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## Don't Miss the Western District Fall Meeting in Historic Port Townsend!

Western Washington Commissioners, Councilmembers, County Executives and County Staff, especially Planning and Public Works staff, are encouraged to register today for the November 7 WSAC Western District meeting at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend.

Following a brief business meeting in the morning, this one day conference will focus on two main topics: Growth Management and Water Policy. Joining in roundtable discussions on these topics we have several knowledgeable legislators including Representative Fred Jarrett, Representative Sam Hunt, Representative Bruce Chandler, and key staff from Governor Locke's office. They need to hear from you. Your participation and input is invited and welcome at these roundtable discussions!

Our lunch speaker Ronal Serpas, Washington State Patrol Chief, will speak about the crime prevention and emergency response challenges we face. In the afternoon Puget Sound counties will meet with Brad Ack, the new Director of the Puget Sound Action Team and discuss his vision for

implementing the Action Plan. Puget Sound Council member and San Juan County Commissioner Rhea Miller will lead the discussion.

The full agenda and registration information for the Western District meeting can be found at:

[http://www.wacounties.org/wsac/Calendar/WesternDistrict/district\\_meeting.htm](http://www.wacounties.org/wsac/Calendar/WesternDistrict/district_meeting.htm)

There is also a Certified Public Official workshop the day before, November 6, at Fort Worden; ***Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write More Confidently***. Registration forms and additional information is available at:

<http://www.wacounties.org/wsac/MemberServices/CPO/NewCPO/CPO.htm>

Jefferson County invites you to stay a bit longer in Port Townsend. Enjoy this beautiful county seat with its many unique and historic buildings, shops, great food and working waterfront. We truly look forward to seeing you at the conference and workshop!

## \$11,220 was Raised for the Washington Counties Scholarship Fund!

When county officials met in SeaTac two weeks ago they dipped deep into their pockets to raise \$8,220 in addition to the \$3,000 donation given by Nationwide Retirement Solutions. The county clerks led the group with \$1,615 in donations, followed by the county coroners who donated \$1,050. The Washington State Association of County and Regional Planning Directors donated \$1,000 followed by the county auditors with \$910. The prosecuting attorneys set an all-time

record by raising \$700, county commissioners raised \$495, and WACO & WSAC Staff followed with \$400. The county treasurers raised \$270, county sheriffs \$230 and the Washington Association of County Commissioners/Council Clerks donated \$100. The generosity didn't end there. On Thursday evening at the annual banquet county officials were treated to an impromptu auction by Kittitas County Commissioner Perry Huston and San Juan County Commissioner Darcie

Nielsen. Darcie donated a wonderful package to the San Juan Islands that was auctioned off for \$350. Not to be outdone Perry, a barbecue connoisseur donated two mouth watering dinners for twelve. The dinners were auctioned off for \$550 each, and brought the total scholarship donations to a whopping \$11,220!

The Washington Counties Scholarship Fund has awarded more than 46 college scholarships to the children of county employees. Currently, five scholarships

in the amount of \$1,500 are awarded each year.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please make the check payable to:

Washington Counties Scholarship Fund

Mail to:

WACO  
Attn: Brenda Bamford  
206 Tenth Avenue SE  
Olympia, WA 98501

Please note on your donation your Association or Affiliation group.

Further information is available at:

[http://www.wacounties.org/ScholarshipProgram/scholarship\\_winners.htm](http://www.wacounties.org/ScholarshipProgram/scholarship_winners.htm)

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*A Big*  
**THANK**  
**YOU**

*to everyone  
who  
contributed  
this year!*

NOTE: Legislative Committee schedules and agendas can be found at <http://www.leg.wa.gov/wsladm/calendar.cfm>

# Budget, Finance and Taxes

## Revenue Measures Going to Voters in Several Counties

A divided vote by the San Juan County Commission has sent a 20 cent levy lid lift to the voters. The measure is designed to reduce the need for budget cuts and improve services to citizens by improving the use of technology by the county. Because the county consists entirely of islands, it faces some special challenges in delivering services.

Pierce and Walla Walla Counties have ballot measures proposing 3/10ths of one percent sales tax increase. Pierce County has provided the public with detailed information about the number and type of law enforcement personnel that would be added with the new funds. The local press has carried stories about the lack of law enforcement coverage in many of the county's unincorporated areas. At the same time, there has been controversy as a result of the lack of specifics from cities that will share in the new revenue. A number of cities have begun to get more specific as Election Day approaches.

Skagit County is proposing a 1/10<sup>th</sup> of one percent sales tax increase for juvenile detention facilities and jails, and Whatcom County is looking to add 38.5 cents per \$1,000 of valuation to property tax bills for six years to add to emergency medical services (EMS).

In addition Grays Harbor County and Clallam counties are sending a proposal for a 1/10<sup>th</sup> of one percent sales tax increase for 911 to their voters.

## LEOFF 2 Board Hears About Potential Rate Increases

The new LEOFF 2 Board met for the second time on October 17. The Board heard presentations by the State Investment Board and the State Actuary. The good news was that recent investment earnings for state pension funds have been good. The bad news that even with double digit earnings, recent gains are not enough to offset losses since 2000.

Joe Dear, the Executive Director of the State Investment Board explained

some of the basic policies used to invest state pension funds. He noted that a significant portion of the funds are invested in broad market indexes. Another portion of the funds is invested in higher risk; higher return items like real estate partnerships, leveraged buyouts and venture capital arrangements. This diversity of investments has served the pension funds well over time, and are needed if the funds hope to meet their long term return target of 8% per year. He noted that the relatively recent decision to include deferred compensation and PERS/SRS/TRS Plan 3 funds in the consolidated fund poses new challenges. When funds under management included only defined benefit plans, cash flow for member benefits was highly predictable. With deferred compensation and the defined contribution portion of Plan 3, cash flow is driven by member decision. This will require greater liquidity.

Matt Smith, the State Actuary, reviewed the current rate setting process. He noted that in the case of LEOFF 2, the cost of the system is split 50% employee, 30% employer and 20% state. The 2003 Legislature, concerned that stock market gyrations created large swings in pension rates, adopted a smoothing method. Using this method, changes in asset valuation (positive and negative) are phased in over a number of years. Even with this smoothing and recent market gains, employer rates in the 05-07 Biennium are expected to increase to about 4.5%. Employee rates will grow to over 7%.

Matt Smith also reviewed the fiscal impact of HB 1205 passed by the Legislature last session. This bill adds Fish and Wildlife law enforcement officers to LEOFF Plan 2. About 72 officers are covered by this change. The resulting rate increases will cost members 0.02%, employers 0.01% and the state 0.01%.

At its next meeting the Board will hear about proposals to improve benefits. Several legislative proposals that failed to pass last year will be before the board. Under the process adopted by initiative,

if the board approves these measures, they will go into force, unless the legislature acts to disapprove them. The cost of these benefits will then be reflected in rate increases. As provided for in the initiative, the board is composed of six employee representatives, three employer representatives and two legislators.

## Legislation Clarifies Taxability of Decked/Contract Log Sales Offered by Local Government

Legislation enacted by the 2003 Legislature clarifies the ability of state and local governments to sell decked logs (also called contract logging). 2nd **SSB 5074**. In these types of sales, a governmental entity hires a logger to harvest public timber and sort and deck the logs to be purchased by a private party.

The Forest Excise Tax is due any time timber is harvested and is based on the stumpage (or standing) value of the timber. The decked log selling price will always be higher than the stumpage value, since it includes the cost of work associated with falling, yarding, bucking and decking the logs, as well as road building to access the timber. RCW 84.33.035(7) and WAC 458-40-61(9) define these as "harvesting and marketing costs." Therefore, it is important that taxpayers be able to distinguish between stumpage value and harvesting and marketing costs when purchasing a decked log sale so they can report their taxes properly.

Harvesting and marketing costs are NOT TAXABLE and therefore the taxpayer should subtract these costs off the purchase price of the decked logs (log selling price) to arrive at the stumpage value. Those costs that are not considered harvesting and marketing costs are taxable and should NOT be subtracted from the purchase price of the decked logs (log selling price.)

Under 2nd **SSB 5074**, the governmental entity that is harvesting

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and selling decked public logs must provide the purchaser of the logs with the harvesting and marketing costs as defined in RCW 84.33.035(7). Thus, it is important that each governmental entity that sells decked logs understand this requirement and what the Department of Revenue considers to be harvesting and marketing costs.

Examples of activities that ARE considered harvesting and marketing (not taxable):

- All costs directly and exclusively related to the harvesting of the timber, such as felling, yarding, bucking, sorting, decking, hauling the logs to a mill, etc.;

- Sale layout and administration (must be documented), slash disposal only if required to abate severe fire hazard;
- Temporary road building. (Roads that are constructed or reconstructed under a single sale's contract and then abandoned (as defined by WAC 222-24-052(3)) under the same timber sale's contract.)

The following are examples of activities that are NOT harvesting and marketing (taxable):

- Constructing or reconstructing roads, road paving, bridge building, abandonment of existing roads
- Reforestation, stumping, scarification,

wind rowing, chemical dust abatement  
- Constructing water bars, fish weirs, recreational trails  
- Installing gates, cattle guards, and rock stockpiling

For further information about this legislative change, contact Laurence Reeves at the Forest Tax Division of the Department of Revenue - (800) 548-8829.

## The Pump Handle

By: Carolyn Edmonds, King County Council and WSAC Representative to the State Board of Health

Dr. John Snow is credited with taking bold action in 1854 when he sensed that contaminated water from the public pump on Broad Street was the source of London's deadly cholera outbreak. Medical authorities believed cholera spread from people breathing the same air. By meticulously interviewing patients, mapping cases, and researching city water sources, Dr. Snow determined that cholera was spread through drinking water. He made his case to the St. James Parish Board of Guardians and the pump handle was removed.

The Board of Guardians—a body of local government officials—was responsible for, among other things, maintaining public health. So too, are local county commissioners. I am the WSAC representative on the State Board of Health (SBOH). In that capacity, I am committed to representing the interests of county officials in this forum. To that end, I intend to author a bimonthly column—The Pump Handle—in the Courthouse Journal on current and upcoming public health issues and events. I will focus on issues before SBOH that affect counties and local boards of health.

In this inaugural column, I would like to commend WSAC for the excellent legislative policy statements adopted October 3—and to let you know that SBOH will be working closely with local boards of health on many of the very issues WSAC has identified.

WSAC's Public Health policy statement reaffirms the counties' commitment to public health and notes "the new demands imposed by emerging disease and threats such as SARS, hepatitis B and C, *E. coli*, meth labs, bioterrorism, anthrax, monkeypox and West Nile virus." These are all issues SBOH is working on. It recently convened meetings to address control of pets that carry disease and access to private lands for mosquito control. During the height of the bioterrorism concerns, it wrote rules for due process

and enforcement during isolation or quarantine. The board has rule-writing authority for most traditional public health functions performed by counties, and currently has open rules on food, onsite sewage systems, water systems, HIV and other bloodborne diseases such as hepatitis C.

Of particular note is the WSAC discussion of physical activity and nutrition. WSAC will support legislation that gives children better access to "better nutrition and nutrition education and fitness and fitness education." The Board is currently working in collaboration with several state agencies, the University of Washington and other groups to improve policies, practices and requirements for nutrition and physical activities in the schools. This "Kids Food and Activity Initiative" will be done in partnership meetings with a few local boards of health, starting October 15 with the Yakima Health District Board.

Specific projects will include: (1) launch a Web site to showcase model school policies and programs; (2) work with a few interested school districts and their partners to encourage them to review their policies and practices; (3) research and report on the link between physical activity and public performance; and (4) gather and analyze more information about how schools are implementing current physical activity requirements.

A related item in the WSAC Budget Finance, and Taxes policy statement speaks to the need for stable and secure funding to help counties, and the state, maintain their commitments to public health. This is another arena in which SBOH has been active.

One of the pleasures of my work is this: While I wear many hats—county commissioner, chair of my local board of health, member of the state board—there are rarely any conflicts between my various roles. State or county, we all want the same thing—a safer and healthier Washington.

## Notice of Availability of Funding by Developmental Disabilities Council

The Council has been awarded funding from the federal Agency on Developmental Disabilities to conduct a Family Support Project under Projects of National Significance. The Council's project is Creating Opportunities for Networked Neighborhoods Via Technology (CONNECT). The CONNECT project will develop a comprehensive and practical plan to strengthen the connection between families with a member with developmental disabilities, agencies, physical sites, and other resources designed to address their needs, through the use of computer technology.

There are four separate Requests for Qualifications (RFQ). They include a CONNECT Consultant; a CONNECT Parent Training Curriculum Plan contractor; a CONNECT Native American Outreach contractor; and a CONNECT Rural Outreach contractor. The project is funded for one year from Oct. 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004. The contracts range from \$10,000 to \$35,000. Applications are due by 4:00 PM on November 14, 2003.

If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Clare Billings at 1-800-634-4473 or email [clareb@cted.wa.gov](mailto:clareb@cted.wa.gov).

## Partners in Crisis Conference November 3 – 5 at Lake Chelan

The first annual Washington State Partners in Crisis Conference will be held November 3 – 5 at Campbell's Resort in Lake Chelan. It is entitled "Responding to the Criminalization of People with Mental Illness. On Monday, November 3 a plenary address is planned from United States Senator Maria Cantwell. The morning and afternoon of November 4 are devoted to workshops covering such topics as Mental Illness 101 for Law Enforcement Professionals, Judges, and the Bar; Positive Outcomes in the Court System; Incarceration of

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People who have Mental Illness within the Jail Setting; Exploring Cost Effective Strategies for Providing Medications in the Jails; Crisis Intervention Training; Prosecuting, Defending and Treating People with Mental Illnesses in Mental Health Court; and Law Enforcement and Mental Health: A Partnership for Community Safety. Luncheon speaker will be David Almeida, Executive Director, NAMI, South Carolina. On Wednesday, November 5, there will be workshops covering Mental Health Task Force: Best Practices in Action; Legislative Strategies; How to Create a Successful Working Relationship with the Media; and Special Populations and the Involuntary Treatment Act.

Thurston County Commissioner Cathy Wolfe, Karen Daniels, Chief Deputy of Corrections, Thurston County Sheriff's Office, and Steve Straume, Thurston County Court Commissioner will be running the workshop on the Mental Health Task Force and describing what is going on in the Thurston County Jail and plans for future activities such as a Crisis Triage Center and Evaluation and Treatment facility.

For additional information, please contact the Washington Community Mental Health Council's Registration Desk at 206-628-4608 X 12, Canada Coleman or ccoleman@wcmhcnct.org.

### Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Announces Funding

The Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (WCPCAN) is pleased to announce that funding will be available beginning July 1, 2004 for community-based child abuse prevention and family support programs throughout Washington. WCPCAN seeks to initiate, expand or replicate innovative program models. They recognize five approaches to family support and child abuse prevention which, based on research, appear to be most effective and will be considered for funding. These are crisis nurseries/respite services, home visiting services, ongoing parent support groups,

parenting classes, and public education and awareness campaigns. They are particularly interested in applications from programs focused on communities of color, homeless families, fathers and male involvement, and families affect by developmental disabilities. Funding is specific to prevention programs. No more than 20% of program participants may be involved with Child Protective Services (CPS).

WPCAN's intent is to fund five new programs in 2004. The funding cycle is generally limited to no more than three years. At the end of each year, programs are evaluated for continued support based upon service outcomes. The first year grant per program is up to \$50,000, the second year is up to \$35,000 and the third year is up to \$20,000. Matching funds are required – 25% the first year, 35% the second year, and 50% the third year. They may include in-kind. Funding is available to any private, non-profit, government agency or faith-based organization in the state.

Letters of intent are due by November 6, 2003. For additional information, please contact WPCAN at 206-464-6151; fax 206-464-6642, email [wpcan@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:wpcan@dshs.wa.gov). Their website is [www.wpcan.wa.gov](http://www.wpcan.wa.gov).

### Human Services Help Easier to Find in Pierce County

Finding human services in Pierce County can be difficult. There are more than 1,600 service programs sponsored by 600 agencies. Pierce County's First Source ([www.pcfirstsource.org](http://www.pcfirstsource.org)) is a new web site designed to more easily link human services in Pierce County with the public.

The site was developed with the cooperation of United Way of Pierce County, YWCA of Pierce County, Commission Against Domestic Violence, Pierce County Juvenile Court, Tacoma Pierce County Youth Council, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department and Pierce County Geographic Information Systems (GIS). It uses United Way's extensive HelpLine database and provides 6 ways to search the database for Pierce County service

programs. Unique to the site is an address search. A user can input an address and give a search radius and the application will respond with a list and maps showing the locations of all selected programs, as well as bus stops and schedule information.

Keyword or category searches are also available. For each of the services, citizens can view information about contacts, phone and fax numbers, hours of operations, web address, eligibility requirements, fees, and languages spoken. An additional feature is the ability to save a service to "My Folder". Information in My Folder is only available to the individual who prepared it, and it is a quick way to retrieve previous search results.

### King County and Spokane County Recipients of Funds to Aid Homeless

The Corporation for Supportive Housing, with funds from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, has launched an initiative called "Taking Health Care Home" with the goal of increasing housing units and resources for chronically homeless people. The effort is intended to increase the use of mainstream service funding such as Medicaid and SSI for services in supportive housing. The Seattle Office of Housing was the applicant for the grant, but it is a partnership with public agencies that fund housing and supportive services in the City and County of Spokane, with King County and with the state DSHS and CTED.

The population intended to be served includes people with mental illness, physical disabilities or illnesses such as HIV, a history of substance abuse or multiple barriers to maintaining stable housing. The Bush Administration has demonstrated some support for this approach and the federal government has issued a Notice of Funding for service funds and rental assistance this past spring which King County has applied for.

The grant is \$325,000 for a 24-month period. It will pay for a ¾ FTE staff person in the Seattle Office.

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Approximately 40% of the grant will be subcontracted to consultants working on issues of statewide impact, as well as for staff or consulting specifically in Spokane. It is anticipated that by identifying or expanding the use of mainstream service funding sources, it will enable sponsors to develop more housing for chronically homeless people. The goal is adding 100 units of housing per year in Seattle.

For additional information about the project, contact Bill Rumpf at 206-615-1577 or [bill.rumpf@seattle.gov](mailto:bill.rumpf@seattle.gov).

### **Federal Grant for Tailored Services Grant to Persons with Developmental Disabilities**

DSHS has received more than \$600,000 in a federal grant to give persons with developmental disabilities more freedom to choose where they live and opportunities to participate in their communities. The grant is the "Money Follows the Person Initiative" and was awarded to the Aging and Disability Services Administration (ADSA). It will help the agency identify needed services and supports so that people will have access to quality care options and services in home communities rather than institutions, according to Linda Rolfe, who head ADSA's Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD).

Specifically, ADSA plans to expand the new automated comprehensive assessment and service-planning instrument. The expanded tool will help determine what services and supports adults with developmental disabilities

need as they leave institutions for their communities. It will include a children's tool to ensure that children with developmental disabilities receive the help they need to live in the least restrictive settings. The funds will also held in the building of a computerized interactive service planning and information system to promote maximum client participation in tailoring resources and services to meet their needs.

In the 1960's some 4,200 people lived in state institutions. Now only 1,060 live in the five residential habilitation centers (RHC's) in Shoreline, Buckley, Medical Lake, Selah and Bremerton. The vast majority of persons with developmental disabilities on the DSHS DDD caseload, 31,703 people are supported in their local communities. "Increasingly people with disabilities and their families expect to play major roles in directing where and how they will be supported. They need tools and support to make that happen" Rolfe said. Societal changes are also reflected in the kinds of supports, people with disabilities want and need. For example, the life expectancy of people with disabilities is increasing which means more parents are growing too old to care for their adult children. Medical advances are saving the lives of more premature infants, who may require a lifetime of intensive physical support. And supported employment is now the primary adult service and support for working age adults.

The federal grant is part of the Bush Administration's "New Freedom Initiative".

### **Yakima County Receives \$800,000 Federal Grant for Infant Mental Health**

The Yakima County Department of Community Services and Children's Village competed against 70 applicants for the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant. It means 100 families in Yakima County will receive help in dealing with mental health issues. The grants are designed to expand prevention programs that promote mental health, prevent mental and behavioral disorders and intervene early in populations with diagnosable disorders.

Only two communities nationwide received grants – Yakima County and Kansas, City, MO.

Children's Village partnered with the county in applying for the grant in hopes of expanding its infant and toddler early intervention program to include an infant mental health component. Without the grant, the program couldn't operate, said Bettie Ingham, director of Children's Village and former Yakima County Commissioner. "We are absolutely thrilled." The money will pay for four public health nurses, a program coordinators and an infant mental health specialist to work with families referred to Children's Village primarily through community clinics or physicians. The grant will support the program for three years. Ingham said work will start immediately to try and find a stable source of funding to keep the program running after the grant runs out.

## Training and Upcoming Events

### Mark your Calendars for CPO 2003.....

<u>October</u>	<b>Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write More Confidently</b> (Full day Elective course – 4 credits)	October 30, Yakima
<u>November</u>	<b>Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write More Confidently</b> (Full day Elective course – 4 credits)	November 6, Fort Worden

**Making a Difference in County Communication: Speak and Write more Confidently.** *Sign up now for the last CPO course for 2003.* As a county official, you want to communicate in ways that make a difference. As a visible leader in your community, you are in the public eye and how you communicate is always under scrutiny. The image the public forms of you depends on what you say, write and do. In this workshop, you will receive dozens of practical, immediately usable tips for communicating more effectively with each other, with the public and with the media. **You do not want to miss this course.**

**CPO Credit Update:** Your transcripts are up-to-date with the 2003 course credits for all classes held to date. If you would like to check your credit totals, request your transcript. Later this fall we will be sending out a new training needs assessment. This assessment will be very important as we plan the 2004/2005 training calendar. Always, if you have suggestions or comments about the program, please share them with us.

<i>Training or Workshop</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Information</i>
<b>OCTOBER 2003</b>			
Brownfields 2003: Growing a Greener America	Portland, OR	October 27-29	www.brownfields2003.org
CPO Training – Speak & Write More Confidently	Yakima Valley Museum, Yakima	October 30	(360) 753-1886 *
<b>NOVEMBER 2003</b>			
Medicolegal Death Investigations Training	Details will be mailed	November 17-21	(360) 753-7319
<b>JANUARY 2004</b>			
WCRP Training Liability Issues re: supervision in probation, early release and pre-sentencing	Skamania Lodge, Stevenson	January 20 - 22	(360) 586-7447
<b>APRIL 2004</b>			
WAPA Spring Training Program	Spokane	April 21-23	(360) 753-2175
<b>JULY 2004</b>			
WCRP Risk Managers Training	Shilo Inn, Ocean Shores	July 20 - 21	(360) 586-7447
WCRP Board of Directors Workshop	Shilo Inn, Ocean Shores	July 21	(360) 586-7447
* registration forms available at <a href="http://www.wacounties.org/wsac/MemberServices/CPO/index.htm">http://www.wacounties.org/wsac/MemberServices/CPO/index.htm</a>			

## Calendar of Events

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<b>2003</b>			
WCRP Risk Managers Roundtable	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver	November 5, 2003	(360) 586-7447
WCRP Autumn Board Meeting	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver	November 6, 2003	(360) 586-7447
WSAC Fall Western District Meeting	Fort Worden State Park	November 7	(360) 753-1886
EMC Task Force	WCB, Olympia	November 13	(360) 753-1886
WASPC Fall Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	November 17 - 20	(360) 486-2380
Association of County Human Services (ACHS)	Seattle	November 19 - 21	(360) 786-5585
Thanksgiving Holiday	WACO/WSAC offices Closed	November 27 - 28	Have a Safe Holiday!
WSALPHO Board Meeting	Wyndham Hotel, Seatac	December 3	(360) 753-1886
WSALPHO General Meeting	Wyndham Hotel, Seatac	December 4	(360) 753-1886
EMC Task Force	WCB, Olympia	December 11	(360) 753-1886
Christmas Day	WACO/WSAC offices Closed	December 25	Have a Safe Holiday!
<b>2004</b>			
New Years Day	WACO/WSAC offices Closed	January 1	Have a Safe Holiday!
WSAC Legislative Rally	Olympia	February 5	(360) 753-1886
NACo Legislative Conference	Hilton Washington & Towers, Washington, DC	February 27 - March 2	www.naco.org
WSAC Spring Eastern District Meeting	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	April 8 - 9	(360) 753-1886
WCRP Risk Managers Roundtable	Icicle Inn, Leavenworth	April 14	(360) 586-7447
WCRP Spring Board Meeting	Icicle Inn, Leavenworth	April 15	(360) 586-7447
WSAC Spring Western District Meeting	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver	April 22 - 23	(360) 753-1886
WASPC Spring Conference	Yakima Convention Center, Yakima	May 24 - 27	(360) 486-2380
National Sheriffs' Association	Seattle	June 26 - 30	www.sheriffs.org
County Clerk's Association 2004 Summer Conference	Bonneville Hot Springs Resort, Skamania County	June 22 - 25	(360) 753-7319

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County Treasurers' Association 2004 Summer Conference	Heathman Lodge, Vancouver	June 22 - 25	(360) 753-7319
WSAC 98 <sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Convention	Pierce County, Sheraton, Tacoma	June 22 - 25	(360) 753-1886
WAPA Summer Conference	Chelan	June 23 - 25	(360) 753-2175
NACo Annual Conference	Maricopa County, Phoenix, AZ	July 16 - 20	www.naco.org
WCRP Annual Board Meeting	Shilo Inn, Ocean Shores	July 22	(360) 586-7447
County & Regional Planning Directors/City Planning Directors Joint Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	September 14 - 17	www.geocities.com/wsacrpdc
WACO/WSAC Joint Fall Conference	Spokane	October 4 - 8	(360) 753-7319
WASPC Fall Conference	Shilo Inn, Ocean Shores	November 15 - 18	(360) 486-2380
<b>2005</b>			
NACo Legislative Conference	Marriot Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, DC	March 3 - 4	www.naco.org
WASPC Spring Conference	WestCoast Wenatchee Center Hotel, Wenatchee	May 23 - 26	(360) 486-2380
WSAC 99 <sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Convention	WestCoast Hotel at Columbia Center, Kennewick	June 13 - 16	(360) 753-1886
WAPA Summer Conference	Chelan	June 22 - 24	(360) 753-2175
NACo Annual Conference (City & County of Hawaii)	Honolulu, HI	July 15 - 19	www.naco.org
County & Regional Planning Directors/City Planning Directors Joint Conference	Campbell's Resort, Chelan	September 13 - 16	www.geocities.com/wsacrpdc
WACO/WSAC Joint Fall Conference	Ocean Shores	October 3 - 7	(360) 753-7319
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WSAC 100 <sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Convention	TBD	June TBD	(360) 753-1886
NACo Annual Conference	Denver, CO	July 21 - 26	www.naco.org
<b>2007</b>			
NACo Annual Conference	Richmond, VA	TBD	www.naco.org