MISSION STATEMENT
To refurbish and utilize the historic Chinook School for the cultural, educational, social, economic and recreational benefit of the community.

From the Board

Happy Summer Update:
Both the Historic Chinook School Community Building and Event Center have been restored and are operational. It’s a great time of year to celebrate and enjoy these beautiful buildings and playfields! Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the project.

Just as we all hoped, the buildings and grounds are serving the community and user visits are up significantly over last year. We have inserted in this newsletter a number of pictures from recent events.

We plan to continue with construction and capital improvements but now our primary focus is on maintenance, operations, programs and marketing.

Maintenance: We recently hired local people to help with some of the maintenance work: William Marsh, Beach Time Landscaping, grounds maintenance and Marissa Maul, D & D Cleaning Services, janitorial service. Volunteers contribute to other maintenance tasks.

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View our newsletter in color on our website: www.friendsofchinookschool.org
Operations/Management:
We are happy to announce Luey Anderson, of Practical Accounting, has come onboard to assist us with bookkeeping, and Trudy Heriot has been hired to handle the day-to-day operations at the community building/event center. Additionally, we have retained Peter Hamilton, of PH Design Studios, to develop an additional website for the promotion of our venue, both locally and out of the area. You will soon be able to access the new site at: www.chinookeventcenter.com. FOCS will continue to maintain our www.friendsofchinookschool.org, website to provide FOCS news and information.

Our Board is aware of the work ahead and the support that is needed to sustain and manage the property. We are fortunate that we have had professional help in our planning. FOCS has been operating with the guidance of The Chinook School Renovation Feasibility Study completed in November 2004. The study was paid for with federal grant funds awarded to FOCS and Pacific County. The study recommended various plans which we have implemented and continue to update (2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014).

In other articles in this newsletter you will read about how the buildings are being used and ways you might help support FOCS in sustaining the project currently and for future generations.

Please stop by and say hello! For the summer season, we are open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
Oktoberfest fans,  
take note--
change of date!

This year, Oktoberfest  
“Chinook Style” will happen  
Saturday, September 29!

Looking for fun?

Chinook School Community Building and Event Center is serving its community in many ways, and those involved are having fun making it happen! However, now that both buildings are humming along with rentals and summer is here, we need more volunteer hands on deck. There is plenty to do! Want to have fun with us? We would love to have you.

Some opportunities to share your strengths include:

- Join the crew for special events, like Oktoberfest and Shakespeare Experience.
- The History Room—we have lots of donated materials; bring your creativity to the display. Maybe you have knowledge about local history to share.
- Landscaping.
- New fundraising events—bring your ideas and inspiration!
- Bring your enthusiasm, and we will find a spot for you.

Working together to make our community stronger is a great way to get to know, or stay in touch with, your friends and neighbors. And, it just plain feels good to be involved in something larger than yourself.

Call Trudy Heriot at Friends of Chinook School Office (360) 244-FOCS (3627), or come to one of our monthly meetings, which happen on the third Monday of the month at the school building, 7 p.m. We will team you up with someone to work on an activity that suits your interests.
Two lively events were held at the Chinook event center: A performance by the popular Ilwaco High School Jazz Band, and the Annual Fundraising Event benefiting the Boys and Girls Club of the Long Beach Peninsula. The following photos give us a peek into the good times.

The Ilwaco High School Jazz Band Concert
The Boys and Girls Annual Dinner and Auction
Membership Drive a Big Success!

Thank you, membership! Your generosity in participating in Friends of Chinook School’s annual membership drive brought in an income that tripled last year’s drive. Special thanks also to Vera Karnofski, board member and membership chair. She worked at sending out the request letters and you gave the great response. Hopefully you are proudly carrying your membership card and encouraging others to contribute. FOCS continues to need your help in maintaining and operating our beautiful buildings.

We sponsor youth baseball and soccer in our fields, youth basketball practice on request, Bayside Singers’ concerts, Ilwaco High School Jazz concert, a fourth of July parade, Shakespeare Experience for high school students and the community, as well as meeting spaces for the Port of Chinook and the Long Beach Peninsula Visitor’s Bureau. We also sponsor the Chinook Food Bank in our Community Building. The food bank has faithful community workers and faithful donors that make our mission successful in helping those in need.

The FOCS plan is to support our operations with membership donations, fundraising events, and memorials, as well as building and room rentals. As a member, you will get a discount on the price in both the Event Center and the Community Building. Also as a member, we hope that you would help in marketing the buildings. Encourage your friends and neighbors to call 360-244 FOCS and arrange to see our facilities for their event needs.

Friends of Chinook School Donation and Membership Form

Name(s) __________________________________________

Address __________________________________________

City _____________________State _____ Zip__________

Email __________________________Phone __________

Friends of Chinook School is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Make your check payable to: Friends of Chinook School (FOCS) 
Mail to: P O Box 243, Chinook, WA 98614

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ANNUAL MEETING

All are invited to attend the FOCS Annual Meeting, June 18th at 7:00 p.m. Bring your comments, suggestions, volunteer enthusiasm, or simply your curiosity. We welcome our community’s involvement.

THE CHILDREN’S 4TH OF JULY SIDEWALK PARADE

Get your trikes, bikes and wagons shined up for the 4TH OF JULY SIDEWALK PARADE!

Registration begins at 9:45 at the Chinook School Event Center and the parade will begin at 10:15. Marchers, friends and neighbors will be treated to hot dogs, chips and lemonade at the event center when the parade ends. Children of all ages welcome.

This year participants and observers are again invited to bring an item of shelf-stable food to help supply the Chinook Food Bank. Perhaps a donation of children’s favorite foods will help our youngest citizens feel involved in the drive. Barrels will be ready to accept the items at the school and other locations around town. Watch for the poster in the post office for details, or call Kathy Hughes at (360) 749-3300. Of course, we will gladly accept monetary donations in lieu of food items.

We all tend to remember people are hungry in colder weather and during the holidays, but we need to also remember, hunger knows no season.
**Mark Your Calendar...**

- Annual Meeting June 18, 7:00 p.m., in the community building
- The 4th of July Children’s Parade with food drive
- Oktoberfest, Sept. 29th
- Shakespeare Experience, 15 and 16th of Sept.
- Chinook Food Bank, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 1:00 - 3:30
- Open hours of community building: Wednesday - Sunday, 10:00 - 4:00

**Rent The Chinook School Event Center**

**And**

**Chinook School Community Building Rooms**

Please stop in or call for information and to make reservations.

360-244-FOCS (3627)