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Special points of interest:

- Summer Youth Program Sign-Up Deadline 6/17/11
- Housing Fair 6/18/11
- AYSO Packets Due By 6/27/11 @ 5:00pm
- General Election July 5
- Pow Wow Princess Contest Deadline 8/15/11

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Websites of Interest

www.paiutegaming.com
www.bpdcorp.org
www.oviw.org
www.paiutepalace.com
www.wunut.blogspot.com
www.sierrawave.net
www.bloggingbishop.com



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Veterans Memorial Wall Comes to Bishop

The half-scale mobile replica of the Antelope Valley Vietnam Veterans' Memorial wall was put on display in Bishop over the Memorial Day weekend. It remained on display for one week. Among the thousands of names engraved on the wall were ten local residents. *From Bishop, CA* Pfc. Eric Melvin Dewey, Ssg. Donald Gustav Voget, Sp4. Thomas Matthew Huntley, Lcpl. James Alec Williams, Pfc. Fred Albert Slemsek and Pfc. Harold Eugene Willis. *From Lone Pine, CA* Sp4. David Leigh Burnett and Cpl. Ernest Eustace Perez. *From Independence* Capt. James Bircham and Pfc. Roy Raymond Maddux Jr. There were many men, women and children of all ages who stopped by the Bishop City Park to pay their respects to the U.S. servicemen and servicewomen lost during the war. We would also like to thank all of our Veterans that served in the wars to protect our country.



Veteran's Memorial Wall

THANK YOU! PAIUTE PALACE CASINO



During the week of April 25th, Special Education Awareness Week, students with disabilities attending the Bishop Union School District were invited to the "Springtacular" Special Olympics at Mammoth

Mountain (hosted by Eastern Sierra Disabled Sports). The kids who participated enjoyed a week of ski lessons, daily catered meals and an awards ceremony where every student got to be a star. One student said that the ski trip was the most fun they had ever had. Four Native American students in Mrs. Willy's Special Day Class participated in the "Springtacular". On behalf of these students I would

like to thank the Paiute Palace Casino for their generous donation which covered the registration fee for these students to participate in this activity. Skiing is a physically demanding sport, a sport that some of these kids would not be able to enjoy if it were not for organizations like Eastern Sierra Disabled Sports. Skiing is also an expensive sport, a sport that some of these kids would not have been able to participate in if it were not for the support of the Bishop Paiute Palace Casino. Thank you so much.

Joyce M. Alvey, parent

We're on the web!
www.bishoppaiutetribe.com

THE BISHOP PAIUTE TRIBE'S EDUCATION PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY HIRING FOR THE SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM AND THE SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM.

Temporary Positions

(Start June 27, 2011 – Ending July 25, 2011)

- SUMMER ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (1)
- SUMMER YOUTH ASSISTANT (3-4)
- SUMMER ASSISTANT COOK (1)

Open until filled

If you are interested in these positions please pick up employment applications and job descriptions from the Receptionist and please turn in all job applications at the Bishop Paiute Tribal Office at 50 Tu Su Lane Bishop, CA.

For more information please call the Bishop Paiute Tribe's Human Resources Department at (760) 873-3584.

Higher Education Starts with Head Start!

Head Start invites you to our.....

ENROLLMENT FAIR!

WHEN: JULY 25 - 29 2011
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

WHERE: HEAD START BUILDING

WHAT TO BRING:

1. Enrollment Application
2. Birth Certificates (for all children)
3. Proof of Income
4. Immunization Record
5. Child's social security card
6. Physical

PRIZES!

2011 AYSO Soccer Family Formation Workshop Packets Available 2011 AYSO Soccer Family Formation Workshop Packets Available



Please stop by the Bishop Tribal Office between May 31st and June 24th & pick up your packets to be eligible for a sports voucher.

Packets must be turned in by June 27th 5p.m.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Lidia at 760.873.3584 ext. 252.



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REMINDER TO VOTE: GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2011 - BISHOP TRIBAL CHAMBERS 7:30A.M. TO 7:00P.M.

Bishop Tribal Council Member-Vote for 2 of the following individuals:

- Raimundo Huarte
- Jess Paco, Sr.
- Michael Rogers
- Earleen Williams
- Donald Watterson

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POW WOW PRINCESS CONTESTS!!

Can you pow wow dance?
Can you stand up and speak into a microphone?
Can you wear a beaded crown and a princess sash?
If you answered YES to any of the questions,
YOU are the girl we are looking for!



Tiny Miss, 2010-11
Shania Navarro



Junior Miss, 2010-11
Aurora Toledo

Ages 13-17
MISS PABANAMANINA

Ages 7-12
JUNIOR MISS

Ages 1-6
TINY MISS

Be an EARLY BIRD CONTESTANT
Submit your application now &
get an early start on ticket sales!

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: August 15, 2011

Pick up an application at the Tribal Office or Education Center or contact
Committee Chair, Rhonda Schultz (559-916-4589) for more information!

Community Development Department

Free Lunch **2011** Door Prizes

HOUSING FAIR

Saturday, June 18, 2011

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

270 See Vee Lane
Bishop CA

Surplus Inventory Sale

Hands-On Demonstrations

Bounce House for the Kids

Tour of new CDD home under construction

For more information call (760) 872-4356

Summer Youth Work Experience Program

Take the opportunity to earn MONEY and have FUN this summer!!

Date: **June 20, 2011**
Time: **9 a.m.**
Place: **Bishop Community Center
405 N. Barlow Lane**

Schedule:

- Week 1- Workshops and Job Selection
- Weeks 2-7- Work at site; Monday – Thursday & Friday Workshops
- Week 8- Final Presentation

Stop by the Tribal Office and Sign-Up!

This program is for Native American Youth 14-24 yrs. of age who
live in the Bishop Reservation Service Area.
Sign-Up Deadline is June 17, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Questions? Call Lidia Schultz at 760.873.3584 ext. 252.



The Bishop Indian Head Start “Ride Safe” Program ends in great success

For the past 5 years Bishop Indian Head Start has been awarded the Indian Health Service Ride Safe Car Seat Safety Grant. This grant has been available for the newly enrolled families at Bishop Indian Head Start Preschool for the past 5 years. In 2010, Bishop Indian Head Start received an award of excellence from Indian Health Service for in maintaining the program for the maximum grant cycle. Sadly, the program has ended, but with Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians at Bishop Indian Head Start, car seat checking, proper installation, and education can continue for Head Start families. Bishop Indian Head Start will be researching the opportunity to apply for another car seats safety grant in the future.



Rogers, from the Bishop Paiute Tribal Safety Department. There were 3 certified Child Passenger Safety from Bishop Indian Head Start and 4 from the California Highway Patrol. This collaborative event between the California Highway Patrol and Bishop Indian Head Start proved to be a great success by a total of 40 adults and children attending this important safety event.

On Saturday, April 23 from 10:00-2:00 a Community and County wide Child Passenger Safety Car Seat Check Up event was held at the Head Start/Community Center. There were 7 certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians at this event and Deston

Bishop Indian Head Start installed 12 of the 40 car seats from the Ride Safe Program and the California Highway Patrol installed 18 car seats from their Occupant Restraint Campaign. An additional 10 car seats were checked for Federal Safety Recalls,

proper installation, car seat usage, safe straps (webbing), being age appropriate height weight for the child's car seat. There were 2 car seats that were unsafe do to broken straps and ripped seat fabric; these car seats were destroyed. A total of 40 car sets were installed at this event.

We would like to thank the California Highway Patrol for their past 5 years of outstanding collaboration and Bishop Paiute Tribal Council for supporting the Ride Safe Grant. Also, we would like to thank the Bishop Paiute Tribal Safety Department for the photographs that were taken at the Child Passenger Safety Seat Check up Event and submitted for publication in this article. Thank you to Indian Health Services for your Health and Safety Grants. A big thank you goes out Bishop Indian Head Start Staff who worked on Saturday to help everyone be safe and to all Community members who attended this event.

Bishop Indian Head Start: Enrollment

REMINDER:

Completed enrollment applications are due June 10th.

An application cannot be complete without these documents:

- 1) Birth certificates for each child in the family
- 2) Immunization record including TB information
- 3) One full month of income documentation not more than 30 days old

THANK YOU!



FROM THE AIR PROGRAM

Fire Season Is Upon Us!

Burn permits...

As many of you know, the Bishop Tribe's Air Program provides burn permits to Tribal members. These permits are valid for a calendar year and expire on December 31st.



The rules for burning are that it must be a "yes" burn day and burning may occur only from 5:00AM to noon. Burning is restricted to yard waste in 4-foot by 4-foot piles, small plots of grass or strips of grass along fence lines, cardboard and non-glossy paper in burn barrels.

Where do these regulations come from?...

The short answer is that they are to protect health and safety... and the long answer?

IN THE WINTER: we have "no" burn days when the barometric pressure is high. These are cold, clear days when the smoke stays around. You can identify them by looking out your window. The smoke from your neighbor's woodstove will be streaming out horizontally. This means that the smoke tends to hang around for you to breathe. So "no" burn days are designed to keep the air cleaner and healthier.

IN THE SUMMER: why do we have so many "no" burn days in a row? At this time of year the reason is fire safety. When fuel moisture gets dangerously low, even the smallest spark can ignite a large fire that will spread rapidly. The Tribe follows Bishop Fire Department and Cal Fire here.

5:00AM until NOON: in the Owens Valley, the winds typically pick up in the afternoon, making it possible for even a small fire to get out of control. In addition, if you put your fire out by noon, but have a flare up, it will happen during daylight hours when you can more easily manage it.

MORE QUESTIONS? Stop by the Environmental Management Office or call the Air Quality Specialist at 760 873 7845.



Fireworks!

The Paiute Palace Casino will once again be sponsoring fireworks on July 3rd. The Air Quality Program helps ensure the safety of these displays by providing a permit for the display and verifying that the size of the fireworks and the set-backs for spectators and structures are sufficient.

In recent years, the state of California has dramatically increased the fines for possessing and transporting illegal fireworks and enforcement has increased. In addition, each year the discharge of fireworks on the Reservation results in some fires and some of the worst air quality. For your safety and enjoyment, we urge you to attend the public display at the Casino or the one at the airport on July 4th.

Cultural Advisory Committee

With all of the changes happening around us, it can be difficult to grasp the present let alone think about the past or the uncertain future. But when it comes to cultural preservation, it's necessary to focus on three vital things: the land that has sustained us for over 10,000 years, our ancestors and the way they lived, and future generations who will continue the language, traditions and culture. This philosophy is at the heart of the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO).

The THPO is committed to preserving the old ways so that our grandchildren

and great grandchildren will have a deeper connection with the land and their ancestors. The Cultural Advisory Committee assists the THPO by commenting on proposed developments and activities happening on Paiute-Shoshone ancestral homelands (now managed by Forest Service, BLM and National Park Service to name a few), to assist in developing strategies for the direction of the Cultural Center, identifying and protecting sacred sites, and much more.

The Cultural Advisory Committee has three vacant volunteer positions, and you are invited to submit a letter of

intent if you are knowledgeable about Nüümü history and culture, can attend monthly meetings, and are committed to cultural preservation. Together we can build a stronger community for future generations by nurturing cultural roots and the land in which they grow.

Please come to the Tribal Office and submit a letter of intent with your name, contact information and why you are interested in becoming a member of the Cultural Advisory Committee. For more information contact Matthew Nelson at Matthew.Nelson@bishoppaiute.org



PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Phone: 760-873-4477 • Cell: 760-937-3688 • Fax: 760-973-4409

Deston Rogers
Public Safety Officer

Email: deston.rogers@bishoppaiute.org

A New Way to Report Criminal Activity

In an effort to get more community involvement in criminal activity, both on and off the reservation the Bishop Paiute Tribe's Public Safety Department has created a way to report criminal activity, anonymously. Here's How to Report Crime:

1. Visit www.bishoppaiutetribes.com
2. Click on "Departments"
3. Choose "Public Safety"
4. Click on "Nu-Mu Reservation Crime Tips" and enter information. That's it!

It takes a community to make a community safe! There is no question that there's criminal activity on the reservation, but, many people are leery to

openly report the activity for many reasons. With the warmer days coming criminal activity is on the increase and the community's assistance is needed to keep track of what's happening on the reservation.

Upcoming Public Safety Reminders

4th of July-The 4th of July holiday is fast approaching and with the amount of moisture we have received, this year; this means an increase in vegetation to fuel fires. While we all enjoy watching fireworks we must remember that "public safety" outweighs the improper use of fireworks. Please be alert and aware of the use of illegal fireworks and be sure fireworks are displayed in a properly cleared area with plenty of water on hand to fully extinguish used fireworks. Two important tips; 1) if it seems to be too windy to set fireworks off it probably

is and 2) alcohol and fireworks don't mix. Our safety and our land depends on everyone in the community to be safe. Remember, if you cause a fire you can be criminally prosecuted for any damages and costs that result.

Summer Water Run-Off- It's estimated that the peak of the summer water run-off will occur sometime around the end of July. If you live near a creek take some time to make sure it is clear of debris and keep an eye on young children that like to play in the water. Don't be caught off guard! Prepare now for water flow. If notice an increase in water flow that appears to be increasing rapidly, or is beginning to flood, please don't hesitate to contact the Public Safety Department so we can address the hazard before it's too late.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!



Cultural Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in cultural preservation and have some time to volunteer, there are many opportunities for you to share your knowledge with children and help protect sacred sites. Free training is available for anyone interested, and is a great way to do something positive for the community. Some of the volunteer positions include:

Cultural and Environmental Education

The Eastern Sierra Institute for Collaborative Education (ESICE) offers field trips to local students during the spring and fall, with a focus on environmental and cultural studies. Docents receive free training for leading specific activities, and are paid a daily stipend for every day they work. ESICE is an amazing local organization committed to connecting youth to nature, and helping them understand the rich history of the Owens Valley.

If you are interested in part-time,

seasonal work with youth in the outdoors, this is the job for you! You can receive training this summer and be ready to lead trips in the fall. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Help Protect Sacred Sites

The US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management are developing their Site Steward programs, which use volunteer patrols to monitor sacred sites, petroglyphs panels and other important areas rich in cultural resources. With over one million acres of land to patrol, and only one enforcement ranger on staff, these agencies need help. Who better to monitor and care for sacred sites than tribal members?

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer Site Steward, you will receive training, access to a BLM vehicle, and radio communications while in the field. Whether you are able to volunteer one day a week or one day a month, your help is needed. Must

be 25 years of age or older, with a clear driving record.

Cultural Tour Guides

School groups, visiting tribes, bus tours, families, and many other visitors come to the Owens Valley every year. In addition to enjoying the natural beauty of our area, they are very interested in learning more about the people who have lived here for many thousands of years. The Paiute Shoshone Cultural Center will be developing a culturally appropriate tourism program, which includes hiring local natives to lead interpretive tours. These tours may be at the Cultural Center, or at culturally significant locations close to Bishop.

For more information about any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact Matthew Nelson at (520) 404-7992 or email Matthew.Nelson@bishoppaiute.org.

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

ADOPT-A-CREEK



Have you heard about the Tribe's Adopt-A-Creek program? This program gives assignment holders and renters the opportunity to participate in creek cleaning projects throughout the reservation. The creeks are a valuable natural resource. Not only do they provide flood protection, creeks are vital to wildlife habitat and enhance our community and quality of life.

Assignment holders and renters situated along the creek are encouraged to adopt their stretch of creek. All households neighboring the creek will be contacted to determine if they would like to participate as stewards in our program.

The way the program works is simple: water program staff will coordinate with participants to determine which portion of the creek they will adopt. Once the Adopt-A-Creek application is filled out, adoption begins! During clean-up events and when needed, garbage bags and gloves will be provided and debris will be collected at no cost. We will recognize participants with Adopt-A-Creek incentives.

Join today! Call BryAnna in the Water Quality Control Program at 873-3584



Water Quality Control Program

TRIBAL WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

Did you know the Bishop Paiute Tribe has Clean Water Action section 401 authority to establish its own water quality standards for waters on the Reservation, and to certify activities which may result in a discharge into Bishop Creek? Bishop Paiute is currently one of only four Tribes in California who have been authorized by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to establish and implement their own water quality standards.

Water quality standards approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Clean Water Act empower the Tribe to make decisions with federal and state agencies on various actions affecting water quality. The Tribe's water quality standards are based on designated uses of the water. Those uses include, but are not limited to, agriculture, municipal and domestic drinking water supply, wildlife habitat, recreation and culture.



What does this mean to you?

The Environmental Management Office staff regularly engage in a variety of activities to implement the Tribe's water quality standards and ensure the waters are protected. These activities include water quality monitoring and assessment, partnerships, and regular reviews of their water quality standards.



Now that it is irrigation season, you are likely to see staff collecting samples from the creeks to test the bacteria levels. If the bacteria levels exceed the Tribe's standards, notices are placed at popular recreation sites to warn swimmers of the dangers that exist. This is just one of the many ways that the Tribe works to protect its community and its resources.



Class



Tomi Andrade



Jeffery Andreas

2011



Alex Barlow

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LaVaree Chavez



Amber Cozad



Roy Dondero



Alyssa Kane



Katie Keller-Manuelito



Sage O'Dell



Steven Orihuela



Ruben Ramos



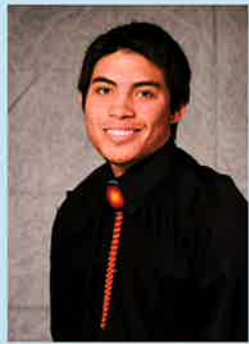
Cheyenne Renfro



Josie Rogers



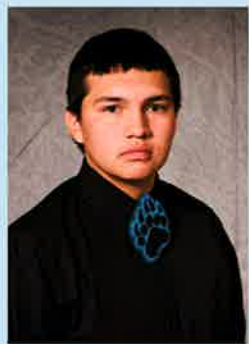
Thumpasa Shoshone



Anthony Tucker



Douglas Watterson



Qwina West



Kelsea Wuester

Palisade Glacier Graduates



Sierra Hall



Miranda Maddox



Stevie Pole



Erica Stone

Class of

2011

Home
Street
Colts

8th Grade Graduates



Graduating with Honors

Troy Watterson was selected as the American Legion Outstanding Boy for Home Street Middle School.

The following students were nominated for Congressman Buck McKeon Citizenship Award:

*Tiarney Andreas
And
Troy Watterson*



Back Row, L-R; Tamia Shoshone, River Mallory, Thomas Montoya, Gage Spoonhunter, Thomas Sills, Leon Eddy, Tory Watterson, Tana Amasone.

Middle Row, L-R; Shelby Logan, Leticia Gonzales, Lenaya Moose, Ruby Manuelito, Tiarney Andreas, Sierra Merchant, Carlos Torres, Desmond Frank, Sergio Valladares.

Front Row, L-R; Korena Toledo, Evan Meneses, Ty Tucker, Cierra Rossi, Kerisa Isaac, Ryan Lent Jr., Aunwahu West, Sabrina Stone.

