



THE CAMP NEWS

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SERVING THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY & HV COMMUNITIES

Black Friday & Native American Gifts At the 17th Annual After-Thanksgiving Craft Fair Fundraiser



(Reno, NV – November 26, 2024)—Get exclusive Native American gifts this Black Friday weekend! Shop at the 17th Annual Eagle Wings' After-Thanksgiving Craft Fair Fundraiser hosted by Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) in honor of Native American Heritage Month. Happening this Black Friday, November 29th and Saturday, November 30th from 10am-6pm both days at the RSIC Reno Gym (34 Reservation Road, Building #B, Reno, NV; right off the freeway be-

tween Mill St. and East 2nd St.).

Witness Great Basin cultural artistry along with neighboring tribe's and local's artwork. There will be over 40 vendors selling traditional weaved baskets, beadwork, jewelry, contemporary Native American art, silverwork, pinenuts and traditional food, baked goods and a huge range of arts and crafts. All with competitive prices to the big retail stores.

Admission is FREE and will

also include a raffle.

The craft fair fundraiser will benefit the Eagles Wings Pageant Dance Group to purchase dance outfit materials—buckskin for dresses/regalia and moccasins, calico material and thread-- props, food and travel costs.

Eagle Wings Pageant Dance Group are Great Basin cultural ambassadors. They are called upon for cultural presentations, culture exchanges and edu-

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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 17, 2024
Tues., February 20, 2024
March 13, 2024
April 10, 2024
May 15, 2024
June 12, 2024
July 17, 2024
August 14, 2024
September 11, 2024
October 16, 2024
November 13, 2024
December 11, 2024

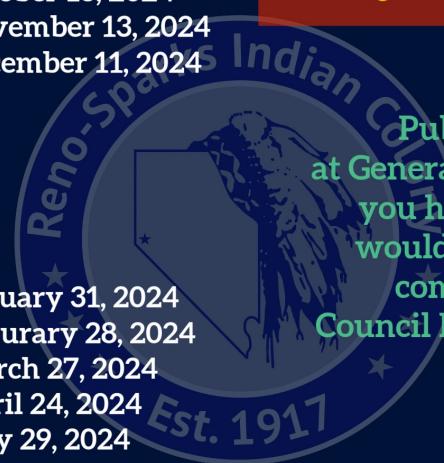
January 31, 2024
February 28, 2024
March 27, 2024
April 24, 2024
May 29, 2024
June 26, 2024
July 31, 2024
August 28, 2024
September 25, 2024
November 20, 2024

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

Meeting also available virtually



Public Comment Opportunity
at General Council Meetings only. If
you have immediate concerns or
would like to submit your public
comment prior to any General
Council Meeting date, send email to
comments@rsic.org.



JOIN US IN-PERSON OR BY ZOOM
For meeting info, contact Public Relations Office at
775-842-2902 or bsam@rsic.org

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 (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, bsam@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 Office, 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.

December 2024 IMPORTANT DATES

- 9 FASFA Workshop at PLHS Cafeteria, 6PM
- 11 General Tribal Council Meeting HV Community Room 6PM
- 16 Christmas BINGO Adults Only 18+ Reno Gym 6PM
- 17 Food Bank Northern Nevada Mobile Harvest HV Parking Lot 2:30PM-3:30PM
- 17 Disabilities Awareness BINGO NIGHT RSTHC 5:30PM-7:30PM
- 18 Community Christmas Dinner Reno Gym 6PM
- 19 Disabilities Awareness BINGO Night HV Community Center 6PM-7:30PM
- 37 Planning & Economic Development Survey Closes 11PM
- 31 Commodity Distribution 34 ADMIN Bldg. 8AM-11:45AM
- 31 NYE Sobriety Pow Wow Reno Gym 4PM-12:30AM
- 31 Planning "Name Our New Streets" Survey Closes at 11PM

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 9AM-3PM & Thursdays 3PM-5PM
- **Girl Scouts Troop 155 Every 2nd & 4th Friday each month HV Rec Center 4-5PM**

Find the most up-to-date info on RSIC's Facebook.
If you'd like to receive RAVE Alert text messages,
call/text 775-842-2902 or bsam@rsic.org or bharjo@rsic.org

FOLLOW US AT:



www.rsic.org

Office of the Chairman

Daryl D. Gardipe

First, I'd like to give my heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of Tammy Eagle, Valerie Morales and a longtime RSIC employee of 27 years, Steve Moran. Each of these individuals contributed to our tribe and they will be greatly missed.

November was National Native American Heritage Month where we celebrated our traditions, languages, stories, and ensure our history and contributions continue to thrive with each generation. Thank you to all organizers and participants who put on events in honor of NAHM.

As we prepare for the winter season and holidays, it's important to thank Mother Earth for a great harvest this year. As it gets colder in the Great Basin, I promote all RSIC residents to weather proof your home if you haven't done so yet. It's better to be proactive than reactive.

Here is my update for the community on what Tribal Council and I have been working on for the month of November.

2 IMPORTANT PROJECTS MOVING FORWARD—*At last, our housing project is moving forward.* On November 12th, the RSIC Housing Department posted an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the Hungry Valley 25-Lot Subdivision (22 Homes, 3 lots). Within the bid document, there's a plan room where potential bidders can access the engineering plans and addendums. The IFB was posted to the Reno Gazette Journal, Lumos Associates website, and RSIC's website. Bids will close on



December 12th. This is great news!

The 2nd important project moving forward is our Justice Center. The Tribal Council approved funding for the Justice Center to include a \$1.6 million grant and \$2.2 million dollars from the opioid crisis settlement.

This funding is to build a new Multipurpose Justice Center campus and will allow for demolition of four old buildings that currently house Tribal Court, Tribal Police, and Human Services. This funding will also support a portion of the site planning, predevelopment work, and construction of three new modular buildings for the multipurpose justice center, which would include the Tribal Court, Tribal Police, and Human Services.

POLITICS & NETWORKING—On November 13th, myself, Tribal Police Chief Jarrod Nunes, and Tribal Administrator Duane Sherman met with the Nevada's U.S.

Attorney's Office, BIA Representatives and FBI officials.

In attendance were U.S. Attorney Jason Frierson, Assistant U.S. Attorney Sue Fahami, AUSA Penelope Brady, BIA Chief Wayne Hu-banks, ASAC Lonewolf, ASAC Roberts, Major Crimes Detective Greg Guiza and FBI Officer Steve Bonanno.

We spoke about solutions to our BIA funding for law enforcement, better collaboration between all agencies and possible changes with new administration.

I attended the 81st National Congress of American Indians Conference in Las Vegas, NV from October 28th-October 31st—The conference incorporated many conversations on:

- ➔ Native Vote 2024
- ➔ Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative, a comprehensive effort to recognize the troubled legacy of boarding school policies with the goal of addressing their intergenerational impact and to shed light on the traumas of the past.
- ➔ UNITY Youth Council Representatives provided a speech about the impacts of tribal leadership's decision making and how it will affect their future. They provided topics which were important to them like preservation of language and culture, investing in preventative healthcare and mental wellness, addressing suicide prevention, importance of saving the environment, pro-

pecting indigenous women and children while investing in law enforcement to receive actual justice; just to name a few.

- ◆ Law Enforcement Issues
- ◆ FEMA & BIA
- ◆ Environmental Issues & Tribal Clean Energy Funding Opportunities
- ◆ Global Indigenous Tribes & People UNITY Movement, how to navigate around the United Nations.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS RESULTS— Whew! I'm glad it's over. I want to thank all our tribal members, community members, urban natives and general public for coming to RSIC's Early Voting and Election Day polling locations.

Election Day Numbers:

- ◆ Reno Gym = 772 w/ (81) 1st Time Voters
- ◆ Hungry Valley Gym = 178 w/ (11) 1st Time Voters

For the past month, I've attended many political campaigning events to include Vice President's Kamala Harris campaign stop at Reno Events Center. I've never seen so much native representation at a political event. Attending political affairs in mass groups is what helps build relationships with key decision makers and ensuring our tribal voices are heard at a larger level.

Although the elections didn't turn out the way we thought they would, we congratulate all the candidates who won their races. Please do not feel anxious with the results. We can't fear the unknown.

Looking towards 2025 we are

working with our Lobbyists, Strategies 360 and George Waters to strategize around the new administration and possible changes.

Native American Heritage Month, Veterans Day, Xmas Distribution, Craft Fairs, Holiday Events—November was full of honor, gratitude, laughter and excitement.

For Veteran's Day, we participated in the Reno Veterans Parade. The theme was "A Legacy of Service". Our float celebrated our Native Veterans and their contributions to the United States. Native Warriors have fought in every single war on U.S. soil since 1492, including the American Revolutionary War. Native American languages & Code Talkers won WWI & WWII for the United States. Native Americans have the highest per capita involvement of any ethnic population serving in the U.S. Military Forces to this day.

We were number 14 and we had over 50 community members participate. It was great to see everyone celebrate our warriors.

The Veterans Dinner the same-day with food from Macaroni Grill. Every seat was taken at the dinner. Ben Rupert was the keynote speaker. He spoke about PTSD, mental wellness and family medicine.

We recognized our living and deceased warriors, Carolyn Sanchez sang the Paiute Flag Song, Truckee Paiute Singers sang an honor song, Grandma Bea Thayer had a special recognition, and gifts were handed out. It was a beautiful evening with our Warriors.

The Tribal Member Xmas Distribution was a huge success. It was

a great day to visit with relatives, and friends. Many families were taking photos with their relatives they hadn't seen in awhile. We also had a special raffle for tribal members to win prizes. It made the Tribal Council happy to see tribal members surprised by their raffle items such as TV's, Kitchen Aids, Ninja Blenders, karaoke systems, speakers, cameras, Xbox's and more.

We also had over 400 tribal member take our surveys to include a community information survey, education/head start survey and planning survey to determine street names for the new housing development.

If you were not able to pick up your tribal member Xmas distribution check, you have until December 31st at noon to pick up at the finance office. There are many raffle items for pickup as well. If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal Secretary, Marlene Yarrow at myarow@rsic.org.

We have many upcoming events to include holiday craft fairs, Xmas dinner and bingo, Winter Day Camp, Xmas Housing Decoration Contest, and more.

Thank you to all our departments for serving our community and providing one of kind events for Native American Heritage Month. Thank you to our RSIC Community for participating and providing insightful suggestions for future.

The Tribal Council and I have been extremely busy strategizing on our priorities. We have many upcoming events. Stay informed by RSIC's newsletter, website and RSIC's social media.

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tional presentations across the State of Nevada. The dance group performs the true Great Basin songs and dances of the Newe (Western Shoshone), Numu (Northern Paiute) and Washiw (Washoe)."

The dance group was created in 2006 to preserve Indigenous Great Basin culture, songs, dances and languages for future generations. These songs and dances are tens of thousands years old. They are the original dances/ ceremonies of the indigenous peoples of Nevada. Many of the dancers have committed to traditional lifestyles and practices. Eagle Wings consists of intergenerational dancers and is consistently recruiting new dancers every year.

"The Eagle Wings motto is

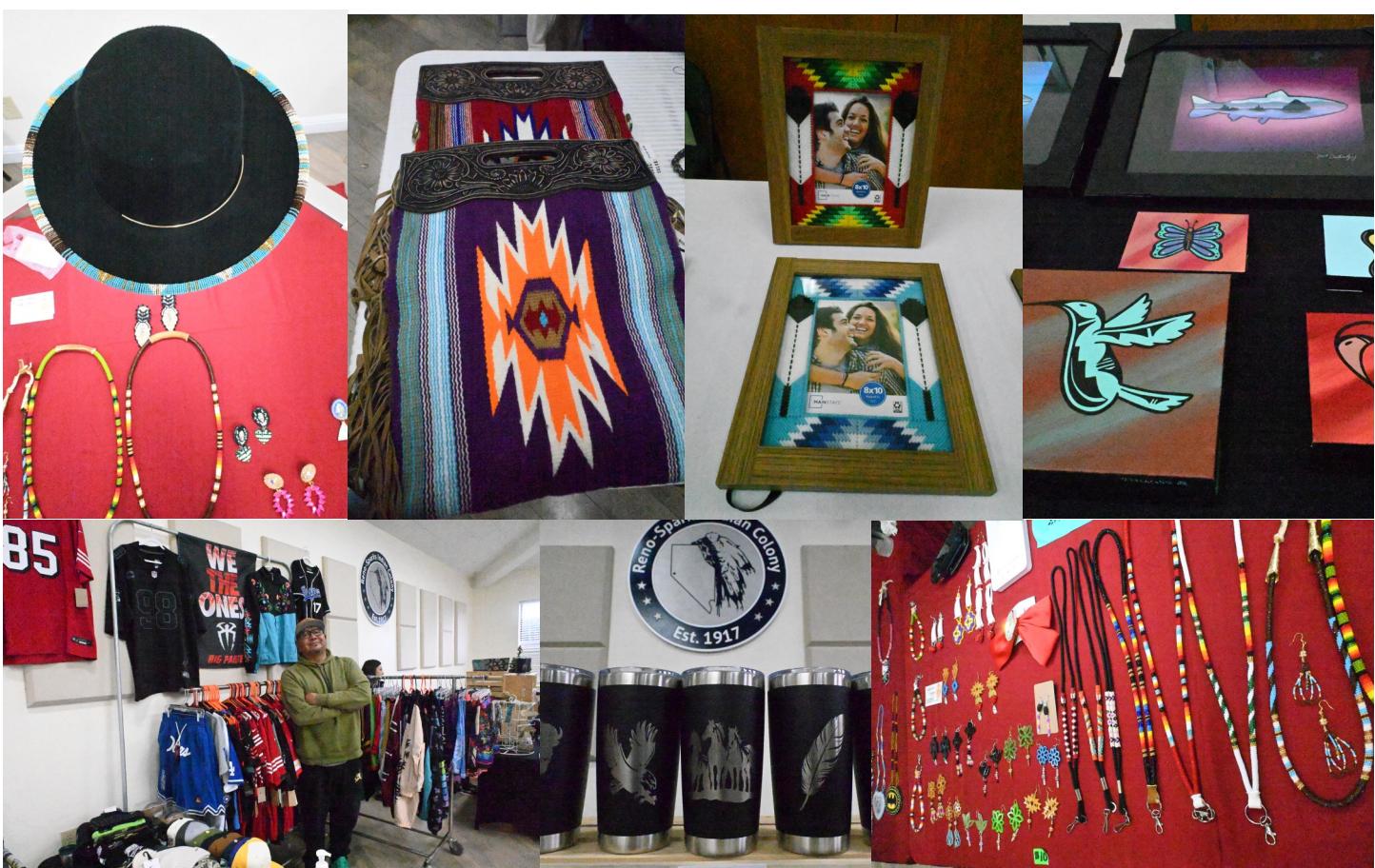
"Walking in the Footsteps of Our Ancestors" because we believe it is the spirit of the Old Ones that lead and guide us," stated Stacey Burns, director of the Eagle Wings and RSIC's Language and Culture Coordinator. "These dances are how we express gratitude to our Creator and Mother Earth for all the gifts provided to the people who live in these lands. These dances help us remain culturally strong with each generation."

The Eagle Wings Pageant Dance Group will be performing on Saturday afternoon, November 30th at 2pm.

In addition, the always popular Indian Tacos will be sold. The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony's United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) Council will be also fundraising to raise money

for a National UNITY Conference which will be held in San Diego, CA from June 27th-July 1st. The UNITY Youth Council volunteers their time to participate in community events, tribal leadership meetings, honoring of our elders, emergency services and are all CERT members, plus much more. RSIC is incredibly thankful for this UNITY group. They volunteer and help every program within the tribe. Plus, their Indian Tacos are also very, very delicious.

RSIC welcomes everyone to join Eagle Wings and UNITY at the craft fair fundraiser. Come support Native American Culture and expert craftsmanship. This is a modern day Native American gathering to trade and barter for goods for the holidays. We hope to see you there.





Eagle Wings' Fundraiser

AFTER THANKSGIVING CRAFT SALE

NOVEMBER 29TH & 30TH

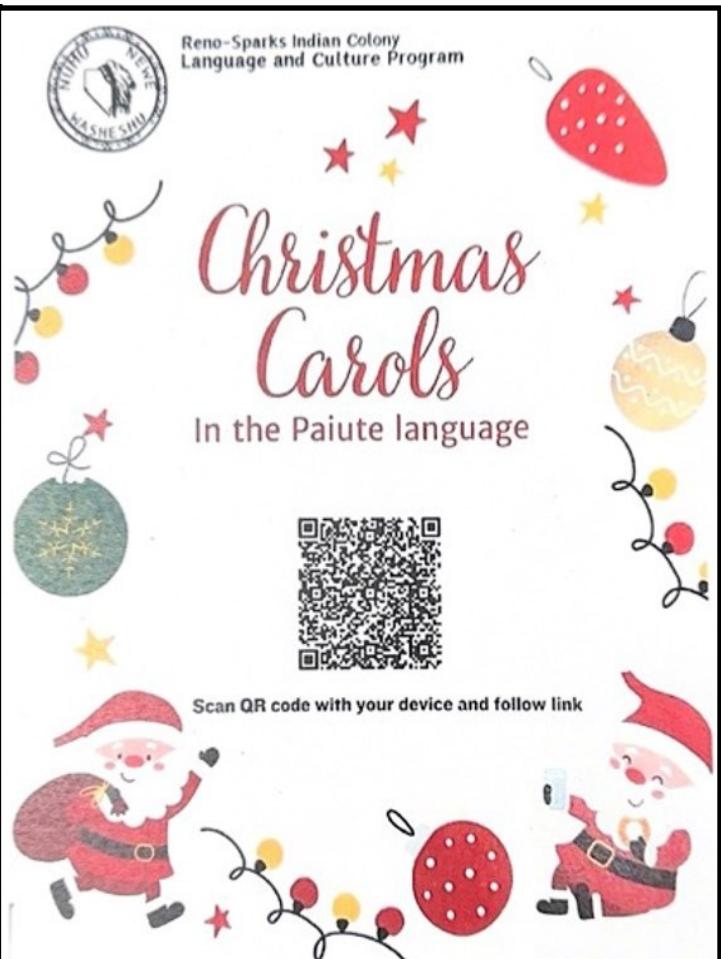
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Reno Gym
10am-6pm
34 Reservation Rd. Reno, NV

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| Over 40 Vendors | U.N.I.T.Y. Native Tacos |
| Raffle | Concessions |
| Local Native Crafters & More | Eagle Wings' Performance |

\$40 a day for vendors
Make payments to Eagle Wings Pageant Dance Group
Send in Payments to RSIC Finance 34 Reservation Rd. Reno, NV 89502
Or call (775) 329-2936 for payment over the phone

Scan for Vendor Application

Contact Stacey Burns
(775) 785-1338
Email vendor application to sburns@rsic.org



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Language and Culture Program

Christmas Carols
In the Paiute language

Scan QR code with your device and follow link



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

UNITY

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

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2040 RSIC Comprehensive Plan

Draft Economic Development Element

We need your input! 🌟

Take the Survey on your phone, tablet, or computer.

The RSIC Planning & Economic Development departments have created an easy online survey for the Draft Economic Development Element of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

Take a moment to read it in entirety, or take a short 5 minute policy summary + survey. Both available at www.rsic.org/193 - RSIC Planning HUB. Scan the QR code for the quick survey.

Printed Surveys 📄

Printed Surveys are available at 1937 Prosperity Street, Reno NV. RSIC Planning Department.

What is the Economic Development Element?

The Economic Development Element describes the current economic conditions on the Colony, economic development challenges and opportunities, and proposes goals, policies, and actions to **strengthen** and **increase** economic development for the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony.



Surveys Close Friday December 27th



Quick survey /QR



Link:

arcg.is/1LbeWG1
Case Sensitive ^

Read More:

Presentations to Tribal Council and Draft Elements of the RSIC 2040 Comprehensive Plan are available at www.rsic.org/193 or at 1937 Prosperity St, Reno NV

Community Survey: Help Us Name Our New Streets!

Your Voice, Your Streets, Your Community

We're excited to announce a unique opportunity for you to leave a lasting mark on your tribal neighborhood. Three new streets are being added to the Hungry Valley community and two existing roads need new names, and we need your help to name them!



What You Need to Know:

Survey Closes: December 31st 2024

Why Participate?

- **Be Creative:** Have fun coming up with unique names that reflect the spirit of our community.
- **Make History:** Your chosen names will become a permanent part of your neighborhood's identity.
- **Get Involved:** It's a great way to connect with your neighbors and contribute to our shared space.

How to Participate:

Click: <https://arcg.is/bWrWKO> or

Scan the QR Code →



Important Guidelines:

- Keep names appropriate and considerate of all community members.
- Avoid duplications or names already in use within the county.

Questions? Feel free to reach out to us at RSIC Planning Department, 1937 Prosperity Street, Reno NV.

www.rsic.org/193 or Email: planning@rsic.org



Reno Sparks Indian Colony Education Department

Is your child struggling with unmet educational needs?

Do you suspect they may have a disability? Is your child inattentive or exhibits behavioral concerns? My name is Susan Zeiter, and I am the new Student Family Support Advisor at the Reno location. I have over 15 years' experience in helping families advocate for their child's unique educational needs. I am here to help you through the maze I call special education.

Children with disabilities strive so hard to reach grade level but the effects of their disability get in their way. Special education and related services are meant to help your child get the instruction and services that will help access their education. I am available to assist you in requesting evaluations, attending IEP and 504 meetings, reviewing reports, and providing overall guidance and support for you with whatever your child's needs maybe.

Special Education has its own language, rules, and timelines. It is easy to get lost in the paperwork, deadlines and reports. Let me help you with getting through the complexities of the process while you focus on your child. I have an office in Building D at the Reno location, Monday – Friday, 8 am to 5 pm. Feel free to call me anytime with your questions. No question is insignificant. The number of calls you can make to me are limitless. I look forward to meeting you.

Susan Zeiter
Student Family Support Advisor
Reno Sparks Indian Colony Education
PH: 775 329-6114 Email: szeiter@rsic.org

RENO EDUCATION TUTORING ASSISTANCE

RENO EDUCATION BLDG. D ** MORE INFO 775-329-6114

STARTING TUESDAY AUGUST 27, 2024

EVERY TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS

Elementary School
Arrival: 4:00pm
Departure: 4:45pm

Middle School
Arrival: 3:00pm
Departure: 4:00pm

High School
Arrival: 2:45pm
Departure: 3:45pm

TUTORING ROOM * COMPUTER ROOM



- ✓ Homework Help
- ✓ Reading Groups
- ✓ Individual Help
- ✓ Computer Room/Printer
- ✓ Laptops
- ✓ Snacks Provided



- ✓ Attendance Incentives
- ✓ Language/Culture Visits
- ✓ RSIC Presenters
- ✓ Transportation (Reno Colony Only)
- ✓ Lots of FUN

All times are allotted for each grade to assure academic needs are being met. If the student needs more time, RSIC Education Department will stay on site until student(s) is finished.



AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

for all K-12
students
HOMEWORK AND
READING SUPPORT
SNACKS AND
TRANSPORTATION
PROVIDED

STARTING 08/19
MONDAY TO THURSDAY
3PM - 5PM.
@ HUNGRY VALLEY EDUCATION

CONTACT LSMITH@RSIC.ORG
OR LMILLER@RSIC.ORG



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Education Department



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



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





DUI LEVEL II, II-X, & III

WEEKLY

Mondays 3:00-4:00 PM



- ✓ MAKE POSITIVE CHANGES TO YOUR HIGH-RISK DRIVING BEHAVIORS
- ✓ LEARN HOW ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS AFFECT DRIVING ABILITY
- ✓ EXAMINE YOUR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PATTERNS
- ✓ EXPLORE THE LINK BETWEEN THOUGHTS, FEELINGS & BEHAVIOR
- ✓ DEVELOPE A PLAN FOR CHANGING YOUR IMPAIRED DRIVING BEHAVIOR

For more information
(775) 334-0989

or
(775) 329-5162 EXT 7785



DOMESTIC

VIOLENCE

Intervention Group



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE GROUP OR TO GET SIGNED-UP, PLEASE CALL:

(775) 334-0989

or

(775) 329-5162 ext. 7785



"Harnessing the power
of change"



ANGER MANAGEMENT

TUESDAYS AT 4:00PM

For more information,
please call the Behavioral
Health Department
775-334-0989

OR
775-329-5162 extension 7785

THE BENEFITS

Knowing Your Triggers

Learn to identify what
sets you off or
worsens your anger

Communication Skills

Learn how to express
feelings and needs
assertively
(not aggressively)

Respond Instead of React

Calm yourself down



PATH TO A BETTER YOU



Substance Abuse Outpatient Group Level I

- Psychoeducation to identify factors that compel problematic use and/or continued use.
- Skill development to learn how to enhance the skills necessary to break free of addictions.

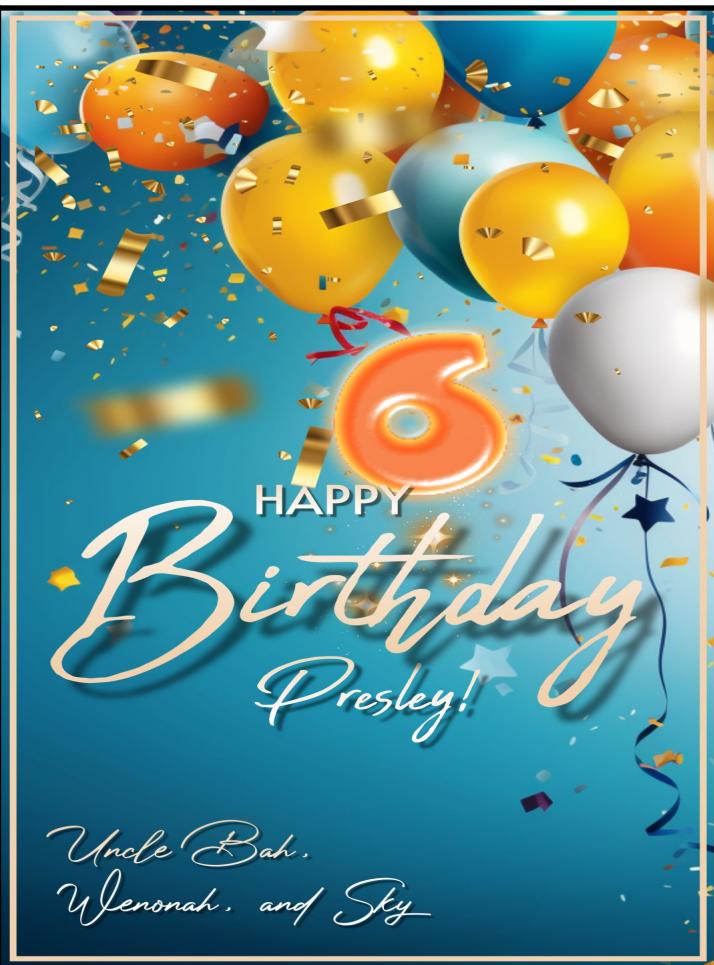
When: Wednesdays

Time: 10am-11:30am

PROGRESSION NOT PERFECTION

If you would like more information or
have questions please call
(775) 329-5162 ext. 2014





RENO SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

COURIERS WANTED 2025

Must be 13 years or older
Reno & Hungry Valley

RSIC Front Office is looking for community members to deliver flyers to Reno & Hungry Valley.

Administration office located at 34 Reservation Rd Reno, NV 89502
Office hours 8am-5pm Mon-Fri

Reno Rates:
Flyers: \$25
Camp News: \$70

Hungry Valley Rates:
Flyers: \$40
Camp News: \$90

You can stop by the Administration Office to pick up a contract or contact us either by phone or email rnivers@rsic.org

775-329-2936

SHIP
State Health Insurance Assistance Program
Navigating Medicare

Medicare.gov
The Official U.S. Government Site for Medicare

Reno Sparks Indian Colony
Est. 1917

Attention all seniors. Open enrollment for Medicare is ending soon! December 7th is the deadline to sign up for Medicare.

If you have any questions or need help you can contact us through zoom. Zoom Meeting ID:457 962 8360 Password: zqip9k.

You can call **1-800-633-4227** to speak with a live representative.

MEDICARE HEALTH INSURANCE
Name/Address: JOHN L SMITH
Medicare Number/Name on Medicare:
1EG4-TE5-MK72
Effective Date of Contract/Enrollment:
HOSPITAL (PART A) 03-01-2016
MEDICAL (PART B) 03-01-2016

Medicare Health Insurance
SAMPLE

You can also call for assistance, or if you have any questions regarding Medicare plans, changes, drugs etc.


2024

WCSD Graduation Rate Shows Slight Improvement Over 2023

Reno, NV (November 21, 2024) — The Washoe County School District (WCSD) Class of 2024 posted a graduation rate of 81.75 percent, a .65 percent increase over the Class of 2023. A total of 4,032 students crossed the graduation stage in 2024, and 47.1 percent (1,899 students) graduated with an Honors, Advanced, or College and Career Readiness diploma.

The increase reflects gains across most racial and ethnic groups and all special population groups of students. Five of WCSD's seven race/ethnicity

groups increased their graduation rates in 2024.

“Our students worked hard to achieve this academic milestone, and they did it under extraordinary circumstances,” said WCSD Superintendent Joe Ernst. “These students were just beginning their high school careers in the 2020-21 school year when the pandemic was underway. They finished middle school remotely, then had to adjust to remote- and hybrid learning, school closures, and many other distractions in their freshman year. But they perse-

vered and earned their diploma. I am grateful to them, their families, and our staff members who worked with them to reach this goal.”

For the Class of 2024, three WCSD high schools – AACT, TMCC, and Incline – posted graduation rates above 90 percent. Five schools posted rates that were equivalent or higher than last year’s: AACT, Incline, Innovations, North Star Online School, and Wooster High School.

Graduation Rates by School

Three schools posted graduation rates above 90%: AACT, TMCC, and Incline.

| School | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024* | Change between 2023 and 2024 |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|
| AACT | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | +0.00% |
| Damonte Ranch | 93.2% | 88.3% | 86.1% | 86.2% | 84.13% | -2.07% |
| Galena | 90.0% | 92.1% | 91.6% | 89.8% | 89.04% | -0.07% |
| Hug | 83.9% | 83.6% | 76.5% | 80.4% | 76.09% | -4.30% |
| Incline | 98.2% | 94.3% | 93.1% | 95.4% | 98.67% | +3.32% |
| Innovations | 94.4% | 81.8% | 72.1% | 57.1% | 59.18% | +2.04% |
| McQueen | 95.6% | 91.2% | 91.2% | 92.6% | 89.03% | -3.55% |
| North Star | 98.1% | 96.0% | 72.7% | 73.1% | 85.32% | +12.19% |
| North Valleys | 84.9% | 81.5% | 78.9% | 82.3% | 78.98% | -3.27% |
| Reed | 87.7% | 82.0% | 83.4% | 85.8% | 85.38% | -0.42% |
| Reno | 93.3% | 90.9% | 91.9% | 90.0% | 84.70% | -5.28% |
| Spanish Springs | 89.5% | 85.4% | 79.8% | 82.7% | 82.27% | -0.47% |
| Sparks | 88.0% | 86.0% | 85.7% | 84.7% | 81.36% | -3.36% |
| TMCC | 100.0% | 100.0% | 97.5% | 100.0% | 98.88% | -1.12% |
| Wooster | 84.4% | 82.7% | 89.5% | 80.8% | 81.04% | +0.22% |
| District | 85.1% | 82.5% | 84.4% | 81.1% | 81.75% | +0.65% |

Green group maintained or increased their graduation rate.

*Graduation rates exclude district-sponsored charter schools

Graduation Rates by Special Population

All four special population groups increased their graduation rates from the prior year.

| Special Population | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024* | Change between 2023 and 2024 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Free or Reduced Price Lunch | 78.1% | 82.1% | 75.7% | 73.1% | 74.42% | +1.32% |
| Special Education | 66.9% | 59.6% | 60.5% | 60.8% | 65.68% | +4.88% |
| English Learners | 75.6% | 74.0% | 71.3% | 67.9% | 69.54% | +1.64% |
| Children in Transition | 57.5% | 56.5% | 58.8% | 58.4% | 62.96% | +4.57% |
| Total Graduates | 85.1% | 82.5% | 84.4% | 81.1% | 81.75% | +0.65% |

Green indicates population group maintained or increased their graduation rate.

*Graduation rates exclude district-sponsored charter schools.

Graduation Rates by Race/Ethnicity

Most race/ethnicity groups increased graduation rates compared to the previous year.

| Race/Ethnicity | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024* | Change between 2023 and 2024 |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| American Indian | 77.6% | 69.6% | 63.6% | 58.1% | 66.67% | +8.61% |
| Asian | 94.5% | 94.4% | 97.4% | 91.3% | 94.10% | +2.85% |
| Hispanic | 82.2% | 80.6% | 81.1% | 78.4% | 79.16% | +0.75% |
| African American | 69.8% | 67.9% | 74.2% | 68.8% | 72.22% | +3.38% |
| White | 87.6% | 84.4% | 87.3% | 84.7% | 84.53% | -0.15% |
| Multiracial | 89.5% | 81.4% | 84.4% | 79.1% | 77.82% | -1.32% |
| Pacific Islander | 78.2% | 76.4% | 78.7% | 70.3% | 71.83% | +1.52% |
| Total Graduates | 85.1% | 82.5% | 84.4% | 81.1% | 81.75% | +0.65% |

Green indicates population group maintained or increased their graduation rate.

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Today is the **Great American Smokeout**, an annual event dedicated to encouraging individuals to start their journey toward quitting smoking. Tobacco use remains the single largest **preventable** cause of disease, disability, and death in the United States.

Participate in the Great American Smokeout Challenge and Quit Tobacco & Vape for One Day. **DID YOU KNOW....** that **17.6% of Washoe County adults** continue to smoke on a regular basis? E-cigarette use among people aged 10-19 also remains high in Washoe County, with **8.4% of middle school students and 18.1% of high school students** reporting e-cigarette use in the past 30 days of being surveyed. (Northern Nevada Public Health).

Quitting tobacco is one of the most important things you can do for your health. The use of tobacco products, including vapes, and nicotine pouches like Zyn, is associated with acquiring chronic diseases including:

- **Cancer**
- **Heart disease**
- **Stroke**
- **Diabetes**

Additionally, nicotine may also **weaken the immune system** increasing the chance of developing disease from bacteria and viruses. Quitting tobacco is not the easiest thing to do, but there is support & the benefits are undeniable.

Here's why today is a great day to start:

- **Health Improvements:** There are benefits to 1 day without cigarettes. After just 20 minutes without a cigarette, the heart rate drops. So does the blood pressure. Twelve hours later, the body will cleanse the carbon monoxide from the last cigarette from the body. That's a great start.
- **Financial Benefits:** The average smoker spends over \$2,000 annually on cigarettes. Think of what you could do with those savings!
- **Better Quality of Life:** Quitting improves your sense of taste and smell, boosts your energy, and reduces stress.

Need help to quit?

Make an appointment with the Medical Department to discuss **Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT)** options. They can help you find the right tools to make quitting easier and more successful.

The Nevada Tobacco Quitline The [Nevada Tobacco Quitline](#) is a free resource for those that smoke cigarettes, chew tobacco, use nicotine pouches, or use e-cigarettes. Anyone that calls 1-800-QUIT-NOW can speak with a professional. The Nevada Tobacco Quitline can also connect Native Americans and Asian Americans who smoke with culturally tailored resources. Veterans can call 1-855-QUIT-VET (1-855-784-8838).

For Youth My Life, My Quit My Life, My Quit provides free support for Nevada teens to quit tobacco use, including vaping. Text "Start My Quit" to 36072 or visit <https://nv.mylifemyquit.org/>.

More information about quitting tobacco use can be found on the www.GetHealthyWashoe.com website under **Be Tobacco Free**.

Finally, if you have a smoking history, talk to your healthcare provider about **lung cancer screening!**

Health benefits of quitting smoking over time.

Within minutes of smoking your last cigarette, your body begins to recover:

20 minutes

Your heart rate and blood pressure drop.



2 weeks to 3 months

Your circulation improves, and your lung function increases.



1-2 years

Your risk of heart attack drops dramatically.



5-10 years

Your risk of cancers of the mouth, throat, and voice box (larynx) is cut in half. Your stroke risk decreases.



15 years

Your risk of coronary heart disease is close to that of a nonsmoker.



A few days

The carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal.



1-12 months

Coughing and shortness of breath decrease. Tiny hair-like structures that move mucus out of the lungs (called cilia) regain normal function, increasing their ability to handle mucus, clean the lungs, and reduce the risk of infection.



10 years

Your risk of lung cancer is about half that of a person who is still smoking (after 10-15 years). Your risk of cancer of the bladder, esophagus, and kidney decreases.



Source: <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/risk-prevention/tobacco/benefits-of-quitting-smoking-over-time.html>



Talking Circle

w/ MICHELLE JIM-KATENAY
CADC-S, LMSW, CSW-I

MONDAYS

4:00pm-5:00pm

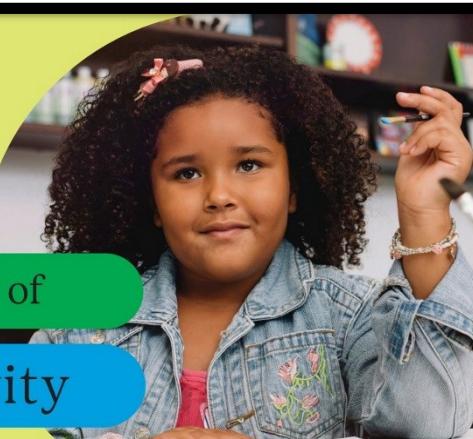
For more information please call
(775) 329-5162 ext. 2014 or email
mkatenay@rsicclinic.org



Your Year of

Creativity

- ✓ Design a mural inspired by your community.
- ✓ Plan a nature walk for you and your friends.
- ✓ Find new ways of expressing yourself.



Let your imagination lead the way as you try new things. Find your inspiration and discover a different side of yourself.

Be a Girl Scout

girl scouts
of the sierra nevada

Join Girl Scouts Today!

Girl Scout troop 155 meets every 2nd & 4th Friday at the Hungry Valley Rec Center from 4:00-5:00pm starting Sept. 13th

Girl Scouts earn badges related to STEM, outdoors, entrepreneurship, and life skills while making new friends.

Scan the QR code or visit gssn.org/CLT to fill out the permission slip.

For questions or concerns email girlscoutshelp@gssn.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
- Christian Luna (775) 785-8775 ext. 4

Tribal Court Bailiff:

- Cameron Kramer is (775) 785-8775 ext. 6

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, 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.

Join WIC, Your Path to a Healthy Family!

What is WIC?

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a supplemental program that supports families health through nutrition assistance.

How WIC Benefits You:

- Monthly Food Benefits: Access to benefits for purchasing nutritious foods.
- Nutrition Tips: Answers to your nutrition questions.
- Breastfeeding Assistance: Support for breastfeeding moms.
- Family Resources: Valuable resources for your family.

Who Is Eligible?

- Pregnant
- A new mom
- Breastfeeding
- Have an infant or child under age 5

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Live in Nevada
- ✓ Receive Medicaid, Food Stamps, Work First
- ✓ Family income within WIC guidelines
- ✓ Nutritional need determined by WIC Nutritionist

ITCN WIC
INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF NEVADA
Women, Infants, & Children

Don't miss out on the benefits of a healthy lifestyle!
Join ITCN WIC today.
For more information, visit www.itcnwic.org or call (775) 398-4960.

You are not alone

Contact Our Staff

Human Services (775) 329-5071
Victim Services Coordinator Jennifer Katenay (775) 329-5071 x1312
Healing Path Coordinator Joseph Cano (775) 329-5071 x7969

Community Resources

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada: (775) 355-0600
Nevada Urban Indians Inc.: (775) 788-7600
Nevada Victims of Crime Compensation Program: (775) 688-2900
Crisis Call Center: 1(800) 273-8255
Reno PD Victim Services: (775) 657-4519
Sparks PD Victims Advocate: (775) 353-2217
Washoe County Sheriff's Victims Advocate: (775) 325-7875

RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

VICTIM SERVICES



The Victim Services program at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony provides compassionate support to victims and their families, ensuring they are treated with dignity and respect as they navigate the aftermath of crime. Our advocates offer education on victims' rights and deliver personalized advocacy, empowering individuals to address their needs effectively.

Eligibility:

- An incident of victimization has occurred within the past 90 days
- Victimization occurred within RSIC jurisdictional boundaries
- Open case with law enforcement agency
- Police report on file
- A referral letter from law enforcement or a victim advocate outside of RSIC

Types of Victimization:

- Adult physical assault
- Arson
- Bullying
- Burglary
- Child physical abuse
- Cyber crimes
- DUI/DWI
- Gang violence
- Human trafficking
- Identity theft
- Kidnapping
- Adult sexual assault
- Adults sexually abused/assaulted as children
- Domestic/Family violence
- Dating violence
- Elder abuse or neglect

Services:

- Advocacy and support
- Crisis intervention (emergency shelter, food, clothing, transportation)
- Accompaniment and guidance through the criminal justice system and court proceeding
- Assistance filing Temporary Protection Orders (TPO)
- Safety planning
- Appropriate counseling referrals
- Assistance filing for State of Nevada Victims of Crime compensation
- Information and referrals to other programs and services

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.

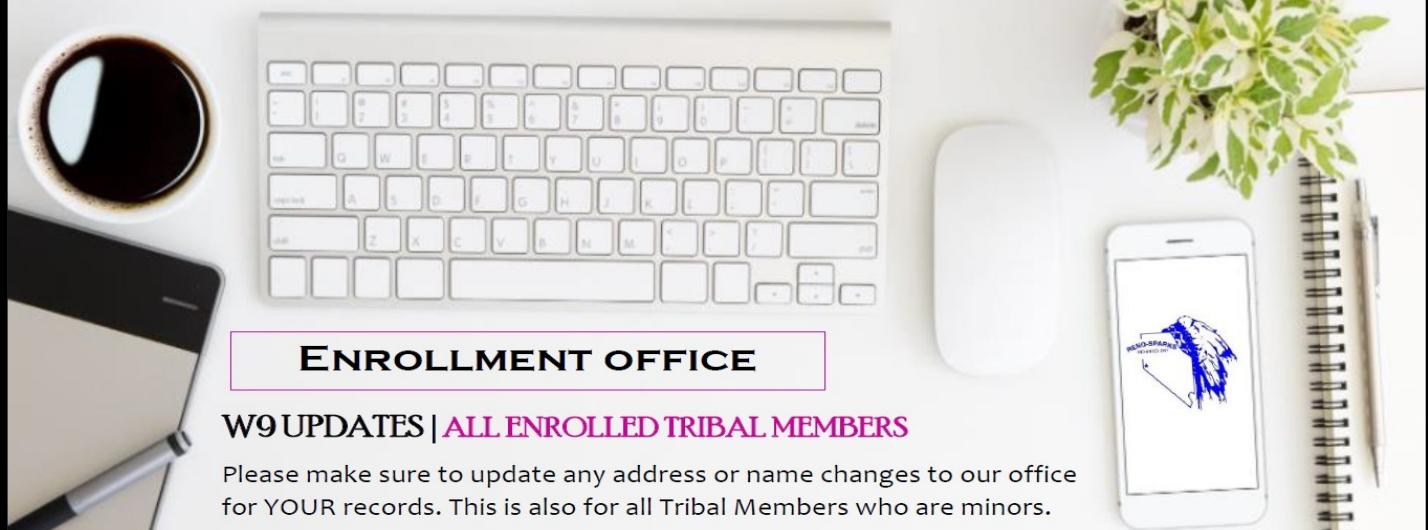
(Romans 3:23; John 1:12; Romans 10:9)

CHECK YOUR RSIC NEWSLETTER BOX!



**ALL NOTICES & FLYERS
EVEN SHUT-OFF NOTICES
WILL BE PLACED IN THE
RSIC NEWSLETTER BOXES**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO ALWAYS CHECK YOUR RSIC NEWSLETTER BOX FOR INFORMATION
THANK YOU!
RSIC TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE



ENROLLMENT OFFICE

W9 UPDATES | ALL ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS

Please make sure to update any address or name changes to our office for YOUR records. This is also for all Tribal Members who are minors.

Any Tribal Member turning 18 years old will need a new W9 in their name and signature for any education or monetary assistance.

← →

W9's are available in the Enrollment Office, Finance, or IRS.GOV

Phone: 775-785-1306 | Fax: 775-329-2781
Jessica Castillo, Enrollment Officer | email: jcastillo@rsic.org
or
Josephine Astor, Enrollment Assistant | email: jastor@rsic.org

Keepers of Wills on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony

Written by: RSIC Tribal Court

Tribal Court Information for RSIC Tribal Members and Communities: Based on questions that arose out of the community event held on November 14, 2024, the information below is important as it relates to the keepers of wills on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (see Ordinance 56, Part 1 Probate Ordinance).

PART 3. PROBATE OF A WILL

56.1.301 Duty to Present Will for Probate. Every custodian of a Will shall deliver the Will to the Court within thirty (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. Upon the receipt of the Will, the Court shall take control of the Will and assign the Will to probate.

56.1.302 Petition to Probate Will and for Letters Testamentary. A Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary shall be made by the named Executor in the Will within thirty (30) days of the death of the decedent. If no Executor is named, a Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary may be made by any Interested Party within thirty (30) days of the death of the decedent. The Petition must be in

writing, signed by the Petitioner, and shall state the basis for the Court's jurisdiction, the names of the heirs of the decedent, if known, and the name or names of any person specified in the Will as Executor and the address of such person if known. If the original Will has not yet been submitted to the Court the petitioner shall submit the original Will with the Petition. The Petition shall contain a copy of the Will.

56.1.303 Appointment of Administrator.

1. Upon receipt of a Petition to Probate the Will and for Letters Testamentary, the Court shall schedule a hearing at which time an Administrator will be appointed and letters testamentary authorized. The hearing shall be scheduled at least twenty (20) days after the date notice of the hearing is provided as set forth below.

2. Notice of the hearing, via certified mail, shall be made by the petitioning party to all persons named as takers under the Will, and to all known heirs of the decedent if different from the named takers, to the Chairman of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, and also posted in a conspicuous place in the Court building. The petitioner shall provide an affidavit to the Court that such notice has been provided and attach to the affidavit

copies of certified mail receipts of such notice.

3. At the hearing, the Court shall appoint an Administrator to administer the estate according to the terms of this Ordinance and the decedent's Will.

4. The Administrator shall be a competent adult and preference shall be given to the person named as the Executor in the Will, followed by the person who has submitted the Petition to Probate the Will.

5. Letters testamentary shall be granted to the person appointed as Administrator upon their taking an oath, to be prescribed by the Court, to the effect that the Administrator will faithfully and honestly administer the estate, and upon the Administrator's filing of a bond, if required by the Court.

6. In the event an objection or challenge is raised by any Interested Party to the Will, the Court shall take no further action, but shall set a date and time for an evidentiary hearing before the Court who will resolve the dispute.

If you have any questions regarding wills or probate, please feel free to contact the Tribal Court Advocates Enrico Castillo or Christian Luna at (775) 785-8775.

New Refill Services

Leave Message/Phone Refill

- New refill line - call (775) 334-0413 or call (775) 329-5162 and use extension 1699
 - Option #1 = enter your prescription number
 - DO NOT ENTER THE R OR N at the end of the number
 - Option #3 = leave a message for the pharmacy Staff

Pharmacy Staff

- To talk to someone inside the Pharmacy Call (775) 329-5162 and use extensions 2032, 1994, 1993, or 2004.

Phone App Refills

- Download the RefillPro App by scanning one of the below QRs.



- Once Downloaded put (775) 329-5162 for the Pharmacy phone number
- Order Refills tab
 - Option #1 = enter your prescription number
 - DO NOT ENTER THE R OR N at the end of the number
 - Option #2 = Scan the Barcode on your prescription bottle.

New Text Alerts

- Receive texts when
 - Medications are ready to pick up
 - Medications are due to refill
 - SIGN UP by Talking to a Pharmacy Staff Member

New Prescription Labels



- **Red Box** = Prescription number. The Letter at the end is not part of the prescription number, it just indicates if the prescription is new or a refill. N = new script/renewed script and R = refilled script.
- **Green Box** = The Number of Refills left for this medication.
- **Black Box** = Refills on this medication are good until this Date.
- **Blue Box** = Barcode used to scan in RefillPro app to order refills on the app

USING YOUR SELF-TEST | COVID-19 |

1 Follow instructions very carefully.



2 Use the QR code below for more information about self-testing and how-to videos.



3 If your results are positive

Isolate yourself from others. As much as possible, stay in a specific room and away from other people and pets in your home.

Tell your close contacts that they may have been exposed to COVID-19.



If you are at an increased risk of becoming severely ill, treatment may be available. Contact your health care provider right away if your test result is positive.

Name of provider
Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Clinic

Phone number of provider
775-329-5162

www.cdc.gov/covidtesting



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Isolate and take precautions if you have or suspect you have COVID-19

ISOLATION



Stay home and away from others

Wear a high-quality mask if you must be around others



Start counting days

Day 0 is the day your symptoms started

If you never had symptoms, day 0 is the day you took a COVID-19 test



Watch for emergency warning signs, like trouble breathing

Seek help if they develop

Accessible version: <http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation.html>

ENDING ISOLATION



Isolate to day 6 or later, if you

- never had symptoms or symptoms are improving, and
- are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication

Continue to isolate if your fever persists or other symptoms have not improved

Isolate through day 10, if you experienced moderate illness, like shortness of breath or difficulty breathing



Isolate through day 10 and talk with a healthcare provider before you end isolation, if you

- were hospitalized, or
- have a weakened immune system

AFTER ISOLATION

Until at least day 11, avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick

Wear a high-quality mask when around others indoors



Removing your mask

After ending isolation, wear your mask through day 10

OR

Take 2 antigen tests, 48 hours apart

If both tests are negative, you may remove your mask sooner than day 10



cdc.gov/coronavirus



Truckee Meadows Community College



University of Nevada, Reno

Dec. 9, 2024
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
March 3, 2025
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



Senior Class of 2025 **FAFSA**
Financial Aid Workshop
Pyramid Lake Jr./Sr. High School | Cafeteria

What to bring:

- 2023 Federal Income Tax Return
- Social Security Numbers for Students & Parents
- Email Address
- FSA ID

Scan the QR Code if you do not have your FSA ID



Why FAFSA?

Helps pay for Universities, Community Colleges, Vocational/Trade Schools, furthering your education while in the Military, and is used to apply for Federal Students Aid such as grants, work-study and loans!

Pyramid Lake Jr./Sr. High School Counseling Office

For more information, please contact:

Brittany Stevenson (775) 574-1016 ext. 1002

WELL-CHILD CHECK & VACCINES

3-4 DAYS - WELL-CHILD

2 WEEKS - WELL-CHILD

2 MONTHS - DTAP/IPV/HEP B, PCV20, ROTARIX, AND HIB

4 MONTHS - DTAP/IPV/HEP B, PCV20 ROTARIX, AND HIB

6 MONTHS - DTAP/IPV/HEP B, PCV20, AND HIB

9 MONTHS - WELL-CHILD

12 MONTHS - MMR, VARICELLA, PCV 20, AND HEP A

15 MONTHS - DTAP AND HIB

18 MONTHS* - HEP A

2 YEARS* - WELL-CHILD

2.5 YEARS - WELL-CHILD

3 YEARS - WELL-CHILD

4 YEARS - DTAP/IPV, MMR/VARICELLA

5-10 YEARS - YEARLY WELL-CHILD

11 YEARS - MCV4, TDAP, AND HPV (2 SIX MONTHS APART)

12-15 YEARS - YEARLY WELL-CHILD

16 YEARS - MCV4, MEN B (2 ONE MONTH APART)

17 YEARS - WELL-CHILD

18 YEARS - WELL-CHILD



UPDATE YOUR TRIBAL ID



OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

- ✓ Tribal ID's have a four (4) year expiration date
- ✓ The new Chairman's signature is on the back
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ RSIC Department's will no longer accept a Tribal ID without an expiration date or an expired Tribal ID.
- ✓ Update your name change or information w/Enrollment.

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ELDER FITNESS CLASS

ELDER CLASS

Join the 3NWC staff for an hour of exercise every Tuesday from 9:00-10:00am at the Hungry Valley Recreation Center. Starts May 7, 2024.



WHAT WE OFFER

- ◆ Chair Exercises
- ◆ Resistance Band Exercises
- ◆ Body Weight Exercises
- ◆ Aerobic Exercises
- ◆ Strength Training

For more information contact:
3NWC at 775-329-5162



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December 2024



RSIC Senior Program Clients –

It's annual renewal and new client registration time again for 2025 RSIC Senior Program Client Registration!!! Applications available and accepted at the senior center, Monday-Friday from 7:30 am – 2:30 pm.

*Items required and we can make copies for you, if need -

Valid photo ID (driver's license, state or Tribal ID)

2025 Income (optional)

However, "IF", you receive any additional resources like; food pantry, farmers market coupon books, etc., your 2025 income is required to continue.

Registration Raffle will be held for all completed packets!!! Drawing on February 13 at the Valentine/Birthday Bingo. The number of raffle ticket(s) depends on the date you submit your completed packet.

Early completion = more Raffle tickets for you

November 20 – December 30 = 5 Tickets

January 2-31 = 3 Raffle Tickets

February 1-13 = 1 Raffle Ticket



Awesome prizes to be won, so get your registration packet done soon as possible.

For more information or assistance please stop by or call 775-785-1349.





Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Senior Center Lunch Menu
34 Reservation Rd Building F
775-785-1349

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| 2) Bison Gravy over Brown Rice Carrots Honeydew | 3) Chef Salad With Turkey, Cheese, Cucumber & Tomato WW Roll Orange | 4) Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Pineapple | 5) Pork Tenderloin Baby Roasted Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Pears | 6) Denver Scramble Casserole With Eggs, Diced Ham, Peppers & Onions Apricots |
| 9) Sausage Penne Pasta with Cherry Tomatoes and Bell Peppers Breadstick Peaches | 10) Toasted Italian Slider Sandwich Lettuce & Tomato Baked Chips Apple Slices | 11) Pork chop Rice Pilaf Peas & Carrots Grapes | 12) Christmas Lunch Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Orange | 13) Sausage, Egg & Cheese Breakfast Burrito Tomato Wedges Mix Berries |
| 16) Old Fashion Goulash WW Noodle Steamed Carrots Cantaloupe | 17) Open Faced Turkey Sandwich Mashed Potatoes 5 Way Veggies Apple | 18) Fish Sandwich WW Bun Coleslaw Tropical Fruit | 19) Chicken Pozole Dark Green Salad Mandarin Oranges | 20) Breakfast Sandwich, Turkey Sausage, Egg, biscuit Celery & Carrot Banana |
| 23) Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Sliced Peppers Peaches | 24) <i>12:00 pm all RSIC facilities closed</i> <i>No meal served or delivered</i> <i>*Meal will be delivered Mon 12/23</i> | 25) RSIC Facilities Closed  | 26) BBQ Chicken Rice Pilaf 5 Way Veggies Grapes | 27) Oatmeal Boiled Egg Tomato & Cucumber Applesauce |
| *24) Chicken Cesar Wrap, Sun Chips Pear | | | <i>Delivery meal time; 9:30 am – 11:30 am</i> <i>Center meal time; 10am – 11:30 am</i> <i>Senior Center closed at 12 pm</i> | |
| 30) Beef Hot Dog Sweet Potato Tots Peas & Carrots Peaches | 31) <i>No meal served or delivered</i> <i>*Meal will be delivered Mon 12/30</i> <i>12 pm Senior Center Closed</i> | Jan 1) RSIC Facilities Closed  | Jan 2) Meat Lasagna Carrot Coins Peaches | Jan 3) Cereal cup Boiled egg Bell Pepper slices Banana |

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.

December



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Senior Center Activities Calendar
34 Reservation Rd
Building F

2024

775-785-1349

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| 2) 1:00 pm Senior Advisory Committee Meeting | 3) 10:00 am Chair Exercises | 4) | 5) 1:00 Christmas Wreath | 6) |
| 9) Sign up for Movie Cards | 10) 10:00 am Chair Exercises | 11) | 12) 11:30 Christmas Lunch 12 pm Tribal Police Presentation 12:30 Bingo | 13) |
| 16) 9:00 am Food Pantry | 17) 10:00 am Chair Exercises 1:00 pm Centerpiece | 18) 10:00 am Chair Volleyball at Reno gym | 19) 1:00 pm Christmas Tree Painting | 20) |
| 23) | 24) 10:00 am Chair Exercises <i>12:00 pm all RSIC facilities closed</i> | 25) <i>Closed – no meals served or delivered</i> | 26) 12 pm Senior Center Closed | 27) 12 pm Senior Center Closed |
| 30) 8:00 am YPT Commodities @ 34 | 31) 10:00 am Chair Exercises <i>12:00 pm senior center closed</i> | January 1, 2025 <i>Closed – no meals served or delivered</i> | Please remember to call and cancel your lunch if you are coming to play | |

Activities are subject to change or cancel without notice.

150 Years of Whitewashing: UNR's Continued Colonial Legacy

Written By: Makai Zuniga, RSIC Tribal Member (pages 22-25)

(Reno, NV-Nov 21, 2024) My name is Makai Zuniga, and I am a Northern Paiute (“Numu”) citizen of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. Unlike many residents of Nevada, myself, my relatives, and the Indigenous peoples of the Great Basin are the only true “Native Nevadans.” This distinction is one I am compelled to make otherwise the colonial history, and the legacy of manifest destiny is left uncontested. Furthermore, I am writing this essay to call attention to the current media campaign that the University of Nevada, Reno is undergoing to celebrate its 150th anniversary, and specifically how this campaign fails to address the institution’s role in the ongoing erasure of Native Nevadan histories.

The University of Nevada, Reno has always held a significant role in the Reno-Sparks community as it is widely considered the premier higher education institution in Northern Nevada. For me personally, the University has consistently been integral to mine and my family’s lives. As a boy, cool fall weather meant trips to Mackay Stadium with my mother, and brisk spring semester evenings were for basketball at Lawlor Events Center. As a teenager, Lawlor became a milestone for Washoe County high school graduates, as every June graduates attended their ceremonies at the arena.

In June of 2017, I shared in this local milestone, even giving a commencement speech in the middle of Lawlor to my fellow Reno High School graduates.

Four, short years later I received my bachelor’s degree from the University and in a full circle moment commencement was held at Mackay Stadium. It was drizzling on May 15, 2021, when a Northern Paiute elder began to give a traditional blessing in her aboriginal language prior to the start of the graduation. I, along with several hundred students, watched the jumbo screen for several minutes and whereas other speakers had their words transcribed, the elder’s subtitles merely said “(Numu Blessing).” It was apparent to me that the University was willing to make a show of inviting the elder onto stage, but it was too much effort to transcribe the intimate and sacred prayer that had been shared with us. The day of my graduation from UNR is a happy memory of mine, but it comes with the constant reminder that the institution consistently makes hollow efforts to address its colonial history.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR). The Nevada Silver & Blue, the official magazine of UNR, published a ninety-six page “Sesquicentennial Issue”

and similarly the official UNR YouTube channel posted a commemorative video. This media blitz is meant to be a celebration of the University, its graduates, and its rich history. However, the institution seems rather selective in the history it decides to highlight, and even romanticizes the historical tropes seen in Manifest Destiny. There is a failure to adequately confront the Native American genocide and Indigenous displacement that the University is built upon, as I will expand upon.

The Sesquicentennial Issue: Colonial Validation

Those who have read the Sesquicentennial Issue might be quick to ask, “but doesn’t the magazine begin with the “Native American Perspective: The Road to Reconciliation and Meaningful Engagement and accompanying “Land Acknowledgment?”” Director of the Indigenous Relations program at UNR Daphne-Emm Hooper, Walker River Paiute, pens the opening article. This section correctly enumerates the Tribal Nations that have called Nevada home since time immemorial, addresses the problematic nature of land-grant institutions, and the lack of Native peoples in higher education. At the bottom of the page there are several images of a beautiful mural honoring Indigenous histories of the Great Basin. The artist Au-

tumn Harry, a citizen of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, has an inspiring quote calling for students to learn about the nations that call the region home and to think about the legacy of colonization.

The “Native” section is only three pages, with the third page being almost entirely blank, with three small images that fail to honor the beauty and importance of Harry’s mural. Thus, when I first saw how small this section was, I was reminded of the Numu elder on that rainy day at Mackay. UNR had once again invited Native Peoples to the table, but this invitation is once again hollow. Later in the magazine, there are full page, color images and even a pull-out section on the “Joys of Commencement.” If the Silver and Blue spared no expense on this magazine, Harry’s mural should have equally been a full set of pages to showcase the intricate details. The reader might once again ask why I am so displeased with the section, how is this nothing more than a demonstration of the University’s good faith effort to highlight Indigenous Peoples.

Shortly after this section, and through the entirety of the magazine, settler-colonial history is glorified, romanticized, and rarely if not ever condemned. See pages 26–27 where there is a Manifest Destiny-esque portrait of a pioneer style wagon, accompanied by language detailing how dangerous settling the west was. This article details how dangerous “traveling

West” was for the settler Hannah Clapp, and nowhere is it mentioned how dangerous her journey was for Nevadan tribes. The influx of white settlers to the Great Basin, who sought to exploit mineral resources, had catastrophic effects for all tribes in the region. Nowhere in this section is the Indigenous response to the presence of invaders in their homelands, or the devastating impact that white settlement had.

Furthermore, see page 32 where famed settler John Mackay is described as “exploring a vein of low-grade ore” in Virginia City, Nevada. “Exploring” is certainly a euphemistic verb in that sentence, I hardly think my ancestors would have described Mackay as having been “exploring.” More likely “trespassing” or even “thieving” would have been more comparable. Mackay’s statue is discussed on pages 32–33, and the controversial history of the statue’s sculptor having “documented associations with the Ku Klux Klan” is referenced.

“Documented associations” with the KKK is almost certainly an understatement, as the Mackay sculptor—Gutzon Borglum—has been described as a card-carrying member of the Ku Klux Klan. When speaking about black people, Borglum stated they had “eaten into the very moral fiber of our race character.” He was also deeply anti-Semitic, in an essay titled “The Jewish Question” he stated “Jews refuse to enter the

mainstream of civilization, to become producing members of the world community. They do not share or create, but choose instead to clannishly hold onto their old ways and with mere money buy and sell the efforts of others.”

Thus, the University has effectively decided to sign off on Borglum’s legacy by choosing to leave the statue on campus as the administration believes it will “...help bring awareness to the impact of Nevada’s settlement... [on] Indigenous lands and people.” This is comparable to telling the descendants of African slaves that statues of Confederate generals serve as “springboards” for holistic discussions. This rationale is merely an excuse to maintain the status quo, which in turn perpetuates harm to the affected communities.

To Native peoples, the Mackay statue is nothing more than colonial romanticization—where a settler is depicted with his trademark pickaxe and stolen ore in hand. The statue is a symbol of the Anglo-settler belief that the West was an economic opportunity—an empty landscape waiting to be civilized. However, this belief was only actualized through the systemic ethnic cleansing and subjugation of the Indigenous population.

If President Sandoval and the University wished to bring awareness to the impact of Nevadan settlement on Indigenous peoples they should replace the statue with a Native person.

Continued on page 24-25

Truly, how lazy and morally bankrupt to say the statue of the colonizer is somehow the best way to revisit the ethics of westward expansion. How is this anything other than a lazy explanation to allow the racist and bloody legacy of Manifest Destiny to continue on campus? If you believe a statue can help address the sins of the past, find the courage to replace the symbol of colonization with those who fought against the legacy of Manifest Destiny—such as the Dann Sisters.

Mary and Carrie and Dann were Western Shoshone (Newe) land defenders, water protectors, and spiritual leaders who fought for almost fifty years as they attempted to assert their treaty rights to aboriginal land title in Crescent Valley, Nevada. Their legal proceedings made it to the United States Supreme Court, and they garnered global attention as the Federal Government spent millions fighting two elder Shoshone women. As a result of the Dann Sister's advocacy, the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) would rule that the United States violated the UN's anti-discrimination policy in its treatment of the Western Shoshone. CERD also urged the U.S. to "freeze", "desist from", and "stop" actions taken against the Western Shoshone Peoples. The resistance efforts of "two little, old ladies," made it all the way to highest Court of the United States, and even across the globe to Europe. Thus, UNR

has the chance for redemption. Replacing the Mackay statue—which was crafted by a White Supremacist—with the Dann Sisters, sculpted by a Native artist, would clearly demonstrate a true commitment to Indigenous communities.

Outside of the first three pages there are only a few mentions of notable Indigenous UNR graduates. See page 41 where the late Randy Melendez is mentioned in the article. If you were reading this section and were not already aware of who Randy Melendez was, you might not have even connected that he was a citizen of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony as it is not clearly stated. Also, despite Melendez being described as an incredible community leader in his own right, he is being used to exemplify the magnanimous nature of Professor John Trent, Sr.. There is not an accompanying image of the deeply influential Melendez, and the success of his legacy is attributed to a white professor.

See also page 66 where Joe Bliss, the first holder of an NCAA boxing title from UNR is briefly described. Bliss was a citizen of the Lovelock Paiute Tribe, a U.S. Army veteran, and a deeply accomplished boxer—eventually being admitted into the UNR Athletics Hall of Fame. It is mentioned that Bliss was a student at the Stewart Indian School in Carson City, Nevada—which is where he fostered his talent for boxing. However, there is no mention about the odious history of the

Stewart School, or Indian Boarding Schools in general. Bliss is described as having "discovered boxing in the third grade," which assumes that Bliss was complicit in pursuing the sport. However, oral histories from Stewart survivors confirm that students were often forced to fight each other by staff members. Thus, the trauma and historical impact of Joe Bliss being a Native man who attended an Indian Boarding School is effectively erased.

This erasure is finally cemented on the following page, 67, with the article "*And the Cities Rise Like Dreams.*" Penned by composer Steve Danyew, Danyew discussed the song he was commissioned to create for the 150th Anniversary. When describing his inspiration, Danyew fully embraces "Manifest Destiny"—citing the story of the American West as "its growth from a quiet wilderness to a bustling region." This erasure of history is both false and disturbing but is also a perfect metaphor for the University's hollow commitment to its tribal communities. Thriving cities, societies, and cultures have been in the Americas since time immemorial, and far before the first settler set foot in the American West. Where the incredible significance of Joe Bliss's achievements were underreported on one page, the adjacent page is nothing but a validation of colonial erasure.

Throughout the Sesquicentennial Issue, my indignation slowly grew into numbness, and the cherry on top of UNR's failure

came on page 77. The article titled "Charting the Wolf Pack Way: Academics and Research" details a group of UNR psychologists who taught a chimpanzee American Sign Language in the late 1960s. The psychologists named the chimp "Washoe," and the author of this section writes that "Washoe is just one example of the many ways the University... [has] inspired excellence since 1874." It should be clear that naming a monkey after the Washoe People was beyond unacceptable in the sixties, and it is beyond unacceptable today. The very fact that the School used this unabashed racism as an example of "inspiring excellence" is a true testament to its indifference to the Indigenous community.

Moving Forward

Firstly, it's undeniable that the Silver and Blue and UNR owes the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California and all Washoe people an apology. The University also owes its Native students and the Great Basin Indigenous community as a whole an apology for naming a monkey after the Washoe Tribe. Moving forward, the magazine and the University would be wise to include more Indigenous peoples in the editing room to prevent such a racist stain from being published.

Second, the University must stop with its hollow attempts at Indigenous inclusion. Saving two pages at the beginning of a magazine to have Native faculty briefly discuss the colonial his-

tory of UNR's foundation is not enough. Especially when this section is immediately followed up with the symbols of colonial destruction, demonstrating the very erasure that Hooper's segment addressed. UNR, please have more meaningful invitations to Indigenous communities to participate. A token land acknowledgment is meaningless without good faith efforts to rectify the colonial history.

Lastly, UNR has a chance for redemption. Replacing the Mackay statue— which was crafted by a White Supremacist— with the Dann Sisters, sculpted by a Native artist, would clearly demonstrate a commitment to Indigenous communities. The Dann Sisters spent their lives fighting against the very legacy that Mackay, and Mackay's sculptor, represent to Native Peoples. UNR President Brian Sandoval has already acknowledged the critical importance of the Dann's activism, leading an initiative that posthumously awarded the Sister's with honorary doctorate degrees. Thus, the Dann Sisters replacing Mackay would have a powerful impact for every Native student on campus, and certainly for the Great Basin Tribes.

Conclusion

It cannot be denied that the history of UNR's foundation is directly tied to the genocide of Indigenous Peoples. Nevada served as a "bridge state" to California during the Gold Rush, and the subsequent "discovery" of minerals follow-

ing the Comstock Lode led to a permanent influx of settlers. This influx created a scarcity of resources, in a high-desert environment that was already experiencing scarcity. The diversions of water for agriculture, the destruction of game habitat, and the direct violence inflicted upon Native Peoples had catastrophic impacts. Native Nevadan Tribes, largely rural, are still recovering from and experiencing the effects of this trauma today.

Despite the ugliness of this history, Native Nevadans are extremely resilient. This resiliency is directly related to unknown numbers of generations of land stewardship in the Great Basin. Tribal Peoples are, and have always, been connected to this land— including the very land UNR sits on. The University has certainly made efforts to include Indigenous communities, but I am once again reminded of the elder's untranslated prayer at my commencement ceremony. If tribal participation at UNR is only a performative nicety, then the University is continuing colonial legacy.

I urge the University to take the necessary steps forward to ensure that the Indigenous erasure within the Sesquicentennial Issue of the Silver & Blue is not repeated for future publications. The Wolf Pack is an organization beloved by many Native Nevadans, including myself and my family, and I want my alma mater to make sure it fully realizes it's commitment to Indigenous communities. ~ Pesa U'

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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 November 20, 2024, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council gave preliminary approval of a residential land assignment for:

Applicant: Norman DeLorme

Address: 71 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502

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 Director
1937 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502
775-785-1363 or cstowell@rsic.org

Tribal Council Secretary
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502
mvarrow@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, December 27, 2024.

If you have any questions concerning this residential land assignment, please contact Candace H. Stowell, AICP at 775-785-1363 ext. 5409 or cstowell@rsic.org



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Planning and Community Development Department
1937 Prosperity St
Reno, NV 89502
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Termination of Residential Land Lease

Becky Lou Sampson Clizzie
80 Colony Road
Reno, NV 89502

On November 27, 2024, the Planning and Community Development Department, on behalf of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Council, issued a notice of termination to:

Becky Lou Sampson Clizzie
80 Colony Road, Reno, NV 89502

A copy of the termination notice is available by contacting:

Planning and Community Development Department Director
1937 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502
775-785-1363 or cstowell@rsic.org

OR

Tribal Council Secretary
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502
mvarrow@rsic.org

EXECUTIVE HEALTH BOARD RECRUITMENT Urban Native Representative

The Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center is recruiting for one (1) Urban Native Representative to fill one existing vacancy on the Executive Health Board.

The Executive Health Board voting membership consists of five (5) Reno-Sparks Indian Colony residents who are members, and two (2) representatives from the Urban Indian population, for a total of seven (7) voting members. The Executive Health Board members meet once a month, usually on the 3rd Monday, and are provided a monthly meeting stipend for participation. The members are appointed by the Tribal Council and shall serve a term for a four-year period.

If you are interested in being a member of the Executive Health Board, please submit a written letter of interest to:

*RSIC Executive Health Board
Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center
1715 Kuenzli Street, Reno, NV 89502.
Phone: 329-5162 ext. 1901*

All interested participants will be invited to fill out an application and attend a Health Board meeting for introductions.

This vacancy announcement will be open until filled.



Posted 8/15/2024

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RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

*Housing Department

9055 Eagle Canyon Drive, Sparks, NV 89441
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RE: HOUSING SENIOR FUND PROGRAM

September 26, 2024

The budget for the 2024 Senior Fund Program has been exhausted. The Housing Department is no longer accepting Senior Fund Program applications for the remainder of this calendar year.

The Housing department will resume accepting applications beginning January 1, 2025

Please contact the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Housing Department with any questions or concerns.

CONTACT INFORMATION

RSIC Housing Department

9055 Eagle Canyon Drive

Sparks, NV 89441

(775)785-1300



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 Senior Advisory Committee Is seeking 1 new member

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: Tribal Headquarters, 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502, Attention: Tribal Administrator's Office. 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.



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RECRUITMENT FOR RSIC POWWOW COMMITTEE

Notice to Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Enrolled Members

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee is seeking four (4) 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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Reno-Sparks Indian Colony

Language and Culture Program

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Reno Education Building
Starting August 12th
6pm-8pm

Please bring a food dish to share.



Instructor: Thalia Dick
Summit Lake Paiute

Reno Sparks Indian Colony Language & Culture Program

Hungry Valley Office: (775) 785-1338

Located at the RSIC Reno Education Building

Reno Office: (775) 785-1321

Located at the RSIC Hungry Valley Education Building

Stacey Burns – Language Coordinator
sburns@rsic.org
Jennie Burns – Language Specialist
jburns@rsic.org
Alisha Numan – Program Assistant
anuman@rsic.org

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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.

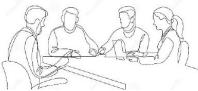
Please submit a letter describing your interest in joining the TBCC to the RSIC THPO at 34 Reservation RD. Reno NV

ACCEPTING LETTERS OF INTEREST UNTIL August 16, 2024.

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



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502



URGENT – APPLY TODAY

MUST FILL (2) ELECTION BOARD VACANCY – MEETINGS ARE THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) is accepting letters of interest from qualified candidates to fill a couple of vacancies for the Election Board (Board). The Board will review candidate letters of interest then nominate selected individuals to the RSIC Tribal Council for approval. The term of appointment is two years. Members of the Board typically meet at 6:00 p.m. for one hour, with the exception of Tribal Election Day, once a month and are compensated at the rate of \$75.00 per meeting as prescribed by the Tribal Council.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates shall meet the minimum qualifications:

- Ability to work positively under team concept with community.
- Self-motivated, energetic, responsible, and reliable.
- Understanding of the history, culture, and aspirations of the RSIC community.
- Strong communication skills, orally and in writing.
- Adhere to the Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of the RSIC.

Preference will be given to:

- Persons with the time and flexibility to attend and participate at Board meetings.
- Persons with the time and flexibility to prepare for and work on Tribal Election Day.

In addition, eligible candidates must be able to complete a pre-employment drug screening and criminal background check.

APPLICATIONS & QUESTIONS

If you wish to be considered for this vacancy, please submit your letter of interest to:

Tribal Administrators Office
Attn: Election Board
By mail or hand delivery: 34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact:

Tanya Hernandez, Chairperson
By e-mail: thernandez@rsic.org or by phone: (775)785-8775



Recruitment Language & Culture Advisory Committee Members

The Language & Culture Advisory Committee is currently seeking (1) RSIC Tribal member to serve on the Language & Culture Advisory Committee.

Committee member 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 an letter of interest to:

Reno Sparks Indian Colony
Tribal Administrator's Office
34 Reservation Road, Reno, NV 89502

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Language & Culture offices at 775-785-1365

RSIC HOMEOWNER REPAIR ASSISTANCE FUND

Providing temporary home repair assistance to low-income RSIC Tribal Enrolled Members.

Must be living within the Hungry Valley or the Reno Colony Lands.

Eligible Qualified Expenses:

- Roof Repair
- Window Replacements - due to deficient installation, dilapidation or damaged windows
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- Siding, if siding is determined to be dilapidated/cracked that could cause leaks
- Electrical Safety Issues
- Existing housing deficiencies/conditions that may be hazardous to occupants
- Repairs necessary for property to prevent condemned/inhabitable without necessary repairs.
- Accessibility improvements to assist senior residents to age in place. (grab bars, ramps, ADA toilets, walk-in-shower)
- Seniors (55 years & older) Elders to be eligible for air conditioning units.



Application Requirements:

Enrolled RSIC Tribal member—Income 150% or below Area Median Income.

Provide documentation that the home will be applicants primary residence.

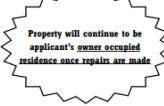
Provide name, address, SS, Tribal ID and State ID.

Provide amount determined of the need.

Certify that no other assistance has been obtained the is duplicative of homeownership
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Provide documentation homeowner is up to date on home obligations

(i.e. water/sewer/garbage).



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| Greater of 150% AMI or 100% of U.S. Median Income | \$103,850 | \$118,700 | \$133,550 | \$148,350 | \$160,250 | \$172,100 | \$184,000 |

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RENO SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

1715 Kuenzli Street
Reno, NV 89502

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12:15-12:45 PM - STEP WITH WALI

THURSDAY

12:15-12:45 PM - BEND & EXTEND STRETCHING WITH TIFFANY

FRIDAY

12:15-12:45 - SPIN WITH MICHELLE

→ NEW GYM HOURS ←

MONDAY 8:00-7:00PM

TUESDAY 8:00AM-7:00PM

WEDNESDAY 8:00AM-1:00PM

THURSDAY 8:00AM-7:00PM

FRIDAY 8:00AM-5:00PM

STARTING 1/2/2024



CLASSES ARE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CALL 3NWC AT 775-329-5162



Healthy Living

Community

Pantry

Come on down to the Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center and learn more about what some of our community collaborators do and what they can help you and your family with. There will be free personal hygiene items, free cleaning supplies, and free clothes. First come, first served.

Wednesday, December 11th
RSTHC-1st Floor Conference Room
5:00 PM-7:00PM



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Police, Fire, and Emergency Services Volunteer Cadet Program



We Are looking for native youth or young adults who are interested in joining the newly formed Public Safety Cadet Program

The Mission of this program is to offer young native minors and adults, ages 14-20, who are interested in a career in public safety, a personal awareness of the criminal justice system, fire science, and emergency services, through practical training, hands-on experience and other related activities.

The Cadet program is for those youth who meet the following requirements:

- At least 14 years of age
- Graduated the 8th grade
- A minimum GPA of 2.0, is encouraged
- Under 18 years of age requires parental consent
- Registered member of RSIC and/or a federally recognized native tribe
- Tribal descendants of a registered member of RSIC and/or descendants of another federally recognized native tribe
- Drug and alcohol tests mandatory, as required by RSIC HR for "Volunteers Cadets will be used for traffic control, special event security, and outreach programs.

This gives them hands-on experience and training by members of RSIC Tribal Police, Tribal Fire, and Emergency Management personnel, in the use of equipment, public safety tactics, first aid, event security, and other life skills.

Meetings/Physical Training

Meetings are held: TBA. Meetings and training will be taught by RSIC Police personnel, members of the RSIC Hungry Valley Fire Department, and the Emergency Services Department. Ride-a-longs, Films, guest speakers, lectures, practical exercises, and demonstrations will be used. There will be uniforms provided to qualified Cadets. Cadets will endure inspections, some drilling time, along with some physical training and classroom time. Cadets will be expected to attend 2-4 hours of activity's per month.

For addition information contact information provided on the right. Applications are located at 405 Golden Lane Reno NV 89502 at the RSIC Police Department.



Jarrod Nunes
Chief of Police
775-785-8776
jnuunes@rsic.org



Lance Chantler
Hungry Valley Fire
Management
Coordinator at
775-785-1339
LChantler@rsic.org



Ceira Sampson
Emergency Services
Manager at
775-785-1354
Csampson@rsic.org



Scan for more pics of event

Native American Heritage Month Celebration Sawabe Muhano

Eagle Wings Pageant Dancers Downtown Reno, NV



Photo Credit: Eighty8studios



LANGUAGE WARRIORS

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The Language & Culture Program created a display comprised of past and present language warriors within the Reno Sparks Indian Colony organization.

A language warrior is someone who is committed to the reawakening and teachings of the Great Basin languages and is currently teaching/learning/perserving for furture generations. The RSIC Langauge Program was created in the early 1990's. Many of our fluent speaking elders assisted with lessons and teachings. The RSIC Language & Culture Program was awarded the ANA grant in the late 1990's. With this grant the community invested in the Master Apprentice Language Learning Program (MALLP). This program paired fluent speaking elders (master speakers) with apprentices (students) to learn together, speak together within the community.

We honor those fluent speakers for carrying on the language and culture and assuring future generations will learn their true Great Basin cultural identity. Our elders are the backbone to our tribal communities and we celebrate their contributions to the RSIC community. We thank our elders for nurturing and inspiring the up and coming langauge teachers.

Pesa mu, Eische Eische, Pum wa anawi?, Thank you

This is an interactive display with QR codes. Scan with device and it will link you to audio, video or cultural resource websites.

Please see QR codes below. Go to camera and scan with phone/device and press link.



Commodity Food Distribution

2024 SCHEDULE



**Tuesday December 31, 2024
8am-11:45am**

Reno Sparks Indian Colony

2024 DATES

1/23 2/27 3/20 4/23 5/28 6/18
7/23 8/27 9/24 10/29 11/25 12/31



**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
uptcommodbs@gmail.com

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



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

**12/17/2024
2:30 - 3:30PM**

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

**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 FBNB STAFF WRITES ON WINDSHIELDS**





Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center
SPIP, Community Health, & Three Nations Wellness
PRESENTS

Disabilities Awareness

Health Screenings

Mental Health



Exercise

Drug Effects

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH

Reno-Sparks Tribal Health Center

1st Floor Conference Room

5:30PM-7:30PM

SIGN-UPS REQUIRED
DEADLINE December 10, 2024



CALL: (775) 329-5162
2009- Vanessa
e-mail
vwilliams@rsicclinic.org



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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

Hungry Valley Community Center
Downstairs Recreation Gym

6:00PM-7:30PM

SIGN-UPS REQUIRED
DEADLINE December 10, 2024



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2024 NEVADA DAY PARADE

Nevada Day Parade took place on Saturday, October 26th, 2024.

The parade is to celebrate the statehood of Nevada. This year's theme was "All For Our Country". We were #28 in the political section in between Senator Jacky Rosen and Congressman Mark Amodei. Our float celebrated "100 years of U.S. Citizenship and Tribal Sovereignty, our Native Veterans and Walking in the Footsteps of Our Ancestors". RSIC was proud to represent with council members Vice-Chairman Tony Abbie, Treasurer Robin Eagle, and Council Member Toby Stump. Many spectators were in awe of our float and Mercedes convertibles. Special thanks to Mercedes-Benz Reno and Community Members who participated.



WCSD Board of Trustees Invites Tribal Community Members to Apply for District C Seat

Reno, NV (November 19, 2024) — The Washoe County School District (WCSD) Board of Trustees is accepting applications for the District C seat vacated by former Trustee Joe Rodriguez, who was elected to serve on the Sparks City Council on November 5. Under [Nevada Revised Statute 281.055](#), an individual may not serve in two elective offices at one time, and Mr. Rodriguez resigned from the District C seat immediately after the election.

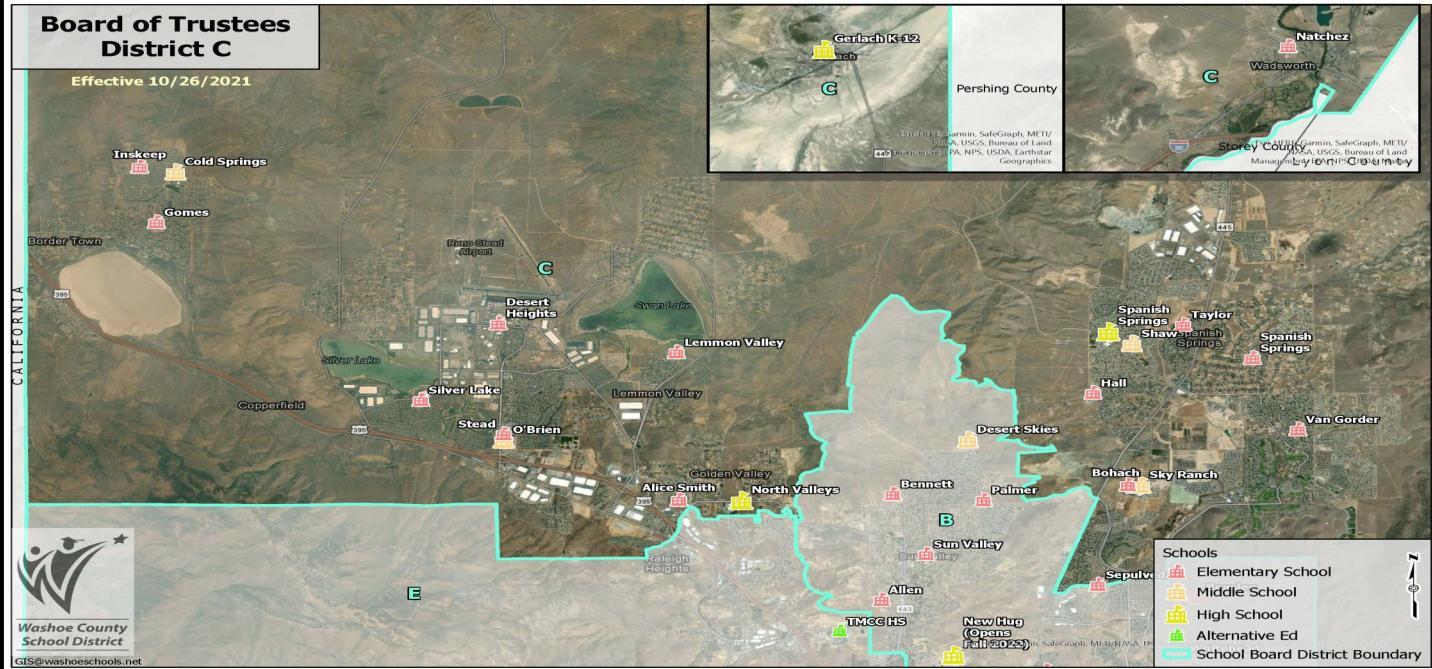
Prospective applicants must reside in District C, which covers 20 schools in Spanish Springs and the North Valleys. See below for map of District C. Basically, Tribal Members living in Hungry Valley, Sun Valley, Sparks or Pyramid Lake.

Applicants are required to submit a letter of intent and a resumé or Curriculum Vitae and include answers to the following questions:

- Why are you interested in serving on the WCSD Board of Trustees?
- What experience, interests, training, or other skills do you feel you would bring to the WCSD board of Trustees?
- How will you engage with students, staff, families, and the community in this role?
- What is the role of a WCSD Trustee?

Applications may be submitted by email to jbatchelder@washoeschools.net or by mail at WCSD Board Services Department, P.O. Box 30425, Reno, NV 89520-3425, or by hand delivery at 425 East 9th Street, Reno, NV 89512. The application must be received by the WCSD no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 20, 2024 to be considered.

The Board of Trustees may conduct a public review of the applications at a special meeting on January 7, 2025 if more than five complete applications are received. Trustees have scheduled a public meeting for Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Board Meeting Room at 425 E. Ninth Street in Reno, where they will conduct public interviews of the final candidates and are scheduled to vote on their final selection for the District C seat. For more information, please visit <https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/18537>



RSIC Recreation Program proudly presents

2024 CHRISTMAS BINGO

MONDAY
DEC 16

Reno Gymnasium

NO EARLY BIRDS
DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM

COME DRESSED IN
CHRISTMAS PAJAMAS

This event is for all RSIC enrolled members and permanent residents who are 18+ yrs. old.

Children of any age will not be permitted inside the building or event. All attendees will be required to sign-in and must present a RSIC tribal ID or proof of residency.

- RSIC Tribal ID/CIB
- NVDL/NV ID w/ RSIC address
- NV Energy bill in your name
- TMWA bill in your name
- RSIC Housing composition

For more information, contact Recreation at (775) 329-4930 or (775) 785-1360.

ALL RSIC Recreation sponsored events are for the enjoyment of the RSIC enrolled members/permanent residents.



Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Recreation Program

RSIC CHRISTMAS BINGO

MONDAY DECEMBER 16, 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENT

AVOID THE WAIT

GET PRE-VERIFIED FOR ENTRY AND RECEIVE A
WRISTBAND TO BY-PASS THE WAIT LINE

ALL RSIC TRIBAL MEMBERS

MONDAY DECEMBER 16, 2024 7AM- 2PM

LIVING ON/OFF RSIC

AT BOTH: RENO & HUNGRY VALLEY RECREATION

MUST BE 18 YEARS AND OLDER

ACCEPTABLE VERIFICATION:

RSIC TRIBAL ENROLLMENT ID/CIB, NVDL,
NV STATE ID, NVENERGY, RSIC WATER,
RSIC HOUSING COMPOSITION

RESIDENTS MUST HAVE THEIR NAME ON NV ENERGY/RSIC WATER &

HOUSING COMPOSITION: NO EXCEPTIONS

NVDL/NV STATE ID MUST HAVE RSIC ADDRESS

**MUST BE IN PERSON &
CAN NOT VERIFY FOR OTHERS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE RECREATION PROGRAM:

RENO GYM: 775 329-4930

HV GYM 775 785-1360





Veterans Day 2024

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony representing our tribal community at the Reno Veteran's Day Parade. We honored and remembered our Veterans who are currently serving, those who have served and those who made the ultimate sacrifice, native and non-native. It was a great parade and dinner.

Thank you community for making the day spectacular.





Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
POWWOW COMMITTEE
PRESENTS

2025

**NEW YEAR'S EVE
SOBRIETY POWWOW**

RENO GYMNASIUM

(34 Reservation Road, Bldg B, Reno, NV)

TUESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2024

DOORS WILL OPEN AT 3PM

POWWOW HOURS: 4PM-12:30AM

Head Man:

Skush Poodry

Head Woman:

Tashina Jim

Head Teen Boy:

Max Padilla

Head Teen Girl:

Alani Barr

Host Drum:

Red Hoop

Arena Director:

Jack Williams

MC:

Martin Montgomery

Sobriety Chip Giveaway

Gifts for Dancers & More

*5 Vendor Spaces Only

*THIS IS AN ALCOHOL & DRUG FREE EVENT

HEAD STAFF SPECIALS:

~ 18+ Men's Traditional

~ 15+ Jingle Dress

~ Junior/Teen Boys Grass

~ Teen Girls Contemporary Fancy Shawl

GENERAL INFO:

Anita Talancon 775-338-3723

Lorri Chasing Crow 775-560-2788

Bridgette Stump (Vendors) 775-846-5997

Sharron Yazzie 775-750-4589

MEDIA REQUESTS: Bethany Sam 775-842-2902

The 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, Travel Nevada & Nevada's Indian Territory