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September 11, 2012

The Tribal Council is proposing the following two (2) amendments to the Karuk Tribe Constitution to be voted on by the general membership on November 6, 2012.

The original sections of the Constitutional articles are in normal type, the proposed deletions are ~~lined out~~, and the proposed additions or changes are underlined:

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Proposed Constitutional Amendment 1:

Shall the Article VII, Section 3 be changed as proposed?

A **YES VOTE** would change Article VII, Section 3 to clarify that candidates must provide a complete petition to the Election Committee before any election he or she wishes to run in (general, special, primary, etc.), not just the general election, as follows:

Section 3. Any member of the Tribe who has, at least sixty days before ~~the any~~ election in which he or she seeks to be a candidate, presented to the Election Committee a petition signed by at least twenty enrolled members of the Tribe who are eighteen years of age or older, and who has maintained a legal residence for a period of six consecutive months before the election within 100 road miles of the Tribe’s Aboriginal Territory shall be declared by the Council to be nominated and to be a candidate for the office indicated in such petition. It shall be the duty of the Election Committee to post the names of all qualified candidates in a public place at least ten days prior to the election.”

A **NO VOTE** means this Section would stay as it is.

Explanation:

This amendment is proposed because the timelines are not clear as the sixty days currently refers to “the” election, although the Karuk Tribe’s laws provide for more than one type of election.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment 2:

Shall Article VII, Section 4 be changed as proposed?

A **YES VOTE** would change this Section to read as follows:

Section 4. Candidates for Tribal Council must pass a criminal background check. Potential candidates who have been convicted of *a felony involving murder, manslaughter, rape, assault with intent to kill, burglary, child or elder abuse, assault resulting in serious bodily injury, theft, fraud or embezzlement, any felony* during his or her term of office or *within ten (10) years at any time* prior to the election, shall be ineligible to run for office or serve on the Tribal Council. *However, persons who have completed their sentence for such conviction at least ten (10) years before the date of the election in which they intend to run for office may file as candidates.* Potential candidates who have been removed from the Tribal Council office for gross misconduct, terminated from employment with the Tribe for theft, fraud or embezzlement, or who have been convicted of

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Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe

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

Notice of Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Tuesday, November 6, 2012**, the Karuk Tribe will conduct a General Election for two **Happy Camp District Member at Large** positions.

Candidate packets for the **Happy Camp District Member at Large** seats will be available at Tribal Offices in Yreka, Happy Camp, and Orleans on **Tuesday, June 26, 2012**.

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 HAPPY CAMP DISTRICT MEMBERS AT LARGE POSITIONS, 4 Year Terms: 2012-2016.

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 23, 2012**. 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 28, 2012 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 28, 2012**.


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

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any crime requiring registration as a sex offender, shall be ineligible to run for office or serve on the Tribal Council.

A **NO VOTE** would keep this Section as currently written.

Explanation:

The Tribal Council proposes that any felony committed during a Council member's term of office or at any time before then should prevent someone from running for Council, and that it is too confusing to just list a few different felonies instead of including them all. 

From Chairman Attebery's Office

A yukii hoot kich, hope everything is well in Indian Country. I would like to take time to list the different opportunities from different programs offered by the Karuk Tribe. But first I want to let the Karuk Membership know about the Karuk Tribe and the US Forest Service signing an agreement that will ensure that one of Karuk Tribe's most sacred landscapes will be restored using traditional land management techniques perfected by the Tribe over countless generations. The Katimiin Cultural Management Area, near Somes Bar, Ca. is where the Tribe's Pikyawish, or World Renewal Ceremonies are concluded each year. For years the Tribe has struggled to have lands surrounding the ceremonial site managed in a manner consistent with cultural traditions. That struggle is now over. "This is the culmination of a lot of hard work and effort on behalf of both forests and the Karuk Tribe," said Tyrone Kelley, Six Rivers Forest Supervisor. Patty Grantham, Klamath Forest Supervisor agreed. "We are pleased to be able to work alongside the Karuk people in this culturally important area of the forest. We are looking forward to restoring not only the lands, but strengthening our relationship with the Karuk Tribe."




Klamath Forest Supervisor Patty Grantham, Karuk Tribal Chairman Russell Attebery and Six Rivers Forest Supervisor Tyrone Kelly

Happy Camp residents meet Sheriff Jon Lopey. On August 28th, 2012 Sheriff Lopey traveled to Happy Camp for a "Town Hall" meeting. This session was defined as a way to maintain a working relationship in the community. Topics discussed were:

- ★ Arrival times and availability,
- ★ Rehabilitation Treatment Centers,
- ★ Local Law Enforcement, Search and Rescue and
- ★ Fire Fighting opportunities

Sheriff Lopey said to report any odd behavior, that they are always able to do something. Sheriff Lopey did offer some possible solutions. He stated that they hope to have a county-wide drug court in the near future. For first time offenders, a diversion program has been set to include classes, community services, and the potential for offenders to have their records expunged. He identified the Administration of Justice Program at College of the Siskiyous as one of the best programs in the nation. Also the Search and Rescue programs are looking for cadets. We discussed the importance of getting some of our Tribal members enrolled in some of these programs.

Opportunities for our Tribal Members are many. Be sure to check the articles from our different departments: Education, Housing, Health, Child Care, Business and Economic Development. The Karuk Council aims to provide activities for our children, job opportunities for our workforce, and proper care for our elders. If any Tribal Members are not aware of these opportunities we need to hear from you. Our policy is still "open door" and all comments and suggestions will be viewed as constructive criticism. We will be trying to utilize our web site more to notify people about our youth activities and opportunities.

Yootva kura suva nik 


From Councilmember Dora Bernal



A yukii Tribal Members

A lot has been happening since the last edition of the newsletter was sent out. We have finally put out an RFP for an architect/designer to review our land that the casino will go on. The Tribal Council has been working on the development of a compact which each Tribe who is opening a Class III casino needs to have. Once we develop this we will be negotiating with the Governor to sign off on it. We have finally finished a rough draft MOU with the City of Yreka and will work with them on developing a final plan which will work for the Tribe and the community. We will definitely keep Tribal Members up to date and may even develop a spot on the website for updates of what is going on with the status of the casino project.

It would be nice to address our project for a casino with a name instead of "Karuk Casino"; so later down the road as we move forward in planning, we will post a notice about a contest for Tribal Members to name the casino, similar to how we had our Tribal flag contest. So put your thinking hats on and prepare to come up with a name that fits our Tribe!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call (530) 493-1600 ext. 2052 or e-mail be at dbernal@karuk.us. 

Dora Bernal, Karuk Tribal Council, Member at Large, Orleans District



From Council Secretary/Treasurer Jody Waddell

A yukii,

I hope everyone is doing well. I would like to thank everyone for coming to the reunion. It's always good to see our people come together. The Council has been really busy working on gaming and traveling to different meetings. PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE NOVEMBER 6, 2012. It's very important that the membership comes out and votes. 🏹

Joseph Waddell
Secretary/Treasurer
Karuk Tribal Council



From Councilmember Crispen McAllister

A yukii Tribal Membership,

Update from the last Newsletter: I'd like to start off by giving a thank you to the Tribal staff for the continued hard work and productive efforts to benefit the tribe and members.

OTGR: Currently, there is still work with The Office of Tribal Government Relations (OTGR) at the Department of Veterans Affairs to improve and/or bring veteran services to the rural Karuk Communities. The Karuk Tribe has one of the highest Veteran population of all tribes in the U.S. in comparison to total population. Around 10 percent of all Karuk Tribal Members are veterans. The goal of bringing Veteran Services is to improve the living conditions for residents living in Karuk Country.

OSG: Recently, I was provided the opportunity to participate in The Office of Self-Governance (OSG) Curriculum Development in Portland, Oregon. 249 out of 566 Federally Recognized Tribes are Self-Governing. The Karuk Tribe was one of less than 20 invitees to provide input in the Curriculum Development due to a long standing productive history in Self-Governance. The Curriculum will be used as an educational tool for tribes, federal agencies and politicians to gain a better understanding of Self-Governance and its benefits. The Tribe will be updated when the curriculum is available for use.

Running News: As a follow up to the previous Newsletter, I want to give thanks to all of you who donated to the C.K.C. Run. It was an honor representing the Karuk Tribe when we were personally invited to Washington D.C. for the one year anniversary of Michelle Obama's let's Move in Indian Country. An article written by Maymi Preston-Donahue describing the run, along with the participation of the Karuk Tribal Youth Council caught the attention of White House Staff. Due to the recognition of the run not being solely based on my completion of the 232 miles, with a huge help from Tribal Departments (TERO, KCDC and The Diabetes Program) we were able to put together enough travel funds to assist the Tribal Youth Council, who had also been fundraising actively to be able to make the trip to Washington D.C.. A total of 15 Karuk Araaras were in the Eisenhower Building for the event which made a great close to the C.K.C. run. Again thank you.

Another Running Event: The "Salmon Run." This annual event began in the 2002 after the fish kill on the Klamath River. The event is a run from the Mouth of the Klamath River all the way

upriver to IronGate Dam. Due to liability issues the run has not made it to the Dam in several years. This year, with the help of many willing participants, the hand crafted wooden salmon which is carried every year, reached Iron Gate Dam. The trip from Weitchpec to Iron Gate Dam a



The McAllister Family: Ashley, Naomi, Crispen and Jasmine at the Eisenhower Auditorium, White House

total of 149 miles was completed in 32 hours. Thank you to all who participated; again it was honor to help carry the wooden salmon to the Dam. Thank you again Tribal Membership and friends. Hope all is well with you. 🏹

Council Member Crispen K. McAllister
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Karuk Tribe Department of Transportation

On August 1, 2012 the Karuk Tribe Department of Transportation began offering free bus tickets to all riders on the STAGE transit route between Happy Camp, Somes Bar and Orleans. This program was developed to increase ridership while offering a safe and comfortable traveling environment and lessen personal vehicle fuel and maintenance costs.

We hope you take advantage of the Free Transit Ticket Incentive Program which ends November 30, 2012.

For Bus schedules go to: <http://karuk.us/karuk/departments/transportation>

FLAG STOPS: The bus will pull over to a safe area and pick you up if flagged down anywhere along the pre-designated route!

FREE TRANSIT SERVICES

Orleans/Somes Bar/Happy Camp Route

August 1 to November 30, 2012

***PICK UP YOUR FREE TICKETS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS**

- Orleans:**
- Karuk Tribe Dept. of Transportation, Dept. of Natural Resources, Orleans Medical Clinic and the Orleans TANF offices
 - Orleans Market
 - Mid-Klamath Watershed Council (MKWC)

- Somes Bar:**
- Salmon River Outpost

- Happy Camp:**
- Karuk Tribe Administrative Office, Housing Authority Administrative Office and the Happy Camp TANF offices
 - Marble Mountain Gift Co.
 - Bigfoot Deli
 - Happy Camp High School

- Yreka:**
- Karuk Tribe Housing Authority and the Yreka TANF Office

ATTENTION ALL BUS RIDERS!

Bring your meter-stamped bus ticket to the following businesses for a **\$2.00 discount** on any item of your choice!

- ▶ **Salmon River Outpost** in Somes Bar
- ▶ **Bigfoot Deli** in Happy Camp
- ▶ **Marble Mountain Gift Co.** in Happy Camp

(Some restrictions apply)

*For more information contact us at (530) 627-3016 or by email at transit@karuk.us

For Bus schedules and fares go to: <http://karuk.us/karuk/departments/transportation>

Grant Department Update

Jaelyn Goodwin was selected for the position of Self-Governance Coordinator and is transitioning into that position. She is excited to use the knowledge and experience she has gained as a grant writer in this new position. Recruitment for two new grant writers is underway.

The projects we are currently working on include:

- **Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs-Native American Business Development Institute**—This project is almost complete. The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Plan has been drafted by external consultants Suzanne Burcell and Megan Rocha. After completing a series of community meetings, gathering questionnaires, and staff consultations they were able to develop a very “comprehensive” CEDS document. The Karuk Tribal Council and Karuk Community Development Corporation Board are in the process of approving the document. We will begin working towards implementing the plan in the near future.
- **Economic Development Administration (EDA)**-As described above, the Karuk Tribe and Karuk Community Development Corporation recently completed a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. We are now seeking funds to implement the plan through the EDA-Planning and Local Technical Assistance Program. We hope we are successful with this funding opportunity as it is a critical step towards economic development in our region.



- **Tele-Rehab**—There are ongoing discussions with Dr. Burns about the Tele-Rehab. Dr. Burns has identified an Occupational Therapist who is highly interested in assisting with the implementation of such an innovative project. There will be more to come as this project progresses.
- **Administration for Native Americans (ANA)**- Grant staff is working on two potential grant projects – 1) Environmental Regulatory Enhancement and 2) Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance. Staff has initiated project development meetings with the respective partners and committees for a project submission in early 2013.

Grants submitted since the last newsletter includes:

- **Indian Health Services- Special Diabetes Program for Indians**- this is a continuation application in the amount of \$157,554. This program provides diabetic patients with prevention education and treatment assistance.
- **The Blue Shield Foundation for 2012 Community Clinic Core Support Initiative**—funding to support our Health and Human Services Program. We plan to use this year’s grant, if awarded, for the Information Technology Equipment at the new Orleans Health and Wellness Center that will be under construction in the next year.
- **U.S. Fish and Wildlife –NPLCC**—we submitted a proposal to the North Pacific Landscape Conservation Cooperative (NPLCC) in the amount of \$34,386.43 to assist the Karuk Tribe to develop strategies to incorporate Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) into current natural resources management. Additionally it will assist to identify un-met needs of the Tribe regarding how natural and cultural resources may be affected by climate change.
- **Administration for Children and Families-Tribal Court Improvement Program**-we submitted a Tribal Court Improvement Grant with April Attebury. Priorities for this program are to improve the safety, security, and permanency of Child Welfare cases. This grant would provide additional training to court staff and ICWA Staff. It would also improve their Court Software/Management Program.
- **HRSA-Service Area Competition**- we have received a non-competing continuation for our HRSA grant for the last 5 years. This year we submitted a competitive application to continue serving our current service area which includes Siskiyou County and a small portion of Humboldt County. Our HRSA Funding allows us to serve all patients regardless of their ability to pay. We completed a Community Needs Assessment to assist us with information needed in the application, a big thank you to those who completed a survey!

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to call the Grants Office at (530) 493-1600. Yōotva!

Karuk Tribe Files Suit to Protect ESA Listed Salmon

Unpermitted Dam and Diversions Dewater Habitat, Degrade Water Quality

S. Craig Tucker, Ph.D., Klamath Coordinator, Karuk Tribe

In August, the Karuk Tribe filed a lawsuit over a dam and series of diversions operated by Montague Water Conservation District (MWCD) on the Shasta River in Siskiyou County.

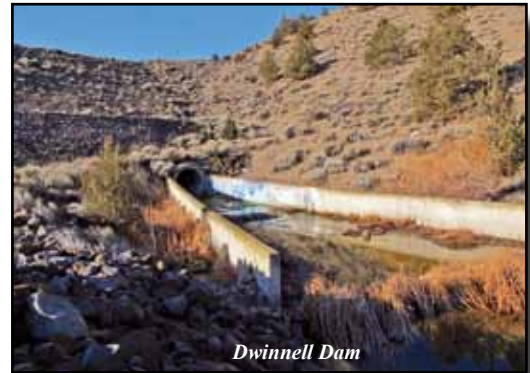
The legal filing follows a 60-day notice period where the plaintiffs offered MWCD an opportunity to negotiate a settlement outside the courtroom. The action effectively calls on the irrigation district to remedy its impacts to salmon runs verging on extinction.

The Karuk have fished the Klamath Basin for time immemorial, but in recent years fish runs have collapsed putting the Tribe's cultural traditions and contemporary economic opportunities at risk.

The Karuk complaint, filed in Sacramento Superior Court, outlines how MWCD's dams and diversions lead to the illegal killing of endangered coho salmon populations in the Shasta River. Because MWCD operates without an incidental take permit, the District is violating the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). The Tribe demands that MWCD consult the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) about the impacts of its operations on endangered coho runs and implement measures to avoid or mitigate these damages.

Many water quality and fisheries problems are attributed to Dwinnell Dam and MWCD diversions, including toxic algae blooms, elevated water temperatures lethal to fish, blocked access to valuable upstream habitat, and habitat fragmentation.

Irrigators constructed Dwinnell Dam in the 1920s, and created an extensive canal system to transport Shasta River water east to alfalfa crops and cattle ranches surrounding the town of Montague. In many years, nearly the entire river is siphoned out of the reservoir for irrigation, lowering Lake Shastina dramatically and reducing river flows to just 10




percent of historic levels.

"The Shasta is a very unique spring fed river system, possibly the most valuable coho habitat in the state of California," asserts DNR Director Leaf Hillman. "It's time we strike a better balance between agriculture and fisheries in this important river basin."

In recent years, returns of coho to the Shasta have been dismal. Only nine adult coho returned to the Shasta in 2009, only 44 coho returned to spawn in 2010, and 45 in 2011.

Concludes Hillman, "We have been here since time immemorial and so have the achvuun*. If we don't act now, we may lose them forever."


A recent report detailing the effects of MWCD's Dwinnell Dam on Shasta river fisheries can be found at: http://www.karuk.us/karuk2/images/docs/press/2012/Effects_of_Dwinnell_Dam_FINAL_Lestelle.pdf

*Achvuun is the Karuk word for Coho Salmon 

Karuk Newsmagazine Changes



It is with deep sadness that I inform everyone that this is the last newsmagazine I will be designing for the Karuk Tribe. I would like to thank the Tribal Council, members, descendents, employees and friends for your support and patience over the last ten years of publication. Together, thanks to your great articles, photos, and drawings, we generated a newsmagazine that was high quality, visually appealing and informative. I hope it was obvious how much I really enjoyed designing this news magazine that started out as an eight page newsletter. Thank you for the opportunity to grow with you.

If you have news, articles or events you would like placed in future newsmagazines, please submit your information to Tamara Barnett at tbarnett@karuk.us. You may also send articles to: Karuk Tribe News Articles, PO Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039. 

Yōotva! Rosie Bley

Karuk Tribe

Karuk Tribal TANF Program

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Mission Statement

To preserve and strengthen the children and families of the Karuk Tribe and other Native American Tribes through an effective social welfare system that empowers individuals and families to work toward and achieve self-sufficiency, sobriety, and to become loving responsible parents in a culturally relevant way.

The Karuk Tribe can only provide TANF services and assistance to eligible needy Karuk tribal members and their descendants, eligible needy federally recognized Indians, eligible needy Alaska Natives, and eligible needy individuals on the California judgment roll, and their children (excluding Quartz Valley) who reside within the approved service area of Siskiyou County. KTTP services and assistance will be provided to eligible needy Karuk tribal members and their descendants who reside within the approved service area of the northeastern corner of Humboldt County.

The TANF Program has had many changes since the last newsletter. The phone for the Happy Camp office has changed to (530) 493-1440. We would like to introduce our new Executive Director Lester Alford. He started with us on July 2, 2012.

The Orleans office changed its Post Office Box to 141. We have new staff in the Orleans office. Irene McCovey transferred to the Yreka office on June 1, 2012 as a Family Service Specialist Assistant. Kristen King-McCovey started May 31, 2012 as Family Service Specialist Assistant for Orleans.

The Yreka TANF office has moved to 1517 South Oregon Street. We have new staff starting in the Yreka office. Michelle Charlesworth started on August 20, 2012 as Family Service Specialist Assistant. Lisa Sobolik started on August 27, 2012 as the Family Service Specialist. We would like everyone to welcome our new staff.



Lester Alford, TANF Executive Director

Happy Camp Office Staff:

Lester Alford— **Executive Director**
Alphonso Colegrove—**Program Development Manager**
Cecilia Arwood—**Fiscal Technician**
Elsa Goodwin—**Administrative Assistant**
Lisa Aubrey— **Family Services Specialist**

Happy Camp TANF Office

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Orleans Office Staff:

Clarence Hostler—**Family Services Specialist**
Kristen King-McCovey – **Family Service Specialist Assistant**

Orleans TANF Office

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Yreka Office Staff :

Lisa Sobolik—**Family Services Specialist**
Janelle Jackson Reed— **Family Services Specialist Assistant**
Michelle Charlesworth – **Family Service Specialist Assistant**
Irene McCovey- **Family Service Specialist Assistant**
REL Bailey- **Receptionist**

Yreka site hours: Monday – Friday 8-12 and 1-5,

Clients are seen by appointment only. No appointments after 3:00 PM. Emergency appointments will be determined by the Family Service Specialist Lisa Sobolik.

Yreka TANF Office

1517 South Oregon
Yreka, CA 96097
(530) 842-4775.



16th Annual Karuk Tribal Reunion

Article by Tribal Member Lisa Neuner

As the sun rose and shone meekly through the smoky haze over Happy Camp Saturday, August 25, a group of nervous sports enthusiasts gathered together at the River Park Flagpole to begin the 5k Fun Run and 2 Mile Fun Walk. This event served as the preface to the Karuk Tribe's annual reunion, aptly dubbed káruk tá kunyíchaachha, or "The People Gather Together." By the time the opening ceremonies began at 10 am, the numbers of visitors and tribal employees had grown to give the finishers a warm welcome in the park.

Each year, the Karuk Tribal Office organizes a whole day of events, games, meals and demonstration dances to facilitate community health and governmental transparency. Tribal employees set up stands to better inform the public of each department's activities, answer questions, and provide tribal members with information on how best to use the opportunities available to them. "We've adopted an open-door policy in the tribal offices," said Tribal Chairman Russell Attebery. "I see that reflected here at the reunion."

In addition, a variety of fun activities for youth and elders brought color and lots of laughter to the park grounds, for example, card games and a horseshoe tournament. There was also the chance to dunk a friend or colleague for a nominal fee and for the little ones, a chance to scale a 30 ft. face or slide down a multi-colored fun-slide.

After the traditional and respected Elders Lunch, a large crowd gathered to watch the demonstration Brush Dance organized and led by David F. Arwood. One of the many highlights was provided by the honest and lilting voice of the young singer, Aliyse Ciana Dominquez-Aguilar,

Photos by
Tiffany
Ashworth

The "smoky haze" was due to a forest fire ten+ miles away caused by lightening strikes.





10. When asked how it felt to sing in front of her tribe, she shyly reported that it made her feel very important. "I've been doing this since I was four years old. I love to help make medicine and heal babies."

First time visitor Annelia Hillman, a Yurok tribal member, named family and community support as her motivation for attending. "I've come to support my husband, a Karuk tribal member, and I think the reunion is a great time to come together and celebrate family and people." Tribal Council Secretary/Treasurer Joseph Waddell seemed to agree: "I've seen several people I haven't seen for years." Mr. Waddell also pointed out the positive benefits of spot medical screening offered at the Health and Human Services stand. "You know sometimes people don't feel bad enough to go to the doctor, but they can easily get their blood sugar checked here."

At 3:30 pm, the raffle drawings were announced at the Pavilion Stage. Excited tribal youth wheeled newly won bicycles, complete with bike helmets, out onto the now smoke free park grounds. The people gathered to cheer on the raffle winners and laugh at the moderator's jokes. The scent of traditionally cooked salmon lingered in the air and whetted the appetites of the attendees for the free dinner following. The sun set on a dance and a celebration with Colonel Mustard's live music.



Photo of Aliyse by Florrine Super



All Photos by Tiffany Ashworth (unless otherwise specified)



Photo by Lisa Neuner



Karuk Tribe Pikyav Program

Promoting Healthy Relationships and Peaceful Homes

*Tanya Busby
Administrative Assistant/Program Coordinator*

The Karuk Tribe Pikyav Program recently hired a Domestic Violence Services Specialist, Leslie Moore; who began working on Monday Aug. 13, 2012. Leslie had already appeared in court with two survivors of domestic violence during her first two weeks on the job. We are excited about our new employee and want to get the word out that she is on board and ready to provide much needed services to those touched by domestic violence.



We had an awareness and education booth with materials to hand out at the Tribal Reunion in Happy Camp on August 25, 2012. Our activity was the “Clothesline Project” for teens and adults, The Clothesline Project (CLP) is a program started on Cape Cod, MA, in 1990 to address the issue of violence against women. It is a vehicle for those affected by violence to express their emotions by decorating a shirt. They then hang the shirt on a clothesline to be viewed by others as testimony to the problem of violence against women and teens. For the children’s activity we provided paint and paper to do the “my hands are not for hitting” activity. Children were able to express on their sheet of paper what hands are or should be used for.



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Judicial System and Programs Update:

Karuk 7th Generation Mentoring Program

Alma Mendoza, Tribal Youth Resource Specialist

A yukii,

We would like to introduce Karuk 7th Generation Mentoring Program with the community. This is a new way of cultural mentoring that our tribe has been able to take on. We currently have been working with all three of our communities to gather more youth and adults to be in the program. Over the past few months we have recruited 50 potential mentors and trained 27 of the 50. We currently have 13 youth and 13 active mentors.

Our approach is unique, building on our tribe’s kinship values and teachings and strengthening cultural identity to guide tribal youth toward healthy lifestyle choices.

We just had our first matching ceremony on August 18, 2012! We were able to match four adults with four children! We hope to continue to engage more community members in the program.

If you are interested in helping make a positive impact on a youth in your community contact us!

Yootva!

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530-598-9131



Department of Natural Resources Joins the Zero Waste Campaign



There are many ways to produce less waste:

Reduce the amount and toxicity of trash you throw away and reuse containers and products. Recycle as much as possible and buy products with recycled content.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ▶ Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run your television for three hours?
- ▶ It takes more than three liters of water to create one liter of bottled water?
- ▶ Using recycled scrap paper instead of virgin material saves 7,000 gallons of water per ton of paper produced?

Visit your Recycling/Transfer Stations to Recycle

★ **Yreka Recycling Center:** 231 Ranch Lane (530) 842-9119

★ **Happy Camp Transfer Station:** 1 mile south of Happy Camp along Hwy 96

Happy Camp Transfer Station Hours:

Fall/Winter Hours: Thurs-Sat 10am-4pm (Oct. 1 thru March 30)

Spring/Summer Hours: Wed-Sat 10am-5pm (April 1 thru Sept. 30)

Transfer Station Phone Number: (530) 493-5335

REDUCE the amount of trash discarded.

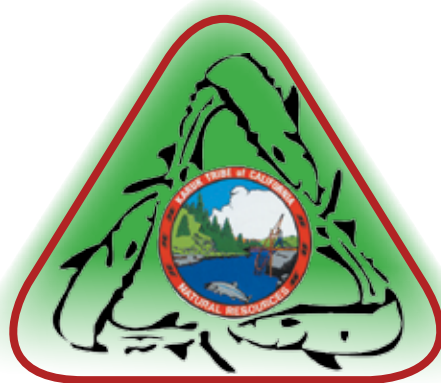
- ▶ Reduce the amount of unnecessary packaging
- ▶ Adopt practices that reduce waste toxicity.

REUSE containers and products

- ▶ Consider reusable products
- ▶ Maintain and repair durable products.
- ▶ Reuse bags, containers and other items
- ▶ Borrow, rent or share items used infrequently
- ▶ Sell or donate reusable goods.

RECYCLE and use recycled materials.

- ▶ Choose recyclable products and containers and recycle them.
- ▶ Select products made from recycled materials
- ▶ Compost yard trimmings and fruit and vegetable scraps



Karuk Community Health Clinic, Happy Camp Staying Healthy Wall

Virginia Moehring, Clinic Receptionist

I would like to thank all of our special boys and girls for the beautiful colored leaves and animals for our Staying Healthy wall at the Clinic. We are now starting a new coloring project featuring rain drops.

Please come in and see us again to get your flu vaccine and color a new picture to put on the wall. We will give a prize at the end of flu season or when we get our wall looking nice again. Thanks again for all your help in making our wall very pretty.



Karuk Head Start

Patty Brown, Executive Director

The Karuk Head Start is ready for the new school year. Some of our awesome staff worked and volunteered over the summer. Donna Goodwin-Sanchez and Nell Sakota ran the first time ever, Summer Food program for the children in Happy Camp. They did an excellent job with oversight



Karuk Head Start, Happy Camp

of teen helpers and making sure the children were busy and well fed. Marlene Rodriguez and Nichole Croy volunteered at Math and Science Camp in Yreka. Our staff is amazing! We say goodbye to Tia Tiraterra from Happy Camp, and Janessa Jerry and Myra Lewis from Yreka. They will be moving on to new adventures and we wish them all well.

We welcome Kristy Harmon our new Happy Camp teacher. Kristy brings a lot of enthusiasm, experience, and education and will be working with Elke and our Happy Camp team. Our new bus monitor/aide in Happy Camp is Veronique Kelner, who also brings an array of talent. Our new morning teacher assistant in Yreka is Alisha Parham, and will be a great support to Marlene and the Yreka staff. We are looking forward to this new year with a fresh start and new vision

The Karuk Head Start received national recognition for receiving a no findings triennial review and quality AIAN Head Start program at the National Indian Head Start Director's Association Annual Conference in Traverse, Michigan in June. During the conference the NIHSDA board was invited by the White House to attend the "Champions of Change" reception in the Eisenhower room honoring NIHSDA and other significant Head Start boards for excellence in providing learning opportunities, resources, promoting, and advocating for quality in AIAN Head Start. The director was honored to attend

with other board members and proud to represent the Karuk Head Start.

Kindercamp in Happy Camp was a great success and held on August 17 and 18, with all our great partners, Karuk CCDF, Karuk Head Start, Happy Camp Community Resource Center, and Happy Camp Elementary School, getting ready to support the children entering into kindergarten. This program has grown and changed over the past few years and Karuk CCDF provides funding to ensure a quality experience for our young learners. Our community partners are committed to this special transition activity for both the children and the families. A special thanks to Rana Scruggs, the Happy Camp Kindergarten teacher and Kristy Harmon, our new Happy Camp teacher who provided a valuable learning experience.

Pre-Service was a fun team building and learning experience for all who attended. A presenter from the National Center for Family Engagement provided excellent information to guide our program in providing a positive experience for our families. Education remains a priority for our teachers and program staff who are close to receiving their AA degree in the spring. In addition to college coursework, our committed staff continues to attend workshops and trainings focusing on quality practices to support children and families.

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 eligible students (3 years old by November 2) for the 2012-2013 school year and applications are available at both of the Karuk Head Start Centers, Karuk Tribe Clinics, 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

Child and Family Services Behavioral Health

The Karuk Child and Family Services Behavioral Health program is again seeing patients for behavioral health services in Happy Camp and Orleans. Patricia Hobbs, LCSW, is a Karuk Tribal member with experience working in a variety of settings including the Veterans Administration, Healththerapy, Siskiyou County Behavioral Health, NVCSS and most recently, with the Hopi Tribe in Arizona. She is pleased to return as a counselor for her own tribe and community. Appointments are available for both children and adults in Happy Camp and Orleans. Call the Happy Camp office to make an appointment at (530) 493-1450 or toll free at 1-800-505-2785. People may also make arrangements to be seen on Wednesdays in Orleans.

Services for this program can be provided through a federal grant. A sliding fee scale will apply to all low-income and uninsured patients who apply for this program. Insured patients pay any balances unless they are Karuk tribal members, descendents or employees receiving direct care services.

If you or a loved one has concerns about your mood, thinking, feelings or behavior, you may benefit from counseling. Do not let concerns about lack of ability to pay be a barrier to getting help. There are other programs that may help you with the cost of your visits. These can be discussed when you contact our office.

You may call Nadine McElyea, Administrative Assistant and Patient Eligibility Clerk, with questions about services and eligibility. Nadine is new to Child and Family Services and has most recently worked for the Mental Health Services Act at the Happy Camp Family Resource Center as a case manager for behavioral health clients. She is familiar with programs and services for the Tribe and in Siskiyou County. She can also help people access coverage such as Medicare, MediCal, Path2Health (CMSP) and Healthy Families as well as applications for disability.

Robert Parker páy sárúk Perez



We are very happy to welcome our newest addition Robert Parker páy sárúk Perez.

Born: April 4, 2012, weighing 7 lbs 11 oz

Proud Parents: Bobby Perez & Emma Lee Johnson

Grandparents: Dorcas & Hawkeye Harrison of Happy Camp
Wally & Jennifer Johnson of Seiad Valley

Khloe Alicia Calvery

Born: April 9, 2012 8lbs. 5oz. 19 ½ in

Proud Parents: Joe and Rosie Calvery of Crescent City, CA

Grandparents: Dolores Davis of Crescent City, CA, and Grandfather Terry Calvery Sr. of Yreka.

Grandparents: Alicia Ortiz and Rosalio Samano of Crescent City, CA.

Great Grandparents: Darwin E. Davis Sr. and Barbara Davis.



Evelyn Jean Towers



Bob & Kendra Towers welcomed Evelyn Jean into the world on Wednesday August 8th at 3:06 pm.

Evelyn is named after her Maternal Great Grandmother Evelyn Norma (Smith) Barron and her Maternal Grandmother Debbie Jean (Barron) Whitman.

Evelyn joins a big family of aunts and uncles and cousins too numerous to count.

Let's Move! In Karuk Country

Strides to the White House and Beyond

Karuk Tribal Council member Crispin McAllister, the Karuk Youth Leadership Council (Skyler McNeal, Krista Reynolds, Summer Goodwin, Sinéad Talley, Geena Talley, Jared Wilder, David Burlew, and Jolie Super), Youth Advisors (Bari Talley and Grant Gilkison) and youth advocate/journalist Maymi Preston-Donahue attended a celebration at the White House of the one-year anniversary of the *Let's Move! In Indian Country* program on June 1, 2012.

At the White House, McAllister participated in a panel discussion by tribal leaders who contributed to the progress of Michelle Obama's *Let's Move! In Indian Country* initiative. A link to the recorded 2-hour anniversary celebration is at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YJeY5buwQ_c. He spoke about his 230 mile run across the Karuk Ancestral territory in March to honor Karuk history as marathon runners and to raise awareness for healthy lifestyles. McAllister also acknowledged the Youth Council for "leading by example" because members supported his effort by running with him for 12 miles along Highway 96 and then hosting a traditionally cooked salmon dinner that evening. The youth were asked to stand for applause. McAllister also credited the adult Youth Advisors for getting the Youth Council involved in the event.

McAllister and members of the Youth Council reported that it was "an exhilarating experience" to represent the Karuk Tribe in the nation's capital. Through their efforts to organize activities and act as role models for youth in the Klamath River communities, they were able to meet that goal.

The Youth Council members were

Jolie-Ann Super, who made the tough decision between making this trip and walking with her Yreka High Senior 2012 class, expressed to fellow travelers, "I had fun and it was still worth missing an important day in my life since I was with all of you!"

"Our youth council focuses on creating positive events for the kids in our area that simultaneously allow them to be healthy and active. When we ran with Crispin, we did it not only for our own health, but to encourage others as well. Seeing similar efforts being made successfully by so many people across the nation made our goals seem a lot more attainable. Experiencing this conference at the White House was an incredible opportunity for us, as well as a meaningful reminder that people can make a real difference in the health and well-being of their communities." ~Sinéad Talley



Karuk Youth Join Councilman Crispin McAllister to Support Healthy Communities

"It was nice to see that all our hard work and time we spent fundraising paid off and that we were able to go to DC. It was amazing to hear all the presenters speak and hear what they are doing for their native communities. I really hope the future youth councils get the chance to experience what we did. Thank you everyone who donated money and helped support the youth council in making this trip possible." ~Skyler McNeal



*Above: Karuk Youth Council and Advisors just past security clearance at the Southwest Gate of the White House
L-R: Summer Goodwin, Bari Talley, Geena Talley, Jolie Super, Sinéad Talley, Krista Reynolds, Jared Wilder, Skyler McNeal, David Burlew and Grant Gilkison*

Right: Karuk Youth council members Krista Reynolds and Jared Wilder learn to cook salmon or "Amma" in the traditional manner on sticks with help from knowledgeable community volunteers.



motivated by the panel of speakers and their examples to bolster ongoing enthusiasm and efforts to improve the health of our communities. Over the summer, youth have been participating in fitness activities like running, swimming, backpacking, and training for the Marines. Some also plan to stay involved through fostering healthy food initiatives like the USDA Food Security Grant awarded to the Mid Klamath Watershed Council. Several Youth Council members are moving on to college this fall and continue to be positive role models for our youth. Jodie Gillette, White House Senior Policy Advisor for Native American Affairs, speaking at the White House event, said, "It's not just about food and sport and fun and games, it's about how do we get back to being healthier communities? How do we make sure our futures are going to be strong?"

Department of Natural Resources Environmental Education Program

Jeanette Quinn, Environmental Education Coordinator



Native Plants & Ethnobotany Studies. All three classes at Orleans Elementary School and the 6th and 7th/8th grade classes at Happy Camp Elementary School learned about Native Plants & Pollinators in May of this year. Students learned the anatomy of a flower and how flowers are pollinated by insects, wind, animals, birds, or themselves. Some of the native pollinators in our area include wood bees, bumblebees, butterflies and other insects. Students learned how bees collect pollen and transfer it from one flower to another, then went outside and observed bees and other insects pollinating some of the plants around their schools.



The 3rd through 5th and the 6th through 8th grade classes at Orleans Elementary participated in follow-up lessons on Native Plants & Pollinators just before school ended in June. Students watched a PowerPoint slideshow, "California Pollinators," with pictures of native pollinators they had seen during the previous lesson. They also learned about native bees and wasps. Students were able to go outside to observe and record data on cuckoo bees, sweat bees, wood bees, bumblebees, other native pollinators, and honeybees (non native), at work near their school.



In May the Kindergartners, 1st graders and 4th graders at Happy Camp Elementary participated in a Nature Scavenger Hunt. They went outside on school grounds and searched for plants, insects, amphibians, birds and a few other items. Each group also looked for items that were not included on the list. Students really enjoyed going outside in the beautiful spring weather and found many interesting things to observe and report on.



Watershed Fair. The annual Watershed Fair for Junction Elementary and Forks of Salmon Elementary took place on May 17, 2012. The fair was held at Junction Elementary School. Sara Borok, CA Dept. of Fish & Game, gave a presentation about fish to start the day. Next, personnel from Wildlife Images Rehabilitation and Education Center in Grants Pass, OR presented several wildlife specimens and shared each animal's or bird's story with the students. Students then rotated through stations led by personnel from Karuk Fisheries, Mid Klamath Watershed Council, Forest Service, Salmon River Restoration Council, Wildlife Images, CA Dept. of Fish & Game, and community members.



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



Karuk People's Center News and Review

Helene Rouvier

People's Center Coordinator and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer



The Karuk Tribal Library is asking for your help. During the past two years our library staff have been working to improve our branch libraries in Orleans and Happy Camp. We need your feedback to help our staff and funder (Institute of Museum and Library Services) better serve our library guests. Please find the survey at www.karuk.us or pick it up at one of our library branches to give us your ideas and to evaluate our current library services. Yóotva!

We continue to acquire new books. We recently added *Chickadee* by Louise Erdrich, *Across Atlantic Ice* by Dennis Stanford, *Handbook of Postcolonial Archaeology* by the World Archaeological Congress Research, *Cultivating Food Justice: Race, Class, and Sustainability* edited by Alison Alkon and Julian Agyeman, and many more titles.

Remember – signing up and becoming a library patron is easy. Just stop by a library branch and fill out an application. We have books on Karuk history and culture, books by Native authors, books for young readers, and a selection of journal articles for research. The library branches also host events, such as storytellings and book signings. Please check with the library assistant for upcoming activities – all are free to the public.

This is the last year of our current Library Enhancement Grant. We have applied for new grant funding and are keeping our fingers crossed. However, in any case, the library will continue to be funded to offer basic services and to update our collection whether this additional funding comes through. So please stop by – this is YOUR library. By searching the online catalog, you can find and check out materials through our interlibrary loan system. The Humboldt County Bookmobile also stops weekly at the Orleans Panamnik Branch – please use this added resource. We are also available to help students with their research questions.

The expanding museum collection. We recently received two new collections – the Trella Kennedy collection from Martha

Bogaard, and 39 Karuk items from the Horner Collection at Oregon State University (transferred to the Benton County Historical Society and Museum). We are honored to bring home these baskets, bows, regalia, and other sacred items. We are cleaning and accessioning the Kennedy collection; we will be testing the Horner Museum collection for pesticides before completing the condition and accession reports.

Trella Kennedy lived on the River beginning in 1918, the wife of a district ranger and a trained nurse. According to family accounts, Trella walked and rode many miles by mule to treat the Karuk people. During her stay on the river she was given baskets, a maple bark skirt, and other Karuk items. Some may have been gifted, others purchased. The collection is in very good condition.

The Horner collection came from a number of donors and collectors. Unfortunately there are very incomplete records of the history of these collections. There are also indications that toxic pesticides may have been applied to thwart infestations and damage. Therefore, before we can use or handle these objects, they are being tested for arsenic and mercury. The testing facility will use X-ray Florescence (XRF) a non-destructive method that can measure both presence/absence and levels of contamination.

We are hosting two new displays: The Banner Project was designed by Alan Crockett at the Siskiyou Klamath Art Center with help from Karuk community members. The banners feature local wildlife with Karuk language and stories. They will be up in the People's Center gallery under the end of September. The Karuk exhibition at the Clarke Historical Museum entitled *Pi'eeep karu Payeem—Long Ago and Now* will travel to the People's Center the end of September and will be installed in the gallery. This exhibit will be on display until September 2013. Please check the Karuk website for the opening event. 🇺🇸



The Kennedy Collection

Reaccreditation Achieved



Accredited by the

**ACCREDITATION
ASSOCIATION**

for AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE, INC.

Submitted by Vickie Simmons, Clinical Operations Administrator

It is with great pleasure that I announce the accreditation of our Karuk Tribal Health and Human Services Program with AAAHC. We were accredited for another three years! The letter announcing our accreditation stated the following:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc. (AAAHC) Accreditation Committee has awarded Karuk Tribe doing business as Karuk Tribal Health and Human Services Program, a three-year term of accreditation.

The dedication and effort necessary for an organization to be accredited is substantial and the compliance with those standards implies a commitment to continual self-evaluation and continuous improvement.

All of the KTHHSP employees helped achieve this award with their hard work and dedication. In addition, the AAAHC Committee helped prioritize the necessary survey preparation. Members of this committee were Lessie Aubrey, Executive Director; Vickie Simmons, Clinical Operations Administrator; Patti White, Quality and HRSA Coordinator; Vickie Walden, Dental Business Administrator; Annie Smith, Director of Community Services; Donita Hill, Dental Hygienist; Michael Lynch, Yreka RN/Business Office Manager; and Flo Lopez, Elders Worker/Safety Officer.

Along with our letter we received the following media release:

Karuk Tribal Health and Human Services Program Achieves AAAHC Accreditation

August, 2012 – Karuk Tribal Health and Human Services Program (KTHHSP) has achieved accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). Accreditation distinguishes this program from many other outpatient facilities by providing the highest quality of care to its patients as determined by an independent, external process of evaluation.

Status as an accredited organization means KTHHSP has met nationally recognized standards for the provision of quality

health care set by AAAHC. More than 5,000 ambulatory health care organizations across the United States are accredited by AAAHC. Not all ambulatory health care organizations seek accreditation; not all that undergo the rigorous on-site survey process are granted accreditation.

“We believe our patients deserve the best,” stated Lessie Aubrey, Executive Director of KTHHSP. “When you see our certificate of accreditation, you will know that AAAHC, an independent, not-for-profit organization, has closely examined our facility and procedures. It means we as an organization care enough about our patients to strive for the highest level of care possible.”

Ambulatory health care organizations seeking accreditation by AAAHC undergo an extensive self-assessment and on-site survey by AAAHC expert surveyors – physicians, nurses, and administrators who are actively involved in ambulatory health care. The survey is consultative and educational, presenting best practices to help an organization improve its care and services.

“Going through the process challenged us to find better ways to serve our patients, and it is a constant reminder that our responsibility is to strive to continuously improve the quality of care we provide,” said Aubrey.

KTHHSP operates four clinics, which are the Karuk Community Health Clinic in Happy Camp, the Yreka Karuk Health Clinic, the Orleans Clinic and the Happy Camp Dental Clinic. KTHHSP also has Child and Family Service Offices in all three locations. Karuk Tribal Health

and Human Services Clinics are open to Native Americans and other people living in the communities served. To meet the patients’ needs, KTHHSP offers primary medical care, dental care and mental health services. Other available services include limited pharmacy, telemedicine and limited laboratory. KTHHSP also offers immunization, women’s and HIV Clinics. Outreach Services are provided by the Community Health Department, which includes a Public Health Nurse, elders workers and community health representatives.

THE ACCREDITATION ASSOCIATION FOR AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE, founded in 1979, is the leader in ambulatory health care accreditation with more than 5,000 organizations accredited nationwide. AAAHC accredits a variety of organizations including, ambulatory surgery centers, office-based surgery centers, endoscopy centers, student health centers, military health care clinics, and large medical and dental practices. AAAHC serves as an advocate for the provision of high-quality health care through the development of nationally recognized standards and through its survey and accreditation programs. AAAHC accreditation is recognized as a symbol of quality by third-party payers, medical organizations, liability insurance companies, state and federal agencies and the public.

When you see this symbol, you know that KTHHSP is committed to quality care.



Being accredited means that this organization has undergone a rigorous professional scrutiny by highly qualified AAAHC professionals and found to provide quality care.

AAAHC accreditation means this organization:

- ★ Was visited by experienced AAAHC health care professionals
- ★ Was measured against nationally recognized standards of care
- ★ Demonstrates a strong commitment to maintaining patient safety
- ★ Is dedicated to protecting your privacy
- ★ Meets all federal, state and local laws as well as AAAHC Standards for the care it provides



Low Income Assistance Programs (LIAP)

1.800.505.2785 or 530.493.1600 Ext. 2025 - Robert Attebery LIAP Administrator

Apply Now for the Low Income Assistance Programs!!!!!!

Community Services and Development (CSD):

This program provides assistance for low income families with food, shelter, transportation, health and safety issues. The applicant must reside in the service area, be income eligible and a Karuk Tribal member or descendant. For those of you that live outside of the service area try www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/csb/index.htm or www.csd.ca.gov/providers.html

• For those of you who live outside of the service area try The National Energy Assistance Referral program (NEAR) at 1-866-674-6327 or www.energynear.org The LIHEAP programs administered by tribes at www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/liheap/tribal.htm or administered by States at www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/liheap/states.htm. For Oregon residents you can contact www.oregonheat.org for social service agencies and utilities working to keep the homes of low income Oregonians warm and safe.

Adult Services:

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

Anyone that is in need of caregiver assistance please contact the LIAP Administrator.

Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

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.

GAWEP - General Assistance Work Experience Program

This program helps enrolled Federal Recognized Tribal members who reside in 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, Disability, TANF, GA, etc...)

The first priority of the GAWEP workers will be to seek volunteer work within the Tribe. Any other volunteer work will have to be approved by the LIAP Administrator.

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. Let's save on energy and our budgets.

General Assistance:

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 will be adjusted depending on income received.

For information or assistance, call Robert Attebery at 800-505-2785 or (530) 493-1600 ext. 2025

FRAUD?

With regards to the Low Income Assistance Program, to report any type of fraud by vendors or otherwise, please notify this office immediately at (530) 493-1600 ext 2025

KARUK TRIBE Service Area



Housing Improvement Assistance

We are looking for Housing Improvement Program (HIP) applicants. To be eligible for a new home or home repairs you have to be a Tribal member and also own the land that the application is being submitted for. Other eligibility criteria include income, age and whether you are or have disabled household members.


In Loving Memory

Jean Smith

August 28, 1923 - July 27, 2012

Jean Smith passed away on July 27, 2012 in Eureka Calif. She was born on Aug. 28, 1923 to Dosia and Aaron Schular of Yreka. She was a respected member of the Karuk Tribe. Some of the close members of her family called her by her nickname "Niffy".

As a Native American she was born at a time when a young aspiring indigenous girl had to prove her skills and ability to everyone in society. Jean did just that by graduating from Yreka High School and then completing her nursing degree at the French Hospital in San Francisco. Jean pursued her career in nursing throughout her life from North Carolina to Mount Shasta. Feeling a dedication to her Native American heritage she finished her career working from Native American organizations in Havre, Montana and Happy Camp. Everywhere she worked she will be remembered for her fierce dedication to patient care and the highest standards of the profession.

Jean is survived by her two daughters Mitzi Beck of Eureka and Janine Baldi of Mount Shasta; four grandchildren; Dean Beck (Connie), Tamara Davies-Hughes (Michael), Joseph Baldi and Melissa Barrow (Brian); and six great-grandchildren. Jean also leaves two sisters, Bernice Hartfield of Grenada and Mytris Gillespie of Dolan Springs, Arizona, and one brother Joe Schuler of Henderson, Nev. 



William David Lawe

June 26, 1918 - July 25, 2012


William David Lawe, age 94, a Shasta/Karuk Indian and a lifelong Siskiyou County resident, peacefully passed away on Wednesday, July 25, 2012 at home surrounded by his family.

William was born on June 26, 1918 in Yreka to David Daniel Lawe and Mamie Scott. He was the youngest of five children.

On Oct. 23, 1946 William married Mary Jane Patterson and spent the next 66 years living, working, and raising their five children in Yreka. William graduated from Yreka High School in 1937. During his high school years he lettered in track, football, baseball, basketball and tennis and to this day holds the record of lettering in five sports.

During his work years, William worked as an electrician, a logger and for the U.S. Postal Service, from which he retired.

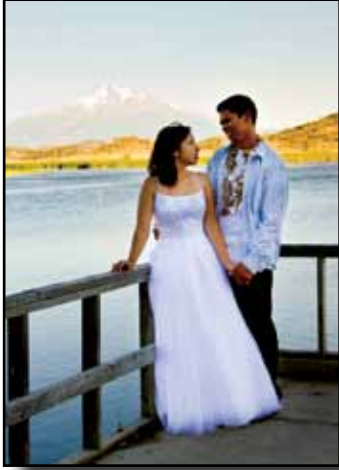
William was predeceased by siblings Edith, George, John and Ed.

William is survived by his children Arvada Nelson, Jackson Lawe, Lavon Kent, David Lawe and Carmen McCullough; his grandchildren Vince Nelson, John Kent, George Kent, René Guilford, Sherri Chiappone and Cy McCullough; and numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. 



Congratulations

Dennis "Beau" Donahue & Maymi Preston-Donahue on Your 1 Year Anniversary!



*"Despite it all, through
high school to college..."*



*...we have made it through.
Two, striving to be like one."*

Panamnik Pride – Outstanding Achievement! **Sinéad Talley**

It was a big year for Sinéad Talley of Orleans who graduated as Valedictorian of Happy Camp High School's remarkable class of 2012. She was awarded many honors for the incredible effort she's put into her success, including Student of the Year, Lifetime Achievement with Highest Honors, Liberal Arts Plaque Award, as well as scholarships from Mike Attebery, HCHS International Arts Scholarship, and the Northern California Scholarship Foundation. These awards also reflect her participation in a range of activities including volleyball, basketball, softball, Karuk Youth Council, Karuk Voices film project, student government, history fairs, and travel .

Her academic achievement and strong commitment to tribe and community gained her acceptance at many top universities. "I got accepted into Stanford! I think I might die from happiness, this is the best news ever! ♥" she exclaimed in March.

The Senior Trip to Hawaii was a big highlight for the Class of 2012, and the Karuk Youth Council invitation trip to Washington, D.C. topped off the year.

Sinéad's commencement speech gave credit to important positive aspects of growing up on the River in our rural tribal communities, and the many people who supported her along the way. All of her many friends and family members are very proud of Sinéad and look forward to seeing what her future brings. Congratulations Sinéad!



Photo by Nisha Supahan

Angelica Marie Tripp Earns Bachelor of Arts Degree



Angelica Marie Tripp, Karuk tribal member, recently graduated from University of California of Berkeley on May 13, 2012. Angelica received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English. During her four years at Cal, she was involved with many student activities including working as a student orientation counselor, and committee member of the student commuters group. She participated in the Cal sponsored Alternative Spring Breaks in various locations such as the Campo Reservation in Southern California, where she taught a course in Native American Social Justice and Movements and worked with tribal officials to promote higher education. She also had the privilege of working with the Dolores Huerta Foundation and learned the value of political action in the Central Valley communities to promote a positive change from a grassroots level.

Currently she has a Grantwriting/EventPlanning Internship at East Bay Sanctuary Covenant, a non-profit organization that provides support and advocacy for immigrants and refugees.

Angelica grew up in Antioch, CA and is the daughter of Phillip and Rose Tripp. 🏹



Sherlee Preston Earns BA in Native American Studies



Sherlee Preston graduated from Humboldt State University with her BA in Native American studies. She will student teach at the Orleans and Hoopa Elementary schools for her teaching credential. Sherlee is the daughter of Gary and Adrian Gilkison and the mother of Maymi Donahue, Vikki Preston, Lauren Preston, and Jared Wilder. She would like to thank all of her family and ITEPP for all of their support. 🏹

Gabriel Robert Sotela Graduates from Powers High School

CONGRATULATIONS to Gabriel who graduated from Powers High School. We, your family, congratulate you on your four years of playing football and basketball, they were great for us all to be able to watch you. We are proud of your awards. After graduation, Gabriel plans to enter the Air Force and attend college. Gabe, we hope you continue to represent your family and your people. We are so proud of you! 🏹

Love, the Kalbs and Frys.





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Karuk Tribal Council

Fall 2012

Russell Attebery

Chairman, 2011-2015

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Vice Chairman, 2010-2014

Joseph Waddell

Secretary/Treasurer, 2011-2015

Dora Bernal

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