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Wildlife management through a 'Native lens'

Wagner leads new era at Dungeness, Protection Island refuges

By Mike Dashiell, Tribal Communications and Publications Specialist

It doesn't take long for Fawn Wagner to recall exactly when her passion for ecology ignited. She was a first grader, and the film was Disney's 1992 film "FernGully: The Last Rainforest."

"I thought, 'I'm going to save the rainforests'," she says.

After years of in-the-field studies and restoration work, Wagner is settling in

to help protect key flora and fauna habitat as the new Refuge Manager for the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge and Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge.

Most recently with the Bainbridge Land Trust, Wagner was eager to take on the role of Refuge Manager when the position came open, as the Tribe in August 2024 signed a co-stewardship agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to manage day-to-day operations of the refuges.

The role, most recently held by longtime Refuge staffer Dave Falzetti, called for someone with experience with

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Photo by Mike Dashiell/Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

Fawn Wagner, pictured at a Dungeness Spit overlook at the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge, brings more than a decade of experience in conservation, environmental education, and restoration to her new role as Wildlife Refuge Manager at Dungeness and Protection Island National Refuges.

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From Our Chairman:

Jamestown S'Klallam Recognition Day and Continuing our Journey

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

Greetings Tribal Citizens!!! Last month, I talked about our new President and Governor and asked the question of what is next for Jamestown and Indian Country. With our 44th Federal Recognition Day rescheduled for March 22, it's a good time to reflect on continuing our Self-Governance and Self-Reliance journey.

Last month, I reiterated why these goals are so important due to these unexpected political fiscal challenges and times. As one Tribal leader who has experience so many threats to the resources we depend, I get lots of questions at all levels: "Are we OK? Will we survive these political challenges? These questions and inquiries are non-stop. I will continue to remind everyone that we must not let the anxiousness of the current times take our eyes off our 'long-game' strategy, i.e., stay focused and keep building our Nation-building foundation.

When Charlene passed a few weeks ago, it caused me to continue to reflect on how much we have accomplished over the 44 years since Feb. 10, 1981. We have acquired a lot of our original Jamestown village site, acquired property up and down the Dungeness River to restore our salmon and same with many creeks along the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Hood Canal, acquired and preserved the Tamanowas Rock site, much of the Blyn sites to build on the Tribal operational base and expand the 7 Cedars Resort project, and acquired many home sites in Sequim and surrounding areas including Port Angeles. Now we have acquired 10 acres in Sequim to design and build Tribal Elder assisted living facilities.

Charlene and I reflected on when we started with only a handful of staff at the Boardwalk Square in Sequim: her, Edith Cusack, Ann Balch and me. Now we employ almost 1,100 employees and our business base is building and expanding. We reflected on how we only had a few dollars when my brother Robin and I got a contract with the Olympic National Park to clear the trails through the Tribe. After that, Fred and Jack Grinnell built the original Community Center. Then we started up a fireworks stand that Darryle Adams managed for the next 25 years, and only after we acquired the 7 acres where the Casino resides today, we built a permanent stand. We laugh at how it became a summer job for many of our Tribal youth.

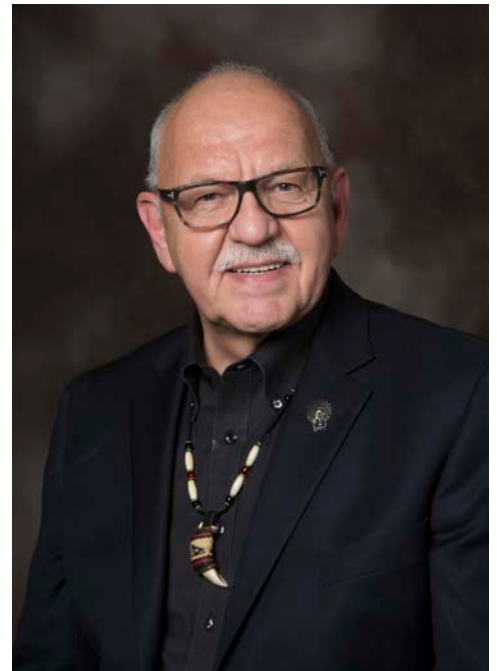
Yet, our business portfolio now is much larger — and growing. We had always planned on the Tribal business sector would put us in a place where we no longer were dependent on the federal government and its uncertain commitment to Indian Country.

The 7 Cedars is now 30 years old, and we as good stewards are upgrading the property and keeping it fresh for the ever-changing market. Much credit goes to the stability of our management, who are currently the only Northwest casino managers still consistently employed. Stability has always been a key factor to our Jamestown success.

We are continuing to engage with the local leadership with Sequim, Port Townsend, Port Angeles and the county governments to improve our relationships and coordination of affairs, projects, etc., recognizing the growth taking place on the Olympic Peninsula. Washington state is growing one million more citizens every 10 years and we see that growth here in our community. Our Tribe must adjust to those realities and shifting economic conditions.

I repeat from last month's message that we as Tribal political leaders have a lot more experience regarding new administrations, congressional leaders and state legislators. Those lessons are driven by education of our unique political standing in the American political system and the needs of our communities. Focus and persistence is how we continue our journey of Self-Governance and Self-Reliance. As our past Northwest Treaty

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Tribal News & Notes

Grinnell picked to lead Economic Development Authority



Hawk Grinnell was named Executive Director of Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's Economic Development Authority (EDA) in late January.

Grinnell is a Jamestown Tribal Citizen who has worked at the Jamestown EDA since 2015. His accounting experience has helped the EDA, a Tribal political subdivision, grow and take on new ventures.

As the EDA's Finance Director, Grinnell has proven that good decisions start with good financial data, helping lay the foundation for several successful EDA businesses over the years.

Grinnell succeeds W. Joe Allen, who passed away in October 2024.

"Joe Allen was a great mentor and friend who helped me realize my potential in business," Grinnell said. "I owe him a big hug when we greet as old friends on the other side. I know he continues to be our guide.

"The Tribe's businesses are strong thanks to his care and the Tribe's fine staff for continuing to do great work in his honor. I raise my hands in thankfulness."

Tribe to lead 'Hooya Hooyay' dance at opening of Sequim Sunshine Festival

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe Vice Chairwoman Loni Greninger will lead a Tribal community dance to help open the sixth-annual Sequim Sunshine Festival, set for Friday-Saturday, March 7-8, at various locations in Sequim.

At 5 p.m. on Friday, March 7, at the Sequim Civic Center Plaza (152 W. Cedar St.), Greninger will invite community to participate in "Hooya Hooyay," a social dance of ceremonial celebration to celebrate the passing of čən'sútč ("chunn-soo-t-ch", meaning fall/winter, a time of rainy, cold weather) to čən'sx'wiyús ("chunn-swee-oose", meaning spring, a time of growth).

Social dances for tribes can express ceremonial joy, or casual fun. "Hooya Hooyay," which comes from the Canadian First Nations near Rivers Inlet, expresses ceremonial joy. This song is usually sung at wedding ceremonies or other joyful occasions.

These First Nations gave permission to all tribal nations to sing and dance this song, so it can be sung at tribal-led events.

The S'Klallam traditional calendar has three seasons (fall/winter, spring, and summer). Winter was time of staying indoors to practice songs, dances, stories, ceremonial practice, and other learnings, and to come out of winter to spring is a time of celebration.

Hosted by the City of Sequim, the Sequim Sunshine Festival celebrates the *near* end of winter, the coming of spring, and positive energy and light, with family-friendly activities for including live music, a color run, light exhibits, inspirational programs, food vendors and more. For more about the festival, see visitsunnysequim.com/263/Sequim-Sunshine-Festival.

River's Edge: Overview of landmark restoration project

By Alex Scagliotti, Environmental Planner, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

In 2021 and 2022, the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe and their partners undertook a huge restoration project on the lower Dungeness River. They designed the "River's Edge" project around Process Based Restoration (PBR) principles that culminated in the set-back of a levee on the eastern side of the river, the addition of habitat-forming logjams and massive tree planting efforts to expedite the growth of a riparian forest.

The project encompasses 143 acres of floodplain along nearly two miles of river.

Why was this needed?

The Dungeness River is a wily, high-energy river that doesn't like to color within the lines and it can shift dramatically with large flood events, especially in its currently degraded condition. From roughly 1855 until approximately 1985, humans severely modified the Dungeness — to the extreme detriment of fish, wildlife, and the ecosystems that support them.

Early settlers and developers of the Dungeness Valley sought to fully convert the river's floodplains and estuarine wetlands into agricultural land and residential developments. Most of their river manipulations were focused on containing and altering natural processes. Landowners, log drivers, the Clallam County road department, and forest landowners removed virtually all the river's logjams.

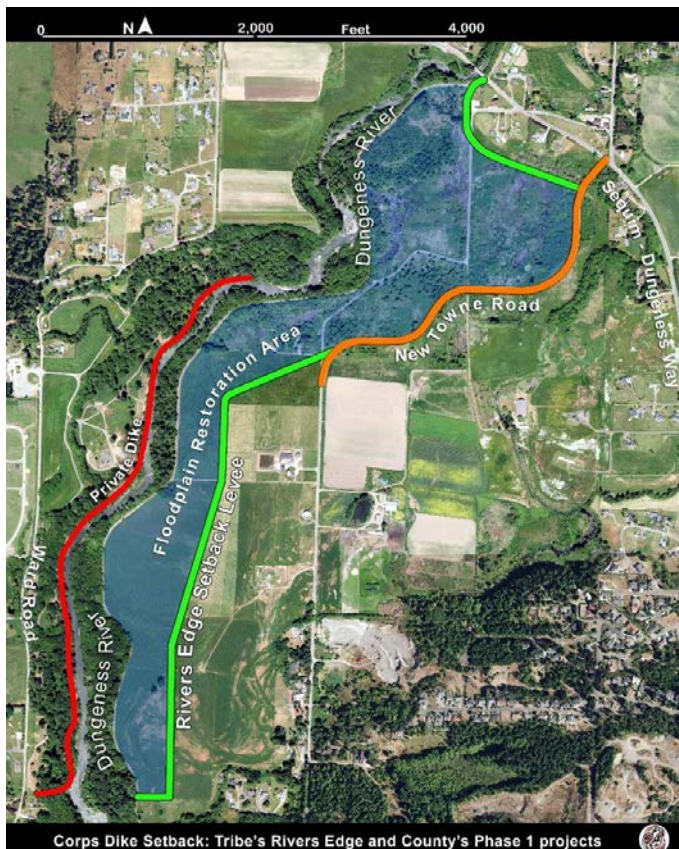
Institutionalized logjam removal continued until 1983. Logjam removals massively destabilized the river channel, leading to astonishing levels of down-cutting and sediment export.

Landowners, the county and the Army Corps of Engineers constructed a series of levees to confine the river and its estuarine marshes so that people could develop the floodplains and use them for anything other than flood conveyance.

What are the benefits of this type of restoration project?

PBR techniques restore the underlying processes that create healthy river systems. Allowing the river to access its historic floodplain that's loaded with log jams creates a lot of benefits like:

- Creating multiple river channels or "anabranches" that provide diverse habitat for wildlife
- Raising the water table when the river is high which then returns as cool, subsurface flows in the late summer and fall
- Dispersing energy when the river is flooding so that spawning gravels, large wood, salmon redds (nests) and juvenile fish don't get washed away
- Providing off-channel habitat for juvenile fish that prefer slow waters to rear in
- Creating diverse habitat features like pools, glides, riffles and backwaters and sorts sediment into distinct patches that are then used by different communities of aquatic plants and insects that form the base of the food chain
- Creating vegetated islands, wetlands and increased riparian edges that are preferred habitat for many birds, mammals and amphibians
- Attenuating flood pulses and allowing the sediment to settle out – reducing the "chocolate milk" look when the river is high



Does spreading out the water make it shallower and harder for fish to migrate?

Not necessarily. Allowing the river to evolve from an artificially confined, single-stem river to a multi-channeled system increases the overall wetted area but also crucially slows down the water. When the flow is slowed due to large wood, pools and meandering pathways, its depth increases.



An easy way to think about it is by imagining a small pond that has a creek flowing into it on one side and flowing out again on the other side – the pond has the same amount flow passing through it as the creek does, but it’s just much slower and deeper. Now imagine that same creek flowing through a narrow culvert: the depth of the water is shallower than it was in the creek bed because it’s flowing much faster than it was in the natural channel.

River nerds refer to this as $Q = AV$, or flow = area X velocity. If the speed decreases, the area must increase, and vice versa.

It may seem counterintuitive, but when the Dungeness was confined and straightened between levees to a narrow footprint, it still had stretches of shallow water — or “barrier riffles” as we refer to them — because with few meanders, islands, log jams, pools or backwaters, the river sped up and stayed relatively shallow just like in the culvert example above.

Was it successful?

The early objectives have been successful though it’s too soon to gauge the overall success of the project. The foundation of PBR is removing impediments that constrain a river’s ability to function naturally – and this has been accomplished.

To gauge overall success, the river needs a little more time and more importantly, some BIG flows. Since late 2022, the Dungeness has had very muted high flows compared to historic levels and for the “process” part of Process-Based Restoration to really kick into gear, we need the river to hit at least a five-year flood stage (a point at which the river has a probability

in hitting once every five years).

At these flows, the river has enough power to form new channels, interact with log jams to make new habitat, sort sediment into distinct patches and recruit new, mobile logs from the riverbanks that can shift and change with the river.

We have yet to see those dynamic flows, so a lot of the water in the newly connected floodplain is relatively shallow and passes through undefined pathways and vegetation. This creates an absolute haven for migratory waterfowl but is not the final condition we would like to see.

Hopefully, 2025 is the year that we see some major dynamic shifts in the floodplain configuration and the additional benefits can start “flooding” in.

Once this happens, our overall success will be measured by:

- The number of redds that appear in the new habitat
- The number and extent (or lack of) barrier riffles that impede migration
- The number of diverse habitat features like log jams, islands and pools
- The number of rearing juvenile and resident fish that are using the newly formed channels and backwaters for rearing
- Aquatic insect diversity
- Average daily temperatures compared to untreated reaches
- The ratio of native to non-native riparian plant species
- The additional length and acreage of accessible aquatic habitat for all wildlife species.

In Memoriam

Charlene Ann Dick, 1958-2025

Charlene Ann Dick (Dick and Chubby Family) was born Dec. 6, 1958, to Donald Dick Sr. (Jamestown) and Jeanette (Mitchell) Dick (Tulalip). She was an enrolled Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Citizen but also had ancestry from the Tulalip, Swinomish, and Upper Skagit Tribes. Her S’Klallam grandparents were Nelson Dick and Lydia Fulton, her Tulalip grandparent was Dewey Mitchell, and her Swinomish grandparent was Winifred Fryberg.

Charlene attended Sequim High School and took some University of Washington courses before she started working for the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe in 1982, as the receptionist in the Tribe’s first offices at Boardwalk Square in Sequim. Within about a year, her supervisor, Barb Dehmalo, began training her in accounting procedures.

For the next 42 years she worked for the Tribe in accounting until her retirement in 2024. As a close-knit staff they managed the Tribe’s books and enjoyed working as a team to put on activities such as Halloween skits and the annual White Elephant Brunch for staff.

“It’s fun; we’re a team whether it’s accounting work or not,” Charlene said in a Tribal newsletter story.

In 1991, Charlene’s daughter Jorene was born. Jorene went through all of the Tribe’s programs for children and youth, and she continues to work for the Tribe.

Charlene loved her tribal culture and being part of all her tribal families: Jamestown, Swinomish, Tulalip, and Upper Skagit.

She took part in Klallam language classes, was a voice for the “Klallam Word of the Week” with local radio station KSQM, added her voice to our tribal songs, participated in tribal dances, Canoe Journeys, and enjoyed cedar gathering and weaving.

She also enjoyed photography, taking pictures of animals and nature, but also loved getting candid photos of family and friends.

Charlene is survived by her daughter Jorene Don Dick and son-in-law Gerald Lane, nephew Jesse Ferdig and niece-in-law Laura Samperi-Ferdig, and many cousins from the Tulalip, Swinomish, and Upper Skagit Tribes.

She is preceded in death by parents Donald Dick Sr. and Jeanette Dick, brother Donald Dick Jr., and sister Denise Lacross.



Her smile, laughter, wit, and warm hugs are remembered by all who called her a dear friend.

A Celebration of Life was held Tuesday, Jan. 28 at the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s Red Cedar Hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s Children and Youth Program. Please mail donations to the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe, 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382, Attn: Accounting. In the note or memo, please write “Youth Winter Wonderland”. The family appreciates the care and thoughtfulness of the community.

In Memoriam

Walter Steven Reyes

*Husband – Father – Grandfather – Brother – Uncle – Friend
– Neighbor – Otter spirit*

He started out a precocious kid, he loved his mother, he delighted in entertaining his family. He would play in the Dungeness River, go fishing and sell his proceeds to the sailors anchored near Ediz Hook and navigate it all on a bike he won in a fishing derby. Walter grew into a strong young man who was a football running back. His friends called him “Shoulders.” He worked on his uncle’s farm bucking hay bales and nearly making the engine of the farm truck explode.



He graduated from college in 1980 from Lewis and Clark College. He persevered in the face of many who couldn’t see what he was capable of accomplishing. They were wrong, and their expressed doubt inspired him to show he could not only graduate but have fun doing it.

He and Koko grew inseparable, graduating from adolescence to adulthood together. Their relationship, almost 53 years together, is the loving foundation upon which their family grew. Walter loved his babies. He played with his kids, tossed them in the air, bought them any toy they looked at, told them stories, sang to them and loved them like they were extensions of himself. When his kids and nieces and nephews in turn had their own babies, he loved them with the same joy in his heart.

He realized that accounting and law were not the career path for him. When the accepted path was to stay the course; Walter took his infectious smile, charming personality and brilliant mind for numbers into the world of sales. The Pacific Northwest food industry saw him rise through the ranks of the wholesale food world to salesman of the year four years in a row. In the wholesale arm of Campbell Soup Co. National and regional awards came to him. Where he found his joy was in the innumerable lasting relationships he enjoyed cultivating in those successful years.



He found as his career trajectory was skyrocketing that he was needed, by his family, to stay closer to home during the working days. It was not even a question. With his big heart full of love, both for family and adventure, he started a new chapter. He continued to work in meaningful ways helping and connecting people in the food world for the rest of his career.

He said retirement was one of the smartest things he had ever done. Like the Otter, we always compared him to, Walter played. He played golf, tennis, handball, racquetball, he participated in half marathons and the 2010 Portland Marathon. At that race, he was raising funds for underserved kids, and he finished despite a broken foot!

He restored his father’s broken connection to their tribal family. He built our summer vacations around the tribe picnic. He loved touring the National Museum of Native Americans in D.C. and proudly speaking to the staff about his S’Klallam Tribal heritage.

His smile, his disarming charm, his transparency, his deep and abiding love of God and family, his honest open love of people, his faithfulness to friends, are some of what made Walter a lovable, memorable, irreplaceable human, whom we miss desperately.

Walter’s Celebration of Life was at Community of Hope Church in Wilsonville, Oregon, on Jan. 18, 2025, where he and his family attended, and his ashes were to be interred at the Jamestown S’Klallam Cemetery in Sequim on Feb. 7.

He follows his mother Joyce into heaven. He goes ahead of his wife Koko, sons Walter Christian, and Chad, and daughter Heather and her husband Julien. His beloved grandson Gabriel. His siblings JoAnn and Leah, and Gary. His loving and amazing nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews.

In Memoriam

Michelle Desire Hunter-Alojasin

1984-2025



Michelle Desire Hunter-Alojasin (Hunter Family) was born to Kimberle Alojasin and William Hunter (Hunter Family) on July 30, 1984, and passed away on January 25, 2025 at the age of 40 years young.

Michelle lived in Seattle most of her life and is an enrolled citizen of the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe. She loved her children and enjoyed being with her family as she was the life of the party.

She is survived by her children Leilani Cao-Alojasin, Jeremy Jordan, Mari-sol Pena, and Lorena Pena. Siblings Heather Misanes and William Hunter, Jr., Jason Aparis, Derek Aparis, Leilani Aparis, Bryce McGee, Dylan Aparis, Cheyenne Sodeman, Arnez Monsegur, Evahn LaPointe, Anthony LaPointe and Santana LaPointe. Adopted mothers Janine and Emily. Mom Rebecca Hunter. Many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends who she loved very much.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Conrad Lucero, Lupe Bello, Phillip Hunter (Hunter Family), Jean Cooper, Mother Kimberle Alojasin and father William Hunter (Hunter Family).

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Rights leader Billy Frank, Jr. (Nisqually) said, “Keep telling your story!”

When people ask me, “What do I think of Jamestown after 44 years?” I say, “We had a vision that stayed the same for our very unique community and that must stay focused and keep telling our story, including sharing our journey and how we are making a difference.”

Addressing the countless needs of any community is always a challenge and you can only do what you can where you are. No political entity can solve or resolve all problems and needs of their citizens, but we can do the best we can with the resources we have at our disposal. We must continue our journey one day at a time and have confidence we are making a difference.

We will continue trusting in the wisdom, patience and perseverance of the Great Spirit’s plan and our Tribal journey for our future generations.

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.

God bless,
Ron

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Please come enjoy clam chowder, garlic bread, and salad at an event held by our Elders and Youth Program.



Congrats on No. 70!



Photos courtesy of Hammer family

Harold & Karen (Kilmer) Hammer marked their 70th wedding anniversary on Jan. 15. They have two sons, Jeff, of Irondale and Dave (Leanna) of Irondale. They have three daughters, Wendy of Port Hadlock, Andrea (Tony) Barnett of Marrowstone, and Tracy (Eddie) Babauta of Port Hadlock. They also have 12 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.



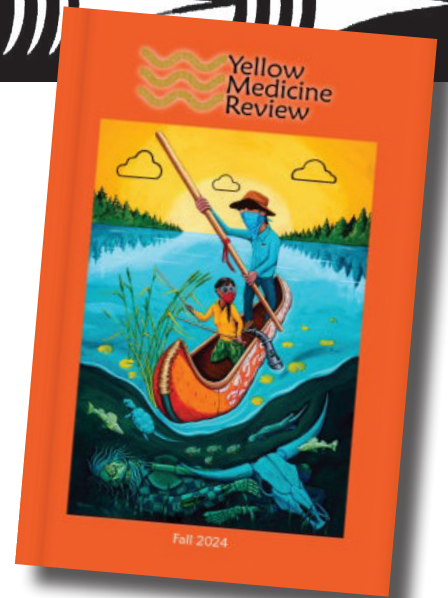
Sullivan-Owens' poetry published

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Citizen Rachel Sullivan-Owens recently had three of her poems featured in the Fall 2024 edition of Yellow Medicine Review.

Sullivan-Owens was formerly the culture coordinator with Jamestown's Traditional Foods and Culture Program.

The fall edition is available for \$21.48 at yellowmedicinereviewstore.com.

Edited by Judy Wilson, the publication features contributions from Georgette Aisaican, Seth Michael Allard, Judi Brannan Armbuster, Andreas P. Bassett, Sammie Bordeaux-Seeger, Krystle Young Bowers, Antoinette Bridgers-Smith, Vivian Mary Carroll, Tommy Cheis, tripp j crouse, Lucille Lang Day, Jessica Doe, Robert René Galván, Shannel Garcia, Ashley R. Guthrie, gabor g gyukics, Inés Hernández-Ívila, Tonya Holy Elk, Israel Francisco Haros Lopez, Thaer Husien, Ava Kate, Millie Kingbird, Carlee Klipsun, A.R. Madia, Rahnàwakew Donnie McDowell, Devon Mihesuah, MariJo Moore, Rebecca Pelky, Micaela Kaibni Raen, Jesus Resendiz, annie ross, Marama Salsano, Raymond Sewell, Sandeep Sharma, Kaa Yahaayí Shkalneegi, Derek R. Smith, Tutusaaq Stauffer and Colleen "Yaari" Walker.



Crain, cultural resources specialist, added to staff

Gavin Crain is the Cultural Resources Specialist for the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe.



Gavin Crain

As of 2025, he acts as the secondary point of contact in all matters relating to cultural resources issues, including archaeological findings related to the Tribe, advocacy for the preservation of known cultural sites, historical/cultural information requests, and liaison work with local museums, governments and agencies.

He assists Allie Taylor, the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO), in coordinating long-range cultural revitalization, education, preservation and enhancement, including cultural programming for children, youth, elders, JST employees, and

clients of Tribal programs.

Gavin is an anthropologist from Port Angeles with focuses in both archaeology and ethnography. He has a bachelor's degree in anthropology from Montana State University and is currently completing a master's degree in cultural and environmental resources management from Central Washington University.

Prior to being employed with Jamestown, Gavin worked as a seasonal archaeologist for the Olympic National Park, and along with several years working for the Olympic Peninsula YMCA.

He said he's honored to be employed at Jamestown and looks forward to helping preserve, protect and promote an increased awareness and respect for the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's vibrant historical and cultural identity.

New dentists join team at Jamestown's dental clinic

The Jamestown Family Dental Health Clinic welcomes **Dr. Kevin Huynh** to the staff. He has dedicated the past 27 years to providing comprehensive and compassionate dental care to a diverse patient population.



Dr. Kevin Huynh

With a strong commitment to patient well-being, Dr. Huynh strives to create beautiful, healthy smiles for every individual.

Born and raised in Vietnam, Dr. Huynh came here as adult refugee, went through undergraduate studies at Bellevue College and University of Washington, and finally graduated from University of Minnesota's school of dentistry in 1997.

Throughout his extensive career, Dr. Huynh has expanded his expertise through advanced continuing education. This includes specialized training in molar root canals, surgical extractions, implant placement, bone grafting, and orthodontic treatment. This comprehensive skill set allows him to effectively manage complex treatment plans in-house, minimizing the need for referrals and streamlining the patient experience.

Prior to returning to private practice, Dr. Huynh served as a comprehensive dentist at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, providing a range of dental services to military personnel. When not practicing dentistry, Dr. Huynh enjoys spending time in nature, with passions for gardening, cooking, hiking, and skiing.

The clinic also welcomes new per diem dentist **Dr. David Chuljian**, DDS.

Dr. Chuljian, or "Dave" as he prefers to be called, was born and grew up in Port Townsend, went to high school in Auburn, and did his undergraduate studies at Walla Walla College. His first career was as a quantum mechanics, doing research on Deuterium Cyanide wave packet decay rates at the University of Utah.

After getting his PhD in one of the few fields less lucrative than English literature, he switched to the University of Washington's School of Dentistry, and now specializes in dental decay rates. He had a private practice in Port Townsend for 30 years, after which he became a "gypsy" dentist — working for the Makah Tribe from 2017-2024, and short-term locum tenens dentistry in about 15 other offices. Dr. Chuljian said he enjoys all aspects of dentistry (except maybe root canals) and particularly likes doing surgery. When not doing dentistry, he works on his tree farm and sawmill in Chimacum, set on property the Jamestown tribe sold him in 2007. He donates the lumber to a couple of local animal shelters. He also spent his summers solo kayaking the Kazan, Kognak, Thlewiaza, Nowleye, and Dubawnt rivers in northern Canada. His house is infested with five parrots which do their best to deafen him (it's working).



David Chuljian

Adams joins Tribe's HR team



Ashley Adams

A belated “welcome” goes out to Ashley Adams, who joined the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s Human Resources (HR) department in the fall.

Ashley joins Jamestown from the Sequim School District, where she was a valuable member of their HR team since 2020. Prior to her work in education, Ashley spent nearly a decade in banking, where she

honed her skills in customer service and community engagement. Her experience in both the public and private sectors has equipped her with a unique perspective and a strong commitment to helping others succeed, JST coworkers say.

Ashley is a proud Sequim native and a graduate of Peninsula College. She lives in Sequim with her family and enjoys spending her free time reading, camping, practicing yoga, and connecting with loved ones.

“She has been a great addition to our team and has taken on managing all the incoming PAFs (Personnel Action Forms), fitness incentive requests, ushering all new hires through the onboarding process, and has been diligently working on editing and formatting new employee handbook,” her coworkers note.

Jamestown Tribal Health Department
Wildly Important
 Let's Inspire and Develop our Staff





Congratulations
Lauren Uhlig, LPN

We are thrilled to announce Lauren has accepted the position of Tribal Clinic Nurse!


Lauren is a familiar and trusted member of our community, and her years of dedicated service embody the warmth and professionalism every tribal citizen deserves. Donna's personal endorsement speaks volumes: she recognized Lauren's exceptional skills, compassion, and unwavering dedication, stating that if a loved one needed care, she would recommend Lauren without hesitation.

Please join us in congratulating Lauren on this well-deserved promotion.

New Employee Notice



JAMESTOWN HEALING CLINIC



Welcome David Freeman, SUDPT

I was at Olympic Peninsula Stone. I have 28 years experience as a granite fabricator. As far as work in this field, I worked at Olympic Personal Growth In Sequim as a counselor for two years. My wife and I also own Peninsula Party Booth, a local photobooth company providing services for weddings, business parties, corporates events, and more. We absolutely love it! I decided to return to counseling after an encounter with a former client who told me that they'd probably be dead if it wasn't for me. That encounter really had an impact on me. I decided to follow my heart and JHC checked all the boxes, State of the art facility, Awesome work hours, and a workplace vibe that I liked. Peninsula Party Booth takes up most of our free time which is ok because we love capturing memories. When we do have a weekend free, our family loves to go hiking. We also enjoy walking the beach. We have two young girls 8 and 5 still at home as well as an 18 y/o son.

New Employee Notice



JAMESTOWN FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC



Welcome Ruth Moss, CMA

I am a Makah Tribal Citizen and grew up out in Neah Bay. I recently graduated from the Peninsula College Medical Assist Program. After completing my patient care hours at JFHC I immediately knew I wanted to come back! I had a great time gaining knowledge and experience from everyone. It's a positive work environment, and I look forward to becoming part of the team. In my spare time, I like to drive out to Neah Bay and spend time with my family

Library Corner

Celebrating one year of your new library building!

The library reopened one year ago with a grand opening celebration on Feb. 24. If you haven't been in lately, there are new books for everyone. Stop in and check out a book and sign up for a library card.

Visit the Cultural Exhibit while you are here. Visit the online House of 7 Generations Tribal Museum anytime at www.tribalmuseum.jamestowntribe.org/.

Prime Time Family Reading Program is returning!



This popular community family reading program is open to Indigenous youth and their families between the ages of 5-11. Families will receive copies to keep of the books we share and discuss each week, enjoy a family meal together, adults will receive gift cards for transportation support, and there will be door prizes for the youth. The theme for this session is "Animal Tales." We will read and discuss all new books on friendship, trickery, patience,

respect, and justice. Previous participants are welcome to join us again. Youth in the Social and Community Services (SCS) afterschool program can be brought to the Dungeness River Nature Center by SCS staff.

Where: Dungeness River Nature Center

When: 5-6:30 p.m. Mondays, April 7-May 12

Register beginning March 1. Pick up registration forms at the SCS youth program.

For more information, call the library at 360-681-4632 or email at library@jamestowntribe.org.

' Fry Bread Face and Me'

This month's film Elder's Film Screening is "Fry Bread Face and Me," screening at the library at 1 p.m. on the last Thursday of the month (March 27).

Extended services

The library offers more than just books to read, music to listen to, and films to watch. Our staff are happy to help you with all of your information needs from genealogy, health information, current events and more.

Focus on news and information literacy

Have you wanted to learn more about where your news comes from? Interested in seeing all sides of a particular news story? In these turbulent and often divided times, finding ways to talk about what's happening around us with others is critical. Check out the AllSides.com resource, where you can view a media bias chart and explore multiple stories and perspectives about current news topics.

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— from allsides.com



Elders' Corner



We had a nice February luncheon at Club 7 complete with good food, prizes, and conversations. **March's luncheon** will be from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, at The Cedars at Dungeness.

Elk and salmon distribution is set for noon-3 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at the Traditional Foods and Culture building. Call Sandy at 360-477-3842.

This month's movie is "Fry Bread Face and Me," screening at Heron Hall Library at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26. Contact Janet at 360-461-8710 for a ride.

Chair Volleyball is at 1:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday (March 4 and 18) at Port Gamble. We will leave the tribal center at 9:45 a.m. to travel to PGST. Please come join the fun! Contact Justin at 360-461-0361.

Elder Activities: We need at least five participants for the pool (Shore Aquatic Center) in Port Angeles, held on Thursdays. Tell your friends! Contact Justin (360-461-0361) for a ride.

Beading is held 8 a.m.-noon each Tuesday, crafting each Thursday, in the Elder lounge. Come anytime.

The **Sweetheart Tea** is now scheduled for 4-6 p.m. Thursday, March 13, at Red Cedar Hall. Come enjoy a meal with us! We will be serving chowder, salad, and cookies. A gift from the Children's Program will also be included.

The **Elder Committee** met with leadership and staff to discuss future events, supporting leadership in developing policies and procedures, and the vacant committee seat.

On the last Tuesday of the month (March 25), Kathryn Gyori, Department of Social and Health Services' Tribal Liaison/Benefit specialist, will be here from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Fishbowl. **Renew or apply for benefits**, including cash, food or medical. Contact Dylan at 360-477-7288 to make an appointment.

Learn more about JST Capital's consumer loans

Jamestown Capital offers consumer loans to Tribal citizens, and now offers them to descendants and employees.

To apply or for more information, visit jamestowncapital.org.

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avian fauna, background in prairie restoration and significant knowledge of state and federal policies.

"I felt like it had all the pieces of my background," Wagner says. "I thought, 'Wow, was this job designed for me?'"

Her first day on the job was Aug. 26.

Wagner leads a limited staff — herself, Ranger/Visitor Services Manager Amos Almy and Falzetti, a part-time Wildlife Refuge Specialist — in overseeing more than 770 acres and a nearly 7-mile natural sand spit at the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge, an area that features: nutrient-rich tideflats for migrating shorebirds in spring and fall; a quiet bay with calm waters for wintering waterfowl; an isolated beach for harbor seals and their pups; and abundant eelgrass beds for young salmon and steelhead nurseries.



Photos by Mike Dashiell/Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Informational signage helps visitors understand more about how the natural spit was formed at the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge

The staff also oversees the nearby Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge, an island closed to public use that provides some of the last remaining habitat for many burrow-nesting seabirds in the Salish Sea.

Wagner's key responsibility is to use data from wildlife surveys and monitoring to help inform and create habitat and wildlife management plans.

"[It's] definitely fulfilling work, with all the species in this place," Wagner says.

That work is supplemented by a team of volunteers via a new partnership: Leshell Michaluk-Bergan, Dungeness River Nature Center Volunteer Coordinator, oversees both River Center and Dungeness Refuge volunteer teams, now known collectively as the Dungeness Nature Alliance (DNA).

At the refuge, volunteers lend a hand in trail and general maintenance, help clear invasive vegetation, remove garbage, assist visitors, install signs and more.

Since the management transition in August, the refuge team of 60 volunteers compiled more than 400 volunteer hours, Michaluk-Bergan notes, many of them participating in some of the five educational and social gatherings to foster lifelong learning and build confidence in engaging with visitors.

"We would not be able to do all of that without the volunteers," Wagner says.

Integrated perspective

Born and raised on the Kitsap Peninsula with close ties to the Suquamish Tribe, Wagner is also looking to help usher in a new perspective to both studying of and information relating to these refuges, one that is drawn from a Native lens.

Whereas previous management has been more focused on wildlife one-to-one relationships, Wagner says she's seeking a more holistic mindset.

For example, she says oft-overlooked small mammals, such as the Townsend's Chipmunk, may play a vital role as nutrient dispersers to support other animals.

On Protection Island, Wagner says she's looking to add to the current prairie restoration efforts a long-term restoration of habitat for tufted puffins and rhinoceros auklets. Much of their habitat is covered in invasive grasses, to the point that some young birds can get stuck and die in the long, thick vegetation. At some point, she says, staff will develop a plan to remove those plants.

(The Tribe also works to support Protection Island's 48-acre Zella M. Schultz Seabird Sanctuary, managed by the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife, with surrounding waters managed by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.)

At this refuge, Wagner says, the question becomes, "How can we work to restore the island instead of parcels of an island?"

Reframing the storyline

Wagner and staff are also focusing on building a Tribal narrative through signage and other information

available to visitors at the Dungeness refuge.

Besides some additional or updated signage from volunteers, she says the most obvious change to those visiting the Refuge will come with a major revamp of the visitor services area at the trailhead leading to the Dungeness Spit. On current signage, Indigenous people are given short shrift and written about in the past tense, Wagner notes.

Some signs that list English and scientific names will be amended to include S'Klallam names as well, Wagner says, and she's looking to add S'Klallam place names to signs "to help people understand how important this place is to the people here."

Other changes at the Dungeness Refuge currently in the works or being considered include: tsunami warning signs; a credit card reader to accept visitor fees; maintenance to fix trails damaged by erosion; and, potentially, placement of a welcome pole.

"[We're looking at] how can we improve the safety, the access, the enjoyment," Wagner says.

The Dungeness Refuge also includes land dubbed the Dawley Property in Blyn; there, Wagner says, the staff plan to clear out thickets of blackberry bushes to improve habitat for waterfowl and other birds, and add acoustic avian monitors there to track bird diversity over time.

The road to the Refuges

As a teen mom, Wagner supported herself and helped put herself through school working as a blackjack dealer. Her passion for biology — birds, in particular — and ecology led her to field work such as revegetation on the Elwha through WWU (Western Washington University) on the Peninsulas.

"I always had an interest in animals and wildlife habitat, [including] the laws and regulations," she says.

When she returned to college (she earned college credit in high school through Running Start), Wagner started volunteering at a wildlife rehabilitation center on Bainbridge Island, where she worked her way up to a seasonal position.

She earned a paid staff position at the center while taking graduate level courses at The Evergreen State College to earn a master's degree in environmental studies. After graduation, she was promoted to Wildlife Hospital Manager and wildlife rehabilitator and was the only full-time employee, running the facility for several years.

Some of her early work included working with inmate technicians from local prisons to restore prairie habitat for butterflies.



Photo by Mike Dashiell/Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
Volunteers help create signage at the Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge. Staff with the Dungeness River Nature Center now oversee both Refuge and River Center volunteers collectively as the Dungeness Nature Alliance (DNA).

While working as the Wildlife Hospital Manager, Wagner started teaching adjunct classes, and then decided to quit the rehabilitation job and became full-time teaching faculty at the Northwest Indian College's Port Gamble S'Klallam campus. She taught courses in ecology, biology and mathematics.

Toward the end of her third year at the college Wagner took a part-time position with Bainbridge Island Land Trust as the field research and education coordinator.

She eventually left the teaching position to take a role with the Land Trust full time. She was helping run a summer internship program there when the National Refuge position came open.

Wagner notes her father used to work at the Pope and Talbot Mill in Port Gamble, one that closed in 1995 with changes to the timber industry.

"He says I am righting all of his environmental wrongs," she says.

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Culture Department Announcements & Events

ʔəyəs čənšəwi — Happy March (Time of Growing)

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

Winter Wellness Workshop

We held our annual Winter Wellness Workshop in January and had a blast creating medicines and participating in activities to support our immunity together!

We started our morning off with a spread of teas and chatting while waiting for everyone to arrive. Our first group activity was our cedar steam led by Mackenzie Grinnell (Prince). We followed up with the cedar steam with elderberry gummies, led by Mikaya Haller (Cook/Kardonsky and Chubby) and assisted by Mary Snodgrass (Fitzgerald/Chubby), Trisha DeChenne (Prince), and Verna Johnson (Johnson/Dick). After watching the gummy group, everyone enjoyed a delicious Wellness Soup made by Emma Barrell (Johnson/Wood).

The next section of the afternoon, everyone split off into two groups, one making Chamomile lotion with Emma, and one making lip balm with Mikaya. Everyone came back together after this to make their own jar of fire cider while a small group had the very sticky job of straining the bear root honey (used for coughs and colds).

The last part of the afternoon was spent all together participating in “Rock, Stick, Leaf”, a game we use from GRuB (short for Garden-Raised Bounty). We said our goodbyes and made sure that everyone who participated took home one of each item made for the day.

Thank you to those who volunteered to help staff throughout the event as well as those who came just to participate. It is because of you that we are able to continue to put on events like this one!

— Mikaya

Klallam Language

Thank you to Mary Norton and Timothy O’Connell who will continue the year with simple vocabulary, phrases, and basic grammar! Come learn at your own pace! We are still working on getting our new virtual platform working! When we are ready, we will get that information out!

What: Klallam Language

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

When: 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31

Spring Culture Weekend

It’s almost Spring! We will be hosting a “Spring Culture” weekend to provide opportunities for family and community to strengthen relationships while learning about gathering and using traditional foods, and we’ll throw in a little cultural art. Join us for half a day, a full day or both days.

If you live out of town and would like to attend both days, check with Kaitlin Alderson in Jamestown’s Enrichment Program to verify if you are able to use travel assistance and spend the night at 7 Cedars Resort! Kaitlin



Photo by Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe/Culture Department
Attendees of a Winter Wellness Workshop in January enjoy cutting up cedar boughs into small pieces for a cedar steam. Among the participants pictured with Mackenzie Grinnell (standing) are Ann Tjesmland, Darcie DeChenne, Cyndi Wallace, Trisha DeChenne, Morgan Snell, Christian Lounsbury, his wife, and Billy Adams.

can be reached at 360-681-4617 or enrichment@jamestowntribe.org.

On Day 1, learn about the benefits of nettles as food and medicine. Harvest from a nearby patch and listen to various ways to preserve for future use. Participants can enter their name into a drawing for a dehydrator or a vacuum sealer!

Also on Day 1, join us for a tour of Jamestown's library and watch a 3-minute video prepared by the Traditional Foods Program. Take this opportunity to obtain your library card. Afterward, walk across the street to the Red Cedar Hall where we'll enjoy a few appetizers and learn about shellfish harvesting, how to obtain a subsistence card, how descendants can obtain an assistant card, where you can dig in our Usual & Accustomed (U&A) treaty areas, how to access tribal shellfish regulations on-line, then walk down to Blyn tidelands and dig! (Note: Blyn tidelands are private and are seeded by Jamestown's Natural Resources department, and therefore are only open to citizens and official citizen assistants).

Participants can enter their name into a drawing for an All-American pressure canner!

Join us on Day 2 as we learn about Salish Art from our House of Myths Carving Shed artists. If you're not interested in art, help us make a batch of nettle pesto for lunch, and make a jar to take home. We'll enjoy a bowl of steamers and nettle pesto pasta. Take home a few recipes, a jar of nettle pesto, a package of freeze-dried nettle salmon pasta and Princes Pine tea.

What: Spring Culture Weekend

Where: Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy., Sequim

When: March 8th/Day 1: noon-3 p.m., Nettle; 3-6 p.m., Library/Clam Digging
March 9/Day 2: 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Salish Art and Sampling Nettle & Clams

Waking of the Canoe

On April 1, we will be waking our canoes in a good way for the season! We will begin up at the canoe shed, where we will pull the canoes out to wash and bless them.

After the small ceremony, we will move to Red Cedar Hall to share a bite to eat!

What: Waking the Canoe

Where: Canoe Shed and Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy.

When: 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1

!!A Weekend of Events, March 21-22!!

Come participate in two days' worth of activities! Check with Kaitlin Alderson in Jamestown's Enrichment Program to verify if you are able to use travel assistance and spend the night at 7 Cedars Resort! Kaitlin can be reached at 360-681-4617, or enrichment@jamestowntribe.org

First, attend and participate in the **Canoe Family Meeting** on Friday, March 21. Join us for a light meal and some Canoe Journey planning! We will look at assigning leads for important roles and do a bit of gift making. Bring your creativity and hear updates about the 2025 Canoe Journey!

What: Canoe Family Meeting

Where: Dungeness River Nature Center, 1943 Hendrickson Road

When: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, March 21

Want to learn more about Canoe Journey or how you can take part?

If you are interested in joining the Canoe Family, we encourage you to contact us!

- Emma Barrell — ebarrell@jamestowntribe.org, 360-681-3414
- Jesse Osmer — josmer@jamestowntribe.org, 360-406-0852

Second, attend the JST Re-Recognition event on March 22! (This was rescheduled due to inclement weather in February). We have a program you don't want to miss!

Come join us in a celebration of our sovereignty. We will share a meal, songs and stories to celebrate the 44th-annual Re-Recognition of the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe. This year we will focus on how our sovereignty helps us participate in ceremonies like Canoe Journey. We will hear from elders, the canoe carvers, skippers, and pullers! Hope to see you there!

What: Jamestown Re-Recognition Day Event

Where: Red Cedar Hall at the Jamestown Tribe, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy.

When: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 22

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Canoe Journey T-shirt Logo Contest

Citizens and Descendants! A unique way to participate in the canoe journey is to design a logo for this year's journey! The theme for this year's canoe journey is "Dams Removed. A River Reborn. Spirits Renewed. Paddle to Elwha 2025." They are focusing on more natural colors you would find in and around the river.

Please use 1-3 colors for your logo and email your design by Sunday, March 30.

Contact Emma Barrell (ebarrell@jamestowntribe.org or 360-681-3414) with questions.

Gift Making for Canoe Journey

Lu Canales will be leading us in some gift making on Saturday, March 1! Come on down to see what the plan is for this year's Canoe Journey and lend a helping hand. We are sure this will just be the first of many.

Please reach out with any questions.

- Emma Barrell — ebarrell@jamestowntribe.org, 360-681-3414
- Jesse Osmer — josmer@jamestowntribe.org, 360-406-0852

What: Gift Making for Canoe Journey

Where: Traditional Foods and Culture Building

When: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 1

Clam Dig

A good clam digging tide is on March 7th. The Culture Department will not be taking people out, but if you need to borrow a bucket, boots, shovel, or rake, contact Mikaya Haller 360-681-4659 or mhaller@jamestowntribe.org.

What: Clam Dig

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

When: 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 7

Nettle Harvest

Early Spring is the best time to harvest nettle for food. After harvesting we will process the nettle to take them home ready to be eaten or frozen. Come for a little bit or stay the whole time.

For more information, contact Mikaya Haller 360-681-4659 or mhaller@jamestowntribe.org.

What: Nettle Harvesting

Where: Meet at the Culture Department building, 197 Corriea Road, Sequim

When: 3-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27

Intertribal Song & Dance is at Jamestown!

Jamestown is hosting intertribal song and dance for March. Join us at Red Cedar Hall with Port Gamble and Lower Elwha. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.

What: Intertribal Song & Dance

Where: Red Cedar Hall, 1033 Old Blyn Hwy., Sequim

When: 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 28



Photo by Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe/Culture Department
Winter Wellness Workshop attendees participate in a cedar steam led by Mackenzie Grinnell (Prince).

Waking of the Garden

Join us with your drums, rattles and voice as we wake the garden!

What: Waking of the Garden

Where: 182 Marinas Way, Sequim

When: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12

Harvest, Hang and Sing

Swing by and lend a hand in the garden or just come and visit! Beginning in March, Song & Dance will fall on the same days at Harvest and Hang! We will be hosting song and dance practice every second and fourth Wednesday at the Community Garden.

This is a great chance to come learn our songs and dances.

Lower Elwha is hosting the final landing for Canoe Journey this year in August and we want to represent Jamestown well! We will start the evening sharing a light meal then jump right into practice.

Contact Jesse Osmer (josmer@jamestowntribe.org, 360-406-0852) for more information.

What: Harvest, Hang and Sing

Where: 182 Marinas Way, Sequim WA 98382

When: 3-7 p.m. (meal at 5 p.m., song and dance after), Wednesdays, March 12 and March 26

Garden Work Parties

Stop by for a few minutes to see what we are doing, or to get your hands dirty and work in the garden or just say hi!

What: Garden Work Parties

Where: 182 Marinas Way, Sequim WA 98382

When: 3-5 p.m. Wednesday, March 19

Notes from the Community Garden: Garden and Produce Stand Survey



Hello all! Thank you for your responses so far to the Community Garden and Produce Stand Survey. Your input is instrumental in making the garden a more exciting place and resource for you to utilize.

Feel free to continue to fill out the survey if you haven't yet; I will continue to take input until the end of March.

(Get the link QR code at left, or at tinyurl.com/jstGarden2-25 to complete the survey via Google Form.)

We had a lovely and productive staff garden day on January 29! Not only did we construct the bare bones of our three-bin composting system, but we also pruned the trees in our Hallway of Trees. We will continue pruning in the orchard as the weather allows.

Additionally, we have started lettuce, broccoli, bok choy, scallion, onion, and leek seeds already in our new seeding room! We're so excited to share the bounty of the garden with you this year.

Thank you for your love and support!

In gratitude,

Frankie (they/he), Community Garden Manager

Link: Garden and Produce Stand Survey

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Photo by Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe/Public Safety department

Robert Knapp, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe Environmental Planning Manager, left, hands over the keys of a new, fully electric truck Ford F-150 truck to Enforcement Sgt. Calvin Lehman.

Grant helps add electric truck to JST’s Public Safety resources

By Mike Dashiell

Tribal Communications and Publications Specialist

Quick, fuel-saving and eco-friendly ... the newest part of Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe’s Public Safety team has a bit of everything.

Thanks to a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Tribal Resilience grant, the Tribe has in its fleet a new Ford F-150 Lightning, a fully electric truck that will serve as Enforcement Sgt. Calvin Lehman’s new patrol truck.

“We are currently in the process of outfitting the vehicle with emergency equipment, decals, and a mobile radio to get it ready for deployment,” Rory Kallappa, Public Safety & Natural Resources Chief, said in early February. He called the addition the F-150 a “significant step forward for us.”

The Ford F-150 Lightning will offer a host of advantages for the Tribe’s patrol fleet, Kallappa said, as it:

- Lowers operation costs — As a fully electric vehicle, the F-150 Lightning eliminates the need for gasoline, resulting in substantial fuel cost reductions for the department.
- Has environmental benefits — The truck produces no tailpipe emissions, aligning with the

department’s commitment to reducing its carbon footprint and supporting sustainability goals.

- Long-term cost predictability — Electricity prices are generally more stable than fluctuating gas prices, allowing the team to better manage operational budgets.
- Strategic visibility — By embracing forward-thinking electric vehicle (EV) technology, the department sets an example of innovation and modernization, reinforcing its leadership in both community and operational standards.

“The goal of this purchase is to advance the Tribe’s climate goals and build resilience to rising energy costs and power outages,” said Robert Knapp, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe Environmental Planning Manager. “The truck (using the large battery bank) is capable of providing emergency backup power.”

Kallappa credited work by Knapp and his team for being able to acquire the vehicle.

“Their efforts, which have not gone unnoticed, reflect positively on our department’s commitment to progress and sustainability,” Kallappa said. “We are truly grateful for their contribution.”

Payne graduates from United States Indian Police Academy

By Mike Dashiell

Tribal Communications and Publications Specialist

Jamestown has its newest fish and game enforcement officer — and it's a familiar face.

Chad Payne, added to the Tribe's enforcement staff last year, completed a 13-and-a-half week Indian Country Police Officer Training Program at the United States Indian Police Academy in Artesia, New Mexico, in late January.

With Rory Kallappa, Jamestown's Chief of Public Safety & Natural Resources, looking on, Payne earned his badge in a ceremony at the academy on Jan. 28, with Payne's son Brandon doing the pinning honors.

"This graduation is a momentous occasion, a true testament to Chad's dedication and hard work," Kallappa said.

Under the immediate supervision of Sgt. Lehman, Payne will hold the title of Enforcement Officer. As directed by the Enforcement Sergeant and Chief of Public Safety and Natural Resources Enforcement. His responsibilities include conducting routine and fishery-specific marine boat patrols, as well as hunting and shellfish harvest monitoring and enforcement.

Payne will also conduct the investigation of potential violations becoming familiar with Tribal hunting and fishing codes and regulations, notifying Tribal members of the most current and relevant regulations as they evolve.

He will also become cross-commissioned with the Clallam County Sheriff's Department and be responsible for associated qualifications and knowledge of calls for service in protection of life and property in the enforcement of county, state and federal laws, codes, and ordinances. The job also has Payne taking part in the region's Olympic Peninsula Narcotics Enforcement Task Force (OPNET).

The academy and program

The United States Indian Police Academy is described as the premier training delivery organization for Indian Country. Established as the U.S. Indian Police Training and Research Center, the Academy opened in Roswell, New Mexico, in December 1968 to train law enforcement officers from throughout the United States who serve tribal communities.

The academy soon expanded to provide specialized training for supervisors, juvenile officers, criminal investigators, and detention personnel.

Over the years, the academy has been located in Brigham City, Utah, and Marana, Arizona. In January 1993, the academy relocated to the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Artesia, New Mexico.

The Indian Country Police Officer Training Program is the basic training program for law enforcement officers



Photo by Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe/Public Safety department
Chad Payne, right, celebrates graduation from the United States Indian Police Academy in late January with son Brandon.

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partment

Family,
friends and
coworkers
congratulate
graduates of
the United
States Indian
Police Acad-
emy students
in January.



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who are charged with enforcing law, regulations, and violations on Indian and Tribal Lands.

The program is designed to progressively develop law enforcement officers with core courses in report writing, court testimony, federal and tribal criminal law and application, emergency response driving, basic marksmanship, drugs of abuse, human trafficking, domestic violence, victim services, community policing, arrest techniques, and other law enforcement duties in Indian Country.

The training also includes conducting laboratory and practical exercise in simulated field settings.

At nearly 14 weeks, the program contains 575.5 hours of instruction and 22 hours of administrative time, for a program total of 597.50 hours.

For more about the United States Indian Police Academy, visit www.bia.gov/bia/ojs/indian-police-academy.

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	



GENERAL CITIZENSHIP MEETING

10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Saturday, March 29
Red Cedar Hall

Open to all Tribal Citizens
Agenda includes a review of 2024 Report
to Tribal Citizens and enrollment surveys

Seeking surveys!

A blood quantum survey was mailed out to enrolled Jamestown citizens in late 2024. If you did not receive your survey, please contact Kayla Holden at kholden@jamestowntribe.org or 360-681-4606.

For more information, contact Ann Sargent at asargent@jamestowntribe.org or Liz Barbee at lbarbee@jamestowntribe.org, or call 360-683-1109.

Wednesday March 12th
Topic "Emotional Intelligence"

**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**



Scholarships available for East JeffCo women

The University Women's Foundation of Jefferson County is offering several academic scholarships for the 2025-26 academic year.

The scholarships are for women living in East Jefferson County pursuing post-high school education. Selection criteria include academic excellence, financial need and education goals. Application postmark/email deadlines are Friday, March 7.

Scholarships include: Elmira K. Beyer Endowed Scholarship (any course of study, \$11,000); Virginia Wolf Endowed Scholarship (any course of study, \$8,500); Lisa T. Painter Endowed Scholarship (law, fine art and healthcare, \$9,000); Environmental Scholarship (one or more, up to \$7,800); Constance Anna Pash Endowed Scholarship (STEM, especially mathematics,

\$10,300); Susie Pool Moses Medical Endowed Scholarship (\$4,800); Carolyn Watts Scholarship (STAM fields or technical certification, \$2,500); and Technical Career Endowed Scholarship (one or more, up to \$5,000).

Download complete criteria and applications from the QR code or at aauwpt.org (under the "scholarship" menu option).

Megan Bland, an RN at Jamestown Family Health Clinic, received scholarships from the group to pursue her education, the most recent last year so that she could complete her Doctor of Nursing degree.

For more information, email to uwfscholarships@aauwpt.org.



Self-care is taking the time to do what you need to live well.

Self-care also means getting help when you need it. If you're facing emotional challenges or thinking about suicide, the Native and Strong lifeline is here to help.

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

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	360-504-2022
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

Northwest Native Expressions Native Art Gallery



The Northwest Native Expressions Native Art Gallery this month features the work of Shana Yellow Calf, an enrolled member of the Northern Arapaho Tribe who has local roots as a Sequim High School graduate. She sells native-inspired nightlights and greeting cards through the gallery, and her business, 10 Buffalos.



1033 Old Blyn Highway

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www.NorthwestNativeExpressions.com

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
 JST Capital: www.jamestowncapital.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
 yəhúmæct Traditional Foods and Culture Program: www.facebook.com/jamestown.tfp
 Jamestown Family Health Clinic: www.facebook.com/Jamestown-Family-Health-Clinic-191450454240502
 JST Careers: www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100084808620555
 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

March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Klallam Language 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center	4 Elders Chair Volleyball PGST; leave tribal campus 9:30 a.m.	5 Elk, salmon distribution Noon-3 p.m., TFC building	6	7 Clam Dig 3:30 p.m. Blyn or Jamestown	8 Spring Culture Weekend Noon-6 p.m. Red Cedar Hall
9 Spring Culture Weekend 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Red Cedar Hall	10 Klallam Language 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center	11	12 Waking the Garden 5:30 p.m., Tribe Community Garden <i>* See note below</i>	13 Sweetheart Tea 4-6 p.m. Red Cedar Hall	14	15
16	17 Klallam Language 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center	18 Elders Chair Volleyball PGST; leave tribal campus 9:30 a.m.	19 Garden work party 3-5 p.m., Tribe Community Garden	20	21 Canoe Family Meeting 5:30-7:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center	22 Jamestown Tribe Re-Recognition 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Red Cedar Hall
23	24 Klallam Language 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center	25	26 Harvest, Hang and Sing 3-7 p.m. at Tribe Community Gar- den (also Feb. 19)	27 Nettle Harvest- ing meeting 3-7:30 p.m., Cul- ture Dept. build- ing <i>** See note below</i>	28 Intertribal Song & Dance 5:30 p.m. Red Cedar Hall	29 General Citizen- ship meeting 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Red Cedar Hall
30	31 Klallam Language 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dungeness River Nature Center		<i>* Also on Feb. 12:</i> Wisdom of the Elders Group 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. JHFC conf. room	<i>** Also on Feb. 27:</i> Monthly Elders Film 1 p.m., Heron Hall Library		

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Waking the Canoe 5-7 p.m., Canoe Shed, Red Cedar Hall	2 Elders Chair Volleyball PGST; leave tribal campus 9:30 a.m.		3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Elders Chair Volleyball PGST; leave tribal campus 9:30 a.m.	16 Wisdom of the Elders Group 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. JHFC conf. room	17	18	19
20 Easter Sunday	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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: 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim WA 98382. You can also reach Mike at 360-681-5629 or 360-809-9071 (cell).

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.

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Interested in Attending Tribal Council Meetings?

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



March Birthdays

3/1 Kendra Coughlin	3/15 Anjannette Erickson
3/2 Roberta Gentry	3/15 Kaitlin Alderson
3/2 Sandra Bender	3/15 Vicki Bill
3/3 Kimberly Kardonsky	3/16 Susan Adams
3/3 Michael Becker	3/17 Jocelyn Elofson
3/4 Jessica Sandana	3/17 Christopher Gill
3/4 Wanda Cullivan	3/18 William Anders
3/6 Paul Adams	3/18 Lacey Wilson
3/6 Gordon Arey	3/19 Nicholas Rawley
3/7 Diana Lair	3/19 Jeffrey Becker
3/7 Donald Harner	3/20 Michael Kardonsky
3/8 Donna Reeves	3/21 Dianna Minaker
3/8 Francis Ivelia	3/22 Aaron Kardonsky
3/9 Lori DeLorm	3/25 Daniel Davis
3/11 Liam Chapman	3/25 Gwendolyn Nicholl
3/11 Victoria Hall	3/27 Anondra Hedin
3/11 Jessica Creech	3/28 Amber Jones
3/11 Bruce Johnson	3/28 Linda Ruffcorn
3/12 Debra Benson	3/29 Dianna Carvalho
3/12 William Whiting	3/30 Roy Harner
3/13 Leeda Lamanna	3/31 Steven Johnson
3/13 Cheryl Possinger	3/31 Michael Nordberg
3/13 David Hopkins	

Help guide plans for new JeffCo aquatic facility

Help steer the planning process for a potential new county pool facility in Port Hadlock. The Jefferson Aquatic Coalition, in partnership with Jefferson County, is seeking community input about a possible new aquatic facility near the Jefferson County Library and Chimacum Primary School.

Click the link at www.jeffcoaquaticcoalition.org to let your voice be heard.