Young Tribal Descendant Discovers Intergenerational Love of Technology
by Matthew Nash for The Sequim Gazette

Age doesn’t discriminate when it comes to being a tech guru.
For 8-year-old Aiden Johnson of Port Angeles (great-grandson of Tribal Elder Kathy Duncan), he’s showing students and seniors that computers can bring anyone together.
Aiden said he was having trouble last summer fixing a computer, so his grandpa Lynn Johnson of Sequim offered to bring him to the Shipley Center’s Computer Clinic for help.
There he met Jim Hurley with the Sequim PC Users Group leading Lynn to contact the president Tom LaMure about Aiden possibly joining. LaMure replied — anyone can join — even 8-year-olds.
And over the summer, Aiden jumped right in with the PC Users Group’s Tech Shop working Monday and Wednesday mornings readying computers for individuals and groups in-need.
“He’s matured more dealing with adults,” Lynn said. “They’re almost all seniors and very highly skilled people. Aiden gets right in there and tells them his piece. They treat him so nicely and are really respectful. They’ve been very, very supportive of Aiden.”

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Planning Director Leanne Jenkins to Retire

On the day I first set foot in the Tribe’s Administration Building in 1990, I said to myself “This is where I belong!” I finally came to work for the Tribe in June, 1997, after working as a watershed planner at Clallam County for almost seven years. I’ve worked on a lot of grants over the years, many of the early ones were with Lyn Muench to fund the Olympic Discovery Trail and Jimmycomelately restoration projects. Some of the most gratifying grant awards were the projects to fund programs in Social and Community Services, because they had the potential to positively impact people’s lives – Youth Leadership, Youth Mentoring, Natural Helpers, Elders Caregiver Support, Tribal Artist development, and the recent “Navigating our Journey Together” multi-faceted program. There was the grant to conduct oral histories and produce a publication, “Sharing Our Memories, Jamestown S’Klallam Elders” (the red book), which created a lasting legacy that we enjoy today, and continue to develop and build upon with our House of Seven Generations online collections (funded by another grant). When I look around at our Tribal facilities, I see so many past grant applications (and the weekends and holidays spent writing them): funding to build our dental and medical clinics, our water and wastewater systems, our new Public Safety and Justice facility. I see people like Jessica Payne, who was hired initially for the Elders Caregiver project; and Ginnie Kitzmiller, who brought her IT skills to the Community Technology Center funded through a USDA grant. Of course, I am most proud of the Tribal Library – so many grants cobbled together over the years to develop a great collection, wonderful programs, professional staff, and a beautiful facility. All in all, the tally is something like 64 successful grants, including five Administration for Native Americans grants and six Housing and Urban Development grants, over the last 21 years, for a total of $7.5 million.

None of this happens without teamwork, of course. I have been so fortunate to work with extremely smart, creative, and capable staff at all levels, and to have the support of Tribal Council in every opportunity and challenge. So many Tribal citizens have both instructed and inspired me; I am grateful to them for their patience and willingness to share their culture with me. I look forward to seeing the Tribe continue to thrive in the future.

~Leanne Jenkins (shown above facilitating a planning meeting)

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Last summer, Aiden lost his dad, Brandon Carter. Aiden’s mom, Kathleen Carter (known to many at the Tribe as Katie Mitchell), didn’t want to break routine, so family members worked with the school to allow him to continue going to the Tech Shop twice a week. “He’s really thriving there,” Kathleen said. “It’s helped him a lot. He’s constantly learning.”

Aiden, a third grader at Roosevelt Elementary in Port Angeles, is a part of The Ridge, the school’s Highly Capable program for accelerated learners with curriculum designed for each student by certified teachers. Lynn said his grandson is reading and doing math at a seventh grade level and has been honored as a Student of the Month as a first and second grader. Hurley said he’s impressed the school lets Aiden come to the Tech Shop. “You don’t normally find something like this in a public school,” he said.

Computer Kids

Along with his time refurbishing computers, Aiden helped boot up his school’s new Computer Club. LaMure suggested to him and fellow PC Users Group members to start a club at Roosevelt. Aiden’s teacher, Lambert Grimes, stepped in to host the class and 25 students expressed interest with space for 10 starting in October.

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Steve Johnson Retires

After 14 years with the Tribal Maintenance/Facilities department, Steve Johnson retired at the end of December. His easy smile and helpful nature will be missed by Tribal staff.

“I get along with most of the employees here,” he said. “I’ll probably miss being here for a while, but not for too long.”

That’s because Steve and his wife Megan plan to pack up the 33-foot trailer and take some short trips to start, and then head to Arizona for Spring Training, and to see Steve’s son Bruce. When it gets too hot there, they’ll head back here where he intends to fish for bass and trout, and do some crabbing and rock-hounding.

After graduating from Sequim High School in 1971, Steve spent his work life in the timber industry, for the first 12 years at M & R Timber in Port Angeles, until they closed when the timber harvests were limited. Then he owned J & J Shake in Carlsborg and worked with his father-in-law, Cliff Yada, building log homes. When the Tribe contracted with Jack Grinnell to build the Community Center in 2002, Steve worked on that for two years.

“Matt Adams suggested that I come to work for the Tribe when that job was done, and that’s what I did,” said Steve.

Steve is the father of Bruce Johnson and Shawna Priest. He has four grandchildren, and one great grandchild. He will continue to serve on the Natural Resources, Elders and Community Network Committees.

(Hurley said he and fellow PC User club member Dick Wolf brought in five Dell desktops for students to learn and work on for about an hour twice a week through Nov. 8. Students put operating systems on the computers, learned about installing hardware and more. Grimes said the after-school club is a great outlet for students.

“They took them all apart and back together in an hour and they all worked,” she said.

Hurley and Wolf helped guide the students, and Aiden helped out too during the club.

His and other club members’ hope is that they can build computers and give them to students who don’t have one at home. Tentatively, the class starts up again in January for 10 new students in grades 3-6 once a week for five sessions. Aiden will remain with the group as a facilitator, Grimes said.

Sister and brother Mia and Zach Neff, both sixth graders (and children of Jamestown staff member Ben Neff), said they’ve enjoyed taking computers apart and learning about them.

“We took apart a Dell. They’re pretty easy, and kids like to take things apart,” Mia said.

“(The class) was just kind of a fun thing,” Zach said.

Through his exploration, Aiden said he learned about 3-D printing and designed his own computer part.

Build up

Kathleen said Aiden’s interest in computers started about a year ago, which has grown immensely.

“He found some old parts and started to put them together,” she said.

Aiden started building up his own collection of older computers including Commodores too. He’s currently working on a computer to replace a floppy drive and restore it to its original Windows 95 operating system. Through the Tech Shop, he’s also become a certified Microsoft refurbisher, and holds the goal to someday work for Microsoft. Kathleen said his new interest has already opened up local job opportunities with people calling him to repair their computers.

For now, Aiden plans to continue going to the Tech Shop with his grandpa, and as a thank you for her support, Aiden built Grimes her own desktop for home. He presented it to her on the last club meeting of the year on Nov. 8th. Grimes accepted on the condition he’d install it for her.
College to Career January Spotlight: Justin Brown

In this new series of articles, we will explore the journeys of Tribal citizens who chose to participate in the Tribe’s Higher Education program to pursue education beyond high school to improve their career options. This month, we profile Justin Brown.

What Tribal family are you from? Where did you grow up and go to high school? What did you do for work before you went back to school?

I am from the Prince family, a direct descendant of Chief Chetzemoka (he is my 4th great-grandfather). I grew up in Boise, Idaho, and went Meridian High School, in Meridian, Idaho. I made my way to the Washington area for permanent residence around 2009, although I have frequented the Sequim area since I was a young child.

Before I began my college career, I was just doing odd jobs, hoping that my path to success would reveal itself. Unfortunately, I am not one of the lucky ones whose chance to succeed arrives at the doorstep, like a package from Amazon. (And if my success was like a package from Amazon, I definitely didn’t check the two-day shipping box, I must’ve checked the 12 year shipping.)

What made you decide to return to school? Where did you go/what did you study?

My decision to go back to school was three-part:

- I was a single father of an eight-year old daughter and I wanted to be able to provide her everything she needed to be successful in life.
- I wanted to do something with my life, I didn’t want to wander aimlessly through this life without accomplishing something, or at the very least, giving something my very best effort. I was always taught it is better to try and fail, rather than to fail simply because I never tried.
- By the graciousness of the Tribe, I was given the opportunity to choose my educational path and given the fortuity to change the trajectory of my family’s short time on this planet. The Higher Education Grant allowed me a pathway to success.

I chose to attend Washington State University at the Everett, WA satellite campus. My field of study was Electrical Engineering. I graduated in the Summer of 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and a minor in Applied Mathematics.

What is your current career? Is it what you planned, or has it shifted from what you originally thought you’d be doing?

While I was attending classes, I was hired as an intern by Kenworth trucking, a branch of PACCAR Inc. My job title at that point was Embedded Electrical Design Engineer. At the conclusion of my internship, I was offered a full-time position as an Electrical Engineer upon completion of my degree. In all honesty, I hadn’t thought about what I wanted to do upon graduation. I was just hoping something would come to fruition. I hoped I would have opportunities, as long as I gave my maximum effort, and followed professional protocol for job seeking.

Do you have any advice for people considering accessing the Tribe’s Higher Education program in order to earn a degree?

If I were to give any advice to my fellow Tribal citizens, I could not stress enough the importance the Higher Education grants. Go for it, get out there and take a chance. The Tribe has allowed us opportunity that not many citizens receive. Not only will you be rendered the ability to better yourself and the lives around you through your pursuit of knowledge and career, but you will be able to pursue your studies with the absolute backing of the Tribe. I can assure you that they are kind, caring and professional. I can’t tell you how many hours I spent on the phone with Kim Kettel, Higher Education Coordinator. Whether I had flopped a class, or I finished the year with a
Meet Our New Planners

On January 25th Tribal Planning Director Leanne Jenkins will retire. In preparation for this change, the Tribe created two new planner positions – Social and Community Services Planner, and Tribal Planner. Here are introductions of the two people hired to fill these positions. They will train with Jenkins to gain an understanding of the Tribe’s program planning processes and grant proposal history.

Linda Brenner is the new Social and Community Services Planner. She will work with the SCS staff to plan programs, write grant applications to fund them, and manage grant projects. Linda comes to the Tribe with much experience in community development, grants management, and recreational and vocational education. For the past six years, she was employed by the Chickaloon Village Traditional Council in Sutton, Alaska as their Tene’ Niniczet (Trails I am Thinking About) Project. She will be the project manager for the upcoming Housing Study, recently funded by an Administration for Native Americans grant. Linda and her husband Joe had lived in Alaska since 1985, finding some warmth at their vacation home in Tucson. They sold their Alaska home last year, and purchased property in Sequim, where they plan to build a home in the near future. Joe is a physical therapist who will open a practice in Sequim. They enjoy life with their two dogs and two cats.

Luke Strong-Cvetich accepted the position of Tribal Planner and started work on December 17th. The Tribal Planner is responsible for long-range planning of the Tribal organization and departmental programs, as well as grant development, proposal writing and grants administration. Luke comes to the Tribe with a Master’s degree in Resource Management and Planning, and a Bachelor’s degree in Economics, Political Science and Philosophy. He has worked in mapping services, project management in environmental, natural resource, planning, transportation, infrastructure and LiDAR applications. His experience includes community outreach and conducting large community surveys, important aspects of Tribal program planning. "I am very excited and honored to work for the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe. Engaging the community will always be a top priority of mine. I will work hard to help the Tribe proactively address any challenges it faces. I also hope to help the Tribe identify opportunities within those challenges.” Luke was born in Bellevue, WA and grew up in the Seattle area. He has lived in the Pacific Northwest for most of his life, aside from the time spent working abroad – in Canada and Chile. He moved to Port Angeles in 2016. “I am very happy to call the Olympic Peninsula my home. I enjoy exploring the mountains, rivers and coastline of the Pacific Northwest. I love fishing, hiking, surfing and skiing. My wonderful girlfriend Tamsyn and I enjoy all sorts of outdoor adventures together; we also like to get creative in the kitchen. It doesn’t get any better than fresh seafood and local produce after an active day outdoors.” Luke’s office will be in the Planning Office at 931 Old Blyn Highway. “I am very approachable and I want everyone to feel comfortable voicing their opinions. Please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself at any time.”

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3.9 grade point average, Kim as a representative of the Tribe was there for me! Please, I urge you to ask questions, seek advice. No harm can come from seeking the betterment of one’s self.
Greetings Tribal Citizens! First of all, I trust all had a great, restful and fun holiday season with your family and friends. I wrote last month about 2018 being a year of distracting and even disturbing events. Reflecting on the events around President Trump, the Congress and the many tragedies last year with the senseless shootings, hurricanes and devastating forest fires around the country with countless lost lives, I believe that they defy reason and urge us to count our blessings.

I have regularly written about the many successes we have experienced here at Jamestown to continue our journey to achieve true self-governance and self-reliance.

We will enter into 2019 with a more balanced federal government with the Democrats controlling the House and with hope that it will result in more responsibly addressing climate change, domestic needs including opioid and substance abuse, housing and other basic needs to result in healthier and safer communities. In Washington State, we have greater hopes with our efforts to fight climate change, become better stewards of our precious natural resources, and balance between growth, economic development and the environment.

This year, we are excited about breaking ground (on February 4th) on our 7 Cedars Resort project, and completing the infrastructure support projects. We expect to complete our new Public Safety and Justice Center near the Longhouse Market and the new Human Resource Center on Zaccardo Road that will make a huge difference in staff space needs.

We expect to complete the Sweat Lodge in Jamestown and begin the planning for a Community Cultural Center in Jamestown to host our Canoe Journeys and other community events. We expect our new Veteran’s Memorial Park will be complete for all to enjoy for many years.

We plan to begin our joint community effort (including the Audubon Society) on the expansion of the Dungeness River Center. It is truly exciting and will have a huge impact on the public education of the importance of our habitat and environment.

Meanwhile, our Economic Development Authority (EDA) has been progressively advancing a number of new businesses including the Cannabis Shop next to the Longhouse Market, a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) program that helps distressed communities, and expansion of our existing businesses. We have hired Johanna Bartee, a local citizen who has extensive experience in this field to head up this venture.

On a separate track, our Jamestown Seafood business is preparing to expand our oyster, hatchery and geoduck operations with serious consideration of partnering with a firm to harvest sablefish in the Port Angeles harbor, and continue to work with EDA on a Seafood Café and outlet in the Port Townsend Northwest Maritime Center. It is always interesting how our many programs and projects overlap. For example as we expand our 7 Cedars parking lot for the Resort project, we are able to save many trees to be used for woody-debris projects on the Dungeness River. Our Natural Resource program continues to restore our rivers and creeks for our salmon.

Yes, we will continue our efforts to defend our sovereignty and treaty rights - some things never change. In the same way we push back against racism, bigotry and other challenges in our society, we will continue to work collaboratively with National Congress of American Indians, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, National Indian Gaming Association, National Indian Child Welfare Association, Native American Rights Fund and other regional and national Intertribal organizations to protect our American Indian and Alaska Native rights. As I’ve said many times, we remain focused on our foundational principles and identity while we advance our Jamestown goals, projects and programs.

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We might be disappointed in certain events or setbacks, but we never get discouraged. A good example is how some in the political arena would like to shift our relationship in America to a “race-based, as opposed to political-based” (as outlined in the U.S. Constitution). We are among the diverse ethnic makeup of America, but our Indigenous Peoples are unique in our 500-year relationships with other societies on the North American continent and the 242 years of the United States of America. We can never let society redefine our unique Indigenous Nations’ political standing.

As we enter 2019, I believe that we all have reason to enjoy excitement and confidence in what’s to come for our community. We have accomplished a lot over the years and continue to strengthen our government and business arm that advances our mission, goals for our Jamestown community. We do have a vision for our future generations and are learning that it requires patience and understanding as we balance growth with our cultural values.

Please do not hesitate to call any of the Council members or me at (360) 681-4621 or e-mail me at rallen@jamestowntribe.org if you have any questions.

God bless,

W. Ron Allen
**Meet Our New HR Coordinator**

Meet Tarynn Kettel, the Tribe’s new Human Resources Coordinator. Tarynn will work with the HR team, recruiting new hires, streamlining and creating departmental consistency among forms, web pages, and other documents, as well as fingerprinting and conducting background checks as needed. Her office is in the lower level of the Social and Community Services building, next to the Elders Lounge. Former Human Resources Assistant Alaina Morgan has moved into the position of Benefits Coordinator, and her office is located next to Tarynn’s.

Tarynn has worked for 7 Cedars Resort properties for a total of about four years, starting in 2009 predominantly in the areas of Food and Beverage and Human Resources, where she gained an inside knowledge of areas including payroll, graphics, and relationship-building. She took a break in 2012 when her son Tavin was born, and about a year later, daughter Paige came along, and she returned to the Human Resources department at 7 Cedars in 2017. Most recently, she implemented a new Human Resources system and will continue as needed working with her team and her replacement to insure that the knowledge is passed on to them. “It feels great to come back to a company that has always felt like home to me,” she said. I look forward to growing here, and cultivating new relationships.”

She and her husband, Tribal descendant Brandon Kettel (the son of Higher Education Program Coordinator Kim Kettel and her ex-husband Gary Kettel, of the Ellis-Becker family) were born and raised in Sequim, and still live there. Brandon works at 7 Cedars Resort’s Maintenance department. They enjoy family time with their kids, now ages 6 and 7, listening to music, playing games, and reading together.

**Job Openings**

- **Cannabis Retail Operations Manager**, Full-Time, EDA, Open until filled
- **Certified Medical Assistant**, Full Time, Jamestown Family Health Clinic, Open until there is a need
- **Equipment Operator/Laborer**, Full Time, EDA, Open until filled
- **Equipment Operator/Truck Driver**, Full Time, EDA, Open until filled
- **Excavating Superintendent**, Full Time, EDA, Open until filled
- **Family Practice Physician**, Full Time, Jamestown Family Health Clinic, Open until filled
- **Office Manager/Bookkeeper**, Full-Time, EDA, Open until filled

Please visit [https://jamestowntribe.applicantpool.com/](https://jamestowntribe.applicantpool.com/) for open job descriptions and to apply.
Washington State Tribes and State child welfare agency leadership and staff gathered at Suquamish on November 8th, 2018 to celebrate the 40th year of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. The celebration included remarks on the history that led to the Act, as well as the amazing work of Tribal leaders who committed to seeing the Act come to fruition. Many Washington State Tribal Leaders were nominated as having been an integral part of carrying on the values and good work of the Act. Included in the nominations was Vice Chairwoman Liz Mueller (second from left), who has dedicated more than 30 years working on behalf of children, families, and the wellbeing of American Indians/Alaska Natives within Washington State and across Indian Country.

**Congratulations to the 14 NAHASDA Tenants and 15 Community Rental Tenants who qualified for the Tribe’s 2018 Rent Incentive.**

**They paid their rent by the 5th of each month from January through November, so they received a 50% discount on their December rent!**
**Children and Youth Programs**

Tribal citizen Mackenzie Grinnell (Prince) is the new Teen Program Coordinator, along with his other half time position as Traditional Foods Program Assistant, a job he started in July.

In his new role with teens, Mack is coordinating at least one weekly activity for Tribal teens. Reach him at mgrinnell@jamestowntribe.org or 360-681-3408.

Mackenzie came to the Tribe after spending time teaching “decolonized activism” to student groups. He began this work after graduating from Western Washington University with a degree in Cultural Perspectives in Conflict, launching headlong into the protests at Standing Rock, and then starting a group called Students for the Salish Sea.

Mackenzie has now redirected his focus from activism to promoting culture, which he also sees as a way to stop the persistence of oppression.

**Daniel Csizmadia is the Tribe’s new per diem Youth Development Coordinator.**

He graduated from Western Carolina University in 2016 with a degree in Parks and Recreation Management. “Nestled in the beautiful Southern Appalachian mountains of North Carolina, this was the perfect place to study outdoor leadership, the focus area of my degree,” he said.

“Immediately after school I went to work in Australia as an outdoor instructor, with a highlight of working with a school from Hong Kong for a month long Rites of Passage program.”

After about a year of working in outdoor instruction back in North Carolina, he decided to shift gears and get involved with wilderness and adventure therapy in order to follow his passion for helping others. When he’s not working with the Tribe you can find Daniel out in the Olympic mountains guiding for a wilderness therapy program out of Shelton, WA.

“I’m very excited and grateful for this opportunity to work with the Tribe and I hope to incorporate my background working in the great outdoors and experiential education into the Tribal Youth Program. I plan to help the Tribe’s youngsters connect to the Olympic Peninsula and it’s amazing natural resources. I’m very excited to learn as much as I can about the Jamestown S’Klallam culture and traditions as well.”

Daniel was born in Miami, Florida and raised in Greenville, SC. He’s fresh to the area, having moved here in August. In his free time he loves playing guitar, listening to music, and recreating outside. Some of his favorite outdoor activities include backpacking, rock climbing, and playing disc golf.

Reach Daniel at 864-991-9158 or email him at dcsizmadia@gmail.com

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**Deadlines for Jamestown Higher Education Scholarship Applications (for enrolled citizens)**

- Spring Quarter - February 15th
- Summer Term - April 15th
- Fall Quarter/Fall Semester - June 15th
- Winter Quarter/Spring Semester - November 15th

For information on Higher Education funding, contact Kim Kettel at 360-681-4626 or kkettel@jamestowntribe.org
Children and Youth Activities

Mack Grinnell and Daniel Czismadia taking the kids on a local hike using a Klallam language scavenger hunt to identify plants and their traditional uses. Shown here from left are Mack, Daniel, with (back row) Bodi Sanderson (Hunter), Mariah Sanderson (Hunter), Eve Krienke (Woodman/Pomeroy), Dana and Hailey Gober (Lower Elwha Sampson family).

Other activities not shown in photos included ice skating in Port Angeles with the Healing of the Canoe group, and Apple Cider pressing for all ages, for which teens gathered apples with Daniel and Mack, and brought them back for the entire group to press into cider.

Team Building group initiatives activities with Daniel at the Port Angeles library with the teen group was also a lesson on the importance of positive communication skills. Shown here from left are: Mikaya Haller (Sullivan), Bodi Sanderson (Hunter), Sonni Creech (Johnson), Chava Haller (Sullivan), and Jolie Creech (Johnson).

Shown below is Dion Johnson (Johnson), participating in the Healing of the Canoe group Alcohol Awareness lesson with the Keepin’ it Real curriculum. He is wearing goggles that simulate the impaired perceptions that can be caused by drinking too much alcohol, moving through an obstacle course created by instructors Jessica Humphries and Dustin Brenske.
You may have noticed that Jamestown citizens did not receive any surplus coho salmon this fall. The salmon that is distributed to all Hood Canal Tribes comes from the Quilcene River National Fish Hatchery. Once the hatchery has met the weekly egg take goals, the excess coho salmon are distributed to the Tribes (Jamestown, Port Gamble, Elwha, Skokomish and Suquamish) on a rotating list. Once all Tribes receive salmon, the rotation starts again at the top of the list. Next year the rotation will start off where it finished the previous year. During the peak of the run there may be 1 to 2 distributions per week depending on how many fish are holding at the hatchery pond, with each tribe receiving 2 totes of fish (approximately 500 coho). This year Jamestown was number 4 on the list at the start of the season. The hatchery had 3 surplus events before the coho run all but stopped. The hatchery was suddenly not getting enough fish back to meet their weekly egg take goals and the distributions subsequently ceased.

I realize that Jamestown citizens rely on the surplus coho we receive to help stock their freezers and smokers for the winter. It is a shame that we did not receive any surplus salmon in 2018. The good news is that the Quilcene Hatchery was able to make their annual egg take goal by the end of the 2018 return. Jamestown is also first on the list for 2019 surplus. Hopefully this does not happen again in the future, but nothing is guaranteed as we depend on a good return of coho salmon to the Quilcene Hatchery to receive surplus for Tribal citizens. If anybody has any questions or would like to talk about the salmon distributions please feel free to give me a call anytime.

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Do You Qualify for an Earned Income Tax Credit?

The Internal Revenue Service urges Native American taxpayers to look into the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and correctly claim it if they qualify. EITC and the Child Tax Credit (CTC) greatly reduce poverty for working families.

The IRS has identified American Indian communities as a group of workers at risk for overlooking this important credit. There are many reasons qualified individuals and families do not claim the EITC. They may think they are ineligible, not know about the credit or worry about paying for tax preparation services.

To get the credit, individuals must file a tax return, even if they do not owe any tax or are not required to file. The EITC is a federal income tax credit for working people who don’t earn a lot ($40,320 - $54,884 or less for 2018, depending on the number of children you support) and meet certain eligibility requirements. Because it’s a refundable credit, those who qualify and claim the credit could pay less federal tax, pay no tax or even get a tax refund. EITC can mean up to a $6,269 refund for working families with qualifying children.

To qualify for EITC, the taxpayer must meet basic rules and have earned income from employment, being self-employed or running a business. This includes home-based businesses and work in the service, construction and agriculture industries. Eligibility also depends on family size, but single workers without a qualifying child who earn under $20,430 may qualify for a smaller credit. Also, certain disability payments may qualify as earned income for EITC purposes. The IRS recommends using the EITC Assistant (https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/earned-income-tax-credit/use-the-eitc-assistant), on IRS.gov, to determine eligibility, estimate the amount of credit and more.
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INTERTRIBAL SINGING AND DANCING
Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Wednesday, January 16, 2019
5:30 p.m.
Red Cedar Hall
Please bring a side dish, beverage or dessert to share! Please RSVP to Vickie Carroll at vcarroll@jamestowntribe.org or 360-681-4659 before the end of the day Friday, January 11, 2019

Cedar Bark Weaving Class
Instructor: Cathy MacGregor
Saturday, January 26, 2019
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Hummingbird Hall
This class is for tribal citizens and descendants.
Ages 14 and up
Class is limited to 10
*Some experience necessary*
Lunch will be provided
Please RSVP Vickie Carroll at 360-681-4659, 1-800-262-6603, x4659 or vcarroll@jamestowntribe.org before end of day, Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Jefferson County Historical Society Launches “First Friday” Native Topics Series
Friday, Feb. 1: Josh Wisniewski, Anthropologist, S’Klallam and Chemakum historically significant places on Indian Island.
Friday, March 1: Celeste Dybeck, Jamestown Tribal Elder, Chetzemoka Trail Project
Friday April 5: Janine Ledford, Executive Directly, Makah Cultural and Research Center, on the Makah Tribe’s Cultural Preservation Programs
Friday, May 3: David Brownell, Jamestown Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Ethnographic and Archaeological research on the S’Klallam Village at Washington Harbor
June 7: Glenys Ong, NAGPRA Collections Assistant at the Burke Museum on Repatriation and NAGPRA at the Burke Museum
July 5: TBD
August 2: Roger Fernandes, Lower Elwha Klallam Storyteller/Artist/Historian, on Coast Salish Art and Storytelling
September 6: TBD
October 4: Wendy Sampson, Lower Elwha Klallam Language Teacher on the Klallam Language.

The programs are free and open to the public, with a $5 suggested donation
Presentations take place at various venues in downtown Port Townsend. For more information, visit www.jchsmuseum.org.
Traditionally, short, cold winter days signaled a time to be inside the long house to weave, mend nets or work on projects that you just didn’t get around to during the summer months.

This time of year I feel like curling up on the couch with "The Herbal Apothecary: 100 Medicinal Herbs and How to Use Them," by JJ Pursell or if I’m feeling inspired I might break out my cedar or go through all the plants I’ve collected and dried and figure out what my original plan to do with them was. This month I realized I have a lot of plants that can be used for tea.

**Immune Broth**

Being new to the Social Services department I hadn’t realized this group probably spends the most time with Tribal citizens and their families, so if one staff member is sick, s/he could spread it to many. To keep our immunity levels up I’ll be making an Immune Broth at the beginning of the week and will keep it on the stove so staff can grab a cup if they’re feeling they need a boost. Program Assistant Mack Grinnell and I will also be setting out different teas for use by those who feel a cold coming on or for those who are suffering with the lingering effects of a cold. If you visit Social Services, feel free to grab a cup of tea or broth from the kitchen or stop by my office and grab a packet of tea or chest rub to help ease coughs, congestion and lung tightness. I’m all stocked up!

**Winter Wellness Workshop**

In regard to winter health, we’ll be offering a workshop on winter wellness January 20th. We’ll be doing a cedar facial steam which is good for coughs or sinus congestion but just feels good. We’ll also be making immune gummies and a chest rub. Of course we’ll be having soup and tea because... it’s winter.

**What: Winter Wellness Workshop**

**Where:** Red Cedar Hall

**When:** January 20th, 2019, 11:00-2:00

RSVP by 1/16/19

**Paint and Sip Tea Class**

If you live outside the area and have been wanting to attend some of our workshops, this is a great opportunity to attend two since the Traditional Foods Program will also be hosting a Paint & Sip Tea class on January 19th. Tribal artist Timothy O’Connell will be teaching us how to paint a Salish design on a cup and Mack and I will have a tea bar set up so you can design your own tea to take home. We will be serving soup and tea because... it’s winter. Contact Kim Kettel 360-681-4626 kkettel@jamestowntribe.org or Heidi Lamprecht 360-681-4635 hlamprecht@jamestowntribe.org if you are out-of-area and would like to use learning enrichment funds.

**What: Paint & Sip Tea Class**

**Where:** Hummingbird Hall

**When:** January 19th, 2019, 11:00-3:00

RSVP by 1/11/19 – Class size is limited to 10. If more than 10 sign up, a drawing will be held on 1/14/19. Priority will be given to out-of-area citizens who sign up for both classes.

Contact Lisa Barrell, Traditional Foods Project Manager, 360-681-3418, lbarrell@jamestowntribe.org or Mack Grinnell, TFP Assistant, 360-681-3408, mgrinnell@jamestowntribe.org if you would like to attend either or both of these workshops.
Just because... it’s winter, here are two recipes:

### Immune Soup
- 4 Tablespoons olive oil
- 2 onions chopped
- 8 cloves garlic minced or sliced
- ½ lb fresh shiitake mushrooms or 1-2 oz dried (shiitake is high in zinc and helps stimulate immune functions)
- 1 quart chicken broth
- 2 cups water

Herbs: use any or all, sage, rosemary, oregano and thyme

Sauté chopped onions and garlic in oil until transparent. Add sliced shiitake and sauté on low-medium until cooked. Add chicken broth, water and herbs and simmer about 1 hour covered. Eat throughout the day.

### Cold and Flu Tea
Mix equal parts elderflower, peppermint and yarrow. This tea helps to fight infection, is cooling and anti-inflammatory, and helps to ease discomfort from colds and flu. Use 1 tablespoon per cup and steep 10-15 minutes. Drink hot to help break a fever.

What to harvest in January: Colts foot, devil’s club root, usnea, cottonwood

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### Littleneck Beach Name is Official

The Washington State Board on Geographic Names approved the name for the Tribe’s beach in Blyn, based on an application submitted by the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe that makes note of the fact that it has one of the few native colonies of littleneck clams in the state. The hearing was attended by Tribal Elder Marlin Holden and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer David Brownell.

The name for the Blyn beach, which was restored by the tribe in 2004 as a part of the much larger Jimmycomelately Creek and Estuary Restoration, is Littleneck Beach. The Tribe sought to name the beach for the clams that are harvested there. Holden pushed for the name change because he didn’t think that writing “log yard” on his fish tags made any sense once the area had been restored and was once again supporting a thriving marine population. It had been called the log yard by local residents until the 1990s because a log rafting facility had been located there, until the Tribe began purchasing the land in the late 1990s.

For more information on the State requirements for geographic name changes, see [https://tinyurl.com/PDN-geographicnames](https://tinyurl.com/PDN-geographicnames).

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### Tribal Citizens—Are You Interested in Displaying Your Artwork?

**Chetzemoka: Then & Now**

May 30 – June 30, 2019, Northwind Arts Center
701 Water Street, Port Townsend, WA

**Opening Reception:** Saturday, June 1, 5:30 – 8:00 pm

An exhibit is being organized to coincide with the opening of the Chetzemoka Interpretive Trail. The exhibit is titled, **Chetzemoka: Then & Now** so that it might reflect historical and contemporary art of the Salish Sea Coastal Tribes, particularly of the S’Klallam peoples.

If you are interested is displaying your art, please call or email Dominica at the information below.

Dominica Lord-Wood, Program Coordinator
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Office: 360-379-1086 Cell: 207 504-6323
Happy New Year Jamestown! The holidays are behind us and it is time to look forward to new activities and projects for the coming year. We had a good year at the Tribal Library in 2018, adding 234 new items to the collection. This year we have some upcoming programs for estate planning, Jamestown history and culture and of course Native Film Nights. We have four computers available and always-on Wi-Fi if you want to bring your own device. We can help with job applications, tutorials for using computers, and Internet security training. Remind your family and friends the Tribal library is open to the public, and if you are a Clallam or Jefferson County resident, you can sign up to check out materials. We look forward to serving you in 2019.

Things to do:

February 19: Anthropologist Josh Wisniewski, Ph.D. will discuss S’Klallam hunting, and anthropological descriptions of hunting in the context of treaty rights, treaty boundaries and the creation of "official" knowledge and counter narratives. 6:00pm at Red Cedar Hall.

February 26: Native Film Night: Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World 6:00pm pm Red Cedar Hall

March 12: Kathy Duncan, Jamestown history and culture presentation 12:00pm -1:00pm Red Cedar Hall

Jamestown Reads Book Club


Date: January 9, 2019

Time: 5:15 pm

Every Thursday morning for two years in the Islamic Republic of Iran, a bold and inspired teacher named Azar Nafisi secretly gathered seven of her most committed female students to read forbidden Western classics. As Islamic morality squads staged arbitrary raids in Tehran, fundamentalists seized hold of the universities, and a blind censor stifled artistic expression, the girls in Azar Nafisi’s living room risked removing their veils and immersed themselves in the worlds of Jane Austen, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Henry James, and Vladimir Nabokov. In this extraordinary memoir, their stories become intertwined with the ones they are reading. Reading Lolita in Tehran is a remarkable exploration of resilience in the face of tyranny and a celebration of the liberating power of literature.

(Goodreads.com)

Location: The House of Seven Brothers restaurant at the Seven Cedars Casino

Books are available at the Tribal Library.

February Book Club: Tuesday, February 12th, Prodigal Summer by Barbara Kingsolver

Xčít –to know: January is a great time to make a fresh start on getting your files and paperwork sorted out. Throw out those unnecessary receipts and files and organize for the coming year. Pull out those documents you need to get your estate planning paperwork ready for the January 10 workshop. We also will have the book Get It Together by Melanie Cullen available after the workshop in March for those of you who would like to read it for the tips and information that goes with the forms we will be using.
Klallam Language classes (for Tribal citizens and descendants only) resume in 2019 on Thursdays starting on January 10th, from 5:30—6:30 p.m. in the Alderwood Room.

Questions? Loni Greninger
360-681-4660 or lgreninger@jamestowntribe.org
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**NEW BOOKS**

- An Illustrated History of Shanghaiing, Shipwrecks, Soiled Doves and Sundry Souls by Thomas W. Camfield
- Footprints in the Olympics: an Autobiography by Chris Morgenroth
- Hopi Silver: the History and Hallmarks of Hopi Silversmithing by Margaret Nickelson Wright
- Indian & Eskimo Artifacts of North America by Charles Miles
- The Iron Man of the Hoh: The Man, Not the Myth by Elizabeth Huelsdonk Fletcher
- Navajo and Hopi weaving techniques by May Pendleton
- Olympic Battleground: The Power Politics of Timber Preservation by Carsten Lien
- Port Angeles, U.S.A.: Centennial Edition by Lorraine Wilcox Ross
- Portrait in Time: Photographs of the Makah by Samuel Morse, 1896-1903 by S. Morse
- Salish weaving, primitive and modern as practiced by the Salish Indians of South West British Columbia by Oliver Wells
- There was a Day: Stories of the Pioneers by Lonnie Archibald
- The Untamed Olympics by Ruby Hult

**NEW DVDS**

- The Great American Foot Race
- Hand Game: The Native North American Game of Power and Chance
- Indian Country Diaries: A Seat at the Drum
- Looking Towards Home
- Oceti Sakowin: The People of the Seven Council Fires
- Standing Silent Nation
- Way of the Warrior
- Weaving Worlds
Happy New Year!
Jamestown Elder Luncheon
At noon on Friday, January 11th
7 Cedars Casino/Club 7
Raffles ~ Door Prizes ~ Split the Pot

Websites:
- Tribal Government: www.jamestowntribe.org
- 7 Cedars Resort/Casino: www.7cedarsresort.com
- Tribal Library: http://library.jamestowntribe.org
- Tribal Online Museum: www.tribalmuseum.jamestowntribe.org
- Canoe Family: www.jamestowncanoefamily.com

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American Indian Endowed Scholarship applications for the 2019-2020 academic year are due February 1, 2019.
Find the application at http://www.readysetgrad.org/college/american-indian.endowed-scholarships
Applicants must have cultural ties to a Tribe, intend to use their education to benefit a Tribe, be enrolled full-time by Fall 2019, have demonstrated financial need, be a Washington State resident, and have not received a total of five years of this scholarship in the past.
Questions? 360-753-7843 or aies@wsac.wa.gov
The Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Newsletter is published monthly. Please submit news, informational items and Letters to the Editor by email to Betty Oppenheimer at boppenheimer@jamestowntribe.org, or by US Mail to the address above, or call her office at 360-681-3410.

The deadline for submission to be included in the following month’s issue is the 15th day of the current month.

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