



THE S'KLALLAM VIEW

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

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



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RETURN OF THE SALMON



A S'Klallam tribal celebration returns!

More than a generation ago, the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe held an annual celebration to commemorate the return of the salmon harvest on the shores of Port Gamble Bay. This year that tradition will return!

A small group has been planning a celebration event for August and has been working hard to recover the history behind the ceremony while building a program that will be reflective of the Tribe today. Now we need your help!

We want this event to be for everyone—it'll be a day of song, dance, food, games, and more. Most importantly, we want it to be something special for our S'Klallam families; an event you'll look forward to year-after-year!

Tell us what you'd like to see at our Return of the Salmon event in August: special games? Storytelling? Specific songs or traditions? Also, we'd love to hear any ideas about how to get our youth involved!

If you would like to be a part of the planning or sign up to help the day of the event, we're looking for volunteers to help with:

- Gathering rocks for and setting up the clam bed
- Gathering wood
- Digging clams/picking oysters
- Carving sticks for fish-on-a-stick
- Filleting fish
- Judging fishing derby
- Running children's and family games and activities

Tribal vendors are encouraged to call the number listed below if you are interested in setting up a booth the day of the event.

Please send suggestions or sign up to volunteer with Nikki at nikkia@pgst.nsn.us or call 360-516-3206. If you'd like to be involved in future planning sessions, be sure to let Nikki know!

We want this event to be for everyone — it'll be a day of song, dance, food, games, and more.

Healing of the Canoe Project (HOC)

Article by Abby Purser, Youth Peer Educator

Since February a series of retreats targeted at S'Klallam High School youth interested in participating in the PGST Healing of the Canoe Curriculum "Navigating Life The S'Klallam Way" began.

There were four High School Youth participants in the first round of retreats, which was over three weekends, staying at Camp Seabeck (2) & Clearwater Casino Resort (1). In April, six High School Students participated in the second series of HOC retreats.

The main purpose and goal is to help prevent teen substance abuse and promote cultural revitalization.

In this curriculum, there is a lot of information about history, stories, beliefs, protocols, and cultural ways of our Strong & Clever S'Klallam people. One section of the curriculum stood out for both groups of high school participants. It's focus was on family trees and genealogy.

It gave the participants the opportunity to create their own family tree and find out their root names that tied them to the S'Klallam Community.

It was cool to see how driven everyone was about this part of the curriculum. Each student was on their cell phones,



calling family & friends to find out any information that could be of help to their family tree chart. Using the help of the PGST archives, the participants had the opportunity to trace their family names back at least five generations, which is awesome!

Now that two rounds of HOC curriculum retreat have taken place, our next goal will be to learn from the students how the curriculum works if it helps to educate about youth substance prevention and cultural revitalization.

We are also hopeful to have the PGST Healing of the Canoe curriculum "Navigating Life the S'Klallam Way," count toward high school credit.

To get more background on the Healing of the Canoe Project you can check out the website at <http://healingofthecanoe.org> or call **Laura Price 633-0110 for more information.**

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NEW FIREWORKS LAWS

The following is a summary of criminal offenses recently added to the Tribe's Criminal Codes. If you would like to view Title 5 of the Tribe's Law and Order Code in its entirety, please visit the website at www.pgst.nsn.us.

5.04.13 **Reckless Discharge of Fireworks** – discharging fireworks in a manner that create a risk to property or persons, during a burn ban or while under the influence of intoxicants.

5.04.14 **Disruptive Discharge of Fireworks** – two or more complaints within two hours to Tribal Police or other disturbance.

5.04.15 **Violation of Fireworks Curfew** – It is illegal to discharge fireworks on weekends between 2:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., or on weekdays from two hours after sunset until 10:00 a.m. This curfew shall not be in effect on the Fourth of July and New Year's Eve.

5.04.16 **Allowing a Minor Child to Discharge Fireworks** - Any person who allows a minor child to discharge fireworks shall be guilty of an offense if:

- The minor is eleven (11) years old or younger, and the discharge of fireworks causes injury to any person, including the minor, or property damage; or
- The minor is between the ages of twelve (12) and seventeen (17), and the discharge of fireworks causes injury to any person, including the minor, or property damage, and there is no adult supervision present at the time and location of the injury or damage.

5.04.17 **Separate and Additional Offenses Related to Fireworks.** The following offenses can be charged separately and additionally to other criminal offenses and the fireworks offenses specified above.

- Disorderly Conduct – Fireworks use may be charged as Disorderly Conduct.
- Arson – Fireworks use that causes actual injury or damage to property may be charged separately and additionally as Arson.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to achieve the full potential of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal sovereign nation to be self-sufficient, proud, strong, healthy, educated and respected.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe is to exercise sovereignty and ensure self-determination and self-sufficiency through visionary leadership. We will ensure the health, welfare and economic success of a vibrant community through education, economic development, preservation and protection of the rich culture, traditions, language, homelands and natural resources of our Tribe.

Around the Reservation . . .

IN MEMORY OF:

Charles Edward Scheibner

89 years old. Born on August 16, 1922 in Wilbur Washington, graduated from this life to the next on April 23, 2012.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie Scheibner of Little Boston Washington, his three sons Ron, Edward and Joseph Scheibner, his two daughters Anna and Joan Scheibner in Little

Boston Washington, as well as his sister Barbie Scheibner of Spokane Washington. Charles has 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

He spent many years in the United States Navy and is a WWII Veteran. He was a great man of God who traveled through the Southern States as well as Mexico to preach the word of God.

Robert George La Mont

Born June 16, 1939 at George's Corner, Kingston, WA. He passed peacefully on April 30, 2012.

He spent his childhood in the Poulsbo, Silverdale area and then Vancouver, Washington where he graduated from Evergreen High School (1956) He worked for Boeing in airplane construction, The Walla Walla Corp of Engineers, while working in Walla Walla he joined the Naval Reserve where he served 4 years (1960-1964) active duty on the USS Enterprise CVN 65 as an electronics technician. In October of 1962 while on Liberty in Norfolk, Va Robert was called back to the ship to participate in the Cuban Missile Crisis. Robert was on the first surface nuclear task force that took him around the world (Operation Sea Orbit).

He returned to Washington State where he worked as a bartender in Suquamish, Poulsbo, Kingston (1968-1998) Little Boston Bingo,

ending his career (1999-2012) at the Clearwater Casino.

Working and serving the public was a big part of Robert's life and he enjoyed it immensely making many friends over the years. He loved playing Pai Gow. He fought a courageous battle with his illness and was an inspiration to all around him. He always had a smile to the very end.

Robert was predeceased by his mother Evelyn (George) Armstrong and his brother John Edward Armstrong. He leaves behind his much loved family, Judie, Dawn Lorraine, Peyton, and Ali. Brothers and sisters, Orlene La Mont, Joanne Dee (Armstrong) Collins, James Wayne Armstrong and Bennie Jay Armstrong. Robert was the oldest grandson of Martha and Bennie George.

Around the Reservation . . .

NEW ELDER PHOTOS

Just recently 28 new portraits of elders were completed by photographer Eduardo Calderon and are on display in the Tribal Center. Please come visit and see them! They're in the main hallway, opposite the photos done approximately 20 years ago of elders by photographer John Staments, that were part of the project called "Pride Is Our Heritage."

We're thankful for funding from the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Appendix X funds, Norman Archibald Charitable Foundation, Puget Sound Energy, as well as tribal administrative funds. Several staff were involved to make this happen: Jolene George, Sharon Purser, Sue Hanna, Lenore Edwards, and Denise Comstock and Joan Garrow of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Foundation. (Plus Kelly Sullivan Baze and Laurie Mattson.)

The project was scaled down from 70 elders to 28 elders to reflect available funding, but the outcome is outstanding. The beautiful black and white photographs were taken in the exterior and interior of the Tribe's Longhouse during November and December of 2011.

Each image was matted and framed with archival materials, and a high-resolution



Photo of Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Elder, Jessie Scheibner, by Eduardo Calderon, photographer, 2011.

scanned image is being stored in the Tribe's archives. Copies of the portraits were made for each elder, framed and distributed at our Elders Honoring on March 15th. A digital copy will be made available to elders and their family members upon request.

Happy Birthday



Louella
Abrahamson



Elsie Jones



Loral Wellman

Connie Veregge — June 4

Louella Abrahamson — June 26

Elsie Jones — June 24

Loral Wellman — June 16

Don Jones — June 26

Around the Reservation . . .

2012 "BATTLE OF BOSTON" BASKET BALL CHAMPIONS



Congratulations DeCoteau Family 2012 "Battle of Boston" Basket Ball Champions

On May 6, 2012, the DeCoteau basketball team won the double elimination tournament with some outstanding team play. This was the second year for this annual event where Tribal families battle it out on the court for the title and a year of bragging rights. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event special. There were some really good games and a few good laughs.

1st place:	Team DeCoteau
2nd place:	Team Fulton
3rd place:	Team Purser
4th place:	Team Sullivan

Special Awards: Daniel DeCoteau

All Stars: Alex Charles, Jeff Purser, Hunter Jones and Youngblood (Matt) Hawk

#1 Fan Award: Millie DeCoteau, Shayla DeCoteau, Dennis DeCoteau, Julani McGinty, Mandi Moon and Erica Hankin

Simplified Summer Food Program

By: Stacy Mills, Family Assistance Program Manager

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Children and Family Services Department, Family Assistance Program announces the sponsorship of the Simplified Summer Food Program for Children. Meals will be made available at no charge to attending children 18 years of age and younger.

Further information will be posted in the weekly memos, please watch for more details to come!

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We are planning on meals being served at the following:

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Kitchen

31912 Little Boston Rd
Kingston WA 98346

Starting Thursday, **July 5th thru Friday, August 31, 2012**

We will serve Lunch from **12:00 pm to 1:00 pm**

Please contact Stacy Mills with any questions.
360-297-9629

Reduced Price

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every 2 Weeks	Weekly
1	\$20,147	\$1,679	\$840	\$775	\$388
2	\$27,214	\$2,268	\$1,134	\$1,047	\$524
3	\$34,281	\$2,857	\$1,429	\$1,319	\$660
4	\$41,348	\$3,446	\$1,723	\$1,591	\$796
5	\$48,415	\$4,035	\$2,018	\$1,863	\$932
6	\$55,482	\$4,624	\$2,312	\$2,134	\$1,067
7	\$62,549	\$5,213	\$2,607	\$2,406	\$1,203
8	\$69,616	\$5,802	\$2,901	\$2,678	\$1,339
Each additional household member	+7,067	+589	+295	+272	+136

News & Updates

WELLNESS CENTER>>>

Hi. I'm Brad, the Wellness Program Manager for the Tribe. I'm writing to invite you to visit us at the Wellness Center. We have caring, compassionate, professional counselors and staff who are trained to help children, adults, couples, and families. **Give us a call or better yet stop by and say hello! (360) 633-0100**

WHOOPING COUGH>>>

Whooping Cough: An epidemic in Washington

By Washington State Secretary of Health Mary C. Selecky

Whooping cough has reached epidemic levels in Washington. If the pace continues, we're headed toward the highest number of reported cases here since the early 1940s.

We need everyone's help to stop this epidemic.

Whooping cough spreads easily from person to person. It causes cold-like symptoms, spreads by coughing and sneezing, and can last for weeks. It's a miserable illness for teens and adults but very serious for babies who often catch it from relatives and other adults.

Sadly, it has taken the lives of four Washington babies in the last two years and hospitalized dozens more.

Prevention is important. Whooping cough vaccine is recommended for all kids and adults:

- Younger kids must complete a series of five doses of vaccine by age seven for full protection.

- Everyone age 11 and older should get a whooping cough booster shot.

To find an immunization clinic, contact your health care provider or local health agency. All recommended vaccines are offered at no cost to kids under age 19 through health care provider offices participating in the state's Childhood Vaccine Program.

There are other ways you can help prevent the spread of whooping cough, like covering your cough and staying home when you're sick. But making sure you're current on your whooping cough vaccine is the best way you can help protect the vulnerable in our communities – the babies that are too young to be fully immunized.

Working together, we can help protect our communities.

For more information, visit our website at www.doh.wa.gov.

FOUR-YEAR DEGREES COMING SOON>>>

In addition to the Bachelor of Science, Native Environmental Science Degree currently offered by Northwest Indian College, three more four-year degrees will be offered as early as Fall Quarter, 2012. The new degrees are a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Native Studies and Leadership, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Tribal Business and Public Management and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Services. "We're excited about the new degrees for multiple reasons. NWIC two-year degree graduates can enroll in the new degree programs as third year students and don't need to leave their reservation or commute to Seattle." Says Gina Corpuz, NWIC Port Gamble S'Klallam Site Manager.

"Additionally, the degrees directly serve the needs of tribes who are seeking to build capacity within and amongst their current tribal employees."

The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Native Studies and Leadership courses may be offered as early as Fall Quarter, 2012. Native students who need a four-year degree as a requirement by their employer, can start taking prerequisite courses at Port Gamble face to face or one of the other modalities such as teleconferencing or online. "Many Natives who are in leadership roles, for instance, tribal council chairs, council members or administrators, may want this degree to expand their leadership skills and acquire new community building strategies," Says Gina Corpuz.

"We are particularly excited about the four-year Human Services Degree because so many tribal members are currently employed in education, Indian Child Welfare, Wellness, youth recreation and other social service departments. This degree will help Native applicants to compete for higher level positions and provide services that integrate both cultural and mainstream skills and knowledge," states Gina Corpuz.

The four year Human Services and Tribal Business and Public Management Degrees are currently being developed by the NWIC Curriculum committee who will seek accreditation within the next year. The Native Studies and Leadership Degree is scheduled to be launched this Fall Quarter 2012.

If you would like additional information, please contact Gina Corpuz, NWIC Port Gamble S'Klallam Extended Site Manager, at 360-633-1914.