

Whirl Wind Community Calendar

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September 11, 2007 ~ Always in our memories

Begins September 14, 2007 - The Healing Waters Support Group for Native American Women Survivors of Sexual Assault. The Cowlitz Tribal Sexual Assault Program and YWCA: Sexual Assault Program of Clark County is proud to announce the start of another support group. The Native American Support Group will begin September 14, 2007 at the YMCA in Vancouver WA. The support group is open to any woman over the age of 18, who identifies as Native American, who has ever been sexually assaulted in her lifetime. Violence is not traditional! Your Body is sacred! If you are interested in attending or for more information please contact Debbie Medeiros, Sexual Assault Program Coordinator, Cowlitz Indian Tribe at 360-397-8228. The group is offered at no cost, registration is required. Snacks will be provided! "I can be changed by what happened to me, but I refuse to be reduced by it" ~ Maya Angelou ~

NAYA Family Center Fall Community Gathering: Friday, September 14th 6pm-8pm at NAYA Family Center. Please join us as we celebrate the opening of NAYA Family Center's new Early College Academy High School. We will be having speakers talk about the history of NAYA and how important this new school is to the future of our community as well as entertainment from local community members. Chance to meet the new Early College Academy teaching staff and get tours of the new school. A free dinner will be served and *we ask that community members please bring a potluck side dish to share with everyone.* Contact Shilo George at 503-288-8177 x224 or email shilo.g@nayapdx.org.

September 15, 2007 - "A Gathering of Flutes" Planning Committee meeting: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, PSU Native American Community Center. Anyone interested in helping with the planning of the third annual Native American Flute benefit concert to be held November 3, 2007 at the Furstenberg Center in Vancouver, WA are invited to attend. This concert will benefit Native cancer survivors in the Portland/Vancouver metropolitan area. Musician and vendor applications available from Cece Whitewolf at npcoh@spiritone.com or by calling (503) 970-8004.

September 16, 2007 - Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians 54th Annual Conference -- Indian Child Welfare & Social Services Training Institute "Promising Models of Tribal Children's Codes". 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Quinault Beach Resort and Casino, Ocean Shores, WA. Presenter: Arlana Bettelyoun, Director Oglala Lakota CASA. "*Children's Advocacy and Laws: Wakanyeja Tiwahe Ta Woose; From a Tribal Perspective*". In this training, participants will learn the process that Oglala Lakota Sioux tribal members took in developing a culturally relevant children's and family code based on the traditional values and beliefs that provide the safety and hold perpetrators accountable. Participants will also learn how to keep focused the grassroots people, professionals, and others involved, and to keep motivated when our own internalized oppression becomes apparent. **NO REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED.** The government per diem rate is no longer available at the Quinault Beach Resort and Casino. The Best Western across the street from the resort has rooms available. **Best Western Lighthouse Suites Inn, 491 Damon Road, Ocean Shores, WA 98569 (360) 289-2311 (800) 780-7234 www.bestwestern.com** If you have any questions, please contact Connie Bear King at (503) 222-4044, extension 128, or by email at cbearking@nicwa.org.

Begins in October 2007 - Bow & Arrow Culture Club Friday Night Gathering at the NAYA Family Center 5135 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97218. Enjoy dancing, drumming, community gathering and announcements. Contact Sande Bea at whirlwindcc@yahoo.com

October 13, 2007 - 3rd Annual Gathering for Oregon Native Chamber of Commerce. Red Lion, Jantzen Beach at 6:00 pm Contact Kelly Ilagan at 503-654-2138 or kellyanne@onacc.org

NORTHWEST INDIAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION – Portland/Vancouver Chapter (NIVA)

The NIVA office located in Bldg 15 Room 112A on the Vancouver VA Campus off of I-5. Oregon 503-220-8262 ext.31779 and Washington: 360-696-4061 ext.31779 NIVA meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Veterans Administration Bldg. in Vancouver, WA. Veterans are welcome, and learn about membership, color and honor guard activities. NIVA hosts the Annual Christmas party for the community. Christmas Party contact - Sherry Scott at 255-2347.

NAYA Early College Academy: Are you looking for an educational experience rooted in American Indian and Alaska Native worldviews? And...

- Would like to earn dual high school and college credit
- Want to attend college and/or work toward a specialized career
- Work well in small classes
- Would like to be exposed to Native culture and concepts
- Enjoy giving back to the community

The NAYA Early College Academy is open to all Portland 9th-12th grade students from all backgrounds who are seeking a hands-on, culturally relevant, student-centered learning environment. Students attending the Academy have the unique opportunity to earn a high school diploma while earning up to two years of transferable college credit, and therefore must place a high priority on academic success. Small class sizes encourage individualized educational options for each student and academic programming integrates local native culture, extensive family and community outreach, and partnerships with Portland Community College and other post-secondary institutions. Students referred to the NAYA Early College academy are interested in being exposed to Native American concepts, worldviews, and perspectives in their learning experience. Students who attend the NAYA Early College Academy are comfortable with participating in the American Indian/Alaska Native community for career and community service activities.

Applications are available at: <http://www.nayapdx.org/youth-services/naya-early-college-academy.php>

For more information, contact Kate Bucko or Chris Tinker at: **Native American Youth and Family Center**, 5135 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97218. 503-288-8177 ext. 229 fax:503-288-1260 kateb@nayapdx.org

NATIVE AMERICAN REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHWEST (NARA)

The following are provided at: NARA 1776 SW Madison, Portland, OR 97205

Positive Indian Parenting Group - This group is designed to help parents explore the values and attitudes expressed in traditional Native American child rearing practices and then apply those values to modern skills in parenting. This group is open to anyone who is interested in attending. Dinner and childcare are provided. Group Times: Every Tuesday from 5:30-7:00pm

Daughters of Tradition - Participants will learn to recognize healthy behavior, learn how to avoid unsafe situations and how to make healthy decisions by understanding how their own cultural traditions can provide a framework for healthy lifestyles. Participants will have the opportunity to learn from community members various skills such as beading, tipi making, and cooking. This group runs year long and is open to any female age 8-18 years old. Snacks are provided. A parent of guardian needs to attend the 1st meeting to complete paperwork. Group Times: Every Monday from 5:00-6:30pm

Sons of Tradition - Participants will become aware of and be able to discuss their feelings in a healthy, respectful way, as well as recognize healthy behavior and learn how to avoid unsafe situations. Participants will also learn how to apply the teaching and principals of the culture to living a healthy lifestyle. This group runs year long and is open to any male age 8-12 years old. Snacks are provided. A parent of guardian needs to attend the 1st meeting to complete paperwork. Group Times: Thursdays from 5:00-6:30pm

Families of Tradition - The purpose of this group is to help families develop a healthy family system by increasing levels of trust within the family, improve listening and communication skills, and enhance confidence to use everyday conflicts as opportunities for growth. This group runs year long and is open to anyone who is interested. A meal and daycare will be provided. Group Times: Every Wednesday from 5:30-7:00pm Questions? Please call 503-224-1044

NAYA FAMILY CENTER (NAYA) 5135 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97218 503-288-8177

NAYA Family Center Seeks Intervention Outreach Coordinator. All of the necessary information is included and an official job description is currently on our web page at www.nayapdx.org. The new deadline is Friday, July 27. Thank you for your assistance in finding the best candidate for this position. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Nicole Croft, Youth Services Director at 503.288.8177 ext. 213, or email nicolec@nayapdx.org.

Relationship Strengthening Groups for Women - Begins Tuesday, August 14th Relationships change, people grow and mature, needs and wants vary. Want to increase respect and honor in your relationships? Learn how you can maintain a sense of self and grow in YOUR relationships using knowledge from traditional Native oral history and creations stories. This special group exclusively for women will be meeting on Tuesdays from 5:30-7:00pm. CHILDCARE PROVIDED! Door Prizes! Registration is required. Nora Farwell, MSW 503-288-8177 or noraf@nayapdx.org

Relationship Strengthening Groups for Men – Begins Monday, August 13th. Relationships change, people grow and mature, needs and wants vary. Want to increase respect and honor in your relationships? Learn how you can maintain a sense of self and grow in YOUR relationships using knowledge from traditional Native oral history and creations stories. This special group exclusively for men will be meeting on Mondays from 6-7:30pm. CHILDCARE PROVIDED! Door Prizes! Registration is required. Nora Farwell, MSW 503-288-8177 or noraf@nayapdx.org

Positive Indian Parenting - Starts Wednesday, August 15th. This 8 week practical and culturally specific training program meets on Wednesdays from 6-8pm. Parents will explore the values and attitudes expressed in traditional Indian child-rearing practices and then apply those values to modern skills in parenting. Learn valuable lessons from the old ways and parents can find strength in those cultural traditions. CHILDCARE PROVIDED! Registration is required. Please contact Nora Farwell, MSW 503-288-8177 or noraf@nayapdx.org

~ Job Announcements ~

The Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA Family Center) is pleased to announce the following Job Opening:

Girls Dance Instructor - The Dance Instructor is responsible for planning the curriculum for and instructing the girls dance classes for 1st & 2nd year students and 3rd & 4th year students. The Dance Classes are part of the Monday night Regalia, Dance and Drum classes, taking place most Monday evenings during the school year. **For the complete job announcement, including full position description and application procedures, please visit www.nayapdx.org or call (503) 288-8177. Deadline to apply: September 14, 2007**

Housing Advocate - Department/Program: Family Services Department

Reports To: Family Services Director, and Executive Director

Job Location: Portland, OR

Position Description: This Housing Advocate position is a member of the Family Services Department. The Housing Advocate is responsible for completing assigned program activities in compliance with local and Federal funding requirements. Duties are focused on the Family Services goals to provide direct support to American Indian/Alaska Native community members in accessing housing resources (primarily shelter, rental housing, and/or rent assistance) while developing skills, knowledge and abilities to maintain housing and housing resources. The advocate will support community members by connecting them with resources to maintain economic security and housing stability; including creating a path that will lead to homeownership education and opportunities. This position is responsible for direct client interaction and case management (65%) as well as client case documentation, client record maintenance and community relations (35%).

Contact 503-288-8177

Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest Indians (ATNI) EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

The Executive Assistant will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the ATNI Office, working under the supervision of the Executive Director, and coordinating with the Executive Director on tasks as directed. Contact ATNI for the application process: 1827 NE 44th Ave., Suite 130 * Portland, OR 97213-1443, Phone: 503/249-5770 * Fax: 503/249-5773, Email: atni@spiritone.com * Web page: www.atnitribes.org

~ Volunteers Needed ~

Bow & Arrow Culture Club is seeking volunteers to help at the NAYA Family Center Fall Gathering on September 14, 2007. If you are willing to help Bow & Arrow and NAYA, please contact Sande Bea at 503-309-2541. Thank you!

~ Powwows ~

Check out www.powwowtime.com

September 9-10, 2007 - Pottsville Powwow. Off Pottsville-Merlin exit, Merlin, OR 97526. 541-471-1892 or 541-660-7880

September 15, 2007 - End of Summer Encampment and Traditional Powwow. 32121 SE Wildcat Mountain Drive, Eagle Creek, OR 97022. Patrick McElroy 503-637-3296; Marge 503-637-3296; Minnie 503-637-3139 or 503-880-9765. Encampment: Friday-Sunday, September 14-16, 2007. Powwow: Saturday, 9/15. Grand Entry 7pm. Aztec ceremony: Saturday, noon & midnight. Potluck: Saturday following ceremonies.

September 15-16, 2007 - 15th Annual Agnes-Illahe Gathering, Big Bend near Foster Bar, Agness-Illahe Road, Agness, OR 97406. Contact: Belva Bell (541) 439-4285 or belvabell@hotmail.com Crystal Shade (503) 358-0368 or crystalshade@mac.com Grand Entry: Sat 1 & 6 pm; Sun 12 pm. Dinners: Fri - elk stew; Sat - salmon; Sun – pancake breakfast.

September 20-23, 2007 - National Indian Days Celebration. White Swan Pavilion, Mission Road, White Swan, WA 98952. Lindsey Selam 509-874-2473 Royalty: Wesla Selam 509-854-1854 or 509-831-0373. Mardell Wallahee 509-840-0818. Memorials & Giveaways: Thursday, 10am. Grand Entry: Fri 7pm; Sat 1pm & 7pm; Sun 2pm.

September 26, 2007 - NATIONAL INDIAN HEALTH BOARD Annual Consumer Conference CULTURE NIGHT AND MINI POW WOW 5:30 – 8:30 Portland-Lloyd Center Doubletree Hotel Ballroom, 1000 NE Multnomah, Portland, Oregon, 97232
National Indian Health Board Conference Participants. Free and Open to the Portland Indian Community. Dancers Welcome. Contact: Lisa Griggs 503-228-4185 ext. 269
Or lgriggs@npaihb.org

September 29-30, 2007 - Waluulapum Warriors Powwow. Walla Walla Community College Dietrich Activity Center, 500 Tausick Way, Walla Walla, WA 99362. Competition dancing in 18 categories; drumming contest. Grand Entry: Fri 1pm & 6pm. Sat. 1pm 7pm.

October 13, 2007 Cowlitz Powwow – Honoring the Spirit of All Cowlitz People. St. Mary Center, 107 Spencer Road, Toledo, WA, 98591. Suzanne Donaldson-Stephens 360-280-2321. powwowinfo@cowlitz.org
Vendors: Curt Stephens (503) 504-0780 powwowvendor@cowlitz.org

November 3, 2007 - 4th Annual Kanawaksooma Celebration – Mt. Hood Community College Native American Club. Gym. Buses 20, 80 & 81. Vendors contact Renea 503-875-8827

November 10-11, 2007 Honoring All Veterans Gathering. Klamath County Fairgrounds, 3531 S 6th St., Klamath Falls, OR 97603. Mex Weiser (541) 273-5218; Monk Powless (541) 883-7270 (work) or (541) 273-7484 Grand Entry: Sat 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm (dinner break 5:00 pm). Sun. 12:00 pm (close 6:00 pm). Non-competitive gathering.

November 17, 2007 – Siletz Restoration Powwow. Chinook Winds Casino Resort, 1777 NW 44th Street, Lincoln City, OR 97367. Contact: Mona Fisher (800) 922-1399 ext 1230 or (541) 444-8230. Nick Sixkiller (800) 922-1399 ext 1757 or (541) 484-4234. Grand Entry: 6:00 pm; speakers & buffet noon to 4:00 pm.

November 17, 2007 Lake Washington HS Honoring Our Veterans Powwow. Lake Washington High School, 12033 NE 80th Street, Kirkland, WA 98033. Mary Wilber 425-702-3402 mwilber@lwsd.org Honor dinner/feed: 2pm Grand Entry 6pm

~ Ongoing Events ~

Good Medicine AA Meetings – Totem Lodge 1438 SE Division. Good Medicine Meetings AA Sun. 3–4:30pm; Mon. 7:30–9pm; Tue. (Prayer and Meditation) 7:30–9pm; Wed. (Big Book Study) 7:30–9pm; Thur. 7:30–9pm; Fri. “Noon Medicine”; Fri. 6–7:30pm, Winyan Ohitaka (Brave Women) Women’s AA Meeting; Sat. 4:30–6pm “Let’s Talk” is open to all.

Sundays, 12:00 noon - Wilshire Native American Fellowship. **PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP!!** 10:45 am., Sunday school, connecting Christian scripture with Native national traditions, values and stories. “Potluck Lunch” on the last Sunday of each month, and a simple lunch provided all other Sundays. Sponsor of Native American Parent Support (NAPS). Pastor, Lois Wagner 503-833-2863 or pastorlois@yahoo.com . 3917 NE Shaver Street, Portland, OR Bus #75

Sunday’s 12:30 pm - Open Circle Service & Potluck, Augustana Lutheran Church 15th & NE Knott. At 12:30 pm. All are welcome. Call Norma for information, or Robert for a ride at 503-281-7657, or Bus #8.

1st and 3rd Sunday's at 1 pm Closed for Summer – begins in the fall. Portland American Indian Elders meet for Potluck, Bingo and Socializing at the NAYA Family Center , 5135 NE Columbia Blvd. , Portland , OR 97218 . Please Contact: John Laverdure 503-285-4742, Pat Laverdure 503-235-1551 or Karen Harvey 503-543-8692. Summer Update: The last meeting will be June 3rd-- followed by a summer break. In September there will be a Labor Day picnic. The next regularly scheduled meeting at NAYA Family Center will be on Sunday, September 16th.

Monday’s - NAYA Family Center- Dance, Regalia and Drum Classes- Regalia Making 6-8pm, 1st & 2nd year dance 6-6:45pm, 2nd & 3rd year dance 7-7:45pm, intermediate drumming 5:30-6:45pm, beginning drumming 7-8pm. Contact Roanne Little Light for more information 503.288.8177 ext. 223. 5135 NE Columbia Blvd.

Monday’s - Daughters of Tradition is a year long educational prevention program designed for 8-18 year old girls who learn how their own cultural traditions and ceremonies can provide a framework for healthy lifestyles, how to recognize healthy behavior, and learn how to avoid unsafe situations. 5:00-6:00 pm at NARA NW’s Madison Bldg 1776 SW Madison St. Contact Darlene Foster 503-224-1044 ext. 256.

Tuesday’s – Begins September 11. Pi Nee Waus Elders Potluck 6:00 pm at the SE Multicultural Center on 4610 SE 45th and Belmont. Entrance in the back. Jacki 503-327-8173.

Tuesday’s - Positive Indian Parenting is a culturally-specific training program for parents and children where parents explore the values and attitudes expressed in traditional Indian child-rearing practices and then apply those values to modern skills in parenting. 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Free childcare is provided, and a free light meal is served at 5:30 pm. Contact 503-224-1044.

Tuesday’s and Thursday’s – “Young Readers” After School Program Forming. Teaching foundational skills of reading to K - 3rd grade. Every Tuesday and Thursday - 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Learning letter identification, sounds, sight words, reading skills, and writing through fun activities. Children read at their successful and developmental reading levels. Time for homework from school included. Fun activities and games. Siletz Johnson O’Malley Program, 3715 SE 39th, Portland, OR. Contact Katy 503-238-1512.

Tuesday’s & Friday’s – Elders Lunch Meals 11:30 to 12:30 at NARA NW’s Madison building. Transportation scheduled through NARA NW at (503) 224-1044 ext. 223, 1776 SW Madison Street, Portland, OR Robbie 503-224-1044x.223 or rgondara@naranorthwest.org or Juanita 503-224-1044x228 or jleibbrandt@naranorthwest.org

Tuesday's - Portland Indian Elders Support Group (P.I.E.S. G.) meets from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm at the NARA/NW Madison building located at 1776 SW Madison Street, Portland, Oregon 97205. Contact Vincent Wannassay 503-224-1044 ext. 260.

Wednesday's 10:30 am to 12:30 pm -American Indian Play Group. At PSU Native American Student and Community Center, 710 SW Jackson and Broadway. Play Group is for children ages 0-5 and their parent(s) and/or guardian to encourage positive interactions with our children. First Wednesdays of the month is Story telling and potluck. Co-sponsored by the United Indian Student of Higher Education at PSU. Chuck Hunt 503-665-5904.

Wednesday's 3:15 to 5:45 pm - The new PPS Title VII Study Center for Project enrolled Native students, grades 2-12. North Wing at Hosford Middle School 2303 SE 28th Place (1 block N of Division). Contact the PPS Title VII office for additional information at 503-916-6499.

Wednesday's – The Oregon Native American Chamber of Commerce. Last Wednesday of the Month - The Oregon Native American Chamber of Commerce meetings. Contact: Kelly Anne Ilagan at 503.654.2138 or kellyanne@onacc.org. No meetings in November or December. www.onacc.org Meetings held at Old Spaghetti Factory off Bancroft Street in Portland from 11:30AM-1:00PM. Cost for the meeting is \$17.50, includes lunch. www.onacc.org For more information or to RSVP, Megan at 503-661-1113 or mcummings@cherokeegeneral.com.

2nd and 4th Wednesday's Elder's Lunch at the Native American Student and Community Center, 710 SW Jackson and Broadway. Time: 11:30-2:00. The menu is being changed and updated and will feature buffalo, venison, salmon, cornbread and of course the "3 sisters" of corn, beans and squash. If there is a native food you would like us to serve, call 503-725-9695. Any recipes are welcome. All ages are invited.

Second Wednesday of the Month - Native Catholics meet at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ignatius Parish House, S.E. 43rd Avenue and Powell (North of Church, back door). Parking at back, east lot. Information: Lois French 503-254-9541 or email Connie at clee103na@yahoo.com.

Wednesday's and Thursday's – Good Spirit American Indian Ministries meets at 7:00 pm. For locations contact Chuck Hunt 503-665-5904.

Thursday's – Open Circle Sewing Circle. 6:00 pm at Augustana Lutheran Church 15th & NE Knott. All are welcome. Call Norma for information, or Robert for a ride at 503-281-7657, or Bus #8.

Friday's – Bow & Arrow Culture Club Friday Night Gatherings. BEGINS IN OCTOBER TBA Held at the NAYA Family Center 5135 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97218. Dancing, drumming, community gathering and announcements. Potlucks are the 1st Friday of each month. Contact Sande Bea at 503-380-6595.

2nd Friday of the month ~ "The Gathering" to the whirlwind calendar the next time you run it? This is "The Gathering" that Mr. Hugh Grant leads on the Second Friday each month: Christian Fellowship, Potluck, Music, and Testimony. New location: Augustana Lutheran Church, 15th & NE Knott, Portland, @ 6:00pm.

3rd Friday of each month - Salem First Nations Gathering Honoring Creator in the Jesus Way. Northside Fellowship, 7685 River Rd NE, Keizer, Oregon. Potluck dinner at 6pm followed by Drumming, Dancing and Singing at 7 pm. Marshall or Lauretta Serna 503-982-2505 or Judy Mattos 503-409-5179.

If you would like to be removed from this email list, or if you have anything to add, please email whirlwindcc@yahoo.com PLEASE remember to make a few copies and send to those Elders and community members that do not access the web. Respectfully, Sande Bea