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# TRIBAL NEWSLETTER



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## From Our Chairman: Tribal Services for our Citizens

*By W. Ron Allen, Chairman/CEO Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe*



Greetings Tribal Citizens!!!

By the time you read this, most of our election results are in for Indian Country and our Tribe. Congrats to Loni and the confirmation of what great work she has been doing as our Tribal Vice-Chair. Also, congratulations to whoever wins our Tribal Treasurer position. We are all on the same mission to continue the goals and objectives of providing more and better services for our citizens.

Several questions surfaced from our Tribal General Council meeting on October 5th that I'd like to address from my perspective.

We have tried adding additional general citizenship meetings and what happens is the number of participants keeps dropping off and it becomes questionable in value to all who participate. Another request was that we use a meeting to go over the Annual Report. In my opinion, if one has questions about a program or service, that person should just ask us. Any of our Council or Program Directors are willing to go into greater detail, including budget questions.

The report is structured to provide an 'eagle view,' but with a few examples. I firmly feel for a small Tribe like ours, we are ahead of the class in the number and quality of services we provide for our citizens.

One great example is our 'out-of-the-area' health care reimbursement program, that is now at \$2,500/year on top of numerous exemptions due to special health circumstances. We recently expanded our policy to cover travel expenses for those who have special transportation needs due to dialysis or cancer treatments. Very few tribes provide such a benefit, even the ones who have much greater unrestricted revenue than ours. We cover travel expenses if you must travel long distances to participate in our cultural events. And the last example is our Youth Summer Intern program that gives our youth an opportunity to gain valuable work experience.. I raise these facts because they may not meet the desires of some citizens, but we are always looking for new options to improve and expand services to all our citizens that we feel the Tribe can afford.

One of our community challenges is the perception that because we have become so successful over the past number of years, that we can do even more than we are doing. It is the old adage that 'success breeds higher expectations'. We think you hit a great 'milestone' achievement, but the community's expectations move the goal a little further down the road.

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I am proud of how far we have come as Tribe that has continued to develop our governmental operations, expanded our programs and services and continue to develop our business portfolio to generate unrestricted revenue for the growth and desired goals for our future.

We have grown fast for a small Tribe. We now employ over a thousand people. We always look for better ways to serve our community, balancing the big picture of protecting our sovereignty, Treaty rights and traditional ways with the day-to-day needs of our community. We know it is never enough but we have an amazing team and we're always pursuing our Self-Reliance goal to become less dependent on the federal government. Many might wonder how big is 'big enough,' but because of these many community challenges and expectations, we have a ways to go.

I trust that you all have faith in our efforts to always serve our community, elders, veterans and families in the forefront of our minds.

Again, congratulations to our newly elected Jamestown leaders and we will continue on our Self-Governance and Self-Reliance journey.

Remember if you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me either at [rallen@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:rallen@jamestowntribe.org) or my cell phone (206) 369-6699.

God Bless, Ron



### **Voting in Tribal elections is important for several reasons:**

**Self-Determination:** Tribal elections empower Tribal Citizens to choose their leaders and influence decisions that affect community, reinforcing self-governance and autonomy.

**Representation:** Elected leaders are accountable. Voting ensures that diverse voices and perspectives within the Tribe are heard and represented.

**Cultural Preservation:** By voting, Tribal Citizens help maintain cultural heritage and ensure that it is valued in governance.

**Natural Resource Management:** Tribal governments often make decisions regarding land, resources, and economic development. Voting allows members to influence these critical issues, impacting their livelihoods and environment.

**Community Engagement:** Participating in elections builds a sense of community and belonging, encouraging Tribal Citizens to engage in discussions about their future and collaborate on shared goals.

***The next section of the newsletter contains Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Council candidate statements (page 4-9) that were originally printed in the October 2024 Newsletter and are being reprinted in case you missed them or want to re-read.***

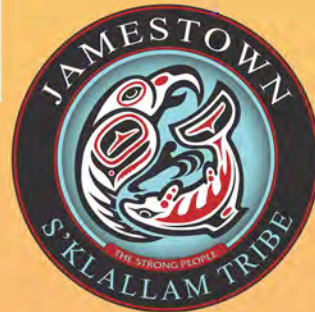
## Save-the-date! Honoring Our Veterans, Monday, Nov. 11

Jamestown Tribal Veterans, their family and friends, mark your calendar for Monday, November 11. Join us at 11 a.m. at the Jamestown S’Klallam Veterans Memorial to honor the past and present individuals who have served in the armed forces. After the ceremony, a lunch will be held at the House of Seven Brothers Restaurant at 7 Cedars Resort.

For more information, contact Al Fletcher, Tribal Veteran Representative at 5462elk@gmail.com or (360)434-4056.

### **ATTN: TRIBAL CITIZENS**

IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A BALLOT IN PREVIOUS ELECTIONS, MAKE SURE TO COMPLETE A SIGNATURE VERIFICATION FORM.



To receive a form or if you have any questions about voter eligibility contact the Election Committee Chair, Michael Lowe.

Phone: 360-460-7168

YOUR VOTE COUNTS

To be eligible to vote in the upcoming Tribal Election, a Signature Verification Form is required to be on file.

Once you have completed your Signature Verification Form, please mail it, or drop it off at the Tribe’s Administration Building.

Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe/Election Committee  
1033 Old Blyn Hwy,  
Sequim, WA 98382

# Tribal Council Election Statement: Vice-Chairperson

## Incumbent Candidate - Loni Grinnell-Greninger



ʔáy'skwáči (Good Day) Tribal Citizens and Families!

mán'cn ʔuʔ háʔnəŋ (Thank you very much) for your gift of time in reading my letter. For this election cycle, I am seeking your support and vote to remain as the Vice Chairwoman.

My traditional name is yúčciʔə (“yooch-see-uh”), and my English name is Loni Grinnell-Greninger. My S’Klallam heritage comes from the Prince Family: Kurt Grinnell, Elaine James Grinnell, Mildred “Mickey” Prince Judson, David Prince and Elizabeth Hunter Prince, lakánəm (Prince of Wales), čičməhán (Chetzemoka), and lakánəm who was the youngest son of the House of stətíʔəm.

In these last four years of serving you as Vice Chair, I am filled with gratitude for everything I have learned and the advocacy I have been able to participate in from here at home, all the way to the federal level. I give credit to the Creator, our ancestors, previous Tribal Council members, our Tribal Citizenship and families. I take comfort in the grace you all have afforded me as I learn. Because of our families past and present, as well as thinking about our families in the future, I am filled with confidence to speak up and work diligently on behalf of our Tribe.

I would like to list a few accomplishments from the last four years, fully understanding that these accomplishments do not only belong to me, but to everyone I listed above. In partnership with our previous and current Tribal Councils, I have been able to participate in the following:

- Supporting the work of Jamestown program staff, who are working to adjust program policies that attempt to meet the various needs of our tribal community, both in-area and out-of-area. This summary list of policy change examples include:
  - Increase the out-of-area health benefit from \$2,000 to \$2,500.
  - Expand flexibility for spending in the Enrichment Program.
  - Increase the General Welfare Scholarship in the Higher Education Program from \$3,000 to \$4,000.
  - Decreasing the geoduck harvest tax from 50% to 45% so that geoduck divers can keep 5% more income.
  - Supporting the creation of the Culture Department.
  - Property purchases to increase tribal housing, commercial housing, habitat restoration, river restoration, treaty harvest access, economic development, and program and enterprise expansion.
  - Updates to tribal housing properties, tribal program and enterprise buildings.
  - Support construction of new buildings: 7 Cedar Hotel, Dungeness River Nature Center, Jamestown Beach pavilion and kitchen, Healing Clinic, expanded Mental Health counseling. Under planning: Elders Housing, Youth Center, expanded Dental Clinic, Phase 2 of Healing Clinic (Evaluation & Treatment Center).
  - Increased cyber security.
  - Support staff promotion and expansion (which includes Tribal Citizen and Descendant employees).
  - Support the new Tribal Veterans Representative Program Agreement between the Tribe and WA Veterans Administration.
  - Support a healthy tribal-wide budget, balancing opportunity and stability. Our staff (both tribal and non-tribal) are very successful at obtaining grants, which frees up tribal income to support the program activities that do not fit within grant funding objectives.
  - Charitable donations to the local community: hospital, fire department, school districts, sports teams, Tribal Citizen participation in special events, etc.
  - Campaign contributions to local, state and congressional representatives who advocate for Indian Country.

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- Provide community education, providing presentations to local groups on tribal history and culture.
- Supporting Jamestown and Olympic Peninsula Tribes at the local level:
  - Participate as Jamestown Representative on the Clallam County Homelessness Taskforce, where I discuss with local partners on services to prevent and respond to homelessness, being culturally competent with American Indian/Alaska Native clients, update the County's five-year plan to address homelessness, and help determine local awardees for grant and county funding.
  - Participate as one of four Tribally Appointed Representatives on the Dungeness River Nature Center Board, where I provide consultation with the Center on educational programming, grant submissions, budget approval, strategic planning, property enhancements, and fundraising.
- Supporting Jamestown and Indian Country's tribal sovereignty at the state level:
  - Preside as Chair of the following WA State Councils/Committees, facilitating discussion on how to strategize and implement state social services in a way that more meets the needs of Tribal Governments and their tribal families, including increasing grant fund directly to Tribes to serve their communities.
    - WA Governor's Tribal Leaders Social Services Council;
    - WA Department of Social & Health Services Indian Policy Advisory Committee;
    - WA Department of Children, Youth & Families Tribal Policy Advisory Committee; and
    - WA Department of Corrections Indian Policy Advisory Committee.
  - Participate in lobbying for (or against) state legislative bills that affect Tribes, through editing bill language and providing written and verbal testimony in front of legislative representatives and advocating for legislative funding for Jamestown projects that serve tribal and non-tribal community members. The latest example is Tribal Council creating relationship and sharing our story with legislative members to obtain full funding for Phase 2 of the Healing Clinic, as well as funding for evaluation and design for roundabout construction at unsafe traffic areas. These fundings have allowed Jamestown to keep our monies at home.
  - Participate in WA state rulemaking processes with WA Agency and Tribal Leaders so that state policies, programs, and laws do not adversely affect Tribes. The latest example is with WA Department of Natural Resources and the rulemaking process for commercial finfish net pen operations on state leased lands.
  - Participate in the tribal-state strategy to respond to the opioid/fentanyl epidemic.
- Support Jamestown and Indian Country's tribal sovereignty at the federal level:
  - Preside as Chair of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (U.S. HHS) Administration for Children & Families (ACF) Tribal Advisory Committee, facilitating discussion on how to strategize and implement federal social services in a way that more meets the needs of Tribal Governments and their tribal families, including increasing grant funds directly to Tribes to serve their communities. This also includes getting involved in the federal budget process, expanding or updating programs and laws, making funding processes easier for tribes, change policy to allow tribes freedom to choose who they serve in their communities, creating relationship with congressional members, and providing verbal and written testimony in the budget process.
  - Co-facilitate or participate in Tribal Consultations for U.S. HHS programs, providing official input in how programs can be evolved to be better for Tribes to implement.
  - Provide presentations to tribal-federal advisory bodies on the work being completed by the U.S. HHS ACF Tribal Advisory Committee.
  - Collaboration with other federal agencies such as the Department of Justice, FBI, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and White House Council on Indian Affairs, where programming is congruent with tribal-federal social services.

There has been so much opportunity in these last four years to grow in advocacy for the Jamestown Tribe. I am hopeful for your support to continue in the next four years as I sharpen my skills to work better for you and continue to gain more state and federal resources for our Tribe. Again, I sincerely thank you for your time in reading this letter. It is difficult to fit all of one's thoughts into one article, so I will follow up with a letter to each Tribal Citizen household to discuss my goals and thoughts on special issues for the next four years. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 360-681-4660 or [Igreninger@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:Igreninger@jamestowntribe.org). Until next time! há?nəŋ cn! (Thank you!)

# Tribal Council Election Statement: Treasurer

## Candidate - Ricky Johnson



My name is Ricky Johnson, and I am running for the Treasurer position of Tribal Council.

I've had the privilege of serving in two key positions that have given me first-hand experience in understanding the needs of our community and Tribal Citizens. As the former Elder Program Manager and current Grants Specialist for Social and Community Services, I've worked hard to secure funding that supports our Elders and other important community programs. This work has taught me a lot about managing resources, navigating complex funding processes, and making sure our programs are sustainable for the long term.

But my commitment to our Tribe goes beyond my job. I've been an active volunteer in our community, from coaching youth soccer in Sequim to representing tribal Elder issues at the regional level. These experiences have strengthened my connection to our people and deepened my understanding of the challenges we face. I make it a priority to listen to our citizens, especially our Elders, and stay in tune with their needs at a grassroots level. Some of you may have received friend requests from me on Facebook within the past year—this is because I believe social media offers another valuable way to connect with you, especially those I don't get to see frequently and those who live out-of-area. I am thankful I get to learn about your history and families, understand your challenges, and hear about your dreams. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your lives and hear your stories.

As a dedicated family man and father, I am guided by a sense of duty to serve my people and promise to bring my experiences, dedication, and strong commitment to transparency and accountability to the position of treasurer. I'll work hard to keep our Tribe's finances healthy and to make sure our resources are used in ways that truly benefit our community. I would be honored to serve as your Treasurer, and I'm asking for your support.

Thank you for considering me.

Ricky Johnson  
(Allen Family)

### From the Election Board

#### **Election Day is Tuesday, November 5th!**

If you have moved recently, make sure your address is up-to-date with Kayla Holden, Enrollment Supervisor & Client Navigator. She can be reached at (360)681- 4606 or at [kholden@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:kholden@jamestowntribe.org).

If you have questions about the Tribal Election, don't hesitate to contact the Election Board Committee Chair, Michael Lowe. He can be reached at (360)460-7168.

### Deadline for Jamestown Higher Education Scholarships

Enrolled Tribal Citizens, the next quarter deadline for Higher Education Funding is **November 15—Winter Quarter/Spring Semester.**

For more information contact Gage Jackson at [gjackson@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:gjackson@jamestowntribe.org).

# Tribal Council Election Statement: Treasurer

## Candidate - LaTrisha Suggs



Greeting Tribal Citizens, I am asking for your vote as the next Tribal Council Treasurer. I am from the Cook-Kardonsky family, my mom is Theresa Lehman. My grandmother is the late Leona Cope, my great grandmother is the late Lillian Kardonsky, my great-great grandmother is the late Nora Cook, my great-great grandfather is the late John Cook. I am the great niece of the late Annie Balch, who served as Tribal Council Secretary, 1988-1999.

I have a Bachelor of Environmental Policy & Planning from Western Washington University, over 400 hours of federal acquisition regulation training, and an Association of Washington Cities Certificate of Municipal Leadership. I have worked in Natural Resources for Tribal governments for 23 years. I am the restoration planner for Jamestown Natural Resources, Habitat Program.

I serve on the City of Port Angeles Council, as a council member, since 2020. I was appointed to fill a vacated Council seat, Position 1, and then in 2021 I successfully ran for City Council and won. Combined my Tribal board experience totals 25 years. I serve on the Health Committee, Economic Development Authority (EDA), Cannabis Board, Washington Water Trust, and the North Olympic Peninsula Lead Entity. I also serve on the following boards for the city: Clallam County Marine Resources, Solid Waste Advisory Board, & William Shore Memorial Pool board.

Self-determination, the ability to “freely determine our political status and to freely pursue economic, social and cultural development.” Sovereignty, treaty rights, self-governance and determination remain top priorities. I will work alongside council members, and Tribal organizations to preserve, protect, and strengthen our inherent Rights and chip away at policy frameworks constrained by Federal institutions that impacts Sovereignty and Self-Governance.

Economic enterprise diversification through the Economic Development Authority (EDA) is vital. When appointed to the EDA the organization relied on the Tribal Government to operate & for loans. The EDA board rolled up their sleeves, along with staff, & Tribal Council, and began asking hard questions about how businesses were operating. Now EDA funds itself through a business tax, no longer relies on the tribal government, maintains cash on hand, diversified, and has established assets. Changes resulted in expansion of the Jamestown Excavation from 3 to 28 employees while branching into surveying & concrete services, Jamestown Capital established, Jamestown Property management for Commercial & residential properties established, construction of a cell tower completed, survived Covid-19, Carlsborg Self-Storage expanded, Cedars Greens opened, Jamestown Networks performs strongly, & recent acquisition of the former KOA campgrounds off O’Brien Road. As a Tribal Council member, I will continue to support diversifying economic opportunities, increase available cash on hand for EDA, and continue to pay down debt.

As a member of the Health Committee, I supported our covid-19 pandemic response, development of the out-of-area reimbursement program, branching into pediatrics dental, increase for eyeglass reimbursement, and expansion into the Behavioral Health and Wellness center behind Costco. I will continue to support programs that help citizens achieve their desired wellness goals.

The Tribes 2019 Housing Solutions study looked at elder, workforce, transitional, emergency, and multifamily housing options. The focus is on elderly housing at River Rd. & Silberhorn, which is near services and amenities. The study identified 65-107 housing units needed for elders, individuals & households aged 55+ yrs. I support the needs identified in the study and will work with Tribal council to ensure the project moves forward.

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I support lowering blood quantum for citizenship. The path to make this happen will come from community input and discussion along with analysis of how this change will impact existing services, & how those services will change to meet the needs of a larger population. I also feel it is vital to maintain the level of service to our existing population while looking at ways to expand citizenship. The Tribe should be inclusive of direct Jamestown S’Klallam descendants who are actively involved in our community.

Elders have guided Tribal programs & services since recognition and before. I support programs, services, activities, & opportunities for our elders. The Tribes elder population is the fastest growing age bracket. Volunteers of the year have historically gone to elders; another example of their continued contribution to the community.

Please vote for LaTrisha Suggs for Tribal Council Treasurer.

Respectfully

LaTrisha Suggs  
[latrishaos@hotmail.com](mailto:latrishaos@hotmail.com)

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### From Our Cemetery Committee

- For burial pre-arrangements assistance and/or reservation of burial plots/columbarium niches at the Jamestown Cemetery please contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Allie Taylor at 360-681-4638 or [ataylor@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:ataylor@jamestowntribe.org).
- The Jamestown Cemetery is open to Tribal Citizens, Descendants, and Families from sunrise to sunset daily. No key code is necessary to open the gates at those times.

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## Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s Emergency and Non-Emergency Contact Procedures

### **Emergency Contact Procedure:**

For medical emergencies, crimes in progress, fires, vehicle accidents, etc.,

**DIAL 911**

### **Non-Emergency Contact Procedure:**

Any non-emergency that needs law enforcement or medical assistance i.e.: Non-emergency medical aid, suspicious person or vehicles, vehicle alarms, etc.,

**DIAL 360-417-2459** (Clallam County Sheriff’s Non-Emergency Dispatch)

Please be prepared to provide pertinent details of **who, what, when, where**, i.e.

### **For further assistance contact Jamestown Law Enforcement**

Chief Rory Kallappa	Office: 360-681-4629	Cell: 360-477-0233
Sgt Calvin Lehman	Office: 360-582-5797	Cell: 360-460-5178
Officer Patrick Carter	Office: 360-582-5798	Cell: 360-477-3531
Officer Chad Payne	Office: 360-681-5627	Cell: 360-809-4230
CCSO Deputy Jeff Pickrell	Cell: 360-460-3788	



# Tribal Council Election Statement: Treasurer

## Candidate - Josh Chapman



Greetings, my Fellow Tribal Citizens,

My name is Josh Chapman, and I am proud to come from the Johnson/Wood family on my father's side and the Hall family on my mother's side. As a proud Jamestown S'Klallam citizen, I am honored to announce my candidacy for Tribal Council Treasurer, a position where I believe my experience and dedication to our community can make a significant difference.

For over 20 years, I have served on the JKT Gaming Board of Directors at 7 Cedars, gaining extensive experience in business management and financial oversight. I have also served as the Natural Resources Tribal Policy Liaison for the past three years, advocating for our Tribe's Treaty Rights and working closely with key stakeholders, including Sister Tribes and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW). Since 2021, I've had the privilege of chairing the Natural Resources Committee, where I've focused on preserving our resources for future generations while ensuring that our current fishery and environmental protection needs are met.

In addition to my Tribal leadership roles, I've been running a successful fishing and seafood business for the past 20 years. My business experience extends to 13 years in the car industry, with the last 8 of those years in management. These combined experiences have given me a strong understanding of financial management, budgeting, and accountability—skills that will directly support my work as Treasurer.

Along with my sons Matthew and Liam, I am proud to be a Tribal fisherman. Protecting our fisheries has been a key part of my work, both as a member of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission (NWIFC) and the Point No Point Treaty Council (PNPTC). My efforts to hold the State accountable for its lack of monitoring and reporting have resulted in shorter state fishery openings and increased enforcement for recreational fishermen—steps that benefit our Tribal community and our natural resources.

I've worked alongside Tribes, the State, the Navy, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and other government agencies to ensure that our Treaty Rights are protected, and I will bring this same commitment to the role of Treasurer.

My goal for our Tribe is to ensure the transparent and responsible management of our Tribe's financial resources while supporting initiatives that promote long-term growth and sustainability. Good fiscal management is essential for any business, and I would like to bring those skills, expertise, and experience into the position of Treasurer.

I am very aware that there are many needs within our Tribe and community, including housing, education, and health care. My family and I are proud of our heritage and culture, and I would like the opportunity to continue the great work of our past Councils.

I am excited for the opportunity to serve you and work together toward a brighter future for our Tribe. I humbly ask for your support and vote.

Sincerely,

Josh Chapman  
Natural Resources Tribal Liaison  
Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe  
Cell (360)461-5860

# 2024 Elders Luncheon

Photos by Crystal Chavez, Ricky Johnson and Jimmy Hall

On September 26, 2024, the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe and 7 Cedars Resort hosted the Annual Elders Luncheon. This year’s event drew over 260 people, with Elders visiting from Halalt First Nations, Sechelt Nation, Nooksack, Elwha, Steilacoom, Suquamish, Quinault, Makah, Tulalip, Skokomish, and Chehalis. The event was a great success and enjoyed by everyone who attended. Jamestown Tribal Government staff and Citizen volunteers put together a range of gift baskets that were given out to attendees. Black Diamond Junction, the Olympic Peninsula’s “Best Live Band” provided entertainment for the event, and they did a fantastic job. There was even a photobooth! The food was deliciously prepared by the fabulous staff at 7 Cedars Resort, serving up chicken marsala, clams, oysters, garlic mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, green salad, fruit salad, dinner roll and a dessert of lemon cake and cheesecake. A big thank you to everyone who made this year’s Elder Luncheon Event a success.



Above: Jamestown S’Klallam Singers and Drummers



Above: Sue Johnson and Vickie Carroll photobooth  
Left: Tribal Veterans Honor Guard  
Below: Black Diamond Junction Live Performance



***Wednesday November 13th***  
***Topic "Spirit Quest"***

**JAMESTOWN FAMILY  
HEALTH CLINIC PRESENTS:  
THE WISDOM OF  
THE ELDERS GROUP**  
**For Jamestown Elders & Direct Descendants**

This group promotes mental, emotional,  
and spiritual wellness.

It is a safe, confidential and supportive  
environment for our Elders to come together, share  
experiences, and build a sense of community.

**2nd Wednesday of the Month**

**Lunch served at 11:30**

**Meeting 12:00 - 1:00 pm**

**JFHC Upstairs Conference Room  
Facilitated by Rob Welch, PhD**



# A Guide to Reducing Your Bills and Your Carbon Footprint

By : Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Natural Resources Department

Climate change poses threats to our health, our safety, and our economy. Several national policies and state programs now make it possible for all Washingtonians to step up and be a part of the solution. New incentives and programs are helping families reduce energy costs, reduce reliance on fossil fuels, and keep our air clean. If you are curious about how you can take advantage of the historic energy rebate and tax credit opportunities, make your home more comfortable for the cool season, and save on bills, then check out the programs below with links to learn more.

Rebates and other incentives are available from your electric utility provider, the State of Washington and the federal government.

## **Utility Rebates:**

**Clallam County PUD** offers a wide variety of rebates and incentives to help make your home more energy efficient. Getting a PUD rebate is like being paid to save on your utility bills while making your home more comfortable. Most of our incentives with our participating installers work so that the incentive is taken right off your installer bill, so you don't have to pay in advance and then wait for your rebate from the PUD.

Rebates and incentives are offered on a variety of energy efficient home upgrades including:

**Ductless Heat Pumps** Save hundreds of dollars a year on your electric heating bill by upgrading to an energy-efficient heating and cooling system. Heat pump systems include air conditioning so you can stay cool in the summer, and cozy in the winter.

**Window Replacement** Upgrading your windows can limit cold drafts in your home, reduce condensation around window trim, and reduce the heating load for your home.

**Insulation** Increasing insulation levels in homes make them more comfortable, reduce heating needs and lower your electric bills

## **ENERGY STAR Washers and Dryers**

There's more! Check out all the specific programs on the PUD Residential Programs webpage: <https://clallampud.net/residential-programs/> OR contact: (360) 565-3249 • Utility.Services.Info@clallampud.net to speak with a program manager about the programs and associated requirements.

**City of Port Angeles** also offers rebates that can lower your utility bill and improve the comfort of your home.

Residential Rebates are offered for the installation of:

Ductless Heat Pumps  
Insulation  
Windows  
Water Conservation  
Heat Pump Water Heaters  
Free Weatherization Program

The City of Port Angeles Low Income Program offers increased incentives for both homeowners and tenants in the city. This program has offered many homeowners in Port Angeles free or reduced costs while they are upgrading their home. Click here to learn more and find out if you qualify.

If approved, you will become eligible for the following:

Windows: Up to \$20/square foot of glass

Insulation: Up to 100% of the cost of qualifying installations

Ductless Heat Pump: Up to \$6,000 toward the installation of a qualifying unit

Heat Pump Water Heater: Up to \$3,000 for qualifying water heater

## Washington State Incentives:

**Washington EV Instant Rebate Program** launched a program that will provide up to \$9,000 off a new EV lease for low-income drivers at point-of-sale, bringing lease payments under \$200 a month on several popular electric models. Washington is the first state to prioritize low-cost leases as part of an EV incentive program. To learn more, visit: <https://waevinstantrebates.org/eligibility/> and find out if you are eligible

## Washington Sales Tax Exemptions

Sales Tax exemption for electric vehicles and plug-in hybrids. The exemption applies to dealer and private sales of new, used, and leased vehicles sold on or after August 1, 2019.

- New vehicle transactions must not exceed \$45,000 in purchase price or lease payments
- Used vehicles transactions must not exceed \$30,000 in fair market value or lease payments

You cannot use a trade-in to lower the price of a vehicle to meet the exemption limits. If you have questions, you can call the Department of Revenue's (DOR) Tax Assistance line at 360-705-6705.

## Federal Incentives:

### Clean Vehicle Tax Credits

Switching to an EV will reduce your carbon footprint and save you money in fuel costs each year.

### New Plug-in and Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles Purchased in or after 2023

Get a tax credit of up to \$7,500 for new vehicles purchased in or after 2023!

### Pre-Owned Plug-in and Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles Purchased in or after 2023

Get a credit of up to \$4,000 for used vehicles purchased from a dealer for \$25,000 or less! The amount equals 30% of purchased price, with a maximum credit of \$4,000. Other requirements apply.

### New Plug-in and Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles Purchased Before 2023

Get a tax credit of up to \$7,500 for new vehicles purchased before 2023! The amount varies based on battery capacity and manufacturer phase-out.

Visit: <https://fueleconomy.gov/feg/tax2023.shtml>

to learn more and find out if you qualify



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## Culture Department Announcements & Events

ʔáyəs číʔčíʔkʷáʔsəŋ (time to put paddles away) Happy November!

All events that the Culture Department host are open to all Jamestown Tribal Citizens, Descendants and their families.

### **1st Foods Ceremony**

Food is medicine and culture is what makes us a tribe. We are grateful for all that has been given to us this year. We are still here; we are resilient, we are grateful for what we have, and we will not forget our ancestors or our ceremonies.

Join us for our yearly First Foods Ceremony. We will be preparing a traditional meal to share. We look forward to seeing everyone, sharing our gratitude and asking for a bountiful year to come.

Last year was so successful, we are including more seating and we'll be bringing all the foods we've been preserving over the year.

If you are interested in attending or VOLUNTEERING, please RSVP to Mackenzie Grinnell. 360-681-3408.

**What:** 1st Foods Ceremony

**Where:** Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy

**When:** November 16th, 11:00am –2:00pm

### **Jamestown's Song & Dance**

The days are getting cooler, so singing and drumming will be moving back to the Dungeness River Nature Center in the Rainshadow Room (inside the main building). Bring your drums and rattles or just come for the company and a bowl of soup. This is the perfect time to practice singing, leading or just listening.

**What:** Singing & Drumming

**Where:** Dungeness River Nature Center, 1943 W. Hendrickson Rd., Sequim

**When:** November 13 @ 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

*\*No Singing & Drumming on 11/27 since it is a holiday week!*

### **Klallam Language**

Language will be held every week at the Dungeness River Nature Center, and every other week it will have a virtual option. Lessons can include learning the alphabet, basic grammar and vocabulary, and basic phrases.

**What:** Klallam Language

**Where:** Dungeness River Nature Center, 1943 W. Hendrickson Rd., Sequim

**When:** Mondays, November 4th and 18th (in-person and Facebook Live), and November 25th (in-person only), 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

*\*No Language Class on 11/11 since it is a holiday!*



**Above: Ceremonial food at the 2023 First Foods Ceremony**

## Teddy Bear Tea – Singing White Christmas in S’Klallam

The Teddy Bear Tea is a children's focused event put on by our local hospital with fun food, performances, and dress up! The JST has been invited for the second year to help perform the holiday classic, "White Christmas" in S'Klallam! We will have lyrics available during the performance and practices to get folks feeling as comfortable as possible. We will perform it twice since there are two teas (9am and 11am). If you have kids/grandkids in elementary school age and you would like a seat, please let me know because you will need tickets! If you are only singing, you will not need a ticket. More details to come!! Please RSVP to Loni on the Facebook event page, or by email or phone at: [lgreninger@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:lgreninger@jamestowntribe.org) or 360-681-4660.

**What:** Teddy Bear Tea – Singing White Christmas in S’Klallam

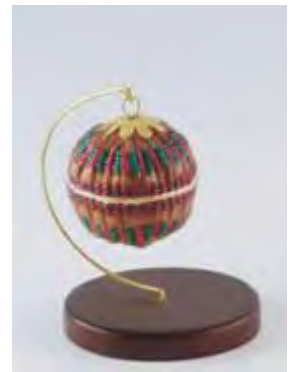
**Where:** Vern Burton Gym, 308 E 4th St, Port Angeles, WA 98362

**When:** Saturday, November 30th, 8:30am – 12:30pm

Please wear your regalia and you can dress it up in a holiday theme if you like!

## Winter Cultural Weekend

We are looking for 5 or 6 tribal artists that would like to share their talents at the Winter Cultural Weekend. We’re going with a holiday theme and people should be able to complete your project in 2-8 hours. Kits should be made to teach groups of 6-8 for two day projects, 16-20 3 hour projects, and at least 25 1-2 hour projects. You can use any type of medium including cedar, beads, sweetgrass, pine needles etc. A stipend is provided for time and materials. Contact Lisa or Jesse if you are interested in teaching or attending.



**What:** Winter Cultural Weekend

**Where:** RCH – Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy, Sequim

**When:** December 14th & 15th , 11:00am – 3:00pm

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## Christmas Decorations Available

A limited amount of Christmas decorations have been generously donated for those in need. They are available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Contact Teresa Lehman for more information at (360) 457-5772.

# 2024 ApplePalooza!

By; Mack Grinnell

If you missed Applepalooza this year... there's always next year! Thank you, Beth Anders and crew Merle Holden, Julie Powers, Cathy MacGregor, for making the fry bread. Thank you to those who kept the apple press going and the bottles filled. Boo, Tim, Josh, Esther, Thad, Timothy (and the young ones! Olivia, Arya, Zahra, Haven) Thank you Ricky Johnson for grilling food for us.



**Above: Arya Bryans, Olivia Pease, and Zahra Hill  
Below: Ricky Johnson barbequing for the event**



**Above: Timothy & Thad O'Connell  
Left: ApplePalooza Participants  
Below: Trisha Dechenne, Raven Hunter & Baby Rainy Lu**





# Library Corner

Happy November! Stop in the library to get a library card and check out a book, visit the cultural exhibits, watch a documentary short in the library theater or join us for one of these great library programs:

**In celebration of Native Heritage Month, the library is pleased to offer the following drop-in programs:**

**In the theater every Tuesday in November at 11am, the library will feature a recording from the [IndigenousSpeakerSeries.com](http://IndigenousSpeakerSeries.com).** This series is “A Platform Promoting Place-based Indigenous Knowledges, Indigenized Research and Future Generations.” The Series started to come into materialization in 2015 by Dr. Michelle Montgomery through community conversations. The series amplifies voices of Indigenous people and promotes a dialogue about Indigenous people’s cultural and traditional lived experiences. Visit the website to learn more and view these recordings and more.

**November 5th** Dr. Marco Hatch (Samish Indian Nation) - Clam Gardens: a place of community and learning

**November 12th** Rose High-Bear (Deg Hit’an Dine, Inupiaq) - Your Journey of Transformation - Wisdom of the Elderberry Farm

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** Pah-Tu Pitt (Warm Springs/Wasco) - Re-Localizing Native Leadership on Environmental Narratives and Economy

**November 26<sup>th</sup>** Leanna Goose (Anishinaabeg)- Wisdom of the Ancestors: Indigenous Approaches to Climate Justice

**Drop-In Writers Workshop - Wednesday afternoons in November, (6, 13, 20, & 27<sup>th</sup>) from 3-4:30 pm.** Stop in the library and find inspiration and a space to write with other indigenous writers in the community. Staff will be present and provide a weekly writing prompt. You may also use the opportunity to write, talk, and support other writers. This program will continue beyond November.

## **Gaming Saturdays with TTRPG (Table-Top Role Playing Games)**

Library staff are thrilled to be bringing [TTRPG](http://TTRPG) and a weekly drop in game days to the library on Saturdays from 1-3pm.

While card and board games will be available every week, on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of each month library staff will lead a TTRPG game Coyote and Crow, a science fantasy roleplaying game set in an uncolonized future. For more information about Coyote and Crow, visit [coyoteandcrow.net](http://coyoteandcrow.net). There will be additional games available to play during the program including NAASII and WOLVES, also developed by Coyote and Crow Developer, Connor Alexander (Cherokee Nation). Reach out to the library for more information.

The library has been offering **Prime Time Family Reading**, an early literacy program for youth ages 6-11, and their families at the Dungeness Nature River Center from 5 to 7pm on Mondays. The program is ending on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to join us at our last celebratory session. Contact [library@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:library@jamestowntribe.org) or call (360) 681-4632 to participate in similar reading and library events.

The program was held at the Dungeness Nature River Center from 5 to 7pm on Mondays. Facilitated by Tribal Elder Michael Lowe (Chubby/Lowe family) and Library staff Tayona Heller (Prince family). Families received copies of 11 books shared during the program, shared in a free meal, and received gift cards and door prizes for their participation.

**Open House and Library Card launch** – Coming soon are NEW physical library cards. Celebrate Native Heritage Month with the library at an open house on **Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm**, enjoy a warm



beverage and snack, and pick up your NEW library card.

**BOOKMOBILE!**

Tribal Elders interested in receiving Jamestown book deliveries at home or at the Elder's Lounge can reach out to library staff in person, by email at [library@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:library@jamestowntribe.org), or by phone at 360-681- 4632. Ask for Brandon or Cheryl.

Library hours are Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm and Saturdays 10am to 4 pm. (closed November 28-30 for Thanksgiving Holiday).



Above: New Jamestown Library Card Design

## River Festival: A Resounding Success!

By: Jennifer Waters-White (DRNC Communications Coordinator)

We're excited to share that the 2024 Dungeness River Festival made quite a splash! A heartfelt thank you to all the incredible volunteers and organizations that made this event possible—you truly are the champions behind River Fest.

With 23 booths showcasing a variety of activities, the day was filled with smiling faces and meaningful interactions. We estimate that over 1,200 attendees—from enthusiastic elementary school children to engaged adults in our community—joined us for a fantastic day at the park. It was a busy, bustling celebration, and we can't wait to do it all again next year!



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**Jamestown Healing Clinic**  
Need help with your substance abuse disorder? Prospective patients interested in services from Jamestown Healing Clinic are encouraged to call the clinic during business hours at (360) 681-7755 or visit [www.jamestownhealingclinic.org](http://www.jamestownhealingclinic.org).



**Jamestown Family Health Clinic**



808 North Fifth Avenue,  
Sequim, WA 98382  
360-683-5900  
Mon. – Fri. 8 am-5 pm,  
Saturday 10 am-3 pm for  
both routine and  
as-needed, face-to-face  
and telehealth  
appointments.

**JAMESTOWN**  
FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC

**ATTN: In-Area Tribal Citizens**

In-Area Tribal Citizens: There are some changes happening with health insurance in Washington state, please be prepared to work with the Tribal Wellness Program.

## Contact Information

7 Cedars Hotel and Casino	360-683-7777
Carlsborg Self Storage	360-582-5795
Casino Gift Shop	360-681-6728
Cedar Greens Cannabis	360-489-6099
Cedars at Dungeness Golf Course	360-447-6826
Child Advocacy Center	360-681-5601
Double Eagle/Stymie's Lounge	360-683-3331
Dungeness River Nature Center	360-681-4076
Economic Development Authority	360-683-2025
Jamestown Dental Clinic	360-681-3400
Jamestown Excavating	360-683-4586
Jamestown Family Health Clinic	360-683-5900
Jamestown Healing Clinic	360-681-7755
Jamestown Land Survey	360-681-4586
Jamestown Networks	360-582-5796
JST Capital	360-460-6890
Longhouse Market and Deli	360-681-7777
Newsletter Editor	360-681-5629
NWNE Gallery	360-681-4640
Public Safety & Justice Center	360-681-5600
Social & Community Services	360-681-4617
Tribal Library	360-681-4632
Tribal Gaming Agency	360-681-6702
Tribal Veterans Representative	360-434-4056

## Interested in Attending Tribal Council Meetings?

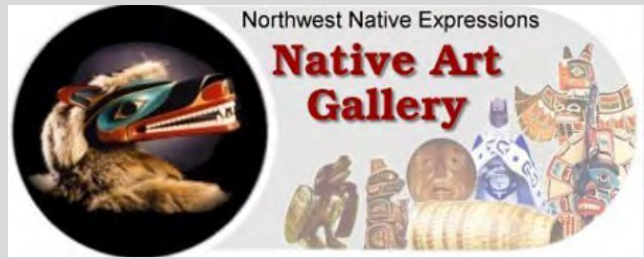
Contact Liz Barbee at [lbarbee@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:lbarbee@jamestowntribe.org) receive the date, time, and Zoom meeting address for the next meeting.

### Websites:

Tribal Government: [www.jamestowntribe.org](http://www.jamestowntribe.org)  
 7 Cedars Hotel/Casino: [www.7cedars.com](http://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](http://www.tribalmuseum.jamestowntribe.org)  
 Jamestown Healing Campus: [www.jamestownhealingclinic.com](http://www.jamestownhealingclinic.com)  
 Northwest Native Expressions Gallery: [NorthwestNativeExpressions.com](http://NorthwestNativeExpressions.com)  
 Dungeness River Nature Center: [www.dungenessrivercenter.org](http://www.dungenessrivercenter.org)  
 Kurt Grinnell Aquaculture Scholarship Foundation; [www.kurtgrinnellscholarship.org](http://www.kurtgrinnellscholarship.org)

### Facebook Pages:

Tribal Government: [www.facebook.com/JamestownSKlallamTribe](http://www.facebook.com/JamestownSKlallamTribe)  
 Tribal Library: <https://www.facebook.com/Jamestown-SKlallam-Tribal-Library-46893403143461/>  
 S'Klallam Tribal Events and Announcements: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sklallam.events.announcements/>  
 Children and Youth Programs: <https://www.facebook.com/jsktchildrenandyouth>  
 yəhúmæct Traditional Foods and Culture Program: <https://www.facebook.com/jamestown.tfp/>  
 Jamestown Family Health Clinic: <https://www.facebook.com/Jamestown-Family-Health-Clinic-191450454240502/>  
 7Cedars Casino: <https://www.facebook.com/7CedarsCasino/>  
 Cedars at Dungeness Golf Course: <https://www.facebook.com/TheCedarsAtDungeness/>  
 Longhouse Market and Deli: <https://www.facebook.com/LonghouseMarket/>  
 House of Seven Brothers Restaurant: <https://www.facebook.com/HouseOfSevenBrothers/>  
 Dungeness River Nature Center: <https://www.facebook.com/dungenessrivernaturecenter>  
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The Art Gallery has a Native-inspired collection of Christmas ornaments and other seasonal specialties. These handcrafted artworks make a great holiday gift!

Begin your holiday shopping early!

# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Klallam Language @ DNRC	5 Tribal & National Election Day	6	7	8	9
10	11 Veterans' Day Veterans Honoring Event @ JST Veteran Memorial	12	13	14	15	16 First Foods Ceremony
17	18 Klallam Language @ DNRC	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Klallam Language @ DNRC	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	29 Native American Heritage Day	30

## JOURNEY HOME CLASSES COMING SOON !

Journey Home classes will cover all aspects of home ownership and home maintenance.

The classes are required for all eligible Tribal Citizens who would like to access the Down Payment Assistance or Matched Savings Assistance programs to become homeowners. The classes are expected to start in November or December, 2024.

If you are interested in participating in the classes, please contact Zac Colkitt at 360-681-3344 or [ZColkitt@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:ZColkitt@jamestowntribe.org) or Lesly DeAngelo at 360-681-4635 or [LDeangelo@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:LDeangelo@jamestowntribe.org)





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Newsletter Info:

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[newsletter@jamestowntribe.org](mailto:newsletter@jamestowntribe.org) or by mail to:  
1033 Old Blyn HWY  
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### Changes of Address:

Tribal Citizens, please send changes of address and name changes to Enrollment Supervisor Kayla Holden at [kholden@jamestownTribe.org](mailto:kholden@jamestownTribe.org) or call her at 360-681-4606. Other newsletter recipients, please send changes of address to the address.

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## November Birthdays

11/1	Richard Reuter	11/13	Dawson Cope
11/2	Dena Hill	11/15	Khia Grinnell
11/3	Charlotte Fitzgerald	11/16	Eugene Becker
11/3	Robert Decoteau	11/17	Lana Kerr
11/4	Mackenzie Grinnell	11/17	Jacqueline Vekich
11/4	Denise Ulowetz	11/17	Lisa Wylie
11/4	Carol Martindale	11/19	Taylor Hensley
11/5	Harold Hensley	11/21	Frank Hernandez
11/5	Heather Dakus	11/21	Brandyn Patzer
11/6	Toni O'Connell	11/22	Jason Hutsell
11/7	Sally Hopkins	11/22	Nicholas Fryett
11/7	Riordan	11/23	Jeffrey Hall
11/7	Gloria Smith	11/24	Makenna Hensley
11/7	Daniel Hall	11/25	James Lapointe
11/9	Breanna Johnson	11/25	Kissendrah Johnson
11/9	Lisa Emperado	11/25	Jordan Dechenne
11/10	Steven Rowling	11/26	Margaret Adams
11/10	James McDonald	11/27	Walter Norton
11/10	Christopher Piltz	11/27	Barbara Shearer
11/11	Alice McCauley	11/28	Raymond Lounsbury
11/11	Karolyn Bartman	11/29	Darcel Shearer
11/12	Antoinette Sigle	11/30	Morgan Snell
11/13	Jesse Prince		