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## Peace and Dignity Runners

On July 2-4, 2008 our reservation was blessed with visit by the Peace and Dignity Runners that are carrying staffs from many different indigenous nations. Their Journey began in May 2008 in Alaska and will eventually end in Panama this November. They run every four years and this year their journey honors "Sacred Sites."

The group came to Pyramid Lake from the Susanville Indian Racheria, and did not realize that it was over 90 miles from Susanville to Nixon. Our Volunteer Fire Department met the runners and stayed with them until they reached the Nixon Gym. The Volunteers offered water and Gatorade to help the runners. A huge "Thank You" goes out to Fred Davis, Kurtie Hunter, Bob Burns, Ginger Howard and Terry Bohl. Originally they the plan was for everyone to meet the runners at 4p.m. but due to the long distance, the smoke and the dry desert heat, the runners needed help to bring the staffs into Nixon. Runners were quickly recruited and three fresh pair of legs sent out to help. Jacob Narcho, Stephanie and Dustin Collins helped bring in the staffs. By then it was after 6:00 p.m. and all of the runners met in front of the Nixon Store and came into the community as one group. It was at this time Bob Burns was designated to carry the lead staff to the Nixon Gym. Supporters had gathered at the gym and welcomed the runners into our community. A ceremony was done to put the staffs away for the night, introductions were offered, and then we ate. Thanks to the members of the community who were able to help with the potluck dinner. The runners rested that night, and the following day as well. On Thursday July 3, the runners shared a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Tribal Staff Luncheon at the Tribal Administration building. Then they visited the Pyramid Lake Museum (Thank you to

## Thousands attend 4th of July Celebration



BRIANNA CRUTCHER THREW candy to the crowd during last Friday's 4th of July Parade. She placed third in the Novelty category.

<http://news.rgj.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2008807090347>

Linda and Charlotte) and took their staffs out to the Stone Mother/Pyramid. The runners spent time offering prayers and then were able to enjoy to cool waters of Pyramid Lake. Felipe was getting blisters on his feet, so Patrick John gave his running shoes to Felipe to use to protect his feet. That evening some of the runners attended at sweat hosted by Dean Barlese.

On July 4<sup>th</sup>, the runners were ready to get back on the road. Everyone gathered at the Nixon Gym to bid them farewell. A staff was put together by Dean and Tribal members added eagle feathers to it. Felipe said that he enjoyed himself here at Pyramid Lake so much that he would carry the staff for seven days to honor the Paiute people. Pictures were taken and then everyone drove to the Nixon Store to begin there. The runners try not to carry the staff over ground that has already been covered. Once again the Volunteer Fire Department was present, as well as community members who came to help. Local runners who came to help move the staffs from Nixon to Stillwater were: Elizabeth Sarabia, Treamelle, Dustin and Stephanie Collins, and Lori Smith. Volunteer drivers were Billy Jean Guerrero, Leona Collins and I. Two of the runners ran through the Fernley 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and then continued on to Fallon. We arrived at the Stillwater Tribal Gym by mid-afternoon, ate Quizno's sandwiches and then came home. On the ride home Liz told me that she had decided to continue with the runners for two weeks. So Saturday morning, Liz and I returned and joined the runners in Stillwater. July 5, the run was from Stillwater to Schurz. Paul Rodarte came and led the runners out of Fallon. On the trip we stopped at a hot springs so the runners could soak their feet. We reached Schurz at about 3 p.m. I had planned on coming home after that, but I stayed with the group. Dan Davis Jr and his son Trevor invited the runners to his home for stew and pan bread. Everyone enjoyed the pool next to the gym that evening. Sunday July 6, the runners once again gathered their things, and head down the road toward Hawthorne. Dan Davis ran the first segment of the journey out of his community. That day the runners ran as far as Coledale Junction, just past Mina,  
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## ... From the Chairman's Office

Just to mention some of the issues the tribe is involved with are: economic development, lake and river water supply management, riparian zone management, law enforcement, fish & game regulations, tribal financial management, and property and realty management.

The tribe has decided to move forward with conducting a feasibility analysis for gaming development on the reservation. The primary location emphasized is at the southern end of the reservation focusing on the Interstate 80 corridor as well as the urban sprawl of the growth occurring east of Reno and Sparks. A request for proposals was announced and after receiving six proposals; Calleo Entertainment/Red Horse Finance Group, Inc./Leo A Daly was selected.

The challenge before the tribe is the national and local economy, competition with other regional gaming establishments, and the type of games that will draw the customer. Our location in a gaming state will also be considered for determining the impact of regulatory requirements based on the Tribal/State gaming compact if and as it is applicable. As the tribe begins this process, the due diligence will be conducted prior to agreeing to initiate the analysis.

Civil rights is an important topic that each tribal member must be aware of when it comes to legal or civil procedures of the tribe. It has been an ongoing effort to accommodate for claims of civil right violations or constitutional right violations. It is equally important that the tribal membership understand the civic application with governmental and civil law and procedure.

Contained in this issue is information about the Indian Civil Rights Act. Due process is the fundamental that is involved with many of the civil right violations that are claimed.

The securities fraud hearing involving former tribal officials and the Mine Central Company is scheduled for Friday July 25. After the hearing the information will be a matter of public record.

The Truckee River Operating Agreement is scheduled to be signed on September 6. All former tribal officials will be invited to the signing ceremony which is scheduled to take place at Lake Tahoe.

Please contact me if you have any questions on anything I am reporting or anything involving our tribal governing or tribal administrative operations.

Thank you.

*Mervin Wright, Jr.*  
Tribal Chairman

## INDIAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

### What is the Indian Civil Rights Act?

The Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 (ICRA) prohibits Indian tribal governments from enacting or enforcing laws that violate certain individual rights. It is similar to the Bill of Rights in the United States Constitution, which guarantees personal freedoms against actions of the federal government, and the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which extends those protections to actions of state governments. Since these Constitutional limitations do not apply to tribal governments, Congress adopted the ICRA to ensure that tribal governments respect basic rights of Indians and non-Indians.

### What individual rights are protected by the Indian Civil Rights Act?

No Indian tribe in exercising powers of self government may enact or enforce any law which denies anyone the right to:

- free exercise of religion and freedom of speech;
- freedom from unreasonable search and seizures;
- freedom from prosecution more than once for the same offense;
- not testify against oneself in a criminal case;
- not have private property taken for public use without just compensation;
- a speedy and public trial, to be informed of the charges, to confront witnesses, to subpoena witnesses and, at one's own expense, to be assisted by a lawyer in all criminal cases;
- freedom from excessive bail, excessive fines, cruel and unusual punishment and, for conviction of any one offense, freedom from punishment greater than imprisonment for one year and a fine of \$5,000 or both;
- equal protection of the laws and freedom from deprivation of liberty or property without due process of law;
- freedom from any bill of attainder or ex post facto law; and
- the right, if accused of an offense punishable by imprisonment, to a trial by jury of no less than six persons.

### How does the Indian Civil Rights Act differ from the Constitution's Bill Of Rights?

The ICRA guarantee of free exercise of religion does not prohibit a tribe from establishing a religion. This is in recognition of the fact that to many tribes religion is inseparable from

government and other areas of life. Although the ICRA guarantees a criminal defendant the right to have a lawyer at his or her own expense, there is no requirement that a tribe provide a lawyer for a defendant who cannot afford to hire a lawyer. The ICRA does not require a tribe to provide the right to jury trial in civil cases.

### What relief is available to an individual who believes his or her civil rights have been violated by a tribal government?

A person alleging a violation of the ICRA by a tribal government may pursue any avenue of appeal available through tribal government. If sued in tribal court, the tribal government may raise a defense of sovereign immunity, a legal doctrine which prevents a government from being sued without its consent. It may be possible to avoid this defense by naming as defendants in the lawsuit the tribal official who allegedly violated the ICRA. The tribal court may order injunctive relief to stop the officials from repeating or continuing the unlawful conduct. However, money damages cannot be recovered from the tribe unless it has consented to being sued. The ICRA provides only one federal court remedy for its violation: a person may seek a "writ of habeas corpus" to test the legality of his or her detention when the person is being held in jail or otherwise detained by an order of an Indian tribe. A person must first exhaust all remedies available through the tribal court, including tribal court appeals, unless the effort would be futile or irreparable injury would result from the delay.

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**Pyramid Lake Jr/Sr  
High School**  
**Back to School**  
**Thursday, August 21**  
**PLHS is currently accepting  
returning and open  
enrollment for 2008-2009  
school year.**  
**Phone: (775) 574-1016**

## Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 (25 U.S.C. §§ 1301-03)

### § 1301. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter, the term -

1. "Indian tribe" means any tribe, band, or other group of Indians subject to the jurisdiction of the United States and recognized as possessing powers of self-government;
2. "powers of self-government" means and includes all governmental powers possessed by an Indian tribe, executive, legislative, and judicial, and all offices, bodies, and tribunals by and through which they are executed, including courts of Indian offenses; and means the inherent power of Indian tribes, hereby recognized and affirmed, to exercise criminal jurisdiction over all Indians;
3. "Indian court" means any Indian tribal court or court of Indian offense.

### § 1302. Constitutional rights

No Indian tribe in exercising powers of self-government shall -

1. make or enforce any law prohibiting the free exercise of religion, or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition for a redress of grievances;
2. violate the right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable search and seizures, nor issue warrants, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the person or thing to be seized;
3. subject any person for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy;
4. compel any person in any criminal case to be a witness against himself;
5. take any private property for a public use without just compensation;
6. deny to any person in a criminal proceeding the right to a speedy and public trial, to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witnesses against him, to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and at his own expense to have the assistance of counsel for his defense;
7. require excessive bail, impose excessive fines, inflict cruel and unusual punishments, and in no event impose for conviction of any one offense any penalty or punishment greater than imprisonment for a term of one year and [1] a fine of \$5,000, or both;
8. deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of its laws or deprive any person of liberty or property without due process of law;
9. pass any bill of attainder or ex post facto law; or
10. deny to any person accused of an offense punishable by imprisonment the right, upon request, to a trial by jury of not less than six persons.

### § 1303. Habeas corpus

The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall be available to any person, in a court of the United States, to test the legality of his detention by order of an Indian tribe.



## Peace and Dignity Runners continued...

Nevada. They also camped for the night at the campground. It was then that I had to say my good-byes and return to Nixon. Liz continued on with the group. She ran for two more days through Tonopah and Warms Springs, and then her Vickie and Bear Valdez, and Efran Garcia traveled through Yosemite Valley and joined the California Inland runners near Fresno, California. She ran for five more days and then came home.

It was a pleasure being a host to the Peace and Dignity Runners who visited Pyramid Lake: Anobel Gutierrez, Goyo, Brenda, Twass, Tre, Felipe, Ysenia, Vickie, and Bear. I got a call from Anobel when they were leaving the state of Nevada. She said they the Moapa Tribe had welcomed them in and had taken care of them in the southern part of our state. She said, "Pyramid Lake brought us into the state, and Moapa is sending us out- both in a good way." I am glad they we were blessed with their visit.

A Special Thank you to everyone who came to the Community Potluck Dinner, Thank you for those who donated food, and for everyone who made our visitors feel welcome.

GRAND ENTRY (Point System will be Used): FRI. 7 P.M., SAT. 12 P.M. & 7 P.M., SUN. 11 A.M.

ALL CONTESTS START FRIDAY

23RD ANNUAL AUG. 29-31, 2008

# Numaga Pow-Wow

"Honoring Our Armed Forces"

Master of Ceremonies <b>OTIS HALFMOON</b> Santa Fe, NM	Arena Director <b>GARY WATSON</b> Fort Hall, ID	Northern Host Drum <b>LITTLE ISLAND CREE</b> Island Lake, Saskatchewan Canada	Southern Host Drum <b>SOUTHERN EXPRESS</b> Wadsworth, NV
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MAP DIRECTIONS	ACTIVITIES	OTHER EVENTS
	<b>HANDGAME TOURNAMENT</b> Young/Adult Competition Doug & Darlene Gardipe - (775) 425-6979	<b>RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY GOLF CLUB TOURNAMENT</b> 1 day two-men scramble Bob O'Day - (775) 786-8346 Mike O'Day - (775) 329-7905
	<b>NUMAGA PRINCESS CONTEST</b> Rita Imus (775) 425-5024	<b>DRUM CONTEST:</b> 1st place - \$2,500; 2nd place - \$1,500; 3rd place - \$1,000
	<b>SPECIAL CONTESTS</b> SPOTLIGHT - TBA	<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b> Joe Abbie - (775) 224-7510 Vicki Moore - (775) 425-8540 Amanda Abbie Hall - (775) 425-5150
	<b>VENDORS</b> Emily Abbie - (775) 329-3836 Elta Tobey - (775) 224-9861	<b>SPONSORED BY</b> RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

SEPTEMBER National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month 2008

NO COLLECT CALLS (MAY LEAVE A MESSAGE) COMMITTEE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR SHORT FUNDED TRAVELERS, THEFT, LOST ITEMS, PETS OR DIVORCES ETC. NO DRUGS, ALCOHOL, OR GANG RELATED ATTIRE ALLOWED. BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR.

# Driving for Donors II Blood Drive

GIVE **2** LIVE  
BLOOD DRIVE

Northern Nevada Toyota Dealers  
 Reno Toyota  
 Fallon Toyota  
 Carson City Toyota

## Pyramid Lake – Paiute Tribe

Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am – 11:00 am

Donate in the Bloodmobile located  
in the parking lot of the  
Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic  
To schedule an appointment,  
Contact Maxine Burns at 574-1018

All presenting donors from May 31<sup>st</sup> – August 31<sup>st</sup> will be able  
to enter into a drawing to win a 2009 Toyota Camry!

All entrants must fill out an entry form, be 18 years of age or older, and have a valid drivers license to enter. The raffle is open to all presenting donors within CBS Reno's service area. Employees of United Blood Services, Blood Systems or Northern Nevada Toyota Dealers or their subsidiaries and their immediate family members are not eligible to enter.



United Blood Services

www.unitedbloodservices.org

# BINGO

Tentative Date

## **NIGHT @ NATCHEZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ELDERS 60 AND OVER**

**Date: August 20, 2008**

**Time: 6 — 8:30 PM**

**BINGO!!**

Free Dinner for elders

Prizes

Chair Exercise's

Living Will Presentation.

Tai Chee

**In collaboration with Diabetes Program PLHC.**

Numaga Senior Center

P.O. Box 256

Nixon, NV 89424

Phone: 775.574.1064

### **SMITH FAMILY**

The Smith Family is planning a Thanksgiving Get-Together, for this year. For more information, you may contact the following:

Dave Hunkup @ 997-3524

Vicki Moore @425-8540

Patty Zuniga @425-4445

Angey Dunn @574-0178

Madge Smith @575-7320



**Happy  
Birthday  
to**

**Lawrence Mandell, Jr.**

**"Big L" ...**

**on August 9th!**

**Love from your**

**favorite**

**sister-in-law....**

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Applicants must be at least 18 years of age /Able to lift up to 80 lbs on a consistent basis

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Linda McCauley, Tribal Librarian – P.O. Box 67, Nixon, NV 89424 – 775-574-0301

**TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 3 P.M. TO 6 P.M.  
AND SATURDAYS, 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.**  
THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON AUGUST 12 (TUESDAY) AND  
AUGUST 16 (SATURDAY)

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO SELL AT THE LIBRARY (YARD SALE STUFF)  
ON SATURDAY AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> -- GIVE ME A CALL

**FREE BOOKS AND MAGAZINE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD**

As the US moves to analog television in Feb 2009 it is especially important that rural and tribal communities get this information: **There is a federal program that provides each household with two \$40 coupons toward the purchase of converter boxes.**

**For more information about the Coupon Program or to apply for a coupon:**

- \* Visit [www.DTV2009.gov](http://www.DTV2009.gov).
- \* Call toll-free 1-888-DTV-2009 (1-888-388-2009)
- \* Mail to PO Box 2000, Portland, OR 97208
- \* Fax 1-877-388-4632

\* For deaf or hard of hearing callers dial 1-877-530-2634 (TTY/English) or 1-866-495-1161 (TTY/Spanish) ----- **or come into the library to get an application.**

For more information about the digital TV transition, visit [www.dtv.gov](http://www.dtv.gov) or [www.DTVAnswers.com](http://www.DTVAnswers.com)

If you can identify anyone in these pictures, please, let me know. These were brought in by a tribal member...if you have photos you would like scanned and reprinted -- bring them in. For a nominal fee of \$2 for 5 x 7s and \$3.50 for 8 x 10s, and a cd: \$1.



*IFLA (The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions) statement on Indigenous Traditional Knowledge:* IFLA acknowledges the intrinsic value and importance of indigenous traditional knowledge and local community knowledge, and the need to consider it holistically in spite of contested conceptual definitions and uses.

IFLA furthermore notes the need --

" To protect indigenous traditional knowledge and local traditional knowledge for the benefit of indigenous peoples as well as for the benefit of the rest of the world. It is vulnerable both because it is exploitable and has been exploited, and because of the loss of Elders and the significant decline in emphasis on transmission of this knowledge to younger generations in the face of pressures for modernization.

**IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

In the Matter of:	)	CASE NO:
PL.CV.TT.2008-0041	)	
	)	
DENISE A. PHOENIX	)	NOTICE TO TRANSFER HOUSE
TITLE	)	
Decedent,	)	
	)	
Filed by:	)	
DEBRA HARRINGTON	)	
On behalf of Leann Harrington	)	
Petitioner.	)	

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that DEBRA HARRINGTON ON BEHALF OF LEANN HARRINGTON {a Minor} has filed a Motion to Transfer Title of a home located at 4530 Tufa Rock Road (4-12 S16 a 3 bedroom unit) Sutcliffe, Nevada from her deceased sister's name, Denise Phoenix to her daughter's name Leann Harrington, an enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that any person having objection to the transfer as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within ten (10) days after date of the last publication of this Notice, to wit: July 7, 2008.

Done and dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator

**IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

In the Matter of:	)	CASE NO:
PL.CV.TT.2008-0053	)	
	)	
FERMON LOWERY	)	NOTICE TO TRANSFER
HOUSE TITLE	)	
Decedent,	)	
	)	
Filed by:	)	
RAY LOWERY	)	
Petitioner.	)	

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that RAY LOWERY has filed a Motion to Transfer Title of a home located at 601 Sagehen Court, Nixon Nevada (4-7 N725 homesite) Township 23 N Range 23E from his deceased father's name, Fermon Lowery to Ray Lowery, an enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that any person having objection to the transfer as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within ten (10) days after date of the last publication of this Notice, to wit: July 23, 2008.

Done and dated this 3rd day of July, 2008

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Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

**Tax Commission Annual Report**



*"Dedicated to serve the Community & Businesses by administering the Tax Code of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe with integrity, efficiency, and consistency, as well as providing a structured Tax Fund Use Plan."*

Adopted March 2008

**Tax Staff**

- **Verneda M. Frazier**, Tax Administrator, worked in the Tax Department since 1995.
- **Sheri Nekai**, Tax Specialist, worked in Tax Department as Tax Clerk, Tax Administrative Assistant and Tax Specialist.
- **De Nelle Smith**, Tax Clerk, worked for PL Tribe for 2 years in Administration and Finance

**Pyramid Lake Tribal Code**

**Title 2 - Taxation**

Adopted by the Pyramid Lake Tribal Council pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 (h) of the Constitution of the Tribe.

The Tribe adopted a tax scheme conducive to economic development in the private sector, which at the same time ensures that Tax-payers who receive governmental services on the Pyramid Lake Reservation contribute their fair share.

**Pyramid Lake Tax Commission**

- **Denise Shaw**, Chairperson—Employed with the Pyramid Lake Fisheries, Numana Hatchery-Supervisor. Tax Commissioner since 2005.
- **Fannie Ely**, Vice Chair—Employed with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Environmental Specialist. Tax Commissioner since 2005.

**Tax Revenue**

The Tax department is a revenue collection dept. of the Pyramid Lake Tribe.

Tax Revenue is collected in one year and allocated to Tribal Departments & for services the following year.

The Tribe follows the Tax Fund Use Plan in allocating the revenue. A percentage of each tax is dedicated for a specific service to the Reservation.

- **Kathy Castodio**, Employed in the private sector. Tax Commissioner since 2006.
- **Melissa Decker**, Employed with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Environmental Administrative Assistant. Tax Commissioner since 2007
- **Bonnie Smith**, Tax Commissioner since 2006, former Tax Staff.



Stone Mother

*The Tax Commission is vested with setting rules and regulations to the Tax Code, final approval held by Tribal Council.*

**Tax Attorney**

**John Fredericks III**, Partner of **Fredericks, Peebles, & Morgan**, MBA in Indian Law, with the Pyramid Lake Tax Department since 1991.

**Tax Auditor**

**Richard Marsh, CPA**, Indian Taxation, with the Pyramid Lake Tax Department since 2001.

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A Celebration Honoring and Remembering WOVOKA, the Ghost Dance Prophet

**16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Spirit of Wovoka Days Powwow**

**AUGUST 22, 23, 24, 2008**  
Joe Parr Sports Complex - Pat Peoples Softball Field  
Yerington, Nevada

**HOST DRUM: ECHO SKY**  
Pyramid Lake, Nev.

**—DRUM CONTEST—**  
HEAD MAN & LADY Chosen each session  
**Monty Williams**, Kuerst (Garte-Sookbazi) - Baker, NV • **Michael Keats Sr.**, Arena Director (Paiute) - Yerington, NV

**Dance Categories**  
You Set! (Higher Step) / Just as Good as Hell / Cree / Peace / Traditional / Jamb

**Wovoka Princess Contest**  
Open to Girls age 6-17 yrs. Must be enrolled in NV Public Schools. Call 482-2200 or 463-7123 for more information & application.

**Lil' Miss Wovoka Princess Contest**  
3-5 year old. 1st place winner. To be held Friday 8/22/08.

**FREE ADMISSION**  
Security Provided - Camping Available

**Hand Drum Contest** 4 SESSIONS Starts Friday at 7:00 p.m.  
Sponsored by the **Ivan Hanson Family**  
\*Berts & Crafts \$150 • Food Booths \$300

**POWOWY BATTLE**  
GREAT PRIZES!!

**Kennel Keats Memorial Grass Dance Special**

Registration Required  
Must be 18 or Older

Family Sponsored Special  
In memory of their son & brother  
5/11/06 to 4/15/08

For more information call the Keats Family at 460-8053 or 460-1207.

Host Hotel: **CASINO WEST** Call 1-800-227-4661 Toll Free Room Reservations  
COPPER BIEN HOTEL (775) 463-2135 • VICTORIAN ROSE INN (775) 463-2164 • O'HEARS (775) 463-2245

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:**  
**Debra Keats** (775) 463-2250 after 5 p.m. • **Angie Johnson** 463-7123 or write to: R.R. Box 718, Yerington, NV 89542

**NO ALCOHOL • NO DRUGS - STRICTLY ENFORCED - No 2009 Prizes Give**  
\*Security Provided. Host responsible for ambulance availability on site.

*A tribute to a great man, a great Paiute figure who walked this valley & beyond. . . .*



Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Tax Commission Annual Report

**Nevada Skies Youth Treatment Center**

One project completed was the I.H.S. Nevada Skies Youth Wellness Center. Flintco Construction Company paid \$64,256 in Use Tax.



Nevada Skies Youth Treatment Center ground breaking



Finished Facility July 10, 2008



Parking Lot



Side of facility (left photo)

Gymnasium (right photo)



Gymnasium (left photo)



**Taxes Collected 2007**

**Possessory Interest Tax - \$405,328.79**

Collected on all Right of Ways and Leases on the Reservation

- SBC Nevada Bell
- Southwest Gas
- Level 3 Communications
- Cingular Wireless
- Union Pacific
- CEMEX
- Kinder Morgan Energy
- Sierra Pacific Power Co.

**Use Tax - \$83,595.74**

7.375% Tax collected on Construction Material

- CEMEX
- Flintco Co.
- SNC Co.

**Transient Lodging - \$15,153.64**

7% Tax collected on RV Parks & Cabins

- Crosby Lodge
- I-80 Smokeshop
- High Desert Recreation

**Sales Tax - \$133,432.61**

7.375% Tax applied to all sales on the Reservation

- I-80 Smokeshop
- Nixon Store
- Crosby Lodge
- Pyramid Lake Store
- High Desert Recreation
- CEMEX
- Numerous small vendors

**Mineral Severance Tax - \$146,409.80**

2% Tax collected on Sand and Gravel Material

- CEMEX
- Wade & Logan

**Annual Gaming Tax - \$3,750**

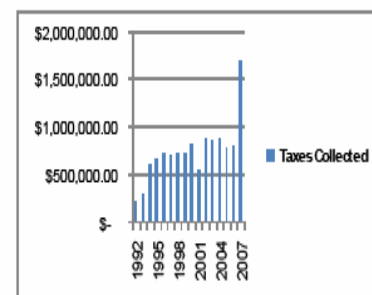
\$250 Tax collected on each Slot Machine. Gaming fees are paid to the Gaming Commission

- Crosby Lodge

**Tax Revenue History - Misc.**

- 2007 - \$1,705,861
- 2006 - \$805,929
- 2005 - \$784,290
- 2004 - \$884,510
- 2003 - \$862,202
- 2002 - \$895,523
- 2001 - \$552,833
- 2000 - \$836,736
- 1999 - \$733,660
- 1998 - \$720,376
- 1996 - \$728,067
- 1995 - \$675,638
- 1994 - \$613,452
- 1993 - \$293,201
- 1992 - \$213,399

Code Adopted in 1990



Pyramid Lake Police Dept.

Sgt. Angela Huffala

**2007 Tax Funded Programs**

**Tax Fund Use Plan**

The Following Programs and Departments received tax funding.

- Law Enforcement
- Tax Department
- Parks and Recreation
- Nixon Library
- PL Higher Education
- Johnson O'Malley Program
- Emergency Response, Fire & Rescue
- Solid Waste-Public Utilities
- Cultural Center Museum
- Summer Youth Employment
- Governmental Services
- Capital Improvements
- Infrastructure
- Tourism

**Law Enforcement**

The Police Dept. with a staff of 13 provided services to the businesses, citizens and visitors of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation. A major goal was policing the community and provide a high quality service to the public.

**Tax Department**

The Tax Department has a staff of three that carry out the day-to-day administration of the Tax Code, as well as offer many services to the public such as: Public Notary, Tax Preparation, Seller Permits, and DMV Tax Exempt forms and provide the community with Pyramid Lake Souvenir License Plates are available in the office.

**Summer Youth**

This program provided 10 youth workers, ages 16 to 21 the opportunity to work with various departments through out the reservation. The goal was to prepare youth for future employment.

**Solid Waste & Water/Sewer**

This program provided services such as curbside pick-up, recycling, transferring municipal household waste to a landfill and keeping three transfer sites clean and maintained for community members on the Pyramid Lake Reservation.

**Emergency Response**

This program is responsible for Fire, Search & Rescue, Emergency Medical Service, and Emergency Management with twelve volunteers. They provided Emergency services for community members. A goal was more training for all volunteers.





### Pyramid Lake Cultural Center

Pictured Carla Eben, Vice-Chair PLPT, Ben Aleck, Collections Manager, Dave Manning of NDOT Roadway Systems, Sydnie Platt-Schlachta NDOT Scenic Byways Coordinator, Bill Schulz of NDOT Architecture, Ralph Burns, Language and Cultural Presenter/Storyteller, Kent Cooper, NDOT Assistant Director of Planning, Shane Cocking, NDOT Resident Engineer

# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Region 9 Tribal EPA Conference

October 22-24, 2008—San Francisco, CA

Regional Tribal Operations Committee — October 20-21, 2008

Site Location: **Be sure to use the GROUP CODE: NPY**



Holiday Inn Golden Gateway, San Francisco, CA

[www.goldengatewayhotel.com](http://www.goldengatewayhotel.com) or call the

reservations number at 800.287.0037 or 415.441.4000



## G.R.E.E.N T.E.A.M.

*Getting Results Every Environment Needs through Tribal & EPA Active Management*

**Topics:** Global Warming, Energy Conservation, Human Health, Pollution Prevention, Traditional/Cultural Effects, Ecosystems, Emergency Response, Environmental Management, Recycling and many more topics

### Conference and Exhibitor/Vendor On-Line Registration

Conference (Early \$ 75) & Exhibitor/Vendor August, 2008 thru Sept 15, 2008

Conference (Late \$150) & Exhibitor/Vendor **After** Sept 15, 2008

**Registration and a draft agenda will be posted on the PLPT Website by August 2008**

*These dates are subject change and will be adjusted accordingly.*

For **UPDATED** information, conference, exhibitor or vendor Fees, please visit the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's website at [www.plpt.nsn.us](http://www.plpt.nsn.us) under Events or contact Lela Christensen at 775.574.1000 x125 or [lgleyva@plpt.nsn.us](mailto:lgleyva@plpt.nsn.us)



# The Numaga Senior Center welcomes all Seniors 60 or Older to come and have a Free Meal!!!

The Center is open Monday through Friday.

Mon - Thurs 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
(Lunch 11 a.m. – 12:30)

Fri open 8 a.m. – 9:30  
(Breakfast )

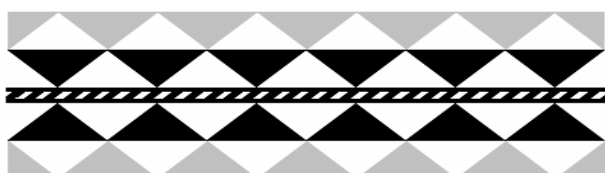
We Encourage all Seniors 60 and over to come and join us for a meal. Donations appreciated.

The Center will always welcome you with a friendly Hello.

Nothing makes us happier than to see our Respected Elders eat a good meal and feel welcomed.

So Please Don't Feel Scared!!  
If you have any questions please feel free to call the center.

574 - 1064



## Tai Chi Class Schedule:

**Monday at the Sutcliffe Community Center 6:30 pm-7:30pm**

**Wednesday-Nixon Health Clinic 7:00 pm-8:00 pm**

**Snacks will be available after Tai Chi class**

*No special clothes or shoes are needed. Just dress to be comfortable.....*

A new study suggests that participation in the Chinese martial art Tai Chi Chuan may help boost immune function and improve blood sugar control in people with type 2 diabetes. After completing a 12-week Tai Chi exercise program, men and women with the disease had statistically significant reductions in their levels of HBA1C, a measurement of long-term blood glucose control. The participants also showed increases in regulatory T cells, which help to keep the immune response in check, while their levels of killer T cells, which destroy abnormal cells in the body, decreased.

People with type 2 diabetes can experience chronic inflammation, and while exercise has been shown to be beneficial, strenuous exercise may boost inflammation and cause other problems as noted by health professionals.

## The Exercise Modular-Nixon

The Diabetes Exercise Room (Modular #02 next to the Nixon Gym) will be open:

Monday:	11:00-1:30-Open
Tuesday:	11:30-8:00 Bill Myatt, Exercise Specialist will be available at Modular
Wednesday:	11:00-1:30 Open
Thursday:	11:30-8:00
Friday:	11:00-4:30 Bill Myatt, Exercise Specialist will be available at Modular

### Bill Myatt, Exercise Specialist

Bill Myatt, is a ACSM Health and Fitness Instructor and certified in Adult CPR and AED, and Sport Safety Training retained by the PLPT Diabetes Wellness Program to provide individualized and medically appropriate exercise regimens for the Pyramid Lake Paiute community members. You do not have to be a diabetic to utilize his services. We require that you have Bill do a full physical fitness evaluation within 90 days of beginning to work out. Think of him as your personal trainer.....

Bill previously worked for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Diabetes Program and has extensive experience working with Native Americans and chronic illnesses.

**Did you know....**You only need a little bit of cinnamon—as little as a quarter teaspoon a day---to reap blood sugar rewards. Just don't overdo it - highly unlikely with a typical diet but loading up via supplements could be toxic. Another cinnamon bonus: When you add it to high-glycemic-index foods, it can help lessen their impact on your blood sugar. (YOU-THE OWNERS MANUAL, Rolzen, M.F., Oz, M.C., New York: HarperCollins; 2008.)



## TRIBAL COURT NEWS

JULY 2008

### ACTIVE WARRANTS

Jeremy Baker	Dustin Barlese	Gary Brown Jr
Phelon Brown	Conrad Fellows	Garrett Fellows
Gibson Fielder	Norbert Gibson	Joanna Hancock
Frank Henry Jr	Bo Jackson	Boyd Jackson
Sebastian Jackson	Bryan Johnson	Rayfield Kelly
Royce Kochampenasken	Teresa Lenoir	Duane Lopez
Kevin Melius	Cecelia Phoenix	Teresa Royer
Richard Sander	Lonnie Savage	Shawn Shaw
Reed Skenadore Jr	Everette Smith	Reuben Smith
Shepard Taylor	Juanita Thompson	Nicholas Thompson
Leland Vaca	Patrick VanBrundt	Maynard Victor
Walter Washington	Delson Williams	Martin Williams
Sharon Williams		



# Pyramid Lake Social Services

Would like to invite you and anyone else in need of some clothes or shoes. The sizes we have vary from infant, toddler, child, juniors, and adult.

(Come check it out and see if we have your size)

**Every Friday  
From 1:00 p.m.  
To 4:30 p.m.**

And if you are unable to make it on Fridays please call us and we will set up a time and day when you can come in during the week!

**Office Hours:  
Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Except on: Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Our lunch time is: 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Our contact information:  
Pyramid Lake Human Services  
214 Capitol Hill  
P.O. Box 256

## New Social Services Director

I am the 'new employee in the area', since I am not able to say "new kid on the block". Last time I checked, as I have learned that Nixon does not even have any blocks. When you meet me, you will see that I am not quite a 'kid' anymore. As a matter of fact, not even close.

Well how is that for an introduction?

I am truly honored to be appointed as the new Social Services Director for PLPT. I trust and support the Tribal Council made a wise decision.

I look forward to meeting the tribal members and their families.

If you have time and would like to call or stop by the Tribal Social Services Office to meet, I would like to take the time to do so.

Originally I am from Wisconsin, grew up following the Green Bay Packers.

I completed the Social Work Masters program in Milwaukee; I have resided in Nevada for the last 11 years primarily in the southern part. I have worked in many programs serving clients: children, families, Indian Child Welfare, Tribal Courts and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

I have a strong interest in wellness programs. I plan to start a Positive Indian Parenting Program with the assistance of Tribal members and staff.

I would like to hear ideas from Tribal members;

I have an interest in developing a chaperone list for youth recreation and wellness programs. And any other positive ideas you may have for Social Services.

I look forward to meeting and working for this tribal community,

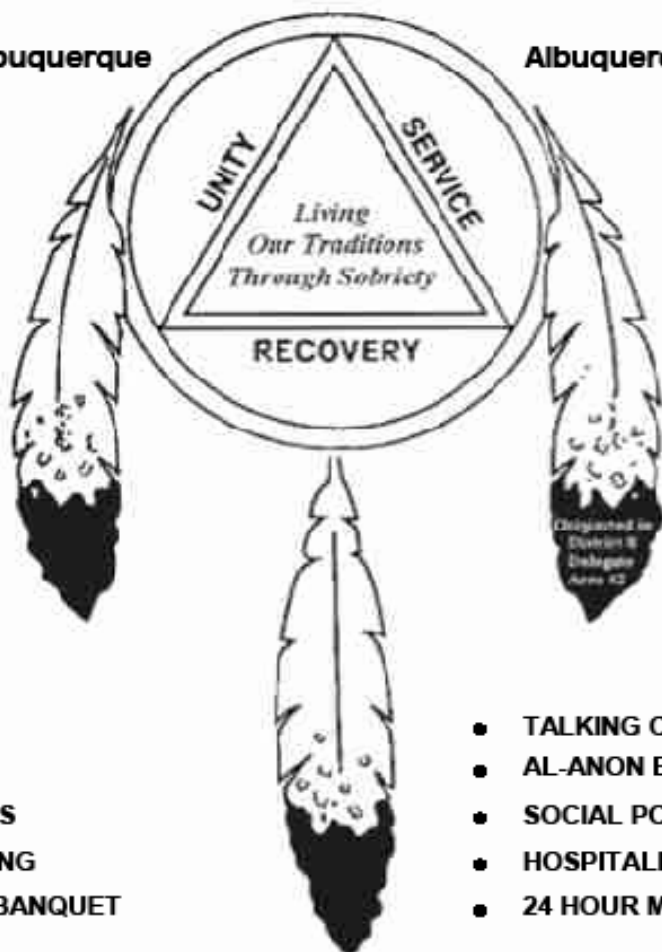
*Ron Pavelko*

## 18TH ANNUAL NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CONVENTION

September 25-26-27-28, 2008

Radisson Hotel Albuquerque

Albuquerque, New Mexico



- DANCE
- RAFFLE
- SPEAKER MEETINGS
- OLD TIMERS MEETING
- SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET

- TALKING CIRCLES
- AL-ANON BRUNCH
- SOCIAL POW-WOW
- HOSPITALITY ROOM
- 24 HOUR MARATHON MEETINGS

**This is an AA Convention.**

**All AA Members are Welcome.**

[www.nai-aa.com](http://www.nai-aa.com)

## EVER FEEL LIKE YOU'RE BEING LOOKED FOR?

The Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians is looking for individuals whose whereabouts are currently unknown to our office. These individuals may have land under their name and not know it and they may even have money in their accounts and not know it. We are trying to locate these individuals so we can update their information and begin sending quarterly statements.

The individuals listed below are just a few we are looking for.

If you know where they can be located, please have them call our office at, (775) 887-3525.

Ronald Aleck  
Althea (James) Blossom  
Esther Dodd  
Sandra A. Dunn  
Robert Louis James  
Sharon Moose  
Sylvia Marie Vaca Quartz  
Stanley J. Smith  
Naomi Wasson  
Gwendolyn Willie

You can find the complete list of our Whereabouts Unknown at the Tribal Office, the Pyramid Lake Store and the Clinic.

A complete listing is located online at:  
[www.doi.gov](http://www.doi.gov)

IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of: ) CASE NO:  
PL.CV.TT.2008-0042 )  
)  
DORA THOMPSON ) NOTICE TO TRANSFER HOUSE  
TITLE )  
Decedent, )  
)  
Filed by: )  
BEVERLY J. HOUTEN )  
Petitioner. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that BEVERLY HOUTEN has filed a Motion to Transfer Title of a home located at 347 PAIUTE ROAD (SITE 67) NIXON, NEVADA from her deceased aunt's name, Dora Thompson to her cousins' names Jason Wadsworth & Brian Wadsworth, enrolled members of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that any person having objection to the transfer as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within ten (10) days after date of the last publication of this Notice, to wit: July 8, 2008.

Done and dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008

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Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator

IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

In the Matter of: ) CASE NO:  
PL.CV.TT.2008-0034 )  
)  
FERMON LOWERY ) NOTICE TO TRANSFER  
HOUSE TITLE )  
Decedent, )  
)  
Filed by: )  
KIM LOWERY WAELTY )  
Petitioner. )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that KIM LOWERY WAELTY has filed a Motion to Transfer Title of a home located at 601 Sagehen Court, Nixon Nevada (4-7 N725 homesite) Township 23 N Range 23E from her deceased father's name, Fermon Lowery to Kim Lowery Waelty, an enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that any person having objection to the transfer as aforesaid shall file written objection with the above-entitled Court within ten (10) days after date of the last publication of this Notice, to wit: July 1, 2008.

Done and dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008

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Jeraldine Magee, Court Administrator

## Burning Man Event

### 2008 LOCALS, TRIBAL MEMBERS AND GUEST INFORMATION

**IMPORTANT: GUESTS OF LOCALS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED BY FRIDAY 8/22/08**

**Pre-registration of guests will begin Monday 8/18/08 and end Friday 8/22/08**

**You do not need to pay for guests at pre-registration. Payment will be taken when guest pass is picked up at the Box Office.**

"LOCALS" ARE RESIDENTS OF GERLACH AND EMPIRE ONLY OR TRIBAL CARD CARRYING MEMBERS OF THE PYRAMID LAKE AND SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBES.

MUST SHOW VALID GERLACH OR EMPIRE I.D. WITH STREET ADDRESS OR UTILITY BILL WITH YOUR NAME AND I.D. (ex: propane receipt with actual addy)

OR PYRAMID OR SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBAL MEMBERS SHOW PHOTO ID AND TRIBAL ID CARD

A photo ID with a PO Box is not acceptable. You must show a secondary piece of information proving you are a resident with your name on it. For Gerlach and Empire residents, you MUST spend more than 6 months out of the year in your town. Simply owning property does not qualify you as a local.

### Entrance into the event begins Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

**Monday August 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday August 23<sup>th</sup>** (The week before the event.)

**Time:** 1pm to 7pm

**Location:** Laminates Building next to the Box Office at front Gate

**NOTE: PRE-REGISTRATION FOR GUEST PASSES ENDS ON FRIDAY 8/22/08**

**NO PAYMENT FOR GUESTS IS NEEDED AT PRE-REGISTRATION**

**Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup> to Thursday August 28<sup>th</sup> (Thursday is last day)**

**Time:** 11am to 4pm

**Location:** Laminates Building next to the Box Office at front Gate

**Type 1 PASS for locals:**

**Type 2 PASS for locals:**

Unlimited pass, multi-day entrance

One-day pass, no in/out privileges.

in/out privileges starting August 25, 2008.

Additional days may be added for \$10.00

**Cost: \$25.00 Cost: \$10.00 +\$10.00 Per additional day**

**Guest Pass:**

- LOCALS MUST PRE-REGISTER GUEST NAMES BY FRIDAY 8/22/08
- GUESTS CANNOT BE ADDED AFTER THAT DATE

**TWO GUESTS PER LOCAL ARE ALLOWED DAY PASSES.**

Guest does not need to be there to sign up but must be present w/ Local at time of purchase.

Go to the Box Office to purchase the Guest Pass. Guest must show ID to purchase pass.

Guest ticket will be at "will call" under GUESTS full name, not the local's name.

**Cost of Guest Pass: \$40.00 each, per day**

No Charge for children under 12. No persons under the age of 18 admitted into this event without a parent or guardian over the age of 21. No dogs allowed. Pack it in, pack it out...Leave no Trace.



# Do you want to know something?

Where: Pyramid Lake, Nixon Nevada—Nixon Gym  
 When: August 8, 2008  
 Time: 9:00 am—4:00 pm  
 What: Presentations on Mental Health & Methamphetamine

Sponsored by the  
 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe  
 Sumunumu Program

## MENTAL HEALTH: Co-Occurring Disorders



## METHAMPHETAMINE



9:00 am—12:00 pm  
 Anthony J. Ernst, PH.D.  
 SAMHSA's Co-Occurring  
 Center Excellence (COCE)

1:00 pm—2:00 pm  
 Kevin Quint, Director  
 Join Together Northern Nevada

2:00 pm—3:30 pm  
 Amber Karnes, ITCN, Inc.  
 Statewide Native American Coalition  
 Native American Meth Project

Special Guest  
 Michelle C.  
 Sun Valley, Nevada

Tribal Information Booths: Sumunumu SAP, Social Services, Victim Services, Probation

## What is Co-Occurring Disorders?

Substance Abuse, Substance Dependence, and Substance-Induced Disorders

### INTRODUCTION

The term "co-occurring disorders" refers to co-occurring substance use (abuse or dependence) and mental disorders. Clients said to have co-occurring disorders (abbreviated as COD) have one or more mental disorders as well as one or more disorders relating to the use of alcohol and/or other drugs.

By the 1990's, substance abuse treatment programs typically reported that 50 to 75 percent of clients had co-occurring mental disorders, while clinicians in mental health settings reported that between 20 and 50 percent of their clients had a co-occurring substance use disorder.

### TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH SUBSTANCE-RELATED DISORDERS

#### Substance Abuse, Substance Dependence, and Substance-Induced Disorders

The standard use of these terms derives from the DSM-IV-TR, within which substance-related disorders are divided into substance use disorders and substance-induced disorders. Substance use disorders are further divided into substance abuse and substance dependence.

There are 11 categories of substance use disorders (e.g., disorders related to alcohol, cannabis, cocaine, opioids, nicotine) (see Table 1), which are separated by criteria into abuse and dependence. The term "Substance abuse" has come to be used informally to refer to both abuse and dependence. By and large, the terms "substance dependence" and "addiction" have come to mean the same thing, though debate exists about the interchangeable use of these terms. Finally, the system of care for substance-related disorders is usually referred to as the substance abuse treatment system.

Substance-induced disorders are important to consider in a discussion of COD. Although they actually represent the direct result of substance use, their presentation can be clinically identical to other mental disorders. Therefore, individuals with substance-induced disorders must be included in COD planning and service delivery.

**Substance Abuse**, as defined in the DSM-IV-TR, is a "maladaptive pattern of substance use manifested by recurrent and significant adverse consequences related to the repeated use of substances" (*American Psychiatric Association [APA], 2000, p. 198*). Individuals who abuse substance may experience harmful consequences

Table 1: Classes of Substance Use Disorders

- ◆ Alcohol
- ◆ Amphetamine or similarly acting sympathomimetics
- ◆ Caffeine
- ◆ Cannabis
- ◆ Cocaine
- ◆ Hallucinogens
- ◆ Inhalants
- ◆ Nicotine
- ◆ Opioids
- ◆ Phencyclidine (PCP) or similarly acting arylcyclohexylamines
- ◆ Sedatives, hypnotics, or anxiolytics

Source: APA, 2000, p.191

such as:

- Repeated failure to fulfill roles for which they are responsible
- Use in situations that are physically hazardous
- Legal difficulties
- Social and interpersonal problems

**Substance dependence** is "a cluster of cognitive, behavioral, and physiological symptoms indicating that the individual continues use of the substance despite significant substance-related problems" (APA, 2000,p.192). This maladaptive pattern of substance use includes all the features of abuse and additional such features as:

- Increased tolerance for the drug, resulting in the need for ever-greater amounts of the substance to achieve the intended effect
- An obsession with securing the drug and with its use
- Persistence in using the drug in the face of serious physical or psychological problems

**Substance-induced disorders** include substance intoxication, substance withdrawal, and groups of symptoms that are "in excess of those usually associated with the intoxication or withdrawal that is characteristic of the particular substance and are sufficiently severe to warrant independent clinical attention" (APA,2000,p.210). Substance-induced disorders **present** as a wide variety of symptoms that are characteristic of other mental disorders such as delirium, dementia, amnesia, psychosis, mood disturbance, anxiety, sleep disorders, and sexual dysfunction.

To meet diagnostic criteria, there must be evidence

of substance intoxication or withdrawal, maladaptive behavior, and a temporal relationship between the symptoms and the substance use must be established. Clients will seek care for substance-induced disorders, such as cocaine-induced psychosis, and COD systems must be able to address these conditions.

### TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL DISORDERS

The standard use of terms of non-substance-related mental disorders also drives from the DSM-IV-TR. These terms are used throughout the medical, social service, and behavioral health fields. The major relevant disorders for COD include schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders, mood disorders, anxiety disorders, and personality disorders (see Table 2). While several disorders listed in the DSM-IV-TR may (and frequently do) co-exist with COD, they are excluded from the definition of co-occurring disorders because other service sectors have traditionally been responsible for caring for persons with these disorders (e.g., developmentally disabled) or the qualities of the disorder are not typically responsive to behavioral health interventions (e.g., dementia). In these instances, the costs of providing care typically come from sources outside the behavioral health systems. For example, the elderly person with Alzheimer's dementia and alcohol abuse will typically have service authorized by medical care organizations, while the adolescent with developmental disability and cannabis abuse will have services financed through State disability monies.

Table 2: Major Relevant Categories of Mental Disorders for COD

- ◆ Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders
- ◆ Mood disorders
- ◆ Anxiety disorders
- ◆ Somatoform disorders
- ◆ Factitious disorders
- ◆ Dissociative disorders
- ◆ Sexual and gender identity disorders
- ◆ Eating disorders
- ◆ Sleep disorders
- ◆ Impulse-control disorders
- ◆ Adjustment disorders
- ◆ Personality disorders
- ◆ Disorders usually first diagnosed in infancy, childhood, or adolescence

Source: APA, 2000

**PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
June 6, 2008**

**Members Present:** Mervin Wright, Jr., Tribal Chairman  
Gordon Frazier Janet Davis  
Johnnie Garcia Jason Davis  
Genevieve John Judith Davis  
Sherry Ely Mendes  
Carla Eben, Vice Chairman  
Clayton Servilican

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Tribal Chairman Mervin Wright, Jr. called the June 6, 2008 regular meeting of the Pyramid Lake Tribal Council to order at 7 p.m. in the Tribal Chambers, Nixon, Nevada.

**OPENING PRAYER**

Councilmember Sherry Ely Mendes gave the opening prayer.

**ROLL CALL**

Gina Wadsworth, Tribal Secretary, took roll call. Vice Chairman Eben arrived at 7:05 p.m. and Councilmember Janet Davis arrived at 7:15 p.m. All other Councilmembers were present at roll call and a quorum was established for the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Wright stated the Election results of the special election held on May 31, 2008 can be added under New Business. The following requests can also be included under New Business: a request from Boy Scout Troop 1776, an emergency Senior Citizen Request; and a request from Lisa Thomas. He stated he requested a status report from the Police Department regarding the Smokeshop that can be discussed under the Chairman's report.

Councilmember Frazier made a motion to approve the meeting agenda with the changes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Servilican. Votes taken were 7 for, none opposed and 1 abstention. **Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Duane Dunn stated he has 13 complaints that are unanswered. The issues should be reviewed all the time. He said he can't get any backing from the West Side. He wants to know where the money is and who spent the money. The Association wants to attack him for trespassing, but they open up the range for somebody else. He talked further about the Cattleman's Association.

Dewey Sampson asked why nothing could get done for Duane. He doesn't hear anyone say anything. Why can't the Tribal Council act like an administrative body and do something about it. This is not right and it is not protecting Tribal rights. He said it is also mentioned in Constitution and By-Laws that each Tribal Councilmember must protect each and every Tribal member on this reservation.

Councilmember Jason Davis said he would like to get this issue resolved. He would possibly meet with the Environmental Department and the West Side. A letter will be sent to them for a meeting to discuss the issues associated with that party. Councilmember Servilican said this has been going on for a long time and nothing has been done.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Included on the Consent Agenda are the following items: approval of Tribal Council meeting minutes for April 18, 2008, May 2, 2008, May 9, 2008, and May 14, 2008; approval of invoices for Bob Pelcyger and Robert Maddox and Associates; approval of land assignment applications for Raymond Aleck, Toni Marietta, Pyramid Lake Housing Authority (Nixon and Wadsworth home sites); approval of four applications for regular enrollment membership and approval of a resolution for grant submittal to the Department of Justice Juvenile Accountability Discretionary Grant Program.

Councilmember Servilican made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jason Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 38-08** (Raymond Aleck)

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 39-08** (Toni Marietta)

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 40-08** (PLHA, Nixon)

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 41-08** (PLHA, Wadsworth)

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 42-08** (Enrollment)

**RESOLUTION NO. PL 43-08** (Department of Justice Grant Submittal)

Chairman Wright then read the names of the approved applications for regular membership: Eli Gabriel Chambless, Terrance Vidal Fellows, Donnalee Dove Malone, and Leanna Kay Smith.

**HUMAN RESOURCES** – Billie Jean Guerrero, Human Resources Manager, was present for the interviews for Contracts and Grants Administrator and Tribal Comptroller. The Contracts and Grants Administrator position was posted from April 9 to May 9. The panel is recommending three finalists: Frances Winn, Sandra Hicks and Genevieve John. Councilmember John excused herself from the meeting at this time.

Billie Jean stated the Tribal Comptroller position was posted from April 21 to May 21. The panel is recommending two finalists: Dorothy Clark and Robbin Scholl.

Councilmember Judith Davis made a motion to move into executive session. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Eben. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

In order to conduct the interviews, the Tribal Council moved into an executive session to at 7:22 p.m.

Councilmember Jason Davis made a motion to move out of the executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Janet Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

The Tribal Council then moved into an open session at 9:10 p.m.

Chairman Wright then stated that Sandra Hicks was selected as the Contracts and Grants Administrator and Robbin Scholl was selected as the Tribal Comptroller.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Tahoe-Baikal Request:** The Tahoe Baikal Institute is currently teaching a field course that explores the Truckee River from Lake Tahoe to Pyramid Lake. The course begins on June 15<sup>th</sup> and ends on July 21<sup>st</sup>. They would like to camp near Pyramid Lake on June 20<sup>th</sup> and they will be visiting the Visitors Center and Numana Fish Hatchery on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Michelle Fergus submitted a letter requesting a waiver of associated fees for this course. The class consists of 17 students and three instructors. Councilmember Judith Davis made a motion to approve the request for the Tahoe Baikal Institute. The motion was seconded by Gordon Frazier. Votes taken were 8 for, none opposed with 1 abstention, **motion carried.**

**Western Nevada College Pow-wow:** Lori Pasqua, Events Coordinator, sent a letter requesting a donation for a pow-wow being scheduled for August 2-3 in Minden, Nevada. The donation can be made for the pow-wow or for the scholarship fund. Councilmember Jason Davis made a motion to donate the group rate for the pow-wow. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Servilican. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

**Election Committee:** Lela Christensen was present on behalf of the Election Committee. Lela reported the special election was held on May 31, 2008 with 217 voters out of a total of 488 eligible voters. The results of the vote was 182 yes votes and 35 no votes. The question on the ballot was, "Should the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe approve and sign the Truckee River Operating Agreement (TROA), and implement TROA subject to the conditions stated in Public Law 101-618 and in TROA? Yes No." The Election Committee is requesting action on the results.

Councilmember Jason Davis made a motion to certify the May 31, 2008 special election results. The motion was second by Councilmember Janet Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

**Boy Scout Request:** Will Mayberry, Scoutmaster for Troop 1776, was present requesting permission to canoe the Truckee River from Wadsworth to Pyramid Lake. Section 5, Closed Waters, of the Tribe's boating regulations state, "the following waters of the Reservation are closed waters: the area of Pyramid Lake located within a 500 foot radius around the shoreline of Anaho Island, together with the waters of the Truckee River within the Reservation." He is requesting permission to canoe the Truckee River from the Main Street bridge in Wadsworth to the mouth of Pyramid Lake and permission to camp on the shore in June 2008. There would be approximately 20 boys plus 5-7 adults.

Councilmember Jason Davis asked if they carry their own insurance and Mr. Mayberry replied yes. Chairman Wright said there was a concern from the Search and Rescue and Emergency Response program and he asked the ages of the youth who will be participating and Mr. Mayberry replied it was ages 11 to adult. Chairman Wright then asked what the dates were. Mr. Mayberry said it would be on June 28 and 29.

Councilmember Janet Davis made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Frazier. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

Councilmember Judith Davis then made a motion to waive the fees associated with the request. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Eben. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

**Emergency Senior Request:** Alvin James submitted an Emergency Senior Request for the installation of a handicap ramp and handicap accessible bathroom. The quote is for \$3,212. The Secretary informed the Council that Social Services has been working with Alvin on funding from an agency called The Continuum. The funding available in the Emergency Senior Request is \$1,213.08. Councilmember Jason Davis made a motion to table until we receive clarification on the amount of funding he receives. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Judith Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried.**

**Lisa Thomas Request:** Vice Chairman Eben stated that Lisa Thomas and Francisco (last name not known) asked her about a vehicle that is in the State Yard. It is an old police vehicle and is on the list of liquidated assets. Chief Calvin submitted a letter relinquishing her interest in the vehicle. Chairman Wright said there were concerns about cleaning up the Tribe's yards. Councilmember Janet Davis asked if there was a

plan for liquidation of all of the vehicles. Vice Chairman Eben said the First Responders asked about clearing up the yard and asked for one of the vehicles. Councilmember Mendes suggested an auction or silent bid should be done. The Secretary informed the Council that before any of the vehicles could be sold or donated, the vehicles and /or equipment have to be declared excess property and that the funding agencies have to be notified in order to determine what needs to be done with those that have been purchased under grant funding.

Councilmember Mendes made a motion to have departments develop a list of vehicles that could be considered excess equipment by June 20. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Judith Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, ***motion carried.***

**TRIBAL CHAIRMAN REPORT** – Mervin Wright, Jr.: Chairman Wright asked Sgt. Henry to give an update on the Smokeshop incident. Sgt. Henry reported that the Smokeshop was broken in to about 4:30 a.m. today. The vehicle was a white Ford F150 that hooked up a chain to the front gate and one of the inside doors. They took cases of alcohol, cigarettes, beef jerky, and lighters. There are no leads as of yet. The video surveillance at the Smokeshop is not good. Councilmember Mendes asked if insurance would cover this and Vice Chairman Eben said the insurance company will call the Police Department to get a case number and a report.

Chairman Wright said he has one action item which is to adopt the resolution to modify the budget. This is a requirement based on the Office of Special Trustee's categorical denial of the application on the Docket funds. The Tribal budget was approved and submitted to the BIA. Fred Drye stated this had been done in the past, but the current Special Trustee doesn't believe the government services line item qualifies under the Docket funds. He said he worked with Sandra Hicks on the budget and revised the budget to make sure the line items qualify. They moved the money to Higher Education and reduced that funding from the General Fund by the same amount to make it balance. Because the Docket 87B fund was listed under Governmental Services, OST denied our request for a drawdown. In order to draw that money, the resolution is required to revise the budget.

Councilmember Janet Davis asked when the Council will be meeting with the Appropriations Committee and Chairman Wright said he would like to deal with this item first. Vice Chairman Eben said she would like to see some of the money be used for the child care program. Chairman Wright informed the Council that this was discussed with the Appropriations Committee this morning and Cheryl Ewing would be asked to develop a budget for the three months remaining in the grant cycle.

Councilmember Mendes made a motion that any time the Council receives a resolution requesting appropriation of funds or moving funds from one use to another, they would like justification for that move. The motion was second by Councilmember Janet Davis. Votes taken were all in favor, ***motion carried.***

Councilmember Judith Davis made a motion to approve the resolution for the Docket 87B funds. The motion was seconded by Councilmember John. Votes taken were all in favor, ***motion carried.*** **RESOLUTION NO. PL 44-08**

Chairman Wright stated he included a draft segregation of authority was included in the report. This was discussed in the past and some people and some Council members may not agree with it. Issues with the court and administration can operate through checks and balances. Councilmember Judith Davis asked if this is the same chart that was given to the directors and has it been approved by the Tribal Council. Chairman Wright replied that it is still a draft and the Council has not approved it and that he would like the Council to review the draft.

**Finance Operations:** Chairman Wright reported there was an Appropriations Committee this morning to get an update on the current operations. Accounts Payable is being caught up and the Accounts Payable Technician is scheduled to start on Monday. Councilmember Judith Davis asked for clarification on the Finance Accounting Supervisor position and will it be advertised. Chairman Wright said he would leave that decision to the new Comptroller. There was discussion regarding the contracts for Jennie Burns and Ralynn James.

Chairman Wright distributed a copy of Moss Adams management report for the 2005 audit. He is now the lead contact for the funding agencies and he reported to those agencies about what the Tribe is doing about the findings. He highlighted the financial condition of the Tribe at year end 2005. The 2006 audit is about ready to start and there were a lot of things going on in 2006 that the Council was unaware of. There was discussion regarding grants and reimbursement and how the Child Care program grant works.

Councilmember Mendes said there had been a plan for the Finance Department and there had been discussion or justification on why the positions were needed, but now they are stagnant. She believes the positions need to be advertised now and not leave it up to the newly hired Tribal Comptroller. There is a vision for the department. The accounting supervisor should be posted and it is needed. Councilmember John said there needs to be better control of the contracted employees and that they should be here during normal work hours. We have to make sure the contractual employees are actually contractual people and not employee-type positions. The contractual employees should not be coming when there is no one here to supervise them.

Councilmember Mendes made a motion to post the Accounting Supervisor position on

Monday. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Eben. Votes taken were all in favor, ***motion carried.***

Councilmember Judith Davis asked if Ralynn James was still working and Chairman Wright replied that she is still under contract, but it sounds as if the Council wants to end the contract. Councilmember Judith Davis then made a motion to terminate the contract with Ralynn James. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Eben. Votes taken were 8 for, 1 opposed, and no abstentions. ***Motion carried.***

Chairman Wright said the plan now, is to allow the newly hired Comptroller to focus on current Tribal operations and to bring in an audit team to clean up the past operations.

It was reported that the National Indian Gaming Commission filed a motion for dismissal on the litigation with Crosby. The draft Constitutional amendments have been reviewed by Fred Drye and his comments will be incorporated into the draft. A second mediation on High Desert Recreation has been scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Progress is being made and they are giving it two weeks and if they cannot reach an agreement then the litigation will proceed into the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court. Terry Bohl, Emergency Response, used the former Ranger facility as a command center during the Memorial Day holiday. Chuck Zeh is working with the insurance company to approve a roofer to determine what repairs need to be done.

Strategic planning had been discussed by the Tribal Council. Chairman Wright stated he included in his report the notes on the strategic planning meeting that was held in 2006. In his report he is asking a Council member to take the lead in coordinating the meeting.

Councilmember Servilican stated the Lake trash pick-up was put out for contract and the contractor uses the transfer station. He would like to know if the Tribe receives any revenue from that. Chairman Wright said this is an issue and if the ordinance doesn't address it, then maybe Clayton should do an amendment. Councilmember Servilican said it is included in the ordinance.

Councilmember Judith Davis asked about a meeting with the Appropriations Committee. Chairman Wright said a meeting could be scheduled and we would gather the information for the Council. The budgets would only reflect from January 1, 2008 to current and it would not include any other information from the past, such as from 2006 or 2007. Councilmember John said she would like to see a spreadsheet with all line items, year-to-date expenses and include total revenues to date. If there are any allocations that should go elsewhere, then she would recommend it be noted on the bottom that an amount is allocated and what program it is allocated for.

**VICE CHAIRMAN REPORT** – Carla Eben: Vice Chairman Eben stated she sent her report to the Tribal Council so they could mark up the beneficiary form if there were any suggestions. The first item she has listed in her report is liquidation of the vehicles in the State yard. This item was discussed previously. The second item is to approve or deny the beneficiary package. She stated legal counsel did not get back to her, so she will bring this back at another Council meeting.

Vice Chairman Eben stated is requesting approval to travel to Hannahsville, Michigan to attend the National Corporation for Learn and Serve Peer Clinic. She had been asked to attend and all expenses will be paid by them. This is the youth volunteer group she joined over a year ago. The conference will be held June 17-20, 2008. Councilmember John asked the status of the judicial issues and Vice Chairman Eben replied she would discuss this later in her report.

Councilmember Frazier made a motion to approve the Vice Chairman's travel to Hannahsville, Michigan. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jason Davis. Discussion: Councilmember Mendes asked about coverage and Vice Chairman Eben said supervision is delegated to Della John. Votes taken were 8 for and no opposed, with 1 abstention. ***Motion carried.***

Vice Chairman Eben stated she did not receive a lot of information for review regarding the judicial issues and has not really addressed it. Child care has taken a lot of time and she had received a memo that the Child Care program was out of money. This was discussed at the Appropriations Committee meeting and they were asked to develop a three month plan. Chairman Wright said during the budget preparation, the Appropriations Committee had asked the former manager to submit a budget for the program and it had never been submitted by the manager or Social Services director. He explained that the budget submitted by the former manager was to operate one center with a staff of four.

Councilmember Mendes suggested scheduling a meeting with the Appropriations Committee. The Tribal Council scheduled a meeting for June 30 at 6 p.m. The Tribal Council also rescheduled the regular July 4 meeting to July 2, 2008.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Jason Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Frazier. Votes taken were all in favor, ***motion carried.***

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Submitted by,

Gina Wadsworth  
Tribal Secretary

**PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBAL COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
June 18, 2008**

**Members Present:** Mervin Wright, Jr., Tribal Chairman  
Genevieve John Gordon Frazier  
Sherry Mendes Johnnie Garcia  
Clayton Servilican

**Members Absent:** Carla Eben, Vice Chairman Jason Davis  
Janet Davis Judith Davis

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mervin Wright, Jr, Tribal Chairman, called the June 18, 2008 special meeting of the Pyramid Lake Tribal Council to order at 6:07 p.m. in the Tribal Chambers, Nixon, Nevada.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken by Gina Wadsworth, Tribal Secretary. Councilmembers Janet Davis, Jason Davis, Judith Davis and Vice Chairman Eben, who was on travel, were not present at this meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Frazier made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember John. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried**.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Water Resources Department** – John Jackson: John Jackson, Water Resources Director, was here along with Don Springmeyer, Bob Pelcyger, and Ali Shahroody.

*Water Team:* Don Springmeyer stated there are a couple of items that need action. There were a series of meetings for the purpose of discussing possible settlements with four individuals. The negotiations were productive and resulted in an agreement within the authority granted to John Jackson and Don Springmeyer regarding challenges less than one acre.

Peggy Hughes – The original petition challenge against Ms. Hughes was on 1.4 acres, including claims for both forfeiture and abandonment. Ms. Hughes did not sell any of her challenged acreage to the AB 380 program. The agreement was that the Tribe would dismiss 0.833 acres of the challenge and she would agree to permanently retire 0.567 acres. This was in the authority granted to himself and John because it was less than one acre.

Louis Cote – The original challenge against Mr. Cote involved a total of 6.2 acres of water rights. He sold 2.3 acres of his water rights to the AB 380 program, leaving a total of 3.9 acres subject to the Tribe's challenge. There was also a 0.2 acre discrepancy between the Tribe's original mapping of the water-righted acreage versus what Mr. Cote claimed as water-righted acreage. This resulted in the subtraction of another 0.2 acres from the 3.9 acres remaining after his AB 380 match. It would be in the Tribe's best interest to dismiss its remaining challenge of the water rights, subject to the verification of irrigation under the tree canopied area. Don stated the recommendation is that the Tribal Council approves this agreement to dismiss the challenge to the 3.7 acres remaining in the petition cases for Mr. Cote's water rights.

Michael Peyeri – The original challenge against Mr. Peyeri was for a total of 2.9 acres. Of this, the aerial photos show approximately 2.31 acres are covered by a small portion of clearly irrigated field and a significant amount of tree canopy, making it virtually impossible to prove that Mr. Peyeri did not irrigate that acreage. The remainder of the challenge is 0.59 acres which appears to be Mr. Peyeri's house, driveway and a delivery ditch. They reached an agreement that the Tribe, subject to a verification site visit, would dismiss its challenge to 2.43 acres of Mr. Peyeri's water rights in return for his agreement to permanently retire 0.47 acres of rights. The recommendation is for approval of the proposal to dismiss the Tribe's challenge to 2.43 acres of Mr. Peyeri's water rights in return for his agreement to permanently retire 0.47 acres of rights.

Keith Gray – The Tribe's original challenge involved two parcels; Parcel 1 was 13.0 acres and Parcel 2 was 21.1 acres, for a total of 34.1 acres. Mr. Gray sold 2.7 acres to the AB 380 program, leaving a total of 31.4 acres challenged. They recommend the Tribe dismiss its challenge for 22.4 acres of rights in return for Mr. Gray's permanent retirement of 9 acres of rights. The recommendation is that the Tribe dismisses a total of 29.63 acres of challenged water rights, and in return, the water rights owners will permanently retire a total of 10.037 acres of water rights.

Councilmember John made a motion to accept the recommendation from Don Springmeyer and the Water Team regarding the challenged water rights. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Servilican. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried**.

*Draft Conceptual Outline:* Bob distributed a draft Conceptual Outline and stated the Team discussed this outline with Mary Conelly. Mary didn't commit to anything but was interested in the ideas and indicated she would speak with Senator Reid about the outline.

Bob said there are two main items that he sees and the first is the opportunity to sever the Truckee River from the Newlands Project so there would be no diversions to the

Newlands Project or much less diversions. Second, there is an average of about 80,000 AF of water, depending on the amount of water that is diverted from the Truckee River to the Newlands Project and is lost to Pyramid Lake. There is about 80,000 AF that is used in Reno and Sparks for urban development and about half of that water that is diverted to use in Reno and Sparks returns to the Truckee River where as very little of it returns to the Newlands Project, most of it goes to the Carson River.

The other major goal is eliminating discharges of sewage effluent to the Truckee River from the treatment plant. Bob said there are two vital items, first is maintaining the flow of fresh water from the Truckee River to Pyramid Lake and to maintain the viability of the quality of water that is in Pyramid Lake. This entails a lot of different things, but principally it means keeping the levels of salts in the Lake to the point where it supports the fish and food chain. Another major challenge is avoiding other pollutants, particularly pharmaceutical residues that end up in the Truckee River. The Tribe has recognized that the best thing is to eliminate the discharges of sewage effluent from the treatment plant.

Bob said they believe these items are realistic about achieving those goals. There are circumstances that provide an opportunity for the Tribe to start thinking about. First is the Truckee Canal breach in January 2008. TCID was unable to divert about 84,000 AF from the Truckee River to the Lahontan Reservoir as a result of the breach. This includes the water they would have diverted in January and February. They are saying they would have diverted 85,000 AF more from the Truckee River that they weren't able to divert because of the breach of the Truckee Canal and restrictions that were placed on the amount of water they could divert. The Bureau of Reclamation is saying the most they would be able to divert in the future is 700 AF and only if certain requirements are done. The breach of the Truckee Canal has created an enormous cloud of uncertainty over the Newlands Project. There was another breach in Fallon last week which is an indication of the disrepair and age of the Newlands Project.

The second circumstance is the criminal investigation against TCID. Stephanie Zehren-Thomas sent a press release regarding this investigation in March 2007. Federal agents had seized a large number of documents. At the same time, Department of Justice attorneys in the Recoupment case filed a document asking the judge to postpone an accounting of how much water TCID had been provided to satisfy the recoupment judgment of previous years. There were serious questions raised about the reliability of the information that the Bureau of Reclamation had been getting from TCID. There is an indication of very serious problems that may result in criminal charges being brought against TCID and/or individuals.

Councilmember Servilican asked why the Tribe can't use their water quality standards to do something about the water quality/effluent discharge. Bob replied that the Tribe has been certified as having the authority to adopt water quality standards, but they have not been adopted. The main reason why water quality standards are not being satisfied is because the water is being diverted. The Truckee Meadows Water Authority said there is an NPDES permit that governs the releases of water that is discharged into Steamboat Creek and the Truckee River. They are saying that the reason the water quality standards are sometimes not being met is because of the drought and also because of the diversions.

The Truckee Meadows interests are aware of the Tribe's authority to adopt their own water quality standards and it is a very powerful tool that the Tribe has. It would be in the Truckee Meadow's interest because it would help them solve their sewage treatment issue. The Tribe's authority and power to impose water quality standards is a big driving force and this is a circumstance that can create a political climate and can put the Tribe in a good position in negotiating a solution.

The fourth element is the recoupment litigation that is pending in the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals. This is a dark cloud over the Newlands Project. The Tribe and the United States had a judgment against TCID for about 200,000 AF of water that was illegally diverted. We are asking the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit for more than that and included in that is interest from 1973 forward. If the Tribe wins that case, it would be another cloud of uncertainty over the Newlands Project.

Bob stated the principal goals and purposes listed in the Draft outline he distributed are: to sever the Truckee Canal; convert the purposes of the Newlands Project to wetlands, municipal and industrial use for Fallon, Churchill, and Fernley; implement TROA without litigation or contested proceedings; resolve Tribe/Truckee Meadows Truckee River and Pyramid Lake water quality and sewage effluent issues; reestablish Mud Slough and Winnemucca wetlands; establish Tribal biofuels project with Truckee Meadows; resolve Tribe/Upper Carson groundwater/surface water conflict; provide for additional Tribal and acquisitions; provide for development of Tribal water related infrastructure; and acquire Upper Carson agricultural land and water rights for open space and to augment Upper Carson River instream flows to Lahontan Reservoir to make up for Truckee River diversions to Lahontan.

Councilmember Garcia said one thing the Tribe doesn't have is something to showcase the Lake. Bob said that was the idea of the economic development fund. The statute specifically states that the purpose of the money is to be used to enhance recreational opportunities and provide revenues for the Tribe and jobs for Tribal members. That money would be available for the Tribe's use in accordance with the economic development plan. Chairman Wright said we need to find ways to have some sort of economic promotion of some of these projects.

*Dodge Flat Appeal:* Don stated the Washoe County judge upheld the State Engineer's ruling that granted a change application for Vidler to get about 1,428 AF of groundwater in Dodge Flat. An appeal was filed in the Nevada Supreme Court. Part of the process in an appeal is you have to automatically go into Supreme Court mediation before you can proceed with the appeal. The mediation will take place in early July. Don stated he would like the Tribe's authorized position in the mediation. Several years ago Vidler had offered half of the water in exchange for the Tribe dropping their protest. He, Bob and Ali suggest that an opening position be half of the water and plus the fee land that Vidler owns on Dodge Flat which is approximately 1,800 acres. They would recommend making the first offer. It was the consensus of the Tribal Council to approve the recommendation.

*TCID Investigation:* Bob stated Stephanie Zehren-Thomas sent a memorandum regarding an ongoing investigation of TCID. She also included an old newspaper article about the same investigation. In the memorandum, Stephanie explains that in March 2007, the U.S. Department of Interior's Office of the Inspector General began an investigation of TCID's water delivery and accounting procedures. Federal investigators interviewed board members and employees of TCID and subpoenaed records that are maintained by TCID. A press release was issued by TCID about the investigation on March 22, 2007. A grand jury has been convened to consider this matter and determine whether criminal charges should be brought.

Bob stated the investigation has been going on for more than a year. The grand jury is in secret and it is impossible to get information. Research has been done and there are two potential ways to try to get information. One way is to write letter to the justice department attorneys who are handling the recoupment case and they are not involved in the criminal case. There is a provision under which the attorneys who are handling the criminal case could make available to other federal attorneys who are involved in other litigation, make available information that was developed in the criminal investigation and brought before the grand jury for use by other government attorneys in the related case. Fred Disheroon and Stephen Macfarlane are the attorneys they work with in the justice department.

The other way is to file a motion in the recoupment case asking the court to require TCID to turn over to the court and parties in the case, the documents that TCID turned over/seized by the government. The argument is that it is not protected by the grand jury proceedings and because they are relevant to the recoupment case. It was the consensus of the Tribal Council to approve sending the letter to Fred Disheroon and Stephen Macfarlane of the Department of Justice.

Bob said the last item he has is approval of his May statement. The Tribal Council will take action on the statement at Friday's meeting.

*Blackhawk Contract for a Seismic Survey in Astor Pass:* John presented a contract for Blackhawk to conduct a seismic survey at Astor Pass including equipment mobilization and demobilization. John said the BIA notified the Tribe that we received a grant for the geothermal project. The contract is in the amount of \$80,000. Councilmember John stated that dispute resolution should be a part of the contract and a justification should be submitted since this is sole source contractor. Councilmember Mendes made a motion to table the contract to Friday's Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried**.

The next meeting with the Water Team is scheduled for July 16, 2008 at 6 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Mendes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Servilican. Votes taken were all in favor, **motion carried**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Gina Wadsworth  
Tribal Secretary

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing minutes were adopted by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council, governing body of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, at a meeting duly held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2008, having 10 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 9 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

Minutes attested and concurred by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mervin Wright, Jr., Tribal Chairman  
Pyramid Lake Tribal Council

**Tribal Council Meetings**  
**1ST Friday of each Month at 7:00PM**  
**3RD Friday of each Month at 6:30PM**

**IN THE PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COURT IN AND  
FOR THE  
PYRAMID LAKE INDIAN RESERVATION  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

<b>FRED CROSBY</b>	)	Case No.
<b>PL.CV.CM.2007-0124</b>		
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	
	)	<b><u>SUMMONS</u></b>
<b>vs.</b>	)	
	)	
<b>UNKNOWN</b>	)	
<b>Defendant.</b>	)	

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Pyramid Lake Tribal Court  
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Issued on behalf of Fred Crosby



**Pyramid Lake Board & Committee  
Scheduled Meetings**

<b>Tax Commission</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Cattlemen's Assoc.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</b>
<b>School Board</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Personnel Committee</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday</b>
<b>PLF Board</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday</b>
<b>Law &amp; Order Committee</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Enrollment Committee</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Higher Education Cmte</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday</b>
<b>Land &amp; Resource Cmte</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Monday</b>
<b>PLHA Board</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday</b>
<b>Economic Dev. Committee</b>	<b>Last Tuesday</b>
<b>Inter-Disciplinary Team</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays</b>
<b>Tribal Council</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays</b>

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