

# Puyallup Tribal News

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## Tribe temporarily shuts down casinos, schools and non-essential operations during COVID-19 crisis

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### CENSUS

## Yes, you count!

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## Fun times

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Important Announcement: Please Read

From Puyallup Tribal Council

March 17, 2020

txʷəl gʷəlapu, gʷəlapu siʔiʔab dʔiišəd, dsyayayəʔ. To all of you, our honorable people and relatives,

Our Tribal Community has been through a lot in these past weeks. A year ago, no one had heard of COVID-19. Today this virus has brought much of daily life to a standstill. Our schools are closed, our Elders luncheons are canceled, and people are told to keep their distance from each other. And for the first time in history, Emerald Queen Casino will go dark for an extended period of time.

We are in uncertain times: Puyallup – of all people – having to keep “social distancing” from each other to protect public health. How strange it is for us to experience months without school, prayer circles, cultural classes and parades. People are worried – scared, even. We understand. We look at places like Italy and China and wonder what the future has in store. But we as a Council can say this with certainty:

ʔa čəʔ txʷəl gʷəlapu. We are here for you all.

We are committed to providing essential government services to you. However, please understand that for safety we need to limit access our buildings and that staff will be on call. Please see below for details:

If you have questions, please call the service departments you work with as usual. The situation has changed daily, even hourly, but as this letter goes out we can assure you that we are working diligently with our staff to protect our members and our communities. Here are some of the things we are doing:

- **We are protecting our Elders.** The House of Respect Residence has placed restrictions on who can visit Elders. Until April 2, there will be no visitors entering the community. Elders luncheons are canceled for safety. The House of Respect community lunch program will continue by providing take-out sack lunches until April 2. Family members are welcome to leave care packages for their loved ones at the front desk. In addition, staff members can help residents Facetime and use other video-conferencing programs to connect with their family members. Questions? Please contact Russ Hanscom, RN, MHA at (253) 302-9523.
- **We are protecting our youth.** We have closed Chief Leschi Schools and Grandview Early Learning Center **effective Monday, March 16.** As of now, we plan for both to reopen in late April – but again, the situation is fluid. The Little Wild Wolves Youth Center has also temporarily been closed with the exception of funerals.
- **We are protecting our tribal members, employees and visitors.** We closed both Emerald Queen Casino locations and scaled back to essential government operations for two weeks beginning at midnight on Monday, March 16. Tribal government and casino staff will reassess conditions toward the end of the two-week period and determine how to proceed. Most tribal buildings will not be open to the public, and whenever possible, the expectation is for staff to continue serving their clients to the best of their ability while working from home. Contact the service department you work with if you have questions. You can find a list of service departments on the Tribe’s website: [PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov](http://PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov).
- **We are giving our employees peace of mind.** Job worries often follow health and safety. Employees will not experience a disruption in wages or benefits during the two-week period. We as a Council also have changed administrative leave rules to make it very easy for our employees who face day-care issues, are sick, or are caring for loved ones who are sick to take paid leave. Others are being shown how they can work from home, or fill in for those who are absent. If you have questions, please call Tribal Administration’s Human Resources office at (253) 573-7863, or the entity you work for.
- **We are protecting our community members.** Tribal Administration has canceled gatherings through the end of the month and into April, including prayer circles, cultural activities and community dinners.
- **We are helping take care of the broader community.** We have offered the Emerald Queen Riverboat and its adjacent 45 acres on Alexander Avenue to public health authorities as a possible isolation site or command center if needed.

Any of these measures could change between the time we sent this letter and the time you read it. That’s how fluid the situation is.

**Make sure you’re getting the right medical information.** As a Council, we have been in constant contact with Puyallup Tribal Health Authority and Dr. Alan Shelton, who is in daily communication with Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department. You can reach PTHA at (253) 593-0232. Get updates on the virus from TPCHD at [TPCHD.org/healthy-people/human-coronavirus](http://TPCHD.org/healthy-people/human-coronavirus).

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Please be patient as we work through the daily challenges produced by the coronavirus outbreak. Stay up to date through the Tribe's website (PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov), and its official social media pages. When the casinos reopen, we will shift operations from the current I-5 location to the new \$450 million I-5 casino we've all been waiting for. We'll have something special planned for our Tribal members.

Be kind – ʼububʼub. Be helpful – kʼaxʼalikʼ. We've faced adversity before, and together we've faced it head-on and persevered. Now is another one of those times where we need to come together and take care of one another. Remember that – ʼaswələxʼ čəł – we are strong, resilient people. We will get through this difficult time together.

Take care of yourselves. tiixidubut čəlap. Watch over yourselves well. haʼt kʼ(i) adsəslabčəbut.

Sincerely,



David Z. Bean  
Chairman  
On behalf of Puyallup Tribal Council



## Tribal Council election calendar

### Saturday, April 4

**Absentee Ballots:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 8 a.m.

**PRIMARY ELECTION:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Drive-up voting will be take place at Chief Leschi Schools, 5625 52nd St. E., Puyallup.

**Note:** This is a new location due to measures being taken in light of the coronavirus COVID-19.

### Friday, April 10

**Courtesy mail-out of election count:** Absentee ballot requests will be mailed for the General Election.

**Deadline for Tribal Voters Guide:** Candidacy letters & photos must be submitted to [News@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov](mailto:News@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov) by 5 p.m.

### Friday, May 8

**Deadline for absentee ballot request:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 9 a.m.

### Saturday, June 6

**Absentee Ballots:** must be received in the Election Board's mail box by 8 a.m.

**GENERAL ELECTION:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Puyallup Tribal Administration Building, 3009 E. Portland Ave Tacoma, WA 98404.

### Friday, June 12

**Courtesy mail-out of election count.**

## Tribal Council Candidates: Advertise in the Puyallup Tribal News!

The Puyallup Tribal News is offering paid advertisements for Tribal Council candidates during the 2020 election season.

### Here's how it works:

- Submit payment of \$150 (10" x 7") for a half-page or \$300 (10" x 14") for a full-page to the Accounting Department. The price will pay for an ad to run once.
- Accounting will send proof of payment to the news staff.

- Send a PDF of your ad to [news@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:news@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).

### Ads must be submitted by noon on the following dates:

- April 10 for the April edition.
- May 8 for the May edition.

Ads will be displayed in alphabetical order by last name in the paper.

Candidates will have a chance to view a proof of their ad before it is published.

## Is your address up to date with Enrollment?

As election season nears, the Election Board would like to remind tribal members that it's important to keep contact information current with the Enrollment Department.

An updated address will ensure that election materials, such as the voters' guide and mail-in ballots, arrive at the correct place. For more information, contact the Enrollment Department at **253-573-7849** or [Enrollment@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:Enrollment@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).





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# Meet this year's Daffodil Princess

By Lisa Pemberton  
Puyallup Tribal News Editor

Chief Leschi Daffodil Princess Catalina Dillon said she feels a special connection with the theme for this year's Daffodil Festival, "Honoring our Past."

She talked about her adoption process in the speech she wrote for the Daffodil royalty selection process. She also thanked her birth parents.

"Although they weren't ready to be parents, the Creator blessed me with new people who I now call my family today," Dillon said. "Although we may honor the past, we cannot change the past. We have to live in the present and be ready to embrace the future."

Dillon is one of 23 seniors who make up the 2020 Daffodil Royal Court. The annual festival's parade, which was set for April 4, will no longer take place due to precautions for the coronavirus. It's the first time since World War II that it's been canceled, and it won't be rescheduled.

"Coordination with four cities and other administrative entities requires months of advance work," said Festival President Ernie Ouellette. "Believe me, this is hard for me to say and hard for our dedicated Festival volunteers and 2020 Daffodil Princesses to accept, but we all realize the health of our participants and the general public is our top priority."

Prior to the cancellation, the festival kicked into high gear on Feb. 16 with the Princess Promenade. It was the Royal



Court's first appearance in their bright yellow dresses and crowns, and the first chance to share a song and dance routine that they've practiced for weeks.

"I'm having a lot of fun," Dillon said shortly afterward. "I got to meet 22 other girls and they're all very nice and we all get along very well."

Dillon said she became interested in the Daffodil Festival when her older sister Angeline Dillon was crowned Daffodil Princess in 2018.

"She loved it," Dillon said. "She always had a great time."

Dillon plans to attend Central Washington University and study to become a caseworker for Native American children. "Cat is just amazingly warm," said Victoria Bay, Chief Leschi's Daffodil festival coordinator. "She's kind. She brings joy."

Dillon said she hopes her speech will serve as an inspiration to others.

"Even though I was adopted it does not define who I am," Dillon said. "I still have two great parents, 11 great siblings. I got accepted into college, I'm like No. 4 in my class. So I would just let them know that even though I had this big drastic change from when I was little, I was still able to succeed in life."



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# Two towering story poles blessed and welcomed on Puyallup land



By Kate Manzanares  
Puyallup Tribal Member

Thanks to technology, tribal and community members were able to witness the blessing of two new story poles that will stand tall at the entrance of the new Emerald Queen Casino in Tacoma.

“These will be here greeting people, long after we’re gone,” said Tribal Council vice chairman Bill Sterud said during the March 10 ceremony. “A lot of these elders, they may not be here physically right now, but they’re smiling, their spirits here.”

The Tribal Council made it possible for people to view the blessings by livestream, using technology as a way to avoid an active construction zone.

“Our guests are very powerful people,” Cultural Director Connie McCloud said. “We want to welcome them in a way that we would welcome our chiefs. Our people have always held cedar trees in high honor. These cedar trees gave their lives to become beautiful, sacred poles. Those that do this work give thanks every time they put a part of themselves into these poles—their prayers, their thoughts, their gifts for the people. Today we want to honor the cedar trees, today we want to honor those artists that were a part in making today happen. Today we want to honor all of the people that have contributed to this day to make this day happen.”

The blessings were done by members of the Culture Department and Language Program.

During the ceremony, dancers brushed the story poles with cedar branches. They also performed a carving song, which had dance actions resembling the motions used when carving poles.

**“As we come together to bless our relatives here it is important to give thanks to those that came before us our ancestors, our elders, it’s important to give thanks to Grandfather the Creator, to Mother Earth, thankful for the water, the sun, the moon, the mountain, for they provide everything that we need to sustain life for the cedar tree — gave its life to take its place, here in this beautiful facility”**

**— Tribal Chairman David Z. Bean**

A few students from Chief Leschi Schools participated in the event.

Puyallup Tribal member Shawn Peterson, whose native name is Qwalsius, designed the story poles.

He was raised in Tacoma, and has been a practicing professional artist since 1996.

“These story poles wouldn’t be possible without taking time with our historians that I spent time with when I was working at Chief Leschi Schools very early on, back in 1995, with Judy Wright,” he said.

Story pole “River,” which will be located in the casino atrium, depicts the formation of the Puyallup River that was created by two killer whales who were trapped in the mountain after the great flood. Due to all the work that Peterson had been commissioned to do throughout the casino, time was in essence so he enlisted help from carvers in his field, including Joe Gobin (Tulalip) and Adam McIsaac.



Tribal Chairman David Z. Bean

“I want to thank Joe Gobin, Kelly Moses, Adam McIsaac — these wouldn’t be possible without these people. The special skill set that they’ve taken time to learn and practice, making this kind of work is a lot of time in isolation and it’s hard,” Peterson said.

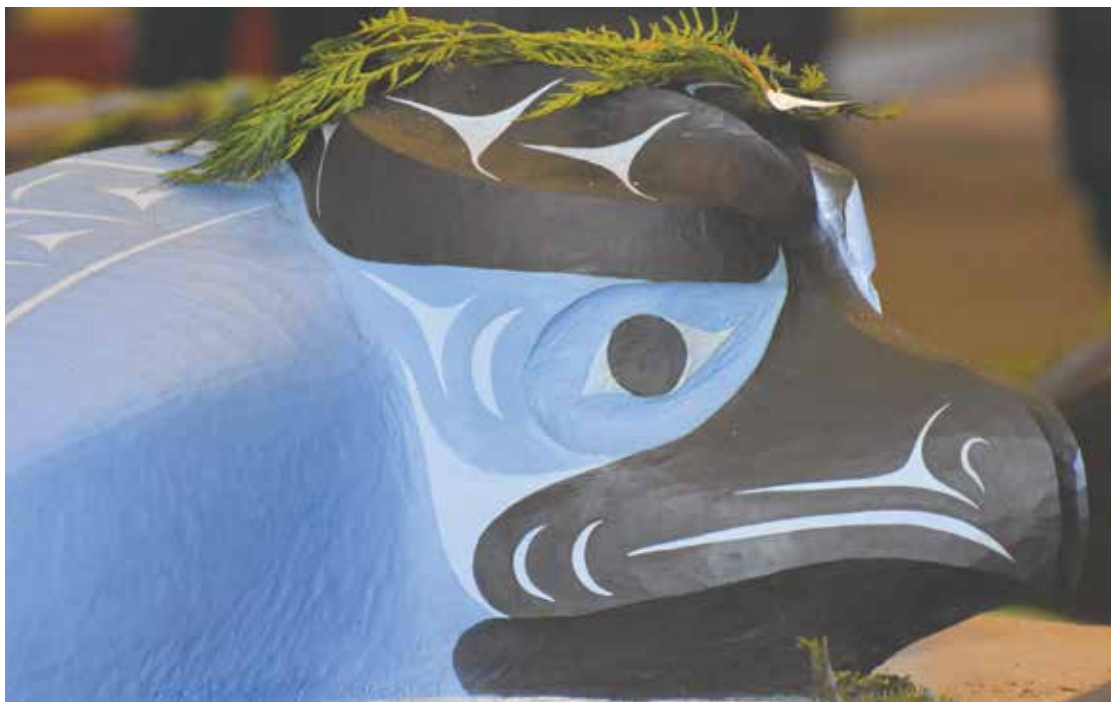
The “Sky World” story pole will also be located in the casino atrium. Its story came from several sources including Judy Wright, Jack Moses and Ron Simchen. The story of the sky and its creatures have deep cultural roots to the Puyallup people on their ancestral lands.

“As we come together to bless our relatives here it is important to give thanks to those that came before us our ancestors, our elders, it’s important to give thanks to Grandfather the Creator, to Mother Earth, thankful for the water, the sun, the moon, the mountain, for they provide everything that we need to sustain life for the cedar tree — gave its life to take its place, here in this beautiful facility,” said Tribal Chairman David Z. Bean. “We are thankful to our ancestors for holding on to the teachings. I think they would be proud and happy to see that we are honoring the teaching that they have passed down, from generation to generation, blessing these poles, singing our songs, doing our dances and speaking our language.”



Watch the full video at <https://livestream.com/accounts/28015638/events/9030982>





Photos by Puyallup Tribal News editor Lisa Pemberton



## JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS yayusali

**Job title: Foster Home Licensor**  
**Department: Children's Services**  
**Closes: April 6**

Certifies potential homes as Washington State licensed foster care homes and coordinates the placement of children.

**Job title: Associate Judge**  
**Department: Tribal Court**  
**Closes: April 14**

Serves as hearing judge for the Puyallup Tribal Court in accordance with the tribal Judicial Administrative Code. The term of the Associate Judge shall be three years from the date of appointment by the Tribal Council. A judge may be reappointed at the expiration of a term in the discretion of the Tribal Council.

**Job title: Assistant Prosecutor**  
**Department: Prosecutor's Office**  
**Closes: Open until filled.**

Responsible for planning, organizing, and directing assigned activities of the Prosecutor's Office and serves as the Assistant Prosecutor/Presenting Officer for the tribe.

**Job title: Police Officer**  
**Department: Law Enforcement**  
**Closes: Open until filled.**

Responsible for the enforcement of all tribal laws and regulations which shall include both land and marine areas which are under tribal jurisdiction. The police officer should possess understanding of sovereignty, tribal regulations and the need for their enforcement.

## How To Apply:

Apply online at <https://usr55.dayforcehcm.com/CandidatePortal/en-US/ptoiad> or visit the Puyallup Tribe's website at <http://www.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/> and select 'Employment' at the top of the page.

If you have any questions about the online application, please call 253-573-7863 or email [jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



### TRIBAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM INFORMATION

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# Combatting human trafficking starts with the community

By Carolyn DeFord

Human Trafficking Project Coordinator

You have probably witnessed human trafficking, maybe even know of establishments where prostitution most likely occurs. But this is only the tip of the iceberg. Human trafficking happens not only in casinos and hotels. It also happens in schools and at events like concerts, sporting events, powwows and car shows. Although human trafficking is a violent crime against individuals, it also affects entire communities.

One reason it is so rampant is human trafficking remains largely hidden. Predators rely on the “blindness” of their community and the shame of their victims. The stigma of being prostituted comes largely from unrealistic Hollywood stereotypes that portray them as complicit criminals. This stigma often prevents victims from seeking help, effectively cutting them off from many available services and further hiding them from community awareness.

Combatting human trafficking starts in the community. It begins with the community learning what it is and how to recognize it. Simply put, human trafficking is controlling another using force, fraud, or coercion to compel that individual to work, provide services or perform sex acts in exchange for something of value. This might be money, shelter, food, protection, acceptance, trendy clothes or drugs. Children compelled to engage in commercial sex acts are victims regardless of the presence of force, fraud or coercion.

Traffickers may be the victims’ family members, peers, romantic partners or potential employers. They control their victims with various methods such as physical or sexual assault, making them dependent on drugs, or taking advantage of their victims’ need for love, safety, and acceptance. They may manipulate them with humiliation, shame, false promises and threats of harm to them or their family members.

Another factor traffickers exploit is the prevalence of historical trauma among minority groups, especially indigenous people. Historical trauma has created vulnerabilities at the individual, family

and community levels. Traffickers exploit the weaknesses of people already suffering as victims of historical trauma often by playing on their basic needs for housing and food or their emotional needs for love and belonging.

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention reports that the average age children are lured into sex trafficking is between 12 and 14. Thus traffickers target the most vulnerable among us: our children, runaways, and youth in foster care. Other vulnerable groups targeted by traffickers are LGBTQ two-spirit people, individuals with low support systems, those with gang affiliations and drug addictions or those living in poverty.

The good news is this is preventable. Through providing informed services that educate our youth and community members, we can remove the stigma, prevent further victimization and build safer communities for our future generations.

The language we use is important. It influences our perceptions and changes the way we look at things. Looking at human trafficking through a victim-centered lens allows us to see prostitution for what it is, the use of lies, violence and manipulation to exploit our most vulnerable through trafficking.

We are a close-knit community with strong natural protective factors ingrained into our way of life. These tools and resources are available to protect our people. We just have to take off the blinders that prevent us from seeing the whole picture. Through primary prevention, like in the “Babies Up the River” story, we need as a community to start upstream in protecting our children instead of waiting until they’ve already been tossed into the river of sex trafficking.

Community events that create safe spaces to build relationships and strengthen social supports reduces victimization and re-enforces the resilience of our young people. Youth programs teach young people to

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROTECT YOUR FAMILY

### 1) STAY SAFE ONLINE.

Screen friends & followers, make profiles private, be cautious about information shared online. Traffickers often use social media to recruit victims.

### 2) RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS.

Changes in school attendance, friend groups, clothing styles & interests. New older boyfriend, expensive gifts, tattoos or unexplained hotel keys.

### 3) TALK ABOUT IT.

Discuss how youth are targeted. Let them know that traffickers try to befriend girls and boys with promises of a better life, love, nice things & money. Traffickers can be male or female & even classmates.

### 4) STAY CONNECTED.

Traffickers look for loners. Reach out to family and friends if you need help. Your culture is strong, practice your traditions, get involved in your community and school activities.

### 5) STAY DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE.

Drug or alcohol use increases the risk of being targeted.

FOR HELP OR TO REPORT A TIP CALL THE NATIONAL  
HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE (888) 373-7888

For more information call the Puyallup Tribe Community  
Domestic Violence Advocacy Program: 253-680-5499



recognize and respond to signs of potential exploitation. These programs can be implemented in schools, youth centers, after school activities, camps and other peer groups. Additionally, government agencies and tribal councils are creating legislation and codes to equip communities with the tools they need to respond.

However, for these tools to be effective, vigilant community action is required. Traffickers make it their job to know how and where to operate undetected. They understand our policies, laws, social customs, and who is who, so they can target our weaknesses and exploit our most vulnerable.

This is our home. No one loves our community and people more than us. And no one has more at stake, considering the threat to the safety and wellbeing of our community posed by human trafficking, than our children.

If you believe you are the victim of a trafficking situation or have information about a potential trafficking situation, call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) at 1-888-373-7888. NHTRC is a national, toll-free hotline, with specialists available to answer calls from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.





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The Integrative Model of Salish Cancer Center combines medical oncology that delivers cancer treatment at par with national standards and guidelines along with naturopathic care, traditional Native American healing, and acupuncture on site. Our team of providers works together to address the mind, body, and spirit of each person we treat because we believe that an integrative model is the best way to heal and care for individuals who entrust us with their care.

In addition to treating cancer patients, we offer acupuncture for tribal members of the Puyallup Tribe.

If you or a loved one has an interest in learning more about what Salish Cancer Center can do for you, please call us at 253-382-6300.



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## Acupuncture FAQs

### Do I have to be a cancer patient to receive acupuncture treatment?

No. Acupuncture serves all of our tribal members, and you do not need to be a cancer patient. These appointments are available to the tribal community and are not taking up the care for cancer patients.

### How long is the treatment?

The first treatment usually lasts about 90 minutes. Subsequent treatment can last 50 minutes to one hour.

### What should I bring to the first appointment?

Just bring in your health insurance card and relevant medical history that may be helpful such as results of blood work, x-rays, or written referral from your doctor.

### What should I wear to the first appointment?

You should wear comfortable clothes.

### Should I fast before the treatment?

No, it would be helpful if you ate before treatment because you may feel very lightheaded after the appointment.

### Does it hurt?

There is a little bit of pain during the initial



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### What should I avoid doing after a treatment?

You may resume normal activities after treatment; however, you should not do anything rigorous after a treatment such as mowing the lawn, or two-hour workout.

### How long before I can see results?

The effectiveness of acupuncture varies from one person to the next. In general, if the condition has been there for a long time, then it will take longer to see a result. If the condition is relatively new (within six months), the result may take less time.

### How often should I have an acupuncture treatment?

If you have not had an acupuncture treatment before, you may need to start with two treatments a week then, taper

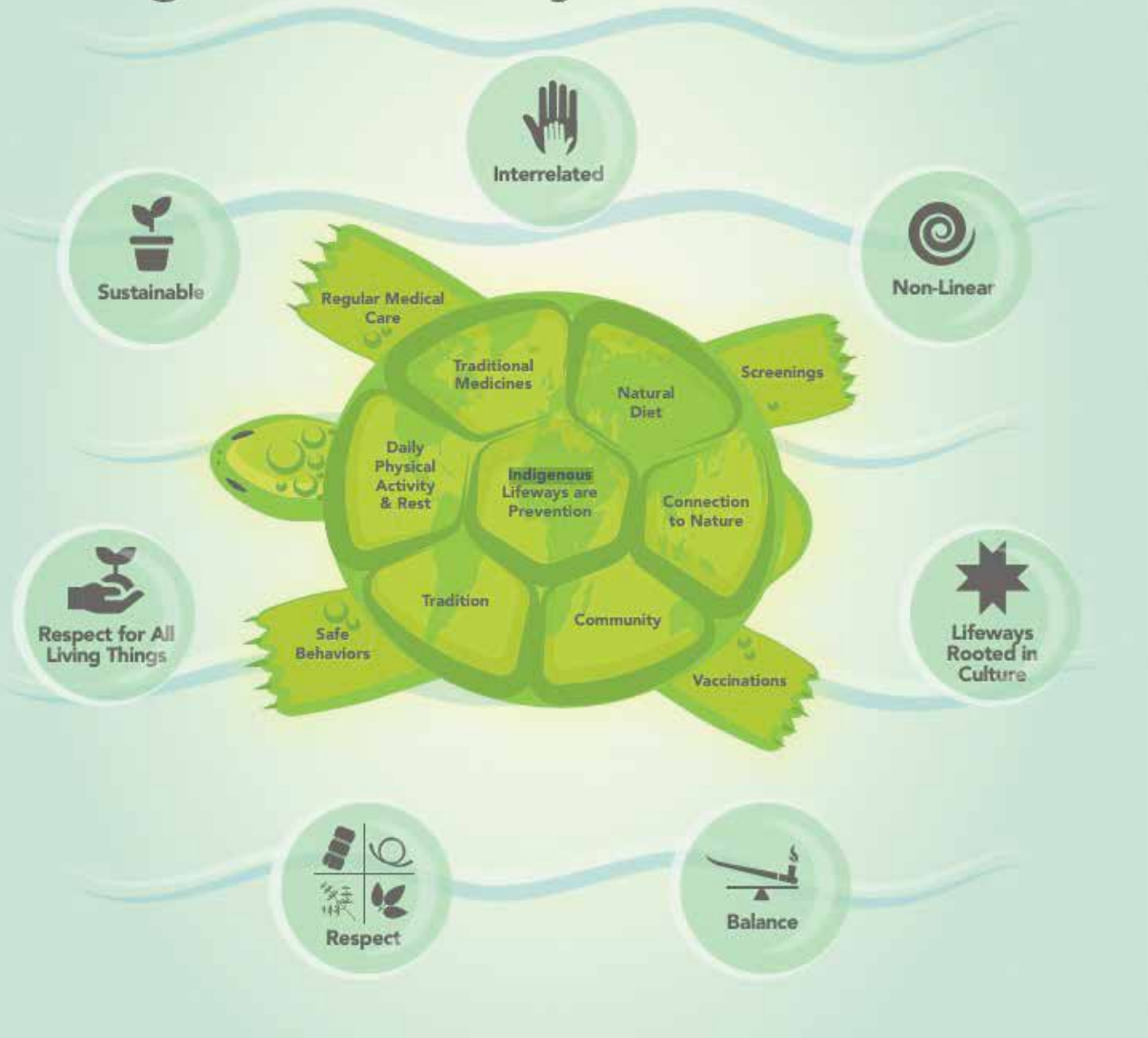
to one treatment per week. Once the condition is better managed, then we can cut back gradually.



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## Tacoma Survivors of Suicide Loss (SOS) Support Group

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## Puyallup Tribe of Indians Community Domestic Violence Advocacy Program (CDVAP)

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### Our Services

- One on One Advocacy and Support
- Safety Planning
- Support Groups
- Secured Shelter
- Resource Referral
- Community Education and Outreach
- Legal Advocacy
- Transportation to program Services

### Who is Eligible?

CDVAP serves Puyallup Tribal members, the tribal community, and anyone in need of assistance in ending the violence in their lives. Our shelter assists Native Americans, Native Americans with children, Non-Natives with Native children, or Non-Natives with a Native perpetrator. \* Must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.

### How to Access Services

Call 253.680.5499 to speak with an advocate. You will be asked what kind of services you are seeking and depending on your answer you will be directed to the correct person. You will also be asked some routine questions and to schedule a brief intake to begin the process of accessing services.





Community Family Services



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**Teshay Firethunder**  
Cook



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Security Officer

Community Family  
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Flames of Recovery Valentine's Day



**TACOMA NEEDLE EXCHANGE**  
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**Puyallup Tribal Needle Exchange**

**Every Saturday | 11a-2p**  
East Portland Ave & East Wright Ave

In the lot next to the Green Thumb Community Garden, across from World of Weed

Meeting people "where they are" to help them address their needs in the safest and healthiest way possible, free of judgment and stigma.

We provide: Syringe exchange on a 1 for 1 model. Syringe pickup and disposal. Overdose prevention education and naloxone distribution. Safe sex supplies. Hepatitis C and HIV testing. First aid and hygiene supplies. Referrals to medication-assisted or abstinence-based SUD treatment. Care coordination. Education about harm reduction, safer injection practices, and drug user health needs.

Other Locations: Health Department Pacific Avenue & South 37<sup>th</sup> 11a-4p | M, W, F    Central Tacoma South 14<sup>th</sup> & G Street 10a-1p | M, Tu, Th, F    Deliveries By Appointment | M-F Call 253-381-5229 between 9a-1p

[www.tacomaneedleexchange.org](http://www.tacomaneedleexchange.org)  
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(253) 334-9576

2020	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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**\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\***

**TO: PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS**  
**FROM: PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
**DATE: March 24, 2020**  
**SUBJECT: Puyallup Tribal~  
 Gaming Advisory Commission/  
 Charitable Trust Board**

Tribal Council is posting notice to fill **two (2) regular and two (2) alternate position(s)**. The member(s) appointed will serve a (3) three year term. Commission members are paid stipends for attendance and participation at Commission Meetings.

**Gaming Advisory Commission (Code - Title 13)**

Don Coats	Term: Mar. 2018-2021
James Miles	Term: May 2017-2020
Elsie Thomas	Term: Oct. 2019-2022
<b>Vacancy</b>	<b>Term: Apr. 2020-2023</b>
<b>Vacancy</b>	<b>Term: Apr. 2020-2023</b>
<b>Alternates:</b>	
<b>Vacancy</b>	<b>Term: Apr. 2020-2023</b>
<b>Vacancy</b>	<b>Term: Apr. 2020-2023</b>

Members on this Commission will need to be familiar with Tribal Code *Title 13 Gaming* and the *Committees, Commissions, and Boards Regulation, Policy and Procedures Manual (Resolution No. 120607)*. You may request a copy of both the Code and Regulation Manual to review. The code may also be viewed from the Tribe's website at <http://www.puyallup-tribe.com/> look under Tribal Laws.  
 If interested please submit your name by the **deadline of April 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.** You may use the prepared sign-up sheets – at the Council Reception desk.

**\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\***

**TO: PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS**  
**FROM: PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
**DATE: March 24, 2020**  
**SUBJECT: Veteran's Committee**

Tribal Council is posting notice for two (2) **regular position** for a term that has expired. This position will serve a three (3) year term. The Committee members will be paid stipends for attendance and participation at Committee Meetings.

Members on this Commission need to be familiar with the *Veteran's Committee Operating Procedures – Resolution No. 020506B* and the *Boards Regulation, Policy and Procedures Manual Resolution No. 120607*. You may request a copy of both the Operating Procedures and Regulation Manual to review.

**Veteran's Committee**

Michael Sisson	Appointed as the Tribal Veterans Representative 6-4-19
John Parizo	
Clarence J. Tougaw	
Rodney Sisson	
Byron Barnes	
Thomas Bean	
<b>Vacancy</b>	
<b>Vacancy</b>	

If interested please submit your name by the **deadline of April 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.** You may use the prepared sign-up sheets at Council's Reception desk.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Puyallup Tribe of Indians

**\*\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE \*\*\*\***

**To:** Tribal Membership  
**From:** Puyallup Tribe Permanent Trust Fund Board of Trustees  
**Date:** January 15, 2020  
**Subject: Membership Elected Position  
 On the Board of Trustees**

The Puyallup Tribe Permanent Trust Fund Board of Trustees hereby posts notice to all interested tribal members, that one (1) Tribal Membership elected positions is open on the Board. *This position shall be placed on Election ballot.*

**This is a 5-year term position beginning upon successful tribal election.**

The elected individual is required to attend monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees on a volunteer basis (no stipend provided).

The Puyallup Tribe Permanent Trust Fund Board of Trustees funds social service programs for tribal members through a Congressional Act and Settlement Agreement.

Individuals interested in becoming a member of the Board are encouraged to submit their name to Tribal Council Offices. Council Offices may be reached at (253) 573-7828.

**The deadline for this posting is per  
 Tribal Election Rules and Regulations**

**2020 ENROLLMENT MEETING SCHEDULE**

<b>Deadline for documentation to be received</b>	<b>Meeting Date</b>
April 3, 2020	April 8, 2020
May 1, 2020	May 6, 2020
June 5, 2020	June 10, 2020
July 6, 2020 (date change due to holiday)	July 8, 2020
Aug. 7, 2020	Aug. 12, 2020
Sept. 8, 2020	Sept. 9, 2020

**Anyone with questions should feel free to email [Enrollment@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:Enrollment@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov) or call (253) 573-7849. Meetings and dates are subject to change.**



Happy 1st Birthday to our nephew KJ! We're so thankful for you! We love you very much!

Sincerely, Auntie Carla & Uncle Rick, Houston, TX

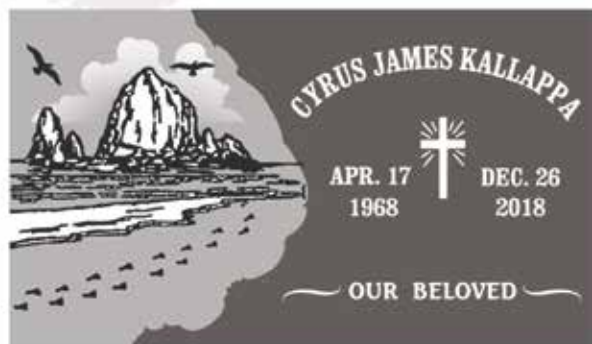


Hello Family and Friends:

The family of Cyrus Kallappa would like to THANK YOU

Whole heartily for your donations.

The headstone was set in concrete and blessed, and dinner and give away on his memorial turned out beautiful. We could not thank you enough.



# Thank You

Words cannot express how grateful we are for all your generous support, encouraging words, thoughts and prayers.

For all those who wrote letters on Richard's behalf, came to court to support our family and have been there by our side.

A special thank you to Puyallup Tribal Council and Community, Frank Bean Sr, JoAnne Bean, Leesa Wright, Michelle McClendon and all of the Bean Family, Sandy Cooper and Nicole Sutton.

Thank you for thinking of us in our time of need. Your kindness will always be remembered.

**The Gutierrez Family**

Janice, Pooky, Kasandra, Dominic Martin & Daizie Valenzuela

"Big Rich"

"There is no death. Only a change of worlds"  
-Chief Seattle

**PUYALLUP TRIBAL NEWS  
WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU.**

**SUBMIT PHOTOS, STORIES,  
AND CALENDAR ITEMS TO:**

**NEWS@PUYALLUPTRIBE-NSN.GOV**



This picture was taken by Bob Ziegler. Left to right for the two children; Isabella & Mirabelle Douglas. The adults left to right are Eugena, William, Naomi, Miguel, Brandi, Fr Pat, Belecia, Betsy, Ricardo and Roberto.

We wish to thank the Creator for the life of Dr Verna (Louie) Bartlett and even though we only had her in this world for 82-years, we still greatly miss her. Sincere thanks to Father Patrick Twohy for joining the family for the recent headstone dedication, thanks to Bryan, Betsy and Eugena for the lovely design of the headstone, thanks to Noelanie, Gabriela, Noemi and Anthony for assisting with the giveaway. Sincere thanks to the families of Betsy, Eugena, Tamy, Martina and Phillip for joining the celebration and finally to all of the friends that joined us, we appreciate the much needed support of your love and concern.

Sincerely the Family of Dr. Bartlett



**Michelle L. McClendon**  
**FOR THE spuyaləpabš**  
**TRIBAL COUNCIL**

HONESTY • PARTIALITY • CONSISTENCY • DIVERSITY

Mitigating OUR tribe to purposeful workplace culture...  
 through a diverse membership of **INDIVIDUALS**

WHEN OUR LEADERS SAID "NO" TO PROGRESS, *MICHELLE* WORKED HARDER TO MAKE CHANGES BY...  
**ELECT MICHELLE 2020**

*Michelle is committed...*

- Balancing the "status quo" of social-economic inequality
- Adapting better policy that protects our members, workers, and clients
- Establishing more jobs and leadership positions for: apprentices, elders, women, correctional, homeless, etc.
- Accessing outside resources by spending less tribal money
- Gauging the "best minds" for interdepartmental knowledge with tact
- Developing new and innovative ways in the exercise of tribal sovereignty through tax and land use
- Overturning of human and business capital by increasing numbers in all human assets, lowering the need for spending in all business assets
- Holding city, state, tribal governments... their departments, programs, COMMERCIAL ENTITIES, and contractors responsible to following the law

Michelle McClendon | <https://www.facebook.com/michelle.mcclendon.5682> | [mcclendon.ml@outlook.com](mailto:mcclendon.ml@outlook.com)

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**MISSING**  
 Missing And Taken Indigeneous People

**Leeroy Yocash**  
**Missing**  
**11-23-18**  
**Mason County WA**

**Age 48 when missing - Black Hair**  
**Brown Eyes - 6' 1" Tall - 170 lbs**

**If seen, or you know where Leeroy is,**  
**please call the Squaxin Island Police**  
**(360) 426-5222 Case# 2019-147**

Source: Squaxin Island PD & family (10-26-19)

**MISSING**  
 Missing And Taken Indigeneous People

**Kaylee Mae Nelson-Jerry**  
**Auburn WA**  
**Missing Early July 2019**

**Black Hair**  
**Black Eyes**  
**5' 7" Tall**  
**Slim Build**

**21 Years Old**

**The last time a family member saw Kaylee**  
**was at Muckleshoot Bingo in early July**

**If seen, or you know where she is, please call**  
**Auburn PD (253) 288-7403 or dial 911**  
**Case# 19-11631**

Source: Family & Auburn PD (10-9-19)



# APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



## Steps to Becoming A HERO to Children

Being a hero to a child will bring security, connection and great growth to the whole community. Below are ways that you can be a hero to a child.

- Show up!** The superhero tends to make a dramatic entrance and shows up just in the nick of time. As a hero to children, you just need to show up. The drama is not needed, but your presence is. Find ways to be there when they really need you, and often when they don't.
- Pay attention.** Children want to be seen and heard. Enjoy them when they shine and challenge them when they are testing limits. They want you to see them in all of their wonder and all their imperfection. That is how they know that you truly care about them.
- Don't be afraid of difficult conversations.** A hero can handle the discomfort. If you feel a child is on the wrong path, tell them and offer guidance to help them find the right path.
- Do the right thing.** The hero does the right thing, even when it is not easy. In fact, the right thing is seldom easy. Children are paying attention to the adults in their lives and will often model the people in their lives.

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Heroes of our Children:  
Building Community, Building Hope.

## Blue Fridays



Wear Blue every Friday in April to show your commitment to ending Child Abuse

Puyallup Tribe  
Children's Services  
To Report Abuse or Neglect call:  
253-680-5532  
Or  
1-866-END-HARM

Watch for more Child Abuse Prevention Info in the next issue!



# Youth Engagement Summit

Sponsored by SPIPA WFD/TANF

Saturday, May 2, 2020  
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Pacific Lutheran University  
12180 Park Avenue South, Tacoma, WA 98447

For more information about this free event call the SPIPA  
TANF Office at 253.250.0550



- Come and join us for this **FREE** event
- **Workshops to include:** Cyber Safety, Healthy Relationships, and Smart Money Skills for Youth
- Open to TANF families and Community Members
- Youth ages 13-18 and in grades 8 through 12
- Breakfast and lunch will be provided
- SWAG bag for all participants
- Transportation from your local TANF office is available
- Space is limited, so sign-up as soon as possible
- To register go to your local SPIPA TANF office or print the Registration Packet from the SPIPA website and bring it to your local TANF office or email to [spipaevents@spipa.org](mailto:spipaevents@spipa.org)

SPIPA WFD/TANF  
4301 South Pine Street, Suite 400, Tacoma, WA 98409  
253.250.0550 / [www.spipa.org](http://www.spipa.org)



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# Elders Mardi Gras Luncheon

THE PUYALLUP TRIBAL ELDERS HELD THEIR MONTHLY LUNCHEON ON FEB. 21.

Photos by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally



## Honored Elder



**Diane Kowalchuk**  
(Photo courtesy of Elders Program)



 [View more great photos at puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](http://puyalluptribe-nsn.gov)



# 2020 Census Participation

Puyallup Tribal Members:

Please participate in the 2020 Census. Your response to the 2020 Census helps determine how billions of dollars in federal funds are distributed to Tribes each year. This funding impacts programs you, your family, or your friends may use. Census data is also used to ensure the number of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives correctly matches the population.

This year, every household will have the option of responding online, by mail or by phone. By now your household should have gotten an invite to participate in the Census. These were distributed to mailboxes in mid-March. If you are asking, "How do I fill out the Census?", we are here to help with a few tips! Whether you are an enrolled member, or a descendant of, the Puyallup Tribe or any other Tribe, here are a few things we suggest:

1. List the American Indian/Alaska Native person in the household as Person 1 on the Census form. This guarantees the household being counted as having American Indians/Alaska Natives in the home.
2. When choosing the race of Person 1, only check the American Indian or Alaska Native box on the form, even if Person 1 is of multiple races. American Indian/Alaska Native counts are lost the moment we check "more than one race".
3. After checking the box to identify race, there will be a space to print the name of the Tribe you are enrolled in or a descendant of.
4. Repeat these steps above if you have more than one American Indian/Alaska Native person in your household (Person 2, Person 3, and so on). Also list all other non-native people in your home.

See example to the right →



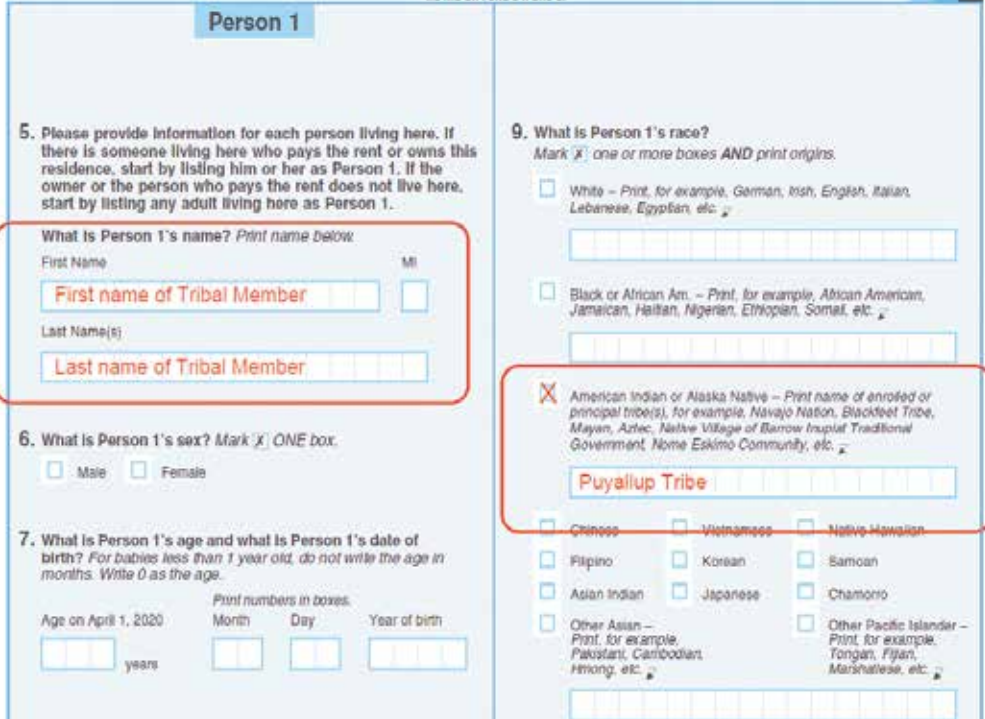
## According to us, we are irreplaceable...

... and when we participate in the 2020 Census, we show others how our communities have grown. We may think that our tribes will count us in the census, but we need to respond ourselves. Our tribes do not provide enrollment numbers to the U.S. Census Bureau.

The 2020 Census is the count for all American Indians and Alaska Natives, no matter our age or where we live. We use data from an accurate count to plan for programs and services in our communities.

For more information, visit: **2020CENSUS.GOV**

Shape our future **START HERE >**

**Person 1**

5. Please provide information for each person living here. If there is someone living here who pays the rent or owns this residence, start by listing him or her as Person 1. If the owner or the person who pays the rent does not live here, start by listing any adult living here as Person 1.

What is Person 1's name? *Print name below.*

First Name MI

First name of Tribal Member

Last Name(s)

Last name of Tribal Member

6. What is Person 1's sex? Mark  ONE box.

Male  Female

7. What is Person 1's age and what is Person 1's date of birth? For babies less than 1 year old, do not write the age in months. Write 0 as the age.

Age on April 1, 2020 Print numbers in boxes.

Month Day Year of birth

9. What is Person 1's race? Mark  one or more boxes AND print origins.

White - Print, for example, German, Irish, English, Italian, Lebanese, Egyptian, etc.

Black or African Am. - Print, for example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc.

American Indian or Alaska Native - Print name of enrolled or principal tribes, for example, Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc.

Puyallup Tribe

Chinese  Vietnamese  Native Hawaiian

Filipino  Korean  Samoan

Asian Indian  Japanese  Chamorro

Other Asian - Print, for example, Pakistani, Cambodian, Hmong, etc.

Other Pacific Islander - Print, for example, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.



# 2020 CENSUS

you count



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*'A nice piece of land for the traditions/customs of the First People'*

## Puyallup Tribe Culture Center

350972<sup>nd</sup> street E  
Tacoma, WA 98404



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Assistant Director  
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**Denise Reed**  
Cultural Coordinator  
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**Angie Totus**  
Cultural Activities  
Coordinator II  
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**Michael Hall**  
Cultural Coordinator/  
Carver  
253-993-0011

**Marsha Gauti**  
SR Administrator  
Assistant  
253-278-4074

# Stay well with Traditional Medicines and tea

The Culture Department contributed Traditional Medicines and teas to the Elders' care packages this month.

We will continue to gather, process and make available various Traditional Medicines and teas to those who request them.

We will have teas such as sage, nettle, peppermint and devils club. We will have some elderberry.

**Also, don't forget:** Cedar is good respiratory support, and air cleanser – simply boil cedar in a pot of water to vaporize in the air.

Contact Connie McCloud or Marsha Gauti at the Culture Department for more information.

LANGUAGE PROGRAM  
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## CANCELLED EVENTS

### MARCH & APRIL

The Puyallup Tribal Language Program public events have been cancelled for the month of March and April. If you have any questions, please contact us at [language@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:language@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov) or 253-680-5763.

- Storytelling Night
- Twulshootseed Jam
- Online Class Meet-up



# Senate acknowledges pain and trauma of Indian Boarding Schools

By Lisa Pemberton  
Puyallup Tribal News Editor

On March 3, members of the Washington State Senate adopted Resolution 8703, which acknowledged the pain and the trauma that Indian Boarding Schools inflicted on Native students.

“The Indian Boarding School Policy was a deliberate policy of cultural genocide, founded on the assimilationist directive to ‘Kill the Indian and save the man,’” the resolution stated. “Between 1869 and the 1960s, Native American children were removed from their homes and families, often involuntarily, and placed in Boarding Schools far from their homes which were funded by the federal government and operated by the federal government and churches, where children were punished for speaking their native language, banned from acting in any way that might be seen as representing traditional or cultural practices, shorn of their hair, stripped of traditional clothing and all things and behaviors reflective of their native culture, and shamed for being Native American.”



National Congress of American Indians President and Quinault Indian Nation President Fawn Sharp, former Puyallup Tribal Chairwoman Ramona Bennett and Puyallup Tribal Council members James Rideout were among those who attended the reading of the resolution.

“I was honored to sponsor this resolution in honor of my father, my stepfather, and my entire community,” Sen. John McCoy posted on Facebook. “So many of us were impacted and continue to feel the effects of this policy today.”

*Photo courtesy of Sen. John McCoy's Office.*

Many wore orange, representing the ones who never made it home.

## Chairman leads invocation in Senate Chamber

Puyallup Tribal Council Chairman David Z. Bean led the invocation for the Washington State Senate on March 6 in Olympia.

“We ask that you guide our leaders as they take on the efforts to safeguard those that they were elected to serve — those that they were chosen to serve,” Bean prayed.

To view the full invocation, go to <https://www.tvw.org/watch/?eventID=2020031037>. Washington State Lt. Gov. Cyrus Habib introduces Bean at around 2 minutes 40 seconds.



*Photo courtesy of the Lt. Governor's Office*



Building A Brighter Future, TOGETHER!



RE-ELECT

**Tim  
Reynon**

**PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL 2020**

Let's continue the work we've started, TOGETHER:

Improving communication with our members



Membership Meetings



Community Conversations & Community Input Meetings

Protecting our community and families



Drums Not Guns



Family Healing to Wellness Court

Strengthening & Diversifying our Tribal Economy



World-Class Hotel Casino Resort



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Protecting our sovereignty, our resources



Holding Federal Leaders Accountable



Defending Mother Earth

For **HONEST, ETHICAL, and EXPERIENCED LEADERSHIP,**

**VOTE TIM REYNON ON APRIL 4<sup>th</sup>**

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**Editor's note:** As of press time, local, regional and national events were being canceled, due to the coronavirus outbreak. Verify all events before you make plans to attend.

By Michael Sisson  
Puyallup Tribal Veterans Representative

As of Jan. 1, a new law provides eligible veterans with access to Department of Defense commissaries, exchanges, and morale, welfare and recreational retail services in-person and online.

Veterans with 0 to 100 percent service-connected disability ratings are eligible for this new benefit. To use the Department of Defense commissaries, exchanges, and morale, welfare and recreational retail services in-person (such as at JBLM, Bangor or any other military installation), you must first apply for and get a Veteran Health Identification Card. You can apply at <https://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/vhic/index.asp>. You can apply online or download an application form and mail it in. You will also need either a State Enhanced ID or your passport to gain access to the military installation.

For more information regarding these privileges and access to military installations, visit <http://www.militaryonesource.mil/expanding-access>.

The application process can be extremely intimidating, but I am willing to sit and help you complete the application, if needed. Contact me at 253-686-8484.

**NEW BENEFIT AVAILABLE FOR NAVY VIETNAM VETERANS**

Are you a Navy Veteran that served in Southeast Asia between Jan. 9, 1962 and May 7, 1975? If so, the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act 2019 has extended benefits for eligible Veterans. This law extends a presumption of herbicide exposure to Blue Water Navy Veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam and the offshore waters.

If you are interested in finding out more information regarding this benefit, please don't hesitate calling me at the above number.

On April 14, at 8 a.m., the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will post the colors for Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs Veteran Service Officer Professional Development Summit at the EQC - Fife Ballroom and Conference Center, 5580 Pacific Highway East; Fife.

On April 30, at 9 a.m., the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will post the colors for Puyallup

Nation "Gathering of Warriors" Pow-Wow, which is held on the Menominee Indian Reservation in the Woodland Bowl, Keshena, Wisconsin on May 15-17.

The Tribal Veterans Committee would like to offer attendance to all other Puyallup Tribal Veterans who have not had the opportunity to attend this event in the past.

Should you be interested in assisting with the "Raising of the Family Flags," the "Veterans Snake Dance" and carrying the colors for grand entry as well as participating in the other festivities, please submit your request in writing no later than April 14, 2020 to Puyallup Tribe of Indians; ATTN: Tribal Veterans

Representative; 3009 East Portland Avenue; Tacoma, WA 98404-4926.

On Wednesday, May 6, the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will post the colors for the Human Trafficking in Indian Country Conference at the EQC - Fife Ballroom and Conference Center, located at 5580 Pacific Highway East; Fife, WA 98424. The time is yet to be determined. Puyallup Tribal Veterans will retire the colors for the conference on May 8.

The uniform for these events will be black trousers, black shoes, long sleeve white shirt, our white tribal veterans ball cap and the Pendleton Grateful Nation Vest that we wear to all tribal veteran events (please see the picture to the below).



Find us on Facebook under Puyallup Tribal Veterans.

TERO's "Our Future Working Together" Workshop at the EQC - Fife Ballroom and Conference Center. We are invited to stay for the event, and will retire the colors at 4 p.m.



The Puyallup Tribal Veterans Committee is in the process of collecting names for a lottery/drawing to attend the 31st Annual Veterans of the Menominee







# Now Enrolling!

Puyallup Tribal Preschool



**Requirements of PTP:**

- ✓ Must be 3 years old by August 31<sup>st</sup>
- ✓ Must be a Puyallup Tribal Member
- ✓ Application must be complete for each child in need of services.

**FAQ:**

**Transportation?** No, children will need to be self-transported.

**How long is the program?** Sept-June. We follow the Chief Leschi School schedule.

**When?** M,T,Th,Fri 8:00am to 3:00pm (no school Wed)

**Where?** Grandview Early Learning Center

\* If you still have questions please give us a call!

**253-680-5515**



Using your phone's camera, scan this QR code to access the online PTP

Children in PTP program receive teaching in a cultural environment including:

- The integration of the twulshootseed language
- Cultural Calendar Alignment
- Healthy Meals Provided
- Parent Night Events
- Development Screenings
- Outdoor Classrooms
- Conscious Discipline Curriculum
- Small teacher – child ratio
- Singing & Drumming circle
- Age & Developmentally appropriate activities
- Creative Curriculum
- And more....

To APPLY: <http://www.puyallup-tribe.com/gelc/res/APPLICATION-PTP.pdf>

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

RE: OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

If your child is currently not attending GELC, and you need childcare for the summer months, please submit an application for each child needing childcare over the summer months. The applications can be found at the front desk at Grandview Early Learning Center or online at the Puyallup Tribe's website: <http://www.puyallup-tribe.com/gelc/>.

You will need to fill one application per child. Please include all required documents listed on the second page of the application. Once complete, please submit all documents to GELC by April 1, 2020 and your application will be added to the waitlist.

Qualified applications will be approved and parents contacted the first week of May 2020.

Sincerely,

PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS  
D.b.a. Grandview Early Learning Center

*Peggy McCloud*

Peggy McCloud  
Director

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## A SOUND, SAFE AND SECURE FUTURE

Regardless of our commonality or differences we all share a universal thread, we all love and care about the future of our children, grandchildren or for those fortunate enough great grandchildren. On average, a new generation is born every twenty years, and we need to prepare for their future now. It is imperative that we as tribe prime, prepare and inspire our people about the importance of what I call "recycled money". When we spend money outside of our community, it is that outside community that grows wealthier and more prosperous, while we become less wealthier and financially stagnate. We need to "recycle money" back into our community to where we can utilize it to create more business opportunity and jobs. If we are truly concerned about our future generations we need to invest in ourselves. We then could develop a strong infrastructure and build the sound, safe and secure financial environment that we all want for the future. As a tribe we need to shop at our own stores and businesses; supermarkets, grocery outlets, variety stores, and most of all begin the construction and usage of our port facility. These examples of investments would create a sound, safe and secure infrastructure and leave a legacy for our future generations.

From the Fishing Rights Struggle of the late 1960's and early 1970's to the Bolt Decision and to Chief Leschi Schools, elders facility, we the Puyallup Tribe have spearheaded and championed many causes and won. Investments such as these could also create an inter-tribal collective, so that in state tribes and tribes across the country could construct for themselves a chain of stores and business which would in turn create a viable financial future for them as well..."Lift as we climb, build as we grow".

Although we have made some improvements to our financial situation we still need to expand our business portfolio. All the aspects of a healthy community, housing, education, health care will be determined by what we do financially. Preparedness is the cornerstone of our tradition values, our ancestors centered their lives and gave their lives for future generations. Shouldn't we carry on that traditional value for our future generations.

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- Cover your coughs.
- Stay home if you're sick.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces.

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- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

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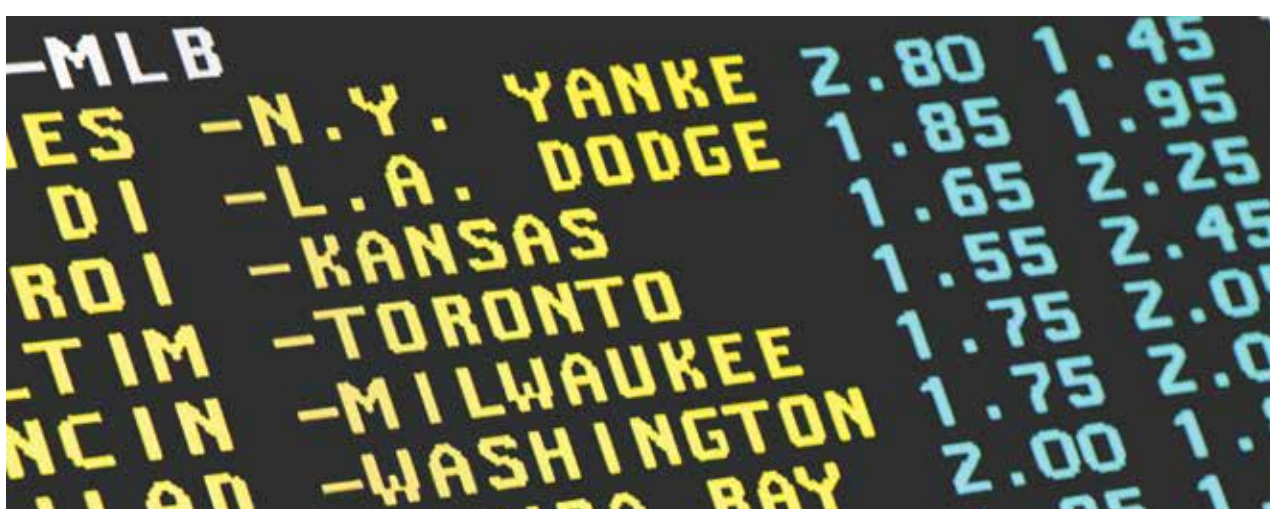
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# Bill to allow sports betting in tribal casinos reaches final step

By Lisa Pemberton  
Puyallup Tribal News Editor

Earlier this month, Washington state lawmakers approved legislation to permit sports betting in tribal casinos. The bill is now on its way to the governor’s desk.

“Washington Tribes have a deep historical experience overseeing responsible gaming for three decades,” said W. Ron



Allen, Chairman and CEO at Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe. “We have a trusted, successful partnership with the state where we have effectively managed gaming in a controlled environment and avoided widespread expansion. The partnership between tribes and the state is critically important in ensuring that sports betting in Washington is safe, honest, and well regulated.”

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians joined the 24 other federally recognized tribes that make up the Washington Indian Gaming Association in support of the legislation, subject to the terms of tribal-state gaming compacts.

It will allow wagering on professional, out-of-state collegiate and even Olympic competitions at tribal casinos in the state.



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# Do you have photos related to the Fishing Wars?

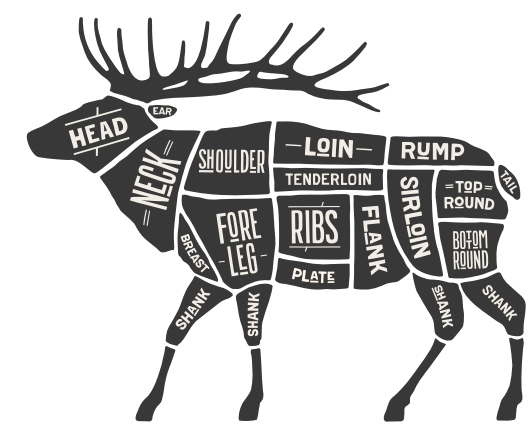


Smoke billows from a railroad bridge damaged during the Sept. 9, 1970, breakup of a Fishing Wars encampment along the Puyallup River. Photo courtesy of the Puyallup Tribe's Historic Preservation Department

The Historic Preservation Department is looking for photos related to the Fishing Wars, in preparation of the 50th anniversary of the standoff at the Puyallup encampment.

If you have photos related to the Fishing Wars that you wish to share, send an email to [historicpreservation@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:historicpreservation@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov) or call 253-573-7965.

# Elk, deer and other meat available to elders



Puyallup Tribal elders, 55 and older, are eligible to receive elk, deer, buffalo and pork from the Puyallup Tribe's Hunting and Wildlife Department.

If you are interested in the program, please contact Dan Sandstrom at 253-405-7504 or Alyrece McCloud at 253-222-5682.

# Hunting Tags Required by March 31

It's time to return your hunting tags for a \$15 rebate. To be eligible for a refund, you must return your **completed** hunting tag(s) in the Hunting Tag Drop Box no later than March 31. Be sure to include **GMU** where you hunted, **kill date, sex of animal, pregnancy status or how many points for bulls/bucks.**

Even if you didn't get out and hunt or you didn't kill anything your information is important to the tribe in managing wildlife resources. The information you provide is used to develop future hunting

seasons and regulations for the tribe by the Wildlife Department.

Those hunters that do not turn in their completed tags by the March 31 deadline will subject to fees and penalties up to \$200. The \$15 hunting tag rebate checks will be processed after the March 31 tag return deadline.

**Location for tag return:** Please drop off your tags in the Hunting Tag Drop Box located at the Security Desk in the entryway of the Puyallup Tribal Administration Building: 3009 E. Portland Ave. If you have any questions please contact the Wildlife Program at 253-680-5521.

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Content contributors are independent contractors who work on assigned projects for publication. They are paid at agreed upon rates either per piece or per hour. The number of contracts the tribe can issue is limited, and there is no guarantee of publication or future employment. Non-fiction journalism is needed right now (not opinion columns, creative short-story writing or art photography).

## Interested?

Please contact: Michael Thompson, Communications Director,  
at Michael.Thompson@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov or 253-382-6200.



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