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Upcoming Tribal Council Meetings for July

**July 8th, 2010
July 22nd, 2010**

All Tribal Council Meetings are held in Tribal Chambers, 50 Tu Su Lane

Paiute-Shoshone Cultural Center Re-Opening



(L to R-Council Members; Frances Romero, Donald Watterson, and Jasmine Andreas)

It was a pride filled and joyous occasion for many on May 23, 2010, as a ribbon was cut in representation of the re-opening of the Paiute-Shoshone Cultural Center. The Cultural Center is dedicated to the continuous perpetual life of the Indigenous Peoples of the Owens Valley. For years the Cultural Center has served as an educational experience for the Bishop community and tourists visiting the Owens Valley area. Not only does the Cultural Center preserve a piece of the Paiute-Shoshone way of life, but it also tells a brief historical story of the Numu (Paiute) and Newe (Shoshone) Peoples. Also unveiled during the re-opening was the Veterans Memorial Wall, a long awaited addition. The cultural values and heritage found in the museum are not only those of the past, but also the present and future generations to come. It is open to public Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Veterans Memorial



Owens Valley War Dancers



Enjoying the Exhibits

Websites of Interest



www.paiutegaming.com

www.wunut.blogspot.com

Check us out on the web!
www.bishoppaiutetribe.com

www.bpdcorp.com

www.sierrawave.net

www.oviw.org

www.bloggingbishop.com

www.paiutepalace.com



Self-Governance: A Way of Life—Part II

By Glenn Hall, Bishop Paiute Tribe CEO

The Bishop Paiute Tribe is entering a historical era where moving to a Self-Governance form of funding for Tribal Programs is possible under P.L. 93-638.

The United States Constitution recognizes Indian nations as governments. Hundreds of treaties, federal law and court cases have re-affirmed that Indian nations retain the *inherent powers to govern themselves (Sovereignty)*. Self-Governance is not just another legislative initiative or Tribal program. It is a way of life for Tribal nations today.

Why Is Self-Governance A Success? Under Self-Governance, program funds, control and accountability are pushed as close to the delivery of the services as possible, to the Tribe. At the local level, Tribal leaders and Tribal members care most about their communities. Given the opportunity to make decisions regarding priority of funding and the subsequent design and delivery of program services, Tribal governments will do what is best for their members.

“Planning is the first step to be taken in the process of making us a Self-Governance Tribe...”

Planning is the first step to be taken in the process of making us a Self-Governance Tribe, which was addressed in my first article on this topic. Under Self-Governance, along with existing Tribal responsibilities, Tribal governments become the primary policy-makers for the programs and services, funding allocations, and administrations on their Reservations.

The next step in becoming a Self-Governance Tribe is the process of negotiating the agreement that will govern the BIA, other federal agencies and Bishop Paiute Tribe in accomplishing the final step in the self governance process, implementation.

Negotiations

For the Federal Government and the Tribes, negotiations are managed by either the Office of Self-Governance (BIA) or the Office of Tribal Self-Governance (IHS) staff. The resulting Compact of Self-Governance and the accompanying Annual Funding Agreement will determine the future relationship between the Tribe and the BIA/IHS in terms of roles, responsibilities and programs. Title II - P.L. 103-413 and Title III - P.L. 100-472 require that the negotiated Compacts of Self-Governance and Annual Funding Agreements be submitted to Congress ninety days prior to their implementation. Therefore, we should allow plenty of time for negotiations prior to the established Congressional deadlines. In the first year of Self-Governance, negotiations should take place at least sixty days prior to the Congressional deadline.

At the first session, timetables should be negotiated for future sessions and for required deliverables, by the Tribe, and the BIA/IHS.



The negotiation process must address:

- (1) The specific intentions of the Tribe;
- (2) Legal or program issues identified as concerns by the BIA or Tribe;
- (3) Options for negotiating programs and related budget amounts;
- (4) Dates for conducting and concluding negotiations;
- (5) Protocols for conducting negotiations;
- (6) Responsibility for preparation of a written summary of the discussions and determination of responsible parties; and
- (7) Who will prepare an initial draft of the Funding Agreement?

The experience of other Tribes, in the negotiation process, has highlighted a pattern of particular problems which are still being addressed. As Self-Governance is an evolving process, some of these problems are expected to be resolved over time. Some of the basic factors creating negotiation issues that have surfaced to date include:

- Although Self-Governance is not designed as needs-based funding, the fact that Area/ Agency/Local Service Unit program budgets, in most instances, are very seriously under-funded affects the decision-making of the agencies involved;

PAIUTE PALACE CASINO
THIRD OF JULY CELEBRATION

LIVE MUSIC
"THE KINGS OF CLASSIC ROCK"
A AMERICAN BEST TRIBUTE TO THE MAN IN BLACK
"MICHAEL J AND THE CASH CATS"
FROM 2PM - 10PM

FIREWORKS STARTS AT DUSK

ALL YOU CAN EAT STARTS AT 9:10ISH
BARBEQUE HOTDOGS & HAMBURGERS

PAIUTE PALACE CASINO
2742 NORTH SIERRA HIGHWAY BISHOP CA
MUST BE 18 TO PLAY
MANAGEMENT RESERVES ALL RIGHTS

MECHANICAL BILL SLIP & SLIDE BUNDT PAN COTTON CANDY MACHINE SNOW CONE MACHINE

Summer Music Fest

Bring your family and Invite your friends

Friday July 16, 2010
Ball Field on Diaz Lane
Bishop, CA
6:00- 9:30 pm

BBQ will be provided by House of Mercy Pentecostal Church
Bring your lawn chairs!

Thank you for helping us keep the...
If you have any questions please contact: Pastor Stan Summers at 760-873-1883

TRIBAL NEWSLETTER DEADLINES AND MAILING DATES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2010

July 19th Deadline for August Issue.....Mailed August 2010
September 20th Deadline for October Issue.....Mailed October 2010
November 22nd Deadline for December Issue.....Mailed December 2010

Please submit articles to the Bishop Paiute Tribal Office or email your submissions to newsletter@bishoppaiute.org

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Greetings again from the Bishop Paiute Development Corporation (BPDC)

We hope you are all having a great start to your summer!

We would like to make the community aware of a couple of important meetings that we are having this summer. The first one is on **July 20, 2010** and will be a Project Update Meeting. On the agenda for discussion will be the 395 Retail Corridor Project, the Gas Station and Value-Add Projects, and the Solar Renewable Energy Project.

Our second meeting will be on **August 26, 2010**. This is our Annual Board of Director's meeting where the BPDC will present it's activities for the past year and proposed activities for the coming year. We invite all interested parties to attend and bring their list of projects that they think would be viable in the community.

Both meetings will be held at the Community Center on 405 North Barlow Lane at 6:00PM. Of course, food will be provided and we hope to see you there!

Edward Samson
General Manager, Bishop Paiute Development Corporation

WüNüt' Youth and Mentors will not be meeting regularly in July and encourage all community members to participate in the various traditional walks taking place in our area in July and August. We will restart meetings in August and will notify people of details such as time and place via our blog (www.wunut.blogspot.com) and facebook page (Wunut Standup).

For more information or to express interest in getting involved contact us via email at wunutstandup@gmail.com or call Kris Hohag at 760.920.3389.

Family Formation Workshops with Sports Activities

TANF Prevention Youth Football and Cheerleading registration fee vouchers will be available at the **Bishop Tribal Office July 1, 2010 through July 30, 2010**. All Native American families living on or near the Bishop reservation are eligible to participate. Families will need to complete a questionnaire in order to receive the vouchers.

Please check your mail and upcoming newsletters for information on the upcoming Family Formation Workshops with Sports Activates that will be available through the Bishop Paiute Tribe.



2010 Traditional Walks

2010 Monache Meadow Trobal Encampment

July 7th-11th, 2010

Contact Kathy @ 406-570-5289 or
Gerald @ 760-872-3604

21st Annual Traditional Walk 2010

July 24th-31st, 2010

Contact Cheryl Nelson @ 760-647-6252
Jerry Andrews @ 760-647-6471
Tony Brochini @ 209-742-4051
Phillip Johnson @ 209-372-0304

Toiyabe Indian Health Project Inc.

2010 Trade Walk/Camp

August 5th-9th, 2010

Contact Pat Nelson @ 760-873-8464

Negotiations (continued)

- The Annual Funding Agreements, may not reduce the funds, contracts or services that other Tribal governments or Tribal contractors are eligible to receive;
- Divisibility of programs for partial transfer of funds involving one or two federal personnel may be difficult;
- The Passage of Title II of P.L. 103-413 for permanent status of Self-Governance, is still in the early stages of registering its full impact on the BIA and IHS to reorganize and downsize their respective agencies;
- The influence of other initiatives on Self-Governance such as the Reorganization Task Force, National Performance Review, and Federal budget deficit reduction is difficult, if not impossible to project.
- Not all BIA/IHS budget information has been made available to Tribes.
- After decisions are finalized at the negotiation session, Federal bureaucrats still attempt to alter the Annual Funding Agreement throughout the year.

Congress has recognized that Self-Governance is still new and evolving, and that unique circumstances will surface whereby the BIA and the IHS cannot divide programs or immediately restructure. The Congressional Appropriations for Interior and Related Agencies, including IHS, will determine the actual dollars available to determine the Annual Funding Agreement. Although tentative funding levels can be determined in the negotiations, Annual Funding Agreements are revised, once the actual Congressional Fiscal Year Budget is enacted. This may require Tribal budget adjustments as well.

However, in spite of the issues involved with this process, the expected end result for the Bishop Paiute Tribe is that it will be able to take their program funds, along with the funds that were used by the federal government to manage the contracts or direct services, and use them as best benefits their community. Self-Governance provides maximum flexibility for Tribal governments to design programs and services.

More to come.

A NEW DIRECTION FOR BISHOP PAIUTE

TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Based on feedback from Bishop Paiute Community members, the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council has determined that there will be a new direction taken with regards to the development of law enforcement on the Bishop Paiute Reservation. Most of you are probably aware that Mr. George Maycott is no longer employed by the Tribe. We wish Mr. Maycott all the best in his future endeavors and we appreciate the effort he put forth for the Bishop Paiute Tribe. However, after careful consideration of all the input received from Bishop Paiute Community members, we have decided to develop a public safety department rather than a traditional or typical police force. Following a thorough examination of the Tribe's Police Department, The Tribal Council determined that a Public Safety Department model would better meet the law enforcement needs and expectations of our reservation community.

The Tribal Council has also determined that our public safety officers will not carry firearms at this time. These Public Safety Officers (PSO's) will be engaged in liaison activities with our community and other local law enforcement agencies to promote greater understanding, cooperation and a safer environment for all. In addition to these functions our PSO's will also serve legal documents and perform bailiff and some patrol duties. While patrolling their main duty will be to act as a deterrent to unlawful activity and to observe and report to other law enforcement agencies when necessary.

At this time the Tribe is encouraging input from the community regarding Native American candidates for the two positions that are currently available and for the third position that we hope will be funded once again through the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Community Oriented Police Services (COPS) program. We strongly encourage community members to apply for the positions because of their knowledge of the reservation and the customs and traditions of our people. Funding for one of the currently available PSO community law enforcement services comes from the DOJ through their COPS program and the other position is a tribally funded position. If you know of someone that you feel would be able to carry out these duties, please encourage them to apply or notify our human resources department (760) 873-3584, so that we can contact them with regards to this employment opportunity. We look forward to reestablishing law enforcement services on the Bishop Paiute Reservation in the very near future. Thank you.

Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO)

By Susie West, TERO Secretary

Installing Doors & Windows Training:

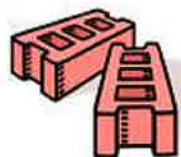
This training was scheduled on April 8, 2010 with Trainings Services Association. Unfortunately it was cancel because there were not enough interested individuals.

MS Excel Workshop:

An Excel Workshop on Monday, April 23, 2010 that was provided by Carlos Eton an instructor from Cerro Coso Community College in Ridgecrest, Ca. This class was for those who already had basic computer knowledge and needed a refresher in MS Excel. We had 15 individuals attend this workshop and positive feedback was given from all the participants.

CPR Training:

On May 3, 2010 a CPR Training that was performed by Pro-Tech (a company based out of Bakersfield Ca). Cathy Bair was the instructor for this training and she did a great job. There were a total of 12 participants and each passed. They were all issued a Basic CPR & First Aid Card. There was also a Young Adults CPR Training on May 24, 2010 that was given for those who are providing child care over the summer.



Upcoming Training Painting Training, July 8 & 9,

Proposed Trainings:

- *Flagging Training*
- *Business Writing*
- *Concrete Work & Block Laying Training*
- *Finish Carpentry & Trim Work Training*
- *Cabinets & Counter Tops: Building, Installing, Repairing*
- *Supervisor/Managers Training*
- *CPR Training*

Reminder:

The TERO Office does provide limited scholarships for Tribal Members. For more information please call the TERO Office.

If you are interested in any of these Trainings please contact Susie West at the Bishop TERO Office at (760) 873-7893 or stop by at 270 See Vee Lane.

Bishop Paiute Tribe Plans For Change

This article was written by: Bennet Kessler, and originally appeared in the Sierra Wave-June 1, 2010

Officials of the Bishop Paiute Tribe released information about the ongoing work toward a Retail Corridor Project on some 47 acres of Reservation land that borders Highway 395 near the current casino. Today, more from the Tribal CEO about development plans.

Bishop Paiute Tribal CEO Glenn Hall said that a process now continues to try to develop and grow the Reservation community. Hall said the work includes a study of what the community has and what is needed. He pointed to 33% unemployment on the reservation and the stark need for economic development to improve the lives of the people.

Hall said the Reservation tax base has never been developed. He said work will lead to a comprehensive tax plan. Hall said none of this happens over night and there "has to be a buy-in by the community. We want their feedback." Hall is aware of the need for more communication among the Native and Non-Native communities. In fact, he said he recently met with Bishop's City Administrator and Inyo's County Administrator. He said they will meet again this month and he hopes they will meet monthly.

When rumors of the advent of a Walmart in Bishop spread, so did fear among officials and businesses. Hall said when talks with any particular company get serious, he will share that information. He underscored that right now, talks with various firms are very preliminary. Hall did say that there are some firms that have experience with resort development and casinos. That's a possibility and others could develop a hotel-convention center. He said the Reservation is very interested in a grocery competitor. "Prices are a concern for our community," he said.

Hall said the Native community could be an agent for change - change that would "add to the quality of life for the community in general."

Reminder To Vote: General Election

Tuesday, July 6, 2010-Bishop Tribal Chambers 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Tribal Council Member-Vote for 3 of the following individuals:

Chad Delgado
Jasmine Andreas-Incumbent
Monty Bengochia-Incumbent
Donald Watterson-Incumbent
Michael Rogers

California Indian Manpower Consortium Representative-Vote for 1 of the following individuals:

Joyce Alvey
Janice Mitchell

Inter Tribal Council of California Representative-Vote for 1 of the following individuals:

Harry Williams
Marcella Keller

Toiyabe Indian Health Project Representative-Vote for 1 of the following individuals:

Janice Mitchell
Valerie Spoonhunter

Education Center

By Shawn Bengochia, Education Director

Dear Parents, Families and Students:

Congratulations on a successful year! There were many challenges during the year and many things to overcome, there were also good times and successes, and at the end of the day we can celebrate and take a break.

We congratulate all the graduates from high school and junior high – good job. We encourage the graduates and all students as they move forward to do their best – keep on keeping on.

And now that the summer is here (finally), a good time for students and for all of us, it is time for swimming, bar-b-ques, softball, fishing and fireworks - a time to relax and enjoy life a little. Also the summer should include time to read and do math facts. Help your child keep their skills sharp!

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DATES TO KNOW:

- 6/14/10-Summer Foods Begins: Breakfast and Lunch for Children ages 0-18.
- 6/28/10-Summer Enrichment Program: 1st-9th graders may attend.
- 7/30/10-Bishop Tribal Scholarship Deadline

2010 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Bishop Union High School & Palisade Glacier High School
(In no particular order)

Kenneth Chandler
Thomas Eddy
Alexandria Linton
James Napoles
Taya Richards
Lauren Mallory



Jonthan Denver Best
James Hubbs
Tristen Richards
Kristian Nauman
Tab Andreas Jr.
Darren Shippentower



Daniel Dumas
Hallie Kinney
Cody Moffett
Andres Orozco
Emmett Davis

Home Street School 8th Grade Graduates



ON TO HIGH SCHOOL...



Mary Andreas
Jesse Huetter
Alexya Brown
Yvonna Chandler
Elijah Hernandez
Mariah Moose
Garrett Schaup
Monica Vargas
Terrence Williams

Michael Butterbredt
Shawn Braithwaite
Damian LaFrombois
Caitlin Coleman
Graysen Hess
Aaron Mora
Wunubi Shaw
Camie Watterson
Nelli Williams

Candice Bardonnex
Ashley Frankson-Doll
Nolan Bryan
Harlen Dewey Jr.
Mathew McCloud
Garrett Rogers
James Spratt III
Noah Williams

Community Services Fair



The first annual Tribal Community Services Fair was held on May 15th at the Barlow Lane Gym. The purpose of the fair was to inform the tribal community of available services offered within the area. Thirty-five (35) local services participated in this successful event, handing out their program information from ser-



vices booths. While the theme was "services" the fair offered fun for all attendees with live music throughout the day, a rock wall, a dessert contest, a chili cook-off contest, a bounce house, fire trucks, Smokey Bear, potato sack races and a dunk tank to mention a few. A barbeque lunch was provided to all attendees and participants. The event ended with several raffles for both adults and children. The grand prize, a 46 inch Samsung LCD Television was won by Isabel Alvey.



SPECIAL THANK YOU

The Community Services Collaboration would like to thank the following services, departments and local businesses for their participation in and donations to our first annual Tribal Community Services Fair held May 15th. Your participation and donations made the fair a success.

Brown's Town; Body & Soul; Kathy Chandler; Value Sports; Subway; Sears; Rite-Aid; The Petite Pantry; Alltel; Hing's Donuts; Starbucks; SuddenLink; Bishop Country Club; Eastern Sierra Propane; Whiskey Creek; Paiute Palace Casino; Pizza Factory; Imperial Gourmet; KFC; Denny's; Home Lumber; Vons; Keoghs; Carl's Jr.; JC Penney; BBQ Bills; La Casita; Great Basin; Bishop Paiute Tribe's - Bishop Indian Education Center, Bishop Indian Head Start, Bishop Paiute Development Corporation, Community Development Department, Community Outreach Program, Environmental Management Office, Tribal Social Services, Tribal Court, Tribal Elders, Tribal Employees Rights Office, Women's Legal Advocacy; Brune Mortuary; California Indian Legal Services; California Indian Manpower Consortium; Child Care Connection; ICARE; Inyo Childcare Services; Inyo County - First 5, Superior Court of Inyo County-Judge Dean Stout and staff, Child Support Services, Sheriff's Department; Inyo Legal Self-Help Center; Northern Inyo Hospital; Owens Valley Career Development Center; Career Education; Tribal TANF; Tuniwa Nobi Family Literacy; Owens Valley Indian Water Commission; Sierra Employment Services; Title VII School Liaisons; Toiyabe Indian Health Project - Healthy Heart Program, Community Health, WIC, Dialysis; US Forest Service and Wild Iris.



We hope we didn't miss anyone.

Enrollment Department

By La Verne De Marrias, Enrollment Clerk
Hours: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Moratorium in Place – From November 30, 2009 – November 30, 2010

Members - There are approximately 1,754 Bishop Paiute Tribal Members.

Pending Applications – These applications are missing documents or need correcting. Letters stating what is needed have been mailed to the applicant or to the parent/grandparent of a minor. These applications will be recommended for **DENIAL** for failure to respond to the letters.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS

Tribal ID Cards – Must be 18 or older to receive a card. You will need to sign a Tribal ID Request Form at the Enrollment Office and have your picture taken.

Eligible Voter – Must be 21 or older, a Bishop Paiute Tribal Member with a local residence. Pick up your registration form at the Tribal Office.

Note - You must re-register to be eligible to vote if you were incarcerated or moved away and then moved back.

WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN!

The Enrollment Office does not have current addresses for the following individuals who have pending enrollment applications. These applications will be recommended for **DENIAL** if the Enrollment Office does not receive any response to their whereabouts.

DRISCOLL L. BARR
CHRISTEL M. LEE
ANTONIO W. REID
NATHAN D. DONDERO

DONNIE GRINDER JR.
PAWAHNEE J. MINDER
ANTOINETTE L. THAYER

TAYLYNN D. KIZER
RUDELL M. REID III
JONATHAN C. THAYER

MINOR'S TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

Current addresses are needed for the following:

ALEX W. ANDREAS
LAURA C. DIXON
MADDOX A. MOOSE
DESTON W. PIPER

DAMIEN BUTTERBREDT
ALLOGAN G. HESS
EASTON L. PATTERSON
AUSTIN W. WILLIAMS

BRANDON M. DEWEY
BERGEN-DALENE HESS
TARA M. PATTERSON
DELVIN W. WILLIAMS

Watering Hours

This is a reminder that watering

hours have been in effect

since April 1st:

5:00 AM to 10:00AM

And

5:00 PM to 10:00 PM



Those persons found in non-compliance

with the mandated schedule will be

subject to the following actions taken

by the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council:

1st VIOLATION: WRITTEN WARNING

2nd VIOLATION: \$25 FINE

3rd VIOLATION: \$50 FINE

4th VIOLATION: YOUR WATER WILL BE SHUT OFF

2010 Tatswano (Spring Gathering)



(L to R, Donald Watterson, Art Maillet, Dale Watterson, Raymond Stone Jr., Alex Vasquez Sr., and Cecil Rambeau)

The annual Tatswano was held Memorial Weekend on the Cultural Center grounds. The Cline Howard VFW Post 4330 held a Veterans Memorial Ceremony to honor all Veterans. The program was presented very well to the public. Some of the program included a reading about the history of the Cline Howard VFW Post, Taps was performed by Stan Smith, and the Paiute Flag Song was sang by Gayle Hanson-Johnson. Following these events, traditional songs and dances were also performed, and a deep-pit

bbq lunch was served. Two different Handgame Tournaments were held as well as a Chuptoohee Tournament.

CHUPTOOHEE WINNERS:

1. Amelia Frank—\$200.00
2. Doug Frank—\$100.00

1ST PLACE-HANDGAME



BYRON GUSTIE'S TEAM

2ND PLACE-HANDGAME



STEVE FRANK'S TEAM

3RD PLACE-HANDGAME



BRIAN PONCHO'S TEAM

2010 FISCAL CALENDAR

PER CAPITA AND VOTER DISTRIBUTION

FEBRUARY 17TH

APRIL 21ST

MAY 19TH

AUGUST 11TH

NOVEMBER 10TH

DECEMBER 15TH

1ST QUARTER VOTER DISTRIBUTION

1ST PER CAPITA DISTRIBUTION

2ND QUARTER VOTER DISTRIBUTION

3RD QUARTER VOTER DISTRIBUTION

4TH QUARTER VOTER DISTRIBUTION

2ND PER CAPITA DISTRIBUTION