NDOT Has Placed Its Second to Last, Final Installment of the Native American Cultural Elements for the SBX Project on East Second Street

(Reno, NV) - The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) is pleased to announce that NDOT and their construction consultants have placed its’ second to last, final installment of the Native American Cultural Elements at the Glen-dale / East Second Street on and off ramps from I580 freeway.

RSIC collaborated with FHWA (Federal Highway Administration), NDOT (Nevada Department of Transportation), Q&D, Ames Construction and Dustin Payne Western Art Studio to create the cultural elements for everyone driving by to see.

The Bronze Statue of a female Native American Fancy Dancer was placed in its final position on Thursday, April 27, 2023. The Bronze Statue truly captures the female fancy dancer in a dynamic motion. The sculptor from Cody, Wyoming, Mr. Dustin Payne of Dustin Payne Western Art

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Tribal Council Meetings

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

* May 17, 2023
* June 14, 2023
* July 12, 2023
* August 16, 2023
* September 13, 2023
* October 11, 2023
* November 15, 2023
* December 13, 2023

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ COLONY ENTERPRISE MEETINGS
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM

* May 31, 2023
* June 28, 2023
* July 26, 2023
* August 30, 2023
* September 27, 2023
* October 25, 2023
* November 29, 2023
* December 27, 2023

RSIC Tribal Council: Top Row (to r): Toby Stump, Anthony Abbie, Chairman Arlan D. Melendez, Jerrold Wyatt; Bottom Row: Vice-Chairman Verna J. Nuno, Nida Harjo, Treasurer Robin M. Eagle, Jennifer Katenay, & Secretary Marlene Yarrow

May 2023 Meeting Location
Reno Multipurpose Room
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY at General Council Meetings only. May’s General Council Meeting, 5/17/23. 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.

DOWNLOAD THE ZOOM APP

For ZOOM Meeting ID/Password Information, Contact Public Information Officer, Bethany Sam, bsam@rsic.org or 775-842-2902

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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.

Important Dates

Important May 2023 Dates:

3-4 American Indian Justice Conference at GSR
4 Senior Program’s Older American’s Month Ice Cream Social, 34 Res Rd. @ 5pm
4 “The Art of Ben Aleck” - Meet the Artist Event, NV Museum of Art @ 4pm
5 UNITY Monthly Meeting, TLC Building @ 6pm. Looking for new members.
11 Photo Lantern Sponsored by RSIC Tribal Archives 34 Res. Rd. 5 p.m.
16 Food Bank of Northern Nevada Mobile Food Harvest HV
17 General Tribal Council Meeting, Reno Multipurpose Room (34 Res Rd.) @ 6pm
19 Disaster Shelter & Mass Care Training HV Gym 10am—4pm
23 Commodity Food Distribution 34 Reservation Rd Admin. Bldg. 8am-11:45
29 Memorial Day RSIC Admin Offices & RSTHC CLOSED
31 Economic Development Tribal Council Meeting, Reno Multipurpose Room (34 Res Rd.) @ 6pm.

Please Note:

- RSIC’s THPO/Cultural Resources Program’s “Wounded Souls—Extracting From the Land and Our Spirits” Exhibit is open, Monday—Friday, 11am-6pm & Saturday’s 11am-3pm. More Info: 775-785-1326. Exhibit extended until May 12, 2023.

- The Art of Ben Aleck Exhibit at the Nevada Museum of Art is NOW OPEN to the PUBLIC. TRIBAL MEMBERS FROM ALL COMMUNITIES RECEIVE FREE ADMISSION!

- SAVE THE DATE: Numaga Powwow, September 2-4, 2023

COVID-19 Stockpile: To request PPE, call Joanna Hicks at 775 560-0941

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

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Gallery, spent many hours with the Cultural Resources Program to design the sculpture. RSIC Tribal Member and RSIC Powwow Club Coordinator, Lorri Chasing Crow, served as the consultant and model to assist in creating this spectacular sculpture.

“I’d Like to thank the Reno Sparks Indian Colony Cultural Resources Program and Michon Eben for asking me to be the model for this 17 foot bronze statue,” stated Lorri Chasing Crow. “I’m beyond excited and honored to represent all indigenous people across Turtle Island and all the people of RSIC, Nevada and my family. I dance to pray the people, especially for those who can’t dance.”

NDOT Landscape Architecture Manager, John L’Etoile said, “It’s been a real pleasure and honor working with the Reno Sparks Indian Colony. Working on this project, I received a different perspective of education about the Colony and the history of Nevada Tribes. I now have a deeper respect for the 1st peoples of this land, of Nevada. The cultural elements on Second Street is like an educational public art display for everyone to see when they drive by, for free.”

The RSIC will be planning a small event after the last Native American Cultural Element is placed at the off ramp. Please stay tuned for more information.
Take a look back in Time

The Tribal Archives is always looking to help preserve the history of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and Great Basin people.

If you would like to share photographs with us please call or stop by.

Your donations are always greatly appreciated.

Northern Paiute couple carrying railroad ties circa 1900s. *Historical Society

Any questions or donations contact our Archive Technicians:
Lydia Morris-Imorris@rsic.org or Emily Bowman– ebowman@rsic.org
Phone: 775-785-1335
Office Hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday – Friday
Commodity Food Distribution

Reno Sparks Indian Colony

Tuesday May 23, 2023  8am - 11:45am

2023 DATES:
1/24, 2/21, 3/28, 4/25, 5/23, 6/27,
7/25, 8/22, 9/19, 10/24, 11/20, 12/26

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.
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For more info PLEASE call Yerington Paiute
Tribe Commodity Program
775-783-0260 EXT 2 or CELL 775-781-4856
FAX 775-463-7856 or
yptcommods@gmail.com

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STAFF WILL NOTIFY YOUR TRIBE IF THERE
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RSTHC will advise which COVID-19 vaccines & boosters you're eligible for.

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Application Info: 775-329-2936 ext. 3257 or 3267

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The 2023 NICWA Conference was held at the Peppermill Resort and Casino from April 3-5, 2023. Chairman Melendez provided an inspiring opening. Our RSIC Elder Language Teachers gave the opening prayers each day and RSIC’s Eagle Wings and Powwow Club performed for the attendees with over 1500 health & human services professionals. It was the biggest round dance thus far for performances. It was an enlightening week of culture.
WANTED

RENO AND HUNGRY VALLEY COURIERS FOR 2023

MUST BE 13 YEARS OR OLDER

RSIC Front office is looking for Community Members to deliver Flyers to Reno and Hungry Valley’s Communities. Applications can be Picked up in the Administration office.

Administration office is located at
34 Reservation Rd, Reno NV 89501 Bld. A
Office Hours Monday–Friday 8am–5pm

Contact us at (775)229-2936 or by email at info@rsic.org or at archive@rsic.org
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
April 3, 2023

VA waives copayments for eligible Native American/Alaska Native Veterans

WASHINGTON — Today, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced that eligible American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans are no longer required to make copayments for health care and urgent care received through VA. The Biden-Harris administration and VA are proud to implement this rule, which is estimated to impact approximately 25,000 American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans.

Under this new policy, VA will reimburse copayments paid on or after Jan. 5, 2022 and waive future copayments for eligible American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans.

Beginning Tuesday, April 4, Veterans can submit documentation to qualify for the copayment exemption. Eligible Veterans include any Veteran who meets the definitions of “Indian” or “urban Indian” under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act — including Veterans who are members of an American Indian Tribe, certain Veterans who are descendants of Tribe members, Alaska Native Veterans, and more.

“American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans deserve access to world-class health care for their courageous service to our nation,” said VA Secretary Denis McDonough. “By eliminating copays, we are making VA health care more affordable and accessible—which will lead to better health outcomes for these heroes.”

To receive this financial relief, eligible Veterans should mail 1) a completed VA Tribal Documentation Form (VA Form 10-3341), and 2) a copy of official tribal documentation demonstrating that they meet the definitions of “Indian” or “urban Indian” to VHA Tribal Documentation, PO Box 5100, Janesville, WI 53547. For more information on copayment waivers for Native American and Alaska Native Veterans, visit here.

VA posted a final rule for public inspection in the Federal Register today establishing the waiver and process for Veterans to submit documentation to have their VA copays waived. This rule implements Section 3002 of the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 Public Law 116-313, signed into law Jan. 5, 2021.

Learn more about copayment exemptions for Native American and Alaska Native Veterans and VA benefits and programs for American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans.

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AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE VETERANS
Copayment Exemption

You may be eligible for copayment exemption and reimbursement of copays for health care and all urgent care visits.

Learn about eligibility and how to submit official Tribal documentation:

Visit
www.va.gov/health-care/copay-rates

Call
1-800-MyVA411
(1-800-698-2411)

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LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD

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

May 5, 2023
6:00PM-8:00PM
TRIBAL YOUTH 12-24

GAIN SELF-WORTH AND INNER STRENGTH

RSIC

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
Gain work experience and life skills

Open to members of Federally Recognized Tribes who reside on RSIC land ages 14-24

APPLICATION DEADLINE
COLLEGE INTERNS: MAY 24, 2023
YOUTH-JUNE 16, 2023

CONTACT GAYLENE WILLIAMS (775) 329-6114 OR G WILLIAMS@RSIC.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION

FAQ SHEET
Summer Youth Employment Program

What will I be doing this summer?
This summer, you will be placed at a worksite. You will also have the opportunity to explore career opportunities and obtain work-readiness, leadership and networking skills.

Will I only gain employment experience?
No, you will have the opportunity to participate in Life Skills workshops. These workshops will cover topics such as financial literacy and options for beyond high school for example, Higher Education and the military.

What is the pay rate?
-Youth enrolled in High School for the 2023-2024 school year will receive $11.25 per hour.
-Pre-College interns, high school seniors enrolled in college for the 2023-2024 school year will receive $12.28 per hour.
-College students ages 18-24 will receive $13.32 per hour.

How will I get paid?
You can choose to have your bi-weekly pay put directly into your bank account via direct deposit or you may opt to receive a paper check.

How can I apply?
Pick up an application from the RSIC Education buildings in Reno or Hungry Valley.
Contact Gaylene 477 Case Manager at gwilliams@rsic.org or (775)329-6114.

Who is eligible?
-Students 14-24 years old by June 20, 2023
-RSIC Tribal Member residing in Reno-Sparks area
-Member of a Federally Recognized Tribe and a permanent resident on RSIC land
-Have a 2.0 GPA

Dates to Remember
APPLICATIONS OPEN
March 20, 2023
APPLICATION CLOSE
Adults 19-24
Enrolled in College
May 24, 2023
Youth 14-18
June 16, 2023

STIPENDS
College
May 30, 2023
Pre-College and High School
June 22, 2023

Numaga Indian Days PowWow
SAVE THE DATE
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The art of Ben Aleck honors career of indigenous Numu (Northern Paiute) artist and educator

Aleck, a former University of Nevada, Reno Upward Bound program participant, talks about his art, Nevada and the opening of his exhibition at the Nevada Museum of Art

By Arts & Culture, NEVADA Today

The work of lifelong artist, educator, and enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (Kooyooe Tukadu/cui-ui fish eaters) Ben Aleck will be featured in an exhibition titled The Art of Ben Aleck, which opened April 1 at the Nevada Museum of Art. The exhibition features over thirty of Aleck’s paintings, drawings and mixed-media artworks, and traces his long career through works that emphasize deep connections between Indigenous communities and the Great Basin.

For the duration of the exhibition, all members of tribal communities will be offered free admission and due to the Free Student Admission Program, all University students are also able to visit the museum free of charge.

An active and exhibiting artist in Northern Nevada, Aleck had his first solo exhibition at the age of 23 at the Nevada Museum of Art (then called the Sierra Nevada Art Gallery in Reno) in 1972. For many years, Aleck was employed by the Pyramid Lake Museum and Visitor’s Center, and his art often relays the stories of the plants, animals, and geography of Pyramid Lake, located forty miles northwest of Reno within the boundaries of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation. His paintings and drawings also give visual form to Indigenous stories about the stars, coyotes, the formation of Great Basin lands, and the origins of its people, while at the same time tackling issues involving the environment and water use.

A longtime Nevada resident, Aleck was born in Reno in 1949 and was raised on the Reno Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC). As an aspiring artist at Wooster High School, Aleck became part of the Upward Bound Program and was invited to take art classes at the University of Nevada, Reno.

“I was in middle school, just twelve years old, when I first started attending fine art classes at the University of Nevada, Reno through the Upward Bound Program. One of the first classes I took was a drawing class from the University when I had a break from the regular classroom at Vaughn Middle School,” Aleck said. “I grew up on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. The Colony at that time was at the edge of town, and I’d have to walk to my class at the campus early every morning. But, I enjoyed it. Even at that time, I knew that education was important if you want to go onto higher education in any field—mine happened to be art.”

As part of the Upward Bound Program at that time, Aleck took classes from Professor Don Kerr where he learned to paint and draw using models. “The anatomy of the human body is important in my artwork and that was an important part of my development as an artist,” Aleck said. He also studied under art teacher James McCormick. “By the time I finished high school I had built an art portfolio, and I pretty much had my choice of what art schools I could attend.”

“All my teachers along the way from elementary school at Orvis Ring with Mrs. Wolfe to junior high school at Vaughn Middle School with Mr. Yacavelli, and Wooster High School with Tom Tucker, and the Upward Bound Program, where I studied at the Uni-

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The Art of Ben Aleck

Meet the Artist Party:
May 4, 4 pm
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Recycling Program Update

There are two 6-yard recycling bins available for RSC residents and RSC departments. The recycling bin in Hungry Valley has been moved near the Head Start Entrance and is no longer located at the TSC building. Green Solutions Recycling picks up the materials once a week on Thursdays. Please remember to place your materials inside the containers, not on the ground.

Reno Recycling Bin
The tan recycling bin is located in Anderson Park near the green garbage dumpsters.

Hungry Valley Recycling Bin (New Location)
The tan recycling bin is now located near the Head Start Entrance.

What is Recyclable Material?
Approved recyclable materials include:
- Cardboard Products
- Paper Products
- Metal Products
- Wood
- Plastic Products
- Glass Products

Food or Hazardous Materials must never be placed in the recycling bins, including food-soiled paper such as paper plates, coffee filters, and paper milk cartons.

Questions? Please contact the Planning Department at 775-785-1363 or cfitnsv@rsc.org

Thank you for recycling!

urban roots
Nutrition in the LIFECYCLE

Registered Dietitian, Anastasia will lead this series where you and your family will learn nutrition, cooking techniques and how to improve quality, family meal times!

Spring Dates
April 12th: My Plate, 5:15pm
April 26th: Eating the Rainbow, 5:15pm
May 12th: Hydration & Sugar, 5:15pm
May 24th: Nutrition at Dinner Time, 5:15pm

Urban Roots Teaching Farm
1700 E. 2nd St. Reno, NV 89502
$25 per family
Scholarship available!

THE ABC’s OF SALVATION

Admit:
Admit that you are a sinner and have made mistakes.

Believe:
Believe that Jesus is God’s only Son and He chose to die on a cross for you.

Commit:
Commit yourself to a life of following Jesus and serving others.
Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center

WHAT IS PRC?

All care provided at the Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center is considered "Direct Care".

Purchased and Refferred Care (PRC) is a program that covers financial costs for referrals and/or emergency services outside of the RSTHC. PRC is not an entitlement program and a referral does not guarantee the care will be paid for. If RSTHC is requested to pay, a patient must meet residency, notification, medical priority of care and use of alternate resources requirements of as required per 42 CFR 136.23, 136.24 and 136.61 in order to be eligible for PRC.

Please contact us for assistance:
Purchased and Referred Care
775-329-5162

Tia Scott, PRC Clerk, Ext #2002
Felicia Johnson, PRC Clerk, Ext #1917
versity of Nevada, Reno with Don Kerr and James McCor-
mick have always encouraged me to do art. From the very be-
ginning, I had a lot of support. I was really fortunate for that.

“The instruction in fine art that I received when I was an Upward Bound student at the University enabled me to create my artwork and to develop my technique, especially in drawing and painting. Having those skills enabled me to attend one of the better art schools in our region, the California College of Arts and Crafts (now California College of the Arts (CCA)) in Oakland, California after I graduated from Wooster High School in 1968. I was a student there while the occupation of Alcatraz Island was going on, and that introduced me to more Native perspectives.

“Following what the Native American movement was doing as a young college student and artist gave me a greater insight into what it means to be Nuwu/Northern Paiute, and an enrolled member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (Kooyooe Tukadu/cui-ui fish eaters). To this day, my artwork tells the stories of the Great Basin Tribes and gives visual form to not only Indigenous stories, but environmental issues that impact Indigenous people in the Great Basin, like water use,” Aleck said.

After graduating from Wooster High School in 1968, Aleck attended the California College of Arts and Crafts (now California College of the Arts (CCA)) in Oakland, California. During his time in the San Francisco Bay Area, he witnessed the politics and protest of the Vietnam War era and the countercultural Hippie Movement. He became involved with the American Indian Movement (AIM) and participated in the American Indian Occupation of Alcatraz. He graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting from CCA in 1972.

“The Creator provided Ben with amazing gifts including the ability to address injustices effectively and succinctly. Ben is empathetic to all our relatives be they breathing or inanimate.... Ben’s art reflects how he prioritizes our stories, traditions, and our beloved Mother Earth. His work is heartening, and so necessary as we make our way through the drudgery and beauty of today’s world,” said Executive Director of the Nevada Indian Commission Stacey Montooth, who is also a member of the Walker River Paiute Tribe.

“Ben blends humor, knowledge, and emotion to open eyes and hearts to contemporary issues of the region we call the Greater West,” said the Andrea and John C. Deane Family Chief Curator and Associate Director Ann Wolfe. “The Nevada Museum of Art is committed to amplifying and celebrating the many voices of Indigenous artists in the Great Basin and Sierra Nevada.”

Aleck is a founding member of the Great Basin Native Artists and has shown his work regularly in exhibitions at galleries and museums throughout the American West. Pieces of his artwork are in the permanent collections of the Nevada Museum of Art and the Nevada State Museum.

The Art of Ben Aleck exhibit will be available for viewing until January 7, 2024. FREE for all members of tribal communities. Info: 775-329-3333
The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony sponsored an Opening Celebration Dinner in honor of “The Art of Ben Aleck” exhibit on Wednesday, April 5, 2023. Everyone had a great time and the dinner was delicious. Ben Aleck grew up at Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. We are beyond proud of our relative.

Photos By: Little Buck Harjo, RSIC PR Assistant
Happy Older Americans Month!

Established in 1963, Older Americans Month (OAM) is celebrated every May. Led by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), OAM is a time for us to acknowledge the contributions and achievements of older Americans, highlight important trends, and strengthen our commitment to honoring our older citizens.

This year’s theme, Aging Unbound, offers an opportunity to explore a wide range of aging experiences and to promote the importance of enjoying independence and fulfillment by paving our own paths as we age.

This May, join us as we recognize and celebrate the 60th anniversary of OAM and challenge the narrative on aging. Here are some ways we can all participate in Aging Unbound:

· Embrace the opportunity to change. Find a new passion, go on an adventure, and push boundaries by not letting age define your limits. Invite creativity and purpose into your life by trying new activities in your community to bring in more growth, joy, and energy.

· Explore the rewards of growing older. With age comes knowledge, which provides insight and confidence to understand and experience the world more deeply. Continue to grow that knowledge through reading, listening, classes, and creative activities.

· Stay engaged in your community. Everyone benefits when everyone is connected and involved. Stay active by volunteering, working, mentoring, participating in social clubs, and taking part in activities at your local senior center or elsewhere in the community.

· Form relationships. As an essential ingredient of well-being, relationships can enhance your quality of life by introducing new ideas and unique perspectives. Invest time with people to discover deeper connections with family, friends, and community members.
OLDER AMERICANS MONTH
AGING UNBOUND: MAY 2023

Ice Cream Social
Thursday May 4th at 5:00 pm
34 Reservation Rd
Multipurpose Room
This event is for RSIC Senior Program Clients only

Presentations from:
Nevada Medicare
Energy Assistance
Care Chest of Sierra Nevada
Seniors in Service
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Please tie up your dog(s) during delivery times 10 am - 1 pm. Staff will not enter yards with loose dogs. Reminder to call before 10:00 am to add/cancel meal delivery & to cancel on bingo days

*Vitamin C – Daily +Vitamin A – 3x per week 1% Milk Daily

Menu is subject to change without notice

COVID 19 Reminder: Your meal will be in a plastic bag and place 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 removed and a “missed you” note will be left. This ensures safe temperatures of food.
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Activities are subject to change or cancel without notice.
Due to health and safety concerns, Tribal Council approved the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project to demolish the library modular building, and three of the Colony’s commercial buildings north of the Colony Road. On April 18, Q&D Construction (Q&D) wrapped up the work on the Colony’s “Building Demolition” project.

To ensure health & safety requirements were met, the Colony contracted with Sato Environmental Consultants (Sato) to perform the environmental survey at the project sites to identify asbestos-containing material (ACM) and inventory hazardous materials. Sato delivered to the Colony the environmental report which stated no need for asbestos abatement. However, hazardous materials were required to be properly removed and disposed of by Q&D prior to performing the demolition.

Q&D began work on April 27th at the Colony’s commercial property along Sunshine Lane (north of Colony Road). Three buildings were demolished because of ongoing, unauthorized occupancy, vandalism, and blight.

Q&D demolished the following buildings, hauled away debris, and then filled areas and compacted the demolition sites in a manner to prevent hazards.

- A 2,100 square feet, 2-story building, located on the 3.63-acre parcel addressed at 1 Sunshine Lane that was built in 1984. This building was vacant and was in no condition to rent without major renovation. The doors to this building were chained shut but it continued to be broken into.

- A 500 square foot office and a 200 square foot shed located on the 3.68-acre parcel located on 2 Sunshine Lane (formerly Oxborrow Trucking) and these buildings were constructed in 1963. Both buildings were vacant and were in no condition to rent long term. The buildings had been broken into many times and had been boarded up.

Q&D continued work on April 17th at the library modular building which was 1,610 square feet and located at 401 Golden Lane. This building was torn down due to continuing water and sewer issues, infestation of animals, poor air ventilation, and structural issues caused by aging. It was very costly to fix and maintain the structural and utility issues of this building each year. Education and Public Works relocated the contents of the building to 98 Colony Road (old Administration Building).

The Planning Department surveyed the Colony community last summer as part of the new Comprehensive Plan and received many suggestions on the future use of these parcels. A long-term use of these lots will be identified in the Comprehensive Plan, and until then, the lot where the library was located will serve as additional parking for RSIC staff and visitors. The Planning Department and Economic Development Department are working together for a conceptual plan for the property along Sunshine Lane, which may include residential and/or light commercial.

To date, the demolition project cost $144,878 which is $39,122 less than the preliminary estimated cost, and this includes environmental inspection, hazardous waste abatement, utility retirement, and demolition.

It was a privilege to oversee this demolition project as part of my work duties but even more enjoyable to work as a team amongst...
the tribal departments, contractors, and outside agencies. Thanks to all that assisted on this project.

Contact my office with any questions that you may have. 775 785 1363 ext. 5405 or email: mondelacy@rsic.org

-Michael Ondelacy, Director of Commercial Property Management
2nd Annual MMIW Awareness Conference
May 4th, 5th, & 6th, 2023
Elko Convention Center
700 Moren Way, Elko, NV 89801

Presentations
- Domestic Violence
- Sex Trafficking
- Self-Defense
- Search & Rescue
- Talking Circle

MUST PRE-REGISTER
Registration Forms
Antonia (775) 389-7903
Antoniaroman89@yahoo.com

For More Info
Thalia (775) 601-4472
newewaipaipian@gmail.com

Vendors Info
Stephanie (775) 397-3910
palutee22@yahoo.com
Stormy (775) 299-9063
bahdonzial2@gmail.com

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TE-MOAK TRIBE SOCIAL POW-WOW
July 29, 2023
South Fork Arbor
Lee, Nevada

Na’iyawi (handgames) and Hubejo (Old Lady) Card Games will be allowed.
Come and enjoy the day by socializing and spending time with your friends, families and relatives!

HOST DRUM: GHOST CANYON

ALL DRUMS ARE WELCOME AND WILL BE GIVEN A DRUM PAY FOR THE DAY!

Sponsored by:
Te-Moak Tribe Training & Technical Assistant Program/Grant

VENDORS FOR ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS ARE WELCOME FREE OF CHARGE!

The Te-Moak Tribe supports all Native American Artists and offers this opportunity for all Native American Artists to show and sell your art work. **Please fill out a vendor form if you are planning to have a booth.**

Contact Information: Susan Zazueta
Te-Moak Tribe Administration Office
825 Railroad Street Elko, Nevada 89801
(775) 738-6111 or 775-777-6987 (cell)

**Vendor Forms can be picked up at the Te-Moak Tribe’s Administrative Office at the address listed above or you can request one by email you to at this email address: temoakadmin1954@hotmail.com**

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TE-MOAK TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE

Te-Moak Tribe Social Pow-Wow
July 29, 2023
Art & Craft Vendor Application

Date: __________________________
Name: __________________________ Phone: __________________________
Address: ________________________
Group/Business Name (If Applicable): ________________________________
Signature of Vendor: __________________________

All Vendors must supply their own tables, chairs, and shade for their booth.
Deadline to receive Vendor Applications will be July 26, 2023. Any applications received after this date will not be allowed a spot.

Email your form back to Susan Zazueta at temoakadmin1954@hotmail.com. They can also be mail or drop it off at the Te-Moak Administration Building at 825 Railroad Street, Elko, Nevada, 89801. Any questions please contact Susan Zazueta at 775-738-6111 or 775-777-6987 (cell).

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THIS IS A SOCIAL POW-WOW ONLY!
Getting Ready for Wildfire Season-
Creating and Maintaining Defensible Space
Becoming a Fire Adapted Community

By: RSIC Housing Department

What does it mean to create defensible space? It means creating a buffer around your house where fire will not spread as quickly and your home can be protected and give space for firefighters to fight the fire and defend your home. Firefighters will not enter a property where it is high risk to things like dense vegetation, propane tanks, and lots of storage items that might catch on fire and put firefighters and your home at risk.

There are many things homeowners can and should do to prepare and protect their homes to survive a wildfire. Creating defensible space, managing vegetation and landscaping, using fire resistant construction materials, and properly storing firewood and other combustible materials are all important things homeowners can do to reduce the risk from wildfire. Contact RSIC fire department to ask for advice to creating defensible space.

**Things to do:**

- Dispose of yard waste, especially close to your home. You want to strive for 30 to 100 feet of clearance.
- Mow weeds, remove pine cones, pine needles and dead vegetation. Clear it away from your house. Fine fuels such as grasses can carry a fire as does sagebrush and other shrubbery. Keep vegetation from touching the house. If possible replace wood fences with metal fences that are within 30 feet of your home to reduce fire hazard.
- Clear your roof top and gutters of any vegetative debris or other debris that could catch on fire. Have missing roofing repaired or replaced to avoid water and fire risk. Remember in a wildfire, one ember can land on the roof and start a fire.
- Manage hazards on your property. Don’t place a barbecue right up against your house. Don’t stack firewood against the house. Move all extra fuels away from the home including propane tanks and gas cans. Keep all other large or small items away from the house to reduce the fire risk.

*It seems really overwhelming if you haven’t done yard maintenance in a while. Start with the easy things. Mow the weeds. Move the extra stuff away from your house and then make a plan to start getting rid of stuff. Ask neighbors for help. Use community clean up days or contact RSIC Public Works for possible assistance.*

Remember in the case of a fire racing through your neighborhood, you want your house to be as protected as possible and you want firefighters to be able to defend your house.

**Defensible Space and Becoming a Fire Adapted Community works**

*For more information go to [https://www.livingwithfire.com/](https://www.livingwithfire.com/)*
COVID-19 Vaccines for Adults

COVID-19 is still around and there’s no way to know how it will affect you. It’s important to get vaccinated.

COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective, and can prevent serious illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19. It is recommended that all eligible ages stay up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines, which includes getting booster doses when eligible. These vaccines are your best protection against COVID-19.

COVID-19 Vaccines are Safe & Effective

As of July 2022, over half a billion doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been safely administered to adults, children, pregnant persons, and people with underlying health conditions in the United States. We know that COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective because they:
- Were developed using science that’s been around for decades
- Met standards for safety, effectiveness, and quality
- Are the most monitored in history

Common Side Effects

- Pain at Injection Site
- Fever / Headache
- Tiredness
- Chills
- Body aches
- Nausea / Dizziness

Things to Know

- The vaccines are safe and effective.
- COVID-19 vaccines can be taken with other routine vaccines.
- Children under 12 receive a smaller dose than teens and adults.
- Children who had COVID-19 should still get vaccinated.

To find a vaccine site near you:
Talk to your healthcare provider.
WEEKLY Mondays @ 3 pm

DUI CLASS
Level II, II-X, & III

- 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
- Develop a plan for changing your impaired driving behavior

**All in-person participants are required to wear a mask. Please call the following number to sign-up**
(775) 334-0989 or (775) 329-5162 EXT 2010

ANGER MANAGEMENT
Tuesdays at 4:00PM

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

Masks are mandatory for all in-person classes
Please call to sign up
775-334-0989 or 775-329-5162 extension 2010

PATH TO A BETTER YOU

Domestic Violence Classes

Thursdays 4:00-5:30 PM

 Masks are mandatory for all in-person classes
Please call to sign up
(775) 334-0989 or (775) 329-5162 ext. 2010

Substance Abuse Outpatient Group

- 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
LEGAL / PUBLIC / JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECRUITMENT FOR
EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Reno-Sparks Education Advisory Committee is recruiting three (3) RSIC Enrolled Tribal Member Representatives to fill a vacancy on the Education Advisory Committee.

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

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

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

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

   Education Advisory Board
   Education Department
   34 D Reservation Road

RECRUITMENT FOR
HEAD START POLICY COUNCIL

The Reno-Sparks Head Start Policy Council is recruiting two (2) elected parent representatives. One (1) parent representative must be from Reno Head Start Classroom A and one (1) parent representative must be from Reno Head Start Classroom B.

The Policy council consists of three (3) elected representatives, one from each classroom, and two (2) representatives from the RSIC community, one (1) from Reno-Sparks and one (1) from Hungry Valley.

Parent representatives shall be elected by the local center’s parents for a term of one year. The community representatives will be elected by Head Start parents.

If you are interested in being a member of the Head Start Policy Council, please submit a letter of interest to:

   Head Start Policy Council
   34 A Reservation Road
   Reno, NV 89502

For more information, please call 775-789-5615
Legal / Public Announcements

Recruitment for committee/boards

IN THE RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL COURT
IN AND FOR THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY
RENO, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner, Kara Mia Little Wings Sampson, who is a Tribal Member of the Reno Sparks Indian Colony, has filed a Petition in the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, Case No. CV-NC-2022-0039, praying that said Court enter an Order changing the present legal name of Kara Mia Little Wings Sampson, to the name of Summit Evo Sir Chief Sir – Black Eagle, which is the name the Petitioner desires to have.

Notice is hereby given that any person having objection to the aforesaid change of name shall file written objection, showing cause why the Petition should not be granted, with the Reno-Sparks Tribal Court, 1900 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502, within ten (10) days after publication of this notice.

Dated this 20th day of March, 2023

/S/
Stephanie Contreas, Court Clerk
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Tribal Court
1900 Prosperity Street, Reno, NV 89502
Tel: (775) 785-8775 Fax: (775) 329-8153

Father's Day PowWow

June 16-18, 2023 Free Admission
Master of Ceremonies: Jerry Bear, (Southern Paiute/Goshute)
Arena Director: Art Martinez (Chumash)
Host Drum: Red Hoop
All Dancers and Drummers Welcome

Activities
Arts and Crafts
Food Vendors
Dry Camping
Stewart School Alumni
BBQ Dinner

Grand Entry Times
Friday, June 16: 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 17: Noon & 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, June 18: Noon

STEWART INDIAN SCHOOL
CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM

5500 Snyder Ave. Carson City, NV
Host Hotel: The Federal Hotel (775) 883-0900
For information: 775-687-7605 snez@NIC.NV.gov
This event is alcohol & drug-free.
The Stewart Father's Day Powwow, the Nevada Indian Commission & the State of Nevada are not liable for accidents, injuries, or short-funded travelers.
Legal / Public / Job Announcements

Recruitment for committee / boards

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 the Senior Center. 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. If you have questions, please contact Darlene Gardipe, Senior Program Manager at 775-758-1349.

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502
Notice issued: December 13, 2022
JOIN OUR TEAM!!!
ELECTION BOARD HAS VACANCY TO FILL FOR THE 2023 TRIBAL ELECTION

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC) is accepting letters of interest from qualified candidates to fill a vacancy 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 after 5 p.m. 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 no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2023:
- Tribal Administrator 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:
Renee Dartough, Chairperson
By e-mail: rdartough@rsic.org
By phone: (775)785-1300

RECRUITMENT FOR LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Notice to RSIC Enrolled Members

The Law & Order Committee is currently recruiting for four new members. Appointments made to the Committee are for a four-year term and members are appointed by the Tribal Council. The Committee, pursuant to the bylaws, are scheduled to meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

The Committee shall be compensated at a rate approved by the Tribal Council.

The Standing Rules for Committees and Advisory Boards of RSIC has been revised and were adopted by the Tribal Council on 10-31-2012, Resolution No. 2012-RS-53. All Committee members must abide by these rules. Please see the Tribal Administrator’s Office for a copy of the Standing Rules.

Any interested RSIC enrolled member may submit their applications to the Tribal Administrator’s Office located at 34 Reservation Road.

RECRUITMENT FOR RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY POWWOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Notice To Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Enrolled Members

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Powwow Committee is seeking two (2) 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 the Powwow Committee Chairman at 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 the 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.
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
Senior Program

Mother's Day Dinner

Monday May 15th
Doors open at 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm
Bingo 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm

This event is for Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Senior Program Clients only.

PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE HAS MOVED AS OF JANUARY 01, 2023

THE OLD ENROLLMENT OFFICE

FOR MORE DETAILS (775)329-2936 ext. 2027
www.pfrazza@rsic.org

Summer School Information!

If your child requires summer school education, please contact their school counselor to register. Or if your child is on an IEP, contact their SPED teacher.

Summer school schedules can be found on the other attached flyer.
F.I.T.
FUN INTERVAL TRAINING
FITNESS CLASS

Mondays
12:15-12:45PM

GET UP & GET MOVING...
CARDIO
WEIGHTS
STRETCHING
HIGH INTENSE
INTERVALS

Three Nations Wellness Center
1715 Kunezli Street Reno, NV 89502
Masks are required &
Please follow CDC guidelines
Call Walita for more info at 775-334-0936

KETTLEBELL
CONDITIONING

Tuesdays
12:15 - 12:45
@ 3NWC

Questions? Contact
Stacy or Christian at
329-5162

Sponsored by
the RSIC
Diabetes
Program

MARTIAL ARTS
IS BACK AT
EVOLUTION
MMA ACADEMY

TO SIGN UP:
CALL 775-626-7577
OR EMAIL
EVOLUTIONMAACADEMY@GMAIL.COM

4848 SPARKS BLVD #100
SPARKS, NV 89436

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OPEN TO PATIENTS
OF ALL AGES

INcludes CLASSES,
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SPARKS, NV 89436

SUMMER HEALTH FAIR

SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH
10 AM - 3 PM

- Bring the Family
- Outside Agencies
- Music
- Daddy's Tacos Food Truck
- Ping Pong Poom Shaved Ice
- Craft Vendors

Interested in being a Vendor? Contact Gina
775-329-5162 x 1949 or email vendor form to
gfeatherstone@rsicclinic.org

SPOONS BY THE RSIC
DIABETES PROGRAM
PYRAMID LAKE
CUI-UI TICUTTA
OPEN TEEN BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT
MAY 26TH - 28TH 2023 NIXON, NV
ENTRY FEE: $300
$150 NON-REFUNDABLE
DEPOSIT DUE MAY 13TH
REMAINER DUE BEFORE 1ST GAME
PRIZES:
CHAMPIONS
RUNNER UP
MR. HUSTLE
MISS HUSTLE
ALL TOURNAMENT MVP
Contact Austin 775-299-8004 or
Autumn 775-666-7524
ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS PLAT - YOUTH BASKETBALL TEAM
TRAVELING TO NESA, AZ. JUNE 23RD - 25TH

SHELTER TRAINING
WORKFORCE & MANAGER
Mass Care Training
Join us for a day of learning how you can support your neighbors during a disaster. No one wants to go to a shelter, but sometimes it is the only place people can seek refuge when they’ve been displaced from their home due to a disaster.
You can help your neighbors when they’re impacted by learning how to care for them in a shelter. Join us for a day of training, lunch, and an opportunity to network with your neighbors.
Register with Deneen Huyer @shelter@redcross.org 775-525-1002 x 1298

Disaster Shelter &
Mass Care Training
Learn how to assist those in your community during a disaster response
Sheltering
Feeding
Distribution of
Emergency Supplies

Hungry Valley
Gymnasium
2075 Eagle Canyon Dr
Sparks, NV 89431
May 19th
10am-4pm

WOUNDED SOULS
Extracting from the Land and Our Spirits
An Exhibit on the Effects of Mining
November 8, 2022 - May 12, 2023
Due to Popular Demand Exhibit Dates Extended!
Presented by the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Cultural Resources/THPO Program in collaboration with UNR’s W. M. Keck Earth Science and Mineral Engineering Museum
The exhibit may be viewed:
Monday-Friday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and some Saturdays 11am - 3pm
Due to construction, pedestrian traffic and staff schedules, the door may be locked, so please ring the doorbell.
Please call ahead before your planned visit to assure staff is on site.

GREAT BASIN NATIVE ARTISTS GALLERY
DANCING FOR THE EARTH, DANCING FOR THE PEOPLE
Powwow Regalia and Art of the Great Basin
ON DISPLAY THROUGH MAY 26, 2023
10am-5pm | Monday–Friday
Closed Weekends, State and Federal Holidays
1 Jacobson Way, Carson City, Nevada
(775) 687-7608
StewartIndianSchool.com

For more information please contact our office at (775) 785-1326

600 East Second Street
Reno, NV 89502
(Orovada, NV) - On Tuesday, April 25th, a group of protestors successfully disrupted a lithium mining project at Thacker Pass in Nevada. One member of the group was Dean Barlese, an elder of the Pyramid Lake Paiute-Shoshone, who told us “We’ve got to stand up for our ancestors, they gave their lives, they shed their blood fighting for this land.”

If you search for “Thacker Pass” on Wikipedia, you will find that there is no page for this important cultural heritage site. There is, however, a very well kept Wikipedia page for “Thacker Pass Lithium Mine.” It seems pretty obvious that the narrative surrounding Thacker Pass is being dominated and controlled by some clandestine forces; who have buried the cultural significance of this geographical location deeper than the shattered bones of those who were massacred there.

Luckily, a group of activists known as Protect Thacker Pass have dutifully chronicled their opposition to the lithium mining operation.

According to their website, “Thacker Pass is a physical feature in Humboldt County Nevada, part of the McDermitt Caldera approximately 60 miles northwest of Winnemucca. It was formed 16 million + years ago, is traditional and un-ceded territory of the Paiute and Shoshone people, and is United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM) public land. The traditional Paiute name of Thacker Pass is PeeHee Mu’huh meaning ‘rotten moon.’

Now it is also the proposed site for a massive lithium mine that would destroy the area and valuable habitat for the creatures who live there.”

Dorece Sam, an enrolled member of the Fort McDermitt Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, issued the following statement: “Yesterday, we and our allies held a peaceful Paiute and Shoshone prayer at PeeHee Mu'huh. We prayed in the same manner as our ancestors whose spirits and remains lay in PeeHee Mu'huh. As a Fort McDermitt Tribal Member and traditional Paiute woman, I stand with and support our relative tribes like the Burns Paiute Tribe, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, and Summit Lake Paiute Tribe who are fighting this destructive mine alongside us. Unfortunately the Fort McDermitt Tribal Council does NOT represent the interests of the Ft. McDermitt community and Tribal membership on this issue.”

Anyone who has paid any attention to the lithium mining in the Amazon rainforest knows of the destruction that these types of operations reap upon
the land, and subsequently, the Indigenous populations.

According to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony the planned lithium mining operation in Thacker Pass “was permitted without any consultation with native tribes. In fact, most regional tribes – including us – were not even aware of the planned mine until after the Final Environmental Impact Statement was released and the Record of Decision was signed on January 15th, 2021.”

During the height of the COVID pandemic, while reservations across Nevada were still in a state of lockdown, the Bureau of Land Management “fast tracked” the permit process; issuing a permit for the project in less than a year.

Thacker Pass, which sits within an extinct supervolcano (the McDermitt Caldera), is spiritually significant to Indigenous tribes of Nevada, including: The Northern Paiute, the Shoshone, the Southern Paiute, and the Washoe.

The mine is a project of Lithium Nevada, LLC; a “wholly owned subsidiary of Lithium Americas Corp, a Canadian company whose largest shareholder is the world’s largest lithium mining company, Chinese Ganfeng Lithium.”

Bucky Harjo (Paiute - Shoshone) said “As a parent I am sometimes brought to tears listening to our children play and their laughter throughout the day; with the life ways of our nations we learn and children learn, but for our grandparents and great-grandparents there was much pain… and now we see that pain once again as mining corporations trespass once again on our sovereignty, our traditions and treaty rights and religious rights. That sacred moment of the morning was powerful medicine and those voices should always be heard and not silenced, that is part of what we must protect, the harmony of Thacker Pass, PeeHee Mu’Huh.”

Thacker Pass was the location of two massacres. The second event is well documented and occurred during the Snake War on September 12th, 1865 when government soldiers slaughtered 31 men, women and children from the Paiute tribe. Fragments of bones and other remains are scattered throughout the proposed mining area, according to attorney Will Falk with Protect Thacker Pass.

According to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, the first massacre, “which gave this area its Paiute name of PeeHee Mu’huh (“Rotten Moon”) was an inter-tribal conflict with a tribe from the west.” This event was carried out by the Pit River Indians of Northern California/Oregon.

BLM has conveniently ignored the aforementioned, stating that the sites which are eligible for the National Register of Histor-
ie Places are within the boundaries of the lithium mining area.

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony has been joined in their opposition by the Burns Paiute Tribe, National Congress of American Indians, the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe, a local rancher named Ed Bartell, Protect Thacker Pass, and “a community group composed mostly of members from the Fort McDermitt Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, the People of Red Mountain (Atsa Koodakuh wyh Nuwu).”

Lithium Americas Corp. is under contract to sell the lithium from Thacker Pass to General Motors for their electric cars. While politicians and corporations assert that electric cars are a sure-fire way to slow down climate change, the evidence says otherwise. The process of obtaining lithium for batteries is just as damaging to the environment as coal mining. Thacker Pass sits atop what may be the largest lithium deposit of Turtle Island, and greedy billionaires are licking their chops at the possibility of extracting lithium from Thacker Pass as early as 2026.

Says Max Wilbert, of Protect Thacker Pass: “Bulldozing a sacred mountain is not ‘green.’ It's wrong to sacrifice biodiversity and cultural sites for greed and luxury cars.”

More info at www.protectthackerpass.org
Photos of Community Easter Egg Hunt & Community Pyramid Lake Fishing Day
Photos by: Bethany Sam & Little Buck Harjo
Looking for Stewart Indian School Alumni from the 1950s and early 1960s

Carson City, NV) - Professor Marisella Martinez-Cola (Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA) would like to interview Stewart alumni who recall former employee Alice Piper from Big Pine, CA. Ms. Piper was a matron and Instructional Aide to older boys living in the Large Boys Dorm. Ms. Piper worked at Stewart Indian School as a matron in 1944-1950. She worked with students in the Special Five-Year Navajo Program during some of this time. Ms. Piper was re-employed as an Instructional Aide for large boys in the late 1950s through early 1960s. She is pictured in Stewart Yearbooks for 1961 and mentioned in 1962.

Alice Piper went by Alice Antelope during her earlier employment. She took her maiden name back after a divorce.

The late Ms. Piper (1908-1985) is known for winning a discrimination case (Piper v. Big Pine School District of Inyo County) in 1924. This victory allowed Indian students to attend the newly built public school in Big Pine and had even broader implications. This case law was cited in a landmark discrimination case decided in the U.S. Supreme Court, “Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka” in the 1950s.

Information gathered in Professor Martinez-Cola’s project, “Finding Alice Piper” will be shared with the Eastern California Museum in Inyo County, CA. and the Big Pine Paiute Tribe (contact: Mr. Dave Rambeau) who also are also honoring Ms. Piper.

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Ms. Piper is mentioned in Professor Martinez-Cola’s book: The Bricks Before Brown V. Board: A Comparative Historical Case Study of Race, Class, and Gender across Chinese American, Native American, and Mexican American School Desegregation Cases, 1885-1947 (2022). She is interested in knowing more about Alice Piper on a personal level and is interested in identifying Stewart alumni or staff who have first-hand recollections of the former employee.

Due to the distance between Georgia and Nevada, Professor Martinez-Cola asked the staff of Stewart Indian School Cultural Center and Museum for assistance. Stewart research volunteer Ms. Renee Kolvet was asked to help. We sincerely appreciate your willingness to assist us in locating former alumni who are willing to contribute to this project.

For further information, Professor Martinez-Cola can be reached at 470-639-0477 or marisella.cola@morehouse.edu and Ms. Kolvet can be reached at 702-286-8516 or rfcorno-na2013@gmail.com

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