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SOLAR POWER LIGHTS UP NIXON: Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and Black Rock Solar team up to install solar arrays

(Nixon, NV) – April 22nd, 2010

More solar power is appearing around Nixon, thanks to an ongoing partnership between the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and Black Rock Solar, a non-profit group that works to spread renewable energy.

In 2009, the first of two phases was built for the Pyramid Lake Tribal Health Clinic, and according to Director Cynthia Curley, the solar array has been working well and saving money on energy costs, which can instead be directed into patient care.

The second phase at the Health Clinic was finished earlier this spring. A third array is currently being installed at the Museum and Visitor Center, and several others are planned for the tribal offices and high school.

Once all of the projects are completed, there will be a total of 286 kilowatts of solar power in Nixon, which will save an estimated \$68,000 a year in energy costs, or more than \$1,700,000 over the 25-year life span of the systems. They are being paid for through rebates available from NV Energy. All of these projects will also make Nixon likely the town in America with the most watts of solar per resident!



More than just building solar, however, the projects are also a job training opportunity. Currently six tribal members are working on the installations going on right now. At the end of April, they'll attend a three-day professional training course, and then be eligible to take their Nevada State OSHA Photovoltaic (PV) Installers License examination. People with OSHA PV installers licenses can then go to work for private solar contractors, joining the fast growing "green collar" economy.

If they are successful in passing their OSHA PV installers license, these six apprentices would be following in the path of Wacan Waci Blindman. Last April he apprenticed on the project with Black Rock Solar at the Health Clinic, and went on to pass his OSHA licensing examination. He now works for Black Rock Solar full-time as an installer, and will have directly built more than 500 kilowatts of projects in his time there.

"Our hope is to do more than just build solar power,"



explained Black Rock Solar Executive Director Tom Price. "We want to also empower people to help save money through conservation, and learn valuable "green collar" job skills they can take into the marketplace, and earn a career in renewable energy."

As part of the community outreach with these projects, there will be educational events for students at Pyramid Lake Junior-Senior High School on May 20th. Students, teachers, parents, and interested community members will be able to help actually install some of the panels on the very large array there. If you are interested, stop by and let one of the crew know in advance.

When all the installations are completed, there will be a dedication event for the whole community that will include a free BBQ, workshops for homeowners who are interested in getting solar at their residences, and sign-ups for a range of energy and cost savings programs from NV Energy, almost all of which are available at no cost.

For more information about any of the projects, please contact John Mosley at the Environmental Office, or stop by the project going in over at the school.

PYRAMID LAKE GOES GLOBAL

A photograph of the Pyramid Lake was recently featured as the default background screen on Apple's iPad. The photo introduced the more than 300,000 people in the U.S. who bought the iPad on its release day to the Pyramid Lake on April 3. The new device has been widely distributed by May 3rd over 1,000,000 has been sold all around the world. The image itself was featured in many local and national newspaper and online articles which has generated a lot of interest about Pyramid Lake.

Apple selected the photo "Pyramid Lake (at Night)," taken in 2004 photo by Berkeley, Calif., photographer Richard Misrach. Mervin Wright, Tribal Chairman, said he didn't know the photograph was taken. "I had no idea it was even out there," he said. He said he's pleased Apple selected the photo for its iPad. "We appreciate them recognizing the lake, or at least the landscape here," he said, adding the Tribal Council hopes the photo's presence on the iPad will increase visitors.

The photographer also was surprised. Misrach didn't know his photo would be featured on the iPad until it was revealed Jan. 28 by Apple CEO Steve Jobs. "I was totally

shocked," Misrach told Goldstein. Misrach, whose work is featured in collections of over 50 major institutions, told Goldstein that Apple first contacted him a while back and asked to see about 10 images from his series but rejected them. In early January, he received an e-mail from Apple saying it had reconsidered and wanted to license the image.



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... FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

I wish everyone good tidings for 2010. I believe this is important because as we communicate with each other the information sharing should be positive and constructive.

In looking forward into the 2010 year much hope and anticipation is expected with the potential to see progress. To date the Tribal Finance Department is operating in accordance and in compliance with federal standards. The audits are caught up and the Indirect Cost rates are all up to date. Now that the operation is in place it is now a priority to maintain compliance and assure that the operation continues without repeating the mistakes and negligence that put the Tribe so far behind.

The Administration is maintaining a strong, steadfast, and positive approach to all tribal work and its responsibilities. As the economic development planning effort is well underway, the ability to use the funds as authorized by Public Law 101-618 is also required to be utilized in accordance with Federal requirements. These federal requirements were not clearly identified until 2007 when the Tribe began to request the interest portion. Some may think that the Tribe has ultimate authority to decide whatever it wants in how it intends to use the funds. It's not that easy.

Some people think I can go Washington

D.C. get the money and come back with it. The federal process to obtain the funds is understood as it is explained with every attempt to access the interest portion of the economic development funds. The principle portion is tied directly to TROA. This Administration has been the most active in requesting the interest. The BIA and OST are stating that the economic development plan must be complete and submitted to the BIA. There are still remaining two unanswered questions.

First is how the Tribe can obtain access to the interest portion and secondly, is whether the federal government will accept per capita distribution as economic development. The second question is important as the statute (PL 101-618) gives three broad categories that qualify in part as economic development. It has been argued that the principle and interest is tied together, while some of us are saying it is not. As congress approved the settlement, they are ultimately in control of the manner in which a tribe will use federal authorized funds.

No matter how much scrutiny is received from every direction on this matter, the Tribe remains focused on its overall goal and mission. It will not lose focus on the ability to recognize the priorities as outlined nor will stop pushing forward with the interests of the tribal membership.

The TROA remains in the federal district court and is currently under appeal. The court sent out over 7,700 notices to each water right holder in the Truckee River Basin as identified in the Orr Ditch Decree. Each water right holder now has the option to challenge the TROA or support the action. The action is to amend the Orr Ditch Decree incorporating the TROA.

Some of the projects and programs underway with the Tribe includes: solar panel installation, geothermal development, Wadsworth infrastructure, Wadsworth community center design and development; streambank restoration; and all of the work associated with the grant and contract work for tribal programs.

Whenever you here a conversation starting out with the words, "Do you know what I heard?" you know that it has to be a rumor. There are way too many important issues that are in front of the Tribe to stop and spend any time on chasing rumors. Instead of repeating what you hear, try something new; find out if it is true.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (775) 574-1000 x102. Thank you.

Mervin Wright, Jr., Tribal Chairman

Memorandum

To: Tribal Council Members
From: Mervin Wright, Jr., Tribal Chairman

CC: Tribal Finance (w/ Expense Form)
DD: Date: February 1, 2010

Re: Travel Report - Tempe, AZ.

The conference started with a Justice William C. Canby lecture by Kevin Gover, who is the Director of the National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institute. His lecture covered the projection of the American Indian by the mainstream society through governmental portrayal and the media which was entitled, "Will the white man's Indian ever die?" It also described the manner in which we as native people see ourselves through our own eyes by the portrayal through various media. Society categorizes and places the image Indian People into stereotypical and template images through advertisement, mascots, and movies.

The conference continued on Friday with a number of speakers including myself to discuss the NAGPRA law at 20 years. It was intended to present perspectives of working with the law since it was enacted by Congress in 1990 and from that time much repatriation have taken place, but so many more have not. This discussion identified a number of constraints and problem areas that still require attention by the authorities that can make the difference between having a successful repatriation versus collections remaining in possession of an institution.

The federal institution of NAGPRA is the overall system that Tribes have to work with and it is this system that presents the greatest

challenge. Tribes are faced with the greater societal challenge by Supreme Court decisions placing restrictions and certain bounds upon the exercise of sovereignty. This is relevant with the foundation of ownership and how the burden of proof is on Tribes, i.e. museums have a right to determine collection status while tribes only have a right to consultation. Secondly, oral tradition, cultural knowledge, and tribal laws are discounted; while at the same time tribes are forced to accept federal law and its enforcement.

Furthermore, when unaffiliated or unidentifiable collections are claimed to be of extreme value to the United States, no information is provided to justify how and why such collections are valued or having such importance to the United States. Tribes have existed on the North American continent for generations and generations as tradition tells our creation and origins, but unfortunately unfounded theories are developed are taking precedent by the federal legal and federal regulatory authority. Man-made written laws are considered absolute and the natural laws of creation and tradition are not considered to the extent that tribes receive deserved acknowledgement.

There is a concept; the Reasonable Basis Standard that is used in the activities associated implementing the provisions of the law and regulations. The standard states, "whether the

totality of the circumstance makes a determination of cultural affiliation reasonable; based on credible information." The credible information is based on the federal determination of the credibility which means by their terms. One of the primary elements of NAGPRA is jurisdiction and who must comply. Jurisdiction will be based on property law, which involves sovereign status. "A claim of sovereignty does not equate with a claim of ownership - it is a claim of political jurisdiction; it is not an assertion of land title" (Uneven Ground, Wilkins and Lomawaima). If asserting jurisdiction over ancestral remains and collections of native dead cannot happen, then how can a tribe assert of jurisdiction over those who are alive.

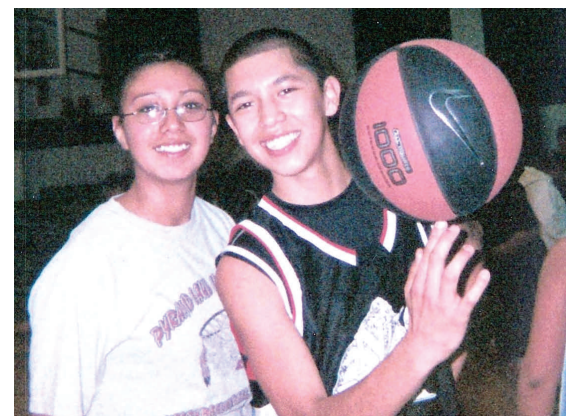
There is much work ahead of Tribes in working with limited authority through a myriad of regulations and procedure. Tribal support for the claims and requests to museums, agencies, and institutions will be critical to begin the realization of successful implementation of the provisions of NAGPRA. Tribal support will be best applied from a tribal government basis due to the government to government relation with the federal government; making a governmental assertion to the NAGPRA claims.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.
/mw cc: file

2010 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Felicia Johnson of Reno and Patrick Cye John of Wadsworth were awarded college scholarships from the Denise Phoenix Family during the 11th Annual Shasta, Justin and Denise Phoenix Memorial Basketball Tournament held March 12-14, 2010 in the Nixon Gym. As third graders, Felicia and Patrick played on a youth basketball team with Justin and Shasta, who were even younger,

Denise Phoenix coached their team. Felicia and Patrick had goals to play middle school ball and then high school basketball. They both achieved their goals. Congratulations! Thank you to the Phoenix Family of Sutcliffe, for believing in the youth and providing them with positive activities to encourage their talents.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

HR Staff: Billie Jean Guerrero, HR Manager, ext. 120; Cloria "CJ" Barnes, HR Assistant, ext. 119;

Angelique Helton Inv. Asst, 574-1047 ext.11

Do you need a job?

The Human Resources office is currently recruiting for the following:

Teachers; Science, Math, Physical Education, Social Studies Closes: 05/20/10

Youth Workers; Ages 16 – 21 yrs old Closes: 05/28/10

TO APPLY: Applications may be obtained from the Human Resources Office at the Tribal Administrative Building in Nixon, Nevada; by writing to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe at P.O. Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424; or by calling the Human Resources Office at (775) 574-1000/1001, extension #119/120.

Job announcements are posted locally at the following places: The Pyramid Lake Tribal Administration Building, the post offices in Nixon and Wadsworth, Pyramid Lake housing Authority, Tribal Health Clinic, I-80 Smoke shop, Nixon Store and the Fisheries.

We would like to congratulate all of the

newly hired employees and wish them luck in their new positions.

Dennis Cox, Criminal Justice Liaison
Marie Frazier, Contract Health Services Clerk
Kodie Light, Secretary III
Angelica Barket, Victim Services Coordinator
Courtney Woo, Child Care Provider
Anna Romero, Child Care Provider
Bernadette Smith, Child Care Provider/Supv.
Shaunee George, Child Care Provider
Joanne Shaw, Enrollment Officer
Arena Tapija, Secretary II
Janine Winnemucca, Env. Technician
Daniel Kaye, Roads Maintenance Worker
Georgina Wadsworth, Tax Office Manager
Dana Thomas, JOM Teacher Aide
Nancy Vucinich, Env. Technician
Laura Christensen, Medical Practitioner
Rita Romo, Licensed Practical Nurse
Wilma Tobey, Health Benefits Representative
Donald Pelt, Emergency Response Coord.

Again Congratulations to all!!!!

Birthdays:

We would also like to take a moment and wish everyone who will be celebrating a birthday this month a very Happy Birthday!



May

Mervin Wright, Jr.
Kim Adamson
Brenda Burns
Cindy Curley
Amanda Davis
A. Ray Eccles
Charmayne George
Donald Kroshus
Judith Lowery
Irwin Mix
Eugene Paul

June

Debbie Barlese
Ben Bordeaux
Angela Dunn
Pasty Esposito
Marvin Frietas
Karen Ingraham
Gary Parks
Jacqueline Phoenix
Steven Wadsworth
Kathleen Wright

TRIBAL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION PROGRAM



There have been questions from community members about the required background investigations for Tribal workers. An overview is provided to explain what it is, why we have it, and why it matters. It is easy to

understand why some people may be reluctant to take part in a process that they feel is invasive to their privacy; however we must try and understand that the purpose of the background investigation program is to protect the Tribe, it's mission and the community as a whole.

The Background Investigation Program implements federal statutes relating to background investigations and employment suitability. The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe requires high standards of integrity and trust so that the interest of the Tribal member is promoted. The Background Investigation Program has been established to reduce the potential for abuse of the public trust, to ensure uniformity and fairness for all individuals that are required to have a background investigation, and to determine suitability for employment. The requirements of this program are applicable to applicants for employment, appointees, individuals already employed, consultants, contractors, and volunteers.

Federal statutes require that minimum standards of character be imposed to ensure that individuals having regular contact or control over Indian children have not been convicted of certain types of crimes or acted in a manner that placed others at risk or raised questions about their trustworthiness.

25 CFR § 63.12 What are minimum standards of character? Minimum standards of character are established by an employer and refer to identifiable character traits and past conduct. An employer may use character traits and past conduct to determine whether an applicant, volunteer, or employee can effectively perform the duties of a particular position without risk of harm to others. Minimum standards of character ensure that no applicant, volunteer, or employee will be placed in a position with regular contact with or control over Indian children if he/she has been found guilty of or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to any offense under Federal, state, or tribal law involving crimes of violence, sexual assault, sexual molestation, sexual exploitation, sexual contact or prostitution, or crimes against persons.

25 CFR § 63.17 How does an employer

determine suitability for employment and efficiency of service?

- Adjudication* is the process employers use to determine suitability for employment and efficiency of service. The adjudication process protects the interests of the employer and the rights of applicants and employees. Adjudication requires uniform evaluation to ensure fair and consistent judgment.
- The adjudicating official must review the background investigation to determine the character, reputation, and trustworthiness of the individual.
- Relevancy is a key objective in evaluating investigative data. The adjudicating official must consider prior conduct in light of:
 - The nature and seriousness of the conduct in question;
 - The recency and circumstances surrounding the conduct in question;
 - The age of the individual at the time of the incident;
 - Societal conditions that may have contributed to the nature of the conduct;
 - The probability that the individual will continue the type of behavior in question; and,
 - The individual's commitment to rehabilitation and a change in the behavior in question.

25 CFR § 63.21 Are there other factors that may disqualify an applicant, volunteer or employee from placement in a position?

- An applicant, volunteer, or employee may be disqualified from consideration or continuing employment if it is found that:
 - The individual's misconduct or negligence interfered with or affected a current or prior employer's performance of duties and responsibilities.
 - The individual's criminal or dishonest conduct affected the individual's performance or the performance of others.
 - The individual made an intentional false statement, deception or fraud on an examination or in obtaining employment.
 - The individual has refused to furnish testimony or cooperate with an investigation.
 - The individual's alcohol or substance abuse is of a nature and duration that suggests the individual could not perform the duties of the position or would directly threaten the property or safety of others.
 - The individual has illegally used narcotics,

drugs, or other controlled substances without evidence of substantial rehabilitation.

- The individual knowingly and willfully engaged in an act or activities designed to disrupt government programs.

Any position with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is considered a position of "public trust", therefore; all employees are subject to a background investigation. Certain employment activities, by their nature, can be adversely affected by the action or inaction of employees associated with the activity in any responsible capacity. Such activities include but are not limited to, contact with or control over Indian children, public safety and health, collection of revenue, finance, authority to commit Tribal funds through loans, purchased orders, or contracts.

All public trust positions must have, at a minimum, a basic background investigation. The Basic Background Investigation is required for low risk public trust positions with no regular contact or control over Indian children. Coverage includes inquiries and verification regarding the individuals employers for the last five years, three personal references, highest educational degree verified, residences for the last five years verified, local law enforcement checks, a state repository check, and if necessary, an interview with the Background Investigator. The other types of investigations include: Child Care, Moderate Risk, Law Enforcement, and High Risk. The investigations become more complex according to the designated risk level.

The Tribe employs an Investigation Assistant who is the Background Investigator. Initially, the Child Care and Law Enforcement positions were the priority for background completion then high risk down to low risk positions. When you realize the amount of information that needs to be verified for each type of position you can understand why it takes a significant amount of time to complete backgrounds. We rely on the cooperation of the applicants or employees to accomplish compliance with policies, contracts, and federal laws. When the Tribe meets full compliance, we can then concentrate on backgrounds for new employees and 5-year certifications.

If you have any questions, please contact the Human Resources department. We will gladly respond to your concerns in relation to federal statutes or policies and procedures. Be mindful that we are obligated to protect individual privacy and cannot discuss specific case files.

PUD PAYMENTS & INVOICES

The department has received numerous calls about PUD billing. Billing is done quarterly (once every 3 months), and will take place Jan 1st, April 1st, July 1st, and October 1st. Many community members have contacted the department and are confused about the billing.

Every tribal home connected to the community water and sewer systems are charged a monthly fee. The monthly fee is not to use the water and sewer, but to pay for the costs of maintaining the system. The PUD Program is not funded through grants like other programs in the Environmental Department; it is funded by the Tribe. The cost of maintaining, repairing, and treating the system is quite expensive. Some of the costs include: paying the electrical bills for the pump houses and well pumps, replacement parts, broken water line repairs, and chemical treatment to make the water safe to drink. These are not cheap, and the department must implement the fee to ensure the water is pumped into the homes and is safe for drinking. Those tribal homes that are not connected to the community system are not charged the monthly fee. I'm sure any of these people can share stories of how expensive it is to treat the water and pump septic tanks.



(Chemical injectors treating the water at Sutcliffe)



(Chemical injectors treating the water in Wadsworth)

In 2009, the Tribe paid about \$40,000 to cover the power bill for the lift stations and pump houses on the reservation. Lift stations pull sewage from tribal homes and pump it into the lagoon ponds. Pump houses pull water from the aquifer and push it through the community system where it reaches tribal homes. These are necessary expenses in order to protect the community, but they cause a burden on other programs because we are not receiving payments from customers.

Community members have also raised concerns about being charged for garbage when they use the transfer sites to dump garbage. Unless a homeowner uses an outside company for curbside service, every homeowner is charged the \$8.50 fee for garbage. This fee is charged whether a homeowner uses the transfer sites or participates in the curbside service. The Solid Waste Program also does not receive grant

funding, and is also funded by the Tribe. The cost to empty the transfer site dumpsters at the local landfills is very expensive, and the Tribe has to charge these fees to keep the service going.



(Conducting repair work and unclogging the Wadsworth sewer lift station.)

The Tribe paid over \$12,000 in 2009 to cover the expense of hauling garbage from the transfer sites to the regional landfills. This is also another huge expense that burdens other tribal programs because people haven't paid. We have received numerous complaints having to pay for garbage services, and have threatened to illegally dump garbage out in the desert. This is a violation of the ordinances and anyone caught doing so will be subject to penalties and fines. The chemicals from trash left in the desert will seep into the ground water, which will eventually end up in the community water system.

We are asking all community members to do their part in helping the Environmental Department to keep the reservation land and water clean. Without charging these fees, we would not have the chemicals to treat the water, we would not be able to repair broken water lines, the sewer would back up, the dumps would overflow, garbage would be spread across the reservation, and the Tribe would have to pay for all of it. Thank you to all the homeowners who are continually making their monthly payments. Thank you for helping us keep the reservation clean for our future generations!

ACCOUNTING CLARIFICATION

Account Credit - We have received numerous calls from customers regarding credits on their accounts. We would like to clarify that anytime an account balance is in parenthesis, it means you have a credit on that account. An example would be: **New Account Balance (\$185.93)**. A credit simply means that there was an overpayment or a reversal of a charge that left the account with extra funds. Ultimately no payments are owed until the credit amount runs out.

Account Statement - An account statement is simply a printed record of recent transactions and the ending balance after those transactions are posted. The PINK documents that were recently sent out are basically a PUD account history for the last three months and

ending balance of 2009.

Invoice - A bill issued to a customer for goods or services received. PUD bills are issued quarterly for water and garbage services and are usually on GREEN paper. 1st Quarter (JAN, FEB, MAR), 2nd Quarter (APR, MAY, JUN), 3rd Quarter (JUL, AUG, SEPT), 4th Quarter (OCT, NOV, DEC)

Credit Memo - A credit memo is usually a statement indicating a reversal of charges due to a billing error, account cancellation, or customer complaint.

MONTHLY UTILITY RATES

Residential Customer

Water (Wadsworth & Nixon)	\$10.00
Sutcliffe Water	\$ 5.00
Curbside Service	\$ 8.50
Transfer Site Use	\$ 8.50

Commercial Customer

Water (if not metered)	\$35.50
Curbside Service	\$15.00
Transfer Site Use	\$15.00

PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE—PUBLIC UTILITIES DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE Water Rate Increase



Due to the high cost of maintaining our tribal water and sewer system, the Public Utilities District has increased the water rate for Wadsworth and Nixon from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per month. The rate increase will go into effect January 1, 2010, and will NOT affect Sutcliffe residents.

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PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

We are working closely with the Finance Department and Pyramid Lake Housing Authority to identify current and past homeownership on the reservation. We are also auditing all PUD accounts to identify homeowners that have never



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paid for their water and garbage services. We have billing and payment history going back prior to June of 2003 when the Solid Waste and Water & Sewer Ordinances were passed. We will begin compiling lists and notifying those who have never paid their PUD bills.

If you have a past due balance with PUD and are willing to make payments, please contact our office at (775) 574-0101 Ext. 13. We have payment arrangement options available. Also, if you are over 60 years of age, receiving disability benefits, are currently using another company for your curbside service, own a home that no one occupies, or if you received a PUD bill and you have never been a homeowner, please contact our office as soon as possible. We will adjust your account, and you may not owe as much!

We also encourage all employees of the Tribe to establish an automatic payroll deduction to cover your PUD costs. Large amounts seem impossible to pay off, but if you divide the amount equally over a number of paydays the amount is smaller. If you deduct \$50 from each payday, your balance will eventually be paid off.

We also encourage anyone with an outstanding balance to make small payments once a month to bring the balance down. Any balance that can be broken up into equal payments will be smaller and less of a financial burden.

We are willing to work with anyone who is willing to assume responsibility for their PUD bill. Please contact our office if you would like to establish a payment arrangement. We are tracking those homeowners who have established payment arrangements but have not fulfilled their commitment to pay. They will be receiving letters soon to correct the situation.

DATA MANAGEMENT UPDATE

I've been here for almost a year now, starting Jan. 20, 2009, and wanted to bring you up to date with some of my job duties/responsibilities, for those that wonder what it is exactly that I do. First and foremost, my main function is the Database Specialist. This involves working with the Water Quality Program in the Environmental Department. My main objective here has been submitting WQ results to WQX-STORET Data Storage at EPA. My involvement basically begins after lab results and analysis of data are final and ready for submitting. The samples are collected on surface water in the Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake. These are taken from various WQ Monitoring Sites, Physical Habitat & Bioassessment Sites and Non-Point Source Sites, as well as the Wetlands Program, on the Reservation. There are 11 characteristics (or Constituents) that are reported from each location, 10 months out of the year.

These sample results are then formatted into a compatible form and entered into an excel template that is furnished by the EPA specifically designed for submitting water samples. After populating the template with a number of these sites and results, a QA process is run on the whole data file. It is now ready for export, this option is written into the code of the template to create xml files that are the standard acceptable format at the Central Data Exchange. Three separate files are created from the exports, one each for Projects, Monitoring Locations and Data Results. The submitting protocol is performed via an internet connection to the EPA-WQX STORET Warehouse. This is where you find out if all your hard work pays off and if any errors exist in your data, if none is found, your results pass through to storage. So, as you may have imagined by now,



this is a lengthy process to get to this point.

To date, I have submitted WQ Data Results for years 2006 to 2008, as well as some data for 2009. These '09 results have been submitted as 'Preliminary', these will be replaced with more recent actual data as we continue to compile this year's collection results.

From these same WQ files, I've imported the data into ArcGIS and mapped their respective locations and attributed the data. So, that data is now recorded in multiple locations, the template file, files in GIS format for visual reference, and the submitted data to the EPA storage.

Since I've been here in the Environmental Dept., with the progress we've made in getting our WQ data formatted and submitted, and with the success of the work that I've submitted to the STORET Warehouse, I have been selected to be an EPA-Tribal Point of Contact. This will involve training and assisting other Tribal WQ personnel in getting their data formatted to EPA standards in meeting their 106 Reporting Requirements. Details are still in the preliminary stage, but this sounds like it could be fun and exciting, getting to work with other WQ Tribal personnel in Region 9. We can all learn something from each other.

I also have a substantial working background in Cadd & GIS. So, in coming here, other opportunities have opened up for me in assisting, not only in the Environmental Dept., but other departments within the Tribe, as well. In this respect, I am working on a Street-Parcel map for the 3 communities on the Rez. This has developed into a much broader picture than I had first envisioned. We are now incorporating the Water/Sewer Utilities and the Solid Waste routes, along with Gas and Power (Overhead & Underground) into this project. With the support of the PL Housing Authority, they have given us access to their as-built drawing sets for each phase that has been constructed in the 3 communities. These plans sent out to be digitally scanned to raster images and imported into my drawing and geographically registered for digitizing. The end goal is to have all of this in a GIS Geodatabase, with full attribution for all entities. This is a very long and tedious process, but the end result will be of benefit for everyone here at PL.

For those who are more curious, stop by the office and we can pop open the software and take a look at some of the work that I've described here. After actually looking at the graphics, all of this may make some sort of crazy sense to you. And as time goes on and more opportunities come up within the Tribe, there may be other projects that I can be of some assistance with. *Richard Frazier - Environmental Database Specialist - (775) 574-0101 Ext. 10.*

PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECT WORK ON THE PYRAMID LAKE RESERVATION

For work occurring near lakes, rivers, or wetlands; or for construction sites of one acre or more.

Last month I gave a summary of the Tribal Water Quality Standards, and how they help to protect water quality and designated uses for waters on the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation (PLIR). As a follow up to the Water Quality Standards discussion, this article will give an overview of what permits are required when conducting project work near lakes, rivers, or wetlands within reservation boundaries.

Because the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (PLPT) is a federally recognized Tribe and exercises inherent sovereign authority over Tribal lands, the State of Nevada does not maintain regulatory or permitting authority on reservation lands. However, the federal government treats recognized Tribes in the same way as it does



States and Territories. This means that the federal government maintains regulatory and permitting authority on Tribal lands for certain types of activity.

One example of this authority is a section 404 permit, which is required for work occurring near water bodies that may result in a discharge of dredged or fill material to those waters. Fill material is defined to include almost anything from rocks and sand, trees or wood, concrete, and most other man-made materials. Any project that may result in a discharge of dredge or fill material is required to obtain the section 404 permit from the Army Corps of Engineers. Another example is the EPA Stormwater Construction General Permit (SCGP), a type of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. This SCGP requirement applies to any construction project that will disturb one acre or more of land, regardless of whether the project is near a water body or not. The idea with this permit is to recommend a series of Best Management Practices (BMP's) that will help to control erosion and runoff in the event of storm water, protecting water bodies down slope of the project area from receiving excess sediment or other pollutants that may be present in construction runoff water.

One other important point to keep in mind is that **any** federal permits that may be issued for project work on reservation land, including the 404 and the SCGP permits, also will require approval from the PLPT **before** those project permits can legally be issued. Federal permit applications are reviewed by the PLPT Environmental Department to ensure project work will not have negative impacts on water quality, and potentially violate our existing Water Quality Standards. If it is determined that a project will not have negative impacts, approval for the federal permit from PLPT comes in the form of a 401 Water Quality Certification. PLPT also has the right to deny a project or to certify it with certain conditions.

In summary, if any project work is planned within reservation boundaries and will occur a) near a water body, or b) will disturb one acre or more, it is likely that a federal permit will be required for the activity. Before the federal permit can be granted, a 401 Water Quality Certification is required from the PLPT Environmental Department.

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Environmental Department is here to assist with any project permitting questions that may arise. For more information please feel free to contact: *Chris Katopothis - Water Quality Standards Specialist - (775) 574-0101 Ext. 24*

ATTENTION WOOD CUTTERS!!

I know wood is an important source of heat for Tribal Members who cannot afford to pay the high costs of propane or gas to heat their homes. In truth, it is better for the environment to burn wood instead of gas because it is a renewable source of energy. My concern is for the long term sustainability of our Cottonwood forests. We must all do everything we can to protect our forests **by not cutting down the "green" or the living trees.** In the Winter, it can be difficult to know if a tree is dead or not, so here are some suggestions for alternatives:

- 1) Fallen Trees. There is no easier way to tell if a tree is dead or not, than if it is fallen down and disconnected from its root system.
- 2) Tamaracks. Tamaracks, or Tamarisk, or Salt Cedar is an invasive species. Please take as many and as much as you can possibly take of this tree to get it out of our riparian areas and help to restore the Cottonwood forests that belong here! Good locations to harvest are around the Lake, in the Delta, and along

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the Truckee River (Dead Ox is a solid place to find Tamaracks).

3) Juniper or Cedar Trees.

These trees almost always occur in the mountains of foothills of the Pah Rah and Virginia Range. Juniper or Utah Juniper can be an invasive species over a series of decades which will outcompete with the Sagebrush and grasses causing a degradation to the soils and massive erosion. Juniper trees also will burn hotter and more efficiently than Cottonwood, making it a better product to heat your home.



Please keep the Cottonwood forests in mind as you cut wood, and ALWAYS file a permit with Della John – Tribal Administrator before going out to cut. The best time to cut is in the Late Spring or Early Summer, so make sure to get a head start on the season. Even the dead trees serve a purpose and provide habitat for bats and cavity nesting birds.

Thanks, John Mosley – Environmental Director
(775) 574-0101x13

TRUCKEE RIVER WOODLANDS RESTORATION

Submitted by Janine Winnemucca

Project Summary:

To assist in the restoration and promotion of healthy productive native woodlands through the planting and recruitment of native trees within the three project sites on the lower Truckee River (Harry 2010).

Within the month of March Environmental Tech., Janine Winnemucca, scouted, cut, collected and planted 850 cottonwood and coyote willow. There are a variety of methods of planting woody plant species. Factoring resources available, the trenches or holes were dug, the cuttings were planted immediately into the selected site. Another method will be seed collecting, drying and planting next month. Identifying and planting equal male and female species is most important to avoid mono-culturing. Fall planting will consist of serviceberry, chokecherry, buffaloberry, and black willow.



MOVING FORWARD: The November Update for the Economic Development Plan

There are three issues that I would like to address for this month's MOVING FORWARD article.

The first issue is the status of Tribal Council Resolution PL-76-09. On July 17th the Tribal Council passed this resolution which urges the Interior Solicitors Office to issue a legal determination on whether or not 100% per-capita distribution is an allowed "Tribal Economic Development" use under the conditions set forth in PL-101-618. At the October 20th Tribal Council Workshop Officials from the BIA provided the Tribal Council and Staff an update on the status of PL-76-09. In their presentation it stated that the Western Nevada Agency has forwarded the request on to the Regional BIA Office in Phoenix. At this point legal staff within the agency is working on a pre-decision letter concerning the per-capita issue before forwarding the request on to the Central BIA Office in Washington DC. According to the BI requested legal determination on the per-capita issue is a major request for the agency to make and that it will require signing off by the Interior Secretary. It was indicated that an approval by the Interior Secretary could take several years because of the lengthy legal reviews that are required by the agency. The lengthy legal reviews are required because a legal determination of this magnitude could be a precedent setter for all Indian water rights law across the country.

The second issue is the status of the requested Federal Comments on the Draft 2008 Economic Development Plan. At the October 20th Tribal Council Workshop the BIA provided the Tribe with comments concerning the Draft 2008 Economic Development Plan. During their presentation, it was stated that the plan is incomplete, it is only a draft and that it is a starting point for the Tribe to work off for the current planning process. According to the BIA, the plan does not meet the requirements of an Economic Development Plan under PL-101-618 rather it is a per-capita distribution plan. Furthermore it was stated that the plan does not identify any long term profit making or employment opportunities and it does not lay out strategies for creating jobs and growth on the reservation which is required by PL-101-618. Finally, it was stated that, similar to the past 6 plans that

have been sent off to the Federal Government for review in the past the, 2008 Draft Plan is incomplete and will not pass for an Economic Development Plan as required in PL-101-618.

The third issue concerns the requirements for completing the Economic Development Plan and withdrawing funds from the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund from PL-101-618. As the Tribal Members may be aware there are two requirements in the law for the Tribe to be able to access any of the funds from the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund. These requirements are; that an Economic Development Plan has to be adopted by the Tribe and submitted to the Federal Government, and that the Truckee River Operating Agreement (TROA) must be implemented and out of litigation. As for the first requirement, the Tribal Council and Staff have been working hard on completing an Economic Development Plan and will have the first half (strategic plan) of the plan in the first draft stage by the end of the year. From there the Tribal Council and Staff can work throughout 2010 on the policy matters concerning the uses of the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund. As for the TROA requirement, unless the pending litigation is settled very quickly, even with an adopted Economic Development Plan the Tribe will not be able to access any of the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund. That is why it is important for the Tribe to pursue Congressional action to be able to access the Pyramid Lake Economic Development Fund before TROA is implemented.

Staff has instituted an open door policy throughout the planning process of the Economic Development Plan and would appreciate any input from Tribal Members. If any Tribal Members have any questions or would like additional information about the Economic Development Plan please feel free to contact me or stop by my office which is located next door to the Enrollment Office in the Tribal Administration Building in Nixon.

Thank You,
Scott H. Carey, Tribal Planner
775-574-1000 scarey@plpt.nsn.us

REALTY DEPARTMENT

Mission Statement:

- To assist the tribe in preserving its right to protect and control the cultural and political integrity of tribal reservation homelands.
- To assert the sovereign regulatory authority of the tribe and to establish government-to-government relationships with state and federal agencies concerning co-management of land and property resources.
- To protect newly acquired lands in a manner that demonstrates the best interests of the tribe and its members.
- Strive to be more effective and efficient in protecting the assets of the tribe to include all real property owned by the tribe on and off the reservation while maximizing the revenue stream and creating economic development for our tribal members and future generations.

The Realty Department continues to be actively involved in various land issues to include Leases, Right of Way Agreements, Lease Compliance and Trespass. We also manage the Tribe's rental properties, the Big Bend RV Park and the Sutcliffe Mobile Home Park. Although there are currently no rental properties available we do accept applications on an ongoing basis.

The Big Bend Ranch is available for special occasions such as birthday parties, graduation parties, weddings, rummage sales, etc. You can reserve your date by calling the Realty Department and completing an application form. There is a \$100.00 refundable deposit required.

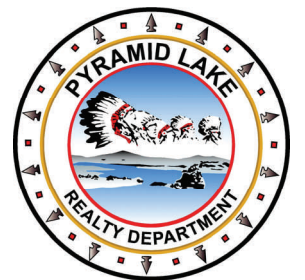
We will be providing "FREE" tent camping for the upcoming 2nd Annual Sacred Vision Pow wow. If you have family members travelling from out of town please recommend the Big Bend RV Park & Campground. RV spaces will be \$25.00 per night and that includes, water, electricity, sewer, cable TV and WiFi Internet.

The Realty Department consists of the following personnel:

Gina M. Sander, Property Manager
Jonathan Begay, Maintenance Supervisor

Kodie Light, Realty Assistant
John Ross, Maintenance Worker II

Please call with any questions 775-575-2185.



Tribal Court Active Warrant List
as of May 13, 2010

NAME	POLICE NUMBER	DATE ISSUED	REASON WARRANT ISSUED
BARLESE, DUSTIN	PL08-000110	12/29/09	FTA for Court
BELLE, BYRON	PL08-000038	04/28/09	Probation Violation
BRENNAN, HERBERT R.	PL 7116	05/28/09	FTA or pay Citation
BROWN, PHELON	PL05-000038	12/29/09	Probation Violation
CORTEZ, LEVI LUCAS	None	09/09/09	FTA for Court
DAVIS, LEROY	None	05/12/10	Probation Violation
HANCOCK, JOANNA	PL07-000259	03/10/09	FTA for Court
HENRY JR., FRANK	PL06-00014	11/24/09	Probation Violation
JOHNSON, BRYAN P.	PL07-000241	01/13/10	FTA for Court
KELLY, RAYFIELD	PL04-1077	11/24/09	Probation Violation
LENOIR, TERESA	PL06-000294	11/24/09	Probation Violation
LOWERY, DORIAN	PLPD000015	03/10/10	Probation Violation
MELIUS, KEVIN	PL04-000318	11/24/09	Probation Violation
NEWMOON, SENECA R.	None	11/03/09	FTA for Court
PHOENIX, CECELIA	Incident 11/19/05	11/24/09	Probation Violation
SAM, AUDRA LYNN	PL 6576	05/28/09	FTA or pay Citation
SAVAGE, LONNIE	PL06-000213	11/24/09	Probation Violation
SKENADORE JR., REED	PL.CR.04-1161	07/22/09	Failure to Pay Fine
SMITH, CHARLENE FRANCES	PL 6184	05/28/09	FTA or pay Citation
TAYLOR, SKYLER FOUR-FETHERS	PL08-000324	01/13/10	FTA for Court
THOMPSON, JUANITA	PL07-000435/0469	11/24/09	Probation Violation
VAN BRUNDT, PATRICK	PL06-000024	11/24/09	Probation Violation
WASHINGTON, WALTER	PL03-001208	11/24/09	Probation Violation

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

LOREN DECKER ,)
PLAINTIFF,) Case No. CV-CM-2009-0091
Vs.) **SUMMONS**
JOHN DOE,)
DEFENDANT.)


Name: JOHN DOE
Address: UNKOWN

NOTICE YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. THE COURT MAY DECIDE AGAINST YOU WITHOUT YOU BEING HEARD UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW:

A Civil Complaint for Property Forfeiture of a 1971 Honda 750 Motorcycle has been filed by Loren Decker against you.

1. If you intend to defend this lawsuit, within 20 days after this Summons is served on you, exclusive of the day of service, you must do the following:
 - a. File with the Clerk of the Court, whose address is shown below, a formal written response to the Complaint in accordance with the rules of the Court.
2. Unless you respond, your default will be entered upon application of the Plaintiff and this Court may enter a judgment against you for the relief demanded in this Complaint, which could result in the taking of money or property or other relief requested in the Complaint.
3. If you intend to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your response may be filed on time.

DONE AND DATED THIS 29TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2009


Amanda Davis, Court Clerk
Pyramid Lake Tribal Court
P.O. Box 257
Nixon, Nevada 89424
(775)-574-1094

Issued on behalf of Loren Decker

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

The Tribal Transportation Planning office was established to provide technical management on road construction from design phase through final acceptance. The Department acts as liaison between the Tribe and other Transportation related agencies to coordinate roads planning and construction activities. The office personnel consist of a Transportation Planning Director and Secretary. The office has been in existence for one year at the Tribal Administration Building and is funded through a BIA 638 grant.

The transportation planning office currently is working on five projects including: Roads Inventory Update with Long Range Transportation Plan, Wadsworth Bypass Road, ARRA Roads Repair & Rehabilitation (R&R) Project, ARRA Safety Project and ARRA Construction Project.

The Roads Inventory Update is a project to compile, update and classify the location of existing roads and future roads on the Reservation. The Long Range Transportation Plan is a project to identify Reservation Transportation Projects including; Tribal public bus system (Transit), Bike Paths, Scenic Byways, Safe Paths to School, etc. The Transportation Planning Department is working with our consultant, Lumos & Associates to facilitate this project. There will be a Transportation Planning Workshop conducted by Lumos at the Tribal Chambers on Saturday, May 15, 2010 to get public input on the transportation needs.



The Wadsworth Bypass Road is Tribal Priority #1 for roads construction and work is proceeding to have the project surveyed, designed, environmental clearance, Archaeological clearance, Right-of Way and final plans completed. The Sub-Contract for this portion of the project will be awarded in June 2010. When funds are available, the construction portion of the project will be completed.

The ARRA Roads (R&R) project will be from June 2010 to September 2010 and will consist of patching, crack sealing and chip sealing of paved reservation roads. This contractor for this project is the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe through a BIA 638 contract. This project will employ local qualified workers. The chip sealing portion of this contract will be sub-contracted out to a qualified roads construction contractor.

The (ARRA) Safety Project will be from June 2010 to September 2010 will consist of replacing Highway and Street signs on the Reservation. The contractor for this project is the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe through a BIA 638 contract. This project will employ local qualified workers. The striping of the centerline portion of the contract will be sub-contracted to a qualified contractor.

The (ARRA) Construction Project will consist of the survey, design, environmental clearance archaeological clearance, right-of way and final plans for the Pelican Point Road, the #2 Tribal Priority Roads Construction Project. This project will be subcontracted to a qualified engineering firm. When additional funds become available the construction portion of the project will be completed.

The Transportation Planning Staff will continue to work to improve the Transportation system of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

Johnnie M. Garcia
Transportation Planning Director

Jolene Henry
Transportation Planning Secretary

Consolidated Higher Education Program

We had a busy year last year; the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council approved an estimated 194 Consolidated Higher Education Scholarships last year. This was a big increase from previous year.

Recognition needs to go to the Consolidated Higher Education Committee for their guidance, the Tribal Tax Department, Tribal Grants Office, Pyramid Lake Appropriations Committee, Tribal Grants Accounting Specialist, Tribal Finance Office and the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council for making sure funding was there to meet the needs of our College students.

Though at times funding seems to be available, it is important to remember there is other scholarship sources out there to assist Native American Indian Students, Single Parents, Working Mothers, Disabled Veteran/Students with Disabilities, IHS Medical Students, Environmental and other Minority Scholarships available to students.

If you need a resource, please call the Consolidated Higher Education Office and request information. (775) 574-0300 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 PM

Consolidated Higher Education Scholarship Application Process

This past year we had a big increase in our tribal membership applying for higher education funding. During the review process of all tribal scholarship applications, *ALL APPLICATIONS* must be turned in completed. Many are being turned into our office incomplete.

When an application is turned in not completed, it is set aside from the completed applications and notification is sent out in an attempt to notify you that your application is not complete. As a student requesting higher education funding, you must remember we have deadline dates that have to be strictly followed so funding can reach all institutions in a timely manner.

It is your responsibility as a higher education student to follow up in making sure all necessary documentation reaches the Consolidated Higher Education Office before the deadline date. It is not the Higher Education Coordinator responsibility in making sure you follow up on required documentation.

Applications sent on deadline dates without the required scholarship documentation delays your application to be processed and most are not processed due to the lack of required documentation.

Our Tribal Website has all the information and the necessary forms for you to complete a tribal scholarship application. *Again, it is your responsibility in turning in all necessary documentation need in order for you application to be complete by the DEAD LINE DATE...*

Uncompleted Consolidated Higher Education Application sent in on dead line dates will not be included without all required documentation. So if you are trying to

submit an application on the deadline date and it is not complete, IT WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

Semester Transcripts

This is a reminder to all students attending College, Community College, University, or any Higher Education Training Institution. It is a requirement in the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribes, Consolidated Higher Education Policies;

Section VI – Academic Probation & Suspension

A) All students will be required to submit an *Official Transcript upon each term/semester tri-semester/ quarter semester* to the Consolidated Higher Education Program Office.

This is mandatory that *all* students must submit an Official Transcript. If you have not submitted an Official Transcript please do so immediate. Also please be advised, *UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS* will not be accepted.

Mail to:

**Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
Consolidated Higher Education Program
PO Box 257, Nixon, NV 89424**

FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Returning students and new students, now is the time to begin updating your FAFSA. It is a requirement in our Consolidated Higher Education Policies that you must file for other forms of financial aid;

Section II – Eligibility

A) 2. An eligible student who demonstrates a need as determined by the college or university, Financial Aid Office based on each student's certified financial aid requirements for (FAFSA Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Federal Assistance, Pell Grant.

You are required to file for FAFSA per our Consolidated Higher Education Program. If, after filing you do not have a need, then there are other policies that can help you in acquiring funding through our program. **BUT YOU MUST FILE FOR FAFSA IN A TIMELY MANNER.**

Section IV – Standards of grant applications and funding;

A) Contingent upon the amount of funds made available by the Bureau of Indian Education, and the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, eligible students will be funded according to the following guidelines.

1) Applicants will be funded based on each student's certified financial aid requirements for Federal Financial Assistance, such as the PELL Grant, unless the applicant falls under Section II, (A) 3, and until funds are exhausted and who

have submitted a COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET by the REQUIRED DEADLINE DATE.

c) A Financial Needs Assessment completed by the college or university financial aid officer determining /recommending a proposed amount for funding from the tribe.

Parents/Students, please beware of our Consolidated Higher Education Program policy on Academic Requirements.

Section V – Academic Requirements

A) The following requirements for the academic process will be used to determine the continuation of funding from the Consolidated Higher Education Program.

1) All undergraduate students must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or Higher.

Students, who do not meet the minimum of the GPA requirement for one term, will be funded on academic probation.

Notification of this action will be made to students by letter. If student's progress is not up to the Consolidated Higher Education Program academic requirements after the probationary term, the students Tribal funding will be suspended.

B) All full time students must maintain the minimum of 12 college credits per semester.

C) If less than 12 credits are earned, the student will be placed on academic probation. In addition:

a) Student will be required to pay back tuition for the number of credits dropped; this will be deducted from the following semester's scholarship award.

b) Students can make up the required credits the following semester in addition to the minimum 12 credit requirement.

If you receive a letter from the Consolidated Higher Education Program, you must contact this office at once. (775) 574-0300 Monday – Friday 8:00 AM through 4:30 PM.

The PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE, Consolidated Higher Education Program is open Monday through Friday, 8AM through 4:30 PM. If you have any questions, PLEASE CALL and I'll get back to you.

Anthony Sampson
PLPT Consolidated Higher Education
Program Coordinator/Director
asampson@plpt.nsn.us

IMPORTANT MESSAGE....IMPORTANT MESSAGE...IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Enrolled Member and current PLPT Higher Education Students

The deadline for PLPT Consolidated Higher Education Scholarships is rapidly approaching, the deadline dates for the 2010 School Year.

Higher Education Scholarship	June 30th, 2010 4:30 PM	<i>No applications will be accepted after deadline date.</i>
Adult Vocational Training Scholarship	June 30th, 2010 4:30 PM	<i>No applications will be accepted after deadline date.</i>
\$350.00 Scholarship	Applications will be accepted monthly and can only be granted once a year.	

📌 If you are a current PLPT Scholarship recipient who received a scholarship for the 2009 fall and the 2010 spring semesters, you need to re-apply before the deadline date!

📌 *"All returning student's need to submit an **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT!!!!**"*

📌 Those new applicants need to look on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's Website and download an application or stop by the Consolidated Higher Education Office for an application.

Again NO LATE APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED!!!!!!

PLPT Consolidated Higher Education Office

Hours 8:00AM — 4:30 PM

Monday through Friday

**2010 RESOLUTIONS
PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBAL COUNCIL**

- January 1, 2010 Regular Meeting**
 PL 01-10 Enrollment – 5 New Membership Approvals
 PL 02-10 PLHA – 2010 HIP Priority List
- January 14, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 03-10 Finance – Docket 87B Allocations – 2010
 PL 04-10 Finance – Tribal Budget – 2010
- January 15, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 05-10 Environmental Dept. – Dept. of Energy Grant Application Submittal
 PL 06-10 Realty – Approval of Attorney Contract/Charles R. Zeh
 PL 07-10 Finance – 2010 Withdrawal Authorization/Office of the Special Trustee
 PL 08-10 Finance – 2010 Authorization for Trust Fund Accounts
- January 20, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 09-10 Environmental – Heritage Preservation Grant Application Submittal
 PL 10-10 Renewal of Attorney Contract – Wes Williams, Jr.
 PL 11-10 Renewal of Attorney Contract – Don Springmeyer
 PL 12-10 Water Resources Dept. – Desert Terminal Lakes Funding Application
- February 5, 2010 Regular Meeting**
 PL 13-10 Enrollment – 2 New Membership Approvals
 PL 14-10 Environmental – BIA Woodlands Grant Application Submittal
- February 19, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 15-10 Technology Services – Broadband Grant Application Submittal
 PL 16-10 PLHA – Utility Easements/Project NV 4-16
 PL 17-10 PLHS – PLHS Board of Education as School Grantee
- March 5, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 18-10 Finance – Docket 87 B Allocations–2010 (Rescind Resolution PL 03-10)
 PL 19-10 Black Rock Solar – 2010 Projects
- March 10, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 20-10 Ruby Pipeline – Support of Sheldon Route
 PL 21-10 Ruby Pipeline – Protest of Environmental Impact Statement
 PL 22-10 Realty – Funding Application/Water Quality Settlement Agreement
 PL 23-10 Numaga Center – Conduct Needs Assessment
- March 19, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 24-10 Human Resources – Amendments/Personnel Policy – Section 4
- March 22, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 25-10 Environmental – National Park Service Grant Submittal
- April 2, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 26-10 Land Assignment – Williamson Lowery
- April 16, 2010 Special Meeting**
 PL 27-10 Enrollment – 5 New Membership Approvals
 PL 28-10 Administration – Correction of Resolution PL 77-08/Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance
 PL 29-10 PLHA – Appointment of Commissioner/Irwin Mix
- May 7, 2010 Regular Meeting**
 PL 30-10 Enrollment – 8 New Membership Approvals
 PL 31-10 Planning – Film & Photography Policy
 PL 32-10 Realty – Management of Sutcliffe Trailer Park

Minutes are available upon request in writing to the Secretary's office:
775.574.1000, Ext. 101.

Submitted by, Carol Smith, Tribal Secretary

**ATTENTION:
Handgame Pole
Sponsors**

If you signed up to sponsor a Handgame Arbor pole in Memory of a loved one who has passed or on behalf of yourself, your family or business, the deadline date for payment of the pole is Tuesday June 1st, 2010.

Your sponsorship will include the Memorial plaque which will be placed on your sponsored pole.

Construction is set to begin on the Handgame Arbor as soon as the weather permits.

Please turn in your forms or email any of the following SVPC members if you have any questions, comments or suggestions.

Gordon Dodd 775-560-1551
gordondodd@yahoo.com

Darrell Garcia 775-560-6886
rezkat371@clearwire.net

Karen Williams 775-326-5710 ext. 5868
klwilliams14@yahoo.com

Angey Dunn 775-574-1018
angeyfaye@yahoo.com

Thank you in advance for making the Sacred Vision continue...

**TEEN BOYS
BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT**



**Dresslerville
Gymnasium**

May 28, 29, 2010

Entry Fee \$200



**Awards for
1st-3rd place teams,
All-Tourney Team & MVP**

For more information contact
Randy Sargent (775)901-2516
or Kenrick Frank (775)781-3875

*PLAYERS MUST BE
19 YEARS & UNDER*

2nd Annual Sacred Visions 2010 Competition Pow-Wow

"Wesana Nasumuna Kobenetame Meano"

Looking Back....Coming Together....Going Forward

July 23, 24 & 25, 2010

Big Bend Ranch, Wadsworth, Nevada
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

Host Drum BlackLodge

White Swan, Washington

Artist Roger Salas

Master of Ceremonies **Earl Wood**
Saddle Lake Alberta, Canada

Arena Director **Randy Wood**
St. George, Utah



CATEGORIES

Traditional, Fancy, Grass & Jingle
Golden Age (65 & up)
Senior Adult Men & Women (40-64)
Adult Men & Women (19-39)
Teen Boys & Girls (13-18)
Junior Boys & Girls (6-12)
Tiny Tots (0-5)



GRAND ENTRY
Friday 7pm
Saturday Noon & 7pm
Sunday Noon

Host Hotel:
BEST WESTERN, Fernley, NV
(775) 575-6776

OTHER EVENTS

Royalty Crowning on Friday
Fun Run / Walk - Saturday
Drum Contest
Hand Game Tournament
Feast on Saturday
Arts & Crafts / Food Booths

SPECIALS

TINYTOT SPECIAL
Sponsored by Outgoing
Miss Pyramid Lake Brianna Dunn
& Outgoing SV Tiny Tot Princess
Jaelece Wasson

JR. GIRLS JINGLE SPECIAL
Sponsored by Outgoing
Lil' Miss Sacred Visions Patricia Christy

TEEN GIRLS JINGLE SPECIAL
Sponsored by Outgoing
Jr. Miss Sacred Visions Chelsea Sander

HAND DRUM CONTEST
Sponsored by Outgoing
Sacred Visions Lil' Brave
Tep' Wunu Sekayumplewa

WOMEN'S PAIUTE DRESS SPECIAL
Buckskin or Cloth

BILL KEEVER FAMILY SPECIAL

All Events Open to Public
Admission is FREE!

FREE Camping Available

For More Information Contact:

Gordon Dodd - Committee Chairman (775) 560-1551
gordondodd@yahoo.com

VENDOR CONTACTS: Darrell Garcia (775) 560-6886 / rezkat371@clearwire.net
Elizabeth Love (775) 560-1958 / kiowa775@clearwire.net

ROYALTY CONTACTS: Shaunee Sander (775) 384-4961 / shaunee@att.net
Leticia Burke (775) 453-3919 or (775) 574-0131 / leticia.burke@hotmail.com

Sacred Visions Pow-Wow Committee P.O. Box 897 Wadsworth, Nevada 89442

Revised 4/10

Drug & Alcohol Free Event. This will be Enforced!
Committee not responsible for short funded travelers, theft, damages or injuries.

2010 2nd Annual Sacred Visions Pow Wow July 23, 24 & 25, 2010 Big Bend Ranch in Wadsworth, Nevada

Sacred Visions Pow Wow Committee is looking for interested individuals to compete in the

Royalty Contest Contestant Categories:

Sacred Visions Tiny Tot Princess
Sacred Visions Tiny Tot Lil' Brave
(ages 0-5 years-any Tribal Affiliation)

Lil' Miss Sacred Visions
(ages 6-12 years-any Tribal Affiliation)

Jr. Miss Sacred Visions
(ages 13-17 years-any Tribal Affiliation)

Miss Pyramid Lake
(ages 18-25 years- Must be enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe)

If interested please contact a member of the Royalty Committee:

Shaunee Sander | ph: 775-384-4961 | email: shaunee@att.net

Leticia "Tish" Burke | ph: 775-574-0131 | cell: 775-453-3919 | email: leticia.burke@hotmail.com

Please mail completed application to:
Sacred Visions | Attn: Royalty Committee
| P.O. Box 897 | Wadsworth, NV 89442

Sacred Visions Fun Run 2010



The Sacred Visions 1st Annual Fun Run & walk is set for Saturday July 25th, 2010 during the 2nd Annual Sacred Visions Pow-Wow. You only have a couple of months to shape up and walk from I-80 Smokeshop to the pow-wow arbor. The fun run route is still being mapped out.

Our vision is to have the first runner carry the Eagle Staff throughout Wadsworth ending with crossing the finish line at the Pow-Wow arbor at Big Bend Ranch.

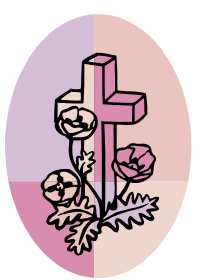
- Early registration for the fun run/walk will start on June 1st, 2010.
- Registration for the fun run/walk will start at 6:15 am near the I-80 Smokeshop and the run/walk will start at 7am sharp on Saturday July 25th.
- All participants will receive a t-shirt.
- Hope to see you all at the fun run/walk on Saturday July 25th.
- More information TBA.



Sacred Visions Fun Run Committee

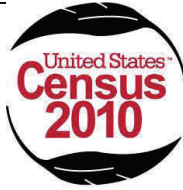
In Loving Memory Phyllis Jane Henry

The Mix/Henry family would like to send a special thanks for all those who helped us through our time of need with the departure of our beloved mother,



grandmother, sister, auntie, friend and relatives of the late Phyllis Jane Henry who passed away November 4, 2009. Also thanks to the Tribe, Natchez Elementary School, and Ross Burke & Knobel for the assistance which was provided to the family and all those who donated food for the dinner.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 May 3, 2010



Contact:
 Jared Ewy, Media Specialist
 720 371 7586
 jared.r.ewy@census.gov

**CENSUS BUREAU GIVES TRIBAL MEMBERS
 STEPS TO BE SURE THEY ARE COUNTED**

Living on tribal lands and not sure you were included in the 2010 tally? Vicki McIntire, deputy director of Denver's ten-state region, says until May 22, 2010 all you need to do is call your local census office and ask to speak with operations.

"Tell them you think you were missed, and then let them know where you live," says McIntire. "They'll want to arrange for a quick visit to ensure you are counted."

The census taker will ask for basic information of your household and of those you are calling to say were missed. All information is confidential and protected by law.

Here's how to contact the Local Census Office in your area:

Arizona Flagstaff 928-286-5600 Phoenix NE 480-214-2860 Phoenix SE 480-270-8340 Tucson (Rural) 520-917-4600 Window Rock 928-810-4000 Yuma 928-388-6520	Colorado Grand Junction 970-361-3690	Montana Sioux Falls 605-221-1210 Billings 406-373-8320 Great Falls 406-952-3280 Missoula 406-214-3200	Nebraska Lincoln 402-479-2300	Nevada N. Las Vegas 702-266-9600 Reno 775-332-7340
New Mexico Albuquerque 505-348-5320 Las Cruces 575-680-3400 Santa Fe 505-216-9000	North Dakota Bismarck 701-222-9440 Fargo 701-552-9380	South Dakota Rapid City 605-355-5300	Utah Ogden 801-917-3710 Provo 801-616-5010	Wyoming Casper 307-462-2500

PLF SPAWNING SEASON



Well it's that time of year again when the Pyramid Lake Fisheries is spawning the LCT. We spawn up to 7 times in one season so we can reach our quota. We plan to plant almost a million fingerlings in the lake. Numana and Dunn Hatcheries are in the process of incubating eggs and ponding fry. During this busy time of the year we had various schools that came out for a slide show presentation and watch the spawning. Next year be sure and call for your tour.

We have been giving away LCT throughout the spawning season. There was a good response hopefully everyone enjoyed their fish.

Also happening at PLF some of the employees are currently in the process of getting their CDL from the Nevada truck driving school. There is still time to call and get your CDL today call (775)741-5891 for more info. on the pricing.



ATTENTION
Now Recruiting:
6 Permit Fee Station
Individuals

18 Yrs +

Memorial Day 5/27-5/31

Must be able to work:

Thurs 5/27, Fri 5/28 6-9pm

Sat 5/29, Sun 5/30 9am - 3pm

Mon 5/31 10am - 1pm

Please submit Letter of Interest to:

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

Attn: Fee Stations

PO Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424

Please include Name, age & phone number.

Call Finance for Compensation details: 574-1000

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Phoebe Brow, MSW, LSW, Social Services Director
Tel: 775-574-1047 Fax: 775-574-1052

SUPPORTING NATIVE FAMILIES FOR A STRONGER COMMUNITY

Pyramid Lake Social Services investigates child and adult abuse and neglect reports. Some children are found to be Minors In Need Of Care as described in the Law and Order Code and come under the guardianship of the tribe. Social Services looks after those children.

Most of those children are able to be placed with family members. Sometimes children need to be placed in foster care with someone who isn't a relative. When there aren't enough foster parents at Pyramid Lake, children are sent out to Fernley and Reno.

There are different types of foster care:

- Emergency, for when a child needs to be placed immediately

- Short-term, for when a child needs to be placed for a few days to a few weeks
- Regular or traditional, where the length of placement has not been determined
- Long-term, for when the child will need to be somewhere for an extended period of time

Pyramid Lake Social Services is seeking foster homes and adoptive homes. Single people, married couples, unmarried couples, same-sex couples, and non-romantically involved people who live together are all eligible to become foster or adoptive parents.

Pyramid Lake Social Services licenses foster homes at Pyramid Lake and on other nearby

Reservations and Indian Colonies. Native families who do not live in these areas can still become foster parents for Native children. They can become foster parents through the state (www.dcss.state.nv.us (775) 684-4400) and then contact PL Social Services to make arrangements.

Pyramid Lake Social Services works closely with other area tribes and may be able to assist in placing children from those tribes with families here.

For more information please contact Pyramid Lake Social Services 214 Capitol Hill/ PO Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424, 775-574-1047, or pbrow@plpt.nsn.us.

Nevada Energy Connection

Nevada Energy Connection is Energy Assistance for low-income households. The federal government just approved over \$3 million in additional funding.

Applications are available by calling:

866-846-2009

visiting the website:

www.nevadaenergyconnection.nv.gov

or at the Pyramid Lake Social Services Office.

775-574-1047



INDIAN CHILD WELFARE AWARENESS DAY drew crowds of concerned Native Americans to Olympia Jan. 26.

Support for ICW legislation in Olympia
By Clare Jensen, Puyallup Tribal News
cjensen@tacomaweekly.com

The Fourth Annual Indian Child Welfare Awareness Day is an event hosted by advocates of Native American children. It allows people to have an opportunity to meet lawmakers and to educate them about the importance of enacting laws that help to ensure that Native American foster children live in environments that support their Native American identities.

Many showed up to rally their support for a bill that is currently in the legislature - it would give more rights to immediate family members and grandparents in custody placement, re-enforcing the federal Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978.

Some, like local tribal member Eladio Curley, a third-grader at Wahelut Indian School, shared his story of being placed with his grandmother Marlene Davis when he was 1 year old, instead of in foster care.

"She has cared for me and raised me with love," he told the audience Jan. 26. "I am happy to be with my grandmother and relatives. My heart is the most happy when I am able to spend time with my father. I love my father very

much and I am happy that I am able to have him in my life."

Marlene Davis is active in the local tribal community, and encouraged fellow grandmother and Puyallup Tribal member Martina Campbell to attend the Indian Child Welfare day to rally support for an issue that hits close to home for her, as well.

Martina Campbell has four of her own grandchildren in foster care, and she and great-grandmother Verna Bartlett have had difficulties getting the courts to side with the family in the ongoing custody hearings.

"We want to get grandparents to be able to get children (out of) foster care. We have four children in foster care, and they say we don't have parental rights."

"We went to the capital, there were speakers, we got to meet the bill sponsor, Senator Claudia Kaufman and talked about the bill trying to be passed, to where grandparents have parental rights."

SB 6470 addresses the burdens of proof required in dependency matters affecting Indian children, and establishes state guidelines mirroring the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, which stresses keeping Indian children with their family, or

members of the tribe, as a way to continue the cultures and traditions unique to Indian families.

"The Indian Child Welfare Act was specifically created because so many Indian children were being adopted and being put in foster care, and families were not contacted. We were losing children," said Verna Bartlett, who has helped raise several of her 22 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren, and spent more than two decades working at the Puyallup Tribe's Children's Services office. "In last few years, more and more children are being placed in non-native homes, and non-relative homes."

"Right now have no rights- I cannot intervene in my great-grandchildren's cases."

As of Feb. 28, the bill had passed its second reading in the House of Representatives for the 2009-10 legislative session.

"If the bill passes would make it 100 percent easier to get grand children out of foster care," Martina Campbell said. "I was so excited, and happy to

know that lawmakers could hear how the children were feeling. The children that spoke wanting grandparents to have rights too. Even though they are small they still know what's going on."

Published on March 4, 2010

Self-Sufficiency

For a Stronger Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
Pyramid Lake Social Services

will be hosting a series of workshops on skills that empower people to do more for themselves and be more self-sufficient.



Topics may include:

- * Gardening
- * Canning Food
- * Freezing Fresh Vegetables
- * Hunting
- * Fishing
- * Preserving Hides/Horns/Bones
- * Medicinal Herbs
- * Budgeting
- * Keeping poultry
- * Keeping goats/sheep/pigs



We are looking for community members willing to share their knowledge and present on these or related topics.

For more information, to offer to present, or to make a suggestion for a topic, please contact:

Pyramid Lake Social Services,
214 Capitol Hill/ P.O. Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424
Ph: (775)574-1047 Fax: (775)574-1052

GET OUT INTO THE SUNSHINE

Pyramid Lake Social Services (PLSS) is proud to announce some exciting new programs and opportunities. As many of you know PLSS received a generous donation of almost \$1,000 worth of heirloom garden vegetable seeds. These seeds were sent by Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds of Mansfield, MO. Free color catalogues are available at www.rareseeds.com.

The seeds were for the 2010 growing season and specially selected for the climate and growing conditions of the Pyramid Lake Reservation. These seeds were divided into sets and made available for gardens on the Pyramid Lake Reservation.

The response has been wonderful! Thirty seed sets have been distributed. If anyone has extra seeds they are encouraged to bring them into PLSS to give to someone on the waiting list. There will be an end of season harvest celebration and photo contest; more information will be available soon.

Are you interested in gardening, but don't know where to start? Basic gardening and planting information is available at PLSS. Garden vegetable seeds at \$1-2 per packet are much more economical than buying fresh produce from the store and can be purchased with SNAP benefits (foodstamps).

Putting in a garden allows you to provide yourself and your family with higher quality food

without having to drive into town and gives you and your family a reason to get out in the fresh air. Children who grow vegetables are more likely to eat vegetables.

Community members wanted to share their knowledge: PLSS will be hosting a series of workshops designed to improve self-sufficiency. The Self-Sufficiency Series will include topics such as: canning, freezing fresh vegetables, budgeting, preparing hides, raising poultry, financial planning, commodity cooking, growing and curing tobacco, and gardening.

If you have ideas for topics or would like to present, please contact PLSS. Do you have a skill, but get nervous in front of a group? People can present as an individual, a group, or together with PLSS.

Do you have sports equipment lying around? Have your kids and grandkids all out grown those cleats, ball gloves, and chaps? PLSS is accepting donations of usable sports and rodeo equipment to make sure that something as simple as not having a ball glove doesn't keep kids out of sports. Financial donations are also being accepting to help pay for foster children to participate in sports and rodeo.

For more information please contact Pyramid Lake Social Services 214 Capitol Hill/ P.O. Box 256, Nixon, NV 89424, (775) 574-1047, or pbrow@plpt.nsn.us.

VEGETABLE GARDEN

Seeds for vegetables and herbs can be purchased with SNAP benefits (Food Stamps)

Make the best use of your benefits.
Grow your own fresh vegetables and herbs at a fraction of the cost.
Provide better quality food for your family.

Reminder brought to you by:
Pyramid Lake Social Services



Nevada 211

◆ What is it?

Nevada 211 is a service of the United Way.

◆ How does it work?

Just dial 211 to be connected to a call center with access to over 9,000 assistance programs.

◆ What can it help with?

Energy Assistance, food pantries, child care, and more

◆ What's the best part?

This call is absolutely FREE!



PLPT Annual Memorial Day Celebration

Honoring our Pyramid Lake Veterans/Warriors

ALL NUMU VETERANS/WARRIORS
ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE
PLEASE MEET AT THE WADSWORTH/NIXON CEMETERY

Date: Monday—May 31, 2010
Place & Times: 10:00 am Wadsworth Cemetery
11:30 am Nixon Cemetery
12:30 pm Community Potluck/Nixon Gym

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

VETERANS SERVICES:

10:00 am—Wadsworth Cemetery

11:30 pm—Nixon Cemetery

COMMUNITY POTLUCK:

12:30 pm: Invocation
Community Potluck

Food donations are **NEEDED**. The past few community events, we have not had enough food for everyone. This is a community event, as in the past a traditional gather, so it is important everyone who is able to bring a dish (spaghetti, salads, beans, stew, bread, your specialty, etc.). As always, meats will be provided.

1:30 pm:

Presentation:

80+ Veterans—Roger K Sam, Manual Smith, Wilbur Smith, Simon Harris, and Wesley Jim



Hosted by the Veterans and Warriors Organization: "NUMU TOOKWASU"
and the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

Email: plvwo2008@yahoo.com

6TH GRADE NATCHEZ DARE GRADUATION

Smiles and laughter filled the room as the 13 Sixth Grade students received their DAR Certificates, T-Shirts and other prizes during their Drug Abuse Resistance Education graduation held on Friday, March 5, 2010 at the Natchez Elementary Sixth Grad Classroom at 1:30 pm. Pyramid Lake Police Officer and DARE Instructor Angelo Hafalla opened the ceremony by welcoming all the students for their successful completion of the 10-week program. Officer Hafalla introduced the speakers who were Pyramid Lake Vice Chairman, Clayton Servilican; Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Drug Prevention Task Force Coordinator, Amber Neff; Pyramid Lake Police, Chief Dennis Shinn; Sumumumu Drug and Alcohol Treatment Counselor, Gordon Dodd; Natchez Vice Principal, Michael Keesling; and Pyramid Lake Health Clinic Director, Cindy Curly.

Each speaker gave inspirational words of wisdom about the dangers and consequences of giving in to peer pressure and experimenting with Alcohol, Tobacco, drugs, and violence. The students were encouraged to take charge of their lives by making wise choices throughout their life. The Award Ceremony was conducted in an orderly fashion where each awarded student was called. Each student shook each speaker's hand and were given a DARE T-shirt, a DARE Certificate of Appreciation and other give away items.

After the Award Ceremony, the

Speakers, staff, and students gathered in front of the classroom for a group photograph. The students wore their T-Shirts and held their certificates with their heads held high during the group photograph.



Pyramid Lake Veterans & Warriors Organization

The Pyramid Lake Veterans and Warriors Organization (PLVWO) is a non-profit organization and were recognized on May 14, 2008, with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council passing the certification, establishing PLVWO Constitution and By-Laws. Since then, the group has been in many events, the Color Guard has been invited and participated in opening ceremonies for various conferences and Pow-Wows; opening ceremonies for the Reno Bighorn Basketball Game and the UNR Basketball Native American Appreciation Day, Sacred Visions Pow-Wow and the Susanville Veterans Pow-Wow. The PLVWO assists, organizes and/or participates in the Pyramid Lake Annual Sunrise Ceremony, Veterans Flag Day Ceremony, Cemetery Community Cleanup, Pyramid Lake Eagle Staff Run, Memorial Day Celebration, Pyramid Lake Sprint Triathlon, and funerals as requested. Future projects of the organization is to continue with fixing/cleanup up

the Veterans sections of the Nixon and Wadsworth Cemeteries, making sure all Veteran's gravesites are well marked and have a headstone, planning of a Veteran's Celebration/Pow-Wow and increasing its membership.

Membership is open to all Native American Veterans. We also, welcome family representative membership to honor deceased Veterans; one family member can be selected. An honorary membership is also available to whoever wishes to participated and help out the organization. Since this is a non-profit organization, our success depends on the generosity of other and our members, so anyone wishing to participate as a volunteer or assist with a monetary donation it is always welcomed and very much appreciated.

The group wants to THANK all those who have participated in any of the fundraisers (Bingo, Lunch/Dinner Sales, Rummage Sale, etc.) and/or

community events to assist them in raising travel funds and cleaning up the cemeteries.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact anyone of the officers or members. We welcome all who wish to participate in this organization.

Current organization officers:

Bobby Burns, President; William Wadsworth, Vice-President; James Plympton, Treasurer; John Hanson, Master at Arms; and Lela Leyva, Secretary.

Pyramid Lake Veterans & Warriors Organization
PO Box 74
Nixon, NV 89424
Email: plvwo2008@yahoo.com



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 P O Box 256
 Nixon, NV 89424

Newspaper Submittal for Paper **JUNE (2nd quarter) DEADLINE: June 28th—Monday @ 12:00 p.m.**

Please complete **this form** and submit with your article.

BE SURE TO:

- Include your name, phone # and address.
- Personals may submit a hard copy of article. Hand written Personals ONLY must be printed legibly.
- **Submitted articles must be saved on CD** in Adobe Acrobat, Publisher, Word or WordPerfect format. (Media will be returned).
- **Articles can be submitted via e-mail to newspaper@plpt.nsn.us.** A hard copy of article must also be submitted by deadline.
- Pictures should be submitted in black & white. (Dark backgrounds do not scan well).
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June (2nd qtr) **Due:** June 28th July-Sept (3rd qtr) **Due:** Sept 27th Oct-Dec **Due:** Dec 27th

This schedule will allow us to get the newspaper prepared, edited, and printed and ready for bulk mailing the first week of each month. The Tribal Manager's office collects your articles and will forward them to the Editor.

Thank you for contributing your articles for our Newspaper this past year. Please continue to contribute to our Newspaper and let the people know about your program or department's activities and accomplishments. Please submit on diskette in Microsoft Word, WordPerfect or Publisher format along with a hard copy of article.

CONTACT: PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE—NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT
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