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13th Annual Karuk Tribal Reunion

Saturday, August 29, 2009 - Happy Camp River Park

Schedule Coming Soon at www.karuk.us/

“Hold Onto Our Heritage”
Chimi (let’s) ikriivka (hold onto) koovura (all) pa’ararakuuphaveenati (our Indian ways)

Activities Will Include:
- Poker Tournament: Contact Doug Goodwin
- Demonstration Brush Dance
- 5k Fun Run - 3k Fun Walk
- Acorn Soup
- Horseshoe Tournament (Contact Robert A. Goodwin)
- Volleyball Tournament (Contact Arch Super)
- Food Booths (Indian Tacos, Hot Dogs, Cheeseburgers)
- Crafts, Jewelry, Art Vendors
- Traditional Card Games
- Health Fair
- Cribbage Tournament (Contact Ellen Johnson)
- SALMON Dinner at 3:30 PM
- Daytime Entertainment - Evening Dance!
- Obstacle Course & WATERSLIDE for the Kids AND Adults!

Contact Information:
Sara Spence
(530) 493-1600 Ext. 2010
sspence@karuk.us

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - All Vendors Welcome (NO CHARGE)!
Please Join Us for Food, Fun, and Sun - Bring Your Own Chair/Umbrella - It will be HOT!

This is a drug and alcohol free event. Violators will be asked to leave the premises.
Sonny Davis Appointed to Tribal Council

The Tribal Council is pleased to announce that in accordance with Section 27 of the Karuk Tribe’s Election Ordinance, Charron “Sonny” Davis, has been appointed to fill a partial term on the Tribal Council as Member at Large.

Sonny has previously served on the Tribal Council and they are glad to have him back! He is filling the vacancy created by Robert A. Goodwin’s resignation to take the role of Self Governance Coordinator.

His partial term will expire on November 3, 2009. Sonny was sworn in at the May 28, 2009 Tribal Council Meeting held in Yreka.

Newsmagazine Article Submissions

If you have news, articles or events you would like placed in this newsmagazine, please submit your information to Sara Spence, News Articles, PO Box 1016, Happy Camp, CA 96039. Or you may email articles and/or photos tosspence@karuk.us or to Rosie Bley atrbley@karuk.us.

All submissions must include your name and address. No anonymous articles will be accepted, however you may request that your name not be published or appear in the newsmagazine.

Article deadlines for 2009 are: August 15 for the summer issue, and November 15 for the fall issue.

Important Information Regarding Your Newsletter and Vital Census Request from the Enrollment Department!

Ayukii Tribal Members and Descendants.

The enrollment office sends one newsletter per household due to so many bad addresses and returned mail. It is very important to provide our department with accurate addresses.

ATTENTION ENROLLED MEMBERS ONLY: We would appreciate collecting census data from enrolled members. Your cooperation and assistance in this effort is extremely important at this time as the effectiveness of our funding applications will depend on the documentation regarding the needs of our people. (NOTE: This information is held in strictest confidence and will be used in reports required by the funding agencies).

The census process will be conducted until it is complete. At this time we do not have the kind of participant household information necessary to apply for needed funding for services. Please actively participate in this process and assist in the development of this greatly needed information resource.

Thank you, Amanda Rhodes

If you have any questions, please contact Amanda or Dolores at 1-800-505-2785 Ext. 2039 or 2028
The Karuk Community Loan Fund has completed four loans with two more waiting to be funded! These loans are all to Tribal members, however we have the ability with some of our funding to serve descendents and non-tribal people as well. KCLF has helped with home purchases and home improvement loans and has loan funds available now to help small business development or expansion in the down-river area. If you have had thoughts of starting your own business or need some funds for expanding your business, please give us a call to see if we can help you!

Our newest program is to help those people who just need a few dollars to get over a bad spot. KCLF is putting together a program to make small loans, up to $500, that might help some people who are employed but come up short due to an emergency expense. Instead of borrowing money on your credit card or going to the “payday lenders” that charge over 100% interest and huge fees, KCLF wants to help. According to the guidelines the borrower must be employed and the repayment on the loan must be made as an automatic deduction from your paycheck. The repayment schedule is to repay the small loan within six months. For other information or details, call Eddie Davenport, Executive Director, at 530-493-2558 or email to edavenport@karuk.us.

KCLF has also been successful in helping the Orleans Computer Center with a grant to bring high speed internet to the Orleans area! This is a tremendous accomplishment that was spearheaded by Bari Talley, Student Services Coordinator in Orleans. We congratulate Bari on her success and look forward to helping her with more projects that will help the Orleans area!

KCLF is continuing to work toward bringing in additional funding for its loan programs and to help community development and financial programs that help all people in Siskiyou County and the surrounding areas. The KCLF service area includes Northern California and Southern Oregon, so as funding permits we are able to help people who are outside of the Karuk Tribal area of Siskiyou County and Humboldt County. KCLF must adhere to the requirements of each grant or loan program that it receives, however, so some of its funding is only available in certain areas. KCLF will continue to strive to serve all people in our service area as funding permits. We are still new and growing, so please continue to write, call or email if you have a financial need or question. We are here to help you!

Eddie Davenport, Executive Director 530-493-2558. Email address is edavenport@karuk.us

Amkuuf Smoke Shop in Yreka

The KCDC Board has been hard at work reviewing options of economic development within our communities. Although it is a tough economy currently, we continually seek opportunities to employ Tribal Members and open businesses.

We currently have one Smoke Shop in Yreka, California. We are open for business and have been very successful.

Stop in and support our Tribal business. It is located at 1221 Thook Street, Yreka, CA.

If you have any feedback or suggestions, please send them to Ellen Johnson at ejohnson@karuk.us
Karuk Tribal TANF Program
Temporary Aid to Needy Families
Cecilia Arwood, TANF Program Fiscal Technician

Karuk Tribal TANF Staff
Standing left to right:
Anthony Ballard, Clarence Hostler Sr., Daniel Pratt Jr., Alphonso Colegrove, Lisa Aubrey, Pamela Risling
Front row left to right:
Cecilia Arwood, Elsa Goodwin, Janelle Jackson Reed
Not pictured: Maria Miranda on Family Medical Leave

Mission Statement:
To preserve and strengthen the children and families of the Karuk Tribe and other Native American Tribes though an effective social welfare system that empowers individuals and families to work toward and achieve self-sufficiency, sobriety and to become loving, responsible parents in a culturally relevant way.

Happy Camp Office
Location: 64101 Second Avenue.
Phone: 530-493-2040
Fax: 530-493-2230
Entrance: Corner of Third Avenue and East Street, Happy Camp, CA 96039 (Behind the old Headway Market)
TANF Program Executive Director: Daniel Pratt, Sr.
TANF Program Development Manager Alphonso Colegrove
TANF Program Administrative Assistant Elsa Goodwin
TANF Program Family Services Specialist Lisa Aubrey
TANF Program Fiscal Technician Cecilia Arwood

Happy Camp TANF entrance on the corner of Third and East Avenue in Happy Camp (behind the old Headway Market)

Yreka Office
Location: 1836 Apsuun, Yreka, CA 96097
Phone: 530-842-4775
Fax: 530-842-4702
TANF Program Family Services Specialist Anthony Ballard
TANF Program Family Services Assistant Maria Miranda
TANF Program Family Services Assistant Janelle Jackson Reed

Orleans Office
Orleans Office Location: Orleans Medical Clinic, 39051 Highway 96, Orleans, CA 95556
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Fax: 530-625-3459
TANF Program Site Supervisor Pamela Risling
TANF Program Family Services Assistant Clarence Hostler, Sr.
The Grants Office remains busy and productive. Over the last four months we’ve submitted:

- Congressional Appropriations Concept Papers for three projects: Renewable Energy, Stewardship, and the Happy Camp Health & Wellness Center
- Proposal to United Healthcare, $314,175, in support of Health and Human Services’ transition to an Electronic Health Record.
- Proposal to the Department of Energy, $3,337,000, in support of renewable energy systems on Tribal homes in Orleans, Forks of Salmon, and Yreka.
- Proposal to the Administration for Native Americans (ANA), $1 million dollars, in support of the Computer Centers in each community.
- Proposal to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Increased Demand for Services (IDS) funding, $143,613, in support of increased dental reception staffing in Happy Camp and rehiring a Community Health Representative in Happy Camp.
- Proposal to Indian Health Service (IHS), $17,000, in support of medical equipment, as well as information on generator and related electrical needs for the Orleans/Happy Camp medical facilities.
- Proposal to Learn and Serve, $78,412, in support of computer assembly and education support for the Orleans Computer Center.
- Proposal to USDA Rural Development, $50,000, in support of KCDC’s efforts to: identify emerging forest job opportunities, develop information to assist Tribal and non-Tribal businesses in obtaining 8a status, strengthen local economic development opportunities between local agencies and organizations, and develop a KCDC Forest Community Business Plan for Forest Service NEPA-ready lands & other localized community business opportunities.

We are working on the following projects and grants:

- A potential partnership between KCDC and the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) to provide job training and education opportunities.
- Strategic Planning.
- Information collection for this year’s Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) application.
- HRSA Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding.
- Preparations for the upcoming HRSA Facility Investment Program (FIP).
- Preparations for the annual HRSA Non-competing Renewal application.
- Renovation funding for the Yreka Head Start Program.
- Generator funding for Happy Camp.

As always, if you have questions, please stop by the office or give us a call at 493-1600, ext. 2021.

Happy 91st Birthday Lillian Bennett!

Karuk Tribal Member Lillian Bennett from Forks of Salmon just celebrated her 91st birthday in March! Lillian is a loving sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother. The family would like to send her their warmest birthday wishes!
Quarterly Staffing Update

Sara Spence, Human Resources Manager

This update covers February through May (plus some miscellaneous updates I missed in previous articles). We currently have 156 employees on staff.

Kimberly Guevara resigned her position as Medical Records Supervisor at the Yreka Clinic on 12/29/08; the vacancy was filled by Michelle Charlesworth who previously worked as the Elder’s Field Worker for Yreka.

Clint “Tudor” Guy, Jr., resigned his position as Maintenance Worker on 12/30; his position was filled by Daniel Goodwin who previously worked for the Fisheries program for many years.

Alissa Johnson resigned her position as Clinic Nurse at the Orleans Clinic on 4/20 and Ed Kremer transferred to On Call Clinic Nurse; their combined position was filled by Rosalie Carlson.

Bianca Alvarado changed status to On Call Receptionist at the Department of Natural Resources on 3/8 and Tawnia Johnson was hired to job-share the Receptionist position along with Debbie Hemus.

Candace Atto was hired on 2/5 to work part time in the Contract Health Services Office along with fellow clerks Cheryl Titus and Lucille Tiraterra. Cheryl also works part time as the Dental Clinic Receptionist in Happy Camp. Michael Sanchez also joined the team in CHS working part time as well beginning 4/21.

Luana Hillman rejoined the Water Quality program for the season on 5/4.

Sharon Cook resigned her position as People’s Center Gift Shop Clerk on 5/1 and Dessie Busby and Christopher Denton have been hired to take her place. They will job share so that Paula McCarthy and Wilverna Reece who have so generously devoted so many volunteer hours to the center can get back to their basketweaving.

Dr. Mark Goodwin will be joining the staff at the Yreka Clinic on 7/6 as the newest Clinic Physician; he will assume the full time position which has been held by IHS Commissioned Corp Officer, Dr. Curt Hanst over the past two years.

Rick Hill has reduced his hours to part time 4/20 and we are currently advertising for a Grant Writer to fill that void. He will be devoting 50% of his time to Karuk Community Development Corporation (KCDC) economic development grants.

Toni Lynn Downey has given notice that she will be resigning her position as Director of Community Outreach/Public Health Nurse/Safety and Infection Control Officer on 5/29; we are in the process of advertising and filling that vacancy.

The Karuk Tribe continues to recruit for employees on our website at www.karuk.us/jobs/ Check it out and tell a friend!

Used Monitor Heater Sale!

For the next thirty days the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority will be accepting applications for the determination of eligibility to purchase our surplus of used monitor heaters. Applicants must be Native American, with preference first given to elders. They will be sold as-is. They will not be delivered, installed, repaired or maintained by KTHA.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

We also have used swamp coolers available for free.

Above eligibility requirements apply.

For more information regarding income guidelines, eligibility and prices contact:

Tina Sherburn
493-5434 Ext. 111
csherburn@karuk.us
It has been a very busy spring for the Language Program. There is tremendous enthusiasm and support for Karuk language restoration and we are excited to harness this energy! With the Karuk Master-Apprentice Documentation project off to a great start, the Language Program has begun working on several new projects to strengthen the Karuk language in the community and in schools and colleges.

Speakers’ Circles are an opportunity for Karuk speakers and learners to practice the language. The idea is to bring together as many of the Elder speakers and Karuk learners as possible, and give them a comfortable space to talk and listen in Karuk. The first Karuk Speakers’ Circle was held in Yreka on March 28, in conjunction with the Youth Leadership Council Training. Elder speakers and Karuk learners gathered to tell stories, as well as discuss the importance of the Karuk language and share a potluck with the Youth Council. The second Speakers’ Circle took place on April 18 at the Spring Basketweavers Gathering in Happy Camp, and drew a large crowd of Karuk learners eager to listen to the Elders. Since the Circles have been so popular, we plan to make them a regular event. If you would like to host or attend a Speakers’ Circle, please contact the Language Program.

The Karuk Language Restoration Committee is working with College of the Siskiyous to offer a Karuk Language Class through Distance Education. This means that students can take the class at any of the COS video classrooms throughout the county. For more information about Distance Education at COS, please visit http://www.siskiyous.edu/distancelearning/. Students will earn college credit for the class, and registration is free for high school students! We hope to have this class ready to go for the Fall semester.

In the meantime, please join one of our Community Language Classes! We now have weekly classes taught by Karuk speakers in Orleans, Happy Camp and Yreka. These classes are free and open to all.

The Language Program and the KLRC have also been working closely with other tribes throughout California to put more American Indian language teachers in public schools. Many American Indian language speakers and teachers do not have the degrees required by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing to qualify for a teaching credential. Without credentialed language teachers, it is difficult and expensive for public schools to offer American Indian language classes. State Assemblyman Joe Coto, working with the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, has introduced a bill to the Legislature, AB 544, Teaching credential: American Indian languages, that would address this problem. As of May 13, the preamble to AB 544 states:

“This bill would require the commission, upon recommendation by a tribal government of a federally recognized Indian tribe in California, to issue an American Indian languages credential to a candidate who has demonstrated fluency in that tribal language, and met other requirements. The bill would authorize the holder of an American Indian languages credential to teach the American Indian language for which the credential was issued in California public schools in

Language News and Events continued next page...
New Electronic Health Record System

During the week of April 25th, the Tribe hosted a team of Information Technology experts from the Indian Health Service who were here to help set up our new Electronic Health Record (EHR). We have been moving toward EHR for about 2 years, procuring equipment, redesigning work processes, hashing out details and installing hardware, and now the time has come to begin actually using computers to manage patient data.

The EHR Implementation Team consists of a core group of employees who are responsible for overseeing its use and staff training and support. These key people are Eric Cutright, IT Director, Patti White, RPMS Site Manager and Database Administrator, Amy Coapman, FNP, Clinical Applications Coordinator, Chris Kleeman, IT Manager, and Chad Tiraterra, EHR Technician. This team has been meeting regularly over the past two years to lay the foundation for the new EHR system.

As of this writing, medical assistants at the Yreka and Happy Camp clinics are using the record to enter vital signs and allergy information, and Lisa Rugg, FNP in Yreka is using EHR to document all her patient care. Dr. North and Dr. Hanst in Yreka will begin using EHR in the next two weeks, then Dr. Burns and Judy Blind in Happy Camp will join in later in May. Dr. Willett and his staff in Orleans will come on board in June. So far, Lisa is very pleased with the ease of use and the instant availability of patient data as well as with the security of the records. All documentation is protected by two passwords, and internal controls prevent the viewing of health records by anyone not authorized to do so.

With this implementation, the Karuk Tribe joins ten other Tribal Programs in California who are using the IHS EHR product. We expect to learn from their past experiences as well as share our own successes through the coordination of our Area Office in Sacramento. Each clinic has a handout for patients which explains EHR and how it works, and we invite you to drop in and see how this technology will enhance and improve our ability to serve our patients throughout our three clinics.

Language News and Events continued...

preschool, kindergarten, grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and in adult education courses, and would make the holder of that credential eligible for a professional clear teaching credential upon completion of a specified period of time and application and consultation as specified.”

Putting Tribes in charge of determining who has the knowledge and skills to teach their ancestral languages and ensuring that these teachers are fairly compensated for their work will be a great victory for American Indian language revitalization. KLRC member Terry Supahan and Self-Governance Director Bob Goodwin testified in support of the bill before the Assembly Education Committee on April 29, after which the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the bill and a bipartisan group of eight Committee members signed on as co-authors to the bill.

This level of support is encouraging, but it is too early to celebrate—there is still much to be done. The bill has a long journey through more legislative committees, as well as votes of the full Assembly and Senate, before it becomes law. To read the full bill and follow its progress through the Legislature, go to http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.html and search for “544.”

The Language Program is here to meet the needs of the Karuk community. If you have ideas or requests, or would like to participate in any of our current projects, please call Ruth at (800)505-2785 extension 2205. Yôotva!
Climate Studies & Global Warming: During the second half of February I focused on teaching students about climate change and global warming. I visited students at Happy Camp Elementary School, Junction Elementary School, Jefferson High/Community Day schools. Students learned about the greenhouse effect, natural resources that emit greenhouse gases when utilized, and how these gases contribute to weather and climate change.

The K-2nd graders learned about the Greenhouse Effect by playing a game, “The Greenhouse Effect and Global Warming.” The 3rd-8th grade students made a Global Warming Wheel Card, which they used to determine carbon dioxide emissions for an average American family.

Students in Happy Camp Elementary School’s Rockets Program learned how important trees are to the environment because they remove carbon dioxide from and release oxygen into the atmosphere. Students went on a tree identification walk near the school to see trees that help remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and provide oxygen for us.

High school students learned about climate change, greenhouse gases and ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by viewing part of the documentary An Inconvenient Truth.

All classes learned ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as by walking or riding a bike whenever possible instead of using a car to reach a destination.

Fish Biology & Water Quality Experiments: Orleans Elementary School K-3rd graders walked to the Community Room at the Department of Natural Resources in March. Aaron David and Emily Davis, AmeriCorps volunteers for Mid Klamath Watershed Council, gave a PowerPoint presentation on Freshwater Mussels of the Klamath River and showed students samples of freshwater mussel shells. Students learned the importance of these mussels to the health of the river and to the salmon. Students also visited an Aquatic Invertebrates station along Chinich Creek in the Native Plant Garden. Aaron and Emily led students in identifying macro invertebrates found in the creek. Students used a dissecting microscope, magnifying lenses and color identification cards to determine the species of the invertebrates.

In May I gave a PowerPoint presentation, “Chemical Elements and Our Environment,” in the 3rd-5th and 6th-8th grade classes at Orleans Elementary School. Students learned the history of the periodic table of the elements, an overview of atoms, and how atoms can make up molecules, such as water. Students also learned that chemical elements like phosphorus naturally occur in the environment. However, the element phosphorus, in the form of phosphates from fertilizers and animal waste, can impact the environment negatively, the Klamath River in particular, when introduced in excessive amounts. Students then learned about toxic algal blooms of Microcystis aeruginosa, one result of excess phosphates and increased water temperatures in the river system. M. aeruginosa releases a liver toxin, microcystin, into the water when the algae die. This toxin can cause liver failure and tumors in people and animals. Students were shocked and concerned to learn that M. aeruginosa has been found not only in Irongate and Copco reservoirs, but in the Klamath River at Weitchpec.
I gave another PowerPoint presentation in May, “Sea Creatures and Our Environment,” in the K-2nd grade class at Orleans Elementary School. Students viewed photos of whales, dolphins, Coho and Chinook salmon, and other animals that live in the sea. Students learned that many of the pictured animals are listed as endangered or threatened. Students also learned that human activities such as over hunting of whales, pollution (which contributes to global warming and climate change) and destroying habitats have led to many sea animals becoming threatened or endangered.

“Dead zones,” areas in the seas where oxygen levels have dropped too low to support life, are increasing rapidly around the world. Students learned that these dead zones contribute to the threatening or endangerment of many sea creatures, including salmonids.

Mrs. Holmes’s 3rd/4th grade class at Happy Camp Elementary School learned about the water cycle in May. I gave them a brief overview of the water cycle in their classroom and then went with them on a field trip to Happy Camp Sanitary District’s Waste Water Treatment Plant. Students learned how the waste water begins treatment in grinders, then proceeds to ponds where microorganisms digest the waste, and infiltrates back into the ground water, where it can go back into the water cycle. Special thanks to David Greenberg and Thomas Healy for giving us a tour of the plant and teaching us what happens to Happy Camp’s waste water!

Native Plants/Ethnobotany Studies/
Noxious Weeds: In March I visited classes at Happy Camp Elementary School, Orleans Head Start, Orleans Elementary School, and Junction Elementary School to teach students about plants.

Students at Happy Camp Elementary School, Orleans Elementary School and Junction Elementary School learned about 12 native trees and shrubs by doing the Leaf and Bark Matching Activity. Students learned about the diversity of species, as well as tree/shrub identification and names. Junction students also went on a tree and shrub identification walk along Conrad Creek to reinforce what they learned during the Leaf and Bark Matching Activity.

Orleans Head Start children did a leaf rubbing activity. They looked at leaves and bark from madrone, manzanita and pepperwood, then made leaf rubbings. The Orleans Head Start children also learned about Seeds and Seed Cases in another lesson. Students looked at samples of seeds and cases they come in, such as pine cones, maple wings, locust pods, and fir cones. Students then looked outside for seeds in the play area.

Guest presenter Jillienne Bishop, Mid Klamath Watershed Council Education Coordinator, gave a PowerPoint presentation on watershed restoration and noxious weed removal to the 6th-8th grade class at Orleans Elementary School. Jillienne then had the students separate into groups and identify noxious weeds that are problematic in our area and answer questions about detecting and removing the weeds.

Orleans Elementary School K-3rd graders participated in a field trip to the Native Plant Garden in Orleans (see Fish Biology & Water Quality Experiments Continued next page...
in previous section). Emily Seer and Rusty White, AmeriCorps volunteers for the Forest Service in Orleans, led students in pulling English ivy, a noxious weed, at one station. The ivy pulling was part of an on-going effort to rid the Native Plant Garden of noxious weeds so that natives will be able to thrive there.

In May I assisted Shannon Flarity, Salmon River Restoration Council Education Coordinator, by leading a station, “Trees of Our Watershed,” at the Watershed Fair at Junction Elementary School. Students from Forks of Salmon Elementary and Junction Elementary schools tested their identification skills by matching leaf samples with pieces of bark or branches from native trees and shrubs of our area. The Watershed Fair included special guests Dean McBroom, who shared his knowledge of elk in a PowerPoint presentation, and John Hammon, who brought his red tailed hawk, Jessie, to show and teach students about. Students also participated in a scavenger hunt and rotated through five stations: Elk Up Close, Hawk Up Close, Fish Prints and Animal Tracks, Smell Your Way Home and Fish Identification, and Trees of our Watershed. After visiting the stations, students played Hooks and Ladders, and then wrapped up the day by receiving raffle prizes.

Other Projects: In March I assisted Mr. Rickel, 7th and 8th grade Science teacher at Happy Camp Elementary School, with owl pellet dissections in his two classes. Students dissected the owl pellets, then sorted and classified the bones (rodent, bird, mole, etc.), and glued the grouped bones onto paper. I also taught an introductory lesson on owl pellet dissection in Mr. Bley’s 5th/6th grade class. Students viewed a video on barn owls and learned about food chains/food webs and pellet formation.

In April I visited students at Junction Elementary School to present a lesson on Wood Bees (also known as carpenter bees). Students learned the life cycle, identification and other features of wood bees. Students also learned that wood bees can be pests, as they tunnel into wood to lay their eggs, but are important native pollinators. To get an idea of what it’s like for the wood bees to tunnel into wood, students attempted to make a hole in a board with an old fashioned hand drill. Congratulations to Brandon Tripp for drilling all the way through the board!

For more information about the Environmental Education Program, e-mail Jeanette Quinn at jquinn@karuk.us, or call 530-627-3446.
Gloria Cooper (McNeal-George) Turns 70

Friends and family traveled near and far on March 21st for a surprise celebration in South San Francisco, honoring the 70th birthday of Karuk tribal member Gloria Cooper. Gloria, who is the youngest of the nine McNeal-George children, was delighted to see the families of four of her late siblings (Germaine Antone, Joyce Flores, Gail and Neal George).

Niece Myrtle Antone Markgraf was instrumental in gathering family members. Myrtle who traveled from Eugene, OR for the party says “I was pleased and excited to be a part of this loving effort to help locate family members in honoring my Dear Aunt Gloria. I was able to re-connect and re-establish relationships, and meet new additions to our clan. I shared history and pictures of great aunts and grandparents with the younger generation members. The personal benefits were overwhelming. This was a great honor.”

Gloria was surprised again later in the day when she was presented with a quilt, fashioned from a double wedding ring quilt top, hand pieced by her grandmother Emily Evans-McNeal, circa 1930’s. The quilt top was handed down to Gloria’s daughter Leslie by aunt Virginia (McNeal) McIntyre in the early 1980’s. It was lovingly finished for this occasion by childhood friends and fellow Humboldt natives, the McCall Family (Chickasaw). The quilt is titled “Humboldt Beginnings”.

Take College Courses Here on the River
Through College of the Siskiyous

For more information contact Emma Lee Johnson at 493-5213, Bob Smith at 493-2655 or the COS Distance Learning Office at 938-5520. Go to http://www.siskiyous.edu to plan for fall courses.

Course counseling; Videoconferenced, online or on-site course assistance; COMPASS college assessments to place you in the right class; Assistance with college enrollment & paperwork.

Site updated continually as positions become available!

Jobs!

www.karuk.us/jobs

Requests for Proposals are also located at this site!
Married on March 23, 1959, in Happy Camp at the Log Cabin Church, with family and friends in attendance, the couple celebrated their honeymoon at Oregon Caves.

Over 50 years later, they are still happily married and enjoying their time together. Having fun together and having a great family has been part of their successful equation.

Janet is the daughter of the late Fred & Eleanor (Sanderson) Wilder of Orleans. Janet’s siblings include Patricia Johnson, Lillian Rentz and LeRoy Wilder.

Barry is the son of the late Foy & Connie Morehead of Boyd, Texas. The Morehead couple recently took a road trip to visit Barry’s sister, Judy Dickey, and family in Boyd as part of an anniversary trip to revisit some of the many places they’ve had pleasure in spending time.

Barry came to Happy Camp in the late 50’s while working for the Bureau of Public Roads, which later became the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Within a couple weeks of their wedding, Janet & Barry moved to San Francisco—the first of many moves during Barry’s career with the FHWA. Before retiring in Orleans after 38 years, they lived in Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Colorado, Maryland, Virginia, California, Texas, and Arizona.

They always planned to retire home to Orleans where they gained lots of construction experience since then--first building their large garage apartment to live in and for storage while building their house. Then they got to do it all over again after a house fire in 2002.

Now, Janet enjoys cooking, mushroom hunting, basketweaving, language classes, gardening, book club, swimming, crosswords, and taking part in community activities. Barry enjoys reading, Sudoku, watching movies, tractor work, and volunteering at the school as a math tutor.

Immediate family members include their children: Jeff (and Meredith) Morehead and Bari (and Curt) Talley of Orleans, Jennifer (and Thomas) Malace of Detroit, Michigan, and Lisa (and Florian) Neuner of Garmisch-Partinkirchen, Germany. Enjoyed most of all are the grandchildren: Sophie, Lena, Sinéad, Annie, Geena, Josa, Luis, Jackson, Noah, Lillian, Avery, and Sam.
Brooke Grant  
2009-2010 Miss Indian World  
Hupa / Yurok / Karuk / Chipewa from Hupa, CA

Submitted by Grandmother Barbara Ferris  
Article from indiancountrynews.net

Brooke Grant, from Los Angeles and Hoopa, California and member of the Hoopa, Yurok, Karuk, and Chipewa tribes, was crowned Miss Indian World at the 26th Annual Gathering of Nations, the most prominent Native American powwow in the world.

Grant received the honor out of 25 Native American women representing their different tribes and traditions who competed in the areas of tribal knowledge, dancing ability, and personality assessment.

“I am honored to represent all Native American and Indigenous people as Miss Indian World. This is the first time a woman from my tribe has been crowned and I am very proud of my accomplishments. I look forward to the future and to accomplish my goals as Miss Indian World,” said Grant, the newly crowned Miss Indian World.

“The Miss Indian World title is one of the most prestigious honors among Native American and Indigenous people. The winner will bring together native and indigenous people throughout the world by providing a cultural link between tribes,” said Derek Mathews, founder of the Gathering of Nations.

Grant, who is 22 years old, will travel to many native and indigenous communities around the world on behalf of the powwow. She is currently a senior at Mount St. Mary’s College in Los Angeles, California and is the daughter of Lisa Grant and the late Newt Grant.

Benedict Elected Next National Cutting Horse Association’s Vice President

Veteran cutting horse trainer and stallion station owner Chris Benedict, 49, Weatherford, Texas, emerged as the National Cutting Horse Association’s next vice president after 3,341 votes were counted on June 10.

Benedict outpolled veterinarian Jerry Black, 62, Oakdale, Calif., 1,752 to 1,589 with ballots from NCHA members were counted under supervision of the accounting firm Whitley Penn LLP. He was to assume his new duties when the NCHA Convention started on June 22 at the Hilton DFW Lakes Hotel in Grapevine, Texas.

Benedict, a career winner of $847,842 through early 2008, according to Equi-Stat records, and his wife Vicki, won and operate DLR Stallion Station in Weatherford, home to several of the cutting industry’s leading sires.

Interviewed by Quarter Horse News during the election campaign, Benedict said he felt he was at a point in life where he can give back to a sport that’s treated him well. He also said he believes his experience can help him work along with other NCHA officials to decide what aspects of cutting might need changes and which shouldn’t be changed.

“There’s a certain amount of tradition that goes along with cutting,” Benedict said. “I’m all for change. Change is great. But you still have to keep a certain amount of tradition.”

Promoting cutting and staying connected with members from all aspects of it, from new members to seasoned showmen and stallion owners, is his goal, Benedict said.

“Being so involved with all aspects of it, I have a problem with people saying they’re going to get involved and then not spending the time,” Benedict said. “There are a lot of good things I think that are in the works with Bronc [Wolloughby] and Chubby[Turner]. I think we need to continue. I’m at a point right now that I have the time to dedicate and I’m excited about it.”

Chris is the son of Karuk Tribal Member Ella Benedict.
Our first mission in Happy Camp was to clear the blackberry bushes from the elementary school baseball field, the blackberry bushes from around the bridge at the River Park, and burn at the Marble Mountain Ranch for the Elders to go and collect sticks for basketry, clear brush and fell trees from behind the Happy Camp Karuk Head Start, and to play with the kids.

I had a great time on our “Spike” in happy Camp! I look forward to returning home after my term in TCCC is done and going to the River Park for Big Foot Days and being able to say, “I helped my TCCC team clean up around the bridge for my community.” And be proud of our hard work. I had a lot of fun being able to help my community and the Elders on this Spike and I look forward to doing it again and in other communities.

Yvette Bley, Karuk Tribe

Dedication to the Karuk Tribe

The team would like to dedicate and acknowledge the Karuk Tribe and the Elders for letting us stay at the gym and providing us with tools like the pitchforks and supplies like gas and mixes. We would also like to give our gratitude for the generosity of the pizza and homemade cookies!

Charlotte Plentychief, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

Would You Like to Join the Tribal Community Civilian Corps?

If you are 18-26 years old, a United States Resident, federally recognized Indian or descendent of a federally recognized Indian, willing to travel to regions across the west, are ready for job skills and training, and can dedicate your life for ten-months to living with other corps members at the TCCC facility, call 866-255-TCCC.

For more information, go to http://www.hoopa-nsn.gov/departments/tccc.htm
I just returned from our National Training for the Older American’s Act – Title VI. It is always so good to share ideas of what other sites are doing – and sharing what we are doing in our communities. We are right on track with the national models, with collaborations with other tribal and community programs. When we look at the services that our tribe and other community organizations provide within our communities – it is truly extraordinary. It isn’t just health fairs, senior meals, CHR’s, Elder’s Workers, and tribal housing.

For example, in our small community of Orleans we have three community centers – two are owned and operated by the Karuk Tribe – the Panamnik Center and the Panamnik Community Center, and the other is the Panamnik Building. . . . . I know that sounds confusing – but I look at it as the name of the town – and there are lots of towns that have business that start out with the name of the town, as you can tell in any phone book.

At the Panamnik Center you will find the Orleans Senior Center, the Orleans Community Computer Center, and the Panamnik Center Library. Also there are after hours activities that include the Community Service Club’s monthly meetings, the ‘by the river stitcher’s’ quilting guild monthly gatherings, the Acupuncture people’s Wednesday evening gathering (they also do traditional Chinese and Western Herbal Medicine and massage), the AA group meetings on Saturday and Monday evening, and Monday after school youth culture classes.

At the Panamnik Community Center you will find tribal offices – and after hours there are Karuk Language Classes and Basket Weavers gatherings.

At the Panamnik Building (next to the Post office) there are Mid-Klamath Watershed Council offices and many after hour community events from movies to café events.

The emphasis at our national meeting is to celebrate what you have in your community that is open to all people. Share resources; invite other organizations to provide services and activities for the seniors in your community. Join in on activities that are already in your community. One organization can not afford to do everything in these times of economic hardships. Have youth programs working for elders. Get volunteers to have activities. Start a community garden. Celebrate!
In Loving Memory
Roger Dean Ainsworth

Roger Dean Ainsworth was born in Yreka, CA on March 9, 1966. He was 43 years young.

Roger loved his family, especially his cousins. He loved gathering and going to the Falls with them, bringing home áama, acorns, mushrooms, puffich, eels, mor’s, special “rocks” and best of all his smiling eyes.

He also loved his best friend, David Ward, from way back and all his bros; Steve Bridenstine, Frank Cook, Tunner Conrad, Robert Pimentel, Franklin Thom, Harold and Homer Bennett, Joe and Darren and Erik Rose, Donnie and Sonny Peters, Robert Southerland, and Keg Super.

Some people called him two “Ringer Rog”.

His favorite football team was Green Bay Packers, and his favorite Nascar Driver “Stoney Tuwart”. Rog loved wood cutting, hunting for everything, and AC/DC “loud”. He loved watching Bonanza.

Ti Bar was always his favorite place; Rog cared for all living things. He taught me so many lessons in life.

Thank you Rog for being “Rog”. Everyday I think of the good times. How we grew up together, what a blessing to know Rog. We love U. Thanks again Roger for all the beauty you brought to our lives.

Your Balance, Kathy Rose & The Rose Family (Karuk/Shasta).

Immunize Our Children

As children, my brother, sisters and I were taken by my mother to community vaccination clinics. I remember standing in long lines watching the other kids receive their shots and carefully studying their faces for a reaction. Good reactions gave me confidence, bad reactions had me shaking in my shoes. My smallpox shot remains evident on my upper left arm to this day. I tell you this at the risk of giving away my age since routine smallpox vaccinations were discontinued in 1972.

I had the chickenpox and have the scars to prove it. I missed attending my sister’s 8th grade graduation because I had the measles. And when I was in third grade I had a severe case of the mumps and subsequently lost the hearing in my right ear. I’m sure you have similar stories to tell of childhood diseases.

Because newer vaccines have been created since I was a child my son won’t have scars from chickenpox. He won’t miss any important events because of measles. And I am especially thankful that he won’t lose his hearing from mumps. I had my son properly vaccinated. Won’t you consider updating your children’s vaccinations today?

Per the American Academy of Pediatrics, Native American children are at greater risk for certain diseases. Our vaccination percentages are much lower than they should be. David Sprenger, M.D. with the Indian Health Service says that making sure your children are current on all immunizations is one of the best ways to prevent a number of very serious illnesses that can result in hospitalization and even death. He also reminds us that vaccines are free under the Vaccines for Children Program for those who have no health insurance.

Discuss updating your children’s vaccinations with one of our clinic providers soon!

Vickie Simmons, GPRA Coordinator
CYCLE OREGON is COMING to HAPPY CAMP!

Cycle Oregon is a non-profit organization that organizes a week-long bicycle ride each year that attracts thousands of participants; this year from 42 states and 11 countries. Over 22 years they have raised millions of dollars and contributed generously to host communities all around Oregon. This fall will be their first ride into California. The ride assembles in Medford, OR. They will ride from Medford to Yreka on September 13th for their second night. On Monday, September 14th, 2009, this tremendous group of bicyclists and support staff will ride from Yreka for an overnight stay in Happy Camp. Then on Tuesday, September 15th, they will ride up Indian Creek Road, over Grayback, to Cave Junction and on to Lake Selmac for their third day of the ride.

There are over 2,000 bicycle riders signed up for this event plus 600 on a waiting list! They will be accompanied by approximately 40 big trucks with their gear and all the support equipment. Cycle Oregon will arrive with their main stage for the entertainment, all their own food and a dining tent that covers a quarter acre of land, 6 trucks with showers and toilets for their riders, all the tents and duffle bags with all the rider’s gear. They even bring a “beer garden”, their own Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream Truck, a trailer for massage and yoga, and a support staff of about 300 people who will travel in motor homes to be here. This may be bigger than any “fire camp” Happy Camp has ever seen!

Now for the OPPORTUNITIES for Happy Camp! There are many, many support positions for local volunteers. Cycle Oregon is willing to pay for local people to support their ride – in fact they want to spend money in Happy Camp to help the economy of this town! Many people have already stepped up to help coordinate the tremendous program that Cycle Oregon has for Happy Camp. We have hospitality coordinators, site coordinators, food coordinators (for serving and clean up), entertainment coordinators and baggage coordinators to help the staff with the arrival and overnight stay of our guests.

Two marketplaces are in the works for local people to sell their wares. We plan to have spaces available in the Old Town Park on Second Avenue and also at the River Park. The bike route goes down Indian Creek road past the High School and the computer center, going right past the Old Town Park. Some of the activities will be at the River Park as well. “Local” means: 50 river miles from Happy Camp, and including Salmon River.

As you may imagine, Monday Sept 14th will be a good day to stick around town and avoid travel in the direction of I-5. Likewise, next day - the 15th will be the time to avoid a drive over Grayback. Please schedule September appointments with this in mind.

For more about the opportunities and money to be earned during this 24-hour event, call Eddie Davenport at the Karuk Community Loan Fund – 530-493-2558; or call Beth Buchanan at Mosaic Press – 530-493-2249.

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**Spring**

*Clint Alan Bushnell*

Spring is renewal,
Mother earth at its best.

The new grows and prospers,
And the old can rest.

Winter is over,
And the snow melts away.

The great Rivers swell,
And the fish find their way.

New life is born,
To replace what was lost.

From hunting or fishing,
Or the great winter’s frost.

Our mother starts over,
And turns green for miles.

The sun warms our faces,
And our Grandfather smiles.
Cassie Linn Spence passed away on March 10, 2009 in a fatal car accident on the Klamath River. Cassie was born in Redding, Calif. on November 17, 1994 to Brian and Sherri Spence.

When Cassie was born, her eyes were so blue they seemed to glow in the dark, like a full moon’s reflection in the water. Cassie could spin in circles and never get dizzy. She loved jade rocks and spending time at the creek trying to find them. Her favorite animals were cats, but she cared for all animals the same. She didn’t like bugs! Her favorite color was green. She loved her cell phone but most of all she loved to talk. Cassie was scheduled to be Valedictorian of her 8th grade graduating class this June.

She loved her family and friends, and had many of them. Cassie touched many people with her beautiful blue eyes and a smile that could warm anyone’s heart.

Cassie is survived by many loved ones including her mother and father, Sherri and Brian Spence; her sisters, Ashley and Sabrina Spence; her brother Jack Spence; her step-brother Michael Cook; her grandmas, Terri Moehring, Sharon Moehring, Lucille Walden and Dorothy Beck; her aunts, Virginia and Chris Moehring, Michelle Cortes, Elaine Spence, Amanda Burdette, April Spence, Tamara Barnett and Crystal Moehring; her uncles, Shane and Bob Spence, Rick Garcia, Shawn Pine, Michael, David Brian and Jimmy Moehring and Bowdy Minium; her cousins and friends, Seth Pine, Megan and Santelle Minium, Dorcas, Blackhawk, Ben, Brenda and Chukie Harrison, Lu-lin and Shaggy Spence, Brenda Lee Aubrey, Miranda Moehring, Bridget Koons and Elvis Douglas.

Cassie’s memorial service was held on Friday, March 13, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Karuk Community Center in Happy Camp. Pastor Stan Poeschel officiated the service and one can visit her memorial graveside located in the Ferry Point Cemetery. Cassie was a Karuk Tribal descendant.

May you rest in peace Cassie Linn Spence, our “Baby Blue Eyes.”

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**Rural Connections 2009**

*Bari Talley, Community Computer Center @ Orleans*

Rosie Bley, Emma Lee Johnson and I, from the Happy Camp and Orleans Computer Centers, attended a Rural Connections 2009 meeting in Redding hosted by the California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF). Redwood Coast Connect (RCC), is our regional representation for California’s effort to access broadband stimulus dollars. Great news! They have included a State Route Highway 96 fiber optic line as a high priority project because it will provide service to unserved Karuk, Hupa and Yurok tribal areas, as well as provide necessary backhaul for the region. At the California Emerging Technology Fund Rural Connections 2009 workshop, it was recommended by Sunne McPeak, CEO, that interested folks contact their state legislators to let them know how important broadband is to your lives.

At that meeting, Connie Stewart, Executive Director of the California Center for Rural Policy at Humboldt State University, thanked Orleans/KCDC for help in getting the SB1191 legislation passed, which allows Community Services Districts to provide broadband to communities where no one else is providing service. She also mentioned that Orleans Elementary students had written letters to their legislators expressing the need to have equal educational opportunities (this was a couple of years ago). Those comments stimulated more letters by Orleans Elementary 4th & 5th students. Also, I have been invited to collaborate on Redwood Coast Rural Action projects—a working website designed to keep interested parties apprised of latest developments in this field. Is broadband and cell service coming Orleans? We’ll keep you posted on progress!
There was a kind soul who sat by the side of the road and was a friend to man...

Earthly riches were to be shared, be it a five dollar bill or a pack of smokes, he gave from the heart.

Proud he was of his Native American heritage.

He saw the world through artist’s eyes. Always in awe of the Creator’s glorious handiwork: Orange sunsets on the ocean, soft rolling lines of dunes on the shore. These and more he captured with his talented sketches and paintings.

In the early ’60’s he met Hobart Brown who opened the Red Barn Art Gallery in Eureka where for years he displayed and sold his paintings.

Corbett faced the winds of life with simple honesty and walked the good road to the day of quiet.

He passed away in his home town of Eureka, preceded in death by his parents: Aaron A. Beck and Mildred Beck; his sisters Ruby Beck and Jackie Carmichael.

He is survived by many nieces and nephews and cousins Including: Tina Carter, Tammy Syvest of Eureka; David Boatwright, Martin Swenson, Walter Swenson of Hoopa, and all their families.

His last surviving sister, Karuk Tribal Member Mary Beck-Barker, lives in Sacramento, Ca.

“You are loved and missed, Brother dear – Súva ník nuománeesh”

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**Forever**

*by Frank Davis, Age 8*

O- The Old Times Never Last
O- The Old Times Never Last

The long country picnics on a Sunday afternoon.
The simple laughter in the streets at night
And the children playing grown up as each day they get closer to being an adult

But God will always last

Like the kids who play baseball in the green grass, Swimming in the cold river on a hot summers day, Or the simple things like sharing a joke with friends.

But God will always last

O- The Old Times Never Last
O- The Good Times Never Last

But God will last forever.
Follow Your Dreams
Submitted by granddaughter Sherry Cox

Joe Snapp was born on December 6th 1944 in Yreka California to Charles and Elizabeth Snapp of Etna. Growing up in the small community of Etna and having the strong influence of his parents helped him to become the man he is today. He went to school with the same small group all the way through high school and has stayed in contact with them for all these years by meeting every five years. His mother and father being very in touch with their heritage instilled these strong roots within Joe. Elizabeth was one of the first in this area to start a book of the Karuk language.

As time went on Joe developed his love for mechanics which was the first degree that he earned. Then after having to have two back surgeries he had to make a career change. He chose to help his people with the struggles of overcoming drugs and alcohol and the affects that it has on their lives. Seeing the devastation of these affects and the hurt on his tribe encouraged him to go above and beyond. He has showed this by working with his people at The Karuk Tribe of California for sixteen years and furthering his education for seven. Along with all of that he has encouraged his three children, nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren to follow their dreams just as he has. All of this could not have been done without the help and support of his wife Irene Snapp of forty-seven years. Joe Snapp earned his master’s degree in social services this June.

Bradley along with hundreds of other Southern California native youth were honored for their accomplishment as graduating students of CLASS of 2009 at the SCTCA Graduation Celebration on May 14th, 2009 held at Barona Valley Resort & Casino. Brad was presented with his Eagle feather by Tribal Chairman Bo Mazzetti and Vice-Chairwoman Stephanie Spencer of the Rincon Nation of Luiseno Indians.

Bradley will be attending Kaplan College in the fall to receive an AA Degree in Criminal Justice. He was accepted into Kaplan this past winter. He plans to study the forensic side of the field as he has always enjoyed science and the hands on laboratory work.

Congratulations!
Bradley Jon’ Heredia
2009 Graduate
Valley Center High School

L to R: Chairman-Bo Mazzetti, Julian Welmas, Bradley J. Heredia, John Charles Kolb III, Marlena Dusek, Dancy Panther Turner and Vice-Chairwoman-Stephanie Spencer.

Bradley
You should be very proud of your accomplishments. Receiving a High School diploma takes hard work and dedication. This past year you made a brave and hard decision and I am Thankful everyday that you stand tall. I encourage you to go out and accomplish all your dreams and make them reality. I believe in you son and I will always be proud of you.

Love, Mom

We’re all proud of you!
Mother: Marcie Alberta Bain (Karuk)
Step-Dad: Eric J. Mendoza (Luiseno)
Maternal Grandparents: John (Karuk) & Ruth Bain
Father/Step-mom: Brad & Luz Heredia
Paternal Grandparents: Mariano & Rita Heredia

L to R: Eric Mendoza; Step-dad (Luiseno), Marcie Bain; Mom (Karuk), Bradley J. Heredia (Karuk), Shaneal Villegas (Luiseno) and Grandpa Bud Mendoza (Luiseno)
Congratulations Shelby Ann Cook on your Graduation!

Shelby is graduated with a 3.2 G.P.A. from North Bend High School on June 5th, 2009. Shelb’s played 4 years of varsity softball for her high school as well as 4 years of volleyball. She was also a volunteer coach for softball, volleyball and basketball in her home town. The entire family is so proud of her for her family values, great personality and her future goals. In the fall Shelby will attend Southern Oregon Community College in Coos Bay, Oregon, where she will pursue a degree in Nursing and she also wants to become an Anesthesiologist.

“We love you Shelby and want you to be the best you can be. Anything you set your mind to you can achieve. So go out there and make us proud! Congratulations!”

-Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa and the rest of the family
Starla Rose Davis

Starla Rose Davis will graduate from Happy Camp High School on June 5, 2009. Starla is the daughter of Skip and Linda Davis of Happy Camp, the granddaughter of Hazel Gendron of Shasta Lake, CA and the late Arnold Davis, as well as Jo and Roy Brannon of Happy Camp and the late Pricilla “PJ” Ainsworth. Starla’s sisters Jessaca Lugo of Redding, CA and Jenny Holden of Shasta Lake, CA, as well as the entire family are extremely proud of her accomplishments.

Last fall, Starla attended the Imaging Model Development Modeling Agency in Medford Oregon, and in the fall of 2009 Starla will attend Marinello school of Cosmetology in Redding California.

Cheyanna Ohlrich

Karuk Tribal Member Cheyanna Ohlrich is a sophomore at the College of the Siskiyous in Weed, California. Chey graduated from North Bend High School, in Oregon, in the fall of 2008.

Cheyanna plays second base for the COS Eagles Softball team with a batting average of .400, 8 home runs and 48 RBI’s so far this year, has earned All-Northern California honors and was a first team All-Golden Valley Conference player. The Eagles softball team is ranked number 1 in the state and Cheyanna has earned All-American consideration. She has signed a Division I scholarship with the University of South Carolina and will be leaving her family and friends to start at USC in the fall of 2009.

On behalf of her family, we’d like to express to Cheyanna how proud we are of her accomplishments in education, sports and her life! Keep up the hard work and perseverance.

Colter Cook

We are proud to announce that Josephine Aubrey’s Great-grandson Colter Cook is graduating Magma Cum Laude with a G.P.A of 3.64 from Maria Carrillo High School in Sonoma County, California. Colter will be attending California State University Chico in the fall! Good job son!

Proud Parents: Andy & JuliLong, John & Diana Cook

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Colter Cook
Higher Education Grant Award &
Student Rent Voucher Program Information

Submitted by: Jennifer Goodwin, Education Program Coordinator

- Applications for both programs are available on the Karuk website and may be downloaded and printed
- Applications for either program can be requested by calling the Education Department at 1-800-50-KARUK extension 2034
- Both applications are due on or before Friday, July 31st 2009 at 5:00 p.m. for the 2009-2010 school-year
- No applications will be accepted after the posted deadline – NO EXCEPTIONS
- You must be a full-time student in order to qualify for either program
- Students are limited to a six-year maximum participation in the program(s)

Higher Education Grant Award Eligibility Requirements:
- Must be an enrolled Tribal member (no funding is available to Tribal descendants at this time)
- Must be pursuing an AA or BA degree (no funding is available to graduate students)
- You must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average
- You must remain in good standing with the educational institution you attend
- Students are not eligible for the Grant Award if they are in default with the Tribe for any loan
- You must reapply each school-year
- Only when funds exist will applications be accepted for spring enrollment

*Grant payments are sent directly to the school only after all of the following paperwork is completed: Completed & signed application, Financial Needs Analysis, a copy of your class schedule, grades from the previous semester/school-year (if you received funding from this program before) and your Karuk Tribal enrollment verification (copy of Tribal ID card or verification letter from the Karuk Enrollment Department).

Grant Award applications may be mailed to

Karuk Tribe Education Department
ATTN: Jennifer Goodwin
P.O. Box 1016
Happy Camp, CA  96039
Or e-mailed to:  jgoodwin@karuk.us

Student Rent Voucher Program Eligibility Requirements
- Must be a Karuk Tribal Member or a Karuk Tribe Housing Authority Resident
- Must be low-income (in accordance with Federal income guidelines)
- Must be continuing your education attending college/university or vocational school full-time (no funding is available to graduate students)
- Only one voucher will be awarded per household
- Students are not eligible if in default with the Tribe or with Housing
- You must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average
- Rent Voucher payments cannot be used to pay rent to parents or family members
- Rent Voucher payments cannot be used to pay rent to the Karuk Tribe Housing Authority

* Grades and class schedules must be submitted as required. Student Rent Voucher payments are paid directly to the landlord. Complete applications include: Completed & signed application, proof of income, lease agreement, class schedule, grades (if you received funding from this program before), statement of living situation (roommates, family setting, dormitory etc.) and Landlord name, address and phone number.

Student Rent Voucher applications may be mailed to:

Karuk Tribe Housing Authority
ATTN: Ashlee King
P.O. Box 1159
Happy Camp, CA  96039
Or e-mailed to:  aking@karuk.us

Both programs will provide assistance only when funds exist and shall not be obligated to continue when program funds are exhausted.

Julia and Grant Peterson

This photo, taken in February 2009, is Julia and Grant Peterson when Grant came back to base from a six-month deployment. He is stationed in Groton, CT on the submarine, USS Pittsburgh. Grant is the son of Dwayne and Babbie Peterson. Babbie is the Senior Center Supervisor for the Karuk Tribe.

Thank you for your service Grant!
WHERE DOES THE TIME GO?????

Jamie Orge, Accounts Payable Manager

Doesn’t it seem like time goes by faster the older you get? It’s already May 2009… where did 2007 and 2008 go? Am I in a time-warp?

I can remember being a kid and the day would never end. I couldn’t wait for school to get out so I could start my summer vacation! My birthday couldn’t come quicker and when will Christmas be here? I remember laying in the sun all day in a bikini, watching MTV until my parents couldn’t stand it anymore, looking through magazines to see what the latest fashion was, weight conscious, wondering how many calories were in a “pickle”. Or sitting next to the phone wondering who was going to call me next.

Well………… that has certainly changed! Time has passed so quickly, I didn’t even realize it. I’m now 40…. there is no such thing as a “summer vacation” and my pocket book could care less about Christmas. It just means that another year has passed and a new one is around the corner. The bikini days are OVER and I wear sunblock 50. I might have time for the 10:00 News updates regarding murders, robberies or foreclosures… how depressing is that? Fashion is totally out of the question…. I put my hair in a bun and call it good. The weight issue – if it comes with fries, I’ll take it! And last, if the phone rings…. leave a message.

……..if only we could go back in time……. being a kid was just so simple!

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Email: emmaleejohnson@karuk.us
Kelly Worcester, Teacher/Technician
Email: kworcester@karuk.us
530.493.5213

Orleans: Community Computer Center, Orleans
Bari Talley, Facilitator/Student Services Coordinator
Email: btalley@karuk.us
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Contract Health Services (CHS)  
(530) 493-1600 Ext. 2156, 2151, 2155  
*IHS Contract Health Services (CHS) is Not an Entitlement Program, and Not Everyone is Eligible!  
Know Your Status Before Obtaining Services.*

**CHS Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Must be an Indian or descendant of an Indian from a Federally-Recognized Tribe of California or descendant of an Indian of California.

2. Must be a permanent resident of Karuk Tribe’s Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).

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

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

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

**Referral:**

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

**IHS/CHS Authorization:**

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

**Alternate Resource:**

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

**Pregnant/Prenatal Care:**

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

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

Mission Statement

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