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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

COMMUNITY MEMO – MARCH 17, 2025

Frequently Contacted Numbers

Billing Office: 360-297-6235

Career & Education: 360-297-6317

Community Outreach:
360-297-9678

Elders': 360-297-9630

Enrollment: 360-297-6217

Early Head Start: 360-297-6300

Front Desk: 360-297-2646

Health Services: 360-297-2840

Housing: 360-297-6350 Ext 5827

Natural Resources: 360-297-6284

Public Safety: 360-297-9666

CURRENT NEWS & EVENTS

Spring Clean Up

begins March 29th

trash bags at the front desk at
Housing and the Tribal Center

Spring General Council

is March 29th

Breakfast is at 8am in the
Kitchen

Meeting is at 9am in the
Longhouse

Tribal Council Meeting

next regular Tribal Council
meeting is Monday,

March 24th at 9:15 am
in the Tribal Council Chambers

Song and Dance

next Song and Dance is
Wednesday,

March 26th at 5:30pm
in the Longhouse

Children and Family Services

Family Assistance

The Port Gamble Site for EBT services will operate 5 days a week from 9am-11:45am and 1pm-3pm

Food Bank

When accessing the food bank please see anyone in the Children and Family Services building between 8:15am - 11:45am and 1:15pm- 4:15pm.

We will no longer be doing food deliveries for the food bank. The only exceptions for delivery include emergencies or if you are a home bound Elder. If you cannot come during business hours, please contact any CFS Staff and you can do a porch pick up at the food bank.

Elder's Program Meal Service

Elder's meals are available for pick-up only between 11:30am -12:30pm.

We enjoy all the participants coming for the delicious meals prepared by staff but if you do not regularly participate in the lunch program, you need to call the kitchen at 360-297-9627 so we can plan accordingly.

Elders: For those of you not planning to attend the big out-of-state trip and want to watch baseball Chehalis Tribal Days is coming up fast! Call 360-297-9630 to be put on the list.

Thanks!
Chair Volleyball

We are still holding chair volleyball in in the Tribal Gym Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Energy Logs

Elders we now have energy logs, come by the Elders Center or give us a call for further information!

Court

Survivor and Victim Services

If you feel unsafe and need help for yourself or someone you care about, as an advocate, we provide confidential help, safety planning, resources/referrals, education, and empowerment contact Teresa Swope at 360-297-6304 or via email at tswope@pgst.nsn.us

Save the Date:

The annual MMIWP walk will be on Monday, May 5th

Culture

Save the Date:

Spring First Foods Celebrations
Coming Soon!

Culture

The Culture Department proudly celebrates the rich heritage of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe!

For the latest on our cultural events, check out our Tribal website at <https://pgst.nsn.us/current-news-events/> or follow us on Facebook at Port Gamble S'Klallams. You can also sign up for community text alerts!

We love hearing from you!

Feel free to visit the Cultural Office for updates or suggestions. You can also reach out to our team:

Rowan Bunich, Cultural Program Assistant:

360-297-9656,

rbunich@pgst.nsn.us

Alicia Fulton, Cultural Programs Manager:

360-297-9657,

aliciaf@pgst.nsn.us

Enrollment

Enrollment & Tribal Records

The Enrollment & Tribal Records department is committed to helping with the enrollment of members, family trees, ordering birth certificates, etc. as well as, maintaining tribal records and archives.

The Enrollment department can order birth certificates for those needing them to go through the enrollment process and administer DNA. You can also get a reimbursement for Washington State enhanced ID's.

Please reach out to Jordan DeCoteau if you have any questions or would like more information. You can reach her by email at enrollment@pgst.nsn.us or phone at 260-297-6217.

CHR's:

Call 360-297-9633 to speak with a member of our team, we offer health transports and assistance with the pick up/delivery of prescription delivery

Dental and Medical Clinic:

Call 360-2970-2840 to schedule an appointment or speak to a receptionist.

Mental health support line: 988

Call or text 988 for 24/7 mental health emergency support. Press 4 for Native & Strong Lifeline

Public Health:

After hours Triage Nurse line 360-297-9613

Saturday Urgent Care Clinic hours are 9am to 5pm, closed for lunch 12pm to 1pm.

If you are experiencing a medical emergency call 911

Housing

Homebuyer and Financial Management Course: scheduled for march 24th and 25th has been CANCELLED. Please watch out for future dates.

The Housing Office will be closed March 26-28th for All Staff, Board, and Council Training.

Tenants can call their work order line for emergency situations. Staff will also have limited email access during this time.

All Housing Program Applications can be found on the Tribe's website at <https://pgst.nsn.us/housing-authority/>

Homeowner Assistance Fund:

Are you a PGST member who owns your home? You may qualify for Utilities and Mortgage assistance through the Homeowner Assistance Fund Program (HAF) through Housing.

These funds were appropriated to PGSHA by the Dept of Treasury to help keep people in their homes, and not lose their utilities such as power and water due to the financial burdens after Covid.

To see if you qualify please turn in a complete application for 2025 to Stormy either in person, by mail to 32000 Little Boston Rd NE, Kingston, WA 98346 or via email at stormy.purser@pgst.nsn.us

Apps are available in the Housing Authority lobby and on the Tribe's website under Entities > Housing Authority. Call the housing front desk line for any questions. (360) 297-6350 ext 0

Natural Resources

Just a reminder that wood cutting permits are required to harvest firewood on the reservation. The only exception to this are log piles that the Tribe has made available. Designated harvesters are allowed according to our permit restrictions. Permits are available to be checked out at Natural Resources and you may receive up to 5 permits at a time for a total of up to 20 permits per year. If you live off reservation, a separate wood hauling permit is required. At no time is it legal to sell firewood from the forested areas of the reservation.

Also, permits are for personal use only and must be used only in our designated wood cutting areas located across from S'Klallam Hill/upper housing. Windfallen trees can be harvested in designated areas in the access road behind the ball field and skate park as long as they can be harvested near the road or wood carried out on foot. Please do not drive vehicles or sport utility vehicles off the main forest road as this damages healthy trees. Paper copies of the designated cutting areas are available at natural resources. You can call Nikki at 360-865-2678 if you have questions.

Public Safety

As always we ask you to utilize the Kitsap 911 system for any law enforcement needs, we try to limit the amount of time officers are in the office. The 911 system is the quickest and most efficient way to contact your officers. The Kitsap 911 system handles both non-emergency and emergency calls.

Notice of Exclusion to the Community for the following individuals:

Faith Marie Miller
Sarah J O'Shea
Ryli R Robinson

Notice to Community Harboring an Excluded Person is a Crime- Any person who harbors a person who is excluded or allows that person in his home, can be charged with a Class C offense. Call 911 to report excluded individuals on the reservation.

S'Klallam Worship

Upcoming:

- Sunday Service 10:00am
- “Refiners Fire” Prayer
Sundays 6:30pm
- “Rooted” Tuesdays @
6:30pm
- “Guy Time” @6pm Tuesday,
(First Tuesday of month)
- “Girl Time” will be
announced.
- “Youth” Sundays @ 6:30pm
- “Splendor” (Music w/
Children/Youth) 1x per month
with Ruthy - Announced
- Children~Come Forth
Laughing: Childcare Program
Fridays - ELC’s monthly Friday
closure. Questions?
Call (360) 271-8760.

Vulnerable Adults

Vulnerable Adults have two upcoming events. They would like to remind everyone that attends to be courteous to the presenters and staff.

Thank you

Library

Check it Out at the Little Boston
Library

We are open 10 am to 6 pm Monday-
Thursday, Fridays 10 am to 5 pm and
Saturdays 10 am to 2pm.
Call 360-860-5080 to place a hold,
make a curbside appointment, or
speak to staff person.

The library will be closed Thursday,
March 13th for staff training.

A Library For All: Celebrating 80 Years

In 1944, Kitsap County residents made history by voting to create a county-wide library system, sparking a legacy of learning and community. By January 1, 1945, the Kitsap Rural County Library District was officially in operation, and ten years later, it adopted the name Kitsap Regional Library, becoming a vital resource for the entire county. 80 years later, we’re celebrating this remarkable milestone with a year-long journey through our shared story.

Library

Join Us @ the Library!

March 4 @ 1:00 pm -- Little
Boston 1st Tuesdays Book Group

March 5 @ 10:00 am -- Little
Boston 1st Wednesdays Book
Group

March 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 1:00 pm --
Crafternoon

March 6, 20, 27 @ 11:30 am --
Family Storytime

March 6, 20, 27 @ 2:00 pm --
Puzzle Club

March 17 - Maker Monday

March 7 @ 11:00 am -- Little
Explorers

March 12, 19 @ 3:30 pm -- Read to
a Dog

March 17-21 @ 10:00 am -- Take &
Make: Forest Animal Mini
Painting

Reading Recommendations

We Will Be Jaguars: A Memoir of
My People by Nemonte
Nenquimo (Waorani Nation,
Ecuador) & Mitch Anderson

The Pretendians produced and
featuring Drew Hayden Taylor

Reading Recommendations

Magazines

Country Living: an American
lifestyle and home magazine.

American Patchwork & Quilting.

Celebrate 80 Years with Passport to Explore

Passport to Explore is here! Now
through the end of the year, we
invite you to pick up a passport,
visit each library branch, uncover
fascinating facts from our 80-
year history, and dive into the
unique stories that make each
location special. Once you receive
all nine stamps, show your
passport to a Kitsap Regional
Library staff member to win a
prize. At the end of the passport,
complete additional side quests
and receive a stamp and
bookmark for each side quest
accomplished. In addition to
passports, limited-edition library
cards with a unique design for
each branch are available! Pick
up your favorite design at the
front desk of that location. Stay
tuned for more exciting extras as
we celebrate 80 years of service!

OPEN POSITIONS

CFS ATTORNEY/
POLICY ANALYST

POLICY
COORDINATOR
CLOSING 3/28/25

ACADEMIC COACH
CLOSING 3/19/25

CHILD SUPPORT
PROGRAM MANAGER

ACCOUNTANT

MENTAL HEALTH
COUNSELOR

EC CLASSROOM
ASSISTANT OC

PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICER I AND II

ELDER SERVICE
ASSISTANT
CLOSING 3/27/25

CERTIFIED
PHYSICIANS
ASSISTANT
CLOSING 3/26/25

YOUTH SERVICES
WORKER
CLOSING 3/26/25

TO APPLY SCAN THE QR CODE OR SEE OUR WEBSITE AT
[HTTPS://WWW.PGST.NSN.US/EMPLOYMENT.](https://www.pgst.nsn.us/employment)



CONTACT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00AM-4:30PM. MAIL CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE
TRIBAL CENTER IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES BOX.

JENNIFER WRIGHT-TOM, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II: (360) 297-6258
(CONTACT WITH GENERAL HR QUESTIONS AND SHE WILL DIRECT YOUR CALL)

AUDREENA TOM, RECRUITER: (360) 297-6218



NOW HIRING!

CURRENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Friday, March 14th, 2025



Front of House F&B

Cafe Cashier: \$18+tips
 Cocktail Server: \$17+tips
 Host/Cashier: \$18+tips
 Lead Bartender (Night Shift): DOE

Back of House F&B

Line Cook: \$21

Gaming Floor:

Table Games Dealer: DOE
 Players Club Rep: \$19.50

Hotel:

House Person: \$18.25
 Housekeeping Supervisor: \$23-\$25

Gliding Eagle:

Cashier: \$17.50



For more details or to apply, scan the QR code above or visit www.noo-kayet.com
www.thepointcasinoandhotel.com or email mnichols@noo-kayet.com

****PGST Youth 16-18 years of age****



Spring Clean Up

March 29th to April 13th ----- Open daily from 9am to 5pm

Accepted Items


- **Metal Debris** - Metal objects that contain lubricants & other fluid must be emptied prior to drop off.
- **Appliances** - Fridges, Stoves, Washing Machines, etc.. must be emptied prior to drop off.
- **Tires**
- **Electronics** - Tv, Computers, Stereos, Speakers, etc..

Not Accepted

- **Automotive Products**
- **Paints & Other chemical paint**
- **Pesticides, Herbicides & Fertilizers**
- **Household cleaning products**
- **Whole Boats** - Broken down boats are acceptable
- **Gasoline**
- **Fluorescent Lights**

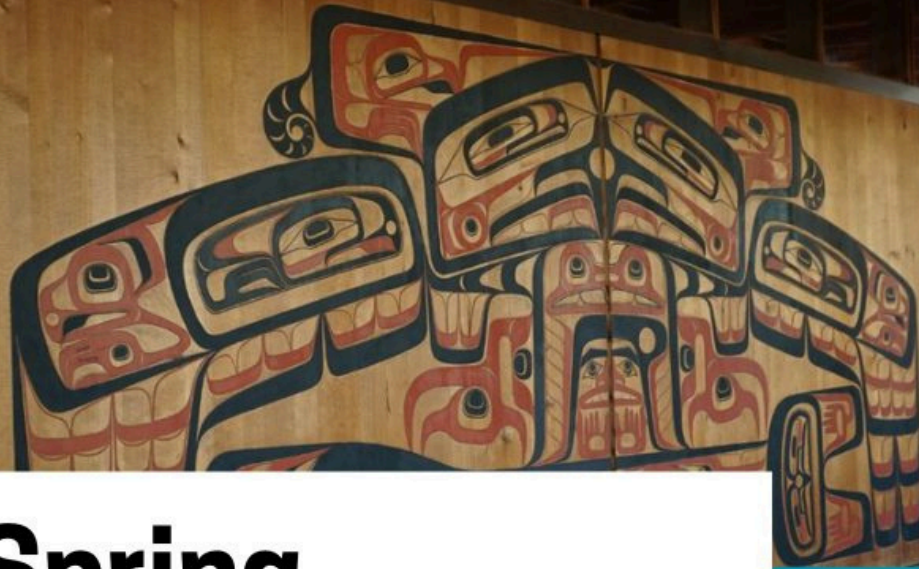
Trash bags are available at the front desk at Housing and the Tribal Center.

Elders if you need assistance with loads please call:
Housing Tenant Elders (360) 297-6350 ext. 0
Non-Housing Tenant Elders (360) 297-2646





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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE



Spring General Council

**Saturday,
March 29, 2025
9am**

ALL Port Gamble S'Klallam members are encouraged to attend. A quorum is needed to move forward the business of the Tribe

**The General Council Meeting
is closed to everyone
except PGST Members.**

Breakfast at
8am in the
Tribal Kitchen

Drawings for prizes
including:
Blackstone w/
Accessories
iPad Mini
and more.

Child Care is being
provided.

Shuttle service is
available on
rez.

Annual Bite of Boston

delicious!

Please Join Us
in the
Tribal Kitchen



yum!

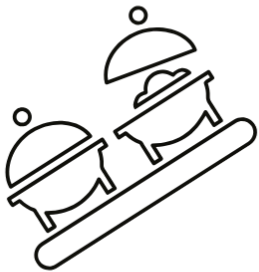
March 28th
from 11am to Sell Out



Tables for this community
favorite are still available!



Please contact 360-297-9652
or email jpsullivan@pgst.nsn.us
by March 18th to reserve a table.



Tickets go for \$1 each or 6 for \$5
All proceeds go to the
Elder's Center and the Food Bank.



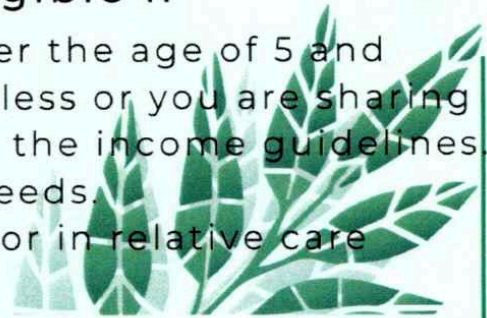
**PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
PROGRAM
IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR
SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026**



- Individualized Teaching
- Health and Dental Screening
- Speech and Hearing Screening
- Healthy Meals and Snacks
- Services to meet Special Needs
- Parent Engagement
- Family Support
- A growing outdoor land based learning environment
- Cultural practices woven into daily activities
- Relational Health

Your child may be eligible if

You are expecting or have a child under the age of 5 and
Your family is on TANF or SNAP; Homeless or you are sharing
the home with another family or meet the income guidelines.
Your child has a disability or special needs.
The child in your care is a foster child or in relative care



2024 FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINE

Family Size	Annual Income
1	\$15,650
2	\$21,150
3	\$26,650
4	\$32,150
5	\$37,650
6	\$43,150
7	\$48,650
8	\$54,150

Contact
Melissa@pgst.nsn.us
cbem@pgst.nsn.us



Save the Date!

MMIWR Walk

**(Murdered, Missing,
Indigenous,
Women, and Relatives Walk)**

May 5th at 12pm

**Starting at the
Gliding Eagle
and ending at the
Tribal Center.**

More details to come.

2025 3RD ANNUAL

SPRING FIRST FOODS CELEBRATION

WHERE: POINT JULIA BEACH

DATE: MAY 17TH 2025

TIME: 2:00PM



**COME JOIN US
FOR A
DELICIOUS
FEAST OF
TRADITIONAL
SKLALLAM
FOODS!**

TENATIVE MENU

SALMON ON A STICK

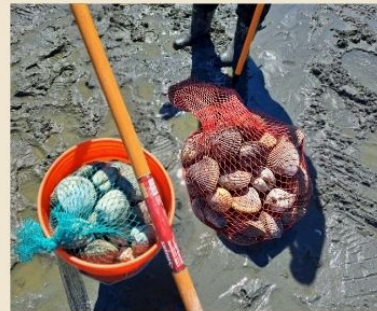
CLAMBAKE

HALIBUT

NETTLE RECIPES

CAMAS

TEAS, DESSERTS, AND SO MUCH MORE!



**OPEN TO PGST TRIBAL
COMMUNITY.**

**WANNA VOLUNTEER AND
LEARN HOW TO COOK
TRADITIONAL FOODS?
CONTACT THE CULTURE
DEPARTMENT AT
360-297-9656 OR EMAIL
RBUNICH@PGST.NSN.US**

**BRING YOUR STORIES,
DRUMS AND CAMPING
CHAIRS.**

**WE WILL TAKE CARE OF
THE REST!**



Library Happenings in March

Adults



Little Boston Book Group

This month we will discuss "Sea of Tranquility" by Emily St. John Mandel.
Tuesday, March 4, 1:00 p.m. & Wednesday, March 5, 10:00 a.m.

CrafterNoon

Meet and socialize with other community crafters. Bring along a project to work on and make new friends.

Wednesday, March 5, 12, 19 & 26, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Puzzle Club

Find your inner "piece" while solving jigsaw puzzles with other puzzle enthusiasts. No experience required.

Thursday, March 6, 20 & 27, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.



Maker Monday

Come join us to make your own beautiful, paper flowers.

Monday, March 17, 3:00 p.m.

Kids

Read to a Dog

Choose a story and read to a dog. Grades K-5.

Wednesday, March 12 & 19, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Take & Make: Forest Animal Mini Painting

Take home a fun craft kit containing everything you need to create your own forest animal mini painting. Pick-up during open hours.

March 17-22. While supplies last.



Little Learners

Family Storytime

Stories, songs, rhymes, and full-body movement designed to build early literacy skills and encourage social and emotional development.

Thursday, March 6, 20 & 27, 11:30 a.m. - noon

Little Explorers

Each month, little ones ages 3-5 will explore different STEM concepts (both indoors & outdoors) through hands-on activities alongside their caregiver.

Friday, March 7, 11:00 a.m. - noon



**For more information
visit KRL.org/events**

KITSAP REGIONAL



Library



PAY LESS FOR YOUR ENERGY

Get a monthly discount of up to 45% off your utility bill*

Bring your PSE account number/utility bill

The Elder's Center

TUESDAY, MARCH 18 | 1 – 3:00PM

WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO APPLY?

THE AMOUNT OF YOUR GROSS MONTHLY INCOME (PROOF NOT REQUIRED)**

NAMES/DATES OF BIRTH FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN THE HOME

***One application is for two programs: Ongoing monthly discount and a grant of up to \$1000 (once per year)**

****Tribal monies not counted as income**

Are you eligible?

If you live in Kitsap County and your monthly income does not exceed the limits listed in the table to the right, you may qualify for our Bill Discount Rate and HELP programs. Assistance will be provided for PSE electric bills.

Bill Discount Rate & HELP income guidelines	
Number of persons in household	Monthly net household income limit*
1	\$5,588
2	\$6,383
3	\$7,183
4	\$7,979
5	\$8,621
6	\$9,258
7	\$9,896
8	\$10,533

* Your household's net monthly income is the combined monthly income after taxes and deductions.

Questions? Contact Leslie Purser, 360-731-0637

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

2025 FIREWORK SALES

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 3:45 PM ON FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2025.
DRAWING WILL BE DONE IN THE TRIBAL CENTER RECEPTION
AREA. YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND IN PERSON
OR WE WILL ALSO GO FACEBOOK LIVE AT 4:00 PM.**

The Council will allow four fireworks booths to be operated by tribal members during the upcoming season. Interested tribal members (21 or older) can be licensed **by a drawing of those paying a \$1,000.00 license fee plus a \$1,000.00 flat fee, cash-in-advance.** The flat fee will cover the expense for Sanikan, dumpster, recycle bin, fuel for generator, and an electrician. You must be 21 years or older at the time of the drawing. License will be valid only for the authorized tribal member(s) and shall not be transferable, please note your license must be posted at all times.

SEASON DURATION: Fireworks can be sold beginning on Friday, June 6, 2025 (4 weekends before the 4th). The last day of selling will be July 11, 2025 (1 week after the 4th).

INSURANCE: The license will be required to obtain liability insurance. Proof of insurance, naming the Tribe as “insured” as well as the license, will be required before any fireworks sales can occur. **A copy of insurance must be submitted to the accounting department before opening day.**

SELLING STANDS SIZES: Stands will be 12 feet wide by 24 feet long. The long side will be the sales counter. **There will be no extensions/add ons to your stand.** The Tribe will stake the site for each licensee.

CLEANLINESS: The sales stands will be required to keep their locations clean and free from litter. The stands and all the signs, both on and off reservation **must** be removed by July 20, 2025 at day end.

Official Firework signs will be purchased and put up and placed off reservation.

SLEEPOVERS: Although licensee will be allowed to stay overnight with their stands, no partying will be allowed. ***THERE WILL BE NO ALCOHOL OR MARIJUANA ALLOWED IN THE STANDS AT ANY TIME.***

SANIKAN/DUMPSTER/RECYCLE BINS: An additional sanikan and dumpster will be rented for the sales season for the area.

ELECTRICITY: Due to construction happening at NKDC there is no available power to set up the stands and street lights. The Tribe will help by providing a generator. Utilities will be in charge of its operation. An electrician will be set up to connect the street lights to the generators. The cost of fuel and the cost for an electrician will be included in the fees paid.

PHONE LINES/INTERNET: Phone Lines/Internet **will not** be available in the 2025 location.

NO FIREWORKS ARE TO BE EXPLODED AT ANY TIME, WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE FIREWORKS STANDS AND/OR ANY NKDC BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES!!!! FIRST INFRACTIONS WILL RESULT IN THE OFFENDING LICENSEE'S BOOTH BEING CLOSED 24 HOURS. SECOND INFRACTION WILL RESULT IN PERMANENT CLOSURE.

Tribal members interested in entering the drawing to sell fireworks can do so by filling out the information below and returning this application with all fees and deposits. **(By money order or cashier's checks - no personal checks will be accepted)** to the Tribal Center Accounting Offices by 3:45 PM on Friday April 18, 2025 in a sealed envelope marked with your name and to the attention: Tawny DeCoteau - Executive Assistant.

One application per Tribal member. You must be 21 years old to submit an application. Unsuccessful applicants will be given a full refund of all the monies submitted.

An in person and Facebook live recorded drawing will be held at 4:00 PM April 18, 2025 at the front desk in the tribal center.

The undersigned wishes to submit an application for a fireworks license under the terms and conditions stated above.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Day Phone #: _____

Evening Phone #: _____

Cell Phone # _____

License fee **\$1,000.00**

Service fee **\$1,000.00**

Total Enclosed **\$2,000.00**

(Payable to the Port Gamble S'Klallam tribe)

The undersigned realize that upon delivery of this application to the Executive Assistant, it may not be canceled or pulled until after the drawing. The location of the firework stands will be located within the Ravenwood area near the center road.

Signature: _____

Date: _____