# NEWS FROM KARUK COUNTRY IN FAR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

**Karuk Tribe** 

Spring 2011





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3,603 Members

# **Notice of Primary Election!**

Election will be held Tuesday, August 2, 2011

**CHAIRPERSON:** 4 Year Term, PAID POSITION: 2011-2015

**SECRETARY/TREASURER:** 4 Year Term: 2011-2015

# Candidate Packets are due Wednesday, May 25, 2011

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Free Activities — Vendors — Food — Entertainment — Salmon Dinner
Demonstration Brush Dance — Poker Tournament — Horseshoe Tournament
Volleyball Tournament — Traditional Card Games — Health Fair — Fun Run/Walk
!!! EVERYONE IS WELCOME !!!

For More Information, Contact Sara Spence at (530) 493-1600 or sspence@karuk.us



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# Election Committee of the Karuk Tribe



# **Notice of Primary Election**

# PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE NOTICE!!

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **Tuesday, August 2, 2011**, the Karuk Tribe will conduct a Primary Election for the **Chairperson and Secretary/Treasurer** positions. Candidate packets will be available at Tribal Administrative Offices in Yreka, Happy Camp, and Orleans on Monday, **April 25, 2011**.

**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.

WHAT IS A PRIMARY ELECTION? The Primary Election is a preliminary election to determine which two candidates will compete in the November 1, 2011 General Election. Candidates MUST participate in this Primary Election to be eligible for consideration in November. There must be more than two eligible candidates in order for the Primary Election to proceed. If there are two or less eligible candidates, they will compete in the November Election. If there are more than two eligible candidates, the primary will proceed and the two candidates with the highest number of votes in this Primary Election will compete against each other in November.

**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:**

CHAIRPERSON: 4 Year Term, PAID POSITION: 2011-2015 SECRETARY/TREASURER: 4 Year Term: 2011-2015

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS.** Requests for absentee ballots must be submitted in writing with a current return address **and must be received no later than Monday, August 1, 2011**. Contact the Election Committee Chairman at (800) 505-2785, extension 2014 or visit www.karuk.us/ to obtain required form(s).

<u>CANDIDATES</u>: Must submit their completed candidate packet and pay the \$50 processing fee to the Karuk Election Committee by <u>Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at 5pm</u>. 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 <u>PRIOR to 5pm</u>, <u>Wednesday May 25, 2011</u>.

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

# Chairman Arch Super's Corner



Ayukii koovura pa Karuk araaras (Hello all Karuk people and relatives). Yav pa harinay 2011...(Good is the year 2011). Chimi kii ikyaavichvuti xaakkan, pa ikyaavichvans, yaas araaras, pa araaras karu. (Let us be working together, the workers, the Tribal Council, the people / relatives also). Yav! Vaa chimi kii kuupitiheesh (Good! That, Let us be doing).

yukii. The past two quarters of Tribal business Ahas been steadily busy. I have been selected for three Consultation Committees with the Federal Government, which include the Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee for the US Department of Health and Human Services, the US Department of Interior and Tribal Consultation Team, and the US Department of Indian Health Services. These committees have been designated for Tribes throughout Indian Country to meet with the federal officials to ensure that the consultation process is accomplishing meaningful government to government relations. My appointed representation is to put a step forward for the Karuk Tribe and the Tribes in Central to Northern California. The Obama administration directed his department officials to work better with the "First Natives". The relations are slowly falling into place. Within the coming year, Tribes will have seen the results of Obama's presidential declaration.

A new association has been developed for the northern California Tribes, which is the Northern California Tribal Chairman's Association (NCTCA). The NCTCA consist of the Karuk Tribe, Yurok Tribe, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Trinidad Rancheria, Smith River, Blue Lake Rancheria, Elk Valley Rancheria and the Resighini Tribe. The association was formed to deal with the northern California issues from marine life protection, to Dam and river issues to forest management, etc. The association addresses and meets with the State, Federal, County and Local agencies. They will try to enlist the other nine tribes of Northern California.

We are at the table again with the Karuk Gaming venture. We have a re-submission of our proposal to the Department of Interior (DOI) and the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC). There had been a two year moratorium on our proposal based on the new officials' appointment by President Obama to the DOI and the NIGC. We are hoping that our proposal and venture will move forward. The process has been long and cumbersome but we may have a better chance for consideration with the new administration. We hope to report soon.

We have many other organizations that we belong to that are associations and consortiums for the purpose of having a bigger, stronger voice for the Tribes in California and throughout Indian country; such as, California Rural Indian Health Board (CRIHB), California Association of Tribal Governments (CATG), the Northern California Tribal Courts Consortium (NCTCC), the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), the Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest Indians (ATNI), and the Tribal Interior Budget Council (TIBC). It involves a lot of issues with health, tribal government, tribal courts and issues for Federal, State and Local agendas; this involves a lot of meetings and travel.

The Chairman and Tribal Council – We welcome new Council members, Michael Thom, Vice Chairman; Dora Bernal, Orleans District Representative; and Crispen McAllister, Yreka District Representative. It has been great having a full time Vice Chairman to help with the daily operations of our Tribal Government. The Tribal Council has been involved very much in the meetings and travel for Tribal business. I have an open-door policy for all tribal members at my office, on the phone, letters, and online email or visiting our Karuk website or Facebook. We always encourage Tribal Membership to get in touch with your representatives at any time. Yootva. Suva nik.

# **Council Meeting** Dates and Locations for 2011

Meetings begin at 3:00 PM

March 24	Happy Camp
April 28	Orleans
May 26	Yreka
June 23	Happy Camp
July 28	Orleans
August 25	Yreka
September 22	Happy Camp
October 27	Orleans
November 17	Yreka
December 22	Happy Camp

# Notes from the Secretary/Treasurer:

Florrine Super, Council Secretary/Treasurer



A yukii, I am returning from being on maternity leave since July and I would like to thank the council, staff, and tribal members for their support during this time. It was hard not being involved with the tribe. It feels good to be back and working with everyone again. I have begun working with staff and tribal programs so we can better serve our community and our tribal members.

SIDE NOTE On November 15th my son Issac Ray Super was born and joins his big brother Ivan who will be four this year. Life is good and I'm glad I can be a role model to my children.



The tribe is a big part of their lives.

# TRIBAL COUNCIL SECRETARY/ TREASURER QUARTERLY REPORT

### **Youth Leadership:** New Council

Another year has gone by and we will give thanks and certificates to those who served on the youth council. I will have the list of names and pictures in our next newsmagazine and on the tribal website. I'm looking forward to swearing in the new youth council. We have several activities that will take place. (Youth Basketball Tournament, 3-on 3 Basketball Tournament, carnival for the youth, talking circles for youth, and backpack trips.) They will also have fundraisers to support these events as well as visiting different colleges.

### **RECRUITMENT:**

We are always looking for youth advisors. A youth advisor helps children along the path to adulthood. Youth advisors are role models that will engage and



support activities sponsored by the youth council. They will oversee and attend meetings. For a detailed list of responsibilities please contact me.

### **Proud Moment:**

Our youth have requested to start a language class at the Discovery High School in Yreka. They spoke with the school staff, tribal staff, and tribal council to implement this activity and I am please to announce it is going to happen. We will have classes starting tentatively in March.

# **Elders:** Honor our Elders, They show us the way in life.

I'm always making an effort to serve our elders better. Since I work a lot with the youth, I have tried to combine projects and activities that involve both youth and elders. I think they both need each other because one has the knowledge and the others are always learning.

At the new Yreka Community building we have a room shared with the culture classes that is dedicated to the elders. We will have a sitting area, table for card games, and a friendly atmosphere to hang out and visit.



Our Language program has provided talking circles so those can speak and hear our Karuk Language. Those who participated seem to really enjoy this activity.

We will continue to work on different programs that involve our elders. Please let me know of your ideas for activities or gatherings in all areas.

### **Cultural Classes: NEW Date and Time!**

Family Cultural classes will be available to all those who are interested in learning and/or teaching. Classes will provide tribal and cultural awareness by storytelling, history lectures, dances and arts and crafts (basket making, drum making, regalia, and jewelry). Contact me for further information! Kayla Super is the planner. Please drop in and enjoy this opportunity to learn and teach.

Yreka Family Cultural Class: Every Wednesday

from 3pm-5pm – Regalia making and language. Basket weaving: will start soon. Please look for flyers. Classes are tentatively scheduled for Friday at 6pm-8pm and occasionally Saturday or Sunday for gathering material. Hope to see you there.

I will post the Happy Camp and Orleans area classes on our website. (Information is not available this time).

I have formed a dance group. We demonstrate our brush dance for schools and community functions. I am so proud of our group of 5 to 11 year olds. They have all become very good singers and dancers. If you would like to be a part of this group please contact me. We are always looking for men to help our young boys.



### Karuk Tribe Foster Home: Preserve Our Culture....Open your heart to an Indian child

We are looking for Karuk foster families or people who can: Ensure the child maintains their connection with the Karuk Community by using culturally appropriate services. Understand the importance of the child's bond with their natural and extended family. Meet the needs of your own family while sharing your family with the child(ren) placed in vour home.



If you would like to offer your home and family and become a foster family, please contact our Karuk Social Services Department. To apply you need to complete and submit a foster family application and submit to a background check. A home evaluation will be completed by our social service department. Check out our webpage regarding Indian Child Welfare at http://www.karuk.us/

Karuk Booster Club: We need your support so we can support our kids in sports!

The Karuk Booster Club helps support enrolled Karuk members and descendents with sports and extracurricular activities. We support children who are involved in school and community programs!

We are here to help all the extra-curricular activities our Karuk children are involved in. Please contact Chairman Arch Super for more information. If you need assistance, submit a written request to Arch Super. Provide what the activity is, cost of the activity, and contact information for you and the organization your child is joining, and who will participate. Please note that we can assist when funding is available. So please volunteer with upcoming fundraisers or have your own fundraise to help support your Karuk Booster Club.

Upcoming Fundraisers: Basketball Tournaments - Yreka, Indian Taco Feeds -Yreka, Yard Sale Yreka.

\*\*We would like to hold fundraisers in other areas so if you would like to volunteer and sponsor fundraisers please let us know.

### **Head Start**

I attended my first policy meeting in January and got to work with our new policy council. My job is to encourage and facilitate their meeting. Also, to report back to our council on current issues regarding head start. Our head start program has a lot of good activities going on. We are working on getting some awnings so we have protection from the sun. Parents always encourage Karuk culture in the classrooms. Our policy council is a good support to our staff and families.

# **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)**

The mission of the Karuk Tribal Temporary Assistance to Needy

Families (TANF Program) is to preserve and strengthen the children and families of the Karuk Tribe and all Native American children and families through an efficient and effective Welfare Service Delivery System that empowers individuals and families who are in need of work to work toward and achieve self sufficiency in a culturally appropriate way. The primary goals of the Karuk Tribal TANF Program are: 1. Increase the employability of TANF clients, 2. Increase employment opportunities, 3. Prevent and reduce



unwanted and unplanned pregnancies, a n d Encourage healthy stable families.

Florence Conrad, Dora Benal, and I sit on the TANF Advisory Committee. We just attended a meeting in Mesa, Arizona. We had a work session to gather information from different tribes. Some of the goals that were brought to the table are: Uniting programs as one nation for one united vote, work to better understand the reauthorization process, keep tribes informed, and determine what the long-term stability of the TANF program is, along with a list full of topics. This will help us as council members to speak up on TANF issues and to have a better understanding of the issues we as Karuks and other tribes have regarding TANF.

### **Training & Workshops**

Please look for upcoming

training in Fatherhood, Cultural Classes and Camps, Youth Camps, and Substance A b u s e workshops. hope those who



qualify take advantage of the great

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Notes from the Secretary, continued from previous page... opportunities the Karuk TANF can provide.

Other committees I participate in or oversee include: Tribal Court Domestic Violence Program, Low-Income Assistance Program (LIAP), Yav pa anav, Indian Child Welfare, Documenting our Language, Karuk Community Development Corporation (KCDC), and California Rural Indian Health Board (CRIHB).

### TREASURER'S REPORT

CONSTITUTION OF THE KARUK TRIBE, Section 4. Secretary/Treasurer, At the direction of the Tribal Council, the Secretary/Treasurer shall be responsible for safeguarding tribal assets, which includes ensuring adequate internal controls are in place, communicating with Fiscal staff to ensure that audits are completed annually, corrective action is taken on any audit findings, fiscal and personnel policies are maintained and kept current and financial reports are presented as needed and performing such other duties as may be assigned by the Tribal Council.

I have begun to inquire more about our tribal finances and processes so I can report to our membership in an effective manner. I have included a portion of CFO, Laura Mayton's Council report to keep you informed. I have meetings set up with staff to become more aware of our processes and to make sure our policies are maintained and kept current.

Our audits have been completed and I will have a more detailed report online and in our next newsmagazine. All of the fiscal staff worked very hard to prepare for the audit. This year's preparation was particularly hectic due to the many recent changes in fiscal staff throughout the organization and due to the ever increasing volume of activity. We will have our official report from the auditors by late March or early April. So far it was reported unofficially we had a clean audit.

**SNAPSHOT OF SOME 2010** 

### FISCAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

- ☑ Processed payroll of more than five million dollars.
- ☑ Paid 246 different employees.
- ✓ Managed auto and liability insurances including processing claims.
- ✓ Added over two million dollars in fixed assets.
- ☑ Managed more than 75 Tribal loans.
- Arranged, processed, and reconciled over a half a million dollars of travel.
- ☑ Processed accounts payable of more than fifteen million dollars.
- Processed revenue of more than twenty million dollars.
- ☑ Reconciled 50 Tribal credit cards each month.
- ☑ Drew down grant funds and prepared fiscal reports for all grants.
- ✓ Prepared numerous miscellaneous reports.
- ☑ Prepared and entered budgets for all grants.
- ☑ Distributed fiscal reports to managers and Tribal Council on a monthly basis.
- ☑ Prepared and submitted the indirect cost proposal for fiscal year 2011.
- ☑ Prepared for audit by completing the 49 items on audit preparation list.

# **Contacting your Karuk Tribal Secretary/ Treasurer:**

Please check our website for more information on upcoming events and reports on different committees. If you would like additional information and/or have any questions, contact me at any time. If you would like to be put on my email list, send your email address to fsuper@karuk.us with a note saying you would like to receive tribal information.

# Family Culture Classes Every Wednesday ~ 3pm-5pm Karuk Community Building 1836 Apsuun, Yreka CA Language—Vina Smith Regalia Making—Kayla Super Youth Demo Brush Dance Practice For more information contact: Kayla Super (530)340-2722 If traveling please call to confirm class schedule.

# **Update From Councilmember Dora Bernal**



members. Lots of exciting things happening here with the tribal council.

We have been working on several good projects in the last couple of months. Council member Crispen McAllister and I made a trip to Washington DC to meet with our Attorney and Office of Indian Gaming; Paula Hart, Nancy Pierskalla and Jeffery Nelson of Indian Lands Determination Specialist of the Solicitor regarding getting the outcome of where we are at on hopes to get a casino in Yreka, CA. The meeting was great and felt good when

we left the table; we then amended the Tribal Gaming Ordinance and Resolution to have it taken to NIGC for discussion. Lets all keep our fingers crossed that we get the answers we need to make this happen. When we get a casino it opens the door for a lot of our programs that do not have enough funding to help, especially now that the State wants to do budget cuts. Not only will it help us with funding in programs, but it will also open the door with jobs for our tribal people.

The Tribal Council also had a training set up by DCI with the Election Committee on our Election Ordinance. Election Committee will be going through the Ordinance to make changes that the Committee and Council had recommended. We need to make sure everything is good and clear to understand, because we have a big election coming up this year.

If anyone should have any questions or concerns on what the council is doing, please feel free to contact me at dbernal@karuk.us or you may find other council members e-mail on the website. www.karuk.us

Yootva.

Dora Davis-Bernal Tribal Council



n September 2, 2010, Lessie Aubrey, Executive Director of Health and Human Services hosted an awards luncheon to recognize and celebrate outstanding dedicated employees who have remained with the Karuk Tribe for at least 10 years.





Flo Lopez

Flo Lopez, Elder Worker and Vickie Walden. Dental Clinic Manager were honored for 21 years of service.

Vickie Walden



Joe Snapp, Director of Drug and Alcohol Services was

acknowledged for 18 years and David Arwood for 17 years of service, while Kristen King and Amy Coapman were acknowledged for 15 years of service.

Debbie Whitman, Registered Dental Assistant 13 years, and Sharon West, Medical Assistant 12 years both received acknowledgement for their years of service.

Four employees received awards for 11 years of service and they were Suzanna Hardenburger, Business Office Manager; Anna Myers, CHS Supervisor; Leslie Alford, Yreka Clinic Administrative Manager; and Susan Beatty, Yreka Dental Clinic Office Manager.

Pat Doak, Registered Dental Assistant was recognized for 10 years of dedicated service.

September 1, 2010 the Karuk Tribal Health and Human Services Program celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

Congratulations to the Karuk Tribe and all staff members.



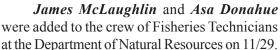




# **Quarterly Staffing Update**

Sara Spence, Human Resources Manager

This update covers *November 2010* **through** *February 2011*.



**Donna McCulley** was hired in the Finance Office on 12/8 to fill the part time vacancy created by *Linda Zink's* schedule modification.

Sammi Offield was hired in the Finance Office on 12/14 to fill the vacancy created by Michael Thom's election to the office of Vice Chairman on 11/2.

Seasonal crew members, Gabriel McCovey, Angela McLaughlin, Nate Rhodes, Ben Saxon, Ulysses McLaughlin, Eugene White, and Charles McLaughlin of the Watershed Program were laid off for the season in November.

John Bardonner resigned as the Dental Director on 11/15; his position was filled through a transfer of *Richard Schoen*. Recruitment for that Dentist vacancy continues currently.

Rivkah Barmore resigned as the Circles of Care Youth Coordinator on 11/18. *Maymi Preston* will be filling this vacancy.

Luana Hillman joined the pool of On Call Natural Resources Clerical Technicians on 12/14.

We were deeply saddened to learn that DUI Program Manager, Lisa **Sartuche**, passed away on 12/5. This vacancy was filled by Kristin Aubrey.

Thomas Day Jr. resigned as Maintenance Supervisor on 1/14 and that position was filled through a transfer of Daniel Goodwin.

David Goodwin was hired as a Maintenance Worker on 1/31 to fill the vacancy created by Daniel's transfer.

Robert Super was hired on 2/8 as the Certified Substance Abuse Counselor serving Happy Camp and Orleans filling the vacancy created by Kristin Aubrey's transfer.

*Marsha Jackson* was hired on 2/10 to temporarily cover the Enrollment/Census Specialist position while Amanda Rhodes is out of the office on maternity leave.

**Dessie Busby** was hired on 2/14 as the TERO/ Childcare Program Assistant which is a newly created position.

Be sure to visit the newly re-designed Tribal Website to view job openings at www.karuk.us/jobs/ on a WEEKLY basis if you are looking for employment or contracting opportunities as that is the first place we post positions and they change constantly and quickly.

Thank you!

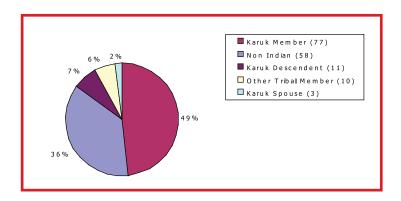
# www.karuk.us/iobs/



# **Human Resources 2010 Annual Statistics**

Sara Spence, Human Resources Manager

s shown by the demographic information compiled for the Karuk Tribe's employment as of December 31, 2010 the Karuk Tribe is contributing to, supporting, and employing predominantly Karuk households.

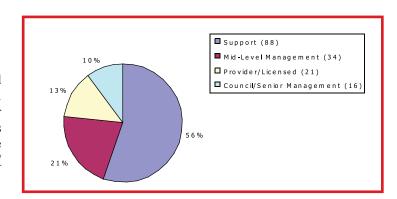


# **Tribal Preference:**

The majority of employees working for the Karuk Tribe are Karuk Tribal Members. If you combine Karuk Members, Karuk Descendents, and Karuk Spouses together, the Tribe is a contributing factor in the households of 91 employees which is 57% of total employees.

# **Position Type and Tribal Preference:**

The employees of the Tribe are distributed amongst the following types of positions. Tribal Preference information is included for each category which clearly demonstrates the highest need for Tribal Members who are doctors, dentists, and other licensed medical/ dental professionals.





### Support Staff: 73% Tribal

Description: performs specific set of duties with direction from an immediate supervisor who could be mid-level or senior management, may or may not supervise staff.

### Mid-Level Management: 56% Tribal

Description: administers the activities of a program or department or subordinate staff, reports to senior management, may or may not supervise staff.

#### Provider/Licensed: 19% Tribal

Description: doctor, nurse practitioner, dentist, nurse (RN or LVN), LCSW, registered dental hygienist, registered dental assistant.

#### Council/Senior Management: 88% Tribal

Description: administers a program or department, reports to Tribal Council, may or may not supervise staff.



### **Karuk Tribal TANF Program**

### **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.

# **Happy Camp Office Staff:**

Daniel Pratt, Director Alphonso Colegrove, Program Development Manager

Cecilia Arwood, Fiscal Technician,

Elsa Goodwin, Administrative Assistant

**Lisa Aubrey,** Family Services Specialist.

**Happy Camp TANF Office** 64101 Second Avenue Happy Camp, CA (530) 493-2040

We are always looking for new clients, please stop by and see me, maybe I can answer any of your questions you might have about our program. We are looking for child care providers, if interested please contact Lisa Aubrey (530) 493-2040 Ext. 6003.





New Yreka TANF Building!

# Yreka Office Staff:

Michelle Kerr, Family Services Specialist

Maria Applewhite, Family Services Specialist Assistant

Janelle Jackson Reed, Family Services Specialist Assistant

**REL Bailey,** Receptionist

### Yreka Site Hours

Monday - Friday 8-12 and 1-5, after 3 by appointment only.

Yreka TANF Office 1107 South Main Street Yreka, CA 96097

# **Orleans Office Staff:**

Clarence Hostler, Family Services Specialist Irene Miranda, Family Service Specialist Assistant

**Orleans TANF Office** 39051 Highway 96 Orleans, CA 95556 (530) 627-3680

KTTP's Orleans site office is located in the rear office space of the Tribal Clinic. Services are proved for eligible Karuk Tribal Members and/or Karuk Tribal Documented Descendents. Eligible applicants received a range of monetary and non-monetary services that assist the client to ending dependence on Federal Cash Aid.



# **Grants Department Update**

Ayukîi!

February and were recently denied. Sue Burcell did an overall revision for the Narrative. We will be re-

submitting this grant when the announcement is made.

Jaclyn Goodwin, Grantwriter

The winter months have kept us very busy. My priority project has been the Administration for Native Americans -Language Preservation and

Culture and Language Class Funding—We are working on budget estimates and will be requesting funding from various foundations and other organizations to support on-going language and culture classes in each of our communities.

*Maintenance* Proposal. This is the grant funding that supports our Language Program activities. In early February Ruth Rouvier and I attended a Pre-Application Training in Sacramento for this opportunity. One key change in the announcement was "applicants who have received funding from ANA for at least two projects consecutively and within one CFDA number may not be funded for a third consecutive project within the same CFDA number if other applicants who have not received ANA funding in the past 3 years are within the scoring range to be funded." This will put us at a disadvantage this year because we have had at least 2 consecutive ANA Grants, but we are hopeful that our project will be competitive. With guidance from each of the communities we have developed an Immersion Project that will focus on the Head Start Level, with supporting activities at the elementary, high school, and community levels.

IMLS Basic Library Services—A proposal in support of the Karuk People's Center Library for a grant in the amount of \$7,000. This will provide funding for basic library services such as staffing, books, and story-telling events.

The projects we are currently working on include:

## Grants submitted since the last newsletter include:

Administration for Native Americans-Language Preservation and Maintenance a project focused on Immersion Teaching Techniques with supporting activities to promote and encourage speaking the Karuk Language.

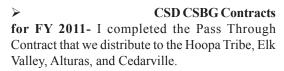
**Health Center Expanded Services** – The Karuk Tribal Health Program submitted a request in

- **Department of Education—Indian Education Demonstration**—we submitted this proposal last
- the amount of \$200,426 to expand services to the elderly population. In Yreka we will add a parttime provider, an Elder's Worker, and a Medical



Assistant. In Happy Camp we will add a Community Health Representative.

Native Cultures Fund and Yocha Dehe Community Fund – We submitted requests to these two organizations for additional funding for the Language Program Strategic Planning Effort. Approximately \$5000 is needed.



If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to call the grants office at (530) 493-1600 ext. 2021 or e-mail Jaclyn Goodwin at jaclyngoodwin@karuk.us. I would love to hear your ideas or suggestions for funding opportunities or potential projects. Yôotva!





# **Uuthvarih Veekxáree News From the Coast**

Julian Lang, Artist, and basket teacher

### Ayukii Nani'áraaras-Hello My Relations

got to thinking. Why not submit an article telling the news of the folks living out on the coast. There's enough of us living out here and we, too, possess newsmaking ability. So in the spirit of keeping everyone connected and sharing the happenings with our fellow tribal members I'd like to propose a new contribution to the Tribal Newsletter: Uuthvarih Veekxáree— News From the Coast. If the idea catches on then we'll have news about those living in the areas of Eureka, McKinleyville, Arcata, Fortuna, Klamath, and occasionally Crescent City. And since I'm an artist, a cultural leader and writer the column will relate tales and stories (new and old), culture. and language. Let the editors of the tribal newsletter know if you think it's a good idea. –Julian Lang

Ayukii, koovúra nani'áraaras.

Ôokninay vúra táay takúupha. There's lots going on around here. And more ahead. Ithítiivanaa. Here's a little rundown.



**Stories of Our** Waylon Lenk, telling the story of Panther. People:

I collaborated with Waylon Lenk, a Karuk tribal member, who contacted me last year about a project to tell our stories-the old stories when the white people first arrived (about 1849— 1850). The result of the collaboration is a 45 minute performance that presents stories from before contact, at contact, and brings us right up to the present. Waylon is a graduate student

in Dramaturgy at Stonybrook College on Long Island in New York.

David Tripp invited Waylon and I to perform our theater piece (it is a work in progress) at a national gathering of vocational counselors that was held in San Diego. It was the first time that Waylon and I had a chance to perform our piece together before an audience. It was very fun for us to bring to life our family and tribal stories.

The "News From The Coast" will be appearing regularly in this publication so send me vour articles at irahiv@hotmail.com

### Julian Lang

According to Tripp the performance presented a California Indian perspective to national tribal leaders many of whom know little or nothing of our People here. And he says, "it shows the spiritual side of Karuk People." Our trip to San Diego was generously helped by a grant from Advocates for Indigenous California Language Survival (AICLS). Future performances will also include segments spoken and performed in our language.

We are currently seeking funding for additional 'local' performances. We have a vision of a Highway 96 tour, perhaps combining traditional and contemporary music!

# Pi'êep Káru Payêem—Long **Ago and Today:**

Ben Brown, curator for the Clarke Museum in Eureka contacted the People's Center director, Helene Rouvier, to consider putting together a Karuk-focussed exhibit. The Clarke is a privately owned and operated museum boasting the largest collection of local basketry in the State, much of it being Karuk baskets. In addition they possess numerous ceremonial objects and cultural items also attributed as



Karuk. A committee was established of Karuk tribal representatives and local Karuk leaders to help guide the shape and scope of the exhibition.

After much work the opening reception was held on December 18th to a large appreciative audience. Since the opening there has been an overwhelmingly positive response to the exhibit. The Times-Standard produced several extensive newspaper articles. The exhibit will be open for a year and will then be moved up to the People's Center in Happy Camp for another year. Please visit when you are travelling through or living in the Eureka area. It will be worth your time.

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World Renewal dancers: Behind painting, World Renewal, painting by Lyn Risling.

# The Karuk People's Center

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Friday 5 p.m. / Saturday all day / Sunday breakfast The Karuk Tribe invites you and your family to share our proud heritage of basket making

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Mrs. Nellie Ruben, Karuk Basketweaver, 1930 Photograph courtesv University of California Special Collections



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For registration forms online go to <a href="http://www.karuk.us">http://www.karuk.us</a>

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# Sing Me Your Story, Dance Me Your Song:

This exhibition features indigenous California contemporary artists and poets. The exhibition "grew legs" and has been on the road for 4 years. It is now at its final scheduled Cali venue; Humboldt State University in Arcata. Lyn Risling and I were graciously invited to open the exhibition. We sang several of the Kick Dance songs that are included in the CD of traditional songs that is available for tribal members. We spoke about the role and importance of art and poetry to Native people and communities. We tried to make you all proud. The exhibit is an inspiring collection of Native California

creativity and we hope you will visit HSU to see it. Brian Tripp is another featured Karuk artist in the exhibition. The exhibit is on the Humboldt State campus, Native American Art Gallery, Behavioral and Soical Science Bldg., in Arcata.



Lyn Risling and Michelle Wallace, director of the Native American Art Gallery

### Other news:

We have scheduled the day for the local Karuk Language class: Mondays at 5pm. The class will be conducted by Julian with Lyn helping out as student/assistant. For those living in the Humboldt Bay vicinity you should visit my website: www.JulianLang.com, and send a message. Navigate to the Language page and schedules, directions, and other info will be posted there. The classes will be held at The Ink People offices, 3rd and F Street, Suite 38, Eureka, in the NCIDC (Carson Block) Bldg.

### Send in News Items:

Those tribal members living on the coast, or those who have news that is pertinent to Karuk folks, please contact me via the www.JulianLang.com website or contact me via irahiv@hotmail. com. Let me know the news and how to contact you and I will try to include it in the Uuthvarih Veekxáree—Coastal News column.

# A Path Forward Karuk Language Program Update



Ruth Rouvier, Language Program Coordinator

ver the next few months, you will begin to see more language audio recordings on the Online Dictionary, and video podcasts on the Language Program webpage. These are the products of our three-year Master-Apprentice Documentation Project, funded by the Administration for Native Americans, which is drawing to a close in September. The six Master-Apprentice Documentation teams are very excited to share these materials with the community, after two years of very hard work. Please check those websites regularly, and tell us what you think.

As we are nearing the end of the Documentation Project, it is a good time to re-assess where we are heading with Karuk language restoration. This assessment process began several months ago as a joint effort of the Karuk Language Restoration Committee, the Language Program and the Grantwriting Department, and is focused on three main activities – a Language Survey,



Community Focus Groups and a Strategic Planning Retreat. The information we gather from these activities will help us develop a strong new project proposal for the next round of ANA funding, and will also provide us with a clear direction and specific steps for achieving our longterm goal of restoring the Karuk language.

In January Jaclyn Goodwin, the Tribal Grantwriter, and I held Focus Group meetings in Orleans, Happy Camp and Yreka to find out what those communities wanted to see for the Karuk language, and for future Language Program activities and projects. Each meeting was attended by a wide variety of community members – elders, teachers, Tribal council members and staff, high school students, parents, language learners as well as those who are interested in language but haven't yet found a way to be involved.

These meetings were fantastic. Not only did Jaclyn and I learn a lot about each community's vision



for the Karuk language, we realized what an amazing resource we have in the communities passionate, thoughtful,

pragmatic and dedicated people who are more than capable of guiding and enacting Karuk language restoration. I came away from the meetings with a great deal of optimism and many new ideas.

We also distributed a Language Survey in January. This was available online (using Survey Monkey) or as a paper survey. We are still tabulating the results, but judging from the paper copies that came across my desk I know that we received some detailed and thoughtful responses. Once we process all of the surveys, we will use the results, as well as



what we learned at the Focus Groups, as part of our last activity – the development of a Strategic Plan.

While the phrase "Strategic Plan" makes some people want to run away, before you do that let me tell you why it is so important to the Karuk language. Language restoration is a huge task, and to be successful we must make many small steps. Sometimes it can be challenging to decide which are the best, most productive ways to use our limited time and resources. A good Strategic Plan will serve as a roadmap for language restoration. It will help us agree upon and visualize our destination - our goal for language restoration - choose a route to reach it and evaluate our progress along the way.

This plan will be developed over the course of a two-day retreat by a diverse group of language learners and speakers, KLRC members, Tribal staff and council members, with the help of a professional facilitator. Together we will evaluate our strengths, resources and challenges. We will set a long-term (20 year) goal, a series of shorter-term intermediate goals, and identify specific steps we must take to achieve these goals.

All of these evaluation and planning activities, in addition to the Documentation Project, have kept the Language Program very busy over the past few months. It has been an exciting and rewarding experience, and I

look forward to sharing the results with in the next newsletter. Stay tuned!



# **Karuk People's Center News and Review**

Hélène Rouvier, People's Center Coordinator



The Gift Shop Online store is now up and running. We have available one-of-a-kind items such as baskets, drums, and necklaces. We also offer Karuk flags, clothing, and language materials. To access the store go to www.karukgiftshop.org. The gift shop promotes high quality Karuk art. Please contact us if you are interested selling your products through our store.

The Karuk Tribe was recently designated by the National Park Service as one of 110 Tribal Historic Preservation Offices across the United States, authorizing Tribal assumption of State Historic Preservation Offices duties on tribal trust lands, and also providing legal authority to "advise and assist" in other development throughout Karuk ancestral territory. Projects that involve Federal funding. permits, or managerial involvement will require THPO review. The People's Center Coordinator is the current Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, and will coordinate with the Department of Natural Resources on projects that could impact Karuk cultural resources, sacred sites, or landscapes. THPO goals include identification of any sensitive sites or resources early in the planning process, before damage from ground disturbing activity.

Both the People's Center and Panamnik libraries are benefiting from our large Library Enhancement Grant. We have hired library assistants for both sites, and are professionally cataloguing the collection. The new online catalog will allow more advanced patron searches of the library collection, and we will be offering interlibrary loans between Happy Camp and Orleans. This funding is also helping to grow the collection of cultural materials - books on Karuk history and culture, Native literature,

# Please help us identify and gather information regarding these historical photos!

and materials for young readers. The grant also provides stipends for storytelling and book signings – please contact the People's Center or Sara Spence sspence@karuk.us if you are interesting in participating!

I have a large number of historical photographs with little information (who, when, where, and so forth). Following the lead of "Project Naming" at Library and Archives Canada http://www.collectionscanada. gc.ca/inuit/index-e.html, the People's Center is requesting any information

you may have on some of these images, beginning with the following photographs.

Please contact me at hrouvier@karuk.us, Your help is greatly appreciated. Yôotva!









# Karuk Tribe Child Care Program



The Child Care program staff is preparing to reapply for funds for another two-year funding cycle. The Tribe

is required to hold public hearings to gain insight on what the membership feels is important to focus on with the funds. Currently, the Tribe pays a subsidy for the care of children to eligible families living within the service area and invests in quality improvement activities such as educational and cultural projects in collaboration with Head Start and other tribal and local programs. This is a good time to share your vision of how we can improve and where we should focus quality improvement funding. A draft of the proposed plan for how

the tribe intends to utilize child care funding will become available early in the summer. The May and June Tribal Council meetings will be our forum for our public hearings and other meetings may be set. They will be announced in advance so that there is plenty of opportunity for your input. Please send any comments, suggestions or your ideas to Dion Wood at extension 2030 at the Admin office in Happy Camp.

# Karuk Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (T.E.R.O.)

The TERO office has had many changes lately. Under direction from the Tribal Council a new TERO Commission was appointed. We must all take a moment and say "Yootva!" to the outgoing commission for their dedicated service to the tribal membership and the mission of TERO. The majority of the outgoing commissioners had served on TERO for several years. The TERO office will always be grateful for their service.

New TERO Commissioners

have been appointed but they have not held their first meeting at the time of submission of newsletter articles. There is a lot of work to be done including picking up the previous Commission's work of updating our TERO ordinance to include workforce protection clauses and other important upgrades to our existing ordinance. In addition there are many collaboration activities that TERO is involved with throughout the year so there is always something going on in the TERO office. In the next few months we will be clarifying many TERO policies

and procedures and will add more information to the TERO webpage on the Tribal website. Stay tuned!

Congratulations to Dessie Busby who was selected through an interview process to be the new TERO / Child Care Assistant. Dessie will be working



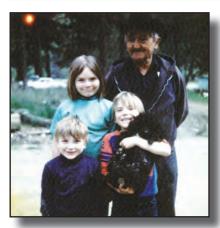
closely with the TERO Director and the TERO Commission to better serve the membership. It is very exciting to have her on board and have her perspective. Stop by and say "Ayukii"!

# TERO ~ Adult Vocational Training



Congratulations to Laura and Jeffery McAllister, sister and brother and tribal members who are both attending Phlebotomy School in Utah! Jeff says, "Well the class is a lot of fun if you are interested in learning a new skill it is well worth your time! Yootva"

Visit the TERO page on the Tribal Website or call the TERO office for questions about Adult Vocational Training. www.karuk.



Marion Southard (Grandpa), Kevin Spence (cousin), Shane Spence (cousin) & Brian Spence (cousin)



Sammi Offield (Little), Patches Little (sister), Chadd Little (brother), Shane Spence (cousin), & TJ Day (cousin)

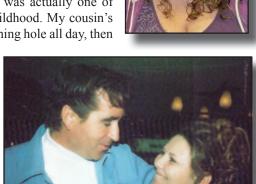
# Generations

Sammi Offield, Finance Department

As a little girl, I used to spend part of my summers here in Happy Camp visiting my cousins, Aunt's and Uncle's (Uncle Tommy was my favorite Uncle). It was actually one of my favorite times of my childhood. My cousin's and I would go to the swimming hole all day, then

walk into town and get ice cream. Life was great and so simple! We would go hiking, camping, fishing and have family picnics and listen to all the stories that the adults loved to talk about.

As a grown up, I only came to visit Happy Camp one time as I had moved to Kansas City, and my life with kids became



Uncle Tommy and Aunt Carol Day

too busy to make the trip back, at least that is what I told myself. Like a lot of other people, I didn't take the time to slow down and enjoy my family and go back to my roots.

I moved to Happy Camp over a year ago, and I would have to say that it was one of the best decisions I have made. I have had the opportunity to get to know my family on a more personal level, but also get to know the community. I have slowed down, and listen to all the stories of Happy Camp, which makes me want to learn more.

The older generation has lived the history here, and what wonderful stories they have to tell. I enjoy sitting with them, listening to Karuk legends, and what Happy Camp was like back before I was born. What knowledge they have! I now realize that someday, they won't be here to tell all these wonderful stories, and our history could one day be forgotten.

So I encourage everyone, especially the younger generation, to slow down and listen to our history. Not just what is written in books, but individual stories. It is what makes us what we are today, and to participate in our community, for we are the future. I hope to one day, have wonderful stories to tell the next generation like our generation has the opportunity to hear.



# **Indian Royalty**

It was a royal night for the Happy Camp Indians. Cousins Kevin Harrison & Liz Harrison take the crowns at the Happy Camp Homecoming along with winning their last home game. Both are seniors at Happy Camp High School and both are planning on attending college.

Proud Parents of Kevin are Dorcas & Hawkeye Harrison

Elizabeth's parents are Justin Harrison & Amy Strain.

# **Karuk Head Start**



he Karuk Head Start program continues to provide quality learning experiences for the children and families. The staff is dedicated to promoting positive support for the children to have a strong sense of self esteem and self regulation as a large part of school readiness. Our teaching team is enrolled in college classes and attends workshops to improve and integrate learning through play activities designed to meet the needs of all students, while maintaining the quality standards as set forth through the Office of Head Start. Our program will be reviewed this year and we are working hard to make sure all program areas are in compliance.

We welcome Jayne Guiducci as the new bus monitor/aide in Happy Camp who came in early December. Jayne fits right in with the Happy Camp team with her easy going style and ability to engage the children, and is a great addition to the program.

Santa came to visit each class for a special Christmas surprise. The children in Happy Camp and

Yreka were treated to gifts donated from Northland Cable in Yreka and from a two special donors who wish to remain anonymous. Another donation from the California conservation Corps

contributed to the purchase of hats, gloves, and a book for each child enrolled in the program. The Rotary Club of Yreka also donated \$250.00 to be used for the children's needs.

Both centers are at full enrollment with a waiting list. This is due in part to the recent MOA with Siskiyou County Office of Education Early Head Start. We received four referrals in January in Yreka.

Parent involvement continues

to be good with consistent attendance to the parent center meetings and family fun days. Both centers sponsored parent education events

surrounding the topic of learning though play. A few of our parents do not have a clear understanding of what developmentally appropriate practice means, or why children look like they are "just playing". Part of the Head Start philosophy is to provide children with age appropriate materials and activities to engage them in learning, discovering, and creating a sense of wonder as they explore. Parents who attended the event in Happy Camp had an opportunity to understand the process of how young children learn. The Yreka center also has parent education as a part of the parent center meetings to discuss what children are learning while they are playing and how parents can support the process.

Both centers are actively and

consistently engaging the children in Karuk language activities and culture. They incorporate words, songs, short phrases, and share cultural artifacts and the children are enthusiastic. Frank Thom is sharing language, music, and stories with

the children in Yreka, and Daniel Goodwin is sharing stories and songs in Happy Camp. We are thankful for our wonderful volunteers and always welcome and encourage Karuk members to visit and share their knowledge and culture with the children. The Language Restoration Focus group met in Happy Camp and Yreka with Head Start staff in attendance providing input and direction on moving the Karuk

language and culture forward.

Patty Brown, Director

A consultant from Head Start Body Smart visited the Happy Camp site to observe the staff interacting with the children in and out of the classroom. This is part of the Head Start Body Smart Grant we received.

She met with the staff afterwards to share her observations and made a few suggestions on how to increase language and improve movement awareness for the children. She was impressed with the classroom and play yard and the way the staff interacts and supports each child. She will visit two more times to provide feedback for suggested changes.

The Yreka Center received the Western Garden Grant and will be receiving funds, materials, and activities to build a raised garden bed. The staff will be planning where to place the garden and will get input from the children on the vegetables and other foods they would like to grow.



The director has applied for a Garden grant through Welch's and the National Gardening Association for the Happy Camp site. This will provide materials, resources, and garden tools. We will find out whether or not we receive it by April.

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# 15th Annual Karuk Tribal Reunion Theme & Artwork Contest



**Due by 5pm May 20, 2011** 

The date for this year's Reunion is Saturday, July 23, 2011!

In preparation, and based on the success of this process last year, submissions are being accepted for the **theme** and **artwork** for this year's event. All submissions will be presented to the Tribal Council (anonymously) and they will choose. The winner will be announced and receive a \$50 gift card to Walmart as well as a free Reunion T-shirt and tote bag!

### The past four themes have been:

- 1. vaa vúra nukúphaanik (I Did That Long Ago)
- 2. koovúra ishkêesh áraaras kunpávyiiheesh (Return to the River)
- 3. chími (let's) ikríivka (hold onto) koóvura (all) pa'ararákuuphaveenati (our Indian ways)
- 4. ataháreesh nu'íina (We Will Always Exist)

The theme should be culturally relevant and representative of the event's purpose which is coming together to visit and reconnect with friends, family, and the area. Artwork should be suitable for printing on promotional materials such as flyers, t-shirts, and tote bags.

### ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM, MAY 20, 2011.

Be sure to include your name and mailing address with your submission so you can receive your prize.

Submit your theme and artwork to Sara Spence in person at: 64236 Second Avenue, Happy Camp; via mail to: PO Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039; or via email to <a href="mailto:sspence@karuk.us">sspence@karuk.us</a>





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Both centers are working on their Emergency Disaster plans after attending a countywide training through partnerships and collaboration with Karuk CCDF, Karuk Head Start, Siskiyou County Public Health, Siskiyou Local Planning Council, and Siskiyou Child Care Council. We are updating our current plans and will be putting a comprehensive plan in place to ensure safety for our children and staff in the event of an unplanned disaster or emergency.

The director attended the Las Vegas Cluster to become certified and achieve reliability for the CLASS training. The CLASS is an instrument used to rate the quality of teacher interactions and is used by the Office of Head Start for the monitoring review. The teachers will be rated using this scale before the reviewers come and to identify areas of excellence and potential challenges in interactions and classroom management. Outcomes will identify continued education to improve or maintain high quality interactions and classroom management strategies with children and support staff.

We are continuing to accept applications for children who are eligible and who will be 3 years old by December 2.

Suva nik, Patty Brown and the Head Start Team



# **Department of Natural Resources Environmental Education Program**



**Overview** of Projects

Cixteen **O**teachers from 7 schools (Forks of S a 1 m o n Elementary,

Happy Camp Elementary, Happy Camp High, Jefferson High, Junction Elementary, and Orleans Elementary) are participating in the Environmental Education Program during the 2010-2011 school year. In addition to the Fish Biology/Fall Salmon Spawning Surveys/Water Quality Studies, Native Forest Plants/Ethnobotany Studies/Noxious Weed Awareness, and Climate Studies & Global Warming projects, teachers requested assistance with lessons on topics such as native animals, amphibians, organic gardening, chemical elements, and earth science. Here's what I've been working on with classes since Fall 2010.

# Fish Biology/Fall Salmon Surveys/Water Quality Studies

October and November are always very busy, since that's when the Fall Salmon Surveys take place. This year was no exception!

In October, the Mid Klamath Watershed Education Coordinator,



Jillienne Bishop, and I assisted with the Fall Salmon Spawning and Carcass Survey Training at Oak Bottom River Access. Sixth – eighth grade students from Orleans, Junction, and Forks of Salmon attended. I also organized a Fall Salmon Spawning and Carcass Survey Training, which



was held for Happy Camp students. Students at both trainings learned data collection and safety protocols, fish identification, and fitted gear for future surveys.

During October, November and December, I collaborated with Jillienne Bishop to take Orleans Elementary students on surveys of a 3-mile reach of Camp Creek and a half-mile reach of Aikens Creek. Although they didn't see any fish or redds in Aikens Creek, students enjoyed the field trip and learned differences between Coho and Chinook spawning area preferences. Students from Happy Camp Elementary surveyed a half-mile reach of Indian Creek. I collaborated with Alan Crockett, US Forest Service, and AmeriCorps volunteers to take

jquinn@karuk.us or 530-627-3446.

Jeanette Quinn, Environmental Education Coordinator



students on the surveys. Jefferson High students were unable to participate in the surveys due to heavy rains.

> In addition to the salmon surveys, I assisted Jillienne Bishop with a field trip for Junction Elementary students to George Geary Hole on the Salmon River in October. I led a station where students learned

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about macro invertebrates by collecting specimens from the river and viewing them under a stereo microscope.

In January 2011 I focused mainly on Fish Biology and Water Quality. Toz Soto, Karuk Fisheries Biologist, loaned me digital video footage, which I used to make a DVD, "Fish of the Mid Klamath Subbasin," to show students. I showed the DVD to classes at Junction Elementary, Happy Camp Elementary, Happy Camp High, Jefferson High,



Orleans Elementary, and Orleans Headstart to teach students about the salmon life cycle and the need for good water quality. I also showed a PowerPoint presentation, "Chemical

Elements & Our Environment," to several classes at Happy Camp Elementary.



Students learned about the importance of elements such as hydrogen, oxygen and phosphorus to water quality in the Klamath River and its tributaries. Junction Elementary 1st-3rd graders

learned about the salmon life cycle when I showed them a PowerPoint presentation in February. They also illustrated their own small books of the salmon life cycle.

Mammals. Tim Burnett, Wildlife Biologist for the Happy Camp Ranger District, provided a lesson on local mammals at Junction Elementary for the K-3rd grade class in December. Mr. Burnett brought mammal pelts and bones for the students to look at and talked to them about animal tracks. I coordinated the presentation and also led a station. I borrowed mammal pelts and bones from Frank K. Lake, Nancy Harding and Will Harling, and talked about the items with students. I also shared photos of mammal tracks with

the students.
Lorelei
DiamondHolzem,
Salmon River
Restoration
Council
Watershed
Education
Coordinator,



assisted with station set up and student rotation. Students enjoyed looking at the bones and skulls, comparing the mammal pelts, and learning more about carnivores, omnivores and herbivores that live in our watershed.

Ants. Nobody had ants in their pants with this project, but we certainly ended up with ants all over the table! Mrs. Laramie, K-2nd grade teacher at Orleans Elementary, requested my assistance with a project on ants for her class. She needed some live ants for the

AntWorks Gel Habitat she had, so I agreed to help. The ant habitat, based on a NASA space experiment to see how ants tunnel in space, is a non-toxic gel that the ants tunnel through and get their nutrition from. I ordered some live



Harvester Ants and a DVD, "The Incredible Ant," then headed to Mrs. Laramie's class after the ants arrived in the mail in late January. Although the ants went to class on ice packs to slow them down, they were ready for action when I opened the mailing

tube. They ended up all over the table, ready to fight! Fortunately, the ants didn't sting or bite anyone, and all the students had fun watching them after we corralled the ants into their new home.

Native Plants. Kindergarteners at Happy Camp Elementary learned about trees in January. I borrowed a "tree cookie" and some core samples from Erin Rentz, Botanist at the Happy Camp Ranger District, to teach students about tree anatomy. Students learned that scientists use tree cookies (cross sections of tree trunks)

and core samples to count growth rings and determine ages of the trees.



The winter months always seem like a good time to study climate and



global warming, so I focused on this project in January and February. Junction Elementary 4th-8th graders learned about our watershed and the water cycle in January. I created a PowerPoint

presentation, "The Carbon Cycle," to share with students at Junction Elementary, Happy Camp Elementary and Orleans Elementary. Students also played a game in which they were carbon atoms and moved around from one location to another in the world. Younger students at Orleans Headstart and Happy Camp Elementary learned

about the water cycle and the carbon cycle. I was happy to have an assistant from Jefferson High, Krista Reynolds, help me with some of these classes at Happy Camp Elementary.









by Michelle Charlesworth, Elders Worker



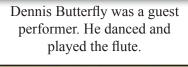
















Yreka Karuk Head Start







Thank you James and Jessica Courts for being Santa and his helper!!! You are the best!



Thanks to all the volunteers and businesses who helped make this Christmas Party for our Elders such a success. Fun was had by ALL!







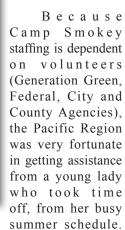


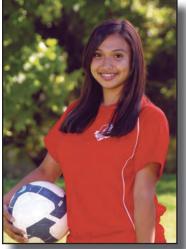
# **Volunteer Inessa Bartholomew at** California State Fair "Camp Smokey"

This article is a reprint from the January 2011 article in BIA's Publication, Smoke Signals and was written by Soledad Holguin.

That makes Camp Smokey so special - is that many of the attendees are repeat visitors that bring their children and grandchildren. The California State Fair is visited by people from throughout the United States and other Countries. Camp Smokey is an interagency fire education project that continues to grow with the changing times and this year is no exception with estimated, daily visitors of 800+. Further, sponsoring of youth, "Generation Green", gives students an opportunity to participate and a memorable insight into the professional world and what it takes to work with the Public. This year the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) was assigned, one of the educational building (Little Red School House). BIA was tasked

> with giving a fire prevention message and educational presentation.





Inessa Bartholomew

She spent 15 days helping out at Camp Smokey. Inessa Bartholomew is a Karuk Tribal Member and her mother, Julie White is a Hoopa Tribal Member and employed at the BIA office. Although Inessa is 14 years old; she really connected with the attendees in an appropriate professional manner and used props to explain the use of fire and its benefits. She was able to answer questions about her culture and had an understanding of traditional fire use and the importance of fire use during ceremonial/spiritual tribal events.

The Little Red School House educational presentation was inspired by Judy S. Okulitch, a Youth Fire Prevention and Intervention Program Coordinator of the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal's. The Oregon message is, "Safe Fire" and "Unsafe Fire", which is different than the previous message "Good and Bad Fire". The BIA took

its own spin on this important message and incorporated Traditional Native American Fire Use:

### A Safe Fire is Useful and has Benefits

- A. Always small and supervised by an Adult
- B. A tool
- C. A fire that is practical and beneficial

# Historical fires that were set by Native Americans are different in three ways.

- 1. Depending on purpose of fire, the time of year was important.
- 2. Fires were set often at the same time of year and same locations.
- 3. Fires were low intensity that burn along the ground (did not damage trees or roots).

### **Adults and Fire Use:**

Hunting, Food, Land Management, Pest Control, Tan Animal Hide, and Tree Felling.

Other Natural Benefits: release of cone seeds. germinate dormant seeds, opens forest to sunlight, and reduction of dead trees and vegetation.

### Unsafe Fire can have bad Consequences and **Destructive to:**

- 1. Human Life. Homes, Buildings and Property
- 2. Animal Life. Insects; Plants and Ecosystem
- 3. Watershed and Landscape

Because of the constraints on time between the five educational structures, our presenters learned quickly to size up their target audience to assure that the fire prevention message was received and understood. BIA received many compliments for our presentation, and adults indicated that this material was new and helped them to understand fire use, prescribed fire and many did not realize that Native Americans continue to practice their use of traditional fires.





# Happy Belated Birthday Wishes to Frank Silva!



# He celebrated his birthday February 9th 2011

Viola and Julio Silva are pleased to announce that their son and Tribal Member, Frank Silva, is currently the President of the Redding Rodeo Association. He is very involved in the activities of the

organization and supporting their events as well as community outreach. He is rapidly approaching retirement from his career and hopes to continue to serve on the Rodeo Association as well as become more involved in Tribal activities and events and work with the membership.



Frank Silva, President of the Redding Rodeo Association getting bikes ready for children who will receive them for Christmas

# **Children Receive Bikes for Christmas**

Excerpts from Redding Record Searchlight article by Sean Longoria

About 100 Shasta County kids received new bikes for Christmas thanks to the Redding Rodeo Association.

The kids are preselected by the association, which asks local schoolteachers to recommend students who might benefit from a free bike.

Frank Silva (above) is President of the Redding Rodeo Association and very active in refurbishing the bikes.

The Rodeo Association gets the bikes through donations local agencies and private donors.

The giveaway is the culmination of months of preparation work. In October, the rodeo association begins

working on the bikes it intends to give away.

The bikes are 100 percent refurbished unless someone donates a new one. Much of the work goes into salvaging bikes for parts and trying to find matching parts for different models.

One problem the Rodeo Association faces is security. This year someone stole 60 bikes from the rodeo grounds.

The association received generous donations to cover the loss, but they are always looking for another place to keep the bikes.

To donate to the bike giveaway or for more information call 949-6742.

# ISHI (Harold W. Croy III)



# #34 – Valley Center Jaguars Linebacker – Freshman JAGS

inebackers are a special breed. These guys are the "enforcers" of the defense. Ishi's job was to make sure that nothing good happens for the offense in the middle of the field. The middle linebacker is the quarterback of the defense. It's his job to make sure all the other defensive players are lined up correctly and know what scheme they're going to use on the next play to try to stymie the offence. As the middle linebacker, Ishi was responsible to see that the running back has no success running between the tackles. In the passing game, if the running back or full back comes into the middle of the field to be an outlet receiver, the middle linebacker's job is to disrupt the pass and make the back regret every coming into his territory. His responsibility on a running play is to be where ever the ball is.

In addition to performing with outstanding leadership, and accomplishments on the field this year, Ishi also maintained a 3.5 GPA. He is currently back at the gym with his Dad (Eric Mendoza), lifting heavy and building muscle mass, and attends VCHS's 5:00 AM Breakfast club training two days a week for this upcoming football season.

# **Iim'nii Tyler Raye Shinar**

(Nickname) **nîinamich virusur** (Little Bear)

Nathan Ray Shinar and Angelique Elizabeth Johnson plus big sister Ahlanna Alyssa Elizabeth Johnson proudly welcome Iim'nii Tyler Raye Shinar. She was born on 1-11-11 at 8:13 am. She weighed 7.8 lbs, was 20" long and was born at Mt Shasta Mercy Medical Hospital.

Paternal Grandparents are Radie Shinar, and Linda and Skip Davis of Happy Camp.

Maternal Grandparents are Shannon and Keith Meyers of Yreka





Tiny hands, Tiny feet...There is someone new for you to meet!

# **Issac Trevor Ray Super**

Florrine and Richard Super of Yreka proudly announce the birth of their son Issac at 7:38 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 15, 2010 at Mercy Medical Center in Mount Shasta. Issac weighed 8 pounds, 15.5 ounces and was 20 inches.





Ivan has been promoted to big brother status.

Maternal grandparents are Pete and Nancy Super of Grenada. Paternal grandmother is Geraldine Stevens of McKinleyville, Calif.

Uncles are Pete, Donald, Larry, Arch, Robert, David and Gary Super, all of Yreka. Thanks to cousins Kayla Super and Rita Thom, both of Yreka, who help bring Issac into the world.

# In Loving Memor Charlene Eroy May 29, 1951 - January 28, 2011

Charlene Croy peacefully passed away on Jan. 28, 2011 in Yreka surrounded by family and friends. She was 59 years old.

Charlene was born on May 29, 1951 to Charles Robert Thom Sr. and June Elaine Thom. She is survived by her beloved children, Brandy Thom, Harold and Barbara Croy, and Joel David and Cassandra Croy, all of Yreka. She also leaves behind seven grandchildren, all whom thought the world of her: Cody Kent, Jessie Hogg, Harold Croy III (Ishie), Matthew Croy, Alex Vogel, Marissa Croy and Lilianna Croy.

Charlene is also survived by her brothers and sisters Daylene Croy, Evaleen Thom, Franklin Thom and Randall Thom, all of Yreka, Michael Thom from Happy Camp, Ronald Thom from Lower Lake, Walter Thom of Somes Bar, Barbara Bolt of Eagle Point, Chaley Thom of Fort Jones,

Jody Boyer of Fall River, Patrick Croy Sr. and Beverly Croy, both of Montague, and Leslie Croy of Santa Rosa. She is also survived by her loving father Charles Robert Thom Sr. Charlene is also leaving behind many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends.

Charlene will be deeply missed, and she joins her mother June Thom, her brothers Charles Thom Jr. and Daniel Thom, and her sister Sherry Woellert, who are now together enjoying the peaceful resting place.

Danny, Walt, Evaleen, Barbara, Franklin, Michael, Daylene, Charlene, Ron, and Jack.





February 15, 1952 ~ January 27, 2011

Dale will be remembered by his daughter Tuesday, sons Kelly, Dale Jr., Jericho, and Nicoma, brothers Cornelius Attebury, Eugene Aubrey Jr., Ed Sanderon Jr., his sisters Rhonda Aubrey and Florence Hinkle, his uncles Eff and Feen McLaughlin, and aunts Babbs and Dolly and also Talonna Nelson.

He joins his mother Bessie Louise Spinks, his father Ed Sanderson Sr., Grandad, Chub & Percy, Sisters Jo Elaine Aubrey and Edena Rose, and brothers Gregory Tripp and Gale Sweets Attebury.

# Four Candles

The first candle represents our grief.

The pain of losing you is intense.

It reminds us of the depth of our love for you.

This second candle represents our courage, to confront our sorrow, to comfort each other, to change our lives.

This third candle we light in your memory, for the times we laughed, the times we cried, the times we were angry with each other,

the silly things you did, the caring and joy you gave us.

This fourth candle we light for our love. We light this candle that your light will always shine.

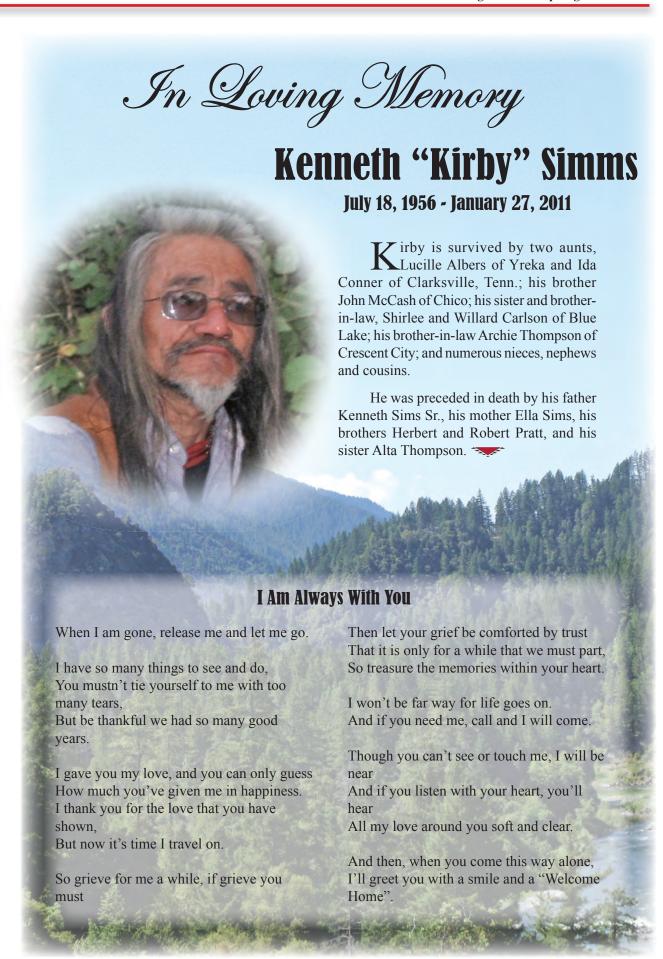
We cherish the special place in our hearts that will always be reserved for you.

We thank you for the gift your living brought to each of us.

We love you.

We remember you.

Author Unknown



# In Loving Memory Fo Elaine Hubrey October 19, 1945 - January 27, 2011



Jo Elaine will be remembered by her daughters Kristy Goodwin, Lisa Aubrey, and Elke Head, her brothers Cornelius Attebury, Eugene Aubrey Jr., her sister Rhonda Aubrey, her uncles Eff and Feen McLaughlin and aunts Babbs and Dolly and Tony.

She joins her mother Bessie Louise Spinks, Grandad, Chub and Percy, brothers Gregory Tripp, Dale Oog Attebury and Gale Sweets Attebury.

She is survived by her grandchildren Beau Goodwin, Janey Goodwin, Sammi Jo Goodwin, Summer Goodwin, Liz Camarena, Brett Rhodes, Amanda Rhodes, Shelby Rhodes, Courtney Culver, Chelsea Post, Jason Day and Frances Day.

# Here I Am

You walk away into the sunset, You stop, take one last look at me, I feel that look wash warm all over, Here I am, here I'll stay.

We've been together but a short time,
Your fingertips have learned my face,
Your hands on me lightened every darken place,
Here I am, here I'll stay.

When I awake and find the morning sun, As much a part of me as you



My heart can't hold the love that flows from me to you, Here I am, here I'll stay.

If you would leave, so would the sunrise, Stay near, let your warm hand kindle me, A thousand days, a thousand ways, I've needed you, Here I am, here I'll stay.

Here I am, here I'll stay.

Jessi Coulter

# **Contract Health Services (CHS)**

(530) 493-1600 Ext. 2156, 2151, 2155

IHS Contract Health Services (CHS) is Not an Entitlement Program and Not Everyone is Eligible

### CHS Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be an Indian or descendant of an Indian from a Federally-Recognized Tribe of California or descendant of an Indian of California.
- Must be a permanent resident of Karuk Tribe's Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).

Even if you are eligible, IHS/CHS coverage is not automatic. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-IHS facility, you must notify Contract Health Services within 72 hours. If you do not do this, you will be responsible for the bill.

IHS/CHS coverage is for emergent, life-threatening situations only! Sore throats, ear aches, rash, follow-up care, medicine bills, etc... are not considered emergent or life-threatening and you may be responsible.

Emergency visits will not be covered if you go to the emergency room when the Karuk Clinic is open. If there is an IHS facility in the area and you choose not to use the facility, then you will be denied by CHS and held responsible for the bill.

### Referral:

Medical care that is not available in a Karuk Clinic will be referred by one of our doctors. A REFERRAL DOES NOT IMPLY THAT IHS/CHS WILL PAY FOR CARE. A patient must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities, and use of alternate resources. The referrals are reviewed and based on availability of funds; the referral is then approved, denied or deferred. If a referral is denied, the patient may obtain medical care at their own expense.

### IHS/CHS Authorization:

In most cases, an approved referral

is limited to one medical treatment and or one appointment. Please call Contract Health Services prior to any follow-up appointments, or additional referrals to another specialist/ facility for approval to make sure your coverage is still in effect.

### Alternate Resource:

CHS is a payer of last resort. When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Private Insurance, Veteran's Assistance, CHAMPUS/TRICARE, Worker's Compensation, or is covered by any other resource, that resource is the primary payor. When received by the patients, all Explanations of Benefits (EOB) and payment checks from the primary payor(s) must be brought or mailed to the CHS office immediately. Many times the non-IHS provider will turn the patient's bill over to collections because they are unable to get the EOB from the patient. The non-IHS provider cannot collect payment from IHS until they filed the bill with the EOB. Therefore, it is crucial for the patient to provide the EOB either to the non-IHS provider or to the Contract Health Office in order to complete the payment process.

### Pregnant/Prenatal Care:

According to Federal Register IHS Regulations, it is mandatory that all other resources be utilized before CHS funds can be obligated. All pregnant women will be interviewed, advised and/or assisted by an IHS Patient Benefits Coordinator in applying for OB Medi-Cal. If you are denied, you will need to take the letter to the CHS office to be filed with your OB referral form. Failure to cooperate with CHS will result in denial to authorize payment for any charges you may incur.



# Newsmagazine Articles!

The Karuk Tribal Quarterly NewsMagazine is a quarterly publication featuring Karuk Tribal members, descendents, families and employees.

If you would like to submit an article, photographs and articles can be emailed to Sara Spence at sspence@karuk.us or Rosie Bley at rbley@karuk.us **OR** you may send your photos and articles to: Sara Spence, P.O. Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039. Photos will be mailed back to you.

Article due dates:

May 15, 2011 August 15, 2011 November 15, 2011 February 15, 2012

# ow Income Assistance Programs (

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 Lassistance 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/ csbg/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.

# 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.

# **Bureau of Indian Affairs Programs (BIA):**

Each applicant will have to apply concurrently for financial assistance from other federal, state, county, tribal or local agency in the service area. An applicant must not receive any comparable public assistance.

### **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.

### **Adult Services:**

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

# **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.

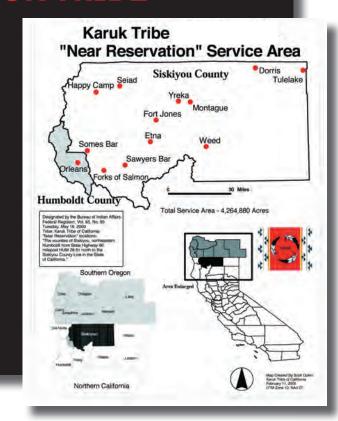
### **GAWEP - General Assistance Work Experience Program**

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 \$4,284 a month. Applicants can not receive public comparable assistance. (SS, SSI, VA, Disability, TANF, GA, etc...)

# KARUK TRIBE Service Area

### 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



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



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# Let us know if you've changed your Address!

If you are not sure whether your correct address and phone number are on file with the Tribe, please write us or call (800) 505-2785 Ext. 2028 and let us know your current address and phone number so we may be able to continue sending Tribal news and other correspondence.

# **Karuk Tribal Council**

Spring, 2011

Arch Super, 2007-2011 Chairman

Michael Thom, 2010-2014 Vice-Chairman

Florrine Super, 2007-2011 Secretary/Treasurer

Crispen McAllister, 2010-2014 Member at Large, Yreka

Florence Conrad, 2007-2011

Member at Large, Orleans

Alvis Johnson, 2008-2012

Member at Large, Happy Camp

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Member at Large, Happy Camp

Charron "Sonny" Davis, 2009-2013 Member at Large, Yreka

Dora Bernal, 2010-2013

Member at Large, Orleans

# **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Karuk Tribal Council is to promote the general welfare of all Karuk People, to establish equality and justice for our Tribe, to restore and preserve Tribal traditions, customs, language and ancestral rights, and to secure to ourselves and our descendants the power to exercise the inherent rights of self-governance.



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