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Greetings From Your Tribal Council



We hope you enjoy reading about your tribe. If you would like to submit information to the newsletter. Please call our Human Resources office for instructions or email lcolegrove@karuk.us. We look forward to reading about your successes and triumphs.



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 MEMBER AT LARGE
 TERM: NOV. 2012-NOV. 2016

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Ayukii! huut kich? Tribal Members,

Welcome! to our 2013 Fall Edition of the Karuk News-letter.



Some current things happening in Karuk Country are:

-- The Government Shutdown is on hold for now! During the shutdown many other Tribes had employee layoffs, some had as many as 60 employees laid off. Due to careful planning, the Karuk Tribe had no employee layoffs, and for that we offer our special thanks to Laura Mayton and our entire Finance Department.

--The Casino Project is alive and well. The Tribal Council and (ROI) Return on Investment selected (TFA) Tribal Financial Advisors to secure a loan for phase 1 of the project. Our (TEIR) Tribal Environmental Impact Report has been completed. Our compact is now sitting on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature. After the governor's signing of the compact, agreements with the City of Yreka and Siskiyou County will be the next step. We want to train (if needed) and hire as many Tribal Members as possible. Watch for listings on our web-site.

--New press release: Karuk Tribe awarded six million dollars to bring Broadband to rural Northern California. On October 17, 2013 the California Public Utility Commission awarded \$6,602,422 to the Karuk Tribe. The project is called the Klamath River Rural Broadband Initiative and is a joint collaboration between the Karuk Tribe and the Yurok Tribe. Vital community and government institutions will benefit, including health care facilities, schools, rural fire camps, fire stations, public safety installations and several other state, federal and tribal government offices. The communication and economic development opportunities that grow from this project will be "essential to the future of the region," according to IT Director Eric Cutright of the Karuk Tribe.

I continue to have an open door policy and am always looking for ways to help Tribal Members. Please call anytime, for anything, no matter how large or small of an issue.

Yootva! kura suva nik!

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Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe

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Notice of Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Tuesday, November 5, 2013**, the Karuk Tribe will conduct a General Election for two positions, one from each Orleans & Yreka District Member at Large positions.

Candidate packets for the Orleans & Yreka District Member at Large seats will be available at Tribal Offices in Yreka, Happy Camp, and Orleans on Tuesday, June 26, 2013.

POLLING PLACES will be open from 7 AM to 7 PM in Yreka at 1519 South Oregon Street-Clinic, in Happy Camp at 64236 Second Avenue-Multipurpose Room, and in Orleans at 39051 Highway 96-Community Room.

TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE, you must be an enrolled member of the Karuk Tribe, who is eighteen years old, and has registered with the Karuk Voter's Registration Office (*you may register to vote before the election or at the polling place on Election Day*).

SUBJECT MATTER OF ELECTION

TWO MEMBERS AT LARGE POSITIONS, 4 Year Terms: 2013-2017.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS Requests for absentee ballots must be submitted in writing with a current return address and must be received no later than **Tuesday, October 22, 2013**. Contact the Election Committee at (800) 505-2785 or visit www.karuk.us/ to obtain required form(s).

CANDIDATES Must submit their completed candidate packet and pay the \$50 processing fee to the Karuk Election Committee by **Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at 5pm**. An appointment must be arranged in advance with the Human Resources Office in Happy Camp to have fingerprints taken and submit to a urine drug screening test **PRIOR to 5pm, Tuesday, August 27, 2013**.

For more information we encourage you to contact the Election Committee at: (800) 50-KARUK.

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**General Election
November 5, 2013**

OFFICIAL List of Candidates

The following candidates have met all requirements to compete for the Yreka District Member at Large position in the upcoming General Election, *pending successful completion of their background checks.*

Yreka District Member at Large, Four (4) Year Term, 2013-17

				
Lavon Kent	Harold Croy, Jr.	Arch Super	Charron "Sonny" Davis	Shirley Bigelow

The following candidates have met all requirements to compete for the Orleans District Member at Large position in the upcoming General Election, *pending successful completion of their background checks.*

**Orleans District
Member-at-Large, Four (4) Year Term, 2013-2017**

		
Harold Tripp	Joshua Saxon-Whitecrane	Dora Bernal

VICE CHAIRMAN SEATED ON NATIONAL HOUSING COMMITTEE

*By Erin Hillman, Executive Director
Karuk Tribe Housing Authority*

Karuk Tribe Vice Chairman Michael Thom, who also serves as the Board Chairman of the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority, was nominated for the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) Formula Negotiated Rulemaking Committee. On Tuesday July 30th, 2013 a Notice was published in the Federal Register announcing the final list of committee members and Vice Chairman Thom's name was among them.

Negotiated rulemaking is used to make recommended changes to regulations and formula allocation of funds. It is required per the Negotiated Rulemaking Act of 1996. This particular committee will be negotiating a proposed rule to revise the allocation formula used under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG). Vice Chairman Thom will be attending several meetings with twenty three other Tribal Representatives from various parts the United States. The first two of these meetings will take place in Denver Colorado, in August and September.



On July 31st, the Housing Authority presented written testimony on Senate Bill 1352, Reauthorization of NAHASDA to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. In this testimony, the statistics of the unmet housing needs of housing in Indian Country were described as well as funding shortfalls, construction challenges in rural areas, and discussion regarding numerous amendments. The testimony supported many concepts in the Bill, for example, the use of tribally determined prevailing wage rates, but the testimony noted that several important self-determination proposals were not used such as a timeline for HUD to act on requests from Tribes and including "maintaining" dwelling units as an affordable activity under NAHASDA. The reauthorization of NAHASDA continues to be an effort to which the Housing Authority Board and Staff dedicate a great deal of time.

If you would like to participate in your housing programs, please take advantage of the next Board of Commissioners meeting in your community. Our meetings are scheduled on a rotating basis between the Happy Camp, Orleans and Yreka.

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I Hope all of our people are well. The tribal council has been real busy. We are moving forward with the casino project trying to work with the City of Yreka and Governor Jerry Brown. It's exciting that is moving forward and going to happen.



We are also working to build a wellness center in Yreka at Housing and should break ground soon.

We had a fire in Orleans that started down by the river and came up Camp creek. It burned into tribal housing and destroyed one of our elders home. Local folks and fire personnel responded to the fire and luckily no one was hurt. Many homes were saved. I, Erin and Leon Hillman, and our Karuk fire crew responded from Happy Camp to help Bill Tripp and others evacuate housing. Our emergency preparedness director, Tom Fielden responded and set up a shelter at DNR with food, water, and clean air. I want to thank everyone who helped; DNR, KTHA, Medical staff and many more.

Joseph "Jody" Waddell

TALKING TRADITIONAL FOODS AT TI CREEK

Karuk Department of Natural Resources Food Security Project Leads Traditional Foods Workshop

By Sibyl Diver and Ron Reed, Karuk DNR

The smoke lifted for us on August 1 and 2 on the occasion of the Ti Creek Traditional Foods and Appreciative Inquiry Workshop – a pilot workshop organized by the Karuk Department of Natural Resources Food Security Program. The program was led by Ron Reed, Karuk Tribe Cultural Biologist, and Sibyl Diver, Karuk-UC Berkeley Collaborative member. Thanks to everyone who helped make the program a success!

In consideration of the Orleans fire impacts earlier that week, we ran a revised program, focusing on community service and a one-day workshop. To express our solidarity with impacted families, the Charles Wentz Carter Foundation Memorial donated a benefit dinner to the Orleans community.

More than thirty youth from Orleans, Happy Camp, and Yreka met on August 1 for a day of community service at Ti Bar flat (north of Somes Bar). The group came together as a force to remove invasive scotch broom plants, which can quickly crowd out desired native plants. We paired our full contact “invasive plant wrestling” with team building activities and a traditional foods discussion, in preparation for the workshop.

Thanks to organizing by Grant Gilkison and others, many of us also attended a community benefit dinner for local resident Zona Ferris, who lost her home to the Orleans fire. By redirecting workshop food purchases to the dinner,



Kathy McCovey Barger leads a cultural plants workshop. Here, she is holding a tobacco plant, which she grew in her yard at home.

we helped raise over \$2500 as a contribution towards rebuilding.

We reconvened at Ti Bar on August 2 for the workshop, beginning with a cultural plants session, led by Kathy McCovey Barger and Brian Colegrove. We engaged our senses – tasting pepperwood nuts, smelling wormwood plants, and feeling weaving materials. Kathy talked about her own weaving practice, and at the same time, she encouraged us to seek out multiple resources for learning about cultural plants.

This was followed by a participatory mapping demonstration – led by Karuk-UC Berkeley Collaborative members. Karuk Department of Fisheries members helped guide place-based explorations of Ti Bar flat with the youth. The demonstration exercise provided youth with easy-to-use multimedia tools for documenting their experiences and learning. The Berkeley team then combined multiple observations from all youth participants on a single interactive map of Ti Creek flat.

The program culminated with a salmon cook out at Stanshaw Creek. Prior to the meal, we heard from Phil and Lucille Albers, a Karuk elder who grew up at Stanshaw and shared some of her life experiences with us. A few lucky young men participated in traditional Karuk gambling. After a blessing by Sonny



TOP: Kenneth Binks Brink and Jason Reed demonstrate how to fillet salmon. CENTER LEFT: Ron Reed and Brian Colegrove Jr., net making demonstration. CENTER RIGHT- Stormy Polmateer prepares acorn soup at the workshop. BOTTOM LEFT: Workshop participants listen as Karuk elder Lucille Albers talks about her experiences growin gup at Stanshaw Creek together with her grandson Phil Albers and

Davis, we feasted on salmon cooked on sticks by Kenneth “Binks” Brink and Jason Reed, acorn soup prepared by Stormy Polmateer and family, and other traditional foods. Special thanks go to everyone who helped with the dinner and to our host Konrad Fisher. After losing power from the fires earlier in the week, the workshop brought us a different take on food security than we had anticipated – which sparked several conversations on emergency preparedness. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next workshop



organized through the Klamath Basin food security program. This program was generously supported by the Charles Wentz Carter Memorial Foundation and the USDA-National Institute of Food and Agriculture-Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Food Security Grant #2012-68004-20018



CENTRAL VALLEY AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS THREATEN KLAMATH SALMON

By Craig Tucker

This is one of the driest years on record in the Klamath Basin and we expect one of the largest salmon runs in recent years. This means we have a recipe for another disastrous fish kill like we saw in 2002. The good news is that the Bureau of Reclamation, the federal agency that manages Upper Klamath Lake and the Trinity River dams, has developed a plan to increase lower Klamath flows by releasing additional water from the Trinity River dams. The bad news is that corporate agriculture giant, Westlands Irrigation District, has filed suit against the Bureau resulting in a temporary restraining order, preventing the Bureau from taking action. Before the Klamath and Trinity Rivers were degraded by dams, diversions, mining and pollution, scientists estimate that over 1.2 million fish returned annually. Today some runs such as spring Chinook and coho are nearly extinct and fall run Chinook returns dipped to around 30,000 fish in 2006. However, last year over 300,000 returned and similar numbers are expected again this year. Experts attribute the recent boost in numbers to a number of factors including natural ocean cycles, river restoration work, and California's dredge mining ban.

"This year is similar in many ways to 2002. That year we had drought conditions and a large run of fish coming into the system. The low flows and large run led to crowded conditions for the fish which allowed a disease outbreak and resulted in the fish kill. To reduce the risk of the same from occurring this year we need to increase flows to lower water temperatures and



Photo of 2002 Klamath River Fish Kill by North Coast Environmental Center

disperse fish," according to Karuk Fisheries Biologist Toz Soto.

For years Westlands has led the fight to suck ever more northern California water to the San Joaquin Valley to grow a variety crops including water intensive cotton and alfalfa. Fish advocates point out that the Trinity Reservoirs currently hold more than 1.2 million acre-feet of water and the emergency plan to avert a fish kill would only require about 62,000 acre-feet. This suggests that they have the water available to prevent another horrific disaster for river and coastal fishing communities. However, for those that have worked on water issues for years, Westlands' actions are not surprising.

"Westlands' greed knows no bounds," remarked Leaf Hillman, Director of Karuk Natural Resources Department. "They want every drop for themselves."

Westlands is a leading proponent of the controversial delta tunnels, a project to pipe water from the Sacramento River to southern California under the San Francisco Bay Delta, as well as enlarging Shasta Dam and building additional reservoirs.

Tribes and fishermen are anxiously waiting for a judge to make a final decision on the matter by August 26 when the temporary restraining order expires.

ORLEANS FIRE

Submitted by Josh Saxon-Whitecrane

Late afternoon on a hot Monday, the skies over Orleans were clear, and most residents were indoors escaping the heat or out in the creeks cooling off. The first signs of trouble were not sirens but the deep sputtering rumbles of a low-flying helicopter. It shook window panes and rattled dishes as it thundered through the sky.

Neighbors caught each other's attention, phones lines rang to relatives, and some used social networking to help them reach one another to alert everyone to a forest fire coming from the mouth of Camp Creek.

On that Monday, July 29th the small community of Orleans saw the river bed and brush, hillsides, and ridges burn hot, whipping a fire storm down through the backyards of five Karuk Tribal homes. Zona Drake Ferris age 88, left with her 7 year old great-grandson, and her grandson Josh Saxon's wife, four kids, and 2 relatives only 10 minutes before the home was enveloped and destroyed by fire. It would be the only home in Orleans to burn.



Josh Saxon stands in front of his grandmother, Zona Ferris' home.

The family of Zona Ferris would like to thank the community who has held a benefit dinner, donated housewares, clothing, toys, and money to help her and Tukwe start over. An account at Coast Central Credit Union in her name is open for donations. Yootvã.

AYUKÏ A MESSAGE FROM YOUR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DEPARTMENT

By Thomas Fielden

Fall is quickly approaching and it has been a long hot and smoky summer. It is still fire season and the beginning of hunting season is upon us so if you're planning on going camping make sure campfires are allowed in your area and to build your campfire in a way that does not endanger anyone or the surrounding forest, and never leave a campfire unattended.

Additionally, be sure your campfire is dead out before your hunt.

It has been a busy summer and we are beginning to recover from the losses we faced during the fires that hit Karuk Country this summer. The smoke has been rather thick through all of our communities and a Clean Air Center was opened up in Orleans and operated by the Karuk Department of Natural Resources and Orleans Medical Clinic providing a cool place for families to get out of the heat and smoke during the Ceremonies.

Make sure all your emergency travel kits are up to date and your vehicles are in good running condition to avoid any inconveniences while traveling,

gathering fire wood or out hunting. Make sure to check or replace your flashlight batteries, check that spare tire to assure it is aired up, make sure your first aid kit is still full replacing any items used up over the summer, put some warm blankets in your vehicle for any unexpected breakdowns or road closure and remember the weather can change rapidly this time of year.

The CERT Training that was held in Happy Camp back in July was a success and we will be planning annual follow-up training in cooperation with Happy Camp Neighborhood Watch and Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office. The Neighborhood Watch meeting is normally held the Second Monday of every month at the Happy Camp Resource Center or Happy Camp Senior Center depending on availability, all are welcome. Lastly remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors when you change the clocks back this fall.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Native Plants & Ethnobotany Studies/ Noxious Weed Awareness

*By Jeanette Quinn, Environmental Education
Coordinator*

In May the Advanced Biology and Chemistry classes at Happy Camp High School made art projects with plants they had collected and pressed. Students made book marks, suncatchers, or other items with the pressed leaves and flowers.

The K-2nd grade class at Orleans Elementary, the 1st-3rd grade and 6th-8th grade classes at Happy Camp Elementary learned about Native Pollinators in May. Students watched a PowerPoint presentation to learn about pollinators, their habitat and food requirements, importance of pollinators to the economy, and threats to native bees. Then students went outside to record data on native pollinators at work, where they observed many native bees collecting nectar and spreading pollen around their schools.

Fisheries Biology/Water Quality Studies. In collaboration with Mid Klamath Watershed Council, a small group of 7th and 8th graders from Orleans Elementary took a field trip in May. Students enhanced the mouth of Whitmore Creek by cutting, bundling and placing willow in the creek to provide cover for juvenile salmonids. Sonny Mitchell and JJ Reed, Karuk Fisheries employees demonstrated how to use a seine net and collect data from the juvenile fish they caught in the net.

Watershed Fair at Junction School. On May 23 the annual Watershed Fair for Junction and Forks of Salmon students was held at Junction Elementary School. The theme this year was "Fire Ecology." "Nature Joe" Duckett, a local wildlife educator, presented a program to teach students how animals deal with fire in



the ecosystems they inhabit. Afterward, students rotated through stations: wood burning designs on spoons, geology and the Ring of Fire, campfires and safety, student posters on fire ecology, an interactive watershed model, fire ecology, "Nature Joe's" animals, and lamprey eels.

For more information about the Environmental Education Program, e-mail Jeanette Quinn at jquinn@karuk.us, or call 530-627-3446.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM



KARUK PEOPLE'S CENTER MUSEUM NEWS

By Julie Burrell

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

2013 Basketweaver's Gathering

The Karuk Basketweavers and the People's Center Advisory Board would like to extend a big thank you to the community for supporting this year's raffle. Over \$3,000 was raised to support the Basketweaver's Gathering. This year's event was a big success. It was less structured than past years at the request of the weavers, and provided ample time for them to network, and to do what they do best: make baskets! Representatives from the Tribe's Department of Natural Resources and the US Forest Service joined the group for a panel discussion on gathering issues. The conversation reinforced the need for unimpeded access to forest resources by traditional practitioners. Details about the Tribe's Food Security grant were also shared. The project will provide an opportunity to improve conditions for culturally-important plant and animal species, and will allow for informed management decisions and on-the-ground habitat improvements throughout Karuk ancestral territory.



Museum Activities

The People's Center has added two contemporary art pieces to its permanent collection. The art was created by Lyn Risling for the *Pi'ëp Káru Payêem* – Long ago and Today Exhibition. One painting, acrylic on canvas, is an artistic rendering of ethnographic village sites in Karuk ancestral territory, and measures 8 ½ feet by 6 feet. The other, *World Renewal*, is pictured to the left.

The Tribe also partnered with the Klamath Siskiyou Arts Center to add banners at the entrances of the Happy Camp administrative complex and museum exterior (see graphic to the right). These banners are now also part of the Tribe's permanent collection, and are added to those scattered throughout the community.

Tribal Historic Preservation Office

The National Parks Service announced that the Karuk Tribe would be one of 17 native groups to receive funding in the upcoming year for historic preservation efforts. The competitive grant funds provide assistance to tribes seeking to preserve their cultural heritage. The Karuk Tribe will receive \$37,628.00, and will partner with the Klamath National Forest to document traditional uses of the Inaam Cultural Management Area. A National Register of Historic Places nomination for this important Traditional Cultural Property will also be completed.

Library

The People's Center library and Orleans library continue to add books to the collections. The People's Center is also in the process of integrating language resources into the library so that they will be available for use by Tribal members and researchers. We are also excited to report that the Tribe is going to be the recipient of the first California State Library LSTA grant awarded to a tribe. Our project will support local schools and the greater community by introducing mobile technology. Digital tablets will provide access to expanded library services and educational aids.

CONGRATULATIONS

Graduate

DARREL AUBREY



Darrel Aubrey graduated from Humboldt State University in May of 2012 with a Bachelors of Science degree in computer science. He now attends UC Davis for a masters in computer science. Once done with my Masters I plan on going on to either a PhD or a Law degree in Intellectual property. I would like to work for a company like Google for a few years and then move back to northern California to help out the tribes with what I have learned. Big thanks to my mom (Tammy Aubrey) and my Dad (Shawn Korb) as well as all of my family for their support.

CONGRATULATIONS

Graduate

CASSIDY LITTLE



2013 Happy Camp High School Graduate Cassidy Little, daughter of Sammi Offield, grand-daughter of Jody and Judy Waddell. She has been accepted to UCLA and is enrolled to attend in the fall of 2013 to earn her degree in Political Science. After earning her degree, she plans on moving forward to Law School.



KARUK PEOPLE'S CENTER MUSEUM AND GIFT SHOP



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- ◆ TRIBAL T-SHIRTS, CAPS, FLAGS, ETC.
- ◆ TOBACCO PRODUCTS

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KARUK HEAD START

*By Patty Brown
Head Start Director*

The Karuk Head Start would like to honor the life of Leona Peters. Leona was our Yreka cook who passed away this summer. Leona loved her family, children, and cooking delicious and nutritious meals. Leona took great pride in her kitchen and in doing her job. Leona was a hard worker and honest in her feedback and a valuable team member. She had a beautiful smile and a joyful laugh. She will truly be missed.

Head Start staff, Donna Goodwin-Sanchez and Nell Sakota, along with Daniela Sanchez ran the Summer Food program for the children in Happy Camp, and also prepared lunches for the children in Orleans. Rana Bussard ran the Summer Food Program for the first time in Yreka, serving as the cook, along with help from Nichole Croy, Rachel Lyons, and Jeanne Super. It has been a great success and served so many of our children. We have incredible staff members who give back to their communities in important and meaningful ways!

Our Happy Camp center has a new ADA pull through and parking area thanks to the hard work and efforts of our DNR department! Many thanks to all who made this happen.

Pre-Service will be held in two parts this year. The first will be a School Readiness Summit, sponsored by the Office of Head Start and FHI 360, our Training and Technical Assistance Advisors. It will be held in Klamath and hosted by the

Yurok Tribe and attended by the Head Start Teachers, Director, and Deputy Director. The focus will be on ensuring all parts to readiness include core elements of Kindergarten integrated with the Head Start Child Outcomes, State Early Learning Standards, Family Engagement, and Tribal Council participation. Our "regular" pre-service will include all staff receiving annual trainings in Mandated Reporters, Blood Borne Pathogens, MSDS, Playground Safety, Emergency Preparedness, School Readiness, Family Engagement, and more. We make sure our staff is ready and prepared for the children and families for the upcoming school year.

Unfortunately, because of the Federal Government Sequestration this year, we had to cut hours for the staff and program. Our Head Start will begin school a week later than usual, and the first day of school will be on Tuesday, September 10. It is our hope that this will end and we will be back to doing what we do best, and that is serving the children and families in our communities.

We thank the Policy Council, KCDC Board, Tribal Council, Karuk Child Care, and Amkuuf Smoke Shop for their continued support in all endeavors for the Karuk Head Start. We are a quality program because of their ongoing commitment to ensure our children, families, and staff members receive the resources needed.

We are continuing to recruit and enroll eligible students (**3 years old by October 2**) for the 2013-2014 school year. Applications are now available online and at both of the Karuk Head Start Centers, Karuk Tribe Clinics, Housing, and Happy Camp Administration Office. **Completed applications** can be returned to the Happy Camp Head Start at 632 Jacobs Way, Happy Camp, CA. 96039.

Suvanik-Patty Brown, Director



BUD SMITH CELEBRATES A CENTURY OF LIFE ON EARTH

By The Smith Family

Melbourne “Bud” Lester Smith, father of five children and enrolled member of the Karuk Tribe, celebrated 100 years of living on September 30. Born in 1913, to parents Firman Lester Smith and Elizabeth Abernathy Smith in Tenino, WA, Bud’s life so far has been long and colorful.

At the age of four, Bud, his mother Bessie, and his older brother Floyd moved to family property in Etna called Ruffy Flats. Bud’s great-grandfather, Ole Man Ruffy, nearly 100 years old at the time, raised him for the next 10 years. Bud still considers Ruffy Flats to be his favorite spot of land. He remembers Ole Man Ruffy as a comforting and wise man that never scolded him.

As a child, Bud attended elementary school in Etna and then Etna Union High School where his career in construction began early. His instructor knew he was a natural, and put him in a leadership role on a building project while he was still in school. He graduated at just 15 and moved to Happy Camp to run the local Sunnyside Hotel for five years with his first wife, Ann White. Bud and Ann had two children, Firman and Pauline Smith.

Over the years, Bud held many jobs: packing trains for fire crews out of Etna, working in the hayfields for 75 cents a day, and even a quick stint as a cab driver in Oakland in 1938—despite having a broken leg at the time—but his life’s trade was building. When he wasn’t working, Bud fished and hunted or made arrows and tanned buckskin during the off seasons. When asked at what point he retired, Bud laughs – 2006 he says, the year he turned 93 and his congestive heart failure limited his mobility.

Bud was working on the agricultural building in Turlock, CA when he met the soon-to-be Loretta Caroline Smith, who was working at the local bakery. The two married in 1950 and stayed together until her death in 1998. Throughout their marriage, they celebrated December 5th as “cream puff day” in honor



of their first meeting. They had three sons, Greg, Melbourne “Dan”, and Timothy Smith.

Karuk was Bud’s first language and over the years he has attended three tribal reunions where his favorite part was always meeting with the language groups. When asked what his advice would be for future generations Bud stresses the importance of encouraging language and culture in youth. “Obey your elders, he says, they will treat you well.”

Bud now lives in Gresham, Oregon with his current wife, Donna. As they celebrate his past 100 years, his children and many grandchildren look with him to his next century of living. He looks forward to spending it with old friends and loved ones.

KARUK LANGUAGE CLASSES

Arcata: 5:15pm
Potawot Health Clinic
UIHS
1600 Weeot Way
Arcata, CA

Eureka: 5:30pm
Ink People offices
517 Third Street
Suite 40
Eureka, CA

UPCOMING HOUSING BOARD MEETINGS

Monday November 4th, 2013 in
Happy Camp at the Housing Office,
10:00 a.m.

For more information, please
contact our Happy Camp office at
530-493-1414.

Seeking Healthcare Professionals



The Orleans Medical Clinic is a newly constructed clinic located in Orleans, CA deep in the heart of Karuk Country. We are looking for a physician

or midlevel to provide medical care and administrative management. We are also looking for an RN, LVN or trained Medical assistant. This is an excellent opportunity for you if you would like to make a change from city life to the country.

The Karuk Health Program clinics are AAAHC Accredited and are a HRSA grantee. On September 1, 2013 we will become a MediCal Managed Care Organization through the Partnership Health Plan of California.

If you are interested in working at the Orleans clinic or if you know someone who may be interested, please contact Lessie Aubrey at 530-493-1600 X 2042 or lessieaubrey@karuk.us or Rondi Johnson at 530-493-1600 X 2115 or rjohnson@karuk.us.

DO YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

If you have news, articles, events or announcements you wish to submit for publication in the Karuk Newsletter, please send the information to newsletter@karuk.us. Submissions are preferred in digital format, however hard copies are accepted by mailing to News Articles, P.O. Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039. All submissions must include your name and address. No anonymous articles will be accepted. Upcoming submissions are as follows: November 8, 2013 for the December edition. No late articles will be used for current publication. If submissions are received late, they will be held over for the next newsletter. We hope you enjoy your newsletter! Yootva!

TERO DEPARTMENT NEWS

Seeking Orleans Area Commissioner

By Dion Wood, TERO

What is going on in the Tribal Employment Rights Office?

We welcome new TERO Commissioner Judy Waddell to TERO. Judy brings a wide range of experience to the TERO Commission. At one point, Judy was the TERO Director for the Tribe. We are glad to have her onboard!

We are seeking a representative from the Orleans area. You must be a tribal member and not be on any other Tribal committees to apply.

The TERO Commission has been working on the Workforce Protection Act (WPA) which has been approved by the Tribal Council and is in the process of beginning implementation. What is the WPA?



It is a new tribal law that prohibits workplace discrimination. It clarifies the scope of the TERO Commission and TERO Department. It strengthens our tribal sovereignty by assuring workforce protections and due process for employees of the Tribe and entities of the Tribe. Stay tuned for more information!

For any questions regarding Tribal Preference or TERO contact TERO Director Dion Wood at (800) 505-2785 extension 2030.

Currently the TERO Commission consists of:

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| Red Hockaday | Yreka |
| Lavon Kent | Yreka |
| Judy Waddell | Happy Camp |
| Alvis "Bud" Johnson | Council |
| Crispen McAllister | Council |

WELCOME, TWO STICKS

Ayukii, my name is David "Two Sticks" Arwood II. I recently accepted the position as the Happy Camp and Orleans areas Social Worker for the Tribe. I have a 10 year-old daughter who is playing volleyball and going to school at Happy Camp Elementary. I grew up and currently live in the Happy Camp area; however I am exploring places downriver.

Some of my goals with this job are: to protect and promote the welfare of children; prevent, remedy or assist in resolving problems that contribute to the abuse, neglect or exploitation of children; and prevent the unnecessary separation of children from their families by identifying family needs and providing necessary services.

I am actively involved in cultural classes, especially in preparation for flower dance, youth and adult sports, and gathering materials for traditional use. Feel free to contact me at (530) 493-1450 ext 5003.



FUNDING OUR FUTURE

*By Lisa Morehead and Megan Rocha
Grant Writers and Resource Developers*

Ayukii from your Grant Writers and Resource Developers, Lisa Morehead and Megan Rocha.

We have had an interesting couple of months since our last report – and learned a lot. With each new funding announcement we ask ourselves, “Is this what we want? Does this announcement really reflect the needs of our tribal members, or are we as a Tribe, fashioning our programs to fit the requirements of the funding agencies?”

Sometimes it feels like walking a tightrope: Don't look down or you might fall off. Perhaps if we can keep a level head we can make it to the other side – but have we been going in the direction we want? Fortunately for the Grants Department we have the guidance of our people, departmental staff, and Tribal Council to keep us on track. We receive calls and emails from tribal members and descendants that ask and give advice: For this we would like to say, “Yootva yootva.”

Grants submitted since the last newsletter:

Blue Shield Core Support Initiative. Through this grant opportunity, the Karuk Tribe's Health Clinics seek to improve access to healthcare services for the uninsured and strengthen its role as a community health centers, essential safety net providers. Previous rounds of core support funding have supported health services for uninsured patients; freed up health center revenues for investment in new technology, new staff and operational improvements.

California State Library's Pitch an Idea Project. The Karuk Tribe submitted a proposal named the Áak Utkírihti Project (Eng.: He/She is looking into the fire) that will provide mobile technology



Jesse Goodwin and Pim Cename, with Norman Goodwin in the background

devices, professional development for staff, and digital literacy lessons for community members. Assistance accessing the state and federal online libraries, as well as using the devices, will be provided throughout the program timeline. Tribal and local community stories will be developed by youth and uploaded to the devices, which will require parent and community involvement and will foster ownership and enthusiasm for the project. The Áak Utkírihti Project will benefit the community members in Orleans, Happy Camp and Yreka by providing additional access to online educational resources at all three Centers and will be used as a mobile library to take library services into the community beyond the library walls. Amount requested is \$60,000.

Indian Health Service's Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI). This supports diabetes treatment and prevention activities for the Karuk people and other American Indian/Alaska Natives in the Karuk Tribe's Service Area. These funds will be used to pay for diabetes-related medications and supplies, health education, eye exams, foot exams, lab work, continuing education, and mandated attendance at annual Diabetic Conferences. Amount requested: \$157,554

National Endowment for the Arts for the Arts Engagement in American Communities Program Initiative to fund the Karuk Tribe's Ikmaháchraam (Eng.: Sweathouse). This project will support the learning and teaching of sweathouse construction and usage, the songs and customs that accompany this traditional cultural ceremony, and finally the film documentation of the process and final product.. Amount requested: \$20,000.



Klamath Basin Tribal Youth Program with Ron Reed and Kenneth 'Binks' Brink



Julia Jackson of Orleans

Indian Health Services Tribal Management Grant.

The Tribal Management Grant Program provides discretionary competitive grants Tribes to establish goals and performance measures for current health programs; assess current management capacity to determine if new components are appropriate; and develop infrastructure systems to manage or organize PFSA.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security – FEMA, Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program.

The purpose of this project is for installation of a Radio Communications System and develop a Radio Communication Plan. This will ensure effective communication internally for Tribal staff and with other local, state, and federal responders in the event of an act of terrorism or natural hazard. The second component of the project is to conduct a Threats and Hazards Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) to better understand risks posed from potential terrorism or natural hazards and allow for better planning to eliminate, reduce, mitigate, and recover from such events.

Blue Shield of California: Domestic Violence and Health Care Partnerships.

The Tribe's Department of Justice and Health and Human Services have submitted a Letter of Intent (LOI) to the Blue Shield Foundation that outlines a possible proposal that will use funds made available by the Affordable Care Act to bridge the divide between health care and domestic violence (DV). The implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) expands women's preventive services to include DV screening and counseling. This pre-application summary is attached for consideration by the Karuk Tribal Council for approval to move forward with a formal application should the LOI be granted further consideration by the funding institution.

Projects awarded funding:

US Department of Health and Human Services: Outreach and Enrollment Supplemental Program. The Karuk Tribe's Health and Human Services

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Department will use the funding to augment and coordinate outreach and enrollment services to help the community and tribal members become aware of, understand, and take advantage of the new health care insurance opportunities offered by the Affordable Health Care Act (AHCA). Amount awarded: \$69,428.

US Fish and Wildlife Services: Klamath Basin Tribal Youth Program. The Karuk Tribe's proposal, the Kaavichvaans Project (Eng.: Workers) has allowed allow eight tribal youth the opportunity to not only gain job experience and learn interpersonal skills; it also provided them an insight into the internal workings of the Department of Natural Resources. Forest Management, Fisheries, Water Quality, and Watershed Restoration will each host Tribal Youth for one four-day week for educational employment activities. Amount awarded: \$32,961.

AmeriCorps Planning Grant will be used to develop an AmeriCorps program which will engage AmeriCorps members to assist in outreach, coordination, and implementation of postsecondary education, financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and

workforce development opportunities provided by the Karuk Tribe and Karuk Community Development Corporation in Karuk Tribal Service Areas. Award amount: \$96,615.

Environmental Protection Agency's Tribal Public Water System Supervision Source Water Assessment and Protection Plan. The purpose of the Karuk Tribe's Ishaha'yav (Eng.: Good Water) project is to assess all possible sources of contamination to the Karuk tribally operated water system located in Somes Bar, California. The goals of this project are to delineate the source water protection area, to identify all possible contaminants, and to assess the magnitude of those impacts. Furthermore, a strategic plan will be developed to protect and preserve the source water from future contamination. Awarded amount: \$54,708.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to call the Grants Office at (530) 493-1600 ext. 2021 or email Lisa at morehead@karuk.us or Megan at mrocha@karuk.us. We would love to hear your ideas or suggestions for funding opportunities or potential projects. Yòotva

