



# THE CAMP NEWS

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**SERVING THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY & HV COMMUNITIES**

## Reno-Sparks Indian Colony hosted Washoe County School District's Annual Paiute Language Bowl



(Reno, NV) - Thank you to the Elders; the teachers; and ancestors who continued to speak the language. Because of you, the children will know exactly where they come from.

Indigenous languages preserve cultures, worldviews and traditional knowledge. As most of us know, many languages are rapidly becoming extinct and it's essential to act now to ensure that our traditional languages and the culture they represent are not lost.

Remarkably, the Northern Paiute or Numu/Numa language is taught in Northern Nevada. Throughout Washoe County School District (WCSD), there

are three different high schools offering Paiute Language Classes: Wooster High School, Reed High School and Spanish Springs High School. Pyramid Lake High School, McDermitt High School, and Yerington High School also offer Paiute Language Classes.

Plus, students can now continue Paiute language classes at the University of Nevada Reno (UNR). Since 2019, UNR has offered accredited classes.

The WCSD Paiute Language Curriculum was developed through the hard work of Paiute-Speaking Elders, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony's Language & Culture Program and

the WCSD Native American Education Program. The curriculum is based on the goal that students will be able to form complete sentences and carry on an everyday conversation by the end of their second year.

The curriculum includes:

- ◆ History of Nevada Bands
- ◆ History of Boarding Schools
- ◆ Introductions and Greetings.
- ◆ Colors and Numbers
- ◆ Plants and Animals
- ◆ Calendar, Weather, and Seasons.
- ◆ Family Members.

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# RSIC TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS



## TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

### General Council Meetings

Wednesdays  
6 PM

### Economic Development Colony Enterprise Meetings

Wednesdays  
6 PM

January 15, 2025  
February 12, 2025  
March 12, 2025  
April 16, 2025  
May 14, 2025

June 11, 2025  
July 17, 2025  
August 13, 2025  
September 10, 2025  
October 15, 2025  
November 12, 2025  
December 10, 2025

January 29 2025  
February 26, 2025  
March 26, 2025  
April 30, 2025  
May 28, 2025  
June 25, 2025  
July 30, 2025  
August 27, 2025  
September 24, 2025  
October 29, 2025  
November 19, 2025

RSIC Tribal Council: Top Row L to R  
Vice Chairman Anthony Abbie, Jerrold Wyatt,  
Chairman Daryl Gardipe, Toby Stump  
Bottom Row: Judy Miller, Tribal Secretary  
Marlene Yarrow, Veronica Imus, Treasurer  
Robin M. Eagle, Elizabeth Dunn

June 2025  
In-Person Meeting  
Location

Hungry Valley Community Room  
9075 Eagle Canyon Drive  
Sparks, NV

Meeting also available virtually



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at General Council Meetings only.  
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would like to submit your public  
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Council Meeting date, send email  
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JOIN US IN-PERSON OR BY ZOOM  
For meeting info, contact Public Relations Office at  
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### *The Camp News Profile*

Started in the early 1980s, *The Camp News* is the monthly publication for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) community. The newsletter is produced monthly out of the RSIC Public Relations Office, and duplicated and distributed by the 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 [newsletter@rsic.org](mailto:newsletter@rsic.org), [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org) or drop off your photos and suggested articles at 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502.

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

## June 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

5/30-6/1 "Run It Back" Adult Men's & Women's Basketball Tournament, Reno Gym, Info: 775-329-4930  
5/30-6/1 Moving Forward Powwow in Fallon, NV  
5 HV Head Start Transition HV Gym 6PM  
6 Reno Head Start Transition Reno Gym 6PM  
6 UNITY Monthly Meeting 34 Multipurpose Day 6-8PM PM  
11 Women's Talking Circle TLC Hungry Valley 6:30PM-7:30PM  
**11 Tribal Council General Meeting HV Community Room 6PM**  
16 Senior's Fathers Day Dinner @ Bertha Miranda's 6PM  
17 FBNN Mobile Harvest HV Gym Paring lot 2:30PM-3:30PM  
17 Elder Abuse Awareness Event 12PM-1:30PM 34 Multipurpose Room  
24 Commodity Distribution Admin Bldg 34 Reservation Rd 8AM-11:45AM  
24 2025 Graduates Community Dinner 6PM-8PM Reno Gym  
25 Women's Talking Circle TLC Hungry Valley 6:30PM-7:30PM  
**25 Tribal Council Economic Development Meeting HV Community Rm 6PM**

### RSTHC Weekly Events:

- MONDAY'S @ 3pm- DUI LEVEL II,LL-X, & III
- TUESDAYS @ 4pm- ANGER MANAGEMENT
- WEDNESDAYS @ 10am- SUBSTANCE ABUSE OUTPATIENT GROUP LEVEL
- WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM—WASHOE LANGUAGE CLASSES AT RENO TUTOR ROOM
- THURSDAY'S @ 4pm—DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION GROUP -
- FRIDAYS @ 4pm—Red ROAD TO WELLBRIETY

### Please Note:

- *COVID-19 Stockpile & Assistance: To request PPE or would like to know more info about COVID-19 Assistance, call James Thomas at 775 785-1346*
- ◆ *UNITY Teen Food Pantry @ TLC Open to RSIC Teens/Families RSIC Employees. Supplies are limited Must Fill out NNFB Required Forms. Tuesdays 9:30AM-2:30PM & Thursdays 2:30PM-4:30PM.*

*Beading Circle—Meets every Tuesday Hungry Valley Rec Center 5:30-7:30PM*

*Meets every Monday Reno Senior Center 5:30-7:30PM*

- ◆ In cases of Emergency, call 911.
- ◆ RSIC 24/7 Non-Emergency Dispatch #, 775-323-2677.
- ◆ RSIC Tribal Police Business Office, 775-785-8776.
- ◆ Secret Witness, 775-322-4900
- ◆ To submit a police report online go to, [www.rsic.org/207/Tribal-Police](http://www.rsic.org/207/Tribal-Police).

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# *Office of the Chairman*

## *Daryl D. Gardipe*



Chairman Daryl D. Gardipe provides public comment at the Reno City Council Meeting to acknowledge RSIC has been collaborating with GSR to create beneficial opportunities for our tribe, in addition to identifying solutions to our community's concerns, such as lighting and increased traffic near the colony.

To begin my update, I give my sincere condolences and prayers to the Wadsworth and Clayton families.

In particular, Martin Clayton was the Account Manager for RSIC's Housing Dept. With over 32 (1993) years of dedicated service to RSIC, he became one of the cornerstones of the Housing Department and a vital member of our community. His unwavering kindness will be deeply missed at RSIC.

**Class of 2025 & Graduations-**  
Congratulations to all our students graduating! Your graduation is a testament to the strength and resilience of our community. I am proud of each of you. Believe in your potential to continue making a significant impact. Here's to all the great things that lie ahead!

### **Political Update:**

There are proposed bills and budget cuts that could affect RSIC, if passed. Such as Medicaid, nutrition, Tribal Housing, Indian

Health Services and environmental. As of this point in time, we are not affected.

However, Tribal Council and I are continuing to pay close attention to the news and working with tribal organizations to stay up to date on the political landscape. We are proceeding to take proactive measures to protect our Tribal Sovereignty. And our staff has been diligently working to improve our programs and services.

Working with our federal and state lobbyists, George Waters and Strategies 360, we have been sending letters to our Congressional Delegates and HHS Secretary, Robert Kennedy to ask them to *not support* any of these proposed bills that can disproportionately affect RSIC and all tribal nations.

### ***Demolition of Old 98 Colony Road Tribal Office Building is Now Done:***

Many of us have good memories of that old building. Though we were sad to see the old building

go, we are excited to free some space to build something new for RSIC. The demolition concluded on Friday, May 2nd.

***Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) Tribal Water Conference at Grand Sierra Resort***—On April 21<sup>st</sup>, I had the privilege to provide opening remarks to the conference attendees. The conference was for Water Operators to expand on their skills, gain insights and build a network of water professionals. Over 200 tribal employees and leadership were in attendance from all over the country. The theme was "Make Every Connection Matter".

Previous to being Chairman, I worked at Public Works for 25 years. 17 of those years as the Utilities Supervisor. I applauded all the operators for their dedication to provide clean, safe drinking water to their communities.

***I had an Introductory Meeting with Sparks City Attorney, Wes Duncan.***—On April 28th, I had the opportunity to speak directly with Sparks City Attorney during an Introductory Meeting at RSIC. We talked about future developments and how we can better support one another.

***I attended the Nevada Interfaith Association Prayer Breakfast at 7am on May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Atlantis.***

The Nevada Interfaith Association is a mult-faith network of religious and spiritual leaders in Nevada. Their mission is to understand and honor all faiths, cultures and beliefs, creating an environment of understanding through communication and mutual respect.

Noah Bond, a news reporter for KOLO 8 News and member of the Church of Latter Day Saints invited RSIC to attend. Myself, Treasurer Robin M. Eagle, Council Member Toby Stump, and our

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Public Information Officers, Bethany Sam and Bucky Harjo attended the event. Toby Stump and Jamie Stump sang an honor song to represent Native American Culture at this event.

***On the same day as the Prayer Breakfast, I spoke at the City of Reno Council Meeting regarding the GSR \$1 Billion Expansion.***

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, Economic Development Manager Joel Korotkin, Tribal Administrator Duane Sherman, Public Relations Officer Bethany Sam and I attended the Reno City Council Meeting.

Hundreds of people were in attendance. At first, we were unable to enter the Council Chambers due to max capacity occupancy. The UNR Basketball Teams, Cheerleaders, Construction Workers, GSR Workers, Reno's Hockey Players, Other Casino Owners and more were in attendance to support or raise concerns about the GSR Expansion.

I provided a public comment to Mayor Schieve and City of Reno Council Members to acknowledge that RSIC has been collaborating with GSR to create beneficial opportunities for our tribe, in addition to identifying solutions to our community's concerns, such as lighting and increased traffic near the colony.

The GSR owner, Alex Murelo, was extremely grateful RSIC attended the meeting to provide comment. Mayor Schieve was also happy to see us and made sure to publicly recognize RSIC.

At the end of public comment and hearing, Reno City Council passed a funding agreement for the GSR redevelopment project with a 5 to 2 vote agreeing that 90% of the tax-incentive funding generated by the property's revenue will go back to GSR. The agreement is for \$61.3 million in tax-increment financing.

Meaning the project is full aboard and the project is moving forward. RSIC is in constant contact with

GSR regarding this redevelopment and working together to create a mutual beneficial agreement between RSIC and GSR.

***RSIC hosted the Paiute Language Bowl on May 9th—***

5 schools competed: Wooster High, Reed High, Spanish Springs High School, Yerington High School and a combination team of McDermitt High School + a Student from Pyramid Lake High School. Judged by fluent Elder Paiute Speakers, the Championship went to Yerington High School coached by E'Sha Hoferer. Congratulations YHS!

Traditional Language is basis of our identity and it's amazing to see it flourish in our Washoe County School system. I congratulate all the students who participated and who are passing the language on. Also, thank you Vice-Chairman, Anthony Abbie for representing Tribal Council at this event.

***Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada Meeting*** – On May 15<sup>th</sup> RSIC's Education Director Christina Jacobus, Tribal Administrator Duane Sherman and myself attended a meeting with Pinecrest Academy. We discussed RSIC student benefits, admittance and possible Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement to help guide RSIC students to reach their academic goals.

***Northern Nevada Chamber of Commerce Meeting*** – On May 15<sup>th</sup>, I met with Executive Director Ann Silver of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss potential educational opportunities for RSIC students attending Washoe County School District.

***Election Committee*** – 2025 is an election year for RSIC and 4 Tribal Council seats are up for term of office. I'm pleased to announce the Election Board is finally filled. On May 15<sup>th</sup> I swore-in the (2) Alternates needed to complete the Election Board, Anita Talancon and Sharon Yazzie. Thank you for dedicating your time to serve our community on this important com-

mittee.

***Sierra Nevada Job Corps Meeting*** – On May 15<sup>th</sup> the Education Director, Christina Jacobus, Tribal Administrator Duane Sherman and myself attend a pleasant luncheon meeting with Sierra Nevada Jobs Corps Center Director, Rocky Flanary. This was an introductory meeting to establish rapport and foster collaboration among RSIC and Job Corps for career opportunities for RSIC Community Members who meet the requirements. We look forward to collaborate with Job Corps in the near future.

Job Corps provides free career training and education for low-income young adults between the ages of 16 through 24 years old. Students get the experience they need to begin a career or apprenticeship, go onto college or join the military. And the best part is, it's FREE.

***Memorial Day 2025 was a Success*** – During the morning hours on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, we honored our fallen native warriors with a Dedication Ceremony at both Mountain View Cemetery in Reno and Hungry Valley Cemetery. The Veteran's Committee did an outstanding job organizing the ceremony. I was esteemed to welcome Arlan Melendez, former RSIC Chairman and Jimmy Phoenix; to provide the Dedication.

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony acknowledges that we are visible and valued contributors to our nation's national security. We recognize our Native Veterans and their sacrifices to our Great Nation. Thanks to everyone who attended.

***Reminder of Upcoming Events—***

SAVE THE DATES: August 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> for the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Numaga Indian Days Powwow & Hand-games.

*To stay informed on events, please visit our website, [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org) or read the Camp News Newsletter. Thank you and I hope you have a great month.*

# Reno-Sparks Indian Colony

## Couriers Wanted



Must be 13 years of age or older  
Reno OR Hungry Valley

Administration Office located at 34  
Reservation Rd. Reno, NV 89502.  
Office hours: Monday - Friday  
8 am - 5 pm



## ATTENTION RSIC TRANSIT RIDERS!

The RSIC Transit will NOT be stopping at the scheduled "98" bus stop starting April 25th until further notice due to construction.

With any questions or concerns please reach out to Public Works.  
775-785-1341

### Reno rates:

Flyers: \$25  
Camp News: \$70

### Hungry Valley rates:

Flyers: \$40  
Camp news: \$90



Please Call  
775-329-2936 or Email  
AHENSLEE@RSIC.ORG &  
CMCCREA@RSIC.ORG  
for more information!

Supporting survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault is a vital act of showing support and compassion. LGBTQ+ individuals face unique challenges when experiencing abuse, including underreporting, discrimination, and a lack of services. Here's how you can make a meaningful difference:

### How to Support LGBTQ+ Survivors



Create a safe space: Let survivors share their experiences at their own pace, without judgment or pressure.

- Validate their feelings: Use affirming language like "I believe you" and "It's not your fault" to help them feel heard and supported.
- Avoid pressuring them: Let survivors make their own decisions about next steps to take.
- Protect their privacy: Be cautious about sharing information that could compromise their safety.
- Educate yourself: Understand the specific challenges faced by LGBTQ+ survivors, including historical and systemic barriers.
- Create inclusive spaces: Use inclusive language, respect pronouns, and challenge discriminatory behaviors. Ask survivor what they would like to be called rather than make assumptions.
- Celebrate resilience: Acknowledge the strength of survivors in their healing journey.

### Barriers to Support

Underreporting and Distrust: Many survivors are reluctant to seek help due to fear of not being believed, cultural stigmas, and distrust in law enforcement, service providers, and sometimes even friends and family.

- Historical Trauma: Generations of colonization and systemic violence have eroded traditional support structures, making it harder for survivors to access appropriate care.

### Resources

Victim Services Program: 775-329-5071

StrongHearts Native Helpline: A confidential, culturally appropriate helpline for Native Americans and Alaska Natives affected by domestic, dating, and sexual violence. Available at 1-844-7NATIVE (1-844-762-8483)

Crisis Support Services of Nevada: call 988 available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Supporting the LGBTQ+ community requires commitment and empathy. By educating yourself, advocating for equal rights, and fostering inclusivity, you can make a meaningful difference in the lives of LGBTQ+ individuals. Together, we can create a world where acceptance, and diversity are celebrated every day.



## WOMEN'S TALKING CIRCLE

Presented by:  
VICTIM SERVICES ADVOCATES  
6:30-7:30pm

TLC BUILDING IN HUNGRY VALLEY  
Wednesday, June 11th and Wednesday June 25th

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Human Services/Victim Services Department



# REMINDER

*Summer Youth Employment Applications along with an updated 477 Application are due no later than Wednesday, June 4th!*



Reach out to Higher Ed. or 477 for questions

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Join Us for Men's Mental Health Awareness Month:

## Community Movie Night



Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center

5:30 PM | Monday, June 30th

Rez Ball (Netflix)

Dinner & snacks provided

Bring your own comfy chairs & blankets

Behavioral Health Presentation:

*'Silence Isn't Strength'*

Spots are limited! To Reserve a Spot email:

[vwilliams@rsicclinic.org](mailto:vwilliams@rsicclinic.org)

[jocano@rsicclinic.org](mailto:jocano@rsicclinic.org)

By Friday, June 20th



Honoring

Sergeant Jose Melendez

Thank You for 8 Years of Service

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony would like to extend its heartfelt appreciation to Sergeant Jose Melendez, who is concluding his service with the RSIC Police Department after eight dedicated years.

Throughout his career, Sergeant Melendez has served the RSIC community with professionalism, courage, and compassion. From patrolling our neighborhoods to leading fellow officers in times of crisis, his commitment to public safety and community trust has been evident in every aspect of his work.

Sergeant Melendez rose through the ranks with determination and integrity. Known for his steady leadership and strong work ethic, he has been a trusted presence within the department and a respected figure throughout the Colony. His contributions to community policing, officer development, and public service have made a lasting impact.

As he moves forward into a new chapter, we thank Sergeant Melendez for his years of service to our community. His dedication will not be forgotten, and he will always have a place in the RSIC family.

Please join us in wishing Sergeant Jose Melendez all the best in his future endeavors.



year, WSCD organizes a Paiute Language Bowl. A friendly competition to showcase what students have learned over the course of the school year. As well as meet students from different high schools to converse the language with. This competition is designed to help them practice their language skills and learn more about the Northern Paiute culture.

This year, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) had the honor of hosting WSCD's Annual Paiute Bowl 2025 at the Reno Gym.

5 Teams in total. Wooster High School, Reed High School, Spanish Springs High School, Yerington High School and a combined team of students from McDermitt High School and Pyramid Lake High School.

As the Paiute Language Teams came strolling through the gym, you could feel the highly competitive environment. Some of the students wore ribbon shirts and ribbon skirts with school colors. The Language Bowl intensity felt like the crowd was watching the Pyramid Lake Girls Basketball Team at the State Championship.

Each team could have done a grand entrance, marching to a Paiute cadence to intimidate one team to the next.

As the team took their seats and put away their studying tools, WSCD Native American Culture & Education Program Manager, Fawn Hunter gave opening remarks. Followed by a Nu-

mu Prayer from Reed High School Students. A welcoming by WCSD Board Member and Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Member, Jimmy Phoenix. And to everyone's surprise, WCSD had a motivational guest speaker, the newly crowned Gathering Of Nations Miss Indian World, Dania Wahwasuck.

Dania is a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi and is a descendant Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and of Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. Dania also graduated from Pyramid Lake High School. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas and is currently working on her master's in leadership diversity and inclusion with emphasis on Indigenous studies. Congratulations Miss Indian World!

Dania spoke to the students about the importance of higher education and preservation of culture & language. She gave out gifts to students who were brave enough to answer a few questions. Her words positively impacted the students.

After the motivational speech, the competition began. Paiute-Speaking Elders, Norma Tom and Thalia Dick were the judges of the competition.

"I never knew you could cheer so hard for a language bowl," a parent said from the bleachers.

There are 3 rounds of the competition to test the students skills:

- 1) Round One—Vocabulary. This round was multiple

choice after showing the word on projector screen.

- 2) Round Two—Phrases. Students viewed the Numu phrase on the projector screen and translate it into English over the microphone.
- 3) Round Three—Questions and Responses; a speaking round. The students were asked questions in Numu and they had to reply back into the microphone for the elders to hear.

Each team cheered on their teammates. Especially when they got the right answer. The competition was so close, the teams would jump out of their chairs to yell and scream. It was exciting to watch.

Every correct answer gave each team points. And at the end of the 3 rounds, which ever team has the most points wins the Championship of the Paiute Language Bowl.

After tallying up the scores, the winners included:

- 1st Place—The 2025 Paiute Language Bowl Championship went to Yerington High School for the second year in a row. Congratulations YHS and Mr. Hoferer on your win!
- 2nd Place— Reed High School
- 3rd Place—Spanish Springs High School
- 4th Place—the combined team of McDermitt High

Yerington High School 1st Place



Miss Indian World 2025

Dania Wahwasuck



Reed High School 2nd Place



Spanish

Springs High School 3rd Place



McDermitt & Pyramid Lake 4th Place



Wooster High School 5th Place



School and Pyramid Lake High School.

♦ 5th Place—Wooster High School.

Hearing the language brought many smiles to the elders and audience. Laughter filled the gym.

Many words of gratitude were said to the WCSD Paiute Language Teachers, Georgia Dick,

Reynelda James, the late Ralph Burns and Lois Kane, Kailauni Harry, Esha Hoferer, Deanne Hicks, and Macario Mendoza-Carrillo.

WSCD also gave RSIC an appreciation plaque to RSIC.

“Great job to all the students who practiced all year round for this one moment. It was amazing to watch,” Vice-Chairman, Anthony Abbie said as he ac-

cepted the award. “It’s important to learn the Washoe, Paiute and Western Shoshone languages. It’s the identity of our people. Thank you to WCSD for your dedication to preserve the Numu Language and to share culture.”

*Pesa natunetooena  
Oosapa numu yadooana*

Learn in a good way.  
Always Learn the Language

# THREE NATIONS WELLNESS CENTER

## 2025 MEMORIAL WALK/RUN

On Saturday, May 17, 2025, the 3 Nations Wellness Center hosted the annual Memorial Walk/Run at Virginia Lake, bringing together 55 participants to walk in memory of loved ones. The event began with a warm welcome and an opening prayer. Then participants were invited to walk around the lake once or as many times as they chose. The Walk/Run gave us time to reflect, grieve, heal, connect and remember our loved ones together. Afterward, everyone enjoyed a nutritious brunch and a raffle to close out the morning. Thank you to all who joined and helped make this event a special moment of remembrance and community.



# Western Shoshone citizen, experienced museum/non-profit leader joins Nevada Department of Native American Affairs as Director of the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum



**Carson City, Nev.** – Dr. Joshua Bonde, a citizen of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone, who has worked for Nevada-based non-profits and museums for over 15 years has taken the reigns of the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum.

“The Stewart Indian Boarding School has had an impact on every single Indigenous family in the Great Basin,” Bonde said. “It is a big responsibility to caretake the story of this campus, honor the past and reclaim these 110 acres and 64 historic structures into a community space, but I am ready for the challenge.”

In July of 2024, the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs (DNAA) became a stand-alone state agency with the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum as one of its divisions.

“Dr. Bonde’s convivial personality, his curiosity, and his previous professional credentials blends perfectly with his Native American experience,” said Stacey Montooth,

executive director of the DNAA. “He is already a trusted voice in our Tribal communities, so he will be a strong leader as a conduit between our Tribal Nations and the Nevada’s executive government.”

Bonde’s previous work includes time as faculty at UNLV, director of conservation and research at the Las Vegas Natural History Museum, co-founder and director of research at the Nevada Science Center, and director at the Nevada State Museum.

Bonde grew up in Fallon, Nev., and graduated from Churchill County High. He received a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of Nevada, Reno, a Master of Science from Montana State University, and his doctorate in geoscience from UNLV.

Further, Bonde previously served on the Board of the Directors of the Southern Nevada Conservancy, the Geological Society of Nevada and the Gordon McCaw School of Mines in Henderson, Nev. He was appointed by former Gov. Brian

Sandoval as a founding member of the advisory council for the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument.

Along with his wife Becky Hall, Bonde named Nevada’s first dinosaur species, *Nevadadromeus schmitti*, discovered in Valley of Fire State Park.

The Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum located at 1 Jacobsen Way in Carson City, Nev., is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is no cost to visit the museum or take the self-guided campus walking tour.

Additional information is at [www.stewartindianschool.com](http://www.stewartindianschool.com) .

## ***About the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs:***

A stand-alone agency since July of 2024, the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs is a state agency charged with improving the quality of life for the 28 Tribal governments, Colonies, and Bands, plus 62,000 urban Indians within the State of Nevada. The DNAA works to develop and improve cooperation and communications between Tribal Nations, state and local governments, and related municipalities with the purpose of improving education, employment, health, well-being, and socio-economic status of Nevada’s Native American citizens as well as enhancing Tribal sovereignty, economic opportunities, and community development. The Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum which uses a multi-media approach to preserve the history of Indian Boarding Schools in America, provides a platform for the DNAA for outreach and education about the first people of this land.

# Greetings from the Planning & Community Development Department

(Reno, NV) - The mission of the Planning and Community Development Department is to ensure that future development and redevelopment within the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony is sustainable, addresses community needs, and promotes a healthy and safe community for youth, families, and the elders, consistent with traditional values and culture. With a fully staffed team of eight, our department manages a wide range of long-range planning and community development functions. The Department includes the following programs and responsibilities:

- ➔ Cultural Resources Program/ Tribal Historic Preservation Office
- ➔ Abandoned Vehicle Removal
- ➔ Building Permit Applications and Inspections
- ➔ Geographic Data and Mapping
- ➔ 2040 Comprehensive Plan
- ➔ Long Range Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program
- ➔ Pow Wow Grounds Master Plan
- ➔ Residential Land Assignments and Land Leases
- ➔ Recycling Program
- ➔ Temporary Permits for Special Events

- ➔ Transportation Safety Plan
- ➔ Water Rights

The department collaborates with many federal, state, regional, and local jurisdictions to carry out this work. The department also partners with many non-profit organizations, such as One Truckee River.

During the last two years, the department has been working on the **2040 Comprehensive Plan**, a long-range policy document that contains specific actions to address community development needs for the next 15 years. The Plan is scheduled for adoption at the Tribal Council meeting of May 28<sup>th</sup> 2025. If you haven't already, we encourage you to explore the Comprehensive Plan at the Planning and Community Development Department website: [www.rsic.org/193](http://www.rsic.org/193).

## 2025 Priorities

During 2025, the Planning and Community Development Department will be hard at work on a variety of projects, including:

- ➔ Renovating the exterior of the Field Matron's Cottage (Cultural Resources/THPO Building) using grant funds from the National Park Service.
- ➔ Preparing the Sunshine Lane Master Plan and the Justice Center Site Plan for the Multi-Purpose Justice

Center.

- ➔ Improving signage and maps in the Hungry Valley Community (Access Management).
- ➔ Preparing a Transportation Safety Plan.
- ➔ Planning the design of the Truckee River Shared Used Path between the Tribal Health Center and Three Nations Plaza Walmart.
- ➔ Preparing Development Regulations to manage new residential and commercial development and to ensure development does not create negative impacts.
- ➔ Preparing a new ordinance for residential land assignments and land leases (Ordinance 51A).
- ➔ Implementing the 2040 Comprehensive Plan actions for Land Use, Housing, Cultural Resources, Community Facilities, Public Safety, Conservation, and Economic Development.

## Staff Contacts

If you need assistance from the Planning and Community Development Department for specific areas, please reach out to the following staff members:

- ⇒ Abandoned Vehicle Removal. Contact Shannon Martell, Administrative Assistant III.
- ⇒ Building Permits. Contact

Genn Bronczyk, Assistant  
Planner.

- ⇒ Community Day Clean Up Events and Recycling. Contact Shannon Martell, Administrative Assistant III.
- ⇒ Residential Land Assignments and Land Leases.

Contact Janeen Powers, Re-  
alty Specialist.

- ⇒ Mapping and Geospatial Analysis. Contact Larry Shoemaker, GIS Specialist.
- ⇒ Multi-Purpose Justice Center. Contact Candace H. Stowell, AICP, Director.

- ⇒ Transportation Safety Plan.  
Contact Larry Shoemaker,  
GIS Specialist.

Please drop by, call us at 775-785-1363, send us message at [planning@rsic.org](mailto:planning@rsic.org) or visit [www.rsic.org/193](http://www.rsic.org/193) to learn more!

View RSIC's 2040 Comprehensive Plan at [www.rsic.org/193](http://www.rsic.org/193)



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**VISIT THE  
FOOD BANK OF NORTHERN  
NEVADA'S MOBILE HARVEST  
IN HUNGRY VALLEY**

DRIVE  
THROUGH  
UNTIL  
FURTHER  
NOTICE

**6/17/25  
2:30 - 3:30PM**

**NOTE THE NEW  
DATE!  
MH IS NOW ON THE  
3RD TUESDAY OF  
THE MONTH  
FROM 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**WHERE:  
HV GYM PARKING LOT**

**LIMIT ONE DISTRIBUTION PER WEEK**



**PLEASE NOTE:**

- EACH FAMILY (NOT PERSON) RECEIVES ONE DISTRIBUTION
- CLIENTS MAY PICK UP FOR UP TO 3 FAMILIES NOT PRESENT
- VOLUNTEERS DISTRIBUTE BASED ON WHAT FBNN STAFF WRITES ON WINDSHIELDS



# **Commodity Food Distribution**

## **2025 SCHEDULE**



**Tuesday  
June 24, 2025 8am-11:45am**

**Reno Sparks Indian Colony  
2025 Dates**

**1/28 2/25 3/25 4/22 5/27 6/24  
7/22 8/26 9/23 10/28 11/24 12/30**

**Administration Bldg.  
34 Reservation Rd.  
Reno, Nv.**

**NEW CLIENTS - PLEASE COMPLETELY FILL OUT THE  
COMMODITY APPLICATION. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE  
COPIES OF INCOME, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS AND  
PROOF OF ADDRESS FOR THE WHOLE HOUSEHOLD.**

**THIS WILL SPEED UP YOUR PROCESS TIME.  
PLEASE SEND AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WITH A  
NOTE IF YOU CANNOT MAKE THE DISTRIBUTION SITE.**

**IF NOT WE WILL NOT GIVE YOUR ALLOTMENT OF  
COMMODITIES TO ANYONE.**

**For more info PLEASE call:  
Yerington Paiute Tribe Commodity Program  
775 783-0260 EXT. 2**

**or  
CELL 775 781-4856  
FAX 775 463-7856**

**or  
yptcommods@gmail.com**

**SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE!  
STAFF WILL NOTIFY YOUR TRIBE IF THERE  
ARE ANY CHANGES**



# ENROLLMENT NIGHTS



Play-based learning



Developmentally appropriate curriculum



Outdoor play

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm & June 4<sup>th</sup> 2025 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm in the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Head Start 34 Reservation Road Building E, Reno NV, 89502.

Please contact us to learn more about the enrollment process.

**ENROLL NOW**

(775)789-5615 ext 5130

**More Information**  
Contact The Family Services Advocate Christian Luna



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Head Start

## Enrollment for 2025-2026 School Year

Began April 1, 2025

Make your Dental and Physical Appointment now as appointments fill up fast. Let the clinic scheduler know the appointment is for Head Start.

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Head Start offers comprehensive early childhood education services for low income families with children between the ages of 3 to 5 years from income-eligible families, including children with special needs. Families must reside on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony or within Washoe County.

Children must be 3 years of age by August 1st.

One classroom at Hungry Valley. Two classrooms at Reno-Sparks Indian Colony.

Nutritious breakfasts and lunches provided.

Transportation provided in Hungry Valley community only.

Year Round Full Day may be available to those that qualify.

For application and/or information, call 775-789-5615.

**Deadline for completed applications for the first selection to be received: by Monday, July 7, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.**

## LIBRARY ON THE GO BOOKMOBILE

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
1:30-3:30pm



**Upcoming Dates:**  
Thursday, March 20  
Thursday, April 17  
Thursday, May 22  
Thursday, June 19  
(Holiday- all branches closed)



For more information and to view the full bookmobile schedule, scan the QR code or visit [washoelibrary.org/bookmobile](http://washoelibrary.org/bookmobile).



## RENO SPARKS POP WARNER YOUTH FOOTBALL/CHEER REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



For More Information Please Visit  
[RENOPOPWARNER.COM](http://RENOPOPWARNER.COM)

The Washoe County School District or the Board of Trustees neither endorses or sponsors the organization or activity represented in this document. The distribution of this material is provided as a community service.

The 2025 Reno Sparks Pop Warner football and cheer registration is open

ONLINE ONLY..

RSIC PARENT? NEED HELP?

CALL the RSIC Reno gym at 775-785-1327(new phone #)

Or email Pop Warner Secretary, Danielle Morgan

[themorgans62@gmail.com](mailto:themorgans62@gmail.com)

the RSIC Recreation Program will assist with the football or cheerleading registration fee for new and returning players of the Reno Sparks Indian Colony.



## Senior Program Activities

775-785-1349



Activities are subject to change with or without notice

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3 1 pm Graduation Lei's	4 1 pm Graduation Lei's	5 	6
9	10 1 pm Errand Day	11 11 am Chair Volleyball at Reno gym 	12 Pyramid Lake Marina Sr Fun day "Hippie Day" 10am – 1pm 	13
16 Food Pantry  6 pm Father's Day Dinner @ Bertha Miranda's	17 12-1:30 pm Elder Abuse Awareness @ 34 w/ Human Services & Tribal Police	18 9 am – 3 pm RSTHC Health Fair @ clinic	19 Closed – Holiday Juneteenth  Reno Rodeo Opening Night	20
23  	24 1 pm Thrift Shopping Day	25  	26) "What is Social Media" @ 12 pm Presentation  12:30 pm  	27  
30				

### ~ SIGN UPS ~

Reminder - Must be a Sr Program Client for activity participation

PL Senior "Hippie Fun Day" at Marina June 12 - call or stop by Senior center to sign up  
limited seating for transportation, leave Sr Center at 8:45 am, return approx. 2:30 pm



Father's Day Dinner – June 16 @ 6:00 pm at Bertha Miranda's Mexican Restaurant  
Call to sign up



Reno Rodeo tickets for June 19 & June 28



Must come to senior center to sign and pick up your own ticket, notes or calls not accepted.  
Reminder: 1 ticket per client, no holding tickets, tickets available until gone.



## Senior Program Menu

775-785-1349



Menu is subject to change with or without notice

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2) BBQ Chicken Rice Pilaf 5 Way Veggies Peaches	3) Beef Enchilada Casserole Zucchini Mix Plum	4) Chicken Salad Sandwich Sourdough Bread Lettuce & Tomato String Cheese Apple	5) Pork Chop Orzo Pasta Salad With, Tomato, Cucumber, Peppers, And Cheese Cantaloupe	6) Bacon Egg & Cheese On Biscuit Sliced Peppers Tropical Fruit
9) Hamburger Soup With Potatoes, Celery, Carrots, Corn Cucumber & Tomato Salad WW Roll Grapes	10) Grilled Chicken Salad WW Bun Lettuce & Tomato Sweet Potato Tots Pineapple	11) Pork Gravy Brown Rice Asparagus Pears	12) Lasagna Dark Green Salad Apple Slices	13) French Toast Sausage Patty Celery Sticks Berries
16) Steak Fajita Tortilla Peppers & Onions Honeydew	17) Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Cal Blend Grapes	18) Lemon Pepper Salmon Wild Rice 5 Way Veggies Tropical Fruit	19) Closed Holiday No lunch served or delivered 	20) Cheerios Boiled Egg Tomato Wedge Banana
23) Chicken Soft Taco Lettuce & Tomato Zucchini & Squash Mix Mango	24) Chili Beans Cesar Salad Corn Bread Peaches	25) Beef & Broccoli Brown Rice Pineapple	26) <b>Birthday BINGO</b> BBQ Ribs Coleslaw Watermelon  <i>Reminder to cancel meal delivery</i>	27) Sausage Gravy Over Biscuit Baby Carrots Yogurt Cup Melon
<b>Reminder: Please call to cancel meal delivery by 10:00 am; appts, Bingo 775-785-1349</b>  <b>You may cancel in advance for upcoming appts, going out of town, etc.</b>			<b>1% Milk Served Daily</b> 	

Your meal will be placed in a plastic bag on your doorknob, or driveway fence if you have loose dogs. Please listen for staff to honk and knock, then pick up your meal bag after they leave. Staff will return within 15-20 minutes. Meal bags that stay on the door, or fence will be taken and a "missed you" note will be left. This ensures safe temperatures of food. Please call before 10:00 am to add or cancel lunches for the day. Please tie up any dogs.

## INDIAN TRUST SETTLEMENT

### Are you an Heir of an Individual Indian Money Account Holder?

**\$38 MILLION IS AVAILABLE TO PAY HEIRS.  
THE DEADLINE TO FILE A CLAIM IS JUNE 30, 2025.**

#### What is this about?

A \$3.4 billion dollar settlement was approved in a class action lawsuit, called *Cobell v. Salazar*, that claimed individual Indian land, funds and other assets were mismanaged by the federal government.

#### Who is eligible?

You are eligible for a money award if you are an heir of one or more of the over 17,000 Individual Indian Money (IIM) account holders whose *Cobell* settlement awards were not distributed. You must submit a claim form with proof that you are an heir. Claim forms can be submitted online or can be downloaded and mailed to the administrator by June 30, 2025. More details are available on the website.



A copy of a tribal, or state, or federal probate order is needed to establish whether the Settlement Administrator can pay the heir(s) directly for the estate's Settlement award.

If you do not have a tribal or state probate order but a personal representative or executor has been named for the estate, funds can be released to the representative or executor and they will be responsible for distributing the funds according to the wishes of the deceased Class Member.

After the deadline, all remaining funds will be distributed to the Cobell Scholarship Fund, which is managed by Indigenous Education, Inc.

#### LEARN MORE

**CobellSettlement.com**

800-961-6109

Indian Trust Settlement  
c/o Kroll Settlement Administration  
P.O. Box 5324  
New York, NY 10150-5324

YOU MUST ACT QUICKLY | THE DEADLINE IS JUNE 30, 2025.

HOSTED BY: RSIC LANGUAGE CULTURE PROGRAM /LLGP



## Beading Circle

**HUNGRY VALLEY REC  
EVERY TUESDAYS  
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
HUNGRY VALLEY REC**

**Bring your own bead project  
or  
Learn a new bead project  
All materials provided  
Bring a food dish to share.**

CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION  
HV OFFICE 775-785-1338 RENO OFFICE (775)785-1321  
EMAIL MPEREZ@RSIC.ORG S BURNS@RSIC.ORG

### REQUIREMENTS FOR VALID WILLS AND PROBATE OF WILLS

BY: ENRICO O CASTILLO, TRIBAL COURT ADVOCATE, RSIC

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Ordinance 56 Part 1, also known as Probate Ordinance, and Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Ordinance 56 Part 2, also known as Wills Ordinance, came into full force and effect of law on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony on August 14, 2019.

In order for a Will to be valid, the person executing a Will also known as the Testator must be at least 18 years old and of sound mind. A person of sound mind has the mental capacity to make decisions and understands the consequences of those decisions.

Except for a Holographic Will, a Will executed in the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony shall be in writing, signed by the Testator or by an attending person at the Testator's express direction, attested by at least two (2) competent witnesses over the age of 18 years and of sound mind, who subscribed their names to the Will in the presence of the Testator.

A Holographic Will is a Will in which the signature, date and material provisions are written by the hand of the testator. Such Wills are invalid if there is any printed or other information on the Will which is not in the hand of the testator.

Every custodian of a Will shall deliver the Will to the Tribal Court **within 30 days** after receipt of information that the Testator is deceased. Any Will custodian who fails or neglects to do so shall be liable for damages sustained by any person injured thereby.

A Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary shall be filed with the Tribal Court by the named Executor in the Will within 30 days of the death of the Testator. If no Executor is named, any Interested Party may file a Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary within 30 days of the death of the Testator.

To assure compliance with the requirements of a valid Will and proper filing of a Petition for Probate of Wills with the Tribal Court, contact a Tribal Court Advocate who may assist RSIC enrolled tribal members and residents in drafting and execution of Wills as well as filing of a Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary.

A Tribal Court Advocate may also assist Interested Parties who are enrolled RSIC tribal members in filing a Petition for Administration of Estate if a Decedent died leaving an estate without a Will. A Decedent means a person who has died leaving a property that is subject to administration by the Court.



## PRESENTED BY LLGP & LANGUAGE & CULTURE Shawl Class



THE CLASS WILL BE LOCATED  
AT THE  
HUNGRY VALLEY LOWER LEVEL  
REC. CENTER

SATURDAY JUNE 28, 2025  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

CLASS IS LIMITED TO 25  
PEOPLE  
MATERIALS WILL BE PROVIDED  
BRING A FOOD DISH TO SHARE



PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL TO SIGN UP  
(775)785-1338  
SBURNS@RSIC.ORG,  
MPEREZ@RSIC.ORG

# STEWART FATHER'S DAY POWWOW JUNE 13-15

All  
Drummers  
& Dancers  
Welcome



Arts &  
Crafts

Free  
Admission  
Open to  
the public

Food  
Vendors

## Grand Entry

**Master of Ceremonies:**  
Skush Poodry  
(Sac&Fox Nation)  
  
**Arena Director -**  
Art Martinez  
(Chumash)  
  
**Host Hotel:**  
Plaza Hotel:  
carsoncityplaza.com  
Code: POWWOW2025

**Friday, June 13 - 6:30 pm**  
**Saturday, June 14 - 1 pm**  
& 6:30 pm  
**Sunday, June 15 - Noon**  
**Stewart Alumni Brunch**  
Saturday June 14  
9 am - Noon  
call (775)687-7605 to RSVP for brunch

**Host Drums:**  
Northern -  
Sage Point Singers  
Southern -  
Southern Express  
  
**Saturday Special:**  
Women's Fancy  
  
Limited dry camping available

Shade set up begins at 3 pm Friday June 13 – Shades set up prior to 3 pm will be taken down

5500 Snyder Ave, Carson City NV for more information call (775)687-7605



This event is alcohol & drug free.  
The Stewart Father's Day Powwow,  
the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs,  
& the State of Nevada are not liable for  
accidents, injuries, or short funded travelers.



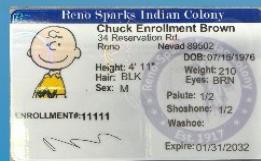
# UPDATE YOUR TRIBAL ID



OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 5:00 pm | Closed: 1pm - 2pm for Lunch

- ✓ Tribal ID's have a eight (8) year expiration date
- ✓ RSIC Department's will no longer accept a Tribal ID without an expiration date or an expired Tribal ID.
- ✓ If you are turning 18 years old, you need an updated picture and a W9 in your name for any monetary assistance or educational purposes.
- ✓ New verbiage on the back due to the Trump Administration and birth right citizenship.



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## RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT



### Elder Abuse Awareness Event

Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Time: 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

Location: 34 Reservation Road, Reno NV 89502

Multipurpose Room

\*\*Lunch will be provided\*\*

The theme for this year is "Be Bold, Age with Attitude."

Let's honor the strength, wisdom, and resilience of our older adults who deserve to be protected from abuse and discrimination.

Hosted by the Human Services Department and Victim Services Program. Guest presenters:

- RSIC Tribal Police Officer Angelo Hafalla presentation on Domestic Violence
- NV Attorney General's Office presentation on Elder Scams

## Feed Their Summer Smiles With SUN Programs!

### AT THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

The Summer Food Service Program operates Monday-Friday June 9, 2025 to August 8, 2025

Breakfast: 8:30am - 9:30am      Lunch: 12:30pm- 1:30pm

All children 18 years & younger are eligible to receive a free, delicious, and nutritious meals.

Reno Site  
Multipurpose Room  
34 Reservation Rd, Reno NV 89502

Hungry Valley  
Education Building  
9055 Eagle Canyon Road, Sparks NV 89441

For further information, please contact Summer Foods Coordinator at 775-789-5615 X5432

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony is an equal opportunity provider



fns.usda.gov/summer  
X.com/USDANutrition

Scan to find out about  
meal options and grocery  
benefits in your area.



USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Summer 2024

# MOTHER'S DAY DINNER FOR SENIOR MOM'S

On Monday May 12, 2025, the Senior Program held a Mother's Day Dinner for our elders catered by Bertha Miranda's. They were served tamales, enchiladas, chips with salsa, rice and beans. For desert, a slice of cake. Festivities were followed up with a good ol' game of BINGO.

Mothers hold a place in our hearts that words can hardly capture. They are the guiding lights of our lives—offering unconditional love, wisdom, and strength. Whether through the warmth of a home-cooked meal, the reassuring embrace in tough times, or the lessons passed down with quiet grace, their presence shapes who we become. Mothers are our first teachers, caregivers and provide an invaluable source of strength and wisdom. Mother's are the center of our people.





## Monthly Meeting

34 RESERVATION ROAD  
RENO, NV 89502

"IMAGINE WITH  
ALL YOUR MIND.  
BELIEVE WITH  
ALL YOUR  
HEART.  
ACHIEVE WITH  
ALL YOUR  
MIGHT!"

BUILD LASTING  
FRIENDSHIPS

LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD

June 6, 2025  
6:00PM-8:00PM  
TRIBAL YOUTH GAIN  
12-24 SELF-WORTH  
BUILD LEADERSHIP AND INNER  
SKILLS STRENGTH  
CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING  
A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR  
COMMUNITY

Dinner and transportation will be provided.

For more info or to sign-up for transportation please contact  
Robin M. Eagle at [reagle@rsic.org](mailto:reagle@rsic.org) or Call (775) 329-2936 ext. 3218



## UPCOMING JUNE EVENTS

**JUNE 01** RIBBON SKIRT/SHIRT CLASS  
HV TLC 9:00AM - 6:00PM

**JUNE 06** UNITY MONTHLY MEETING  
34 RES. RD. RENO, NV 89502 @ 6:00 PM

**JUNE 08** RIBBON SKIRT/SHIRT CLASS  
HV TLC 9:00AM - 6:00PM

**JUNE 13-15** STEWART FATHER'S DAY POWWOW  
UNITY INDIAN TACO BOOTH CARSON CITY

**JUNE 24** COMMUNITY GRADS DINNER  
RENO GYM 6:00 PM UNITY INDIAN TACOS

**JUNE 27-JULY 1** NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT ROBIN M. EAGLE @ [reagle@rsic.org](mailto:reagle@rsic.org) or (775) 329-2936 ext. 3218



**2025 NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE**  
SAN DIEGO, CA • JUNE 27 - JULY 1



OPEN TO RSIC  
TEENS / FAMILIES  
RSIC EMPLOYEES  
SUPPLIES ARE  
LIMITED  
MUST FILL OUT NNFB  
REQUIRED FORMS

## TEEN FOOD PANTRY

OPEN FOR WALK-INS

TUESDAYS 9:30AM-3:30PM

THURSDAY 2:30-4:30

HV TRANSITIONAL LIVING CENTER  
105 LOOP ROAD SPARKS, NV 89441

LIMITED DELIVERIES ARE AVAILABLE  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL ROBIN M. EAGLE  
@ (775) 329-2936 EXT. 3218

## NORTHERN NEVADA GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

RECEIVE FUNDS FOR CHILDCARE!

- AGE 55 AND OLDER
- NORTHERN NV RESIDENT
- RAISING GRANDCHILD OR OTHER RELATIVE UNDER 18 WITHOUT PARENTS IN HOME
- CHILDREN NOT LEGALLY ADOPTED OR IN FOSTER CARE

Easy application and approval process, contact us to apply today! No income requirements. Must have proof of guardianship, temporary situations ok.



(775) 753-7352

[ADMIN@ELKOFRC.ORG](mailto:ADMIN@ELKOFRC.ORG)

# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards

1 ENRICO O. CASTILLO  
2 Tribal Court Advocate, RSIC  
3 1900 Prosperity Street  
4 Reno, Nevada 89502  
5 Tel. No. 775-785-8775 Ext. 5  
6 Fax No. 775-329-8153

7 **IN THE RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL COURT**  
8 **IN AND FOR THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY**  
9 **WASHOE COUNTY, RENO, NEVADA**

10 **IN THE MATTER OF:** ) Case No.: CV-PR-2025-0002  
11 **THE ESTATE OF** )  
12 ) NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
13 **TAMMY EAGLE,** )  
14 **Decedent.** )  
15 \_\_\_\_\_

16 Notice is hereby given that SAGE EAGLE has been appointed and qualified by the  
17 Reno-Sparks Tribal Court on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025 as Administrator /Executor of the  
18 estate of **TAMMY EAGLE**, deceased.

19 All creditors having claims against the estate are required to file the claims with the  
20 Clerk of the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court within 90 days after the mailing or the first publication  
21 of this notice.

22 Only those claims so represented may be paid by the estate.

23 Dated: April 14, 2025

24   
25 Enrico O. Castillo-Tribal Court Advocate  
26 Advocate for SAGE EAGLE

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13 **VALERIE JEAN MORALES,** )  
14 **Decedent.** )  
15 \_\_\_\_\_

16 Notice is hereby given that DALLAS HOWCROFT has been appointed and qualified  
17 by the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025 as Administrator /Executor of  
18 the estate of **VALERIE JEAN MORALES**, deceased.

19 All creditors having claims against the estate are required to file the claims with the  
20 Clerk of the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court within 90 days after the mailing or the first publication  
21 of this notice.

22 Only those claims so represented may be paid by the estate.

23 Dated: April 14, 2025

24   
25 Enrico O. Castillo-Tribal Court Advocate  
26 Advocate for DALLAS HOWCROFT



### RECRUITMENT FOR HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD

THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY HOUSING DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING  
5 NEW HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS. RSIC ENROLLED  
MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST, STATING  
YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION, TO RSIC TRIBAL  
HEADQUARTERS OFFICE AT 34 RESERVATION ROAD.

PLEASE SEND IN A LETTER OF INTEREST TO:  
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
ATTN: Tribal Administrator Office / Housing  
34 Reservation Rd  
Reno, NV 89502

ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT AT (775) 785-1300



### RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY \*EDUCATION DEPARTMENT – Language & Culture Program

401 Golden Lane, Reno, NV 89502 • Mailing Address: 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502  
Phone: (775) 785-1321 • Fax: (775) 785-8767

### Recruitment for (5) Language & Culture Advisory Committee Members

The Language & Culture Advisory Committee is currently seeking five (5) RSIC Tribal Members to serve  
on the Language & Culture Advisory Committee.

Committee members will be appointed by the RSIC Tribal Council and shall serve a term of 2 years.

If interested in becoming an LCAB member, please submit a letter of interest to:

Reno Sparks Indian Colony  
Language & Culture Program  
34 Reservation Rd.  
Reno, NV 89502

If you have any questions or concerns,  
please feel free to contact the Language & Culture offices at 775-785-1321

# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards

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### Tri Basin Cultural Committee

#### Recruiting for 1 Member

Want to learn more about OUR ancestral past and Traditional Cultural Properties? Want to learn about the Great Basin People's history and cultural items, as well as PROJECTS that may affect them?

**Join the RSIC Tri Basin Cultural Committee (TBCC)!**

The TBCC is an advisory board to the RSIC Cultural Resource Program/Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO). The RSIC Cultural Resource Program/THPO is active in reporting, commenting, reviewing, assisting, & monitoring Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies on their potential impacts to Native American Cultural Resources.

Please submit a letter describing your interest in joining the TBCC to the RSIC THPO at 34 Reservation RD. Reno NV

#### **ACCEPTING LETTERS OF INTEREST UNTIL June 27, 2025.**

TBCC members are required to attend 12 paid meetings per year which requires field site visits & your review and comment on projects.

For more information or if you have questions contact **Michon R. Eben** (RSIC THPO/Cultural Resource Manager) or **Sierra Rambeau** (THPO Assistant/Oral Historian) at (775) 785-1326.

The RSIC Tribal Historic Preservation Office is supported by a grant from the Department of Interior National Parks Service

### RECRUITMENT FOR ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE

The Reno-Sparks Tribal Enrollment Committee is recruiting to fill a vacancy for one (1) RSIC Enrolled Tribal Member Representative.

The Enrollment Committee shall consist of seven (7) members of Paiute, Shoshone or Washoe Indian blood who satisfy the membership criteria as set forth in Article II of the Constitution and Bylaws and any ordinances that may affect the membership of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony.

The Enrollment Committee members meet once a month, usually on the first Monday, and are provided a monthly meeting stipend for participation. The Committee meets at the Enrollment Office conference room.

The members are appointed by the Tribal Council and shall serve a four (4) year term.

If you are interested in being a member of the Enrollment Committee, please submit a letter of interest to:

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Tribal Administrator's Office  
cc: Enrollment Committee  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502

For more information, please call 775-785-1306.



Senior Advisory Committee (SAC)  
Is seeking members

The Senior Advisory Committee encourages RSIC enrolled seniors (55 or older) to become a member of the SAC. Please submit a letter of interest, stating your name and contact information to Senior Program Manager, 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502. The tribe's standing rules for committees and advisory boards apply to this position. The Committee meets the first Monday of the month. You must be an active participant in the meetings and other SAC sponsored events and be available for any additional meetings. The term is for two years.



### RECRUITMENT FOR RSIC POWWOW COMMITTEE

#### **Notice to Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Enrolled Members**

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony **Powwow Committee** is seeking up to three (3) RSIC **Enrolled Members** who are interested in serving on the Committee. Any interested RSIC Enrolled Member, may complete the application and submit their signed letter of interest to:

**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**  
Attn: Tribal Administrator / Powwow Committee  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502.  
\*No emails will be accepted.

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee consists of no fewer than four (4) and no more than seven (7) members. Each member shall hold office until his/her term expires, or until he/she resigns or is removed from office in accordance with the Bylaws and Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. Committee Members are appointed by Tribal Council.

The Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony were revised and adopted by the Tribal Council on 10-31-2012, Resolution No. 2012-RS-53. Rule No. 8, states – Each person appointed as a member of a committee or advisory board shall not sit on more than two committees or advisory boards at a time; this is combined, meaning that if a person sits on a committee and an advisory board, that person has reached the limit under this rule. The only exception is if a person sits on an intermittent board, such as the Election Board; in that instance the person is subject to the limit of this provision but can sit as a member of one intermittent committee or advisory board. A person can only serve as the Chair of one committee or advisory board at a time, including an intermittent committee or advisory board.

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee Application is included with the Recruitment Notice.

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# Legal / Public / Job Announcements

## Recruitment for committee / boards



### RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY \*EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502  
Phone: (775) 329-6114 • Fax: (775) 785-9161

#### RECRUITMENT FOR (2) RSIC ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Reno-Sparks Education Advisory Committee is recruiting two (2) RSIC Enrolled Tribal Member Representatives to fill a vacancy on the Education Advisory Committee.

The Education Advisory Committee voting membership consists of five (5) Reno-Sparks Tribal or community member who has an interest in the committee, age 18 years of age and older, who is not employed by the Education Department.

The Education Advisory Committee members meet at least once a month, currently on the second Monday, and are provided a monthly meeting stipend for participation. The Education Advisory Committee meets at the Education Building's conference room in Reno for September. The Education Advisory Committee will alternate each month and meet in Reno in September and then meet at the Hungry Valley Education Building for October. This meeting rotation will continue to alternate in Reno and Hungry Valley through the duration of the Education Advisory Committee's meetings.

The members are appointed by the Tribal Council and shall serve a term for a four-year project.

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

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Attn: Tribal Administrator / Education Advisory Board  
34 Reservation Road  
Reno, NV 89502

*For more information, please call 775-329-6114*



**RSIC Truancy Officer has new hours:**  
**Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

The Truancy Officer will be in the Hungry Valley Community 8:00 a.m. through 9:00 a.m., Monday through Wednesday

The Truancy Officer will be in the office daily at 7:30 a.m., and if necessary, can provide a ride to school. Assistance can be limited, based on need, weather conditions, out of office, but the goal is to always assist the child to make sure they get to school.

If your child has missed the bus and needs a ride to school, please call the Truancy Officer at (775) 444-6228



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Planning and Community Development Department  
1937 Prosperity St  
Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Preliminary Approval of Residential Land Lease

On May 28, 2025 the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council gave preliminary approval of a residential land lease for:

Applicant: Deonn John

Address: 63 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502 or Lot No. 34

If you object to this preliminary approval, submit a written statement to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary, including detailed reasons for the objection please. The written statement must be emailed or delivered to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary:

Planning Department  
1937 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363 or [jpowers@rsic.org](mailto:jpowers@rsic.org)

Tribal Council Secretary  
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502  
[myarrow@rsic.org](mailto:myarrow@rsic.org)

Written objections to this preliminary approval must be submitted to the Planning and Community Development Department and Tribal Council Secretary by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2025

If you have any questions, please contact Janeen Powers, Realty Specialist, at 775-785-1363 ext. 5402, or [jpowers@rsic.org](mailto:jpowers@rsic.org)

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony  
Planning and Community Development Department  
1937 Prosperity St  
Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Preliminary Approval of Residential Land Assignment

On May 28, 2025 the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council gave preliminary approval for a land assignment for:

Applicant: Nida Harjo

Address: 89 Colony Road, Reno, NV 89502 or Lot No. 100

If you object to this preliminary approval, submit a written statement to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary, including detailed reasons for the objection please. The written statement must be emailed or delivered to the Planning and Community Development Department and the Tribal Council Secretary:

Planning and Community Development Department  
1937 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502  
775-785-1363 or [jpowers@rsic.org](mailto:jpowers@rsic.org)

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# Notice from RSIC TRIBAL COURT

RSIC Tribal Court is located at  
1900 Prosperity Street, Reno, Nevada 89502  
Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00p.m.  
Court is open from 12 - 1:00 p.m.

*Please use the door at the north end of the building, during the lunch hour. As the Court Administrator will be assisting the public and answering phones at that time.*

*For filing documents, court hearings and meeting with court staff, please use the doors located at the south end of the building, where the Court Clerk's office is located, (next to the courtroom).*

Dana Thomas Court Clerk: (775) 785-8775 ext. 1  
Jeraldine Magee Court Administrator: (775) 785-8775 ext. 2

**Advocates:**

- Enrico Castillo (775) 785-8775 ext. 5

**Adult Probation Officer:**

- Anthony Clevenger (775) 785-8775 ext 3.

**Tribal Court Bailiff:**

- Vacant

**Truancy Officer:**

- Tanya Hernandez is (775) 785-8775 ext. 9

The Tribal Law and Order Code can be found on the RSIC website: [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org), under the Tribal Court Department.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Court of Appeals, hears all appeals that arise from the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Tribal Court. Their office is located at 10 State Street, Reno, NV 89501. Their phone number is (775) 355-0600

If you have any questions regarding the duties and responsibilities of court staff, please contact the Tribal Court Administrator, Jeraldine Magee.

**RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY**



## Tribal Court Information for RSIC Communities

The Law and Order Committee (LOC) meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the Tribal Court.

Committee Members are: Justina Santana, Chair, Nida Harjo, Vice-Chair, Lolita Thomas, Member, Janice Sanchez, Member, Verna Nuno, Member.

The purpose of the LOC shall be to review, evaluate and make recommendations to change the existing Law & Order Code and ordinances of RSIC in conjunction with the RSIC and By-Laws and the Indian Civil Rights Act, to insure due process within the jurisdiction boundaries of the RSIC.

The Committee's goals for 2025 are to work with appropriate staff to include Title II, Civil Procedures and Healing to Wellness Court Ordinance into the RSIC Law and Order Code.

Public comment is allowed at the meetings.

RSIC TRIBAL COURT  
1900 PROSPERITY STREET  
RENO, NV 89502  
775 785-8775

## ATTENTION

New Hours for Probation

**Anthony Clevenger  
Adult Probation  
Officer will be  
available to meet  
with you earlier  
during the week**

**OLD  
WAYS  
WON'T  
OPEN  
NEW  
DOORS**

**NEW HOURS**  
Time 7:00 A.M. – Time 4:00 P.M.  
Monday – Friday



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Court  
1900 Prosperity Street | Reno, NV 89502 | 775-785-8775 ext 3 | [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org)  
Please contact Anthony to schedule appointment if you have been ordered to meet with the Probation Officer by the Tribal Court Judge

*Congrats 2025 Graduates*



L-R Cecelia Gossett, Tiana Diaz, Myca Jackson, Reynelda James, Sebastian Winap, Landon Pheonix, Jayla Ramirez



# Honoring Grads

This year's graduate honoring ceremony was led by Pyramid Lake Elder Reynelda James. We are so grateful for her beautiful blessings and powerful prayers. She gives blessings to each individual student along with accompanying family members. The RSIC Language & Culture staff and RSIC Education staff honor and celebrate the hard work and dedication of each student.

Washoe County School District  
2025 Graduation Ceremony Schedule

TIME: <b>10 pm-6:00 pm</b>		HIGH SCHOOL: <b>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025</b>
		<b>TMCC-Student Center-Dandini Campus</b>
TIME: <b>10 am-11:30 am</b>		<b>THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2025</b>
		<b>Gerlach-Multi-Purpose Room</b>
TIME: <b>10 am-11:30 am</b>		<b>FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025</b>
		<b>Picollo School-Multi-Purpose Room</b>
TIME: <b>10 pm-5:00 pm</b>		<b>Inspire/Turning Point-Reno High School Theater</b>
TIME: <b>10 pm-7:30 pm</b>		<b>Innovations-Reno High School Theater</b>
TIME: <b>10 pm-4:00 pm</b>		<b>MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025</b>
		<b>North Star-TMCC Student Center, Dandini Campus</b>
TIME: <b>10 pm-4:15 pm</b>		<b>MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2025</b>
		<b>Incline-Football Field</b>

WCSD Commencements at Lawlor Events Center	
ME:	HIGH SCHOOL:
	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025
4:00 pm	Reno
4:15 pm	RISE
	THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025
4:30 am	Reed
4:30 pm	Spanish Springs
4:30 pm	McQueen
	FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025
4:30 am	Damonte Ranch
4:30 pm	North Valleys
4:00 pm	Sparks
	SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025
4:30 am	Hug
4:20 pm	Galena
4:30 pm	Wooster
4:45 pm	AACT



Scan with device to  
see WCSD graduation  
commencement  
ceremony schedules.

# Happy 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Spanish Springs Library



Mike Kane addressing the crowd on the life of Sarah Winnemucca.



Eagle Wings Pageant Dancers pictured with Middle L-R Jana MacMillan; Spanish Springs Branch Manager, Mike Kane; RSIC Tribal Member, Clara Andriola; Washoe County Commissioner



Spanish Springs Library Washiw display.



Spanish Springs Library Numu



Clara Andriola, Jana MacMillan, Mike Kane pictured by Sara Winnemucca Statue.

## Community & Culture

In collaboration with the RSIC Language & Culture Program, the Spanish Springs Library celebrated their 20<sup>th</sup> year in serving the Spanish Springs community. The day was celebrated with re-commemorating the Sarah Winnemucca statue located in the center of the library. A new plaque was dedicated to the Pyramid Lake Paiute describing her life and acknowledging her contributions to her people.

The Eagle Wings Pageant Dancers performed Great Basin Dances for the audience. While acknowledging the old ones and the dances that were performed long ago. The dancers maintain their commitment to preserving the Great Basin songs and dances. “Our dances will be danced as they were long ago, We dance in the footsteps of our ancestors.”

Nat’s Tacos were onsite serving Indian Tacos and everyone enjoyed birthday cake for dessert.

The RSIC Language & Culture Program are displaying cultural items located at the front check-out counters in the library through the months of May-June. Each case proudly represents the Numu, Newe & Washiw.

May 18<sup>th</sup> was deemed Spanish Springs Library Day by Washoe County Commissioner Clara Andriola. The Spanish Springs Library is committed to educating the Spanish Springs community along with celebrating the rich Great Basin Culture.



**RSIC LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENT**

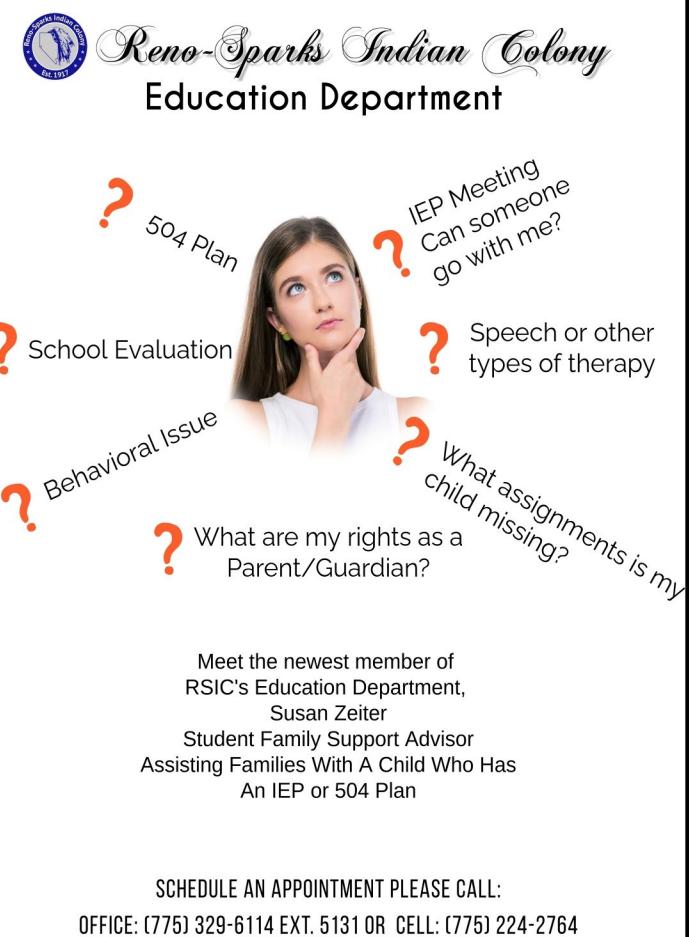
We welcome you to visit the HV Library & join the fun! We have new books for all ages, movies, board games Playstation games & VR.

We hope to see you soon,  
Natalie & Klarissa

**LIBRARY HOURS**  
(HV Rec. Center)  
Mon.-Thurs. 11am-8pm  
Fri. 9am-6pm  
Sat. 9am-3pm

Contact Natalie Smith (775) 334-0904 EXT. 7918

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**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**  
Education Department

RSIC Logo

504 Plan

IEP Meeting  
Can someone go with me?

School Evaluation

Speech or other types of therapy

Behavioral Issue

What assignments is my child missing?

What are my rights as a Parent/Guardian?

Meet the newest member of RSIC's Education Department, Susan Zeiter Student Family Support Advisor Assisting Families With A Child Who Has An IEP or 504 Plan

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE CALL:  
OFFICE: (775) 329-6114 EXT. 5131 OR CELL: (775) 224-2764

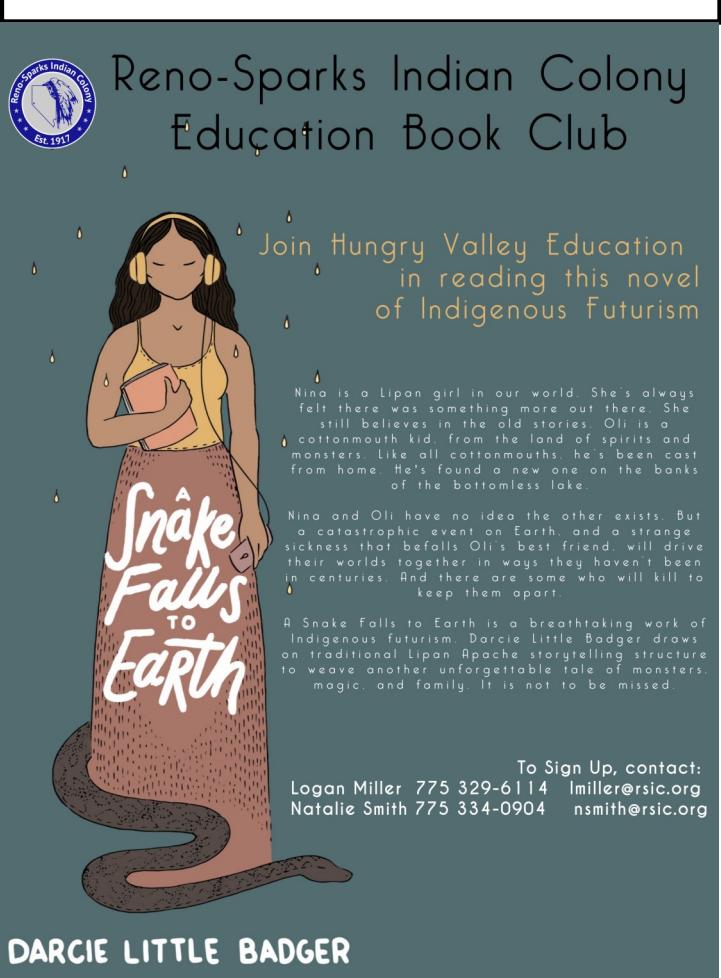


RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY  
IN OBSERVENCE OF

**JUNE TEENTH DAY**

THURSDAY JUNE 19, 2025  
RSIC ADMIN OFFICES &  
TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER  
**WILL BE CLOSED**

WILL RESUME REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS  
FRIDAY JUNE 20, 2025



**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**  
Education Book Club

RSIC Logo

Join Hungry Valley Education in reading this novel of Indigenous Futurism

Nina is a Lipan girl in our world. She's always felt there was something more out there. She still believes in the old stories. Oli is a cottonmouth kid from the land of spirits and monsters. Like all cottonmouths, he's been cast from home. He's found a new one on the banks of the bottomless lake.

Nina and Oli have no idea the other exists. But a catastrophic event on Earth, and a strange sickness that befalls Oli's best friend, will drive their worlds together in ways they haven't been in centuries. And there are some who will kill to keep them apart.

A Snake Falls to Earth is a breathtaking work of Indigenous futurism. Darcie Little Badger draws on traditional Lipan Apache storytelling structure to weave another unforgettable tale of monsters, magic, and family. It is not to be missed.

To Sign Up, contact:  
Logan Miller 775 329-6114 lmiller@rsic.org  
Natalie Smith 775 334-0904 nsmith@rsic.org

DARCIE LITTLE BADGER

FIRST CLASS BEGINS  
MONDAY 5/19/25



# YOGA CLASSES



MONDAYS & THURSDAYS  
START AT 5:30 PM  
LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Please arrive on time out of courtesy  
for our instructor. No registration  
required.

## Open Gym Exercise Hours

### HEALTH CENTER PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES AGES 13 & UP

Monday 8:00am – 7:00pm  
Tuesday 8:00am – 7:00pm  
Wednesday 8:00am – 1:00pm  
Thursday 8:00am – 7:00pm  
Friday 8:00am – 5:00pm

Three Nations Wellness Center  
1715 Kuenzli Street – Reno, NV

(775) 334-4305



### WORKOUT CLASSES

Monday 12:15 – 12:45 pm.... Strength Training Circuits  
Tuesday 12:15 – 12:45 pm.... Power Half Hour (Glute Workout)  
Wednesday 12:15 – 12:45 pm.... Spin  
Thursday 5:15 – 5:45 pm..... Weight Lifting Basics  
Friday 12:15 – 12:45 pm.... Spin

## Reno-Sparks Indian Colony



Items Available for RSIC Community  
May 19, 2025 till all items gone

8 AM - 5 PM

Items can be picked up at the Stockpile  
1931 Prosperity  
775 785-1346

NV Energy / 4-pack non-dimmable 60W  
equivalent LED household bulb and LED nite lite



Clorox Disinfecting Spray



WipesPLUS| Disinfecting Wipes



## THE ABC'S OF SALVATION

### ADMIT

Admit you are a sinner and have  
made mistakes.

### BELIEVE

Believe that Jesus is God's Son,  
died on the Cross for you, and rose  
up from the grave on the third day.

### CONFESS

Confess Jesus as the Lord of your life.  
And commit yourself to a life of  
following Jesus, and serving others.

(Romans 3:23; John 1:12; Romans 10:9)

Children or teenagers (6-17) need  
to have a parent or guardian sign a  
parental consent form, emergency  
contact form and a physical activity  
waiver before they are permitted to  
exercise.

Patients and Employees  
(18-69) need to fill out a physical  
activity waiver and PAR-Q before they  
are permitted to exercise.

69 years old + need to have a  
physical activity waiver signed and a  
doctor's release before they are  
permitted to exercise at the Three  
Nations Wellness Center.



# Memorial Day Monday May 26, 2025

Dedications were held at Mountain View Cemetery and Hungry Valley Cemetery, a welcoming by Chairman Daryl Gardipe and dedication by Arlan Melendez and James Phoenix. Thank you to RSIC community for remembering and honoring our Veteran's.



Native Americans have played significant roles in U.S. military history, serving in every major conflict for over 200 years. Their contributions range from battlefield service to intelligence operations, often in ways that uniquely leveraged their skills and heritage.

- **Revolutionary War & Civil War:** Native Americans fought on both sides of the Revolutionary War and later served in the Civil War, with figures like Gen. Ely S. Parker, a Seneca leader, serving as Ulysses S. Grant's military secretary and drafting the Confederate surrender terms.
- **World War I & II:** Many Native Americans volunteered for service, even before they were granted U.S. citizenship in 1924. The Navajo Code Talkers, along with other tribes like the Comanche and Choctaw, developed unbreakable codes that played a crucial role in securing communications during WWII.
- **Vietnam War & Beyond:** Native Americans continued to serve at high rates, with 90% of those who fought in Vietnam being volunteers. Their participation has remained strong in modern conflicts, including the Gulf War, Iraq War, and Afghanistan War.

Despite historical challenges, including broken treaties and forced assimilation, Native Americans have consistently defended the United States with honor and distinction. Their legacy in military service is deeply

respected both within their communities and across the nation.

Memorial Day, while a national holiday, is deeply personal for many Native families who have lost loved ones in service. Tribes often incorporate their own customs into remembrance events, blending military traditions with indigenous culture to create ceremonies that reflect both patriotism and heritage.

Native American observances of Memorial Day often incorporate unique cultural traditions that differ from mainstream practices. While many Americans mark the holiday with parades, barbecues, and visits to cemeteries, Native communities emphasize ceremonies, feasts, and prayers to honor fallen warriors.

For example, veterans are highly revered in Native communities and are often asked to perform flag-raisings, blessings, and traditional acknowledgments at gatherings. At powwows, veterans lead the grand entry carrying eagle staffs and national, state, tribal, and military flags, reflecting the deep connection between warrior societies and modern celebrations. Some tribes still maintain active warrior societies, where membership is strictly reserved for veterans.

Additionally, Native Americans continue the tradition of decorating soldiers' graves with flowers,

a practice that aligns with the

origins of Memorial Day. However, many Native communities hold memorials throughout the year, rather than limiting them to the last Monday in May.

Historical events have deeply influenced how Native American communities observe Memorial Day. Native Americans have served in the U.S. military at higher rates per capita than any other ethnic group, and their traditions of honoring fallen warriors predate the national holiday.

For example, many tribes have long held ceremonies to honor warriors who died in battle, incorporating prayers, songs, and feasts. These traditions have blended with mainstream Memorial Day observances, creating unique commemorations that reflect both indigenous customs and military service.

The National Museum of the American Indian hosts annual Memorial Day events, including prayer tie-making and wreath-laying ceremonies at the National Native American Veterans Memorial. These observances highlight the sacrifices of Native service members and provide a space for reflection and remembrance.

Additionally, some tribes maintain active warrior societies, where veterans are honored with special roles in ceremonies and powwows. These societies reinforce the deep respect Native communities have for those who serve.



# HUNGRY VALLEY HANDGAMES

AUGUST 29TH-31ST 2025

FRIDAY 08.29.25

BONE-HOG

1ST PLACE \$1000

GUARANTEED

SINGLE ELIMINATION

REGISTRATION

6-7PM

\$50/TEAM

SATURDAY 08.30.25

MAIN

1ST PLACE \$8000

GUARANTEED

\$150/TEAM

REGISTRATION 1-3PM

KIDS GAME AT 12PM

MATERIAL GAME AFTER

KIDS GAME

SUNDAY 09.31.25

3-MAN

1ST PLACE \$1800

GUARANTEED

SINGLE ELIMINATION

REGISTRATION

1-2PM

\$75/TEAM

DRY CAMPING AND SHOWERS AVAILABLE NO DRINKING OR DRUGS ALLOWED

COMMITTEE DECISIONS ARE FINAL CALL JADA SAM FOR MORE INFO 775-235-3389

BRING CHAIRS AND BLANKETS IT GETS COLD



## 37th Annual NUMAGA INDIAN DAYS 2025

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

August 29th-31st, 2025

## POWwow & Handgames



Nevada's Largest Powwow  
HUNGRY VALLEY, NV  
18 miles North of Reno



PAIUTE CHIEF NUMAGA  
Translated as "Giver""

Known for choosing peace for the  
Paiute People & advocating to stop the  
destruction of our aboriginal lands.

FREE ADMISSION  
Family Friendly Event  
Open to the Public

Grand Entry Times Friday 7pm  
Saturday 1pm & 7pm  
Sunday 12pm

### SPECIALS:

- ~ Spotlight: Sweet Heart Dance
- ~ Women's Paiute Buckskin and Cloth
- ~ Old Style Women's Jingle
- ~ Teen Boys Grass
- ~ Chicken Dance Special - Head Man, Trevor Jim
- ~ Women's 18+ Northern & Southern Traditional - Head Woman, Lillian Shakespeare-Largo
- ~ Youth Hand Drum Contest - Tiny Tot Princess, Audrina Yellowhair & Family
- ~ Teen Girls All Around- Jr. Miss Numaga, Winona Jim & Family
- ~ 18+ Women's Traditional - Miss Numaga, Jessey Dewey & Family

HEAD STAFF: MC: Kalen SunRhodes  
AD: Leo Eagle Speaker  
Host Drum: Showtime  
Head Judge: Brand White Eyes  
Head Woman: Lillian Shakespeare-Largo  
Head Man: Trevor Jim  
Featuring: Bear Sounds

### ACTIVITIES:

Princess Pageant ~ Thurs. Aug 28th  
3 Nations Wellness Fun/Run Walk Info:  
~Devyn Cox, 775-329-5162 ext. 1945  
Strong Man Competition & Horse Shoe  
Tournament Info: 775-329-4930  
Handgame Tournament Info:  
~Jada Sam: 775-235-3389

DRY CAMPING / SHOWERS AVAILABLE!!  
HOST HOTEL INFO: TBA

MORE INFO: [www.rsic.org](http://www.rsic.org)

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@rsictribe

@rsic\_tribe

DRUM CONTEST: 1ST - \$7000  
(\$18,000 Total Purse) 2ND - \$5000  
3RD - \$4000

CONSOLATIONS - 2 @ \$1000 each

\*Non-Contest Day Pay

MEDIA Requests: 775-842-2902  
Email: [bsam@rsic.org](mailto:bsam@rsic.org)

Reno Sparks Indian Colony  
Powwow Grounds  
501 Many Nations Rd.  
Sparks, NV 89441  
775-329-2936



Numaga Indian Days Royalty 2024-2025  
Tiny Tot Princess: Audrina Yellowhair  
Junior Miss Numaga: Winona Jim  
Miss Numaga: Jessey Dewey

### NUMAGA POWWOW COMMITTEE

Bridgette Stump (VENDORS): 775-846-5997  
Anita Talancon: 775-338-3723  
Lori Chasing Crow: 775-560-2788  
Sharon Yazzie: 775-750-4589  
Email: [powwow@rsic.org](mailto:powwow@rsic.org)

RSIC Powwow Committee is NOT RESPONSIBLE for any damages, loss of personal property, short funded travelers, etc.  
Event Sponsored by Reno-Sparks Indian Colony & Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center  
3 NATIONS, 1 TRIBE - WASHOE, PAIUTE, AND WESTERN SHOSHONE