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Greetings from your Tribal Council



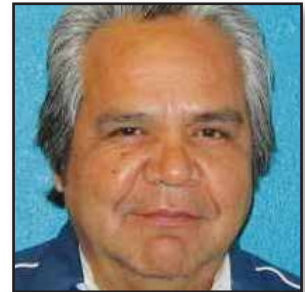
Russell Attebery
Happy Camp
Chairman

TERM: Nov. 2015-Nov. 2019



Robert Super
Yreka
Vice-Chairman

TERM: Nov. 2014-Nov. 2018



Michael Thom
Happy Camp
Secretary/Treasurer

TERM: Nov. 2015-Nov. 2019



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. 15-Nov. 19



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 huut kich,
Hope all is well in Indian Country. Things have been very busy with a lot of different projects going on. These are great projects to help provide our Tribal Members a better quality of life. It takes everyone, Council, Managers and Directors, Staff and most of all Tribal Membership to accomplish this goal. We must work together to be stronger. I will give a quick summary of some of our ongoing projects.

Please read the newsletter and ask questions about our programs for our Tribal Members, Elders and Children.

The Casino Project

I was hoping to tell everyone about our ground breaking date in this newsletter. The loose ends on financing are being tied together and we will be on our way.

Please check our web-site for job trainings and opportunities.

Housing

We have started building the new homes in Yreka. These are three, four and five bedroom homes. Special thanks to Housing Directors, Managers and Staff for their hard work. The timing could not be better, building new homes and creating new jobs at the same time.

Housing finished the townhouses in Happy Camp and they are occupied. I know we have a long way to go but everyone should be real proud of the Housing Board, Director's and Staff.

The Wellness Center has been in full use, special thanks to Jeanne Burcell the new Director, she has been doing a great job and getting a lot of use out of our new gymnasium.

Elders

Our Elders are the wisest and most respected part of our family. All Elders are welcome to come and enjoy the dinner at our Council meetings. Remember to contact our offices for any needs. Please help look after our Elders.



Chairman Attebery at Native American Days in Sacramento

Education and Youth Council


More funds are being contributed to Native American Education Programs through the "Cobell Settlement". We will continue to pursue these funds. Be sure to check with Alan Merrill our Education Director about summer youth programs, college visits or training seminars. You may also contact Alan with questions about our Youth Council. The Youth Council consists of two branches, one in Yreka and one representing Happy Camp and Orleans. Parents are encouraged to volunteer as advisors or mentors to help our youth with program activities or academics. I also encourage parents to attend your children's activities, it makes a real positive difference in a child's life. Our children are our future and only we can help.

Election

We have both local and national elections coming up. Please get out and VOTE!

California today is home to the largest population of Native Americans in the fifty states. The success of Tribal businesses and the rise of Tribal Members in all walks of life today stand as testament to the resilience and enduring spirit of our Native Peoples to protect and preserve our culture, our way of life.

I know there is a lot more to tell but hopefully you will read about it in the newsletter. As always the Council and Staff are always open to listening to questions, suggestions or comments. Please call our offices at any time..

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

Karuk Tribal Council Seeks To Address Public Safety

The Karuk Tribe recently applied for an Administration for Native Americans Social and Economic Development Strategies grant for a Safety and Security Project. Karuk Tribal Member, Suzanne Burcell, volunteered her time on this extremely challenging and complex task of putting together a comprehensive proposal to address the safety and security needs within Karuk Territory. The issues of community safety and the infringing drug epidemic have been at our forefront for some time now and this was the perfect opportunity to try to make a positive change. The objectives for this grant are as follows:

- Objective 1 – By the 36th month, a Karuk Tribal Police Force comprised of three (3) well-trained, cross-deputized Officers will be operating in partnership with an additional fourth Deputy assigned by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office and the residents of Orleans.
- Objective 2 – By the 36th month, an increasing number of residents of Orleans will assist and support Tribal Police, the assigned Deputy Sheriff, and the KTHA Security Officer in enhancing public safety by participating in monthly information-sharing meetings, Neighborhood Watch, Sheriff's Citizens On Patrol (SCOPS), school-based crime prevention, and/or other Tribal efforts to identify public safety needs and implement community-driven solutions; i.e., from a Year 1 baseline of participating residents, the number will triple in Year 3.
- Objective 3 – By the 36th month, a multidisciplinary team of at least ten (10) Tribal professionals who



serve adults, children, and elders (e.g., from Tribal Education, Health, Human Services, Housing, Indian Child Welfare, Karuk Language, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, Self-Governance, TANF, TERO, and Tribal Court) will be formed to proactively promote, facilitate, and incentivize community participation in crime prevention activities that include culture-based alcohol- and drug-free healthy lifestyles, as well as responsible land stewardship and Youth Leadership activities.

This grant program (ANA SEDS) has become highly competitive over the years, but we are extremely hopeful that this greatly needed project will be funded. With that, we wanted to invite former or current Law Enforcement Officers to look for a possible opportunity in August/September of 2016. If we are funded, we will need to hire someone with a great deal of experience in law enforcement as they will be supervising and field training brand new Tribal Police Officers for the community of Orleans. We will be conducting a preliminary search for an interested Project Director Candidate in July, so we can bring the person on staff by October 1, 2016, the start date of the project if we are funded. Feel free to send your resume and contact information to Dora Bernal at dlbernal@karuk.us regarding this potential position so we can contact you to submit a complete application if we are funded. 🏹

Opioid Addiction



Opioids are a class of powerful and highly addictive drugs that include prescription painkillers such as; morphine, methadone, Buprenorphine, hydrocodone, oxycodone and codeine. Heroin is the most popular illegal opiate used today and its cheap price and easy availability make it all the more dangerous in today's world.

Deaths linked to misuse and abuse of prescription opioids climbed to 19,000 in 2014, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Heroin and opioid painkillers combined caused 28,650 fatal overdoses.

Our bodies produce natural opioids. They send signals to the brain which block pain, slow breathing, and have a general calming and anti-depressing effect. Prescribed legal opioids as well as illegal opioids like heroin do the same thing.

Our brains are wired to ensure that we repeat life-sustaining activities by associating them with pleasure or reward. Whenever this reward circuit is activated, the brain notes that something important is happening that needs to be remembered. It teaches us to do it again and again, without thinking about it. Because drugs of abuse stimulate the same circuit, we learn to abuse drugs in the same way.

These synthetic legal and illegal opioids flood the brain with dopamine. Dopamine in the brain regulates movement, emotion, cognition, motivation, and feelings of pleasure.

The problem is the dose of prescription drugs and illegal opioids, like heroin, are hundreds, and sometimes thousands, of times stronger than any naturally occurring substance in our brain. The overstimulation of this system produces the good feelings sought by people who misuse

drugs and teaches them to repeat the behavior. This happens in the most primitive part of our brain. "That felt good. I like it, go get more." It sounds simple and somewhat humorous but that is essentially what takes place. This happens in the part of our brain that controls our most basic needs like the need for food, the need for water, the need to reproduce, to sleep, and so on. Because of the intensity and unnatural amounts of the synthetic substances, it can take a surprising short period of time to become addicted to opioids. The "addiction" becomes a fixed need in your primitive brain and silently demands you "Go get more" to maintain a level of opioids in your body. In other words it has become as important as all of your other basic needs like food and water.

This is why treatment is so critical in dealing with addiction. There are ways to deal with it in a positive and direct way. Our community has Treatment Programs and resources available that are accessible and culturally appropriate. There is also an abundance of information on the internet that can give you a deeper understanding of your situation and additional resources that may be available. Recovery is a process that can be life changing. You or a loved one can reclaim your life. The word Recovery simply means; reclaiming something that is yours that has been lost or stolen. You have lost your way of being in the world and recovering your path is not only possible but probable. If you suspect you or a loved one may have a problem, don't hesitate. Seek help and support immediately. By contacting Karuk Tribe Substance Abuse Program

For services in Yreka and Orleans call at 530 841 3141

For services in Happy Camp call 493-1450 

Spring Native Foods Workshop and Dinner, March 31, 2016

akraah karu sahishyuuxach'ávaha: eels and early greens



Thursday on the river: beautiful day to come together. Just as spring's sun and flowers came bursting, 30 community members, friends, including KDNR Food Security Staff shared in the celebration of our seasonal harvest of akraah (eels) and sahishyuuxach'ávaha (literally, "bunny food"©, early greens salad) in the Daryl "Day Pay" McCovey Memorial Park. We actually feasted on so much more including áama (salmon) caught by Ron Reed, xúun (acorn soup) cooked by Annelia Hillman, champínisich (yerba buena) tea harvested by Kathy McCovey, and dessert

so sweetly donated by Jeanie and Hawk White.

What really made this event meaningful was the coming together of local native families to share in intergenerational learning. The eels were caught by Ron Reed with his son, Jason Reed. On the day of the event, Cultural Practitioner Tyler Conrad shared his hands-on expertise on flattening and roasting eels with Ron's son, Ryan. And boy, with Ron's help tending fire, did Tyler roast those eels and salmon to perfection!

We were lucky to have Cultural Practitioner, Kathy



1. *Ryan Reed and Tyler Conrad process eels.*
2. *Ron Reed tending fire while his son, Ryan, processes eel*
3. *Salmon sticks and eel.*
4. *Tyler Conrad cooking áama while Alex Corum, Ryan Reed, Jim Ferrara, and Jeanerette Jacups-Johnny look on by the fire.*
5. *Ron Reed, Hawk White, Nick Patino, Nick Hillman, Annie Neuner serve up.*
6. *Victor Starrit, Konrad Fisher, John Bezdek, Craig Tucker, Luis Neuner, Leaf Hillman, Lisa Hillman, Chaas Hillman, Crispen McAllister, Ashley McAllister, Jasmine McAllister, Naomi McAllister, Anavi McAllister, Alex Corum, and Oliver Corum*

McCovey, share her Traditional Ecological as well as Western Science Knowledge. With her guidance, we could ensure the salad was full of only traditionally delicious, medicinal, and highly nutritious plants. Those greens included chishiihich (literally, “little dog”, as KDNR Director Leaf Hillman pointed out, a much better name than “miner’s lettuce”), takánaafich (sorrel), iknish (kishvúuf greens), and watercress. Even reluctant salad-eaters had a try - some coming back for seconds - and I’m happy to report that the salad was devoured!

No surprise that the eels, salmon, and acorn soup were also eaten up. It was all truly amáyav (“good as salmon”☺). Thanks to all who contributed – be it food, fire wood, knowledge, curiosity, and empty stomachs to fill – it was a beautiful afternoon. Yóotva.

Look out for fliers for upcoming Karuk Food Security Project events.

The next Native Food Workshop is Traditional Plant Gathering, tentatively scheduled for June 30 in Happy Camp.

And upcoming youth camps include Yreka Spring Seasonal Youth Camp, tentatively scheduled for May 18, to talk about plant identification, and traditional edible and medicinal plant harvest and use.

Orleans Summer Youth Camp, tentatively set for July 8 and 9 we hope to introduce youth to traditional resource management and procurement. Activities should include fishing, plant gathering, basketry, and hiking. 🏹

By Heather Rickard
Biological Technician
Karuk Food Security Project

Karuk Housing Community Computer Center

By: **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.

TUTORING

We provide tutoring at our Computer Center to reduce student's dropout rate and raise proficiency in our schools. We want to create a future for our resident and tribal youth. We provide one-on-one tutoring for all grade school and high school students. It's a FREE service to KTHA residents and Karuk Tribal Members. (Heiland works with all students who qualify through our Karuk Tribal TANF Program.) Please contact us for further information and we can help you with the necessary paperwork.



KHCCC 1--Sarah Stichel

TITLE VII -NATIVE AMERICAN PARENT COMMITTEE

Title VII perseveres and promotes the protection, use, and teaching of cultural and linguistic education in our local school that include: Evergreen Elementary, Jackson Street Elementary, Yreka Union High School and Yreka Options (Discovery). This has been an important committee for tribal members to be stakeholders and work with the schools to ensure the culture-based education is included in our school curricula and that it meets the educational needs of our Native American Students. Two highlights we accomplished:

- Kindergarten went to full time and transportation is now available to those students.
- There is homework time with help from school staff for our students and transportation home is provided.

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!



KTHA SELF-HELP PROGRAM

We now have three self-help participants who are now employed by Karuk Tribe. We are very proud of the participants who provided assistances at the KHCCC in different capacities. Taking classes such as Microsoft Training and Pathway to Wellness. Taking on more responsibility and provided activities for our KTHA residents with Science Fun and Basic Sewing Classes. We are very proud of our KTHA residents. GREAT JOB AND WAY TO GO! We are grateful for our Self-Help Participants who continue contributing to our community.



YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Rewarding our youth residents who help around our office. Cleaning, setting up, organizing, you name it and they offer to help. Our newest KHCCC World's Best HELPER is Daniel Ainsworth.



HONOR OUR STUDENTS DANCE

We provided a youth dance to all our students who are working so hard attending and participating in school. We provided food and prizes to reward them for all their hardwork.



KARUK YOUTH LANGUAGE

We just started our Karuk Youth Language group. So far these young Karuk Tribal Members have made learning flash cards and provide a video with language on a Phone App called Vines and posts on public Facebook page. They have a lot of goals they will continue to work on.

GAME DAY—YOUTH ACTIVITY

Thanksgiving Break kids have time on their hands so we providing some fun activities which included Game Day, Karuk Bingo with Frank Thom and Bessie Hernandez-Grant, and Decorate our office Christmas tree. Great times with our KTHA resident youth.



SHARING CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE AT KARUK HEAD START

Kayla Super and I provided activities for our local Karuk Head Start. Our first event was gathering and cracking acorns. Our second visit was grinding and trying some cooked acorn soup (xuun).


KARUK BINGO WITH FRANK THOM



A Message From the Education Department



A yukti,
I am pleased to announce the Education Department has made a lot of progress over the year. We have Karuk Youth Leadership Council student Representatives in Happy Camp, Yreka and Orleans and the students have been very active in fundraising and community service. We issued 29 full Higher Education Grants and 4 half-year grants to our college students. We will be adding our own website; a link will be available from the Karuk web page and will provide a lot of information and resources. The Website also provides information on scholarships for current and future college students; please check it out! I also encourage all our students to look at the We R Native site; it is full of very useful information, particularly for teens. The department and students have attended/are scheduled to attend several conferences that will be very beneficial to future development and enhancement of the program and for all our students. The program has been working in collaboration with several other tribal programs and with the local community to enrich the students, families, schools and local community in education and cultural knowledge. There is a work in progress to expand a cultural program into the schools within our service area and this exciting opportunity, with multiple programs and

cultural practitioners will provide a valuable and enriching hands-on cultural experience. Our two Student Service Coordinators, Cassidy Little-Happy Camp, and Debra Vanwinkle-Yreka, have been working diligently to provide academic and cultural support to our students. They have been paramount in providing leadership and direction to the Karuk Youth Leadership Councils and preparing our students for college. As the school year is in the final stages we have a lot of projects planned, including College/ University visits, community service projects, fundraising, coordinating the youth program, preparation for the Math and Science Camp and many other activities. I am open to emails and phone calls, so please do not hesitate to contact me with questions, suggestions or to help with the program. Thank you to everyone who has assisted me and the program over the last six months and I am looking forward to the future of the program and all we can provide for our kids, our future! 

Yootva,
Alan
Alan Merrill
Karuk Education Coordinator
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Karuk Tribe


Employment Opportunities

- Clerical Assistant – Temporary Part-time – Happy Camp
- Clerical Assistant – Full-time – Happy Camp
- KTHA – On-Call Receptionist – Yreka Housing –
- Mental Health Therapist II – Happy Camp – Full-time
- Therapist – Part-time – KCDC – Yreka and/or Happy Camp
- Certified AOD Counselor (Happy Camp/Orleans) – Full-time
- Licensed Vocational Nurse – Full-time – Yreka Medical Clinic
- Family Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant – Full-time – Yreka and Orleans
- Registered Dental Hygienist – Yreka Dental Clinic – Full-time
- Registered Nurse (RN)/Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) Full-time – Happy Camp
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker or Clinical Psychologist – Full –time – Happy Camp
- Dental Director/Dentist – Yreka Dental Clinic – Full-time
- Clinic Physician – Full-time – Orleans

All Positions have Closing Dates unless Otherwise Specified. No Applications will be Accepted beyond the Closing Date under any Circumstances. The Employment Application must specify which position it is for, no Application will be accepted for “Any” Position. To Apply please submit your Completed Application and Resume to:

64236 Second Avenue, PO BOX 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039: Phone: (530)493-1600 ext. 2010

Fax: (530) 493-5322 Email: Dora Bernal, Human Resources Director


Want some tips to ensure your application is considered at its fullest potential? Contact TERO Director, Dion Wood for assistance and tips on submitting your winning application at 1-800-505-2785 extension 2030 or dwood@karuk.us 

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:

Karuk Tribe ATTN: HR
P.O. Box 1016
Happy Camp, CA 96039

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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www.facebook.com/karukpeople
for current employment opportunities,
announcements and photos!

Upcoming workshop series: Family Archiving: How to Care for Family Photographs, Documents, Video, Audio and Digital Materials.

The Sipnuuk Digital Library, Archives and Museum will be providing ongoing workshops on Thursdays, starting May 5 (10am-11am) at the Panamnik Library in Orleans, focused on how to care for family, personal, and community history materials. Just about everyone has collections of photographs, documents, videos, audio recordings and digital materials that contain highly valuable content about our lives, families and communities. These workshops are designed to teach you what you can do to help preserve these items so that they can be accessed by future generations in the ways that you want them to be. Adrienne Harling, the Tribe's newly hired professional archivist and librarian, will be giving the workshops. Participants will be led through a process where they identify and prioritize the personal or family materials they want to preserve, and get customized recommendations and support for the most important actions to take that match available resources.

Participants will receive ongoing support for implementing the plans that are created for their collections.

Sipnuuk is also providing digitization services after the workshops on Thursdays, from 11am-2pm. Individuals who have images and/or documents that they would like to have digitized using digital preservation best practices can receive these services on a first come first serve basis during these hours. Each person who signs up can receive up to one hour of digitizing services, which they need to be present for. Preference will be given to those with Karuk and/or local heritage materials who are willing to share copies via. Sipnuuk Digital Library, Archives and Museum.

We are excited to provide these exciting new programs and services! Please contact us with any questions at aharling@karuk.us or sipnuuk@karuk.us. 🏹



Klamath Dam Removal More Certain Than Ever Removal Plan Headed to FERC for Regulatory Approval

On April 6, under brilliant blue skies, Chairman Attebery and other representatives of the Tribe joined hundreds at the mouth of the Klamath to move dam removal forward. Chairman Attebery signed amendments to the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) along with Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, Governor Jerry Brown, Governor Kate Brown, Yurok Chairman O'Rourke, and PacifiCorp CEO Stefan Bird.

If approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), it will result in the removal of four dams on the Klamath River in 2020, amounting to one of the largest river restoration efforts in the nation.

"We believe that taking care of the Klamath River is the responsibility of everyone who lives in the basin," explains Karuk Chairman Russell "Buster" Attebery. "We can't restore our fishery without working with our neighbors in agriculture and they can't secure water for their farms without working with us. Dam removal is huge leap forward, but we must continue to work with the agriculture community to solve water conflicts as well."

The dams being removed do not provide any irrigation diversions nor do they control flows of the river. That's a function of how the Bureau of Reclamation manages the Klamath Irrigation Project which diverts water from Upper Klamath Lake.

The Amended KHSA will maintain the timeline for




dam removal in 2020 and use the same funding strategy as before - \$200 million from PacifiCorp customers and \$250 million from California's Prop 1. It creates a new non-profit Corporation to manage the dam removal process called the Klamath River Renewal Corporation. The dam removal plan will be filed with FERC by July 1, 2016 for consideration. PacifiCorp will continue to operate the dams until they are decommissioned.

FERC typically approves decommissioning plans when submitted by the dam owner, so parties are optimistic that dam removal will soon be a reality.

"This will be the largest salmon restoration project ever in America," says Karuk Natural Resources Director Leaf Hillman. "It's been a long time coming. We are more than ready to welcome the salmon home."

The Karuk Tribe has been working to remove the Klamath dams for decades. The dams block hundreds of miles of salmon habitat and create massive blooms of toxic blue green algae every summer. The dams play a leading role in annual fish kills, creating habitat for disease causing parasites that infect both adult and juvenile salmon.

"There is no single act of restoration that will improve salmon runs in the Klamath River than removal of these dams," concludes Hillman. 

Meet the Ultra Fierce Winners of FWSD 2015



Marcie Bain | B.JASH.I Founder and Designer |
FWSD 2015 Top Designer

Written By: Nicole Fera

Photographed By: Michael Wesley

Designer: Marcie Bain

Model : Victoria De La Cruz

Styled By: Samantha DeWarf & Allison Andrews

Hair By: Michael Soberanes of Gila Rút

Makeup By: Francisco J. Cossino of Gila Rút

All Clothing By: B.JASH.I

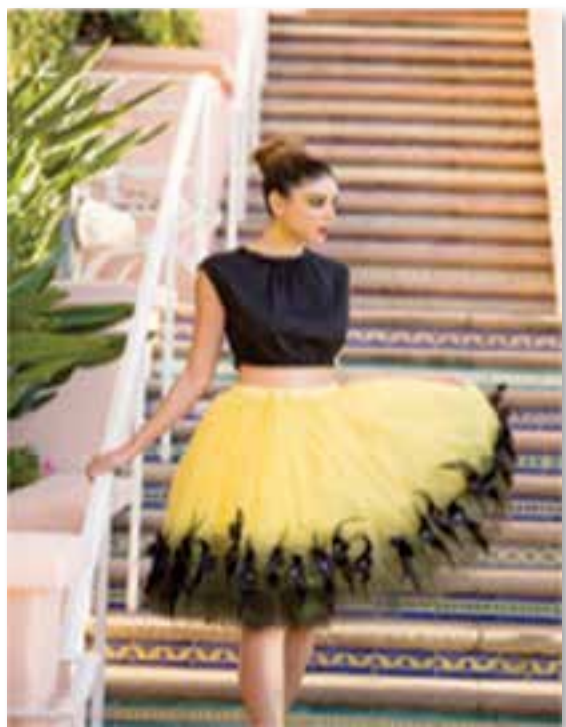
The Native American-Inspired Designs of B.JASH.I by Marcie Bain Combine with Victoria De La Cruz's Model Expertise

The excitement in the La Jolla air was fueled by brightly colored fabric, plenty of glitter and textured garments that made hearts flutter. The first night of Fashion Week San Diego featured work by 12 different designers and the second night showcased an additional 11 coveted spots. At the end of the weekend, everyone involved was given the chance to vote for their favorite designer and model who they felt stole the show.

After votes were made and tallied, design label B.JASH.I took the number one slot this year for favorite clothing line. Designer Marcie Bain mesmerized the crowd with her incredible Native American-inspired garments and vision. A winning model was also chosen: Victoria De La Cruz was crowned queen of the runway. Both women have worked incredibly hard to reach this point in their careers. As each winner points out, the drive to succeed starts with a daring goal and ends with hard work.

Q: Could you elaborate a little more on your heritage?

MB: I am from the Karuk Tribe located in Northern California. It is nestled along the Klamath River. I was raised around my Karuk culture; from different local events throughout the year to daily language classes that were taught in our school for the Indian Club kids. I was also surrounded by my Mom's family growing up and my maternal grandfather was a full-blooded Dane. I have yet to research further into my Danish culture to find a vast of inspiration there. I am trying to mesh both to make an amazing Danish/Native American collaboration collection.



Ayukîi from the Enrollment Office,

There are currently 3,742 Enrolled Tribal
Members and 4,231 Enrolled Descendants.



Mildred Grant
Chair



**Jeanerette
Jacups-Johnny**
Vice Chair



Corina Alexander
Secretary



Charlene Naef
Member At Large



Robert Super
Council Vice Chair

Our office offers an array of services

- Enrollment/Descendancy applications for the Enrollment Committee.
- Issue Tribal Verification's 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.
- Issue DMV/Sales Tax Exemption forms to Tribal Members living on Trust Land.

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

Introducing . . .



Ayukii

My name is Alma Bickford; I recently have been hired on as the Youth Healing to Wellness Court Compliance Officer with the Karuk Judicial System and Programs. Prior to accepting this position I was a full-time stay at home mother of two beautiful children, a full time student and of course a wife. At the end of Winter Term 2017, I will be receiving two degrees; Bachelors of Science Degree in Psychology and Bachelors of Science Degree in Criminology & Criminal Justice from Southern Oregon University in Ashland, OR.

Previous jobs I've held with the Karuk Tribe are, Youth Resources Services Specialist, Education Program Coordinator and Domestic Violence Services Specialist. I was not planning on returning to work after having my daughter but I felt called to continue serving my community.

I am passionate about helping our tribal youth succeed. Our current initiative is to provide culturally appropriate alternatives and deterrents to our youth involved or in danger of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system. Our goal is to develop several formal collaborative partnerships to aid in accomplishing our goal. We will be working on implementing well-rounded programs that offer access to cultural connectivity, recreation, mentorship and educational opportunities.

We look forward to serving our youth, families and communities.

Alma Bickford
Youth Healing to Wellness Court
Compliance Officer
Ph: 530.841.3143 ext. 6504

Hello! My name is Adrienne Harling and I am a professional librarian and Archivist. I have been consulting for the Karuk Tribe since 2010 on the development of the Karuk Tribal Libraries, and since 2012 on the recently launched Sipnuuk Digital Library, Archives, and Museum. This consulting work has been the highlight of my career so far, as I have been able to work on and learn about Tribal cultural and intellectual property rights, and to work with an incredible team dedicated to access to accurate representation of Karuk culture. I have recently been hired as an employee (Sipnuuk Division Coordinator) to continue working on the development, growth, and sustainability of Sipnuuk. Currently I am developing a series of workshops for tribal community members about how to care for family photographs, documents, video and audio materials. I am also coordinating the addition of new content to the Sipnuuk Digital Library, Archives and Museum. If you would like to learn more about Sipnuuk or our programs, please don't hesitate to contact me at aharling@karuk.us.





Hello everyone, my name is Marisa Bostick, I am proud to introduce myself as the Karuk Tribe's new Domestic Violence Services Specialist and Transitional House Manager. I was born in Pomona CA, to Catrina Layton and Brian Bostick and I am an older sister to Devonn and Ruby. I moved to Siskiyou County in 2006 with my mother and siblings, graduated from Etna High School in 2013 and met my best friend and partner Allen Attebury, son of April Attebury. I spent the summer after I graduated doing something I absolutely love; running competitively in Brisbane, Australia as a member of the U.S. Track and Field team.

When I returned I was interviewed and hired as a Facility Manager for an organization called Eagle's Wings Ranch, a group home specifically for at-risk teenage girls. These past couple of years working at Eagle's Wings Ranch has

prepared me to step up and make a difference the next level. I recently attended a training at Humboldt State University to become a certified domestic violence advocate. I am excited about this great opportunity to represent and contribute to the Karuk Tribe. I look forward to getting involved in the community, learning about the culture and getting to know all of its members.

Marisa Bostick
 D.V. Services Specialist/Transitional House Manger
 Karuk Judicial System & Programs
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Ayukii, pananithvuy vur uum Heather Rickard. I am grateful to have the privilege to be hired as Temporary Biological Technician for the Karuk Food Security Program. I grew up on the coast and have been happy to be living up river for the past couple few years. I love being outside,

and I've spent a lot of the last decade working on farm/garden projects, orchards, and at a small fruit tree nursery. While working within Karuk Ancestral homelands, I'm excited to do what I can to contribute to community Food Sovereignty. .

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Hi my name is Erica Sanchez daughter of Darlene (Goodwin) Navarro, Granddaughter of Norman Goodwin. I am pleased to announce I have been hired as the Domestic Violence Service Specialist for the Karuk Judicial Systems and Programs.

I was raised in Yreka Ca and lived in the Tribal housing community during my childhood.

During my junior year of high school I moved to Oregon and graduated from Springfield High School 2006. I moved back to Yreka which I consider my home 2 years ago with my family.

I look forward to assisting our tribal community achieve the best outcomes for our children and families.
 Thank you,
 Erica

Karuk Homes I Groundbreaking- Yreka



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On a very cold and rainy January day the Karuk Tribe Council, Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and KTHA staff broke ground on the first KTHA Low Income Housing Tax Credit project, a thirty home construction project- Karuk Homes I. In spite of the bad weather a crowd showed up to see the project get underway. Tribal Chairman Buster Attebery and Board Chairperson Elsa Goodwin welcomed everyone to the event, and thanked the State Tax Credit Allocation Committee, Investors Richman Affordable Housing Group, Travois Consultants, Danco Construction, and acknowledged the hard work of the staff that made it all come together.

As you are driving up Apsuun to go to the Yreka Housing Office, you can see the homes under construction in the distance. Foundations have been poured, subfloors laid down and walls are going up! The first six homes are expected to be filled with new tenants by August 1, 2016.

The Karuk Homes I project is the largest tribal tax credit project for any Native American community in the state of California. The project was made possible by funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Indian Housing Block Grant and tax credits from the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee.

New Hires:

KTHA recently welcomed four new employees. Tribal Member Jeanne L. Burcell was hired as the new Wellness Center Coordinator in Yreka. Jeanne brings to the position a wealth of experience working with youth. She has been a Coach, has worked in the juvenile justice system and has loads of experience in organizing tournaments and sports clinics.

In Orleans, Nartel Briley replaced former Landscaper Sal Tello who now works for the Tribe's Transportation Department. We were excited to welcome Nartel, an Orleans resident, on to the crew in February.

Tribal Member Matthew Super was hired to fill the vacant Laborer position on the Force Account Crew. Shortly afterward, James Bearchild was hired to be the new Construction Crew Member I, completing the KTHA Force Account Crew.

Board of Commissioners Selected:

The Tribal Council confirmed the selection of one new Board member for the KTHA BOC. Gabriel Montgomery was sworn in as Board of Commissioners for the Yreka seat, a four (4) year terms.

On March 28, Randy Hobbs attended his last meeting as representative of the Yreka District. Randy had been selected to finish out Kristin Aubrey's term when she resigned last year.

Negotiated Rulemaking:

The final meeting of the NAHASDA Negotiated Rulemaking Committee took place in January. The Committee completed its work on the formula and approved the draft Preamble for the posting to the Federal Register that will occur after the appropriate federal agencies have finished their review.

For more information on Negotiated Rulemaking to to <http://ihbgrulemaking.firstpic.org/>.

Upcoming Housing Meetings: Please attend the next Board of Commissioners meeting in your community. Our meetings are rotated between the Happy Camp, Orleans and Yreka offices. Please call our front desk at either the Yreka office at 530-842-1644 and talk to Suzie Cost or Happy Camp 530-493-1414 to speak to Dorcas Harrison for the location this month. All meetings begin at 10:00 am, with tenant issues heard at 1:00 pm unless otherwise announced. 🏠



Buster, Elsa and Lane Rickard and he is a staffer for California State Senator Ted Gaines. He presented a letter of commendation on the project.

Dance - Native American Day for 3rd & 4th Graders at Jackson Street Elementary School



Our Group has been sharing our culture with our local elementary school and Education Conference in Redding, California. Our group is honored to represent the Karuk Tribe to our local community. They share language, songs and dance.

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.

Our Karuk youth not only demonstrate dance, but are involved in learning our language, gathering, making regalia, and weaving. I like to share activities of our youth who are dedicated to learning the knowledge.



DEMONSTRATION DANCE

Education Conference – Redding CA



LEARNING

Working on Acorns and Willow Sticks

Main Goal for our youth is to attend and participates in our dances and teach others.

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

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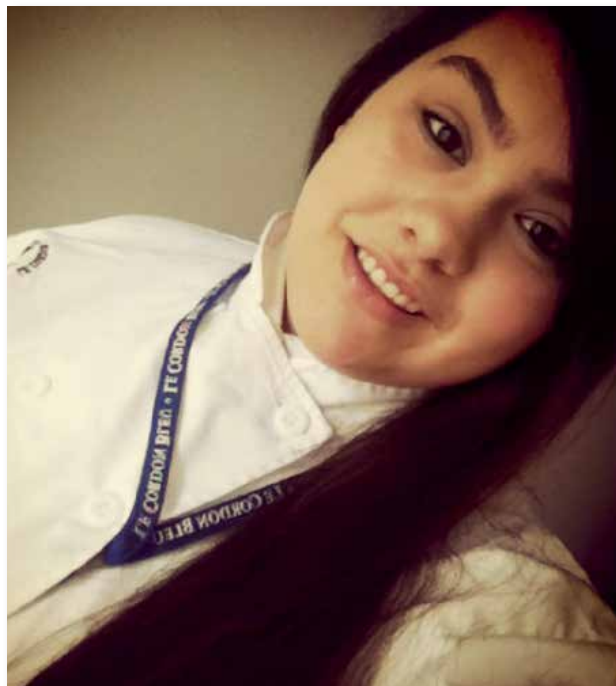
Announcements



Naomi Rose

Born on January 12, 2016
8 lbs. 3.7 oz and 20 inches long

Parents: Raymond and Michelle Spence
Maternal Grandparents: Frank Cook Sr. and Barbara Croy
Paternal Grandparent: April Spence



Ashley Allgier

Ashley Allgier is presently an extern at the Cour d'Alene Resort until May. In July, she will graduate with an associate in culinary arts from le cordon Bleu college of culinary arts. In the future, she plans to open a small cafe in Orleans as a way to give back to the community that supported her through all her adventures.



James William "Duke" Morton

James William "Duke" Morton passed away on March 26, 2016 at his residence in Redmond, Oregon. He was 80 years old.

Duke was born on November 20, 1935 in Berkeley, CA. Duke was the son of James and Louise Morton, step-son of Leroy Rails. Duke grew up in Salyer, CA (Trinity County) and spent summers in Somes Bar with his grandparents, Pop and Bessie Tripp. Duke moved to San Francisco, where he worked as a maintenance man. After retiring, Duke moved to Happy Camp. While living in Happy Camp, Duke enjoyed gardening and tending to his Koy pond. Duke was a movie buff and had 4,000+ DVD's. Not only was he a movie buff,

Duke was also a music buff. He also enjoyed poker, but especially loved sharing stories about family and his Karuk roots. In 2013 Duke lived in Fairfield, CA with his daughter Terry, then in 2014 he lived in Redmond, OR with his daughter Debbie.

Duke is survived by five children, Debbie Steadman, Terry Sammartino, James W. Morton, "Beau" Derek Morton and Chad Kyle Morton; a brother, Chuck Morton, French Gulch, CA, a brother, Walter Morton, Hoopa, CA, a sister, Delma Powell, Burnt Ranch, CA; nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Duke was preceded in death earlier this year by his wife, Genevieve Morton, and a son, Mitchell Morton.

Kenneth Duane “Hoot” Black

Lifelong Siskiyou County resident, Kenneth Duane Black, passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 13, 2016, at Asante Rogue Regional Medical Center in Medford. He was 62 years old.

Kenneth, better known to many in the community as “Hoot,” was born on March 13, 1953, to Oscar and Lena Mae Black in Yreka. Ken was a member of the Karuk Tribe, and spent much of his life and time in the outdoors, specifically down the Klamath River. Ken married Valerie Carter at Greenhorn Park in Yreka on March 31, 1988, and the couple has been married for the last 27 years.

Ken spent time working as a choker setter for Fisher Logging and several other outfits. Ken continued to work much of his life as a woodcutter, frequenting the areas of Doggett Creek, Beaver Creek, Empire Creek, Lumgreys Creek, etc. Ken coupled his love of fishing by working as a driftboat fishing guide on the Klamath River.

In more recent years, he worked as a janitor for Jackson Street

School, from where he retired in 2013. Ken also lived for hunting season, particularly for deer, quail and grouse. He spent his entire hunting career down the Klamath River, utilizing his keen knowledge of the area to put meat in the freezer nearly every year.

Another of Ken’s passions was playing softball. He was known for his unlimited arc while pitching, earning the title “Strikeout King” repeatedly, and routinely forcing some of the best hitters to strike out. Ken also excelled at playing horseshoes, and was an avid Pittsburgh Steelers fan. On top of everything, Ken was a family man: A loving husband, father, uncle, cousin and friend. He was a wonderful Papa to children and grandchildren, whether they were his or not!

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents, most recently, his mother Lena Mae Black in July of 2015.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Valerie; two children from a previous marriage, Kristina and Kenneth (Sherry) and their children, Brennan, Iveyonna, and Jayden; his children, Sierra (Logan) Black, Chris (Caitlin) Black, Skyler Black and Shashonie Roberts, all of Yreka, and their children, Kierstyn, Peyton, Kynzi, and Easton. He is also survived by his siblings: Gary, Gerrald, Richard, Barbara Williams and Sharon Hatten; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.



Lena Mae Black

Lena Mae Black, a 94-year-old Klamath River resident, passed away July 1, 2015, from natural causes.

As she requested, no services will be held, but family and friends are welcome to gather at the Nelson family plot in Evergreen Cemetery in Yreka on Friday, July 10, 2015, at 3 p.m.

Lena was born in Yreka on July 7, 1920. She retired from the Oak Knoll Ranger District as a receptionist in 1983. She enjoyed outdoor activities, such as hunting, wood cutting, taking riding trips in the mountains, her flowers, feeding her birds, gardening and playing cards.

She is survived by her six children, Sharon Hatten (Paul) of Nampa, Idaho, Barbara Williams of Anderson, Jerry Black (Terri) of Redding, Kenneth Black (Valerie) of Yreka, Richard Black (Patti) of Medford, Oregon, and Gary Black (Evonne) of Klamath River. She is also survived by many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Chris and Lena Nelson; brothers, Ed Nelson, Jim Nelson, Bob Nelson, Darrell Nelson and Ernest (Tiny) Nelson; and her sisters, Eleanor Perrin and Velma Arneson





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Kaden Wood, a Freshman @ Mazama High School in Klamath Falls, Oregon placed 4th in 106# bucket of the 2016 Oregon State High School Wrestling Championship in Portland, Oregon. Kaden is the son of member Brandon Wood and the grandson of Frank Wood.