



# THE S'KLALLAM VIEW

## The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

Helping bring you the monthly news from your S'Klallam community.



May 2011

### INSIDE THIS MONTH'S EDITION:

Thoughts from the Chairman...  
Page 2 & 3

Around the Reservation...  
Pages 4 & 5

Canoe Journey...  
Page 7

News & Updates  
Page 8

*Honor your elders,  
Honor your culture*

Taking a moment to recognize our newest elders!



**Remember**  
the days of old;

consider the  
generations long past.

Ask your father and  
he will tell you,

your elders, and they  
will explain to you.

**The annual Elders Honoring**  
ceremony and dinner took place on  
March 25th at the Tribal Center.

A wonderful turkey dinner was served by Children and Family Services staff and Tribal youth. Each elder received a gift bag full of treasures. Entertainment was provided by Alex Marshall performing his Elvis Blue Hawaii

The eleven Tribal Members who achieved the status of Tribal Elder this past year are Terry Seachord, John Foltz, Fred "Brown" Fulton, Pam Loesher, Lowell Nystrom, Donald Fulton, Cathy Harvey, Ruby Crawford, Joe Lund and Frank Trevathan.



# A Report . . .

**Welcome to the** Chairman's Report for the first quarter of 2011. It has been quite a beginning of the year. We have had some strong battles that we have been successful at winning and we have had our share of struggles that we all will have to be a part of fixing. In this report, I am going to start with the tribal Council's top priorities and move on with other issues.

## Environmental Issues>>>

The Tribe has been working diligently to raise awareness about issues of Port Gamble Bay. We have held many meetings and made many new friends as we continue to build great relationships with people that want to clean up and protect our beloved bay. Several tribal members and community members attended Kitsap County public hearings, addressing the County officials, which spoke volumes about the significance of Port Gamble Bay to our Tribe.

We are also making our voice heard with the Department of Ecology regarding the old Pope and Talbot Mill clean up process.

The Three S'Klallam Tribes have met with the Navy on a government to government basis to discuss various issues and to solidify a working relationship between the Navy and the tribes.

*"We are blessed to have people step up for our Tribe and make a difference"*

A Coalition Group has been formed by our Tribe to facilitate teamwork between the Tribes, the County and other interested agencies and groups working toward preservation of the bay and uplands.

I would like to thank all the people that have been involved in many aspects of our environmental issues. We have great

support staff and very involved tribal and community members. We are blessed to have people step up for our Tribe and make a difference. We are not at the finish line yet, but we are moving in the right direction.

Tribal Council has been working closely with Natural Resources regarding fishing issues and strategizing on how we, as a Tribe, can fully utilize our harvesting opportunities. Our Vice Chairman, Chris Tom, has been representing the Tribe very well with respect to fisheries issues.

## Casino>>>

The Tribe is moving forward in obtaining financing for expansion of The Point Casino through the construction of sprung structure. The Tribal Council recognizes this expansion to be our best opportunity for financial growth, which will lead us to other opportunities.

In closing, I would like to thank our Tribal community and the Tribal leaders for giving me the opportunity to represent you. I try to do this in a positive way and want to do what is best for our community. I think we as a Tribe, need to push the envelope when it comes to safety and health of this community. In this report, there are many things to be proud of and are positive for all of us. I know we have issues that are yet to be resolved, but be assured that your Tribal Council is dedicated to learn from the past, recognize the current issues and plan for the future.

Thank you,  
Jeromy Sullivan,  
Chairman

## General Council Meeting

- June 4, 2011
- In the Tribal Gym
- Lunch served at Noon
- Meeting begins at 12:45 pm
- Agenda Requests are due by 4:30 pm on Friday, May 20, 2011

## Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

31912 Little Boston Road NE  
Kingston, WA 98346

Telephone:

360-297-2646

Fax:

360-297-7097

Website:

www.pgst.nsn.us

Email:

info@pgst.nsn.us

## Tribal Council

Jeromy Sullivan,

Chairman

Chris Tom,

Vice Chairman

Francine Swift,

Councilman

Kelly Baze,

Councilman

Chad Sullivan,

Councilman

Kari DeCoteau,

Councilman

## Entity Directors

Marjorie Zarate

CEO

Dallas DeGuire,

Executive Director

of Administration

Laurie Mattson,

Executive Director

of Tribal Services

Noel Higa

Director

Port Gamble

Development Authority

Barrett Schmanska

Interim Housing Director

Leo Culloo,

General Manager,

The Point Casino

Linda Helm,

Director,

Tribal Gaming Agency

Denise Comstock,

PGS Foundation

Executive Director



# Protecting Port Gamble Bay: Successes, next steps & a new website



Over the past year, the Tribal Council has made protection of Port Gamble Bay a major priority. For example, our Natural Resources department has continued to work tirelessly with other agencies on a plan for the Bay's restoration, while staff and community members have organized against major development like the North Kitsap Legacy Project.

Because of everyone's hard work and support, we've had some tremendous success, including the defeat of a proposed Fully Contained Community at Port Gamble as well as a second attempt by Olympic Property Group to build a dock/marina to service marine traffic coming into the town. Be proud of what you've helped accomplish so far!

But as we knew when we began, protecting Port Gamble Bay for our future generations needs to be thought of in terms of a marathon, not a sprint. There's so much more to be done!

One of this effort's major goals has been to educate our neighbors in Kitsap County on the importance of Port Gamble Bay to the tribal community. We're proud to announce the upcoming launch of a new website that will help further those efforts.

Within the next few weeks, we'll be going live on [www.portgamblebay.com](http://www.portgamblebay.com), a website that will not only provide updates on the hard work being done to conserve this gem, but also offers a detailed history on our cultural and historical connection to Port Gamble Bay and the town of Port Gamble. We encourage you to check this site often to stay up-to-date on the latest news and events.

Of course, we'll continue to provide information through this newsletter and other avenues. We're also planning for some tribal community events for into the summer and through the rest of the year. Hopefully you, your family and friends will be able to participate. You know better than anyone how essential the health of Port Gamble Bay is to our community. We need your support.

## CASINO EXPANSION MOVES FORWARD

.....  
**M**arjorie Zarate, CEO for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, has formally announced that the Tribal Council has authorized the historic signing of the financial term sheet from East West Bank.

Chairman Jeromy Sullivan and officials from East West Bank signed the terms sheet on March 25th. This is the initial step in securing financing from East West Bank for the new Casino and Hotel project. It is anticipated that the \$20 million loan documents will be available for Tribal Council approval within 30 to 45 days. The Tribe will be contributing 30% toward the project total.

Ms. Zarate congratulates the Tribe on a giant step forward. More information will be available as this project moves forward.



# Around the Reservation . . .

## Congratulations to

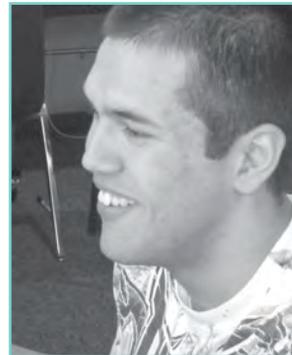
### MAKENZEE WELLMAN



Makenzee is a talented student-athlete in the 3rd grade. She loves basketball and baseball. She was a top scorer on her basketball team and is a starting pitcher for her softball team.

In March Kenzee was selected as student of the month at Gordon Elementary. Her favorite subjects are reading & writing. She loves her brothers & sisters, nephews & niece (Joel boy too) and she loves to camp and play sports. Kenzee has a special relationship with her grandparents and often sends them special messages. All of her siblings, her Mom & Dad and Grandparents are extremely proud of her and love her very much. Great job Makenzee, keep up the good job!

### HUNTER JONES-CALHOUN



Hunter is a Junior at Kingston High School and a Running Start student at Northwest Indian College. He loves basketball and is dedicated to exercising and eating right to be healthy.

Hunter is active at the youth center and in the community. He has maintained a positive attitude in all activities, has been a great role model to his fellow youth. He's doing great at basketball and completing high school and respects his elders. In a time when youth have so many tough choices to make it's awesome to see a young man making positive choices. We are all proud of Hunter for the leadership he is showing.

### JIMMY PRICE



Jimmy Price is the Longhouse Gallery of Art guest artist for spring quarter at Peninsula College in Port Angeles. On May 12th, a 2:00 pm artist reception will be held in the Longhouse following his Studium Generale presentation featuring his work and the creative process. If you'd like to attend, a campus map is available on the Peninsula College website at [www.pc.ctc.edu](http://www.pc.ctc.edu).

# *Around the Reservation . . .*

## **Annual walk Against Child Abuse**

Dozens of participants gathered at the Gliding Eagle Market to begin the trek to the Early Childhood Education Center in the annual Walk Against Child Abuse. Each year in April, the National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month, the ECC organizes the Walk, followed by a delicious lunch for everyone.



# CHECK IT OUT AT YOUR LIBRARY

by Tomi Whalen, Branch Manager



**I hope by the time you read this** article that Spring will have finally arrived. Although the cherry blossoms have finished blooming, it seems like the occasional snowflake is still found among the raindrops on the day I am writing this.

If you would like to add some new colorful plants or books to your home, come to your Library on Saturday, May 14, from 1-4 p.m. Our first ever Book & Plant Sale will be in progress. We will use the proceeds to help us bring programs for all ages to the library.

The school year is coming to an end, and I know that in May there are often many assignments due. We are here to help students of all ages find information.

Please call us or come in whenever you need any resources for projects. Here is what is going on at the library in May:

May events at the library are:

**The Little Boston Book Group meets the first Wednesday of the month at 11 a.m.** In May they will discuss *The Arsonist's Guide to Writers' Homes in New England* by Brock Clarke, and in June they will read *The Big Burn: Teddy Roosevelt and the fire that saved America* by Timothy Egan. Kitsap Regional Library just selected this title for the One Book One Community Celebration in autumn.

**Crafternoon occurs Wednesdays at 2 p.m.** (except May 11 when we will be setting up for our book and plant sale). Join a group of friendly library patrons who are happy to welcome newcomers. Bring your handwork and see what new craft books are available.

- **Preschool Storytime is on Tuesday, May 3,** at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Especially for ages 3-6; siblings are welcome.
- **Toddler Storytime is on Tuesday, May 3,** at 11:30 a.m. Especially for ages 18-36 months; playtime follows a brief storytime.

Our open hours are:

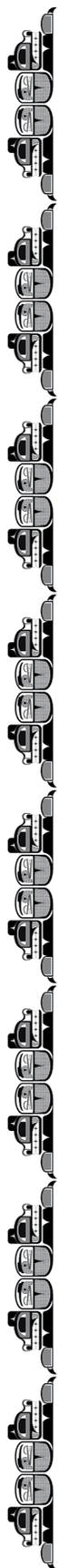
**Mondays & Wednesdays 1-8 p.m.**

**Tuesdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m.**

**Thursdays & Saturdays 1-5 p.m.**

**Fridays 1-6 p.m.**

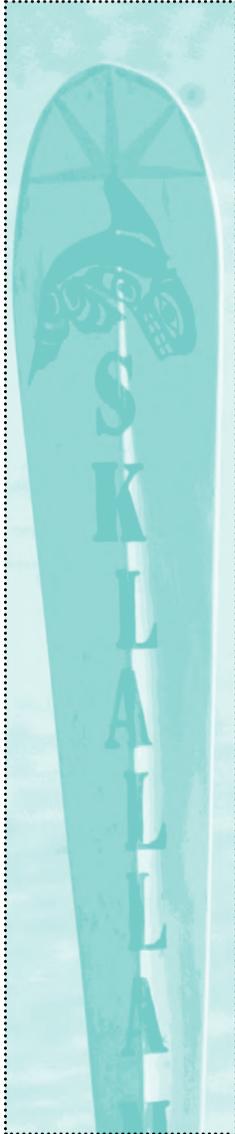
**Closed Sundays and  
May 30 for Memorial Day**



# Nəx<sup>w</sup>sʔayəm Snəx<sup>w</sup>ʔ Q<sup>w</sup>aʔk<sup>w</sup>iyti

## S'Klallam Canoe Journey

### Traveling to Swimomish



#### Canoe Practice

Time to get prepared... As with all sports, practice is important! Canoe Practices will be offered weekly to help strengthen our pullers physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. It builds teamwork and endurance and allows the skippers to see who they can depend upon. Practice will begin Saturday April 16th meeting 12:30 pm at the Tribal Center. Additional practice times will be determined with input by participants. You can check for up-dates at "Port Gamble S'Klallam Canoe Family" on Facebook or you can call Laura at 360 633-0110.

#### Canoe Hosting

PGST community will be hosting all traveling canoes on Wednesday July 20, 2011. We expect to see up to 1000 guests. We will greet and welcome canoes at Point Julia as they land. Time varies but can be estimated from 12 noon to 5 pm. We will feed our guests a traditional clambake at the beach. It is what our visitors look forward to each year. We also will be serving a meal at the Tribal Kitchen that evening and will open our Longhouse for presentations and protocol. *HELP IS NEEDED: lodging for elders, camping areas, showers, laundry and servers for the meals. If you can help please contact Marie Hebert at 297-6241 or leave a message on Canoe Family facebook.*

#### Canoe Travels

PGST Canoes will be departing on Thursday July 21st early in the morning with the tide. Exact time will be discussed at the Skippers meeting the night before. We are still deciding if we will begin our journey earlier from Port Angeles. If we do then we will be departing on Monday July 18th traveling to Jamestown then Port Townsend where we will come home to prepare for Hosting. Please come help us finalize this part of the journey at our Canoe Family Meetings held the first Thursday of each month. *HELP IS NEEDED: We are looking for support boats to assure safety on the water. Please contact Francine by email at swift@pgst.nsn.us or leave msg or text at 360 620-7905. Even if you can only help with one or two days it would be greatly appreciated. Gas and moorage expenses are covered by the Canoe Family.*

#### Landing & Celebration Protocol

Final landing will be at Swinomish Waterfront Park on Monday July 25, 2011. Potlatch and Protocols to follow through Saturday July 30, 2011. We will be looking for help with preparing give aways. For more information on the journey visit <http://paddletoswinomish.com> or <http://blogs.northkitsapherald.com/journey>.

# News & Updates

## Summer Youth Program 2011 Jobs>>>

It is that time of year, once again, to hire a Summer Youth Crew. You will need to get ready for the following things to happen:

1. You will need Picture ID
2. You will need Social Security Card
3. You will need Income verification
4. You will need to do a Resume (see Debbie DeCoteau if you need help with this one week advance notice required).
5. Alcohol/Drug Screening or Hair Follicles and Background checks will be done
6. You will need to do a interview

We will start taking applications April 18, 2011 until May 20, 2011. This will give everyone a fair amount of time to get his or her paperwork ready.

Please come see Eva Jones or Shallee Graff for an application at the Career & Education Center.

**There will be a drawing date set for Monday May 23, 2011 @ 3:00 p.m.** in the Career & Education Building to see who will be chosen to work.

The age requirement will remain the same 14 -24 years old but a separate drawing will be done for the 14-15 year olds this year.

**If you have any questions please call Eva Jones at 297-6222.**

## Bike Skillz & Thrillz>>>

**What:** Bike Safety Rodeo  
**Who:** Kids Ages 6-11  
**When:** May 28, 2011, 11:00 am

**Where:** Parking Lot behind the Administration Center and in front of the Social Services Building

**Why:** A great way to get the kids in your community excited about riding with the tools to do it safely! Cascade Bicycle Club will run a bike safety rodeo including skills like looking back for cars, rock dodge, slalom and slow racing.

**What to bring:** You provide the kids, bikes and helmets.  
Minimum: 5 kids,  
Maximum: 75 kids  
Please RSVP with child's name and age to hold your space to **Ahmis Loving - ahmis@pgst.nsn.us or (360)297-6266**

THE FIRST 50 KIDS TO ATTEND WILL RECEIVE A FREE HELMET AND LIGHT KIT. ALSO AVAILABLE WILL BE SAFETY BROCHURES AND REFLECTIVE ARM BANDS.

## Reorganization>>>

### Tribal Government Departments Reorganized into Two Sections

The Tribe is growing and now requires two divisions in Tribal Government. As of April 4, Tribal Government has divided into two branches: Tribal Administration and Tribal Services.

Organized within Tribal Administration are the following departments: Tribal Administration, Enrollment, Self Governance, Natural Resources, Utilities, Court Administration, Public Safety, and Tribal Gaming Agency. Dallas DeGuire continues to oversee these departments.

Organized within Tribal Services are Cultural Resources, Career and Education, Early Childhood Education, Health Services, and Child and Family Services. Laurie Mattson is overseeing the service-related departments.

Laurie and Dallas will work closely together to coordinate on an ongoing basis Two Deputy Director positions will be recruited to work within each division pending the approval of an Upward Mobility Policy.

## May Calendar>>>

- **Tuesday, May 19**  
– Lot Committee Meeting
- **Tuesday, May 24**  
– Tribal Council Finance Meeting
- **Friday, May 27**  
– Strong Families Fair
- **Monday, May 30**  
– Memorial Day (observed)