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*Spring Basketweaver's Gathering*

### April 11-13, 2014

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## 18th ANNUAL TRIBAL REUNION

**SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2014**  
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## Tribal Youth National

Leaders in Conservation  
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**Greetings From Your Tribal Council**

From Left to Right: Russell Attebery-Chairman (TERM: Nov. 2011-Nov. 2015); Arch Super-Yreka District (Term: Nov. 2013-Nov. 2017); Elsa Goodwin-Happy Camp District (Term: Nov. 2012-Nov. 2016); Alvis Johnson, Happy Camp District (Term: Nov. 2012-Nov. 2016); Amos Tripp-Orleans District (Term: Nov. 2012-Nov. 2015); Michael Thom-Vice Chairman (Term: Nov. 2010-Nov. 2014); REAR: Crispen McAllister-Yreka District (Term: Nov. 2010-Nov. 2014); Josh Saxon-Orleans District (Term: Nov. 2013-Nov. 2017); Joseph Waddell-Happy Camp (Term: Nov. 2011-Nov. 2015).

## DO YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

If you have news, articles, events or announcements you wish to submit for publication in the Karuk Newsletter, please send the information to [newsletter@karuk.us](mailto:newsletter@karuk.us). Submissions are preferred in digital format, however hard copies are accepted by mailing to News Articles, P.O. Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039. All submissions must include your name and address. No anonymous articles will be accepted. We hope you enjoy your newsletter! Yootva!





**KARUK ARARAS, AYUKÏ HUUT KICH**

The Tribal Council would like to update you on the Tribe’s gaming and hotel venture in Yreka California. A major milestone was accomplished in December 2013 when Governor Jerry Brown signed the Karuk Gaming Compact with the State of California.

On February 7, 2014 Karuk Tribal Council adopted and certified a Final Tribal Environmental Impact Report (TEIR) for both Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the project. The TEIR has identified potential environmental impacts from the construction and operation of our project. Mitigation measures have been identified to address those potential impacts. Tribal Staff and Council Members have been meeting with the City of Yreka staff and Council members and with the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors to negotiate the mitigation measures identified in the TEIR, as well as addressing other concerns.

On March 4th, 2014 the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors held a meeting to get public feedback on the Casino Project. At this meeting the public raised concerns regarding; the parcel of land on which the gaming project will be constructed, environmental and aesthetic impacts to the community including pollution to Yreka Creek, impacts to the city water and wastewater infrastructure, and concerns over the Karuk Tribe’s hiring practices for casino and hotel jobs. The TEIR addresses all of these concerns.

A main concern appears to be that the casino will bring more crime and poverty to the local area. Studies have shown that there is not a significant increase in crime from casinos. We will have the finest security and surveillance systems at the casino. The local median income in gaming communities vs. non-gaming communities is significantly higher. Additionally the revenue from the casino will allow the Karuk Tribe to be more self-sufficient. Funds from the casino will assist with Tribal Programs.

The next step for a successful gaming project is the Karuk Tribe’s gaming compact must be approved by the State Legislature before it becomes law and can be implemented. We are asking for your help and support in this Tribal Gaming Compact Approval Process. Please contact or write our local district representatives for the California State Legislature to express your support of the Karuk Tribe’s gaming venture. A draft letter can be found on the Karuk Tribe website [www.karuk.us](http://www.karuk.us).

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# KLAMATH BASIN TRIBAL YOUTH EARN NATIONAL CONSERVATION AWARD



## *U.S. Department of Interior*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell today presented the Department of the Interior’s 2013 Partners in Conservation Awards to 20 public-private partnerships, including the Klamath Tribal Leadership Development Program for Integrative Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge.

At the awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., Secretary Jewell thanked the Klamath team and others who collaborated on important conservation projects and programs in 2013.

“The Department of the Interior is proud to recognize the accomplishments of those who are innovating and collaborating in ways that address today’s complex conservation and stewardship challenges,” said Secretary Jewell. “These partnerships represent the gold standard for how Interior is doing business across the nation to power our future, strengthen tribal nations, conserve and enhance America’s great outdoors and engage the

next generation.”

The Klamath tribal youth education program was launched last summer and connected scientists and college students to Klamath Basin restoration projects. The program brought together youth representing the Yurok Tribe, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Kaurk Tribe, Quartz Valley Indian Reservation and the Klamath Tribes with scientists from the NASA, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, and the U.S. Forest Service.

The Partners in Conservation Awards recognize outstanding examples of conservation legacies achieved when the Department of the Interior engages groups and individuals representing a wide range of backgrounds, ages and interests to work collaboratively to renew lands and resources.

Over the course of the 10-week program, the students and scientists worked on habitat restoration projects, developed models and collected data in the Sycan River in Oregon and Shasta Big Springs Creek in California

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– two important tributaries in the Klamath watershed that support tribal fisheries.

A unique focal point of the program is how it utilized both traditional ecological knowledge and cultural traditions with today's leading technological approaches. The program is also helping tribal youth in the Klamath Basin by equipping them with essential job skills that will allow them to become future conservation leaders while also contributing to the current management of culturally and ecologically important fish species.

Additional partners of the Klamath tribal youth program are The Nature Conservancy (TNC), Humboldt State University (HSU), Southern Oregon University, and the Oregon Institute of Technology.

## PARTNERING ORGANIZATIONS

- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Yreka Fish & Wildlife Service Office Ecological Services Program
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Branch of Fisheries, Wildlife, & Recreation
- Hoopa Valley Tribe
- Humboldt State University
- Karuk Tribe
- Klamath Tribes of Oregon
- National Aeronautics & Space Administration Ames Research Center
- Oregon Institute of Technology
- Quartz Valley Indian Reservation
- Resighini Rancheria
- Southern Oregon University
- The Nature Conservancy
- U.S. Geological Survey
- Yurok Tribe

## Klamath Tribal Leadership Development Program for Integrative Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge

Tribal youth in northern California and southern Oregon are getting a unique opportunity to combine their tribal ancestral cultural knowledge about the local ecology and resources with the high-tech capabilities of National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and Federal natural resource agencies. Students gather traditional knowledge from discussions with tribal elders and apply this to programs that advance the restoration and management of native fish populations in the Klamath Basin. In summer 2013, a pilot group of tribal students worked with agencies and tribes to link physical river conditions to native salmonid populations and cultural values using traditional ecological knowledge, and collected data to evaluate their hypotheses. In 2014, students will compare results and expand the information base for decisionmaking to explore the use of remotely sensed data and models to evaluate river conditions.

Klamath Tribal Leadership Development for Integrative Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge is an innovative program combining tribal cultural knowledge with today's technology. To date, partners have brought their collective resources and expertise and have applied these to this collaborative effort, including remote sensing and unmanned aircraft systems (UAS). These technologies hold promise for improving our knowledge base and conservation effectiveness through energy efficient, cost-effective approaches to data collection with less impact on our ecosystems. As a result of this partnership, tribal youth in the Klamath Basin are being equipped with essential job skills that will allow them to become future conservation leaders while also contributing to the current management of culturally important fish species.

*Nominated by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife*

# THE KARUK FOOD SECURITY PROJECT: UPDATE ON CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

By Lisa Hillman  
Photos by Julie Bursell

What is “food security”? To understand the goals and objective of the Karuk Tribe’s Food Security Project, it is important to have a running definition. Food Security is the state of being able to access – both physically and economically – healthy and culturally appropriate foods in ample amounts at all times. Clearly, this is an issue of increasing importance to those of us with the desire to eat the diet of our ancestors, and to those of us for which fire, snow, road slides, and unemployment pose problems in getting enough food to feed our families.

Currently, the comprehensive USDA Food Security Grant, in which the Tribe plays an important role, is yet in its pilot stage. Collaboration with the other agencies involved in the grant will be instrumental to the success of the project: These are the Yurok Tribe, Klamath Tribes, UC Cooperative Extension Program, UC Berkeley, San Francisco State University, and Mid-Klamath Watershed Council. The Department of Natural Resources’ partnership with TANF has already proven to be of the utmost benefit. Monthly meetings have been productive, and the reciprocity between the Food Security Project and TANF driven programs invaluable. Below, you will find a brief summary of our activities, followed by tentative dates for upcoming events:

**Objective 1: Annual Management Team meetings.** The Department of Natural Resources will host the USDA Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Annual Meeting this year March 24-25 in Orleans. The program will include reports from each of the advisory committees, i.e. Integration, Community Engagement and Outreach, and Evaluation and Reporting Committees that convene monthly via conference call. In addition, we will present our efforts and events. Five year plans will be further developed and collaboration between all seven agencies stimulated. All interested tribal members are encouraged to participate in the evening dinner on

March 24 and voice their concerns and interest in the Food Security Grant.

**Objective 15: 4H youth development.** We are pleased to be working with Jasmine Moon, who is developing new curriculum for the program on Native foods and medicinals. Moon, a young Hupa tribal woman from a cultural practicing family in Hoopa, has made leaps in developing plans for the 4-H modelled program now called “Ishkêesh-tunviiv” (River Kids). We have engaged Frank Lake to lead an excursion on March 5 to find wild Injun potatoes and transfer them into the Orleans Elementary School garden. Upon this pilot project, the Karuk DNR would like to encourage similar programs to be offered in Happy Camp and Yreka.

**Objective 16: Karuk Seasonal Youth Camp.** The Winter Seasonal Youth Camp: Artisans and Oral Traditions was an enormous success despite inhibiting weather conditions. We were able to engage a number of cultural practitioners from Yreka to Crescent City to present, speak, tell stories and recite poetry, and work with the tribal community on making regalia. The Spring Seasonal Youth Camp will coincide with the Spring Gathering Basketweaving weekend in Happy Camp in April. Please check the tribal website for updates.

**Objective 24: Karuk Seasonal Food Crew.** Two new positions based in Orleans will provide the Tribe with trained Bio Technicians to help maintain, augment, and preserve sites for harvesting our Native foods. These employees will learn from Cultural Practitioners versed in the many aspects revolving around food security, in particular on ecological processes and relationships, basket materials, plants, animals, and aquatic species – plus rules and taboos with harvesting that apply. We aspire to include training for these employees in Oral traditions and Karuk Language elements.

**Objective 32: Native Foods Workshops.** Workshops are intended to engage and educate multi-generational tribal members about Native cultural food traditions. Our program content will coincide with seasonal growth and harvest, and help to support the activities



**Karuk Youth show their dresses while Crystal Richardson tells the traditional story of the Maidens gathering indian potatoes.**

associated with the Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) based field trips and Karuk Seasonal Youth/Food Camps, which focus on traditional food management, harvest, procurement, storage and distribution. The goal is to provide background information such as history of management practices, general biological and botanical information necessary for fish and plant identification, hands-on experience with Native food sources, and to encourage our community to feel comfortable with the resources available to them. This program will be supported by a diverse group of educators using western science and TEK as our primary focus.

The upcoming workshops will focus on early greens and basket materials. We have had response from a number of cultural practitioners and western scientists who have committed to deliver a multi-faceted approach to learning about the early greens traditionally eaten and about root materials and how they are currently integrated into modern management processes.

**Objective 39: Establish a Regional Food Security Library.** The second meeting of the Library Advisory Committee convened on February 5, 2014 at the Tribal Library in Orleans. There are 12 members who repre-

sent our tribal communities, the Tribal Library, as well as schools, academic researchers, and the general public. Among the several topics under discussion was the upcoming meeting with Mukurtu digital format developers, who may assist us with creating a Digital Library design to fit the needs of the library, now named "Sínpuuk Digital Library" as per the wishes of the Library Advisory Committee. The Sínpuuk, a traditional storage basket, was deemed the optimal image for a digital library that will serve as a vessel for an expansive collection of data on our Native and local food system, as well as other related documents and visual images. It is our goal to provide the tribal communities with access to this impressive body of information with the help of a computer and a functioning internet.

## Upcoming Events:

- Early Greens Workshop, Orleans, March 22, 2014
- Basket Materials Workshop, Happy Camp, March 29, 2014
- Salmon, Eel, Cooking Basket, Orleans, April 25-26, 2014

*This project was funded by the USDA-Agriculture and Food Research Initiative of the National Institute for Food and Agriculture Grant #2012-68004-20018.*

# THE KARUK TRIBE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## Accomplishments Past and Future

*By Sandi Tripp, Karuk DOT Director*

Ayukii! The Karuk Department of Transportation (DOT) has plenty of news to share about our accomplishments over the last few years and the direction we will be traveling in the future!

In 2009, the Karuk Tribe negotiated and signed our first Program Agreement (PA) with the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This PA authorized the Tribe to access direct Federal Tribal Transportation Program funding for the purposes of planning, design, engineering, construction and maintenance of highways, roads, bridges and transit facilities located on or which provide access to Tribal lands. Over the years we have continued our unique relationship with FHWA which has allowed us to build program capacity, implement projects and maintain our transportation infrastructure.

Our first Karuk DOT construction project, completed in 2010, was the Anavkaam Parking Facility located at the Tribal Administrative Offices in Happy Camp. Since that project we have completed multiple construction and safety related projects including the Head Start ADA Bus Drop-Off and KCDC/KTHA Parking Facility

Projects in Happy Camp; and, several traffic calming/speed bump installation projects on Tribal routes in Orleans, Happy Camp and Yreka, California.

We are now in the planning stages of our 2014 field season and we expect to focus on safety education, partnership and fund development, as well as, design and construction of the following projects enhancing livability and preserving our transportation infrastructure:

- Orleans Wellness Center Parking Facility - Construction
- Yreka Clinic and TANF Office Parking Facility – Engineering/Design/Construction
- Somes Bar Work Center – Engineering/Design/Overlay Project
- Katimin Road – Engineering/Design



**ABOVE: Karuk Head Start Program ADA Bus Drop-Off Project .  
BELOW: DOT Program Staff (Left to Right) James Bridenstine, Sandi Tripp, Misty Rickwalt and Bucky Lantz**







## Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe

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

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### Notice of Primary Election

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** that on Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Karuk Tribe will conduct a Primary Election. Candidate packets will be available at Tribal Administrative offices in Happy Camp, Yreka, and Orleans on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014.

Polling places will be open from 7 AM to 7 PM at the following locations:

**Happy Camp:** Multi-Purpose Room (Old Gym), 64236 Second Avenue;  
**Yreka:** Health Clinic Conference Room, 1519 South Oregon Street; and  
**Orleans:** Community Center, 39051 Highway 96.

**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*).

#### SUBJECT MATTER OF ELECTION:

Vice-Chairperson (Paid Position)

TERM: November 2014-November 2018

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** Requests for absentee ballots must be submitted in writing with a current return address **and must be received no later than Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**.

All requests for absentee ballots must contain the requestor's signature and the requestor's identity must be verified by one of the following three methods:

1. by a notary public; or
2. by two eligible voters of the Karuk Tribe; or
3. by providing a copy of a State, Federal, or Tribal ID card with a signature.

It is highly recommended that absentee ballot requests be received by the Voter's Registration Office in a timely manner for those members who live outside the Aboriginal Territory due to the amount of time it takes for the mail to reach Happy Camp.

Send Absentee Ballot Request to:

Karuk Voters Registration Office  
PO Box 815  
Happy Camp, CA 96039

**CANDIDATES:** Candidate packets will be available on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 at 8:00am. Candidate packets and the \$50.00 fee will be due back to the Karuk Election Committee by Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 at 5pm.

For more information we encourage you to call the Voter's Registration Office at: (800) 50-KARUK Ext. 2039 or Election Committee Chairperson Flo Lopez at (530) 493-1600 Ext 2132.



# YAV PA'ANAV: "THE MEDICINE IS GOOD HERE"

Getting to know the systems that support...

*By Maymi Preston-Donahue*

The unique part of being a tribal entity is our ability to create unique and culturally suitable ways to effectively care for our tribal peoples. This is the basic premise that created the Yav Pa' Anav committee. This forum of committed inter-tribal programs work together to keep the individuals and families strong, to collaborate and build partnerships across programs, and to create various approaches and methods to develop appropriate Karuk Tribal circles of care (taken from their mission statement).

Basically, this means that a slew of programs work together to work on helping the whole person at many levels. Sometimes this may happen officially in a multidiscipline meeting in which we ask, "What does this family or person need? Which programs can we plug into to help this person economically, spiritually, and mentally? Which program would best be suited to working with a non-tribal group such as a school, courts, etc..? What cultural pieces may help this person and who can help connect them to these?"

Yav Pa'Anav also ensures that all of the programs who participate also work together to create events, to support and transport to cultural events and ceremonies, and to schedule these events. Some of these programs include but are certainly not limited to:

- The Karuk Housing Authority
- The Karuk Judicial System
- Child and Family Services (ICWA included)
- Drug and Alcohol Services
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Child Care and Education Programs
- Domestic Violence Services
- Behavioral and Mental Health Programs
- And more...

For more information on Yav Pa'Anav, to become a part of the committee, or to be referred to this committee for help, please contact one of the above agencies or email us at [yavpaana@karuk.us](mailto:yavpaana@karuk.us).  
Yootva and thank you!

## ON-CALL!

*A Message From Amy Coafman, FNP, Clinical Applications Coordinator*

**The Medical Clinics have started an after-hours call system. Patients with important medical issues after hours may call any of the clinics and get connected to the answering service who will then contact the provider-on-call if appropriate. The local Emergency Departments also have a copy of the on-call schedule. We hope this will help to provide better continuity of care when our clinics are closed.**



# KARUK HEAD START

*By Patty Brown, Executive Director*

It sure doesn't feel like February and we really haven't had winter yet, but enjoying the decent weather. The children are outside playing as long as it isn't raining! (too hard). The Karuk Head Start is busy getting back into a routine with the children and welcoming new staff too. We are happy to report that our teacher Marlene and her new baby Natalia are both doing very well. We hired our new bus driver in Yreka in December and welcome Kathy Peters! The parents are thrilled to have bus transportation, and it has positively impacted our attendance. We also welcome Tamara Alexander, our new PM teacher in Yreka. She worked for Karuk Head Start back in 2011 and we are happy to have her back!. The Happy Camp center continues to provide quality learning experiences for the children and the staff is a "well oiled machine" and proud of the way they work together as a team.

Our programs have been busy with parent activities. Happy Camp sponsored male involvement day in November with a great turnout and fun for the dads and significant males in the children's lives. They put together wooden kits donated from Lowes with the children. Yreka had F.U.D.G.E. (Fathers, Uncles, Grandpas, Dads, and Everyone else) night in January. We read the book Papa Do You Love Me? Sharing the process of dialogic reading was a fun experience for both the children and their families. We began the evening with a spaghetti dinner (thank you Rana!) and then to center based tables to create dictation stories using pictures from magazines and make a flannel board story to take home. Many thanks for the great prep work from Josie, our teacher assistant, and Joleena, one of our terrific volunteers.

Our program hosted a three day cluster training at the end of January with FHI360, our Training and Technical Assistant advisors from the Office of Head Start. We had five tribes from Northern California and one from

White Mountain Apache in Arizona participating. One day was spent with Tribal Council, KCDC Board and staff focusing on strategic planning, fiscal requirements, and navigating the HSES (Head Start Enterprise System) better known as the GABI (online grant submission). Other topics included data, assessment, and planning as well as a CLASS observation of all three classes at both of our centers. Our specialist was able to provide valuable feedback and support for our teachers.. The information was really helpful and we are looking at all areas to provide more quality interactions with the children and a richer learning environment.

We recently completed the CACFP audit and many thanks to Donna Goodwin-Sanchez and everyone who contributed to make this another successful outcome.

We always welcome Tribal members who will support language and culture in the classroom. Please let our staffs know when you are able to visit and share Karuk culture with our children.

We appreciate Cameron, our Yreka maintenance go to guy! He helps us by installing smoke alarms, making sure our lights are working properly and any other things we need at the center. We also want to thank Mike Tiraterra for doing our 45 day bus checks. Deanna Miller and Linda Zink from KCDC have been a great support in working through the funding issues from sequestration and helping us to get back on track.

We are continuing to enroll children in our program. They must be 3 years old by October 2, for the 2013-2014 school years. Applications are available at both of the Karuk Head Start Centers, Karuk Tribe Clinics, Happy Camp Administration, and on the Karuk Tribe Website (under Karuk Community Development Corporation). Completed applications can be returned to the Happy Camp office by mail, interoffice, or fax (530) 493-1491.

# ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Department of Natural Resources

*By Jeanette Quinn  
Environmental Education Coordinator*

**Fish Biology & Water Quality Studies.** Orleans Elementary middle schoolers completed Fall Chinook Salmon surveys in November 2013. Students surveyed the lower part of Camp Creek from the old hatchery to the mouth of the creek and collected real data by counting the number of redds, live fish and carcasses in the creek. The data was submitted to the US Forest Service and the CA Department of Fish & Wildlife and will be used for purposes such as setting fishing regulations and estimating the number of wild Chinook salmon spawning in the Klamath River tributaries upstream of the Trinity River confluence.

Students from the Advanced Biology class at Happy Camp High School took a field trip to pond site along Seiad Creek in November 2013. The Karuk Tribe and Mid Klamath Watershed Council have been working on a collaborative project the last few years to create and rehabilitate off-channel ponds along Seiad Creek to increase and improve habitat for juvenile salmonids, Coho in particular. The purpose of the high school field trip was to plant native trees and shrubs in order to prevent erosion and provide shade in hot summer months when juvenile Coho are seeking colder, cleaner water away from the Klamath River.

**Climate Studies/Global Warming/Energy Awareness.** Since we are having a severe drought, I decided to present lessons on climate change and how it applies to us here on the Klamath River in January 2014. Happy Camp 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students learned about historic water flows in Indian Creek by looking at pictures of the creek taken during salmon surveys and viewing data from the U.S. Geological Survey's National Water Information System website, <http://waterdata.usgs.gov/>



[ca/nwis](http://waterdata.usgs.gov/). The website has data on Indian Creek water flows from 1958 to the present, so students were able to see local trends in drought, flooding and normal flows. First through 4<sup>th</sup> graders at Happy Camp Elementary and Orleans Elementary learned about the drought and ways to conserve water by playing a game called "Scarcity Scramble." Orleans Headstart students learned about the water cycle and ways to conserve water, such as turning off the water while brushing teeth.

**Native Plants/Ethnobotany Studies.** Happy Camp High Biology, Advanced Biology students and Jefferson High School students learned about genetically modified organisms (GMOs) and ethnobotany (the study of the relationship of plants and people) in January. Students learned there is a growing body of evidence connecting GMOs with health problems, environmental damage and other negative effects. Students chose one plant from a list of plants traditionally used by Karuk people and discussed what they would do if that plant was scheduled for genetic modification.

**Mammals.** Junction Elementary 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> graders studied mammals in January. I assisted with their studies by providing a hands-on lesson for the students to examine mammal pelts, bones and teeth.

*For more information about the Environmental Education Program, e-mail Jeanette Quinn at [jquinn@karuk.us](mailto:jquinn@karuk.us), or call 530-627-3446.*

# THE KARUK PIKYAV DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

## *Need Byline*

The Karuk Pikyav Domestic Violence Services Program has offices in Happy Camp and Yreka. We are very excited that we now have an office in Orleans. We are in the Orleans office every Thursday from 10am till 3pm and in the Yreka office every Monday. The Pikyav Program is making services accessible while providing a cultural perspective within the system in an effort to enhance existing services. We provide D.V. Services with a staff consisting of the Program Administrator, April Attebury; Program Coordinator, Tanya Busby; and D.V. Services Specialist, Leslie Moore. The staff works directly with the domestic violence shelters, courts and other services providers in Humboldt, Del Norte, and Siskiyou counties to provide services to Native Women, Teens, Elders and Community Members assisting with outreach, education and emergency response. The Pikyav Program Staff also assist clients with navigating the legal, civil and criminal court process, including obtaining and enforcing protective orders.

A Self Defense Class in Happy Camp that took place from January 17, 2014 to February 21, 2014. We are also planning to do a Self Defense Class in the Yreka and Orleans areas. For information on the Self Defense classes please contact Tanya Busby @ 493-1630.

To observe February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Teen Sweetheart Dance was held on February 21, 2014 at The Karuk Community Center in Happy Camp. In March we are planning to do a Teen Dance in the communities of Yreka and Orleans, we also plan to have informational boards at each dance location.

In collaboration with Happy Camp High School Staff and Student Council and along with Happy Camp Elementary School we will be putting on a March Against Bullying in Happy Camp and invite the community and local businesses to join us.

In April it is our hope to collaborate with Siskiyou Domestic Violence and the schools in the areas of Yreka to Orleans to do some Child Abuse Awareness projects in each of the area schools.

Coming up in April is Denim Day on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, everyone plan ahead to wear your jeans and help support Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

## SERVICES PROVIDED

- Safety Planning
- Short-Term individual support services
- Court accompaniment
- Assistance finding emergency shelter
- Referrals to community resources and services
- Limited Financial assistance if applicant meets eligibility criteria
- Individual Counseling
- Assistance finding and maintaining permanent housing
- Violence Prevention/ Healthy Relationships Education Services for Youth
- Short-Term advocacy and emotional support
- Follow-up Services, for a minimum of three months
- Education and Awareness Events and Activities

*The Karuk Pikyav Program promotes Healthy Relationships and Peaceful Homes. If you or anyone you know is experiencing Teen Dating Violence, Family Violence, or are in an Unhealthy Relationship.*

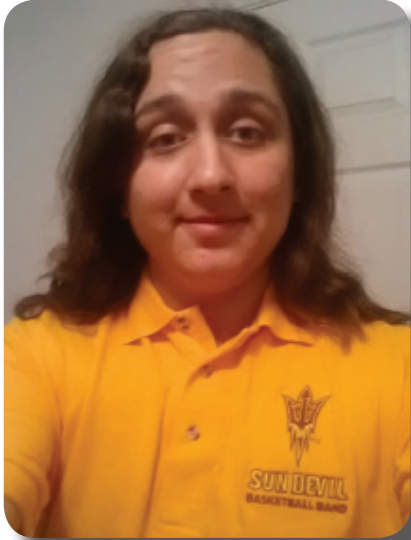
*Please call us at Happy Camp (530) 493-1630,  
Orleans (530) 627-3676, Yreka (530) 493-1630  
Siskiyou Domestic Violence (530) 842-6629  
Hotline (530) 842-4068*

*Humboldt Domestic Violence (707) 444-9255  
Hotline (707) 443-6042 Toll Free 1-866-668-6543*

# CONGRATULATIONS

*Graduate*

**CHRISTIAN ALBERS**

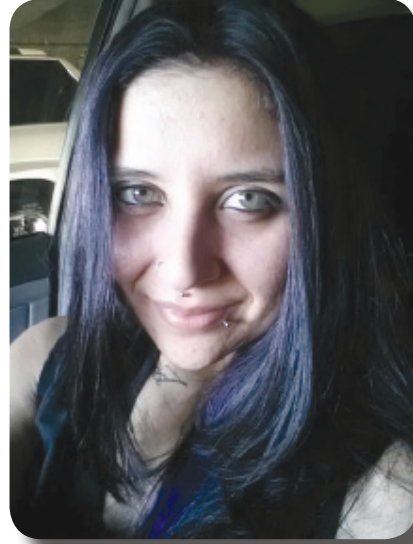


**Christian Albers graduated from Cuesta College with an A.A. in Art and Humanities. He is now attending Arizona State University for his teaching credential in music education. Christian is the son of Annetta and Quincy Albers and grandson of the late Herman and Lucille Albers.**

# CONGRATULATIONS

*Graduate*

**JACQUELINE ALBERS**



**Jacqueline Albers earned her certified phlebotomy technician 1 certificate. She now works at pathology inc. as a full time phlebotomist. She graduated at the top of her class. Jacqueline is the daughter of Annetta and Quincy Albers and granddaughter of the late Herman and Lucille Albers.**

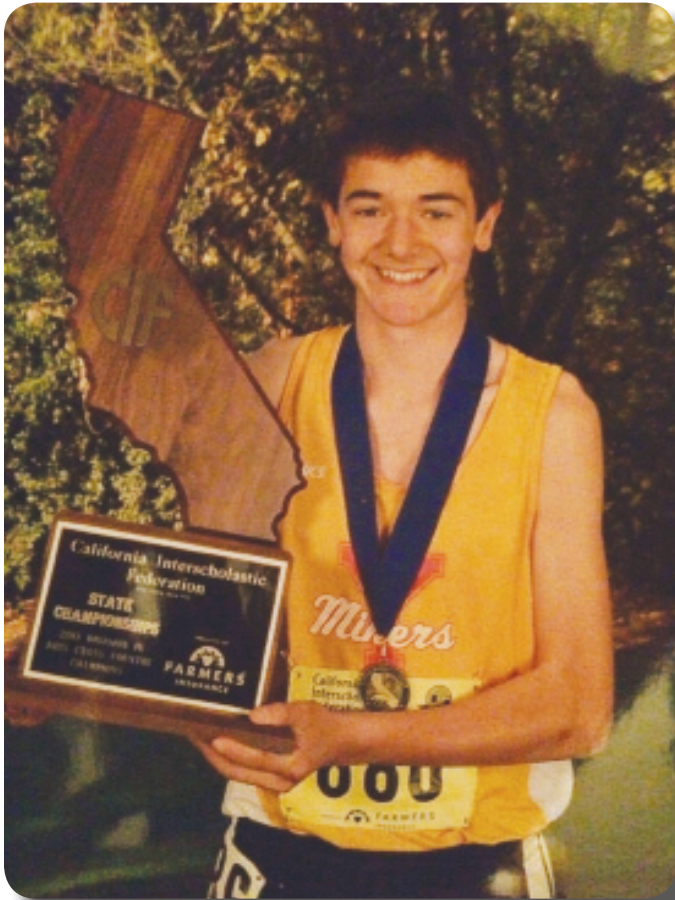


# CONGRATULATIONS

*Graduate*

**Tyler Aaron Pippin, the son of Janet Burcell, grandson of Tracy Burcell and Al Burcell and great grandson of Jeanne Burrer. Tyler is 20 years old and he graduated from Marine Corps boot camp on December 13, 2013. He now is in the U.S. Marine Corps Infantry and is currently stationed at Camp Pendleton in Oceanside, Calif. We love you Tyler and are very proud of you, Love Mom, Brett, Grandma Tracy and the rest of the family**

# CHAMPION



## YREKA HIGH BOYS CROSS COUNTRY SQUAD Miner boys XC team to be honored

By Bill Choy  
@CUNYChoy

YREKA - The Yreka High boys cross country team hopes to head to Sacramento next month and be recognized by a state senator for winning its second state title.

On Tuesday, Yreka head coach Pam Borg said that she was working with the office of State Senator Ted Guiness (R-Redding), to have the team go down to Sacramento sometime in January to receive certificates of recognition during a presentation that will honor the squad for winning another state title.

On Nov. 30 in Fresno, the Miners boys XC team won the Division 4 CIF state title. The squad also won the title back in 2011.

Borg said that she was told that Guiness heard



The Yreka Miners cross country boys team after winning the CIF D4 state title in Fresno, Calif., on Nov. 30. SUBMITTED PHOTO

"They were so excited," Borg said. "It's great to be recognized on that level." Borg said that she is working with the senator's office to come up

with the date for the squad to go down to Sacramento. She said that she hopes to have a date and time nailed down in the near future.

**Tribal member, Brenden Berry, is a Yreka High School runner with the 2013 Division IV California State Champion Cross Country Team.**

**Brenden's uncles, Johnny, Marion, and Gorham Southard, were participants in the 1927 Indian Redwood Marathon. Johnny Southard won the first Redwood Marathon that started in San Francisco, California and ended in Grants Pass, Oregon.**

## Rayne Nicole Albers



**Rayne Nicole Albers was born on June 26, 2013 at 11:03 am weighing 8lbs and 19 inches long to Jacqueline Albers. Grandparents are Annetta and Quincy Albers. And Great Grandmother is Lucille Albers.**

## Adam Christopher Murphy



**Adam Christopher Murphy was born on July 6th at 2:33 p.m., weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces and measuring 19½ inches. His proud parents are Doug and Sammie Murphy of Woodland, California. His grandparents are Chris and Shari Murphy, and John Mast and Laura Goodwin all of Woodland, CA. His great-grandparents are James Murphy of Santa Maria, CA, and the late Thelma Medina, the late Douglas Goodwin Sr. of Happy Camp, Donna Hays of Grants Pass, Oregon, and the late Edward Mast and Marilyn Mast of Esparto, CA. Adam also has numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins.**

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