

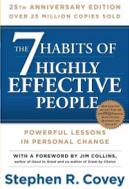
Asotin County Community Services Employment Newsletter

Serving the Lewis-Clark Valley since 1973

All people living, working, learning and playing in a community based on abilities, not disabilities.

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My Entrepreneurship Story

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I have Cerebral Palsy, a physical disability and travel a lot for both business and pleasure. Throughout my travels, there has been a big pain point – finding an accessible hotel room that meets my needs. As a technology consultant with my MBA, I set out to solve this problem.

Let's start with a story. In November 2016, I had a business trip to San Francisco to work with one of my clients. We booked an accessible room and called the hotel to ensure I would get a roll in shower. The hotel ensured us this would be no problem and made note of it in my reservation. I arrived at the hotel, checked in and went up to my hotel room. I immediately checked the bathroom like I always do – I have a bathtub, no roll in shower. I return to the front desk and soon find out that this hotel has no room with a roll in shower. They find me a room at another hotel around the corner. I go check into that room, the room is very small but has a roll in shower! The room is so small that when the rollaway bed for my personal assistant was open, I couldn't access the bathroom. We slept here and the next day we found a room at the third hotel that worked! Third time is a charm!

Unfortunately, this is the norm and not an isolated story. According to the Open Doors Organization's 2015 Market Study, 46% of hotel guests with disabilities experience obstacles during their hotel stay. As a national disability advocate, I am not okay with this status quo. Travelers with disabilities need to be able to travel without having to worry about not having appropriate hotel room when they arrive at their destination. Solving this problem is very tricky because reliable hotel accessibility data doesn't exist and hotel staff are uninformed.

There will be a continuation of this

story in next month's newsletter. Find out more at:

<https://www.abilitrek.com>

Habit 3: Put First Things First

“You can't become principle-centered without first being aware of and developing your own proactive nature”—Covey. Effective people are well aware of their strengths and shortcomings. They understand how to manage their day to day activities so they can use their strengths to make improvements personally and professionally. Self-improvement through education, physical exercise, volunteering, being a better friend, etc., marks a great starting point toward any goal.

Putting first things first is the art of knowing what needs to happen first to get the desired end result. Keeping organized, and knowing what parts of you need work, then keeping up with all these things and acting on what you say you are going to act on, results in effectiveness in achieving your personal and professional goals.

Exploring further, check out these fascinating topics found in the chapter of the book called Habit 3: The Power of Independent Will:

- Four Generations of Time Management
- What It Takes to Say No
- Living It
- Advances of Fourth Generation
- Delegation Increasing P and PC
- Gofer Delegation
- Stewardship Delegation



STAFF FEATURE



(Pictured: Zachary Bjorklund, Josh Casteel, Doug Hund, Tim Rubio)

Tim Rubio recently accepted a job for the Washington Employment Security Department, WorkSource Division (WorkSourceWa.com), out-stationed at Walla Walla Community College. He will develop and maintain relationships with businesses, partners, and other service providers; to increase use of the WorkSource job seeker recruitment systems and services.

Before Tim joined the levee team last year he had retired after 30 years with the Idaho Dept. of Labor. Apparently, he retired too soon for his legendary energy level and is eager to get back into social work, working with the business community, the unemployed and underemployed.

Tim is an asset wherever he goes, and we will miss him. Best of luck, Tim Rubio!

Safety Meeting: 1:30PM until 2:30PM on the 3rd Wednesday of every month (August 16th and September 20th). A mandatory meeting for **anyone working on the levee, social security, or at the Corps.**

Wheelchair Accessible RV Parks Available In 3 STATES

Washington: Anacortes, Castle Rock, Hoodspport, Oak Harbor, Skamokawa, Brewster, Cathlamet, Moses Lake, Omak, and Snohomish.

Idaho: Coeur D Alene, Council, Grangeville, and Salmon.

Oregon: Charleston, Estacada, North Bend, Sumpter, Dallas, Gold beach, Pendleton, and Sutherlin.

For more information visit:



http://www.whenwerv.com/campgrounds_destination/north_america/ united_states/1_324/wheelchair_accessible_rv_parks.jsp

Check and Notify

It's a good idea to check your timesheet with your calendar or personal planner. If you believe you've found an error call us at (509) 758-8349 by noon on the 27th of each month. Errors called in later than noon on the 27th of each month will be corrected in the next payroll period.

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