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Maribel Cruz - Executive Director for Lake Chelan Community Center

SUMMER UPDATE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MARIBEL CRUZ

Summer has brought exciting momentum to The Lake Chelan Community Center!

We're thrilled to welcome the **Lake Chelan Boys & Girls Club** as our newest partner. Their dynamic youth programs are already filling our space with energy and laughter.

We have room for one more mission-driven organization to join our growing community of change-makers. If you know a nonprofit seeking office space, we'd love to connect with them.

The Community Center was designed as a true gathering place—for work, wellness, play, and meaningful connections. Whether you need affordable meeting space, want to enjoy coffee with a friend, or are looking for a safe place where your children can play for free in our kids' area, we invite you to visit and experience what we've built together.

Looking ahead, we're actively raising funds to complete our auditorium—a versatile space that will expand opportunities for community gatherings, performances, athletics, and special events. Your continued support makes this vision possible, and we're deeply grateful to everyone who has helped us reach this milestone.

This is just the beginning of our story together!

LAKE CHELAN VALLEY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB CELEBRATES SUCCESSFUL GRAND OPENING

Brooke Isaak, President of the Seven Acres Foundation Board, cuts the grand opening ribbon with Chelan Mayor Erin McCardle and State Representative Mike Steele cheering her on.



What a turnout we had for the Boys & Girls Club ribbon-cutting on Monday, July 7th! Families, community leaders, and tons of excited kids packed the Lake Chelan Community Center to celebrate this amazing new partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of Snohomish County.

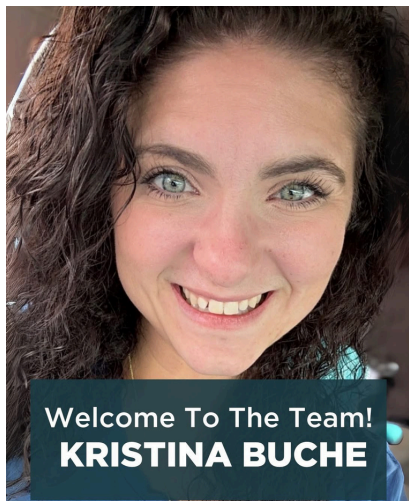
The grand opening was a huge success—there were congratulatory cakes, tours of the new youth space at 103 Bighorn Way, and kids were already diving into games and activities. You could tell they were loving every minute of it!

One of the LCCC board members summed it up perfectly: “The turnout was absolutely amazing and made our hearts so full. Looking at all those smiling faces - kids and community members alike - you could feel the excitement and pride in our community.”

Angela Collins is the Executive Director for our brand new Boys & Girls Club, and she wasted no time getting things rolling. Her team started welcoming kids the very next day! It’s so great to finally have high-quality, affordable youth programming right here in our corner of North Central Washington.

This makes us the 27th location in the Boys & Girls Clubs of Snohomish County network, alongside clubs in Brewster and on the Colville Confederated Tribes Reservation. It’s pretty cool to be part of something bigger!

The kids can look forward to after-school programming with homework help, arts and cultural activities, sports and recreation, character development, leadership programs, and summer programming. It’s exactly what our community has been needing—a safe, supportive place where young people can really thrive.



Welcome To The Team!
KRISTINA BUCHE

Kristina Buche brings both local roots and a genuine heart for helping people to her new role as front desk receptionist and administrative assistant at the Lake Chelan Community Center. Born in Chelan, she moved back to the valley with her husband Matt to raise their family.

"I have a heart for supporting people," Kristina explains, making her a natural fit for welcoming visitors and assisting the new Lake Chelan Valley Boys and Girls Club. She's enthusiastic about the future, calling the Boys and Girls Club "the spot to be."

Three individuals with a common passion

SEVEN ACRES FOUNDATION WELCOMES THREE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

It's no surprise that the newest members of the Seven Acres Foundation Board are champions of community involvement.

Introducing Erik von Fuchs, Ricardo Castro, and Rod Brooks—three dynamic individuals who've been making contributions by giving from their hearts for years.

Erik's dedication to community is ingrained in his nature, driven by his conviction that collaboration yields more significant results than working alone ever could.

For Rod, the focus is on the power of relationships. He firmly believes that "None of us are as good as all of us," and he is committed to bridging generational gaps with enthusiasm and expertise.

And then there's Ricardo, whose passion lies in helping organizations grow their capacity for impact. He is most inspired by creating inclusive spaces where people of all ages and backgrounds can connect and belong.



Erik von Fuchs



Ricardo Castro



Rod Brooks

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- Flexible spaces
- Prime Lake Chelan location



BUILDING DREAMS IN CHALLENGING TIMES

Golden Hour Gala aims to raise a quarter of a million dollars on, October 4th



When we first envisioned the Lake Chelan Community Center, we dreamed big—but we never imagined just how big our community's needs would turn out to be. What started as an \$8 million vision has grown into something far more significant because you spoke, and we listened.

As we began planning, community members shared their hopes. Families needed more space for children's programs. Seniors wanted areas for gatherings and wellness activities.

Local organizations needed meeting rooms. Youth programs required specialized facilities. Each conversation revealed another way our Community Center could serve, and our building grew to meet those needs—more than doubling in size to truly serve everyone.

Then the world changed. The pandemic disrupted everything, including construction costs. Materials that cost one price in 2017 suddenly cost 37% more by the time we broke ground. Lumber prices soared, leading us to switch to steel framing—a better long-term choice, but more expensive upfront.

We could have scaled back. We could have built something smaller, cheaper, more convenient for our budget. But we didn't, because this Community Center isn't just about us—it's about the next generation, the families who will call Lake Chelan home for decades to come.

The Golden Hour Gala is more than just a celebration—it's a powerful moment of giving where collective generosity creates lasting impact. Whether you join us by hosting a table or as a guest, your presence helps ensure the Lake Chelan Community Center remains a vibrant gathering place for everyone.

If you'd like to reserve your seat or learn more about The Golden Hour Gala, please contact Brooke Isaak at brookedisak@gmail.com