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SERVING THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY & HV COMMUNITIES

RSIC Joining City Celebration at Aces Baseball Game

Native community invited to sesquicentennial finale, birthday blowout

The culmination of the *Reno 150* sesquicentennial celebration will be at Greater Nevada Field on May 9 and organizers have a special invitation for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony.

"This is a milestone moment for our great city, and a chance for us to come together and appreciate how far we have come since 1868," said Reno City Councilmember David Bobzien, who spearheaded *Reno 150*.

The celebration will start at 4 p.m., and gates open at 5 p.m., for the Reno Aces vs. Albuquerque Isotopes baseball game.

Starting on Monday, May 7, the RSIC Recreation Department will be distributing 100 free tickets for the event.

In addition, the Aces will be wearing commemorative jerseys to mark the occasion and these jerseys will be auctioned during the game, with proceeds going towards a local charity.

Plus, participants can learn about Reno's history, people and events by visiting booths which will be showcasing historical and cultural organizations.

There will be music, dancing

and a large display of birthday cupcakes.

About Reno 150

Starting on May 9, 2017, the City of Reno has hosted several *Reno 150* events during the year-long countdown to the official sesquicentennial celebration.

Part of the City of Reno's sesquicentennial celebration, the [Reno People Project](#), has set out to recognize past and present residents of our city who have made a significant, positive and influential impact.

Ultimately, 150 people will be

recognized by May 9, 2018 including Native Americans: Katie Christy Frazier, Beatrice "Bea" Thayer; Captain Truckee, Johnson Sides, Ray Valdez, John Hicks, John Dressler, Arlan Melendez and Harry Sampson.

The City of Reno leadership and the organizers of *Reno 150* appreciate that for thousands of years prior to the founding of Reno, Native Americans inhabited the entire Truckee Meadows.

Accordingly, since Reno's

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Special Guests — About a year ago, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Pow Wow Club helped the City of Reno kick off its sesquicentennial celebration. On May 9, the 150th birthday of Reno, the entire Reno-Sparks Indian Colony has been invited to the "Biggest Little Birthday" celebration at Greater Nevada Field, home of the Reno Aces. Starting on Monday, May 7, the RSIC Recreation Department will distribute 100 free tickets for the event.

Reawakening the Great Basin: A Native American Arts and Cultural Gathering

Presented by the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony in collaboration with the Nevada Museum of Art

Saturday, July 14
10 am – 5 pm

Nevada Museum of Art
160 West Liberty St.
downtown Reno, Nevada

FREE Admission



The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony comes together with the Nevada Museum of Art to celebrate Native American art, culture, community, and tradition.

During this FREE Artown event, the public is invited to meet several established and emerging Native American visual artists from across the region, who will be selling their traditional and contemporary creations, and sharing their knowledge. Numerous performing artists will demonstrate a variety of dances, including the traditional Grindstone Patwin Dancers, traditional Bird Singers from Pala Band of Mission Indians, Owens Valley Paiute War Dancers, the RSIC Pow Wow Club, Eagle Wing Pageant Dancers and more.

The gathering also features basket weaving, creation of Tule duck decoys, hand game demonstrations, Native American puppet show, Indian tacos, Native American Royalty, hands-on art projects, gallery talks, and storytelling. The whole family is invited to learn, listen, shop, participate, and celebrate during this very special community day.

Sponsorship by City of Reno Arts & Culture Commission



Deadlines, Mailing List

The Camp News Profile

Started in the early 1980s, *The Camp News* is the monthly publication for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony community. The newsletter is produced monthly out of the RSIC Public Relations Department and duplicated and distributed by RSIC Administration Front Office.

SEND US YOUR NEWS

The deadline for all print submissions to be considered for publication in *The Camp News* is 5 p.m., the second Thursday of every month.

CONTACT OUR STAFF

E-mail your submissions to smontooth@rsic.org or drop off your photos and suggested articles at 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502.

CIRCULATION

If you live outside Washoe County and would like to receive *The Camp News* via U.S. Post, please contact us with your mailing address.

If you have a problem with delivery, please call us at (775) 329-2936.

ELECTRONIC EDITION

For those of you who would prefer to get an electronic version of *The Camp News* or just read it on-line, please see: www.rsic.org and PDFs of our publication are available.

If you have questions, call us at 329-2936, ext. 3268.

Important MAY dates

- 2 Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
Law & Order Committee Meeting, Tribal Court, 6 p.m.
- 3 RSIC UNITY, Hungry Valley, 4 p.m.
Advanced Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
- 5 The Great Community Cleanup on Eagle Canyon Road, 8 a.m.
- 7 Tickets Available for Biggest Little Birthday Party, Reno Gym, 9 a.m.
Education Advisory Committee Meeting, Education Conference Room, Noon
Senior Advisory Committee Meeting, Senior Center, 1 p.m.
RSIC Pow Wow Club, RSTHC, 1st Floor Conference Room, 6 p.m.
- 8 Tickets Available for Biggest Little Birthday Party, Reno Gym, 9 a.m.
Great Basin Language Playgroup, 34 Reservation Rd., 10:30 a.m.
Washoe County School Board Meeting on Indian Education, Reed High, 4 p.m.
RSIC Color Guard Meeting, 34 Reservation Rd., 6 p.m.
- 9 Tickets Available for Biggest Little Birthday Party, Reno Gym, 9 a.m.
Senior Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Senior Center, 12:30 p.m.
Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
Biggest Little Birthday Party, Greater Nevada Field, 4 p.m.
- 10 Advanced Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
- 12 Mother's Day Bingo, Hungry Valley Rec, Noon
- 13 Mother's Day
- 14 Senior Center Mother's Day Dinner, El Dorado Buffet, 5:30 p.m.
Constitutional Revision Work Group, 34 Reservation Rd., 6 p.m.
- 15 Commodity Distribution, Senior Center, 8 a.m.
Great Basin Language Playgroup, 34 Reservation Multipurpose Rd., 10:30 a.m.
- 16 Senior Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Senior Center, 12:30 p.m.
Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
Tribal Council Meeting, 34 Reservation Rd., 6 p.m.
- 17 Advanced Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
- 18 Great Basin Native Artists Show Closes, Metro Gallery, 1 East 1st St., 5 p.m.
- 19 Armed Forces Day
Hungry Valley Neighborhood Cleanup, 8 a.m.
- 21 Executive Health Board Meeting, RSTHC, 5:30 p.m.
Head Start Policy Council, 34 Reservation Rd., 6 p.m.
- 22 Paiute Language Bowl, UNR, Reno Joe Crowley Student Union 10:30 a.m.
Records and Archives Open House & Photo Fair, 15A Reservation Rd., 3 p.m.
Memorial Day Wreath Making, Hungry Valley Rec Center, 6 p.m.
- 23 Senior Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Senior Center, 12:30 p.m.
Head Start Transition Ceremony, Hungry Valley Gym, 1 p.m.
Head Start Transition Ceremony, Reno Gym, 6 p.m.
Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
- 24 American Indian College Fund Presentation, RSIC Ed Dept., 5:30 p.m.
Memorial Day Wreath Making, Hungry Valley Rec Center, 6 p.m.
Advanced Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
Indoor Rock Climbing, 1901 Silverado Blvd., 6 p.m.
- 28 Memorial Day, RSIC offices closed
Veterans Remembrance, Mt View & Hungry Valley cemeteries, 9 a.m., 11 a.m.
- 29 Housing Advisory Board, Hungry Valley Recreation Center, 6 p.m.
- 30 Senior Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Senior Center, 12:30 p.m.
Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.
Economic Development Meeting, 34 Reservation Rd., 6 p.m.
- 31 Advanced Numa (Paiute) Language Class, RSIC Library, 6 p.m.

A TIP ABOUT
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Lawyers Investigate Reassigned BIA Senior Staffers

Director of Bureau of Indian Affairs leaves after 6 months

Bryan Rice is no longer the director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

Last week, after a couple of Washington D.C., based news outlets, the *Huffington Post* and *The Hill*, reported that Rice had resigned, the agency confirmed a change in leadership the next day.

According to the Associate Press, a spokeswoman for the BIA, Nedra Darling, did not give a reason for Rice's resignation, and added that it is DOI (department of the interior) policy not to discuss personnel matters in the press.

With that information void, media outlets speculated that Rice's departure might be related to questions that the DOI's Inspector General (IG) has raised regarding the legality of the reassignment of nearly three dozen senior staff last year.

Nearly a third of those staffers reassigned were American Indian tribal members, even though tribal members make up less than ten percent of the Department's workforce.

Democratic lawmakers in Congress recently asked the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to investigate whether Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke violated federal anti-discrimination laws when making the reassignments.

A DOI IG report released earlier this month found that poor record keeping by the department made it impossible



for the IG to determine whether DOI followed federal law and Office of Personnel Management (OPM) guidance in carrying out the staff reassignments.

Specifically, the IG report stated that the DOI's Executive Resources Board (ERB) "did not document its plan or the reasons it used when selecting senior executives for reassignment, nor did it gather the information needed to make informed decisions about the reassignments."

In addition, the ERB did not communicate the decisions made with the Senior Executive Service (SES) Corps or with most managers affected by the reassignments.

Absent documentation, it could not determine whether or not the ERB complied with federal legal requirements in 5 U.S.C. §§ 3131 and 3395, which govern administration of the SES.

We found that the ERB did not follow the OPM's guidance for organizing and operating an

ERB detailed in a September 2009 memorandum that provided recommendations for agencies to consider when developing ERBs.

Rice was appointed director of the BIA by Secretary Zinke six months ago.

He is a longtime federal administrator and citizen of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma.

Prior to being named BIA Director, Rice led Interior's Office of Wildland Fire. His federal government career has spanned nearly 20 years, including a stint as the Deputy Director for the BIA Office of Trust Services from 2011 to 2014.

The BIA announced that the acting director will be Darryl LaCounte, who was serving the BIA Rocky Mountain Regional Office.

LaCounte started with the BIA in 1988 as an oil and gas specialist. He has held several positions in the BIA, and in 2014 became the director of the Rocky Mountain region.

According to its website, the BIA's mission is to enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian tribes and Alaska Natives.

Editor's Note:

Chris Lambert, a Senior Associate at George Waters Consulting Service provided information for this story.



KEEP TRUCKEE MEADOWS
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The Great Community Cleanup on Eagle Canyon Road

8am– 12 pm, Saturday, May 5th 2018

Join KTMB, RSIC community members and hundreds of local residents to clean our open space hills and along Eagle Canyon Road during this important event.

For more information contact BC Ledesma, Environmental Specialist II at 785-1363.



WHERE TO MEET: Above Spanish Springs HS at the 1.5 mile marker, near the curve in the road where the guardrail ends.

FREE LUNCH: Provided to all volunteers by KTMB at Lazy 5 Regional Park, 7100 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV 89436

NOTES: Garbage bags will be provided as well as a limited number of gloves. Please bring your own gloves if you are able, and a refillable water bottle. Also, please wear work clothes and dress for the weather.

Environmental Protection Agency No. 2 OK'd by Senate

New EPA deputy administer comes with private industry lobbying background

The United States Senate has voted to install coal industry lobbyist Andrew Wheeler as the Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

According to the EPA's website, the mission of the federal government agency is "to protect human health and the environment."

Amid the current director's avalanche of scandals, Wheeler will be in a position to run the EPA if Scott Pruitt resigns or is fired.

Pruitt, the head of the EPA, recently testified on Capitol Hill for nearly 6-hours regarding allegations of ethical infractions and lavish spending.

According to several major media outlets, the EPA chief, whose job may be hanging by a thread, delivered a typically lawyerly performance.

Besides blaming the media for taking away focus from his regulatory work, Pruitt worked hard to deflect tough questions from both democrat and republican lawmakers.

Not lost on pro-environmental groups and Washington insiders, is that Wheeler brings his own troubling record of serving as a paid lobbyist for corporate polluters.

According to the Sierra Club, the fact Wheeler would enter the administration in direct violation of President Donald Trump's own ethics Executive Order, with a past history of paid industry sponsored

junkets; and a campaign finance scandal under which he raised funds for committee members who voted on him months after he was already the presumptive nominee is very troubling.

"Confirming coal lobbyist Andrew Wheeler to help lead the agency that is supposed to hold corporate polluters accountable is a move straight from the Washington, D.C. swamp," said Sierra Club Executive Director Michael Brune. "Wheeler's confirmation further enables the culture of corruption in which Scott Pruitt attacks clean air and water standards on behalf of the corporate polluters who've been providing him favors and giving him marching orders."

Brune went on to suggest that the Senate should be demanding more scrutiny of Wheeler's own problematic record, not rushing his confirmation so that he can stand by Pruitt's side.

"Wheeler is ethically compromised," Brune said. "In addition to spending a decade getting paid to push corporate polluter interests in Washington, Wheeler has made clear he will do everything in his power to roll back essential safeguards that protect our air, water, and families from harmful toxins like mercury, arsenic, lead, and other pollution."

According to the Sierra Club executive director, the Senate has now made the same

"The EPA...will be led by another individual...interested in protecting the polluters instead of the people..."

—Sierra Club
Executive Director
Michael Brune

mistake twice, and unfortunately everyone in America is going to suffer the consequences of an EPA led by another individual who is interested in protecting the polluters instead of the people.

The Verge, a multimedia on-line news outlet which examines how technology will change life in the future for mainstream audiences, reported that since he entered office, Pruitt has tried to roll back multiple regulations that curb greenhouse gas emissions and limit pollution from automobiles, while cozying up with the polluters he's supposed to keep in check.

"Pruitt also is neck-deep in all sorts of scandals, and his departure is a real possibility," *Verge* has reported, "But the first in line to replace him — the newly named deputy Andrew Wheeler — may be an even greater threat to the EPA and the environment."



Hungry Valley



Neighborhood Cleanup

8am-12pm Saturday, May 19, 2018

This is where various RSIC departments (Public Works, Housing, Planning, Police, Hungry Valley Fire, Tribal Council and more) collaborate to provide an opportunity to assist and encourage residents to keep their yards clean and fire ready.

You can help by clearing weeds, dried brush, trash, old furniture and other flammable material off of your yard space. Also, by removing appliances and other large items out of your yard, you reduce the chances of rodent infestations and other unhealthy situations. And, very importantly, you are doing your part to make our community a cleaner, nicer place to live.

Volunteers are always needed and appreciated!



2 Dumpsters & Sign-In Locations: Both sites will be on Eagle Canyon Drive, the 1st will be south of Running Deer Lane, and the 2nd will be east of Fancy Dance Drive.

Please DO NOT: Place batteries, household hazardous wastes, degreasers, antifreeze or other liquids in dumpsters. Also, please do not attempt to salvage items or dump anything prior to the event.

To request assistance for elders and disabled persons, call Public Works at 785-1341.

Are You Over 18 Years-Old? Every Native Votes Counts

Deadline to register for June primary election looming

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal leadership would like to remind the community about upcoming deadlines to register to vote for the June 12 primary election.

Completed registration voter forms must be postmarked no later than May 15.

Printable forms or forms which can be submitted on-line can be found at:

https://vote.gov/files/federal-voter-registration_1-25-16_english.pdf

Completed forms should be mailed to: PO Box 11130 Reno, NV 89520-0027

You may register to vote in person at: 1001 E. Ninth St., Building A, 1st floor, Reno, during office hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The deadline to register in person is May 22. The last day to register on-line is May 24.

For military or overseas citizens to register to vote, the deadline is June 5.

"Our elders and our ancestors have sacrificed so much for the advancement of American Indians," said RSIC Tribal Chairman Arlan D. Melendez. "We are at a crossroads in our political history and it is more important than ever, that every eligible Native American exercise his or her right to vote in the upcoming elections."

Last election, residents living on the downtown Colony or in Hungry Valley registered to voter in record numbers.

According to the Washoe County Registrar of Voters, since 2014, both Colony and Hungry Valley registered voters have increased by 95 people.

In November of 2016, of the 502 eligible voters living on Reno-Sparks tribal lands, just 50 were not registered to vote.

The RSIC's 90 percent active voters, beats Washoe County's 75.6 percent and the State of Nevada's 67.3 percent.

As this year presents another election with important open legislature seats as well as the governor's race, the RSIC has an opportunity to continue to improve voter registration.

Plus, the RSIC community also can continue to improve its 2016 voter participation.

During the last election, the downtown Colony increased voter turnout by just over four percent, and in Hungry Valley, voter turnout increased by almost 10 percent.

All totaled, on the Colony, 206 people were registered to vote and 127 ballots were cast, for a turnout of 61 percent and in Hungry Valley, 246 people were registered to vote and 184 ballots were cast, for a turnout of 75 percent.

The county voter turnout was 78.7 percent and throughout the State of Nevada, voter turnout was 76 percent.

To find more information about registration, please visit call Washoe 311 by dialing 3-1-1 from any phone.

A list of all candidates and candidate profiles are posted at: <https://www.washoecounty.us/voters/2018electioninformation/candidates/index.php>



Mark your calendars with these important dates.

Voter Registration DEADLINES

Primary Election

May 15 – by mail

May 22 – in person

May 24 – on line

Primary Election

Early Voting-Primary

May 26 – June 8

Election Day June 12

Voter Registration DEADLINES

General Election

Oct. 9 – by mail

Oct. 16 – in person

Oct. 18 – on line

General Election

Early Voting

Oct. 20 – Nov. 2

Election Day Nov. 6

Do you know someone who is interested in working the polls? Leave a message at: 329-2936, ext. 3268.



REMEMBERING OUR PEOPLE...

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AND TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE
GONE BEFORE US.**

MEMORIAL DAY – MONDAY MAY 28, 2018

9:00 A.M. – MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY
(7TH STREET ENTRANCE)

11:00 A.M. – HUNGRY VALLEY CEMETERY

PICK-UP LOCATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION

8:15 A.M. 34 RESERVATION ROAD
8:30 A.M. 98 COLONY ROAD

Sponsored by the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Veterans Committee

Law Would Expand Native Veterans Burial Benefits

Veterans Administration to help spouses, children of service members

The United States Senate has passed a bill to extend burial benefits to spouses and children of Tribal Veterans.

The bill is S. 2248 which would amend title 38, United States Code, to "...authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain burial benefits for spouses and children of Veterans who are buried in Tribal cemeteries, and for other purposes."

The legislation, which passed the Senate by unanimous consent, was introduced by Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) and is cosponsored by Senators Dean Heller (R-NV) and Tom Udall (D-NM).

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense, there are over 150,000 American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans (AI/AN) and over 30,000 AI/AN service members in the United States Armed Forces.

Under current law, non-veteran spouses or dependent children are eligible for a memorial headstone or marker from the Veterans Affairs Department (VA) if they are buried or interred in a national or state Veterans cemetery.

However, they are not eligible for a VA headstone or marker if they are laid to rest in a Tribal Veterans cemetery.

S. 2248 would authorize the VA to provide headstones and markers to eligible spouses and dependents interred at Tribal

Veterans cemeteries. The bill would also authorize the VA to provide headstones or markers for family members whose remains are unavailable and are memorialized in Tribal cemeteries.

The legislation is supported by the American Legion, the Paralyzed Veterans of America, the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

A similar companion bill previously passed the House. H.R. 3656, by unanimous consent and will now be sent to the President Trump to be signed into law.

As some Veterans from the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony have chosen the Hungry Valley Cemetery as their burial site, this law will impact the RSIC.

"We want to ensure that all our Veterans know about all their well deserved benefits and

opportunities to be honored," said RSIC Chairman Arlan D. Melendez. "We believe that military service should always be recognized and we applaud the Senate and the House for agreeing that memorial headstones or grave markers reflecting service to our country are just as appropriate in a Tribal cemeteries as they are in a private cemetery or a special military cemetery."

Per research done by the RSIC Veterans Committee, a volunteer group, there are four Tribal members buried in Hungry Valley, six buried at Mountain View Cemetery.

Additional RSIC Veterans have chosen private, family and the Nevada Veterans cemeteries for his/her burial site.

In Nevada, there are two Veterans cemeteries, Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley or the Southern Nevada Veterans Me-



Veterans Honors — Currently, the United States Senate and House are working on providing headstone or grave markers which reflect military service for Native Veterans who choose a tribal cemetery as his/her burial site. Currently, this benefit is only available to Native Veterans who are buried or interred in a national or state Veterans cemetery.

Veterans Entitled to Military Headstone, Grave Marker

Many Native American Mountain View Cemetery graves missing adornments

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) furnishes upon request, at no charge to the applicant, a government headstone or marker for the unmarked grave of any deceased eligible Veteran in any cemetery around the world, regardless of their date of death.

Last Spring, members of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Veterans Committee inspected several Native American graves at the Mountain View Cemetery and found many are eligible for a free marker indicating the soldiers' military service.

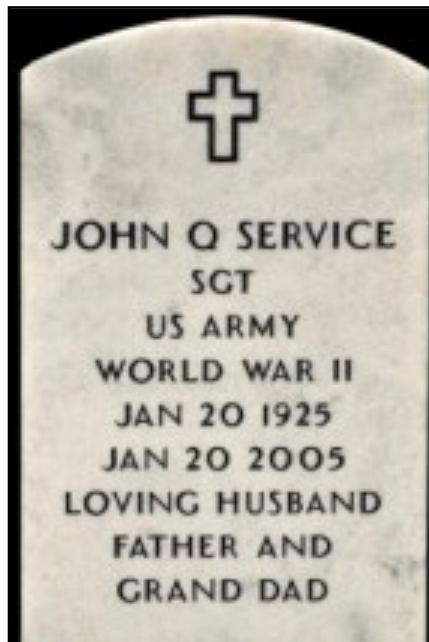
A government-furnished headstone or marker may be provided for eligible Veterans who died on or after Nov. 1, 1990 and whose grave is marked with a privately purchased headstone. A government-furnished medallion may be provided for eligible Veterans who served on or after April 6, 1917 and whose grave is marked with a privately purchased headstone or marker.

Flat markers in granite, marble, and bronze and upright headstones in granite and marble are available.

Bronze niche markers are also available to mark columbaria used for inurnment of cremated remains.

The style chosen must be permitted by the officials in charge of the private cemetery where it will be placed.

When burial or memorializa-



Military Service Noted — *The U.S. Senate and House of Representatives are working to include for Native American Veterans who are buried at tribal cemetery to get Veterans Administration provided headstones or grave markers.*

tion is in a national cemetery, state Veterans' cemetery, or military post/base cemetery, a headstone or marker will be ordered by the cemetery officials based on inscription information provided by the next of kin or authorized representative.

Currently, spouses and dependents are not eligible for a government-furnished headstone or marker unless they are buried in a national cemetery, state Veteran's cemetery, or military post/base cemetery, but pending federal law, S. 2248, would provide additional burial benefits,

should it pass.

Keep in mind, there is no charge for the headstone or marker itself, however arrangements for placing it in a private cemetery are the applicant's responsibility and all setting fees are at private expense.

Cemetery staff in national, military post, and military base cemeteries are responsible for setting the headstone or marker at no cost to the applicant.

Some state Veterans' cemeteries may charge the applicant a nominal fee for setting a government-furnished headstone or marker.

Memorial headstones and markers, for individuals or groups, are furnished for eligible deceased active duty service members and Veterans whose remains are not recovered or identified, are buried at sea, donated to science or whose cremated remains have been scattered.

A VA form 40-1330, *Claim for Standard Government Headstone or Marker* must be submitted to request a burial or memorial headstone or marker.

For assistance in obtaining Veterans' records or for information on other VA benefits, please call the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Public Information Office, 329-2936, ext. 3268 or call your local Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office at 1-800-827-1000 for assistance.



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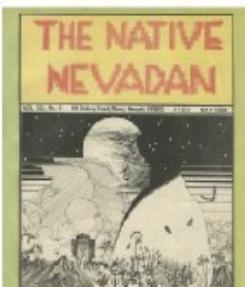
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Reno Sign up 785-1320

H.V. Sign up 785-1321

Native Environmentalists Inspire Tribal Community

Indigenous Spirit On Fire activists share insight into inherent rights

By Tsanavi Spoonhunter

Native American activists who reshaped the national conversation for environmental justice, shared their inspiration in hopes of igniting and inspiring change in local tribal communities.

Last month at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), five panelists spoke of their shared frustrations and shared social issues that their respective tribal communities face.

In addition, the speakers and moderator reminded the audience of 100-plus, about the rights Indigenous communities possess.

The core of the event was connected to the Standing Rock and the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) fight.

In March of 2016, over 4,000 people representing over 300 tribes mobilized to protect sacred, tribal lands and the Missouri River near the Standing Rock Indian Reservation from a 1,172-mile oil pipeline.

According to the panelists, being part of or observing the Standing Rock movement fundamentally changed them.

Moreover, the UNR gathering was a platform to share how any interested individual might help resolve these and other issues continuing to face Indian County.

The panelists consisted of Michon R. Eben, Fawn Douglas, Jolie Varela, Autumn Harry and keynote speaker, Chase Iron Eyes.



Message Delivered — Speaking on environmental justice and the omissions and stereotypical generalizations that hinder the positive advancement of topics critical to the culture of Indigenous peoples, several experts shared their insight and personal experiences to an audience of over 100 at the University of Nevada, Reno on April 10. *Photo by Bucky Harjo*

The moderator for the event was UNR professor, Dr. Myrton Running Wolf.

Before the panel started, a grand entry-style procession was initiated by the drum group Battle Horse.

With their sound that imitated a heartbeat vibrating through the auditorium, the region's tribal flags were posted by the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) Color Guard before Pyramid Lake elder, Charlotte Harry gave an opening prayer.

Dr. Myrton Running Wolf

Dr. Running Wolf holds several advanced academic degrees and is a current faculty

member at UNR's Reynolds School of Journalism.

From obtaining a master of fine arts degree at the University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts, as well as a master of arts degree from Tisch School of the Arts at New York University, to a Ph.D. in theater and performance studies at Stanford University, he was eventually led into the television and film industry.

For Running Wolf, as he rose through his professional ranks, he learned that Native Americans were not in control of their own narratives.

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"I moved to the academic side and behind the camera when I realized, Native Americans are not allowed to tell their stories," said Running Wolf in his opening remarks. "So I kept asking, 'why?' I kept asking and kept getting into trouble for asking that kind of question from the powers that be."

Since his transition from film production, (some films included *Lost*, *Grey's Anatomy* and *Criminal Minds*) and acting (featured in films like *The New World*, *Into the West* and *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*) to academia, Running Wolf strives to enlighten his students to the issues he has seen in the film industry regarding minority inclusion.

"So I made it my mission not only to try and understand and unpack those answers, but then also try and help our students that are coming up who would like to be part of the narrative of Native America," he said. "Or to get those stories out there other than the way we've been currently taught and for generations that continue to perpetuate the stereotypical depictions."

Michon R. Eben

Enrolled at the RSIC, Eben earned a bachelor's degree from Humboldt State University and a master's degree from UNR, both in social work.

Eben is the current Cultural Resource Manager/Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) for the RSIC and works to preserve and protect cultural sites within the Great Basin by conducting consultations



The Moderator — *Dr. Myrton Running Wolf, a member of the Blackfeet Nation in Browning, Mont., and a journalism professor at the University of Nevada, Reno, directed the panel discussion at the indigenous Spirit on Fire event last month on campus.*

between the RSIC and other government entities.

Eben outlined the staggering socioeconomic and health related statistics Native American communities face and questioned the injustice. For instance, Native American and Alaskan Native women are more than 2.5 times more likely to be sexually assaulted or raped than other demographics.

"The department of justice reports that Native America communities face the most dangerous social issues than most other places of our country," Eben explained. "Ironically, the United States government, which has a trust responsibility for Indian tribes is fundamentally at fault for this public safety gap."

In addition, she reminded the audience of the void within the public education system that should be filled with the teaching of Native American

historical accounts and Indian Country's contributions to this country.

Furthermore, Eben shared insight into changes that are often made to Native American culture and history in order to fit science's opinion.

"Citizens are now brain-washed to believe that the Native people aren't Indigenous to the United States, because science tells them that they were brought across the Bering Strait 15,000 years ago, 10,000 years ago, 12,000 years ago. I'm telling you those dates change all the time," she said.

To end her speech, Eben emphasized that because of the changes of Indian Country's history, and the lack of tribal history teaching in the education system, Native culture has been criticized, minimized, and put on display and sold.

"If science can't measure it, or study it, it doesn't exist or it's a myth or it's a legend," Eben asserted. "U.S. citizens buy into this."

She said that the dehumanizing of Native Americans, in conjunction with the devaluation of the culture, results in Native Americans being becoming less than others.

Eben said that Native American spirituality has been marginalized and that it is considered superstitious by non-Natives.

"No one can measure my prayers and no one can measure my spirituality," she said. "My spirituality comes from my heart, my ancestors, and my spiritual being. I am not less than."

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Paiute Language Bowl

May 22, 2018

10:30am-1:30pm

**UNR Campus, Joe Crowley Student Union
(4th floor Ballroom A & B)**

Join us in celebrating the achievements our students have made in their Paiute language classes with a friendly competition. The Language Bowl is an opportunity for our students to encourage each other in preserving and revitalizing the Paiute language.

- Language supporter recognition
 - Keynote speaker
 - Meet & Greet luncheon
 - Lunch provided
 - 2nd year recognition

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Fawn Douglas

Douglas is a part-time instructor of American Indian-Indigenous studies at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) and co-advisor for its Native American Student Association chapter. She is of Moapa Paiute, Cheyenne, Pawnee and Creek Nations descent.

As an artist, she is inspired by her culture and therefore she completed her degree in global studies at the College of Southern Nevada in order to earn a bachelor's degree in art, painting and drawing from the UNLV.

Douglas informed the audience that in 2014, an armed standoff between cattle ranchers and the government, prohibited the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) from thoroughly monitoring the cultural sites including the Gold Butte Monument, and other Paiute ancestral lands.

"A lot of petroglyph sites were being used as target practice, you could see the bullet holes all over our ancestor's rock carvings. You see Joshua Trees knocked over for no reason at all-- trucks just hitting them. Desert tortoise habitat being destroyed," said Douglas. "Artifact sites being run over by these cows that the Bundy's were allowing their cattle to just run through and destroy. So this place is being rocked... there is trash all over the area."

Douglas also explained that she had been to Standing Rock twice. From there, she learned that as an Indigenous person there is a duty to protect the

water and to protect the lands. She felt this responsibility to bring that "energy" back to her home community.

"I brought that energy back tenfold with what's happening in Southern Nevada," she said.

She explained that there are sacred songs in her tribe that are deeply rooted in the connection to the land like the Salt Songs, and Bird Songs. This is why the Southern Paiutes, along with other tribes and non-Native organizations, are fighting to protect Gold Butte.

"For those that don't know, our Salt Songs are songs that we sing during our ceremonies when somebody passes away or when we're having a memorial," Douglas said. "These Salt Songs... with Bird Songs help the spirit get to their next place. And these songs are describing this landscape: Gold Butte, the mountains, the water, the birds,

the animals... Everything that's in this area."

On Dec. 28 2016, former President Barack Obama designated the area along with Bears Ears, a national monument. According to Douglas, a milestone had been reached for the collective efforts that were made to protect these ancestral lands.

"This was something for all people, not just our Southern Paiute people, or the five tribes that make up the Bears Ears Coalition," she explained.

However, on Dec. 4, 2017 President Donald Trump reversed the designation and took away 83 percent of the land, millions of acres, that was supposed to be protected.

In conclusion, she urged the audience to pay attention to what is happening within the law.

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Women Are Sacred — Fawn Douglas and Michon R. Eben listen to comments from noted Indigenous rights and sovereignty expert Chase Iron Eyes. Iron Eyes, who served as the keynote speaker at a panel discussion about Native American activism, is a former United States Congressional candidate. He was among 76 people arrested in February of 2017 for his work against the Dakota Access Pipeline.

Photo by Bucky Harjo

Recently, Utah Representative John Curtis put forth a bill, HR.4532, the Shash Jaa National Monument and Indian Creek National Monument Act which he said would create the first Tribally managed national monument, but it does not restore Bears Ears.

"For those that aren't aware these two monuments are the new Bears Ears, he (Curtis) completely sliced Bears Ears to create these two monuments," she said. "But if Curtis has his way and puts this bill forth and people start making actions on it then it locks it in place. So we need to keep opposing this, keep talking to our representatives that we don't want these things to happen and keep learning."

Jolie Varela

Varela is a member of the Tule River Yokut and Paiute tribes. After spending roughly three months living at the Standing Rock camp, she found a way to bring the "sacred fire" back home by starting Indigenous Women Hike (IWH).

Under the American Indian



On The Move — *Jolie Varela is the founder of the Indigenous Women Hike.*
Photo by Bucky Harjo

Religious Freedom Act of 1978, IWH will hike through the Sierra Nevada Mountains to reclaim ancient lands and trails. Varela mentioned several names, or "place-names" within her homelands of the Owens Valley and nearby mountain ranges that need to be reclaimed with original Indigenous names.

"We will not recognize these forced colonial names that are uniquely tied to our lands," Varela said. "Today our ancestral trade routes, the Nüümü Poyo, are known as the John Muir Trail, or John Muir Wilderness. Just like Columbus did not discover Turtle Island, John Muir did not discover our ancestral trade routes."

Varela described the trade routes as a prehistoric highway connecting hundreds of tribes, and she said that Muir followed trials that were already there.

The purpose of the IWH is to complete a 210-mile hike that will stretch from Cottonwood Pass to Yosemite Valley to unite in sisterhood and realign with traditional and sacred spaces. The IWH is planned for this summer.

"Through resilience and commitment, we intend to prepare ourselves and achieve balance in our bodies through healthy life changes," Varela said.

Additionally, she brought forth another issue that Indigenous people face against the outdoor recreation industry.

"I felt it was important to insert Indigenous Women Hike into the billion-dollar outdoor industry," Varela said. "This is an industry that still profits from the removal and genocide



Kooyooe Tukadu — *An ancient fish eater, Autumn Harry had dedicated her young life to environmental preservation and works at the Pyramid Lake Fisheries.*

Photo by Bucky Harjo

of Native people. The outdoor industry claims to care about the protection of sacred lands, yet they leave Indigenous voices out of the narrative."

Autumn Harry

In the spring of 2017, Harry graduated from UNR, earning a bachelor's degree in environmental studies. She is a member of the Pyramid Lake tribe: the Kooyooe Tukadu. Kooyooe Tukadu is translated to Cui-ui Eater, and it's how the Pyramid Lake Paiute tribal members identify themselves. The Cui-ui is a fish that historically inhabited Pyramid Lake—and through preservation efforts—continues to inhabit its waters today.

"I identify with the land, with the mountains, and with the fish. All those things are a part of my identity, just like they were part of my ancestors' identity and within the work I do, I really try hard to preserve all of those things," Harry said.

She added, "It's so dehumanizing to have to prove that, 'yes,

my ancestors are from this area.' And it's not until they actually dig up your ancestor's remains when they finally, I don't know, maybe they begin to listen."

Harry currently works at the Pyramid Lake Fisheries by spawning fish for population growth.

There are several issues in which Harry expressed concern: fish going extinct, water level fluctuations, water levels dropping, traditional ways are constantly threatened by fossil fuel industries and extraction projects.

"As Indigenous peoples, we're strongly connected to the land, our ancestors are from that land and our ancestors preserved that land and these waters so that we can stand here today," she said. "And so that we can continue to protect them today."

Chase Iron Eyes

Iron Eyes graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of North Dakota in political science and American Indian studies. Now, an American Indian activist, attorney and politician, his career has focused on Native American civil rights.

He co-founded the news website *Last Real Indians*, is a current member of Lakota People's Law Project (LPLP), and previously served as the LPLP staff attorney. Iron Eyes is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and during the time of the DAPL he was running for congress in the state of North Dakota.

Iron Eyes highlighted the



Captivated — Elders, teenagers, Veterans, educators, and those just curious, were riveted to the powerful messages delivered by speakers during the Indigenous Spirit On Fire panel discussion. Organized by a local group of women, the evening was meant to fan the fire of activism which were reverberating in the Great Basin after our water protectors returned home and after our community played prominent roles in the Women March. **Photo by Bucky Harjo**

evening with his discussion on self-determination, inherent rights, and the role of spirituality in movements.

One insight that he imparted to the audience examined the line between the natural world and the synthetic world. He defined the two concepts and explored the importance for that distinction to be clear in the spiritual fight of protecting inherent rights.

"At Standing Rock we definitely saw this line, we felt this line and I didn't know this line was there before Standing Rock," he explained. "I knew it was there in an academic sense and, I had read about it, but there is a line between what you might call the natural law, the natural order, the spiritual law, and the spiritual order."

According to Iron Eyes, within this natural law, there exists oneness and unity of being. He added that on the other hand, there is the synthetic law.

"Synthetic laws and synthetic orders and realities, things that are constructs (something that

is systematically put together) are crafted by human beings," Iron Eyes said. "With the synthetic are also the concepts of abstraction and separation."

In the synthetic law, there also lies fear. Moreover, he emphasized that there is a line between where the synthetic and natural laws meet.

"When I was talking about that line that I stand up to-- that is protected by gunfire, that is protected by corporate militarized gunfire-- it will continue to be there," Iron Eyes said. "It will be there at Bears Ears it will be there in any other struggle that happens to come our way."

Iron Eyes described that this is how spirituality impacts movements and it's something he learned from Standing Rock.

"For us law and order serves water, it serves land," he said. "Every living thing that depends on a healthy ecosystem, which should be a divine birthright reflected in our systems of law and order."

Iron Eyes said that this law

and order reflects humanity's inherent right to a healthy ecosystem.

"This is what Native nations mean when we say 'we're talking seven generations ahead,'" he explained. "However, people who destroy the earth don't have that way of thinking. Usually it's because they don't have the cosmological or mythological foundation to appreciate the powerful concept."

His examples included: "Water is Life," "Water is Sacred", or "Everything that is, is my relative."

Furthermore, Iron Eyes expressed that it is a very critical time for Indigenous people, that they have a world to share.

"We need to start sharing it, we need to start stepping up because we are like the spiritual moral compass," he said.

Iron Eyes believes that no matter our background, there's always something that we can do.

It was in that exact spirit which the evening's organizer Dr. Debra Harry, sought to share with the local Indian community. "Indigenous peoples in our region have been instrumental in organizing on important issues, both historically and in contemporary times," Harry, a member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute said. "The intent of the Indigenous Spirit on Fire event was to showcase the ongoing and important voices of activists in our region to protect the land, water, and cultural heritage of our peoples."

Dr. Harry, who is a professor at the UNR, added that the entire event was orchestrated by local organizers, including members of the Great Basin Indigenous Women Rising,



Storytellers — A common topic several panelists cited was the lack of authentic voices sharing indigenous history and current events. To that end, Chase Iron Eyes founded [The Last Real Indian](#), an independent media movement for the new Indigenous millennium.

Photo by Jarrette Werk

"...for American Indians, law & order serves water and land... people who destroy the earth don't have that way of thinking..."

—Chase Iron Eyes
Tribal Self Determination Inherent Rights Expert

and students and staff at the university.

"We couldn't be happier with the involvement and support of the local community who attended and have given positive feedback on the success of the event," Dr. Harry said. "These kinds of events can serve to raise awareness, and fan the spirit of all people to protect the sacred."

Tsanavi Spoonhunter, an enrolled member of the Northern Arapaho Tribe and of Lakota and Northern Paiute ancestry, is the granddaughter of Issac and Angie Spoonhunter and Carl and Verna Mallory.

She is the daughter of Linda Mallory Spoonhunter and the late Alan Ray Spoonhunter.

A 2017 graduate with a bachelor's degree in journalism and a minor in international affairs from the University of Nevada, Reno, this fall, Tsanavi will continue her education at the University of California, Berkeley.

In & Around: Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Community

Youth cooking for health lifestyles, serving our community, spring fun



Slice & Dice — Caleb Sanderson uses the correct technique to carefully cut apples during a *Nothing To It!* Cooking Class. The Reno-Sparks tribal Health Center offers free kids cooking classes quarterly as studies show the earlier children start cooking, the more likely they are to develop healthy eating habits.



TaaDaahh! — Leilani Moreno proudly shows off her final product. Often, when children cook, they enjoy a sense of accomplishment and can't wait to share their success. After *Nothing To It!* Cooking Classes, all the young cooks sit down at a table for a family style meal. The focus of the classes is healthy prep and eating.



Stepping Up — Summer Dressler recently took an oath of office to join the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Pow Wow committee. Dressler along with other tribal members will organize the Colony's largest annual event, Numaga Indian Days Pow Wow. If you are interesting in helping with this prestigious event, please see page 45 for more information. **Photo by Alicia Hernandez**



On The Hunt — Tseabbe Quartz Campbell-Moss rapidly collected Easter eggs during an Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Child Care outing in Anderson Park. According to the History Channel, although Easter is one of the most popular Christian holidays, Easter Eggs and the Easter Bunny do not have a religious affiliation. Egg Hunting began in America in the 1700 from a German custom.

Ask Paul

This is a glorious time of year with flowers, trees, and grass springing back to life.

Crisp, clear mornings greet us as we begin our day.

Each day is a refreshing gift and an opportunity to make a world that our ancestors, our children, and the Creator would be proud of.

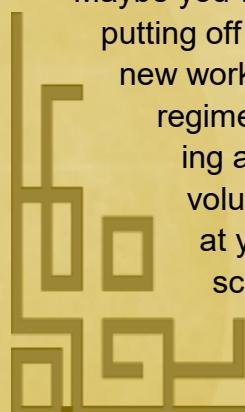
The Red Road to Well-briety teaches us about the cycle of seasons – spring, summer, fall and winter.

Springtime represents new beginnings and new possibilities.

The Elders teach us the first stage of change comes from within. This means that all positive and lasting change begins on the inside of the person and works its way out.

This is the time for a new you.

Maybe you've been putting off starting a new workout regimen, thinking about volunteering at your child's school,



enrolling in school yourself, or deciding to get help for a substance use disorder. Today can be your special day.

When people tell me they want to change their substance use behavior, I consider their personal motivation by gauging where they are on a spectrum of change.

There are 6 stages of change on this spectrum.

If you want to change a behavior, take an honest look at which of the six stages you reside.

Keep in mind this could be substance use or behaviors you want to change.

Stage 1) Precontemplation:

In the first stage, the person does not care to change and does not think he has a problem. In this stage, the person needs to ask himself or herself what it will take to recognize the behavior is bad for him or her.

Stage 2) Contemplation:

In this stage, the person recognizes there really may be a problem.

For example, the person sees that not every time she

drinks alcohol something really bad happens.

However, every time something really bad happens to her, alcohol is involved. Hmm, it makes the person wonder if she should cut back.

Stage 3) Preparation:

The person is preparing to change.

He may be checking out a gym's free membership if he wants to lose weight or looking up AA meeting locations if he's considering slowing down drinking alcohol.

The person isn't really engaged in the change, but he's preparing for their change.

Stage 4) Action:

The person is engaged in her behavior change, and congratulations are due!

She needs to keep up the momentum and have this new behavior become a habit.

Stage 5) Maintenance:

This is the stage where the new behavior is a lifestyle. The idea here is to keep your motivation for your behavior fresh and

Spring Means New Beginnings & Possibilities...

fun. You don't want to give up the old behavior without enjoying the benefits of your new behavior.

The stage that people don't like to talk about—it's relapse.

Take it easy, and be gentle with yourself. A relapse is a setback, but it can also be a strong incentive to avoid going back to the previous behavior or substance use.

For example, a person may feel so bad and so

*“...today can be
the day your
new life starts...”*

remorseful from relapsing that the feeling of letting himself down can be motivation to avoid temptation in the future.

This does not excuse relapse. If it is a learning experience, it can be a valuable experience.

On the other hand if the

relapse is an excuse to go back to drinking, using substances, or continuing a bad behavior, the person really just had a tolerance break.

Also, if a person relapses, they don't necessarily go back to Stage 1.

The experiences and sobriety or new behavior can be picked right back up in the stage they were in before the relapse.

For example if a person has been sober for six months and doing well, then relapses, they can go back to the stage of change they were in previously when they stop drinking.

The person does not lose all of the wisdom they have acquired in sobriety because they have relapsed.

Keep in mind, relapse is not necessary, but if it does happen, the person's healthy lifestyle can continue.

Why not look for excuses to live healthy and happy this spring?

Today can be the day your new life starts.

Figure out a behavior that may not be serving you and decide where you are on the

stages of change. If you would like some tips or help to move forward and advance through the stages of change, please call me at the Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center Behavioral Health Department, and we can help you move towards your new life today!

Contact Paul Snyder, MA, LADC-S, Substance Use Counselor:

775-329-5162, ext. 962
or
rsnyder@rsicclinic.org

Editor's Note:

The American Psychiatry Association, has found that behavioral health complications in Native Americans often can be attributed to the social and cultural turmoil created by a historical treatment. The trauma resulting from a history of race-based policy, discrimination and oppression has longstanding impact.

In & Around: Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Community

Elected officials visit the RSIC, family responsibility in action, fun times



Madame Mayor — The Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center co-hosted The Reno + Sparks Chamber of Commerce 2018 Leadership Program. With over 1,100 graduates since 1985, Leadership Reno-Sparks has helped produce hundreds of managers, community leaders, business owners, and entrepreneurs. Reno Mayor Hillary Schieve was one of the guest speakers.



Critical Fit — Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center Injury Prevention Coordinator Valentine Lovelace examines a child car seat with Connie Wyatt. As Wyatt's family includes a growing infant, Lovelace helped identify the correct safety equipment needed to protect the child while in a motor vehicle. Last month, Lovelace inspected 16 vehicles, performed 23 seat checks, and gave away 13 seats.



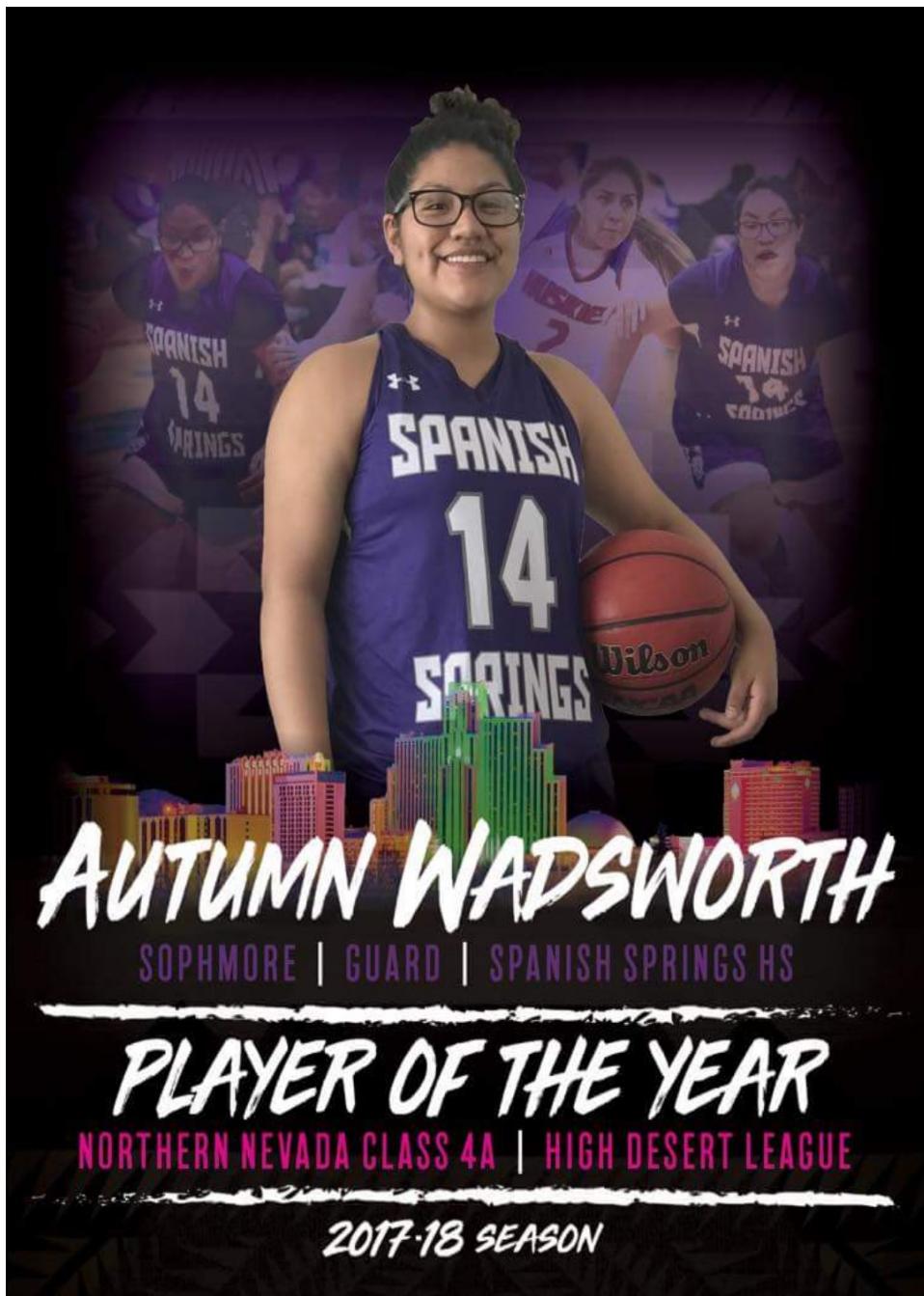
Common Interests — Since 2012, Aaron Ford (right) has served as a Nevada State Senator, serving as the Minority Leader during the 2015 legislative session. Always looking out for Indian Country, Ford will be running for Nevada Attorney General in the upcoming election. He visited the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony last week for a meeting with Chairman Arlan D. Melendez (left).



NDN Humor — At a youth conference held at Pyramid Lake High, the 1941s comedy group member Bobby Wilson joined Vaugh Middle School students Rahlene and Brianna Chavez and RSIC Education Advisor Kenneth Dyer-Redner. The Indigenous troupe performs sketches that comment upon some of the absurd ways that Native Americans are shown in popular media.

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Youth Success Spotlight

Colony member records historic high school basketball season



We would like to congratulate our fam, Autumn Wadsworth, on a great 2017-18 basketball season at Spanish Springs High.

Autumn is the Northern Nevada Class 4A | High Desert League (HDL) Player of the Year!!!

A very well deserved honor! As a sophomore, she helped lead her team to a historic, first High Desert League Championship for the Cougars by defeating both Reno High and Reed High, twice, and defeating McQueen High during the regular-season, before overtaking first place, going into the Northern Class 4A Regionals.

Unfortunately, Autumn sustained a season ending knee injury during the last game of the regular-season, but is very optimistic on her full recovery and return back to basketball with a hunger for the game like never before. So watch out for her in the future.

We wish her all the best and continue to be by her side supporting. Keep being you, stay humble and in due season, God will lift you up.

Spotlight Search: Sharing Student Success

Do you know an outstanding youth at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony who deserves to be recognized for his or her hard work or contributions to our neighborhoods, schools and tribe? Do you know an outstanding young scientists, activist, athlete, dancer, or all-around outstanding ambassadors within Indian Country?

The Camp News wants to highlight young people who are honoring themselves and his or her family with dignity, pride and humility. Tell us about your youth's success story at:

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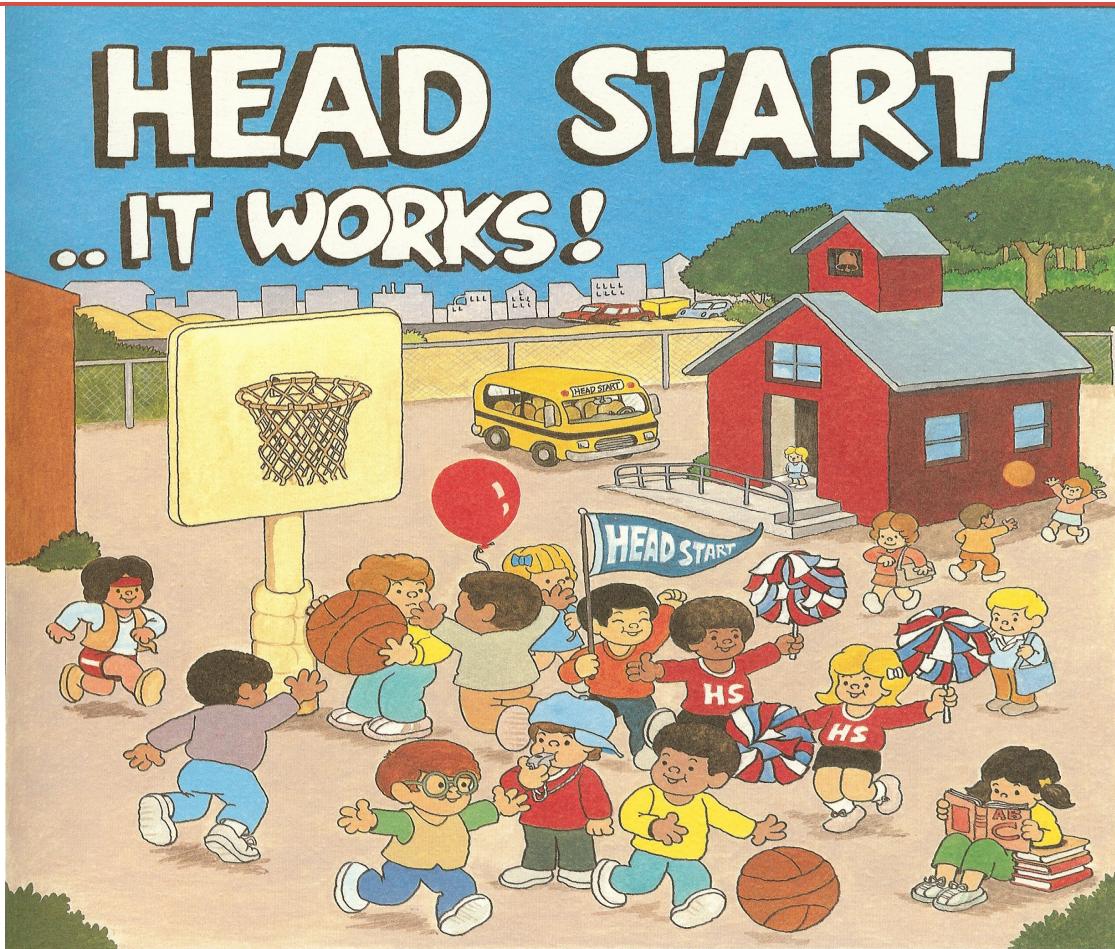
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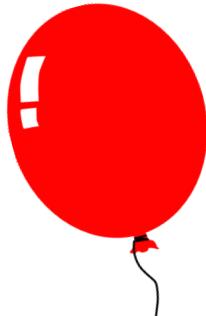
For further information please contact Laura Gallardo, SFSP Coordinator at 775-789-5615 X5432, lgallardo@rsic.org



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Deadline for completed applications to be received: *Friday, July 27th*

Nevada Tourism Industry Recognizes Top Advocates

RSIC Tribal Historic Preservation Office / Cultural Resources Program honored

Tonopah, Nev. — The Nevada Division of Tourism recently honored several individuals and organizations for their dedication to the state's tourism industry at the VolunTourism Awards Dinner.

One of these honorees was the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony's Michon R. Eben.

Eben is actively involved with Nevada Indian Territory, which promotes cultural tourism throughout the state.

She has coordinated cultural tours, as well as developed and curated exhibits highlighting the artists and veterans of the RSIC.

Eben also is working to preserve historical photos and documents through digitalization and works with the Artown festival in Reno to ensure a Native American presence at this illustrious regional event.

In addition to Eben's, five other Excellence in Tourism awards were announced, one from each of the state's six tourism territories, along with other honors.

Additional award winners included: Excellence in Tourism Award for Cowboy Country Territory's Kerrie Supanich; Las Vegas tourism professionals Michelle Dillard, Richard Scown and Jan Johnson; Nevada Silver Trails' Shari Bombard; Pony Express Territory's Jane Moon; and Carson City Culture and Tourism Authority.

Ed Spear, president of the Grand Circle Association

(promoting the American Southwest) and former chairman of Pony Express Territory, was recognized for his skill as a grant writer.

Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters, with locations in Las Vegas and Boulder City, was recognized with the Larry J. Friedman Industry Partner of the Year Award.

Longtime Tonopah resident and tourism advocate Bob Perchetti was recognized with a special proclamation for his service to the industry and his community.

Sol Gonzalez Pacheco, a senior at Valley High in Las Vegas, received the \$1,000 scholarship.

Pacheco participated in Valley High's hospitality and tourism magnet program, which she credits for teaching her the skills to get a job at JW Marriot Resort and Spa. In her essay, Pacheco described the hospitality industry as a place where "people are truly happy with their careers."

The Nevada Division of Tourism (TravelNevada) is part of the Nevada Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. It is responsible for promoting and marketing Nevada as a travel destination to domestic and international travelers.

For more, visit:
www.TravelNevada.biz



Good Work Recognized — Michon R. Eben (middle) of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony was a recipient of the Excellence in Tourism award for Nevada Indian Territory. Presenting Eben her award were Cindy Carano (left) and Sherry Rupert (right) of the Nevada Commission on Tourism.



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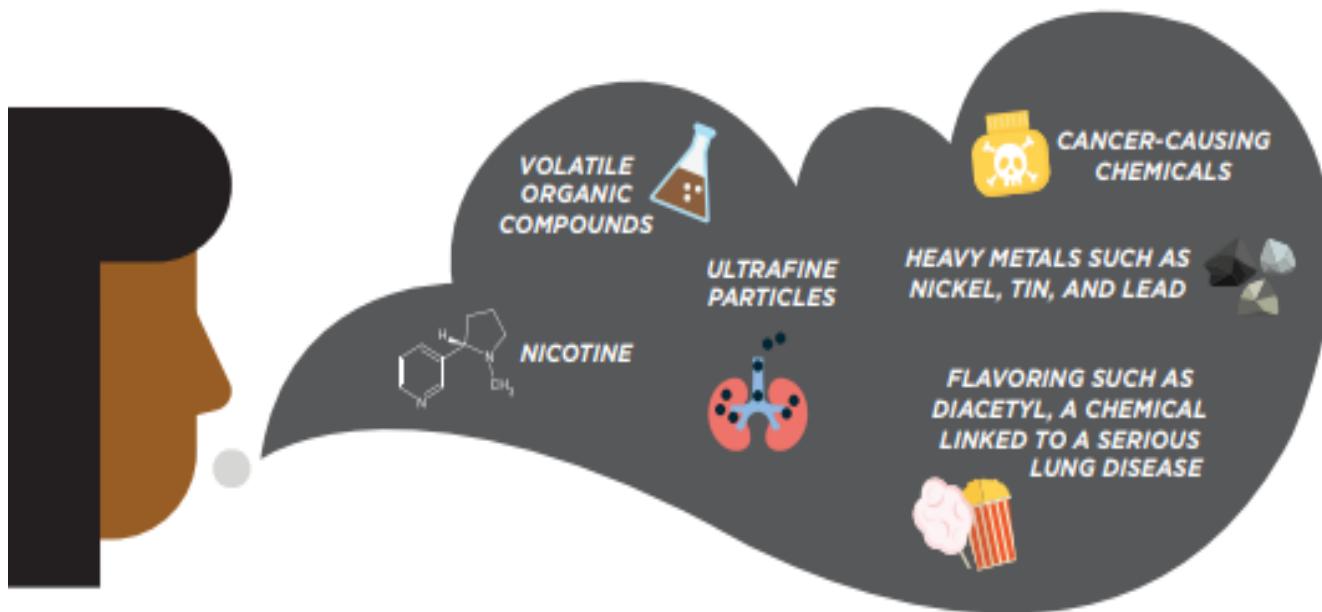
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WHAT IS IN E-CIGARETTE AEROSOL?

THE E-CIGARETTE AEROSOL THAT USERS BREATHE FROM THE DEVICE AND EXHALE CAN CONTAIN HARMFUL AND POTENTIALLY HARMFUL SUBSTANCES:



It is difficult for consumers to know what e-cigarette products contain. For example, some e-cigarettes marketed as containing zero percent nicotine have been found to contain nicotine.

ARE E-CIGARETTES LESS HARMFUL THAN REGULAR CIGARETTES?



VS



YES, but that doesn't mean e-cigarettes are safe.

E-cigarette aerosol generally contains fewer toxic chemicals than the deadly mix of 7,000 chemicals in smoke from regular cigarettes. However, e-cigarette aerosol is not harmless. It can contain harmful and potentially harmful substances, including nicotine, heavy metals like lead, volatile organic compounds, and cancer-causing agents.

WHAT ARE THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF USING E-CIGARETTES?

SCIENTISTS ARE STILL LEARNING ABOUT THE LONG-TERM HEALTH EFFECTS OF E-CIGARETTES. HERE IS WHAT WE KNOW NOW.

1

Most e-cigarettes contain nicotine, which has known health effects

- » Nicotine is highly addictive.
- » Nicotine is toxic to developing fetuses.
- » Nicotine can harm adolescent brain development, which continues into the early to mid-20s.
- » Nicotine is a health danger for pregnant women and their developing babies.



2

Besides nicotine, e-cigarette aerosol can contain substances that harm the body.

- » This includes cancer-causing chemicals and tiny particles that reach deep into lungs. However, e-cigarette aerosol generally contains fewer harmful chemicals than smoke from burned tobacco products.



3

E-cigarettes can cause unintended injuries.

- » Defective e-cigarette batteries have caused fires and explosions, some of which have resulted in serious injuries.
- » In addition, acute nicotine exposure can be toxic. Children and adults have been poisoned by swallowing, breathing, or absorbing e-cigarette liquid.



AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND

College Success Coordinator

TERESA MELENDEZ

Informational presentation:

May 24 5:30 p.m.

Reno Sparks Indian Colony
Education Department

34 Reservation Road Bldg. D
Reno, Nevada 89502

Scholarships

Application assistance

Information

Professional guidance

Tribal funding

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Questions answered

Native Colleges

Advice offered

Why do it by yourself when you can have professional guidance?

Have questions?

Call

Monica

(775)329-6114

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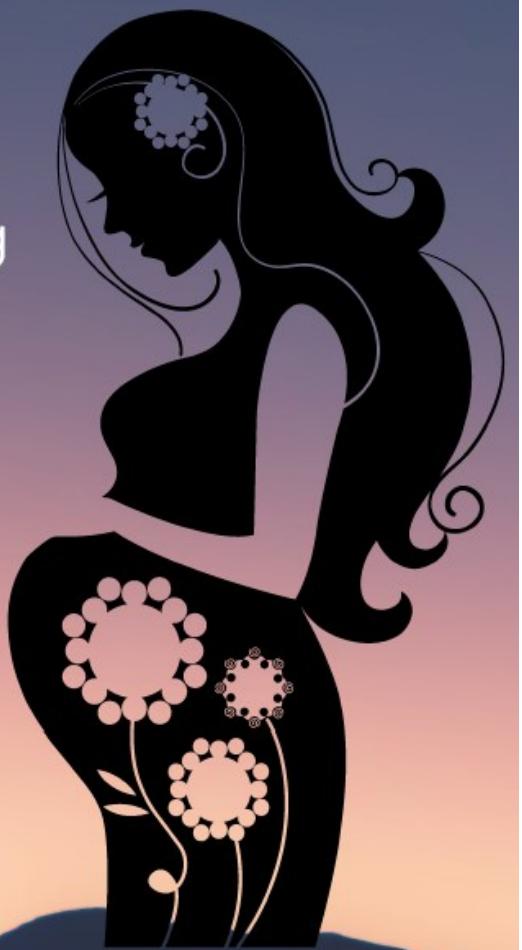
EVERYONE
WELCOME!

So you're pregnant.... now what?

Prenatal Education

Prenatal education sessions will help you know more about what to expect during pregnancy, nutrition, exercise, breastfeeding and the weeks following birth.

For information or to sign up contact Stacy Briscoe, dietitian/diabetes educator at ext 1945 or Gina Featherstone, health educator ext 1949.



Sponsored by the Diabetes & Community Health Departments

TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION PROGRAM

PRESENTS:

FAMILIES TALKING TOGETHER



WHAT IS FAMILIES TALKING TOGETHER?

Families Talking Together (FTT) is a FREE, evidence-based, parent-teen program, presented by Northern Nevada HOPES' Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program. It supports effective parent-adolescent communication to help delay sexual initiation among teens ages 10-14. FTT is presented by a trained interventionist and includes 1-2 individual or small group sessions.

HOW FAMILIES TALKING TOGETHER CAN HELP

FTT has tools to help parents improve:

- Communication with their teen
- Relationship with their teen
- Monitoring and supervision

FTT emphasizes that parents and guardians can impact their adolescents' sexual behavior by setting clear expectations and creating an environment for open communication about sexual and relationship choices.

DID YOU KNOW?

Nevada ranks #7 for teen pregnancy rates in the U.S.

READY TO GET STARTED?

For more information or to enroll in **Families Talking Together**, call Nina Jolley at **(775) 997-7510**.



Nevada Primary Care Association Teen Pregnancy Prevention project is supported by Grant Number 1 TP1AH000127-01-00 through a cooperative agreement from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Adolescent Health. The total program cost supported by Federal funds for this program is \$571,587.00 per year over a five year period. This content is solely the responsibility of the authors and does not necessarily represent the official views of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or the Office of Adolescent Health.



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Education News

34 Reservation Road Bldg. D

Phone Number: 775-329-6114

ATTENTION R.S.I.C STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND GUARDIANS

As the school year is winding down and graduations are around the corner, the Reno/Hungry Valley Education Departments would like to acknowledge all transition students from Headstart/Kindergarten/6th Grade/ 8th Grade and High School/Higher Ed. graduates. If your students are transitioning this June please give your local education office a call and let the advisors know. Thank You

Reno Advisor Tanya Hernandez
775-329-6114

HV Advisor Kenny Redner
775-785-1310

Class of 2018

Senior Class Pictures

Bring them by Reno/Hv Education offices so we can scan them. All photos will be placed on a power point which will be displayed on the monitor in the Administration Building.



Thank You

I just want to thank the parents and students that participated in our Spring Break Reading Program. In addition to reading and writing we also introduced the students to different science projects. We made parachutes, oobleck, and also dropped Mentos in different types of soda for explosive fun! Please, be on the lookout for our Summer Program where we'll continue the fun!-Kenny Redner



SCIENCE ROCKS!



SURVEY WINNER



MARGARET EMM

Thank all of you in the Reno community with completing the survey that was sent out in early March. It was a good experience to go door to door and meet with the community.

Thanks also goes out to Roberta Tobey for helping us with drawing the winning ticket. The winner of the Amazon Fire 7" was Margaret Emm.

Margaret is an elder of the RSIC who had nothing but good things to say about the customer service we provide. Thank you Margaret.

I will be conducting another raffle for the Hungry Valley area within the next month. Please help us with your input. It is very important for which we are here to provide you with the positive hospitality you deserve.

Respectfully,
Administration Department



2018

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Senior Center - Activities
34 Reservation Road, Building F
Reno, NV, 89502
775-329-9929

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1) Phone Pouch 12:45pm 	2) Language class 12:45pm Phone Pouch 1:30pm	3) Errand Day 1:00pm 	4) Caregiver Support Group Meeting 9:00am Blood Pressure Check 11:30am Tone & Fit 12:30pm Phone Pouch 1:00pm
7) 12 pm Tribal Police Presentation 12:30 pm Tone & Fit Senior Advisory Committee Meeting 1:00pm	8) Phone Pouch 12:45pm Night Bingo 5:30pm <i>Bring 2 prizes and a yummy food dish</i>	9) Blood Pressure Check 11:30 am Environmental Presentation 12 pm Language Class 12:45 	10) Galaxy Theaters 1:00pm 	11) Brunch 
14) Food Pantry Tone & Fit 12:30pm Mother's Day Dinner at Eldorado Buffet 5:30pm <i>Must be sign up Call early 329-9929</i>	15) Commodities 	16) Chair Volleyball 10:00am Language class 12:45pm	17) Closed for Mandatory Staff Training	18) Tone & Fit 12:30pm Errand Day 1:00pm Susanville Pow-wow Saturday 
21) Tone & Fit 12:30pm Memorial Day Wreaths 1:00pm	22) Memorial Day Wreaths 12:45pm 	23) Blood Pressure Check 11:30am Community health & Presentation 12:00pm Language class 12:45pm 	24) Birthday Bingo 12:30 pm 	25) Brunch 10-12:30 am 
28) Closed for Memorial Day No Lunches Served or Delivered	29) Century Theaters 1:00pm	30) Blood Pressure Check 11:30am Language class 12:45pm 	31) Planting 12:45pm 	Activities are subject to Change or Cancel without notice

***Susanville Pow-wow Day Trip Saturday May 19th Sign up is required. Leaving at 10:00am and returning at 8:00pm.

Lunch & dinner provided. All other expenses on your own. Sign up early, transportation is limited. Bring your own chair for seating.

Mother's Day Dinner



Place: El Dorado Buffet

Date: Monday, May 14th @ 5:30 pm (meet at the buffet entrance)

Dinner is for RSIC Senior Program Lad clients who are 55-years and older and whose file s are up-to-date. Family member who wish to attend must pay for their own dinner. To sign up or if you need transportation, please call the RSIC Senior Center, 775-329-9929.

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Senior Center – Menu
34 Reservation Road, Building F
775-329-9929



***Vitamin C, 1% Milk, +Vitamin A**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Remember to call before 10 am to cancel your lunch delivery	1) Cream of Potato Soup Turkey Sandwich on Whole Wheat Bread Lettuce & Tomato+ Fresh Orange	2) Meat Lasagna Mixed Veggies+ Grapes*	3) Posole Corn Tortilla Green Salad+* Tropical Fruit*	4) Beef Hot Dog on Whole Wheat Bun Pasta Salad+ Fruited Jell-O*
7) Spaghetti with Ground Turkey Mixed Veggies+* Wheat French bread Apricots*	8) Beef-Vegetable Stew+* Pan Bread Fresh Pear*	9) Ground Turkey Soft Taco Lettuce & Tomato+* Spanish Rice Peaches	10) Chicken Breast on a Ciabatta Bun Sweet Potato Tots+ Honey Dew*	11) Scrambled Eggs Turkey Bacon Tomato and Cucumber Salad+ Apple*
14) Fish Sticks Wild Rice Carrots* Mandarin Oranges*	15) Lunch 11:30-12:30 pm *Center closed at 1 pm for Staff Training Pork Fried Rice with peas and carrots+* Fruit Cocktail* Fortune Cookie	16) Steak Quesadilla Chuckwagon Corn+* Strawberries* *Sack Lunch for 17) Turkey and Swiss on Whole Wheat Bread Lettuce and Tomato+ Banana* Baked Lays	17) Closed Staff in Mandatory training No lunch served or delivered *a Sack lunch will be delivered on May 16 – Wed	18) Italian Sausage with Bell Peppers and Onions Broccoli+ Diced Pears*
21) Beef Stroganoff Egg Noodles Normandy blend veggies+* Tropical Fruit*	22) Navy Bean Soup With Ham Green Salad+* Mini tomatoes+ Fresh Pluot*	23) Veggie Pizza Tomato and Cucumber Salad+* Tropical Fruit*	24) Birthday Bingo Enchilada Casserole with Ground Beef Black Beans and Corn+ Cute Oranges*	25) Frosted Mini Wheat Cereal Boiled Egg Mixed Berries* V-8 Juice+*
28) Closed Memorial Day No lunch served or delivered	29) Beef Tips over Rice Asparagus+ Fruit Cocktail*	30) Chef Salad+* Fresh Blueberries* Breadstick	June 1) Turkey Mashed Potatoes Green Beans+* Banana*	June 2) Sloppy Joes Roasted Sweet Potatoes+ Watermelon



**F I T F O R
L I F E**
FRIDAYS
Senior Center
1 2 3 0 - 1 P M

Improve your strength, flexibility, and balance!

Become stronger & well-balanced without leaving your chair. Most exercises are done in the seated position with resistance bands, light weights, exercise balls, or simple body weight to increase strength & balance.

For more information, or if you have any questions call Vanessa (775)329-5162 ext. 1946

CARDIO KICKBOXING

MONDAY'S 5:30-6:15 PM

- increased fitness
- increased strength
- increased flexibility
- sharpened awareness
- better focus
- reduced stress & tension
- improved self confidence
- learn practical self defence



Questions?? Call Vanessa @ 3NWC
775-329-5162 ext. 1946
vwilliams@rsicclinic.org

YOGA WITH KIM

NEW CLASS ADDED!

TUESDAYS
12:10-12:50pm
Vinyasa HIIT Fusion Yoga
(ADD CARDIO TO YOUR YOGA PRACTICE WITH CARDIO CIRCUITS)

LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
12:10-12:50pm
Gentle Chair-Based Yoga
(INCREASE FLEXIBILITY WITH NO MAT WORK)

THURSDAYS
12:10-12:50pm
(SLOW FLOW FOR ALL LEVELS)
Vinyasa Yoga
ALL CLASSES AT RSTHC 1ST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

OPEN TO RSTHC PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES
ALL LEVELS WELCOME
SIGN UP NOT REQUIRED
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

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RSTHC DIABETES PROGRAM
QUESTIONS? CONTACT STACY AT 329-5162 X1945



The 2018 Diabetes Shoe Program



Keep two Diabetes Checkups in RSTHC Medical in 2018 and you're eligible for shoes through the RSTHC Diabetes Program! Appointment required.

QUESTIONS?
Contact Stacy 329-5162 x1945
Sponsored by the RSIC Diabetes Program

The RSIC Diabetes Program reserves the right to end the program at any time



MARTIAL ART CLASSES

ALL AGES KIDS & ADULTS

Contact High Sierra Martial Arts for schedule & enrollment
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QUESTIONS?
Contact Stacy Briscoe 329-5162 x1945





THREE NATIONS WELLNESS CENTER

Elder

HOME TRAINING

Individually tailored exercises done in the comfort of your own home. Exercises will improve mobility, strength, and balance.

REFERRAL NEEDED
CALL TO GET THE PROCESS STARTED

STACY BRISCOE
775-329-5162 EXT 1945

Trainers:
Michelle &
Tiffany



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Available for all ages
Build basic water
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Enrollment Required @ Alf

call 353-2385

Go to www.sparksrec.com
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Questions? Contact Stacy at 329-5162 x1945

Aquasize, Senior Water Fitness, Toddler Time, and Lap Swimming also available. Call Alf @ 353-2385 for details

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NEW DIMENSIONS

30 MIN CLASS
WEDNESDAY'S
1215-1245

MOVEMENT + STRENGTH

Strength training with dumbbells,
resistance bands, and body weight.

(775)329-5162
EXT. 1946

VWILLIAMS@RSICCLINIC.ORG



F.I.T.
FUN INTERVAL TRAINING
FITNESS CLASS

MONDAYS
12:15-12:45PM



CARDIO
WEIGHTS
STRETCHING
HIGH INTENSE
INTERVALS

GET UP & GET MOVING...

Three Nations Wellness Center
1715 Kunezli Street Reno, NV 89502

Call Walita for more info at 775-334-0938



THREE NATIONS WELLNESS CENTER

Back 2 Life

It's time to get rid of the aches and pains and get back to living.

Gradually get back into exercise with help from a trainer.

Referral required.
Please contact Stacy or Christian at 329-5162

Gentle
chair yoga

Gentle yoga for joint troubles or to gently increase flexibility



Chair-Based Yoga @ RSTHC

No Mat Work!

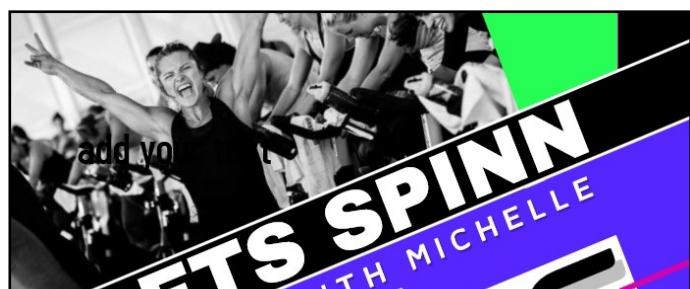
Last Tuesday of every month 12:10-12:50 RSTHC 1st Floor Conference Room

All ages and abilities welcome
All equipment provided
Sign Up not required

Benefits of Yoga

- Increased flexibility
- Increased muscle strength and tone
- Improved respiration energy and vitality
- Improved athletic performance
- Protection from injury
- Maintaining a balanced metabolism
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- Cardio and circulatory health

Questions? Contact Stacy 329-5162 x1945 Sponsored by the RSIC Diabetes Program



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AWESOME CALORIE BURNER AND FITNESS BOOSTER

WEDNESDAYS 5:30-6:30PM & FRIDAYS 12:15-12:45PM @ 3NWC

Questions Contact Michelle @ 329-5162

RSIC UNITY

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

H.V. Recreation - Lower Level

9075 Eagle Canyon Dr. Sparks, NV 89441

- Tribal Youth Ages 13-24
- Get acquainted
- Establish goals
- Election of officers

***Refreshments will be served**

UNITY

Transportation will be provided from Reno to Hungry Valley. We will be departing the RSIC Library at 3:15 p.m. and returning at 6:30 p.m.

Please RSVP to Adrianna Gutierrez 775.785.1320



RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

LANGUAGE & CULTURE PROGRAM

A DAY BEAD DAY AND POTLUCK

May 19, 2018

- Hungry Valley Gym -

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Join us for "Saturday Bead Day All Day and Potluck."

Bring your beading projects and get assistance, or just come bead and socialize.

Bring your own beading supplies and a snack or dish to share!

For more information, contact the Language & Culture Program

775-785-1321



Legal Notices, Public Announcements

Meeting on constitution, recruitment for housing, education, pow wow committees

Invitation to attend Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Constitution Revision Work Group Meeting

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony members are invited to the first meeting of 2018 for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Constitution Revision Work Group.

WHEN: Monday, May 14 - 6 – 8 p.m.

WHERE: 34 Reservation Rd., Building A

WHAT: The Constitution work group will resume meeting to consider amendments to the RSIC Tribal Constitution. Tribal members are welcome to attend and participate in the constitution work group.

The Reno-Sparks Tribal Council supports the establishment of a Constitution Revision Work Group ("the Work Group") for the purpose of:

- (1) Soliciting input from Colony members and other sources regarding potential amendments to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony's constitution
- (2) To gather information on those potential amendments
- (3) To conduct colony membership meetings to discuss those potential amendments and
- (4) To prepare proposed amendments to bring forward to Tribal Council for approval. This may result in a secretarial election by the end of 2018.

Recruitment for Housing Advisory Board

HAB is actively seeking **two** interested community members to sit on the Housing Advisory Board.

If you are interested in being a member of the Housing Advisory Board, please submit a letter of interest to:

Tom Dressler
RSIC Housing Director
c/o 34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502

Recruitment for Education Advisory Committee

The Education Advisory Committee advises and comments on Education Department programs that serve RSIC children, families and community members. The Education Advisory Committee membership consists of five members who meet monthly and are provided a monthly meeting stipend for participation. The committee members will consist of three tribal members and two community residents. Under the Federal Guidelines 25 CFR §273.15, "Indian Education Committees are elected from among parents or legal guardians of eligible Indian students enrolled in the school(s) affected by a contract(s)." The members are appointed by the Tribal Council and shall serve a term of two years. The committee members must abide by the Tribal Council Standing Rules & Statement of Confidentiality.

Please submit a letter of interest to:

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Education Department
34 Reservation Rd.
Reno, NV 89502

Recruitment for Pow Wow Committee Members

The Numaga Indian Days Pow Wow committee is seeking Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal members to serve on its committee. There are **FOUR** vacancies.

Committee members will be appointed by the RSIC Tribal Council and shall serve a term of (4) years.

If you are interested in becoming a Numaga Indian Days Pow Wow committee member, please submit your completed application to:

**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Pow Wow Committee**
ATTN: Tribal Administrator
34 Reservation Road
Reno NV 89502



Susanville Indian Rancheria

9th Annual POW-WOW

May 18–20, 2018

In honor of our elders and veterans for all the sacrifices they have made so we may live.

Host Drum: **Whitefish JRS.**

MC: **Fred Hill, Sr.**

Arena Dir. **Carlos Calica**

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For Information:

Amelia Luna: (530) 249-7192

This is a drug and alcohol free event!

www.sir-powwow.com for more Information



Roxane Gomez - Headwoman

SIR Powwow Committee and SIR are not responsible for short funded travelers nor lost or stolen items

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beginning through 2018, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony has made valuable contributions to the city.

Besides an active role in the Reno People Project, the RSIC played a prominent part in the inaugural kick off event for the Reno Sesquicentennial.

On May 9, 2017, the RSIC Pow Wow Club performed to a packed audience in the Reno City Square.

The afternoon celebration culminated with a traditional round dance which featured Native American dancers, from elders to tiny tots, to law enforcement officers, to elected officials, public servants and

most importantly those Native Americans and their families whom were recognized by the Reno People Project.

Another official *Reno 150* event which is currently underway until Friday, May 18 is the Great Basin Native Artists exhibit at the Metro Gallery.

The Metro Gallery is located at 1 E. 1st St, in Reno City Hall. The gallery is open, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The celebratory exhibition features works of Ben Aleck, Karma Henry, Topaz Jones, and Melissa Melero-Moose.

For more information about *Reno 150* or the Reno People Project honorees, please see: www.reno.gov/community/

The Biggest Little Birthday

Reno 150 Celebration

May 9

Greater Nevada Field

Schedule of Events

4 p.m.

Celebration begins outside Greater Nevada Field

5 p.m.

Gates open for Reno Aces game (must have tickets);

6:35 p.m. - Game starts

Post-game fireworks show

The RSIC Rec Department will distribute 100 free tickets to the celebration. Starting on Monday, May 7 pick up your tickets between 9 a.m.-10 p.m., at the Colony Gym.



Worker Bees — *Celebrating Administrative Professional's or Secretary's Day, several staff members were treated to lunch including, from left to right, front row: Trisha Taylor, Penny Sampson, Lawana Martinez, Verna J. Nuno, and Henrietta Tobey. Second row: Janice Gardipe, Lydia Morris, Elena Sampson, Alicia Hernandez, Suzanne Thomas, and Marlene Yarrow. Back row: Dee Dee Ramirez, Chairman Arlan D. Melendez, Charlene Johnson, Meleseini Tuihalangingie and Johnny Christy.*