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## Sense of duty leads Ricky Johnson to Tribal Council

By Mike Dashiell, Tribal Communications and Publications Specialist, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

It was his years as a young man, during afternoons spent on the Blyn campus, that Ricky Johnson (Allen Family) started gleaning the wisdom of Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Citizens. Waiting for his mom to finish work or during youth programs, he came to know many Elders and Tribal Council members mentors who would come to shape his moral compass and instill a sense of duty.

"I was out here almost every day; what a great experience," said Johnson, reflecting on his upbringing from his office at the Social and Community Services campus.

A day earlier, on Dec. 3, 2024, Johnson was sworn in as the Tribal Council's Treasurer, succeeding Theresa Lehman, who stepped down after four four-year terms.

"It's great to come full circle and feel proud of who I am now," he said.

Photo by Mike Dashiell W. Ron Allen at the Council meeting on Dec. 3.

New Tribal Council Treasurer Ricky Johnson is sworn in by Chairman

Johnson said his motivation to run came

from others in his circle, from those he respects and trusts, and not a personal desire to hold a Tribal position.

"I don't think I can do a better job than anyone else, but I am committed to my people," he said.

"It's not something I've ever sought. My whole family thinks I'm a little crazy."

### Strong sense of community

Johnson was born in Port Angeles and raised in Sequim before moving to Neah Bay with his mother, Jerelyn Allen, at the start of his fourth-grade year. (Johnson is both Makah and Jamestown, he noted.)

He said he saw a close-knit people with a strong sense of community, and the effect of a reservation on a tribe — how some Tribes seem to sacrifice economic progress to retain cultural traditions, and conversely others make sacrifices to those traditions for economic progress.

Johnson said his mother thought Neah Bay to be a bit rough for him, so they moved back to Seguim and were able to enroll at Jamestown. Over the years, Jerelyn took positions with the Tribe's Indian Child Welfare (ICW)

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## Theresa Lehman reflects on time with Tribal Council

By Mike Dashiell, Tribal Communications and Publications Specialist, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

It was a piece of advice from a fellow committee member that truly stuck with Theresa Lehman (Cook-Kardonsky) as she began navigating the waters of serving the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe.

"You're not in this for yourself," Harriett Adams told her. "You're in this for your Tribal Citizens."

After four terms and 16 years as Treasurer on the Tribal Council and decades on numerous Tribal committees, Lehman is retiring.

"It's time to hand it over to someone else," she said in mid-December.

"It was time for the young people to start taking over."
Lehman helped shepherd Tribal programs and activities through a time of accelerated growth since she took a council seat in 2008, adding numerous programs and activities while roughly doubling the number of employees and navigating a pandemic.

"When I look around at what this tribe has accomplished, I think this is the greatest tribe in the U.S.," she said, crediting strong executive leadership as well as solid relationships with legislators such as Mike Chapman and Steve Tharinger.

"People travel here to see how the Tribe is so successful (in government and business), because they're struggling." Lehman grew up in a loving, multi-generation household in

Port Angeles and, with her accounting background, worked for 34 years for the State of Washington, starting with the Department of Social and Health Services in 1976.

Photo courtesy of Theresa Lehman At right, Theresa Lehman, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Council Member, meets with U.S. Rep. Emily Randall (WA-6th).



She also worked on numerous committees for the Tribe, primarily health, housing, art and education boards — some of them since their inception 35 years ago — as well as several regional boards.

In particular, Lehman said, she'll miss her work with the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board and Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians.

Lehman admitted that when she joined the Tribal Council 16 years ago, she had an agenda, but after a year of meeting and listening to the Tribe's program executives and leaders, she let that agenda go.

"I didn't know a lot of things (then); I knew a lot in my field," she said.

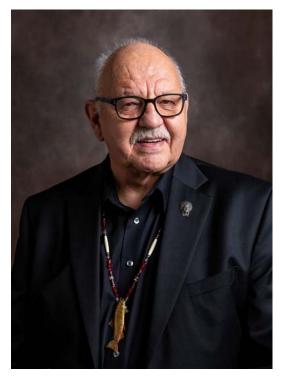
While Lehman said she's proud of the accomplishments of the Tribal Council in her four terms, the time served — and life — has taken its tolls. Along with losing two brothers and her mother, Lehman said, "I have missed vacations, birthdays, dinners, (other) get-togethers" in the past 16 years.

Now she's ready to spend much more time with family: her husband Sonny, and their two daughters Toni and LaTrisha, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren

## From Our Chairman:

## Happy New Year and Continuing our Tribal Journey

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



Greetings Tribal Citizens!!! First and foremost, Happy New Year!!! In 2025, one quarter into the 21st Century, we have a lot to be thankful for and to be looking forward to an even more successful next year. I trust all had a great holiday season and are ready to focus on the next adventure(s).

For many of us who live in this political world, we often get a little anxious, but the good news is that we have weathered uncertain political times before and continued our journey to better times. We as Tribal political leaders have a lot more experience regarding new administrations, congressional leaders and state legislators.

I do want to take a moment to say thank you to Theresa Lehman, who has served our community for 16 years being first elected in 2008. Theresa has been a stalwart in many areas of our Tribal affairs, regularly attending NCAI, ATNI and numerous national, regional and local health meetings. She has always been concerned about health, elders, veterans, and fundamental needs of our families and community.

I have deep appreciation for her dedication and commitment to our Tribe and hold up my hands in gratitude. The good news is she will still be on a few of our committees. Thank you, Theresa!

As I look forward to 2025, I must first pause to reflect on our thoughts when we entered 21st Century and were worried about the impact to our dependency on the internet and what it would do to our

computers and systems. And now we are here — not looking back except for the lessons we learned.

I am very proud of what we have accomplished over the past 50 years, including our new Healing Clinic and Library and Exhibit Center. Now I'm looking forward to what we are going to accomplish in 2025, including the following:

- We have broken ground on our 16-bed Behavior and Mental Health Treatment Center that will be under construction and scheduled for completion in 2026
- We will be continuing our planning and site planning for our Elder housing on River Road in Sequim (including converting it into Trust status)
- The design and engineering for the new Dental Clinic in Sequim will be completed and permitted for construction in 2026
- We will be completing the Jamestown Pavillion with pillars, ceiling, sound and lighting systems in preparation for the 2025 Canoe Journey (the largest ever hosted and expecting approximately 5,000 participants)
- Demolishing the current Natural Resource Lab on Sequim Bay and building a new one with storage for our fishery operations on Zaccardo Road (South Campus)
- And, last but not least, we continue purchasing, upgrading and building homes for our community.

The last project is a huge challenge as we have many needs and, as most of you know, how expensive housing is in today's economy. We have an 8-acre property on Zaccardo Road southside of our South Campus in Blyn that we will be installing infrastructure (i.e., water and waste water systems) for both housing and a transitional housing project.

Aside from these projects, we will be dealing with ongoing Tribal program affairs of which we will be deeply involved with fishery and natural resource projects and matters that are protecting our Treaty rights.

On the economic development and Tribal business updates, our 7 Cedars properties are constantly upgrading our 30-year-old facilities and expansion plans as well as our Economic Development Authority (EDA) and it businesses. JEX excavating is experiencing great growth, and the new Salish Trails RV Park is planning on

program, managing the Art Gallery and with the children's program.

She was also active in adopting Native children and taking in youths from other families, Johnson noted.

"Mom had this service mentality, and that kind of rubbed off on me," he said.

As a youth and young man, Johnson was influenced by Tribal Elders, along with a succession of strong male role models such as Nelson Mandela and Confucious along with local figures such as sports coaches and teachers.

A Sequim High School Class of 2000 graduate, Johnson dabbled in college while working some out-of-area jobs before moving back to the Olympic Peninsula in 2010, when Kim Kettel helped guide him into college classes and earn an associate's degree.

Johnson went on to take classes in Tribal governance through The Evergreen State College, attending two classes per week at a satellite classroom in Port Gamble and every third Saturday in Olympia, earning a bachelor's degree.

He was interested and learned much about ethnobotany as he worked toward a master's degree in aquaponics — producing food using nutrients derived from aquaculture to cultivate plants in water — but didn't finish the program, he said.

Johnson said he thinks about going back to school, but instead of returning to ethnobotany is interested more in a 15-month master's degree program that delves into Tribal law.

His path toward leadership, Johnson said, came from an unexpected source — and a rather humbling incident as a young adult. He recalled seeing a woman who was clearly struggling with life and decided to buy her some flowers and a sandwich. When he did, she gave a shrug and a short "thanks."

"No warm fuzzies ... I just felt bad," Johnson recalled. "That just shook me to the core."

Later, Johnson's eyes were opened through the words and works of philosopher Immanuel Kant, who promoted the concept that the fundamental principle of morality is the law of autonomous will, and that duty supersedes any other motivation toward good acts.

"That helped shape how I approach almost everything in my life, always asking what I ought to do in any given situation," Johnson said.

### Home, work life

Johnson and his partner, Jessica, have two children, a 12-year-old and a 5-year-old.

"What I love about my kids is they let me feel alive,"



Photo courtesy of Ricky Johnson

Ricky Johnson, the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Council's new Treasurer, enjoys spending time with (and cooking for) his partner Jessica and two children.

Johnson said, be that in good times and difficult ones.

"Kids test you; they make you learn. The perspectives you get ... they're great. They are opportunities to learn."

A role he particularly relishes is his household's head cook. Johnson enjoys cooking meals for the family — including his mother, who lives with them — featuring dishes with plenty of sauces and flavor, such as poke bowls, fish and chips, and chicken marsala.

Johnson was working at Cedar Greens in 2021 when he was contacted by Dustin Brenske, now the Director of Social & Community Services, asking why he wasn't applying for a position to lead an evolving Elders program.

The program was small at the time, Johnson said, but when the COVID pandemic hit, the Tribe received funding to boost its Elders services. In his two years as Elder Program Manager, and with the help of Council, he was able to increase Elder Program staff from three to seven, increase access to services and programs, build stronger connections with out-of-area Elders, and make other changes while visiting with (and learning from) Elders in their homes.

"I'm not loud — I'm pretty reserved — which was refreshing for some of the Elders," Johnson said, and those he served came to trust him over time.

He now works as a Grant Specialist for the Social and Community Services, allowing him to interact with and assist multiple Jamestown programs serving a wide variety of Citizens as he delves into research and numbers behind those programs.

He made the move to continue to gain experience

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## Journey Home Classes Are Coming Soon!

These 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 or Matched Savings Assistance programs to become homeowners.

The classes will be held January 21-23 2025.

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



Ricky Johnson, from page 4

and knowledge of the Tribe's people and programs.

"I thought I'd be a benefit to the people here," Johnson said.

### Learning, listening

Both in the office and away from work, Johnson is connecting with multiple generations, including his years as a volunteer soccer coach to his service with Volunteer Hospice.

That theme continues to his new role as Tribal Council Treasurer as well. Johnson said his first year will be focused on learning the Council's codes and Constitution, learning from the wisdom of former Council members while keeping a proverbial ear to the ground.

"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," Johnson noted in his candidate statement, adding that his Elder Program and Grant Specialist roles taught him "a lot about managing resources, navigating complex funding processes, and making sure our programs are sustainable for the long term."

Johnson said he's less interested in the ceremonial acts of a Council member but rather would like to delve into issues such as treaty rights, fisheries, and Elder and youth programs.

"It's a lot of me listening, getting to know the protocols, what gaps I can help fill ... and learn where I can help the most people," he said.

Congrats, Ricky, and welcome to the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Council!

## Message from Enrollment Supervisor!

### ATTENTION ENROLLED JST CITIZENS

PLEASE EMAIL YOUR CURRENT PHONE NUMBER AND/OR **EMAIL**ADRESS TO UPDATE YOUR ENROLLMENT RECORDS. WE EMAIL
IMPORTANT AND USEFUL INFORMATION TO OUR CITIZENS. EMAIL
CURRENT CONTACT INFO TO, KAYLA HOLDEN AT:

KHOLDEN@JAMESTOWNTRIBE.ORG

### SCS Drop-In Hours

Reminder that SCS drop-in hours are Monday-Thursday 8:30-4pm. Staff are available by email, phone or appointments on Friday.

If you do not see many cars in the lot, it is because SCS staff are now parking in the field above to give our Elders and guests the parking priority.

You will soon see Elder's parking signs as well, so please, if you are not an Elder, do not park in the spaces that are reserved for our Elders if you see these signs in designated spots.

The SCS main number is 360-681-5616 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.



Photo by Mike Dashiell

## Honoring Our Jamestown S'Klallam Veterans

On December 17th, live Christmas wreaths were placed on Veteran grave markers at Jamestown Cemetery honoring Jamestown S'Klallam Veterans for National Wreaths Across America Day.

The wreaths were placed, and the veteran's names were said out loud to honor them and remember their sacrifices.

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe purchased the wreaths from SisterLand Farms for this event.

The event was attended by Jamestown S'Klallam Veterans Michael Lowe and Merle Holden, Jamestown S'Klallam Elders, Tribal Citizens, and Tribal Council representative Dana Ward.

The following Veterans were honored: Philip Doyle Adams, Joseph Jr. Allen, William Allen, Dale Cope, Donald Richard Sr. Dick, Marvin (Pete) Holden, Wilfred Johnson, Chadwick Judson, Milton Lombard, Betty Prince, Leslie Prince, and Lyle Prince.

The wreaths will be left on the graves and in the columbarium until January 14th, when they will be picked up and recycled.

If a family member would like the wreaths to be left longer, please contact Allie Taylor at ataylor@jamestown-tribe.org or 360-681-4638.

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many upgrades.

Our health program is evolving and will become known as Jamestown Health Care, which will include Primary Health Care, Dental Clinic, Healing Clinic, the new 16-bed in-patient treatment clinic and behavior counseling services.

In my heart, it means that in 2025 we will stay focused on our journey towards Self-Governance and Self-Reliance goals. Trusting in the wisdom, patience and perseverance of the Great Spirit, we will continue our Tribal journey.

In the spirit of the New Year, I wish you all well as we enjoy the opportunities and adventures 2025 will bring us. God Bless and may you all enjoy the new year!

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

— Ron

Lehman retires, from page 2

(with another on the way), and brothers and sisters.

Lehman thanked Tribal Chairman/CEO W. Ron Allen, former council member Liz Mueller, CEO executive assistant Ann Sargent and the late Kurt Grinnell for their leadership, as well as Jerry Allen for building a successful team at 7 Cedars Casino and Resort.

She also heaped praise on the Tribe's staff "for their dedication and faith to serve our community — you are the best."

And though she's retiring, Lehman said she'll still be involved one way or another.

"I've always been here. I'll always be here."

Thanks for your years of service, Theresa!

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe 6 January 2025



## Tribe adds Salish Trails RV & Campground Park

By Samantha Benedict, Operations Manager/Interim Executive Director, Economic Development Authority, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

As of September 2024, we are the proud owners of a camparound!

Located at 80 O'Brien Road in Port Angeles, Salish Trails RV & Campground Park opened its doors. The

campground includes 13 cabins, 22 full hook-up sites with water electric and sewer, 40 water and electric sites and 23 tent/dry camping sites for a total of 98 campsites on a total of 37.19 acres — plenty of room for future expansion.

Previously a KOA, and the only one on the peninsula, we are excited to take this park to the next level for tourists and locals alike. While we are no longer affiliated with KOA, we are already seeing returning guests and anticipate more.



There is a lot of excitement over already completed renovations on the park. We have replaced the roof of the Club House, widened the entrance road (with more changes to the road to come), cleared dead trees and cleared the field by the Highway. We are exploring a multitude of ideas for the vacant corner of O'Brien and

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U.S. Highway 101. We will continue to upgrade the park in phases during the off season to improve the camper experience.

We are excited to offer employees a 25% discount and Tribal citizens a 40% discount on our regular rates year-round. These discounts are not to be paired with any specials we may be running.

We accommodate monthly stays from October until April and will be running specials throughout the year.

We will also be running regular shuttles to the casino and golf course as well as hosting fun activities for our campers during the summer.

Feel free to come by and take a look at the campground and make sure to say "Hi!" to our friendly Staff: Mandy Barber, Site Manager, Josh Wadley, Groundskeeping Manager, Susan Boaz, Housekeeping, Deborah Donovan, Housekeeping and Sam Linville, Groundskeeper. We will be hiring seasonal employees in April of 2025.

You can also call 360-457-5916 or visit our website at www.salishtrailscampground.com for more information.

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# ICW: Bridging the Past, Present, and Future

Written By Dylan Allen (Allen Family)

The Indian Child Welfare (ICW) team within the Social & Community Services Department (SCS) protects and advocates for Jamestown's children and families. We work with all Jamestown families who become involved in the Child Welfare system, regardless of where they live, to ensure their rights under the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) are protected and maintained. ICW provides preventive support, foster care and respite support, and advocacy in both state and federal systems, ensuring fair treatment and cultural continuity for Native families. The program's foundational goal is to build strong relationships with families starting at birth, offering early support to prevent future state involvement.

Before ICWA/WICWA (Washington Indian Child Welfare Act) was established, the state of tribal child welfare was dire. A staggering 35% of our children were being adopted out, often losing connection to their tribe and culture. This crisis galvanized tribal leaders to act, alongside the monumental passing of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) in 1978. Together, these efforts marked a turning point in protecting tribal children and ensuring they remained connected to their heritage and families. ICWA empowers tribes to oversee child welfare cases involving their members and emphasizes the importance of maintaining cultural ties.

In those early years, implementing ICWA was fraught with challenges. State systems often resisted the changes, and many tribal communities faced a lack of resources and expertise in navigating these cases. The Jamestown Tribe rose to meet these challenges with leaders like Liz Mueller, who was instrumental in building the tribe's social services department. Liz began her career with the tribe in 1988 and worked tirelessly to reunite families and ensure their connection to their heritage. Her mentorship and advocacy laid the groundwork for the strong ICW & SCS team we have today.

Today, our ICW team, including Jessica Humphries, the Family Services Manager; Tom, the Indian Child Welfare Caseworker; Dustin, the SCS Director; Liz, our ICW Consultant; Loni, the Tribal Council Vice Chair/ Culture Department Director, and our SCS Case Management team, to expand and enhance the program's services.

The shift from a single visionary to a collaborative team approach reflects our progress in strengthening the ICW program. We actively work with state agencies like the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to support families in legal matters, ensure adherence to ICWA, and advocate for policy changes that support Tribal sovereignty. By building strong relationships and providing practical and emotional support, we remain committed to protecting Jamestown's children and families.



### Today and Moving Forward

Jessica Humphries, our Family Services Manager, talks about our recent accomplishments in the James town Indian Child Welfare Program. "The program has seen significant growth over the past few years, taking advantage of valuable opportunities to participate in and influence the local court system to better serve our Tribal families. One of many ways we uphold this work is through our active involvement in the ICW Court Steering Committee, which brings together local tribes, court staff, and other key stakeholders who support dependency proceedings.

As the Family Services Manager, I have been able to attend and contribute to these meetings for over two years. One of our most exciting achievements was organizing the 3rd Annual ICW Court Conference, a project that took months of planning and collaboration. We aimed to create an event that reflected the theme, The Past, Present, and Future of ICWA (Indian Child Welfare Act)."

We continue to expand our community engagement initiatives, hosting events and collaborating on educational programs to empower our people with knowledge about ICWA and their role in child welfare. These efforts reflect a shared commitment to preserving our cultural heritage and ensuring the well-being of future generations.

### Our Indian Child Welfare Team



Thomas Sheldon

Indian Child Welfare Caseworker

Tom provides in-home and community support for Native American youth and families while navigating CPS involvement or at risk for involvement. He advocates and represents S'Klallam children and families, ensuring the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) is upheld by the DCYF staff and department in all cases.



Jessica Humphries

Family Services Manager

Jessica provides oversight to programs and staff. She advocates for Native American youth and families, ensuring the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) is upheld. She represents the Tribe at State levels, making sure they are following the laws of ICWA in all cases, fostering change and empowerment within and outside our community.



Dustin Brenske

Dustin provides clinical support and oversight to the team and department. She represents and advocates for Native American youth and families at Tribal, State and Federal levels to support the rights and services for S'Klallam children and families.



Liz Mueller
ICW Program Consultant

Liz offers invaluable insight, guidance, and wisdom to support the Tribe in addressing complex Child Welfare System issues, drawing on her extensive knowledge of State and Federal policies.



Loni Greninger
Tribal Council Vice Chair

Loni advocates for Jamestown youth and families at Tribal, State, and Federal levels, influencing legislation to support the rights, programs, services, and funding for S'Klallam children and families.

## How Our Community Can Help

While ICW has made tremendous progress, our future depends on the active involvement of our people. We urgently need foster and respite families willing to open their homes and hearts to our children. Without these families, our efforts to protect and reunite children with their culture and heritage are hindered. Our community's role is vital — whether by becoming

a foster parent, supporting existing families, or advocating for ICW's mission.

We encourage you to take the first step: reach out to learn more about how you can help. Attend training sessions, explore the importance of ICWA, and spread awareness about its role in preserving our heritage. Together, we can fight for our children and ensure they grow up knowing who they are and where they come from. As our cornerstone Liz Mueller reminds us, the work isn't just about fighting — it's about building bridges that connect our past, present, and future. The strength of our tribe depends on the strength of our families, and with your involvement, we can secure a brighter future for generations to come.



The Sylvester family legally adopting Hazel from the Collier Family.

## Let it Glow, Let it Glow, Let it Glow ...

Despite some blustery and wet conditions earlier in the day, the 2024 Jamestown Glow Run 5k/10k saw clear



Photo by Mike Dashiell Frank Lowenstein and Darcy Schultz get ready for the 10k.

skies, lots of smiles and plenty of holiday cheer for a sold-out crowd of more than 600 participants on Dec. 7.

Runners, walkers and even some youngsters in strollers braved the cold on an out-andback course along the Olympic Discovery Trail.

The annual race is part of the five-event Run the Peninsula Series.

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe was a Presenting Sponsor for the Glow Run, along with Olympic Medical Center. Title Sponsors were the *Peninsula Daily News* and the *Sequim Gazette*.

See results, photos and more at runthepeninsula.org.



Photo courtesy of Mackenzie Grinnell From left, Emma Barrell, Lisa Barrell, and Mackenzie Grinnell cross the finish line at the 2024 Glow Run.



Photos by Mike Dashiell







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## Culture Department Announcements & Events

?áyəs xáw'əsči?ánən! Happy New Year!!

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

The Culture Department will be on a retreat January 6th–10th. We'll be planning for the new year 2025! We will not be in the office that week and will be delayed on returning phone calls and emails. We thank you for your patience!

### Winter Culture Weekend

The Culture Department recently hosted their first Winter Cultural Weekend, and we might just have to do it again next year!

The Weekend is part of our Supplemental Grant to support overdose prevention. Winter months can be a struggle for some with the gray weather and long nights. What better way to beat the "blahs" than coming together as a community to learn from citizens and eat?

Thank you to our teachers: Trisha De-Chenne (Prince), who taught loom beading; Olivia Barrell (Johnson/Wood), who led the way for making mini moccasins; Marisol (Lu) Canales (Hunter), who made beads from fish skin leather; Morgan



Photos by Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Participants in the first Winter
Culture Weekend include (above) Michael Lowe, left, and Thomas Lowe
(Chubby, Sullivan), and (right) Verna
and Sandy Johnson (Johnson).



Snell (Allen) and Bristol Lakshas (Choctaw, White Mountain Community), who took a day teaching how to make beaded ball ornaments; Jeremy Monson (Hall/Adams), who worked with cedar offering several activities; and Melanie Cable (Chubby), who led the "Relaxation Station" and assisted people in making teas and offered a cedar steam.

Culture Department staff Mikaya Haller (Cook/Kardonsky) was up to her elbows in frosting at the ginger-bread longhouse station, and Lisa Barrell (Johnson/Wood) offered cooking demonstrations with salmon and rice loaf that participants were able to take home, and on day two she provided kits to take home and make razor clam chowder.

Thank you to youths who assisted in several areas: Anondra Hedin (Purser); Azuriah and Phin Sylvester (Woodman); Timmy Manley (Tuson), and Eva Osmer (Twiggs).

Thanks also to the volunteers who helped make all the gingerbread longhouse kits for the weekend participants: Mary Norton (Reyes); Sandy Kardonsky (Cook/Kardonsky); Michael Lowe (Chubby/Sullivan); Dolores Cable (Chubby), and Cathy MacGregor (Reyes).

To quote a participant, "It felt so good and comfortable to sit, visit, and share stories." That's what it's all about: coming together, sharing, and making sure our culture stays alive.

### Klallam Language

It's a new year and teachers Mary Norton and Timothy O'Connell will be starting off the year with simple vocabulary, phrases, and basic grammar! Come learn at your own pace!

What: Klallam Language

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

**When:** Only two Mondays this month! January 13th and 27th, 5:30 pm-6:30 p.m., in person. We will also be testing out our new online equipment — we ask for your patience as it may or may not work in time for the January classes.

### S'Klallam/Klallam Intertribal Singing & Drumming

The first Intertribal Singing & Drumming of the New Year will be hosted by Lower Elwha. Whether you're a seasoned performer or a curious newcomer, all are welcome to participate in this lively and engaging practice. We have limited space if you would like a ride. Contact Culture Gatherings Assistant Jesse Osmer at Josmer@jamestowntribe.org or 360-681-5617.

What: Intertribal Singing & Drumming Where: Lower Elwha Dining Hall When: 5:30 p.m. Friday, January 24th

No JST Song & Dance for January 2025 – Be on the lookout for opportunities in February!

### Port Gamble/Lower Elwha Singing & Drumming (JST/LEK are invited)

Port Gamble and Lower Elwha have invited us to join their bi-weekly song and dance practices. If there's enough interest, Jesse will be taking a van to Song and Dance at Port Gamble and Lower

Elwha in the month of January as availability allows. The van will leave the Traditional Foods and Culture Building by 4:15 pm and the event typically goes on until 7:30 pm. If you are interested in riding with the Culture Department, please reach out to Jesse at 360-406-0852. Dates for these events will be provided the week before through the all-call service.

### Kick off 2025 Canoe Journey to Lower Elwha

The first Canoe Family meeting will be held Friday, January 17th. We welcome returning canoe family members and encourage any new Jamestown citizens and descendants who would like to hear more about the journey and possibly join the family to attend. For canoes traveling from the East, Jamestown Beach is the last stop before this year's canoe journey host, Lower Elwha, so we need to begin planning for the thousands of visitors.

What: Canoe Family Meeting

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

When: 5-7 p.m. Friday, January 17th

### **Winter Wellness Workshop**

The Traditional Foods & Culture Winter Wellness Workshop has become a favorite and this year's workshop will take place on January 25th. First timers and those who bring a new participant will be put into a drawing for several gifts we have.

Winter is when the 'crud' usually hits and we try to arm people with items to ease their symptoms or even prevent winter colds.

What: Winter Wellness Workshop

Where: Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy. When: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, January 25th

### Clam Dig

A good clam digging tide is on January 24th. The Culture Department will not be taking people out, but if you need to borrow a bucket, boots, shovel, or rake, let us know.

What: Clam Dig

Where: Blyn or Jamestown (butters, horseclams are not safe)

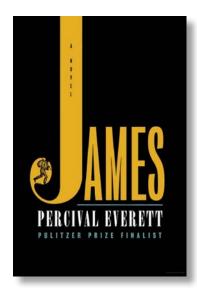
When: Friday, January 24th, 5:30 pm

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## **Library Corner**



### Hear from the author of 'James'

Next up in the Seattle Arts & Lecture Streaming Series screening at the Heron Hall Library: A Conversation with Percival Everett, the author of "James," the winner of the 2024 National Book Award for Fiction

Join the library at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28, in the Heron Hall Library for a recast of a live stream Seattle Arts & Lecture series event to be held on January 23rd in Seattle.

For more information about this event and others, visit lectures.org. Tribal community members can request private screenings January 24th-30th. Contact the library@jamestowntribe.org or 360-582-5783.

"James" is a powerful retelling of Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.

THE
SERVICEBERRY
Abundance and Reciprocity
in the Natural World

ROBIN WALL KIMMERER

While many narrative set pieces of Adventures of Huckleberry Finn remain in place (floods and storms, stumbling across both unexpected death and unexpected treasure in the myriad stopping points along the river's banks, encountering the scam artists posing as the Duke and Dauphin ...), Jim's agency, intelligence and compassion are shown in a radically new light.

Percival Everett is a Distinguished Professor of English at USC. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife, the writer Danzy Senna, and their children.

### New books!

The library has new books for everyone. Looking for something fun to read to pass the cold, dark, winter days? Visit the library, get a card (if you don't have one), and check out one of these great new books!

### **Drop-In Writers Workshop**

Workshops are held from 3-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons in December (4th, 11th, 18th).

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.

Photo courtesy of Heron Hall Library New artwork adorns the north-facing exteroir wall at the Heron Hall Library.



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

WHISKEY TENDER

**DEBORAH JACKSON TAFFA** 

Library staff are thrilled to be bringing **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 1st and 3rd 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. 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.

### Also...

Stop by and see the new artwork that has been added to the outside of the Heron Hall Library!

And don't forget to stop in and get your NEW library card!

# Wednesday January 8th 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



# Liz Mueller Honored at Centennial Accord: A Daughter's Perspective

By Vicki Wallner

Liz Mueller was honored at the 2024 Centennial Accord by the Washington State Tribes and Gov. Jay-Inslee for the years of work she has contributed to the Tribes and Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Division of Children and Family Services, and Commerce, Education, Corrections, and Transportation state departments.

She collaborated with Tribes in developing consultation policy with each of the departments.

Liz initiated the passage of the Washington State Indian Child Welfare Act. She was appointed by Gov. Christine Gregoire to Washington State Juvenile Justice Commission as Chair and to the Racial Disproportionality commission in her effort to bring awareness of children of color who are over-represented in the foster care and correctional system.

Liz also worked with the department of DSHS in

"Tribal leaders, delegates, state representatives, and citizens from other tribes — they all have a story to share about how Liz mentored them or profoundly impacted their lives and careers."

devising the Indian Child Welfare Review tool, the first in the nation to review ICW casework. Liz, along with Mel Tonasket from the Coleville Tribe, was appointed by Gov. Inslee to the Blue Ribbon Commission to help design the new Department of Children Youth and Families.

Liz worked to develop better coordination between the departments, initiated along with the Governor's Office, the Governor's Trib-

al Leaders Social Service Commission.

It was an honor to accompany my mother, Liz, to the 2024 Centennial Accord. Attending these gatherings over the past two decades has consistently filled me with awe at the way she is received. Tribal leaders, delegates, state representatives, and citizens from other tribes — they all have a story to share about how Liz mentored them or profoundly impacted their lives and careers.

This respect extends beyond these larger events. At a recent community gathering, I was struck by a



Photo courtesy of Vicki Wallner Liz Mueller, center, pictured with daughter Vicki Wallner, accepts honors from Gov. Jay Inslee and Washington State Tribes at the 2024 Centennial Accord.

conversation with another woman. When she learned I was Liz's daughter, she shared a deeply moving memory. As a young girl struggling with a difficult family situation, my mother had given her a journal. Liz encouraged her to write down her thoughts and feelings, validating their importance and emphasizing that they belonged to her alone and that no one could take that away from her. This simple act, the woman tearfully recalled, had a profound and lasting impact on her life.

Just a few months ago, a Tribal Citizen visited my office to celebrate 35 years of sobriety. He shared that my mother was instrumental in his journey, having driven him to a treatment facility years ago. His gratitude, and that of his wife, was deeply felt.

These are just a few of the countless ways my mother has touched the lives of others.

I am incredibly proud of my mother, Liz, and all she has achieved. Her dedication to others and her unwavering support has inspired me throughout my life.

## Welcoming the Holidays with White Elephant Party



Who doesn't love marshmallows? Ron Allen enjoys his pick at the White Elephant Party.



LaTrisha Suggs gets a good look at some jewelry during the White Elephant Party gift exchange.



Dave Matson gets a lantern in his gift bag.



It's a LEGO set (or two) for Liz Barbee during the gift exchange.



Photos by Mike Dashiell

These staffers have the spirit: As Brandon Taft (far left) and partygoers look on, Chandra Johnson (center), Kayla Holden and others show off their holiday-themed outfits at the White Elephant Party on December 9. The event saw about 100 staffers attend, enjoying entrees, dessert, raffle and a musical chairs competition.



Above: Party attendees share and enjoy a variety of food. Right: Kim Kettel reveals her pick during the gift exchange.



## Yew Tree Given to Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

By Allie Taylor, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

Remnants of the nəxwsλ'áyəm village of sxwčkwíyən (s-chkwee-ing, meaning "hunting grounds") at Washington Harbor are still present today on the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) Sequim Campus. Occupied by the S'Klallams for at least 600 years, the village contained a core of ten longhouses surrounded by a palisade for defense. Tribal elders still remember living on the site as late as the 1950s.

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe (JST) signed a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)



Photo by Shanon Dell, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory Keith Mendez, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory Cultural Resources Program Manager, meets with Cultural Director Loni Greninger on December 10th, following a yew tree delivery.

Pacific Northwest Site Office and the Washington State Historic Preservation Officer to mitigate the impacts to this important village site from development projects at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in 2021. A stipulation of this MOA requires the DOE to allow the Tribe an opportunity to harvest any yew trees located on the campus prior to the development of an area.

Yew trees (x̃əŋq̃átč) are of great importance to the nəxwsx̃áyəm people. nəxwsx̃áyəm would utilize crushed needles in boiled water medicinally for internal injury or pain, pulverized and dried yew needles were smoked like tobacco, while the wood was used to construct bows, arrows, and canoe paddles (Erna Gunther, "Ethnobotany of Western Washington: The Knowledge and use of indigenous plants by native Americans," 1973).

Other uses by tribes in the region include harpoon shafts, dip net frames, canoe bailer, fish clubs, wedges for splitting logs, digging sticks, carved spoons and bowls, combs, drum frames, boughs for bathing, and much more (Gunther 1973).

In March of 2024 DOE notified Tribe officials of the potential that a development project would impact the then only known yew tree on the PNNL Sequim Campus. The DOE and Tribe held several consultation meetings with the intention of finding a way to preserve the yew tree. Unfortunately, the development plans could not be changed in a way that would preserve the tree.

However, further vegetation studies completed on the PNNL Sequim Campus in 2024 identified seven additional yew trees within an area on the campus designated as the no development zone in the MOA.

The yew tree was harvested on November 21, 2024. The trunk, branches, and roots were all harvested by a DOE contractor and delivered carefully and respectfully in coordination with the Culture Department to the Traditional Foods and Culture Building on December 10, 2024.

The Culture Department will be working on giving this material to interested Jamestown tribal artists.

## <u>Healthy Homes - Healthy People Project Update</u>

By Jenna Ziogas, Environmental Program Specialist, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

Since August 2024, JST Housing and Natural Resources departments have been working together to launch a new project, Healthy Homes – Healthy People. The goal of the program is to ensure Tribal homes are safe and healthy places to live and are as affordable, energy efficient, and durable as possible.

By tapping into state climate funds awarded to the Tribe, local contractors were hired to conduct thorough home inspections and energy audits for NAHASDA (Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act) homes.

Project collaborators are working to build an assess-



Tribal Citizen Henry Johnson in front of Jamestown Shaker Church, 1905, University of Washington Specialollections, UW-NA-1173a, Meany Edmond S.

## Save the Date! Monday, Feb. 10, 2025 Tribe's 44th Recognition Day

The Tribe is set to celebrate its 44th anniversary as a federally recognized tribe. The Tribe was officially re-recognized on February 10, 1981, after a long effort to petition the federal government. The process began with the signing of the Point No Point Treaty in 1855, proving the United States had acknowledged the Tribe as a sovereign nation.

ment tool and use the findings from the evaluations to identify needed upgrades, while addressing any immediate health and safety needs.

The home inspections and energy audits began in October 2024, and 20 out of the 28 residences have been completed. Residents received a \$50 gift card for participating and are provided with retrofit supplies (low-flow aerators for bathroom and kitchen sinks, shower heads, etc.) where applicable.

### Next steps ...

Work with local contractors will carry on to increase capacity for work on home improvements and needed repairs as identified in the evaluations.

The remaining eight NAHASDA residences will be evaluated in January 2025, with plans to implement the program in community rentals later in 2025.

JST staff will continue to seek the best opportunities to make investments that reduce utility bills, save energy, and create a better quality of life.

## 2025 JST LIHEAP PROGRAM



The 2025 JST LIHEAP
Program will begin on
January 1, 2025.
The JST LIHEAP program will be available
until March 30, 2025.
All eligible Jamestown
Tribal Citizens in the
JST service area may
apply for LIHEAP as of
January 1, 2025. Income
limits are set at 150% of
the federal poverty level.

The JST Housing Department mailed out applications in December to those who have received LIHEAP in the past.

If you do not receive an application by January 1, 2025, please contact Lesly at the JST Housing Department at 360-681-4635.

## Ways to keep your information and data safe

By Virginia (Ginnie) Chitwood. JST IS Deputy Director & Cybersecurity Manager

With data breaches at an all-time high, and the holiday season upon us, I wanted to send out a reminder of best practices and share the news with you that reveals what trends we are seeing in the industry.

Also, with the holiday season here, I wanted to take the time to remind everyone of best practices with your Jamestown Tribe email accounts and credentials:

- It is tempting to use your work email for personal accounts and ordering, but we urge you not to do that.
  - · Reduce the digital footprint of your work account,

### Top rated monitoring solutions

- Aura (www.aura.com)
- Identity Guard (www.identityguard.com)
- Experian (www.experian.com/ protection/identity-theft-and-credit-protection)
- MyFico (www.myfico.com)

which has access to company data and protected information.

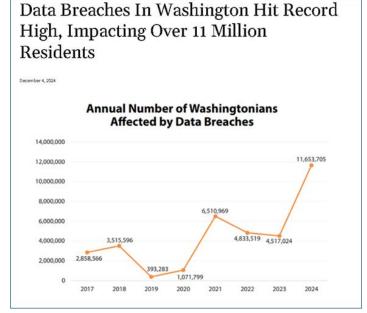
 Use personal email addresses for personal accounts and ordering, unless there is not an-

other option, such as work-related personal offers and third-party requirements.

- Never use the same credentials (passwords) for other accounts than your Jamestown Tribe account uses.
- If these passwords are involved in a breach, your work account is also compromised.
- Be cautious and extremely limited when checking personal email on Jamestown equipment, as we do not have the same protections on those accounts as we do our own, and we have seen malware and phishing emails cause harm on our equipment and work networks.

It is strongly recommended that everyone invest in personal credit and identity monitoring, in addition to personal antivirus protection for all personal devices.

These services helped protect me from a full-blown



identity theft attempt by alerting me when someone used my personal information, gained from a security breach, to purchase a car, credit cards, a home, and property, in my name. I was able to mitigate the effects before destroying my identity and credit.

Attorney General Bob Ferguson recently released his ninth-annual data breach report, revealing a record-breaking surge in data breaches affecting Washingtonians.

For the first time, the number of individual notices sent out exceeds the state's population. More than 11.6 million data breach notices were issued in 2024 — in increase of nearly seven million, compared to last year's total of 4.8 million, and five million more than the previous high in 2021.

"The more people know about data breaches, the more they can protect themselves," Ferguson said.

Thank you all for your continued support in the cybersecurity culture here at the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe!





## 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

Officer Jeff Pickerell Cell: 360-460-3788



Service site contact: Fawn Wagner, Wildlife Refuge Manager, fwagner@jamestowntribe.org

Program contact: Andre Nguyen anguyen@conservationlegacy.org

### 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.



### **Jamestown Family Health Clinic**



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



## Northwest Native Expressions Native Art Gallery

Ring in the New Year with some great gifts at the Northwest Native Expressions Art Gallery, such as these Shamaic Dolls made by Kim Elkins (right)!



1033 Old Blyn Highway Sequim, WA 98382 360-681-4640

www.NorthwestNativeExpressions.com



Wintertime can be tough, let's make a special effort to be there for the total health of our relatives.

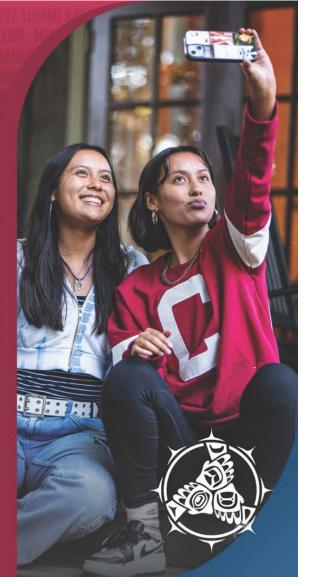
# Make time to talk. Make space to listen.

And know that there are Native mental health professionals available 24/7 on the Native and Strong lifeline.

## **Connection is Prevention.**

For mental health resources visit
NativeAndStrong.org

If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis or thinking about suicide, dial 988 and press 4 for confidential support from a Native counselor.



### **Contact Information**

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360-683-7777				
360-582-5795				
360-681-6728				
360-489-6099				
360-447-6826				
360-681-5601				
360-683-3331				
360-681-4076				
360-683-2025				
360-681-3400				
360-683-4586				
360-683-5900				
360-681-7755				
360-681-4586				
360-582-5796				
360-460-6890				
360-681-7777				
360-681-5629				
360-681-4640				
360-681-5600				
360-681-5616				
360-681-4632				
360-681-6702				
360-434-4056				











## Natasha Lynn Deardorff Lummi Tribal Member

Last known Location: Seattle Washington

Natasha's last known location was the greater Seattle area but may be anywhere from Pierce Co. to Bellingham Wa. Her grandmother & father have not stopped searching for her they request If you have information on Natasha & her whereabouts please contact the numbers provided. Natasha is a mother of four she loved and missed greatly.

Last Contact: August of 2023

Sex: Female
Race: Native American
Weight: 140 lbs
Hight: 5'7" Tall
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Dark Brown
Scar: Left Eyebrow
Tattoo: Rose/Right Leg
Pierced Nose

If you have information that will lead to Natasha's whereabouts please call Seattle Police at (206) 625-5011, or their tip line (206) 333-5000 Case# 2024-294004

#### Websites:

Tribal Government: www.jamestowntribe.org 7 Cedars Hotel/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 Jamestown Healing Campus: www.jamestownhealingclinic.com

Northwest Native Expressions Gallery: NorthwestNativeExpressions.com

Dungeness River Nature Center: www.dungenessrivercenter.org

Kurt Grinnell Aquaculture Scholarship Foundation; www.kurtgrinnellscholarship.org

### **Facebook Pages:**

Tribal Government: www.facebook.com/JamestownSKlallamTribe

Tribal Library: www.facebook.com/p/Jamestown-SKlallam-Tribal-Library-100064776964063

S'Klallam Tribal Events and Announcements: www.facebook.com/groups/sklallam.events.announcements

Children and Youth Programs: www.facebook.com/jsktchildrenandyouth

yəhúməct Traditional Foods and Culture Program: www.facebook.com/jamestown.tfp

Jamestown Family Health Clinic: www.facebook.com/Jamestown-Family-Health-Clinic-191450454240502

7Cedars Casino: www.facebook.com/7CedarsCasino

Cedars at Dungeness Golf Course: www.facebook.com/TheCedarsAtDungeness

Longhouse Market and Deli: www.facebook.com/LonghouseMarket

House of Seven Brothers Restaurant: www.facebook.com/HouseOfSevenBrothers Dungeness River Nature Center: www.facebook.com/dungenessrivernaturecenter

SCS Client Navigator: www.facebook.com/jamestownnavigator

## January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 New Year's Day Tribal Offices & Clinics Closed	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Wisdom of the Elders Group 11:30 a.m1 p.m. JHFC conf. room	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Tribal Offices & Clinics Closed	21	22	23	24	25 Winter Wellness Workshop 11 a.m3 p.m. Red Cedar Hall
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## February 2025

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9	10 Federal Recog- nition Day Tribal Offices & Clinics Closed	11	Wisdom of the Elders Group 11:30 a.m1 p.m. JHFC conf. room	13	14 Valentine's Day	15 Higher Ed scholarships due
16	17 President's Day	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	



### Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Newsletter Info:

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Newsletter is published monthly. The deadline for submission to be included in the following month's issue is the 15th day of the current month. Please submit items by email to Mike Dashiell at mdashiell@jamestowntribe.org by U.S. Mail to the address below. You can also reach Mike at 360-681-5629.

### **Changes of Address:**

Tribal Citizens, please send changes of address and name changes to Enrollment Supervisor Kayla Holden at kholden@jamestownTribe.org or call her at 360-681-4606. Other newsletter recipients, please send changes of address to Mike Dashiell at the address/phone above, or to newsletter@jamestowntribe.org.

### Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Council

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Loni Greninger, Vice-Chair Igreninger@jamestowntribe.org, 360-681-4660

Rochelle Blankenship, Secretary rblankenship@jamestowntribe.org, 360-460-0045

Riicky Johnson, Treasurer rajohnson@jamestowntribe.org, 360-582-5785

Dana Ward, Council Member dward@jamestowntribe.org, 360-774-0773

## Interested in Attending Tribal Council Meetings?

Contact Liz Barbee at Ibarbee@jamestowntribe.org receive the date, time, and Zoom meeting address for the next meeting.

## January Birthdays

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1/1	Andollina Lamanna	1/16	Jennifer Hedin
1/1	Nashawnee George	1/20	Joshua Rae
1/1	Arlene Red-Elk	1/20	Vicki Franke
1/2	Christopher Holden	1/20	Jerald Fletcher
1/3	Melissa Bill	1/21	Lorraine Reeves
1/3	Kirsten Allen	1/21	Donneldene Koch
1/6	Paul Johnston	1/23	Brenda Ferguson
1/8	Timothy O'Connell	1/24	Brian Holden
1/8	Mary Harsin	1/24	Gregory Prince
1/8	Dorothy Hopkins	1/28	Eugene Scott
1/9	Jeremy Monson	1/29	Marie Champagne
1/9	Margaret De Ford	1/29	Vincent Price
1/10	Celeste Dybeck	1/30	Scott Clayton
1/12	Sarah Klostermeier	1/30	Elizabeth Turner
1/13	Talia Anderson	1/31	Gideon Cauffman
1/14	Ella Anders	1/31	Randy Lawrence
1/14	James Adams-Ferdig		
1/14	Dale Lickiss		

## Higher Education Scholarships

Enrolled Tribal Citizens, the next quarter deadline for Higher Education Funding is Feb. 15, 2024. For more information, contact Gage Jackson at gjackson@jamestowntribe.org.

### A Message from the Enrollment Program

A blood quantum survey was mailed out to enrolled Jamestown citizens. If you did not receive your survey, please contact Kayla Holden at kholden@jamestown-tribe.org or 360-681-4606.