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Tribal members recognized in Native-themed coffee table book.

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## Council Members visit D.C. to discuss Ruston Way property

By Puyallup Tribal News staff

Members of Puyallup Tribal Council returned to Washington, D.C. on July 12 to rally support for HR 929, aka the Puyallup Tribe of Indians Land into Trust Confirmation Act of 2023, which would provide additional protections for land that the Tribe owns along Ruston Way Waterfront. Councilman James Rideout testified on behalf of the bill before the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs. Joining him on the trip were Councilwoman Annette Bryan and Councilman Fred Dillon. The trio met with Congresswoman Harriet Hagerman (R-WY, top right), Congressman Derek Kilmer (D-WA, bottom middle), Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernandez (D-NM, bottom right) and Congresswoman and former Tacoma Mayor Marilyn Strickland (D-WA) on this trip.

Photos by Ehren Flygare



# June Elders Luncheon

By Molly Bryant, Puyallup Tribal News

Elder's Luncheons are a great way for the community to get together over good music, food and fond memories. The June Elder's Luncheon had a Fourth of July theme, and the House of Respect was decorated in red, white and blue in celebration of the upcoming holiday.

Elders waited with anticipation as Chairman Sterud called out the raffle winners. They awarded summer-themed items, such as a barbecue, fans, outdoor string lights, a birdhouse and a hanging flower basket.

Three elders were honored: Kathy Lopez, Barbara Richards and Jenny Williams Matheson. They were blanketed and given beautifully made cedar hats.

Thank you to the employees at the House of Respect for your hard work and dedication to our Tribal elders.



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

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# Puyallup Tribe's Culture Center

## AUGUST 2023



### WILD HUCKLEBERRY PIE

INGREDIENTS

- 5 cups northwest wild blue huckleberries
- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 5 tablespoons cornstarch
- 4 tablespoons lemon
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind (fresh)
- 3 tablespoons butter

DIRECTIONS

1. Mix the above ingredients together with a spoon so that everything is well distributed.
2. pour into the bottom pie shell as it sets in the pie plate.
3. Dot the top of the mixture with 2 or 3 dabs of butter.
4. Top off with the second pie shell.
5. Once it is correctly positioned you should have a 1" overlap on the top crust so that it can be crimped with the bottom crust.
6. Crimp or pinch the two crusts together and make a decorative edge to seal the two piecrusts.
7. The pie can be refrigerated until you are ready to bake or baked immediately.
8. To bake, preheat your oven to 450 degrees.
9. Place the pie on the middle shelf of your oven and bake for 15 minutes then turn the temperature down to 350 degrees and continue baking for 30-40 minutes or until the filling starts to bubble over.
10. Once the pie looks done and the crust is a light golden brown, it should be done.
11. Take it out and let the pie cool on a cooling rack until it is ready to serve.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
JULY 30 PADDLE TO MUCKLESHOOT CANOES COME IN AT ALKI POINT	JULY 31 PROTOCOL STARTS IN MUCKLESHOOT.	1	2	3	4	5
<b>MUCKLESHOOT PORTOCOL JULY 31 - AUGUST 6</b>						
6 MUCKLESHOOT PORTOCOL	7	8	9 Elder's 55+ Jam Making Class 1:00 - 6:00 pm	10	11	12
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1699 Benbow Dr. East, Graham, WA 98339  
\*\*We ask that you provide your own transportation to this event for all 3 days\*\*

Address to Camp Cispus:  
2142 Cispus Rd. Bendle, WA 98277  
\*\*We ask that you provide your own transportation, camping gear, huckleberry baskets/buckets\*\*

## Paddle to Muckleshoot Preview

By Molly Bryant, Puyallup Tribal News

The Puyallup Canoe Family will celebrate the Tribe's traditional mode of transportation by paddling on ancestral waterways for the 2023 Paddle to Muckleshoot Canoe Journey.

From July 27 to July 30, the family will travel from the Puyallup Canoe landing site on Marine View Drive to Manchester State Park near Port Orchard. From there, they will travel to the Suquamish reservation and, finally, to the Alki Beach landing site.

The journey will be followed by a celebration that starts on July 31 at the newly built Muckleshoot Community Center and will continue for 24 hours a day through Aug. 6. Canoe families will perform their traditional songs and dances and offer gifts to express their thanks and generosity.

The Canoe Journey is a celebration of Pacific Northwest Tribes. There will be approximately 130 canoes traveling from as far north as Bella Bella, B.C., and as far south as the lower Columbia River.

The first Canoe Journey was the Paddle to Seattle journey in 1989. It was established by the late Emmett Oliver of the Quinault Nation. It was meant to commemorate the Washington State Centennial. According to the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs,

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# GONA WOLF CAMP

**10:00am - 3:00pm daily**  
Puyallup Tribe Wolf Camp  
1699 Benbow Dr. East Graham, WA 98339

**MON. AUGUST 14**

- Opening Blessing
- GONA: Belonging/Mastery
- Energizer/Icebreaker
- Guest Speaker
- Lunch
- Passport Activities

**TUE. AUGUST 15**

- Opening Blessing
- GONA: Interdependence
- Energizer/Icebreaker
- Guest Speaker
- Lunch
- Passport Activities

**WED. AUGUST 16**

- Opening Blessing
- GONA: Generosity
- Energizer/Icebreaker
- Guest Speaker
- Lunch
- Passport Activities

**The events are coordinated effort between the:**  
At-Risk Youth Outreach, Chief Leschi School, Children of the River Child Advocacy Center, Children Services, Community Domestic Violence Advocacy, Community Family Services, Cultural Center, Grandview Early Learning Center, Housing Program, Kwawachee Counseling Center, Language, Puyallup Tribe Health Authority, Re-Entry Program, Wrap Around Program and Youth Center.

**OPEN TO ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

All ages are welcome to this event. This a family oriented event and children must be accompanied by a Parent or Guardian for all 3 days.

We ask that you provide your own transportation to this event for all 3 days. If you are not feeling well, join us next time.

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Tribes signed the Centennial Accord then to improve relations between Tribes and the State Government.

Heritage Division Manager Connie McCloud has been involved with the Puyallup Tribe's participation in Canoe Journey since the late '90s. She says she became interested after receiving many calls from Canada. The T'Sou-ke Tribe, located in what is now known as Vancouver Island, offered to carve a canoe for the Puyallup Tribe. Ever since then, the Puyallup Tribe has been involved.

Many participants say it is a life-changing experience.

"It's really a very significant cultural, spiritual, emotional and social experience," McCloud said. "It doesn't happen in a vacuum. What you see, what you witness, what you do, is really all very impactful. It awakens your spirit is really what it does. People connect with that, and they have a lot of opportunities to learn about our culture. It really was what helped bring back our language or culture or songs or dances."

McCloud has met many influential leaders from around Indian Country through the Canoe Journey. Her travels have taken her to North Dakota, Switzerland and China. "I have just learned so much it can contribute it to my own spiritual cultural growth," she said.



Everybody is welcome to attend the Canoe Journey events. They are drug, alcohol and tobacco-free.

Facebook page [www.facebook.com/PuyallupCanoeFamily](http://www.facebook.com/PuyallupCanoeFamily).

Photos by Molly Bryant

For more information, contact the Culture Department at 253-312-5069 or visit their

**Puyallup Tribe  
Huckleberry  
Culture Camp**  
**AUGUST 24-29, 2023**

**PUYALLUP CULTURE HAS SET UP RESERVATIONS AT  
CISPUS LEARNING CENTER CAMP SITE.  
2142 CISPUS RD, RANDLE, WA 98377**

THE CAMPSITE WILL PROVIDE SHOWERS, GARBAGE DUMP  
AND BATHROOMS.

BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER  
WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED.

**THERE WILL BE DAILY CULTURE ACTIVITIES.**

**WE ASK THAT YOU PROVIDE YOUR OWN TRANSPORTATION,  
CAMPING GEAR AND HUCKLEBERRY BASKETS/BUCKETS.**

**WE WILL FOLLOW ALL COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS, IF YOU ARE  
NOT FEELING WELL, JOIN US NEXT TIME.**

- PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO REGISTER IF YOU RESIDE ON THE PUYALLUP RESERVATION.
- MUST BE A PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBER IF YOU ARE REGISTERING OUTSIDE OF THE PUYALLUP TRIBE RESERVATION.

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REGISTRATION LINK:  
[HTTPS://FS10.FORMSITE.COM/SS3HCQ/BBXNBZZ0S/INDEX](https://fs10.formsite.com/ss3HCQ/BBXNBZZ0S/INDEX)

THIS IS A DRUG, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND VIOLANCE FREE EVENT

**Huckleberry Jam Class**

**Learn to make delicious huckleberry jam!**  
Canning is a great way to preserve your huckleberries beyond the growing season. Join Angie Totus and Victoria Horrell to learn how to can huckleberry jam.

**55+ ELDER'S CANNING DAY**

**WHEN: August 9, 2023**  
**WHERE: Puyallup Tribe Cultural Center**  
3509 72nd St E, Tacoma, WA 98443  
**TIME: 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Canning supplies and materials will be provided  
We will follow all COVID precautions.

- Puyallup Tribal members age 55 (including spouse) and over reside on the Puyallup reservation.
- Must be a Puyallup Tribal member 55 (including spouse) & over. if you are registering outside of the Puyallup reservation.

If you are not feeling well, join us next time.

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Registration Link: <https://fs10.formsite.com/ss3HCQ/sdbq3y4r3k/index>

## NETS FOR SALE



New monofilament nets for sale. Various sizes and depths are available.

Contact Jim Siddle at 253-777-6385

## ATTENTION

The enrollment department is reaching out to “**Levi Thomas Joseph**” to call enrollment at **253-573-7849**

## Help us fill these pages with your stories

- BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
- OBITUARY
- FAMILY REUNION PHOTO

This section is for Puyallup Tribal Members to share news, in their own words and photos.

Birthday greetings, classified “for sale” ads and staff shout-outs are encouraged, too.

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**EMAIL YOUR STORIES TO NEWS@PUYALLUPTRIBE-NSN.GOV.**

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## ATTENTION COMMERCIAL DIVE HARVESTERS

**Drug screens** are required for Puyallup Tribal commercial dive harvesters during the month of **August 2023**. A new drug testing facility will be used. Please see the Puyallup Tribe Shellfish Department website for further details.

### Notice to Creditors

Estate of Mary Ellen Rasberry

Date of Birth September 12, 1949

**Notice To Creditors:** The decedent, Mary Ellen Rasberry, who lived at 3014 Duct Cho Road Room 203, Tacoma, Washington 98404 died January 17, 2023.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Deana Marie Rasberry, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, at 2024 E 34th Street, Tacoma, Washington 98404, 12532271975 or to both the probate court and the named/proposed personal representative within Sept 2, 2023 after the date of publication of this notice.

Deana Marie Rasberry, Personal Representative for the Estate  
2024 E 34th Street  
Tacoma, Washington 98404  
12532271975



Birthday Blessings to our son, Miguel and his first born daughter Isabella as they celebrate their August birthdays and we are so very thankful to the Creator for both of you!

Love William & Eugena Douglas

*(Picture taken by Naomi Douglas)*



## It's official!

Puyallup Tribal Member Janae Kalama has signed a letter of intent to play basketball for Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence Kansas this fall. The 5'5" PG was instrumental in leading the Green River Gators to an overall 24-2 record and runner-up finish in the NWAC Tournament this past season.



Janae with Mother Kealoha Kalama and Father Azeem Gannie



# CONGRATULATIONS JANAЕ!





## National Immunization Awareness Month

August is recognized as National Immunization Awareness Month. This observance provides the opportunity to remind the community of the importance of staying up to date on their vaccinations.

Vaccines are responsible for the control of many infectious diseases that were once common in this country. They have reduced and, in some cases, eliminated many diseases that once routinely killed or harmed tens of thousands of infants, children and adults. By staying up to date on the recommended vaccines, individuals can protect themselves, their families



and friends and their communities from serious, life-threatening infections.

Getting immunized is a lifelong, life-protecting community effort. Being aware of the vaccines that are recommended for your age group and making sure that you receive these immunizations, are critical to protecting ourselves and our community from disease.

*Information adapted from the Center for Disease Control Prevention <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/default.htm>*



## COMMUNITY CANCER COMMITTEE



### Puyallup Tribe's Community Cancer Committee

Would like Tribal Members to share their own journey with cancer within their family.

If you would like to share your story, please email it to:

**[Joanne.webb@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:Joanne.webb@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov)**

Or mail or drop it off at:

**Puyallup Tribal Admin Building**  
Administration  
3009 East Portland Ave,  
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All stories will be then forwarded to us.

# Native Communities at high risk

Our Native Communities have high rates of teen suicide. Suicide is the eighth leading cause of death for Natives. Suicide is defined as death from injury, poisoning, or suffocation where there is evidence that a self-inflicted act led to the person's death. It is important to recognize the signs of suicide which include talking about harming or killing oneself. This talk should be taken seriously.

Here are some things to know:

- Suicide is the second leading cause of death for youth between the ages of 10 and 24 and results in the loss of an average of 5,183 lives each year (CDC WISQARS).
- 16 percent of young Native Americans reported attempting suicide at least once.
- The Native youth suicide rate is 2.5 times higher than the overall national average, making these the highest across all ethnic and racial groups.
- 17.7 percent of students, grade 9-12, reported that they had seriously considered suicide in the previous 12 months.
- 8.6 percent of students reported making at least one suicide attempt in the previous 12 months.
- 2.8 percent of students reported making at least one suicide attempt in the previous 12 months that required medical attention.

Strategies for preventing youth suicides may include:

- Traditional, cultural and language activities
- Enhancing protective factors
- Reducing risk factors
- Strengthening norms that support help-seeking behaviors
- Implementing screening and prevention activities for high-risk groups
- Primary prevention of conditions such as depression, impulsive behavior, and drug or alcohol abuse

Talk to your teens today so that together you have tomorrow.

## Children of the River Child Advocacy Center



*A River of Healing*

### Suicide: facts and figures

Suicide is the **second** leading cause of death among **15-29** year-olds



Close to **800 000** people die by **suicide** every year  
1 death every **40** seconds



High-income countries  
**79%** of **suicides** occur in low- and middle-income countries



**Pesticides, hanging and firearms** are the most common methods used globally

There are more deaths from **suicide** than from war and homicide together



### Suicides are preventable



Key is a comprehensive **multisectoral approach**



Most countries currently do not have a **national suicide prevention strategy**



Reduction of suicide rates:  
by 10% in the WHO Mental Health Action Plan 2013-2020  
by 1/3 in the UN Sustainable Development Goals 2030



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Responsible for providing intake and referral services at the Tiny Homes Village site. Responsible for assisting clients with obtaining supportive services to assist with attaining long-term housing. Responsible for supporting an environment in which residents learn to make better choices and engage in behaviors that positively contribute to their right to self-determination.

**JOB TITLE: ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR/PRESENTING OFFICER****DEPARTMENT: Prosecutor's Office****Closes: when 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: HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST  
(EMPHASIS: LAW ENFORCEMENT RECRUITING)****DEPARTMENT: Human Resources****Closes: Aug. 18**

Assists the department in performing moderately complex duties in specialized areas of HR. May be assigned to recruitment, benefits, training, HRIS, employee relations or a combination of areas dependent on the department's needs. Work assignments will vary, require input into the development of processes and procedures, assist with the collection of facts and data and coordinate activities for the department staff.

**JOB TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT****Department: Tiny Homes****Close: Aug. 9**

Provides essential support to the department by providing day-to-day administrative, clerical and support functions to the Director. Performs a variety of moderate to complex duties which require the use of good judgment to successfully complete those duties. Assists in managing the daily affairs of the department by maintaining office supplies and routing documents. Exceptional communication, teamwork, problem solving and collaboration skills are essential for this position.

**JOB TITLE: SENIOR BUSINESS ANALYST****Department: Puyallup Tribal Enterprises (PTE)****Closes: when filled**

Responsible for providing strategic business analysis services to PTE business partners throughout our growing organization. Work closely within the business development programs to gain in-depth understanding of the business strategy, processes, services, opportunities, and the context in which the business operates. Utilize this knowledge to support multiple directors in project administration, scheduling, documentation, reporting, and business & financial modeling. Provide critical review of end-to-end business processes to identify and address operational, financial, and technological risks, and identify opportunities to improve efficiency.

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Works directly with each customer to ensure that they have the perfect guest experience. This includes making sure we have clean, well-stocked stores when they arrive, cheerfully assisting them throughout their visit, then efficiently ringing up their sales.

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Located at our port facility in Tacoma. Manage a five-acre site that is majority outdoor storage with 7,500 square feet of warehouse space. Includes managing all site/warehouse facilities, staffing, employee training and development, customer/vendor oversight, and regulatory/safety compliance. Includes developing and maintaining SOP's and business reporting systems for this facility management, employee work processes, and customer/vendor activities. It is vital that they lead by example to promote a culture of safety and security, as well as help to grow our brand and build a reputation of excellence in our warehouse processes and customer service.

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**JOB TITLE: MARINA ASSOCIATE****Department: Puyallup Tribal Enterprises (PTE)****Closes: when filled**

Located at Chinook Landing Marina. Help secure and protect all of the Marina's property. Keep all of our operations and equipment in great working order. Our Team takes great pride in the exceptional care and services that they provide to all of our tenants and guests. We would love to hear from you if you have a positive attitude, great customer service skills and flexible work hours.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Submit an application online at: <https://apply.jobappnetwork.com/marine-view-ventures/en>

**JOB TITLE: CAR WASH ASSOCIATE****Department: Puyallup Tribal Enterprises (PTE)****Closes: when filled**

Work as part of a team to provide the perfect guest experience to every one of our customers, both in our Car Wash and in our retail store. Making sure we have a sparkling clean car wash and store and that we operate efficiently to help our guests get in and out quickly. Requires energetic, talented people who enjoy customer service at a fast pace. If this sounds like you, bring your great customer service skills to a team of dedicated service professionals.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Submit an application online at: <https://apply.jobappnetwork.com/marine-view-ventures/en>

**JOB TITLE: EQUIPMENT OPERATOR****Department: Tahoma Global Logistics****Closes: when filled**

Located in Tacoma. Equipment operators utilize a variety of heavy lifting equipment to lift/transport cargo and equipment, stack cargo and load out from trailer to ground/ ground to trailer. This work is performed using equipment such as forklifts, top handlers and side handlers. Must be skilled in the efficient the use of this equipment and have a strong focus on safe operations at all times.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Please submit resume to [deborah@marineviewventures.com](mailto:deborah@marineviewventures.com)

**JOB TITLE: ELDERS LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE****Department: Elder Care Services****Closes: when filled**

Works under the direction of the executive director and the director of nursing. Participates in the planning, implementation and evaluation of nursing care within the objectives, standards, and policies of the department and within the parameters of his/her scope of practice for Elders residing in the House of Respect. Cooperates with the members of the nursing and healthcare team.

**JOB TITLE: REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE LEVEL I****Department: Per Capita/Representative Payee Program****Closes: when filled**

Responsible for working in collaboration with the most vulnerable members of the Puyallup Tribe to provide assistance to manage monthly payments on behalf of the Tribal Member beneficiary. Responsible for meeting with and knowing the needs of the beneficiary and acting in the best interests of the beneficiary to ensure that benefits received from the Tribe are used for the beneficiary's current and/or future needs. Level I is expected to handle moderately complex work assignments and disseminates accurate information to clients. Sound judgment and the ability to establish priorities to determine the best methods to accomplish work is expected. Application of general office fundamentals including operating office equipment, basic math and the ability to follow written and oral instructions is expected.

**JOB TITLE: VULNERABLE ADULT SERVICES PRESENTING OFFICER****Department: Adult Services Program****Closes: when filled**

Provide legal advice and representation to the Adult Services Program.

**JOB TITLE: ELDERS SERVICES - DIRECTOR OF NURSING****Department: Elder Services****Closes: when filled**

Responsible to plan, organize, develop and direct the overall functions of the assisted living facility in accordance with current Tribal, federal, state and local standards governing long term care facilities and as may be directed by executive director to ensure that the highest degree of quality care will be provided to the residents at all times. Focusing on high resident satisfaction and quality resident care/services. Ensures compliance with applicable policies and procedures, and ensures smooth operation of The Residence through staff development and employee satisfaction. Must be organized, dedicated RN with great leadership skills.

**JOB TITLE: GELC TEACHER - LEAD****Department: Grand View Early Learning Center****Closes: when filled**

Plans and executes an early care education program

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in accordance with the center's educational goals and philosophy to positively guide children's behavior and development and to create a safe, healthy, and culturally appropriate learning environment for young children. Creates and plans developmentally appropriate learning experiences in the areas of cognitive, gross and fine motor, social and self-help, emotional, and communication skills.

### **JOB TITLE: CHILDREN'S SERVICES - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

**Department: Children's Services**

**Closes: when filled**

Provides administrative support to a large department that acts as the primary point of contact for the community and supports the senior administrative assistant. Responsible for knowing the responsibilities of the various programs operating within the department in order to accurately direct clients to needed services. Assists the department by providing day-to-day administrative, clerical and support functions to the department by performing a variety of routine moderate to complex duties which require the use of good judgment to successfully complete those duties.

### **JOB TITLE: TRIBAL GAMING REGULATORY OFFICE - SOFT COUNT INSPECTOR**

**Department: Tribal Gaming Regulatory Office**

**Closes: when filled**

Assumes all soft-count duties and other duties as assigned by his supervisor. Assists with monitoring, investigation, enforcement and protection of casino assets.

### **JOB TITLE: PORT OF TACOMA - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

**Department: Port of Tacoma**

**Closes: when filled**

Responsible for performing a wide variety of paraprofessional, administrative and technical functions. Requires a combination of both independent and team-based work to complete administrative tasks which at times may be sensitive and confidential in nature. Located in and primarily supports the Maintenance department. Support for additional departments may occur as needed.

*All applicants must thoroughly complete a Port of Tacoma application online at <https://governmentjobs.com/careers/portoftacoma> and upload a resume to be considered for this opportunity.*

### **JOB TITLE: TGL - EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**

**Department: Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL)**

**Closes: when filled**

Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL) is seeking qualified candidates for our Equipment Operator position at our port facility located in Tacoma. Equipment Operators utilize a variety of heavy lifting equipment to lift/transport cargo and equipment, stack cargo and load out from trailer to ground/ ground to trailer. This work is performed using equipment such as or similar to forklifts, top handlers, and side handlers. Must be skilled in the efficient the use of this equipment and have a strong focus on safe operations at all times.

**FOR QUESTIONS AND HOW TO APPLY:** Please submit resume to [deborah@marineviewventures.com](mailto:deborah@marineviewventures.com)

### **JOB TITLE: TGL - CONTAINER REPAIR TECHNICIAN**

**Department: Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL)**

**Closes: when filled**

Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL) is seeking qualified candidates for our Container Repair Technician position at our port facility located in Tacoma. This position will work to support the success of

the maintenance and repair department. Will perform inspections, plan, and perform repair work to containers.

**FOR QUESTIONS AND HOW TO APPLY:** Please submit resume to [deborah@marineviewventures.com](mailto:deborah@marineviewventures.com)

### **JOB TITLE: RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT**

**Department: Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL)**

**Closes: when filled**

Tahoma Global Logistics (TGL) is seeking qualified candidates for our receptionist / office assistant position at our main office in Fife. Office assistants provide support services to assigned business unit(s)/supervisor(s) in areas such as front desk lobby/reception, front desk phone, accounting, sales, and maintenance/repair. Assist with data entry, creating and maintaining reports, and accounting functions such as accounts receivable and accounts payable. Will assist with various administrative services and departmental projects as assigned.

**FOR QUESTIONS AND HOW TO APPLY:** Please submit resume to [deborah@marineviewventures.com](mailto:deborah@marineviewventures.com)

### **JOB TITLE: POLICE OFFICER**

**Department: Law Enforcement**

**Closes: when filled**

**SALARY: Entry - \$39.75/hour; Lateral - \$42.14/hour + benefits**

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.

### **JOB TITLE: CHILDREN'S SERVICES CASE MANAGER - FAMILY VOL. SRVC**

**Department: Children's Services**

**Closes: when filled**

To develop, implement and evaluate case plans to enrolled Puyallup Tribal children who are found to be children in need of care through the Puyallup Tribal Court. Facilitates family reunification or other permanent placement planning as deemed necessary by the Tribal Court. Initiates life-changing decisions based solely on the best interest of the children.

### **JOB TITLE: SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

**Department: CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

**Closes: when filled**

This is a senior level position within a large department that assists the department by providing day-to-day administrative, clerical and support functions to the leadership team by performing a variety of moderate to complex duties which require the use of good judgment, organizational skills and time management to successfully complete those duties. The position acts as the primary point of contact for other Tribal departments. The position is responsible for ensuring that the operations within the Children's Services Department run smoothly. Responsible for the planning and coordination of various community events throughout the year. Position provides back-up support to administrative assistant including backup coverage for the front desk.

### **JOB TITLE: ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR/TRANSPORT**

**Department: Tiny Homes**

**Closes: when filled**

Under the general direction of the Director is responsible for coordinating the activities, planning and organizing individual and group activities to meet the cultural, social, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual needs of Tiny Home residents. Provides transportation services for residents to and from appointments, events, etc.

### **JOB TITLE: ACCOUNTING INTERN**

**Closes: when filled**

The Tribal Administration HR Department is looking for Tribal members interested in taking part in a paid internship program in the Accounting Department working with DAP Services, Inc. Duties will be dependent upon previous work experience and level of schooling received. This is part-time, 10 to 29 hours per week, program and will be flexible to adjust for class schedules and study needs.

Successful applicants must be:

- Currently enrolled in a two-or four-year accredited college or vocational school;
- Pursuing a degree in accounting, business, or related field;
- Maintaining a GPA of at least 2.5;
- Have at least a beginner knowledge of Microsoft Word & Excel; and have basic math, 10-key, and communication skills.

### **JOB TITLE: SHELTER HOUSE ATTENDANT**

**Department: Community Domestic Violence**

**Advocacy Program**

**Closes: when filled**

Provides security, care giving, emotional support, transportation, craft making, some cooking and light housekeeping for residents at the Domestic Violence Shelter. Must be willing to work any shift assigned.

### **JOB TITLE: REALTY SPECIALIST**

**Department: Fee to Trust**

**Closes: when filled**

Oversees coordination of the Fee to trust process. Maintains file systems, works with title companies, land surveyors, and environmental consultants to help prepare federal requirements for the timely processing of fee property to trust status. Works as part of a team to facilitate fee to trust conversions with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and related agencies involved in the Trust Process.

### **JOB TITLE: ELDERS CNA**

**Department: House of Respect Residences/Elders Wellness Center**

**Closes: when filled**

**Salary: CNA - \$23.15/hour + benefits**

Provides personal care, in-home meal preparation, light housekeeping, and assistance with ADL's and vital signs to the Tribal Elders in the Residence assisted living or in the home. Must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

### **JOB TITLE: ELDER SERVICES HOME COMPANION**

**Department: Elders Care Services**

**Closes: when filled**

Provides meal preparation, light housekeeping, essential shopping trips with the Elder and transports Elder to health related appointments. Promotes the health of the Elder by assisting them to adhere to prescribed medications and diet and exercise plans to do in their homes as outlined by a home support care plan. May be required to become a nursing assistant certified (NAC) within six months after first day of employment. Must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

### **JOB TITLE: FINANCE MANAGER**

**Department: Finance and Business**

**Closes: when filled**

Assists the Finance Director and Tribal Financial Officer (TFO) by providing operational and financial analysis of the Tribe's governmental and business operations.

### **JOB TITLE: EXTENDED SUPPORT SERVICES CASEWORKER**

**Department: Children's Services**

**Closes: when filled**

Develops, implements and evaluates permanency

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case plans for families within Children's Services. Completes Guardianship/Adoption reports and home studies to achieve permanency for children in PTCS care with PTCS recommendation for permanency. Maintains the case post permanency for 30 days to 6 months depending on the case needs. Completes monthly health and safety visits, assists guardianship/adoptive families and children during the transition with services such as child care and any other pertinent supportive services within the Tribe. Provides ongoing and long-term assistance to children and families in permanent placements and adoption by assessing the needs of the families and providing resources and tools to preserve and sustain children in permanency. Assists with children remaining connected to their family and culture throughout and after permanency is achieved.

### **JOB TITLE: CPS INVESTIGATOR**

**Department: Children's Services**

**Closes: when filled**

Conducts investigations of cases involving allegations of abuse and neglect of Indian Children within the Puyallup Tribal Jurisdiction as mandated by the Child and Family Protection Code of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians. Initiates life-changing decisions based solely on the best interest of the children.

### **JOB TITLE: CHILD WELFARE CASEWORKER**

**Department: Children's Services**

**Closes: when filled**

Develops, implements and evaluates case plans to enrolled Puyallup Tribal children who are found to be children in need of care through the Puyallup Tribal Court. Facilitates family reunification or other permanent placement planning as deemed necessary by the Tribal Court. Initiates life-changing decisions based solely on the best interest of the children.

### **JOB TITLE: COURT CLERK LEVEL I AND COURT CLERK LEVEL II**

**Department: Tribal Court**

**Closes: when filled**

Provides clerical support and records management for operation of the Tribal Court, and support services for the Chief Court Clerk, Court Administrator, Chief Judge, Associate Judges and Pro Tempore Judges.

### **JOB TITLE: TRIBAL COURT ASSOCIATE JUDGE**

**Department: Tribal Court**

**Closes: when filled**

Serves as hearing judge for the Puyallup Tribal Court in accordance with the tribal Judicial Administrative Code. Term is three years from the date of appointment by the Tribal Council. May be reappointed at the expiration of a term in the discretion of the Tribal Council.

### **JOB TITLE: CORRECTIONS OFFICER**

**Department: Law Enforcement**

**Closes: when filled**

**Salary: \$28.59/hour + benefits**

Provides care and custody of inmates and maintains order and discipline among the inmates within the

Puyallup Tribal Restorative Correctional Facility, a minimum-security facility, by enforcing the standards, rules and regulations governing the operations of the detention/correctional facility and programs and the confinement, safety, health and protection of inmates.

### **JOB TITLE: ON CALL SECURITY OFFICER**

**Department: Public Safety**

**Closes: open continuously**

Responsible for protection and security of the Puyallup Tribal buildings and property. Reports all incidents in writing to the Assistant Director and any criminal activity to both the Assistant Director and the Puyallup Tribal Police Department.

### **EMERGENCY HIRE - PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS**

**Closes: open continuously**

Apply if you would like to be considered for

emergency hire openings. Emergency hires are positions that need to be filled temporarily on an expedited basis. When an emergency hire becomes available, a list of candidates who meet the education and experience requirements for the position will be sent to the hiring manager for consideration. You will be contacted if selected.

### **WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT 240 HOURS - PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS**

**Closes: open continuously**

This program provides 240 hours of full-time/part-time employment to Puyallup Tribal Members paid at the recognized minimum wage. During this time, members develop job skills and employment history to help improve their eligibility for permanent full-time jobs within the Tribe or other Tribal entities. A WFD Case Manager will contact you after you apply.



## ATTENTION PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBER STUDENTS

**STARTING THIS FALL!**  
*Are you interested in getting work experience while you go to school?*

### **ACCOUNTING INTERNSHIP JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Tribal Administration HR Department is looking for Tribal Members interested in taking part in an Internship Program in the Accounting Department working with DAP Services, Inc.

Anyone interested should apply online at:  
<https://us63.dayforcehcm.com/CandidatePortal/en-US/ptoiad/Posting/View/1424>  
Or visit the Puyallup Tribe's website employment page.

Applicants should upload a resume of previous work experience and/or education, a one-page personal statement as to why you are interested in this program, and a copy of transcripts or schedule.

**Successful applicants must be:**

- ✓ currently enrolled in a two- or four-year accredited college or vocational school;
- ✓ pursuing a degree in accounting, business, or related field;
- ✓ maintaining a GPA of at least 2.5;
- ✓ have at least a beginner knowledge of Microsoft Word & Excel; and
- ✓ have basic math, 10-key, and communication skills.

Duties will be dependent upon previous work experience and level of schooling received. This is a part-time, 10-29 hours per week program, and will be flexible to adjust for class schedules and study needs. Benefits are not included.

If you have any questions, please call Human Resources at (253) 573-7863  
Or email [jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).

## How To Apply

Apply online at <https://usr58.dayforcehcm.com/CandidatePortal/en-US/ptoiad> or visit the Puyallup Tribe's website at [www.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/](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).



# Pride flag raised at Admin Building to kick off Pride Month

By Molly Bryant, Puyallup Tribal News

On June 30, the Pride flag was raised in the parking lot of the Administration building in celebration of Pride Month, which is recognized in July by the Puyallup Tribe and the City of Tacoma.

There was a large crowd of people gathered together, many wearing rainbow colors in celebration of the LGBTQIA2 (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual and two-spirit) community.

Heritage Division Manager Connie McCloud opened the event with a speech and a prayer. She reminded attendees that they are in the presence of “people who love you and take care of you.”

Chris Briden, a language teacher with the Puyallup Tribal Language Department, recited a prayer called “The Rainbow Prayer” in Lushootseed. “It relates the colors of the rainbow to the values and the things that we find important around us,” Briden said.

Puyallup Tribal Council Chairman Bill Sterud shared a speech about the significance of Pride. “Today, we gather here to raise the Pride flag and celebrate love, acceptance, and equality,” he said. “The Pride flag represents our unwavering commitment to inclusivity and recognizing the rights and dignity of every person, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.”

Councilwoman Annette Bryan was also in attendance. As a member of the LGBTQIA2 community herself, she shared, “We are proud to say that we welcome and are generous to all people.” She added, “We all need to love one another. We all need to accept one another.”

In addition, other leaders in the community were in attendance. Ryan Mello, the chairman of the Pierce County Council, and Tacoma City Council members Olgy Diaz and Sarah Rumbaugh.

The flag was raised by Alma Murphy, a Puyallup Tribal member and student at Chief Leschi Schools.

The Tribe held its Pride festival on July 22 at Chief Leschi Schools. Make sure to follow the Puyallup Tribe’s social media channels (@PuyallupTribeofIndians on Facebook and Instagram) and pick up the next issue of the Puyallup Tribal Newspaper for more coverage.



Photos by Matt Vaughan and Molly Bryant

# Chinook salmon released

By Ernest A. Jasmin, Puyallup Tribal News

Legions of salmon are loose. And now, the researchers wait.

That's 114,000 juvenile Chinook salmon to be precise, a scaly horde raised by the Puyallup Tribe Fisheries Department and Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife hatcheries and released from pens at Point Defiance Park on June 21. The cause: Northwest Salmon Research's C.O.R.E. Project (Chinook Orca Recovery Education) which is aimed at restoring local salmon stocks and feeding struggling resident orcas.

Partners in that ongoing effort also include Tacoma Public Schools, Metro Parks Tacoma, Puget Sound Anglers' Gig Harbor chapter, Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers.

Recently, Puyallup Tribal News caught up with Fisheries Enhancement Chief Blake Smith, who explained how this project is enhancing biodiversity in local waters.

**PTN:** How long does it take to raise and release that many fish?

**Smith:** We started the process back in September. We have to spawn, incubate the eggs. We pick all the dead eggs out mechanically. Then we start rearing the fish. We get them up to a certain size and then bring a trailer in that tags them so we can be able to tell them from our other fish that we're releasing. Once they're marked, we haul them out to the net pen. Then we release them, and they'll mature. At four year olds and three year olds, they'll start coming back.

**PTN:** How does this benefit other aquatic life?

**Smith:** There's a lot of predators that eat salmon, and they all need salmon to survive. They're kind of a key species. Without them, a lot of animals would starve and die, and they're really important for an ecosystem. So, this project is to enhance those numbers in the Salish Sea, basically.

**PTN:** What is the trend leading up to now?

**Smith:** Over the last 100 years, salmon have definitely been on the decline due to a lot of urbanization, building and loss of habitat. Fish really do need clean water, and so do people.



Above photo courtesy of Puyallup Tribal Fisheries, all other photos courtesy of Metro Parks Tacoma.



**PTN:** How will you know this program is successful?

**Smith:** How we manage to be able to tell everybody apart is (with) unique coder wire tags. When those fish are caught in fisheries, or when they return back to the hatchery, we recover those tags, and they go into a big database. Then, four or five years from now, we'll be able to tell the overall survival of that release group by how many fish are caught, how many come back and how many we find on spawning grounds, too. We're sampling all the time, trying to recover all the fish tags we can.

**PTN:** Have you seen a measurable difference in the first three years that you've done this?

**Smith:** It takes a while for the tags to get recovered and then taken to a lab, and then they have to pull each tag out of a fish's head. Then it has to be recorded and then sent to the database in order for us to get it. So, it'll take a few more years before we have a full set of data to work with.

**PTN:** What are some of the things that regular people can do if they care about preserving salmon stocks and their habitat?

**Smith:** There are a lot of things; just being conscious of where your storm drains are going, because they're going into salmon streams. We have a lot of things that need to probably change to make our water quality better.



If you live near a stream, have a good riparian area that provides shade so our streams don't get too hot. Even on a creek where our hatchery is during the summer, when it's sunny out the temperature will raise eight, 10 degrees. It's all groundwater (and) a lot of it is not shaded.

There's numerous ways that they can get involved with conservation: have a lot of tree plantings; volunteer to help wherever you can, besides the political aspects of trying to stop pollution and save the habitat that we have.

# Culture Department organizes prince's pine and cedar pulling harvest

By Molly Bryant, Puyallup Tribal News

The Culture Department at the Puyallup Tribe often hosts fun events for the community to get involved. In June, they hosted cedar pulling and prince's pine gathering near White Pass.

During the harvesting, Cultural Coordinator Denise Reed pointed out traditional plants such as wild strawberries, mushrooms, pine needles, cedar and prince's pine.

Prince's pine is a plant that is native to the Pacific Northwest. It is also known as pipsisewa, which means "broken into pieces," due to its fragile state when dried. It has thick, green, jagged leaves and a pinkish cluster of flowers at the top of the stalk.

The plant is edible, and it is said to be good for treating a range of conditions that affect the kidneys, bladder, urethra, skin and lungs. However, check with your doctor, pharmacist or the staff at the Culture Department before using traditional remedies.

Most commonly, prince's pine is brewed in tea. To brew prince's pine, you would start by boiling two quarts of water and adding a handful of prince's pine before turning off the burner, covering and letting the tea sit for 20 to 25 minutes. She recommends not boiling the prince's pine directly, as it contains tannic acid. You can add peppermint or mix it with green tea to improve the taste.

Some harvesters pulled cedar on this trip. The best trees for cedar pulling are not too wide and branchless at the bottom. This helps to get a longer pull. Taking a hatchet, you must make three separate cuts along the bark of the tree. The strip should be no larger than two hands. It helps to wedge the hatchet underneath the bark so it can be easier to pull. Lastly, stepping back, you pull until the strip snaps off.

It is best practice to strip the cedar immediately after pulling it. Using a knife or your hands, you must remove the thick outer bark to reveal the softer inner bark.

The cedar strips are then rolled-up to be dried for approximately six months to one year. According to Reed, the bark is toxic due to the plicatic acid, and the



dust has been known to cause asthma. After they are dried, they can be used for making traditional items such as cedar hats, graduation caps, headbands, skirts, and baskets.

If you are interested in participating in a harvesting event, contact the Culture Department by phone at 253-320-8361 or by email at [CulturalCenter@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov](mailto:CulturalCenter@PuyallupTribe-nsn.gov).

*Photos by Molly Bryant*

# World Day Against Trafficking in Persons - Sunday, July 30, 2023

Submitted by StrongHearts Native Helpline

## The Origins of Human Trafficking

(EAGAN, MN. July 1, 2023) – If not for the journals of America's first explorers, Indigenous people might not have an understanding of the overwhelming feeling of discomfort when in the presence of some non-Native people. As though, we do not matter, as though we are less than they, that they could do to us what they wanted as a person, a family, as a nation of people.

But, we do have those journals to reflect on as evidence of the day when Indigenous people became a commodity to be trafficked and enslaved for the purpose of sex and labor in both America and Europe.

October 11, 1492: "They should be good servants and intelligent, for I observed that they quickly took in what was said to them, and I believe that they would easily be made Christians." October 14, 1492: "These people are very simple [in] the use of arms ...with fifty men they can all be subjugated and made to do what is required of them."

## American History v.s. Native History

More than five centuries later, school children learn about "Thanksgiving" and how Native and non-Natives feasted and thrived in friendship when nothing could be farther from the truth. Across the nation, elected state leaders are banning teaching the truth about our history, calling it "critical race theory."

"Our nation was built upon the graves of Indigenous people and upon the backs of minorities," said CEO Lori Jump, StrongHearts Native Helpline. "When state legislatures are denying and suppressing the truth about our history, we can not sufficiently address nor prevent human trafficking. In order to heal from the tragedies of our past, in order to understand the dynamics of domestic and sexual violence - we must face the truth about our nation's history."

## Human Trafficking Worldwide

Human traffickers profit at the expense of their victims by forcing them to perform labor or to engage in commercial sex in every region of the United States and around the world. With an estimated 27.6 million victims worldwide at any given time, human traffickers prey on people of all ages, backgrounds, and nationalities, exploiting them for their own profit.



Studies on human trafficking are few and far between, especially those related to Native people. In a Minnesota based study on sex trafficking, "Garden of Truth: The Prostitution and Trafficking of Native Women in Minnesota," 105 Native women who were trafficked participated in a survey about the tragedy of their own experiences. Native women, children and Two-spirit people were found to be victimized with more frequency - noting that most traffickers were non-Native who targeted those most vulnerable to being poverty stricken and homeless.

## Normalization of Selling Sex

Jessica Smith, a victim-survivor turned advocate, knows what it means to be trafficked both as a child and as an adult. And, she knows that the only way to help these victims is to get them off the streets and into stable housing.

"As children, we see our Mothers being trafficked and we look up to them [as role models]," Smith said and explained that there is a connection between intergenerational trauma and human trafficking. "I saw generations of it and thought it was normal."

Smith added, "It's important for people to understand that sex trafficking is perpetrated by people outside of our [Native] communities. Whether it's domestic violence, rape, murder, prostitution or sex trafficking, the vast majority of perpetrators against Native women and children are not Native men," said Smith. "We found that to be true in the Garden of Truth."

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### Perpetrators and Their Victims

Native victim survivors readily identified perpetrators as primarily white men followed by African American men and to a much lesser degree by Native men. Sex traffickers use common tactics that include: trickery and coercion as well as emotional, physical and sexual abuse.

Vulnerabilities to human trafficking include:

- An unstable living situation
- Previous experience with other forms of violence (sexual/domestic)
- Identified as a runaway and/or involved in the juvenile justice or child welfare systems
- Poverty and/or economic need
- Addiction to drugs and/or alcohol (often introduced by traffickers)
- Substance abuse by a caregiver or family member
- Vulnerability among Native women surveyed:
  - 99 percent were currently or previously homeless.
  - 92 percent had been raped and wanted to escape prostitution
  - 84 percent had been physically assaulted in prostitution.
  - 79 percent had been sexually abused as children by an average of 4 perpetrators.

- 72 percent suffered traumatic brain injuries in prostitution.
- 71 percent had symptoms of dissociation.
- 52 percent had post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), a rate equal to combat veterans.

As a survivor and advocate," Smith concluded that survivor led advocacy is key to prevention. "We need [advocates] to understand that we were raped, beaten, and made to sell our bodies. [That] we did not choose this life. It was chosen for us."

### StrongHearts Understands

At StrongHearts Native Helpline, we understand. We recognize the importance of education and we strive to identify and expose the roots of human trafficking. We acknowledge that it began with colonization and continues primarily at the hands of non-Natives. Ours is the story of all Indigenous peoples - a story about survival and resilience and a story that must conclude with truth, reparation and reconciliation.

StrongHearts advocates are available 24/7 and offer:

- Information and education about domestic violence and sexual violence

- Personalized safety planning
- Crisis intervention
- Referrals to Native-centered domestic violence and sexual violence service providers
- Basic information about health options
- Support locating health facilities or crisis centers trained in the care of sexual assault and forensic exams
- General information about jurisdiction and legal advocacy referrals

Call or text 1-844-762-8483 or chat online at [strongheartshelpline.org](http://strongheartshelpline.org)

### Human Trafficking Hotline

Serving all individuals who reach out for their services regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, age, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or any other factor protected by local, state, or federal law, The National Human Trafficking Hotline can be reached at 1-888-373-7888, hearing impaired dial 711, text 233733 SMS text lines and live online chat available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

<https://www.americanyawp.com/reader/the-new-world/journal-of-christopher-columbus/>

## Puyallup Tribal member featured in Project 562 book

By Molly Bryant, Puyallup Tribal News

Denise Reed, a cultural coordinator for the Culture Department, was recently featured in a new book, titled Project 562: Changing the Way We See Native America. The coffee table photo book is a project created by Matika Wilbur, who is from the Swinomish and Tulalip Tribes in Washington.

Wilbur set out with an ambitious goal to travel across the United States to document every federally recognized Native American Tribe. At the time that she began the project, there were 562 federally recognized Tribes. Now there are 574.

She spent 10 years on the road, documenting not only federally recognized Tribes but also "urban Native communities, Tribes fighting for federal recognition and Indigenous role models" according to her website.

Reed met Wilbur in 2018 when the Puyallup Tribe hosted the Power Paddle to Puyallup Canoe Journey. She reflected on being chosen to represent the Puyallup



Tribe. "Out of the 562 Tribes, I think it was just awesome that she chose me to represent our Tribe," Reed said. "I thought she chose me because I was a positive role model, and then my story of getting clean and how I used the traditional ways to get clean and stay clean."

Reed is the daughter of Sharron Nelson, who has a twin sister, Karen Reed. Her mother and aunt are master basket weavers. Their baskets have been featured in many museums. She first became interested in weaving at the age of 7. "Every time she (her mother) would sit

down and make a basket, I would go sit with her and start weaving," she said.

Working for the Culture Department at the Tribe, she is able to do what she loves. "Teaching the culture is what's rewarding to me because I just love passing on that tradition to our Tribe," said Reed.

Learn more about "Project 562" or purchase a copy here: Project 562: Changing the Way We See Native America: Wilbur, Matika: 9781984859525: Amazon.com: Books

Photo by Molly Bryant

# Ramona Bennett celebrated at City of Destiny Awards

By Ernest A. Jasmin, Puyallup Tribal News

Renowned activist and former Puyallup Tribal Council Chairwoman Ramona Bennett was recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the City of Destiny Awards, held on June 21 at the Tacoma Dome Exhibition Hall. The City of Tacoma's Events and Recognitions Committee organizes the awards ceremony, which recognizes outstanding local volunteers and service to the community.

Tacoma Deputy Mayor Christina Walker introduced Bennett with a speech highlighting her years of service, which she traced back to her work with Seattle's American Indian Woman's Service League in the 1950s. Bennett also advocated for Native fishing rights and helped bring local "fish-ins" to national prominence in the 1960s and '70s, provided Senate testimony leading up to passage of the landmark Indian Child Welfare Act in 1978 and served as Puyallup Tribal Council Chairwoman from 1971 to 1978, among other achievements.

"Ramona deserves to be recognized for her advocacy for all of Tacoma," Walker said. "While her heart is always focused on her fellow Natives, her work truly protects all Tacomans, Native and non-Native alike. She fights for clean water, air and lands for all of us."

Bennett was joined onstage by Puyallup Tribal Councilman James Rideout and



Fawn Sharp, the president of the National Congress of American Indians and vice president of Quinault Indian Nation. Towards the beginning of her remarks, she mentioned a book she is writing and alluded to the Tribe's past struggle to overcome discrimination and other obstacles.

"I'm writing the history of the Puyallup Tribe, and Tacoma wasn't very nice to Indians," she said, alluding to seeing "no dogs or Indians" signs when she moved to the city in 1968. (Bennett was born in Seattle.)

"Our rights to fish and our treaty-guaranteed education and medical services weren't being provided," she said. "We weren't being served, and the Tribe had lost three court cases. The Tribe didn't even exist, technically. ... So, breathing the Tribe back to life was exciting and dangerous. But mostly, it was just exciting.

Over these years, every single thing the Tribe has acquired has been a struggle." Bennett emphasized that, while many things have improved, there is still lots of work that needs to be done in the community.

"I'm really happy to be here, representing our Tribe," Bennett said. "I'm proud that you're recognizing the work we're doing. The Tribe has gotten a lot of people off of welfare. We're employing a lot of people that aren't Indian. We're holding up our piece of the sky. I'm just so proud and pleased that so much progress has been made from all sides — from everybody."

Learn more about the City of Destiny Awards and this year's other recipients online at [www.cityoftacoma.org/cityofdestiny](http://www.cityoftacoma.org/cityofdestiny).

Photo by Ernest A. Jasmin

# Cycle of life mural revealed

By Puyallup Tribal New staff

On June 22, the Grant Center for the Arts unveiled a mural representing the salmon cycle of life. This was made possible by a grant received this year from the Puyallup Tribe's Charity Trust Board. Many native and non-native students had a hand in painting this mural. Two of these were the son and daughter of Puyallup Tribal Member Danica Sterud-Miller, who gave a blessing during the ceremony.

Photos by Matt Vaughan



# Tribal member ready to rock Tacoma with four dynamic bands

By Ernest A. Jasmin, Puyallup Tribal News

By day, Puyallup Tribal member Hozoji Matheson-Margullis works as a survey diver for the Tribe's Shellfish Department. By night, she thrills regional hard rock fans as member of an expanding number of bands.

Fans can catch three of them live over the next few weeks, and a couple of new recordings are also on the way, including one with one of Washington's most legendary grunge bands.

Matheson-Margullis' most established project is Lozen, the Tacoma duo she formed nearly 20 years ago with drummer Justine Maria Valdez. The band — which is named for an Apache warrior woman who rode alongside Geronimo — will appear on Aug. 12 as part of In the Spirit, an Indigenous-themed arts festival that will be held at Tacoma Art Museum; [www.tacomaartmuseum.org](http://www.tacomaartmuseum.org) for details.

The duo is especially elated for this appearance, which is a reunion show. Lozen went on extended hiatus after Valdez relocated to Southern California a few years ago. But they also cherish the opportunity to be seen in a different context at TAM.

"To get us out of our chrysalis, it needed to be something unique and different than what we have historically done," Matheson-Margullis said. "We are the first non-traditional music act to be invited. So that was super exciting and meaningful to us. ... Native people are still here, and they're creating new art."

A couple of special guests will make cameo appearances on Aug. 12. Tribal members will recognize Chris Duenas from his many appearances drumming at events with Heritage Division. He also plays in the indie-rock band, Czar. Artist Selena Kearney (Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation) is a member of Spirit of Raven, Matheson-Margullis' family for Canoe Journey, and she will also join Lozen for a couple of songs.

Meanwhile, Matheson-Margullis' most popular band is the Seattle-Tacoma alt-rock band Helms Alee. She plays drums, Ben Verellen sings and plays guitar, and Dana James sings and plays bass.



Helms Alee features Tribal member Hozoji Matheson-Margullis (right) on drums with singer-guitarist Ben Verellen and singer-bassist Dana James. Photo credit: Ron Harrell

The trio should be well-tuned and ready to rock the Spanish Ballroom at McMenamins Elks Temple in Tacoma on Sept. 1 having recently wrapped up their first headlining tour of Europe. "I would say it went well," Matheson-Margullis said. "Most of the rooms that we played were pretty small, but the reception was positive across the board."

Helms Alee had previously toured the continent as an opening act for legendary grunge outfit, the Melvins, a group that is perhaps best known for its connections to Nirvana; both bands emerged from Grays Harbor County in the 1980s.

Matheson-Margullis teased a forthcoming recording with the Melvins that she described as a split 7-inch with the bands covering each other's material and uniting for a new song. "I believe it physically exists or it very nearly physically exists," she said. "So, that should be hitting the streets sometime not too far from now. The Melvins are so busy."

Helms Alee is performing at Sabertooth Festival on Sept. 1, with Yob, Ludicra, Year of the Cobra and Colony Drop also on the bill. Tickets are \$35 in advance; [www.mcmenamins.com/elks-temple](http://www.mcmenamins.com/elks-temple) for further details.

Then there are the lockdown bands. The rock clubs all shut down, but Matheson-Margullis somehow wound up with an even busier practice schedule during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"My music people and I kind of very immediately created a pod," she recalled. "We were still being cautious, but it felt like we need to be creating because everybody's super stressed out, and this is a healthy and positive way to get these very confusing feelings out."

Matheson-Margullis is married to Aaron Beam, the singer-bassist for the popular Portland outfit, Red Fang. So, it was only natural that the couple would spend some of its time cooped up together writing new music. The result was UUKWUUK, a duo named after the Lushootseed word for "play."

"Neither of us are looking for another working band," Matheson-Margullis said. "We just want to play fun shows occasionally and document the songs we made. It's a way to like lock it down and be able to move on from it."

The duo will make its Tacoma debut on Aug. 26 at an underground Tacoma rock venue, called ShopShow. Doors open at 7 p.m. with UUKWUUK going on at 9; [www.instagram.com/showshow\\_tacoma](http://www.instagram.com/showshow_tacoma).

During the pandemic, Matheson-Margullis also joined Tacos!, a local metal duo featuring Lupe Flores on drums and Donovan Stewart on guitar. The band does not currently have any gigs scheduled, but fans can preview a new song called "Kick Rocks" on Bandcamp before the official release of their new album, "3," on Aug. 4; [tacosband.bandcamp.com/album/3](http://tacosband.bandcamp.com/album/3).

# 2023 Firecracker Alley

By Puyallup Tribal News staff

Firecracker Alley was open for business at 3509 72nd St. E., in late June and early July with lots of vendors providing locals with all the pyrotechnic goodies they needed to celebrate the Fourth of July. Stay tuned to the Puyallup Tribal News to learn about plans to repurpose that space for events.







44th Annual



# PUYALLUP TRIBAL POW-WOW

Sept. 1 – 3, 2023



MC: Clifton Goodwill, Pasqua Sask

MC: Herb Augustine, Ethete, WY.

Arena Directors - Solomon "Skunk" Scabby Robe

Asst. Arena Directors: Cory Reeder, Anadarko, OK & Siksika Scabby Robe Puyallup, WA

Drum Judge – Adrian Weenonis, Big River First Nation

Head Man Dancer: Patrick Mitsuing, Makwa Sahgaiehcan First Nations

Head Woman Dancer: Amanda Goodwill – Fort Qu'Appelle SK

KW Sounds by Merlin Kicking Women

All Counts Tabulations

**Friday Grand Entry: 7 p.m. Sharp!** (First 15 Drums Receive Drum Pay)

**Saturday Grand Entry: 12 p.m. & 7 p.m. – Sunday Grand Entry: 12 p.m.**

### Committee Specials:

Mens Old Style Grass, Men's Fancy, Women's Old Style Jingle, Women's Fancy, Men's Chicken Eagle Speaker Family Sponsoring Tiny Tot Special FRIDAY NIGHT.

Head Woman - Women's Jingle Special

Head man - Men's Fancy Special

## Salmon Bake: Saturday 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

- Dance & Drum Competition Prize • Puyallup Tribal Royalty Contest •
- Native American Vendors • Native American Food Booths •

### DIRECTIONS - PUBLIC WELCOME!

From I-5 (Portland, OR) Exit #135, Continue to 66th Avenue East, take a right, go to 52nd Street East, and take another right.

From I-5 (Seattle) Exit #135, take a left, go under overpass and continue past Casino, to 66th Avenue East, take a right, go to 52nd Street East, Take another right. (Follow Pow-Wow Signs).

**Location:** Chief Leschi Schools 5625 52nd St. E., Puyallup, WA 98371

The Puyallup Tribe is not liable for theft, accident or injury.

**No alcohol or drugs permitted on grounds!**

**No Dogs! No Bikes! No Skateboards!**

Children must be accompanied by an adult. 24 Hour Security/Enforcement by Puyallup Tribal Police.

For More Information Call: Puyallup Tribe at (253) 405-2962

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# HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS NOT OUR LEGACY

To report suspected human trafficking,  
call the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) tip line:  
**1-866-347-2423**

If you are a victim and need help,  
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**1-888-373-7888**

To speak with an advocate call the Puyallup Tribe  
Community Domestic Violence Advocacy Program  
24/7 at 253-68-5499 press (0) after hours or email  
cdvap@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov



## \*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*

TO: PUYALLUP TRIBAL MEMBERS  
FROM: PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL  
DATE: July 26, 2023  
SUBJECT: PLANNING COMMISSION

Tribal Council is posting for **Four (4) Regular** Positions and **one (1) Alternate** position on the Planning Commission. These are two year terms and will be paid stipends for attendance and participation at commission meetings.

Members on this Commission need to be familiar with the PUYALLUP TRIBAL INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE. You may request a copy of both the Code and Regulation Manual to review from Tribal Council staff.

**Planning Commission:**

Sheri Davis  
*Vacancy*  
*Vacancy*  
*Vacancy*  
*Vacancy*

**Alternates:**

Roslyn McCloud  
*Vacancy*

If interested please submit your name by the deadline of  
**August 24, 2023 no later than 5:00 p.m.**

Applicant must apply in person at the Council offices reception desk at: **Puyallup Tribal Admin Building** 3009 East Portland Ave, Tacoma, WA 98404



We are happy to announce we will be hosting upcoming events at our site on 72<sup>nd</sup> street. We are reaching out to our local artists, small businesses, hobbyists, food vendors, and participants that are interested in our future events. Scan the QR code below to register your contact information



## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of BEVERLY NIHEM

Date of Death: 6-28-2021

Residence at the time of death:

9921 CHANDLER ST SO.

TACOMA, WA 98444

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the Estate of Beverly Nihem must make their claims within 90 days after notice is given. Notice was first posted on June 9 2023.

All person shaving claims against this estate are required to make their claims in writing, with proper vouchers, and submit them to the Administrator of the Estate at:

DAVID NIHEM  
9921 CHANDLER ST SO.  
TACOMA, WA 98444

## ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

### Section 1.

The membership of the Puyallup Tribe shall consist of each individual who is not enrolled as a member in any other Indian nation, tribe, band, pueblo, village, corporation or rancheria and who satisfies either of the following requirements:

- (a) Each person whose name appears on the roll of the Puyallup Tribe approved in 1929; and
- (b) Each person at least one of whose parents, at the time of the person's birth, was an enrolled member of the Puyallup Tribe;
  - (i) Provided, however, that after the effective date of Amendment Number XIII to this Constitution (amending this Article II), a person who otherwise qualifies under this subsection shall be eligible only if application for enrollment is made within one calendar year after his or her birth; and
  - (ii) Provided, further, that in the case of a person actually unaware of his/her Puyallup ancestry by reason of adoption or other circumstances, the time deadline contained in proviso number (i), above, shall be deemed satisfied if that individual makes application for membership within ninety (90) days after becoming aware of his/her Puyallup ancestry.

Membership under this Article shall not be deemed automatic but shall be effective only upon compliance with enrollment procedures then in effect including action by the Tribal Council confirming an individual's eligibility and enrollment.

For further information please see: Enrollment Code

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Applications can be placed in our Mailbox in the Mailroom.

1. Application with tribal parent signature
2. ORIGINAL State Certified Birth Certificate (Will be kept in the applicants file)
3. Copy of Social Security Card is required but not when submitting application. But will need a copy as soon as you receive it.

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