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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

COMMUNITY MEMO – MAY 19, 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 Childhood: 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

BRUSH DUMPING

Many of you may have noticed the gate by the skate park has been locked. The Tribe is no longer allowing brush pile/yard waste dumping. Why? Brush piles are fire hazards during the dry season and spread invasive species. The Tribe spends a considerable amount of time and financial resources managing this issue.

Title 05.02.06 of the Criminal code-UNLAWFUL DUMPING states "Any person who leaves refuse, construction debris, garbage, or any other discards at any place other than designated garbage disposal sites on the Port Gamble S'Klallam Reservation without authorization from the Tribal Council shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor 2.

The list below includes local businesses that properly dispose of brush. Please call Nikki if you have any questions, 360-865-2678.

HANSVILLE/KINGSTON AREA

Kitsap Top Soil, \$16.00 per yard, Monday-Saturday

Olympic Organics (next to Hansville Transfer Station), \$17.00 per yard, Monday-Saturday

POULSBO AREA

A&L Top Soil, \$12.00 per yard, Monday-Friday
Indigo Topsoil, \$16.00 per yard, Monday-Saturday

Vern's Organic Top Soil \$20.00 per yard, Monday-Saturday

Children and Family Services

Family Assistance Program Happening

LIHEAP is getting ready to come to a close, please check in with Sandra Horton about the availability of the program. As a reminder, it takes up to one to two weeks for the payment to show up on the account.

Payments are sent out on Fridays. You must have a balance owed on the account. You can contact Sandra at shorton@pgst.nsn.us or via phone or text at (564)245-0492

TANF

Is always operating.

We now have two case managers to help assist tribal members who may qualify for the program, if you have questions please contact Sandra Horton. shorton@pgst.nsn.us or via phone or text at (564)245-0492

Family Assistance

Is currently working to have all three staff trained to administer the SNAP program. As a reminder we can only process Food Benefits. Shayna Reynolds recently finished all the required training and Jacob P. Sullivan begins his at the end of April. Sandra and Shayna can now administer SNAP applications.

As a reminder it takes three staff members to issue a card. It is best to check in with the Children and Families Front desk to make sure all three staff members are onsite. Or you can call Sandra at 360.297.9650 or text at 564.245.0942

The food bank is open from 8-11:45 and 1:15-4 Monday through Friday, please come into the Children and Family Services Building and speak with Miranda at the front desk. As a gentle reminder each family may use the food bank once a week and we ask you to wait in the lobby or in your car while a CFS Staff member assists.

Please let the staff know if there are any allergies, we will do our best to provide alternatives but due to funding may not have any on hand. Please be sure to be accurate with household members, this is how we determine how much we can give. If you bring a list of most needed items, we will do our best to fulfill the items needed. We do have diapers and hygiene items as well as food items.

Chair Volleyball

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

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.

Energy Logs

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

The 2025-2028 Temporary Assistance for the Needy Family Plan has been updated and is now open for public comment. The new proposed plan can be found in the Children and Family Services Building.

Public comments will end on May 18th For questions or comments regarding the plan please contact

Sandra Horton at shorton@pgst.nsn.us or Maria Huynh at mtran@pgst.nsn.us

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

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

Eagle's Catch

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

The Eagles Catch deli “store deli” is now operated by the Casino. They will no longer be accepting the Gliding Eagle discount cards.

HOWEVER, PGST members can show their Tribal enrollment card and receive a 20% discount. Note: This only impacts the Deli, you can still use your discount card at the front cashier on gas and other items.

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.

Health Services

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

Closure Dates:

Monday, May 26, 2025

Housing

Warrior Ridge Update

Please **do not** drive through Warrior Ridge Phase II – this is an active construction site with contractors on site working to complete Phase II.

Housing is planning a Ribbon Cutting on June 12th at 2pm where community members will have the opportunity to walk through some units.

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.

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.

Tribal Council values the input given by these advisory groups (see attached policy and letter of interest form). These positions will be appointed 2025 through 2029 (4-year terms).

Council Meeting

When: May 27, 2025

Where: Tribal Council Chambers

When: 9:15am

Zoom Information:

Meeting ID: 861 7093 2322

Passcode: 154514

Special General Council Meeting/Presentation with Health Services

When: June 3, 2025

Where: Zoom Only

When: 5pm

Zoom Information:

Meeting ID: 885 7852 0456

Passcode: 938290

Scan Me to be sent to the Tribal Council info. page on the PGST Website



Child Protection Team Advisory Committee (5 position)

The Child Protection Advisory Committee makes recommendations on the management and/or resolution of open Indian Child Welfare cases.

CPT meets once a month, the first Monday two weeks prior to the civil court date, from 1:30p-3:30pm. Members receive a \$100 stipend for each meeting attended.

If you are interested, please fill out the Letter of Interest form attached and turn it in, or email it back to

CouncilSupport@pgst.nsn.us May 28, 2025

Law and Order Committee (1 position)

Law and Order Committee members serve as the voice of the community to review proposed law changes before they are presented to Tribal Council.

The Law & Order Committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month and receive a \$100 stipend for each meeting attended.

If you are interested, please fill out the Letter of Interest form attached and turn it in, or email it back to

CouncilSupport@pgst.nsn.us June 6, 2025

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

Felicity Ennis

Dawn M Hull

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" @6:30pm 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.

Questions? Call (360)271-8760.



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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

OPEN POSITIONS

5/19/25

SUBSTANCE USE
DISORDER
PROFESSIONAL
CLOSES 5/28/25

SURVEILLANCE
SUPERVISOR
CLOSES 5/27/25

BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH MANAGER
CLOSING 5/23/25

EC CLASSROOM
ASSISTANT OC

PUBLIC SAFETY
OFFICER I AND II

YOUTH SERVICES
WORKER

CHILD SUPPORT
PROGRAM MANAGER

DENTAL HYGIENIST

PHYSICIANS
ASSISTANT/ARNP

ACCOUNTANT

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



NOW HIRING!

CURRENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Friday, May 16th, 2025



Food and Beverage FOH:

Host/Cashier: \$18.00 + tips

Food and Beverage BOH:

DMO: 18

Bar:

Barback (PT): \$17+tips

Cocktail Server (PT): \$17+tips

Casino Gaming Floor:

Main Banker (Graveyard): \$21+tips

EVS: \$19

Marketing:

Player Development Manager: DOE

Gliding Eagle:

Barista: \$17.50

Cashier (on-call): \$17.50

Minder Meats:

Sales and Marketing Associate: \$25



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****

— CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF —

Rev.
Floyd C. Jones



MAY 8, 1934 - MAY 3, 2025

Saturday May 31, 2025 @ 11am
PGST Gymnasium

31912 Little Boston Road

Donations of side dishes/desserts
are greatly appreciated.

PGST Community
Health Center



STRONG FAMILY FAIR

SAVE THE DATE

Calling all families! Get ready for our annual Strong Family fair to learn about all of the amazing resources available in the community.

WEDNESDAY

21 MAY 2025



2:30 PM- 5:30 PM



**COMMUNITY HEALTH
CENTER COURTYARD**

32020 LITTLE BOSTON RD NE



Sign up for a booth below

SIGN-UP



Clam Bake Cooks Needed

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe built a positive reputation for hosting and feasting well with guests, The traditional clambake is one of the features admired most.

For the July 28th 2025 Canoe Hosting event we are looking for a team of four or more clambake cooks to receive and keep live shell fish, transport from water, prepare a fire, cook clams, pan serve, and clean up after.

Fire wood and other supplies will be provided and the clam bake will take place at Point Julia.

If interested please submit a letter of interest including your contact information and how many people will be in your team to Jodi F. at jodif@pgst.nsn.us or (360) 297-6253 or contact the Tribal Center front desk (360) 297-2646



INFORMATIONAL HUNTING DISCUSSION

May 27th at 5:00pm

Join us as we talk about the upcoming 2025-2026 hunting season.

Natural Resources staff highly recommends that all PGST hunters/members attend this discussion to learn about ongoing issues and address any questions or concerns you may have about the upcoming 2025-2026 hunting season.

Food will be provided!

Little Boston 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 MAY 26TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF THE MEMORIAL DAY
HOLIDAY.**

JOIN US @ THE LIBRARY!

MAY 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 2:00 PM -
PUZZLE CLUB

MAY 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 11:30 AM --
FAMILY STORYTIME

MAY 6 @ 1:00 PM -- LITTLE BOSTON 1ST
TUESDAYS BOOK GROUP

MAY 7 @ 10:00 AM -- LITTLE BOSTON 1ST
WEDNESDAYS BOOK GROUP

MAY 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 1:00 PM -
CRAFTERNOON

MAY 19 @ 3:00 PM - MAKER MONDAY - SEW
YOUR OWN KEY FOB

MAY 14, 21 @ 3:30 PM -- READ TO A DOG

READING RECOMMENDATIONS

CURVE! WOMEN CARVERS ON THE NORTHWEST
COAST CURATED BY DANA CLAXTON (WOOD
MOUNTAIN LAKOTA FIRST NATION): THOUGH
WOMEN OF THE NORTHWEST COAST HAVE
LONG CARVED POLES, CANOES, PANELS,
AND MASKS, MANY OF THESE ARTISTS HAVE
NOT BECOME AS WELL KNOWN OUTSIDE
THEIR COMMUNITIES AS THEIR MALE
COUNTERPARTS. (NONFICTION • BOOK •
2024)

MURDER ON THE RED RIVER: A CASH
BLACKBEAR MYSTERY BY MARCIE R.
RENDON (MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA
TRIBE): IN THIS AWARD-WINNING
DEBUT, 19-YEAR-OLD OJIBWE WOMAN
RENEE "CASH" BLACKBEAR, A
FORMER FOSTER CHILD, USES HER
VISIONS (FICTION • BOOK • 2021)

MAGAZINES
AMERICAN PATCHWORK & QUILTING
PUBLISHED SIX TIMES A YEAR.
A SIGNATURE CRAFT MAGAZINE FROM
THE PUBLISHERS OF BETTER HOMES
AND GARDENS.

SEWING ARTICLES INCLUDE:
• BOX OF CHOCOLATES - WALL
HANGING
• 2024/2025 BLOCK OF THE MONTH
• FAIR ISLE FLAKES - QUILT
INSPIRED BY A SNOWFLAKE SWEATER
• LOG CABIN AND HEART BLOCK
CROSS STITCH PATTERN

ALLRECIPES PUBLISHED SIX TIMES
A YEAR.
TO HELP MAKE YOUR COOKING
ADVENTURES A SUCCESS

YUMMY ARTICLES INCLUDE:
• DOUGH IT YOURSELF
• VEG UP!
• SECRET INGREDIENT
• HEALTHY SPINS
•



Yəhúməct Workshop

Take care of yourself

LIVING WELL

Facilitated by
Native Wellness Institute

THURSDAY, MAY 22ND

5:30 PM

Prizes!!! Dinner
provided!

LOCATION: TRIBAL GYM

Open to all PGST community, all ages!

Learn practical tools for wellness and participate in activities



Calling Tribal Artists

Every year, we celebrate our employees' years of service with S'Klallam Artist pieces, and we recognize employees who go above and beyond in their role here at the tribe with a Kloomachin piece.

Seeking art from the below:

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Members

Port Gamble S'Klallam Community Members who are enrolled in another tribe (living or working within the reservation)

What we need are pictures with prices as samples.

If your artwork is picked, we will reach out to you.

Deadline for submissions August 31st, 2025.

Tenure Awards

Artwork Categories: carvings, drums, small paddles, plaques, rattles, certain jewelry, cedar weavings, wool weavings, small prints, etc.

Prices ranging from \$25- 200

Kloomachin Awards

Artwork for the Kloomachin award needs to be Kloomachin related.

Prices ranging from \$25- 200

Please Submit Artwork pictures with prices to both of the below:

mbidtah@pgst.nsn.us (Melody Bidtah)

jenniferwt@pgst.nsn.us (Jennifer Wright)

Tribal Artists would need to become a vendor with PGST for payment. We can do either paper check or direct deposit.

DONATE BLOOD. DONATE LOCAL.

IT TAKES LESS THAN AN HOUR.

Be a LIFE SAVER! PLEASE Donate!

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
LONGHOUSE

31912 LITTLE BOSTON RD. NE |
KINGSTON, WA 98346

Friday, June 13th; 10 am to 4 pm

Local patients experiencing trauma, chemo and surgery need you to step up and be a **LIFE SAVING Hero!** Book your appointment TODAY: Click [here](#) or call: **1-800-398-7888** or scan the QR code at right. **THANK YOU!!!**

Donate and register to WIN a \$3000 Gift Card!

Details [here](#).

Appointments are recommended for the best possible donation experience. Photo ID required. Please hydrate and eat a hearty meal before donating.

Local Donors.
Local Patients.



*Please encourage
family & friends to
donate to be LIFE
SAVERS for our local
patients!*

SCAN TO



Make an appointment today.

800-398-7888 | schedule.bloodworksnw.org



RENTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE CAMPUS TOUR

**MAY 29, 2025 @
10:00 AM**

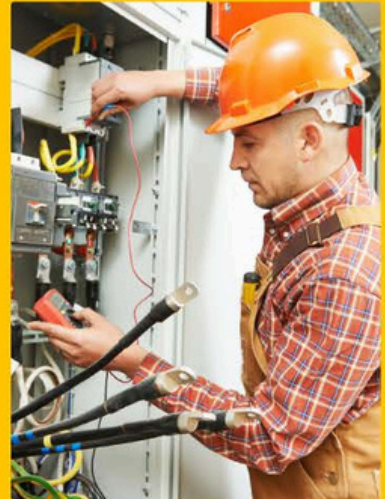
PGST Career and Education
will be taking a van

Sign Up

CONTACT US

sasheen@pgst.nsn.us

svebber@pgst.nsn.us



COMMUNITY MEETING

(serving as a PUBLIC HEARING)

ON PROPOSED

Utility Fee Schedule

WEDNESDAY
MAY 28, 2025
NOON

Health Clinic Executive Conference Room

The Fee Schedule is set annually by the Utility Board. The Utility Board shall hold a public hearing whenever a new fee schedule is proposed for adoption.

CONTACT Roxanne Hockett, Utility Board Chair, at 360-297-6249 or roxanneh@pgst.nsn.us for more information.

Door Prize WILL BE RAFFLED for participants by drawing at meeting.

Food will be provided.



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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

Community Housing Needs Survey

Take our survey and win cash prizes!

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe Housing Authority, with the help of Sweet Grass Consulting, is conducting a housing needs assessment in our community. This study will help us better understand the housing-related needs and desires of our community, as well as provide essential data for bringing new housing resources to Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe. As part of this study, we have put together an **anonymous** survey to gather community insights from anyone 18 years or older.

Enter cash prize drawings by providing your name and contact information when you fill out the survey. You'll be entered to **win one of ten \$100 prizes, four \$250 prizes, or one grand prize drawing of \$650!** The drawing will occur in early August, after the survey has closed.

Your answers will help us determine local housing desires and preferences, strengths in our community related to housing, and next steps for housing development including the decision-making and potential financing of housing efforts.



Use your phone to scan the QR code
or complete the survey online at:
<https://bit.ly/42tbaCC>

Questions?

For more information or to request assistance,
please contact max@sweetgrassconsulting.net.