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# AYUKII

Ayukii huut kich nanihvuy uum is Buster Attebery and I am proud to represent the Karuk Tribe as the Chairman. I hope all is well in Indian Country. Tribal members please remember that the Tribal Council is always looking for ways to promote the general welfare of all Karuk people. So please contact us anytime for anything.



Here are some project updates:

## Elders

We recently hired a new transporter. Getting our Elders to and from appointments is important so if you find yourself without a ride please contact Tribal offices.

We would like suggestions from Elders and family members on any projects they would like for our Elders. Some ideas could be card games, bingo, interaction with students, language seminars, walking trails, a place to exercise, etc. Please send me your recommendations.

## Education

Congratulations to Education Director, Alma Bryant, on the successful Youth Wellness Conference held at Happy Camp High School. Presentations on physical health, mental health, occupational wellness and cultural awareness were well planned, organized and informational. Please check with Alma for all your educational needs such as; available scholarships and financial aid, tutors, classes or general information.

## Boosters Club

We have some new booster club members but we need more. We would like to organize more fund raisers. Fund raising projects we need help with are; Indian taco booth at the fair, golf tourneys, basketball tournaments, youth clinics and leagues. Suggestions

for different fund raisers are encouraged. Parents please get involved in your children's activities it is something you will never regret.

## Health and Human Services

Because we are the second largest Tribe in California until we can expand our medical and dental facilities and provide more doctors and dentists there will be some issues with meeting everyone's needs. We will not turn anyone one away but may have to refer people to other providers. Doctor's Colas (Orleans), Vasquez (Happy Camp) and Milton (Yreka) are very professional in their approach to our Tribal and community members. So please call ASAP if you have any questions so we can make adjustment quickly and efficiently. Special thanks to DDS. Walters (Yreka) who has been the only dentists in Yreka for a while now. She has handled a stressful situation with a great deal class and professionalism.

## Casino Project

We are at the final stages of getting our casino project bill passed through legislation. Also in the final stages are our intergovernmental agreements with the City of Yreka and Siskiyou County. Senator Correa is carrying our bill and it will be voted on early in June. If the bill passes through legislation with a super majority vote, as we expect it will, we can start construction this summer.

## Elections and voting

It's time for elections, so I encourage all Tribal Members to get out and vote. Nationally there are 566 Tribes and millions of Indian people, therefore national political candidates can no longer ignore Indian Country if we get out and vote. On the local level, 3,700 Tribal Members and 3,900 decedents means the Karuk Tribe can make a difference in who gets elected in Siskiyou County. Our vote is important and our local political leaders need to know this. Please vote and if you have any questions on who is best for Indian Country please call.

## *Yootva kura suva nik*

### *Buster Attebery Karuk Chairman*

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## Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe

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

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### Notice of General Election

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** that on **November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014**, the Karuk Tribe will conduct a General Election. Candidate packets will be available at Tribal Administrative offices in Happy Camp, Yreka, and Orleans on **Wednesday, July 9th, 2014** for the **Yreka Member At Large and Orleans Member At Large** positions.

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)	<b>TERM: November 2014-November 2018</b>
Yreka-Member At Large	<b>TERM: November 2014-November 2018</b>
Orleans-Member At Large (Partial Term)	<b>TERM: November 2014-November 2015</b>

**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 21st, 2014.**

All requests for absentee ballots must contain completed Application for Absentee Ballot (available at [www.karuk.us](http://www.karuk.us)) and 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, July 9th, 2014 at 8:00am**. Candidate packets and the \$50.00 fee will be due back to the Karuk Election Committee by **Tuesday, September 2nd, 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 Vice-Chairperson, Tanya Busby at **530-493-1600 Ext 5300**.





# FAREWELL AMOS TRIPP, KARUK COUNCIL MEMBER AND CEREMONIAL LEADER

Amos Tripp, a member of the Karuk Tribal Council, an attorney for Indian causes and a supporter of ceremonies left this earth in April.

Amos was born July 5, 1943 in Eureka, California to Amos and Violet Tripp. He grew up in Klamath and attended Klamath Union Elementary School and graduated from Del Norte High School where he was student body president.

He worked in the local mill while also attending Humboldt State University. He graduated from HSU in 1972 and attended UC Davis Law School. He was a partner in the first Indian Law Firm in California from 1976-1979 and then went into private practice for many years.

His legal work often represented Indians and their rights. He worked with the Pitt River People to fight against the California Indian Lands Settlement Claim, and he and his wife never did take the California Indian Money, refusing to sell their land to the State of California.

He worked on fishing rights cases with the California Indian Legal Services and defending and protecting Indian families through the Indian Child Welfare Act. He also did work to help challenge the GO-Road. He taught Federal Indian Law and Water Law classes for many years at Humboldt State University and College of the Redwoods.

Amos' family remembers receiving deer meat and fish, deer hides, crocheted hats and other forms of traditional payment in trade for his lawyer work. Although in the early days he would sometimes wear a suit and tie when he had to go to court, his favorite work and meeting look was his short-sleeved plaid shirts.

He was the first director of United Indian Health Services and later worked for over twenty-five years as their Program Attorney. During his time there he always provided guidance that honored both traditional

and legal values.

Amos traveled around the state with his mom Violet, her friend Lena Nicolson, and others, attending Inter-Tribal Council Meetings and participating

in the development of many of the foundational Indian Programs that still exist. He later served for ten years on the Humboldt Area Foundation Board of Directors and helped to create the Native Cultures Fund.

In the early 1970's Amos and his family worked closely with Karuk elders Charlie Thom, Shan Davis, Frances Davis, and Fred and Elizabeth Case to restore the brushdance at Katamiin. This was a time when other ceremonies were also getting stronger and Amos was involved in many parts of the cultural revitalization efforts. He was a maker and caretaker of regalia and he later became the dance leader for the Karuk Brushdance Camp, a role that became his life's work.

He was especially proud of all the young people who have chosen to carry on these traditions and he was never happier than he was last year when all four of his granddaughters danced together at Katamiin.

Buster Attebery, the Karuk Tribal Chairman, said, "I learned a lot more about our tribe from Amos and what our tribe has really been through. He brought his education, his knowledge of our ceremonies, our culture, and what all our people, our tribe and the other





tribes of the area have been through. He had a plan in mind to correct those things in such a peaceful way. His generation brought back the ceremonies so we have the true meaning of what the Karuk people are. He was very pleased that his generation took the first step and the next generation will take the future steps."

Josh Saxon, a new council member, said, "Over the last six months serving on the Karuk Council with Amos we've had talks, disagreements, explanations, belly laughs...and everything in between. I've thought a great deal over the last six months about the conversations we've had about how to BE as a Karuk living on the river. I saw by the amount of people who came to his hospital bedside on short notice that I'm not the only one who has been influenced by his life. I'm considerably blessed to have been entrusted with Amos Tripp's encouraging words: 'Us old folks, our time is getting shorter, it's up to you younger ones to carry on with all that energy you have.'"

He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Maria "Perky" Tripp and his daughter Pimm and her husband Alme Allen and their daughters Ty'ithreeha and Ahtyirahm, and his daughter Kapoor Tripp and Willy Lamebear and their daughters Wateekwashaun and Karamachay.

He is also survived by his older brother Leroy Tripp and Sue, his younger brothers Brian "BDT" Tripp, David Tripp and Jan, and Phillip Tripp and Rose; his sister Helen and Pat Suri and his cousin Mike McGarity; his sisters-in-law Linda "Chub" Hoffman, Sandry Lowry and Candy Gibson. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews as well as by everyone in his spiritual family and the entire dance community.

Amos was preceded in death by his parents Amos and Violet Tripp, his father-in-law and mother-in-law Walt and Evelina Hoffman, his brother-in-law Walter "Skippy" Hoffman, his nephew Scott Gibson, his close uncle Leland "Junie" Donahue and his close cousin Wilma "Bucky" Mata.

The pallbearers will be his nephews Sonny Tripp, Hector Tripp, Levi Tripp, Justin Tripp, Jasper Tripp, Emilio Tripp, Phillip Tripp, Jr., Walter Hoffman, Robert Hoffman, Micah Gibson, Chag Lowry and Skip



Lowry and his great-nephews Mateek Tripp, Imya Tripp and Tyler Gibson.

The honorary pallbearers are Loren, Pyuwa and Guylish Bommelyn; Frank and Koiya Tuttle; Julian Lang; Hot Rod Donahue; Owee Colegrove, Eli Hensher-Aubrey, Joe and Jude Marshall; Joe James; Javier Kinney; Jesse James; Alphonso Colegrove; Gary Juan, Jr.; Thomas "Kahno" Gordan; Boyd Ferris; Glenn Moore; Jai Kibby; Terry and Zac Brown; Andre Cramblit; Terry Supahan; Raymond McQuillen; Reno Franklin; the Quartz Valley Crew; Willard Carlson and the Carlson Boys; Two Feathers Offield; Tim Nicely and Peter Pennekamp.





# AYUKII

# RUNNING FOR THE SALMON

## *Ayukii Tribal Membership and Friends,*

The past few years have given many opportunities for setting many goals and having the ability to complete them. It's so rewarding, and important to stop and think about everything you are thankful for. I am thankful for having the honor to learn and serve on the Karuk Tribal Council, for all the amazing tribal people who have befriended and encouraged me, and for my beautiful wife, three daughters, and family who have supported me. Bringing back the Salmon Run through the Karuk ancestral territory is also one of the things I am truly thankful for.

The 12th Annual Salmon Run this year was a huge success! So many people participated to help get the Carved Wooded Salmon past not just one dam, but four dams! We passed the Irongate dam, the Copco 1 and 2 dams, and finally the J.C. Boyle dam. It was so awesome to see the youth, parents, teachers, and even elders participate!

It was also very rewarding to have people in the dam communities come and ask questions. The conversations face to face with community members behind the dams, allowed for the opportunity to share information directly.

Some didn't realize there are 7 dams on the main stem of the Klamath River. The lower 4 are proposed for removal while the others are proposed for improvements. The furthest dam upriver, the Link River dam, and the 2nd, the Keno dam, are just a few miles upriver from the J.C. Boyle dam, and both have fish ladder structures. They also hold a significant amount of water and neither are proposed for dam removal. The flow of

the river above the other 4 dams would continue and maintain a restored river. After the Iron Gate dam, the Copco 1 and 2 dams, and the J.C. Boyle Dam are all removed, the view would improve, and more important, the salmon would return, enriching the entire Klamath River ecosystem.

Knowledge is Power!

We need healthy families and positive outlets. A healthy land and river provided most of our greatest outlets. That is why I am praying for the salmon to return beyond the Dams. Dam removal, and planned restoration efforts are a pathway for a healthy river.

The whole event had many victories this year! Just seeing the tribal community and friends come together, whether it was through coordinating, organizing, providing food and/or facilities, running a 1/4 mile or 50 miles! It was a lot of fun, inspiring to see, and great to be a part of. Thank You all for that. I look forward to what is next.

*Yootva,  
Crispen McAlister*



# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS UPDATES

By Thomas Fielden  
Director of Emergency Preparedness

## Ayukii,

Summer is upon us and with a dry winter and wet spring it is most important to be careful with fire. Make sure camp fires, BBQ's and smokers have a ten foot clearing around them and are well attended with a good water supply close by and it is important to mind your fires closely on windy days.

The Karuk Tribes Emergency Preparedness Department has been working with Karuk DNR and Humboldt and Siskiyou County Offices of Emergency Services offices to monitor the drought situation; we seem to be doing well so far throughout our territory. If you are on a well system outside of the Community Water Districts the USDA may have loan and/or grant assistance available, please contact the Karuk Office of Emergency Services for more information.

We are wishing a farewell to Jill Beckmann who is moving onto a natural resources position closer to home. Jill has been serving as the Recourses Inventory Specialist for this department mapping critical infrastructure and making damage assessment maps for past disasters as well as working closely with the community on Wildfire Protection Planning among various other important projects.

We would like to Welcome Rachel Lent who will be taking over for Jill picking up where she left off to continue to serve the Tribe and the surrounding communities. Rachel is a local in the community and is familiar with the area having lived here for quite some time.

## Yootva

Tom Fielden, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

# TERO DEPARTMENT NEWS

By Dion Wood, TERO

The Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance is the Tribe's Law requiring Tribal and Indian preference in hiring and contracting. The TERO Department monitors and enforces the TERO Ordinance. TERO also certifies businesses owned by Karuk Tribal members and is set up to make referrals of Karuk owned businesses and individuals to contractors working on tribal projects.

TERO has a Commission that oversees the activities of the department. The commission is made up of volunteers serving 4 year terms. Currently the Commission consists of:

Judy Waddell	TERO Chair
Lavon Kent	TERO Vice-Chair
Red Hockaday	TERO Secretary
Alvis Johnson	Council Representative
Arch Super	Council Representative
Vacancy	Orleans Representative

We are sincerely grateful for the TERO Commissioners for the work they do and the inspiration they provide.

If you are a Karuk tribal member and have your own business please contact the TERO office to get certified and registered. There are a lot of tribal projects being planned including our casino project so it is important that you be registered with the TERO department if you want an opportunity to be referred.

Please contact TERO Director, Dion Wood at 800 505-2785 extension 2030 or at [dwood@karuk.us](mailto:dwood@karuk.us) for any questions you may have.



# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES: ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

*Jeanette Quinn, Environmental Education Coordinator*

Thanks to new funding this year from the Klamath Basin Tribal Youth Program, I have been able to continue coordinating the Environmental Education Program. The new funding has brought a new focus, which is traditional ecological knowledge (TEK). It's a privilege and a pleasure to work with our young people in Karuk Territory and to bring a new focus into the Program while teaching them stewardship of our natural resources. Read on to find out about all the excellent projects students, Tribal personnel and community agency personnel have been doing!

**Fish Biology & Water Quality Studies.** Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, and Lisa Hillman, Food Security Project Coordinator, visited the 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Junction Elementary to do a presentation on place names and fish while the class was rearing steelhead trout in an aquarium incubator. Lisa shared a map of the local area, talked with students about where they live and Karuk place names, and asked them to find their location on the map. Leaf shared videos about salmon and Klamath River issues with the class, told a story about Pihneefich and salmon, and impressed on students the importance of taking care of our river and our fish. Kindergarteners at Orleans Elementary also raised steelhead trout in an aquarium incubator. I shared a PowerPoint presentation in their classroom to teach them about the life cycle of salmonids.

The 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders from Orleans Elementary took a field trip to Camp Creek to do restoration work on an off-channel pond. The trip was part of the collaborative, off-channel pond project implemented by the Karuk Tribe, Mid Klamath Watershed Council and private property owners. Students planted native trees and shrubs around the pond to stabilize the soil and improve the habitat for juvenile Coho and other salmonids. The Advanced Biology class from Happy Camp High participated in a restoration project at the mouth of O'Neil Creek. Students helped cut and gather brush for bundles, which



**Orleans 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students completing restoration work on an off-channel pond along Camp Creek.**

they placed in the pond to provide shelter for juvenile fish. First-3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Orleans Elementary enjoyed looking at aquatic invertebrates (water quality indicators) from Chinich Creek.

**ClimateStudies/Global Warming/Energy Awareness.** I shared a Powerpoint presentation on the carbon cycle with 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders at Orleans Elementary. We discussed how our use of resources containing carbon can impact climate change.

**Native Plants/Ethnobotany Studies.** Orleans Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders participated in the Humboldt County Science Fair in March. I helped coordinate stations and guest presenters in order to help inspire students to do projects on local topics, such as basket materials and native plants. Presenters included Phil Albers, Karuk TANF Program, Jeanerette Jacups-Johnny, Karuk Elder, medicine woman, and language teacher, Jim Ferrera, Linguist, and Nancy Bailey, Mid Klamath Watershed Council. Phil spoke about traditional plants used to make items such as houses or eel baskets; Jeanerette and Jim taught students Karuk language and plant names; and Nancy taught about selected medicinal plants. Afterward, several students chose to do sci-



**Orleans Head Start students holding the noxious weeds they learned about.**

ence fair projects on local native plants and won ribbons at the county science fair.

Students at Jefferson High and Happy Camp High learned about biodiversity and plant communities. We set up line transects near their classrooms to study the plant communities there. Orleans Headstart and Happy Camp Elementary students participated in noxious weed lessons. They learned why these plants are considered noxious, how they arrived here, how they spread, and ways to prevent or reduce their spread. Students then played a game to see how quickly noxious weeds can spread and crowd out native plants.

Orleans Headstart, Orleans Elementary and Happy Camp Elementary students participated in medicinal plant lessons. I took in specimens of native plants for

students to look at, as well as posters of bulb plants such as deer potato, and talked about some of the uses of the plants. Phil Albers assisted with storytelling in the 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Orleans Elementary.

**Birds.** I arranged for Dave Payne to do a presentation about local birds in the watershed in the K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Junction Elementary. Doug Cole, Marble Mountain Ranch Resort, contributed high quality digital photos of local birds for a PowerPoint presentation. Payne shared the history of ornithology in America, then engaged students in an activity to help them learn the bird names and info about each bird. Students were able to look at and touch bird bones, feathers and some stuffed specimens at the end of the lesson.

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## Environmental Education From 9

**Frogs.** Kindergartners at Orleans Elementary learned about frogs. I enjoyed teaching them the frog life cycle with a PowerPoint presentation.

**Career Fairs.** I attended Career Fairs at Happy Camp Elementary and Happy Camp High to talk with students about careers in natural resources.

**Wolf Creek Camp.** Shelly Slusser's 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade class spent 3 days at Wolf Creek Camp. The program is operated by Redwood National & State Parks. Students visited 3 study sites: Watershed (Prairie Creek), Old Growth Forest (redwoods) and Prairie (grassland). On the way home, we stopped at the Visitor Center in Orick to watch a video about the redwoods and play on the beach. Just after we left the Visitor Center, we caught sight of gray whales in the ocean and stopped to watch them migrating. It was a great ending to an excellent field trip!

**Watershed Fair.** Junction and Forks of Salmon Elementary schools held their annual Watershed Fair in May. Dara Soto coordinated the event, which was a huge success. Students started the day by looking at presentation boards by all the students to find answers for an information scavenger hunt. Next students attended a presentation by Nature Joe to learn about vertebrate animals. Students spent the rest of their day visiting stations: Historically Useful and Beneficial Plants in Our Watershed, Rocks of Our Watershed, Fish Print Bags and T-shirts, Stream Simulator, Nature Joe & Vertebrate Animals, Fish in Our Watershed & Lamprey Eels, Plant ID, and Macroinvertebrate Mayhem Game.

*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.*



Happy Camp High students learning about oaks and acorns during an ethnobotany lesson.



Natural Resources personnel posing at the Happy Camp High Career Fair (l-r): Dana Rose, Ron Reed, Ken Brink, Emilio Tripp.



Happy Camp Elementary 1<sup>st</sup> graders enjoying learning about medicinal plants.





## CONGRATULATIONS *Graduate*

### DARREL AUBREY

Darrel Aubrey graduated from University of California, Davis in June of 2014 with a Master of Science Degree in Computer Science. He is now employed with Google and will start work in August. He plans on working in the industry for a few years and then possibly going back to school for a PhD. Afterwards he will return to Northern California to help out the tribes. He would like to thank his mother, Tammy Aubrey, and his father Shawn Korb, as well as all of his family for their support.

## IT'S A SMALL WORLD

### Little Leaguers Find Common Ground

Lucas Lommen (left) and David Nelson (right) are both Karuk Tribal members who crossed paths on a little league majors team in Portland, Oregon. Of the 11 boys who play on the Portland Dodgers, two are Karuk Tribal members.



## ON-CALL!

*A Message From Amy Coapman, 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.



# THE KARUK FOOD SECURITY PROJECT: CALL FOR CULTURAL PRACTITIONERS!

*By Lisa Hillman*

*Photos by Grant Gilkison, Lisa Hillman and Bari Talley*

Summer is upon us, lending waves of dry heat to our Ancestral Territory and the primordial apprehension of wildfire to our People. Most of us hope the season is filled with blue skies and days spent enjoying the cool relief of clear waters; many of us have optimistically dusted the winter off bathing suits and river toys; some of us believe that these hopes are implausible. With weekly conference calls on drought measures and with emergency response plans drawn up to stem the tides of sweeping flames, sometimes it feels like a matter of time before the smoke rolls into our river valley smothering all promises of the season's splendor.

Here at the Department of Natural Resources, the Food Security crew moves into our third year of funding with plans that seek to circumvent the ineptitude of current land management practices (aka 150 years of fire suppression). What else can we do with our landscapes piled high with fuels and the accompanying destructive insects? The traditional tribal practices which managed this land since time immemorial have been disregarded for so many years. Our Tribe's culture depended on the prescribed burns for the vigor and abundance of our food and fiber resources.

We need to replant those cultural practices onto Karuk Ancestral Territory. The Food Security Project, whose goal is to reestablish accessibility to healthy and culturally appropriate foods, has planned a number of activities and events to that end. In addition, we will be piloting K-12 Karuk Native Curriculum in some of our local schools this upcoming year. Our Food Crews, Norine McLaughlin and Jesse "Coon" Goodwin, Sr., are following a tight schedule to maintain community and Native Plants gardens, sites identified as promising for their



**ABOVE:** Phil Albers and Paula McCarthy compare hazel stick harvests at the Native Foods Workshop in Seiad. **BELOW:** Bio Technicians, Jesse "Coon" Goodwin, Sr. and Norine McLaughlin learning the art of tree grafting.

abundance of cultural resources, and old homestead orchards with heirloom trees. All of these projects and activities need the combined cultural knowledge of our *Káruk kuma'áaraas*.

Should you or someone you know are familiar with the



traditional practices of our People, please keep your eye out for the call for bids to cultural practitioners. The Food Security Project, and the Tribe, needs you.

Below, you will find a brief summary of our activities, followed by tentative dates for upcoming events:

**Objective 15: Ishkêesh'túnviiv** (River Kids). Leveraging funding from the UC Cooperative Extension Program for Federally Recognized Tribes, we have planned a number of seasonal activities for the after-school program at Orleans Elementary. Ishkêesh'túnviiv meets twice a month, and our program has included a field trip to identify and harvest *tayiith* (Injun potatoes) with Dr. Frank Lake and building the community garden that now adorns the town of Orleans. Water lines and a shed to house the timer for the garden have been generously funded through a Community Service and Development grant; tools and soil were donated by the Resource Utilization Company. Together with our Food Security collaborators and stakeholders, we plan to lead youth through the seasons with activities that will help them understand and appreciate the profound knowledge of our People. While we are unable to extend this program to other service areas at this time, we will con-

tinue to seek funding to expand this to other afternoon programs. Please contact us with your ideas and suggestions.

**Objective 16: Karuk Seasonal Youth Camp.** The Spring Seasonal Youth Camp: *Aama, Akraah, karú Asipárax* (Salmon, Eel, and the Cooking Basket) was enjoyed by local youth and families, as well as descendants from the coast, and Klamath Tribal Youth. The weather held with enough snow on the mountains to allow for master storyteller Phil Albers to hold his audience for a number of traditional and contemporary stories surrounding our subject matters. Basket weaver Dori Marshall led girls and women onto the banks of the Klamath to harvest and process willow sticks; the boys and men were led by Leaf Hillman, Pimnunihus Cenare and Jesse Goodwin to check eel baskets and discuss traditional religious and cultural practices. The afternoon was spent working with materials, gambling the traditional way, listening to songs and trying out the prayer that Karuk Elder Brian Tripp suggested.

**Objective 24: Karuk Seasonal Food Crew.** Norine

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## Upcoming Events

July 22, 2014	Native Food Workshop: Karuk Herbarium Native Plants and preparation for preservation	Panamnik (Orleans)
July 25-26	Summer Seasonal Youth Camp: Karuk Herbarium	Panamnik
October 17-18	Fall Seasonal Youth Camp: Áama karú Xúnyav Salmon and Tan Oak Acorns	Ka'timîin (Somes Bar)
Oct 19	Áama karú Amkuuf Workshop Fish Harvest and Smokehouse	Ka'timîin
Nov 8	Canning Workshop Harvest of our waters and orchards	Kahtíshraam (Yreka)
February 6-7	Winter Seasonal Youth Camp: Pákurih karú Pikvaha Karuk Traditional Songs and Stories	Athithúfvuunupma (Happy Camp)
April 17-18	Spring Seasonal Food Camp: Ánav karú Tayiith Medicinal Plants and Injun Potatoes	Kahtíshraam
April 22	Early Greens Workshop: Kíshvuuf karu Tayiith Injun Potatoes and Medicine	Athithúfvuunupma



### Food Security From 13

McLaughlin and Jesse Goodwin have been busy acquiring training and new skills, from Fire training to Food Handler's certification, from harvesting Iris root to constructing eel baskets. Summer activities will focus on preparing sites for harvesting fall crops such as acorns, huckleberries, hazelnuts and mushrooms. Volunteers for these and all gardening activities are encouraged: please contact our office at the Karuk Department of Natural Resources for more information.

**Objective 32: Native Foods Workshops.** We've held two workshops since the last Tribal Newsletter: one on Early Greens and one on Basket Materials in Orleans and Happy Camp respectively. For our spring workshop, Dr. Frank Lake led participant through a discussion of the *tayiith* (Injun Potato) and Nancy Bailey walked us through the Native Plants Demonstration Garden located behind the TANF and DNR building; Master Basketweaver Verna Reece and Paula McCarthy led an excursion out to a forest landscape in Seiad Valley where last year's burn cleared the way for new Hazel and beargrass growth.

**Objective 39: Establish a Regional Food Security Library.** Meetings with the Library Advisory Committee have been very helpful in creating a new model for tribal libraries and archives. Tribal members, elders, representatives from the academic and local communities have convened monthly to discuss draft documents that seek to preserve our tribal knowledge and to regain possession of those materials currently "owned" by past researchers unaware of intellectual property rights. It is our hope that through careful consideration of the Tribe, aided by legal advice, we will be able to preserve our cultural heritage without compromising our rights of information protection.

The exact location, dates, and subject matter of the following events are subject to change, so please look for postings on the Tribal website and departments for more details. Again, if you are knowledgeable on any of these subjects, please apply for a cultural practitioner contract as these are offered under "Employment" on our tribal website.



**ABOVE:** *shkêesh'túnviiv* Project with Orleans Elementary children, parents, and Dr. Frank Lake looking for and learning about *Tayiith* – a Native food staple otherwise known as "Injun Potatoes." **BELOW:** *Sípnuuk* Digital Library Advisory Committee at work at the Panamnik Tribal Library

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**Ayukii,**

My name is Alma Mendoza. I am proud to announce that I am now working as the Education Program Coordinator. I grew up in Yreka and graduated from Yreka High School in 2008. Following graduation I attended Southern Oregon University in Ashland, Oregon. Two years ago I moved back to the area and started working for the Karuk Tribe. I previously worked as the Youth Resource Specialist under the Judicial Systems and Programs before accepting this position. Education is not just a school setting. We educate ourselves daily in the way we choose to live our lives. We are educating ourselves when we learn our native language and participate in traditional ceremonies.

The mission of the Karuk Tribe's Education Department is to facilitate educational support services to assist students in their endeavors to achieve self-sufficiency while also promoting tribal and cultural traditions.

Currently I have been focusing on the Karuk Tribe's higher education grant funding. I have mailed out applications to those who have previously participated in the program as well as to graduating high school seniors. On a daily basis I am receiving completed applications. The deadline to submit your application is **July 31, 2014 by 5 pm**. If you have not received an application and would like to know if you qualify, contact me.

Our tutoring program has been running great! We have nine tutors in our program. Four are servicing Happy Camp, four service Yreka/ Etna and one in Orleans. We are always looking for tutors. If you are interested in becoming a tutor please submit a letter of interest that can be found online on our website [www.karuk.us](http://www.karuk.us).



The Education Committee is looking for members. If you would like to be a part of Education decisions for our students please submit a letter of interest which can be found on our website [www.karuk.us](http://www.karuk.us)

The Education Department is proud to announce a scholarship opportunity for current college students. This scholarship is also open to enrolled descendants. To be eligible for the scholarship you must attend the Karuk Tribal Reunion July 12, 2014. Stop by the Education Booth for further information. I look forward to meeting the community and answering any questions you may have.

## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES OF 2014!!!

Please notify the Education office if you or someone you know graduated. We'd like to have the graduates name, picture (e-mail to [abryant@karuk.us](mailto:abryant@karuk.us)), the school they attended and any special accomplishments or certificates so we can honor them in the next newsletter.

If you have any question regarding education you can contact me at 530-439-1600 ext. 2034 or by email at [abryant@karuk.us](mailto:abryant@karuk.us)

I look forward to helping students achieve their higher education goals.

### 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!



# HAVING FUN AND LEARNING TOO!

*By Scott Nelson, KCDC Computer Center*

The Karuk Education Center in Yreka was started over 2 years ago and continues to be a center of activity for children living in Tribal Housing. On any given day, children can be found engaging in one of several activities that promote learning and wellness.

After school tutoring programs at the Education Center are helping to bring KTHA kids up to speed at local Yreka schools. K-12 students have a variety of help available to them. Scott Nelson, a certified teacher, along with tutors Jeff Mcallister, Chena Ariza, and high school math tutor, Heiland Snapp provide assistance in a variety of subject areas and to a wide range of grade levels. The Education Center also has 12 internet connected computers which are often used to do homework research or to print documents.

Close contact with local K-12 teachers has proven to be a big part of meeting the mission of helping students become successful in the local schools. More than 20 KTHA parents have signed release of information forms which enables the Education Center to establish contact with local school teachers to obtain information regarding areas where a student may be in need of assistance.

A recent grant through KCDC which is aimed at increasing literacy has made it possible for the Education Center to obtain several E-readers. The grant funds also made it possible to hire a part-time person to further the goals of this grant. The Education Center now has several Kindles which can be checked out by

both kids and adults. The Kindles can be checked out for a week at a time and have dozens of books and educational applications loaded on them. A recent event was held at the Education Center to showcase some of the ways the grant is being utilized and for this event, several KTHA kids participated in a Reader's Theatre program which utilized Kindles for reading the scripts. The event was videotaped and can be viewed by pointing your browser to: [www.ktha.us/education](http://www.ktha.us/education)

Charles Sarmento, Security and Emergency Services Officer, stays involved with KTHA kids through the Education Center by presenting events that educate kids about Drug and Alcohol Resistance, Fire Safety, and Health & Wellness. Recent events have included the Yreka Fire Department coming to the Education Center with a fire truck and showing kids, among other things, how to be "fire safe". Recent guest speakers have included local Yreka policemen, nurses, certified Drug and Alcohol counselors, and Smokey The Bear.

For adults, assistance is provided for adult basic education with tutoring offered in GED preparation. Basic computer instruction is also available on an individualized basis by appointment. Help for job seekers is available with resume writing classes and assistance with online applications. On Monday nights, Karuk Language class is offered on a drop-in basis from 6:30 until 7:45. Florrine Super is providing instruction in traditional beading on Tuesday nights from 5:30 until

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The Yreka Fire Department demonstrates their equipment to KTHA kids outside the Education Center.



Bre Williams, Olivia Lopez, and Layla Titus engaged in an after school tutoring session with Chena Ariza



## KARUK EDUCATION CENTER

Karuk Language Mondays from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Cultural Activities Tuesday from 5:30pm-7:30pm

Basket weaving Thursday from 5:30pm-7:30pm



Please contact Florraine Super 842-1313 or Scott Nelson 842-5238 to make sure class is in session. They are 6-8 week sessions and then a break.



7:00pm and on Thursday nights she is offering a basket weaving class from 5:30 until 7:00pm. For additional information, call the Education Center at 530-842-5238.

The Education Center is open 5 days a week and is located at the center of Yreka Tribal Housing at 1306

Yellowhammer St. Hours and days of operation are: Monday, 2pm until 8:15pm; Tuesday-Thursday from 10:30am until 8:15; Fridays from 1:30pm until 5:00pm. For more information, visit the center's web site at [www.ktha.us/education](http://www.ktha.us/education)



# DOI ANNOUNCES FIRST TRANSFER FROM LAND BUY-BACK PROGRAM TO COBELL EDUCATION FUND

*Initial transfer of nearly \$580,000 will fund scholarship opportunities for American Indian and Alaska Native students*

WASHINGTON, DC – The Department of the Interior today announced that quarterly transfers of funds to the Cobell Education Scholarship Fund are set to begin this week with a first transfer of nearly \$580,000 to the American Indian College Fund. The Scholarship Fund was authorized by the historic Cobell Settlement, approved in November 2012, to provide financial assistance through annual scholarships to American Indian and Alaska Native students wishing to pursue post-secondary education and training.

“The Scholarship Fund is an important tool to help students across Indian Country pursue higher education opportunities imperative to their success in the workplace and to the creation of the next generation of Indian leaders,” said Interior Solicitor Hilary Tompkins, who helped negotiate the Cobell Settlement on behalf of the Department. “While there was much debate in the settlement negotiations, there was no debate among the parties that we must do something to support Indian students in their aspirations and dreams.”

The Scholarship Fund is funded in part by the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations (Buy-Back Program). The Buy-Back Program was created to implement the land consolidation component of the Cobell Settlement, which provided \$1.9 billion to purchase fractionated interests in trust or restricted land from willing landowners. Consolidated interests are transferred to tribal government ownership for uses benefiting the reservation community and tribal members.

Interior will contribute up to \$60 million from Buy-Back Program sales to the Scholarship Fund based on a formula in the Cobell Settlement that sets aside a certain amount of funding depending on the value of the fractionated interest sold. These contributions do not reduce the amount that an owner will receive for voluntarily consolidating their interests.

The American Indian College Fund (College Fund), headquar-

tered in Denver, Colorado, will administer the Scholarship Fund and has extensive experience in providing students the resources to succeed in tribal colleges and technical and vocational certifications as well as traditional undergraduate and graduate programs. A five-member Board of Trustees is responsible for the oversight and supervision of the College Fund’s administration of the Scholarship Fund and for developing and adopting a charter outlining its role and responsibilities. The College Fund is working with the Cobell Board of Trustees to stand up its operation in concert with this first transfer of funds. Twenty percent of the Fund’s portfolio will be directed to support graduate students through the American Indian Graduate Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Cheryl Crazy Bull, President and CEO of the College Fund, shared that the Cobell Scholarship Program will help meet the tremendous financial need for educational support for American Indian and Alaska Native students across the country, many of whom live in poverty. “We are honored to remember the vision of Elouise Cobell that the Cobell Scholarship Fund would be used to lift up tribal students and their families,” she said.

More information about the Cobell Scholarship Program and how interested students can apply can be found at the American Indian College Fund website, [www.collegefund.org/Cobell](http://www.collegefund.org/Cobell).

This first transfer of funds follows recent land purchases from willing sellers at the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations. More than \$100 million in purchase offers are currently pending for landowners with fractional interests at Pine Ridge. **Owners must accept and return current purchase offers for fractionated lands on Pine Ridge by May 2, 2014.** Landowners can contact their local Fiduciary Trust Officer or call the Trust Beneficiary Call Center at 888-678-6836 with questions about their purchase offers. More information is also available at [www.doi.gov/buybackprogram/landowners](http://www.doi.gov/buybackprogram/landowners).

Participation in the Buy-Back Program does not impact a landowner’s ability to receive individual settlement payments from the Cobell Settlement. Cobell Settlement payments are being handled separately by the Garden City Group, (800) 961-6109.



*In Loving Memory...*

AMY MARIE McLAUGHLIN  
 JANUARY 26, 1977 - JUNE 3, 2014

Creator received our beloved Daughter, Sister, Auntie, Mother and Friend Amy Marie McLaughlin on June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014. Amy, lovingly called "Amos Moses" by Family, was born in Hoopa, California on January 26<sup>th</sup> 1977 to Loretta Hartman (Boughton) and Clifford McLaughlin of Orleans. She is predeceased by her daughter Darian Rose McLaughlin and her Grandparents Donald and Melvina Boughton and Jess McLaughlin.

She is survived by her Boyfriend "Snooks" Tim Ulrich; her Children Robert and Andrea Campbell; Parents Clifford and Martha McLaughlin, Loretta and Karl Hartman; Grandparents LaVerne Glaze, Ed Glaze; Siblings Angela, Leslie (Julia McKinnion), Jess and James (Shelby Rhodes) McLaughlin, Amanda (Stewart) Kuespert, Amber (Chase) Neugebauer, AJ (Tia Sokol) Hartman, and JD (Allison) Hartman; Nieces Alexis Rush (Cody), Ashley, Alyssa and Autumn Allgier, Ixaram aachip Apraax, Alice, and Kimberly McLaughlin, Abigail Kuespert; Nephews Xuux, Leslie, AC, Clifford McLaughlin, Andrew Hartman; Great Nephew Sonnyluke Albers; and her many Aunts, Uncles, extended family and friends.

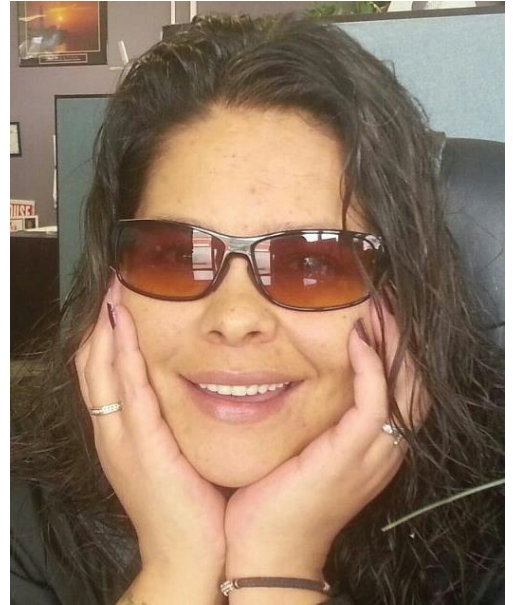
Amy attended various schools in Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, and Hoopa, California.

She enjoyed watching movies, visiting with her nieces, nephews and family and traveling the greater western United States with Tim in his 18 wheeler. Recently Tim and Amy returned to the Hoopa Valley where she was blessed to spend her remaining time with her children, her loving family and the man of her dreams. She will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

A celebration of Amy's life was held on Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 5pm in the Karuk Tribe Department of Natural Resources Building in Orleans, California.

In lieu of flowers the family has set up a College Fund for Amy's two children Robert and Andrea Campbell at Coast Central Credit Union.

The family would like to especially thank Rod Johnson and the Hoopa Ambulance Crew, Maria Ulrich, and Sheileah Dildine.

*In Loving Memory...*

NADINE ROSE BUCHHOLZ  
 AUGUST 12, 1937 - DECEMBER 3, 2013



Nadine passed away at her home in McKinleyville, California on December 3, 2013. She was born in Eureka, California on August 12, 1937 and was a member of the Yurok Tribe. She moved from Eureka, with her parents in 1950 to Fieldbrook. She was a graduate of Arcata High School (1955) and following graduation became a telephone operator with the Bell Telephone Company.

She married and had three children with her husband settling in McKinleyville. Nadine also worked for the U.S. Forest service, Tree Farm in Dows Prairie, Ca.

Her passions in life included working and enjoying her backyard garden, decorating her home for Halloween and Christmas and spending time camping with family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents George Luster and Grace Quinn Luster, her husband Carvel Buchholz and her youngest son Jade Buchholz. Nadine is survived by her sons Tad Buchholz of Merced, Ca., Kam Buchholz of McKinleyville,

Ca., siblings Annette Hall of Monterey, Ca., Dennis Luster and wife Marjorie of Spring, Tx. Grandchildren include Dustin Cook, Shawna Buchholz, Trevor Buchholz, Chris Canfield, Brandon Buchholz and Jessica Buchholz, great grandchildren Adrianna & Jason Martinez, Brooke & Riley Buchholz, Aurora & Terra Buchholz and Jaydah Keller. She also leaves behind Neices and Nephews Michelle Chezem, Jon Chezem, Nicole Chezem, Todd Chezem, Kylie Luster and Matthew Luster along with three Aunts and many cousins.





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