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Re: The Great Washington ShakeOut @ Your Library

On Thursday, October 20, the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) will join more than 20 million people worldwide to participate in a “Great ShakeOut” earthquake drill, which will begin at 10:20am at NOLS branch libraries in Clallam Bay, Forks, Port Angeles, and Sequim. This is an opportunity for community members to join their local library staff in practicing and implementing the central tenets of earthquake preparedness: “Drop, cover, and hold on.”

NOLS staff at each library location will lead the drills by making an announcement at 10:20am and instructing patrons and staff to “drop” to the ground, take “cover” under a desk or sturdy table, and “hold on” for the remainder of the 90-second drill.

Originating in California in 2008, the annual drill is now a globe-spanning event with most participants performing the drill on the same day, at the same time. Additional information about disaster preparedness in Clallam and Jefferson counties will also be available for participants to take home. To learn more about this and other free educational programs at your library, visit www.nols.org and select “Events,” or send an email to Discover@nols.org.

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