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Puyallup Tribal members at the Jan. 19, 2019, MMIW March at the state capital in Olympia. From left to right – Judith Miles, Juliette Estacio, Katie Miles, James Miles, Pedro Sanchez, David Bean, Sophia Ford, Denae Shippentower, Selena Shippentower, Anna Bean, Dakota Case, Teshay Firethunder, Nancy Shippentower and granddaughters, Dakota Case, Makaylah Michael and Jocelyn Squally at the Olympia State Capitol MMIW March. Photo by Tribal Member Jennifer Squally.

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Puyallup Tribal elder Nancy Shippentower speaks at the MMIW March in Olympia. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.

# Marching to remember

By PUYALLUP TRIBAL NEWS STAFF

Women's Marches across the nation were led by the drums and songs of Indigenous matriarchs, young women, girls and their families. Many carried signs reminding the world that "we are still here." Elder women, young women, two-spirits people, girls and their fathers, brothers, husbands, uncles, grandfathers and allies were in tow, walking with their family members to help uplift their voices in the demand for justice. Their cries were for the safe return and honor of their missing relatives.

Lead by the Puyallup Canoe Family, Tribal members and leaders marched in Olympia, Wash., on Saturday, Jan. 19 and gathered again for the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women's (MMIW) March in Seattle on Jan. 20. The march in Seattle was a gathering of the urban Native community, dressed in red, marching with drums from Occidental Square to Seattle City Hall.

The weekend's marches were empowered by the gathering and healing voices of Indigenous women leaders, sharing stories and songs of survivance. Puyallup Culture Director and Tribal elder Connie McCloud opened the event in Seattle with an offering to the people of the Coast Salish lands, sharing words that gave reason to our gathering and action:

"Our people have lived along these waters for thousands of years. The changes that have come to these lands actually have been very recent. And with these changes has brought people to our lands that didn't understand who we are, didn't understand our values, our relationship to our children, our relationship to one another, our relationships to this land, the water and to our sacred mountains. We are all connected. We are spiritually connected to this land and to each other. ...

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"Today we want to recognize those people that have been lost to us and that we still search for. Their memory is always with us; we feed them, we acknowledge them, we talk to them all of the time. We build memorials, we offer tobacco, we offer flags, that they're not forgotten. We gather today in this manner, to continue to move forward the message that we're still here and that we remember."

According to Urban Indian Health Institute's 2018 report, 5,712 Indigenous women and girls (MMIWG) were reported missing or murdered in 2016 in the United States. Forty-five of those cases were in Seattle, the highest instance of MMIWG out of the 71 cities surveyed.

We march to remember. We march for our sisters and relatives.



Above Puyallup Tribal member Autumn McCloud and baby Solstice McCloud march in Olympia at the MMIW March. Photo by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally.

Left Puyallup Culture Director Connie McCloud opened the Seattle MMIW March on Jan. 20 with a Blessing and a Prayer, as she did on Jan. 19 in Olympia. Earth Sovereign Feather stands with her. Photo by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



Tribal elder Walter Matheson, honored on January 21, 2019. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.

**HONORED TRIBAL ELDER**

# Walter Matheson

January 21, 2019—Speaking on behalf of Walter Matheson, was his first cousin and Tribal Council Chairman, Bill Sterud. “Walter was an incredible, incredible individual.” Remarking on Walter’s passion for aquariums, Bill stated that Walter even raised salmon in his aquariums, but always had aquariums in his homes. “But it didn’t stop there, he could catch fish in a mud puddle... sport fishing, commercial fishing.” Graduating from Mt. Tahoma High School, he led the

school in golf and became one of the top 10 golfers in Washington state. Golfing continued during his life and he became a greenskeeper for most of the golf courses in this area. Music was another passion for Walter. “As a musician the guy was unequal,” said Sterud. He formed a band called Waylon Walt the One-Man-Band, where he played drums, organ keyboard, guitar and sang. “The guy was a pro, but he claimed that he couldn’t keep a tune no matter what, and he said it didn’t matter because ‘he was an entertainer.’” He could put on his pack and get everyone going, laughing, dancing. “He enjoyed his life to the T.”

**HONORED TRIBAL ELDER**

# Mary Rasberry

Mary Rasberry was born in Toppenish, Wash., in 1949 on her parents’ 13th anniversary. She grew up and attended school in Wapato, Wash., highlighting herself as a singer. Singing in a group of 12 called the Modernettes, she traveled and sang all across the state of Washington. After dropping out of high school her senior year, she married and had three children she raised in Lake Stevens. Mary ensured her kids that she would graduate and did just that at the age of 39. Continuing her passion for singing, Mary started to sing at various local establishments and began to enter singing contests. Winning first place at many events, her most notable was when she won first place at a contest

to sing the National Anthem at the AquaSox game where 3,311 people were in attendance. That landed her on the front page of the newspapers. Raising her children and working two jobs at times, Mary worked as a bus driver for 22 years. She drove about 3 million miles within that time while also working as a long-distance telephone operator at the General Hospital, before moving on to Tulalip Casino for 13 years. Suffering multiple medical issues, Mary was able to move from a different assisted living facility into our Puyallup Tribe of Indians Assisted Living Facility. Mary was able to come home, and said of being greeted at the gate, “It felt good that I had somebody caring about me. Just me. I parked my car and they were just as loving as could be, and the nurses came down and greeted me ... and I said, ‘You know? I feel like this is home.’”



Honored Tribal elder Mary Rasberry. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



Bill Sterud & Patrick Brown



Nancy, Barbara, Bill, Binah



Evelyn, Ramona, Collen



Bill and Teresa

# Language

By ARCHIE CANTRELL

Good Day to you, honorable people. My name is Archie Cantrell.

haʔl sləxil txʷəl gwəlapu siʔiʔab. Archie Cantrell ti dsdaʔ.

I work for the Puyallup Tribal Language Program, however, I have taught txʷəlšucid class at Chief Leschi School for two years.

ʔuyayus čəd txʷəl ti syayusadiʔ ʔə tə txʷəlšucid, tuʔw, ʔugwəlčšid čəd ʔal tə ləhaydxwadiʔ ti txʷəlšucid ʔal ti siʔab ləšxay' xalalʔtxw txʷəl salíʔ dʔaladub.

In our class, we learn the txʷəlšucid alphabet, have conversations in txʷəlšucid and work on domains.

ʔal tə ləhaydxwadiʔčəl, ləhaydxw čəl ti sʔalxal ʔə tə txʷəlšucid čələ tatabəb ʔal ti txʷəlšucid čələ t'ayšid.



Chief Leschi School - High School Lushootseed 1 Class. Photo by Archie Cantrell.

We have worked on washing hands, and we are making sandwiches and cereal.

ʔuyayus čəl ʔal ti c'agwəčib, čələ qwibid ti səplədalitəd yəxw ti səpləlalc.

The students have begun translating their own sentences.

ʔil ʔutulalikw ti dxwələhaydxw ʔə tiil sgwaʔs st'əducids həlgwəʔ.

We converse in txʷəlšucid for 30 minutes every day.

ʔ'utatəbəb čəl ʔal ti txʷəlšucid txʷəl slixwəciʔ dʔələl ʔal ti bək'w sləxil.

I am honored to work with these honorable students.

ʔuhigwətəb čəd ʔə tiil dsyayus ʔəsq'wuʔ ʔə tiil siʔiʔab dxwələhaydxw.

I am finished.

huyəxw čəd.

Until we meet again.

huy'.

# Health Tips



By DR. PAUL REILLY, ND, LAC, FABNO



Photo by Dane Gregory Meyer.

Why eat healthy you ask? Nutrition affects every aspect of your day from your emotions, mental thought processes, body movement or aches and pains, and yes, your beauty.

Here are some simple tips to help you to eat healthy:

1. Find simple ways to increase the vegetables and fiber in your diet. Both have been shown to improve weight, cholesterol, blood sugar and overall health while also reducing risk of most cancers.

Try the following simple ways to increase vegetable intake:

- Chop veggies and mix into your eggs to make a vegetable omelet or quiche.
- Have a vegetable appetizer with most meals. This could be a soup or gazpacho, or something as simple as chopped up vegetables or a salad.
- Add salsa to everything. It adds flavor and another splash of vegetables.
- Top chicken or fish with pesto or chopped and sautéed peppers and onions.
- Add chopped vegetables to meatloaf, hamburgers and pasta dishes.
- Add shredded carrots and chopped celery or onions to tuna sandwiches.
- Make chili with ground turkey and chopped vegetables.
- Stir-fries are a great way to get more vegetables. Start by chopping and cooking root vegetables, then when they are ready, add some leafy vegetables like Bok Choy or cabbage and whatever protein you wish.

2. Take time to walk or play. Increased physical activity reduces all causes of illness and death. Walking for 30 minutes daily is a great start.

3. Eat more nuts. Not only are nuts good for satisfying hunger, adding nuts to the diet reduces cardiovascular

## Early detection is next to prevention.



Breast cancer is the 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of cancer death for American Indian women. A mammogram may save your life.

### What can I do?



**BREASTFEED**  
Breastfeeding reduces estrogen exposure that helps prevent breast cancer



**WEIGHT CONTROL**  
Overweight or obese women are at a higher risk



**REGULAR MAMMOGRAMS**  
Women 40+ should have the option to have a mammogram once a year



**EXERCISE**  
Exercising 3 days/week may lower your risk



**LIMIT ALCOHOL USE**  
Alcohol can increase estrogen which can increase risk



**REGULAR BREAST EXAMS**  
Speak to your health care provider for options



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disease. Patients with a history of colon cancer had a 42 percent lower risk of recurrence and 57 percent lower risk of death if they consumed nuts compared to those who didn't eat nuts.

4. And make sure to drink water! Aim for six to eight cups of fluids daily.

# Justice for Jackie is justice for all—it's now the law

## PTOI AND FAMILIES JOIN GOVERNOR. INSLEE FOR DE-ESCALATE SIGNING

By PUYALLUP TRIBAL NEWS STAFF

Justice for Jackie is justice for all. It's no longer just a mantra for a mother's lost daughter—it's now the law.

Nearly three years after Puyallup Tribal member Lisa Earl, the mother of Jacqueline Salyers, lost her daughter to a Tacoma police shooting, and launched Justice for Jackie, Jackie's family and members of the Puyallup Tribe joined Gov. Jay Inslee at the State Capitol on Feb. 4, 2019, to witness the signing of new legislation that strengthens and clarifies Initiative 940 that was approved by voters last November.

"This signing by Gov. Inslee of House Bill 1064 was a great day for sure, as the people were tested and it was they who brought us to this historic place. It won't bring my Jackie back, but it brings me some peace knowing that she was with us throughout this journey, and because of her, and all those families that stood together to lead this effort, this bill will build our community trust and preserve our future generations," said Earl, as she reflected on the significance of this historic occasion.

The signing comes after a hard-fought campaign for the voter-approved Initiative 940 supported and led by victims' families, the Puyallup Tribe and De-Escalate Washington, a coalition of diverse community leaders from across the state who authored the initiative and organized the campaign. The campaign included her uncle Councilmember James Rideout, a Justice for Jackie spokesperson; Councilmember Tim Reynon, who co-



Chester Earl, Councilmember Annette Bryan, Gov. Inslee, Lisa Earl, Councilmember Tim Reynon, Tribal Police Officers Lieutenants William Loescher and Jeff Berys, and Vice Chairman David Bean at the signing. Photo by Sue Evans.

chaired the I-940 campaign; and Puyallup Tribal Member Chester Earl, who is Jackie's second cousin and served on the board of the I-940 campaign.

Members of Jackie's family attended the bill signing flanked by Councilmembers Rideout, Reynon, David Bean and Annette Bryan, along with Puyallup Tribal Police Officers, Lieutenants Jeff Berys and William Loescher.

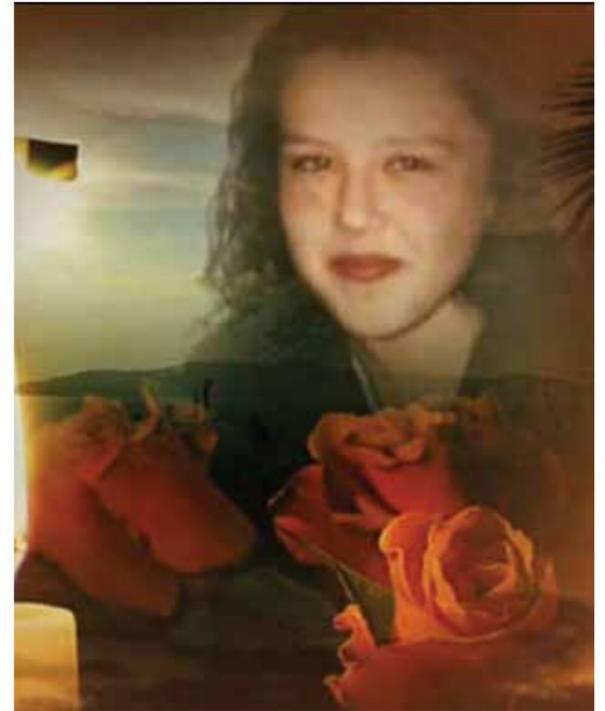
"In this we are asking individuals to step into a space that has been defined for centuries by legally justified violence and oppression, and we are asking all of us to create a new space defined by understanding and compassion," said Gov. Inslee. "It is a message that when people listen to each other and open their hearts to each other justice can move forward."

Councilmembers Rideout and Reynon, and Tribal member Chester Earl testified in favor of new legislation that bridged the divide between communities and law enforcement even after voters approved I-940. Under House Bill 1064, sponsored by Rep. Roger Goodman, D-Kirkland, chair of the House Public Safety Committee, the groups came together to honor buy-in and trust for both cops and communities.

"Years of tears and a community band together, thanks to the extraordinary leadership of Sylvia Miller, Tim Reynon Tribal elder and former chairwomen Ramona Bennett, as well as countless Tribal members. This, what seemed to be an impossible task, became a reality the day the bill was signed into law! We did it Jackie!" said Councilmember Rideout.

The new law is the result of a collaborative effort between legislators, the law enforcement community, family advocates and members of De-escalate Washington. It requires a new standard for the use of deadly force, boosted police training on de-escalation tactics, and independent investigations for police shootings, along with an emphasis on cultural awareness and building relationships in diverse communities disproportionately affected by deadly police force.

Councilmember Reynon, who participated in the negotiations that led to the new legislation, described the collaborative efforts as, "one of the most significant things that came out of this effort. Each of us stood by our word and showed that we were serious about working together to build bridges between our communities and law enforcement to make our communities safer for all of us."



Jacqueline Salyers, Lisa Earl's daughter, who lost her life and launched Justice for Jackie. Photo courtesy of the Salyers family.

In his testimony in favor of the legislation, Councilmember Reynon further emphasized that the Tribe's support of the collaborative process was inspired by families, in particular, Lisa Earl.

"Ever since one of our members, Jacqueline Salyers, was killed on Jan. 28, 2016, our work has been led by Jackie's mom. And her mantra has been 'Justice for Jackie is Justice for All.' And by all she meant "all" of us. Our members of our communities as well as our law enforcement officers that put their lives on the line everyday," Reynon told the Committee.

"For tribes and Native People, this bill will clarify and strengthen the requirements of law enforcement agencies to notify us when one of our members is involved in one of these situations. And it will make sure that we have a voice at the table, that our voices are heard, and that our culture is reflected in the policies that will be adopted going forward."

Chester Earl, testifying in favor of HB 1064, emphasized that collaboration and independent investigations into police shootings was a critical factor in building trust among communities.

"We were committed to saving lives in Washington, both in the community and in law enforcement," Earl said. "Without buy-in from each and every one of us, it will not work. This can't be a community campaign alone. This can't be a law enforcement campaign alone."

Councilmember Sylvia Miller would like to thank everyone who made the journey to passing this initiative possible. "This is a huge move toward better training, improvements of laws, strengthening trust within communities, and fair investigation for all," Miller said. "This can only make our world a much better place to live in."

MEET

# Alicia Pluff, #5

January 21, 2019

Alicia Pluff, a Junior for Chief Leschi High School plays point guard and shooting guard for the Chief Leschi Lady Warriors basketball team. When she is not on the basketball court, Alicia plays volleyball and is thinking of joining the track team as well. Alicia has been playing for Chief Leschi since the 7th grade. Even when the Lady Warriors took home the win on Jan. 21, Alicia still feels there is always room for improvement and says that their games in South Bend and another at home are “big games and we are hoping to win.”



Cynthia Laplante, Point Guard (left), and Alicia Pluff (right), all conference guard for the Lady Warriors. Photo by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



Alicia Pluff scores during the Jan. 21 game against the Gateway Christian Academy Crosspoint Warriors. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



The Chief Leschi Lady Warriors. From left to right: Catalina Dillon, Mckayla Malatare, Mylina Pluff. Photo by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



The Chief Leschi Lady Warriors final score on Jan. 21. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.

MEET

# Kahea Baker, #21

January 21, 2019

Kahealani, or Kahea, Chief Leschi Team Captain, helped lead the team to a 62-57 win over the Gateway Christian Academy's Crosspoint Warriors. Kahealani also plays football and track for Chief Leschi when he is not shooting hoops. When asked how he felt about the game on Jan. 21, he felt, "we came out a little slow, but when the game got on and we started running around playing defense, we started doing better, we just had to stop the big man."



Kahea Baker, captain of the Chief Leschi Warriors. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



Kahealani Baker shoots and scores against the Gateway Christian Academy Crosspoint Warriors. Photo by Tribal member Jennifer Squally.



The Chief Leschi Warriors team. From left to right: Delshae Gower, CJ Dur-Schafer, Chris Lee, Darnell Lewis Jr., Isaiah Horton. Photo by Puyallup Tribal member Jennifer Squally.

# \$150,000 art installation will honor history, resilience of Puyallup people

By RICHARD WALKER (Article courtesy of Indian Country Today and author Richard Walker.)

A Coast Salish sculpture that will be installed in 2020 at a historic Puyallup village site in the Tacoma, Washington, suburb of Gig Harbor, will be a tribute to the strength, resilience and enduring presence of the Puyallup people—as well as a symbol of healing between the Native and non-Native communities.

The project, called the Honoring Project, is funded by the City of Gig Harbor and the local Kiwanis Club, with matching funds from the Puyallup Tribe. The project was initiated in 2015 by Gary Williamson, a retired elementary school principal, as a way to “fill in a missing chapter in Gig Harbor’s history book.”

“Several years ago, I noticed that there are no street names, nor public art nor any formal acknowledgment of Gig Harbor’s Indigenous people,” he said. “It’s time that story was told. It’s long overdue.”

The 15- by 4-foot artwork will be installed at Austin Estuary Park, which at the time of the grandparents’ grandparents was *tuwawəṭqəṭ* (twah-well-kax), the main village of the *sxwəbabš* (sk-WHUH-babsh) band of Puyallups.

## To educate, inspire and help understand

The finished work will have a massive world of cultural relevance and survival behind it.

This area was ground zero in the Fish Wars of the 1960s and 1970s. Here in south Puget Sound, Native Americans stood up for their right to harvest fish

in accordance with treaties their leaders and United States representatives signed 100 years earlier.

State and local law enforcement officers brutalized and jailed Native fishermen and women to prevent them from fishing in their usual and accustomed areas as allowed by the treaty. Fisheries officials and non-Native fishermen blamed Indians, who comprised 1 percent of the state’s population, for declining salmon numbers caused by recreational and commercial fishing.

A 1974 federal court decision upheld treaty fishing rights—Indians 50 percent of the available harvest, non-Indians 50 percent of the available harvest—and established Treaty Tribes as co-managers of the state’s fisheries.

“The purpose of this project is to educate, inspire and help people understand the First People of this community,” Honoring Project committee member Mark Anderson, Cowlitz, said. “For many years, there was not a whole lot of love between the Native and non-Native communities. This will help the peace process. It’s time for understanding.”

Puyallup culture bearer Connie McCloud said this project can help build bridges of understanding between peoples. Some non-Native fishermen still have hard feelings toward Native fishermen, she said.

“But the community is making steps [toward healing]. I believe the community supports recognizing the



Mount Rainier looms over Tacoma and the historical territory of the Puyallup Tribe. The Puyallup people know the mountain as *Tacobet* (*təqʷúʔbəʔ*), “Mother of Waters.” Photo by Lyn Topinka, USGS.

history of those village sites and that these lands were originally Puyallup.”

## An enduring presence

The Puyallup Tribe’s presence is not drowned out by the towering landscapes and political forces of the cities within its reservation. The Tribal Council issued a stop work order on the construction of a proposed liquified natural gas plant in Tacoma, citing risks to public safety and the environment; later, the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency ordered another environmental impact study, ruling that the first study touted liquified natural gas as a cleaner fuel source without evidence to prove that statement.

Nearby freeway signs noting exits into Tacoma are signs reminding motorists they are “Entering the Puyallup Indian Reservation.” The Puyallup Tribe’s Emerald Queen Casinos and hotel are visible from Interstate 5. The Cancer Treatment Center of America on Pacific Highway is now the Puyallup-owned Salish Cancer Center. A towering welcome figure carved by Puyallup artist Shaun Peterson stands in downtown Tacoma. About 750 students attend the Puyallup Tribe’s Chief Leschi School. Annually, 3.5 million salmon and steelhead begin their journey to Puget Sound and the open Pacific Ocean from the tribe’s hatchery on the Puyallup River.

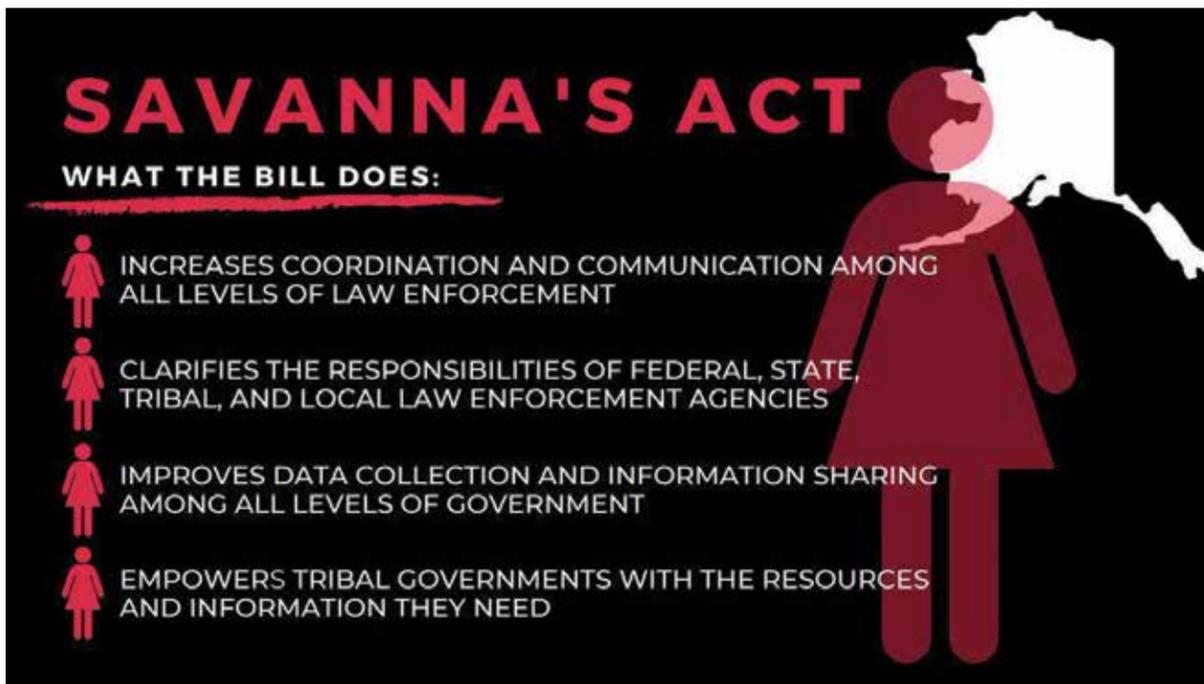
To Puyallup Tribe Chairman Bill Sterud, his tribe’s presence and sovereignty are as enduring and unchanging as the namesake river that still flows from Mount Rainier—*Tacobet* (*təqʷúʔbəʔ*), “Mother of Waters”—through Puyallup lands to Puget Sound.

Sterud’s statement issued during the 2018 Canoe Journey/Paddle to Puyallup will undoubtedly be reflected in the art to be installed at *tuwawəṭqəṭ*: “We know intimately the effects of industry and development on our culture. We must balance city living with the need to protect the way of life our ancestors practiced before freeways and industry transformed our land.”



The project was initiated in 2015 by a retired elementary school principal as a way to “fill in a missing chapter of Gig Harbor.”





**NATIONAL NEWS**

# Sen. Murkowski keeps promise to Heidi Heitkamp, reintroduces Savanna's Act

By VINCENT SCHILLING (Article courtesy of Indian Country Today and author Vincent Schilling.)

Keeping her promise to Senator Heidi Heitkamp, the former North Dakota Senator that was not re-elected in 2018, Senator Lisa Murkowski, the Republican senator from Alaska, has kept her promise to Heitkamp by re-introducing legislation known as Savanna's Act, after the bill was stalled in Congress at the end of the last session.

As described in a release by Murkowski's office, the official background of Savanna's Act is as follows: "In October of 2017, former U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp introduced Savanna's Act, cosponsored by Senator Murkowski, the first piece of major legislation specifically addressing Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. The legislation is named for Savanna LaFontaine-Greywind, who was abducted and killed last year in Fargo, North Dakota. It passed the U.S. Senate unanimously in December 2018."

Heitkamp had been vocal about her disdain for the actions of Congress that failed to approve the bill in the final days of the session. The bill had passed unanimously in the Senate but was stalled by a former member of Congress, Rep. Bob Goodlatte, a Republican from Virginia.

In a former interview with *Indian Country Today*, Heitkamp expressed her frustration at Congressional members who wouldn't embrace her introduced legislation that would increase the interactions between federal authorities, such as the Department of the Interior, the Department of Justice and the FBI, as well as with

state, regional and tribal authorities in the quest to address the high rates of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Indian Country.

**Specifically, the legislation aims to bridge the gap of the limited data on the number of missing Native women by directing the U.S. Department of Justice to formulate new guidelines for the reporting of violent crimes against Indigenous people.**

"What it is, is that there is a preference in the bill for grants from two law enforcement grant programs for states, localities and tribes that have implemented guidelines for addressing the issue of missing and murdered Indigenous women. A needed step. But Chairman Goodlatte doesn't want that preference for Indian Country or communities. That shows a serious lack of understanding about how serious the epidemic of missing and murdered Indigenous people is. Additionally, Savanna's Act also addresses a serious problem that happens to Native women in urban areas and other parts of the country," said Heitkamp.

The reason for stifling the bill, according to Rep. Goodlatte's offices, were language specifics related to the Department of Justice giving preference to states, regions or tribes applying for grants related to MMIW. Critics of Goodlatte maintained the Congressman's reasons were vague

because Savanna's Act wouldn't cost enforcement agencies money, but rather would influence greater communication.

The bill's description and the re-introduction of Savanna's Act is now on Senator Murkowski's website in a press release. It states:

"U.S. Senators Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) and Catherine Cortez Masto (D- NV) announced they reintroduced the Savanna's Act, legislation to combat the epidemic of murdered and missing Native women and girls by improving the federal government's response to addressing the crisis. The bill increases coordination among all levels of law enforcement, increases data collection and information sharing, and empowers tribal governments with the resources they need in cases involving missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls wherever they occur. ...

Specifically, the legislation aims to bridge the gap of the limited data on the number of missing Native women by directing the U.S. Department of Justice to formulate new guidelines for the reporting of violent crimes against Indigenous people. The bill improves tribal access to certain federal crime information databases by mandating that the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Interior consult with Indian tribes on how to further improve these databases and access to them. It also requires certain federal agencies to solicit recommendations from tribes on enhancing the safety of Native women, as murder rates against Indigenous women are ten times the national average."



Senator Lisa Murkowski (Alaska) has kept her promise to Heidi Heitkamp by re-introducing legislation known as Savanna's Act, after the bill was stalled in Congress at the end of the last session. Photo courtesy of Vincent Schilling.

# Announcements

EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

## ELDERS CENTER

### ACTIVITIES FEBRUARY 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					01 Spa Day	02
03	04 11:00 Wii Bowling	05 11:00 Chair kick boxing 1:00 Valentine	06 11-12:00 Seahawk pillow cases	07 11:00 Chair kick boxing Movie 12:00 Cedar Hats	08 Grocery shopping as needed	09 Yoga 1:00
10	11 11:00 workout Shopping if needed	12 11:00 chair balance and stretch	13 11-12:00 Seahawk pillow cases	14 11:00 Workout Valentines lunch 5:00	15 Elders luncheon Mardi Gras Theme	16
17	18 11:00 Wii Bowling	19 11:00 Chair kick boxing	20 Quilting Club	21 11:00 Chair kick boxing Movie 12:00	22 Grocery shopping as needed	23 Yoga 1:00
24	25 11:00 workout to the beat of the drum	26 11:00 chair balance and stretch	27 Bingo 12:00	28 11:00 chair balance and stretch Movies 12:00		

Assisted living (residents) Valentines Dinner @ 5:00 in the lunchroom down stairs. Residents may bring a guest.

**May 7<sup>th</sup> Siletz Tribe Honor Elders Day.** Need to register with the Elders Department. Will be leaving on the 6<sup>th</sup> and returning on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Contact Vernetta Miller or Judy with any Questions 253-680-5494 or 253-680-5482

2019 Events to Come 2019

### (Puyallup Tribal Elders)

Wed	Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo
Fri	Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	Spa Day
Fri	Mar 15 <sup>th</sup>	Puyallup Tribal Elders Monthly Luncheon
Wed	Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo
Fri	Apr 5 <sup>th</sup>	Spa Day
Fri	Apr 19 <sup>th</sup>	Puyallup Tribal Elders Monthly Luncheon
Wed	Apr 24 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo
Thurs	Apr 25 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Bazaar (April 25 <sup>th</sup> – April 26 <sup>th</sup> )
Tue	May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Siletz Inter-tribal Luncheon (May 6 <sup>th</sup> – May 8 <sup>th</sup> )

Call and reserve your seat today

Judy LeGarde

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Vernetta Miller

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Events in Red Staff does not attend

Events are subject to change. Elders must be 55 years or older to participate

Except for our Puyallup Tribal Elders Luncheon which is 45 years or older

## TRIBAL VETERAN'S UPDATES

By MICHAEL SISSON, VICE-CHAIRPERSON  
PUYALLUP TRIBAL VETERANS COMMITTEE

On Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2019, at 9 a.m., the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will be posting the Colors for the Western Washington Native American Education Consortium at the EQC, Fife Ballroom and Conference Center, located at 5580 Pacific Highway East, Fife, WA 98424. Please arrive no later than 8:45 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 28, 2019, at 11:30 a.m., the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will be retiring the Colors for the Western Washington Native American Education Consortium at the EQC, Fife Ballroom and Conference Center, located at 5580 Pacific Highway East, Fife, WA 98424. Please arrive no later than 11:15 a.m.

On Friday, March 1, 2019, at 7 p.m., the Puyallup Tribal Veterans will be posting Colors for the Surprise Lake Middle School Powwow at Surprise Lake Middle School, located at 2001 Milton Way, Milton, WA 98354.

Please arrive no later than 6:45 p.m.

On Saturday, March 2, 2019 at 10 a.m. there will be a Tribal General Membership Meeting at a currently unannounced location. Puyallup Tribal Veterans will be posting Colors for this event. Once a location is announced, we will update you.



Find us on Facebook under  
Puyallup Tribal Veterans.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Western Washington Native American Education Consortium  
**Educators Conference**  
February 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Emerald Queen Conference Center, Fife WA

WESTERN WASHINGTON  
NATIVE AMERICAN  
EDUCATION CONSORTIUM

The WWNAC would like to invite you to this important conference on Native Education. With support of local Native American Educational Organizations, we hope to foster relationships that provide direct contact with decision makers from all areas of education. Our goal is to strengthen the web of opportunity, both educational and culturally, for ALL STUDENTS currently being served in Washington schools.

**Conference Keynote**  
Dr. Anthony B. Craig & Erin Jones

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culturally Responsive Teaching</li> <li>• Engagement and Rigor</li> <li>• Building Partnerships</li> <li>• Academic Mindset</li> <li>• Community for Learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Awareness and knowledge</li> <li>• Trauma-Informed Practices</li> <li>• Tribal History</li> <li>• Equity &amp; Civil Rights</li> <li>• Restorative Justice</li> </ul>
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We strongly encourage both Native and non-Native educators come, learn, and participate:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tribal Council members</li> <li>• Superintendents</li> <li>• Program Directors</li> <li>• Tribal Education Directors</li> <li>• Principals</li> <li>• Teachers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidance Counselors</li> <li>• Title III Educators</li> <li>• Title VI Parent Committee Members</li> <li>• Title VI Student Representatives</li> <li>• Colleges</li> <li>• Tribal Colleges</li> </ul>
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Hosted By: WWNAC Consortium, [www.wwnaec.org](http://www.wwnaec.org)

Clock Hours Available, Professional Development Approved Districts can use Title III funding

Silent Auction, proceeds to support Merit Scholarships

We hope to include you as we continue to strengthen partnerships in the new era of Indian Education for all. For More Information Contact Mary Wilber at (425)936-1402, or email [mwilber@wwnaec.org](mailto:mwilber@wwnaec.org).

The uniform for these events will be black trousers, black shoes, long-sleeved white shirt, our white Tribal Veterans ball cap and the Pendleton Grateful Nation Vest that we wear to all Tribal Veteran events (please see the picture to the left).

## Culture Center Staff

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**Denise Reed**  
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**Angeline Totus**  
Youth Activities Coordinator

## Future Activities

<b>“Gona: Gathering of Native Americans”</b>	Annual Spring Break Camp.	April 2, 3, 4 and 5, 2019
<b>“Generation Rising”</b>	Evergreen State College Longhouse. Traditional activities for youth.	March 2, 2019
<b>Gathering Spring Plants</b>	Watch for dates to gather spring plants, such as nettle. Please give us a call if you would like to be notified.	

### CANOE FAMILY

<b>Canoe Family meeting</b>		Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
<b>Culture Class</b>	Culture class is teaching how to make a ribbon dress, ribbon shirt and the woven scissors holder.	Thursdays at 5 p.m.
<b>“Paddle to Lummi 2019” Annual Canoe Journey</b>	Join us and make your Canoe regalia, wool weaving skirts and vest. Make a small cedar bark weaving; woven scissor holder.	July 24-28, 2019

- A light meal is provided. All activities include adults and youth. We provide the instruction and all materials.
- Our Canoe Shed is nearly set up in our new location, and will soon have carving and paddle classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- We are always sharing our Songs and Dances. We are including teaching our Traditional Language also.



Uzuri Hilyard makes a wool woven women's vest, Canoe Regalia. Photo courtesy of the Culture Department.

<b>Traditional Medicine</b>	Wilbert and Amy Fish will be here. Please call Connie McCloud for additional information, or for an appointment.	March 4, 5, 6 and 7, 2019.
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## Notice to Creditors

Estate of Andrea Vansyckle  
Date of death: August 14, 2018  
Resident address at time of death:  
6016 N. Highlands Parkway  
Tacoma, WA 98406

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of Andrea Vansyckle must make their claims within ninety (90) days after notice is given, in writing, with proper vouchers, to the Administrator of the Estate. Notice was first posted on January 22, 2019.

All persons having 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:

Administrator: Sheila Moreno  
  
Address for Mailing or Service:  
Attn: Andrea Saunders,  
Attorney for Sheila Moreno  
TACOMAPROBONO  
621 Tacoma Ave. S., Suite 303  
Tacoma, WA 98402



## The outdoor classroom at Grandview Early Learning

By TRACI GONZALEZ and DEANN DILLON

At Grandview Early Learning Center, the children have a very unique ability to learn in a wonderful outdoor environment. To name a few outdoor classroom spaces created: gardens, a greenhouse, place of weaving, carving sand and water-play areas. We work to provide culture and intentional teachings, exposing many ways of connecting with land-based curriculum. The children understand how everything in nature is a part of their identity and how they belong to the land.

Teachers present them with natural materials, like cedar manipulatives, plants to use for different purposes, food to grow and gather. Clay art was implemented to help the children form

structures using their hands and tools, in relation to the way they could build using natural objects.

Using this technique, teachers are also increasing children's fine motor skills as they manipulate the clay and enhance their critical thinking skills. For example: When adding too much water it affects the clay's consistency. Clay manipulation can be used for enhancing their cognitive skills, fine motor and sensory learning abilities. Outdoor classroom activities also encourage teamwork as children share tools to build understanding of the materials they receive.

Grandview continuously provides the materials needed to practice many

different skills. It was a great experience watching as children attentively participated in these meaningful experiences in the outdoor classrooms. They really enjoyed it!

For some children, this is a new concept and they made small objects, while exploring the texture and firmness of the fine-grained pieces of earth.

The Pre-Kindergarten class (4- to 5-year-olds) took their creations a step further with hand-made clay bowls. The previous teachings they have received include using the natural materials of the land to make useful artifacts, such as the cedar for canoes, weaving and clothing. These lessons are an excellent example of intentional teaching, while infusing culture into our outdoor classrooms. This is how children can create an understanding of their connection parallel to the natural world.

## Report suspected abuse of vulnerable adults

Contact Adult Protective Services for reports of abuse, abandonment, neglect, self-neglect and financial exploitation of vulnerable adults living in the community and in facilities.

If you think someone may be in immediate danger or needs urgent help, call 911 immediately!

Online reporting is accessible and available 24 hours a day and APS intake phone lines are available Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. with the ability to leave a message before and after hours.

**For online reporting:** <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/reportadultabuse>

### PUYALLUP TRIBAL CONTACTS:

**Mary Honhongva**  
APS/Vulnerable Adults Director  
P: 253.382.6070

**Maria E. Barrios**  
APS Investigator/Social worker  
P: 253.382.6071

**Harmony Roebuck**  
Wrap Around Services Caseworker  
P: 253.573.7966

# Job Announcements

**JOB TITLE: Parent Educator**  
CLOSES: March 7, 2019

Under the lead direction of the Grandview Early Learning Center (GELC) director or designee, provide support for the educational growth of the students and families under the scope and mission of GELC. Work effectively with qualifying families in providing educational stimulation, child development knowledge, parenting best practices, and referrals and resources for social service providers and educational services.

**JOB TITLE: Teacher's Assistant**  
CLOSES: March 7, 2019

Assists in the care and early education of children (birth to age 5) and school-age children at the Grandview Child Care Center. Creates and maintains a safe, healthy and culturally appropriate learning environment for young children.

## CHIEF LESCHI SCHOOLS

### Meet Matthew Inskeep, College Bound Scholarship recipient

Chief Leschi Schools senior Matthew Inskeep is an outstanding student and is committed to being successful in the classroom and in outside endeavors. Matthew is on the high school band, enjoys the subjects English and history, and is a great hockey player.

Matthew currently plays for the local hockey team, the Tacoma Rockets. Matthew attended an invitation-only try-out in Wenatchee for the State High School Ice Hockey Team. Although Matthew has college plans after high school, he hopes to expand his love for hockey professionally.

Matthew has already been accepted to Pacific Lutheran University. He received a full ride through the College Bound Scholarship program. This scholarship is eligible for 7th and 8th grade students to apply. The scholarship covers 60 eligible public, private two-and four-year colleges technical colleges, and private career schools in Washington. We encourage our parents of students in



Chief Leschi Schools senior, Matthew Inskeep. Photo by Brittany Piger.

7th and 8th grade to learn more about the scholarship! Please visit our website to learn more or call our Wolf Lodge Counselor, La'Ghea Jackson at (253)445-6000, ext. 3005.

Matthew Inskeep was a part of the social media series #OurLeschiLegacy. Follow us on Facebook to learn more about our excellent students!



#### Job Highlights:

- Competitive Wages
- Bi-monthly pay
- 403(b) Retirement Savings Plan
- Health Benefits
- Air conditioned newer buses
- Work follows school calendar
- Serving students in King, Pierce and Thurston counties

For more information call:  
**253-445-4000**

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians  
**Chief Leschi Schools**  
has current openings for on-call substitute school bus drivers!

Employment opportunities available upon successful completion of training.



**Class B CDL with an S and P1**  
(Training available if needed)  
**Class starts April 1, 2019**

#### Position Requires:

- A high school diploma or GED
- Current class B CDL with an S and P1
- Criminal Background Clearance
- Drug and Alcohol testing
- D.O.T. physical
- 5 years of driving experience (with a good driving record)
- First Aid/CPR Certification (training available if needed)

Apply on-line at:  
[www.leschischools.org](http://www.leschischools.org)  
**by March 1, 2019**



#### Did you know you can go to college for free?

##### How?

College Bound Scholarship! This scholarship combines with other state financial aid, and a small book allowance. You can earn an approved certificate or degree at over **60 eligible schools in Washington!** Includes public, private two- and four-year colleges, technical colleges, and private career schools!

##### Am I eligible?

7th or 8th grade students can apply. To find out more eligibility requirements, visit [www.collegebound.wa.gov](http://www.collegebound.wa.gov)

##### Is there a deadline?

You must apply by June 30th at the end of your 8th grade year.

**Questions?** Contact our Wolf Lodge Counselor, La'Ghea Jackson, at [la'ghea.jackson@leschischools.org](mailto:la'ghea.jackson@leschischools.org) or call (253)445-6000, ext. 3005



# February

2019

## YOUTH CENTER CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Bowling 7:30 – 10 pm	2
3 Archery Club @ PTYCC	4 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm Baseball Sign Ups Start!	5 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	6 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	7 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	8 Family Night 6 – 9 pm	9
10 Archery Club @ PTYCC	11 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	12 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	13 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	14 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	15 Coastal Jam 6 – 9pm	16 Valentine's Dance 7 – 10 p
17 Archery Club @ PTYCC	18 <b>NO CLASSES HOLIDAY</b>	19 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	20 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	21 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	22 Skating 7 – 10 pm	23 Teen Night 7 – 11 pm
24 Archery Competition @ PTYCC	25 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	26 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	27 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	28 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm		

# March

2019

## YOUTH CENTER CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Jam Session 6 – 9 pm	2
3 Archery Club @ PTYCC	4 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	5 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	6 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	7 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	8 Movie Night 6 – 9 pm	9 Teen Night 7 – 11 pm
10 Archery Club @ PTYCC	11 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	12 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	13 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	14 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm Baseball Sign Up Deadline!	15 Skating 7 – 10 pm	16
17 Archery Club @ PTYCC	18 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	19 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	20 Sylvan & Archery 12-6pm	21 Tae Kwon Do 12 - 6pm	22 Talent Show 6 – 9	23 Teen Night 7 – 11 pm
24 Archery Club @ PTYCC	25 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	26 Tae Kwon Do 4-6pm	27 Sylvan & Archery 4-6pm	28	29 Bowling 7 – 10 pm	30
31 Archery Club @ PTYCC						

LITTLE WILD WOLVES YC

# BASEBALL

## SIGNUP

Registration opens 2/14/19!

**T-Ball (K/1),  
Coach Pitch (2/3),  
Fast Pitch (4/5) &  
Baseball (4/5)**

Registration forms are at PTYCC  
DEADLINE IS 3/14/19

Contact Mercedes  
(253) 341 - 2451

Little wild wolves

NO JOINING FEE!

# TAEKWONDO

@ THE YOUTH CENTER

HELP YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR

- COORDINATION
- RESPECT
- CONCENTRATION
- BEHAVIOUR
- FITNESS
- DIRECTION

ADDITIONAL FEES MAY APPLY

STARTING ON 1/15/19

CALL US: (253) 341 - 2451  
5803 N LEVEE ROAD FIVE, WA 98424

## Teen Night

# MOVIE NIGHT

2.23.19 | 7 - 11 PM | PTYCC

We will be showing an age appropriate movie on our big screen and have another small TV set up with Netflix. We will still have gym open for basketball.

LITTLE WILD WOVLES YOUTH CENTER

# AFTER SCHOOL Program

KINDERGATEN TO 12TH GRADE

now open for registration

WHEN: MON. TO THURS. 4-6 PM

JOIN US FOR SYLVAN, ARCHERY AND TAE KWON DO!

CLS WILL TRANSPORT KIDS TO THE CENTER, BUT WE ARE PARENT PICK UP

THERE WILL BE A LIGHT SNACK AND DINNER PROVIDED TO THE CHILDREN

CONTACT MERCEDES FOR MORE INFO OR TO SIGN UP  
**(253) 680 - 5757**

## Reach out to Puyallup Tribal News

Submit your ideas, thoughts, comments or questions to [NEWS@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:NEWS@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).

Are you enjoying Puyallup Tribal News? What would you like to see in your newspaper? Do you have ideas for content you would like to see in future issues? We want to hear from you!



**SERVING EVERYONE**

**INTEGRATIVE CANCER CARE**  
 Caregiver Support  
 Survivorship  
 Oncology  
 Naturopathic Care  
 Chinese Medicine  
 Acupuncture  
 Native Healing  
 Patient Financial Counseling

**TIME:**  
 Tribal Opening  
 5:30 pm  
 General Public  
 6:00 pm

**OPEN HOUSE  
 NEW DATE**

**APRIL 18th**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Thursday, April 18th**

**WHERE**  
**SALISH CANCER CENTER**  
 3700 Pacific Highway East  
 Fife, Washington 98424  
 253-382-6300




**ATTENTION PUYALLUP TRIBAL  
 MEMBER STUDENTS**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GETTING WORK  
 EXPERIENCE WHILE YOU GO TO SCHOOL?**

**ACCOUNTING INTERNSHIP JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**  
 Opens: January 31, 2019 Closes: March 1, 2019

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://usr55.dayforcehcm.com/CandidatePortal/en-US/ptoiaid>  
 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. Salary is **\$15.08/hour**, no benefits.

If you have any questions, please call Human Resources at 253-573-7863 or via e-mail to [jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov](mailto:jobs@puyalluptribe-nsn.gov).

## Attention Puyallup Tribal Commercial Geoduck Harvesters

2019-20 First half commercial geoduck permits will be issued at the shellfish office March 25-29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (including lunch hour). If you cannot appear during these times, contact the department and an appointment can be made to accommodate your schedule.

There is a \$25 fee for lost Shellfish Department ID cards.

Permits issued after 4/1/19 will require dive physicals and CPR/first aid certifications to be current on the day the permit is issued.

You are strongly encouraged to call and verify your eligibility status before coming to the shellfish office for a permit: (253) 573-7992.

To be eligible to receive a permit you will need:

1. Current dive physical (issued on or after 4/1/2018)
2. Current CPR/first aid certification (issued on or after 4/1/2017)
3. Passing U/A result
4. Puyallup Tribal fisher ID card with current yearly sticker on back
5. Shellfish Department issued ID card
6. No current court ordered suspensions
7. At least 50 percent of your individual quota from the 2018-19 Second half must have been harvested

## Attention all geoduck harvesters

Please take note that drug screens will be required during the month of February 2019 as part of the eligibility process to receive a permit in April 2019.

The drug screens will be taken at the old Sterling Lab facility, now known as Cordant Health Solutions.

3716 Pacific Ave Ste. C  
 Tacoma, WA 98418  
 (253) 472-0458

We are going back to this facility due to the numerous complaints we received from divers about the previous clinic.

Please direct any questions to the Shellfish Department staff at (253) 573-7933.



## Puyallup Tribal News Staff

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