Now’t Si’am.  
Hello Friends/Relatives,

We are the House of Tears Carvers. In 2021, we are celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Totem Pole Journey in the Spirit of Healing, Honor, Hospitality, Respect and Protection. Our elder, Tom Sampson on Vancouver Island in 2002 reminded us, ‘The totem pole isn’t what is Sacred. It’s the gathering of the people around the Pole -- that is what is Sacred.’ he said.

This year we invite you and your community to share in this sacred moment, as we prepare for our national tour: The Red Road to DC Totem Pole Journey to Protect Sacred Sites • July 13th thru August 4th, 2021. We are organizing a grass roots Pacific Northwest Tour (April 20 thru May 24) and we’d love to visit your territory/community. We understand if we can’t come to your homelands due to Covid-19 restrictions, be rest assured, all of our gatherings will abide by safety measures of mask-wearing, socially distancing and hand sanitizing.

Here are a few sites set for our Pacific Northwest Tour: Lummi Nation School • Little Bear Creek • Northwest Indian College • Port Townsend • Coupeville WA • Stillaguamish • Nisqually River • Pacific Lutheran University • Arlington WA • Nooksack Tribe • Lummi Island • Birch Bay • Semi-ah-moo • San Juan & Orcas Island • Yakama • Celilo Falls • Chemawa Indian School Cemetery • Portland • Swinomish • Tulalip Tribes • S’klallam Tribes • Suquamish • Skokomish • Squaxin Island • Nisqually Nation • Puyallup Tribe of Indians • Muckleshoot • Seattle • Bellingham & Lummi Nation.

Hyshqe Si’am (thank you) for your attention to this matter.

Should you be moved to host, feel free to contact our NW Road Manager, Sul ka dub Freddie Lane (360) 391-7560 or for our National Tour, Dr. Kurt Russo (360) 961-4554. Our Pacific Northwest & West Coast Totem Tour was not originally planned, but we’ll be done with the totem pole this week and loading it on the truck, so we look forward to our visit soon.

Should you be moved to give to our cause, the Lhaq’temish Foundation is accepting donations on our behalf. You can call me anytime at (360) 441-7790. We come in peace.

Sincerely,

Jewell ‘Praying Wolf’ James  
Se-Sealth (pronounced Se-See-al-th)
2021 Red Road to D.C.

Totem Pole Journey

House of Tears Carvers
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Sit ki kadem ~ Douglas James

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Who: The House of Tears Carvers

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National Tour (Dates TBD)
Snake River ID • Bears Ears National Monument UT • Grand Canyon Village AZ • Chaco Canyon NM • Black Hills SD • Missouri River SD • Washington DC

When: Pacific Northwest Tour • April 20th thru May 24th

Why: Protecting Sacred Sites

How: House of Tears Carvers

S e ’ S i ’ L e

Native Organizers Alliance
The Natural History Museum
Lhaq’temish Foundation
And from contributions from people like you. Thank you.

Cedar Tree:
Western Red Cedar about 400 years old

Dimensions: 24’ 8” tall
5 Feet wide
By: __________

Weight: ________________________

Bio
Se Sealth • Sit ki kadem
and the House of Tears

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**Our Shared Responsibility:**

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**PACIFIC NORTHWEST TOUR • April 21 thru May 24, 2021**

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Additional dates, sites and updates coming soon. National Tour postponed until July/Aug due to circumstances beyond our control.
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ORGANIZER CHECK-LIST  This is only a guide, we are visitors to your community

Feel free to use this check-list to help you organize your event.
This check-list is only a guide. We respect and adhere to all Covid-19 safety measures. Plan for rain. And Let only good Spirits Guide you.

- Establish Host Planning Team: ________________________________
- Planning Meeting Schedule: ________________________________
- Establish a site to host the event: ______________________________
- Permits (if required in public spaces)
- Accommodations for the travelers (6-rooms for 12-visitors from Lummi)
- Tentative Agenda of organizers, speakers, public officials and totem crew
- Need a volunteer coordinator for set-up, sound system, clean-up, security
- Contact local tribes for proper protocol and recognition of the territory visiting
- Invite: veteran, elders canoe families, drum groups medicine people & church folk
- List of Sacred Sites in the area to visit prior to public event or after
- Invite: local grassroots organizers & friends of the Totem Pole Journey
- Sound System back-up microphones and power outlets
- Covid Safety Measures Plan & First Aid
- WiFi For virtual live-stream, email, etc. Technical staff are appreciated for emergencies
- Security Protocols Its always good to have a plan for security of the totem & travelers
- Press Release Contact local radio stations & newspapers for free advertisements
- Donations: Please make checks payable to: Lhaq’temish Foundation, 2665 Kwina Road, Bellingham, WA 98226
- Facebook Event Page: Who, what, where, when, why, how
- Masks
- Hand Sanitizer
- Event Insurance
- Gifting Protocols
- Arts & Crafts Vendors

Contact: Sul ka dub anytime at (360) 391-7560