Vote Early in Tribal and National Elections

Why is it important for American Indians and Alaska Natives to vote?
According to the National Congress of American Indians, American Indians/Alaska Natives make up about two percent of the United States population. That is about 6 million people per 2018 U.S. Census Bureau population estimates. Existing research suggests that historically, as citizens of our Tribes, we as Native voters have turned out to vote in higher rates for Tribal elections than in non-Tribal elections. However, because the U.S. President and Congress as well as state governors, state legislatures, and county and local elected officials make important policy decisions that affect Native peoples, increasing Native participation in non-Tribal elections will lead to better responsiveness to the needs of Tribal nations and communities. Make sure you are registered, and vote!

Tribal Council Election

Ballots for Tribal Council Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer were mailed after the Sept. 26th Tribal Citizenship meeting. Your filled-out ballot must be received at the Sequim Post Office by 5 p.m. Monday November 2nd (to be counted on Election Day). Please vote early to ensure that your ballot arrives on time!

Questions? You can leave the Elections Board a message at 1-800-262-6603 Extension 2029.
After serving on the board of the Northwest Aquaculture Alliance for several years, Jim Parsons, General Manager of Cooke Aquaculture Pacific, LLC, and relatively new member Kurt Grinnell, CEO of Jamestown Seafood, have taken the roles of President and Vice-President. The partnership between Parsons and Grinnell has been ongoing since they worked together at the Point Whitney Shellfish Hatchery and continues with the 2019 joint venture between Cooke and JST to partner in net pen operations in Port Angeles Harbor, pending State approvals.

Parsons has been involved with NWAA (Northwest Aquaculture Alliance) since 1998 (it was formerly the Washington Fish Growers Association). “My goal has always been to provide credible scientific information to agencies and the public about what we are doing and to advocate for aquaculture where/whenever possible,” he said.

Grinnell is the CEO of Jamestown Seafood Inc., which includes two shellfish hatcheries located in Kona HI and Brinnon WA, four floating upwelling systems (seed nurseries that can be seen at John Wayne Marina) over 100 ac of tidelands growing oysters and geoduck.

“Our finfish operations consist of a partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the University of Washington, growing an all female sterile Black Cod. We hope to produce them commercially over the next couple of years. We also hope to be raising steelhead commercially within a year,” he said.

Grinnell joined NWAA April of 2019. “With the Jamestown Tribe’s heavy involvement in aquaculture, I thought it was important that we have a strong voice to advocate for the Tribe’s Treaty Rights, and also to educate the surrounding community that finfish, shellfish and macroalgae aquaculture will be the future of eating a nutritious clean protein grown using best practices in a sustainable way,” he said.

The Washington State-based Northwest Aquaculture Alliance (NWAA) represents aquaculture producers and support-related businesses in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, British Columbia—and beyond. Alliance members share a vision of raising high-quality, sustainably produced, nutritious fish and shellfish, farmed in marine waters, freshwater, or in land-based operations that we can offer to local, regional, and global markets. Parsons added, “the NWAA’s goal is to promote aquaculture within a variety of audiences; from legislative to public groups and individuals.”

As to the future of the Jamestown/Cooke joint venture, Parsons said, “There are a number of conditions that must be met prior to initiating operations. The major condition to resolve is the re-issuance (by the Department of Natural Resources) of an Aquatic Lands Lease for the rearing site within Port Angeles Harbor. Both men believe strongly that marine aquaculture holds tremendous potential for advancing the public health, food security and economic interests of Americans. Increased marine aquaculture production in the United States would create the ability to:

- Close a significant gap in U.S. food security (availability) through the farming of seafood products in U.S. waters rather than relying as the United States currently does on foreign seafood sources for 90% of the seafood consumed by our citizens.
- Create ancillary equipment and service businesses and new jobs within coastal and inland communities.
- Accelerate technological development to reduce production costs and minimize adverse environmental effects.
Some Upcoming Dates to Know

- If you plan to fill out your CARES Act survey to claim a direct payment from the Tribe (if you were financially affected by COVID-19), the Tribe must receive it before December 31st, as that is the deadline for distributing these funds.
- Elder Holiday Gift Checks will be mailed November 19th
- Adult Holiday Gift cards will be mailed the week of December 7th
- 2021 Tribal Calendars will be mailed before Thanksgiving.

A canoe has been placed atop the entrance to the Justice Center. The canoe was designed by Bud Turner, who provided the carving plans to Nathan Gilles, who did the rough carve in work. Finish carving was done by Tim O'Connell and Dusty Humphries, and overseen by Turner. Turner and O'Connell painted the canoe.

(Aquaculture, continued from page 2)

- Maintain working waterfronts and build upon the existing and unique knowledge, skills and abilities possessed by commercial fishers.
Parsons and Grinnell are not alone in recognizing the value of these goals. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations advocates for increased production of marine aquaculture of fish, shellfish and sea vegetables as a critical component in achieving global food security and nutrition. The UN-FAO State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture 2020 report noted, “Fish and fish products are recognized not only as some of the healthiest foods on the planet, but also as some of the least impactful on the natural environment. For these reasons, they are vital for national, regional and global food security and nutrition strategies, and have a big part to play in transforming food systems and eliminating hunger and malnutrition.” “For the United States to pivot from being a net importer of seafood to producing American harvested or farmed seafood for Americans and possibly contributing to the world seafood supply will require thoughtful and careful consideration of environmental effects. We know we can do this as a nation that has led the world in the protection of the environment. It is imperative that we begin to act now to achieve years into the
Dear Honored Citizens,

Greeting. I hope you are doing well and remaining safe under the current environment, with COVID followed by the fires on the West Coast. Please follow your local government’s guidelines to remain safe and healthy. Do not take chances and risk.

In my last letter I failed to mention I am married to Sonny Lehman.

I am hoping by now that anyone over 18 years has completed the COVID CARES Survey and returned to the Tribe for your relief monies.

Recently at Tribal Council we passed a "Schools CARE Relief Package." You should receive information on this program within the next couple of weeks.

These monies are short term, beginning August 1 through December 31st. Remember these funds are available to those who have been impacted by COVID.

My Experience:

- Port Angeles School District Johnson O'Malley
- Port Angeles Food Bank
- Healthy Families Board
- Jamestown Health Committee
- Jamestown Education Committee
- Jamestown Housing Improvement Committee
- Jamestown Art Board
- Library Advisory Committee
- American Indian Health Commission
- Northwest Portland Area Health Board
- Salish Sea Behavior Health Policy Board
- Four Seasons Homeowners Board

In 12 Years as Tribal Council Treasurer, I have learned strong leadership skills and continue to learn every day.

Your Tribal Council continues to make great strides to provide solid and healthy programs for citizens to access. We have a passionate commitment to each and every one. It is important we continue to build upon Tribal businesses to strengthen our economic ties and reduce our dependency on the Federal Government. We also need to teach and educate our citizens about the importance of self-sufficiency.

We as citizens must never forget our ancestors who helped pave the path for generations and reminded us that our culture will continue to grow stronger for all generations after us.

As I have indicated in the past, I will continue to work hard to maintain trust, dignity and respect as a Tribal leader.

Thank you for your continued support. It is an honor.

Please call or email me if you have any questions. Please vote in our Tribal elections, and remember to please vote in the National election also.

Thank You ...... háʔnəŋ cən

Theresa Lehman
Candidate Statement: Jessica Johnson
For Tribal Council Treasurer

Here is a brief hello to Tribal members,
I wanted to take a few minutes to share some experiences with you. I have been out salmon fishing in the Quilcene River and it was exciting. It was a great experience subsistence fishing and I learned to catch fish by snagging or dip netting. My daughters fished with me and it was nice knowing we can do this together just as past generations had done. Salmon has been a part of who I am since I was very young and keeping traditional foods in my diet is good for my family and me. While fishing I learned that there are other Tribal members that want to learn to subsistence fish, too. I look forward to seeing more Tribal members at the rivers in the future. The best part for me has been being able to exercise our important Treaty Rights, and I want to share that opportunity with our Tribal Community and Family. My daughters and I braved the early morning hours and went smelt fishing too. We were so happy to bring in our dip net with so many fish in it.

I hope this finds you Healthy and Happy.
Thank You,

~Jessica Johnson

Surviving in Survival Mode
Join us October 12th 12-1:30 p.m.

We will have culturally based discussion on the chancing world, tools to manage these difficult times, activities for self care, mindfulness and fellowship.
Please RSVP to Rachel Sullivan 360-681-4606 or rsullivan@jamestowntribe.org
On or before 5 p.m. Wed. Oct. 7th.
Greetings Tribal Citizens! My name is Rochelle Blankenship (Cook-Kardonsky family) and I am honored to have been serving you as interim Tribal Council Secretary for the past 8 months. Port Angeles/Sequim has been my home since I was two years old, and several generations of my family live in the area. During my lifetime, I have seen our Tribe grow, prosper and become a driving economic force in our communities.

I have several goals for our Tribe going forward. COVID has taught us many lessons; one being the continued need for economic diversification to push forward our agenda for self sufficiency. We were fortunate in being able to keep essential businesses open during the “Stay Safe, Stay Home” directive which helped lessen the financial impact of the closures and allow us keep services available to Tribal Citizens. We need to seek out and find areas we can expand into that will lead to sustainable revenue for the next seven generations.

I also think we need to continue to make education a priority; not just college, there is also a great need to certifications and specialized trade programs. We need to watch for the next generations of leaders who can grow our programs while maintaining the Tribe’s overarching goals.

I found the recent needs assessment results to be very enlightening as to what we are doing well and what resources can be expanded. I’d like to review those results and dive deeper into areas where we can close some gaps. With limited funds, we need to spend in the most appropriate places where there is genuine need.

Another area of importance is the preservation of our culture and strengthening the sense of community for our citizens. In response to the current pandemic, we all have had to learn to utilize technology to stay in touch with one of another. The natural foods program has hosted a monthly cooking class via zoom and the language class has also been able to conduct their classes remotely which has afforded us the opportunity to include out of area citizens as well. Both of these programs are well attended and have helped us maintain a sense of community during a time when we cannot safely gather.

I certainly appreciate you taking the time to read this and I welcome your questions. You can reach me at rblankenship@jamestowntribe.org or at (360)460-0045.

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~Rochelle
Candidate Statement: Loni Greninger
For Tribal Council Vice-Chair

ʔə́y skʷəči! While I am running unopposed, I do not want to miss an opportunity to gain your support and earn your trust. In this month’s newsletter I want to share a few goals as an incoming Councilmember.

Learn and absorb. I have much to learn from our Elders, Citizens, Descendants, Leadership, and Staff about vision, values, laws, policies, and how they blend. I will need to learn the goals of each Department, Enterprise, Committee and Board, and how they serve our Citizenship.

Succession planning. “Seven generations” is the timeframe we use to make decisions, both personally and as a Tribal government. We are the physical manifestation of our ancestors seven generations ago (amazing to think about!). We have grown a lot over the past 100 years. Now we must plan for the next seven generations. Even now I should be succession planning through investing in those interested in having my job someday.

As the Tribe grows in complex programs and businesses, so have our job and educational requirements. For Citizens that are interested in jobs at the Tribe but need that extra job experience or education, Council is discussing a program that would help create job experience opportunities. The details are not fully worked out yet, however this is on the Council’s mind. In addition, we have discussed the idea of a Career Question & Answer Session. The goal is to allow Citizens and Descendants to become familiar with the jobs in each Department and Enterprise. Our hope is that many will become more knowledgeable about what is needed to operate Jamestown and create connections for job opportunities.

Continue momentum in culture. The Tribe has made great strides in the area of culture. It is a three-legged stool: (1) maintain sovereignty; (2) maintain treaty rights and land; and (3) maintain the native language and ceremonies. I am grateful to the Councils, past and present, for this work. My focus is specifically in language and ceremonies. Our community language classes have been implemented for almost three years, our singing and drumming group is growing stronger, and our ceremonies are growing in participation! It feels like we have entered a Cultural Resurgence, and I am glad to work with many of our Citizens, Descendants, and Staff who are helping fan the flame of momentum.

Support budgeting decisions that balance services, economic development, and savings. Councils and Staff, past and present, have worked diligently to make budgets and spending plans that keep our large Tribal operations thriving, which in turn benefits our people through many types of services and programs. Moreover, the Tribe’s savings account has helped us continue operations and services through federal and state government shutdowns, and now the pandemic. I am very grateful for this work, and I want to continue supporting these goals. As a Councilmember I will partner with other Councilmembers and Staff to be a conscious decision-maker for services, development, and savings.

Thank you for your time. Please remember to cast your vote in November!

~Loni
Vote and Faith

Message from our Tribal Council Chair/CEO

Greeting Jamestown S’Klallam Citizens!

I trust you all are staying safe and healthy in this crazy time we are experiencing due to the COVID-19 Virus Pandemic. We are all doing everything we can to get the virus under control waiting patiently for vaccines to be made and get back to normal lifeways.

First and foremost, as you read this, we'll be 30 days or so to elections on November 3rd for National, State, Local and our Tribal elections. I can't underscore more the importance of voting. I want to encourage everyone to have faith in our American spirit and political system.

I’m not going to spend a lot of time on my bias against President Trump as I suspect we have Tribal citizens who support him. But, I will emphasize the importance of voting for those who we believe will lead to the best interest of our country, as well as state and Tribe. Leadership is about integrity, honesty, and trust.

We must believe in the system and have faith in strong, steady leadership to guide our collective efforts to have confidence for our future 7 generations. Our Jamestown community has enjoyed a long history of a strong, stable and consistent leadership committed to advancing our Self-Governance and Self-Reliance vision and goals. We must look to our past and future leadership with confidence and trust.

I am excited for our new rising leaders such as Loni Greninger and Rochelle Blankenship and am appreciative that since they don’t have opponents you have confidence in their leadership capabilities and young visions.

I will note that Theresa Lehman has been steady and consistent in her active role as our current Tribal Treasurer. No one has been more diligent in attending our Tribal activities and committee meetings as a Council observer then her.

I appreciate the interest of Jessica Johnson and have watched her from her childhood under the watchful eye of her mother Sandy, a former Council Vice-Chair. Jessica has become very interested in Tribal affairs and represents another next generation interested in our Tribe’s future.

Tribal governance has become much more complicated today than when we started back in 1981, but that is because of our steady success and vision of becoming independent again consistent with who we are as ‘Strong Peoples’.

Regardless of who you support at all levels of our family of American governments from National, State, Local or Tribal, you must vote! Remember if you don’t vote, you voted for the outcome of those who did.

For those of you who are readers of our history, you know our American society have experienced many political challenging times and yet faith in the vision and fundamental principles of our U.S. Constitution and Tribe’s as well, we have a balance of power and control over our affairs. We must have faith that not only will we prevail over this devastating impact from COVID-19 virus, but our political and economic uncertainty as well. Voting on November 3rd will be a clear and definitive step going into 2021.

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Meet Our New SCS Supervisor

Colleen Studinarz started work on August 19th as the Social and Community Services Supervisor, reporting to SCS Deputy Director Loni Greninger. In this position, Studinarz will supervise the Indian Child Welfare, Elder, Food Commodities, General Assistance, Higher Education, Professional Development and Enrichment Programs. She will also work alongside the other programs in the Social and Community Services department, including Behavioral Health, Case Management, and the Cultural Programs, to enhance the wrap-around services that have been growing for the past several years, ensuring that the Tribal community is served in every capacity where there are needs, always working toward self-sufficiency in individuals and families.

Studinarz comes to the Tribe with 30 years of experience in Social Services, working with all age groups from birth through Elder, and the family unit as a whole. She has worked for Tribes in Alaska, and most recently for the Tulalip Tribe, and has acted as a liaison between counties and local Tribes in California. Originally from the suburbs outside of Chicago, she enlisted in the military and served as a police officer. There she met her husband, a career military man, and together they raised four children, living on many different military bases in Germany and throughout the United States. They, and their two Yorkshire Terriers, settled back in Washington after having lived here off and on over the past 17 years, because three of their children and their five grandchildren all live in this state.

SCS Supervisor Colleen Studinarz can be reached at 360-582-5785 or cstudinarz@jamestowntribe.org.

Due to concerns over the spread of COVID-19 at any large gatherings, we are sad to announce that our Jamestown Holiday Craft Fair has been cancelled this year. This would have been our 11th annual fair, a fundraiser for Social and Community Service Programs. Our Tribal and non-Tribal vendors hope to see you all next year, the first Saturday in November, 2021!

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Meanwhile, I urge you all to stay safe, practice good hygiene, wear masks in public and have faith as we emerge from this historic world-wide crisis. It is not clear if there will be a second wave or how long into the winter or into 2021 this pandemic will last, but these good health care measures will enable us to prevail.

If you have questions or need clarifications, you are always welcome to call me at 360-681-4621 or e-mail me at rallen@jamestowntribe.org and I will be more than happy to share them or respond to your inquiries.

Sincerely,

W. Ron Allen

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Progress Made at Jamestown Cemetery

Jamestown Tribal Historic Preservation Officer David Brownell, assisted by volunteers Jessica Johnson (Johnson) and Mark Charles (Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe), have finished marking 92 potential unmarked graves in the Jamestown Cemetery using survey plates (see photo at right). Overgrown shrubs have been trimmed back to reveal older grave markers, and new topsoil was used to fill in collapsed graves. In a few circumstances, grave markers that were collapsed into graves had to be removed and reset into position (see photo, lower right). This fall, staff will return to cemetery to spread grass seed on the new topsoil and be placing new granite headstones on the unmarked ancestral graves. Please stop by the Cemetery and see our progress!

~David Brownell, THPO

New Cemetery Committee Needs Members!
The Jamestown Tribe is seeking five interested and committed Tribal Citizens to form a new Cemetery Committee. The Cemetery Committee will assist Tribal staff with management of the Cemetery and completion of the updated Jamestown Cemetery Policy. Interested Tribal Citizens should contact Tribal Historic Preservation Officer David Brownell at dbrownell@jamestowntribe.org or (360)681-4638 for more information.

JST Men’s Virtual Retreat A Success

On September 11-12, 2020, we successfully pulled off a virtual Men’s Retreat via Zoom. It certainly is no substitute for in-person interactions, but we found a workaround that worked! During the sessions participants met, ate, enjoyed small talk and, most importantly, explored important ideas such as: What it means to be a Jamestown S’Klallam man; how to navigate major life changes in a healthy way; how to process traumatic life change; understanding and playing one’s various roles within family and the community; how to lead and influence one’s family and community well; and how to define and discover one’s individual leadership style. Over the two-day retreat we rested, reflected and refueled.

Thank you to all who participated. A special thanks to our two guest speakers, honored Elders Pat Adams and Marlin Holden. Thank you for the insights, observations, stories and life lessons you shared with us. I am looking forward to the next time we can all be together. To see how you can get in on the next men’s event, please email me at egreninger@jamestowntribe.org. I look forward to hearing from you!

– Eric Greninger, Case Manager, Social & Community Services
Tribe Awarded Over $4 million for Dungeness River Floodplain Restoration, Salmon Habitat

The Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe was recently awarded over $4.2-million from a new grant program under the Pacific Salmon Treaty that will be used to extend by a mile the Dungeness River floodplain restoration project near Sequim.

The multi-agency project, which has been in the planning stages for some 20 years, last year got a federal grant of $3.5 million to relocate about a mile of a 90-year-old levee along the east bank of the lower Dungeness River and restore the river’s natural floodplain and for the benefit of salmon habitat. That project, now considered Phase 1, is still in the permitting process with the Army Corps of Engineers, though the funding is in place.

The latest phase fell into place earlier this year when North Olympic Land Trust succeeded in raising over $400,000 toward the purchase of the 104-acre River’s Edge property upstream from Phase 1, adding almost a mile to the restoration project.

That purchase would preserve 64 acres for agricultural use and 40 acres along the riverbank, thanks to funding from the Tribe, to move the levee east to match the layout planned for Phase 1.

An additional 25 acres that lies between the two projects was purchased by the Tribe as well, joining them to create a total of 2 miles of restored salmon habitat when the work is completed.

“So you’ve got the County’s project that they call Phase 1, then you have the Tribes project which we call the River’s Edge, and they’re going to connect in the middle like the Transcontinental Railroad going from east to west. Two projects that connect to make one beautiful project. And those should, by all rights, be about the most productive two miles anywhere in the the Dungeness River, that will once again have really high salmon productivity,” said Habitat Program Manager Randy Johnson.

Johnson thinks the best-case scenario for getting both projects completed appears to be late in 2022, depending on the timing of permit approvals from the Corps of Engineers.

Also awarded funding by Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office were the Nooksack Indian Tribe, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians, Snohomish Tribe of Indians, and Tulalip Tribes.

“Our Tribe is very excited that it received this RCO grant that will enable dike setback along the lower Dungeness River to restore almost 2 miles of habitat and floodplain connectivity – allowing the river room to breathe,” said Jamestown Tribal Council Chair W. Ron Allen. “A healthy river means healthy salmon.”

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Children and Youth Programs

We continue to make active efforts to remain consistent with activities for our youth to infuse culture and connectedness. Our last summer class included over 20 Healing of Canoe (HOC) youth and we all beaded hummingbirds together that represent their totem animal by age group, after dropping off supply kits to each of their homes. During these times, we talk to the youth about any barriers they may have for distant learning, how they are adapting during these challenging times and other meaningful lessons and conversations.

We are now waiting for our youth and teens to get settled into their fall school schedules so we can best support and aid them in their learning, as well as keep culture, mentorship and friendships in their lives. We had an open invite Zoom meeting with parents to learn from them how we can support the upcoming year for their families. Please join our Facebook page to keep up to date and communicate about our youth programs at Jamestown S’Klallam Children, Youth and Teen Programs. ([https://www.facebook.com/jsktchildrenandyouth/](https://www.facebook.com/jsktchildrenandyouth/))

~Dustin Brenske

Cameron Colfax with his beaded hummingbirds
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### August q̕pə́ ctʔiʔ kʷúkʷ - gather and cook

Jaiden Bosick (Prince) was our guest cook at the end of August. Jaiden, daughter of Kurt Grinnell, granddaughter of Elaine Grinnell lives in Kaslof, AK with her husband Gregory, 4 year old son Brock, and 9 month old twins Colt & Grant. She led us in the preparation of a Wild Game Meatloaf and 30 minute dinner rolls. háhaʔnəŋ we are grateful to the Tribe for supplying the bison, pine nuts and cheese to make the meatloaf.

“This was amazing!... I felt like a chef as I followed. Thank you!” - Verna J.

“Thank you Jaiden the meat loaf is absolutely delicious!” - Jack G.

“I love meat with stuff in the middle... cheese veggies, pine nuts... and bread.. yum” – Toni O.

“Jaiden – Thank you for the wonderful recipes and cooking fun tonight. Dinner was delicious!!!” – Ann T.

### September 22nd q̕pə́ ctʔiʔ kʷúkʷ - gather and cook

We anticipate cooking with Vicki Lowe, future Sequim City Council member (hoping), part time caterer, and past Tribal Managed Care Program Manager. She is currently the Executive Director for AIHC - American Indian Health Commission. Vicki (Chubby) will be preparing ʔáʔčx̣ - crab cakes, scánnəxʷ - salmon patties & roasted root vegetables with potatoes from the Community Wellness Garden. We are grateful to Tribal fisherman Josh Chapman for donating the crab to everyone participating in the event. I even managed to can enough salmon from our surplus hatchery salmon to distribute to participants. We’ll let you know in November how it went.

### October q̕pə́ ctʔiʔ kʷúkʷ - gather and cook

We are hoping for a family cook-along with the Tjemslands. Allison (Washington, DC) Amanda (Silverdale, WA) and Andrea (San Antonio, TX) will be preparing húʔpt - venison pumpkin chili, corn bread and dessert. Everyone is welcome to join in the cooking or just watch as others prepare their meals. It’s a great way to keep in touch with other citizens. The ZOOM address will be posted on our Facebook page or

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Socially distanced beerry harvesting crew: sitting Arlene Red Elk, Julie Powers, Mack Grinnell, Cathy MacGregor, Dana Ward, Cliff Scott, Beth Anders, Dolores Cable

Zoom participants in the Gather and Cook event learned to make wild game meatloaf from Jaiden Bosick, shown in the upper left of the photo above.
you can contact Mackenzie or Lisa if you’d like the ZOOM address emailed to you.

If you are interested in leading a virtual cook-along let us know. We ask that it include one traditional food item and if the item is unique to your area, we can always work out a substitution. We provide a $100 thank you stipend plus $50 for you to purchase the supplies you’ll need. Those interested must have ability to log into ZOOM to present and guide citizens/descendants through a cooking demonstration. We ask that the recipe be applicable to all levels of cooking and that it can be prepared within 1 1/2 - 2 hours.

yéʔx̣əm (Evergreen Huckleberry) & t̕áqaʔ (Salal Berry) Harvesting

We’ve had to cancel all our village camps this year due to COVID-19, but we did host a yéʔx̣əm (Evergreen Huckleberry) & t̕áqaʔ (Salal Berry) gathering nearby at Miller Peninsula State Park on September 5th. MacKenzie offered a little plant ID in the parking lot then nine of us ventured into the woods, all while trying to keep our distance. I hope to see some fruit leather as a result of the berry picking!

New this year…

Surplus salmon arrived early this year and for the first time, MacKenzie and I were able to set up tables to clean salmon for those who needed assistance. Mark Sterling (Lower Elwha) happened to be visiting and he stepped right up, grabbed a knife and started helping! We had responses from everyone whose fish we cleaned sharing how helpful this was for them since they had trouble processing salmon or standing for long periods of time due to arthritis, knee, back, or hip problems.

There was a SECOND surplus salmon offering the following week!... máŋʔuʔ háʔnəŋ - HUGE thanks to our volunteer fish cleaners and filleters during the second delivery; Aaron Brooks (Natural Resources), Loni Greninger (SCS), Luke Strong-Cvetich (Administration), Ilan Jones (Maintenance), and Adam Barrell (IT). háʔnəŋ st to Maintenance and especially Perry Keeling for setting all the tables up, checking on us and putting everything away when we were finished. It was a great community effort and I’m sure many are grateful for the service.

There were enough left over salmon for the TFC program to can for our virtual gather & cook and freeze for future workshops on canning and smoking. Hope to see a few of you when we are able to offer those teachings.

cácu sxʷčanéʔŋəɬ - Riverside Garden

With the soon coming frost on September 23rd we celebrated our first season with the community garden, (Continued on page 14)
giving thanks to the harvest and all the talented folks that lead our stətíɬəm ʔiyə́m classes. Katy Bowman, Jenelle Cole and Bridget Light all volunteered their expertise to make this program happen and to help guide us all to more healthy living practices. We also thanked Kathy Salmonson who did the behind the scenes work organizing everyone at the clinic and Chris who managed to grow an entire garden with the help of Jessica Johnson and Eli Smith. The garden started as a field, grew through a pandemic and poor air quality as a result of wildfires and developed into a garden that provided food for our elders meal program, citizen use and distribution to clinic citizens & descendants.

Because of the smoke we reverted back to zoom to recognize everyone that has helped at the community garden these past months. We talked about the different help we got from tractor work, moving countless wheelbarrows of compost and wood chips and how wonderful it was to spend time out at the garden harvesting food or going for a walk and listening to the river.

We are taking a break from our bi-weekly classes and will be focusing on the harvest and putting the garden to rest for winter. We will also be planting winter crops of garlic, kale, shallots and who knows what else! We will still be meeting out at the garden every Wednesday from 4pm to 6:30pm for harvesting. Honestly we spend about 30 minutes harvesting and the rest of the time spread out and just visiting and catching up. Swing by and get some produce any Wednesday or any other day. The garden is always open to Tribal Citizens, descendants and family.

The Garden is located at 182 Marinas Way, Sequim, WA

Join us, whether it’s virtually through one of our workshops or in person at the garden. Check out what we’re doing on our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/jamestown.tfp/) and leave us a message. We’d love to hear from you.

yəhúməct – take care of yourself
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Domestic Violence Awareness Month
by StrongHearts Native Helpline

Every October during Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), advocates and communities across Indian Country and the United States rally together to honor survivors of domestic violence and support abuse prevention.

Native women and men in the United States experience domestic violence at alarming rates, with more than four in five Natives having experienced some form of violence in their lifetime and more than half experiencing physical violence by an intimate partner in the past year.

Domestic violence has many faces: physical, sexual, emotional, cultural, financial and digital. It doesn’t discriminate and includes violence against children, elders, LGBTQ2S individuals.

Now in its fourth year of operation, StrongHearts has received more than 9,103 phone calls and online chats requesting critically-needed support to deal with intimate partner violence. Of the phone calls, 5,010 were received in 2019 — a 396.04% increase from 2018.

This year during the Covid-19 pandemic, conversations focused on domestic violence have attracted international media and public attention. Alarming increases in domestic violence have been documented worldwide, due to victims and their abusers being trapped in close quarters while sheltering in place during quarantines.

“We must continue to heighten public awareness of the issues of violence in Indian Country,” says StrongHearts Native Helpline Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). “StrongHearts Native Helpline urges all individuals not only during October but throughout the year to believe survivors, speak out and take action against abuse, and to share supportive resources with their loved ones and communities in a concentrated effort to put an end to domestic violence forever.”

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a safe, anonymous and confidential domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline that offers culturally-appropriate support and advocacy for American Indians and Alaska Natives. If you or someone you love is experiencing domestic, dating or sexual violence or if you have questions about your behavior, help is available. For one-on-one advocacy, click on the Chat Now icon at https://www.strongheartshelpline.org/ or call 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483). Advocates are available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT.

Oak Bay, Kilisut Harbor Connected
by Nicholas Johnson, PDN

For the first time in at least six decades, crystal clear water is flowing from Oak Bay into Kilisut Harbor’s Scow Bay, between Marrowstone and Indian islands, thanks in large part to the efforts of the North Olympic Salmon Coalition.

“All weekend, community members paddled back and forth between the two bays, and there is tell of the first circumnavigation of Marrowstone by a local father and son,” the Port Hadlock-based environmental nonprofit wrote in a Monday post on its Facebook page.

Since at least 1958, the channel has been blocked by a buildup of sediment, not to mention state Highway 116 that connects the two islands. Now, that land bridge is history. In its place sits a nearly complete 440-foot concrete girder bridge.

The reconnection of the two long-separated bodies of water represents the culmination of a multi-year effort by the coalition to restore not only a historic migration route for endangered salmon but also the marine ecosystem of Kilisut Harbor, which has suffered from elevated temperatures and stagnant, sediment-filled water.

“The water before construction began was pretty dirty,” said Tina Werner, state Department of Transportation spokeswoman, “and, as of last weekend, the water flowing through is crystal clean.”

The bridge itself remains restricted to one-way alternating traffic. Construction of approaches on either side, plus striping and the addition of signage, is all that remains to be done before the nearly $13 million project is complete — likely in late September — and the scenic stretch of the highway is opened to two-way traffic.

“It will be very exciting for Marrowstone Island travelers to have the bridge fully open once again,” Werner said, noting that, while construction itself has taken a little more than a year, procurement of permits and funding took nearly seven years.

The coalition came up with the lion’s share — nearly $10 million — while the state pitched in $2 million and the Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe added another $1 million by way of a NOAA Restoration Center grant.
Audio Interviews
Want to explore our history through people’s memories? The Tribe has posted many oral histories on its online museum at www.tribalmuseum.jamestowntribe.org. Click on Media Collections.

From 2002, we have excerpts from these Tribal citizens’ “Sharing Our Memories” interviews:
- Bill Broderson
- Helen Becker Jarvis
- Lincoln Sands
- Lyle Prince
- Ray Cook
- Robert Becker
- Ruby Prince George
- George Adams
- Harriette Hall Adams
- Tillie Campbell Norton
- Walter Reyes

More recent interviews include Tribal citizens:
- Charles “Warren” Farmer
- Charlotte Fitzgerald
- David Purser
- Dusty Humphries
- George Wakefield
- Harold Hammer
- Marlin Holden
- Michael Lowe
- Philip Harner
- Sherry Macgregor
- Tom Taylor
- And non Tribal people:
- Brooke Taylor, whose grand father was a teacher at the Jamestown school;
- John Kertis, on Jamestown Excavating’s role in totem installation.
- Dale Faulstich and Bud Turner on carving totem poles

Library to Offer Limited Curbside and Bookmobile Services!

Tribal Library—We’re Back! Well, sort of and only some of us. I’m so very sad to say that due to lack of funding, Jan Jacobson was laid off from the Library. Jan faithfully served our Library patrons for over six years. I’m sure many of you will miss her help with basic computer skills. She really has a knack for making computer tasks seem less scary. I’ll miss her help with projects and programs. She took care of the details for our film nights, events, and classes (including kitchen clean-up—Thank you, Jan!!). We’ll also miss her bookmobile deliveries to Tribal Elders. Please join me in wishing Jan well and good luck on her next adventure. Thank you, Jan, for being such a dedicated employee!

Your Tribal Librarian, Bonnie Roos

Speaking of bookmobile, I will attempt to fill Jan’s shoes (wheels?) on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. If you would like items delivered or picked up, please call me at 360-582-5783 and leave a message or email broos@jamestowntribe.org.

We are still closed but are offering curbside service. You may browse our collection at https://library.jamestowntribe.org/home, click on the red “Search Library Catalog” button. If you remember your log-in information you may reserve items or you can always call/email me. If you want something to read/watch but don’t really know what, let me know and I can bring you a “grab bag” of items. We have a lot of new books that are just begging to be read.

But what about COVID-19? Rest assured that we’ll make every effort to ensure the items we deliver are sanitized. All items are wiped down with sanitizer wipes and/or placed under a UV light, then placed in a cloth bag for delivery. Items that are returned, along with the bag, are handled the same way and also quarantined for a week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 360-582-5783 and leave a message or email broos@jamestowntribe.org.
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**Websites:**
- Tribal Government: www.jamestowntribe.org
- 7 Cedars Resort/Casino: www.7cedars.com
- Jamestown Family Health Clinic: https://jamestownhealth.org
- Jamestown Family Dental Clinic: https://jamestownfamilydentalclinic.com/
- Tribal Library: http://library.jamestowntribe.org
- Tribal Online Museum: www.tribalmuseum.jamestowntribe.org
- Healing Campus: www.jamestownhealingcampus.org
- Northwest Native Expressions Gallery: www.NorthwestNativeExpressions.com

**Facebook Pages:**
- Tribal Government: www.facebook.com/JamestownSKlallamTribe
- Tribal Library: https://www.facebook.com/Jamestown-SKlallam-Tribal-Library-468983403143461/
- S’Klallam Tribal Events and Announcements: https://www.facebook.com/groups/sklallam.events.announcements/
- Children and Youth Programs: https://www.facebook.com/jsktchildrenandyouth/
- yehúmac Traditional Foods and Culture Program: https://www.facebook.com/jamestown.tfcp/
- Jamestown Family Health Clinic: https://www.facebook.com/Jamestown-Family-Health-Clinic-191450454240502/
- https://www.facebook.com/7CedarsCasino/
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- https://www.facebook.com/LonghouseMarket/
- https://www.facebook.com/HouseOfSevenBrothers/

Find Us on the Web!
We have received a new shipment of Kim Elkins (Cree) free-standing and framed dolls—unique and beautiful!

Tribal Library Exhibit Design – Community Workshop

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Tribal staff have decided to host our next community workshop on Zoom on October 9 at 1 p.m. Are you interested in contributing to the exhibit design process, or curious about the project? This workshop is open to Tribal Citizens and Descendants. For more information, please contact the Jamestown THPO David Brownell at dbrownell@jamestowntribe.org or (360) 681-4638.

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 Morgan Snell at 360-681-4626 or msnell@jamestowntribe.org

Jamestown Family Health Clinic

808 North 5th Ave. Sequim, WA
Phone: 360-683-5900
Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
for both routine and as-needed, face-to-face and telehealth appointments.

Northwest Native Expressions Gallery

1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382
360-681-4640
Shop online! www.NorthwestNativeExpressions.com
The Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe will be administering heating assistance programs again this year.

Jamestown S’Klallam energy assistance program(s) require that applicants reside in the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s service area; be a household that has not received a Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant from another agency during the current program year (Oct-June), and meet strict income guidelines for the program. You may be eligible for a LIHEAP grant. The income limits are set at 150% of the federal poverty level (FPL). If you would like an application mailed to you, please call Christine Kiehl at (360) 681-4636 to leave a current mailing address.

The Subsistence catch cards that expired on September 30th are due back to Natural Resources Assistant Amber Almond by October 15th.
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