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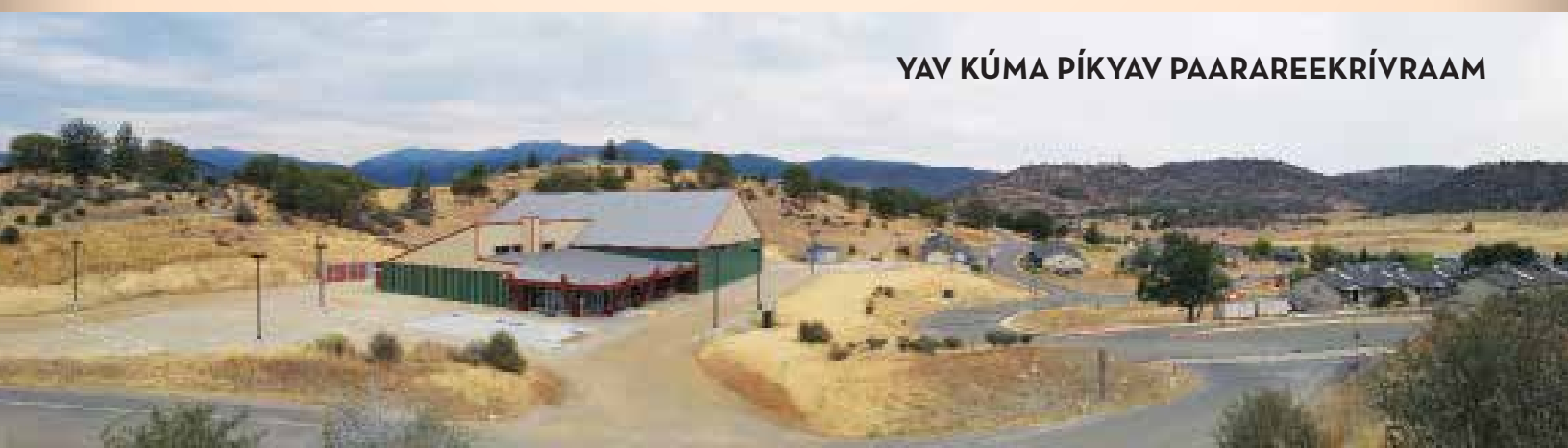
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Greetings from your Tribal Council



Russell Attebery
Happy Camp
Chairman

TERM: Nov. 2011-Nov. 2015



Robert Super
Yreka
Vice-Chairman

TERM: Nov. 2014-Nov. 2018



Joseph Waddell
Happy Camp
Secretary/Treasurer

TERM: Nov. 2011-Nov. 2015



Alvis Johnson
Happy Camp District
Member at Large

TERM: Nov. 2012-Nov. 2016



Elsa Goodwin
Happy Camp District
Member at Large

TERM: Nov. 2012-Nov. 2016



Josh Saxon
Orleans District
Member at Large

TERM: Nov. 2013-Nov. 2017



Renee Stauffer
Orleans District
Member at Large

Term: Nov. 14-Nov. 15



Arch Super
Yreka District
Member at Large

TERM: Nov. 2013-Nov. 2017



Sonny Davis
Yreka District
Member at Large


TERM: Nov. 2014-Nov. 2018

Ayukii Tribal Members,
 Just a quick note to update you all on what's been happening. We can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel to start construction on the Casino. We have recently received a determination to receive 34 new homes in Yreka. The Kahtishraam Wellness Center in Yreka is completed; we held our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on September 12th. We are also near the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Orleans Broadband Project. Elders, Students and Families: please check with our Departments and Programs for any needs. We have a lot of projects being completed that will benefit our Tribal Membership. Years ago, many Tribal Members were forced to move from their Tribal lands to look for work to support their families. I am really excited that these new homes, new jobs, and new facilities will give Tribal Members an opportunity to move back home. I want to thank all of our members for their comments and ideas and assure you my door is always



Chairman Attebery at Native American Days in Sacramento

open. If you have any further questions, you can contact me at (800) 505-2785 ext. 2019 or email at battebery@karuk.us.

Yōotva kura suva nik.
 Russell "Buster" Attebery,
 Karuk Chairman 



Emergency Preparedness

By Tom Fielden and Rachel Rhinehart

Ayukii,
 Fall brings welcome relief from the summer heat, fires and smoke. According to the National Weather Service's fall forecast favors a moderate El Nino, with equal chances of normal precipitation for Northern California but above normal temperatures. Even if we get above normal rain this year it will not be enough to end the drought. Please continue to save water.

In August, we conducted an evacuation exercise at the Happy Camp Tribal Housing in cooperation with KTHA and Siskiyou County Sherriff. The exercise helped us to determine what worked well within our Emergency Operations Plan and what actions are needed to improve our response. What we found was that all cooperators and tribal staff were efficient, well organized, and took their

position seriously. What we found that needs improving is our resident's access to emergency notification system CodeRED. CodeRED is a FREE emergency notification service provided to all residents within Siskiyou County that will notify you of emergency information through phone calls, text messages, emails and social media. Please enroll today! Visit www.co.siskiyou.ca.us and register your cell phone. Remember to do family evacuation drills at home too.

The Emergency Preparedness Department is closing its doors as of September 30, 2015. We would like to say at this time that we are grateful for having been allowed to serve the Tribe and Tribal Members.

Yōotva 

Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe

Karuk Voters Registration Office
P.O. Box 815
Happy Camp, CA 96039

General Election
Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer
Orleans Member at Large
November 3, 2015

UNOFFICIAL List of Candidates

The following candidates have met all requirements to compete for the Chairperson, Secretary/Treasurer, Orleans Member At Large positions in the upcoming General Election.

Chairperson Term 2015-2019



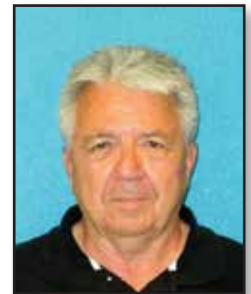
Russell "Buster"
Attebery
(Incumbent)



Crispen McAllister



Michael Thom



Randy Hobbs

Secretary/Treasurer Term 2015-2019

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Orleans Member At Large Term 2015-2019



Rene Stauffer

Karuk Tribe Housing Authority Kahtishraam Wellness Center Ribbon Cutting

The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Kahtishraam Wellness Center was held on Saturday, September 12 in Yreka.

This was a joint construction project between the Karuk Tribe and Karuk Tribe Housing Authority with funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development IHBG and ICDBG funds. The contractor for the project was DT Builders of Arcata, a Native American firm owned by Yurok Tribal Member, Terry Wilson.

It includes a commercial kitchen and multi-sport gymnasium complete with locker rooms and showers. The KTHA Wellness Center Coordinator and Security Coordinator offices will be housed in the building allowing us to continue to provide and expand affordable housing activities to the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority residents, Tribal membership, and communities we serve.

The event kicked off with a Fun Run / Walk at 9am. Erin Hillman, Executive Director of the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority welcomed everyone to the event. Tribal Councilman, Sonny Davis, provided the prayer. Elsa Goodwin, Tribal Council Member and Karuk Tribe Housing Authority Board of Commissioners Chairperson, introduced the members of the Tribal Council and Housing Board present and thanked all of the staff for their contributions to the construction of the facility. Tribal Council Chairman, Russell Attebery, addressed the attendees and expressed his excitement that the facility was complete and available for the community members and youth to enjoy.

Dave Meurer was present on behalf of California State Senator, Ted Gaines, to present a Certificate of Recognition



Tribal Council Chairman Russell Attebery

thanking the Tribe and HUD for their investment in the health of the community which was accepted by Chairman Attebery.

Dale Risling, Deputy Regional Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, spoke thanking the Karuk Tribe and Housing Authority for their contributions to the communities and the forward thinking to construct a Wellness Center to aide in the health and wellbeing of their membership.

Chairman Attebery and Chairperson Goodwin had the honor of cutting the ribbon to welcome everyone into the facility, they were joined by Tribal Council Members: Robert Super, Alvis Johnson, Sonny Davis, Arch Super; Housing Board Members: Charlene Naef, Shirlee McAllister, Randy Hobbs; Housing Staff: Erin Hillman, Ann Escobar, Sara Spence, Richard Black, Steve Mitchell; Tribal Staff: Jaclyn Goodwin and Emma Lee Perez; DT Builders: Terry Wilson and Bill Bowman; KAS & Associates, Architect: Ron Voight; and former Housing Executive Director Jim Berry.

Snacks and cake were served in the lobby followed by a Demonstration Brush Dance coordinated by Franklin Thom and Florrine Super. The winner of the Free Throw Contest was Tyler Kropp. Buster Attebery and Assistant, Koda Allen, ran the clock and announced the two scrimmage games which were refereed by Don Super and Nichelle Laffoon. Between games the Rush Dance Team performed for the crowd.

Everyone had a great time and it will be an honor to see all of the activities this facility will host in the years to come! 🏹

Ayukîi from the Karuk Community Development Corporation!

A change in seasons is rapidly approaching with the fall colors starting to show and much cooler nights occurring. Change is also happening at the Karuk Community Development Corporation (KCDC) as we move forward and explore possible business ventures that will work in our area.

We are currently exploring renewable energy, specifically solar and or wind possibilities as well as a small biomass plant, possible expansion of the Amkuuf Shop to a convenience store, 8(a) businesses through the SBA (Small Business Administration) and a small business center that will provide copying, shredding, and printing services and office and conference space available for rent.

I recently attended a Commercial Scale Project Development and Finance Workshop sponsored by the Office of Indian Energy and the National Renewal Energy Laboratory (NREL) held in Golden, Colorado at the NREL site.

The learning objective of the training was to understand the process and potential pitfall of developing commercial-scale renewable energy projects and to determine how the development of a commercial-scale renewable energy project could possibly further a Tribe's goals.

The networking at the training was invaluable and hearing from other Tribe's that have already implemented renewable energy projects was an education in itself. I was able to meet with Jana Ganion from Blue Lake Rancheria and hear first-hand of the successes and challenges they have faced in their goal of 100% sustainability for their site that includes a casino/hotel/restaurant and I am looking forward to working with her in the future.



The US Department of Energy, through NREL, has provided technical assistance for a strategic energy plan and we will be submitting requests for additional technical assistance for feasibility studies in the very near future.

If you have any questions or would like to share your thoughts on renewable energy please give us a call at (530) 493-1475.

The Happy Camp Community Computer Center is once again offering College of the Siskiyou classes through video teleconferencing. If you would like more information please contact College of the Siskiyou at www.siskiyous.edu.

Frank Snider, at the Computer Center, will be offering beginning classes in Excel as well as GED testing. If you would like to register for the class or schedule a GED test please contact Frank directly at (530) 493-1485.

The Naa Vura YeeShiip Program welcomes Matthew Hilliard, LCSW, on board to assist Rivkah Barmore in providing services to children and youth in our service areas. This program is funded through a CalOES (California Office of Emergency Services) grant that specifically provides services to children and youth who have been victims of crime. If you would like more information about the program you may contact them at (530) 493-1480.



"We are the leaders we have been waiting for." – Hopi Elder

19th Annual Karuk Tribal Reunion

July 11, 2015

We would like to thank everyone for coming out to our 19th Annual Karuk Tribal Reunion, which was held on Saturday, July 11, 2015. This year, our theme was “The River Ties us Together” – “nuu peeshkêesh xâkaan nupinhitunvuti” We had well over 550 participants sign up at the Welcome Booth, and approximately 650 guests for our Traditional Salmon Dinner!

We had a variety of booths including: jewelry, pottery and art sales, informational, and of course our Health Tent and Department Booths. The day started out with a 5k/2k fun run/walk, then breakfast was served courtesy of our Billing Department. An opening prayer and song was done by councilman Sonny Davis, and our Welcome Address, given by our Chairman, Russell “Buster” Attebery. We then presented our Elders (Full Blooded and ages 85 and older) with our appreciation gifts. We had a fun filled day with activities such as: Dental BINGO, a youth language story, a Poker Tournament, a Horseshoe Tournament, a Stick Game demonstration by our younger men, a stick game tournament, and music and dancing by Merv George followed our Salmon Dinner!

This Reunion had quite a turnout, but there are things we would like to change so that next year may be even greater than this year! We plan to implement the following changes: having more signs indicating it is a drug and alcohol event – and having Tribal Security present to enforce this, to have our vendor booths closer together and not so far apart, better parking coordination, having Youth help serve our Elders food, making all areas wheelchair accessible, a better PA system – so that others who are not close can still hear the events/messages from the main tent, having more youth activities planned - giving our Youth something to do and participate in, having each Tribal Department give a demonstration of their program

(what services are offered/provided, etc.), hopefully we will have MORE food vendors (with some sticking around for evening entertainment), perhaps have an earlier start time (as we ran out of promotional items rather quickly and guests showed up early in the morning), having special recognition for our Veterans, asking for outside ideas when it comes to designing our Reunion Shirts, having some bleachers available for the Card Games (so spectators can watch comfortably), and hopefully we will have more Welcome Booth raffle prizes available. These are just a few changes we plan to implement – but if you have any other comments or opinions you wish to share to help make our next Reunion even better, please let us know!


A BIG THANK YOU to all Businesses and Departments who donated to our Welcome Booth Raffle. ALL of our Welcome Booth Raffle Prizes are 100% donated. If you have a donation you would like to make for next year's event, please contact us at (530) 493-1600 ext. 2010.

If you have any ideas for our next year's Reunion theme or artwork for our T-Shirts, please submit your ideas to:

Karuk Tribe ATTN: HR

P.O. Box 1016

Happy Camp, CA 96039

Yōotva for everyone coming out to enjoy our Annual Tribal Reunion, we hope to see you all next year! 





Nothing But The Tooth

By- Allison Ortiz
Registered Dental Hygienist

What Does DDS, DMD, RDH, RDAEF, RDA and DA Mean?

Karuk Tribal Dental
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- ◆ **The DDS (Doctor of Dental Surgery) and DMD (Doctor of Dental Medicine)** are the same degrees. Dentists who have a DMD or DDS have the same education. It's up to the universities to determine what degree is awarded, but both degrees use the same curriculum requirements. Dentists diagnose and treat diseases, injuries and malformations of the teeth and mouth and can prescribe medications as needed.
- ◆ **The RDH (Registered Dental Hygienist)** is a dental health specialist whose primary concern is nonsurgical periodontal (gum) therapy, maintenance of dental health, and prevention of oral disease, dental cleanings and sealants. Patient education in proper brushing and flossing is also a major responsibility of the dental hygienist. Dental Hygienist can administer anesthetic.
- ◆ **The Registered Dental Assistant with extended functions or RDAEF** is a new category of dental assistants that can place all types of restorations- direct and indirect, alloy and composite. In short, they can do anything a dentist does to restore a tooth except administer anesthesia and remove tooth structure.
- ◆ **Registered Dental Assistants (RDA)** assist the dentist in providing more efficient dental treatment, by preparing the patient for treatment, sterilizing instruments, passing instruments during the procedure, holding suction devices, exposing dental radiographs, taking impressions, and fabricating provisional crowns. RDA have gone through training and have been tested and licensed in the state that they work in.
- ◆ **A Dental Assistant or DA** has been trained but has not gone through the licensure process.



Brush and Floss the TEETH
you want to KEEP!





Karuk Head Start

By: Patty Brown, Executive Director

Karuk Head Start is back in session and the classrooms are full of lively and eager children. We welcome back our hardworking and dedicated staff to the 2015-2016 school year. Barbara Croy has recently been hired as the bus monitor/cook's aide for the Yreka program site and we welcome her aboard! Barbara brings her experience and knowledge of the Head Start program and we look forward to working with her as our newest team member.

The Yreka and Happy Camp centers have undergone upgrades and changes recently thanks to a One-Time Funding grant through the Office of Head Start.

Happy Camp had new windows installed throughout the building, new flooring installed in the adult bathrooms, and a new generator installed so the Head Start building can be a safe haven for the children and local housing residents in the event the electricity is lost. A new playground has been purchased as well and we are awaiting installation of the equipment.

The Yreka center had new flooring installed throughout the building and it is now being initiated by little feet throughout the day.

The Karuk Head Start hosted a pre-service at the end of August and provided required and specialized training for all staff. The pre-service invitation went out to neighboring Tribes and those in attendance included Tolowa Dee ni, Hoopa, Yurok, Round Valley, and Redding Rancheria. We gathered at the KTHA Community building in Yreka and Rana and Kathy from the Karuk Head Start program provided a delicious breakfast each morning and nutritious snacks throughout the day. Training activities included team building, and How to Create a Positive Work Environment.



Many thanks to Karuk Tribe Public Health Nurse Annie Smith for providing Blood Borne Pathogens training for attendees. We also had our new Training and Technical Assistance Providers, ICFI provide important training in data, CLASS, disabilities, and home visiting. We would like to thank the Office of Head Start for providing our programs with quality trainers.

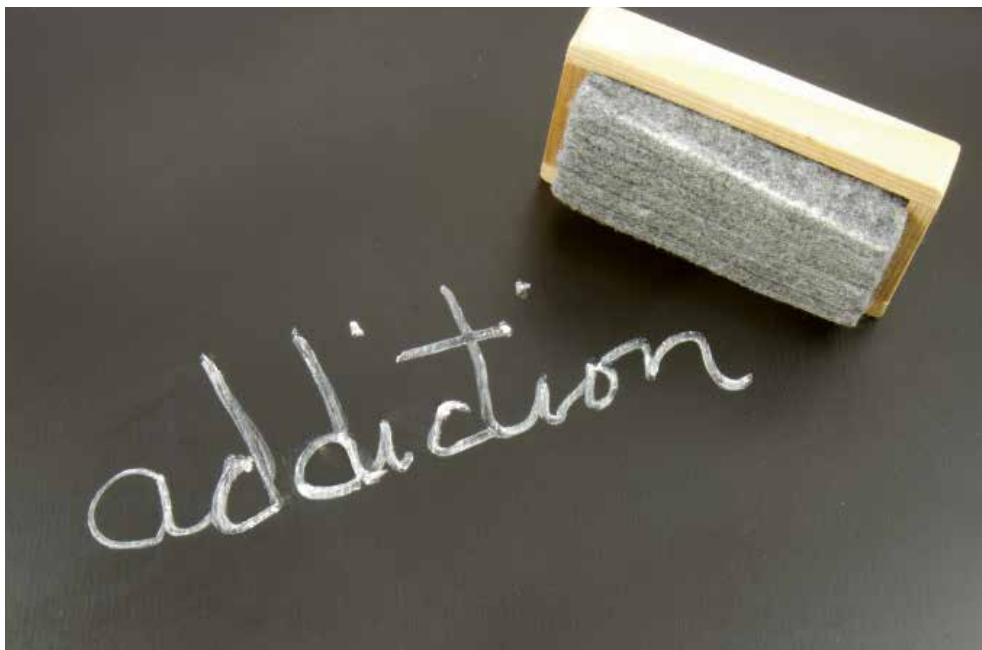
Many thanks to KCDC staff, Karen Derry, Deanna Miller, Linda Zink, Daniela Sanchez and the KCDC board for their support.

We always welcome Tribal member participation to help us support language and culture in the classroom. Please let our Head Start staff know if you would like to visit and share Karuk culture with our children and they can work it into the schedule as we get requests.

Even though school has started we are continuing to enroll children in our program or place them on a waiting list. To be eligible the child must be 3-years old by September 2, 2015 for the 2015-2016 school year and meet other eligibility guidelines as required by the Office of the Administration for Children and Families (ACF). Applications are available at the Yreka and Happy Camp Karuk Head Start Centers, the Karuk Tribe Health Clinics, Happy Camp Administration Office, local Family and Community Resource Centers in Happy Camp and Yreka, and on the Karuk Tribe website (under Karuk Community Development Corporation). Completed applications can be returned to the Happy Camp or Yreka offices by mail (listed on application), interoffice mail, or faxed to (530) 493-1491.

Suva nik

Stages of Use and Misuse



Substance abuse counselors are met with the task of determining what level of treatment is appropriate for individuals seeking help for their drug use. One of the assessment tools used at the time of the interview identifies levels of use. There are six levels of use. They are as follows: abstinence, experimentation, social use, habituation, abuse, and addiction.

Abstinence means an individual does not use psychoactive drugs intentionally (Inaba & Cohen, 2014). Obviously a person who does not use alcohol or other drugs intentionally does not meet the criteria for treatment.

Experimentation occurs when a person becomes curious about a drug and they try it. Individuals who are at the experimentation level usually do not have any consequences from using substances and no pattern of use is present (Inaba & Cohen, 2014).

A social user will seek out a particular drug to experience its effects. The difference between social users and someone who is experimenting with drugs is that the social users have acquired drug seeking behavior. An individual who is at this level uses drugs irregular and infrequent, and there is little impact on the individual's life. However, there are exceptions to this rule. A social user may be at risk if they trigger a pre-existing mental illness or have a family history of addiction (Inaba & Cohen, 2014). This type of social user may meet the criteria for alcohol and drug education.

Abuse is defined by the continued use of a drug despite negative consequences (Inaba & Cohen, 2014). For example, a person who continues to use methamphetamine despite having a heart condition puts themselves at risk. Other negative consequences abusers experience are strained relationships with family members and co-workers. This type of behavior may meet the criteria for outpatient or intensive outpatient treatment depending on the severity of the drug abuse and consequences due to the abuse.

Addiction has many symptoms that may include: using drugs in large quantities and over a long period of time; increased amounts over a period of time; major time devoted to finding and obtaining drugs; time with family and friends sacrificed due to drug use; continued use despite physical and mental consequences; defending drug use with anger; and withdrawal symptoms when unable to obtain the drug (Inaba & Cohen, 2014). An individual who experiences four to six of these symptoms will meet the criteria for residential treatment.

If you believe you or a loved one may have a substance abuse related issue, please feel free to contact the Karuk Tribe Substance Abuse Program.

For services in Yreka call (530) 841- 3141

For services in Happy Camp and Orleans call (530) 493-1450

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The Tooth Fairy's Hard Work Paid Off

at the Siskiyou County Fair August 12 - 16, 2015.

(Submitted by Debbie Bickford, "Coverage for Kids" Project Director)



The Karuk Tribe sponsored a booth at the Siskiyou County Fair in collaboration with the "Coverage for Kids" grant (InsureKids.gov) and promoted FREE DENTAL CHECK UPS (for children ages 3-18) at all three of their clinics in Yreka, Happy Camp, and Orleans. The turnout was great! The kids, parents, and other adults enjoyed the "Tooth Fairy necklaces", Chomping Teeth, and other handouts at the booth. The free drawing for a youth portable basketball stand was also a hit with 371 names entered. A special shout out to Carissa Bussard, Chris Bickford and Barbara Figlia for helping to man the booth.

All of the slots were filled, with a waiting list in Yreka. The clinic lobbies were buzzing with excitement, as 60 children were scheduled in one day to have their teeth checked before school started for the year. And the kids had smiles on their faces as you can see in this photo!



Thank you to five very important women who made this event a success: Allison Ortiz, Barbara Figlia, Jessica Courts, Shannon Jones, Kayla Super, and Nikki Hokanson (not pictured.) Thank you ladies and thank you Karuk Tribe for taking care of our children! 🇺🇸



Introducing . . .



Jeri Bartow

Ayukii, My name is Jeri Bartow and I am the new Chief Financial Officer for the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority. I am a Karuk Tribal Descendant. I have a Bachelor's Degree from Humboldt State University and have worked for a variety of non-profits and governments. For six years, I worked as Asst. Director of Finance for California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc. I spent most of my time on the road, providing Training and Technical Assistance throughout California. I started life in Humboldt County and have traveled the United States. Life has come full circle as I return to the land of rivers. I am pleased to be working in Happy Camp for the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority. 🏹



Ayukii! My name is Kasey O'Brien, and I have recently filled the position of Tenant Relations Officer at the Yreka Karuk Tribal Housing Authority (KTHA) Office. I started this position on June 2nd of this year. In the last couple months, I've had the privilege of meeting most of the Yreka KTHA tenants and meeting many of the wonderful KTHA employees from all sites. So far, it's been great! I love being an active part of our Karuk Tribal community and culture.

My children, Brandon and Isabell Snapp, and I have lived at the Yreka KTHA site for almost eight years now and they just went into 3rd and 5th grades, wow - time flies! I am so blessed to have such amazing children, and that we are from such a sacred and spiritual heritage. As a mother, it's my goal to raise them to take part in learning and practicing Karuk customs, morals, tradition and culture.

I am looking forward to my future at The Karuk Tribe Housing office, learning, and helping as much as possible. Suva Nik! 🏹



Kasey O'Brien



Department of Natural Resources: Environmental Education Program



Jeanette Quinn, Environmental Education Coordinator

This month (September 2015) brings a big transition to the Environmental Education Program: after 13 years working as a consultant to coordinate the Program for the Tribe's Department of Natural Resources (DNR), I am beginning a new job as a teacher at Jefferson High School and Happy Camp High School. I am very grateful to all the Tribal personnel and other agencies, teachers and students at the local schools, and community members who helped make my job such an enjoyable one.

Thinking back over my years working for the DNR, I have many happy memories of working with students from our local schools. Some of the projects that stand out the most: Chinook salmon spawning and carcass surveys, aquatic insect and water quality studies, teaching about the

native plants and ethnobotany of our area, setting up worm bins for worm composting, raising community gardens, field trips to the Native Plant Garden in Orleans, visiting the Arcata Marsh, camping at Wolf Creek Camp and Lava Beds National Monument, enhancing juvenile salmon habitat around off-channel ponds and in creeks, pulling noxious weeds, and taking thousands of photos of all the lessons and activities. My best memories are of students and former students telling me how much they enjoyed field trips with the Environmental Education Program, or that they learned something from the activities that I did with them. My hope is that my students' good memories of Environmental Education will be summed up and acted out in one word: stewardship. 🦅

Employment Opportunities!

The Karuk Tribe may have the perfect position for you! Please check out our current employment opportunities at: www.karuk.us/index.php/jobs.

Employment Applications are available at all Tribal Offices and also our website listed above. The Karuk Tribe's TERO Preference and Drug & Alcohol Policy apply. If selected, applicants must successfully pass a pre-employment drug screen and be willing to submit to a criminal background check. Applications may be hand delivered to any Tribal Office, faxed to (530) 493-5322 or mailed to:

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Please contact Dora Bernal in Human Resources if you have any questions at (530) 493-1600 extension 2010 or via email at dlbernal@karuk.us. 🦅



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Karuk Housing Community Computer Center

Florrine Super, Resource Development Manager



The computer center is continually working towards KTHA mission and will promote and sustain the culture, education, language, health, welfare, self-sufficiency, and economic independence of its residents.

READING CONTEST

Our Summer Reading Program was a great success. Our youth had the opportunity to earn prizes for reading. Prizes included small gifts, swim passes and free mini pizza. Our BIG winners of this reading summer are Riley Super, Daniel Ainsworth, and Elizabeth Hawks. These are some of our future politicians, engineers, and physicians. CONGRATULATIONS!

A Special Thank you to Yreka Round Table Pizza for donating free mini pizza certificates.

SCIENCE FUN

Throughout the summer, we provided Science Fun Activities so our youth had hands on experience while learning. Some of the fun included: Super Bouncy Ball, Blowing up balloons with baking soda and vinegar, making a cloud in a cup, and Milk Soap Science. All of these activities in their own way relate to science. A SPECIAL THANKS to Barbara Croy and Minnie Hockaday for providing these activities.



CLASSES OFFERED

I would like to thank all the participants for attending our first Microsoft Training, what an opportunity to enhance their resumes right here at our computer center! Partnership with Joyce Jones of Northern California Indian Development Council, Inc. (NCIDC) provides an opportunity to offer one day classes such as Resume & Cover letter Writing, Interview Tips & Skills, and Budgeting. Now, we are offering a 12 week Microsoft Program Training. It is open so participants can join in at any time. You can also move at your own pace and earn certificates as you pass each section. We provide quiet time at the computer center every Thursday from 10am-12pm. COME JOIN US!



VOLUNTEER

After volunteering for about three months here in our Computer Center, Lorelie Lopez has accepted a position with In Home Supportive Services. GREAT JOB AND WAY TO GO! We are grateful for our volunteers who continue on contributing to the community.

COMING SOON

Coming soon- please look for Parenting Classes, Boys and Girls Circle, Honoring our Elders and new Cultural Activities such as dressmaking, basket weaving, and skirts & quivers for boys. Guest speakers: Hair Stylist, Makeup Artist, Substance Abuse Counselors, and stories from Elders. 🏹

The Fee to Trust Process – Definitely Not “Rubber Stamping”

By Scott Quinn, Director of Tribal Lands Management

Recently, the California Legislature has heard many arguments against the U.S. Government taking land into trust for tribes. Much of the squabble is buttressed by the 2012 Pepperdine Law Review titled “*Extreme Rubber-Stamping: The Fee-to-Trust Process of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934*”. In fact, the review states “100% of the proposed fee-to-trust acquisitions submitted to the Pacific Region BIA from 2001 through 2011 were granted”.


This argument couldn't be further from the truth. In fact, our Tribe, located in the BIA Pacific Region, submitted at least two applications during that time period (one submitted in 2003 and the other in 2006) that have still not been accepted into trust because of legal description/title issues. We submitted another application in 1999, which met with the same issue which has not been accepted into trust status.

This week (week of September 6, 2015), we expect the Interior to accept a property into trust for our Tribe in Yreka, CA. The fee to trust process for this parcel officially began in 2007. In order for the USA to accept the property, we had to first clear an “area of ambiguous ownership”, a small sliver of land identified in a survey (there were overlapping deed legal descriptions). None of the three adjacent (non-tribal) land owners were willing to deed the area of ambiguity to the Tribe. In fact one of the three owners was even hostile to the Tribe deeding the area to him. But after we agreed to pay all the costs for each owner, the re-surveying of the land and Boundary Line Adjustment (BLA) was commenced. But before Siskiyou County would approve the BLA, we had to complete a De-annexation of the slivers of property (since our property was within the



City limits and the adjacent landowners were not). This process took four years. Finally, in 2011, the application was officially accepted and the environmental documents were completed, but an updated Title Commitment was needed before the BIA would Issue a Notice of Application. Unfortunately, title companies no longer want to work with Tribes on these types of transfers (that's another story). The process took so long, that in the meantime, we were approved for gaming on an adjacent parcel. Since we now wished to use the original parcel as a parking lot, all the environmental compliance documents had to be redone and design documents developed.

Even when a property is accepted into trust, it can be appealed. The City of Yreka filed an appeal to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals (IBIA) for the Secretary of the Interior's decision to accept our 2003 Yreka Clinic Application (see *City of Yreka, et al v. Ken Salazar, et al*). It took four years to settle before the City agreed to file a Joint Motion to Dismiss with the Department of Justice, but not before first losing their case at the IBIA and US District Court. The total fee to trust process for this parcel took 11 years, although it was and still is a tribal clinic with no land use change.

But now about half of our properties are in trust, and the fight continues. And I can say they weren't “rubber stamped”. 

YAV KUMA ITAPAN 2015

By: Laura Olivas

The Yreka Yav Kuma Itapan Camp was held August 3rd-7th at Evergreen Elementary School, and was a success! This is the 5th year that the camp, often referred to as Math/Science Camp, has been held - thanks to Dion Wood and the Karuk Tribe's Child Care Program. It is amazing how many of the youth start asking "Are you going to have Math/Science camp this year?" It is a testament to the youth that they commit themselves to giving up one week of their summer to "return" to school to learn. Registering early is important, as the camp has been full before the registration deadline. It is always a challenge, as we usually have youth from 4-6 different schools in the area. This year was no different with youth from Scott Valley Jr High, Fort Jones Elementary School, Montague Elementary School and Jackson Street, and some not knowing any of the other youth. The camp focuses on math and science skills/ thinking, though with the diverse group, the youth also enhance their social skills. It is an awesome experience to see the youth build new relationships with others that they may not normally interact with, and to see some of those friendships remain after the camp.

Of course, this camp would not be the success it is if not for the adult/parent volunteers! Every year, we have 4-6 parents/adults volunteer their time to help facilitate activities. These parents/adults are not expected to be teachers or have extensive knowledge, just a willingness to be present and enjoy the youth learn. We have also been fortunate to have presenters come in and present to the youth about how math and/or science impacts their daily career: Nikki Hokanson, Karuk Tribe Dental Hygienist; Scott Quinn, Karuk Tribe Lands Manager; Eric Cutright, Karuk Tribe Information Technology Director; Tiana Cutright, trained Chef/Instructor; and MaryAnn Munson and Kory Hayden, College OPTIONS. Each of these



Evening with Elders

individuals presented and were very sharing and interactive with the youth – THANK YOU!

We added a few new events this year, which were different and exciting for the youth. The first was an Evening with Elder's followed by a terrific BBQ dinner thanks to Steve and Rana Bussard. We were able to have Peter Super Sr., Nancy Super and Larry Super come and speak to the youth about their experiences when they went to school. It is important for the youth to understand what it was like for their parents/grandparents going to school. It is a part of their history, and to hear firsthand what they may only be exposed to as a brief reference in school. I personally want to thank these Elder's for sharing and for giving their time. The other new event was a Panel of Karuk Tribe or Karuk Tribal Housing Employees. These panel participants are either Tribal Members or Descendants working in various capacities for the Tribe: Patricia Hobbs, KT Behavioral Health Director and LCSW; Angela Baxter, KT AOD Director; Bucky Lantz, KT Transportation Department; Richard Black, KTHA Construction Manager; Brian Gonzalez, KTHA Maintenance Supervisor and Carissa Bussard, KT Education Director. These panelists shared their experiences regarding education, experience, and what lead them to their current careers. Thank you all for coming and being a part of this panel!

I need to take one moment and thank some people. First, all of the youth who participated this year. It is a pleasure to spend time with you and getting to know each of you. If it wasn't for all of you, there would not be a camp and I definitely would not continue to do it year after year. Thank you for that privilege and I look forward to seeing what each of you accomplishes! Second, thank you Carissa Bussard! If not for you, I would have been totally lost and the camp would not have been the success it was.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who gave of your time to helping out: Jolena Jerry, Barbara Croy, Ann Escobar, Tamara Alexander, Kayla Bridwell, and Liz Bentley. Thanks to all of my presenters and panelists who took time out of their busy schedules to spend time sharing with our future. Thank you, Dion, for another year. We survived, and the smiles of the youth is what it is all about and what makes it worth it. Last of all, thank you to the parents of these amazing youth! You are raising some amazing youth, and their willingness to learn is inspiring. If I forgot to mention anyone please forgive me as it wasn't intentional. 🇺🇸



Youth with KT Employees Pat Hobbs, Angela Baxter, Bucky Lantz, Richard Black, Brian Gonzalez and Carissa Bussard



Field Trip with Scott Quinn

Low Income Assistance Programs (LIAP)

1.800.505.2785 or 530.493.1600 Ext. 2025—Brittany Souza, LIAP Administrator

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Community Services and Development (CSD):

This program provides assistance for low income families with food, shelter, transportation, and health and safety issues. The applicant must reside in the Service Area, be income eligible, and a Karuk Tribal Member or Descendant. For those who live outside the Service Area try: www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/csb/index.htm or www.csd.ca.gov/providers.html. Also, you can try The National Energy Assistance Referral Program (NEAR) at 1-866-674-6327 or www.energynear.org. For Oregon residents, you can contact www.oregonheat.org

for social service agencies and utilities working to keep homes of Low Income Oregonians warm and safe.

General Assistance (GA):

This program provides low income families with food and/or clothing, shelter, burial and emergency assistance (burn out, flood, destruction of home). The applicant must reside in the Service Area and be an Enrolled Federally Recognized Tribal Member. Benefits are adjusted depending on income received.

Fraud?

With regards to Low Income Assistant Programs, to report any type of fraud by vendors or otherwise, please notify

this office immediately at (530) 493-1600 ext. 2025.

Low Income Heating Assistance Program (LIHEAP):

When funding is available, this program provides energy assistance to eligible enrolled Karuk Tribal households with electricity, propane, wood and minimal weatherization. The applicant must reside in the Service Area.

Adult Services:

Adult Care Assistance provides non-medical care for eligible adult Indians. The providers must be certified or licensed. Background checks are required.

General Assistance Work Experience Program (GAWEP):

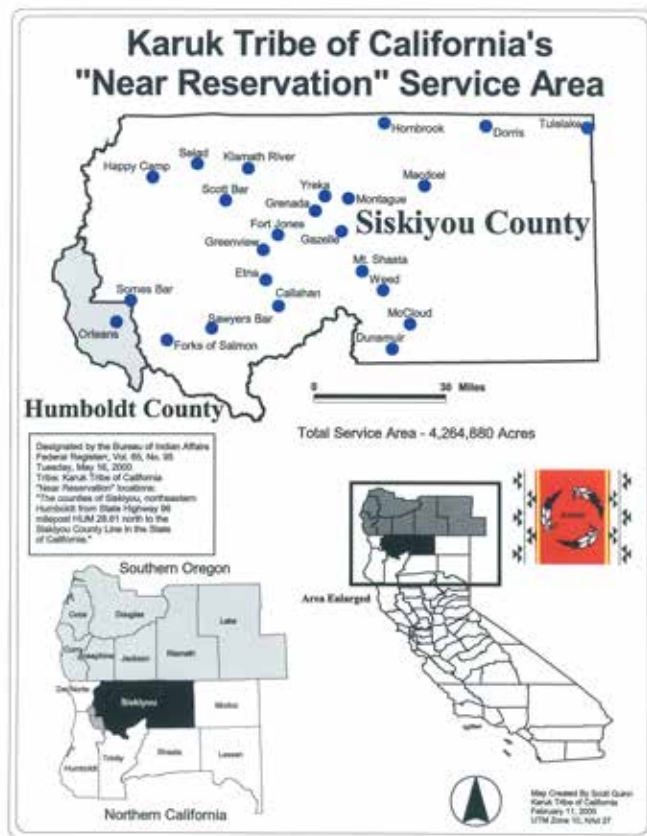
This program helps Enrolled Federally Recognized Tribal Members who reside within the Tribe's Service Area to become more employable while receiving an incentive payment not to exceed \$284 a month. Applicants can not receive public comparable assistance (SS, SSI, VA, TANF, Disability, GA, etc.)

ATTENTION!

Apply for the CARE Program offered by PP&L and PG&E. This program gives a discount on your utility bill. If you need an application, please call and request the CARE Application be sent to you. Lets save on energy and our budgets!

Bureau of Indian Affairs Programs (BIA):

Each applicant will have to apply concurrently for financial assistance from other federal, state, county, tribal or local agency in the service area. Must not receive public assistance.



Karuk Department of Natural Resources Food Security Project

Naturally, a lot has been happening here in Karuk Country for the Food Security Project. We were happy to be able to employ youth again this summer for our Kaavichvaans (workers) Project, and will continue to be able to do this thanks to additional funding granted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's Klamath Basin Tribal Youth Program. Youth were placed in Happy Camp, Orleans and Yreka with dedicated supervisors, and learned a wide variety of skills. Three youth were tasked with activities to support the Food Security Project, one of which was learning digitization methods and learning skills supporting the Sípnuuk Digital Library, Archives and Museum

Another was in collecting data on cultural food and fiber plant species on identified plots, which will help the Food Security Project monitor the effects of land management techniques – both traditional and contemporary – on our Native foods.

Another one of our focal areas this past season was the Urípih'úhthaam (garden network) Project in Happy Camp. The Bucket Garden objective, together with TANF Department, moved out of the bucket and into garden beds, at which Bio Technician Ben Saxon built simple story telling benches for the "TANF Kids Zone." The Native Plants Garden objective is yet on hold pending Council approval of design plans. For the Community Garden objective, our collaborative has been successful in installing a full drip system to help keep up with the watering for a full size garden. Plans for the fall planting are underway.

The Food Security Project would like to highlight one of cross-objective activities, one of which we share with the Mid Klamath Watershed Project – Orchard Revitalization. Together, we have identified several sites to learn skills in pruning and grafting techniques. As the object was to revitalized abandoned orchards and bring them back to production, we decided to focus our attention on former land allotments.

To give a little background information, it may come to a surprise to some of our membership that our Tribe "owns" very little of the over one million acres of its ancestral territory. This is partially a result of the General Allotment Act, also known as the Dawes Act. After Congress enacted this in 1887, some of our lands were divided into parcels



Kaavichvaan Clarissa Readon (pictured here second to right) at the 2015 Karuk Digital Training Workshop with Angela McLaughlin (Sípnuuk Assistant) Vikki Preston (Karuk Archeological Technician) Kelley Shanagan (Training Workshop facilitator), Phil Albers (TANF Cultural Activities Coordinator), and Ruth Tringham Training Workshop facilitator) from left to right.



Kaavichvaan Josa Talley (pictured here far left) on a Food Grove data collection day with Denise Martinez (Food Security undergraduate research student), Ben Saxon (Bio Technician), Kathleen Barger-McCovey (Karuk Cultural Practitioner), Ron Reed (Cultural Biologist), and Colleen Rossier (Food Security doctoral research student).

known as allotments and “given” to individual Indians who knew to file a claim. The motivation behind the Act was the hope that individual ownership of land would “civilize” our People, who would then adopt agriculture rather than traditional permaculture, disregard the cohesiveness of the tribe and traditional land management practices, and adopt the habits, practices, and interests of the new settler population.

There are plenty of abandoned orchards left on the Klamath and Salmon Rivers to show for it. Why abandoned? When portions of Karuk Country became the property of individuals, it became what is known as fee land – land that was not “in-trust.” This meant both that the federal government had no responsibility to protect it, and it became taxable. Allottees were often unaware of this and ended up having to sell the land when they found they owed large sums of back taxes. Furthermore, tribal land that was not allotted to Karuks was listed as “surplus” and sold to non-Indians or held by the federal government.

It is with this in mind – in fact, a small history lesson from our Nanu’avaha K-12 Curriculum, now being implemented in the Happy Camp Elementary School - that the Food Security Collaborative went to work in the spring of 2014 to identify abandoned orchards that were easily accessible to the tribal communities of Happy Camp and Orleans. After two seasons of pruning, cutting back brush, saving scion wood from heirloom varieties of fruit trees, and learning both off-site and field grafting techniques, we are harvesting the fruit of our labor.

With the following photo series, we hope to encourage you to participate in the many activities surrounding the



The TANF Bucket Garden, an initiative of the Food Security Project funded by the Sierra Health Foundation.



Beginnings of a beautiful and healthy relationship: The Happy Camp Community Garden, a collaborative between the Food Security Project, Family Resource Center and the Mid-Klamath Watershed Council.



Field grafting activity at an old Indian homestead located close to Happy Camp.



Bountiful harvest in Indian Country



Tribal Youth learn the joys of harvest: Reja Whitecrane, Vuunsip Hillman, and Carmen Whitecrane.




Apples peeled, trimmed and cut.



Sugar, spice and everything nice over the fire.

Orchard Revitalization and the Native Foods Workshops objectives of the Food Security Project. At this event, tribal families harvested, prepared and preserved apples on-site at an old Indian allotment near Orleans.

Please watch for flyers from the Food Security Project – we have a lot to do, and a lot learn from one another! For more information, contact Lisa Hillman at the Department of Natural Resources at (530) 627-3446 or lisahillman@karuk.us .

Yōotva for your continued support of the Food Security Project! 

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Out of the pot, into the hot jars, and back in the bath.



Apple pie filling – from the fruit of our ancestors.



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Promoting Healthy Relationships and Peaceful Homes

September is National Recovery Month

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Substance Abuse/Domestic Violence affect all communities nationwide. By seeking help, people who experience substance abuse and or domestic violence can embark on a new path toward improved health and overall wellness for their families. The focus of National Recovery Month and National Domestic Violence Awareness Month this September and October 2015, is to celebrate their journey, spread the message that behavioral health is essential to the overall wellness of our families today and tomorrow. Prevention works, treatment is effective, and people recover.

Researchers have found that one fourth to one half of men who commit acts of domestic violence also have a substance abuse problems¹. Clearly, substance abuse is associated with domestic violence, but it is not the only factor. A recent survey of public child welfare agencies conducted by the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse found that as many as 80 percent of child abuse cases are associated with the use of alcohol and other drugs², and the link between child abuse and other forms of domestic violence is well established. Research also indicates that

women who abuse alcohol and other drugs are more likely to become victims of domestic violence³ and that victims of domestic violence are more likely to receive prescriptions for their injuries and become dependent on tranquilizers, sedatives, stimulants, and painkillers and are more likely to abuse alcohol

Through National Recovery Month and National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, people have the opportunity to become more aware and able to recognize the signs, which can lead more people into needed treatment centers or shelters. Managing the effects of these conditions promotes healthier relationships and more peaceful homes in our communities.

Tanya Busby

Karuk Pikyav Program Coordinator 

1. (Gondolf, 1995; Leonard and Jacob, 1987; Kantor and Straus, 1987; Coleman and Straus, 1983; Hamilton and Collins, 1981; Pernanen, 1976)
2. (McCurdy and Daro, 1994)
3. (Miller et al., 1989)



Dance - 2015 Siskiyou County Golden Fair

KARUK YOUTH DEMONSTRATION BRUSH DANCERS

Our Group has been sharing our culture with our community for the last 10 years. We have participated at our local schools, community events, and county fair. We recently have been invited to dance for California Tribal Leaders and Governor Brown during Native American Day September 25th in Sacramento, CA. There were only two tribes invited to Thursday's Night event and Karuk was one of them.

I think it is imperative to share our culture especially in the schools. It is important that we let our community know that we are not just in History books but are here today as Karuk people, learning and living our language, dance, songs, dance regalia, basket weaving and preparing traditional foods.



My goal has been to bring in different Karuk people to help teach our youth so we will have a community with Karuk knowledge. As it has been said before—Our Songs will never die. Another goal is to help our youth become familiar with Karuk knowledge so when they go to ceremonies, they can feel comfortable participating.

I am so proud of our young dancers, parents, and volunteers. Our young dancers come in shy and not always sure if this is for them. Then, to watch these young Karuks build confidence within themselves, to speak Karuk and sing in front of a large group of people, I'm so proud of them it brings tears to my eyes.

We had students ask "What is it like to be a Karuk?" A couple of our dancers replied, "It's fun but hard work."

Our Karuk youth not only demonstrate dance, but are involved in learning our language, gathering, making regalia, and weaving. We have a few dancers who are now old enough to participate in our dances now. It is the most rewarding feeling to know our youth is striving to learn and live our Karuk knowledge.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have shared their knowledge and time.

Yōotva
Florrine, Ivan, and Issac Super



LEGISLATURE PASSES MEASURE TO PROTECT RIVERS AND FISHERIES FROM GOLD MINING HOBBY

SB 637 Requires Clean Water Act Permits for Small Scale Motorized Gold Miners

Sacramento, CA – At the end of the legislative sessions, lawmakers passed SB 637 authored by Ben Allen (D, Santa Monica). If signed by Governor Brown, the measure will require all small scale miners using motorized suction pumps to get a Clean Water Act Permit.

“This is a great victory for all of us concerned about clean water and healthy fisheries,” said Elizabeth Martin, of The Sierra Fund.

“We are very pleased that our Tribal fisheries and sacred sites will receive additional protections from the ravages of gold mining clubs who have been damaging our resources for decades,” said Josh Saxon, council member of the Karuk Tribe.

The Sierra Fund and the Karuk Tribe have enjoyed support from the Center for Biological Diversity, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations, Friends of the River, Environmental Law Foundation, Upper American River Foundation, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, Foothills Anglers Association, North Fork American River Alliance, Klamath Riverkeeper, Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center, and many others for several years to reform small scale mining laws and regulations.


The legislation affects suction dredge mining, high banking and any other form of mining that relies on motorized suction pumps to process materials from the banks or beds of rivers and streams. Suction dredges are powered by gas or diesel engines that are mounted on floating pontoons in the river. Attached to the engine is a

powerful vacuum hose which the dredger uses to suction up the rocks, gravel and sand (sediment) from the bottom of the river. The suctioned material is sifted in search of gold. Dredging damages fish habitat by altering the contour of the river bottom, and it often reintroduces mercury left over from historic mining operations to the water column, threatening communities downstream. These machines can turn a clear running mountain stream into a murky watercourse unfit for swimming or fishing.

Similarly, high banking suctions water to process dirt and gravels excavated from river banks, causing erosion and sedimentation as well as affecting cultural sites.

The measure comes after nearly a decade of litigation between tribes, conservationists, and miners. “We hope this lays the issue to rest,” commented Jonathan Evans from the Center for Biological Diversity and one of the lead attorneys representing Tribes and conservation groups. “We believe that the Clean Water Act is the appropriate law to apply to these environmentally damaging activities.”

The issue has implications for the economy as well as the environment. “For our members, this is about protecting jobs and family owned businesses which rely on healthy salmon fisheries,” said Glen Spain of the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations, the west coast’s largest trade association of commercial fishing families.”

Groups anticipate the Governor signing the measure in coming days. Editor’s note: for a picture of a suction dredge in action, email request to ctucker@karuk.us. 

Áan Chúuphan High Speed Internet Access is coming to Orleans!



This October, the Karuk Tribe is launching an Internet Service Provider in Orleans. Áan Chúuphan (Talking Line) will provide unlimited high speed broadband to homes and businesses in the Orleans community using wireless (Wi-Fi) technology. Residents in Orleans currently only have the choice of dial-up or satellite Internet access. Unlike satellite service, Áan Chúuphan Internet access has no data cap, meaning that subscribers can utilize the service non-stop without metered access and with no overage fees. Áan Chúuphan has two data offerings:

Basic Broadband:

1.4 Mbps \$40 per month + \$4 radio rental

Enhanced Broadband:


3.2 Mbps \$80 per month + \$4 radio rental

*There is a one-time installation fee of \$49.

In addition to home internet access, the Orleans Computer Center and Panamnik Library offers computers

for use by the public at no cost. Please stop by the center to check your e-mail or look into getting a college degree online. The Computer Center is located at 459 Asip Rd.

Áan Chúuphan is the product of 4 years of planning and construction. In 2011, the Karuk Tribe was awarded a grant from USDA Rural Development Community Connect Program. This grant enabled the Tribe, in cooperation with Siskiyou Telephone, to build fiber optic cable from Orleans to Somes Bar, and to build and install a new communications tower overlooking the community. Whenever possible, Karuk Tribal Members were employed during the construction, and native-owned businesses were hired for the construction, including EarthPrint Technologies and Native Link Communications. The Tribe also extends special thanks for all their help on this project to community members Penny Eckert and Bari Talley.

For more information, or if you would like to subscribe, please call 530-627-3695. You may also visit www.aanchuuphan.net. 



Ayukîi from the Enrollment Office,

There are currently 3,742 Enrolled Tribal
Members and 4,130 Enrolled Descendants



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We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Enrollment Committee and let you know a little about what they do.

The Enrollment Committee meets once a month usually the second Tuesday of every month. They review applications and make recommendations to the Tribal Council. They are constantly reviewing policies and procedures for the Enrollment Office while working on the Enrollment Ordinance.

Our office offers an array of services:

- Enrollment/Descendancy applications for the Enrollment Committee.
- Issue Tribal Verifications for enrolled Members and Descendants.
- Collect Census Data on all Tribal Member households (we do not release any personal information only non-identifying information). Please update your census with our office every three years.
- Process mail lists for Tribal Mailings; please make sure your address is up to date so you don't miss out on important mailings or the newsletter.
- Issue Free California Fishing License Applications.
- Create Family Trees
- Issue Membership/Descendancy and Employee ID cards.
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Please feel free to contact our office at (800) 505-2785 Ext. 2028/2029. You can also reach us by email: rattebery@karuk.us or mjackson@karuk.us we would love to hear from you.

Yootva,
Robert and Marsha

Announcements



We would like to announce the graduation of Miranda Morning Rain Patton, a Karuk Tribal Member. Miranda graduated from Triangle Lake High School in Oregon, on June 6th. Miranda is the daughter of Randall Patton, granddaughter to Mary Thomas, and also great granddaughter to Holly Thomas.

Her family announces her graduation with Pride.



Karuk Tribe Descendent Michael Whittaker earns National AP Scholar Honor

Michael Whittaker, grandson of Karuk Tribal Member and Elder Ken Whittaker, has earned the National AP Scholar Honor along with being selected as a Junior Statesman of America. Michael, a direct Karuk Descendant of John Titus-Julia Joseph Titus (Quamshu) a full blooded Karuk and Elias Hoadley-Kate Hoadley, a Karuk full blooded medicine woman, attended Harvard Summer School studying Astrobiology and the Philosophy of Politics this past summer. A senior at St. Augustine High, Michael's composite test scores from the ACT exams place him in the top 1% of all high school students in the nation.

Michael is ranked number one in his class (1/340) and is a straight A student. Michael worked with indigenous natives in the ancestral practice of taro farming and sustainable fish farming using native techniques. Michael plans on finishing high school with a flourish and applying this Fall to the finest academic institutions in the nation.



Evelyn Rae Ownsbey

Born: August 16th, 2015

7 lbs. 10 oz. and 19.5 inches long

Parents: Kyle and Jackie Ownsbey

Maternal Grandparents: Bob and Elsa Goodwin

Paternal Grandparents: Johnny and Nancy Ownsbey

Devon Silva will be graduating the 12th grade this year at Chico Senior High School in Chico, CA. He is a decorated Varsity Wrestler, State Championship Qualifier and 2 time Masters Placer. He is son to Anthony Silva, and grandson to Viola and Julio Silva. His family is very proud of him as he will be attending College and pursuing his College Wrestling Career.



Are you interested in becoming a Foster or Adoptive Parent?

Learn how by attending an informational meeting on November 5, 2015 at the Child and Family Services Department at 533 Jacobs Way in Happy Camp. Staff from the Child and Family Services Program will assist you in learning the steps to becoming a foster or adoptive parent.

Please call 841-3141 if you have any questions.

Light refreshments will be served.

People's Center

The People's Center is fortunate to partner with other Karuk Tribal departments, governmental institutions, universities and community groups to be awarded grants to preserve, promote and celebrate Karuk history, language, traditions and living culture. Valued partners include the Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Park Service, Native American Graves Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) program, Karuk Food Security Program, Karuk Education Center in Yreka, *Kaavichvaans* (Youth Employment) Project, Karuk Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Karuk Resources Advisory Board (KRAB), Center of Digital Archaeology, UC Berkeley, Mukurtu (MOOK-oo-too) and Washington State University's Center for Digital Scholarship and Curation. Many of the projects we've collaborated on are coming together with synergy.

The Karuk Tribe was recently awarded an IMLS Museums Services grant for a *Preserving Our Past ~ Learning For Our Future* project to expand the content and augment the capacity and continuity of the Karuk Tribe's integrated Museum program. This one-year project will support professional development of Karuk Tribal museum staff, Tribal youth and community members through 5 trainings from the Center for Digital Archaeology (CoDA). It will also support in-house preservation and digitization of materials related to the Karuk culture through the Karuk Sípnuuk Digital Libraries, Archives and Museum, which will be made accessible to the over 7,500 Karuk tribal members and descendants, as well as the global community, beginning October 2015. Importantly, the *Preserving Our Past ~ Learning For Our Future* project will foster intergenerational relationships through mentorship with youth and Elders through the digitization and documentation of stories, photographs and other cultural items.



Additionally, the Karuk Tribe was one of six Tribes chosen to participate in a Tribal Stewardship Cohort Program (see photo), which is a partnership among Washington State University's Center for Digital Scholarship and Curation, the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries and Museums, The California Indian Museum and Cultural Center, and the Center for Digital Archaeology at the University of California Berkeley. This program provides in-depth training for libraries, archives and museums staff, especially designed to include creation of a digital component for cultural heritage, and includes hands-on technical skills and grant writing.

Before her departure in July, Carolyn Smith, prepared a grant application for the Cultural Resource Fund, *Pamukunyafusayêpsha vúra uum yâamach ukyâahahitih*: "Their good dresses were made pretty," to teach Karuk Tribal members skills that will assist them in completing a ceremonial dress. This grant was awarded August 31! We will offer activities in three main hubs, reaching out to as many people as possible. Activities include gathering trips, community classes, and workshops that emphasize the importance of dresses and the stories associated with them. More information on how to participate will be available soon.

The Karuk Tribe also received a grant from the National Park Service, Native American Graves Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) program to facilitate consultation and documentation with the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, which has over 270 significant Karuk objects, many that qualify for NAGPRA repatriation. This NAGPRA grant has two central aims: pesticide testing and intergenerational knowledge sharing.

A NAGPRA Pesticide Training was held at the People's Center on July 25, with Dr. Peter Palmer from San Francisco State University who demonstrated metals testing

on our Benton County Historical Museum collection, which we repatriated in 2012. Dr. Palmer also tested jewelry, and soils to find elements content.

A video and booklet documenting the process undertaken by the Karuk Tribe towards repatriating items from the Autry National Center in Los Angeles is being published. The booklet and video will be distributed to Tribes, Libraries and Museums and will serve as the summary of how the objects are culturally-affiliated, and why those items fit the NAGPRA repatriation law, in order to make a Formal Claim on items to repatriate from the Autry.

The People's Center has many other exciting upcoming projects upcoming, including an herbarium (collection of preserved plant specimens) project in partnership with the Jepson Herbarium on the UC Berkeley campus. Herbarium cases will be housed at the People's Center in Happy Camp, with specimens that could be checked out and used for interactive educational purposes, and another case will be located at the DNR in Orleans to be used more for research, scientific and archival purposes. Upcoming training and events will be announced. Aim for herbaria launch in *Spring 2016*.

Other valued support for the People's Center has come from outgoing employees, who worked diligently to provide training and operations manuals for new employees, Bari Talley (People's Center Coordinator) and Ashlee Lange (Gift Store Clerk). Past People's Center Coordinator, Carolyn Smith, who went back to school at U.C. Berkeley to pursue her doctorate in Anthropology, long-time Gift Store Clerk, Cat Turner, who accepted the position as Karuk Tribe Contract Health Services (CHS) Clerk and Gift Store Clerk, Cassidy Little, who returned to work as a Teacher's Aide at Happy Camp Elementary School, have gone over and above to provide ongoing support to the People's Center. Also appreciated are the maintenance and custodial crews, as well as the support of the administration employees, Tribal Council and People's Center Advisory Committee. It takes a team to make the People's Center a cultural center for the Karuk Tribe.

Yôotva to all! 



Tribal Reunion 5K/2K Fun Run/Walk



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