

■ STEVENS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CARING FOR THE CABIN

PRESERVING HISTORY: *Colville Indian Agency Cabin gets outside treatment to help preserve historic structure for future generations*

STAFF REPORTS

Chewelah Independent

The Colville Indian Agency Cabin has been in the middle of a flurry of activity by community members to help restore the historic structure to its former glory.

The cabin, which dates back to at least the 1870s, is the oldest structure in Chewelah and one of the oldest in the State of Washington.

The Stevens County Historical Society has been engaged in a long restoration process, begun by the late Don McLaughlin and Janet Thomas to preserve the building.

Since the project began, the

modern trappings have been removed from the cabin as was a crumbling chimney. New sill logs were donated and installed because the old ones were rotting and a new porch was installed.

The Indian Agency Cabin for years served as the home for Indian Agents as well as the headquarters for Indian services for most of Eastern Washington. It was also in the private hands of the McPherson family for over 100 years, who then donated it to the



The Colville Indian Agency Cabin gets its new blasting, stain and clear coat thanks to efforts from the community. *K.S. Brooks photo*

Stevens County Historical Society.

Last week it received some much needed tender loving care to the outside timbers. After an extensive wrapping process for the

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■ SEPTEMBER 11



Local legions
posts hold 9/11
Memorial Ride

REMEMBERING: *Veteran group, Boy Scouts honor the fallen from 9/11*

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Statesman-Examiner

Veterans from three American Legion posts, and a few guests from other motorcycle groups, mounted up Saturday for the annual 9/11 Memorial Ride.

"This is about the nearly 3,000 innocent people who died that day, which included firefighters and police officers who ran into danger

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