PORT GRAHAM VILLAGE COUNCIL KALTKAHPET





Port Graham Village Council Has 2014 Annual Meeting



Port Graham Village Council held their 2014 Annual Meeting on April 8, 2014.

During the meeting, tribal members heard what the Village Council and Staff completed during 2013 and some plans for 2014 as well. It was very well attended, and lots of door prizes were given away throughout the meeting.







Announcing Sugt'stan Language Communitywide Training I

Parents, Family and Community Members of Port Graham:

Let's all continue our Sugt'stun Language program practices at home and around our community during Port Graham School's summer break!

You're all encouraged to join us on these two dates, May 29th and 30th, 2014 at the community center for a Sugt'stun Language workshop called ANA Immersion Program/Tamamta Litnaurluta: Learning Together!

We will provide information and suggestions on how to keep up the language and materials at home. Let's continue to use them throughout the summer break, until the program restarts again in August or September.

Please feel free to contact Rita or myself with any questions or comments.

Patrick Norman, PGVC Chief / Immersion Project Director



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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:

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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, **Kalikahpet**?

> 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: M-F 9:00 – 11:00 am



Port Graham

Behavioral Health

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Providers are Michael,

If you have questions or need to

schedule an appointment with a

Behavior Health provider you can

contact them at the PG Office, 284-

2247 or Call the Clinic Receptionist.

(If there's no answer, please leave a

message)

PORT GRAHAM CLINIC ANNOUNCEMENT





When the Clinic's direct line: (284-2241) is <u>not</u> 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: <u>284-2295</u>

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR CLOTH/CANVAS BAGS WHEN YOU SHOP!



if you have any extra cloth bags, you can donate them to the stores (and they, in turn, can loan them out when needed, instead of using paper or plastic bags) Reminder: Every Thursday morning the entire clinic staff is in an online meeting. The only patients who will be seen are emergencies. Thank you



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Here is a list of current participants: Mia Dumont, Rhoda Moonin, Mary Malchoff, Heather Joseph, Stella Meganack, Michelle Hetrick, and Brian Grieser.

The parent training will consist of learning to use total physical response method for learning a language, which in this case will be Sugpiaq. The trainer is *Nita Rearden*, Yup'ik, from Kotlik Alaska, taught in Bethel and Kotzebue. She uses her Yup'ik language to do the training but works for all language.



Nita Rearden, Trainer

Total Physical Response method uses gestures to a word. It is a valuable lesson and promotes understanding of learning a language when used correctly. Parents will learn how to help their children learn Sugt'stun from the vocabulary list teachers are teaching at school. Language teachers and Elders will support the learning process. This could become a weekly parent night to carry on with the lessons students are learning at school. Parent's support of speaking Sugpiaq is very vital to revive and continue the language. *Come learn skills to speak Sugpiaq*.



Native Youth Olympics 2014

This years NYO team members that represented Port Graham were Mike, Kelsey, Dimeana, Kobe and Monique. We started after school practice late in the year and I had never coached these type of activities before. It was very fortunate that Mike and Kelsey agreed to be the assistant coaches who were responsible for the warm-ups, exercises and practice of specific events. We all learned a little about leadership through the coaching set-up. First of all leadership is not easy, sometimes we have to support our leaders. Preparing for the statewide competition in Anchorage was hard work and fun, even some younger students joined us for practice even though they would not travel to compete.

Our kids have made us proud at how much effort they put into doing their personal best in each event, these are grueling, even painful events. Our Port Graham youth exhibited a very high level of sportsmanship at all times. After event hours we had great times with family members, shopping, eating



at different places and going to the movies. It was good to see how our kids budgeted their per-diem and each were able to get a few thing that they really wanted.



Kobe cNorman rushing the one arm reach

and awards to our team. Many thanks to Heather O'Domin, Brian Greaser, Rita Meganack and Randy Norman for helping in so many ways.



Dimeana, James, Kobe, Kelsey, Michael and Monique usher Port Graham's NYO Banner during grand entry at NYO, Anchorage

Heather Odomin

This year's NYO was made possible through the support of the Tribal Youth Program, Port Graham Village Council and the cooperation of Port Graham School. We also have much gratitude to Port Graham Corporation for recognition As we are moving towards celebrating traditional values being practiced throughout the community, certificates of Traditional Value Honors were given out to various people to show our appreciation for all they did and do for Port Graham:

Staff Member honor of 2014:	Daryl Kreun and Rita Meganack
Elders honor of 2014:	Simeon Kvasnikoff and Harrietta McGhan
Volunteer honor of 2014:	Martin Norman and Heather Odomin
Hunter honor of 2014:	Quentin McMullen
Jr. Hunter honor of 2014:	Caleb McMullen
EMT honors of 2014:	Jennie Kamluck and Carl McClarion
Sobriety honors of 2014:	Anesia Metcalf, Christalina Jager, Michelle Moonin and Melinda Kamluck

3 council member seats were open and were filled by one returning council member and two new members, Stella Meganack, Melinda Kamluck and Tania McMullen. Welcome to our new members Tania and Melinda and farewell to our departing members, Walter Meganack and Melvin Malchoff. Thank you all for all your work for the community.



Carl McClarion receives EMT award



Danielle, Jaime and Deborah checkin out door prizes for the kids.



Bookkeepper, Dana McMullen with one of her twins, Rodney



Happy door prize winner: Deborah Smith



New PGVC Members: Tania and Melinda



Elders Jean and Anesia visit during the annual meeting:





The Port Graham ANA Governance Project is a federal funded grant under the US Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) & Administration for Children & Families (ACF). The Administration for Native Americans Program (ANA), under the area of Social & Economic Development Strategies Program (SEDS), under Governance Projects, assists tribes with the development and implementation of projects that support and enhance tribal governing capabilities.

(33) Trainings Provided from 12/2011 through 12/2013

As a result of a recent 2014 Office Staff Assessment, improvements by comparing each year's assessments are as follows; the one category with the most checks under "Exceptional" and "Exceeds Requirements" was "Communication" with 8 categories. (14) "Exceptional" and (45) "Exceeds Requirements" which is a huge improvement compared to the last two assessments. The results from 2012 had (13) "Exceptional" and (18) "Exceeds Requirements" and 2013 had (17) "Exceptional" and (23) "Exceeds Requirements". The results have to factor staff turn-over; 2011/2012 had (10) office staff with (3) that gave notice, in 2012/2013 we had (7) new hires and of those (2) gave notice which we now have (12) current office staff that have completed personal assessments for 2014. The following are results of the top (3) categories that had the most check marks under "Gets By" and "Needs Work" which helps provide information to provide trainings...

Council Member Assessment results from 2013 had the most marks under "Leadership" with 9 categories, (9) "Exceptional", (22) "Exceeds Requirements", and (27) Meets Requirements". The train-



ings provided based on assessment results covered "Communication", "Governance Structure" and "Organizational Planning" which were the top (3) categories that had the most checks under "Get By" and "Needs Work". These trainings were provided by OSIYO and Falmouth Institute, we will be presenting the same Council Members with a 2014 assessments to compare and share the results during Third Quarter as well as providing follow-up trainings this summer and the trainings will be provided by Chugachmiut and Chugach Regional Recourse Commission to complete our In Kind training for the remainder of the grant.

The PGVC and ANA Program are also working with a third party contractor to review all Tribal Bylaws, Tribal Ordinances, and Office Policy and Procedures, the contractor will prepare a recommendations report and assist the Council with rewriting as necessary to meet the objectives of this project. The Third Year Objective is by the end of the 36th month, have completed the review of existing tribal bylaws, tribal ordinances and administrative policies and procedures and a strategic plan in place for pursuing the establishment of the Port graham Tribal Court System.

A "Local ANA/Port Graham Tribal Member Survey" was developed and implemented in April 2012. Again, the purpose of this survey was to measure the confidence levels of local Membership in that their elected officials and office staff is up to date with the knowledge of roles and responsibilities as a Tribal Government. This survey resulted in (63) of (79) surveys returned- that's an 80% participation. This same survey will be used as a template to conduct a post-project survey to measure the success of this project sometime during our fourth and final quarter between July-September. I've heard many comments that we, the tribal community do not hear the survey results and are over-surveyed. Our ANA survey results can be found on the Port Graham website (portgraham.org) and at the PGVC-ANA Office.

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