golf teams and one individual 9 hole golfer compete on July 28th in Tacoma. Teams Wing/Johnson and Forbes/Smithson received Gold medals and will be competing the weekend of August 16th at the Summer Sports Classic in Everett.. Our other teams - Rief/Rief, Schletter/Shea and David Carver all received Silver medals. It was an AMAZING day.

Fall is fast approaching and that means bowling for the Clallam County Orcas. There are 3 practices a week to choose from. On Fridays, beginning September 6th, practices will be held at Olympic Lanes in Sequim at 3:30 and will go until 5:00. Saturday September 7th is the first day of practices at Laurel Lanes in Port Angeles from 10 - 11:30 am. Wednesdays, a practice will be held at Laurel Lanes in Port Angeles from 3:30 until 5:00 pm beginning on September 11th. Our Regional Tournament will be held on Sunday, November 3rd in Silverdale.



If you would like to participate or volunteer, please call Wendy Bonham at 360-477-4134 or e-mail her at ClallamCountyOrcas@gmail.com.



"The Healthy Affair"

The "Healthy Affair" is a free health fair for people with developmental disabilities to create an awareness of professional health services available to them.

Saturday, October 13th, 1-4pm
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
 301 E. Lopez Ave., Port Angeles, WA

Sharing important health information empowers people with developmental disabilities by building trust and breaking down barriers. Join us for this very important event.

Empowering People with Developmental Disabilities for a More Viable Community
 P.O. Box 3081, Sequim, WA 98382 360-681-8642 www.clallamosaic.org



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 "The Special Needs Resource"

Learn more about how the new health care law benefits individuals with disabilities at:
<http://www.eparent.com/healthcare.php?2>



Courthouse Closures

September

2nd—Holiday

16th—Furlough

23rd—Furlough

October

none



September marks National Literacy Month!

This month, Digitalliteracy.gov will feature resources that explore how digital literacy and using the Internet intersects with the educational environment. Research by the Pew Internet & American Life Project shows that teens use the Internet as an essential study aid outside the classroom and 78% say they believe the Internet helps them with schoolwork.

What can YOU do? The Campaign for Disability Employment



What can FAMILY & EDUCATORS do?

Family and educators play a critical role in the expectations young people with disabilities develop for themselves. It is essential that they strengthen these expectations by instilling an early love of learning and cultivating a clear vision of work and community participation.

Consistency is key to infusing such expectations. The assumption of work should be echoed by all people of influence in a young person's life. Parents, teachers, coaches, clergy, neighbors and others all play a powerful role in helping young people, especially those with disabilities, dream big and achieve their aspirations. As part of this, young people with disabilities should be encouraged to take risks and be given the freedom to fail and learn from their mistakes.

**Farewell Ron
 You Will Be Missed**

Go to the Peninsula Daily News link below to view his obituary.

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/peninsuladailynews/obituary.aspx?pid=166322102#fbLoggedOut>

WANTED!

New members 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

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