

KALIKAHPETT



Traditional Value of the Month



Patrick Norman
Chief, PGVC

Hello Port Graham!

An idea is being implemented to reinforce Port Grahams Traditional Values. Beginning this month, each newsletter will have a page titled "**Traditional Value of the Month**". We invite all of you to find this months on the back of this page, we hope that you would post it up in your house to remind you and all who visit or dwell in your home to practice and exercise the specific *Traditional Value of the Month*.

This activity regarding our traditional values is also going to be reinforced at the school through our very own Sugt'stun Language Teacher and Local Education Coordinator, Mia Dumont. A ticket can be filled out to recognize another student practicing a traditional value during school or school events. At the end of each month, the student with the most tickets will receive a prize and a certificate congratulating them on their cultural / traditional values shown.

Here is the list of values which we will be working through in each newsletter: (in no particular order.)

"SPIRITUALITY, RESPECT FOR ELDER, GROWING SOBRIETY, HONESTY, RESPECT AND WISE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES, LOVE FOR CHILDREN, FORGIVENESS, OPENNESS, TRUSTING, SHARING, LOYALTY, UNCONDITIONAL LOVE, CARING, TENDERNESS, HUMILITY, STRENGTH, COURAGE, HELPFULNESS."

'in living our Traditional and Spiritual Values with our family and community we practice...knowledge of language, unity, heritage, subsistence, family roles, survival skills, life skills, medicinal herbs, artistic expression, knowledge of family tree, community uniqueness....and this makes us who we are.'

I look forward to seeing an increase of values being practiced and exercised throughout the village and am encouraged by the interest being shown for this activity already. Please feel free to contact me and/or stop by and make suggestions about this project. My door is always open.

Patrick Norman, Chief Port Graham Village Council



LANGUAGE EDUCATION NEWS

By Ephimia Dumont

Camai! Ggwi Apamia; My name is Ephimia Dumont.

I am working as a Sugt'stun Language Teacher and a Local Education Coordinator through Chugachmiut's Culture and Language Program. Currently, I am teaching Kindergarten through 8th grade and enjoying it. The student's are doing a wonderful job.

Throughout each month, I will be working with the students on a Traditional Value of the Month. This activity is in cooperation with the Village Council. They will post a Value of the Month in the newsletter and I will collect the tickets the students turn in at the school.

I am looking for a Master Speaker who can teach me how to correctly pronounce and spell the words that I teach to the students. If anyone is interested, come see me for a job application. As a Local Education Coordinator, I work with the council, school and elders to develop a heritage kit.

I will be holding Native Education Committee meetings, which anyone is welcome to attend to share thoughts and ideas to make a new heritage kit. I am hoping to have those committee meetings during the Site-base meetings or during Project GRAD nights, but I will let everyone know ahead of time.

Quyanacak!



The Native Village of Port Graham Traditional Values

**With guidance and
support from our
Elders, we teach our
children Alutiiq values**

Sugpiaq/Alutiiq Value of the Month:

STRENGTH



ANA GOVERNANCE PROJECT HAPPENINGS

Tribal Membership Survey Results

ADMINISTRATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS PROJECT COORDINATOR Daryl Kreun



This ANA activity of the “**Local Port Graham Tribal Membership Survey**” was drawn out in the ANA Governance Project and its purpose is to measure the tribal membership in regards to their elected Council Members & Council Office, then compare it with a “post-project survey” at the end of this Project to measure the effectiveness of this project. Over all we had an 80% survey participation, (63) returned out of (79) of all Local Tribal Members, those are great numbers and thank you to everyone that participated.



The first portion of the survey was about “**Tribal Member Participation**”, how involved are the tribal members; 60% attend annual meetings, 67% attend & vote in every tribal elections, 91% read the community newsletter. The numbers are great for voting and reading the newsletters then you look at 57% do not contribute to the newsletter, 71% are not involved in a committee and 84% have never ran for a Council Member position.

The second portion, “**Council Operations**”, 73% do understand how the Council operates but 46% are not aware of all the programs available through the Council Offices. With 52% feel that the Council *is responsive* to the needs of the community and 37% feel the Council *is not responsive*, 8% feel somewhat & (2) with no response.



As for Council “**Responsiveness**” & “**Effectiveness**”, 70% feel that the “*Responsiveness*” *is above average* to average and 79% feel the “*Effectiveness*” *is also above average to average* with (1) tribal member with no response, great numbers for this portion.

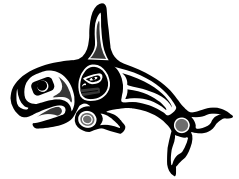
For Council & Council Office “**Identification & Resolution**” as for bringing issues/concerns to the attention of the Council, 51% have brought issues forward, with a 41% satisfaction. For the Council Offices, 48% have brought issues forward, with a 47% satisfaction with (2) somewhat & (1) no response. In this section, you can read it as the remaining percentages in both Council & Council Office either did not bring their issues/concerns forward or didn't have issues or concerns too bring forward.

If you would like to see detailed survey results, they are available to check-out in the ANA Office at the Port Graham Village Council Offices or you can check out the new “ANA Happenings” page on the Port Graham Village Council's website at portgraham.org, it's interesting to see the differences between age groups vs. the overall participation and involvement.

Thank you to the Port Graham Local Tribal Members for your participation as well as our Port Graham ANA Advisory/Training Committee and Project Partner, Chugachmiut for their involvement in the development & implementation of this Local Port Graham Tribal Member Survey.

Sincerely, Daryl J. Kreun, ANA Project Coordinator

Killer Whale Dates to Remember:



Nov. 12

Site Base Committee Meeting at 6 pm

Nov. 14th

Picture Retakes with Lifetouch (do not know what times yet. I will let you know)

Nov. 22nd & 23rd

Thanksgiving Holiday no school

December 20th

Christmas Play 7pm

December 21st

No school In-service / End of 2nd Quarter

December 24-25th

No School—Christmas Break

December 31st

New Years Eve no school

Jan. 7—18

No School/ Winter Break

Jan. 21

BACK TO SCHOOL!!

For any questions or concerns, please call Bobbi Sue McMullen at the school, 284-2210

Site base
committee meeting
Will be held on
November 12, 2012

JOB OPENINGS IN PORT GRAHAM

ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICIAN

Primary responsibilities include:

Development and implementation of the Indian General Assistance Program (IGAP) environmental projects under the direction of the Port Graham Village Council. The Environmental Technician (ET) will work as directed on environmental issues with local, State and Federal agencies.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Assist Environmental Planner with the design and execute environmental presentations' on household hazardous waste, landfill maintenance, indoor air quality, etc., to be attended by tribal members in community.
2. Assist Environmental Planner with planning and implementation of environmental work plan.
3. Establish and maintain an environmental office within the community.
4. Submit written reports to Tribal Council on knowledge gained from training, work- shop, or conferences attended.
5. Schedule regular contact with Environmental Planner and Tribal Council supervisor for the purpose of work assignments, oversight, and technical assistance.
6. Assist Environmental Planner with coordination and planning of the Annual Village Clean-Up.
7. Assist with monitoring of Household Hazmat site.
8. Any other duties as assigned to complete projects with program and Village Council.
9. Ability to work with little or no supervision.

Qualifications:

- High School Diploma required
- Strong interest in environmental issues or preferred experience working on environmental related issues
- Strong written and verbal communication skills preferred
- Mandatory experience with computers and computer software
- Be able to do physical labor (lift up to 50 pounds)

Work Conditions:

Hours of work are as assigned by supervisor, generally Monday to Friday; 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Port Graham Village Council maintains a drug free and non-smoking environment.

This position is funded by EPA.

Native Preference under P.L. 93-638 Job Posted: June 2, 2011



Port Graham Village Council JOB OPENINGS

The following Job Openings are posted at the Community Center:

Tribal Office Receptionist:

Primary responsibility will be to answer phones on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's in a professional manner.

Office Building &

General Maintenance:

Responsible for building maintenance of all buildings owned by PGVC. Snow removal at the council parking, entrances, porches, roof and balcony.

Tribal ICWA Worker:

This is a half time position in Port Graham which works at the direction of the Tribal Council to develop and implement programs which are designed to prevent break up of Alaska Native families.

Community Health Representative:

Acting as the liaison between PG's CHR program and community residents, coordinating community activities with the assistance of the village council or its representative and providing outreach and assistance to individuals and families and the community.

Janitor:

Keeping all the bathrooms, hallways, rooms, kitchens in the mush, alcohol office building, green house and public safety building clean and sanitized.

See the posted listings for more information at the council office .

Community Events and Information

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

Do you have an announcement, news or an upcoming event you would like to include in the Port Graham Village Council's Newsletter, **Kalikaahpet**?

Port Graham Village Council invites you to *submit* information to be considered for publication in our *newsletter* which can be viewed online at our website: www.portgraham.org



PORT GRAHAMS LIBRARY COMPUTER

The library computer is available to find jobs with the State of Alaska Jobs site and to enroll in the State of Alaska Library system, and also to check emails and general research. If any of the rules are broken you will lose your privilege to use the computer.



Hrs of Operation are: 9:00 – 2:00 pm w/lunch @ noon

PORT GRAHAM CLINIC ANNOUNCEMENT

CLINIC PHONE NUMBERS

When the Clinic's direct line:
(284-2241)
is not in service.

And the On-Call Cell phone
(284-3030)

is *also* not working please use the clinics other number to reach the Clinic regarding an emergency or for an appointment:

284-2295

A yellow sticky note with a white pushpin at the top. The word "REMINDER!" is written in black, bold, capital letters. There are two horizontal lines drawn below the word.

REMINDER!

EVERY THURSDAY MORNING

THE ENTIRE CLINIC STAFF IS IN AN ONLINE MEETING. THE ONLY PATIENTS WHO WILL BE SEEN ARE EMERGENCIES.

Thank you

SPEED LIMIT 15

KEEP IN MIND SPEED LIMITS

SPEED LIMIT 20

The Speed Limit is 15 MPH on all roads except for the back road starting from Wayne Norman's intersection to the first street light before Duncan Heights Subdivision which is 20 MPH.

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, SUPPORT LOCAL AND INDEPENDENT ARTISTS, DESIGNERS AND CRAFTERS



Fun Night!

Fun Night night has been changed from Monday night to Tuesday night.

Fun Night will now be held at the Community Center from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Folks of all ages are encouraged to come and have a little fun together like arts & crafts, games, and playing music!



November is National Native American Heritage Month!



TEEN NIGHT

Teen Night will be held every other Friday and Saturday night between 7 pm till 10

We welcome any teens who are interested in sharing company and laughs with others!



! ACTIVITY NIGHT !

Activity Night will be on Thursday nights from 7 pm; We will have Dance Practice on this night as well. Anyone who is interested in sharing company, tea, their hobby & laughs with others...

...Please Come!



NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE 1-800-273-TALK (8255) suicidepreventionlifeline.org



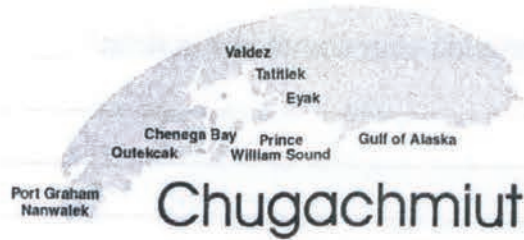
Behavioral Health in PG

Jim Henkleman, 907-235-0735 / 230-6693 (leave a message)

If you have questions or need to schedule an appointment with the Behavior Health provider you can contact Jim Henkleman at the Behavior Health Office, 284-2247 or Call the Clinic.

Your opinion counts!

Our mission is to provide the highest quality services to our beneficiaries. Many of the changes and improvements we make are based on the ideas and opinions of our customers.



Please help us continue to improve services by submitting comments and suggestions.

If you prefer to speak with someone directly, call 1-800-478-4155 and ask for a Customer Feedback Representative.

Providing your contact information will help us look into your concerns. Your comments are strictly confidential but details of your matter will be shared with key personnel who will conduct the investigation.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Date: _____

Please indicate your affiliation:

Native Tribal Member

Native Non-Tribal

Non Native

If you choose not to provide your name and contact information, an investigation will NOT be performed but your comments WILL be recorded.

Do your comments pertain to a specific Chugachmiut division? If so, please check the appropriate box.

Health Services

Community & Family Services

Enterprise & Trust

Self Governance & Human Resources

Finance & Administration

If your comments pertain to a particular Chugachmiut service or department, please specify:

**Do your comments pertain to a specific Chugachmiut employee or employees?
Please indicate:**

Please provide your comments in detail: _____

Besides the issue you commented on above, how would you rate the overall performance of Chugachmiut?

Excellent Good Average Below Average Poor

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us.

FOR CHUGACHMIUT USE ONLY

Case Number: _____ Date Feedback Received: _____

Feedback Category

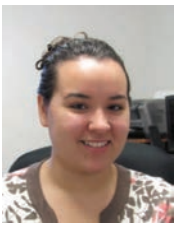
Positive Neutral Negative

Staff Contact in Charge of Resolution:

Notes/Comments: _____

Resolution: _____

Resolution Approved by: _____ Date: _____



Youth News!

Felicia Yeaton, Tribal Youth Coordinator

Hi Everyone! I am the new Tribal Youth Coordinator. Since September, I have held a meeting with the youth to develop a schedule of activities for the coming months. We also discussed future projects that need to be completed next year. One of the projects is for the youth to create a Public Service Announcement on native culture and preservation; it will focus on subsistence skills, traditional dances, and/or language. The youth have come up with an idea and now to make it happen.



October 30th was the start of our Elder and Youth Potlucks. Thank you to Pat for donating a whole seal to the Tribal Youth Program and to Mickey and Moose for cooking the seal. People were very pleased and stuffed when they left the potluck. I overheard comments

referring to the potluck being one of the best they have been to in a while because there was so much good native food. There were only 7 packages of seal and that was able to stretch for over 45 people! Of course there were more dishes that others had brought in but that is impressive that it fed so many people. Elders were sure happy to be able to take home a dish for later. Thank you to everyone who attended and left with a full belly!

The Paluwik Alutiiq Dance group has started up again. We meet every Thursday from 7-8pm. Everyone and anyone is invited to join the group. We love to see new faces join or to encourage others. The current participants have come so far in the few weeks we have been gathering. They will also be creating a few new dance outfits. We just received our leather and beads in, so if you have any beading or sewing expertise we would greatly appreciate any help. Our first performance will be at the Christmas program with many more to come.



If you have any question or comments, feel free to call me or stop by the office. I'm always looking for new ideas, activities, and local presenters.

Quyana! Maliya (Felicia)



**Library Chatter on
Native American
Library Services
Enhancement Grant**

Hello !

I am pleased to announce that Port Graham received an enhancement grant through the Native American Library Services. The Native Village of Port Graham will use their grant funds to begin identifying and inventorying material relating to Port Graham's history held in a variety of Alaskan repositories and early visitors' personal collections. The librarian will receive hands-on training in research and basic archival management at several Anchorage archives that hold materials of interest to Port Graham. A research consultant will work with the librarian to conduct at least two Elder gatherings during the project. Community youth will be invited to witness the history as it is remembered and discussed by their elders. The sessions will be recorded, transcribed, and added as a complement to the archival materials, providing a fresh look at the region's local history from many personal perspectives.

I look forward to working with the elders to learn more about who we are, who we were, and where we came from through the research made possible through this grant. Please stop by the library and see what progress has been made. I also encourage everyone to see how the family tree project is progressing!

READ A BOOK TODAY!




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Port Graham, AK 99603

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www.portgraham.net

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Port Graham, AK 99603-5510
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PORT GRAHAM VILLAGE COUNCIL



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Member
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Member

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